

# Rare-event simulation: Code demo 2

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## 0.1 Improved cross-entropy, original cross-entropy, and Markov chain Monte Carlo

```
[1]: # numpy is the 'Numerical Python' package
import numpy as np

# Numpy's methods for pseudorandom number generation
import numpy.random as rnd

# We'll use the stats package for p.d.f.s & c.d.f.s
from scipy import stats

# Configure plotting
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
%config InlineBackend.figure_format = 'retina'

# For progress bars
from tqdm.notebook import trange, tqdm
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[2]: # Print out the versions of software I'm running
import sys, scipy
print("Python version:", sys.version)
print("Numpy version:", np.__version__)
print("Scipy version:", scipy.__version__)
```

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Python version: 3.7.6 (default, Jan 8 2020, 20:23:39) [MSC v.1916 64 bit
(AMD64)]
Numpy version: 1.18.1
Scipy version: 1.4.1
```

## 0.2 Improved cross-entropy method

Use the improved cross-entropy method to estimate  $\mathbb{P}(X > \gamma)$  where  $X \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$  and  $\gamma = 5$ . Consider importance sampling distributions of the form  $\text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

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[3]:  $\gamma = 5$ 
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First, to sample from  $g^*(x) = \mathbb{P}(X = x \mid X > \gamma)$ , just sample lots of  $X$ 's and extract those  $X > \gamma$ .

```
[4]: %%time
rng = rnd.default_rng(1337)
R = 5 * 10**8

Xs = rng.normal(size=R)
Xs = Xs[Xs > γ]

print("Number of g* samples:", len(Xs))
```

Number of g\* samples: 152  
Wall time: 15.8 s

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[5]: # Fit our IS proposal distribution to these g* samples
μ = np.mean(Xs)
σ = np.sqrt(np.mean((Xs-μ)**2))
```

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[6]: %%time

# Sample from the new distribution
R = 10**6
normals = rng.normal(μ, σ, R)

# Calculate the likelihood ratios
lrs = stats.norm.pdf(normals, 0, 1) \
      / stats.norm.pdf(normals, μ, σ)

# Construct estimate and CI's
ests = lrs * (normals > γ)
ℓHat = ests.mean()
σHat = ests.std()
widthCI = 1.96 * σHat / np.sqrt(R)

print(f"ICE estimate:\t {ℓHat} (+/- {widthCI})")
print(f"ICE low bound:\t {ℓHat-widthCI}")
print(f"ICE upp bound:\t {ℓHat+widthCI}")
print(f"Theoretical:\t {stats.norm.sf(γ)}")
```

ICE estimate: 2.849955479414155e-07 (+/- 8.282676980886911e-10)  
ICE low bound: 2.841672802433268e-07  
ICE upp bound: 2.8582381563950423e-07  
Theoretical: 2.866515718791933e-07  
Wall time: 520 ms

### 0.3 Cross-entropy method

Use the cross-entropy method to estimate  $\mathbb{P}(X > \gamma)$  where  $X \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$  and  $\gamma = 5$ .

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[7]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1337)
R = 10**5
p = 0.05
maxIter = 50

u = (0, 1)
v = u
vs = [v]

for i in range(maxIter):
    Xs = rng.normal(v[0], v[1], R)
     $\gamma_i$  = np.quantile(Xs, 1-p)

    if  $\gamma_i \geq \gamma$ :
        break

    eliteXs = Xs[Xs >  $\gamma_i$ ]
    eliteLRs = stats.norm.pdf(eliteXs, u[0], u[1]) \
        / stats.norm.pdf(eliteXs, v[0], v[1])

     $\mu_i$  = np.average(eliteXs, weights=eliteLRs)
     $\sigma_i$  = np.sqrt(np.average((eliteXs-eliteXs.mean())**2,
                               weights=eliteLRs))

    v = ( $\mu_i$ ,  $\sigma_i$ )
    vs.append(v)

```

Wall time: 62.6 ms

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[8]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**6

# Sample from the new distribution
normals = rng.normal(v[0], v[1], R)

# Calculate the Likelihood ratios
lrs = stats.norm.pdf(normals, u[0], u[1]) \
    / stats.norm.pdf(normals, v[0], v[1])

# Construct estimate and CI's
ests = lrs * (normals >  $\gamma$ )
 $\ell$ Hat = ests.mean()
 $\sigma$ Hat = ests.std()
widthCI = 1.96 *  $\sigma$ Hat / np.sqrt(R)

```

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print(f"CE estimate:\t {lHat} (+/- {widthCI})")
print(f"CE low bound:\t {lHat-widthCI}")
print(f"CE upp bound:\t {lHat+widthCI}")
print(f"Theoretical:\t {stats.norm.sf(y)}")

```

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CE estimate:      2.8433488092847927e-07 (+/- 1.1057152778688466e-08)
CE low bound:     2.732777281497908e-07
CE upp bound:     2.9539203370716776e-07
Theoretical:      2.866515718791933e-07
Wall time: 845 ms

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[9]: xs = np.linspace(-2, 6.5, 500)
     ys = np.empty((len(xs), len(vs)))

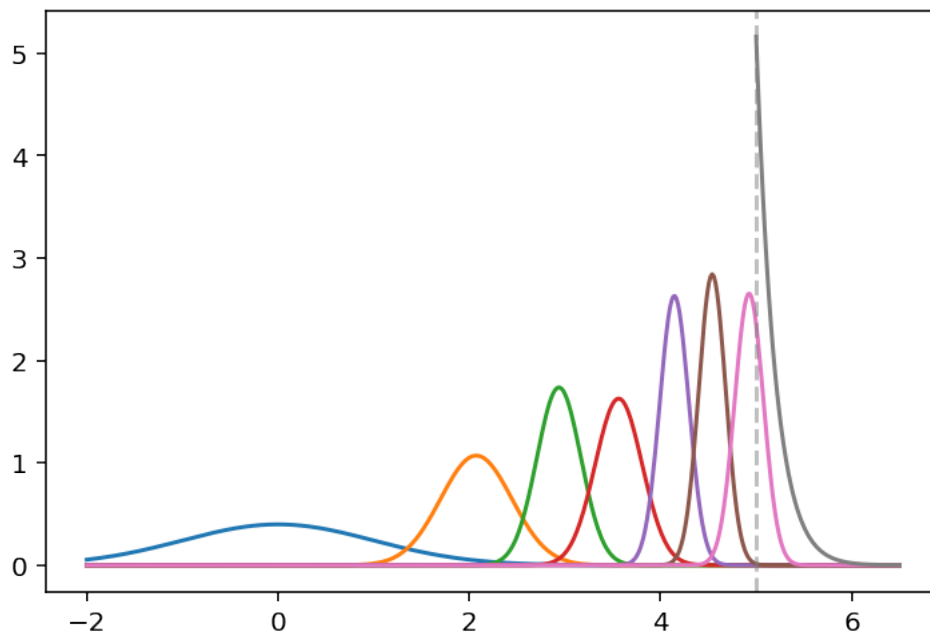
     for i, v in enumerate(vs):
         ys[:,i] = stats.norm.pdf(xs, v[0], v[1])

     plt.plot(xs, ys)

     xsOverGamma = xs[xs > y]
     l = stats.norm.sf(y)
     gStar = stats.norm.pdf(xsOverGamma) / l

     plt.plot(xsOverGamma, gStar)
     plt.gca().axvline(y, c="grey", ls="dashed", alpha=0.5);

```



## 0.4 Compare to crude Monte Carlo

```
[10]: %%time
rng = rnd.default_rng(1337)
R = 10**6

ests = rng.normal(size=R) > γ
ℓHat = ests.mean()
σHat = ests.std()
widthCI = 1.96 * σHat / np.sqrt(R)

print(f"CMC estimate:\t {ℓHat} (+/- {widthCI})")
print(f"CMC low bound:\t {ℓHat-widthCI}")
print(f"CMC upp bound:\t {ℓHat+widthCI}")
print(f"Theoretical:\t {stats.norm.sf(γ)}")
```

```
CMC estimate:    0.0 (+/- 0.0)
CMC low bound:   0.0
CMC upp bound:   0.0
Theoretical:     2.866515718791933e-07
Wall time: 46.8 ms
```

Just do a really *really* big CMC

```
[11]: from tqdm.notebook import trange, tqdm
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[12]: %%time
rng = rnd.default_rng(1337)

R = 10**10
reps = 10**4

numExceed = 0
for _ in trange(reps):
    numExceed += np.sum(rng.normal(size=R//reps) > γ)

ℓHat = numExceed / R
σ2Hat = ((R-numExceed)*ℓHat**2 + numExceed*(ℓHat-1)**2)/R
widthCI = 1.96 * np.sqrt(σ2Hat) / np.sqrt(R)

print(f"CMC estimate:\t {ℓHat} (+/- {widthCI})")
print(f"CMC low bound:\t {ℓHat-widthCI}")
print(f"CMC upp bound:\t {ℓHat+widthCI}")
print(f"Theoretical:\t {stats.norm.sf(γ)}")
```

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HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=10000.0), HTML(value='')))
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CMC estimate:      2.902e-07 (+/- 1.0558560491258553e-08)
CMC low bound:    2.7964143950874145e-07
CMC upp bound:    3.0075856049125853e-07
Theoretical:      2.866515718791933e-07
Wall time: 3min 14s
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[13]: # For parallel coding
import joblib
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[14]: %%time

R = 10**10
reps = 10**4
numProcs = 8

sg = rnd.SeedSequence(1)
rngs = [rnd.Generator(rnd.PCG64(s)) for s in sg.spawn(reps)]

def sample_batch(rng, batchSize):
    return np.sum(rng.normal(size=batchSize) > y)

sample = joblib.delayed(sample_batch)
with joblib.Parallel(n_jobs=numProcs) as parallel:
    numExceedBatches = parallel(sample(rng, R//reps) for rng in tqdm(rngs))

numExceed = np.sum(numExceedBatches)

lHat = numExceed / R
sigma2Hat = ((R-numExceed)*lHat**2 + numExceed*(lHat-1)**2)/R
widthCI = 1.96 * np.sqrt(sigma2Hat) / np.sqrt(R)

print(f"CMC estimate:\t {lHat} (+/- {widthCI})")
print(f"CMC low bound:\t {lHat-widthCI}")
print(f"CMC upp bound:\t {lHat+widthCI}")
print(f"Theoretical:\t {stats.norm.sf(y)}")
```

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HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=10000.0), HTML(value='')))
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CMC estimate:      2.856e-07 (+/- 1.0474543649490558e-08)
CMC low bound:    2.7512545635050947e-07
CMC upp bound:    2.9607454364949056e-07
Theoretical:      2.866515718791933e-07
Wall time: 56.8 s
```

## 0.5 Cross-entropy, insurance example

We model an insurer's risk reserve process  $R(t)$  as

$$R(t) = R(0) + pt - \sum_{i=1}^{N_t} U_i$$

where  $R(0) \geq 0$ ,  $p > 0$ ,  $N_t$  is a Poisson process with intensity  $\lambda$  and  $U_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Lognormal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , i.e.  $\log(U_i) \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

Estimate

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{Ruin after first claim}) = \mathbb{P}(R(T_1) < 0)$$

using the cross-entropy method. Note

$$R(T_1) = R(0) + pT_1 - U_1$$

where  $T_1 \sim \text{Exponential}(\lambda)$ ,  $U_1 \sim \text{Lognormal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ . Use the CE method to find the best  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  values for an importance sampling estimate.

