

Distribution of the Roots of Random Real Polynomials. Application to Spectral Analysis.

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PLAN :

1- Distribution of Real Roots

2- Complex roots of Homogeneous and Monic Polynomials

3- Szegő Polynomials and Spectral Analysis

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mathematical expectation of the density of roots

$$\rho_n(t) \equiv \langle \sigma_n(t) \rangle = \iint_{\mathbb{R}} dP dP' \mathcal{P}(P, P') |P'| \delta(P)$$

$\forall t$ fixed, $P_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n a_k t^k$ and $P'_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n k a_k t^{k-1}$ can be considered as 2 coupled random variables.

real roots -2 : gaussian case

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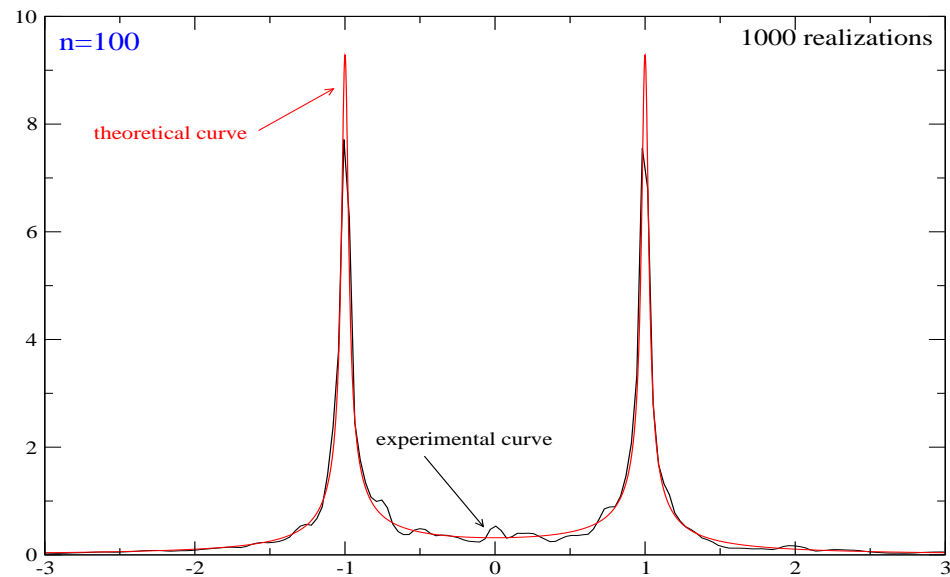
gaussian integral

$$\Rightarrow \varrho_n(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{\Delta}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} dP' |P'| \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\Delta} \langle P^2 \rangle P'^2 \right\} = \frac{\sqrt{\Delta}}{\pi \langle P^2 \rangle}$$

real roots -3 : Kac formula (1943)

$$\rho_n(t) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{1}{(1-t^2)^2} - (n+1)^2 \frac{t^{2n}}{(1-t^{2n+2})^2} \right\}^{1/2}$$

