

# I. Signals and Systems Survival Kit

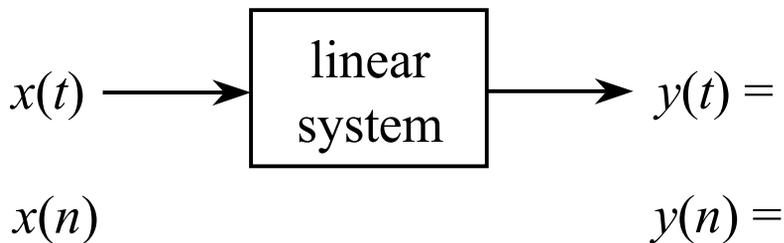
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# Signals and Systems

## Survival Kit

### I. Signals and Systems (deterministic review)

#### ❖ Linear system



#### ❖ Causal system

- Definition: a system is said to be causal if:

- Definition: a linear system is said to be causal if:

❖ Z-transform and Fourier transform

$$Z[x(n)] =$$

$$F_T[x(n)] =$$

- ❖ Applications to linear systems:

$$Z[y(n)] =$$

$$F_T[y(n)] =$$

- ❖ Why are Z-transform and Fourier transforms useful?

## II. Signals and Systems (random input review)

### ❖ *Basic probability concepts*

- Distribution function (CDF)
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- CDF Properties
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- Probability density function (pdf)  $f_x(x) =$ 
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❖ *(Cross) Correlation and covariance function definitions*

$$R_{xy}(\tau_1, \tau_2) =$$

$$R_{xy}(k, l) =$$

$$C_{xy}(\tau_1, \tau_2) =$$

$$C_{xy}(k, l) =$$

## ❖ *Statistical Characterization of Random Signals*

- Random signals are characterized by joint distribution (or density) of samples
- $F_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k, n_1, \dots, n_k)$   
 $= \Pr [x(n_1) \leq x_1, \dots, x(n_k) \leq x_k]$
- $F(\cdot)$  is highly complex to compute - difficult to obtain in practice

### ❖ Stationarity:

*Definition:* a RP is said to be stationary if any joint density or distribution function depends only on the spacing between samples, not where in the sequence the samples occur

Example:  $f_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N; n_1, \dots, n_N)$   
 $= f_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N; n_{1+k}, \dots, n_{N+k})$

for any value of  $k$

If  $x(n)$  is stationary for all orders  $N = 1, 2, \dots$

$x(n)$  is said to be strict-sense stationary.

Example: Stationary up to order 2  $\rightarrow$  wide-sense stationary.

❖ Wide-Sense Stationarity:

➤ *Definition*: a RS  $x(n)$  is called wide-sense stationary (WSS) if

(1) the mean is a constant independent of “ $n$ ”

(2) the autocorrelation depends only on the distance  $\ell = n_1 - n_2$  (i.e.,  $x(n)$  is a seq. of uncorrelated RVs)

Consequence: the variance is a constant independent of “ $n$ ”

## ❖ Wide-Sense Stationarity (con't):

➤ *Definition:*  $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$  are said to be w.s. jointly stationary if:

1)  $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$  are wss stationary

$$2) R_{xy} [n_1, n_0] = R_{xy} [n_1 - n_0]$$

➤ When  $x[n]$  and  $y[n]$  are w.s.j stationary:

$$R_{xy} [n_1, n_0] = R_{xy} [n_1 - n_0] =$$

$$C_{xy} [n_1, n_0] = C_{xy} [n_1 - n_0] =$$

➤ Properties:

$$R_{xy}(k) =$$

$$C_{xy}(k) =$$

## ❖ Example

Let  $x(n)$  be a real valued process of independent variables each with mean  $m$  and variance  $\sigma_x^2$ .

1) Compute:  $R_x(k,n)$  &  $C_x(k,n)$

2) Let  $y(n)$  be defined as:

$$y(n) = x(n) + x(n-1)$$

Compute:  $R_y(k,n)$  &  $C_y(k,n)$



## ❖ Signal (time) Average:

$$\langle x[n] \rangle =$$

## ❖ Ergodicity:

- in many applications only one realization of a RP is available
- in general, one single member doesn't provide information about the statistics of the process
- except when process is stationary + ergodic: statistical information can be derived from one realization of RP
- **Def:** a RP is called ergodic if:
  - all ensemble averages = all corresponding time averages
- Ergodicity in the mean:
  - Def:** a RP is said to be ergodic in the mean if:
- Ergodicity in correlation:
  - Def:** a RP is said to be ergodic in correlation if:

## ❖ Example: Independent, Identically Distributed (I.I.D.) Random Process (RP):

A Random Process is said to be:

. an *independent process* if:

$$f_x(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k; n_1, \dots, n_k) = f_1(x_1; n_1) \dots f_k(x_k; n_k)$$

. if all RVs have the same pdf  $f(x) \Rightarrow x(n)$  is called I.I.D.

