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# Random Matrix Theory Hints (developed with Piet Brouwer)

We're generating M members of the GOE ensemble of NxN matrices, and calculating the difference between the eigenvalues in the middle of the range. Let's demonstrate how using a small sample.

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In[1]:= M = 200;
Size = 4;
```

To generate random symmetric matrices, we generate a matrix with entries drawn from a normal distribution, and then symmetrize it.

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In[3]:= Mat = RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[], {Size, Size}]
MatSym = Mat + Transpose[Mat]
MatrixForm[MatSym]

Out[3]= {{0.712229, 0.924701, -0.828935, -0.437384},
{-1.09302, 1.64093, -0.461153, -1.38089},
{1.59872, -0.104854, -0.457538, -0.0570919},
{0.286581, 0.301822, 0.126942, -0.397078} }

Out[4]= {{1.42446, -0.168316, 0.769786, -0.150804},
{-0.168316, 3.28186, -0.566006, -1.07907},
{0.769786, -0.566006, -0.915075, 0.06985},
{-0.150804, -1.07907, 0.06985, -0.794156} }

Out[5]//MatrixForm=
{{1.42446, -0.168316, 0.769786, -0.150804},
{-0.168316, 3.28186, -0.566006, -1.07907},
{0.769786, -0.566006, -0.915075, 0.06985},
{-0.150804, -1.07907, 0.06985, -0.794156}}
```

Generate M random Size×Size arrays of Gaussian (normal) random numbers; symmetrize them; find their sorted eigenvalues, keep a list of the difference between the two middle ones. You can do this with a For loop (slow and inelegant)

```
In[6]:= diffs = Table[0, {i, 1, M}];
M11 = Table[0, {i, 1, M}];
For[i = 1, i ≤ M, i++, {Mat = RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[], {Size, Size}];
MatSym = Mat + Transpose[Mat];
eigs = Sort[Eigenvalues[MatSym]];
diffs[[i]] = eigs[[Size / 2 + 1]] - eigs[[Size / 2]];
M11[[i]] = MatSym[[1]][[1]];}]
```

You can also do this with functional programming: it's considered more elegant

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```
In[9]:= Symmetrized[m_] := m + Transpose[m];
EigSorted[m_] := Sort[Eigenvalues[m]];
EigDiffs[eigs_] := eigs[[Size/2+1]] - eigs[[Size/2]];
diffs = Map[EigDiffs[EigSorted[Symmetrized[#]]] &,
RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[], {M, Size, Size}]];
M11 = Map[Symmetrized[#][[1, 1]] &, Table[Random[NormalDistribution[]],
{m, 1, M}, {i, 1, Size}, {j, 1, Size}]];
```

Or, perhaps, with tables :

```
In[14]:= Mats = RandomVariate[NormalDistribution[], {M, Size, Size}];
MatsSym = Table[Mats[[i]] + Transpose[Mats[[i]]], {i, 1, M}];
M11 = Table[MatsSym[[i]][[1, 1]], {i, 1, M}];
eigs = Table[Sort[Eigenvalues[MatsSym[[i]]]], {i, 1, M}];
diffs = Table[eigs[[i]][[Size/2+1]] - eigs[[i]][[Size/2]], {i, 1, M}];
```

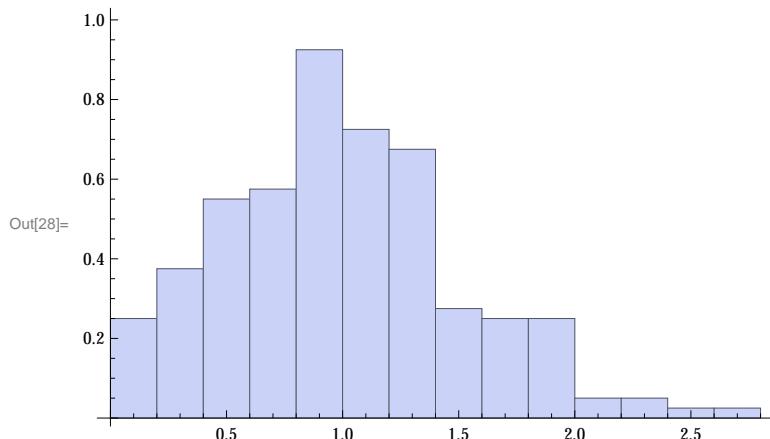
Divide out by mean value of the splittings

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In[19]:= diffAve = Mean[diffs]
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Out[19]= 2.26609
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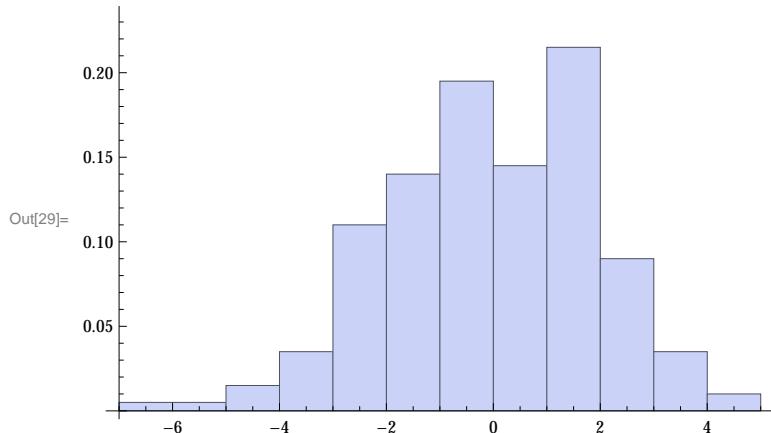
Histogram generates a histogram of diffs. ‘Automatic’ tells it to choose the number of bins. “Probability” normalizes the integral to one.

