

## 1 | Random Fields

A random field is a stochastic process within Euclidean space and with dimensionality  $> 1$ . What's a stochastic process? Note that  $T$  is a traditional Euclidean space like a cube. *DEFINITION* A stochastic process  $f$  over  $T$  is a collection of random variables  $\{f(t) : t \in T\}$ . *DEFINITION* If  $T$  is a set of dimension  $N$ , and the random variables  $f(t)$  are all vector valued of dimension  $d$ , then we call the vector valued random field  $f$  a  $(N, d)$  random field.

An intuitive example of a random field is the ocean surface.

## 2 | Gaussian Random Fields

### 2.1 | Gaussian Variables

A random variable is Gaussian if its density distribution is a Normal distribution. Let's leave it at that. [Note to future self: Math is hard!]

### 2.2 | Gaussian Fields

## 3 | Generation

Combination of last two sources may enable some amount of info to go off of.

## 4 | Useful Sources

- <http://pages.stat.wisc.edu/~mchung/teaching/stat992/ima01.pdf>

Describes basic definitions.

- <https://www.astro.rug.nl/~weygaert/tim1publication/lss2007/computerIII.pdf>

Mentions Fourier space generation

- [https://www.astro.rug.nl/~weygaert/tim1publication/lss2016/lss2016.gaussian\\_fields.handout2.pdf](https://www.astro.rug.nl/~weygaert/tim1publication/lss2016/lss2016.gaussian_fields.handout2.pdf)

Cosmology-focused source + goes into some detail on power spectra and fourier space.