

IMF Bz Team

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- **Team Set up:**
 - What we have achieved so far.
- **Summary:**
 - What we have achieved so far.
- **Moving forward:**
 - Strategy of keeping up the momentum



Team Set up

Core team

- Small team of active participants from around the world:
 - National forecasters
 - Scientists
 - Other Team Leads
- Slack communication system
 - 18 people
 - 6 Countries
 - 10 Time Zones



Scientists

N. Savani	P. Riley
L. Mays	M. Owens
Y. Collado Vega	A. Vourlidas
S. Patsourakos	C. DeForest
A. Rouillard	S. Poedts
D. Shiota	E. Henley
C. Verbeke	N. Lugaz
R. Steenburgh	C. Dekonig
M. West	H. Singer

Forecasting agencies

US NOAA / SWPC
UKMO / MOSWOC
Japan NICT / SWx

Summary

Open Themes

- Draft Document sent to whole Community
 - Feb 2017
 - > 110 participants
 - 6 themes were discussed
 - Also found on CCMC site

Document Topics

1. Background Solar Wind
2. Core event selection
3. Magnetic What?
4. B Magnitude threshold
5. Time resolution
6. Validation Metric

IMF Bz at L1 Working Team

Leads: N. Savani, P. Riley (contact team leads/forum organizers to be added to the team)

Communications: ccmc-imf-bz@googlegroups.com (mailing list)

Participants: Eric Adamson · Nick Arge · Michael Balikhin* · Francois-Xavier Bocquet · Sean Bruinsma* · Yaireska Collado-Vega* · Pedro Corona-Romero* · Curt de Koning* · Manolis K. Georgoulis* · Edmund Harley · Bernard Jackson* · Leif Jiao · Christine Kay · Noel Lugaz · Anthony Mannucci* · Periyasamy K. Manoharan* · Slavek Mednik* · Marilena Mioda · Joseph Mineev* · Christian Moseleh · Kerin

Summary

Main conclusions

- Forecaster end result should work towards a single sentence that identifies 3 quantities:
 - A duration window for the forecast in the future
 - A field strength to exceed
 - An probability of uncertainty.

*“We forecast, in the next **24 hours** for a minimum of **60 minutes** the IMF Bz will drop below **-10nT** with **75% probability**.”*

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Main conclusions

- **NEW** scoreboard for IMF Bz on the CCMC site.
- CCMC will work towards providing an interface where the international community can upload forecasts
- The format is currently being finalised

Real-time Forecasting Methods Validation: IMF Bz Scoreboard

CCMC is in the design and implementation phase of the "Bz Scoreboard" together with the international research community. The Bz scoreboard is designed as an automated system to evaluate skills for any predictions of the magnetic characteristics observed at L1.

The scoreboard will provide all international scientists and forecasters a single location where the community can test and prototype a variety of models than span the regime between fully operational to initial research ideas.

IMF Bz Scoreboard planning group:

Leads: Neel Savani (UMBC/NASA GSFC), Pete Riley (Predictive Science)

CCMC Facilitator: Leila Mays (NASA/GSFC)



Moving Forward

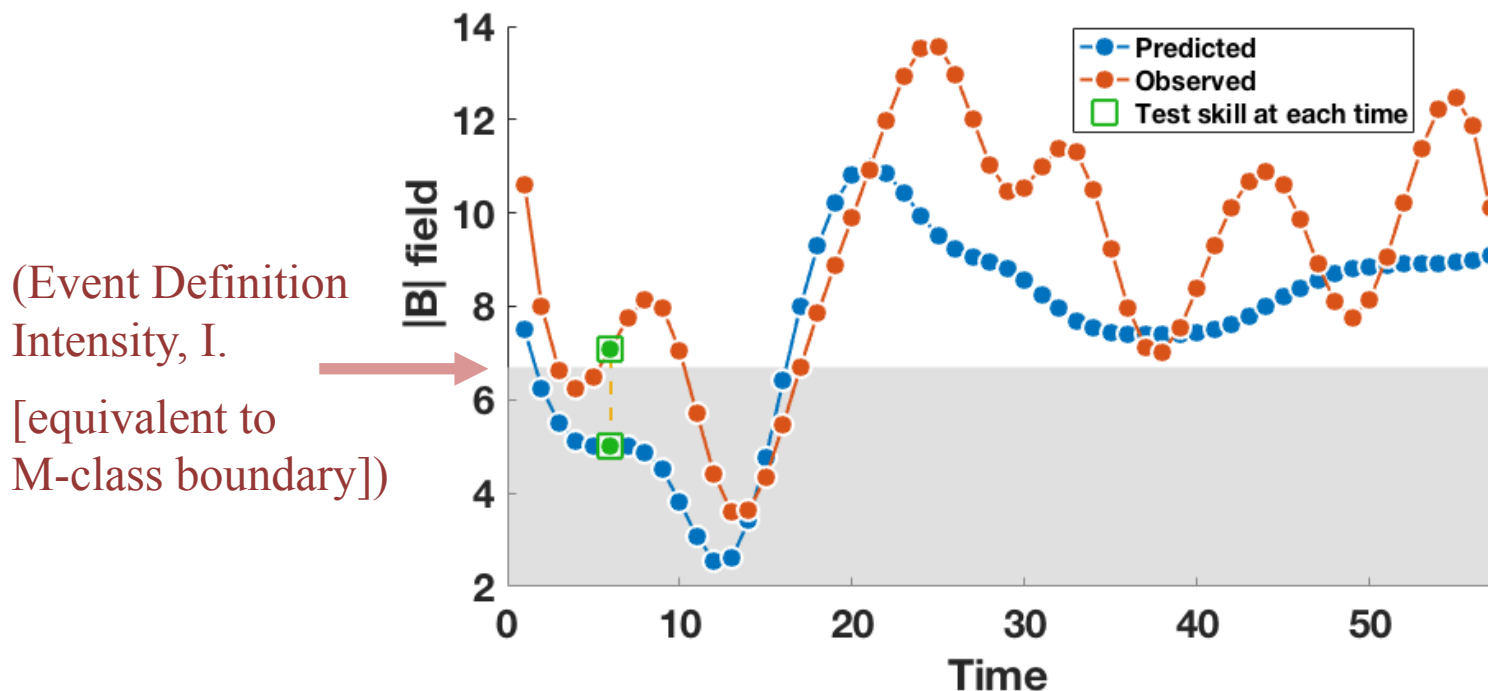
Scientists metric of success

- Scientists want a variety of methods to check and improve their models – many Skill metric available
- But will work towards same measure to compare between models.
 - ROC curve
 - Cost-Loss Analysis
- Benefits of these curves:
 - Use many skill tables numbers to simply display in a single schematic – (for scientist comparison)
 - ROC Curve can be converted to a single number (Area under the ROC) – (for forecaster comparison)

