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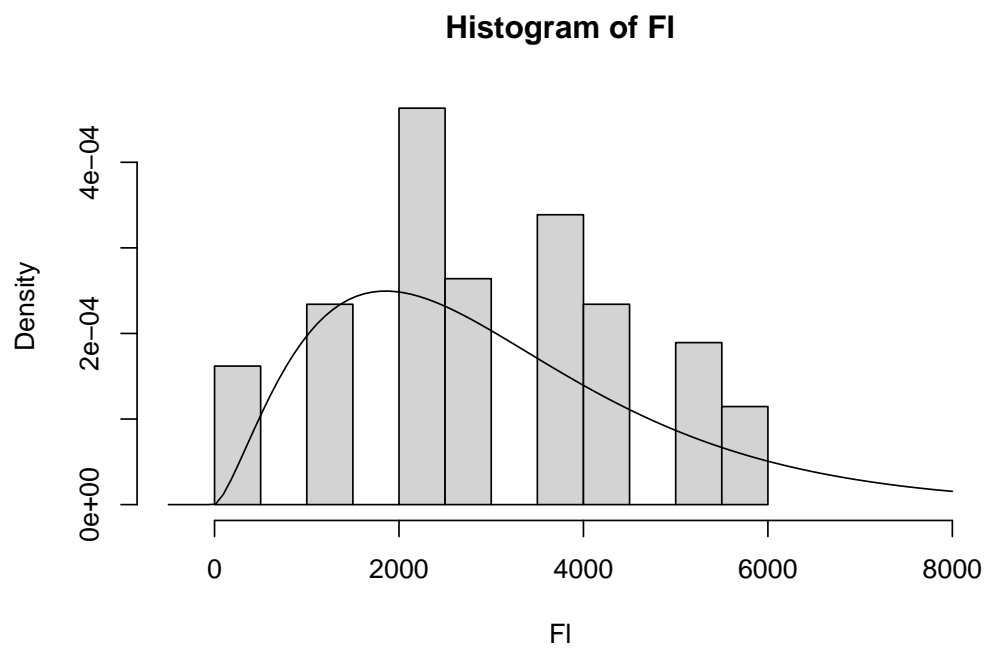
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1 Introduction

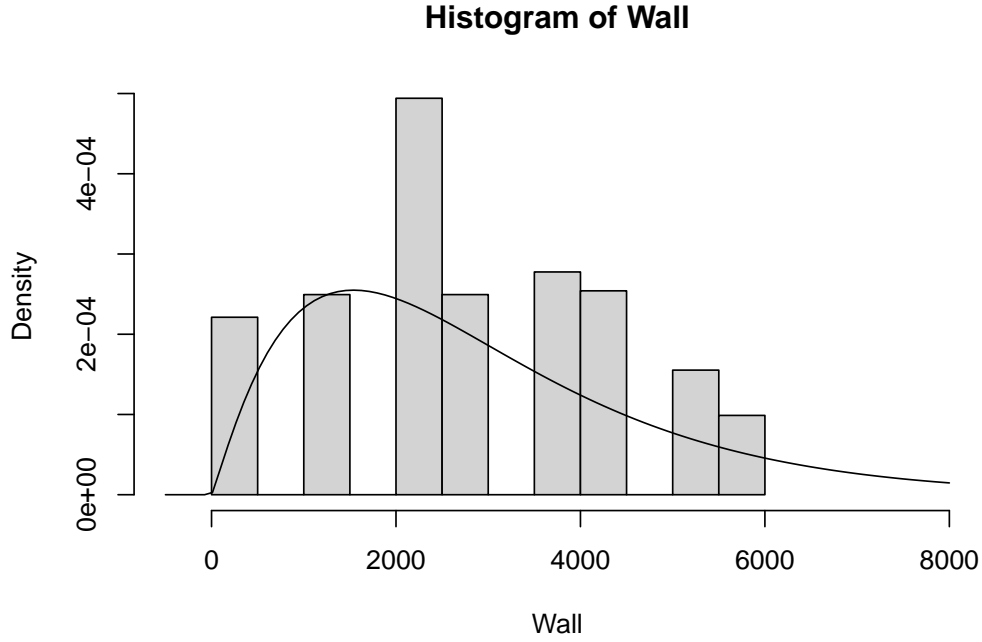
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## shape
## 0.399687
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## shape
## 2914.882
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## shape
## 0.471615
```



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## [1] 0.05892352
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## [1] 0.0001358382
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2 Question 1

Let $\theta_k := (\mu_k, \phi_k)$ be the set of parameters for a HNI with respect to region k .