```
[15]: R_0 = 1.05
      p = 20
      λ = 0.1
      μ = 0.01
      σ = 0.01
```

First try with crude Monte Carlo.

```
[16]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)

R = 10**10
reps = 10**4

numProcs = 8
sg = rnd.SeedSequence(1)
rngs = [rnd.Generator(rnd.PCG64(s)) for s in sg.spawn(reps)]

def sample_batch(rng, batchSize):
    T_1 = rng.exponential(scale=1/λ, size=batchSize)
    U_1 = rng.lognormal(μ, σ, size=batchSize)
    R_T1 = R_0 + p * T_1 - U_1
    return np.sum(R_T1 < 0)

sample = joblib.delayed(sample_batch)
with joblib.Parallel(n_jobs=numProcs) as parallel:
    numExceedBatchs = parallel(sample(rng, R//reps) for rng in tqdm(rngs))
```

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numExceed = np.sum(numExceedBatchs)

lHat = numExceed / R
σ2Hat = ((R-numExceed)*lHat**2 + numExceed*(lHat-1)**2)/R
widthCI = 1.96 * np.sqrt(σ2Hat) / np.sqrt(R)

print(f"CMC estimate:\t {lHat} (+/- {widthCI})")
print(f"CMC low bound:\t {lHat-widthCI}")
print(f"CMC upp bound:\t {lHat+widthCI}")

```

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HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=10000.0), HTML(value='')))
```

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CMC estimate:      7e-10 (+/- 5.185672567871612e-10)
CMC low bound:     1.8143274321283874e-10
CMC upp bound:     1.218567256787161e-09
Wall time: 2min 40s

```

Run the cross-entropy method by adjusting the  $\lambda$  parameter of the  $\text{Exponential}(\lambda)$  interarrival time and the  $\mu$  parameter of the first claim size distribution  $\text{Lognormal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ .

```

[17]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(420)
R = 10**5
p = 0.25
maxCEIter = 50

u = (λ, μ)
v = u
vs = [v]

for i in range(maxCEIter):
    T_1 = rng.exponential(scale=1/v[0], size=R)
    U_1 = rng.lognormal(v[1], σ, size=R)
    R_T1 = R_0 + p * T_1 - U_1

    γ_i = np.quantile(R_T1, p)
    print(f"v: {v} γ_i: {γ_i}")

    if γ_i <= 0:
        break

    isElite = R_T1 < γ_i
    eliteT_1 = T_1[isElite]
    eliteLogU_1 = np.log(U_1[isElite])

```



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        eliteLRs = stats.expon.pdf(eliteT_1, scale=1/u[0]) \
            / stats.expon.pdf(eliteT_1, scale=1/v[0]) \
            * stats.norm.pdf(eliteLogU_1, loc=u[1], scale=σ) \
            / stats.norm.pdf(eliteLogU_1, loc=v[1], scale=σ)

        λ_next = 1 / (np.sum(eliteT_1 * eliteLRs) / np.sum(eliteLRs))
        μ_next = np.sum(eliteLogU_1 * eliteLRs) / np.sum(eliteLRs)
        v = (λ_next, μ_next)

    vs.append(v)

```

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v: (0.1, 0.01) γ_i: 57.60442992893887
v: (0.7285734445306061, 0.009959251618470763) γ_i: 7.8280805641190865
v: (5.143618825696992, 0.010123713428265789) γ_i: 1.1608667527372012
v: (35.63921514422642, 0.010077820390754874) γ_i: 0.20074767179652492
v: (246.3982043229073, 0.010601895202341075) γ_i: 0.06326150037464986
v: (1438.9338780860937, 0.014315165370403836) γ_i: 0.03777713850351716
v: (3345.9108503436755, 0.023842310396743602) γ_i: 0.023804011079325227
v: (5043.496453044602, 0.033497557317738444) γ_i: 0.01240804018480135
v: (6704.950123400078, 0.042650054243570275) γ_i: 0.002046790321834302
v: (8287.745938629256, 0.051446202692242524) γ_i: -0.007703110775777122
Wall time: 109 ms

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[18]: %%time

R = 10**6
rng = rnd.default_rng(1)

T_1 = rng.exponential(scale=1/v[0], size=R)
U_1 = rng.lognormal(v[1], σ, size=R)
R_T1 = R_0 + p * T_1 - U_1

ruin = R_T1 < 0
ruinT_1 = T_1[ruin]
ruinLogU_1 = np.log(U_1[ruin])

LRs = np.zeros(len(ruin))
LRs[ruin] = stats.expon.pdf(ruinT_1, scale=1/u[0]) \
    / stats.expon.pdf(ruinT_1, scale=1/v[0]) \
    * stats.norm.pdf(ruinLogU_1, loc=u[1], scale=σ) \
    / stats.norm.pdf(ruinLogU_1, loc=v[1], scale=σ)

ests = ruin * LRs

# Construct estimate and CI's
ℓHat = ests.mean()
σHat = ests.std()

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```
widthCI = 1.96 * σHat / np.sqrt(R)

print(f"CE estimate:\t {ℓHat} (+/- {widthCI})")
print(f"CE low bound:\t {ℓHat-widthCI}")
print(f"CE upp bound:\t {ℓHat+widthCI}")
```

```
CE estimate:      6.390450834187833e-10 (+/- 2.7254597818147374e-12)
CE low bound:     6.363196236369685e-10
CE upp bound:     6.41770543200598e-10
Wall time: 282 ms
```

## 0.6 Markov chain Monte Carlo

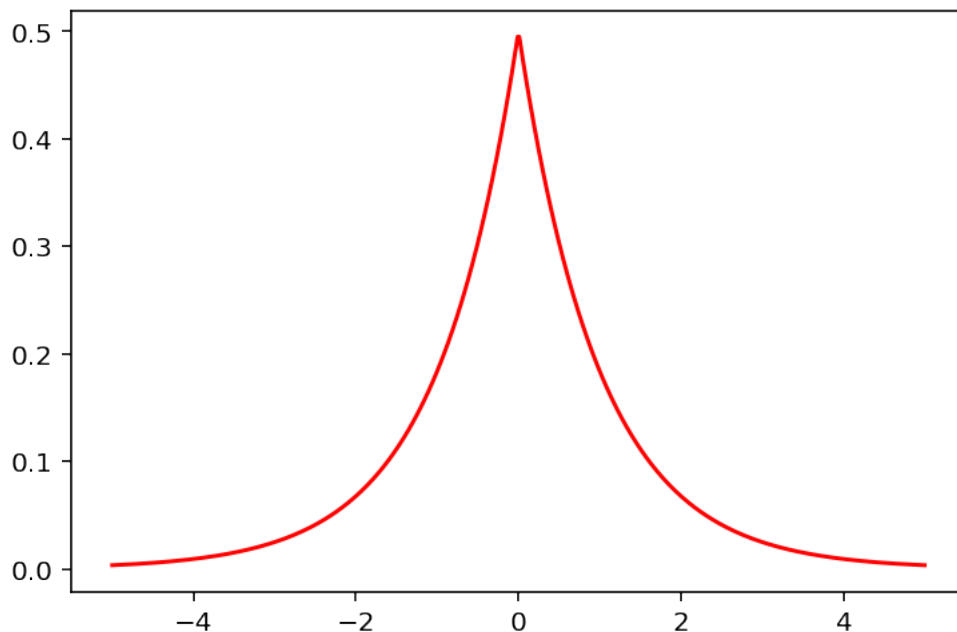
### Sampling Laplace distribution

$$X \sim \text{Laplace}(\mu, \lambda) \Rightarrow f_X(x) = \frac{1}{2\lambda} \exp\left\{-\frac{|x - \mu|}{\lambda}\right\}$$

Let's sample from  $\text{Laplace}(0, 1)$ , so

$$\pi(x) \propto \exp\{-|x|\}.$$

```
[19]: xs = np.linspace(-5,5, 500)
      plt.plot(xs, stats.laplace.pdf(xs), 'r');
```



Use a random walk sampler to sample from this density. Proposals are made by adding normal random variables to the current point.

```
[20]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**5

 $\pi$  = lambda x: np.exp(-np.abs(x))

X = np.empty(R)
X[0] = 0

for n in trange(1, R):
    Y = X[n-1] + rng.normal()

     $\alpha$  =  $\pi(Y)$  /  $\pi(X[n-1])$ 

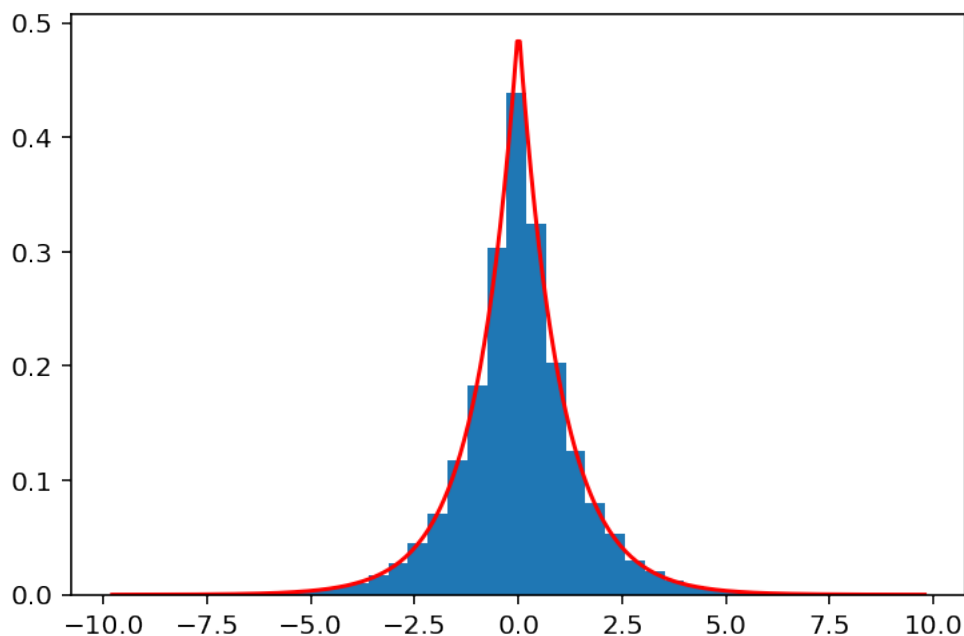
    if rng.uniform() <  $\alpha$ :
        X[n] = Y
    else:
        X[n] = X[n-1]
```

HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=99999.0), HTML(value='')))

Wall time: 1.16 s

Compare the samples histogram against the target density.

```
[21]: xlim = np.max(np.abs(X))
xs = np.linspace(-xlim, xlim, 300)
plt.plot(xs, stats.laplace.pdf(xs), 'r')
plt.hist(X, 40, density=True);
```



### Sampling truncated Weibull distribution

$$X \sim \text{Weibull}(k) \Rightarrow f_X(x) = kx^{k-1} \exp\{-x^k\}$$

for all  $x > 0$ . Let's sample from  $X \sim \text{Weibull}(\frac{1}{2})$  conditioned on  $\{a \leq X \leq b\}$ , so

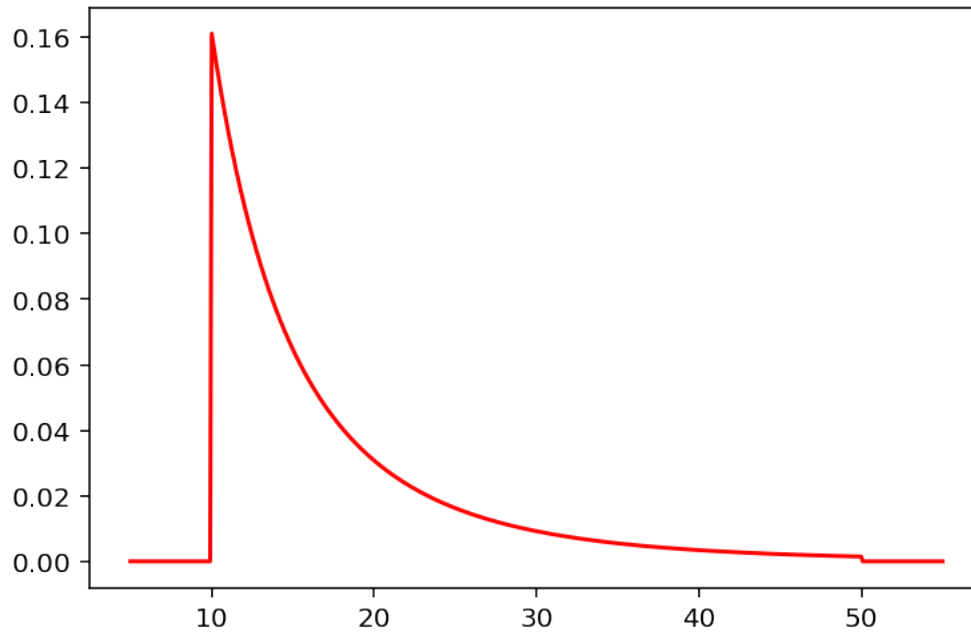
$$\pi(x) \propto 1\{a \leq x \leq b\} \cdot x^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\{-x^{\frac{1}{2}}\}.$$

For example, this could be used to model claim sizes for an insurer. Claims which are too small wouldn't be processed, and similarly claims which are too big are passed onto the reinsurer.

```
[22]: a = 10
      b = 50
```

```
[23]: pi = lambda x: (x >= a) * (x <= b) * 0.5 * x**(-0.5) * np.exp(-x**(0.5))
      piConst = (stats.weibull_min.cdf(b, c=0.5) \
                  - stats.weibull_min.cdf(a, c=0.5))
```

```
[24]: x = np.linspace(a/2, b*1.1, 500)
      plt.plot(x, pi(x) / piConst, 'r');
```



```
[25]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**6

X = np.empty(R)
X[0] = 25

jumps = rng.normal(size=R-1)
uniforms = rng.uniform(size=R-1)

for n in trange(1, R):
    Y = X[n-1] + jumps[n-1]

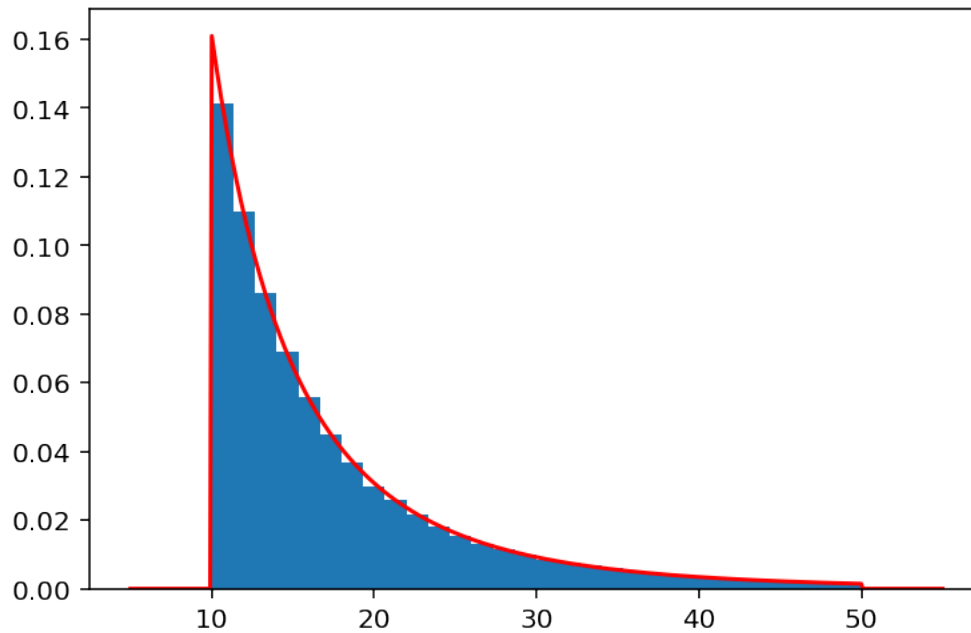
     $\alpha = \pi(Y) / \pi(X[n-1])$ 

    if uniforms[n-1] <  $\alpha$ :
        X[n] = Y
    else:
        X[n] = X[n-1]
```

```
HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=999999.0), HTML(value='')))
```

Wall time: 14.7 s

```
[26]: x = np.linspace(a/2, b*1.1, 500)
plt.plot(x,  $\pi(x)$  /  $\pi_{\text{Const}}$ , 'r')
plt.hist(X, 30, density=True);
```



### 0.6.1 Possible problem: Starting value invalid

```
[27]: %%time
rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**3

X = np.empty(R)
X[0] = b + 10

for n in trange(1, R):
    Y = X[n-1] + rng.normal()

     $\alpha$  =  $\pi(Y)$  /  $\pi(X[n-1])$ 

    if rng.uniform() <  $\alpha$ :
        X[n] = Y
    else:
        X[n] = X[n-1]
```

```
HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=999.0), HTML(value='')))
```

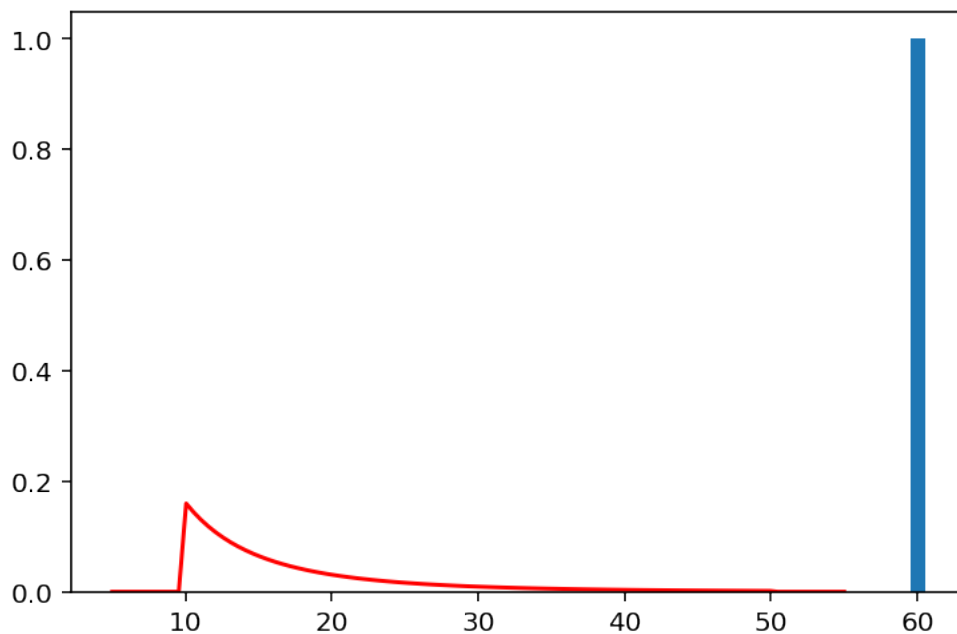
Wall time: 44 ms

C:\Users\patri\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\_launcher.py:10:  
RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in double\_scalars  
# Remove the CWD from sys.path while we load stuff.

```
[28]: X[:10]
```

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[28]: array([60., 60., 60., 60., 60., 60., 60., 60., 60., 60.])
```

```
[29]: x = np.linspace(a/2, b*1.1, 100)  
plt.plot(x,  $\pi(x)$  /  $\pi_{\text{Const}}$ , 'r')  
plt.hist(X, 1, density=True);
```



