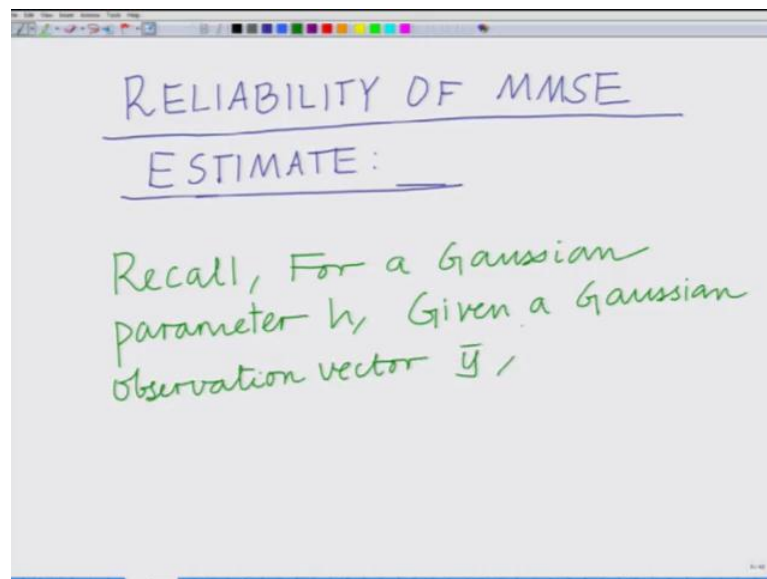


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**Lecture – 11**  
**Reliability of Minimum Mean Squared Error (MMSE) Estimate – Part I**

Hello, welcome to another module in this massive open online course on Bayesian MMSE estimation for wireless communications. So, far we have looked at the MMSE estimate. And we also look at how to compute the variance or how to compute the mean squared error of the estimate of the MMSE estimate. Now let us look at a new framework, to calculate the reliability of the MMSE estimate or basically calculate the number of samples or number of observations required to achieve a certain degree of reliability in the MMSE estimation, or in estimation process.

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So, today we are going to focus on basically a framework to characterise the reliability of the MMSE estimate that we have thus far computed. So, reliability of the MMSE estimate, and recall that; recall for a Gaussian parameter  $h$ , Gaussian parameter  $h$  given a Gaussian observation vector  $\bar{y}$ , Gaussian says that  $h$  comma  $\bar{y}$  are jointly Gaussian.

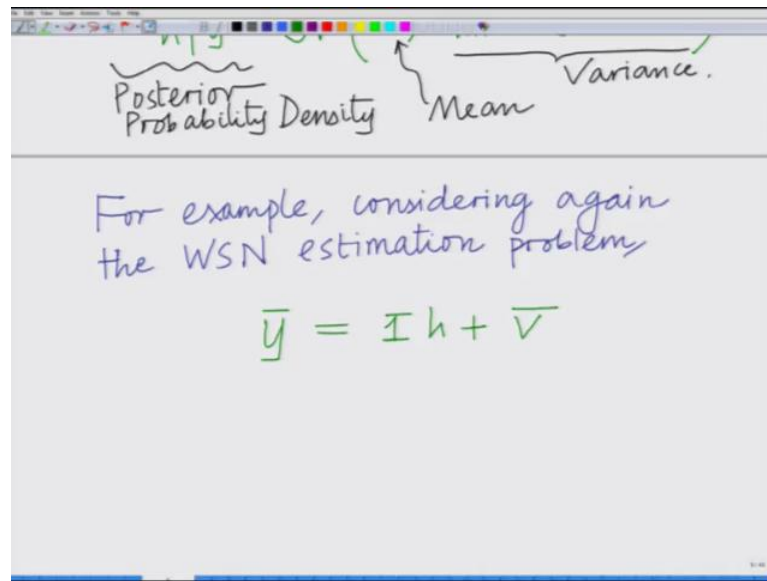
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$$h, \bar{y} \text{ - Jointly Gaussian}$$
$$E\{h|\bar{y}\} = \hat{h} \text{ ~ MMSE Estimate}$$
$$E\{(h - \hat{h})^2 | \bar{y}\}$$
$$= r_{hh} - r_{h\bar{y}} R_{yy}^{-1} r_{\bar{y}h}$$
$$h|\bar{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\hat{h}, r_{hh} - r_{h\bar{y}} R_{yy}^{-1} r_{\bar{y}h})$$

