

# *Exact $L_2$ -small ball probabilities for Durbin's processes*

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## Basic notion: small deviation probability

$X(t)$ ,  $t \in (0, 1)$ , — Gaussian process,  $\mathbb{E}X(t) \equiv 0$ ,  $G_X(s, t) = \mathbb{E}X(s)X(t)$ .

### Definition

*To find the asymptotics of small deviation probability of the process  $X(t)$  in  $L_2$ -norm means to find the asymptotics:*

$$\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon) = \mathbb{P}\left(\int_0^1 (X(t))^2 dt < \varepsilon^2\right), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\|W\|_2 < \varepsilon) \sim \frac{4}{\sqrt{\pi}} \varepsilon \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8} \varepsilon^{-2}\right)$$

«Typical» answer:

$$\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon) \sim D \cdot \varepsilon^C \cdot \exp(-B\varepsilon^{-A})$$

$A, B$  — *Logarithmic* asymptotics;       $A, B, C, D$  — *Exact* asymptotics

# Problem statement (general setting)

$X_0(t)$  — Gaussian process:

- $\mathbb{E}X_0(t) \equiv 0$
  - $G_0(s, t) = \mathbb{E}X_0(s)X_0(t)$
- $\mathbb{P}(\|X_0\|_2 < \varepsilon)$  is known
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$X(t)$  — finite-dimensional perturbation of rank  $m$  of the process  $X_0(t)$ :

- $\mathbb{E}X(t) \equiv 0$
  - $G(s, t) = \mathbb{E}X(s)X(t)$
- $G(s, t) = G_0(s, t) + \vec{\psi}^T(s) \cdot D \cdot \vec{\psi}(t)$

Parameters of the perturbation:

- $\vec{\psi}(t) = (\psi_1(t), \dots, \psi_m(t))^T$
- $D \in M_{m \times m}$  — symmetric matrix (w.l.o.g.)

## Question:

What is the relation between  $\mathbb{P}(\|X_0\|_2 < \varepsilon)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon)$ ?

# Problem statement (Durbin processes)

- important for statistics
- appear as limiting ones when building goodness-of-fit tests of  $\omega^2$ -type when parameters of the distribution are estimated from the sample

Given a sample  $x_1, \dots, x_n \sim F(x, \theta)$ .

$\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m)$  — parameters of the distribution.

parameters *known*  
( $\theta = \theta^0$  fix)



limiting process —  
Brownian bridge  $B(t)$

parameters *not known*  
(evaluated from a sample)



limiting process —  $m$ -dimensional  
perturbation of  $B(t)$

## Problem:

Find exact  $L_2$ -small ball asymptotics for Durbin processes

# Kac-Kiefer-Wolfowitz processes (KKW)

**Important example:** test for normality,  $x_1, \dots, x_n \sim F(x, \theta)$

$$f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{\beta\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x - \alpha}{\beta}\right)^2\right); \quad F(x, \theta) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y, \theta) dy$$

- $\hat{\alpha}$  estimated,  $\beta = 1$ :

$$G_1(s, t) = G_B(s, t) - \psi_1(s)\psi_1(t), \quad \psi_1(t) = \varphi(\Phi^{-1}(t))$$

- $\alpha = 0$ ,  $\hat{\beta}$  estimated:

$$G_2(s, t) = G_B(s, t) - \psi_2(s)\psi_2(t), \quad \psi_2(t) = \psi_1(t) \cdot \frac{\Phi^{-1}(t)}{\sqrt{2}}$$

- $\hat{\alpha}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}$  estimated:

$$G_3(s, t) = G_B(s, t) - \psi_1(s)\psi_1(t) - \psi_2(s)\psi_2(t)$$

**Rmk:** Here  $\varphi$  and  $\Phi$  is the density and DF with standard parameters  $\alpha = 0, \beta = 1$ .

# The problem is related to:

## Stochastic processes

$X(t)$ ,  $t \in (0, 1)$ , —

- Gaussian processes
- $\mathbb{E}X(t) \equiv 0$
- $G(s, t) = \mathbb{E}X(s)X(t)$ .

