

# Determining source cumulants in femtoscopy with Gram-Charlier and Edgeworth series

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# Nomenclature

Measured correlation function

$$C(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{\rho(\mathbf{q})}{\rho^{ref}(\mathbf{q})}$$

Interpret as a probability density function

$$f(\mathbf{q}) = \frac{C(\mathbf{q}) - 1}{\int [C(\mathbf{q}) - 1] d\mathbf{q}}$$

Assume noninteracting, identical particles

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$$C(-\mathbf{q}) = C(\mathbf{q})$$

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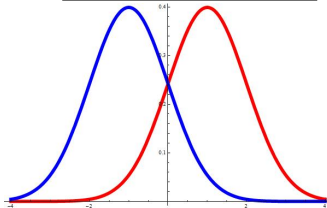
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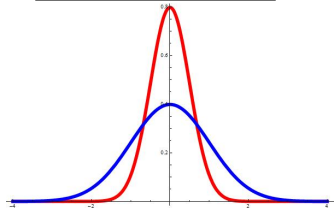
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# How cumulants describe shape

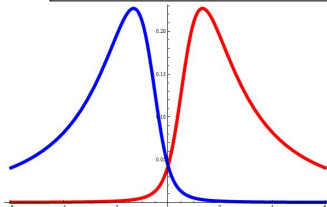
Mean  $\kappa_1 < 0 < \kappa_1$



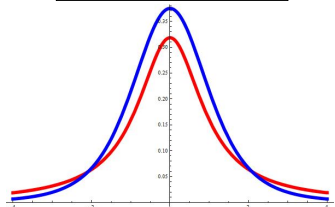
Variance  $\kappa_2 < \kappa_2$



Skewness  $\kappa_3 < 0 < \kappa_3$



Kurtosis  $\kappa_4 < \kappa_4$



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- Additive under sums of random variables
- Simpler than moments, Gaussian cumulants:

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# Measuring cumulants

## Defining moments

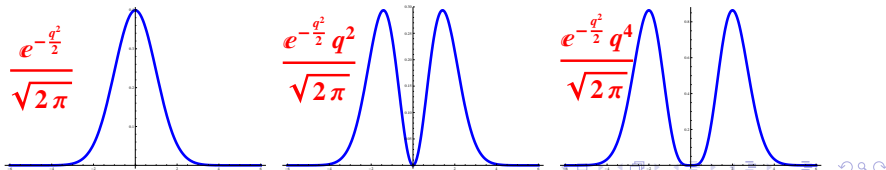
$$\mu_r^{(q)} = \int q^r f(q) dq$$

## Cumulants in moments: $\kappa_r^{(q)}$

$$\kappa_2^{(q)} = \mu_2^{(q)}$$

$$\kappa_4^{(q)} = \mu_4^{(q)} - 3(\mu_2^{(q)})^2$$

$$\kappa_6^{(q)} = \mu_6^{(q)} - 15\mu_4^{(q)}\mu_2^{(q)} + 30(\mu_2^{(q)})^3$$



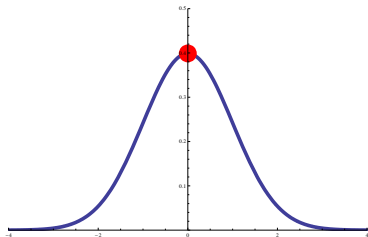
# Symmetry of cumulants and generating functions

Generating function:  $q$ -cumulants

$$\kappa_r^{(q)} = (-i)^r \frac{d^r}{dx^r} \log S(x) \Big|_{x=0}$$

Generating function: Source cumulants

$$\kappa_r^{(x)} = (-i)^r \frac{d^r}{dq^r} \log \frac{f(q)}{f(0)} \Big|_{q=0}$$



- Easy to measure
- Hard to measure

# Gram-Charlier expansion

Series expansion: Gram-Charlier series

$$f(q) = f_0(q) - c_1 f_0^{(1)}(q) + \frac{c_2}{2!} f_0^{(2)}(q) - \frac{c_3}{3!} f_0^{(3)}(q) + \dots$$

Reference function: Gaussian Distribution

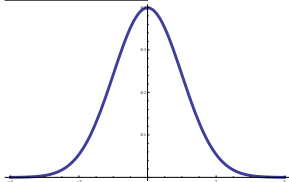
$$f_0(q) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}}$$

Derivatives: Hermite functions

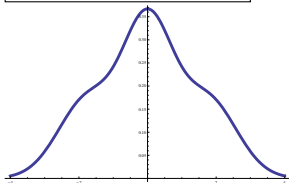
$$\left(\frac{d}{dq}\right)^r \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}} = H_r(q) \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{q^2}{2}}$$