*Note:* I.I.D. processes have no memory, where a future value would depend on past values

### • Mean of I.I.D. Process:

$$m_x(n) =$$

Autocovariance:

$$C_x(n_1, n_2) =$$

Autocorrelation:

$$R_x(n_1, n_2) =$$

## ❖ RP Example: White noise

*Definition:* A random sequence  $w(n)$  is called a white noise process with mean  $m_w$  and variance  $\sigma_w^2$  iff

$$E\{w(n)\} = m_w$$
$$R_w(k) = \sigma_w^2(k)$$

### Notes:

- 1) all frequencies contribute the same amount (as in the case of white light, therefore the name of “white noise”)
- 2) if the pdf of  $w(n)$  is Gaussian: it is called “white Gaussian noise”

## ❖ *Statistical moments*

- pdf information summarized by key aspects called statistical averages or moments

### (1) mean/average

- $E\{x\} = m_x =$  if  $x$  is discrete  
= if  $x$  is continuous
- important property of the mean  $\rightarrow$  linearity!

$$E\{\alpha x + \beta\} =$$

$$E\{g(x)\} =$$

### (3) moments

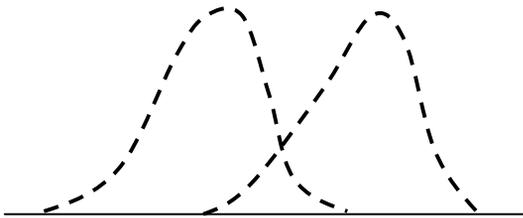
- $r_x^{(m)} = E\{x^m\} =$
- $\sigma_x^{(m)} = E\{|x - m_x|^m\} =$
- variance =  $\sigma_x^2$
- variance property:  $\sigma_x^2 = E\left[|x|^2\right] - (E[x])^2$   
– proof:

## ❖ *Useful Moments:*

### Skewness

measures degree of asymmetry of distribution around the mean

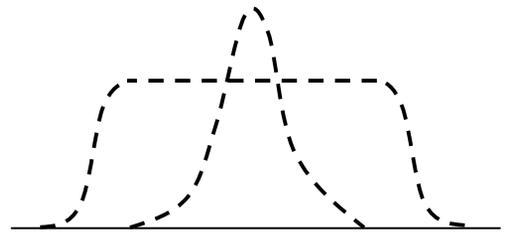
$$k_x^{(3)} = E \left\{ \left( \frac{x - m_x}{\sigma_x} \right)^3 \right\} =$$



### Kurtosis

measures relative flatness or peakedness of distribution about its mean

$$k_x^{(4)} = E \left\{ \left( \frac{x - m_x}{\sigma_x} \right)^4 \right\} - 3$$



Note:

↳  $k_x^{(4)} = 0$  for normal distribution

❖ *(Cross) Correlation and covariance function properties for wss processes*

$$R_{xy}(\tau) =$$

$$R_{xy}(k) =$$

$$C_{xy}(\tau) =$$

$$C_{xy}(k) =$$

❖ *Correlation and covariance functions main properties (for wss processes)*

## ❖ *How to compute correlation estimates*

Assume  $\begin{cases} x(t) \text{ known } t = 0 \rightarrow t = T_0 \\ x(t) \text{ ergodic (why?)} \end{cases}$

- For discrete data:  $\underline{x} = [x(0), \dots, x(N)]^T$

$$\hat{R}_x(k\Delta t) =$$

- Quality of estimate?  $\rightarrow$  find mean and variance of  $\hat{R}_x(k\Delta t) =$

$$(1) E[\hat{R}_x(k)] =$$

$$(2) \text{ Var} \left[ \hat{R}_x(k) \right] \cong \frac{N}{[N-k]^2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ R_x^2(i) + R_x(i+k)R_x(i-k) \right]$$