## Spectral theory

$\mathbb{G} : L_2[0, 1] \rightarrow \text{Im}(\mathbb{G})$

- integral operator

$$(\mathbb{G}u)(s) = \int_0^1 G(s, t)u(t) dt$$

- trace operator:  $\sum \mu_k < \infty$

## Small ball probabilities

$$\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

## Asymptotics of eigenvalues $\mu_k$

Find «good» approximation to  $\mu_k$

## Karhunen–Loève expansion (KL-expansion):

(due to K. Karhunen'1947, M. Loève'1948)

$$X(t) \stackrel{d}{=} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sqrt{\mu_k} u_k(t) \xi_k$$

- $\xi_k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , — iid standard normal r.v.
- $u_k(t)$ ,  $\mu_k$  — orthonormal eigenfunctions and positive eigenvalues of the covariance operator  $\mathbb{G}_X$ :

$$\mu_k u_k = \mathbb{G}_X u_k \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \mu_k u_k(t) = \int_0^1 G_X(s, t) u_k(s) ds.$$

The small deviation problem ( $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ):

$$\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon) = \mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k \xi_k^2 < \varepsilon^2\right).$$

**Main idea:** all information about the process is contained in the spectrum.



# What is already known?

- 1974 — G. Sytaya: implicit solution of the problem in terms of Laplace transform of  $\sum \mu_k \xi_k^2$
- from 1974 — V. M. Zolotarev, J. Hoffmann-Jorgensen, L. Shepp, R. Dudley, II. A. Ibragimov, M. A. Lifshits, ... :  
simplification under different assumptions
- 1998 — T. Dunker, M. A. Lifshits, W. Linde (DLL):  
Rather simple formulas for

$$\mathbb{P} \left( \sum \mu_k \xi_k^2 < \varepsilon^2 \right) \quad \text{when}$$

- $\mu_k$  — decreasing, logarithmically convex
- $\mu_k = k^{-d}$ ,  $d > 0$ , — polynomial decreasing
- $\mu_k = A^{-k}$ ,  $A > 0$ , — exponential decreasing

## Useful fact: Wenbo Li principle

Let  $\hat{\mu}_k \approx \mu_k$  be some approximation.

*Question:* How the following small deviation probabilities are related

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\sum \mu_k \xi_k^2 < \varepsilon^2\right) \text{ and } \mathbb{P}\left(\sum \hat{\mu}_k \xi_k^2 < \varepsilon^2\right)?$$

**Theorem (The Wenbo Li principle 1992, Gao et al. 2003)**

*Let  $\mu_k, \hat{\mu}_k$  — two summable sequences. If*

$$\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\hat{\mu}_k}{\mu_k} < \infty, \tag{2}$$

*then as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$*

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu_k \xi_k^2 < \varepsilon^2\right) \sim \mathbb{P}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \hat{\mu}_k \xi_k^2 < \varepsilon^2\right) \cdot \left(\prod \frac{\hat{\mu}_k}{\mu_k}\right)^{1/2}$$

«good» approx. + Wenbo Li + DLL theorem = small ball  
 $\hat{\mu}_k$  for  $\mu_k$  principle probability

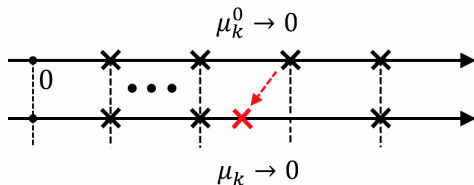
# One-dimensional perturbation: first observation

$$G_X(s, t) = G_0(s, t) + D\psi(s)\psi(t), \quad D \in \mathbb{R}$$

- $D = 0$  — unperturbed operator

**The simplest case:**  $\psi(t)$  — eigenfunction of the integral operator  $\mathbb{G}_0$

What happens if we change  $D$ ?



