

# Project #6 - Continuous Sampling

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## I. GENERATE NORMAL RANDOM VARIABLES

### I. Importance of Normal Distribution

It has one of the important properties called central theorem. Central theorem means relationship between shape of population distribution and shape of sampling distribution of mean. This means that sampling distribution of mean approaches normal as sample size increase. In case the sample size is large the normal distribution serves as good approximation. Due to its mathematical properties it is more popular and easy to calculate. It is used in statistical quality control in setting up of control limits. The whole theory of sample tests t, f and chi-square test is based on the normal distribution.

### II. Box Muller method

#### II.1 Mathematical principle

##### Basic Form

Suppose  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  are independent random variables that are uniformly distributed in the interval  $(0, 1)$ . Let  
 $Z_0 = R \cos(\Theta) = \sqrt{-2 \ln U_1} \cos(2\pi U_2)$   
 and

$$Z_1 = R \sin(\Theta) = \sqrt{-2 \ln U_1} \sin(2\pi U_2).$$

Then  $Z_0$  and  $Z_1$  are independent random variables with a standard normal distribution.

Partial Proof:

$$R^2 = -2 \cdot \ln U_1$$

and

$$\because \mathbb{P}(R^2 \leq x) = \mathbb{P}(-2 \ln U_1 \leq x)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(\ln U_1 \geq -\frac{x}{2})$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(U_1 \geq e^{-\frac{x}{2}})$$

$$= 1 - e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$$

therefore

$$\text{pdf for } R^2 \text{ is } \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{x}{2}}$$

$R^2$  is the square of the norm of the standard bivariate normal variable  $(X, Y)$ , it has the chi-squared distribution with two degrees of freedom ( $R^2 \sim \chi_2^2$ ), which also coincides with the exponential distribution.

##### Rescale and Shift

To derive normal distribution  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

from  $N \sim N(0, 1)$ , we let  $X = \sigma N + \mu$

Proof:

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P}(x \leq N \leq x + \delta)$$

$$= \delta \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

$$\text{and } X = \sigma N + \mu$$

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P}(x \leq X \leq x + \delta)$$

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P}(x \leq \sigma N + \mu \leq x + \delta)$$

\*github link: <https://github.com/IAMLYCHEE/EE511-PROJ6>

$$= \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma} \leq N \leq \frac{x+\delta-\mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

$$= \delta \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

therefore:  $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

## II.2 Implementation

```

1 function [x,y,telapsed] =
    generateRandNBoxMuller(m1,v1,m2,v2,
        sampleAmount)
2 %generate two random variables using Box-
    Muller method
3 %input:
4 %m1,m2: the expectation of the desired
    output normal distribution
5 %w1,v2: the variance of the desired output
    normal distribution
6 %sampleAmount: the amount of samples to
    generate
7
8 tstart = tic;
9 u1 = rand(sampleAmount,1);
10 u2 = rand(sampleAmount,1);
11
12 % Generate X and Y that are N(0,1) random
    variables and independent
13 X = sqrt(-2*log(u1)).*cos(2*pi*u2);
14 Y = sqrt(-2*log(u1)).*sin(2*pi*u2);
15
16 % fit them to a random variable
17 x = sqrt(v1)*X + m1; % x~ N(m1,v1)
18 y = sqrt(v2)*Y + m2; % y~ N(m2,v2)
19
20 telapsed = toc(tstart);
    
```

```

6 histogram(A,35,'BinLimits',[ -15,15],
    'Normalization','probability');
7 hold on
8 t = -15 : 0.03 : 15;
9 theoPdf = theoreticalPdfNormal(3,13,t);
10 plot(t,theoPdf);
11 xlabel('value')
12 ylabel('probability')
13 title('Box Muller method (1000 sample)')
14 legend('Box Muller','Theoretical')
15 sampleMean = mean(A);
16 sampleVariance = var(A);
    
```

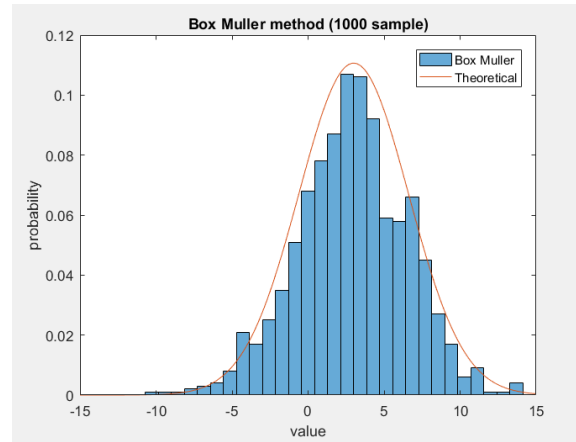


Figure 1: Box Muller method 1000 sample

data:

covariance	[3.9762,-0.1383;-0.1383,8.9596]
sampleMean	3.0316
sampleVariance	12.6593

Figure 2: data

## II.3 Result

run the following script for simulation

```

1 %Box Muller sample method
2 [x,y,telapsed]=generateRandNBoxMuller
    (1,4,2,9,1000);
3 A = x + y;
4 covariance = cov(x,y);
5 figure
    
```

from the data: we can observe the mean of the sample is 3.0316 and the variance is 12.6593. Moreover, from the covariance matrix, we can observe the X and Y's property. X has the variance of 3.9762 and Y has the variance of 8.9596, their covariance is -0.1383(near 0). Therefore, independent normal distribution  $N(1,4)$  and  $N(2,9)$  are sampled.