when  $N \gg k$

## *Alternate Estimator: Biased Estimator*

$$\tilde{R}_x(k\Delta t) =$$

*Quality of estimate:*

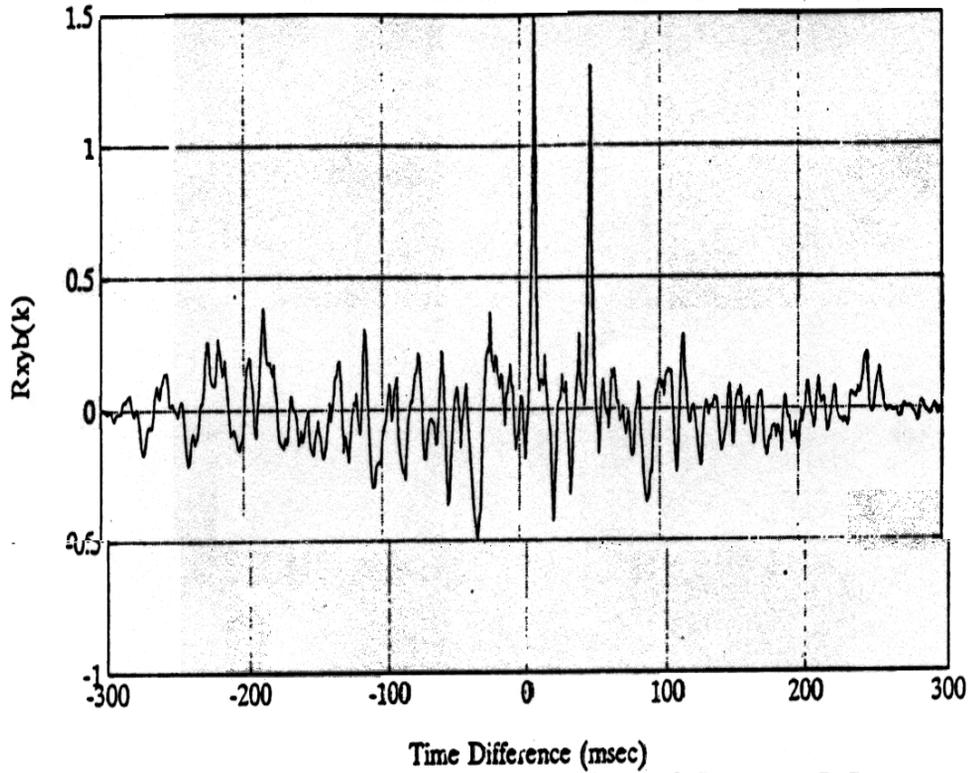
$$(1) \quad E[\tilde{R}_x(k\Delta T)] =$$

$$(2) \quad \text{Var}[\tilde{R}_x(k\Delta T)] \cong \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} [R_x^2(i) + R_x(i+k)R_x(i-k)]$$
$$k > 0$$