2.1 (a) Theoretical probability

Let X be the monthly net income of 1123 Belgian households net income (HNI) older than 30 years. Regardless the 2 regions ($k = \{1, 2\}$ wrt Flanders and Wallonia, respectively), is assumed it follows a Gamma distribution. It can be reparametrised in terms of its mean μ and dispersion parameter ϕ with the following trick:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{shape: } \kappa &= \frac{1}{\phi} \\ \text{rate: } \lambda &= \frac{1}{\phi \mu} \end{aligned}$$

For both regions $k = \{1, 2\}$: This gives

$$f(x_k) = \frac{(\phi_k \mu_k)^{-1/\phi_k}}{\Gamma(\phi_k^{-1})} x_k^{1/\phi_k - 1} \exp\left(\frac{-x_k}{\phi_k \mu_k}\right)$$

Then, the probability to fall into a certain HNI interval I is:

$$P(x_k \in I_j) = \int_{I_j} \frac{(\phi_k \mu_k)^{-1/\phi_k}}{\Gamma(\phi_k^{-1})} x_k^{1/\phi_k - 1} \exp\left(\frac{-x_k}{\phi_k \mu_k}\right) dx$$

Using CDF writing, for a region k ,

$$p_j = \begin{cases} F(x_j, \kappa, \lambda) & \text{if } j=1 \\ F(x_{j+1}, \kappa, \lambda) - F(x_j, \kappa, \lambda) & \text{if } j \in \{2, \dots, 9\} \\ 1 - F(x_j, \kappa, \lambda) & \text{if } j=10 \end{cases}$$

$$p_j = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa)} \gamma(\kappa, \lambda x_j) & \text{if } j=1 \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa)} \left(\gamma(\kappa, \lambda x_{j+1}) - \gamma(\kappa, \lambda x_j) \right) & \text{if } j \in \{2, \dots, 9\} \\ 1 - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa)} \gamma(\kappa, \lambda x_j) & \text{if } j=10 \end{cases}$$

In terms of μ and ϕ

$$p_j = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \gamma(\phi^{-1}, (\mu\phi)^{-1} x_j) & \text{if } j=1 \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \left(\gamma(\phi^{-1}, (\mu\phi)^{-1} x_{j+1}) - \gamma(\phi^{-1}, (\mu\phi)^{-1} x_j) \right) & \text{if } j \in \{2, \dots, 9\} \\ 1 - \frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \gamma(\phi^{-1}, (\mu\phi)^{-1} x_j) & \text{if } j=10 \end{cases}$$

$$p_j = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \int_0^{(\mu\phi)^{-1} x_j} t^{\phi^{-1}-1} e^{-t} dt & \text{if } j=1 \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \int_{(\mu\phi)^{-1} x_j}^{(\mu\phi)^{-1} x_{j+1}} t^{\phi^{-1}-1} e^{-t} dt & \text{if } j \in \{2, \dots, 9\} \\ \frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \int_{(\mu\phi)^{-1} x_j}^{+\infty} t^{\phi^{-1}-1} e^{-t} dt & \text{if } j=10 \end{cases}$$

2.2 (b) Theoretical expression for the likelihood

On behalf of writing simplicity, the region index is removed. Since the frequency distribution in a given region is multinomial, i.e.

We have, writing $P := (p_1, \dots, p_{10})$ and $X := (X_1, \dots, X_{10})$:

$$X|P \sim \text{Mul}(N, P) = \frac{x!}{x_1! \dots x_{10}!} p_1^{x_1} \times \dots \times p_{10}^{x_{10}} \text{ when } \sum_{j=1}^{10} p_j = 1$$

$$= 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

Up to a multiplicative constant, the likelihood can be written as follow:

$$L(\theta_k, D_k) = P(D_k | \mu_k, \phi_k) \propto \prod_{j=1}^{10} p_{k,j}^{x_{k,j}}$$

2.3 Taking approximation

p_j corresponds to the area in the j^{th} interval. One can take the approximation mean the mean, e.g. $x_{\text{Flanders},3} = (1500 + 1800)/2 = 1650$? One can approximate that with $f(x_i)\Delta$ where Δ is the unit of measurement.

