



# Experimental Results

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## Karbach Algorithm: Confidence Belts

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# Karbach Algorithm: Confidence Belts

Assumptions:

- Gaussian PDF  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu)$
- No nuisance parameters
- With constraints
- Single measure  $x_0$  treatment

$$\int_{x_1}^{x_2} P(x|\mu) dx = \alpha . \quad R(x, \mu) = \frac{P(x|\mu)}{P(x|\mu_{\text{best}})} . \quad R(x_1) = R(x_2)$$

1. At the considered value of the true parameter  $\mu_0$ , generate a toy experiment by drawing a value  $x_{\text{toy}}$  from the p.d.f. That is, draw from the unit Gaussian  $G(\sigma = 1, \mu = \mu_0)$ .
2. Compute  $\Delta\chi_{\text{toy}}^2$  for the toy experiment, following Eq. [6](#). For  $\chi^2(x, \mu)$ ,  $x$  is set to  $x_{\text{toy}}$  and  $\mu$  is set to  $\mu_0$ . For  $\chi^2(x, \mu_{\text{best}})$ ,  $x = x_{\text{toy}}$  and  $\mu_{\text{best}} = \max(0, x_{\text{toy}})$  implementing the boundary at zero.
3. Find the value  $\Delta\chi_c^2$ , such that  $\alpha$  of the toy experiments have  $\Delta\chi_{\text{toy}}^2 < \Delta\chi_c^2$ .
4. The interval  $[x_1, x_2]$  is given by all values of  $x$  such that  $\Delta\chi^2(x, \mu_0) < \Delta\chi_c^2$ .

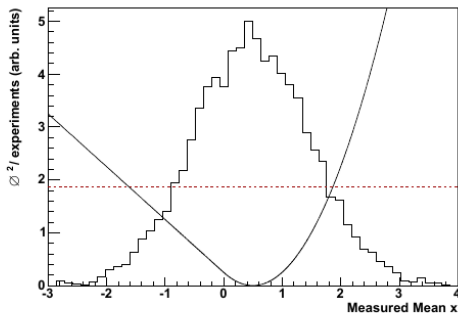


FIG. 1: Example set of 5000 toy experiments drawn from  $G(\mu = 0.5, \sigma = 1)$  (histogram), together with the likelihood ratio following Eq. [6](#) computed in presence of a boundary  $\mu > 0$  (solid line), and the value  $\Delta\chi_c^2$  giving  $\alpha = 90\%$  (dashed line).

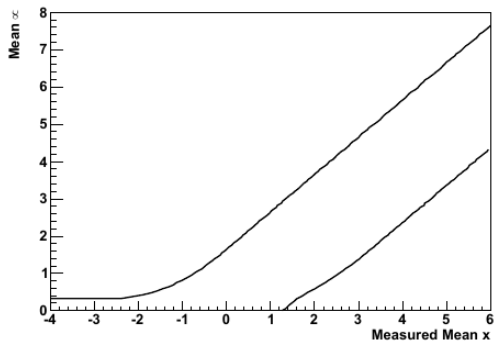


FIG. 2: Confidence belt for a unit Gaussian with a mean bound to be positive,  $\alpha = 90\%$ .

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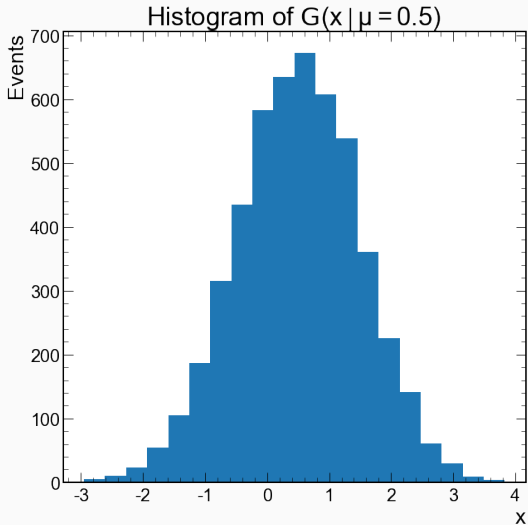
- Step 1: Define a Gaussian PDF  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu)$
- Step 2: Generate a toy MC with  $n$  events

$$\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu) \rightarrow \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$$