### III. Polar Marsaglia Method

#### III.1 Mathematical Principle

##### Basic Form

Given  $u$  and  $v$ , independent and uniformly distributed in the closed interval  $[-1, +1]$ , set  $s = R^2 = u^2 + v^2$ . (Clearly  $R = \sqrt{s}$ ) If  $s = 0$  or  $s \geq 1$ , discard  $u$  and  $v$ , and try another pair  $(u, v)$ . Because  $u$  and  $v$  are uniformly distributed and because only points within the unit circle have been admitted, the values of  $s$  will be uniformly distributed in the open interval  $(0, 1)$ , too. The latter can be seen by calculating the cumulative distribution function for  $s$  in the interval  $(0, 1)$ . This is the area of a circle with radius  $\sqrt{s}$ , divided by  $\pi$ . From this we find the probability density function to have the constant value 1 on the interval  $(0, 1)$ . Equally so, the angle  $\hat{\phi}$  divided by  $2\pi$  is uniformly distributed in the interval  $[0, 1)$  and independent of  $s$ .

#### III.2 Implementation

```

1 function [x,y,telapsed]=
    generateRandnMarsaPolar(m1,v1,m2,v2,
        sampleAmount)
2 %generate two random variables using
    Marsaglia's polar method
3 %input:
4 %m1,m2: the expectation of the desired
    output normal distribution
5 %v1,v2: the variance of the desired output
    normal distribution
6 %sampleAmount: the amount of samples to
    generate
7 tstart = tic;
8 i = 0; % the random number generated by
    the algorithm
9 % Generate X and Y that are N(0,1) random
    variables and independent
10 while (i <= sampleAmount)

```

```

11     u1 = 2*rand()-1;
12     u2 = 2*rand()-1;
13     s = u1^2 + u2^2;
14     if (s < 1)
15         i = i + 1;
16         X(i) = sqrt(-2*log(s)/s)*u1;
17         Y(i) = sqrt(-2*log(s)/s)*u2;
18     end
19 end
20 % Scale them to a particular mean and
    variance
21 x = sqrt(v1)*X + m1; % x~ N(M1,V1)
22 y = sqrt(v2)*Y + m2; % y~ N(M2,V2)
23 telapsed = toc(tstart);

```

#### III.3 Result

run the following script to get 1000000 samples using Polar Marsaglia Method and compare the computational time required to generate 1000000 pairs of independent samples.

```

1 %Polar Marsaglia method
2 clear
3 [x,y,telapsed1]=generateRandnMarsaPolar
    (0,1,0,1,1000000);
4 sampleMeanX = mean(x);
5 sampleMeanY = mean(y);
6 sampleVarianceX = var(x);
7 sampleVarianceY = var(y);
8 covariance = cov(x,y);
9 [x2,y2,telapsed2] = generateRandNBoxMuller
    (0,1,0,1,1000000);

```

#### Data

Name ^	Value
covariance	[1.0011,-4.4539e-04;-4.4539e-04,0.9983]
sampleMeanX	-3.2346e-05
sampleMeanY	-0.0012
sampleVarianceX	1.0011
sampleVarianceY	0.9983
telapsed1	0.3378
telapsed2	0.0688

Figure 3: Data for 1000000 samples,Polar Marsaglia method

From the data, we can see X with a mean: -3.2346e-05 and Y with a mean: -0.0012, and X has variance of 1.0011, Y has variance of 0.9983. Therefore, X,Y fit normal distribution well. Moreover, they have the covariance of -4.4539e-04, that means they are very little correlated.

The time used with Box-Muller Method is 0.0688 while with Marsaglia Method is 0.3378. Box-Muller is more efficient because there is a selection process in Ploar Marsaglia method.

## II. GENERATE GAMMA RANDOM VARIABLES

### I. Accept-Reject Sampling

**(a):** Understanding the accept-reject method.

The rejection sampling method generates sampling values from a target X with arbitrary probability density function  $f(x)$  by using a proposal distribution Y with probability density  $g(x)$ . The idea is that one can generate a sample value from X by instead sampling from Y and accepting the sample from Y with probability  $f(x)/(Mg(x))$ , repeating the draws from Y until a value is accepted.

**(b):** First, we derive the constant M, M need to be make sure that  $Mg(x) > f(x)$  should be true for every x, therefore, we take the max of  $(f(x)/g(x))$  to determine the M. Then we using the accept-reject method to derive  $f(x)$ .

Algorithm:

- \*1. Set random variable S which has distribution  $g(x)$
- \*2. Compute the constant M
- \*3. Generate a sample s from S, generate a number u from std U[0,1]

\*4. if  $u < p(s)/Mg(s)$ , accept and record s, else reject.

\*5. Repeat 3,4 for trail\_budget times.

### II. Implementation

The exponential distribution with parameter 0.1 is used as my  $g(x)$ , because it is easy to use inverse samoling method to generate a sample from exponential distribution.

#### Sample from exponential distribution

```

1 function sample = generateExpDis(lambda)
2 %generateExpDis(lambda)
3 %generate a sample given exponential
  distribution
4 %input parameter: lambda
5 %using inverse transform sampling
6 p = rand(1,1)- 1.00e-10;
7 sample = log( 1- p) / (-lambda);

```

#### generating Gamma(5.5,1) accept-reject method

```

1 M = 2;
2 amount = 0;
3 trial = 0;
4 while amount < 1000
5     %generate a sample from EXP(0.1)
6     y = generateExpDis(0.1);
7     if rand(1) < exp5_5(y)/(M*0.1 * exp
      (-0.1 * y))
8         amount = amount + 1;
9         sample(amount) = y;
10    end
11    trial = trial + 1;
12 end
13 efficiency = 1000/trial;
14 histogram(sample',35,'BinLimits',[0,40], '
  Normalization','probability');
15 hold on
16 t = 0: 0.1: 40;
17 plot(t,exp5_5(t))
18 xlabel('x')