$$\begin{aligned} p_j &= P(x_j - \frac{\Delta_j}{2} < x_j < x_j + \frac{\Delta_j}{2}) \approx f(x_j)\Delta_j \\ &\approx \frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi_k^{-1})} (\phi_k \mu)^{-1/\phi_k} x_j^{\frac{1}{\phi_k}-1} \exp\left(\frac{-x_j}{\phi_k \mu}\right) \Delta_j \end{aligned}$$

This gives for the likelihood:

$$\begin{aligned} P(D|\mu, \phi) &\propto \prod_{j=1}^{10} x_j^{\frac{1}{\phi_k}-1} \exp\left(\frac{-x_j}{\phi_k \mu}\right) \Delta_j \\ &\propto \exp\left(\frac{-\sum x_j}{\phi_k \mu}\right) \prod_{j=1}^{10} x_j^{\frac{1}{\phi_k}-1} \Delta_j \end{aligned}$$

2.4 Not taking approximation but the CDF differences

$$\begin{aligned} P(D|\kappa, \lambda) &\propto \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa)}\right)^{\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_j} \gamma(x_1, \kappa, \lambda)^{x_1} \left[\prod_{j=2}^9 \left(\gamma(x_j, \kappa, \lambda) - \gamma(x_{j-1}, \kappa, \lambda) \right)^{x_j} \right] \left(1 - \gamma(x_{10}, \kappa, \lambda) \right)^{x_{10}} \\ &\propto \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa)}\right)^{\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_j} \left(\int_0^{\lambda x_1} x^{\kappa-1} e^{-x} dx \right)^{x_1} \left[\prod_{j=2}^9 \left(\int_{\lambda x_{j-1}}^{\lambda x_j} x^{\kappa-1} e^{-x} dx \right)^{x_j} \right] \left(\int_{\lambda x_{10}}^{+\infty} x^{\kappa-1} e^{-x} dx \right)^{x_{10}} \end{aligned}$$

If we write $[0; x_1], [x_1; x_2], \dots, [x_9; x_{10}], [x_{10}, +\infty]$ as I_1, I_2, \dots, I_9 and I_{10} . The notation can be lightened. With respect to the region k , this gives:

$$P(D_k|\kappa_k, \lambda_k) \propto \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\kappa)}\right)^{\sum_{i=1}^{10} x_j} \prod_{j=1}^{10} \left(\int_{\lambda_k I_j} x^{\kappa_k-1} e^{-x} dx \right)^{x_{k,j}}$$