# Implementation

- Step 3: Plot histogram



# Implementation

- Step 4: Compute  $R$  or  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}}$

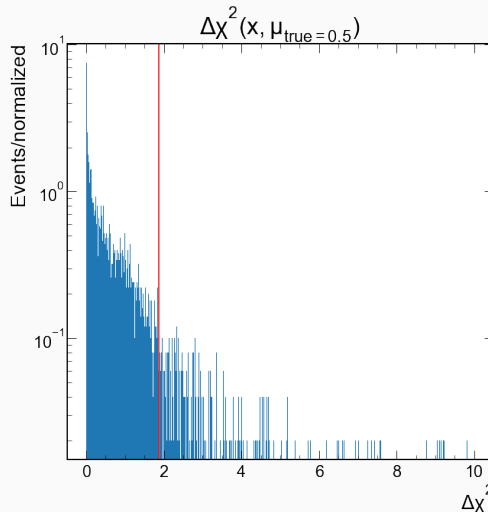
$$R = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu \mid x)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu} \mid x)}, \quad \Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}} = -2 \ln R \quad (1)$$

Observations:

- $x$  is a scalar quantity not a vector
- $\hat{\mu} = \mu_{\text{best}} = \max(0, x)$

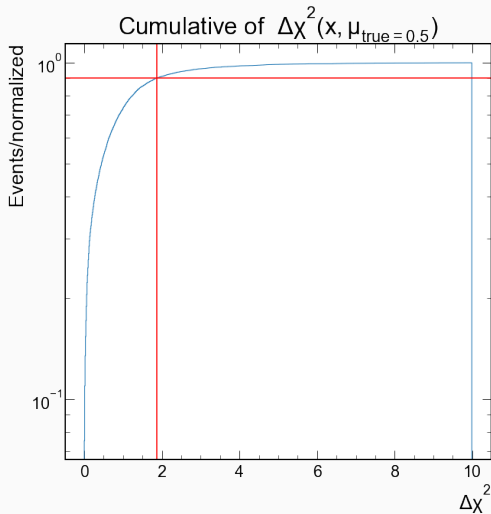
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- Step 5: Plot  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}}$  histogram and apply np.percentile at desired confidence level =  $\Delta\chi^2_c$



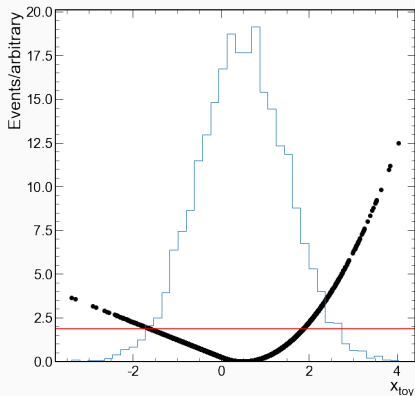
# Implementation

Step 5 from CDF point of view



# Implementation

- Step 6: Plot  $\mathcal{G}(x | \mu)$  histogram,  $\Delta\chi_{\text{toys}}^2$  and  $\Delta\chi_c^2$

