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Estimates of Mean and Errors

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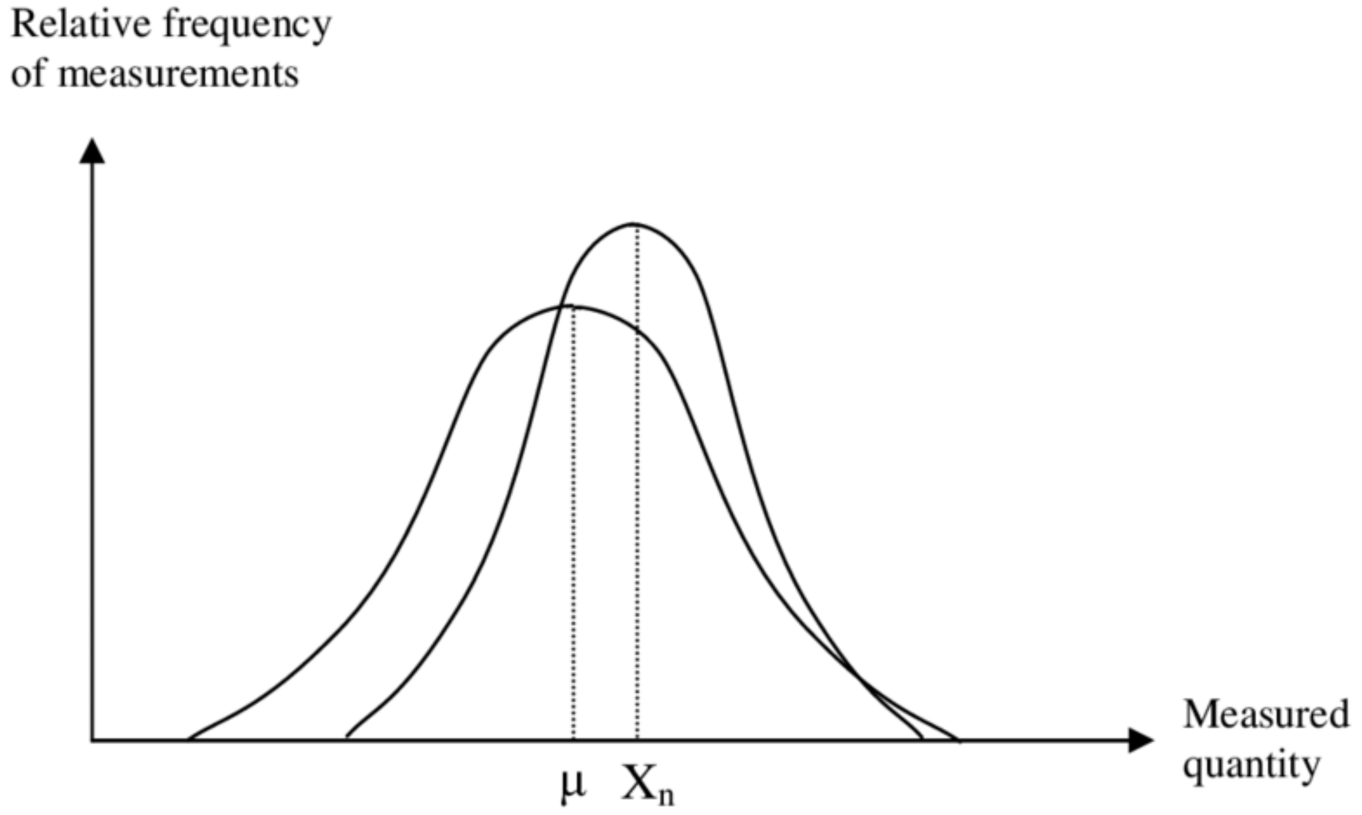


Mean and Errors

Reading

Data Reduction and Error Analysis for the Physical Sciences
by P.R. Bevington, D.K. Robinson, 3rd Ed.

