

# **A Bayesian Model for Brain Network Functional Connectivity using PyMC3**

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# Previous Study

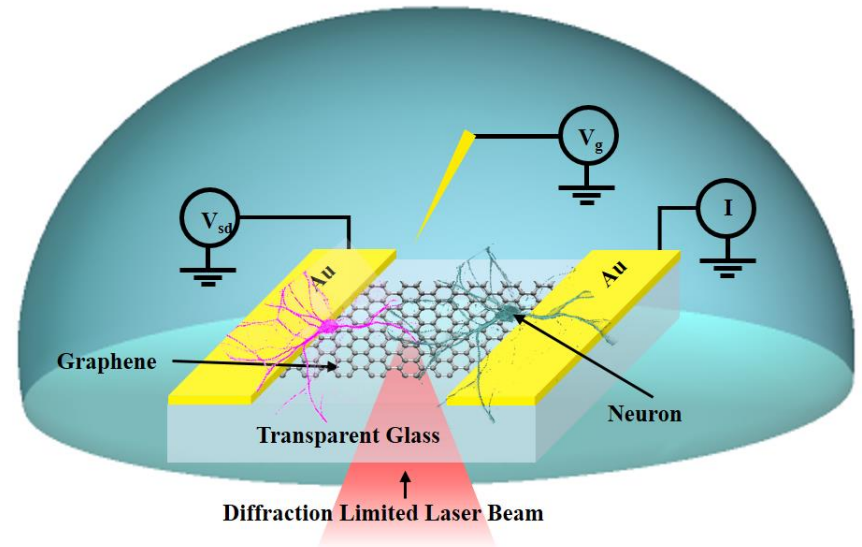
Precise Timing

High Electrical Sensitivity

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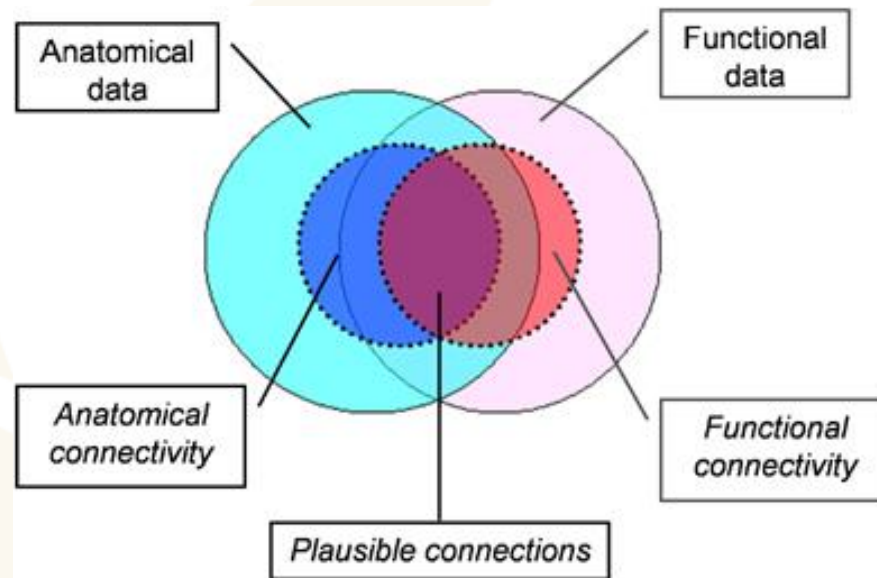
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# Brain Imaging



