

Basic Arguments

`x, n, Hr, a, b,
factor_levels`

`mult_bf_informed()
binom_bf_informed()`

`$bf_list` `$cred_level` `$restrictions`
`$bridge_output` `$samples`

`summary()`

`bayes_factor()`

`samples()`

`bridge_outut()`

Results and posterior parameter estimates

`$hyp` `$bf` `$re2` `$bf_type`
`$prior` `$data` `$nr_equal`
`$nr_inequal` `$cred_level`

`$estimates`

Information about computed Bayes factors

`$bf_table` `$error_measures`

`$bf_ineq_table`

Samples from constrained densities used for bridge sampling

`$prior_samples`

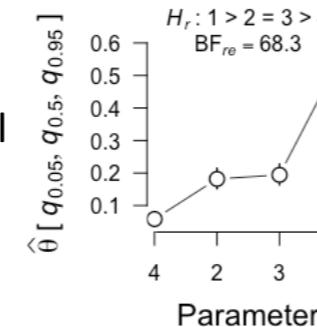
`$post_samples`

Bridge sampling output and error measures

`$eval` `$niter` `$logml`

`$hyp` `$error_measures`

Posterior median and credible interval of marginal densities under encompassing model

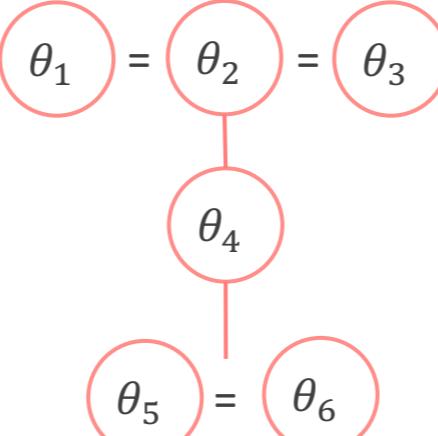


Stick Hypotheses

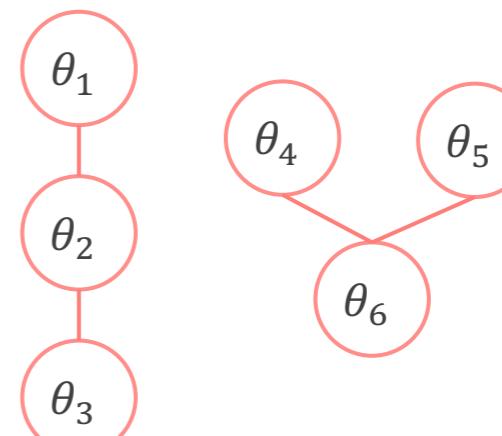
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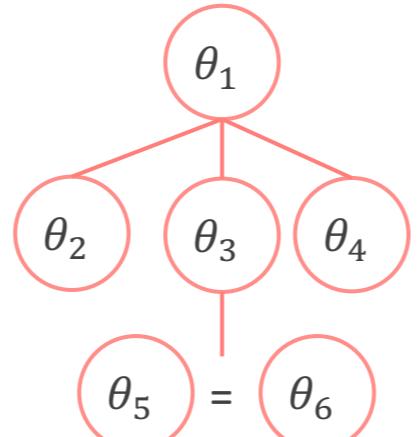
$$H_r: \theta_1 < \theta_2 < \theta_3 \& \theta_4, \theta_5 = \theta_6$$



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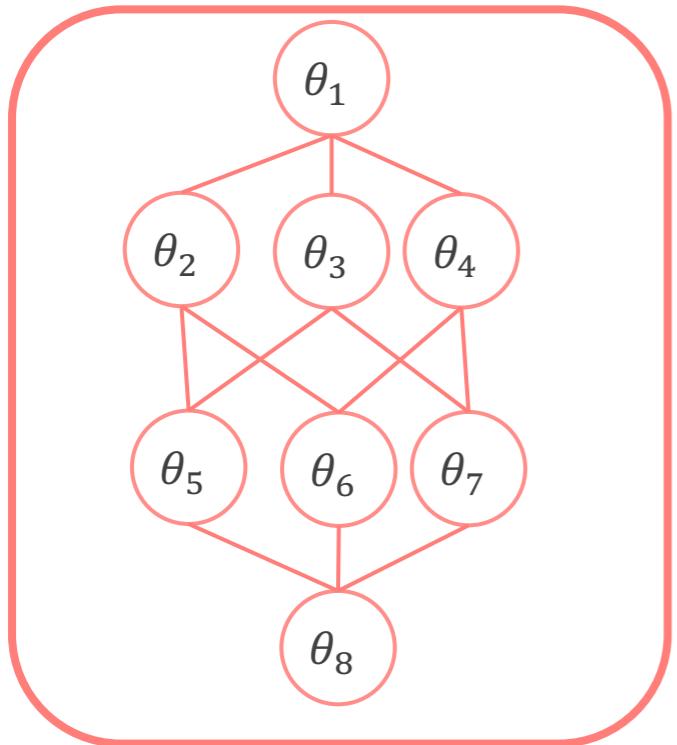