Ch. 4 Estimates of Mean and Errors: pg. 51—71

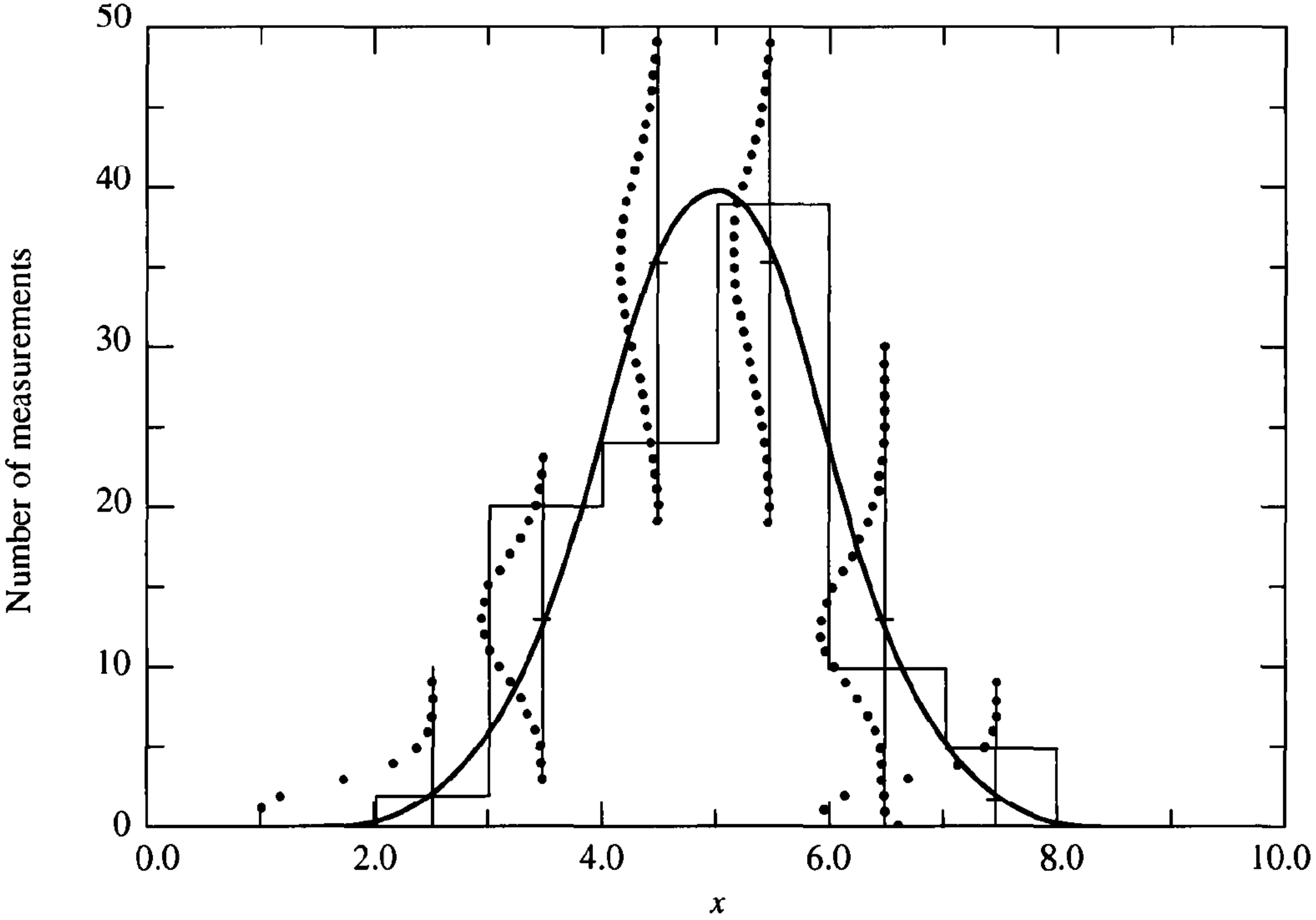
An Introduction to Error Analysis
by J.R. Taylor, 2nd Ed.