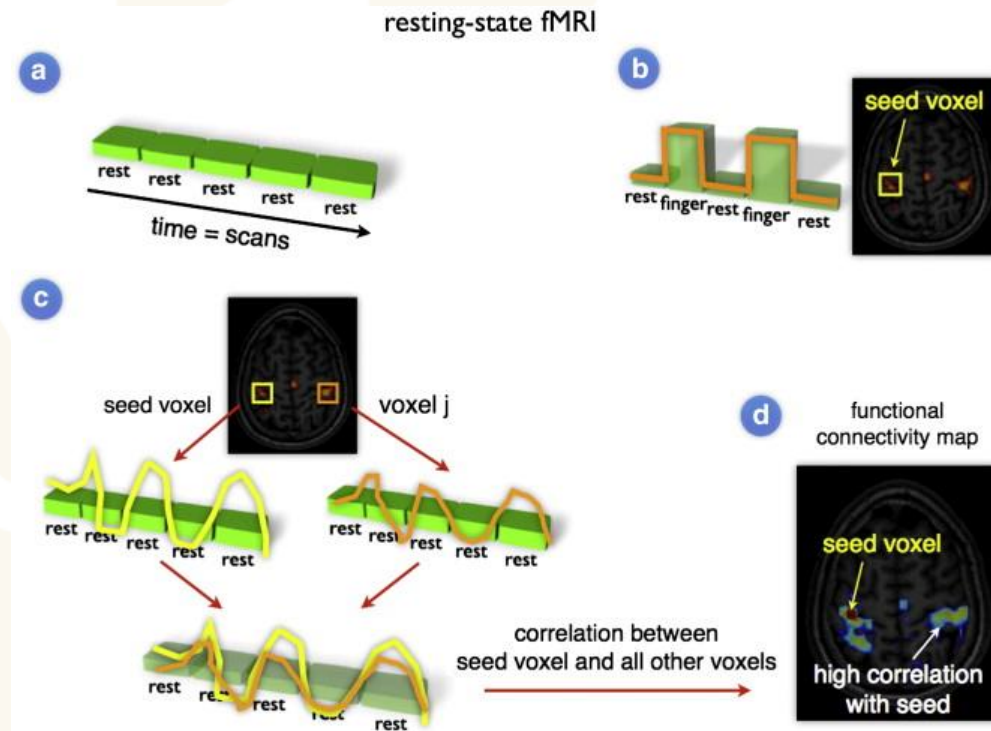
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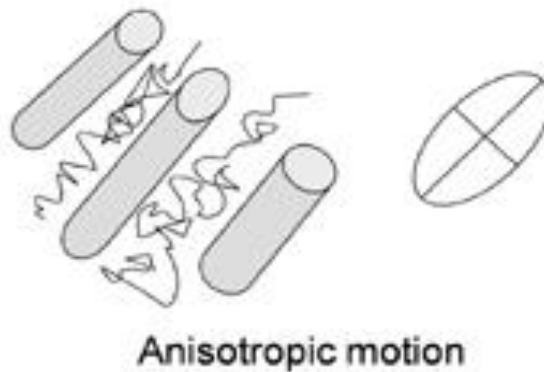
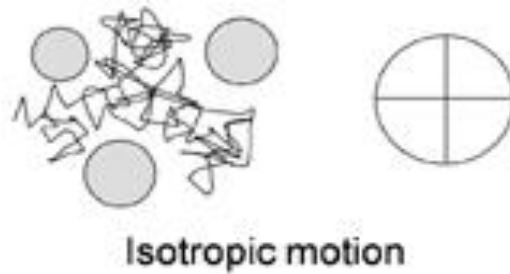
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# Functional Connectivity



van den Heuvel et. al, *European Neuropsychopharmacology* 20, 8 (2008)

# Structural Connectivity



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# Spatiotemporal Structure

$$Y_{cv}(t) = \beta_c + b_c(v) + d_c + \epsilon_{cv}(t)$$

- $\beta_c$ : the grand mean
- $b_c(v)$ : the zero-mean voxel-specific random effect
  - Local spatial dependency:

$$\text{Cov}(b_c(v), b_c(v')) = K_c(\|v - v'\|)$$

- $d_c$ : the zero-mean ROI-specific random effect
- $\epsilon_{cv}(t)$ : the noise
  - AR (1) temporal structure

Kang, H et. al, *Brain Connectivity* 7, 4 (2008)

# Kernel Covariance Function

Constant	$K(x, x') = c$
Linear	$K(x, x') = x^T x'$
Gaussian noise	$K(x, x') = \sigma^2 \delta_{x, x'}$
Squared exponential	$K(x, x') = \exp(-\frac{\ x - x'\ ^2}{2l^2})$
Exponential	$K(x, x') = \exp(-\frac{\ x - x'\ }{l})$
Matérn	$K(x, x') = \frac{2^{1-v}}{\Gamma(v)} \left( \frac{\sqrt{2v}\ x - x'\ }{l} \right)^v B_v\left(\frac{\sqrt{2v}\ x - x'\ }{l}\right)$
Periodic	$K(x, x') = \exp(-\frac{2\sin^2(\frac{x - x'}{2})}{l^2})$
Rational quadratic	$K(x, x') = (1 + \ x - x'\ ^2)^{-\alpha}, \alpha \geq 0$

# Kernel Covariance Function

$$r = \|v - v'\| \varphi_c$$

Exponential (Matérn1/2):

$$\sigma_{b_c}^2 \exp(-r)$$

Gaussian or square exponential (Matérn $\infty$ ):

$$\sigma_{b_c}^2 \exp(-\frac{1}{2}r^2)$$

Matérn5/2:

$$\sigma_{b_c}^2 (1 + \sqrt{5}r + \frac{5}{3}r^2) \exp(-\sqrt{5}r)$$

Matérn3/2:

$$\sigma_{b_c}^2 (1 + \sqrt{3}r) \exp(-\sqrt{3}r)$$

# Temporal Correlation

AR (1) structure:

$$\epsilon_{cv}(t) = \delta_c + \phi_{cv} \epsilon_{cv}(t-1) + w(t)$$

- $\delta_c$ : the constant shift
- $\phi_{cv}$ : the coefficient with  $|\phi_{cv}| < 1$
- $w(t)$ : the Gaussian random noise

$$E[\epsilon_{cv}(t)] = \frac{\delta_c}{1 - \phi_{cv}}$$

$$\text{Var}[\epsilon_{cv}(t)] = \frac{\sigma_{cv}^2}{1 - \phi_{cv}^2}$$

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# Hierarchical Structure

$$Y_c(t) = \beta_c + b_c + d_c + \epsilon_c(t)$$

- $Y_c(t) = [Y_{c1}(t), Y_{c2}(t), \dots, Y_{cV}(t)]^T$
- $\beta_c = \beta_c J_{(1 \times V)}$
- $b_c = [b_{c1}, b_{c2}, \dots, b_{cV}]^T$
- $d_c = d_c J_{(1 \times V)}$
- $\epsilon_c(t) = [\epsilon_{c1}(t), \epsilon_{c2}(t), \dots, \epsilon_{cV}(t)]^T$