Then what we have is basically. So, also this also important we have  $h$  comma  $y$  bar this has to be jointly Gaussian. Then we have expected value of,  $h$  given  $y$  bar alright this is the MMSE estimate equals,  $\hat{h}$  infact we have shown that this is the MMSE estimate infact in the very first few lectures, we have derived the expression for the MMSE estimate we have shown that the MMSE estimate is nothing, but the expected value of the parameter  $h$  given the observation factor  $y$  bar that is the expression for the MMSE estimate.

Further the MMSE the mean squared error is, expected value of your  $\hat{h}$  minus  $h$  whole square given  $y$  bar I am not going to write this explicitly because the estimate is calculated only a conditioned on the observation factor  $y$  bar. This is basically your  $R_{hh}$  minus  $R_{hy}$  bar expected value the cross co-variance expected value of  $h$  times  $y$  bar co-variance inverse of the co-variance matrix times  $r, y$  bar  $h$ . So, what we have therefore, is basically that your  $h$  given  $y$  bar, this is Gaussian correct this has a Gaussian distribution with mean  $\hat{h}$  given by the MMSE estimate and variance given by nothing, but the mean squared error that is your  $R_{hh}$ ,  $R_{hy}$  bar,  $R_{yy}$  inverse  $R_{yh}$  this is also known as the Posterior Probability Density Function.

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We have the prior this is also known as the posterior probability density the mean of the posterior probability density, is basically  $\hat{h}$  and this is basically the variance. So, basically what this says is given the observation vector  $\bar{y}$  the true parameter that is a given observation vector  $\bar{y}$  the true parameter  $h$  correct it lies it distributed as a Gaussian conditioned on the observation vector  $\bar{y}$  it is distributed as a Gaussian, with the mean centered at  $\hat{h}$  that is expected  $h$  given  $\bar{y}$  is  $\hat{h}$  and the variance is given by in fact the mean squared error that is  $R_{hh} - R_{hy} \bar{y}^{-1} R_{yh}$  types  $R_{yy}^{-1}$  into  $R_{y} \bar{y}$   $h$  correct.

For example, consider or wireless sensor network estimation problem. For example, considering, again our  $w_s$  in the WSN scenario, correct? The WSN estimation or the wireless sensor network, the wireless sensor network problem we have that is what is our wireless sensor network the WSN estimation problem we call that the WSN estimation problem is  $\bar{y} = \mathbf{1} h + \bar{v}$  that is the indimensional vector of all ones  $\mathbf{1}$  times  $h$  plus  $\bar{v}$  where  $\bar{v}$  additive might Gaussian noise.

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The image shows a handwritten derivation on a whiteboard. At the top, the variable  $y$  is written in green. Below it, the phrase "we have," is written in green. The main equation is written in orange ink and shows the MMSE estimate  $\hat{h}$  as a function of  $y$ . The equation is:

$$\hat{h} = \frac{\frac{1^T y / N}{\sigma^2 / N} + \frac{\mu_h}{\sigma_h^2}}{\frac{1}{\sigma^2 / N} + \frac{1}{\sigma_h^2}}$$

To the left of the equation, there is a purple arrow pointing to  $\hat{h}$  with the text "MMSE Estimate" and the equation  $E\{h|y\} = \hat{h}$  written in purple.

We have the estimate recall that the estimate  $\hat{h}$  is  $1^T y$  divided by  $N$  plus the prior mean  $\mu_h$  divided by  $\sigma_h^2$  divided by  $1 + \sigma_h^2 / \sigma^2$ . This is the estimate this is the MMSE estimate, this is also the mean this is also your MMSE recall that this is the MMSE estimate and this is also the mean this is also your posterior mean that is expected of the expected value of  $h$  given  $y$  this is also equal to  $\hat{h}$ .