Ch 5. (later sections) Normal Distribution

Ch. 6 Rejection of Data

Ch. 7 Weighted Averages

Ch 12. The chi-squared test for a distribution



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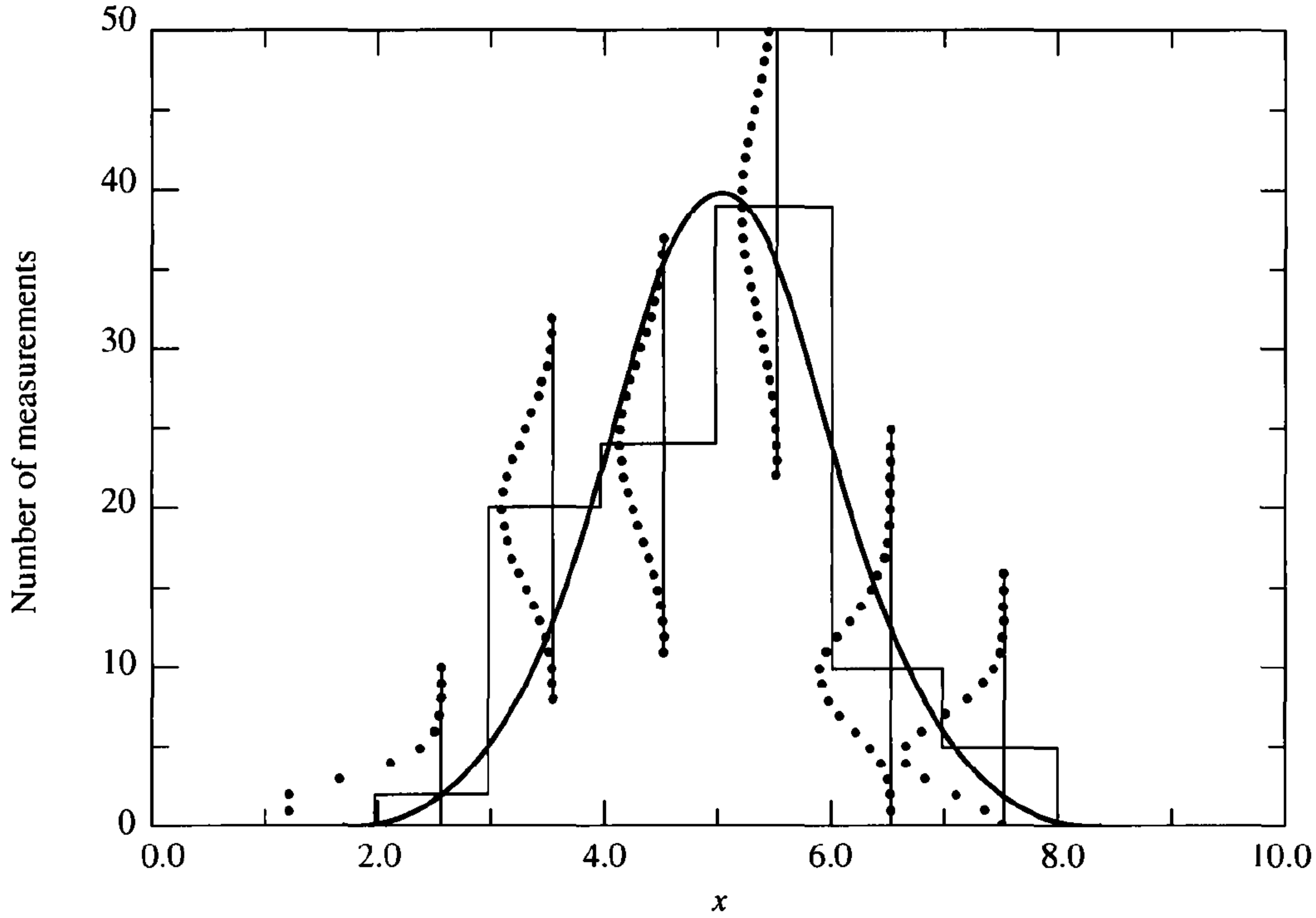