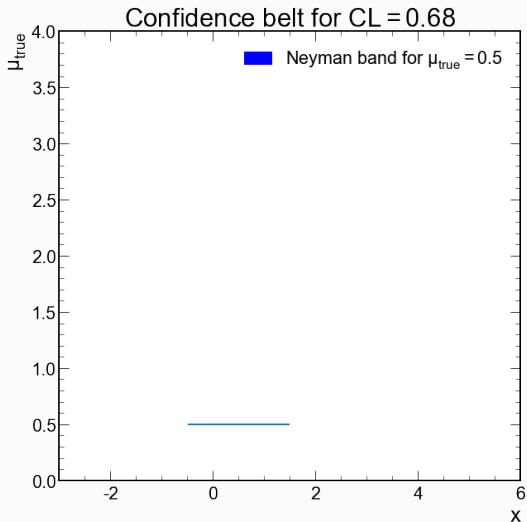


The acceptance interval  $[x_1, x_2]$  is given by all values of  $x$  such that

$$\Delta\chi_{\text{toys}}^2 < \Delta\chi_c^2 \quad (2)$$

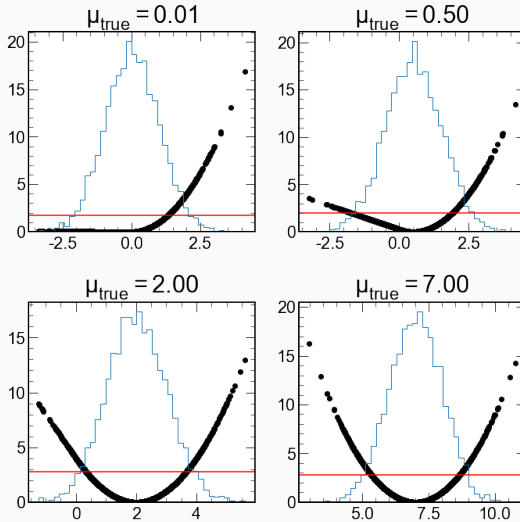
# Implementation

- Step 7: Plot acceptance interval = Neymann band for  $\mu_{true} = 0.5$



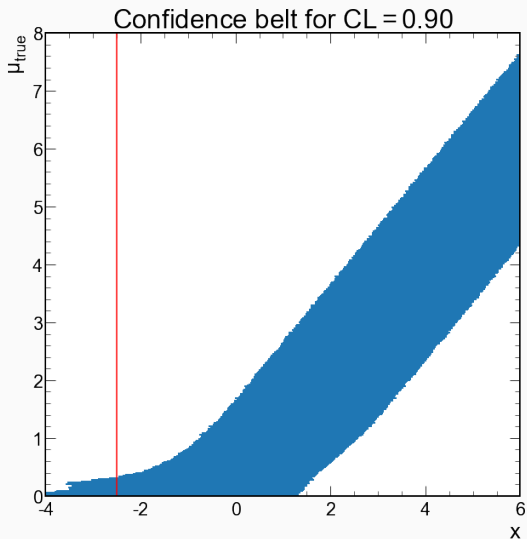
# Implementation

- Step 8: Iterate for an interval of  $\mu_{true}$  values  $\rightarrow [\mu_0, \mu_\eta]$



# Implementation

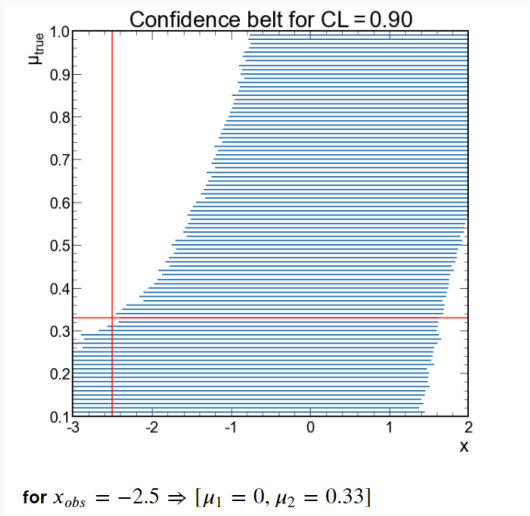
- Step 9: Plot confidence belt





# Implementation

- Step 10: For a  $x_0 = x_{obs}$  measure obtain confidence interval  $[\mu_{inf}, \mu_{sup}]$



