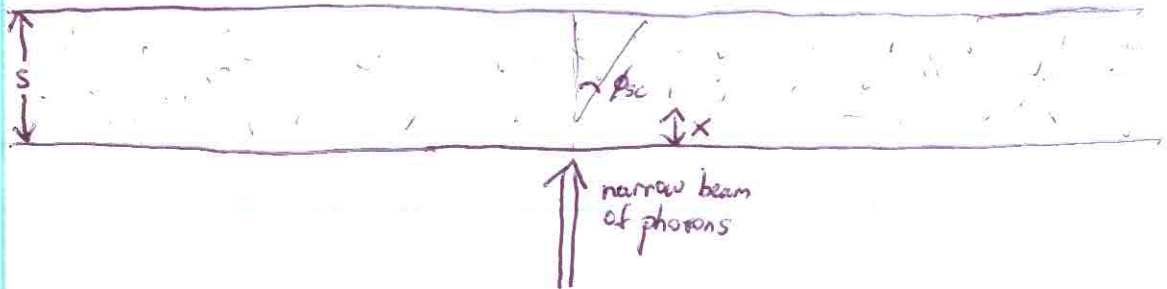


Scattering centres approximation



Let the mean number of scattering centres per unit ^{area} volume be n , where n is a large number. Let the RMS angle of scattering from each centre be ϕ_{RMS} , and let the (circular) scattering cross-section of each centre be t_0 . Start with no absorption, and Gaussian, impact-parameter-independent scattering.

change in projected y from last scatterer

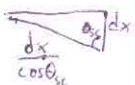
$$dy = (s-x)\phi_{sc} \Rightarrow \text{var}(dy) = (s-x)^2 \text{var}(\phi_x) = (s-x)^2 \phi_{RMS}^2$$

$$y = \sum dy \Rightarrow \text{var}(y) = \text{var}(\sum dy). \quad \text{var}(\sum x_i) = \sum \text{var}(x_i) \text{ (B.ency me)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}(y) = \sum \text{var}(dy) = \sum (s-x)^2 \phi_{RMS}^2 = \int_0^s (s-x)^2 \phi_{RMS}^2 \left(\frac{\# \text{ of centres hit per short distance}}{dx} \right) dx$$

or "chance of hitting a centre"

$$\left(\frac{\# \text{ of centres hit}}{\text{per short distance}} \right) = \frac{\text{length of travel} \times t_0 \times n}{dx} \quad \text{length of travel} = \frac{dx}{\cos \theta_{sc}} = \frac{dx}{\cos \sum \phi_{sc}}$$



$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{\# \text{ of centres}}{\dots} \right) = \frac{t_0 n}{\cos \sum \phi_{sc}} \quad \text{If we use the small angle approx, } \cos \sum \phi_{sc} \approx 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$\text{var}(y) = \int_0^s (s-x)^2 \phi_{RMS}^2 t_0 n dx = \phi_{RMS}^2 t_0 n \left[-\frac{1}{3}(s-x)^3 \right]_0^s = \frac{\phi_{RMS}^2 t_0 n s^3}{3}$$

$$\cos(\sum \phi_{sc}) \approx 1 - \frac{(\sum \phi_{sc})^2}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\cos(\sum \phi_{sc})} \approx 1 + \frac{(\sum \phi_{sc})^2}{2}$$

$$\text{var}(x) = f\left(\frac{1}{\cos x}\right)$$

$$\text{var}(\Theta_{sc}) = \text{var}(\sum \phi_{sc}) = \sum \text{var}(\phi_{sc}) \text{ (Bienayme)} = \sum \phi_{rms}^2$$

$$= \int_0^s \phi_{rms}^2 \times \left(\frac{\# \text{ of centres hit per sphere distance}}{dx} \right) dx = \int_0^s \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n dx}{\cos(\sum \phi_{sc})}$$