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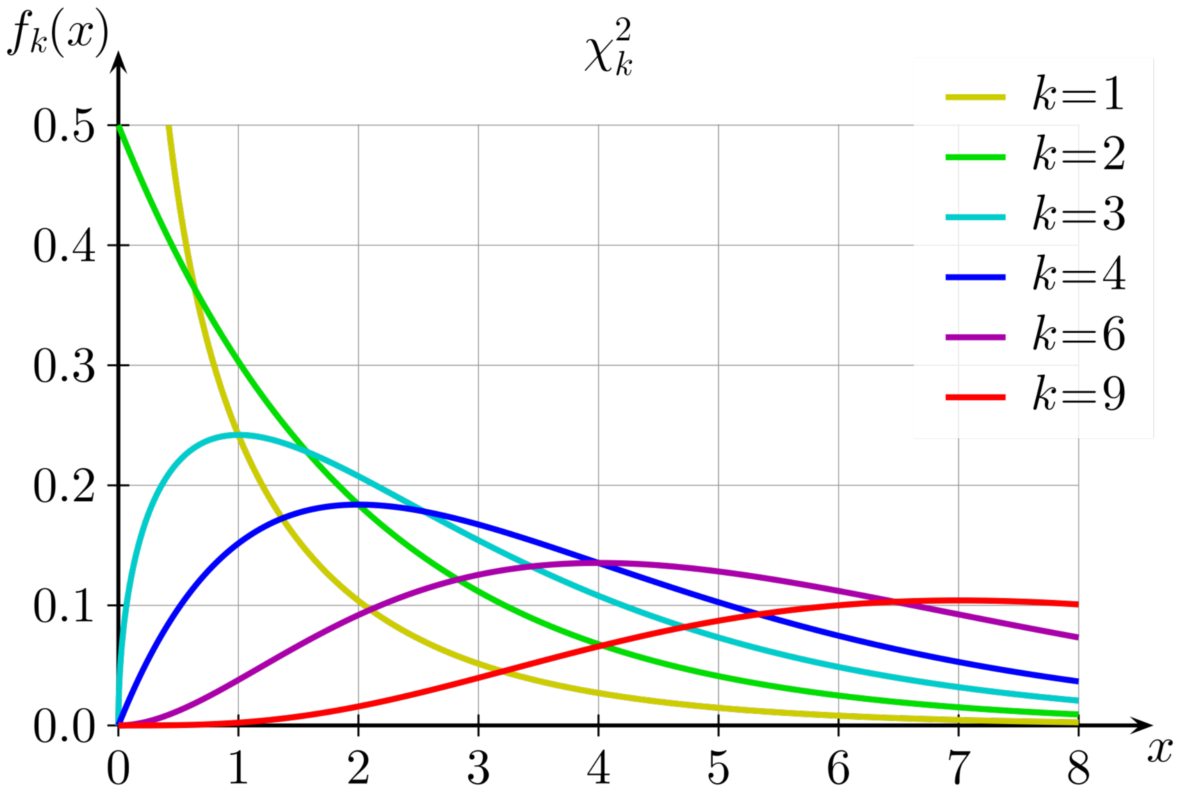
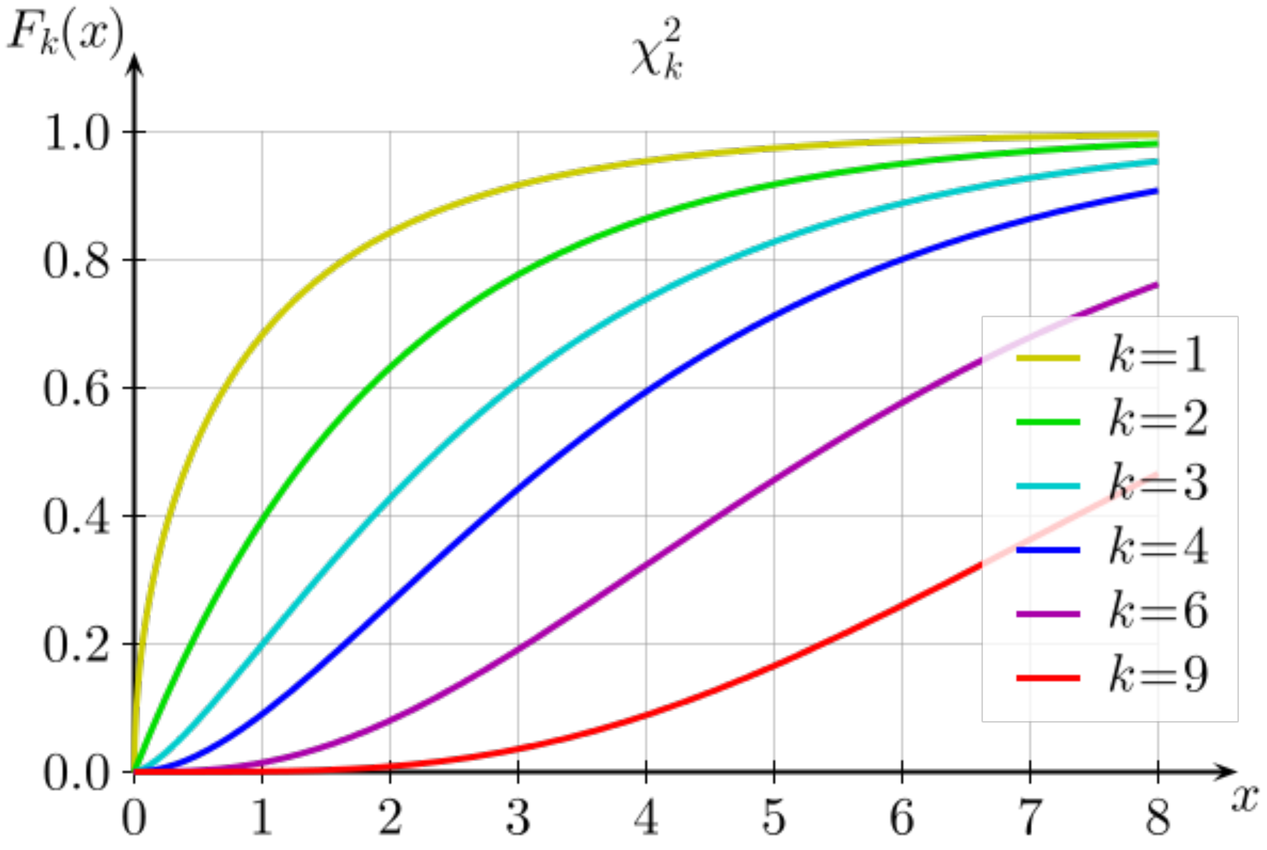