Decrease  $D \downarrow$

Asymptotically  
 $\mu_k^0 = \mu_k, k \rightarrow \infty$

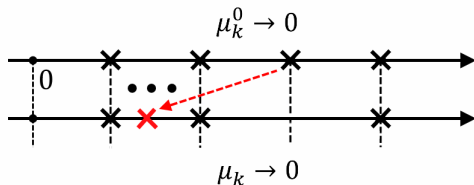
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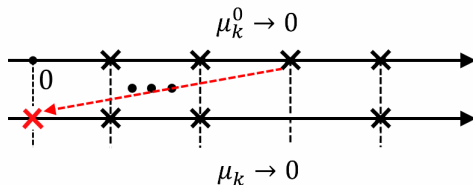
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$D$  — critical

Asymptotically  
 $\mu_k^0 = \mu_{k-1}, k \rightarrow \infty$

Similar effect can be observed in a more general situation (when  $\psi(t)$  is not necessarily the eigenfunction)

# One-dimensional perturbation (A.Nazarov'2009)

Let  $Q := \langle \mathbb{G}_0^{-1} \psi, \psi \rangle < \infty \Leftrightarrow \psi \in \text{Im}(\mathbb{G}_0^{1/2})$ .

Exists critical value  $D_{crit} = -1/Q$  such that:

## Non critical

If  $D > D_{crit} = -1/Q$ ,  
then as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon) \sim \frac{\mathbb{P}(\|X_0\|_2 < \varepsilon)}{|1 + QD|}.$$

## Critical

If  $D = D_{crit}$ ,  $\boxed{\psi \in \text{Im}(\mathbb{G}_0)}$ ,  
then as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon) \sim \frac{\sqrt{Q}}{\|\varphi\|_2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \int_0^{\varepsilon^2} \frac{d}{dt} \mathbb{P}(\|X_0\|_2 < t) \cdot \frac{dt}{\sqrt{\varepsilon^2 - t^2}}$$

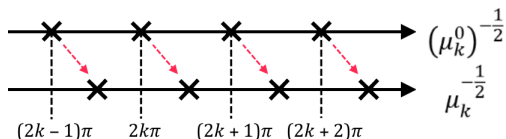
- In critical case there is an extra assumption  $\psi \in \text{Im}(\mathbb{G}_0)$
- also true for finite-dimensional perturbations (Yu. Petrova'2018)

## Example 1: Durbin process for testing exponentiality

$G_0(s, t) = \min(s, t) - st$ ,  $\psi(t) = t \ln(t)$ , then

$G(s, t) = G_0(s, t) - \psi(s)\psi(t)$ , critical, not «good» perturbation.

Writing down the equation on the eigenvalues and solving it directly, we get  $(\mu_k^0)^{-1/2} = \pi k$  and:



Spectral asymptotics:  $\mu_k^{-1/2} = \pi k + \frac{\pi}{2} + O\left(\frac{1}{k}\right)$ ,  $k \rightarrow \infty$

Small ball probability:  $\mathbb{P}\{\|X\|_2 < \varepsilon\} \sim \frac{4}{\pi^{3/2}} \varepsilon^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$ ,  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

## Example 2: Kac-Kiefer-Wolfowitz processes (KKW)

**Important example:** test for normality — no general theorem works

$X_1$	$\hat{\alpha}$ estimated, $\beta = 1$	$\psi_1(t) = f(F^{-1}(t))$	critical, not «good»
$X_2$	$\alpha = 0$ , $\hat{\beta}$ estimated	$\psi_2(t) = \psi_1(t) \cdot \frac{F^{-1}(t)}{\sqrt{2}}$	critical, not «good»
$X_3$	$\hat{\alpha}$ , $\hat{\beta}$ estimated:	$\psi_1(t), \psi_2(t)$	critical, not «good»



# Theorem: Kac-Kiefer-Wolfowitz processes

## Theorem (A.Nazarov, Yu.Petrova'2015)

$$X_1 : \quad \omega_{2k-1} = 2\pi k + \frac{\pi}{\ln(k)} + O\left(\frac{\ln(\ln(k))}{\ln^2(k)}\right), \quad \omega_{2k} = 2\pi k.$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\|X_1\| < \varepsilon\right\} \sim C \cdot \varepsilon^{-1} \cdot \ln^{\frac{1}{2}}\left(\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\right) \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$$

$$X_2 : \quad \omega_{2k-1} = 2\pi k - \pi, \quad \omega_{2k} = 2\pi k + \pi + O\left(\frac{1}{\ln^2(k)}\right)$$

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\|X_2\| < \varepsilon\right\} \sim \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi^{3/2}} \varepsilon^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$$

## Example 3: general Durbin processes

Lemma (Yu. Petrova '2018)