Writing in terms of μ_k and ϕ_k :

$$P(D_k|\mu_k, \phi_k) \propto \prod_{j=1}^{10} \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi_k^{-1})} \int_{\frac{I_j}{\phi_k \mu_k}} x^{(\phi_k^{-1}-1)} e^{-x} dx \right)^{x_{k,j}}$$

2.5 NOT taking approximation but with PDF definitions:

3 Question 2 : Priors

- Statement 1: we are at 95% convinced that the mean net monthly household income in a given region is in the interval (2400, 3600). If one assumes a normal distribution for the mean μ_k (à justifier), then it is possible to get a prior of the distribution for both regions:

For both regions $\mu_0 = 3000$. Then, to get the standard deviation:

$$3000 - t_{(n_k-1, 1-\alpha/2)} \frac{s_k}{\sqrt{n_k}} = 2400$$

$$\rightarrow \hat{\sigma}_0 = \frac{s_k}{\sqrt{n_k}} = \frac{600}{t_{(n_k-1, 1-\alpha/2)}}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_{Fl} = 306$$

So we have

$$\mu \sim N(\mu_0 = 3000, \sigma_0 = 306)$$

$$\pi(\mu) \propto \sigma_0^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2}(\mu - \mu_0)^2\right)$$

- dispersion parameter:

If one considers that the parameter can be in any point within the interval (0.0, 10.0) with the same probability, then one could say that it follows a uniform distribution between those to interval

$$\phi_k \sim U(a = 0, b = 10) \propto 1_{0,10}$$

Using the entropy theorem, the conjugate prior would be the product of the two last quantity:

$$\text{prior: } P(\mu_k, \phi_k) = P(\mu_k) P(\phi_k)$$

$$\propto \sigma_0^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2}(\mu - \mu_0)^2\right) 1_{0,10}$$

4 Question 3

4.1 Question 3a: posterior

4.1.1 With approximation

$$\sigma^2 = \phi\mu^2$$