k = degrees of freedom



Probability of having a χ^2 less than χ_0^2

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chi-square_distribution

Table D. The percentage probability $Prob_d(\tilde{\chi}^2 \geqslant \tilde{\chi}_o^2)$ of obtaining a value of $\tilde{\chi}^2 \geqslant \tilde{\chi}_o^2$ in an experiment with d degrees of freedom, as a function of d and $\tilde{\chi}_o^2$. (Blanks indicate probabilities less than 0.05%.)

	$\tilde{\chi}_o^2$														
d	0	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5	5.0	5.5	6.0	8.0	10.0
1	100	48	32	22	16	11	8.3	6.1	4.6	3.4	2.5	1.9	1.4	0.5	0.2
2	100	61	37	22	14	8.2	5.0	3.0	1.8	1.1	0.7	0.4	0.2		
3	100	68	39	21	11	5.8	2.9	1.5	0.7	0.4	0.2	0.1			
4	100	74	41	20	9.2	4.0	1.7	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.1				
5	100	78	42	19	7.5	2.9	1.0	0.4	0.1						

	$\tilde{\chi}_o^2$															
	0	0.2	0.4	0.6	0.8	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.8	3.0
1	100	65	53	44	37	32	27	24	21	18	16	14	12	11	9.4	8.3
2	100	82	67	55	45	37	30	25	20	17	14	11	9.1	7.4	6.1	5.0
3	100	90	75	61	49	39	31	24	19	14	11	8.6	6.6	5.0	3.8	2.9
4	100	94	81	66	52	41	31	23	17	13	9.2	6.6	4.8	3.4	2.4	1.7
5	100	96	85	70	55	42	31	22	16	11	7.5	5.1	3.5	2.3	1.6	1.0
6	100	98	88	73	57	42	30	21	14	9.5	6.2	4.0	2.5	1.6	1.0	0.6
7	100	99	90	76	59	43	30	20	13	8.2	5.1	3.1	1.9	1.1	0.7	0.4
8	100	99	92	78	60	43	29	19	12	7.2	4.2	2.4	1.4	0.8	0.4	0.2
9	100	99	94	80	62	44	29	18	11	6.3	3.5	1.9	1.0	0.5	0.3	0.1
10	100	100	95	82	63	44	29	17	10	5.5	2.9	1.5	0.8	0.4	0.2	0.1
11	100	100	96	83	64	44	28	16	9.1	4.8	2.4	1.2	0.6	0.3	0.1	0.1
12	100	100	96	84	65	45	28	16	8.4	4.2	2.0	0.9	0.4	0.2	0.1	
13	100	100	97	86	66	45	27	15	7.7	3.7	1.7	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.1	
14	100	100	98	87	67	45	27	14	7.1	3.3	1.4	0.6	0.2	0.1		
15	100	100	98	88	68	45	26	14	6.5	2.9	1.2	0.5	0.2	0.1		
16	100	100	98	89	69	45	26	13	6.0	2.5	1.0	0.4	0.1			
17	100	100	99	90	70	45	25	12	5.5	2.2	0.8	0.3	0.1			
18	100	100	99	90	70	46	25	12	5.1	2.0	0.7	0.2	0.1			
19	100	100	99	91	71	46	25	11	4.7	1.7	0.6	0.2	0.1			
20	100	100	99	92	72	46	24	11	4.3	1.5	0.5	0.1				
22	100	100	99	93	73	46	23	10	3.7	1.2	0.4	0.1				
24	100	100	100	94	74	46	23	9.2	3.2	0.9	0.3	0.1				
26	100	100	100	95	75	46	22	8.5	2.7	0.7	0.2					
28	100	100	100	95	76	46	21	7.8	2.3	0.6	0.1					
30	100	100	100	96	77	47	21	7.2	2.0	0.5	0.1					