```
[30]: Y = X[0] + rng.normal()  
 $\alpha$  =  $\pi(Y)$  /  $\pi(X[0])$   
accept = rng.uniform() <  $\alpha$   
print(f"Propos {Y}, accept w.p. { $\alpha$ } = { $\pi(Y)$ } / { $\pi(X[0])$ }, accepted = {accept}")
```

Propos 61.232831391763376, accept w.p. nan = 0.0 / 0.0, accepted = False

C:\Users\patri\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\_launcher.py:2:  
RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in double\_scalars

### 0.6.2 Possible problem: Starting value unlikely

Consider  $X \sim \text{Weibull}(\frac{1}{2})$  conditioned on  $\{X \geq a\}$  (so no right truncation), but start the MC at some huge value  $X_0 = 1000$ .

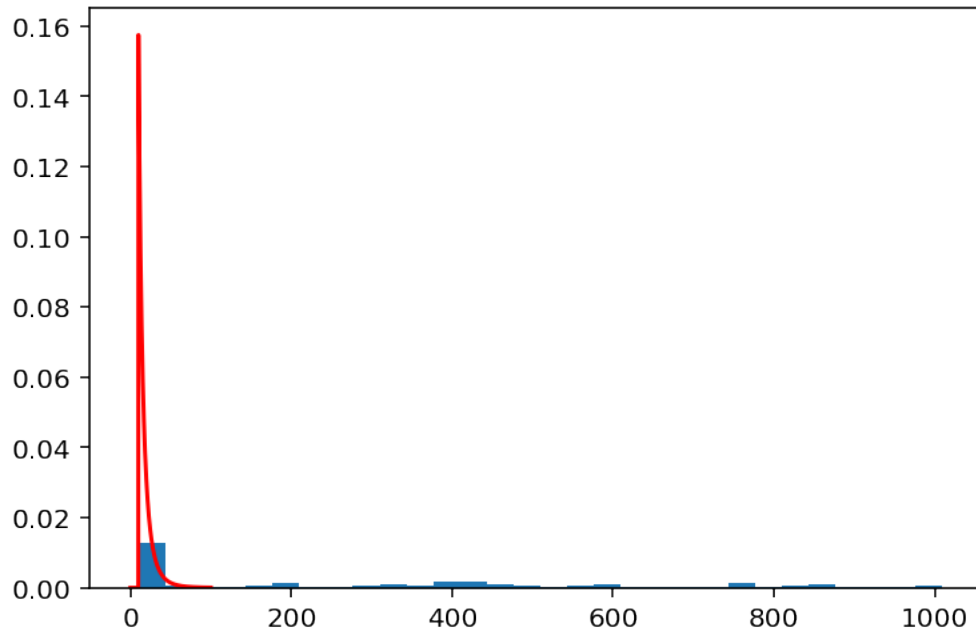
```
[31]:  $\pi = \text{lambda } x: (x \geq a) * 0.5 * x^{**(-0.5)} * \text{np.exp}(-x^{**0.5})$   
 $\pi\text{Const} = \text{stats.weibull\_min.sf}(a, c=0.5)$ 
```

```
[32]: rng = rnd.default_rng(1)  
R = 10**5  
  
X = np.empty(R)  
X[0] = 10**3  
  
for n in trange(1, R):  
    Y = X[n-1] + rng.normal()  
  
     $\alpha = \pi(Y) / \pi(X[n-1])$   
  
    if rng.uniform() <  $\alpha$ :  
        X[n] = Y  
    else:  
        X[n] = X[n-1]
```

```
HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=99999.0), HTML(value='')))
```

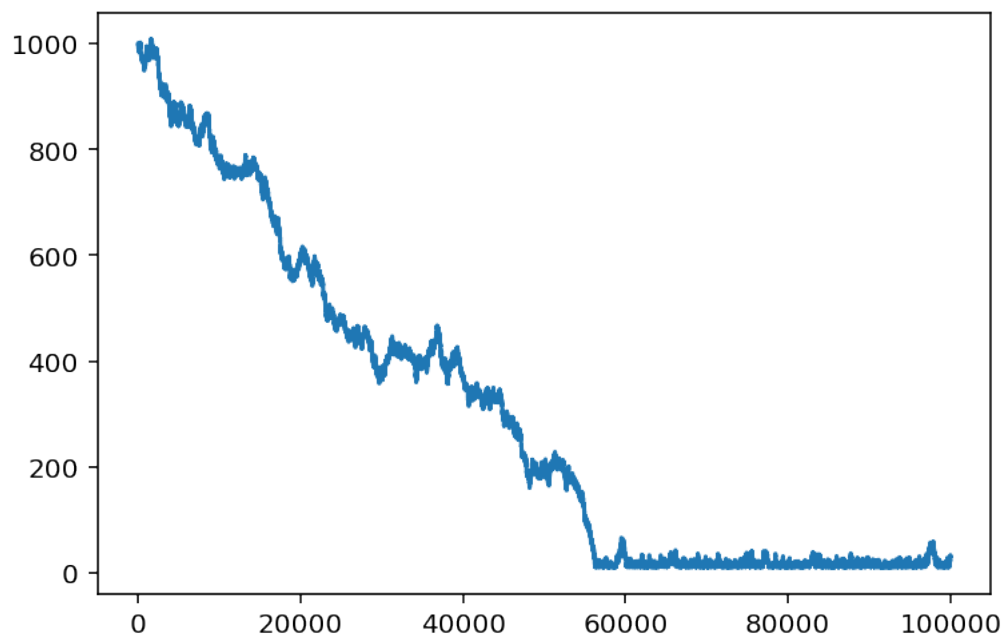
```
[33]: x = np.linspace(1e-10, 100, 500)  
plt.hist(X, 30, density=True);  
plt.plot(x,  $\pi(x) / \pi\text{Const}$ , 'r');
```





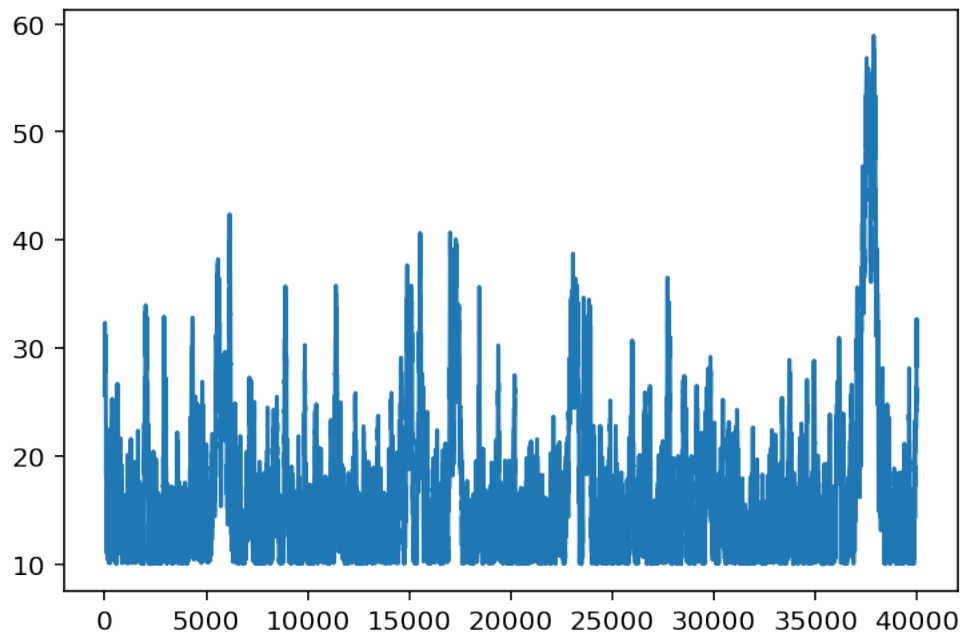
Plot the samples as a time-series to diagnose the problem.

```
[34]: plt.plot(X);
```

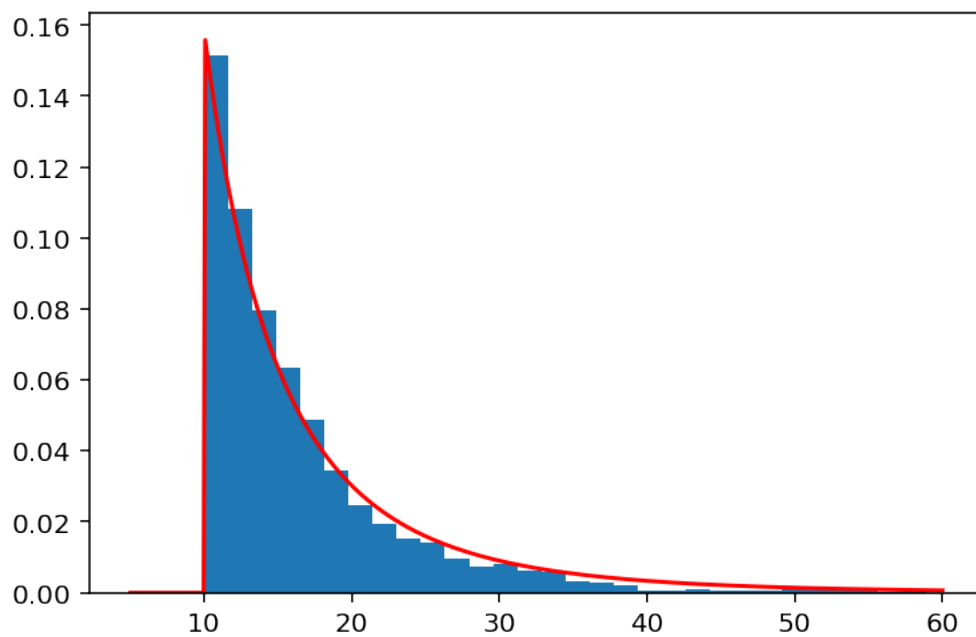


Throw away the first part, called the *burn in* or *warm up* period.

```
[35]: plt.plot(X[60000:]);
```



```
[36]: x = np.linspace(a/2, 60, 500)
plt.hist(X[60000:], 30, density=True);
plt.plot(x,  $\pi(x) / \pi_{\text{Const}}$ , 'r');
```



Better solution is to start many chains in different places and check that they all converge to the same region.