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$E\{\hat{h}|y\} = h$   
 $E\{(\hat{h} - h)^2\} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sigma^2/N} + \frac{1}{\sigma_h^2}}$

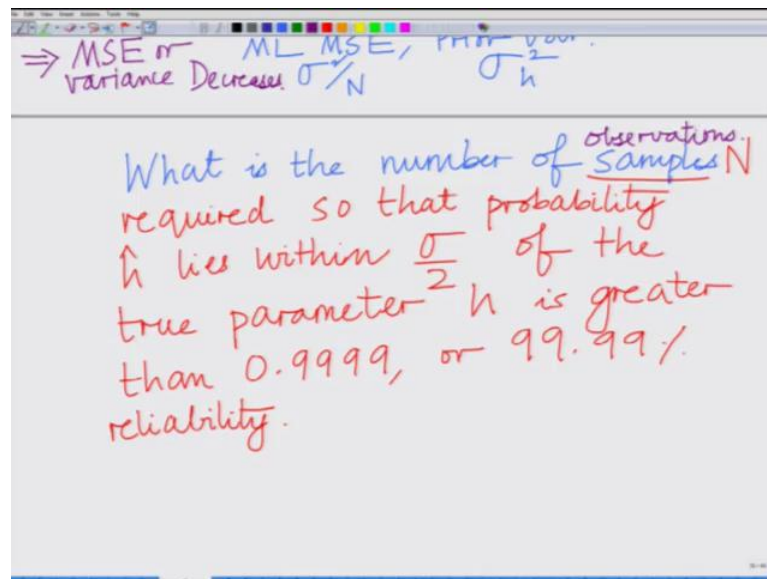
As  $N$  increases  $\sigma^2/N$  decreases.  $\frac{1}{\sigma^2/N}$  increases.  
 Denominator increases as  $N$  increases.  $\Rightarrow$  MSE or variance decreases.  
 Harmonic mean of ML MSE, Prior var.  $\frac{1}{\sigma_h^2}$

And further the variance noise if you look at, the variance that is the mean squared error in this case is nothing, but the variance of the posterior that is expected value of  $\hat{h}$  minus  $h$  whole square this is equal to and we have derived to expression of this that is one over sigma square divided by  $n$ , plus 1 over sigma  $h$  square and you can see this is you have derived in the previous module this is the harmonic mean, harmonic mean of the M1 MSE that is M1 mean squared error comma prior variance, that is sigma  $h$  square. M1 mean squared error that is sigma square divided by  $n$  and the prior variance that is sigma  $h$  square. This is the harmonic mean of the mean squared error of the M1 estimates and prior variance and therefore, now you can also observe an interesting thing that has  $n$  increase. Now let us look at the behaviour of this, as  $n$  increases observed that sigma square over  $n$  decreases. Therefore, 1 over sigma square over  $n$  increases. Therefore, the denominator increases as  $n$  decreases implies MSE or variance decreases.

So, easy to keep it is important to keep that in mind what we are saying is as  $n$  increases this mean squared error decreases alright and remember the mean squared error is also the variance of the posterior density function, which means remember it is an posterior probability density function is a Gaussian. So, as the variance as the  $n$  is increasing this variance is decreasing which means a the true parameter  $h$  correct a comes closer and closer in a probabilistic sense to the mean which is the estimate because, you can see that

the variance is decreasing as a function and. So, even we cannot say that it is always going to be close to the true parameter  $h$  is always going to be close to the estimate, MMSE estimate  $\hat{h}$  with the very high probability that is to a very high degree of certainty the true parameter of  $\hat{h}$  is the true parameter of  $h$  is very close to the MMSE estimate  $\hat{h}$ .