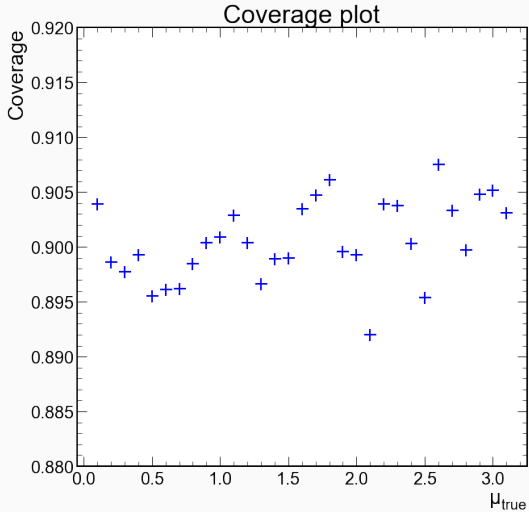
# Implementation

- Step 11: Compare with FC table

-2.7	0.00, 0.04	0.00, 0.29
-2.6	0.00, 0.05	0.00, 0.30
-2.5	0.00, 0.05	0.00, 0.32
-2.4	0.00, 0.05	0.00, 0.33
-2.3	0.00, 0.05	0.00, 0.34
-2.2	0.00, 0.06	0.00, 0.36

# Implementation

- Step 12: Coverage test



## Karbach Algorithm: 1-CL plots

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Assumptions:

- Gaussian PDF  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu)$
- No nuisance parameters
- With constraints
- Single measure  $x_0$  treatment

1. At the considered value of the true parameter  $\mu_0$ , generate a toy experiment.
2. Compute  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toy}} \equiv \Delta\chi^2(x_{\text{toy}}, \mu_0)$  for the toy experiment.
3. Compute  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{data}} \equiv \Delta\chi^2(x_0, \mu_0)$  for the measured value.
4. The  $1 - \text{CL}$  ( $\equiv 1 - \alpha(\mu_0)$ ) value is given by the fraction of toy experiments that have a larger  $\Delta\chi^2$  than the measured value:

$$1 - \alpha(\mu_0) = \frac{N(\Delta\chi^2_{\text{data}} < \Delta\chi^2_{\text{toy}})}{N_{\text{toy}}} .$$

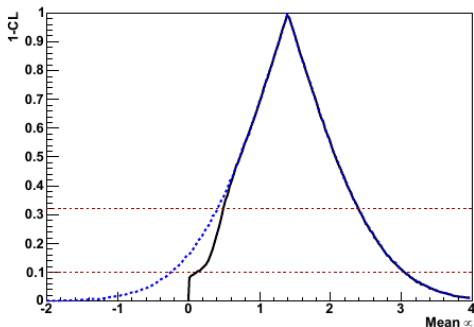


FIG. 4: Plot of  $1 - \text{CL}$  of a unit Gaussian for a measured mean of  $\bar{x} = 1.4$ , both without boundaries (dashed) and for a boundary at  $\mu > 0$  (solid). The horizontal lines indicate  $\alpha = 68\%$  and  $\alpha = 90\%$ .

# Implementation

- Step 1, 2, 3, 4 are the same

$$R = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu \mid x)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu} \mid x)}, \quad \Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}} = -2 \ln R \quad (3)$$

Observations:

- $x$  is a scalar quantity not a vector
- $\hat{\mu} = \mu_{\text{best}} = \max(0, x)$



# Implementation

- Step 5: Compute  $\Delta\chi_{data}^2 = \Delta\chi^2(x_0, \mu)$  for a measured mean  $x_0 = 1.4$

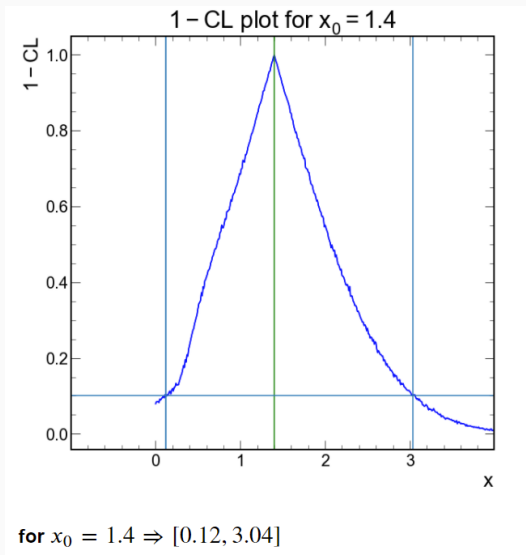
$$\Delta\chi_{data}^2(x_0 = 1.4, \mu) = -2 \ln \left[ \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu | x_0)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu} | x_0)} \right] \quad (4)$$