ν	0.99	0.98	0.95	0.90	0.80	0.70	0.60	0.50
	P							
1	0.00016	0.00063	0.00393	0.0158	0.0642	0.148	0.275	0.455
2	0.0100	0.0202	0.0515	0.105	0.223	0.357	0.511	0.693
3	0.0383	0.0617	0.117	0.195	0.335	0.475	0.623	0.789
4	0.0742	0.107	0.178	0.266	0.412	0.549	0.688	0.839
5	0.111	0.150	0.229	0.322	0.469	0.600	0.731	0.870
6	0.145	0.189	0.273	0.367	0.512	0.638	0.762	0.891
7	0.177	0.223	0.310	0.405	0.546	0.667	0.785	0.907
8	0.206	0.254	0.342	0.436	0.574	0.691	0.803	0.918
9	0.232	0.281	0.369	0.463	0.598	0.710	0.817	0.927
10	0.256	0.306	0.394	0.487	0.618	0.727	0.830	0.934
11	0.278	0.328	0.416	0.507	0.635	0.741	0.840	0.940
12	0.298	0.348	0.436	0.525	0.651	0.753	0.848	0.945
13	0.316	0.367	0.453	0.542	0.664	0.764	0.856	0.949
14	0.333	0.383	0.469	0.556	0.676	0.773	0.863	0.953
15	0.349	0.399	0.484	0.570	0.687	0.781	0.869	0.956
16	0.363	0.413	0.498	0.582	0.697	0.789	0.874	0.959
17	0.377	0.427	0.510	0.593	0.706	0.796	0.879	0.961
18	0.390	0.439	0.522	0.604	0.714	0.802	0.883	0.963
19	0.402	0.451	0.532	0.613	0.722	0.808	0.887	0.965
20	0.413	0.462	0.543	0.622	0.729	0.813	0.890	0.967
22	0.434	0.482	0.561	0.638	0.742	0.823	0.897	0.970
24	0.452	0.500	0.577	0.652	0.753	0.831	0.902	0.972
26	0.469	0.516	0.592	0.665	0.762	0.838	0.907	0.974
28	0.484	0.530	0.605	0.676	0.771	0.845	0.911	0.976
30	0.498	0.544	0.616	0.687	0.779	0.850	0.915	0.978
32	0.511	0.556	0.627	0.696	0.786	0.855	0.918	0.979
34	0.523	0.567	0.637	0.704	0.792	0.860	0.921	0.980
36	0.534	0.577	0.646	0.712	0.798	0.864	0.924	0.982
38	0.545	0.587	0.655	0.720	0.804	0.868	0.926	0.983
40	0.554	0.596	0.663	0.726	0.809	0.872	0.928	0.983
42	0.563	0.604	0.670	0.733	0.813	0.875	0.930	0.984
44	0.572	0.612	0.677	0.738	0.818	0.878	0.932	0.985
46	0.580	0.620	0.683	0.744	0.822	0.881	0.934	0.986
48	0.587	0.627	0.690	0.749	0.825	0.884	0.936	0.986
50	0.594	0.633	0.695	0.754	0.829	0.886	0.937	0.987
60	0.625	0.662	0.720	0.774	0.844	0.897	0.944	0.989
70	0.649	0.684	0.739	0.790	0.856	0.905	0.949	0.990
80	0.669	0.703	0.755	0.803	0.865	0.911	0.952	0.992
90	0.686	0.718	0.768	0.814	0.873	0.917	0.955	0.993
100	0.701	0.731	0.779	0.824	0.879	0.921	0.958	0.993
120	0.724	0.753	0.798	0.839	0.890	0.928	0.962	0.994
140	0.743	0.770	0.812	0.850	0.898	0.934	0.965	0.995
160	0.758	0.784	0.823	0.860	0.905	0.938	0.968	0.996
180	0.771	0.796	0.833	0.868	0.910	0.942	0.970	0.996
200	0.782	0.806	0.841	0.874	0.915	0.945	0.972	0.997