*All Durbin processes are critical.*

However, perturbations are «often» not «good». We considered Durbin processes when testing for distributions with parameters  $\theta = (\alpha, \beta)$ :

- Laplace 
$$F(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} \exp(\frac{x-\alpha}{\beta}), & x \leq \alpha; \\ 1 - \frac{1}{2} \exp(-\frac{x-\alpha}{\beta}), & x > \alpha. \end{cases}$$
- logistic 
$$F(x, \theta) = (1 + \exp(-\frac{x-\alpha}{\beta}))^{-1}.$$
- Gumbel 
$$F(x, \theta) = \exp(-\exp(-\frac{x-\alpha}{\beta})).$$
- Gamma 
$$F(x, \theta) = \begin{cases} \int_0^{x/\beta} \frac{y^{\alpha-1} e^{-y}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} dy, & x \geq 0; \\ 0, & x < 0. \end{cases}$$

Note: all perturbations, but  $X_1$  for logistic dist, are «bad»

## Example 3: Gumbel distribution

### Theorem (Yu. Petrova '2017)

*For Durbin process  $X(t)$  when testing for Gumbel distribution*

$$G(s, t) = G_0(s, t) - \psi(t)\psi(s), \quad \psi(t) = C t \ln(t) \cdot \ln(-\ln(t))$$

*the asymptotics of corresponding eigenvalues is the following*

$$\mu_k^{-1/2} = \pi k + \frac{\pi}{2} + (-1)^k \cdot 2 \operatorname{arctg}\left(\frac{1}{\ln(\ln(k)) + 1}\right) - \frac{1}{\ln(k) \ln(\ln(k))} + O\left(\frac{1}{\ln(k)(\ln(\ln(k)))^2}\right).$$

*And asymptotics of small ball probabilities*

$$\mathbb{P}\left\{\|X\| < \varepsilon\right\} \sim C \cdot \ln^{-1}(\ln(\varepsilon^{-1})) \cdot \varepsilon^{-1} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$$

## Theorem (A. Nazarov, Yu. Petrova '2015)

If  $\hat{\mu}_k = (\vartheta(k + \delta + F(k)))^{-2}$ . Then we have, as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$\mathbb{P} \sim C \cdot \exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot F_{-1}(\varepsilon^{-2})\right) \cdot \varepsilon^{-2\delta} \cdot \exp\left(-\left(\frac{\pi}{2\vartheta}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon^{-2}}{2}\right),$$

where  $F(t)$  is a slowly-varying function at infinity,  $F(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$F_{-1}(t) = \int_1^t \frac{F(x)}{x} dx.$$

Note:  $\exp\left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot F_{-1}(t)\right)$  is also a slowly-varying function as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ .

## Example 3: logistic, Gumbel distributions etc.

### Theorem (Yu. Petrova '2017)

*Small deviations probabilities for some Durbin processes:*

LOG 1	$\frac{2\sqrt{15}}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \varepsilon^{-2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$
LOG 2	$\frac{4\sqrt{3+\pi^2}}{3\sqrt{2}\pi^{3/2}} \cdot \varepsilon^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$
LOG 3	$\frac{4\sqrt{15(3+\pi^2)}}{3\pi^{3/2}} \cdot \varepsilon^{-3} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$
GUM 1	$\frac{4}{\pi^{3/2}} \cdot \varepsilon^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$
GUM 2	$C \cdot \ln^{-1}(\ln(\varepsilon^{-1})) \cdot \varepsilon^{-1} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$
GUM 3	$C \cdot \exp(2\pi \ln^2(\ln(\varepsilon^{-1}))) \cdot \varepsilon^{-2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{8\varepsilon^2}\right)$

Thank you for your attention!