# Hierarchical Structure

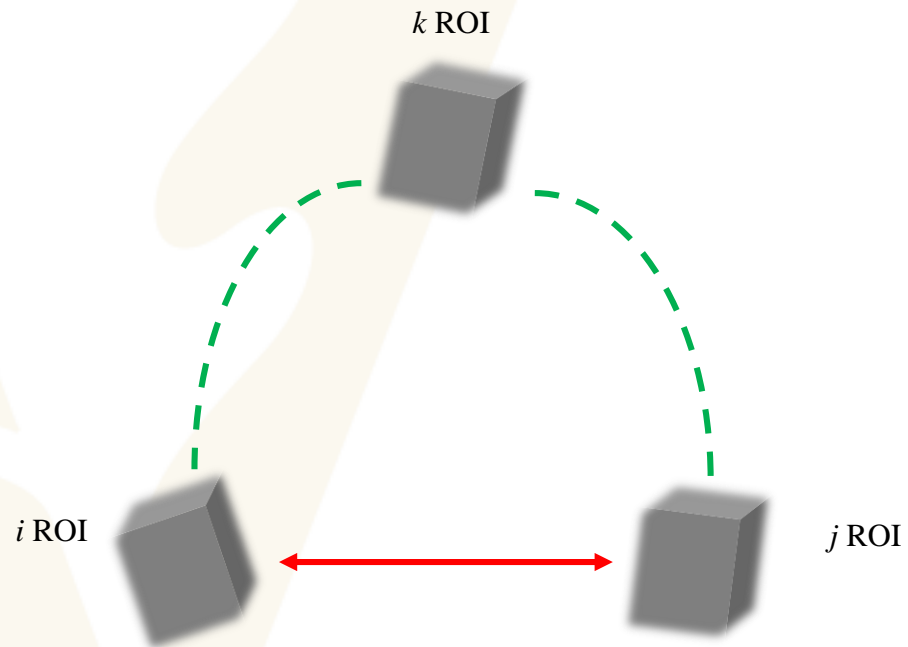
$$Y_c(t) = \beta_c + b_c + d_c + \epsilon_c(t)$$

- $\beta_c \sim N(0, \sigma_{\beta_c}^2)$
- $b_c \sim N(0, \Sigma_{b_c})$
- $d_c \sim N(0, \Sigma_d)$
- $\epsilon_{cv}(t) \sim N(\frac{\delta_c}{1-\phi_{cv}}, \frac{\sigma_{cv}^2}{1-\phi_{cv}^2})$

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# Double Fusion



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$$L_d(\text{direct}) = \lambda L_{sc} + (1 - \lambda)L_{nfc}$$

$$L_d(\text{indirect}) = M_{sc}\lambda L_{sc} + (1 - M_{sc}\lambda)L_{nfc}$$

$$L_d = \omega L_d(\text{direct}) + (1 - \omega)L_d(\text{indirect})$$

$$\Sigma_d = L_d \times L_d^T$$

# Double Fusion

$$\rho_d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho_{12} & \cdots & \rho_{1n} \\ & 1 & & \vdots \\ & & \ddots & \\ 1 & & & \rho_{(n-1)n} \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{n \times n}$$

$$[\rho_{12}, \dots, \rho_{1n}, \rho_{23}, \dots, \rho_{2n}, \dots, \rho_{(n-1)n}]_{n\_vec}$$

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# Prior Information

$$Y_{cv}(t) = \beta_c + b_c(v) + d_c + \epsilon_{cv}(t)$$

- $\beta_c \sim N(0, 100^2)$

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$$Y_{cv}(t) = \beta_c + b_c(v) + d_c + \epsilon_{cv}(t)$$

$$\text{Cov}(b_c(v), b_c(v')) = \sigma_{b_c}^2 \exp(-\|v - v'\| \varphi_c)$$

- $\varphi_c \sim \text{Unif}(0, 20)$
- $\sigma_{b_c} \sim \text{Unif}(0, 100)$



# Prior Information

$$Y_{cv}(t) = \beta_c + b_c(v) + d_c + \epsilon_{cv}(t)$$

- $\lambda \sim \text{Beta}(1, 1)$
- $\omega \sim \text{Beta}(1, 1)$
- $\log \sigma_{d_c} \sim \text{Unif}(-8, 8)$

