

NPL-SAMBA ITT potential projects

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Outline

- 1 Spectral analysis and GP
- 2 Source diagnostics
- 3 Data assimilation with engineering models
- 4 Summarising distributions

Fitting a model to data

- Standard data fitting model

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{a} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

- \mathbf{y} is an $m \times n$ data vector, \mathbf{a} parameters of the model
- \mathbf{C} is an $m \times n$ observation matrix, e.g. basis functions evaluated at \mathbf{x}
- $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ is an $m \times n$ vector of independent random effects associated with the measuring system
- Least squares model fit

$$\hat{\mathbf{a}} = (\mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{R}_1^{-1} \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{y}, \quad \mathbf{C} = \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{R}_1$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{C}\hat{\mathbf{a}} = \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{C})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{Q}_1 \mathbf{Q}_1^T \mathbf{y}$$

Effective number of degrees of freedom in a model

- If $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = H\mathbf{y}$, the sum of the eigenvalues of H is a measure of the number of degrees of freedom associated with the model.
- Least squares model fit

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = C(C^T C)^{-1} C^T = Q_1 Q_1^T \mathbf{y}$$

- $Q_1 Q_1^T$ is a projection with n eigenvalues equal to 1, all others 0.

Correlated systematic effects

- Extension of the standard model:

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{e} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \mathbf{e} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, V_0), \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 I)$$

Gauss Markov regression

- Combined variance matrix, Choleski decomposition

$$V = V_0 + \sigma^2 I = LL^T, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{y}} = L^{-1}\mathbf{y}, \quad \tilde{C} = L^{-1}C$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \tilde{C}\mathbf{a} + \tilde{\epsilon}, \quad \tilde{\epsilon} \in N(\mathbf{0}, I)$$

- Effective degrees of freedom: transformed problem

$$\hat{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} = \tilde{Q}_1 \tilde{Q}_1^T \tilde{\mathbf{y}}$$

- Effective degrees of freedom: original problem

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = L\hat{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} = L\tilde{Q}_1 \tilde{Q}_1^T L^{-1}\mathbf{y}$$

Explicit effects model

- Same extended model

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{e} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad \mathbf{e} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, V_0), \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 I)$$

- Introduce parameters to describe the systematic effects,

$$\mathbf{e} = L_0 \mathbf{d}, \quad V_0 = L_0 L_0^T$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C} & L_0 \\ & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\ \boldsymbol{\delta} \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 I), \quad \boldsymbol{\delta} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, I)$$

Augmented system

$\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \tilde{\mathbf{C}}\tilde{\mathbf{a}} + \tilde{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}$, where

$$\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}/\sigma \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\mathbf{C}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}/\sigma & \mathbf{L}_0/\sigma \\ & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\tilde{\mathbf{a}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{a} \\ \mathbf{d} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \\ \boldsymbol{\delta} \end{bmatrix} \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} \in \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$$

- Eigenvalues

$$\hat{\tilde{\mathbf{y}}} = \mathbf{P}\tilde{\mathbf{y}} = \begin{bmatrix} P_{11} & P_{12} \\ P_{21} & P_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}/\sigma \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = P_{11}\mathbf{y}$$

- $n \leq \sum_j \lambda_j(P_{11}), \sum_j \lambda_j(P_{22}) \leq m$

Gaussian Processes

- Same extended model

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{a} + \mathbf{e} + \epsilon, \quad \mathbf{e} \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, V_0), \quad \epsilon \in \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 I)$$

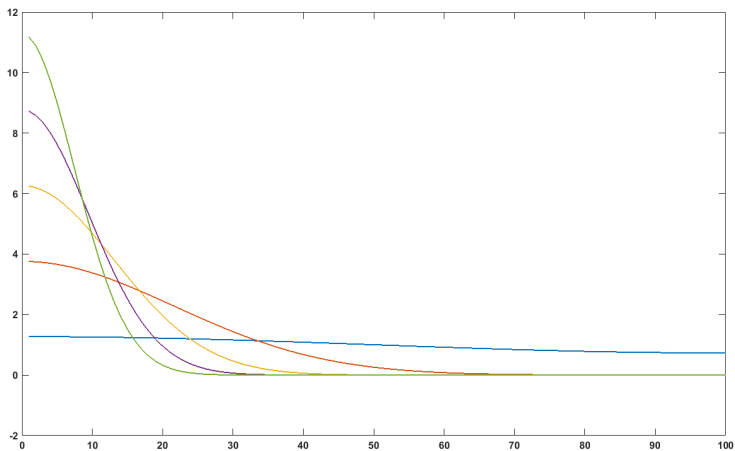
- $C_{ij} = b_j(t_i)$, $\text{cov}(\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{e}') = k(t, t')$, e.g.