density of real roots



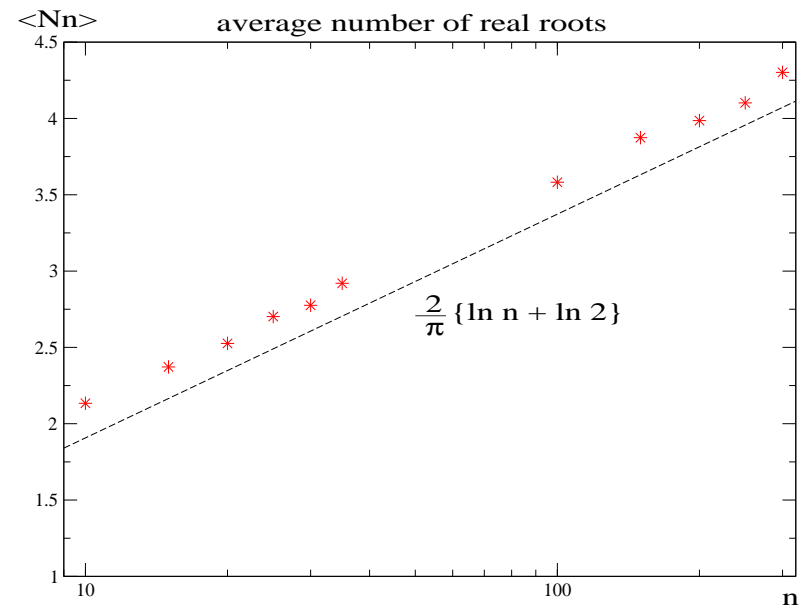
real roots -4 : asymptotics

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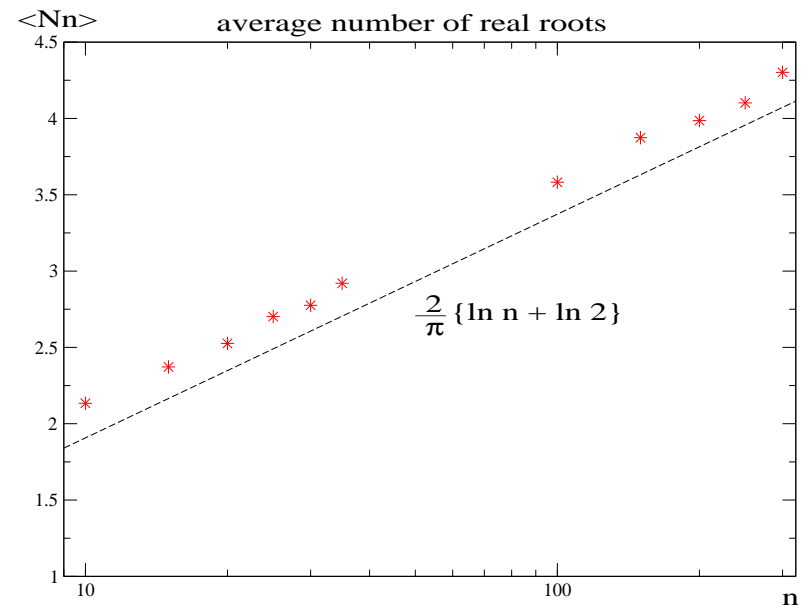
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+ *Universality of this behaviour*
→ *Singularity of the real axis.*



complex roots -1

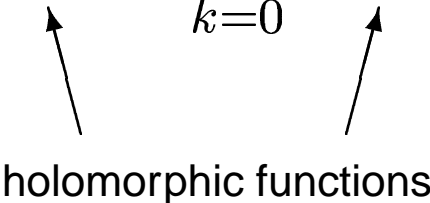
$z \in \mathbb{C}$ fixed \Rightarrow 4 r.v. : real & imaginary parts of P and P' .
2-dimension Dirac distrib. + Cauchy-Riemann equations

$$\Rightarrow \sigma_n(z) = \sum_k \delta^{(2)}(z - z_k^{(n)}) = |P'_n(z)|^2 \delta^{(2)}(P_n(z))$$

average density $\varrho_n(z) = \int d^2 P' |P'|^2 \mathcal{P}(0, P')$
4-dimensional gaussian

$$\langle N_n(\Omega) \rangle = \int_{\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}} d^2 z \varrho_n(z)$$

generalized monic polynomials

$$P_n(z) \equiv \Phi(z) + \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k f_k(z)$$


holomorphic functions

Cases of particular interest :

$\Phi = 0, \quad f_k = z^k \rightarrow$ Homogeneous random polynomial.

$\Phi = \text{polynomial}, \quad f_k = z^k \rightarrow$ Monic-type random polynomial.