# Prior Information

$$Y_{cv}(t) = \beta_c + b_c(v) + d_c + \epsilon_{cv}(t)$$

$$\epsilon_{cv}(t) = \delta_c + \phi_{cv} \epsilon_{cv}(t-1) + w(t)\varphi_c$$

- $\phi_{cv} \sim \text{Unif}(0, 1)$
- $\sigma_{cv} \sim \text{Unif}(0, 100)$

# Prior Information

$$Y_{obs} \sim N(Y_{cv}, \sigma^2)$$

- $\sigma \sim \text{Unif}(0, 100)$

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# PyMC3 and NUTS

$$Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

$$\mu = \alpha + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2$$

- $\alpha \sim N(0, 100)$
- $\beta_1 \text{ or } \beta_2 \sim N(0, 20)$
- $\sigma \sim \text{HalfNormal}(0, 1)$

# PyMC3 and NUTS

```
import pymc3 as pm
with pm.Model() as basic_model:

    # Priors for unknown model parameters
    alpha = pm.Normal('alpha', mu=0, sd=100)
    beta = pm.Normal('beta', mu=0, sd=20, shape=2)
    sigma = pm.HalfNormal('sigma', sd=1)

    # Expected value of outcome
    mu = alpha + beta[0]*X1 + beta[1]*X2

    # Likelihood (sampling distribution) of observations
    Y_obs = pm.Normal('Y_obs', mu=mu, sd=sigma, observed=Y)

with basic_model:

    # instantiate sampler
    step = pm.NUTS()

    # draw 1000 posterior samples and tune 500 as default
    trace = pm.sample(1000, step = step)
```

# Model Diagnostics

- Gelman Rubin statistics:

$$\hat{R} = \frac{\hat{V}}{W}$$

- Effective sample size:

$$\hat{n}_{eff} = \frac{mn}{1 + 2 \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{\rho}_t}$$

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# Optimization and Decomposition

- Vectorization
- Cholesky decomposition

$$X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$$

$$\Sigma = U^T U$$

$$X = \mu + U^T Z, Z \sim N(0, 1)$$

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# Simulation Study

- Generate time-series data with a length of  $T = 128$  scans using AR (1) (coefficient: 0.6) at 5 ROIs and each ROI contains 100 voxels
- Imposed correlation using a multivariate normal distribution

$$\rho_d = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.6 & 0 & 0.5 & 0 \\ & 1 & 0.2 & 0.1 & 0 \\ & & 1 & 0 & 0.1 \\ & & & 1 & 0.2 \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