$$k(t, t') = \sigma_E^2 \exp \{ -(t - t')^2 / \tau^2 \}$$

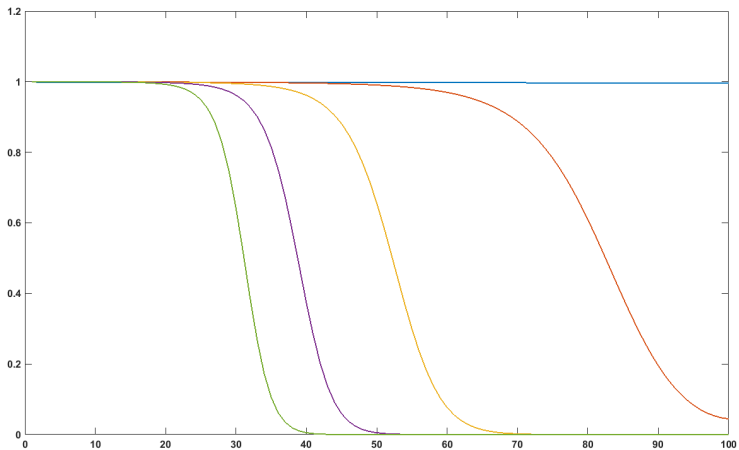
- Equally spaced t_i

$$V = \sigma_E^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 & v & v^4 & v^9 & v^{16} & \dots \\ v & 1 & v & v^4 & v^9 & \dots \\ v^4 & v & 1 & v & v^4 & \dots \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