# Gram-Charlier in pictures

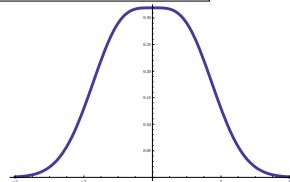
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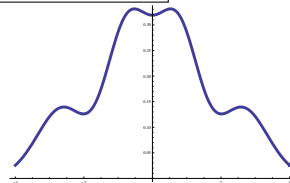
+ Fourth Hermite



+ Second Hermite



+ Sixth Hermite



# Relating coefficients to cumulants

Gram-Charlier with Gaussian reference function:

$$f(q) = f_0(q) - \frac{c_4}{4!} H_4(q) f_0(q) + \frac{c_6}{6!} H_6(q) f_0(q) + \dots$$

Fourier Transform

$$\frac{S(x)}{f(0)} = e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{c_4}{4!} (ix)^4 + \frac{c_6}{6!} (ix)^6 + \frac{c_8}{8!} (ix)^8 + \dots \right]$$

Expand in cumulants

$$\frac{S(x)}{f(0)} = \exp \left[ \frac{\kappa_2^{(q)}}{2!} (ix)^2 + \frac{\kappa_4^{(q)}}{4!} (ix)^4 + \frac{\kappa_6^{(q)}}{6!} (ix)^6 + \dots \right]$$



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# Coefficients in terms of cumulants

Equate series and compare powers in  $x^m$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{c_4}{4!} (ix)^4 + \frac{c_6}{6!} (ix)^6 + \frac{c_8}{8!} (ix)^8 + \dots \right] \\
 &= e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{\kappa_4^{(q)}}{4!} (ix)^4 + \frac{\kappa_6^{(q)}}{6!} (ix)^6 + \frac{\kappa_8^{(q)} + 35(\kappa_4^{(q)})^2}{8!} (ix)^8 \dots \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

For symmetrical distributions

$$c_4 = \kappa_4^{(q)}$$

$$c_6 = \kappa_6^{(q)}$$

$$c_8 = \kappa_8^{(q)} + 35(\kappa_4^{(q)})^2$$

$$c_{10} = \kappa_{10}^{(q)} + 210\kappa_6^{(q)}\kappa_4^{(q)}$$

$$c_{12} = \kappa_{12}^{(q)} + 495\kappa_4^{(q)}\kappa_8^{(q)} + 462(\kappa_6^{(q)})^2 + 5775(\kappa_4^{(q)})^3$$

# Source cumulants in terms of $q$ cumulants

Connecting cumulants

$$\kappa_2^{(x)} = \frac{1}{\kappa_r^{(q)}} \frac{f^{(2)}(q)}{f(q)} \Big|_{q=0} \left\{ \kappa_2^{(x)} = (-i)^r \frac{d^r}{dq^r} \log \frac{f(q)}{f(0)} \Big|_{q=0} \right\}$$

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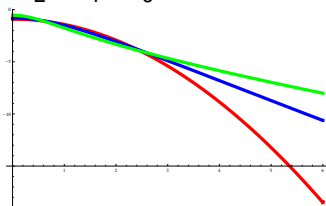
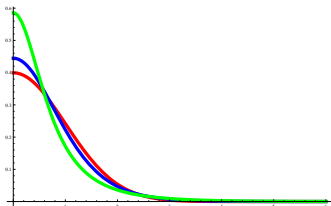
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# Test with a Toy Model

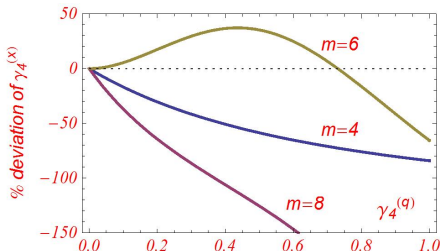
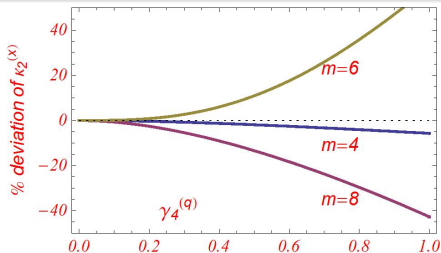
Test with Toy Model (Symmetrical Normal Inverse Gaussian):

$$f(q|\gamma_2^{(q)}, \gamma_4^{(q)}) = \frac{3e^{3/\gamma_4^{(q)}} K_1 \left( 3\gamma_4^{(q)} \sqrt{1 + \frac{q^2}{3\gamma_4^{(q)} \gamma_2^{(q)}}} \right)}{\pi \sqrt{(\gamma_4^{(q)})^2 q^2 + 3\gamma_4^{(q)} \gamma_2^{(q)}}}$$

Adjustable kurtosis. Exact  $\kappa_2^{(q)}, \kappa_4^{(q)}, \kappa_6^{(q)}, \kappa_2^{(x)}, \kappa_4^{(x)}, \kappa_6^{(x)}$ .