Observations:

- $x_0$  is a scalar quantity
- $\hat{\mu} = \mu_{best} = \max(0, x_0)$

# Implementation

- Step 6: Iterate for all values of  $\mu$



# Implementation

- Step 7: Compare with FC table

1.2	0.35, 2.20	0.00, 2.84
1.3	0.42, 2.30	0.02, 2.94
1.4	0.49, 2.40	0.12, 3.04
1.5	0.56, 2.50	0.22, 3.14
1.6	0.64, 2.60	0.31, 3.24

Karbach Algorithm:  
Confidence Belts and 1-CL plots  
with nuisance parameters

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Note that the general case quickly gets more expensive than the sketched example. If there are **nuisance parameters** present, the likelihood needs to be minimized in their respect when calculating  $\chi^2$  and  $\chi^2_{\text{best}}$ . Also, the

# Implementation

- Step 1: Define  $G(x \mid \mu, \sigma)$  with  $\sigma$  as nuisance parameter
- Step 2: Obtain  $n$  events from pdf  $\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$
- Step 3: Compute  $R$  or  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}}$

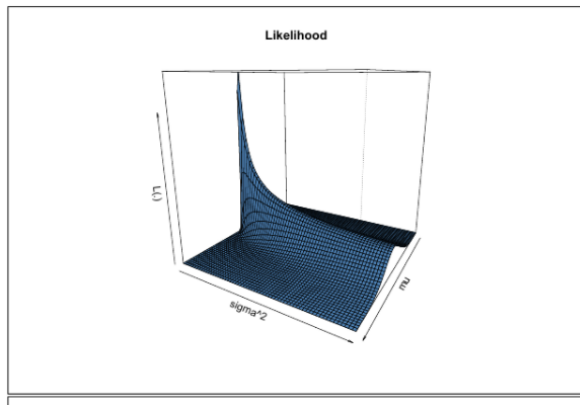
$$R = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \sigma \mid x)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma} \mid x)} \quad (5)$$

Observation:  $x$  is a scalar quantity.

But the denominator of (5) is undefined! same with profile likelihood version.

# Conclusion

- If  $R$  is undefined hence we can not obtain confidence belts or 1-CL plots with this single (scalar) treatment of  $x$  values.



Extended Karbach Algorithm:  
1-CL plots multi-values treatment  
failed case

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Assumptions:

- Gaussian PDF  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu, \sigma)$
- Nuisance parameters
- With constraints
- Multi measure  $\vec{x}_0$  treatment

# Implementation

- Step 1: Define  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu, \sigma)$  with  $\sigma$  as nuisance parameter
- Step 2: Obtain  $n$  events from PDF  $\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}$
- Step 3: Compute  $R$  or  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}}$

$$R = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \hat{\hat{\sigma}}(\mu) \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\})}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma} \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\})} \quad (6)$$

- Step 4: Obtain  $\Delta\chi_{data}^2$  with  $\vec{x}_0 = \vec{x}_{obs} = \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_{obs}$

$$\Delta\chi_{data}^2 = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \hat{\sigma}(\mu) \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_{obs})}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma} \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_{obs})} \quad (7)$$

- Step 5: Compute  $1 - CL$  point

$$1 - CL = \frac{N(\Delta\chi_{data}^2 < \Delta\chi_{toys}^2)}{N_{toys}} \quad (8)$$

but in numerator of (8) we have only 1 or 0 so we cannot obtain  $1 - CL$  plots with this approach.