```

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19 ylabel('probability')
20 legend('accept-reject','theoretical')
21 title('Gamma(5.5,1)')
    
```

### III. Result

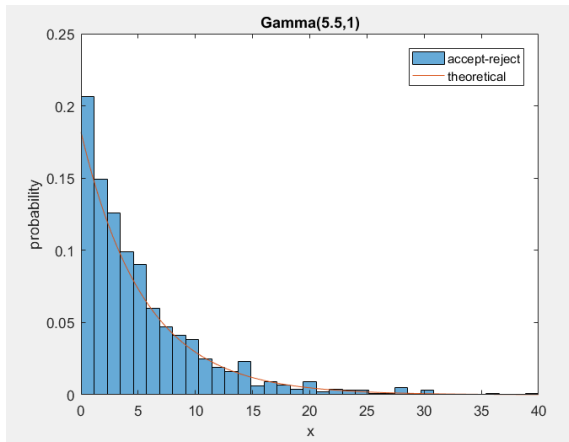


Figure 4:  $\text{Gamma}(5.5,1)$

amount	1000
efficiency	0.4864
M	2
sample	1x1000 double
t	1x401 double
trial	2056
y	2.3385

Figure 5: data

From the figure we can see the total trial is 2056, which means to generate 1000 samples we took 2056 trials, therefore, the acceptance rate is nearly every M sampling we get one sample.

## III. ALPHA-STABLE PDFS

### I. Mathematic Principle

A random variable  $X$  is called stable if its characteristic function can be written as

$$\varphi(\omega; \alpha, \beta, c, \mu) = \exp(i\omega\mu - |c\omega|^\alpha (1 - i\beta \operatorname{sgn}(\omega)\Phi))$$

$$\Phi = \begin{cases} \tan\left(\frac{\pi\alpha}{2}\right) & \alpha \neq 1 \\ -\frac{2}{\pi} \log|\omega| & \alpha = 1 \end{cases}$$

$\mu \in \mathbb{R}$  is a shift parameter,  $\beta \in [-1, 1]$ , called the skewness parameter, is a measure of asymmetry. Notice that in this context the usual skewness is not well defined, as for  $\alpha < 2$  the distribution does not admit 2nd or higher moments, and the usual skewness definition is the 3rd central moment.

### II. Implementation

the codes are derived from github [github link](https://github.com/markvellette/stbl):  
<https://github.com/markvellette/stbl>  
 Because it is a reference not the code written by myself, I just put it in the appendix.

### III. Result

the following function is designed for one experiment

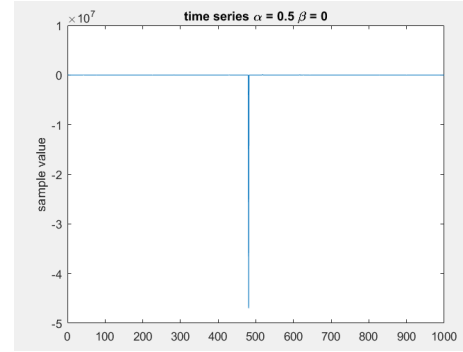
```

1 function experiment(alpha, beta,
   sampleAmount)
2 X = stblrnd(alpha, beta, 1, 0, sampleAmount, 1)
   ;
3 histogram(X, 'BinLimits', [-20, 20], '
   Normalization', 'probability');
4 t = -20:0.2:20;
5 hold on
6 y = stblpdf(t, alpha, beta, 1, 0);
7 plot(t, y)
8 title(strcat('\alpha =', num2str(alpha),
   '\beta =', num2str(beta)));
    
```

```

9 legend('histogram','theoretical')
10 hold off
11 %time series
12 figure
13 plot(X)
14 ylabel('sample value')
15 title(strcat('time series \alpha =',
               num2str(alpha) , '\beta =', num2str(
               beta)))

```



**Figure 7:** time series plot:  $\alpha = 0.5, \beta = 0$

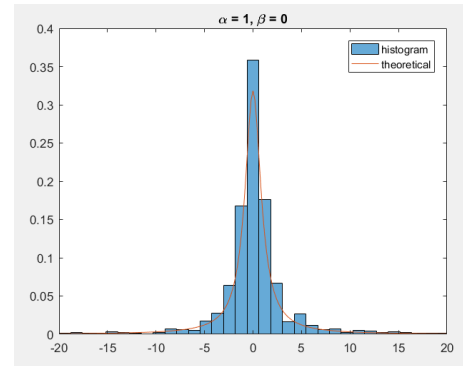
then run the following script to get all the figures and data:

```

1 experiment(0.5,0,1000);
2 experiment(1.0,1000);
3 experiment(1.8,0,1000);
4 experiment(2.0,0,1000);
5 experiment(0.5,0.75,1000);
6 experiment(1.0,0.75,1000);
7 experiment(1.8,0.75,1000);
8 experiment(2.0,0.75,1000);

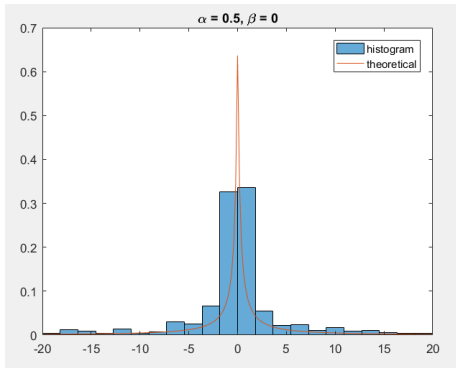
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## Figures and Data