```
[37]: rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
      R = 10**4
      nchains = 4

      X = np.empty((nchains, R))

      for c in trange(nchains):

          X[c,0] = 10 + 100 * c

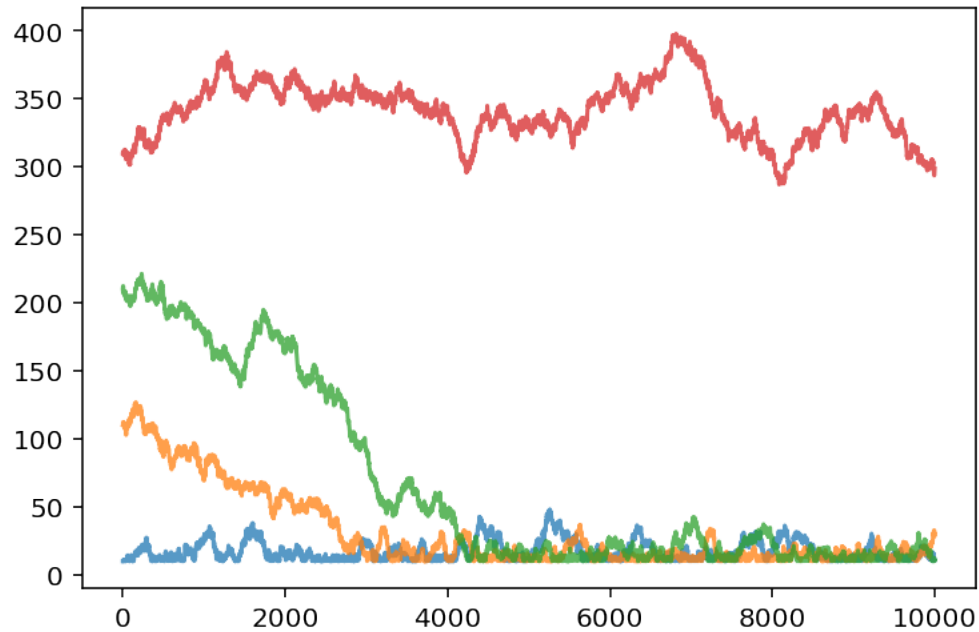
          for n in range(1, R):
              Y = X[c,n-1] + rng.normal()

               $\alpha = \pi(Y) / \pi(X[c,n-1])$ 

              if rng.uniform() <  $\alpha$ :
                  X[c,n] = Y
              else:
                  X[c,n] = X[c,n-1]
```

```
HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=4.0), HTML(value='')))
```

```
[38]: plt.plot(X.T, alpha=0.75);
```



Three of the chains converged to stationary by about sample 4000. The red one still needs more time to burn in.

If we try again with smaller starting values we should converge faster.

```
[39]: rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**4
nchains = 4

X = np.empty((nchains, R))

for c in trange(nchains):
    X[c,0] = 10 + 10 * c

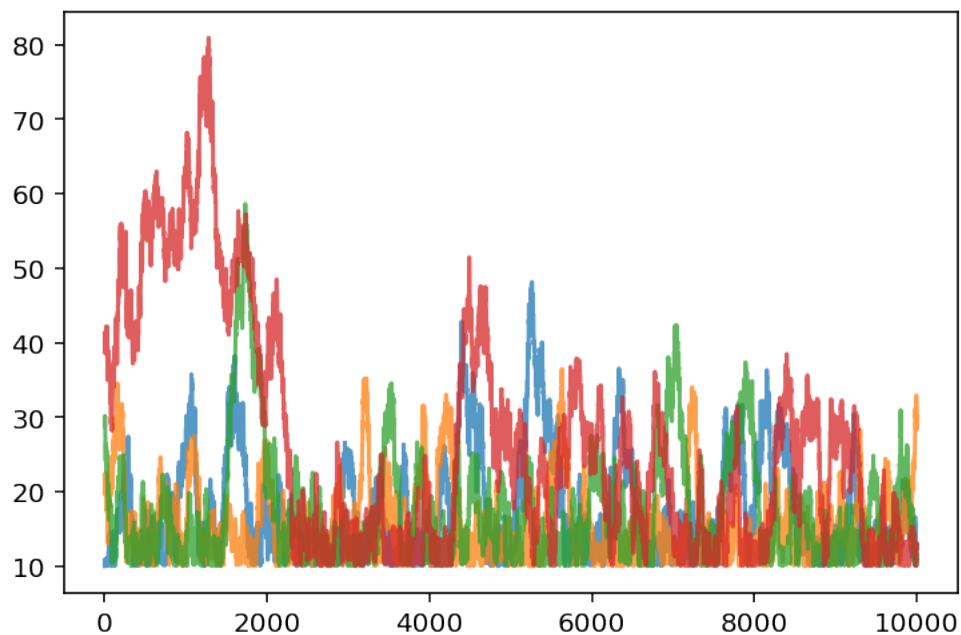
    for n in range(1, R):
        Y = X[c,n-1] + rng.normal()

        alpha = pi(Y) / pi(X[c,n-1])

        if rng.uniform() < alpha:
            X[c,n] = Y
        else:
            X[c,n] = X[c,n-1]
```

```
HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=4.0), HTML(value='')))
```

```
[40]: plt.plot(X.T, alpha=0.75);
```



```
[41]: X = X[:,2000:].reshape(-1)
      X.shape
```

```
[41]: (32000,)
```

**Possible problem: dependence** Let's return to sampling  $X \sim \text{Weibull}(\frac{1}{2})$  conditioned on  $\{a \leq X \leq b\}$ .

```
[42]:  $\pi = \text{lambda } x: (x \geq a) * (x \leq b) * 0.5 * x^{**}(-0.5) * \text{np.exp}(-x^{**}(0.5))$ 
       $\pi\text{Const} = (\text{stats.weibull\_min.cdf}(b, c=0.5) \setminus$ 
               $- \text{stats.weibull\_min.cdf}(a, c=0.5))$ 
```

```
[43]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**3

X = np.empty(R)
X[0] = 25

jumps = rng.normal(size=R-1)
uniforms = rng.uniform(size=R-1)
```

```

for n in trange(1, R):
    Y = X[n-1] + jumps[n-1]

     $\alpha = \pi(Y) / \pi(X[n-1])$ 

    if uniforms[n-1] <  $\alpha$ :
        X[n] = Y
    else:
        X[n] = X[n-1]

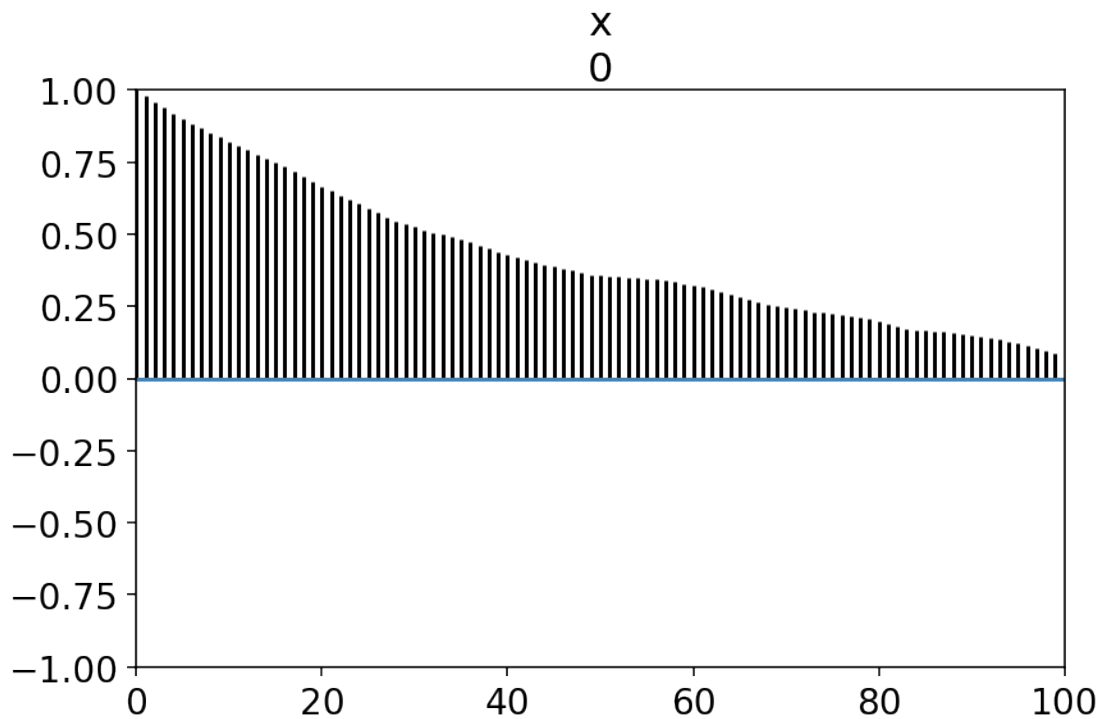
```

HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=999.0), HTML(value='')))

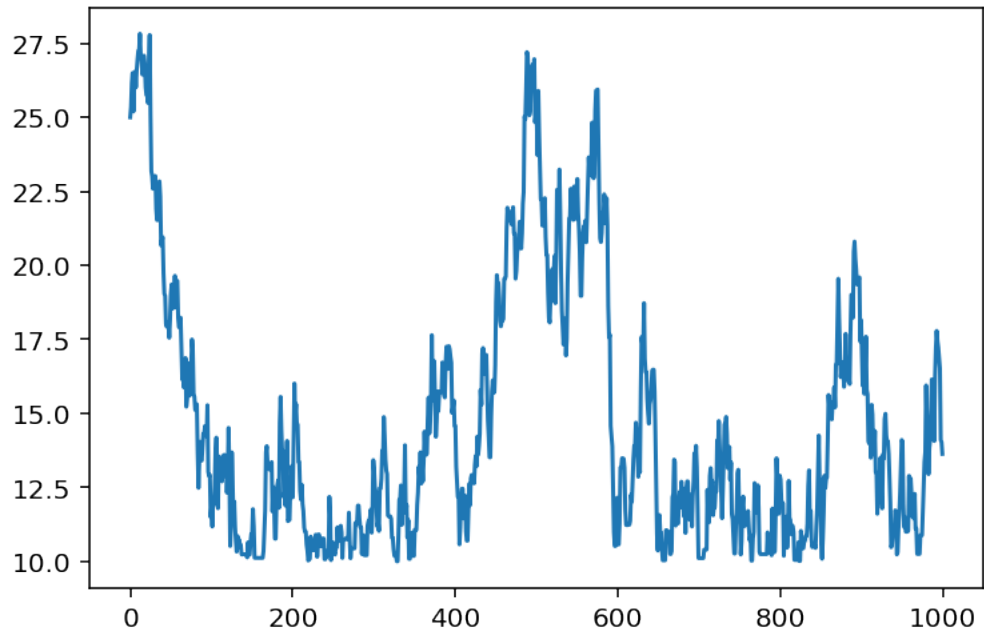
Wall time: 31.2 ms