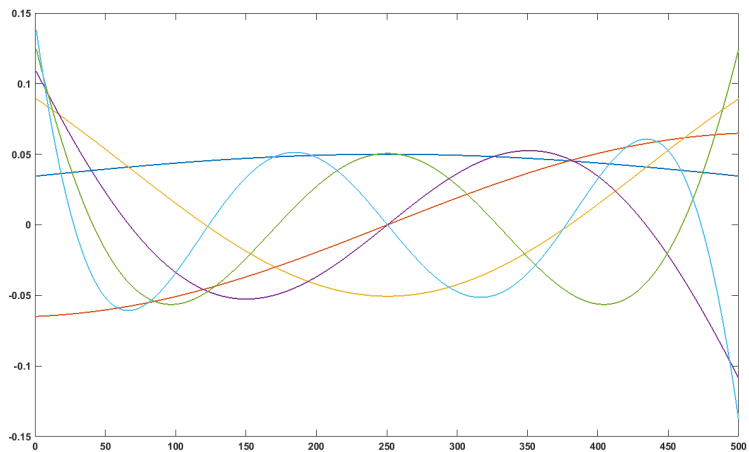
Eigenvalues of V for different τ



Eigenvalues of P_{11} for different τ



Eigenvectors of V



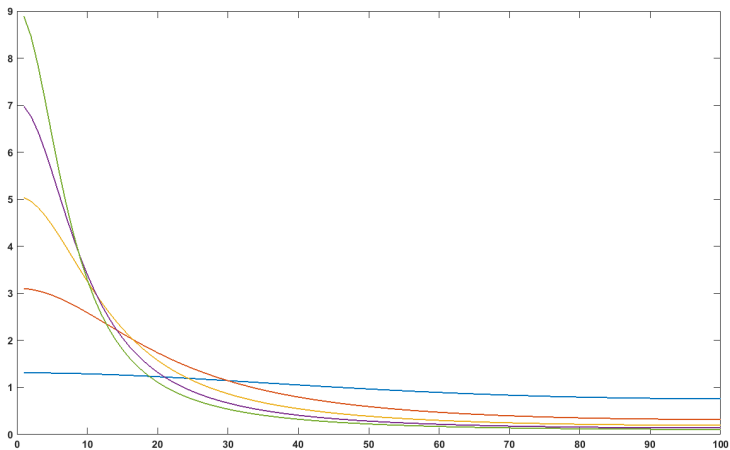
Eigenvectors as Chebyshev polynomials

0.0838	-0.0002	0.0549	0.0009	0.0400	0.0018
0.0001	0.0724	-0.0004	-0.0485	-0.0013	-0.0366
-0.0077	0.0001	0.0697	0.0007	0.0461	0.0017
-0.0000	-0.0078	0.0001	-0.0687	-0.0009	-0.0449
0.0003	-0.0000	-0.0079	-0.0001	0.0681	0.0011
0.0000	0.0004	-0.0000	0.0080	0.0002	-0.0677
-0.0000	0.0000	0.0004	0.0000	-0.0081	-0.0002
-0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000	-0.0005	-0.0000	0.0081
0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	-0.0000	0.0005	0.0000
0.0000	0.0000	-0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.0005

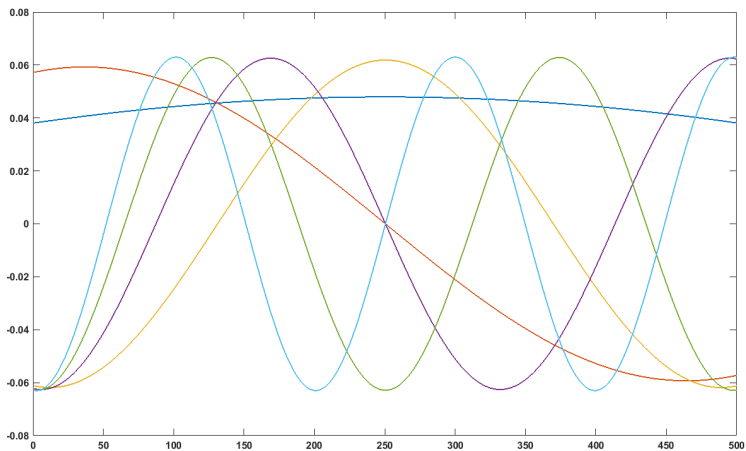
Chebyshev polynomials as eigenvectors

11.1174	0.0445	-8.8230	0.0275	-0.6102	0.0337
-0.0000	12.8329	0.1027	-9.1725	0.0586	-0.9364
1.1822	0.0047	12.3875	0.1628	-9.1967	0.0874
-0.0000	-1.4056	-0.0112	-12.5111	-0.2227	9.1655
0.0785	0.0003	1.4235	0.0180	12.6002	0.2820
-0.0000	-0.0869	-0.0007	-1.4731	-0.0250	-12.6561
0.0034	0.0000	0.0874	0.0011	1.5080	0.0320
0.0000	-0.0036	-0.0000	-0.0900	-0.0015	-1.5330
0.0001	0.0000	0.0036	0.0000	0.0920	0.0019
0.0000	-0.0001	-0.0000	-0.0037	-0.0001	-0.0935

Eigenvalues of V , $k(t, t') \propto \exp\{-|t - t'|/\tau\}$



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DIAL measurements and stack emissions

- DIAL: differential Absorption LIDAR
- Beams pointed at a plume emission
- Measures the cumulative absorption along the beam as a function of distance
- Absorption related to amount of pollutant along the beam
- Beam is stepped through a number of angles in a plane
- Goal: estimate the pollutant density of the plume

Air quality diagnostics

- Stacks at known locations
- Multi-species air quality sensors at known locations
- Prior profiles of species being emitted at different stacks
- Plume dispersion models
- Atmospheric chemistry models
- Met predictions: wind speed and direction
- Met data: wind speed and direction
- Goal: what is each stack is emitting as a function of time, alerts
- Goal: where to put air quality sensors (and which type) to provide best resolution
- Goal: determine air quality maps from the data and models
- Goal: find surrogate measurements, e.g., EO

Urban air quality diagnostics

- Prior profiles of emissions from different classes of vehicles, buildings
- Urban topography: maps, buildings, streets
- Environmental fluid dynamics
- Met data
- Traffic flow data: historical data, ANPR, speed cameras
- Multi-species air quality sensors at known locations
- Goal: determine posterior profiles of emission profiles
- Goal: predict air quality from traffic flow, met predictions