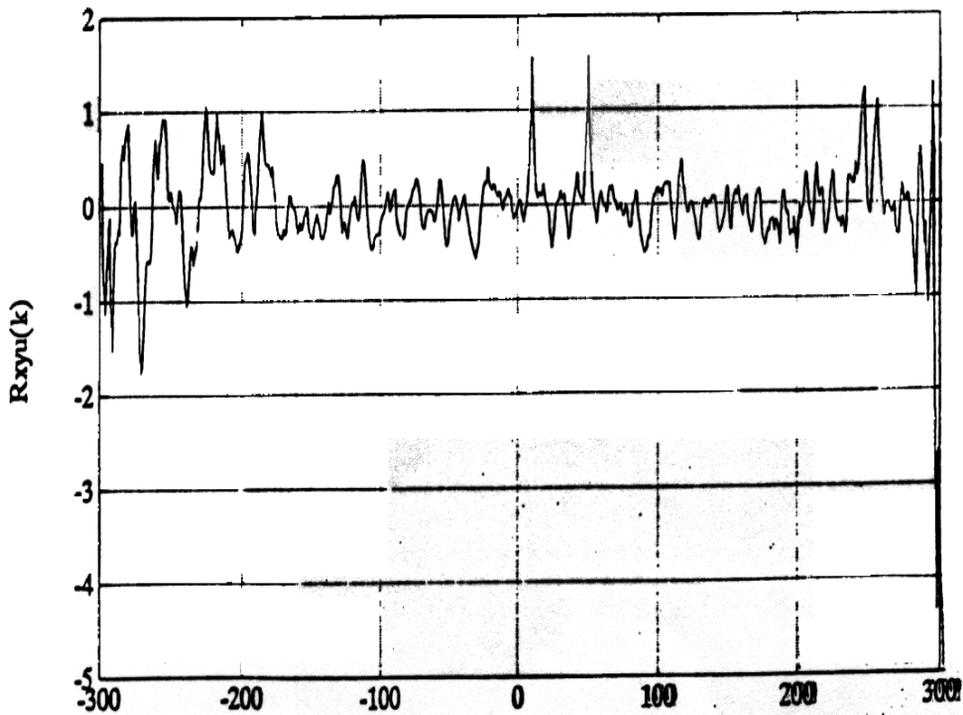
## *Biased/Unbiased estimator Summary*

Biased Estimator	Unbiased Estimator
$\tilde{R}_x(k\Delta T) = \frac{1}{N+1} \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} x(i)x(i+k)$	$\hat{R}_x(k\Delta T) = \frac{1}{N+1-k} \sum_{i=0}^{N-k} x(i)x(i+k)$
$E[\tilde{R}_x(k\Delta T)] = \frac{N-k+1}{N+1} R_x(k)$	$E[\hat{R}_x(k\Delta T)] = R_x(k)$
$\text{Var}[\tilde{R}_x(k\Delta T)] = \frac{1}{N+1} \mathcal{L}(R_x)$	$\text{Var}[\hat{R}_x(k\Delta T)] = \frac{N}{[N-k]^2} \mathcal{L}(R_x)$
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when $k \rightarrow N$	
$\text{Var}[\tilde{R}_x(k)] \rightarrow K < \infty$	$\text{Var}[\hat{R}_x(k\Delta T)] \nearrow +\infty$
$E[\tilde{R}_x(k)] = \frac{1}{N+1} R_x(k)$	$E[\hat{R}_x(k)] \rightarrow R_x(k)$
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when $N \rightarrow +\infty$	
$\text{Var}[\tilde{R}_x(k)] \searrow$	
$\text{bias of } E[\tilde{R}_x(k)] \searrow$	

### Biased Cross-Correlation of datx and daty



### Unbiased Cross-Correlation of datx and daty

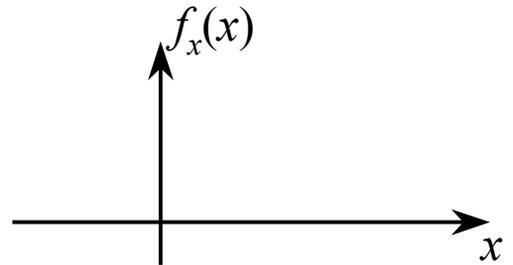


### III. Basic Density Functions and Related Properties

❖ *Gaussian density*  $x \sim N(m_x, \sigma_x^2)$

- Real random variable

$$f_x(x) =$$



- Complex random variable

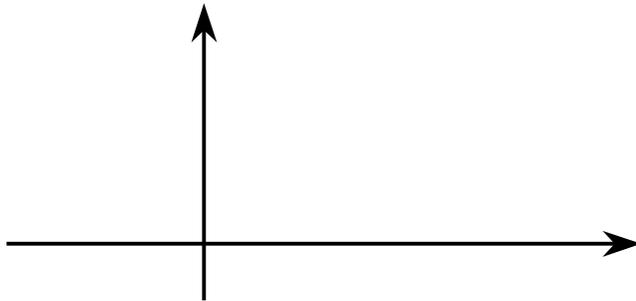
$$f_x(x) =$$

- Gaussian density property



❖ *How to compute  $P(X > a)$  when  $X$  is Gaussian*

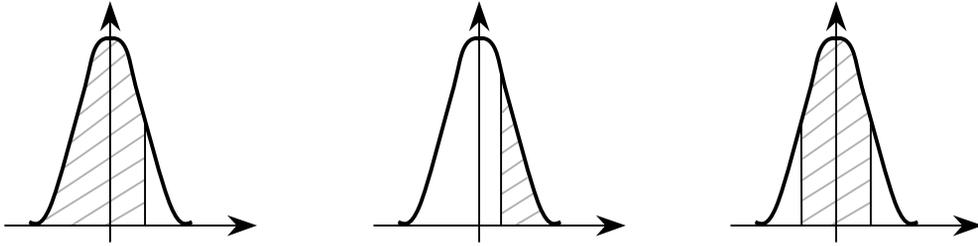
- $P(X > a) =$



- Q-function

- $Q(y) =$

— How to apply the Q-function ?



## Example:

The voltage  $X$  at the output of a noise generator is assumed to be  $N(0, 1)$

Find  $P(X > 2)$

$P(1 \leq X \leq 3)$

## ❖ *Central Limit Theorem (CLT):*

Describes the limiting behavior of the distribution function of a normalized sum of I.I.D. variables

Define:

$$Z_n = \frac{S_n - nm}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}$$

$$\text{where } s_n = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i; m = E[x_i]; \sigma^2 = \text{var}[x_i]$$

As  $n$  gets large,  $z_n \sim N(0, 1)$

As  $n$  gets large,  $s_n \sim N(nm, n\sigma^2)$

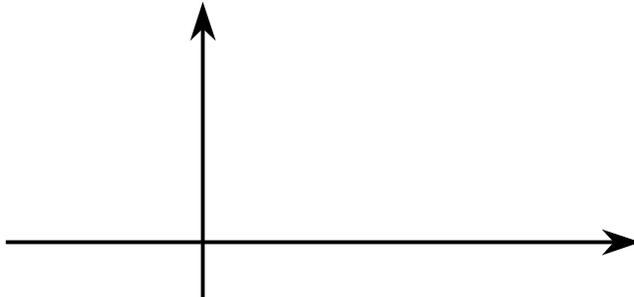
## Example: Application of the CLT

Suppose orders at a restaurant are IID with a mean price  $m=\$8.00$  and standard deviation  $\sigma=\$2.00$ .