```
[44]: import arviz as az
```

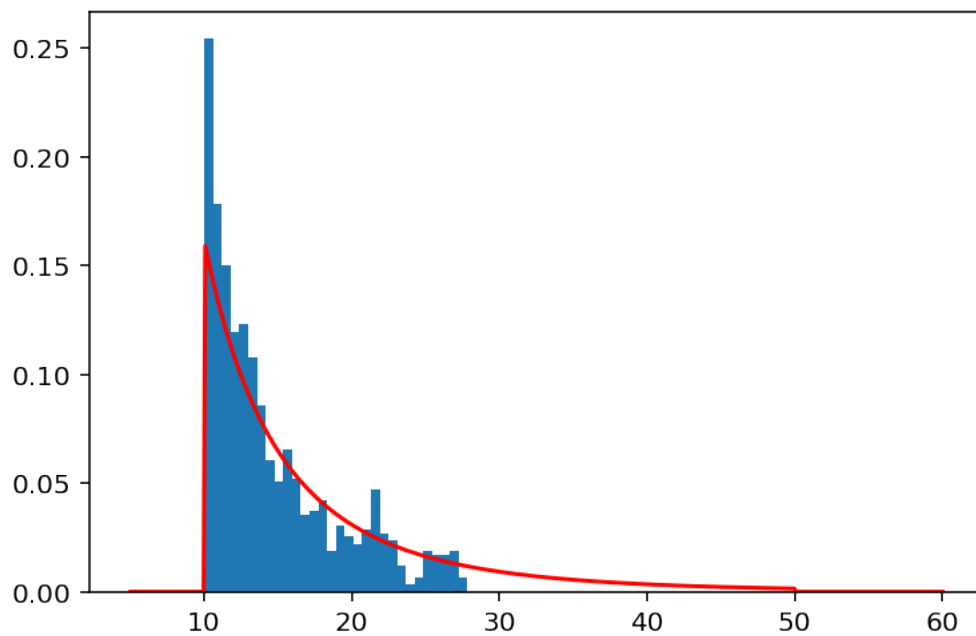
```
[45]: az.plot_autocorr(X);
```



```
[46]: plt.plot(X);
```



```
[47]: xs = np.linspace(a/2, 60, 500)
plt.hist(X, 30, density=True);
plt.plot(xs,  $\pi$ (xs) /  $\pi$ Const, 'r');
```



```
[48]: acceptRate = np.mean(np.diff(X) != 0.0)
      print(f"We accepted {acceptRate*100:.2f}% of proposals")
```

We accepted 84.88% of proposals

```
[49]: az.stats.ess(X)
```

```
[49]: 16.835607048346276
```

```
[50]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**3

X = np.empty(R)
X[0] = 25

jumps = rng.normal(scale=20, size=R-1)
uniforms = rng.uniform(size=R-1)

for n in trange(1, R):
    Y = X[n-1] + jumps[n-1]

     $\alpha = \pi(Y) / \pi(X[n-1])$ 

    if uniforms[n-1] <  $\alpha$ :
        X[n] = Y
    else:
        X[n] = X[n-1]

acceptRate = np.mean(np.diff(X) != 0.0)
print(f"We accepted {acceptRate*100:.2f}% of proposals")
```

```
HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=999.0), HTML(value='')))
```

We accepted 27.63% of proposals

Wall time: 62.4 ms

C:\Users\patri\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\_launcher.py:1:

RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in double\_scalars

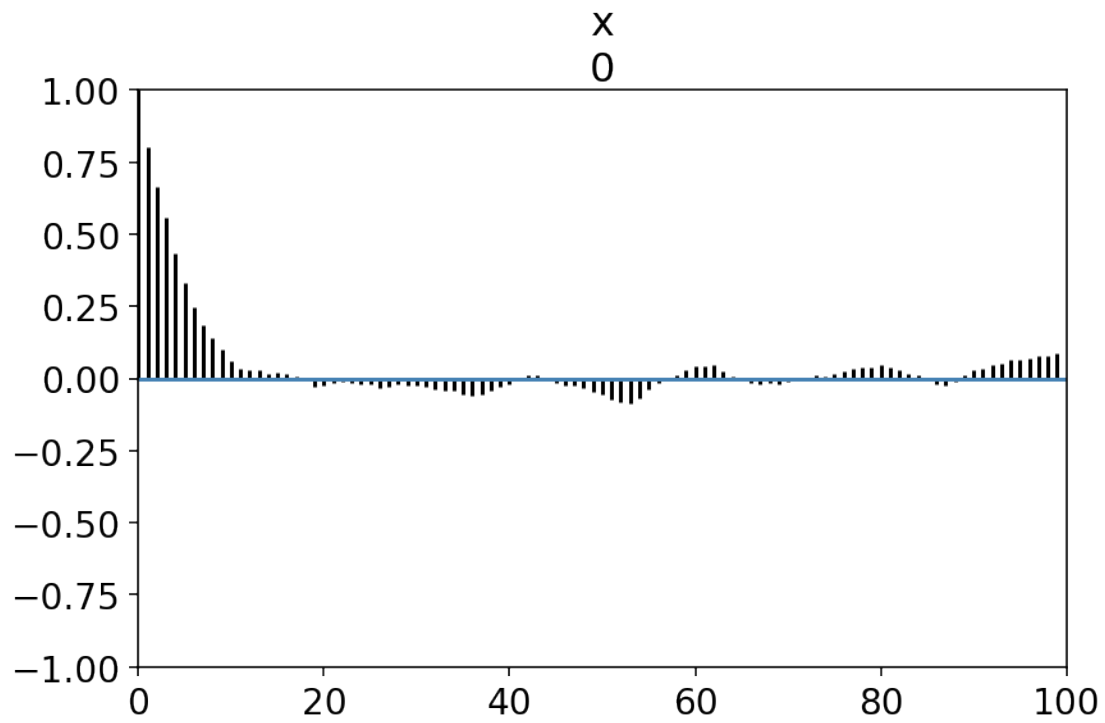
"""Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

```
[51]: az.stats.ess(X)
```

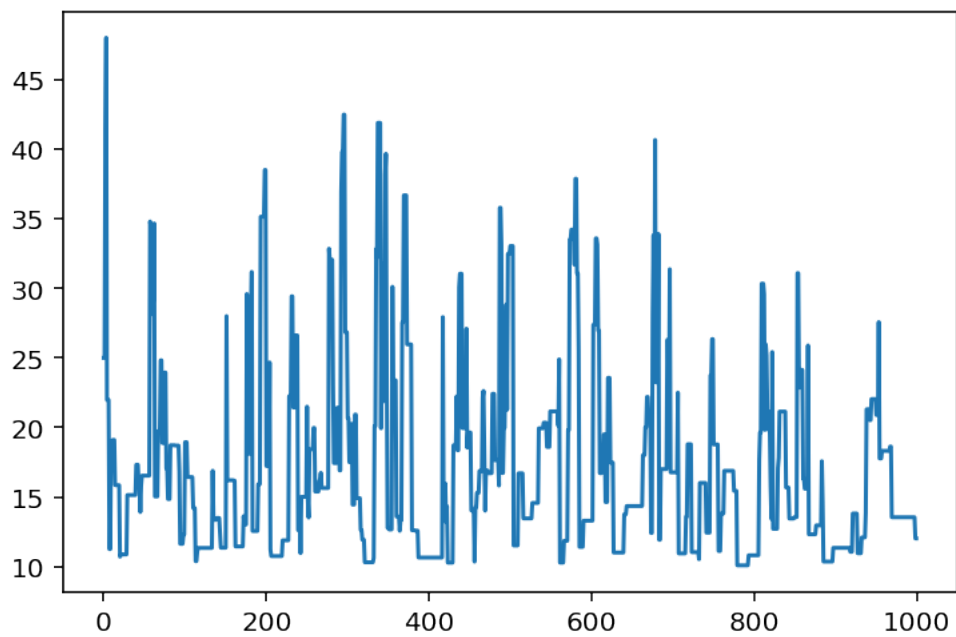
```
[51]: 89.15734704219965
```



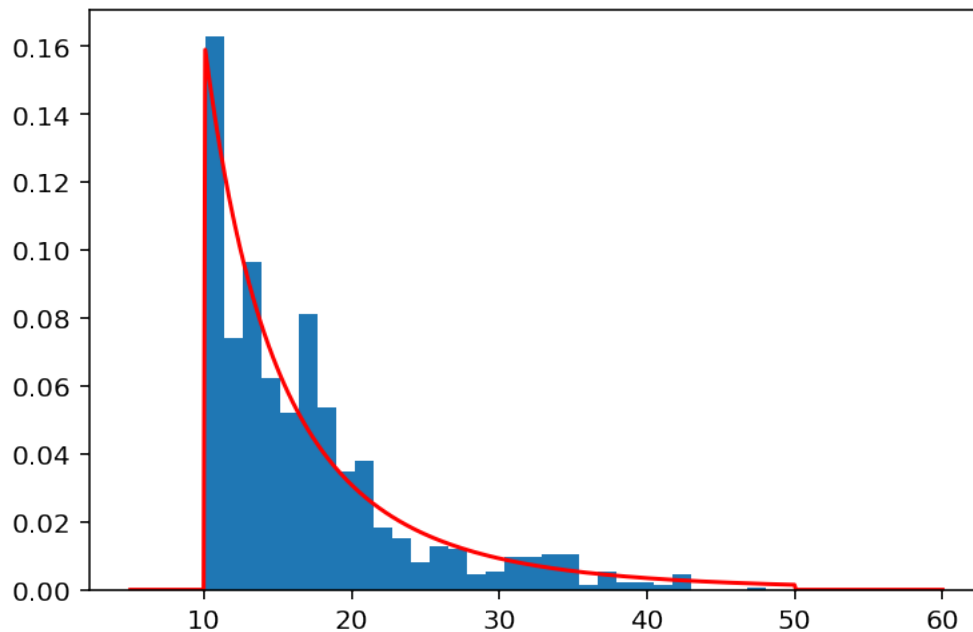
```
[52]: az.plot_autocorr(X);
```



```
[53]: plt.plot(X);
```



```
[54]: xs = np.linspace(a/2, 60, 500)
plt.hist(X, 30, density=True);
plt.plot(xs,  $\pi(xs) / \piConst$ , 'r');
```



In contrast, we can easily go too far, and accept too few samples.