In the small angle approx. this is just $\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n s$. If we go the next higher-order term in the series, then we note that

$$\text{var}(\sum \phi_{sc}) = \text{var}(\phi_{sc} \times \text{the number of scatterers})$$

call this N_{sc}

Note that N_{sc} and ϕ_{sc} are not necessarily independent...

$$\text{In general, } \text{var}(ab) = \text{cov}(a^2, b^2) + (\text{var}(a) + E(a)^2)(\text{var}(b) + E(b)^2) - (\text{cov}(a, b) + E(a)E(b))^2$$

$$E(\phi_{sc}) = 0. \text{ Thus}$$

$$\text{var}(N_{sc} \phi_{sc}) = \text{cov}(N_{sc}^2, \phi_{sc}^2) + \text{var}(\phi_{sc})(\text{var}(N_{sc}) + E(N_{sc})^2) - \text{cov}^2(\phi_{sc}, N_{sc})$$

$$N_{sc} = t_0 n \int_0^s \frac{dx}{\cos(\sum \phi_{sc})}$$

$$E(N_{sc}) = t_0 n \int_0^s \frac{dx}{E(\cos(\sum \phi_{sc}))}$$

$$\approx t_0 n \int_0^s dx E\left(1 + \frac{(\sum \phi_{sc})^2}{2}\right)$$

$$\approx t_0 n \int_0^s dx \left(1 + \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n x}{2}\right)$$

$$= t_0 n s + \left[\frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n x^2}{4}\right]_0^s = t_0 n s \left(1 + \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 s}{4}\right)$$

$E[(\sum \phi_{sc})^2] = \text{var}(\sum \phi_{sc})$

yadda yadda yadda...

Try large angle. To do that, first try nonzero but small incident angle, then try very large incident angle, then use Bayes.

$$\text{var}(\Theta_{sc}) = \text{var}(\Theta_{in} + \sum \phi_{sc}) \xrightarrow[\text{angle } \Theta_{in}]{\text{small}} \sum \text{var}(\phi_{sc}) \text{ (Bienayme)} = \sum \phi_{rms}^2 = \int_0^s \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n dx}{\cos(\Theta_{in} + \sum \phi_{sc})}$$

$$= \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n s}{\cos \Theta_{in}}, \text{ with } E(\Theta_{sc}) = \Theta_{in}$$

With a very large incident angle, we have

$$\text{var}(\Theta_{sc}) = \text{var}\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \delta_{in} + \sum \phi_{sc}\right) = \text{var}(\sum \phi_{sc}) = \sum_{i,j} \text{cov}\left(\sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} \phi_n, \sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} \phi_n\right)$$

$$= \text{var} \sum_{i,j} \text{var}\left(\sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} \phi_n\right) = \sum_{i,j} \sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} \text{var}(\phi_n) = \sum_{i,j} \sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} \phi_{rms}^2$$

$$= \int_0^s \int_0^s \int_0^{\min(x,y)} dz \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n}{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \delta_{in} + \sum \phi_{sc}\right)} = \int_0^s \int_0^s \int_0^{\min(x,y)} dz \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n}{\sin(\delta_{in} - \sum \phi_{sc})}$$

add absorption

$$\text{var}(y) = \text{var}(\sum \delta y) = \sum_{i,j} \text{cov}(\delta y_i, \delta y_j)$$

$$\text{cov}(\delta y_i, \delta y_j) = \varepsilon^2 \text{cov}(\theta_i, \theta_j)$$

$$\theta_\alpha = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\alpha} \phi_n \right) \times \pi$$

$$\text{cov}(\theta_i, \theta_j) = \left(\prod_{n=0}^{\max(i,j)} e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{t_0}} \right) \text{cov} \left(\sum_{n=0}^i \phi_n, \sum_{n=0}^j \phi_n \right)$$

$$= \left(e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{t_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\max(i,j)} 1} \right) \text{var} \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} \phi_n \right)$$

$$\approx \left(e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{t_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\max(i,j)} 1} \right) \sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} \left(\phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 \frac{\varepsilon}{t_0} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{var}(y) = \sum_{i,j} \left[\varepsilon^2 \left(e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{t_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\max(i,j)} 1} \right) \left(\frac{\phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 \varepsilon}{t_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} 1 \right) \right]$$