Estimate the probability that the first 100 customers spend a total of more than \$840.00

## ❖ *Rayleigh density*

- $f_x(x) =$



- $E[x] =$

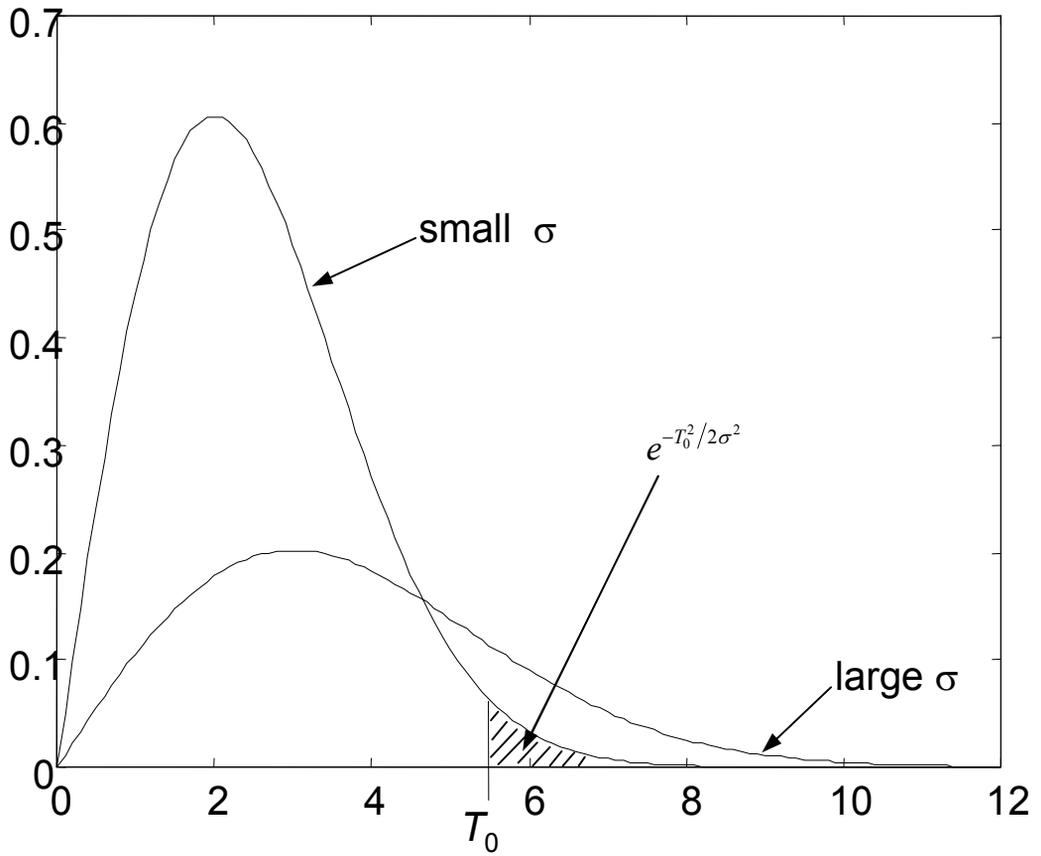
- $\sigma_x^2 =$

- Applications: Rayleigh densities are found in communication applications when dealing with envelopes, etc...