## Extended Karbach Algorithm: 1-CL plots multi-values treatment

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Assumptions:

- Gaussian PDF  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu, \sigma)$
- Nuisance parameters
- With constraints
- Multi measure  $\vec{x}_0$  treatment

- Step 1: Define  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu, \sigma)$  with  $\sigma$  as nuisance parameter
- Step 2: Obtain  $N$  **toys MC samplers with  $n$  events** from PDF

$$\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu, \sigma) \rightarrow [\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_0, \dots, \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_N] \quad (9)$$

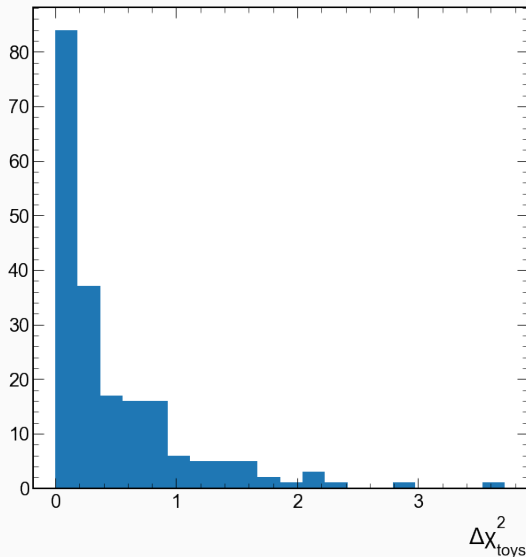
- Step 3: Compute  $N$  values of  $R$  or  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}}$

$$R_i = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \hat{\hat{\sigma}}(\mu) \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_i)}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma} \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_i)} \quad (10)$$



# Implementation

- Step 4: Plot distribution of  $R_i$  or  $(\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}})_i$  in a histogram

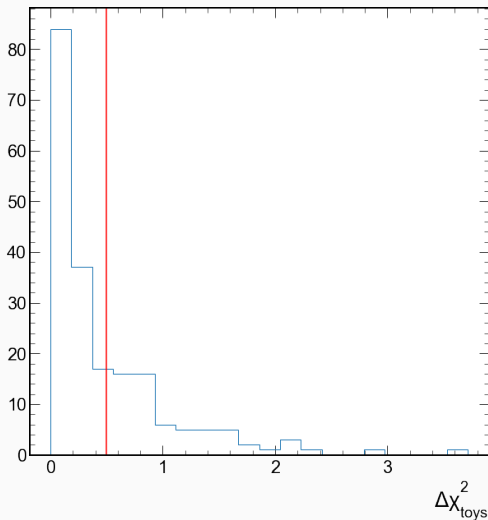


- Step 5: Compute  $\Delta\chi^2_{data}$  with "observed" data  $\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_{obs}$

$$R = \frac{\mathcal{L}(\mu, \hat{\hat{\sigma}}(\mu) \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_{obs})}{\mathcal{L}(\hat{\mu}, \hat{\sigma} \mid \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_{obs})} \quad (11)$$

# Implementation

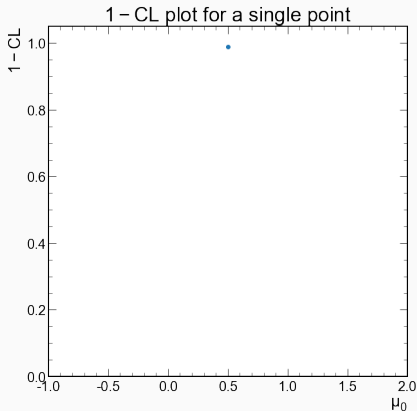
- Step 6: Plot distribution of ( $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{toys}}$ ) values and the only value of  $\Delta\chi^2_{\text{data}}$