$$= \phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 \frac{\varepsilon^3}{t_0} \sum_{i,j=0}^{s/\varepsilon} \left[\left(e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{t_0} \sum_{n=0}^{\max(i,j)} 1} \right) \sum_{n=0}^{\min(i,j)} 1 \right]$$

$$(\lim \varepsilon \rightarrow 0) = \phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 \frac{\varepsilon^3}{t_0} \left[\frac{\tau^3}{\varepsilon^3} - e^{-s/\varepsilon} \left(\frac{s^2 \tau}{2 \varepsilon^3} + \frac{s \tau^2}{\varepsilon^3} + \frac{\tau^3}{\varepsilon^3} \right) \right]$$

$$\phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 \frac{\varepsilon^3}{t_0} \left[\tau^3 - e^{-s/\varepsilon} \left(\frac{s^2 \tau}{2} + s \tau^2 + \tau^3 \right) \right]$$

$2\pi \phi_{\text{RMS}} / \text{bins}$

$$\frac{\text{bins} \times \phi_{\text{RMS}}}{2\pi}$$

$$\frac{\text{bins}}{2\pi} \times \left(\phi_{\text{RMS}} + \frac{2\pi}{2 \times \text{bins}} \right)$$

$$\approx \frac{\text{bins} \times \phi_{\text{RMS}}}{2\pi} + \frac{1}{2}$$

as $\tau \rightarrow 0$ $[J]^{1/3} s$

$$\text{var}(\theta_{sc}) = \text{var}(\sum \phi_{sc}) = \sum \text{var}(\phi_{sc}) \quad (\text{Bienaymé})$$

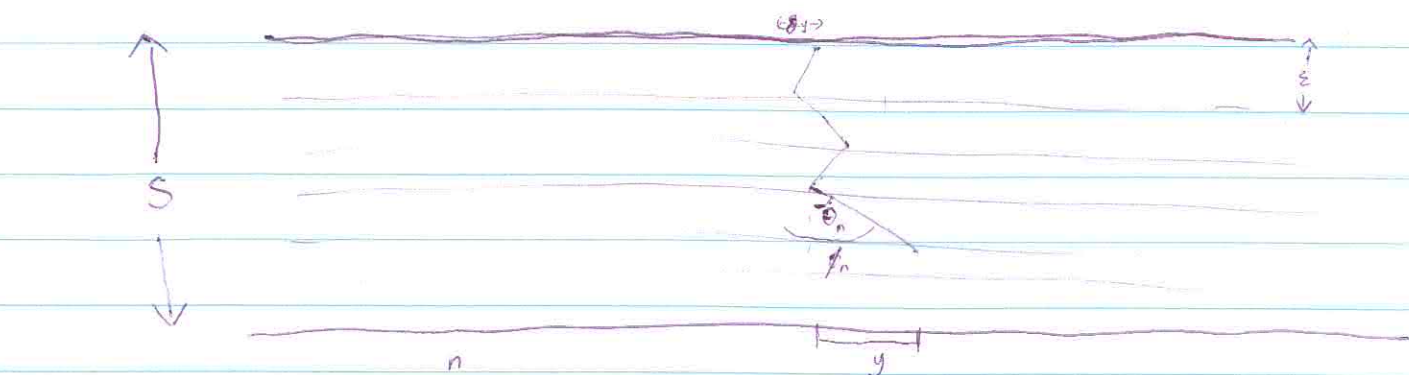
$$= \left(\sum_{n=1}^{s/\varepsilon} \phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 \frac{\varepsilon}{t_0} \right) \left(\prod_{n=1}^{s/\varepsilon} e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{t_0}} \right) = \left(\frac{\phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 s}{t_0} \right) \left(e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{t_0} \sum_{n=1}^{s/\varepsilon} 1} \right)$$

lim $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\frac{\phi_{\text{RMS}}^2 s}{t_0} e^{-s/\varepsilon}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_{\theta_{sc}} = \phi_{\text{RMS}} e^{-\frac{s}{2\varepsilon}} \sqrt{\frac{s}{t_0}}$$

no more small angle approx., but no absorption



$$\theta_n \equiv \sum_{i=0}^n \phi_i \quad \text{var}(y) = \text{var}(\sum \delta y_i) = \sum_{i,j} \text{cov}(\delta y_i, \delta y_j)$$