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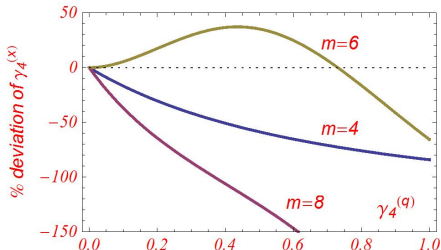
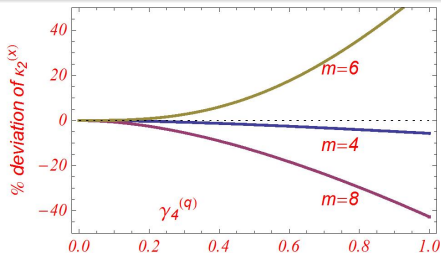


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- Percentage Deviation
 
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## How do we fix this?

Cumulants of Toy model

$$\gamma_r^{(q)} \propto (\gamma_4^{(q)})^{\frac{r}{2}-1}$$

Suggests truncation in  $\gamma_4^r$ . Assume  $f(q)$  is  $n$ -divisible

$$q = q_1 + q_2 + \dots + q_n$$

Product of  $n$  independent components

$$S(\mathbf{x}) = S\left(\frac{x_i}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}\right)^n$$

Resulting cumulants

$$\gamma_r^{(q)} \propto \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^{\frac{r}{2}-1}$$

# Edgeworth series

## Gram-Charlier series

$$S(x) = \exp \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2} + \sum_{r=3}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_r^{(a)} (ix)^r}{r!} \right]$$

## Edgeworth series

$$S(x) = \exp \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2} + \sum_{r=3}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_r^{(a)} (ix)^r}{n^{r/2-1} r!} \right]$$

## Central Limit Theorem

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S(x) = \exp \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2} \right]$$

# Edgeworth and Gram-Charlier

$$\frac{S(x)}{f(0)} = \begin{cases} \exp \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2} + \sum_{r=3}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_r^{(q)}(ix)^r}{r!} \right] = \sum x^m F_m & \text{Gram-Charlier} \\ \exp \left[ -\frac{x^2}{2} + \sum_{r=3}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_r^{(q)}(ix)^r}{n^{r/2-1} r!} \right] = \sum n^{-w} C_w & \text{Edgeworth} \end{cases}$$

Gram-Charlier

Edgeworth

Powers in  $x^m$

Powers in  $n^{-w}$

$$\gamma_4 \frac{H_4(q)}{4!}$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \left[ \gamma_4 \frac{H_4(q)}{4!} \right]$$

$$\gamma_6 \frac{H_6(q)}{6!}$$

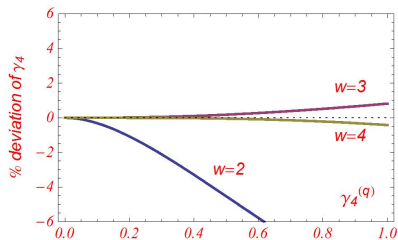
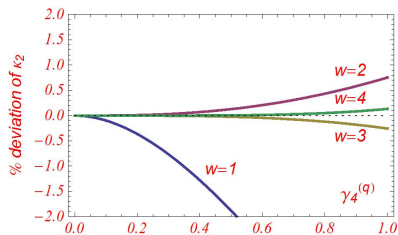
$$\frac{1}{n^2} \left[ 35 \gamma_4^2 \frac{H_8(q)}{8!} + \gamma_6 \frac{H_6(q)}{6!} \right]$$

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$$\frac{1}{n^3} \left[ \gamma_8 \frac{H_8(q)}{8!} + 210 \gamma_6 \gamma_4 \frac{H_{10}(q)}{10!} + 5775 \gamma_4^3 \frac{H_{12}(q)}{12!} \right]$$



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- Keep terms up to order  $n^{-w}$
- Percentage Deviation 
$$\frac{\kappa_j^{(x)}}{(\kappa_j^{(x)})_{SNIG}} - 1$$
- Against  $q$ -kurtosis
- Edgeworth accuracy 1%
- Improving approximation
- Independent of the value of  $n$

# Summary

- Edgeworth series can relate correlation cumulants to source cumulants.
- Gram-Charlier cannot.
- Gram-Charlier is a orthogonal polynomial expansion.
- Simple problem and text book method is surprisingly complex.
- Reordering gives a large decrease in error.
- Edgeworth groups terms according to their approach to normality.
- Why this works is still unclear.