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ROC curve

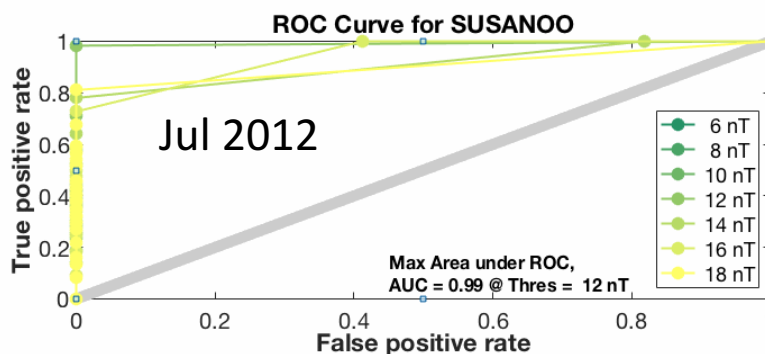
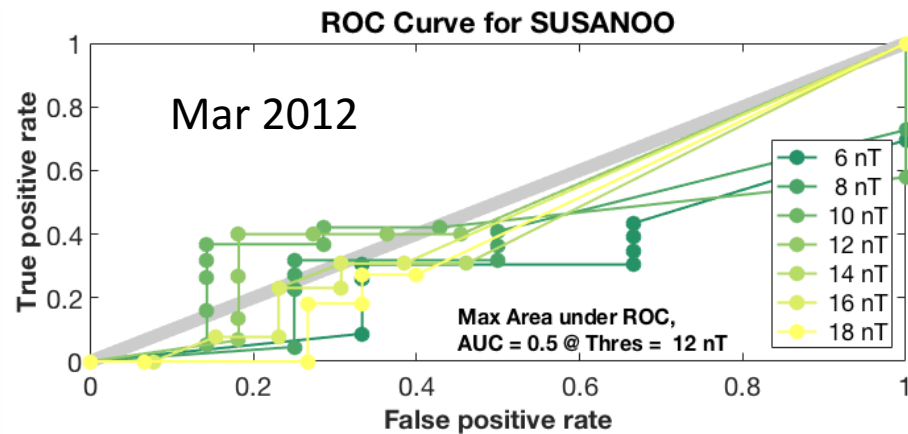
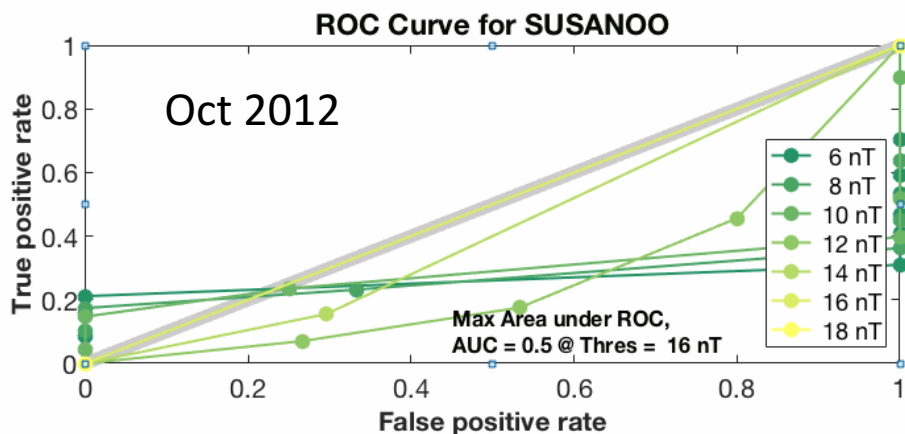
- Work in progress.
 - Conversion of a deterministic forecast into probabilistic → uncertainty.
 - Guidance taken from flare forecasting



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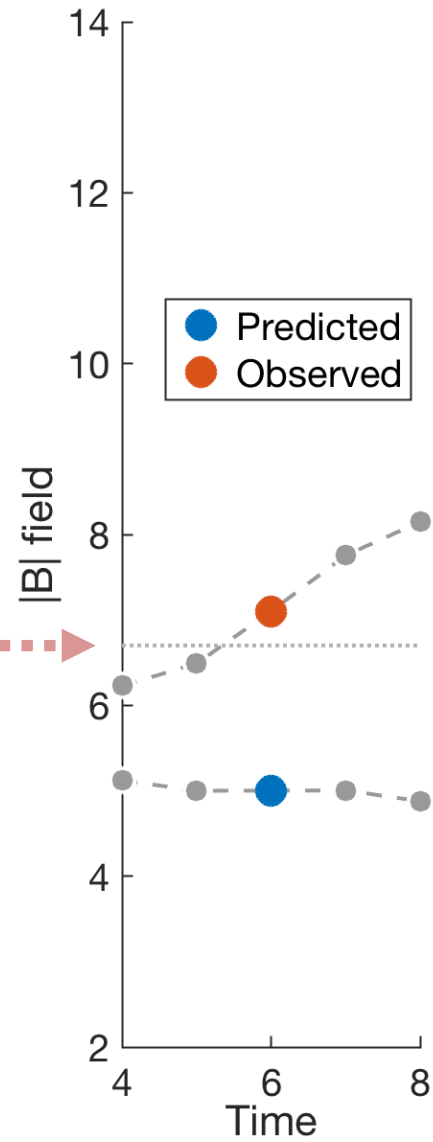
- Preliminary results using SUSANOO
- Variety of results shown:
 - lack of independence between points is the cause?
 - Period of analysis require more than CME time?



A report of the methodology will be sent to everyone for comment in the coming months