Small angle approx: $\delta y_i = \epsilon \theta_i$. No small angle approx: $\delta y_i = \epsilon \tan \theta_i$

$$\Rightarrow \text{cov}(\delta y_i, \delta y_j) = \epsilon^2 \text{cov}(\tan \theta_i, \tan \theta_j) = \epsilon^2 \text{cov}(\tan(\sum_{n=0}^i \phi_n), \tan(\sum_{n=0}^j \phi_n))$$

$$\text{var}(\tan(x)) = (\text{if } x \text{ is normally distributed}) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\sigma^n}{(2n)!} 2^{n/2} \sum_{i=0}^n U_i U_{n-i} \left(C_i - \frac{1}{2} C_{i/2} \right) \quad \begin{matrix} \text{for } i \text{ even, } 0 \\ \text{for } i \text{ odd, } 1 \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{cov}(f(x), f(y)) = E(f(x)f(y)) - E f(x) E f(y)$$

$$E f(x) E f(y) = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(E_x)}{n!} \mu_n^x \right) \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(m)}(E_y)}{m!} \mu_m^y \right) = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(2n)}(E_x)}{(2n)!} \frac{(2n)! \sigma_x^{2n}}{n! 2^n} \right) \times \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(2m)}(E_y)}{(2m)!} \frac{(2m)! \sigma_y^{2m}}{m! 2^m} \right)$$

$$f(x)f(y) = \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(n)}(E_x)}{n!} (x-E_x)^n \right) \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{f^{(m)}(E_y)}{m!} (y-E_y)^m \right) \\ = (\text{Cauchy product}) \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^j \frac{f^{(k)}(E_x) f^{(j-k)}(E_y)}{k! (j-k)!} (x-E_x)^k (y-E_y)^{j-k}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(f(x)f(y)) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \sum_{k=0}^j \frac{f^{(k)}(E_x) f^{(j-k)}(E_y)}{k! (j-k)!} \mu_{k, j-k} \quad \text{where } \mu_{k, j-k} \text{ is the } (k, j-k) \text{ bivariate central moment.}$$

$$\frac{1}{2\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma_y^2} = \frac{1}{2\sigma_x^2\sigma_y^2}$$

Determining the moments and bivariate moments of Gaussians

We know that (Wikipedia) the univariate central moments

$$\mu_p \equiv E[X^p] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } p \text{ is odd} \\ \sigma^p (p-1)!! & \text{if } p \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad (p-1)!! = \frac{(p-1)!}{(p-2)!!} = \frac{(p-1)!}{2^{\frac{p}{2}-1} (\frac{p}{2}-1)!} = \frac{p!}{2^{\frac{p}{2}} (\frac{p}{2})!}$$

We want to find $\mu_{a,b} = E[X^a Y^b]$. First of all, why is this true?

$$\mu_p = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x-\mu)^p \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx = (\text{dropping } \mu) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^p \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx$$

$$\mu_{a,b} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^a y^b \frac{1}{\sigma_x \sigma_y \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_x^2}} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma_y^2}} dx dy = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^a y^b e^{-\frac{(x^2+y^2)}{2\sigma_x^2\sigma_y^2}} dx dy$$