```
In[28]:= Histogram[diffs / diffAve, Automatic, "PDF"]
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Let's demonstrate how to compare simulation with theory by using a histogram for the diagonal element M11. First plot the histogram for M11; store as "histGauss" for later plotting with theory

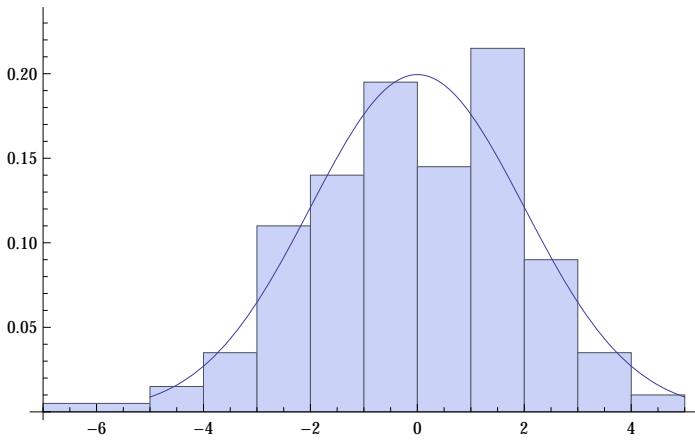
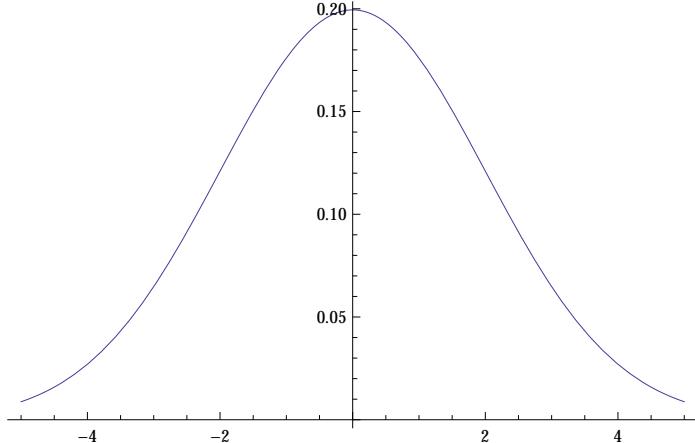
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In[29]:= histGauss = Histogram[M11, Automatic, "PDF"]
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In[30]:= (*Now, plot expected Gaussian fit*)
sigma = 2;
theoryGauss = Plot[(1 / Sqrt[2 Pi sigma^2]) Exp[-x^2 / (2 sigma^2)], {x, -5, 5}]

(*and show the comparison*)
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Show[histGauss, theoryGauss]
```



We generate random  $\pm 1$  matrices using `RandomInteger` (which produces 0/1, which we double and subtract one). Note that Mathematica subtracts one ‘componentwise’. For example...

```
In[25]:= MatPM = RandomInteger[{0, 1}, {Size, Size}] * 2 - 1
Out[25]= {{1, 1, 1, 1}, {-1, 1, -1, -1}, {1, 1, -1, 1}, {1, -1, -1, -1}}
```

This is an inelegant way of symmetrizing ...

```
In[26]:= MatPMSym =
Table[If[i ≥ j, MatPM[[i]][[j]], MatPM[[j]][[i]]], {i, 1, Size}, {j, 1, Size}];
```

```
In[27]:= MatrixForm[MatPMSym]
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Out[27]//MatrixForm=
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$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$