$$P(\mu, \phi | D) \propto \exp\left(\frac{-\sum x_j}{\phi_k \mu}\right) \prod_{j=1}^{10} x_j^{\frac{1}{\phi_k}-1} \Delta_j \sigma^{-1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(\bar{x}_k - \mu)^2\right) 1_{0,10}$$

$$\propto \exp\left(\frac{-\sum x_j}{\phi_k \mu}\right) \prod_{j=1}^{10} x_j^{\frac{1}{\phi_k}-1} \Delta_j \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\phi}\mu}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\phi\mu^2}(\bar{x}_k - \mu)^2\right) 1_{0,10}$$

4.1.2 Without approximation

$$P(\mu_k, \phi_k | D) \propto \left(\prod_{j=1}^{10} \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \int_{\frac{I_j}{\phi_k \mu_k}} x^{(\phi_k^{-1}-1)} e^{-x} dx \right)^{x_{k,j}} \right) \sigma_0^{-1/2} \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} (\mu - \mu_0)^2 \right) 1_{0;10}$$

4.2 3.b

the log likelihood is, up to an additive constant:

$$l(\mu, \phi) \propto \sum_{j=1}^{10} x_j \ln \left(\frac{1}{\Gamma(\phi^{-1})} \int_{\frac{I_j}{\phi_k \mu_k}} x^{(\phi_k^{-1}-1)} e^{-x} dx \right)$$

so the log-posterior is:

$$h(\mu, \phi) \propto l(\mu, \phi) + \ln(\pi(\mu, \phi))$$

$$h(\mu, \phi) = C^t + \sum_j x_j \ln (F(\mu, \phi, x_{j+1}) - F(\mu, \phi, x_j)) - \frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} (\mu - \mu_0)^2$$

```
##      shape
## -1755.997
```

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##      shape
## -956.3546
```

5 4.

5.1 Estimation

Start from the log-posterior $h(\mu_k, \phi_k)$. One assumes the distribution is unimodale then, if it is normally distributed, then the mode=mean, which means that the mean can be found by optimizing the log-likelihood with respect to its parameters. (aussi assumer μ et ϕ indépendant??), then blablabla (expliquez avec hessienne).

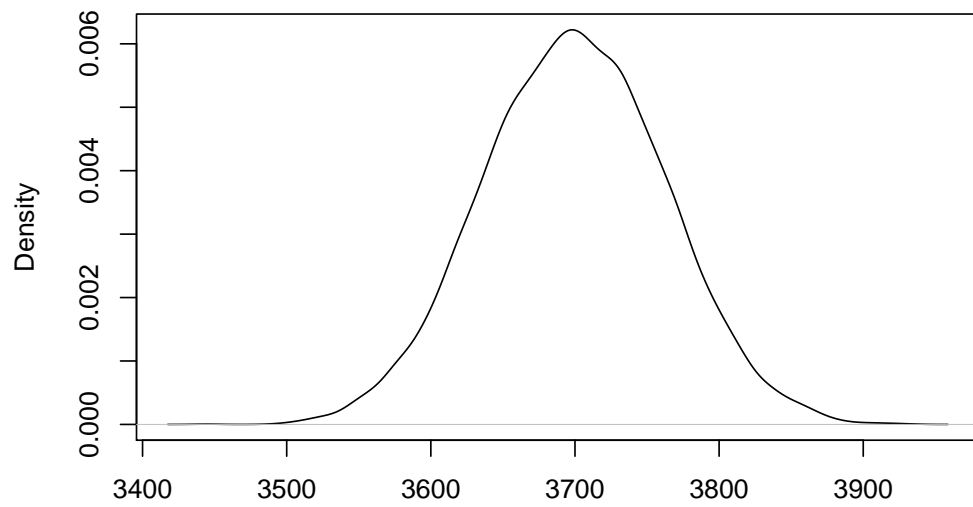
Based on <http://www.sumsar.net/blog/2013/11/easy-laplace-approximation/#:~:text=Laplace%20Ap>