**Ex:**  $x \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$   $x, y$  independent

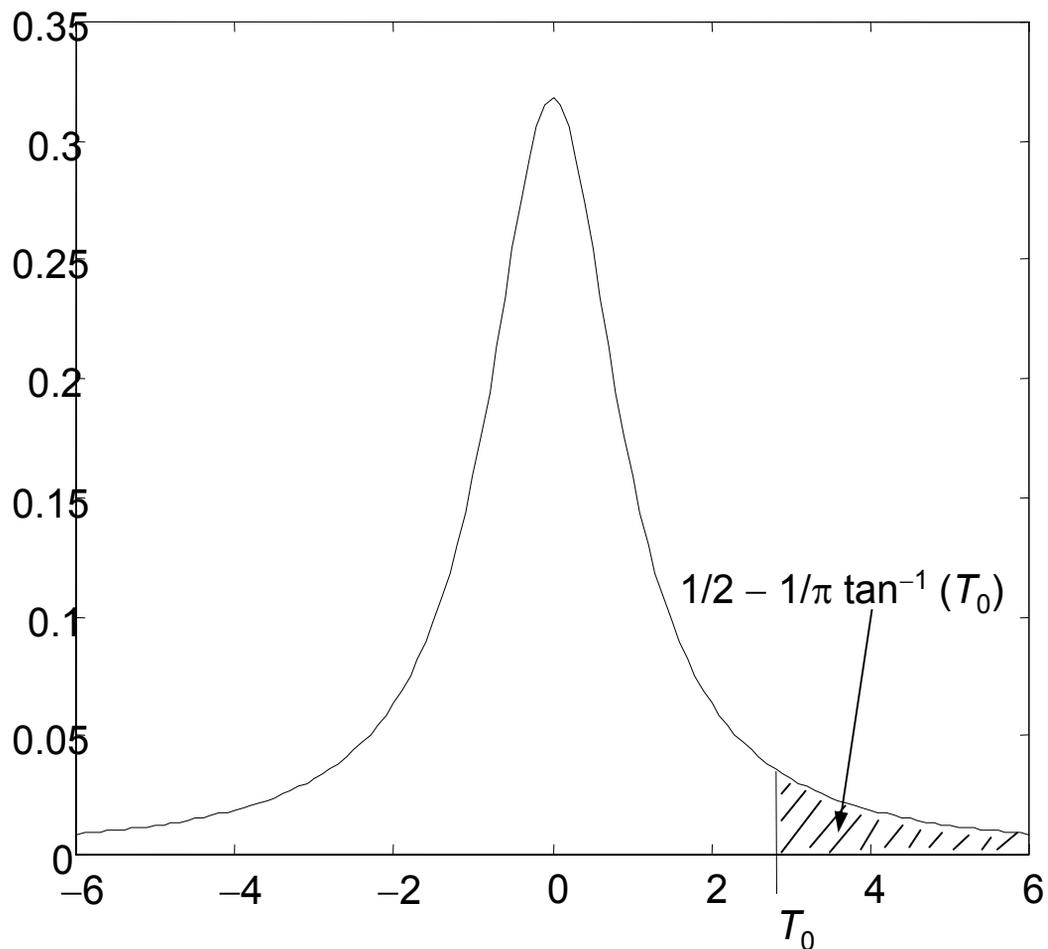
$$y \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$f_{xy}(x, y) =$$