In-process measurement

- Workpiece ideal geometry at 20 degrees C specified, with tolerances
- Workpiece being manufactured: cutting, drilling, machining
- Measurements of the temperature at finite number of locations on the workpiece
- Measurements of the dimensions of a finite number of key features
- GOAL: use an FE model of artefact and the measurements to infer the workpiece shape at a stable 20 degrees
- Learn from an ensemble of workpieces
- Effective degrees of freedom associated with a FE model
- Minimise measurements required

Large engineering structures

- Aircraft wings, bridges
- FE model with many material parameters estimated
- Heterogeneous set of measurements: temperature, stress, strain, dimensions, tilt, accelerometers, windspeed
- Goal: use the FE model and data to improve estimates of the material parameters

Industry 4.0, digital twins

- Large scale models, simulations of factories
- Multiple streams of sensor data of actual behaviour
- Goal: assimilate data into models to improve predictability and decision-making

Guide to the Expression of Uncertainty in Measurement (GUM)

- Law of the propagation of uncertainty (1st and 2nd moments)

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{x}, \quad \boldsymbol{\mu}_Y = \mathbf{C}\boldsymbol{\mu}_X, \quad \mathbf{V}_Y = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{V}_X\mathbf{C}^T$$

- If $\mathbf{x} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_X, \mathbf{V}_X)$, then $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_Y, \mathbf{V}_Y)$
- $\mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \mathbf{V})$ is the maximum entropy distribution with mean $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and variance \mathbf{V}

Summarising a distribution, reconstructing an approximate distribution

- Given $p(x)$, calculate $S_k(p)$, $k = 1, \dots, K$
- Given S_k , construct $p_0(x)$ such that $S_k(p_0) = S_k$
- For what class of distributions is $p_0 = p$
- S_k low order moments: mean, variance, skewness, kurtosis, etc.,
- S_k quantiles: 2.5, 5, 10, 50, 90, 95, 97.5
- $p(x) \rightarrow \mu_X, V_X \rightarrow N(\mu_X, V_X)$

Maximum entropy distributions from moments

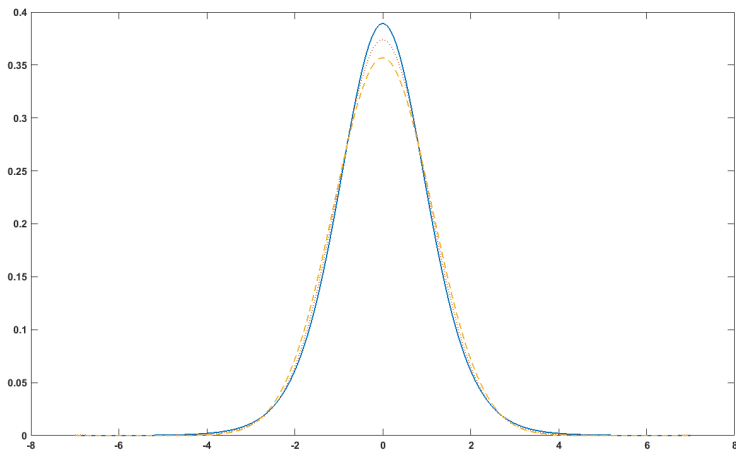
- Non-central moments

$$m_k = \int x^k p(x) dx, \quad k = 0, \dots, n$$

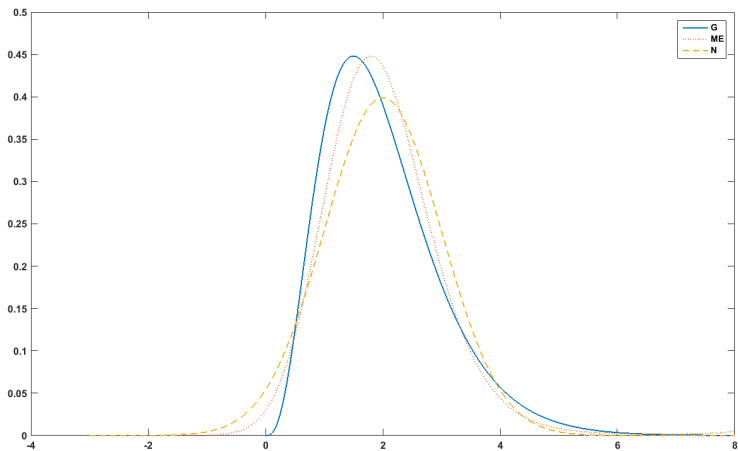
- Maximum entropy distribution satisfies