# Machinery for KKW

Using standard methods we get the equation on the eigenvalues  $\mu = \omega^{-2}$ :

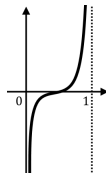
$$P(\mathcal{S}(\omega), \mathcal{C}(\omega), \mathcal{I}(\omega)) = 0, \quad \omega \rightarrow \infty,$$

where

$$\mathcal{C}(\omega) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} F_{st}^{-1}(t) \cos(\omega t) dt \quad \mathcal{S}(\omega) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} F_{st}^{-1}(t) \sin(\omega t) dt$$

$$\mathcal{I}(\omega) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\tau} F_{st}^{-1}(t) F_{st}^{-1}(\tau) \sin(\omega \tau) \cos(\omega t) dt d\tau$$

- $F_{st}(t)$  — standard normal DF
- $F_{st}^{-1}(t) \sim -\sqrt{-2 \ln(t)}, \quad t \rightarrow 0,$
- $F_{st}^{-1}(t)$  has singularity at  $t = 0$



# Slowly varying functions = SVF

## Definition

Function  $V(t)$  is called SVF at infinity, if it doesn't change sign on some  $[A, \infty)$ ,  $A > 0$ , and for any  $\lambda > 0$

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{V(\lambda t)}{V(t)} = 1.$$

Function  $V(t)$  is called SVF at zero, if  $V(1/t)$  is SVF at infinity.  
For example,  $\ln^\alpha(t)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Note:  $F^{-1}(t)$  has the following properties:

- $V_0(t) := F^{-1}(t)$ ,  $V_{n+1}(t) := tV'_n(t)$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , are SVF at zero.
- $F^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 0$ .

Note: for any SVF at zero:  $tV'(t) = o(V(t))$  when  $t \rightarrow 0$ .

So  $\forall n \geq 0 \quad V_{n+1}(t) = o(V_n(t))$ .

# Asymptotics of integrals

Let

- $V_0(t)$  and  $V_{n+1}(t) = t \cdot V'_n(t)$  be SVF at zero.
- $V_0(\frac{1}{2}) = 0$ .

Theorem (A.Nazarov, Yu.Petrova'2015)

As  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\mathcal{C} = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} V(t) \cos(\omega t) dt = \frac{1}{\omega} \sum_{k=1}^N c_k V_k\left(\frac{1}{\omega}\right) + R_N, \quad (3)$$

where

$$|R_N| \leq C(V, N) \cdot \frac{|V_{N+1}(\frac{1}{\omega})|}{\omega}.$$

Example:  $\int_0^{1/2} \sqrt{-\ln(2t)} \cos(\omega t) dt = \frac{\pi}{2 \ln^{1/2}(2\omega)} - \frac{\gamma\pi}{2 \ln^{3/2}(2\omega)} + O\left(\frac{1}{\ln^{5/2}(\omega)}\right)$



## Theorem (A.Nazarov, Yu.Petrova'2015)

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\tau} V(t)V(\tau) \sin(\omega\tau) \cos(\omega t) dt d\tau =$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\omega} \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} V^2(t) dt + \sum_{n=2}^N \sum_{\substack{k+m=n \\ k,m \geq 1}} a_{k,m} \frac{V_k(\frac{1}{\omega})V_m(\frac{1}{\omega})}{\omega^2} + R_N,$$

$$\text{where } |R_N| \leq C(V, N) \sum_{\substack{i+j=N+1 \\ i,j \geq 1}} \frac{|V_i(\frac{1}{\omega})V_j(\frac{1}{\omega})|}{\omega^2}.$$

Thank you again!

# Durbin processes

## Definition

A sample  $x_1, \dots, x_n \sim F(x, \theta)$

$\theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_m)$  — parameters of the distribution. Let's consider:

$$\hat{F}_n(t) = \frac{\{\text{number of } x_i: F(x_i, \hat{\theta}_n) \leq t\}}{n}, \quad \hat{\theta}_n \text{ — estimated from the data}$$

Then Durbin process  $DP(t)$  is defined as limit

$$n^{1/2} [\hat{F}_n(t) - t] \xrightarrow{w} DP(t)$$

It is a Gaussian process with zero mean and covariance function:

$$G(s, t) = G_B(s, t) - \vec{\psi}^T(s) S^{-1} \vec{\psi}(t)$$

- $G_B(s, t) = \min(s, t) - st$
- $S_{ij} = \mathbb{E} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_i} \ln(f(x, \theta)) \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} \ln(f(x, \theta)) \right) \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0}$  — Fisher information
- $\psi_j(t) = \frac{\partial F}{\partial \theta_j} \Big|_{\theta=\theta_0}$ ,  $(j = 1 \dots m)$ ,  $\theta_0$  — fixed vector of parameters