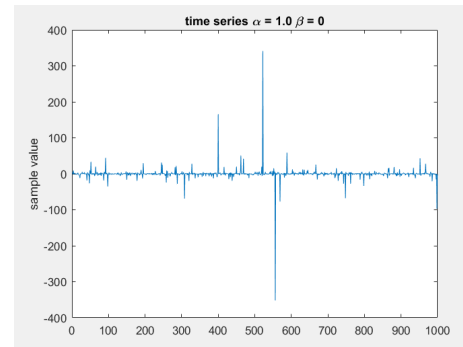


**Figure 8:**  $\alpha = 1.0, \beta = 0$

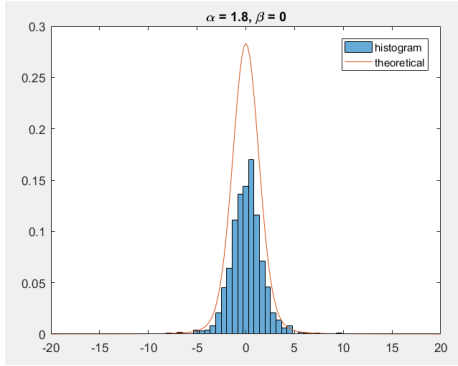
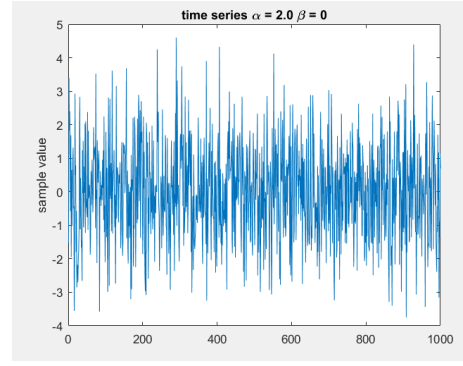
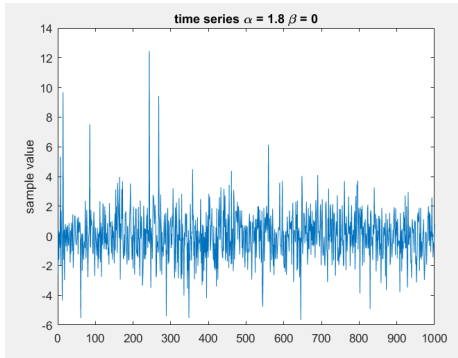
### III.1 $\beta = 0$



**Figure 6:**  $\alpha = 0.5, \beta = 0$

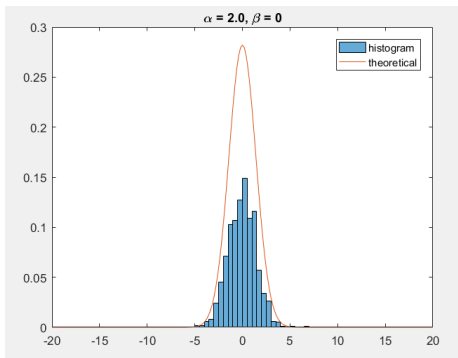
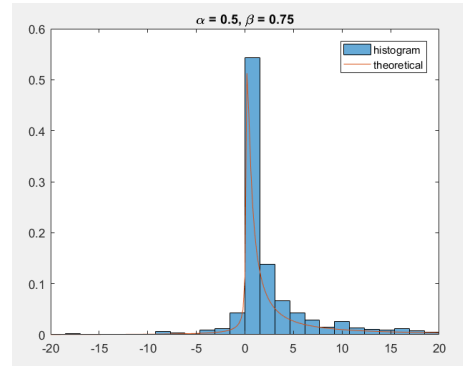


**Figure 9:** time series plot  $\alpha = 1.0, \beta = 0$


 Figure 10:  $\alpha = 1.8, \beta = 0$ 

 Figure 13: *timeseriesplot*  $\alpha = 2.0, \beta = 0$ 

 Figure 11: *time series plot*  $\alpha = 1.8, \beta = 0$ 

From the figure it is clear that when alpha gets smaller, we got less oscillating, and the sample magnitude can be really large, when alpha becomes 2, we get the Gaussian distribution and the samples simulate the white noise.