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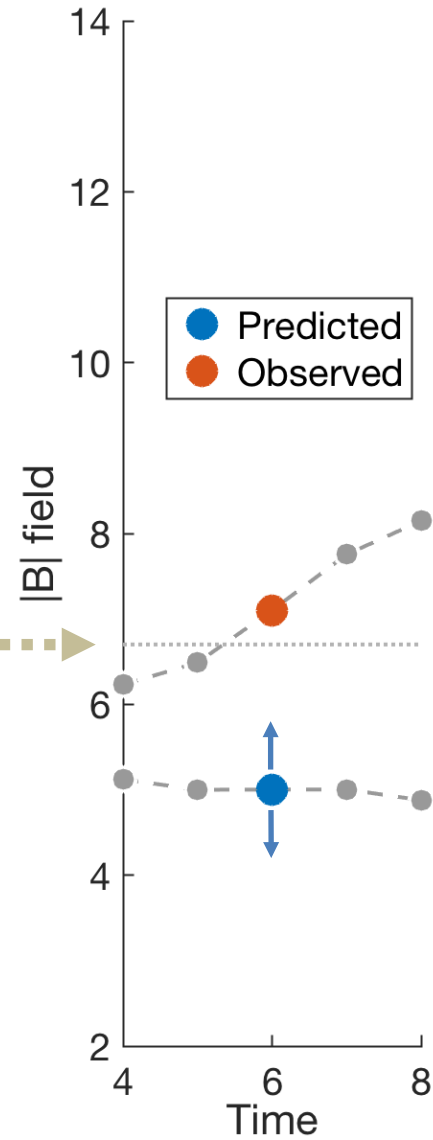
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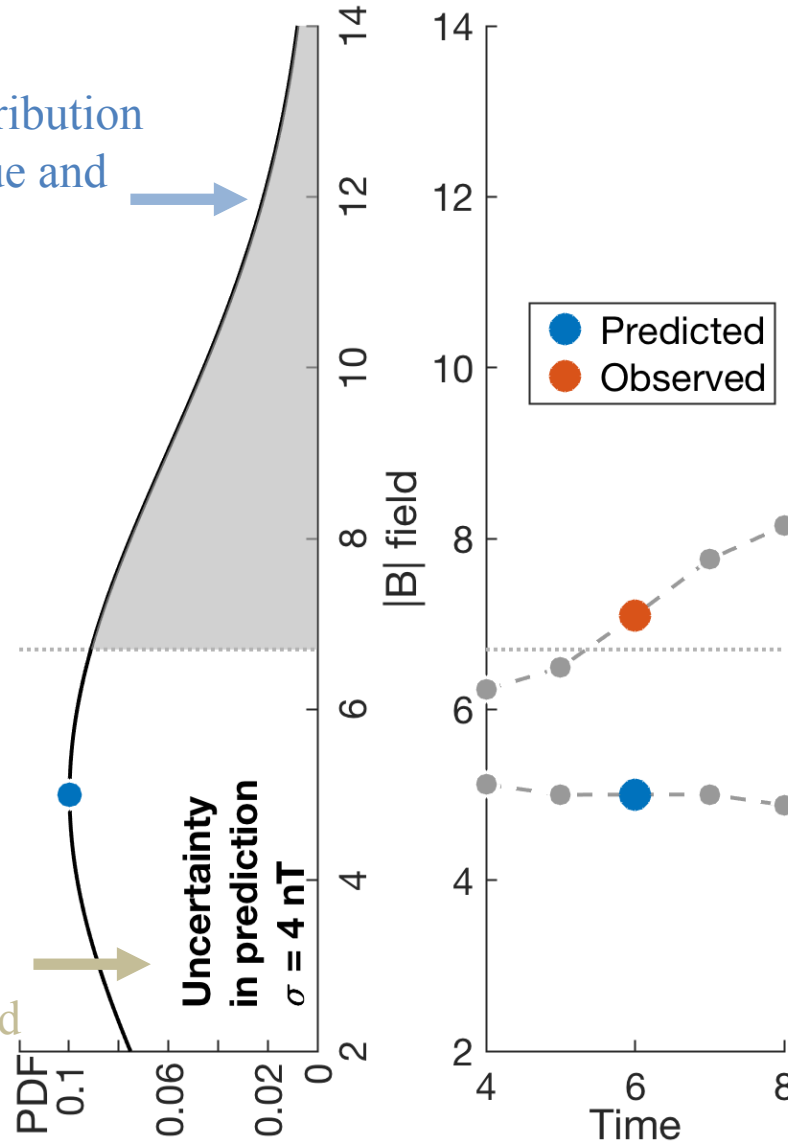
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in prediction
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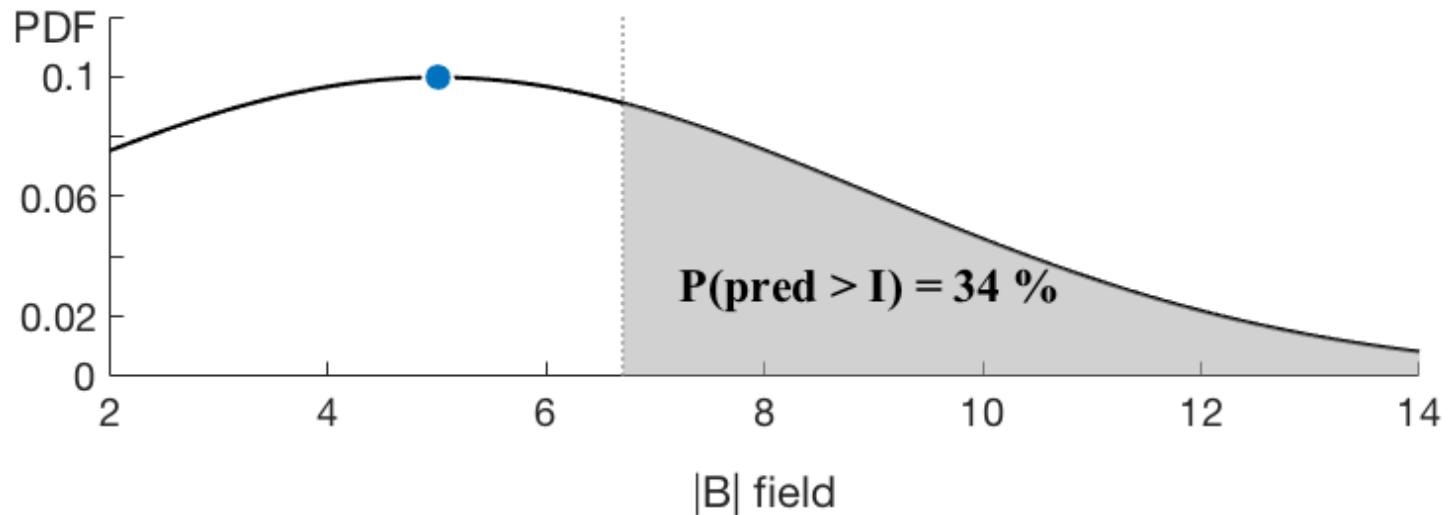