$$m_k = \int x^k \exp \left(\sum_{k=0}^n a_k x^k - 1 \right) dx$$

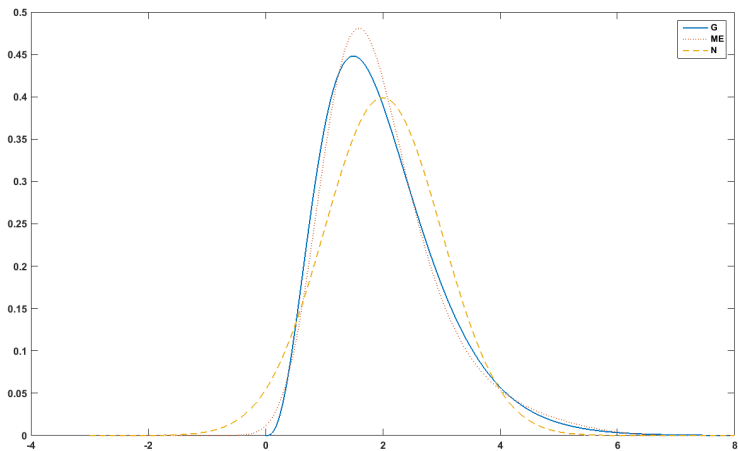
Reconstruction of a t -distribution



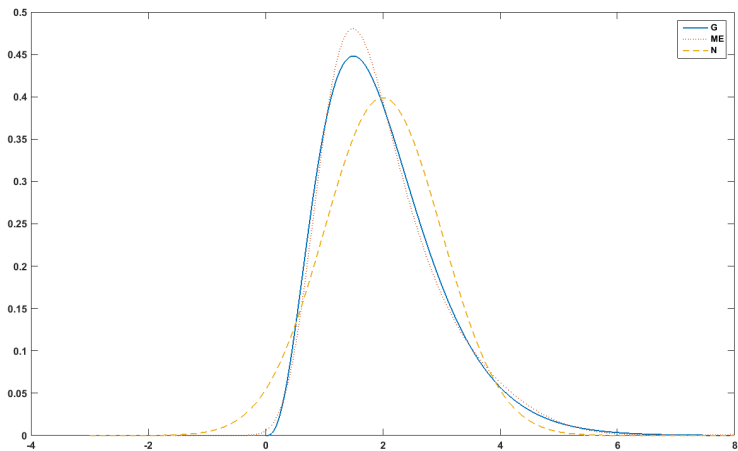
Reconstruction of a Gamma distribution, 3 moments



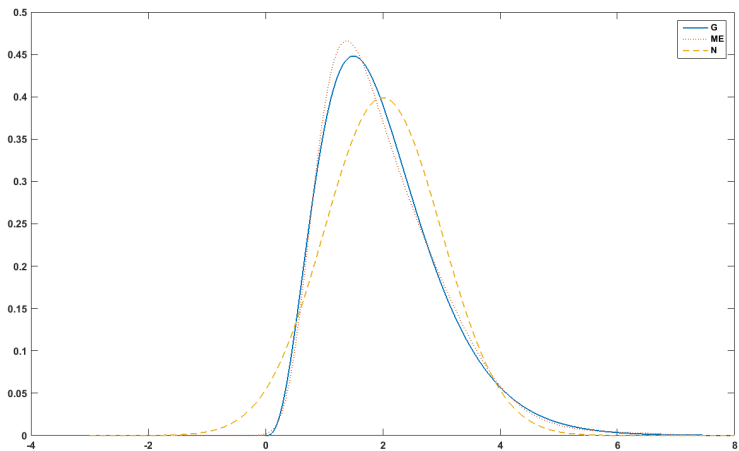
Reconstruction of a Gamma distribution, 4 moments