### III.2 $\beta = 0.75$


 Figure 12:  $\alpha = 2.0, \beta = 0$ 

 Figure 14:  $\alpha = 0.5, \beta = 0.75$

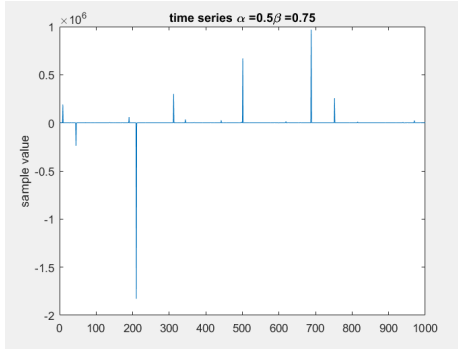


Figure 15: time series plot  $\alpha = 0.5, \beta = 0.75$

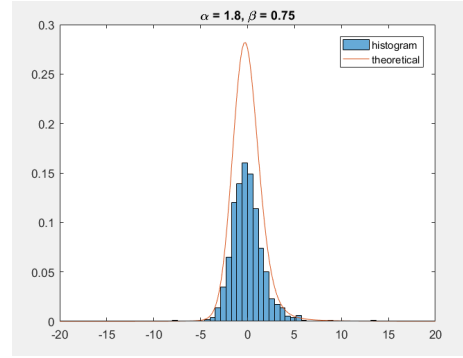


Figure 18:  $\alpha = 1.8, \beta = 0.75$

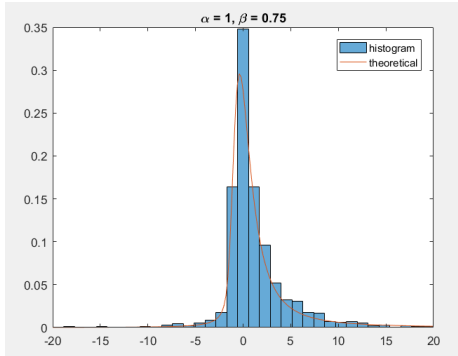


Figure 16:  $\alpha = 1.0, \beta = 0.75$

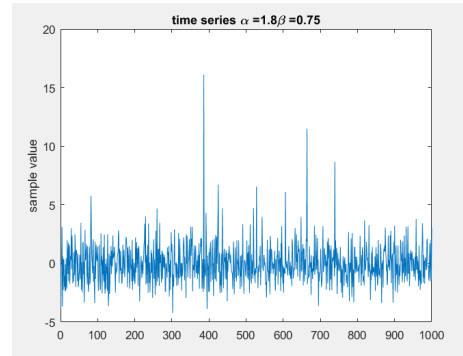


Figure 19: time series plot  $\alpha = 1.8, \beta = 0.75$

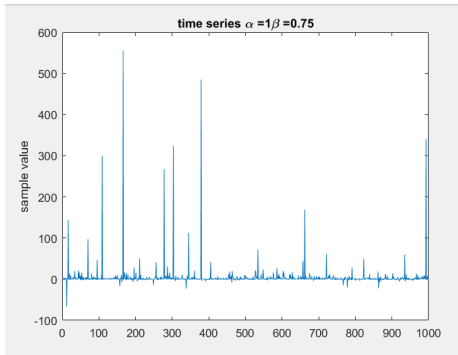


Figure 17: time series plot  $\alpha = 1.0, \beta = 0.75$

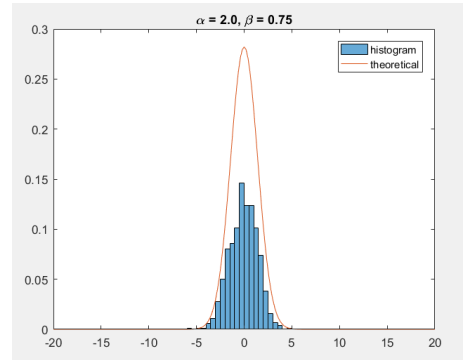
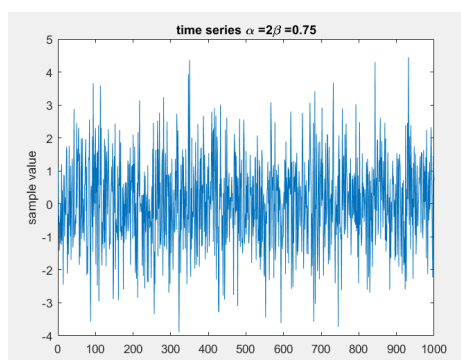


Figure 20:  $\alpha = 2.0, \beta = 0.75$





**Figure 21:** time series plot  $\alpha = 2.0, \beta = 0.75$

From the figure, first it is obvious we can see a thick tail when  $\alpha = 0.5$  and  $\alpha = 1.0$  because of the skewness. Also, it is clear that when alpha gets smaller, we got less oscillating, and the sample magnitude can be really large. Moreover, because of the change of skewness, it seems that the oscillation starts earlier.

## IV. APPENDIX

## generate samples for Alpha-stable

```

1 function r = stblrnd(alpha,beta,gamma,delta,varargin)
2 %STBLRND alpha-stable random number generator.
3 % R = STBLRND(ALPHA,BETA,GAMMA,DELTA) draws a sample from the Levy
4 % alpha-stable distribution with characteristic exponent ALPHA,
5 % skewness BETA, scale parameter GAMMA and location parameter DELTA.
6 % ALPHA,BETA,GAMMA and DELTA must be scalars which fall in the following
7 % ranges :
8 %     0 < ALPHA <= 2
9 %     -1 <= BETA <= 1
10 %     0 < GAMMA < inf
11 %     -inf < DELTA < inf
12 %
13 %
14 % R = STBLRND(ALPHA,BETA,GAMMA,DELTA,M,N,...) or
15 % R = STBLRND(ALPHA,BETA,GAMMA,DELTA,[M,N,...]) returns an M-by-N-by-...
16 % array.
17 %
18 %
19 % References :
20 % [1] J.M. Chambers, C.L. Mallows and B.W. Stuck (1976)
21 %     "A Method for Simulating Stable Random Variables"
22 %     JASA, Vol. 71, No. 354. pages 340-344
23 %
24 % [2] Aleksander Weron and Rafal Weron (1995)
25 %     "Computer Simulation of Levy alpha-Stable Variables and Processes"
26 %     Lec. Notes in Physics, 457, pages 379-392
27 %
28 %
29 if nargin < 4
30     error('stats:stblrnd:TooFewInputs','Requires at least four input arguments.');
```

```

31 end
32
33 % Check parameters
34 if alpha <= 0 || alpha > 2 || ~isscalar(alpha)
35     error('stats:stblrnd:BadInputs',' "alpha" must be a scalar which lies in the interval
36         (0,2] ');
37 end
38 if abs(beta) > 1 || ~isscalar(beta)
39     error('stats:stblrnd:BadInputs',' "beta" must be a scalar which lies in the interval
40         [-1,1] ');
41 end
42 if gamma < 0 || ~isscalar(gamma)
43     error('stats:stblrnd:BadInputs',' "gamma" must be a non-negative scalar');
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44 end
45 if ~isscalar(delta)

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44     error('stats:stblrnd:BadInputs',' "delta" must be a scalar');
45 end
46
47
48 % Get output size
49 [err, sizeOut] = genOutsize(4,alpha,beta,gamma,delta,varargin{:});
50 if err > 0
51     error('stats:stblrnd:InputSizeMismatch','Size information is inconsistent.');
```