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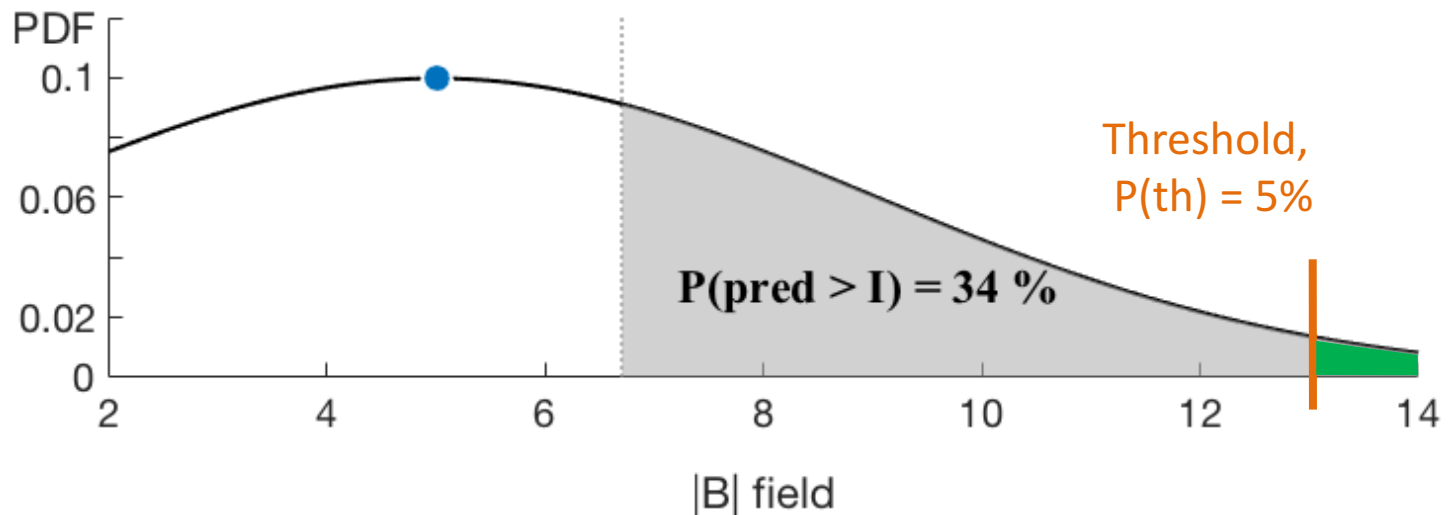
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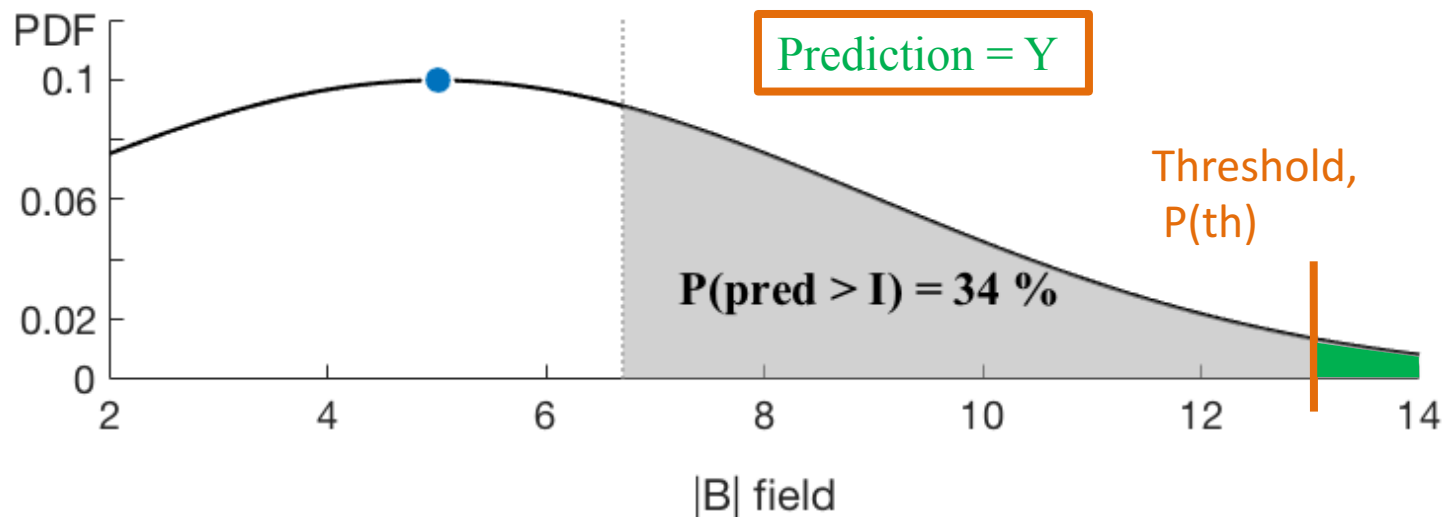
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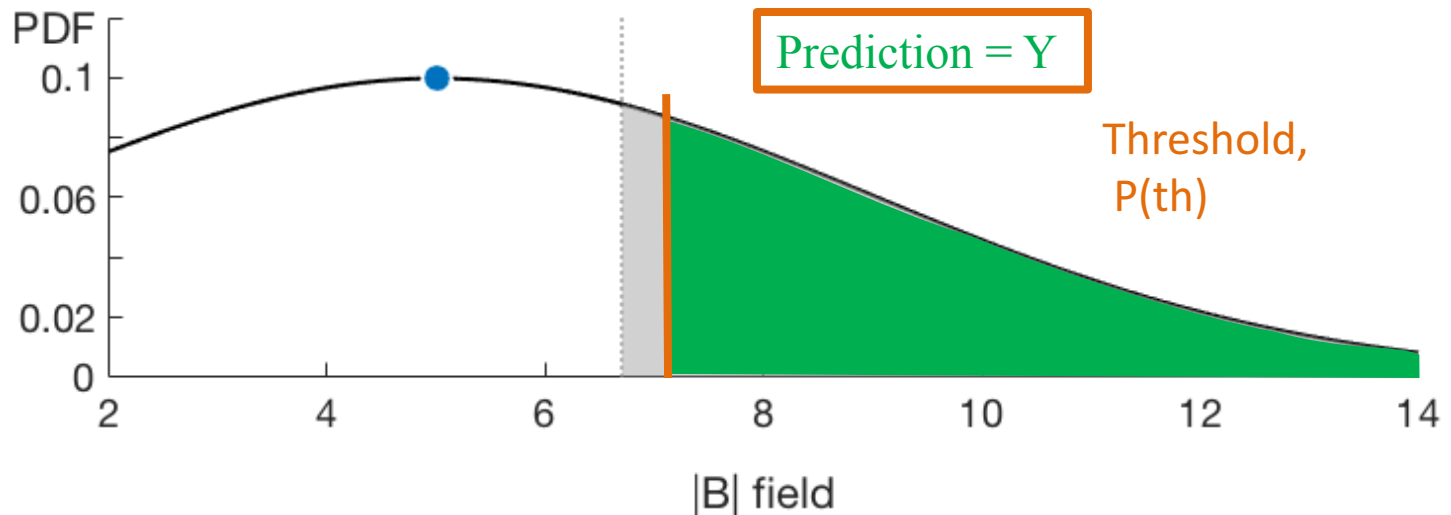
