

# 1 Probability Density Function

The probability density function can be used to evaluate the likeliness that a value will fall in a range, this is done by taking the integral over a range of values. For example in figure 1 you would find that at any given point in time there is about a 33% chance that the pressure would fall between 0 and 1.

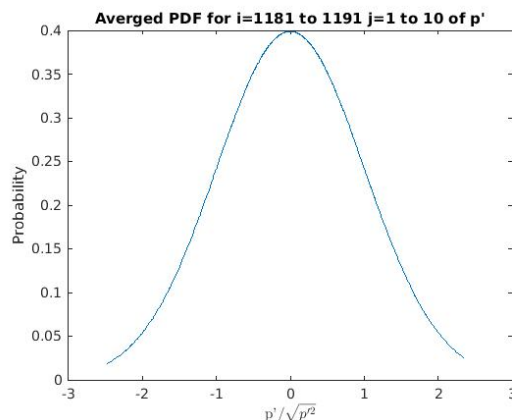


Figure 1: PDF Plot

The PDF functionality of spectcorr defines the fluctuations as the difference from the mean value of a data set so that

$$x'(t) = x(t) - \text{mean}(\text{dataset of } x)$$

Before calculating the PDF the value is scaled with the datasets root mean squared,  $\sqrt{\sum x'(t)^2}$ , and then plugged into the PDF in order to generate a plot. For this code a Gaussian distribution was used, so the function is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma)} \exp\left[-\frac{(x - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right]$$

Where  $\sigma$  is the standard deviation and  $\mu$  is the mean.

## 2 Using the PDF function

In order to use the code fill in the filepath so that the code has a path to your data and set icalPDF to 1. Next define the index ranges you want to pull data from and

the number of points in the time domain, `ntpoint`. Lastly fill the information about your DNS file.

Then run the code and 2 plots will be generated. The first will be a plot of each node locations PDF, while the second will be a plot of the PDF for all node points averaged together. Additionally if raw data is desired, the averaged PDF outputs are stored in `AvgPDF` and the nodal PDF data is stored in `PDFvalue`.