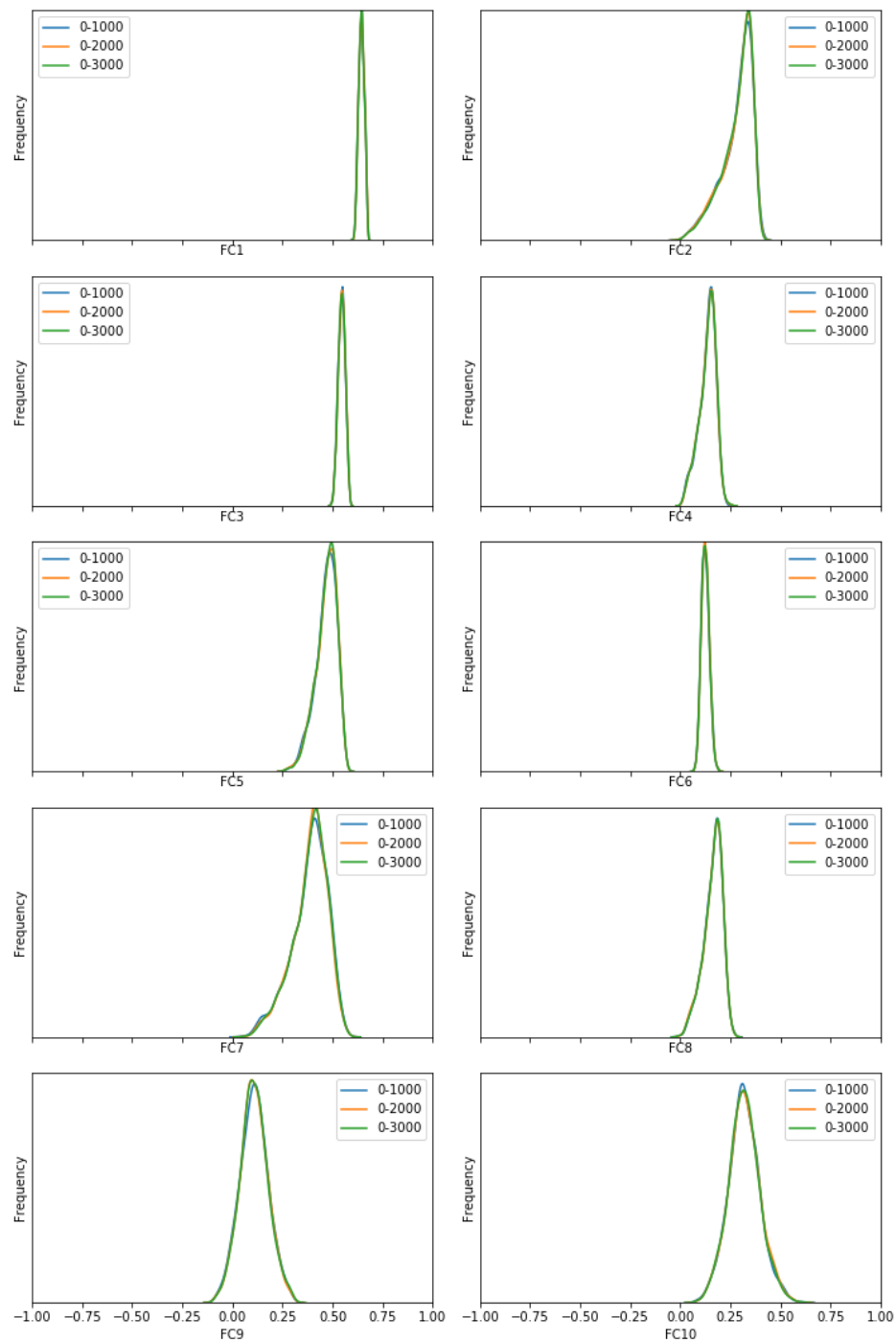
- $SC \sim W_p(6, \rho_d)$

# Simulation Study

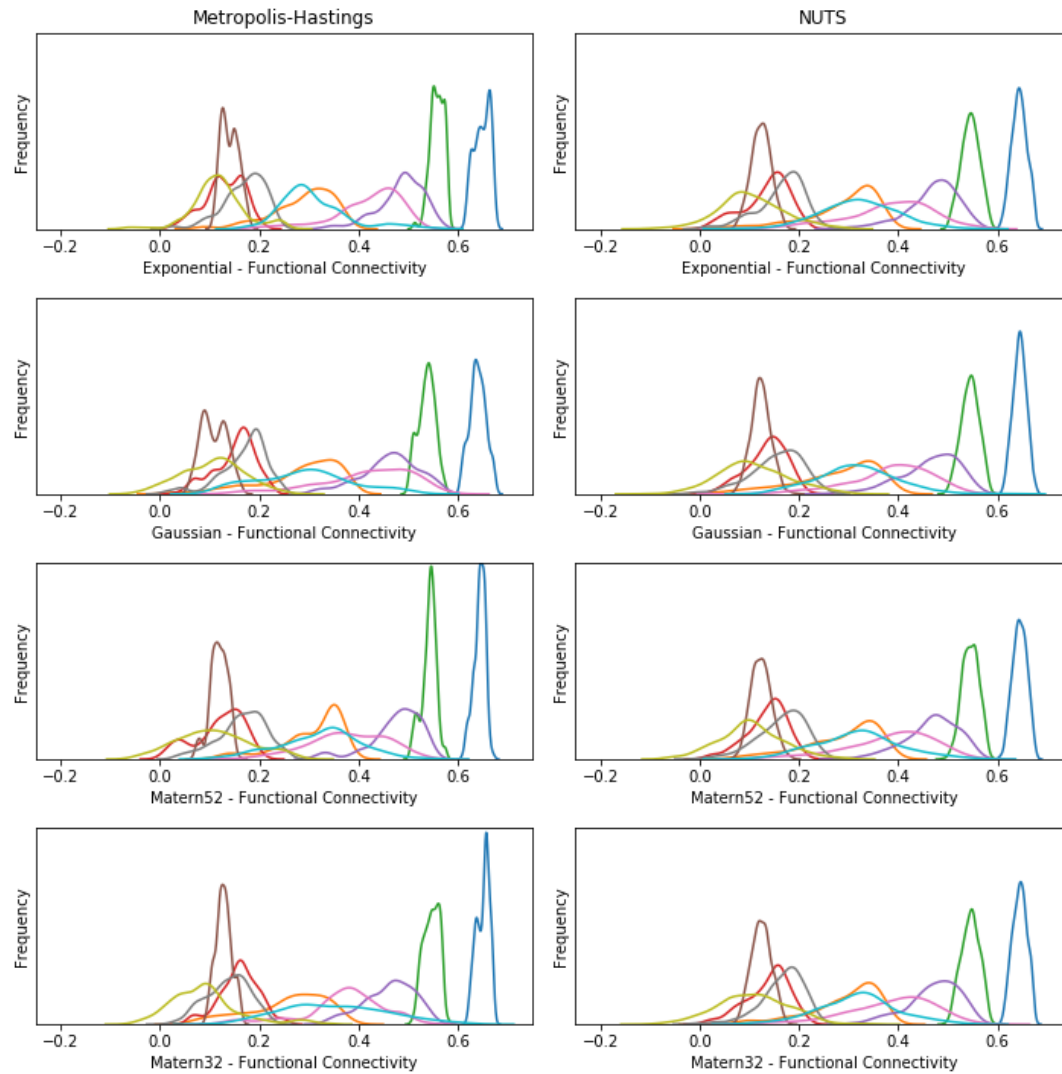


Bayesian correct SC						Bayesian independence			
FC	Correct	Median (SD)	[2.5% 97.5%]	$\hat{R}$	$\hat{n}_{eff}$	Median (SD)	[2.5% 97.5%]	$\hat{R}$	$\hat{n}_{eff}$
$\rho_1$	0.6	0.645 (0.014)	[0.617 0.669]	0.999	1675.438	0.531 (0.125)	[0.170 0.652]	1.002	979.951
$\rho_2$	0.0	0.310 (0.080)	[0.074 0.378]	0.999	1110.936	0.305 (0.078)	[0.091 0.379]	0.999	1303.385
$\rho_3$	0.5	0.546 (0.017)	[0.513 0.576]	0.999	1877.821	0.463 (0.108)	[0.151 0.572]	0.999	1033.009
$\rho_4$	0.0	0.145 (0.042)	[0.039 0.204]	0.999	1341.864	0.146 (0.042)	[0.040 0.204]	0.999	1034.929
$\rho_5$	0.2	0.478 (0.053)	[0.340 0.547]	0.999	1152.252	0.432 (0.090)	[0.197 0.537]	1.001	1285.429
$\rho_6$	0.1	0.123 (0.020)	[0.088 0.165]	1.000	1721.880	0.017 (0.106)	[-0.194 0.216]	1.000	1218.262
$\rho_7$	0.0	0.399 (0.083)	[0.180 0.522]	0.999	1102.607	0.419 (0.098)	[0.174 0.558]	0.999	1381.804
$\rho_8$	0.0	0.173 (0.049)	[0.047 0.235]	0.999	1293.770	0.158 (0.068)	[0.016 0.283]	1.000	1251.840
$\rho_9$	0.1	0.105 (0.070)	[-0.026 0.254]	0.999	1417.283	0.057 (0.063)	[-0.066 0.177]	1.000	1458.304
$\rho_{10}$	0.2	0.316 (0.077)	[0.165 0.484]	1.000	1524.805	0.348 (0.118)	[0.054 0.532]	0.999	1095.445