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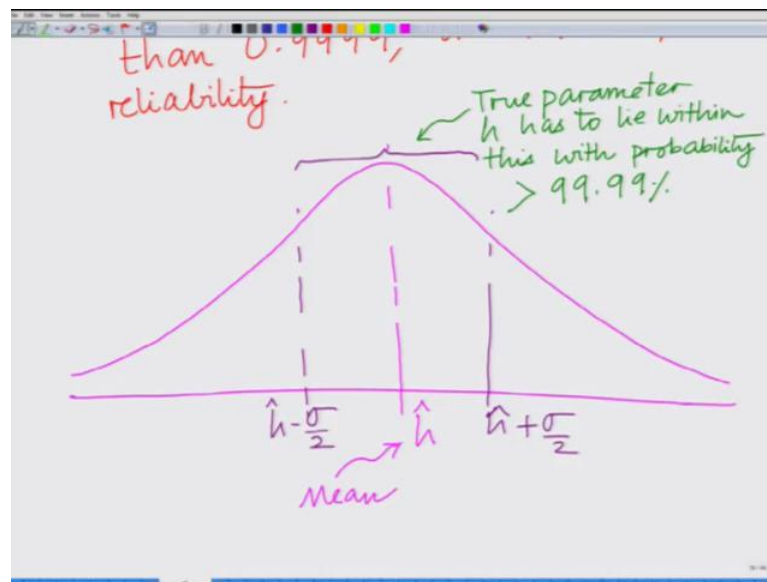
We are going to see that slightly later using a pictorial description of this right. So, the variance is decreasing. Now one can therefore, ask the question what is the number of samples required for certain degree of reliability and we are going to characterize this. What is the number of samples required? What is the number of samples required? So, that the probability that  $\hat{h}$  lies within a  $\frac{\sigma}{2}$  of true parameter  $h$  is greater than 0.9999 or basically we can say in a certain sense achieving 99.99 percent reliability.

So, we are asking this question what is the number of samples  $n$  remember we are characterizing the number of samples or basically the number of samples is basically the same as your number of observations another word for that is basically your observations, what is the number of samples or observations  $n$  required. So, that the

probability that the true parameter  $h$  lies within a sigma by 2 radius of the estimate  $\hat{h}$  or the estimate  $\hat{h}$  lies within a sigma by 2 radius of  $h$  is greater than 0.9999 or basically we can say that we have achieved 99.99 percent reliability.

And. So, if you want to represent it pictorially if you represent it pictorially this our gaust posterior Gaussian and distribution and the mean is basically of this posterior is  $\hat{h}$  correct.

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Therefore, what you can see is basically if you draw a sigma by 2 radius if we consider a sigma by 2 radius around this things for instance this is lets say your. So, this is youRhh hat plus sigma by 2 and this is h hat minus sigma by 2. So, the true the true paramete Rhas to lie within this sigma by 2 radius. So, true parameter  $h$  has to lie within this sort of box with probability greater than with probability greater than 99.99 percent.

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We need,

$$\Pr(|\hat{h} - h| \leq \frac{\sigma}{2}) \geq 0.9999$$

Probability  $\hat{h}$  lies outside  $\frac{\sigma}{2}$  ball  $\Rightarrow \Pr(|\hat{h} - h| \geq \frac{\sigma}{2}) \leq 1 - 0.9999 = 0.0001 = 10^{-4}$

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Estimation Error

$h = \text{True Parameter}$   
 $\hat{h} = \text{Estimate}$

What we are saying is that therefore, a this age has to lie within this sigma by 2 that is  $\hat{h}$  hat plus sigma by 2 to  $\hat{h}$  hat minus sigma by 2 with probability greater than a 0.9999 or 99.99 percentage percent reliability and you can now see that as  $n$  is increasing this variance is decreasing alright.