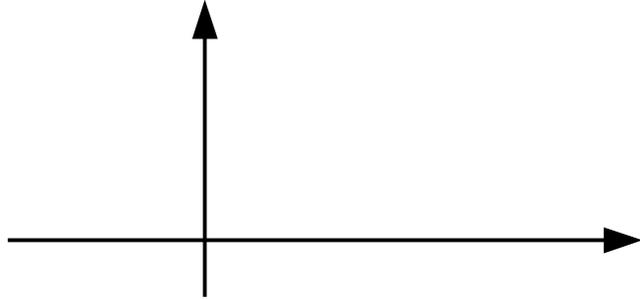
## ❖ *Cauchy density*

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}$$



## ❖ *Uniform density*

- $f_x(x) =$



- $E[x] =$

- $\sigma_x^2 =$

## ❖ *Chi-squared density* ( $\chi_N^2$ )

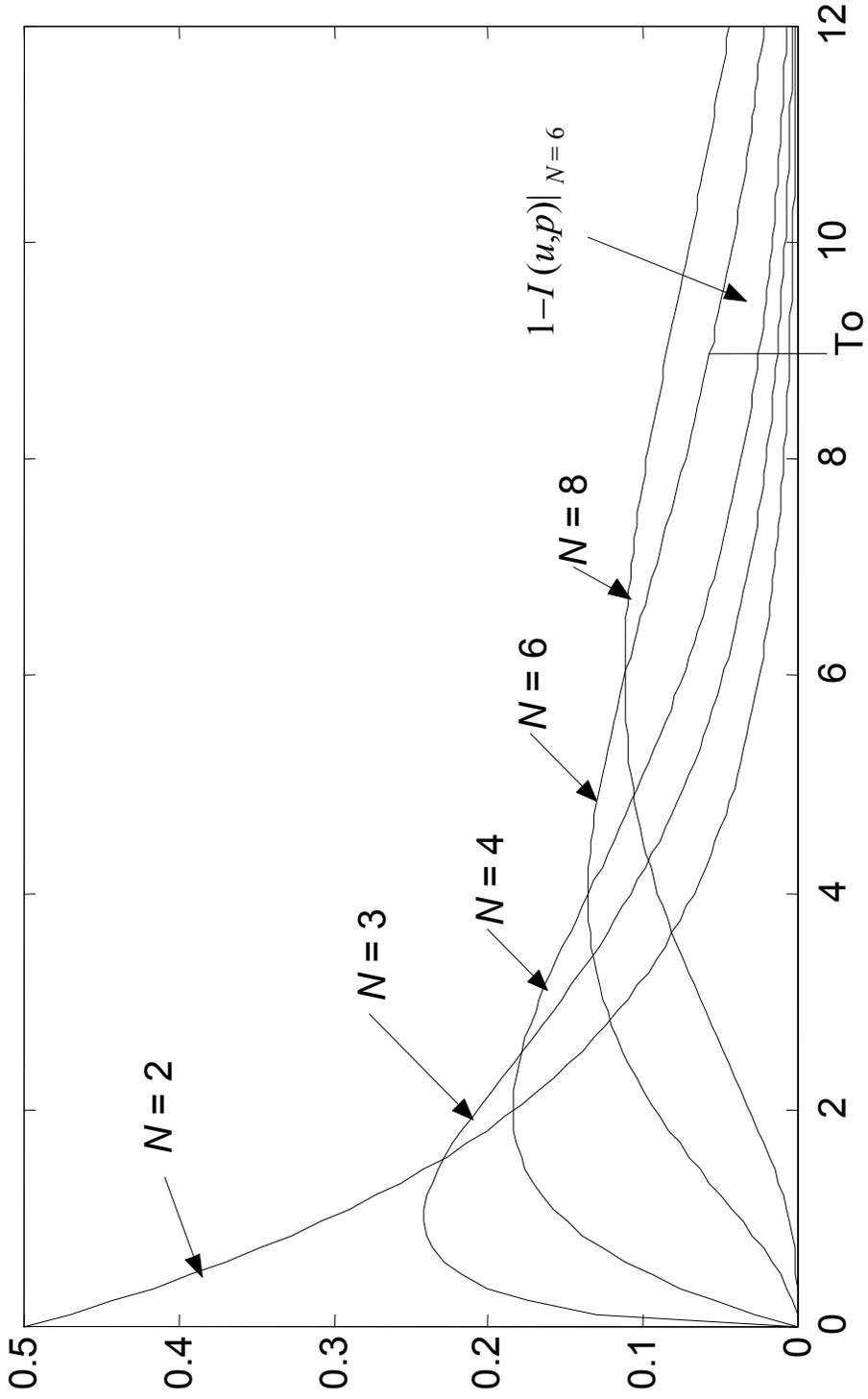
$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2^{(N/2)} \Gamma(N/2) \sigma^N} x^{(N/2)-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} x\right); & x > 0 \\ 0; & x < 0 \end{cases}$$

$N$  = number of degrees of freedom ( $N \geq 1$ )

$\Gamma(a)$  = Gamma function defined as:

$$\Gamma(a) = \int_0^{\infty} t^{a-1} \exp(-t) dt$$

- Pdf found when  $x = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2$   $x_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$



- Application:

– Special case  $N = 2, \sigma^2 = 1$

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}x\right); & n > 0 \\ 0; & n < 0 \end{cases} \quad (\text{exponential pdf})$$