```
[55]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**3

X = np.empty(R)
X[0] = 25

jumps = rng.normal(scale=100, size=R-1)
uniforms = rng.uniform(size=R-1)

for n in trange(1, R):
    Y = X[n-1] + jumps[n-1]

     $\alpha = \pi(Y) / \pi(X[n-1])$ 

    if uniforms[n-1] <  $\alpha$ :
        X[n] = Y
    else:
```

```

X[n] = X[n-1]

acceptRate = np.mean(np.diff(X) != 0.0)
print(f"We accepted {acceptRate*100:.2f}% of proposals")

HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=999.0), HTML(value='')))

```

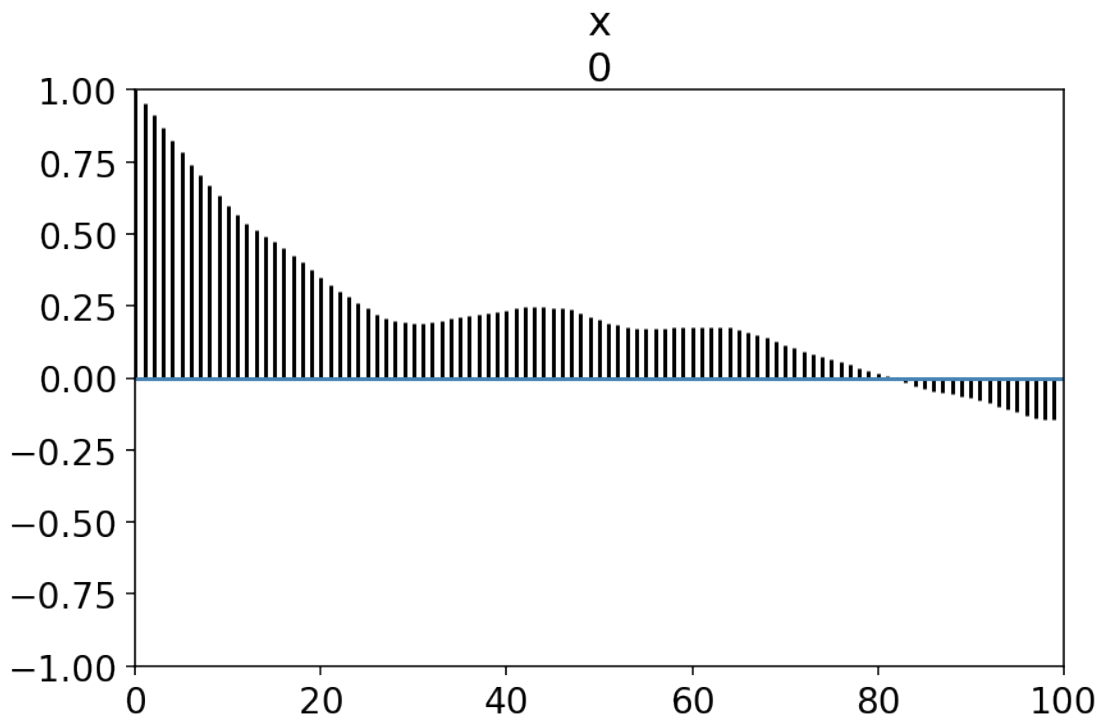
We accepted 7.11% of proposals  
Wall time: 39 ms

C:\Users\patri\Anaconda3\lib\site-packages\ipykernel\_launcher.py:1:  
RuntimeWarning: invalid value encountered in double\_scalars  
 """Entry point for launching an IPython kernel.

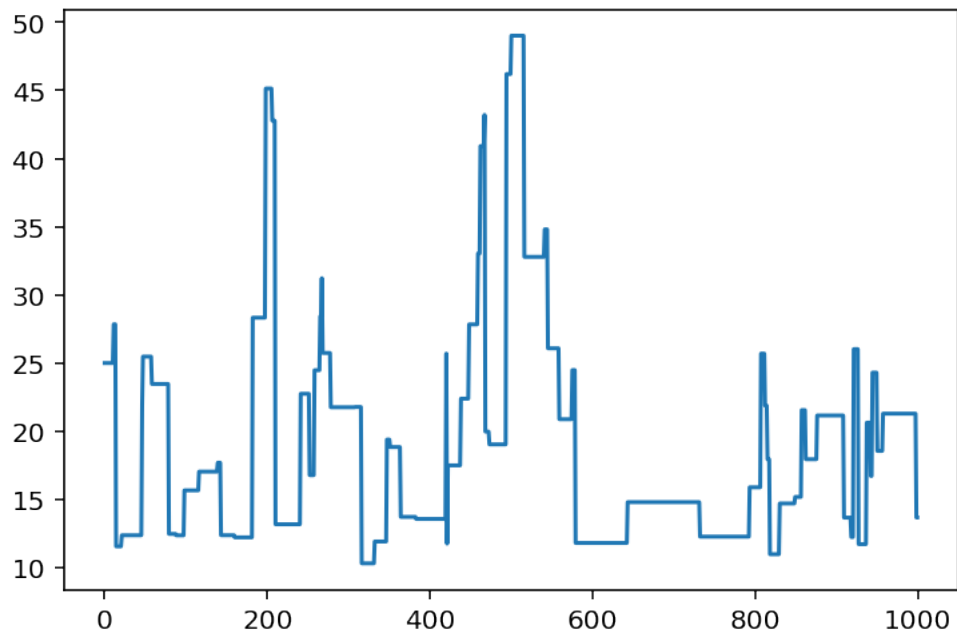
```
[56]: az.stats.ess(X)
```

```
[56]: 37.29823712754565
```

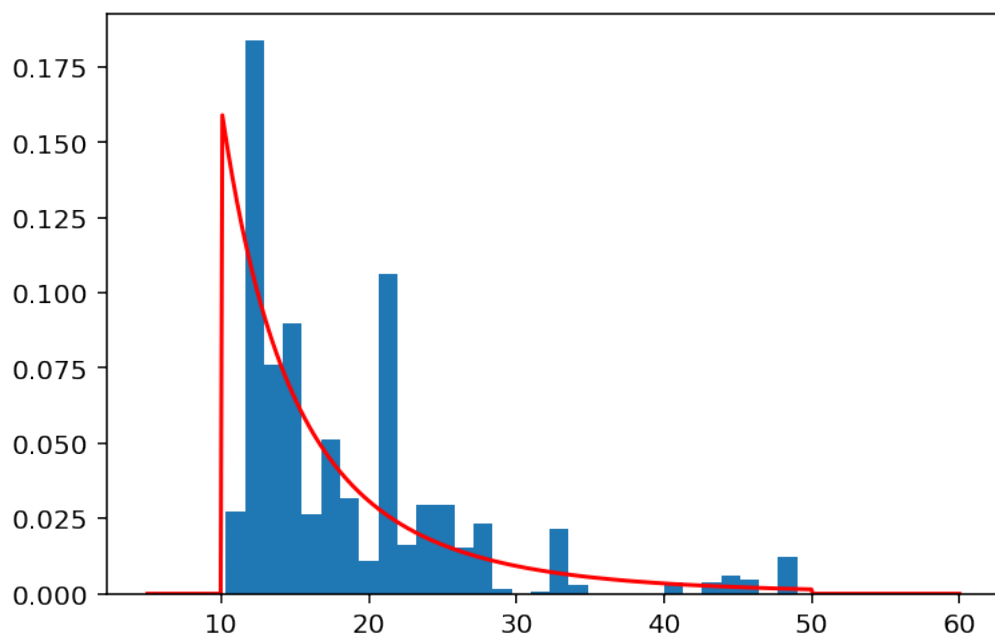
```
[57]: az.plot_autocorr(X);
```



```
[58]: plt.plot(X);
```



```
[59]: xs = np.linspace(a/2, 60, 500)
plt.hist(X, 30, density=True);
plt.plot(xs,  $\pi$ (xs) /  $\pi$ Const, 'r');
```



As a reference, this is what 1000 i.i.d. variables from this distribution look like.

```
[60]: rng = rnd.default_rng(1)

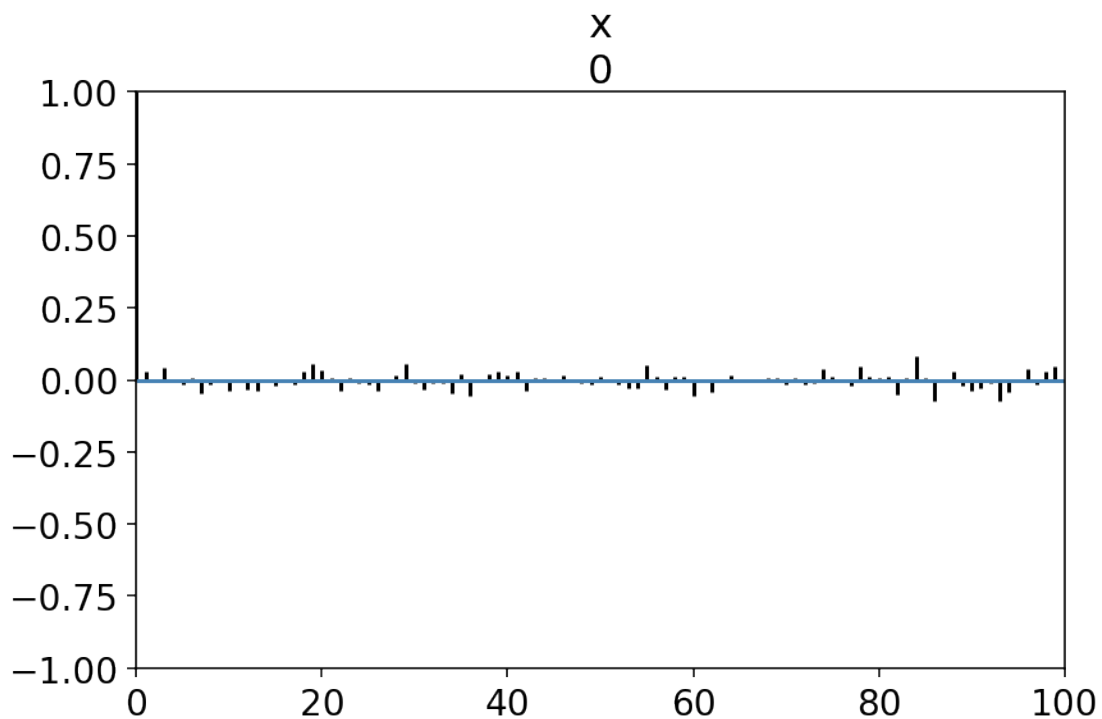
uniforms = rng.uniform(
    low = stats.weibull_min.cdf(a, c=0.5),
    high = stats.weibull_min.cdf(b, c=0.5),
    size = 1000)