complex roots -2 : gaussian case

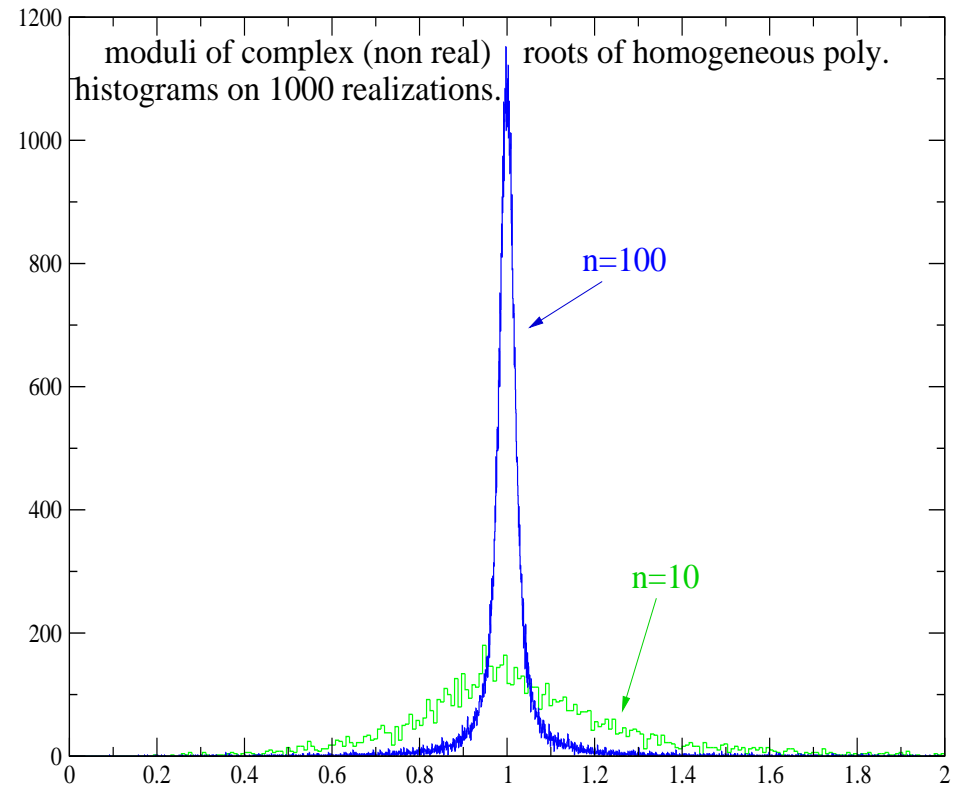
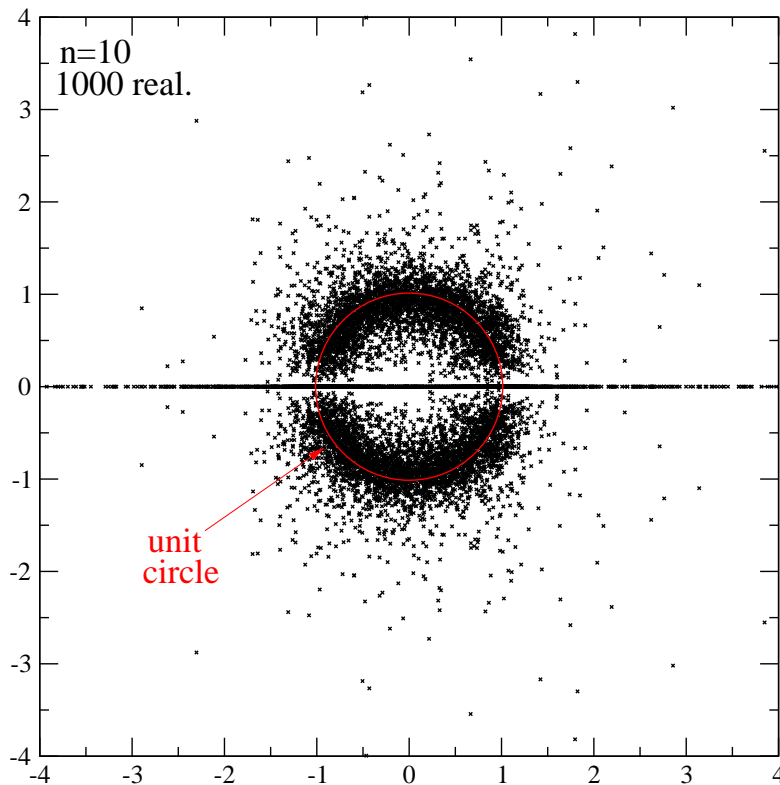
$\{a_k\}$ iid $\mathcal{N}(0, 1) \Rightarrow$ closed formula (Mezincescu & al., 1997)

$$\varrho_n(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(f, f)}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\Phi \cdot (f, f)^{-1}\Phi\right\} \times \\ \times \left\{Tr[(f', f') - (f', f)(f, f)^{-1}(f, f')] - \|\Phi' - (f', f)(f, f)^{-1}\Phi\|^2\right\}$$

for $\det(f, f) \neq 0$.