Reconstruction of a Gamma distribution, 5 moments



Reconstruction of a Gamma distribution, 6 moments



Maximum entropy distributions from quantile constraints

- Maximum entropy distribution given mean, variance and 2.5 and 97.5 quantiles
- Result is a discontinuous piecewise Gaussian

A more general problem

Given a space of probability P distributions with a prior on P , choose quantiles Q_k and reconstruction scheme R to minimise the expected value of

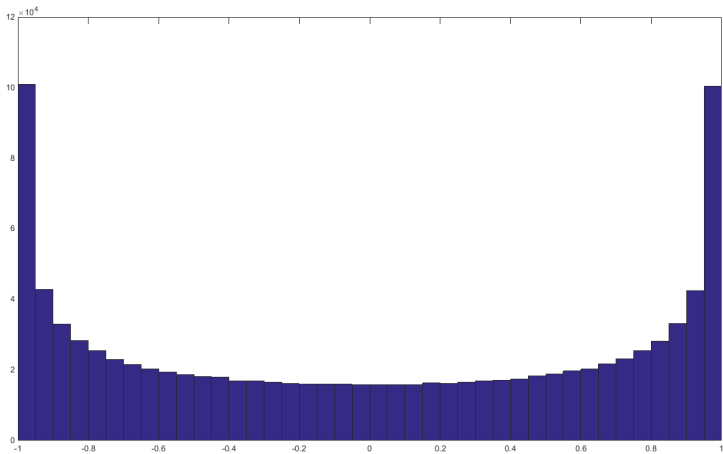
$$D(p||R(Q_k(p)))$$

(or some other measure).

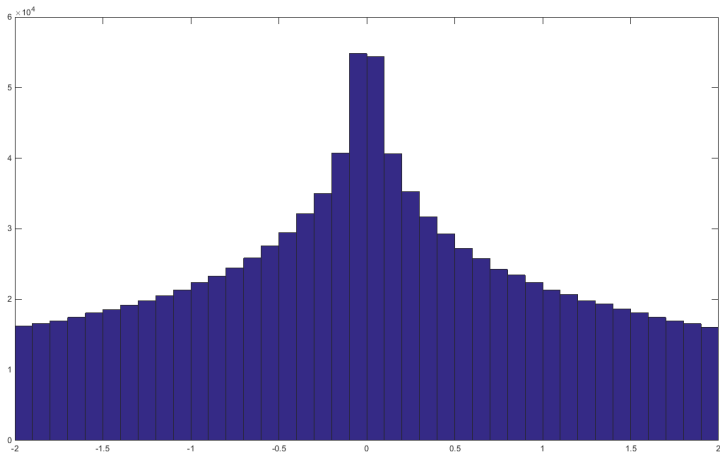
Chebyshev-type inequalities

- Suppose $y = \sum_1^n x_j$ where x_j has mean and variance μ_j, σ_j^2 , derive tight estimates of the quantiles associated with y .
- What can be said if we know more: higher moments, symmetry, unimodality

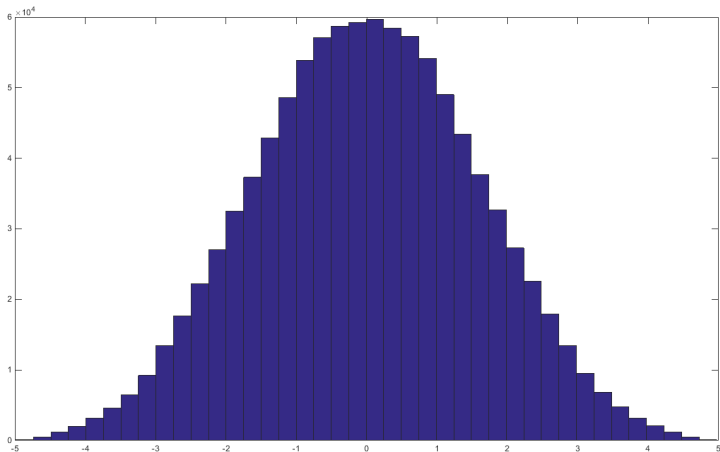
Arcsine distribution



Sum of 2 arcsine variates



Sum of 5 arcsine variates



Other statistical interests

- Approximate Bayesian computation
- Linear Bayes
- Imprecise probability
- Probabilistic numerics