# Implementation

- Step 7: Compute 1-CL point

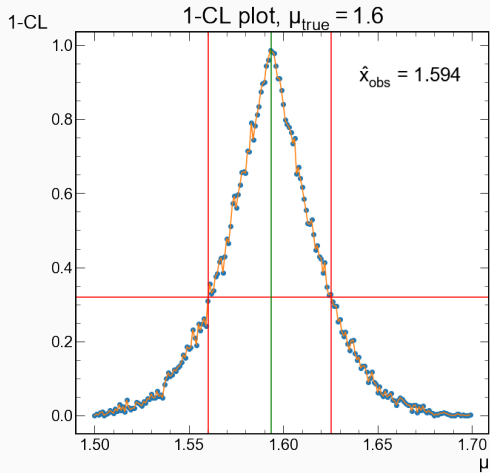
$$1 - CL = \frac{N((\Delta\chi^2_{data} < (\Delta\chi^2_{toys})_i)}{N_{toys}} \quad (12)$$



$$1 - \text{CL} = \int_{\Delta\chi^2_{\text{data}}}^{\infty} P_{\chi^2}(t) dt$$

# Implementation

- Step 8: Iterate for all values of  $\mu$



Extended Karbach Algorithm:  
Confidence Belt  
Multi-value treatment

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- Step 1: Define gaussian PDF  $\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu, \sigma)$
- Step 2: Obtain  $N$  **toys MC samplers with  $n$  events** from PDF

$$\mathcal{G}(x \mid \mu, \sigma) \rightarrow [\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_0, \dots, \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_N] \quad (13)$$

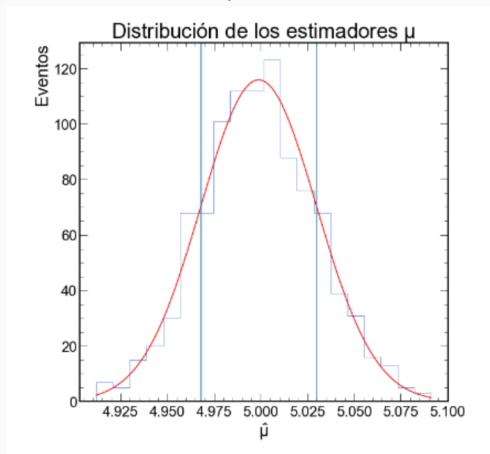
- Step 3: Obtain maximum likelihood estimators  $\hat{\mu}$  for each sampler  $\{x_0, \dots, x_N\}$

$$[\{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_0, \dots, \{x_0, \dots, x_n\}_N] \rightarrow [\hat{\mu}_0, \dots, \hat{\mu}_N] \quad (14)$$



# Algorithm

- Step 4: Plot distribution of all  $\hat{\mu}$  estimators



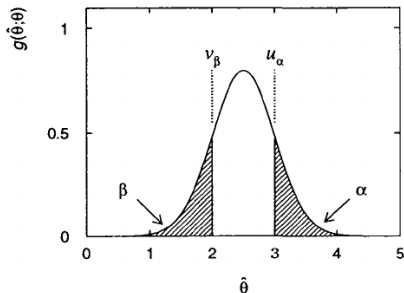
Apply original Karbach algorithm with  $x = \hat{\mu}$

## 9.3 Confidence interval for a Gaussian distributed estimator

A simple and very important application of a confidence interval is when the distribution of  $\hat{\theta}$  is Gaussian with mean  $\theta$  and standard deviation  $\sigma_{\hat{\theta}}$ . That is, the cumulative distribution of  $\hat{\theta}$  is

$$G(\hat{\theta}; \theta, \sigma_{\hat{\theta}}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\hat{\theta}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_{\hat{\theta}}^2}} \exp\left(\frac{-(\hat{\theta}' - \theta)^2}{2\sigma_{\hat{\theta}}^2}\right) d\hat{\theta}'. \quad (9.10)$$

This is a commonly occurring situation since, according to the central limit theorem, any estimator that is a linear function of a sum of random variables becomes Gaussian in the large sample limit. We will see that for this case, the



**Fig. 9.1** A p.d.f.  $g(\hat{\theta}; \theta)$  for an estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  for a given value of the true parameter  $\theta$ . The two shaded regions indicate the values of  $\hat{\theta} \leq v_\beta$ , which has a probability  $\beta$ , and  $\hat{\theta} \geq u_\alpha$ , which has a probability  $\alpha$ .

# Algorithm