complex roots -3 : homogeneous case

$$\left| \ln r \frac{1 + r^{2n}}{1 - r^{2n}} \right| \ll |\sin \theta| \Rightarrow \rho_n(re^{i\theta}) \simeq \frac{1}{\pi} \left\{ \frac{1}{(\ln r^2)^2} - \frac{n^2 r^{2n}}{(1 - r^{2n})^2} \right\}$$



complex roots -4 : monic polynomials

Positions of the maxima of the density of complex roots ?

Λ = order of magnitude of Φ parameters

High disorder regime : $\Lambda = \mathcal{O}(1) \rightarrow$ cf. homogeneous case.

Weak disorder regime : $\Lambda \gg 1$.

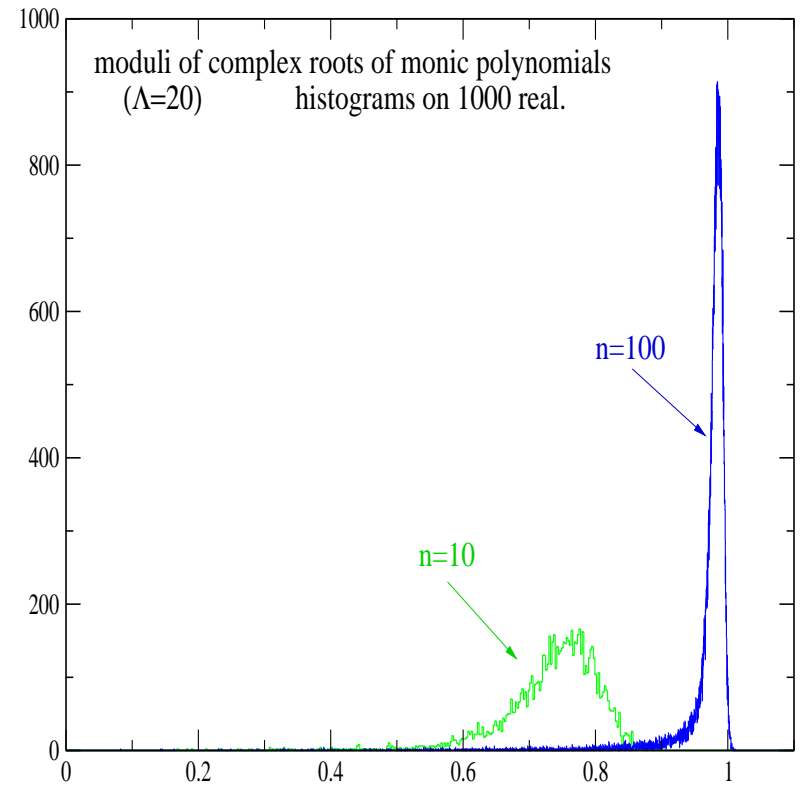
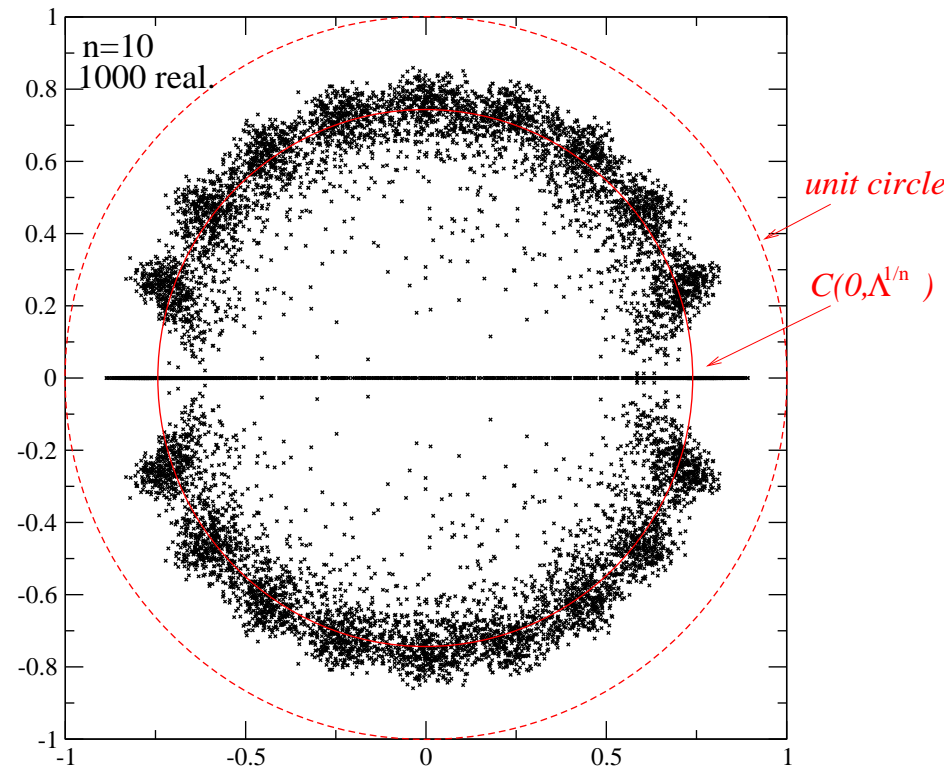
* Near the non-zero roots of Φ :