Ordinal hypotheses and equality constraints

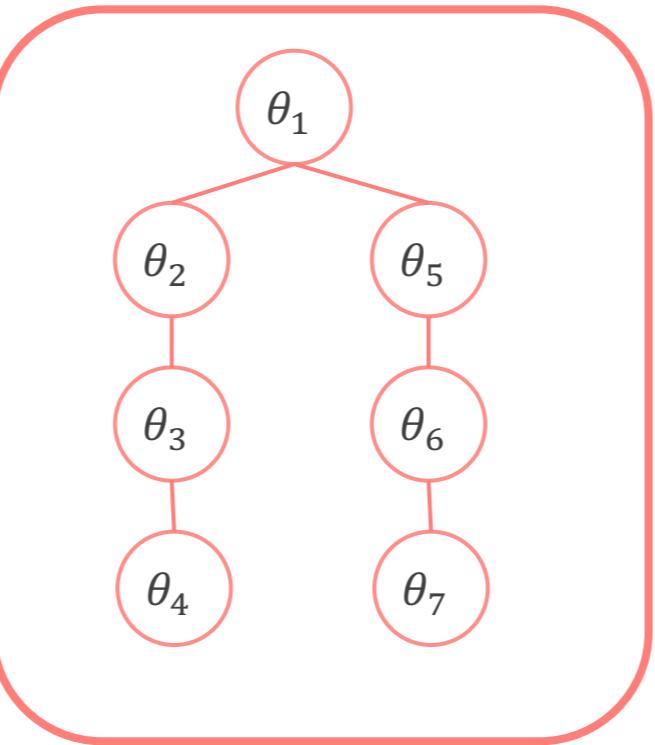
Combinations of ordinal constraints, equality constraints, and free parameters

Combinations of independent constraints

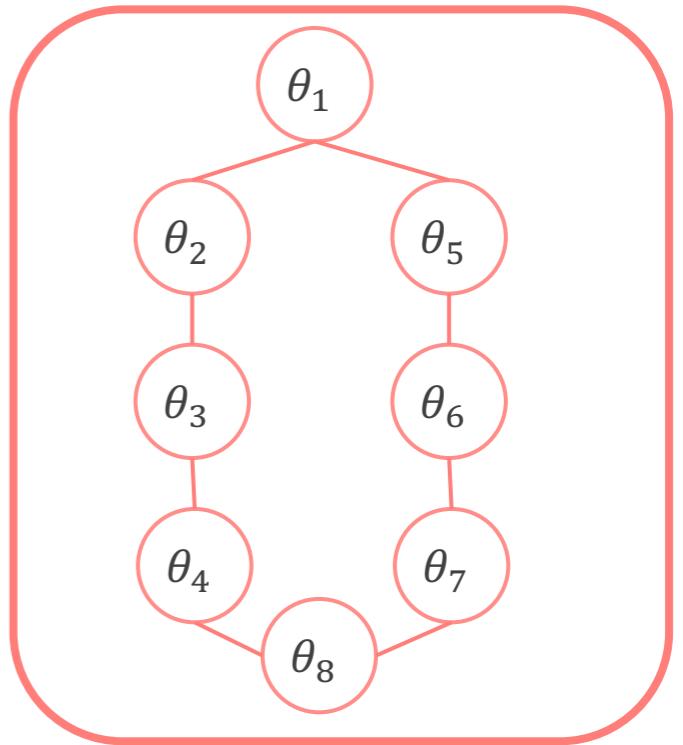
Branched Hypotheses



The parameters θ_2 , θ_3 and θ_4 do not share common upper bounds



The branches $(\theta_2, \theta_3, \theta_4)$ and $(\theta_5, \theta_6, \theta_7)$ do not share common upper bounds