# Convergence



# Bayesian Correct SC



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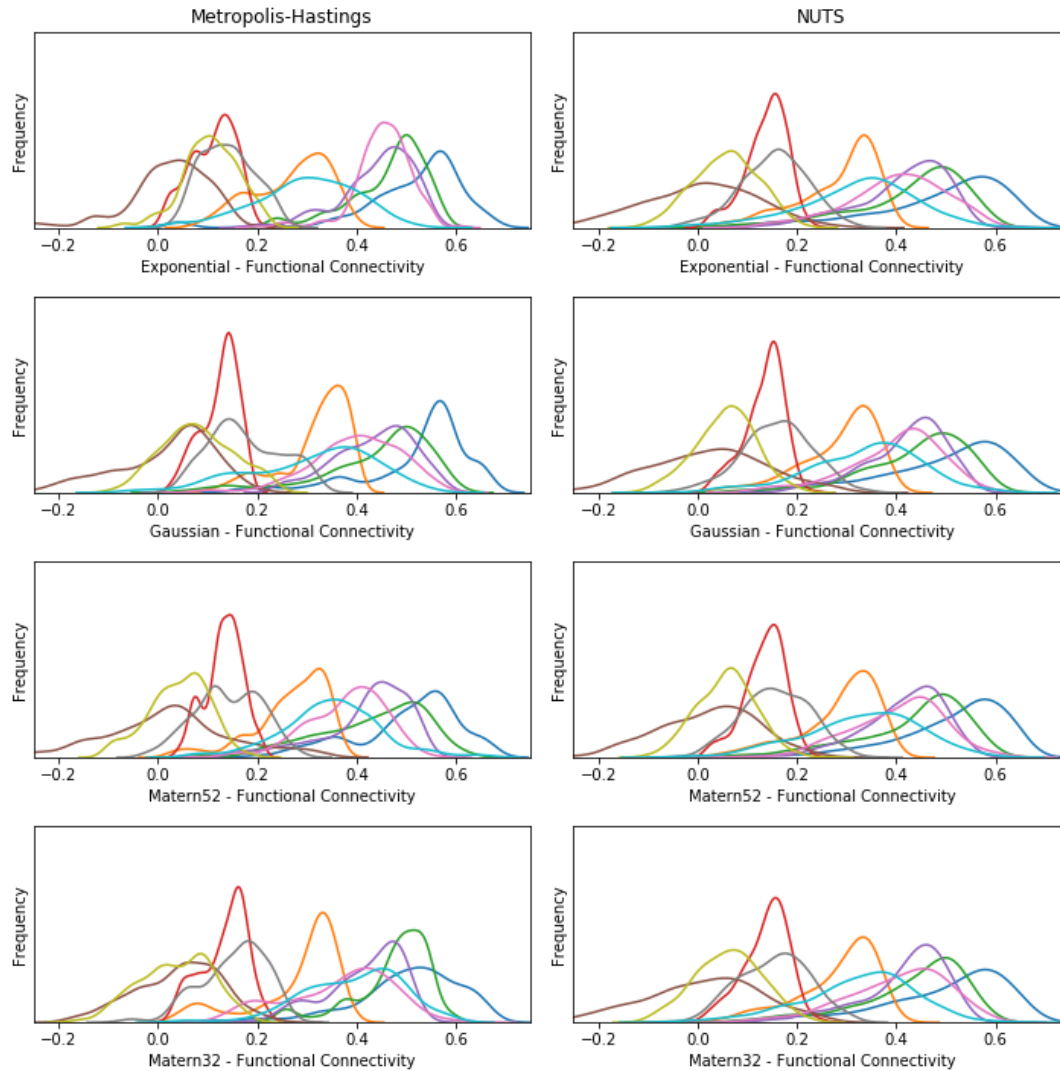
<i>FC</i>	<i>Correct</i>	<i>Metropolis-Hastings Median (SD)</i>				<i>NUTS Median (SD)</i>			
		<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>	<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>
$\rho_1$	0.6	0.651(0.016)	0.640(0.016)	0.645(0.016)	0.654(0.016)	0.651(0.015)	0.640(0.015)	0.645(0.015)	0.654(0.015)
$\rho_2$	0.0	0.303(0.061)	0.305(0.061)	0.333(0.061)	0.273(0.061)	0.303(0.077)	0.305(0.077)	0.333(0.077)	0.273(0.077)
$\rho_3$	0.5	0.559(0.014)	0.540(0.014)	0.544(0.014)	0.548(0.014)	0.559(0.018)	0.540(0.018)	0.544(0.018)	0.548(0.018)
$\rho_4$	0.0	0.129(0.040)	0.160(0.040)	0.132(0.040)	0.162(0.040)	0.129(0.046)	0.160(0.046)	0.132(0.046)	0.162(0.046)
$\rho_5$	0.2	0.492(0.046)	0.469(0.046)	0.486(0.046)	0.470(0.046)	0.492(0.052)	0.469(0.052)	0.486(0.052)	0.470(0.052)
$\rho_6$	0.1	0.139(0.017)	0.107(0.017)	0.119(0.017)	0.128(0.017)	0.139(0.019)	0.107(0.019)	0.119(0.019)	0.128(0.019)
$\rho_7$	0.0	0.438(0.068)	0.430(0.068)	0.378(0.068)	0.379(0.068)	0.438(0.088)	0.430(0.088)	0.378(0.088)	0.379(0.088)
$\rho_8$	0.0	0.179(0.043)	0.182(0.043)	0.170(0.043)	0.142(0.043)	0.179(0.047)	0.182(0.047)	0.170(0.047)	0.142(0.047)
$\rho_9$	0.1	0.116(0.053)	0.111(0.053)	0.108(0.053)	0.086(0.053)	0.116(0.066)	0.111(0.066)	0.108(0.066)	0.086(0.066)
$\rho_{10}$	0.2	0.293(0.069)	0.293(0.069)	0.336(0.069)	0.350(0.069)	0.293(0.077)	0.293(0.077)	0.336(0.077)	0.350(0.077)

# Bayesian Correct SC

<i>MSE</i>	<i>Metropolis-Hastings</i>				<i>NUTS</i>			
	<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>	<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>
Total FC	0.043	0.042	0.040	0.037	0.040	0.039	0.040	0.041
Zero FC	0.083	0.084	0.075	0.066	0.076	0.073	0.076	0.078
Low FC	0.024	0.020	0.025	0.024	0.023	0.022	0.023	0.024
High FC	0.003	0.002	0.002	0.003	0.002	0.002	0.002	0.002



# Bayesian Independence



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<i>FC</i>	<i>Correct</i>	<i>Metropolis-Hastings Median (SD)</i>				<i>NUTS Median (SD)</i>			
		<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>	<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>
$\rho_1$	0.6	0.547(0.016)	0.56(0.016)	0.529(0.016)	0.517(0.016)	0.547(0.015)	0.560(0.015)	0.529(0.015)	0.517(0.015)
$\rho_2$	0.0	0.283(0.061)	0.339(0.061)	0.283(0.061)	0.317(0.061)	0.283(0.077)	0.339(0.077)	0.283(0.077)	0.317(0.077)
$\rho_3$	0.5	0.488(0.014)	0.481(0.014)	0.453(0.014)	0.493(0.014)	0.488(0.018)	0.481(0.018)	0.453(0.018)	0.493(0.018)
$\rho_4$	0.0	0.116(0.040)	0.134(0.040)	0.136(0.040)	0.145(0.040)	0.116(0.046)	0.134(0.046)	0.136(0.046)	0.145(0.046)
$\rho_5$	0.2	0.461(0.046)	0.449(0.046)	0.443(0.046)	0.434(0.046)	0.461(0.052)	0.449(0.052)	0.443(0.052)	0.434(0.052)
$\rho_6$	0.1	0.032(0.017)	0.047(0.017)	0.025(0.017)	0.053(0.017)	0.032(0.019)	0.047(0.019)	0.025(0.019)	0.053(0.019)
$\rho_7$	0.0	0.456(0.068)	0.407(0.068)	0.391(0.068)	0.391(0.068)	0.456(0.088)	0.407(0.088)	0.391(0.088)	0.391(0.088)
$\rho_8$	0.0	0.136(0.043)	0.162(0.043)	0.139(0.043)	0.167(0.043)	0.136(0.047)	0.162(0.047)	0.139(0.047)	0.167(0.047)
$\rho_9$	0.1	0.108(0.053)	0.079(0.053)	0.048(0.053)	0.042(0.053)	0.108(0.066)	0.079(0.066)	0.048(0.066)	0.042(0.066)
$\rho_{10}$	0.2	0.307(0.069)	0.339(0.069)	0.356(0.069)	0.411(0.069)	0.307(0.077)	0.339(0.077)	0.356(0.077)	0.411(0.077)