$\varrho_n(z) \propto \exp\{-\Lambda^2 C^{ste}(z - z_0)^2\} \Rightarrow$ peaks of width $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-1})$.

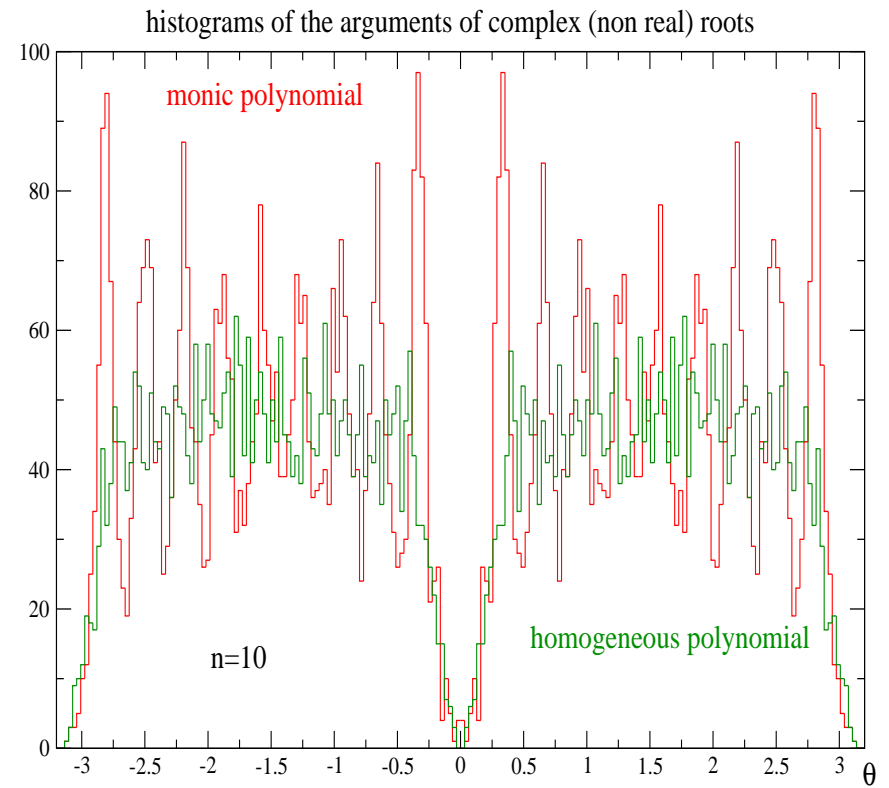
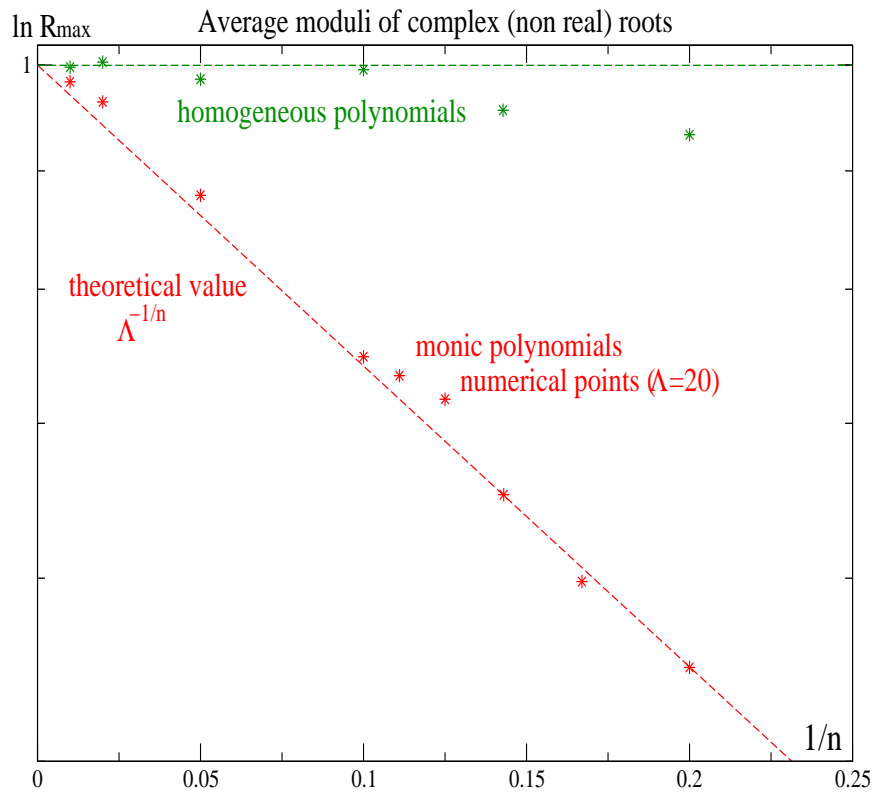
* root of order n_0 at the origin : peaks near the points