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Transform elements from the real line (ξ_1, ξ_2, ξ_3) to an ordered probability space $(\theta_1 < \theta_2 < \theta_3)$

0 is the lower bound of the smallest element

With 3 elements in the stick, the smallest one cannot be larger than $\frac{1}{3}$

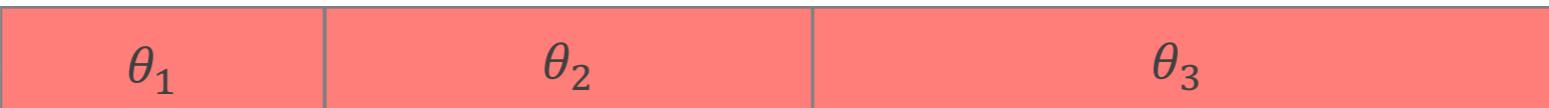
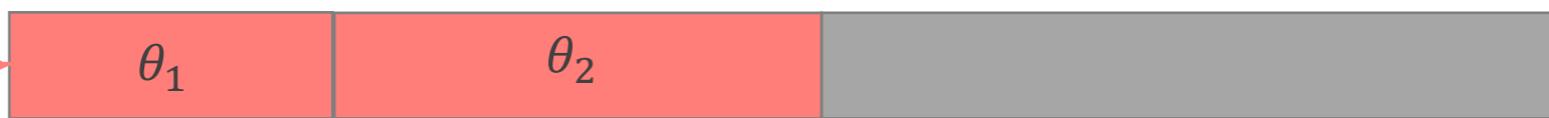
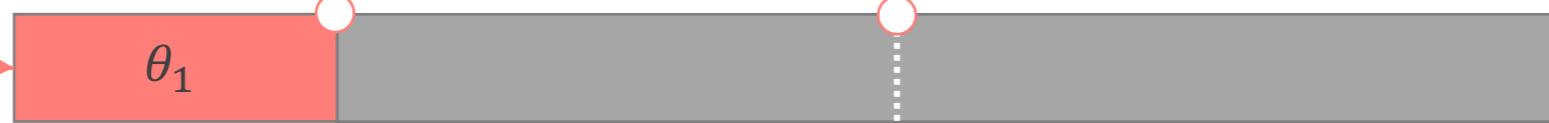
Step 1:
 $\theta_1 = \left(\frac{1}{3} - 0\right) \Phi(\xi_1) + 0$

θ_1 is the lower bound for the second element

The upper bound is the length of the remaining stick $(1 - \theta_1)$ divided by the number of remaining elements

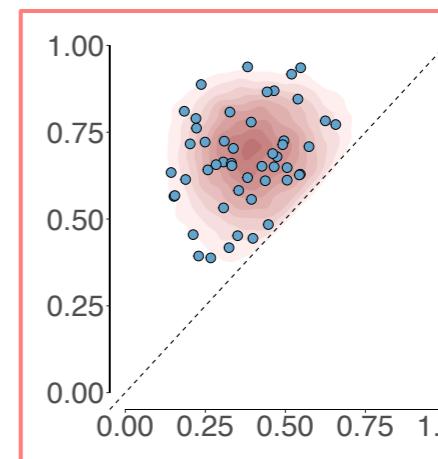
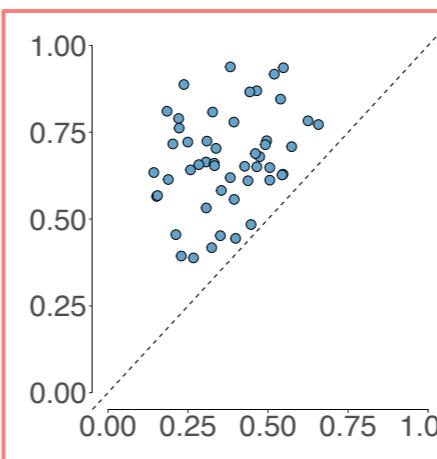
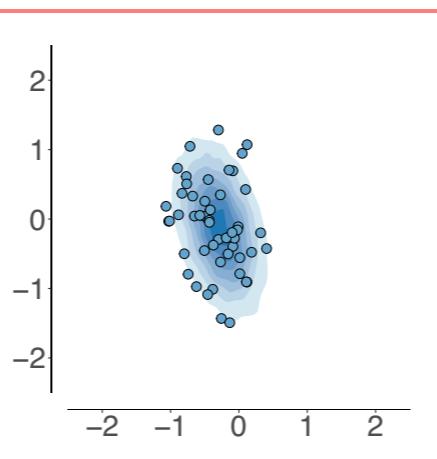
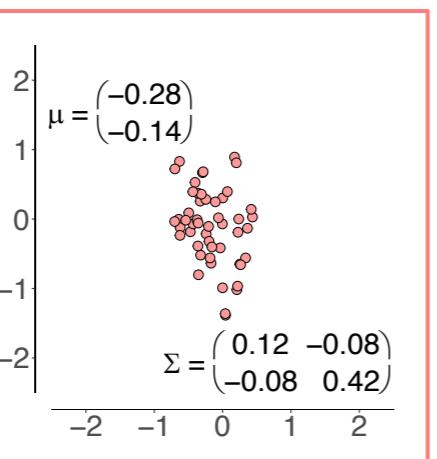
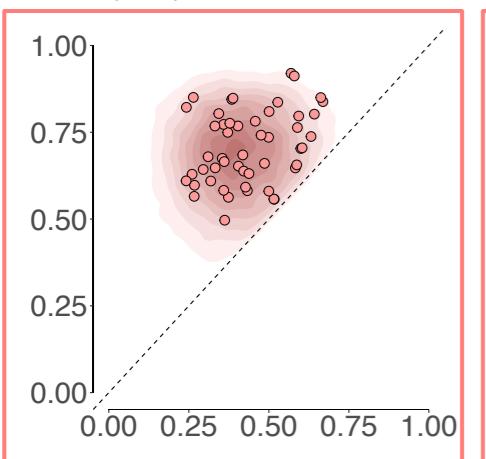
Step 2:
 $\theta_2 = \left(\frac{(1 - \theta_1)}{2} - \theta_1\right) \Phi(\xi_1) + \theta_1$