## ❖ *Non-central $\chi^2$ density*

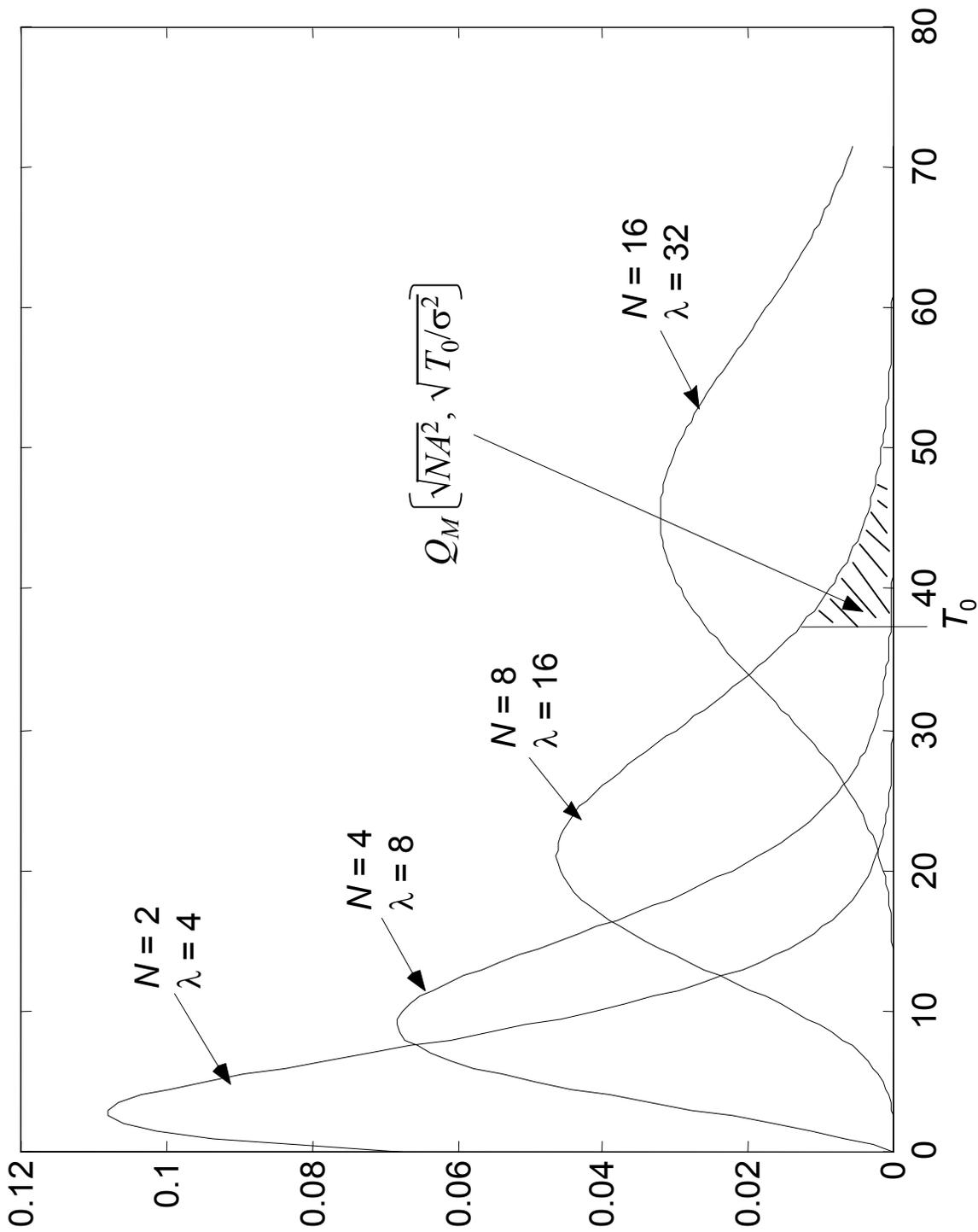
- Generalization of  $\chi_N^2$  density
- Found for

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^N x_i^2; \quad x_i \sim N(A, \sigma^2) \quad \text{iid}$$

- Complete description:

$$f_x(x) = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)^{(N-2)/4} \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda+x}{2\sigma^2}\right) I_{((N/2)-1)}\left[\frac{(x\lambda)^{1/2}}{\sigma^2}\right] U(x);$$

$\lambda = A^2 N$       <---- Non centrality parameter



## ❖ *Monte Carlo performance evaluation*

- Computer evaluation of a probability
- Useful in cases where one cannot determine analytically or numerically expression of the form

$$P \{x > K\}$$

- Can be found in detection problems where we may wish to evaluate probability that a given statistic exceeds a threshold

### **Example:**

- Assume we have a data set

$$\{x(0), \dots, x(N-1)\}; \quad x(n) \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \quad \text{iid}$$

- Assume we want to evaluate:

$$P \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n) > K \right\}$$

### (1) Analytical derivation



(1) Monte Carlo derivation

(a) Generate data using

(b) Compute 
$$T = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} x(n)$$

(c) Repeat (b)  $M$  times to yield  $M$  realizations of  $T$

$$\{T_1, T_2, \dots, T_M\}$$

(d) Probability evaluation:

1. Count the number of  $T_i$ 's that exceed  $K$ :  $M_k$

2. Estimate 
$$P\{T > K\} = \frac{M_k}{M}$$

• How to pick  $M$ ?

if a relative error

$$\varepsilon = \frac{|\text{true probability} - \text{estimated probability}|}{\text{true probability}}$$

is desired 100  $(1 - \alpha)$  % of the time

we need: 
$$M \geq \frac{\left[ Q^{-1}(\alpha/2) \right]^2 (1-P)}{\varepsilon^2 P}$$

where  $P$  = probability being estimated

**Example:** Determine  $P \{T > 1\}$  with a relative error  
 $\varepsilon = 0.01\%$  for 95% of the time