situated on a circle of radius $\propto \Lambda^{-1/n_0}$, at the angles $\frac{2k(+1)\pi}{n_0}$,
of width $\mathcal{O}(\Lambda^{-1})$.

complex roots -5: monic, low disorder



complex roots -6



Szegő polynomials-1 : definition

Orthogonal polynomials ; scalar product on the unit circle

$$\langle f|g \rangle \equiv \int_{|z|=1} f(z) \overline{g(z)} \mathcal{E}(z) \frac{dz}{iz} \quad \langle S_m|S_n \rangle = \delta_m^n$$

Power spectrum of the signal $\{X_m\}_{0 \leq m \leq N-1}$

$$\mathcal{E}(z) \equiv \sum_{k=-(N-1)}^{N-1} C_k z^{-k} = \hat{X}(z) \hat{X}(1/z)$$

autocorrelation $C_k \equiv \sum_{m=0}^{N-1-k} X(m) X(m+k)$

Z-transform $\hat{X}(z) \equiv \sum_{m=0}^{N-1} X(m) z^{-m}$

Szegö-2 : AR system generated signal

$\{X\}$ generated by an AR system of order A

$$X(m) = a_1 X(m-1) + \dots + a_A X(m-A) + \phi(m)$$

↑
gaussian white noise

Z-transform

$$\widehat{L}_A^\dagger\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) \widehat{X}(z) = \widehat{\phi}(z)$$

Reciprocal characteristic polynomial

$$L_A^\dagger(z) \equiv z^A - a_1 z^{A-1} \dots - a_A$$

Szegő-3 : AR(A)

Power spectrum

$$\mathcal{E}(z) = \frac{1}{L_A^\dagger(z)L_A^\dagger(1/z)} + \mathcal{O}^f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}\right), \quad N \gg 1$$