52 end

53

54

55 *%—Generate sample—*

56

57 *% See if parameters reduce to a special case, if so be quick, if not*

58 *% perform general algorithm*

59

60 if alpha == 2 *% Gaussian distribution*

61 r = sqrt(2) \* randn(sizeOut);

62

63 elseif alpha==1 && beta == 0 *% Cauchy distribution*

64 r = tan( pi/2 \* (2\*rand(sizeOut) - 1) );

65

66 elseif alpha == .5 && abs(beta) == 1 *% Levy distribution (a.k.a. Pearson V)*

67 r = beta ./ randn(sizeOut).^2;

68

69 elseif beta == 0 *% Symmetric alpha-stable*

70 V = pi/2 \* (2\*rand(sizeOut) - 1);

71 W = -log(rand(sizeOut));

72 r = sin(alpha \* V) ./ ( cos(V).^(1/alpha) ) .\* ...

73 ( cos( V.\*(1-alpha) ) ./ W ).^((1-alpha)/alpha);

74

75 elseif alpha ~= 1 *% General case, alpha not 1*

76 V = pi/2 \* (2\*rand(sizeOut) - 1);

77 W = - log( rand(sizeOut) );

78 const = beta \* tan(pi\*alpha/2);

79 B = atan( const );

80 S = (1 + const \* const).^(1/(2\*alpha));

81 r = S \* sin( alpha\*V + B ) ./ ( cos(V) ).^(1/alpha) .\* ...

82 ( cos( (1-alpha) \* V - B ) ./ W ).^((1-alpha)/alpha);

83

84 else *% General case, alpha = 1*

85 V = pi/2 \* (2\*rand(sizeOut) - 1);

86 W = - log( rand(sizeOut) );

87 piover2 = pi/2;

88 sclshftV = piover2 + beta \* V;

89 r = 1/piover2 \* ( sclshftV .\* tan(V) - ...

90 beta \* log( (piover2 \* W .\* cos(V) ) ./ sclshftV ) );

91

92 end

```

93 |
94 | % Scale and shift
95 | if alpha ~= 1
96 |     r = gamma * r + delta;
97 | else
98 |     r = gamma * r + (2/pi) * beta * gamma * log(gamma) + delta;
99 | end
100 |
101 | end