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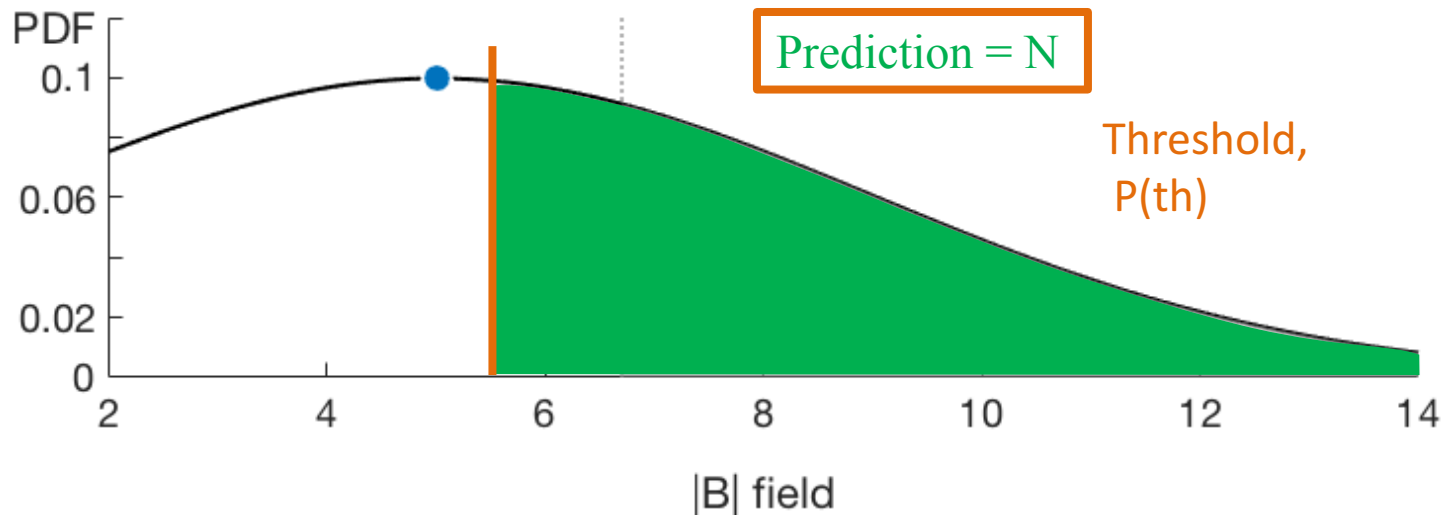
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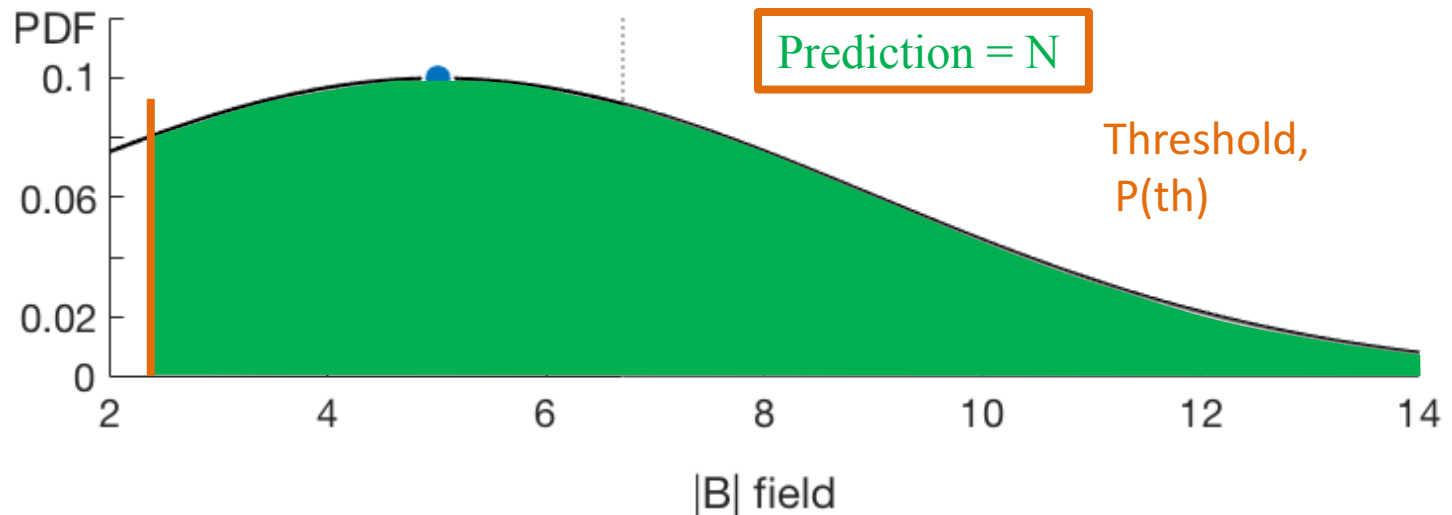
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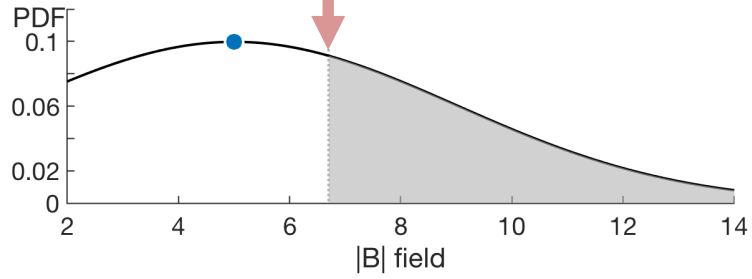
