

log-normal distribution

A distribution function $F(y)$, in which the logarithm of a quantity is normally distributed, i.e. $F(y) = f_{\text{gauss}}(\ln y)$ where $f_{\text{gauss}}(x)$ is a Gaussian distribution. The size distributions of atmospheric aerosols are often described using this distribution function, although the term also applies to gaseous pollutants.

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