X = stats.weibull_min.isf(1-uniforms, c=0.5);
```

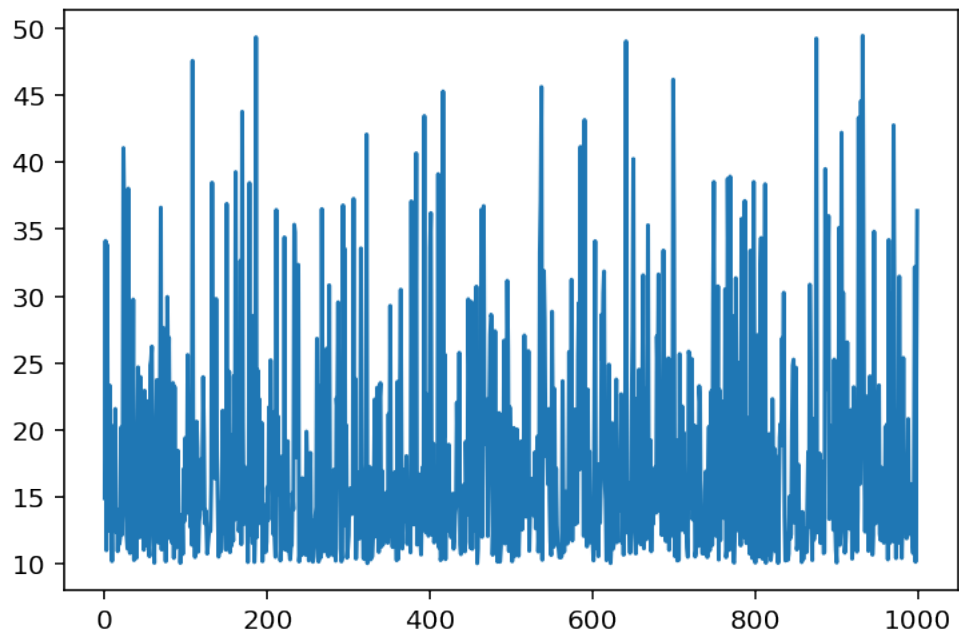
```
[61]: az.stats.ess(X)
```

```
[61]: 909.4100173671438
```

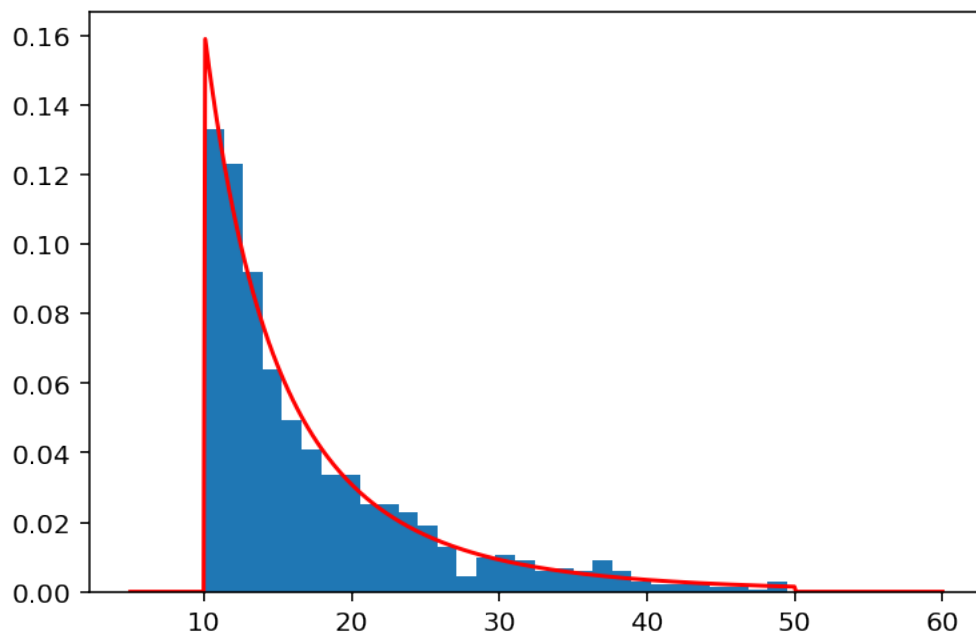
```
[62]: az.plot_autocorr(X);
```



```
[63]: plt.plot(X);
```



```
[64]: x = np.linspace(a/2, 60, 500)
plt.hist(X, 30, density=True);
plt.plot(xs,  $\pi(x)$  /  $\pi_{\text{Const}}$ , 'r');
```



### Reducing dependence by subsampling

```
[65]: %%time

rng = rnd.default_rng(1)
R = 10**5

X = np.empty(R)
X[0] = 25

jumps = rng.normal(size=R-1)
uniforms = rng.uniform(size=R-1)

for n in trange(1, R):
    Y = X[n-1] + jumps[n-1]

     $\alpha = \pi(Y) / \pi(X[n-1])$ 

    if uniforms[n-1] <  $\alpha$ :
        X[n] = Y
    else:
        X[n] = X[n-1]
```

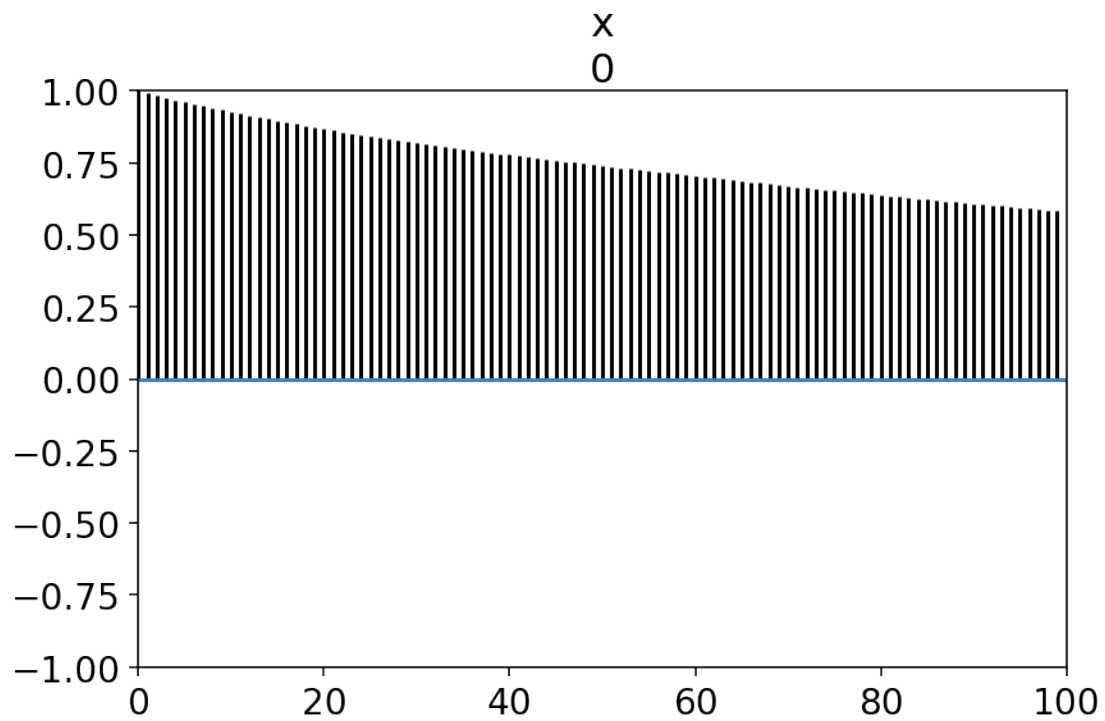
HBox(children=(FloatProgress(value=0.0, max=99999.0), HTML(value='')))

Wall time: 1.41 s

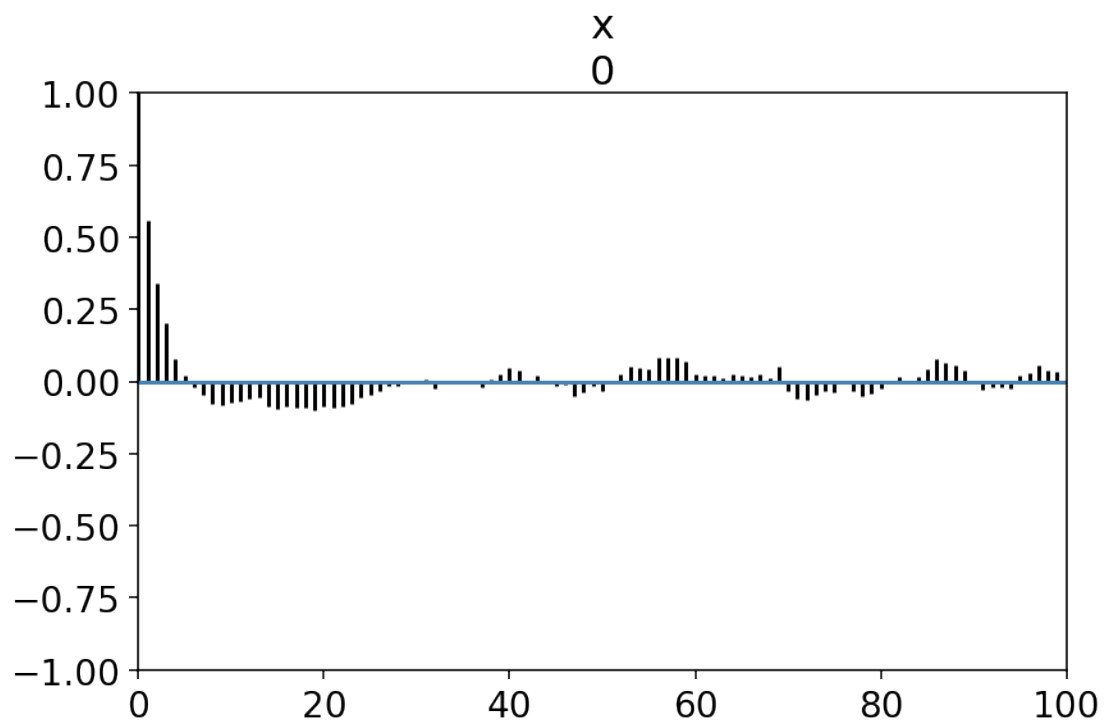
```
[66]: Xsub = X[::100]
      len(X), len(Xsub)
```

```
[66]: (100000, 1000)
```

```
[67]: az.plot_autocorr(X);
```



```
[68]: az.plot_autocorr(Xsub);
```





```
[69]: az.stats.ess(X) / R
```

```
[69]: 0.004318650176653973
```

```
[70]: az.stats.ess(Xsub) / (R / 100)
```

```
[70]: 0.40434897699671135
```

```
[71]: az.stats.ess(X)
```

```
[71]: 431.86501766539726
```

```
[72]: az.stats.ess(Xsub)
```

```
[72]: 404.3489769967114
```