So, basically the Gaussian become will become increasingly more and more concentrated around  $\hat{h}$  hat which means the probability that it is closer to  $\hat{h}$  hat keeps increasing as  $n$  is increasing alright. As  $n$  increases the probability that  $\hat{h}$  hat lies within this sigma by 2 ball the probability that  $\hat{h}$  lies within this sigma by 2 ball around  $\hat{h}$  hat progressively keeps increasing and what is and we want to find that  $n$  such that this probability is atleast a 0.9999 or greater than basically 99.99 percent. So, that is what we have to find and we can proceed with that as followes and this is an intresting problem. What we need is basically we need for all given degree of reliability, we need that is magnitude  $\hat{h}$  hat minus  $h$  less than or equal to the probability that magnitude  $\hat{h}$  hat minus  $h$  is less than or equal to sigma by 2 has to be greater than 0.9999 this is what we need fine.

Now, this implies that the probability that this it lies outside this ball that is probability of magnitude  $\hat{h}$  hat minus  $h$  greater than or equal to sigma. Where 2 probability lies this is



the probability it lies outside the ball probability it lies outside the sigma by 2 ball naturally, if  $\hat{h} - h$  is less than or equal to  $\sigma$  by 2 it lies inside the sigma by 2 ball and magnitude  $\hat{h} - h$  is greater than  $\sigma$  by 2 it lies outside. So, the probability it lies inside is greater than or equal to 0.9999 it means that the probability it lies outside has to be less than or equal to one minus 0.9999 which is equal to 0.0001 that is basically your 10 to the power of minus 4 and that is also very simple to understand because, what we are saying is the probability that it lies outside the sigma by 2 ball has to be greater than or equal to point a probability that lies it lies inside this sigma by 2 ball has to be greater than or equal to 0.9999. Which means the probability that it lies outside this ball has to be less than or equal to one minus 0.9999 which is basically 10 to the power of minus 4 that has to be the case because sum of both these probability lies inside the ball and plus probability lies outside the ball has to be equal to 1.

So, 1 is greater than or equal to 0.9999 which means the other has to be less than 1 minus 0.9999 which is 10 to the power of minus 4. So, it very simple and now look at this we have this  $\hat{h} - h$  now this is basically you have to realise this is nothing, but your estimation error.

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Estimation Error

$$h = \text{True Parameter}$$

$$\hat{h} = \text{Estimate}$$

$$\hat{h} - h = \text{Estimate} - \text{True Parameter}$$

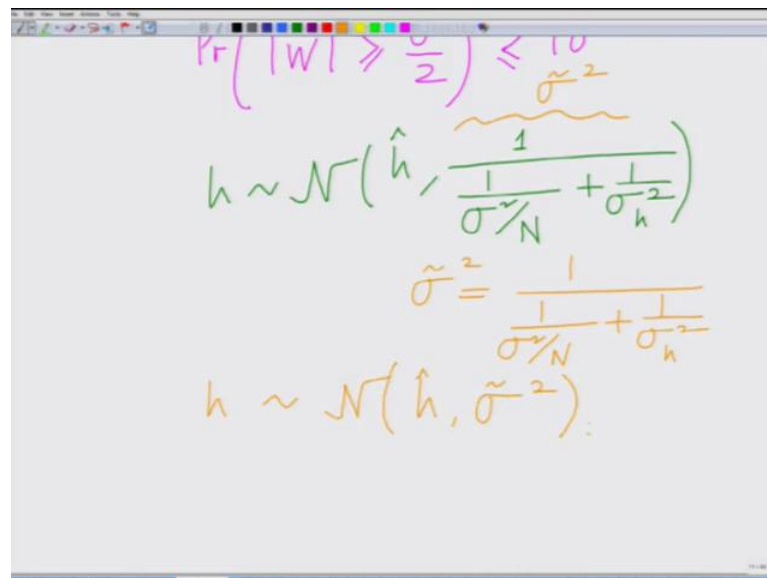
$$= W = \text{Estimation Error}$$

$$Pr\left(|W| \geq \frac{\sigma}{2}\right) \leq 10^{-4}$$

Because we have  $\hat{h}$  equals equal to the true paramete  $R_{hh}$  at equals the equals the

0065 estimate that is your MMSE estimate. So, we have  $\hat{h} - h$  that is the estimate we have  $\hat{h} - h$  equals estimate minus true parameter minus your true parameter and this is equal to  $w$  which is the estimation error. So, this is  $w$  which is the estimation error. So, basically now we are asking this question. So, basically now I can replace this  $\hat{h} - h$  by basically this quantity  $w$  and now basically we are asking this question that what is the probability, right? We have probability that this estimation error magnitude  $w$  greater than or equal to  $\sigma$  by 2 has to be less than or equal to  $10$  to the power of minus 4.