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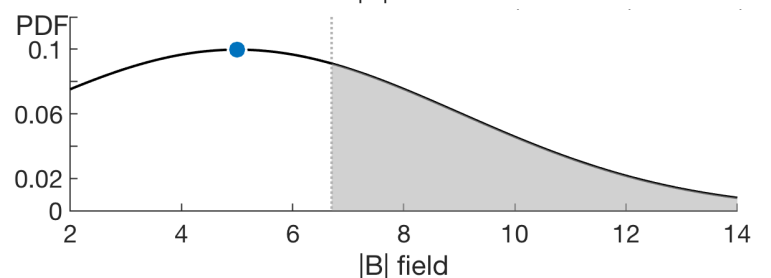
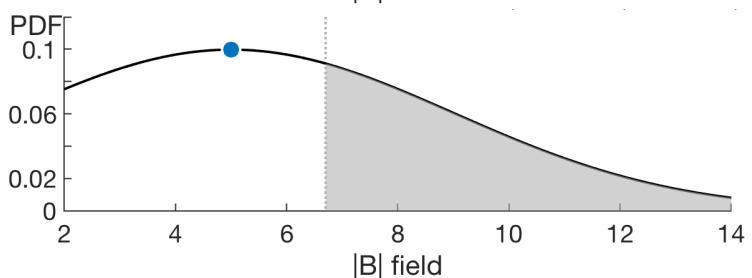
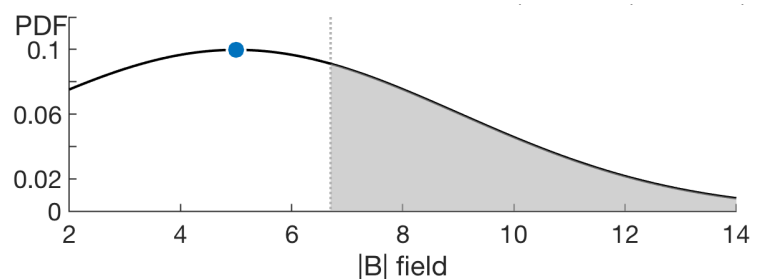
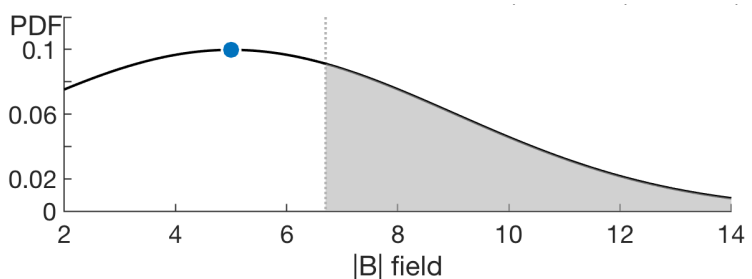
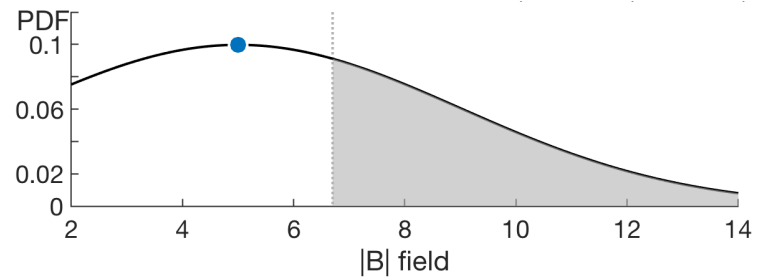
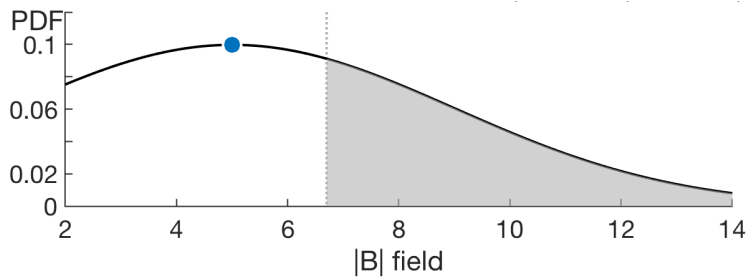
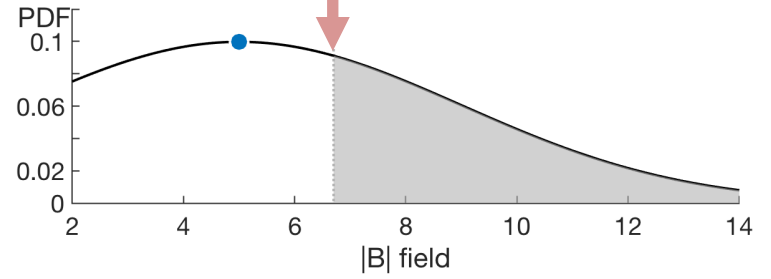