```

### generate pdf for Alpha-Stable

```

1  function p = stblpdf(x,alpha,beta,gam,delta,varargin)
2  %P = STBLPDF(X,ALPHA,BETA,GAM,DELTA) returns the pdf of the stable
3  % distribtuion with characteristic exponent ALPHA, skewness BETA, scale
4  % parameter GAM, and location parameter DELTA, at the values in X. We use
5  % the parameterization of stable distribtuions used in [2] – The
6  % characteristic function phi(t) of a S(ALPHA,BETA,GAM,DELTA)
7  % random variable has the form
8  %
9  % phi(t) = exp(-GAM^ALPHA |t|^ALPHA [1 - i BETA (tan(pi ALPHA/2) sign(t))
10 %             + i DELTA t ] ) if alpha ~= 1
11 %
12 % phi(t) = exp(-GAM |t| [ 1 + i BETA (2/pi) (sign(t)) log|t| ] + i DELTA t
13 %             if alpha = 1
14 %
15 % The size of P is the size of X. ALPHA,BETA,GAM and DELTA must be scalars
16 %
17 %P = STBLPDF(X,ALPHA,BETA,GAM,DELTA,TOL) computes the pdf to within an
18 % absolute error of TOL.
19 %
20 % The algorithm works by computing the numerical integrals in Theorem
21 % 1 in [1] using MATLAB's QUADV function. The integrands
22 % are smooth non-negative functions, but for certain parameter values
23 % can have sharp peaks which might be missed. To avoid this, STBLEPDF
24 % locates the maximum of this integrand and breaks the integral into two
25 % pieces centered around this maximum (this is exactly the idea suggested
26 % in [1] ).
27 %
28 % If abs(ALPHA - 1) < 1e-5, ALPHA is rounded to 1.
29 %
30 %P = STBLPDF(...,'quick') skips the step of locating the peak in the
31 % integrand, and thus is faster, but is less accurate deep into the tails
32 % of the pdf. This option is useful for plotting. In place of 'quick',
33 % STBLPDF also accepts a logical true or false (for quick or not quick)
34 %
35 % See also: STBLRND, STBLCDF, STBLINV, STBLFIT
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37 % References:
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39 % [1] J. P. Nolan (1997)
40 %     "Numerical Calculation of Stable Densities and Distribution
41 %     Functions" Commun. Statist. – Stochastic Modles, 13(4), 759–774
42 %
43 % [2] G Samorodnitsky, MS Taqqu (1994)
44 %     "Stable non-Gaussian random processes: stochastic models with
45 %     infinite variance" CRC Press
46 %
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48 if nargin < 5
49     error('stblpdf:TooFewInputs','Requires at least five input arguments.');
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50 end
51
52 % Check parameters
53 if alpha <= 0 || alpha > 2 || ~isscalar(alpha)
54     error('stblpdf:BadInputs',' "alpha" must be a scalar which lies in the interval (0,2]
55         ');
56 end
57 if abs(beta) > 1 || ~isscalar(beta)
58     error('stblpdf:BadInputs',' "beta" must be a scalar which lies in the interval [-1,1]
59         ');
60 end
61 if gam < 0 || ~isscalar(gam)
62     error('stblpdf:BadInputs',' "gam" must be a non-negative scalar');
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63 end
64 if ~isscalar(delta)
65     error('stblpdf:BadInputs',' "delta" must be a scalar');
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66 end
67 % Warn if alpha is very close to 1 or 0
68 if ( 1e-5 < abs(1 - alpha) && abs(1 - alpha) < .02) || alpha < .02
69     warning('stblpdf:ScaryAlpha',...
70         'Difficult to approximate pdf for alpha close to 0 or 1')
71 end
72 % warnings will happen during call to QUADV, and it's okay
73 warning('off');
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74
75 % Check and initialize additional inputs
76 quick = false;
77 tol = [];
78 for i=1:length(varargin)
79     if strcmp(varargin{i},'quick')
80         quick = true;
81     elseif islogical(varargin{i})
82         quick = varargin{end};
83     elseif isscalar(varargin{i})
84         tol = varargin{i};
85     end

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86 end
87
88 if isempty(tol)
89     if quick
90         tol = 1e-8;
91     else
92         tol = 1e-12;
93     end
94 end
95
96
97 %===== Compute pdf =====%
98
99 % Check to see if you are in a simple case , if so be quick , if not do
100 % general algorithm
101 if alpha == 2 % Gaussian distribution
102     x = (x - delta)/gam; % Standardize
103     p = 1/sqrt(4*pi) * exp( -.25 * x.^2 ); % ~ N(0,2)
104     p = p/gam; %rescale
105
106 elseif alpha==1 && beta == 0 % Cauchy distribution
107     x = (x - delta)/gam; % Standardize
108     p = (1/pi) * 1./(1 + x.^2);
109     p = p/gam; %rescale
110
111 elseif alpha == .5 && abs(beta) == 1 % Levy distribution
112     x = (x - delta)/gam; % Standardize
113     p = zeros(size(x));
114     if beta ==1
115         p( x <= 0 ) = 0;
116         p( x > 0 ) = sqrt(1/(2*pi)) * exp(-.5./x(x>0)) ./...
117                             x(x>0).^1.5;
118     else
119         p(x >= 0) = 0;
120         p(x < 0) = sqrt(1/(2*pi)) * exp(.5./x(x<0)) ./...
121                             (-x(x<0)).^1.5;
122     end
123     p = p/gam; %rescale
124
125 elseif abs(alpha - 1) > 1e-5 % Gen. Case , alpha ~= 1
126
127     xold = x; % Save for later
128     % Standardize in (M) parameterization ( See equation (2) in [1] )
129     x = (x - delta)/gam - beta * tan(alpha*pi/2);
130
131     % Compute pdf
132     p = zeros(size(x));
133     zeta = - beta * tan(pi*alpha/2);
134     theta0 = (1/alpha) * atan(beta*tan(pi*alpha/2));

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135 A1 = alpha*theta0;
136 A2 = cos(A1)^(1/(alpha-1));
137 exp1 = alpha/(alpha-1);
138 alphas1 = alpha - 1;
139 c2 = alpha ./ (pi * abs(alpha - 1) * (x(x>zeta) - zeta) );
140 V = @(theta) A2 * ( cos(theta) ./ sin( alpha*(theta + theta0) ) ).^exp1.*...
141     cos( A1 + alphas1*theta ) ./ cos(theta);
142
143
144 % x > zeta , calculate integral using QUADV
145 if any(x(:) > zeta)
146     xshift = (x(x>zeta) - zeta) .^ exp1;
147
148     if beta == -1 && alpha < 1
149         p(x > zeta) = 0;
150     elseif ~quick % Locate peak in integrand and split up integral
151         g = @(theta) xshift(:) .* V(theta) - 1;
152         R = repmat([-theta0 , pi/2 ],numel(xshift),1);
153         if abs(beta) < 1
154             theta2 = bisectionSolver(g,R,alpha);
155         else
156             theta2 = bisectionSolver(g,R,alpha,beta,xshift);
157         end
158         theta2 = reshape(theta2,size(xshift));
159         % change variables so the two integrals go from
160         % 0 to 1/2 and 1/2 to 1.