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$$\Pr\left(|w| \geq \frac{\sigma}{2}\right) \leq \frac{10^{-4}}{\sigma^2}$$

$$h \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\hat{h}, \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sigma^2 N} + \frac{1}{\sigma_h^2}}\right)$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sigma^2 N} + \frac{1}{\sigma_h^2}}$$

$$h \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\hat{h}, \tilde{\sigma}^2\right)$$

So, that is the question that we are asking now recall that your  $h$  is Gaussian distributed with mean  $\hat{h}$  and variance one over we have already seen this for the wireless sensor network  $h$  is distributed this is the mean posterior mean  $\hat{h}$  a posterior mean which is given by the  $\hat{h}$  and the variance which is given by the MSE that is  $1$  over  $\sigma^2$  by  $n$  plus  $1$  over  $\sigma_h^2$  and therefore, what we have is we look at this now. So, now, let us denote this quantity by  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  this quantity that is  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  equals  $1$  over  $1$  over  $\sigma^2$  by  $n$  plus  $1$  over  $\sigma_h^2$ . So, I can say  $h$  is distributed the posterior distribution infact I have to say  $h$  given  $\bar{y}$  this is the posterior distribution is Gaussian with mean  $\hat{h}$  variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  and therefore.

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Now, this implies that if I look at this error that is if I look at  $h$  minus  $\hat{h}$ . So, this is basically  $h$  minus  $\hat{h}$ . So, this is from the parameter from the parameter I am subtracting the mean which means this makes this mean 0. So, this is known as a Gaussian with mean 0 variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$ . So, this is basically your  $h$  minus  $\hat{h}$  which according to our definition is  $-w$ .

So, what we are doing is. So,  $h$  is distributed as a Gaussian with mean  $\hat{h}$  and variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  what we are doing is from now from  $h$  right we are substituting  $\hat{h}$  we are substituting the mean. So, naturally what happens the mean becomes 0 and therefore, it is distributed as a Gaussian with mean 0 variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  from a Gaussian. If you subtract the mean it becomes still a Gaussian, but it is a 0 mean Gaussian with the same variance. So,  $w$  minus  $w$  is Gaussian with mean 0 variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  now that also implies correct that also implies that  $w$  minus  $w$  is Gaussian  $w$  is also Gaussian with mean 0 variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$ .

Since  $w$  is  $-w$  is Gaussian with mean 0 variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$   $w$  is also Gaussian it means 0 variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  correct mean equal to 0 the mean equal 0. And therefore, now we have the probability density function of this estimation error which is equal to basically 1 over this is Gaussian with variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$

over square root of minus 1 over square root of 2 pi sigma tilde square e raise to minus w square divided by 2 sigma tilde square this is the probability density function of w.

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This is the probability density function of the estimation error  $w$  alright. We have the probability density function which is characterised by the Gaussian random variable with mean 0 and variance  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$ . So, what we have done in this module. So far is basically we have started develop a frame work to characterise the reliability of a the MMSE estimate for the senario of Gaussian parameter estimation. Where  $h$  the parameter  $h$  and the observation vector  $\bar{y}$  are jointly Gaussian, we said that the posterior probability density of  $h$  is characterised by the mean of  $\hat{h}$  and the variance which is given by the MSE. So, what we have framed is we have framed an appropriate as a minimum number of samples required to acheive 99.99 percent reliability and now we have characterised the probability density function of the estimation error  $w$  as a Gaussian probability density function.

So, will stop this module here and complete this derivation in the subsequent module.