5.1.1 Flanders

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##      mu      phi
## 3698.91    0.22
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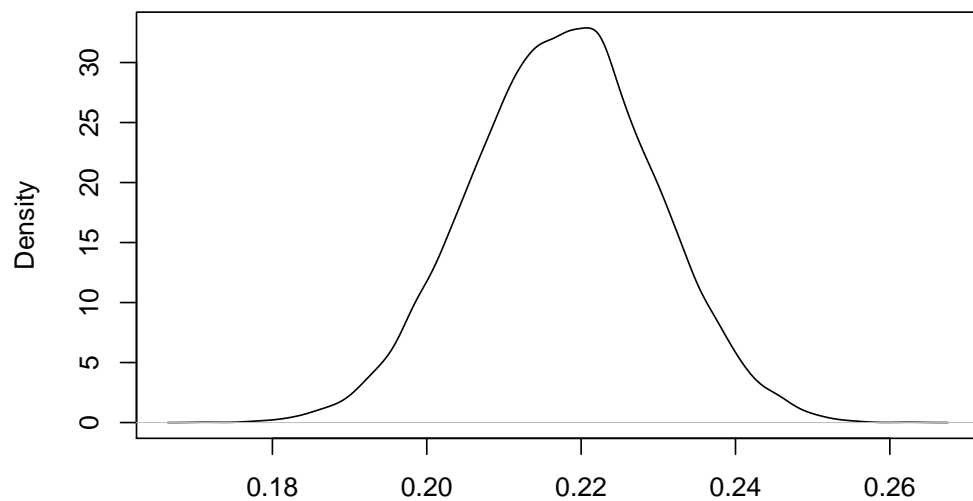
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##      mu      phi
## mu 3952.206 0.04
## phi 0.040 0.00
```


laplace approximation for mu in Flanders



N = 10000 Bandwidth = 8.965

laplace approximation for phi in Flanders



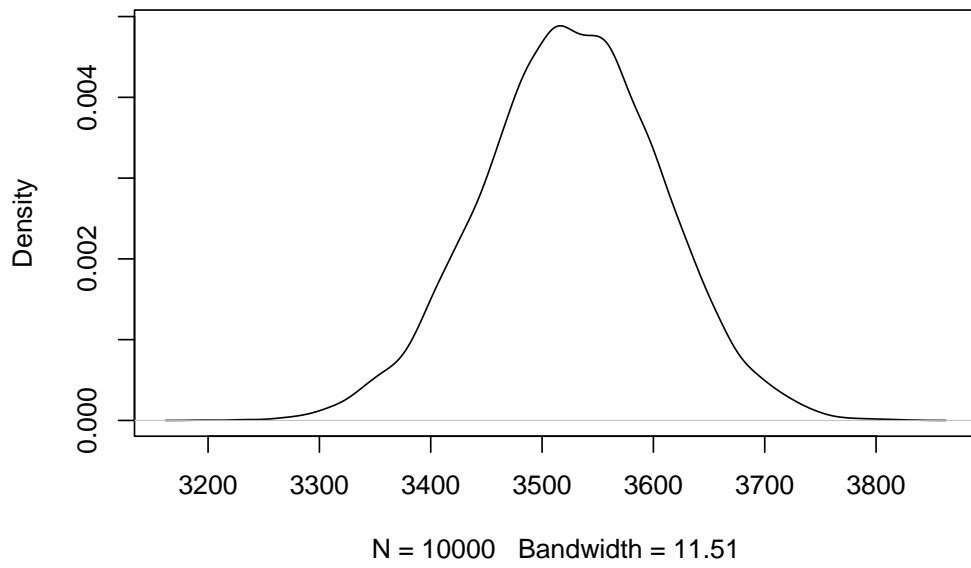
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5.1.2 Wallonia

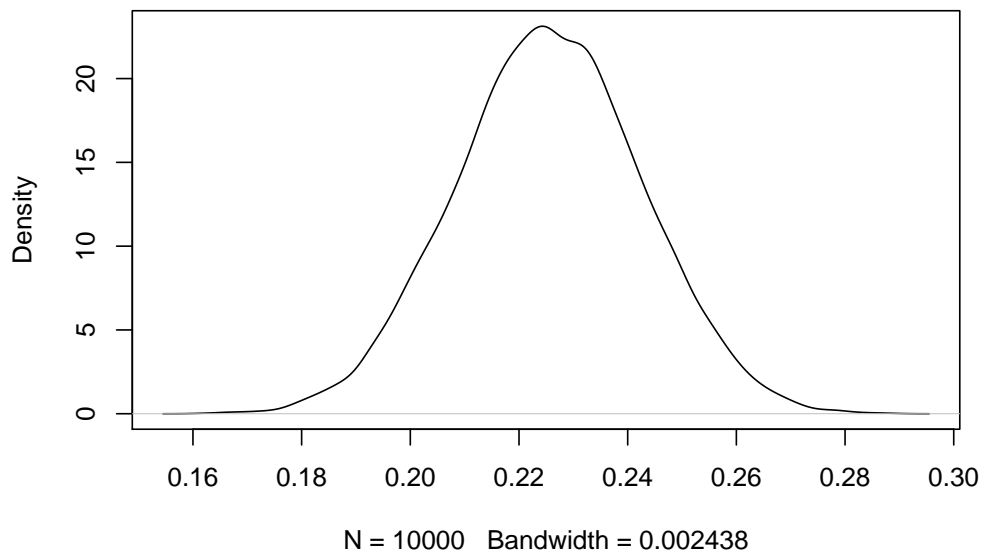
```
##      mu      phi
## 3525.57  0.23
```

```
##      mu      phi
## mu 6639.722 0.038
## phi  0.038 0.000
```

laplace approximation for mu in Wallonia



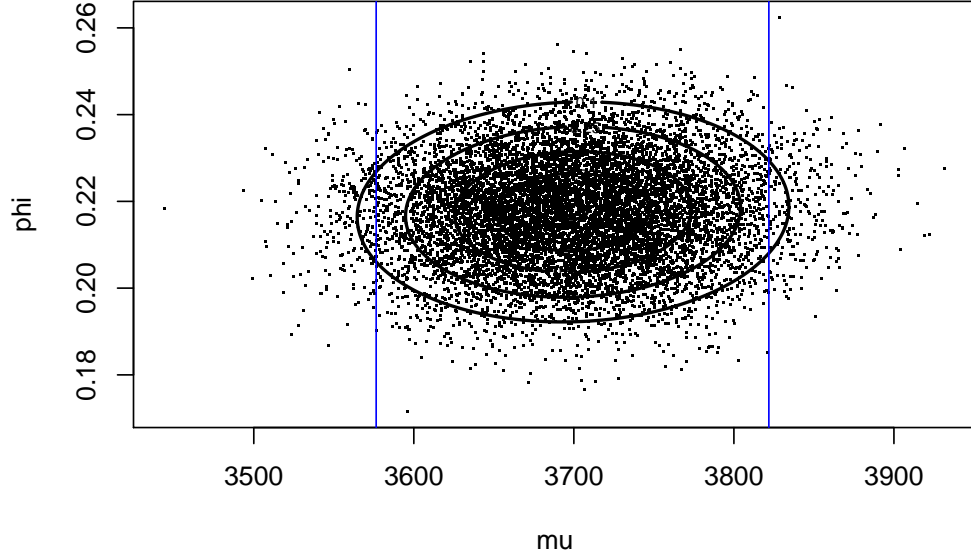
laplace approximation for phi in Wallonia



5.2 Credible intervals Laplace approximation

5.2.1 Flanders

The credible region is given here below:



We need to get the credible interval for μ . This means that we need the marginal posterior distribution:

$$P(\mu|D) \propto \int p(\mu, \phi|D) d\phi$$

It can be shown that the marginal (univariate) distribution of the bivariate Gaussian distribution $N(\mu_\theta, \Sigma)$ with $\mu_\theta = (E(\mu), E(\phi))$ and

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_\mu & \sigma_{\mu,\phi} \\ \sigma_{\phi,\mu} & \sigma_\phi \end{pmatrix}$$

also follows a normal distribution. See here. Hence, for μ , one has:

$$\mu|D \sim N(\mu, \sigma_\mu)$$

We need that 95% of the marginal posterior to fall into the interval for Flanders:

```
##          5%      97.5%
## 3593.351 3823.121
```

A Appendix

A.1 Figures

A.2 Code

Note

For reproducibility purposes, the complete R project containing the source code and the results is available on github.com.