161         theta2shift1 = 2*(theta2 + theta0);
162         theta2shift2 = 2*(pi/2 - theta2);
163         g1 = @(theta) xshift .* ...
164             V(theta2shift1 * theta - theta0);
165         g2 = @(theta) xshift .* ...
166             V(theta2shift2 * (theta - .5) + theta2);
167         zexpz = @(z) max(0,z .* exp(-z)); % use max incase of NaN
168
169         p(x > zeta) = c2 .* ...
170             (theta2shift1 .* quadv(@(theta) zexpz( g1(theta) ) ,...
171                 0 , .5, tol) ...
172             + theta2shift2 .* quadv(@(theta) zexpz( g2(theta) ) ,...
173                 .5 , 1, tol) );
174
175     else % be quick - calculate integral without locating peak
176         % Use a default tolerance of 1e-6
177         g = @(theta) xshift * V(theta);
178         zexpz = @(z) max(0,z .* exp(-z)); % use max incase of NaN
179         p( x > zeta ) = c2 .* quadv(@(theta) zexpz( g(theta) ) ,...
180             -theta0 , pi/2, tol );
181     end
182     p(x > zeta) = p(x>zeta)/gam; %rescale
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184     end
185
186     % x = zeta , this is easy
187     if any( abs(x(:) - zeta) < 1e-8 )
188         p( abs(x - zeta) < 1e-8 ) = max(0, gamma(1 + 1/alpha) * ...
189             cos(theta0)/(pi*(1 + zeta^2)^(1/(2*alpha))));
190         p( abs(x - zeta) < 1e-8 ) = p( abs(x - zeta) < 1e-8 )/gam; %rescale
191
192     end
193
194     % x < zeta , recall function with -xold , -beta , -delta
195     % This doesn't need to be rescaled.
196     if any(x(:) < zeta)
197         p( x < zeta ) = stblpdf( -xold( x<zeta ), alpha, -beta, ...
198             gam , -delta , tol , quick);
199     end
200
201 else                                     % Gen case , alpha = 1
202
203     x = (x - (2/pi) * beta * gam * log(gam) - delta)/gam; % Standardize
204
205     % Compute pdf
206     piover2 = pi/2;
207     twooverpi = 2/pi;
208     oneoverb = 1/beta;
209     theta0 = piover2;
210     % Use logs to avoid overflow/underflow
211     logV = @(theta) log(twooverpi * ((piover2 + beta *theta)./cos(theta))) + ...
212         ( oneoverb * (piover2 + beta *theta) .* tan(theta) );
213     c2 = 1/(2*abs(beta));
214     xterm = ( -pi*x/(2*beta));
215
216     if ~quick % Locate peak in integrand and split up integral
217         % Use a default tolerance of 1e-12
218         logg = @(theta) xterm(:) + logV(theta) ;
219         R = repmat([-theta0 , pi/2 ], numel(xterm), 1);
220         theta2 = bisectionSolver(logg, R, 1-beta);
221         theta2 = reshape(theta2, size(xterm));
222         % change variables so the two integrals go from
223         % 0 to 1/2 and 1/2 to 1.
224         theta2shift1 = 2*(theta2 + theta0);
225         theta2shift2 = 2*(pi/2 - theta2);
226         logg1 = @(theta) xterm + ...
227             logV(theta2shift1 * theta - theta0);
228         logg2 = @(theta) xterm + ...
229             logV(theta2shift2 * (theta - .5) + theta2);
230         zexpz = @(z) max(0, exp(z) .* exp(-exp(z))); % use max incase of NaN
231
232         p = c2 .* ...

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233         (theta2shift1 .* quadv(@(theta) zexpz( logg1(theta) ),...
234             0 , .5, tol) ...
235         + theta2shift2 .* quadv(@(theta) zexpz( logg2(theta) ),...
236             .5 , 1, tol) );
237
238
239     else % be quick – calculate integral without locating peak
240         % Use a default tolerance of 1e-6
241         logg = @(theta) xterm + logV(theta);
242         zexpz = @(z) max(0,exp(z) .* exp(-exp(z))); % use max incase of NaN
243         p = c2 .* quadv(@(theta) zexpz( logg(theta) ),-theta0 , pi/2, tol );
244
245     end
246
247     p = p/gam; %rescale
248
249 end
250
251 p = real(p); % just in case a small imaginary piece crept in
252     % This might happen when (x - zeta) is really small
253
254 end
255
256
257
258
259 function X = bisectionSolver(f,R,alpha,varargin)
260 % Solves equation  $g(\theta) - 1 = 0$  in STBLPDF using a vectorized bisection
261 % method and a tolerance of  $1e-5$ . The solution to this
262 % equation is used to increase accuracy in the calculation of a numerical
263 % integral.
264 %
265 % If  $\alpha \approx 1$  and  $0 \leq \beta < 1$ , the equation always has a solution
266 %
267 % If  $\alpha > 1$  and  $\beta \leq 1$ , then  $g$  is monotone decreasing
268 %
269 % If  $\alpha < 1$  and  $\beta < 1$ , then  $g$  is monotone increasing
270 %
271 % If  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $g$  is monotone increasing if  $\beta > 0$  and monotone
272 % decreasing if  $\beta < 0$ . Input  $\alpha = 1 - \beta$  to get desired results.
273 %
274 %
275
276
277 if nargin < 2
278     error('bisectionSolver:TooFewInputs','Requires at least two input arguments.');
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279 end
280
281 noSolution = false(size(R,1));
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282 % if ~isempty(varargin)
283 %     beta = varargin{1};
284 %     xshift = varargin{2};
285 %     if abs(beta) == 1
286 %         V0=(1/alpha)^(alpha/(alpha-1))*(1-alpha)*cos(alpha*pi/2)*xshift;
287 %         if alpha > 1
288 %             noSolution = V0 - 1 %>= 0;
289 %         elseif alpha < 1
290 %             noSolution = V0 - 1 %<= 0;
291 %         end
292 %     end
293 % end
294
295 tol = 1e-6;
296 maxiter = 30;
297
298 [N M] = size(R);
299 if M ~= 2
300     error('bisectionSolver:BadInput',...
301         '"R" must have 2 columns');
302 end
303
304 a = R(:,1);
305 b = R(:,2);
306 X = (a+b)/2;
307
308 try
309     val = f(X);
310 catch ME
311     error('bisectionSolver:BadInput',...
312         'Input function inconsistant with rectangle dimension')
313 end
314
315 if size(val,1) ~= N
316     error('bisectionSolver:BadInput',...
317         'Output of function must be a column vector with dimension of input');
318 end
319
320 % Main loop
321 val = inf;
322 iter = 0;
323
324 while( max(abs(val)) > tol && iter < maxiter )
325     X = (a + b)/2;
326     val = f(X);
327     l = (val > 0);
328     if alpha > 1
329         l = 1-l;
330     end

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331     a = a.*l + X.*(1-l);
332     b = X.*l + b.*(1-l);
333     iter = iter + 1;
334 end
335
336
337
338 if any(noSolution(:))
339     X(noSolution) = (R(1,1) + R(1,2))/2;
340 end
341
342 end
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