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He Whakaaro Maori

A Maori Perspective – Exotics and the ETS

Te Kapunga Dewes



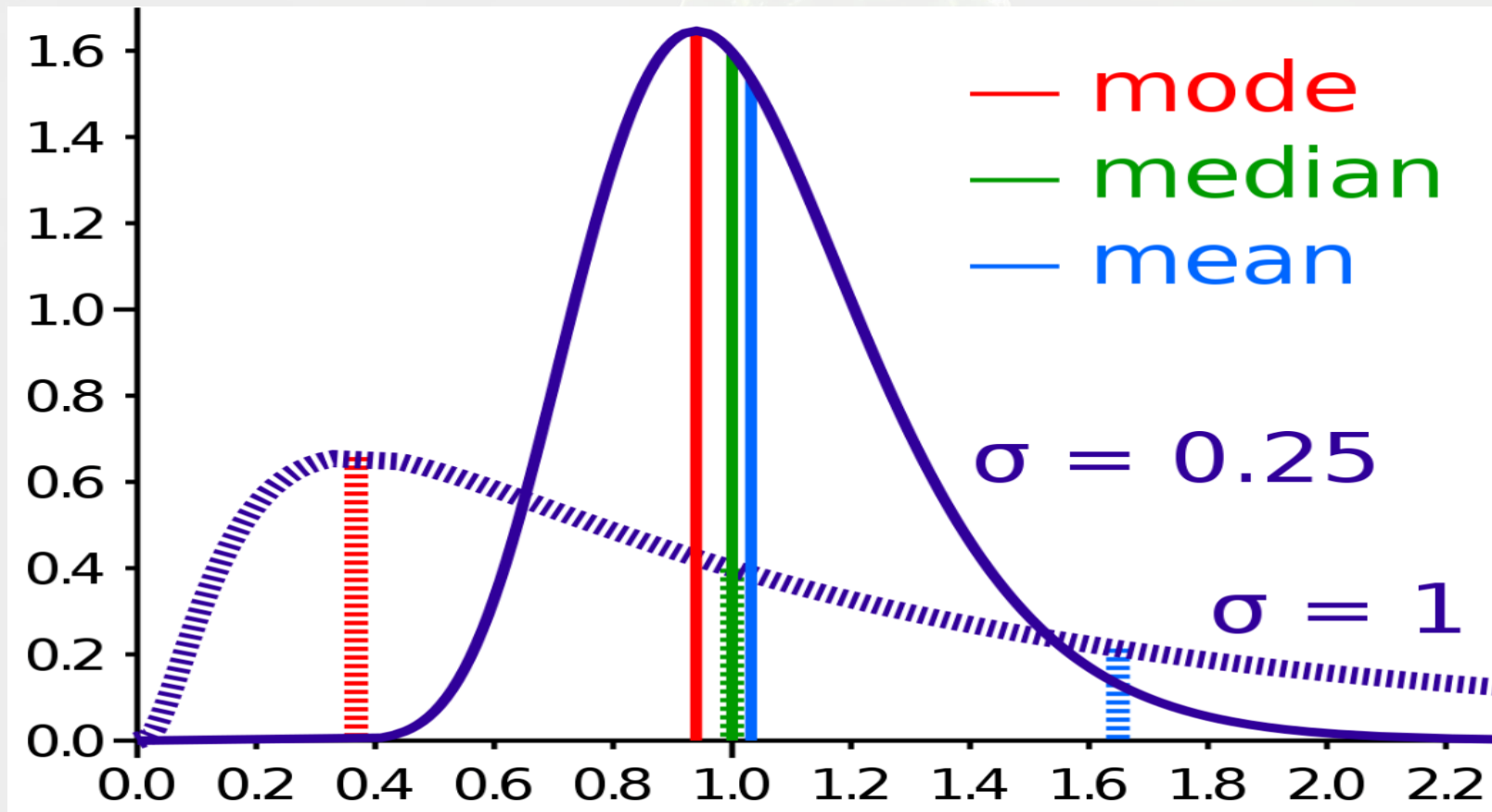
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He Whakaaro – Opening Observation



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Te Tunga Maori - Our Position

Reject proposed changes to ETS – Leave Exotics in the Permanent Cat.

- Why – Sustainable development of our land
- At risk – Potential \$7B NPV
- Rationale – Disagreed with “arguments” presented
- Solution – Leave or allow stock change

Kaupapa Tuapapa – Underlying “Issues”

- Climate Change Emergency
 - Science and Experience
 - Equitable Transition?
- Preference for Native Afforestation
 - 100% Support ex Māori
 - Agree Environmental Benefits

Kaupapa Tuapapa – Underlying “Issues”

- Land Theft = wealth destruction and mistrust
- Land Ownership Construct = No Finance and Alienation
- Kaitiakitanga = intergenerational climate change concern
- Rangatiratanga
 - = Application of Choice
 - = Exotics enable choice
 - = Afforestation through indigenous (in/direct) is not feasible.

Korero Whanui – General Commentary

- Climate Change Concern – Forest vs non forest
- Ngahere Taketake (Native Forests)
- Pines vs Exotics
- Transitional (Exotic to Native) Forests
- Perpetuation of Exotic Forest Myths

Korero Whakamutunga – Closing Remarks

- We want native forests
- We have unique barriers
- Kaitiakitanga and Rangatiratanga drivers:
 - Exotic forests unlock sustainable development options
 - Our destiny is not reliant on “our Treaty partner”
 - Misinformation and non evidence based science is not welcome



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