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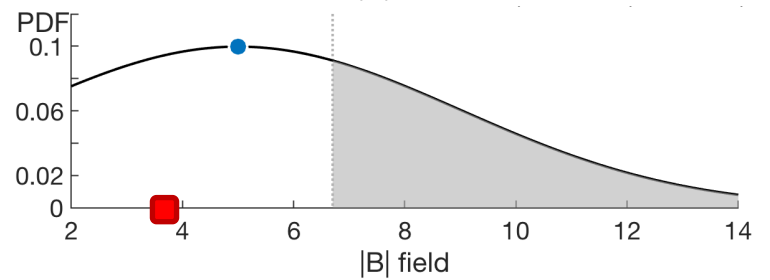
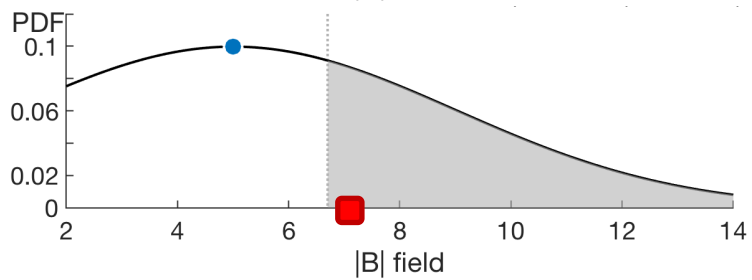
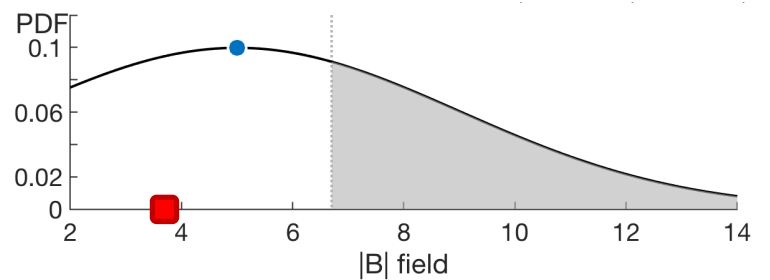
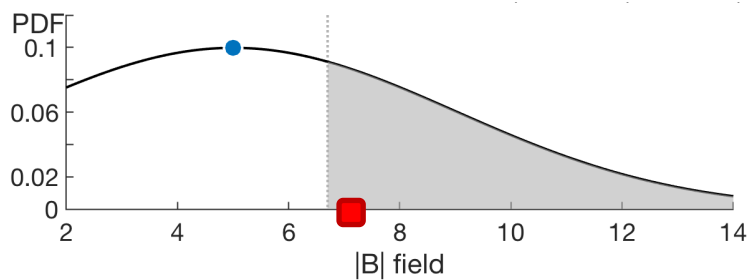
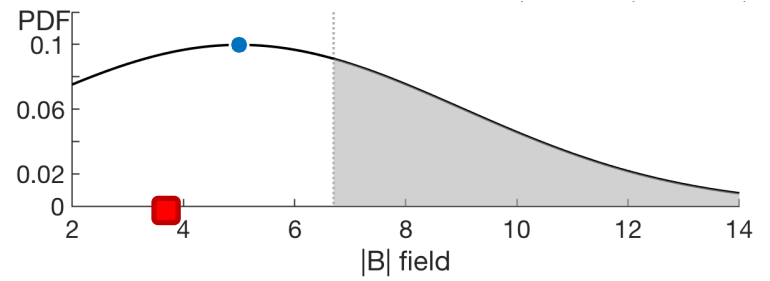
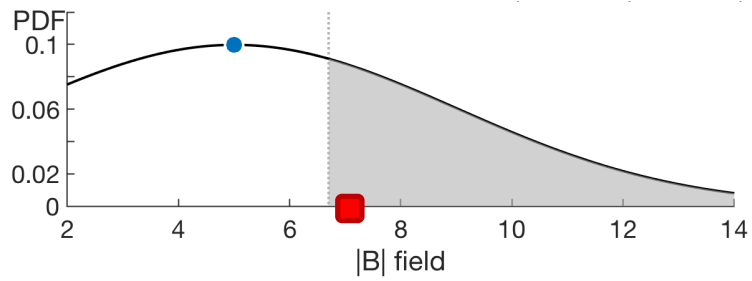
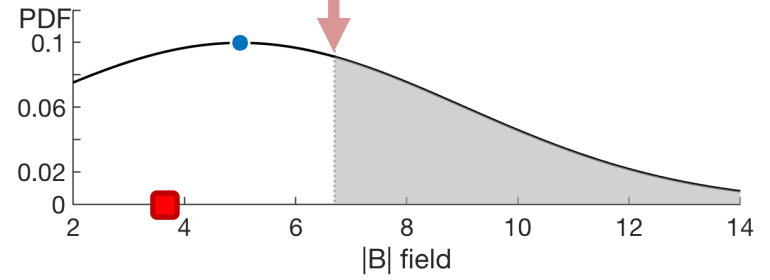
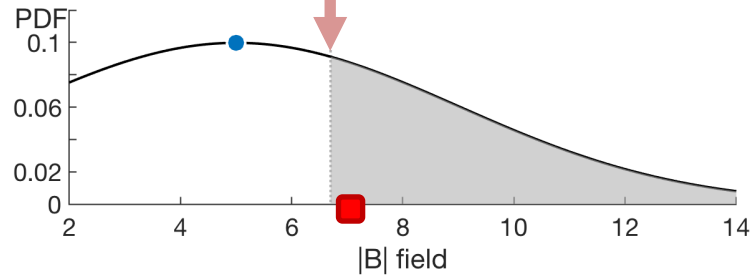
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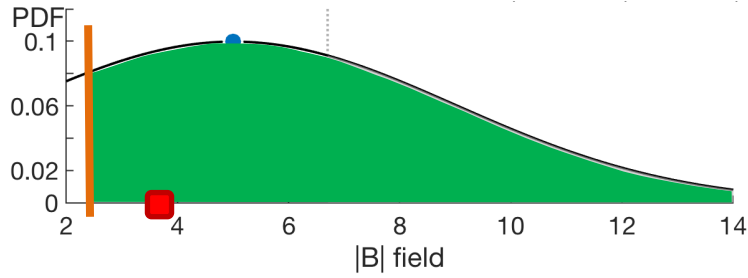
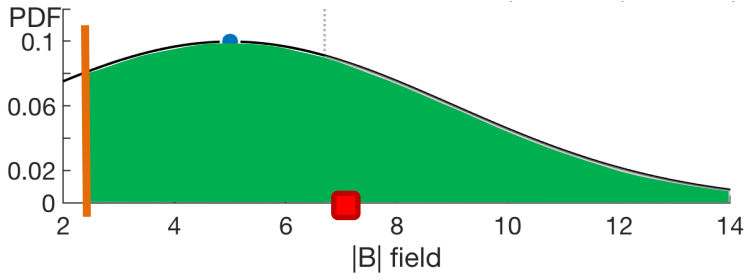
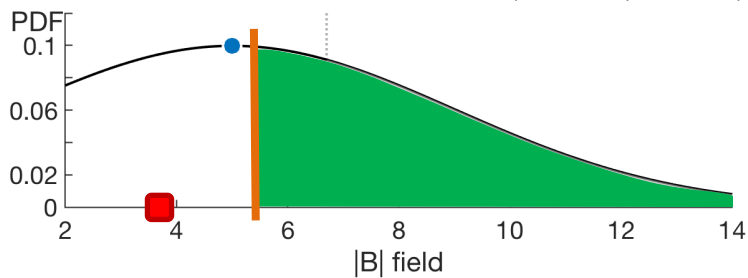
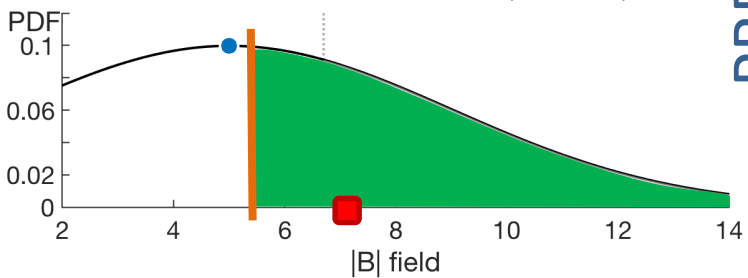
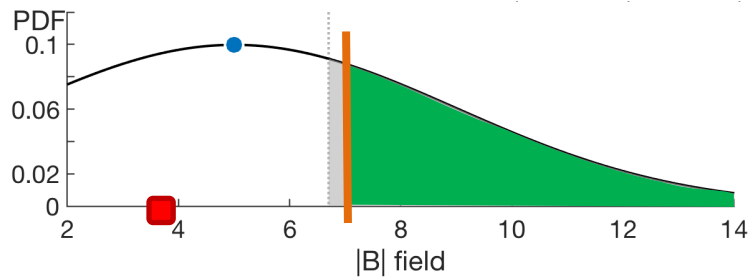