ν	0.40	0.30	0.20	0.10	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.001
	P							
1	0.708	1.074	1.642	2.706	3.841	5.412	6.635	10.827
2	0.916	1.204	1.609	2.303	2.996	3.912	4.605	6.908
3	0.982	1.222	1.547	2.084	2.605	3.279	3.780	5.423
4	1.011	1.220	1.497	1.945	2.372	2.917	3.319	4.617
5	1.026	1.213	1.458	1.847	2.214	2.678	3.017	4.102
6	1.035	1.205	1.426	1.774	2.099	2.506	2.802	3.743
7	1.040	1.198	1.400	1.717	2.010	2.375	2.639	3.475
8	1.044	1.191	1.379	1.670	1.938	2.271	2.511	3.266
9	1.046	1.184	1.360	1.632	1.880	2.187	2.407	3.097
10	1.047	1.178	1.344	1.599	1.831	2.116	2.321	2.959
11	1.048	1.173	1.330	1.570	1.789	2.056	2.248	2.842
12	1.049	1.168	1.318	1.546	1.752	2.004	2.185	2.742
13	1.049	1.163	1.307	1.524	1.720	1.959	2.130	2.656
14	1.049	1.159	1.296	1.505	1.692	1.919	2.082	2.580
15	1.049	1.155	1.287	1.487	1.666	1.884	2.039	2.513
16	1.049	1.151	1.279	1.471	1.644	1.852	2.000	2.453
17	1.048	1.148	1.271	1.457	1.623	1.823	1.965	2.399
18	1.048	1.145	1.264	1.444	1.604	1.797	1.934	2.351
19	1.048	1.142	1.258	1.432	1.586	1.773	1.905	2.307
20	1.048	1.139	1.252	1.421	1.571	1.751	1.878	2.266
22	1.047	1.134	1.241	1.401	1.542	1.712	1.831	2.194
24	1.046	1.129	1.231	1.383	1.517	1.678	1.791	2.132
26	1.045	1.125	1.223	1.368	1.496	1.648	1.755	2.079
28	1.045	1.121	1.215	1.354	1.476	1.622	1.724	2.032
30	1.044	1.118	1.208	1.342	1.459	1.599	1.696	1.990
32	1.043	1.115	1.202	1.331	1.444	1.578	1.671	1.953
34	1.042	1.112	1.196	1.321	1.429	1.559	1.649	1.919
36	1.042	1.109	1.191	1.311	1.417	1.541	1.628	1.888
38	1.041	1.106	1.186	1.303	1.405	1.525	1.610	1.861
40	1.041	1.104	1.182	1.295	1.394	1.511	1.592	1.835
42	1.040	1.102	1.178	1.288	1.384	1.497	1.576	1.812
44	1.039	1.100	1.174	1.281	1.375	1.485	1.562	1.790
46	1.039	1.098	1.170	1.275	1.366	1.473	1.548	1.770
48	1.038	1.096	1.167	1.269	1.358	1.462	1.535	1.751
50	1.038	1.094	1.163	1.263	1.350	1.452	1.523	1.733
60	1.036	1.087	1.150	1.240	1.318	1.410	1.473	1.660
70	1.034	1.081	1.139	1.222	1.293	1.377	1.435	1.605
80	1.032	1.076	1.130	1.207	1.273	1.351	1.404	1.560
90	1.031	1.072	1.123	1.195	1.257	1.329	1.379	1.525
100	1.029	1.069	1.117	1.185	1.243	1.311	1.358	1.494
120	1.027	1.063	1.107	1.169	1.221	1.283	1.325	1.446
140	1.026	1.059	1.099	1.156	1.204	1.261	1.299	1.410
160	1.024	1.055	1.093	1.146	1.191	1.243	1.278	1.381
180	1.023	1.052	1.087	1.137	1.179	1.228	1.261	1.358
200	1.022	1.050	1.083	1.130	1.170	1.216	1.247	1.338

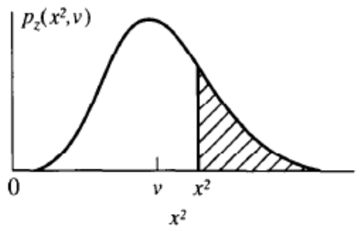


TABLE C.4
χ^2 distribution. Values of the reduced chi-square $\chi^2_\nu = \chi^2/\nu$ corresponding to the probability $P_\chi(\chi^2; \nu)$ of exceeding χ^2 versus the number of degrees of freedom ν

Example: A new casino game involves rolling 3 dice. The winnings are directly proportional to the total number of sixes rolled. Suppose a gambler plays the game 100 times, with the following observed counts:

# of Sixes	Number of Rolls
0	48
1	35
2	15
3	3

The casino becomes suspicious of the gambler and wishes to determine whether the dice are fair. What do they conclude?