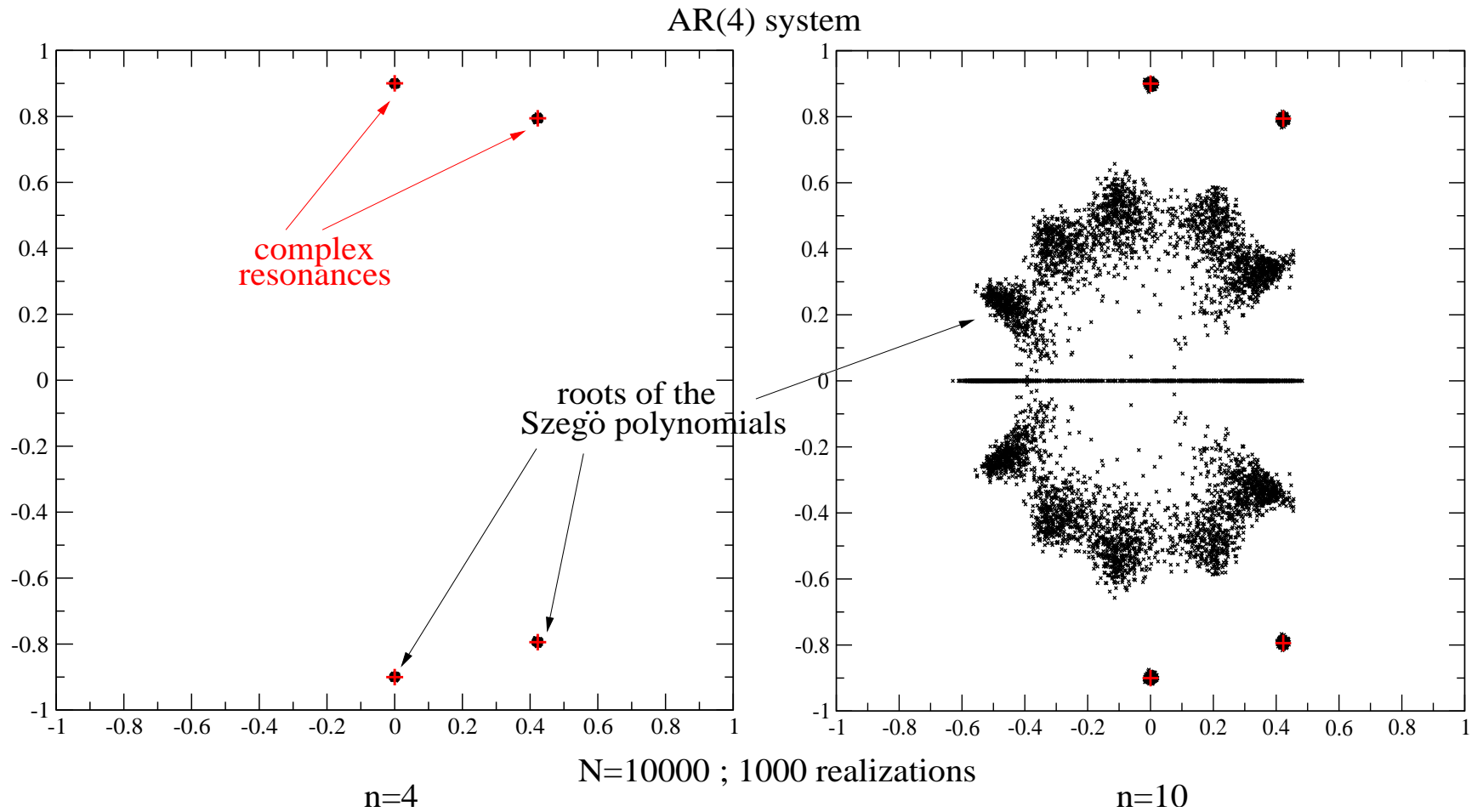
Associated Szegő polynomial

$$\Rightarrow S_n(z) = z^{n-A} L_A^\dagger(z) + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} S_{n-1}^f(z) \quad \forall n \geq A$$

zero-mean fluctuating part



Szegö-4 : AR(4)



Szegö-5 : deterministic signal

trigonometric signal ;
no noise, no dissipation.

$$X(m) = \sin \frac{\pi}{6}m + \sin \frac{\pi}{3}m \\ + \sin \frac{3\pi}{4}m$$

(Jones, Saff & al., 1990)