Let $y = x + y'$, where x is of course 100% correlated with x , and y' is

$$\Rightarrow \mu_{a,b} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^a (x+y')^b \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma_x^2}} e^{-\frac{(x+y')^2}{2\sigma_y^2}} dx dy' = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^a (x+y')^b e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2})} e^{-\frac{xy'}{\sigma_y^2}} e^{-\frac{y'^2}{2\sigma_y^2}} dx dy'$$

$$r = \frac{\alpha x + \beta y'}{\sigma} \quad r^2 = \alpha^2 x^2 + \beta^2 y'^2 + 2\alpha\beta xy' \quad p = x + \alpha y' \quad q = \beta x + \gamma y'$$

$$p - \frac{\alpha}{\beta} q = x(1 + \frac{\alpha}{\beta}) \Leftrightarrow x = \frac{p - \frac{\alpha}{\beta} q}{1 + \frac{\alpha}{\beta}} = \frac{\beta p - \alpha q}{\beta + \alpha} \quad p - \frac{1}{\beta} q = y'(\alpha - \frac{\alpha}{\beta}) \Rightarrow y' = \frac{\beta p - q}{\alpha\beta - \alpha}$$

$$dx dy' = \frac{1}{(\alpha\beta - \alpha)^2} (\alpha q - \beta p)(\beta p - \frac{1}{\beta} q) = \frac{1}{(\alpha\beta - \alpha)^2} (\alpha\beta p^2 - \alpha q^2 - \beta^2 p^2 + \beta q^2)$$

$$p^2 + q^2 = \frac{x^2}{2}(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2}) + \frac{xy'}{\sigma_y^2} + \frac{y'^2}{2\sigma_y^2} = x^2(1 + \beta^2) + xy'(2\alpha + \beta\sigma) + y'^2(\alpha^2 + \sigma^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta^2 = \frac{1}{2}(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2)$$

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} = 2\alpha + \sigma(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2)$$

$$\frac{1}{2\sigma_y^2} = \alpha^2 + \sigma^2 \Rightarrow 2\alpha^2 + 2\sigma^2 = 2\alpha + \sigma(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow 2\sigma^2 - \sigma(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2) + (2\alpha^2 - 2\alpha) = 0$$

$$\sigma = \frac{\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2 \pm \sqrt{(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2)^2 - 16(\alpha^2 - \alpha)}}{4}$$

$$\text{or } \alpha = \frac{2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 8(2\sigma^2 - \sigma(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2))}}{4} = \frac{1 \pm \sqrt{1 - 4\sigma^2 + 2\sigma(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2)}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pm \sqrt{1 - 4\sigma^2 + 2\sigma(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2)} = \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - \sigma(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} + \frac{1}{\sigma_y^2} - 2) - \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow$$

large angle w/ scattering centres conf'd

$$E(\theta_{sc}) = E(\pi/2 - \delta_{in} + \sum \phi_{sc}) = \pi/2 - \delta_{in} + E(\sum \phi_{sc}) =$$

$\pi/2 - \delta_{in} + \sum E(\phi_{sc})$. $E(\phi_{sc})$ would be 0, but we know that it has made it to the other side. $\therefore$ neg. Thus $\sum E(\phi_{sc}) < \delta_{in}$ and $\sum \phi_{sc} < \delta_{in}$. Without this constraint, $\sum \phi_{sc}$ would be Gaussian distributed with mean 0 and variance

$$\int_0^{\delta_{in}} \int_0^{\delta_{in}} \int_0^{\min(x,y)} dz \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n}{\sin \delta_{in}} = \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n}{\sin \delta_{in}} \int_0^{\delta_{in}} \int_0^{\delta_{in}} \int_0^{\min(x,y)} dz$$

$$= \frac{\phi_{rms}^2 t_0 n^3}{3 \sin \delta_{in}}$$

above δ_{in}

But with this constraint, we must cut off this Gaussian

$$\text{PDF}(\sum \phi_{sc}) \propto \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} & \text{for } x = \sum \phi_{sc} \leq \delta_{in} \\ 0 & \text{for } x = \sum \phi_{sc} > \delta_{in} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{where } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{t_0 n^3 \phi_{rms}^2}{3 \sin \delta_{in}}}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\delta_{in}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx = \sigma \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} + \sigma \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} \text{erf}(\delta_{in}) = \sigma \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in}))$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{PDF}(\sum \phi_{sc}) = N e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \text{ where } N = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sigma \sqrt{\pi} (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in}))} \text{ and } \sigma = \text{for } x = \sum \phi_{sc} \leq \delta_{in}$$

