Intermediate Laboratory: Homework 4

Due: 16 February 2024

- 1 Taylor, Error Analysis, 2nd ed., 5.2, page 154.
- 2 Taylor, Error Analysis, 2nd ed., 5.6, page 155.
- **3** Taylor, Error Analysis, 2nd ed., 5.8, page 155.

4 Normal distribution

A normal distribution has the form

$$G(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(x-x_0)^2/2\sigma^2}$$

Plot this in the range $-10 \leq x \leq 10$ on the same set of axes for:

- a) $x_0 = 0$ and $\sigma = 1$.
- b) $x_0 = 2$ and $\sigma = 1$.
- c) $x_0 = 0$ and $\sigma = 5$.
- d) $x_0 = 2$ and $\sigma = 5$.
- e) How is the shape of the graph affected by increasing x_0 while keeping σ constant?
- f) How is the shape of the graph affected by increasing σ while keeping x_0 constant?
- 5 Taylor, Error Analysis, 2nd ed., 5.12, page 156.
- 6 Taylor, Error Analysis, 2nd ed., 5.32, page 160.
- 7 Taylor, Error Analysis, 2nd ed., 5.36, page 161.