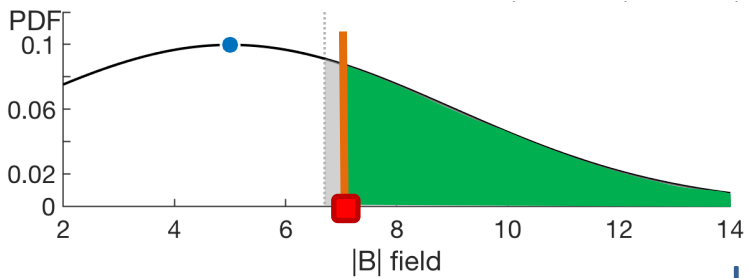
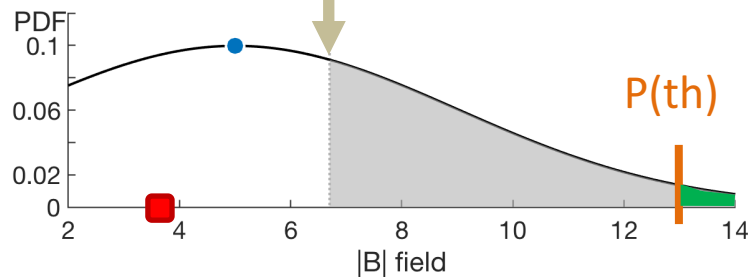
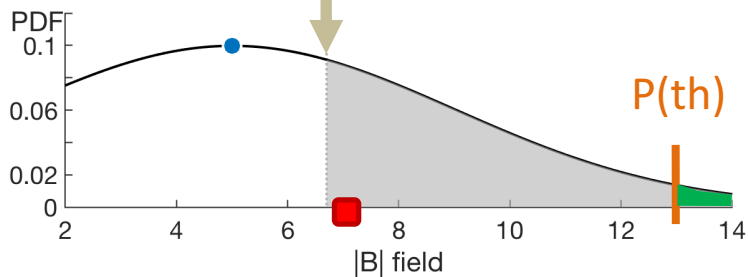
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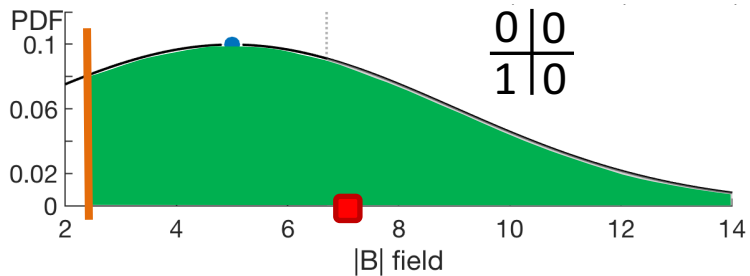
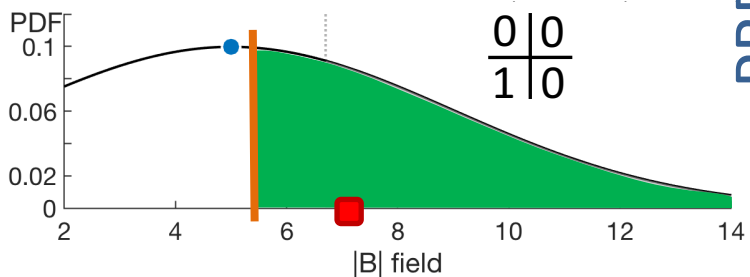
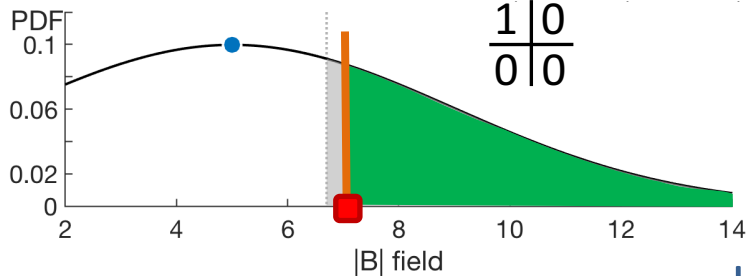
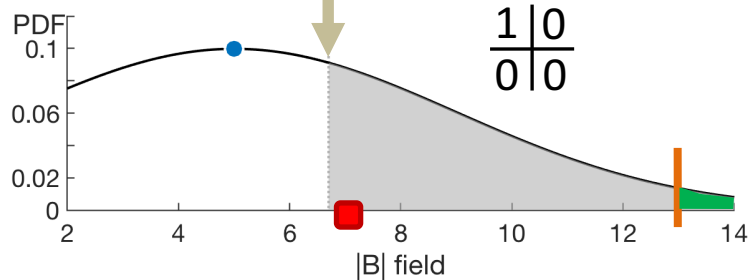
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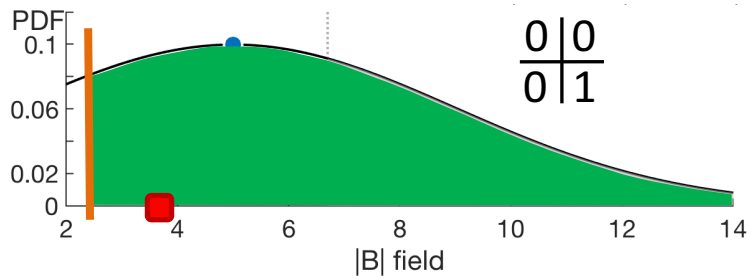
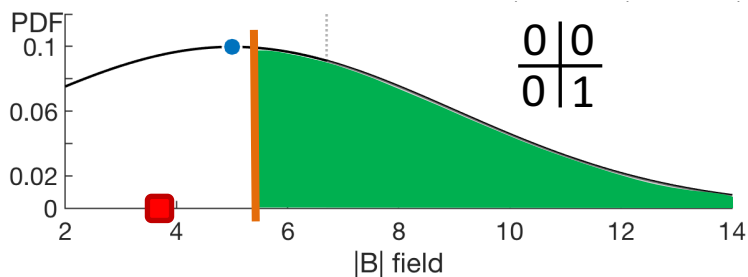
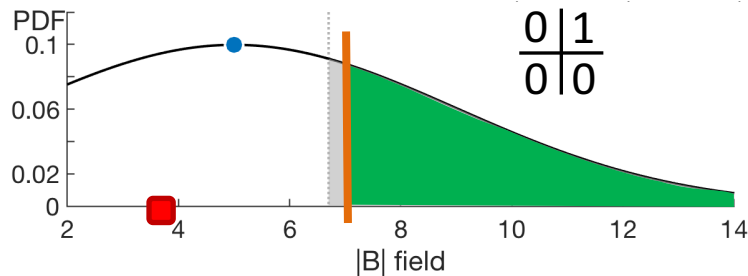
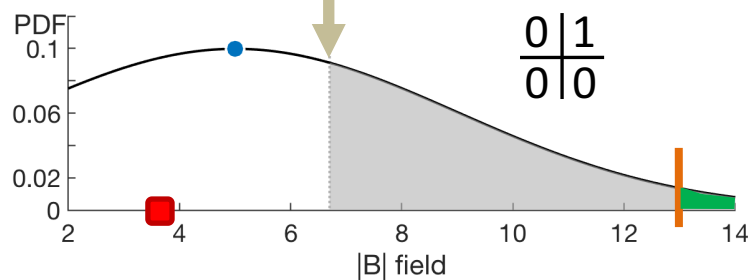
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