The mean of this distribution is δ_{in}

$$N \int_{-\infty}^{\delta_{in}} x e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx =$$

$$N \left[x \sigma \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \text{erf}(x)) \right]_{-\infty}^{\delta_{in}} - \left[N \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right]_{-\infty}^{\delta_{in}} = N \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{\delta_{in}^2}{2\sigma^2}} (= \mu)$$

and the variance is δ_{in}

$$N \int_{-\infty}^{\delta_{in}} x^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx - \mu^2 =$$

$$\left[-x N \sigma^2 e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right]_{-\infty}^{\delta_{in}} + N \sigma^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\delta_{in}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx - \mu^2$$

$$= \frac{-\delta_{in} \sigma \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi} (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in}))} e^{-\frac{\delta_{in}^2}{2\sigma^2}} + \frac{\sigma \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi} (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in}))} \left[\sigma \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in})) \right] - \frac{2\sigma^2}{\pi (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in}))^2} e^{-\frac{\delta_{in}^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$= \sigma^2 - \frac{\sigma \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi} (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in}))} e^{-\frac{\delta_{in}^2}{2\sigma^2}} \left[\delta_{in} + \frac{\sigma \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{\pi} (1 + \text{erf}(\delta_{in}))} e^{-\frac{\delta_{in}^2}{2\sigma^2}} \right]$$

For small δ_{in} , this is a mean of $-\sqrt{\frac{2t_{ons}^2 \phi_{RMS}^2}{3\pi \delta_{in}}}$ and variance of $\frac{t_{ons}^2 \phi_{RMS}^2}{3\delta_{in}}$, essentially a flat distribution.

Now, we use Bayes' Theorem and thus note that:

$$\frac{\text{Likelihood of } \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{small} \end{array} \right)}{\text{Likelihood of } \left(\begin{array}{c} \uparrow \\ \text{also small} \end{array} \right)} = \frac{L \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{small} \end{array} \right)}{L \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \text{also small} \end{array} \right)}$$

Let "small" = "also small" = θ_{in} . Then the LHS of this is $\approx$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\theta_{in}^2}{2\sigma^2}}}{\frac{1}{\pi}} \quad \text{where } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons}}{\cos \theta_{in}}}$$

$$= \frac{\pi \cos \theta_{in}}{2 \phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons}} e^{-\frac{\theta_{in}^2 \cos \theta_{in}}{2 \phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons}}} \quad (1)$$

The numerator of the RHS is

$$\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{\theta_{in}^2}{2\sigma^2}} \quad \text{where } \sigma = \sqrt{\frac{\phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons}}{1 - \cos \theta_{in}}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi \phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons}}} e^{-\frac{\theta_{in}^2}{2 \phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons} (1 - \cos \theta_{in})}} \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow L \left(\begin{array}{c} \downarrow \\ \theta_{in} \end{array} \right) \propto \frac{(2)}{(1)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\pi^2 \cos \theta_{in}}} e^{-\frac{\theta_{in}^2}{2 \phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons} (1 - \cos \theta_{in})}} \quad \cos \theta_{in} \approx 1 - \frac{\theta_{in}^2}{2}$$

$$\left(1 - \frac{\theta_{in}^2}{2}\right)^{-1/2} \approx 1 + \frac{\theta_{in}^2}{4}. \text{ Thus this is } \approx \frac{1}{\pi} \left(1 + \frac{\theta_{in}^2}{4}\right) e^{-\frac{\theta_{in}^4}{4 \phi_{RMS}^2 t_{ons}}} \approx \frac{1}{\pi} \left(1 + \frac{\theta_{in}^2}{4}\right)$$