Step 3:
The value of the last element is the remainder of the stick



Use half of the samples to fit the proposal distribution

Compute μ and Σ and fit a MV normal



Draw samples from the constrained prior distribution

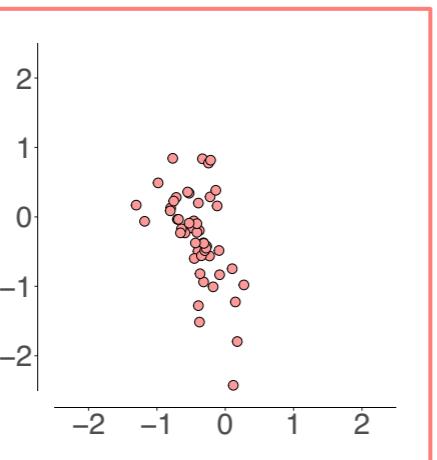
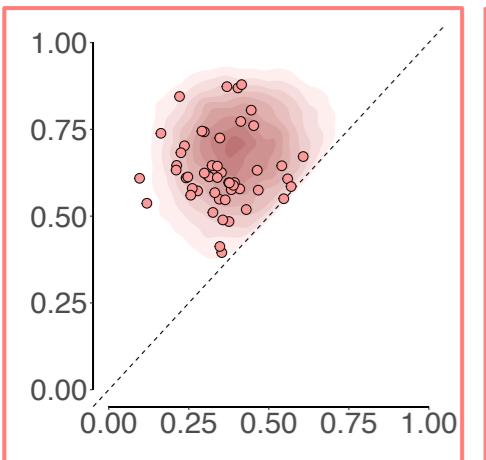
Transform samples to the real line

Sample from the MV normal with mean vector μ and covariance matrix Σ

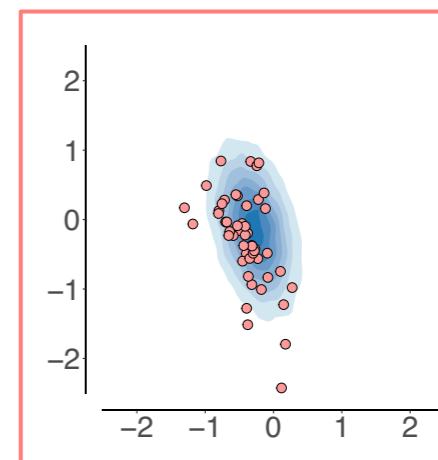
Transform samples from the proposal to the constrained probability space

Evaluate samples from the MV normal and the constrained prior at the respective other density

Run bridge sampling algorithm



The biggest challenge in this routine lies in the stick-breaking transformation



Keep half of the samples