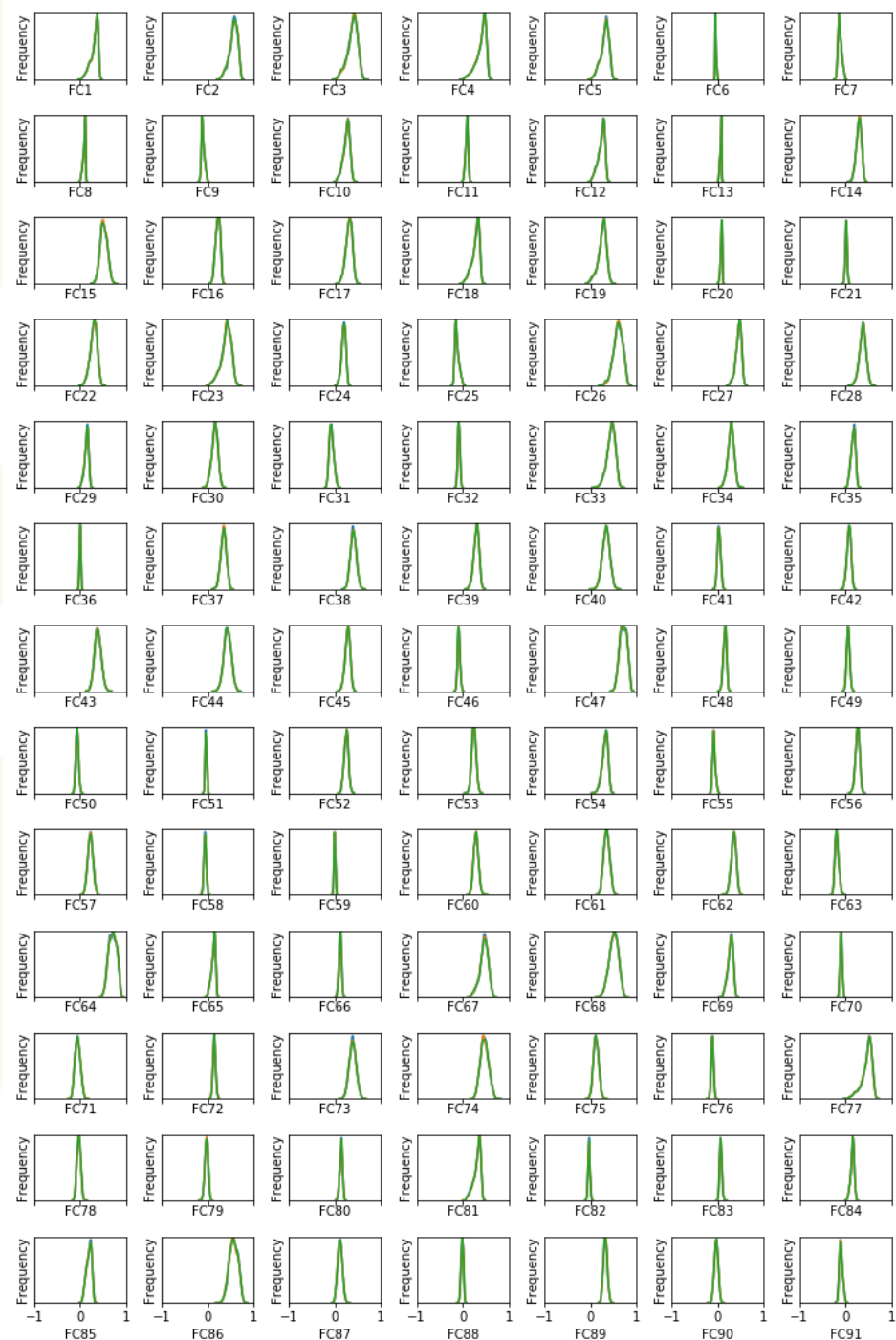
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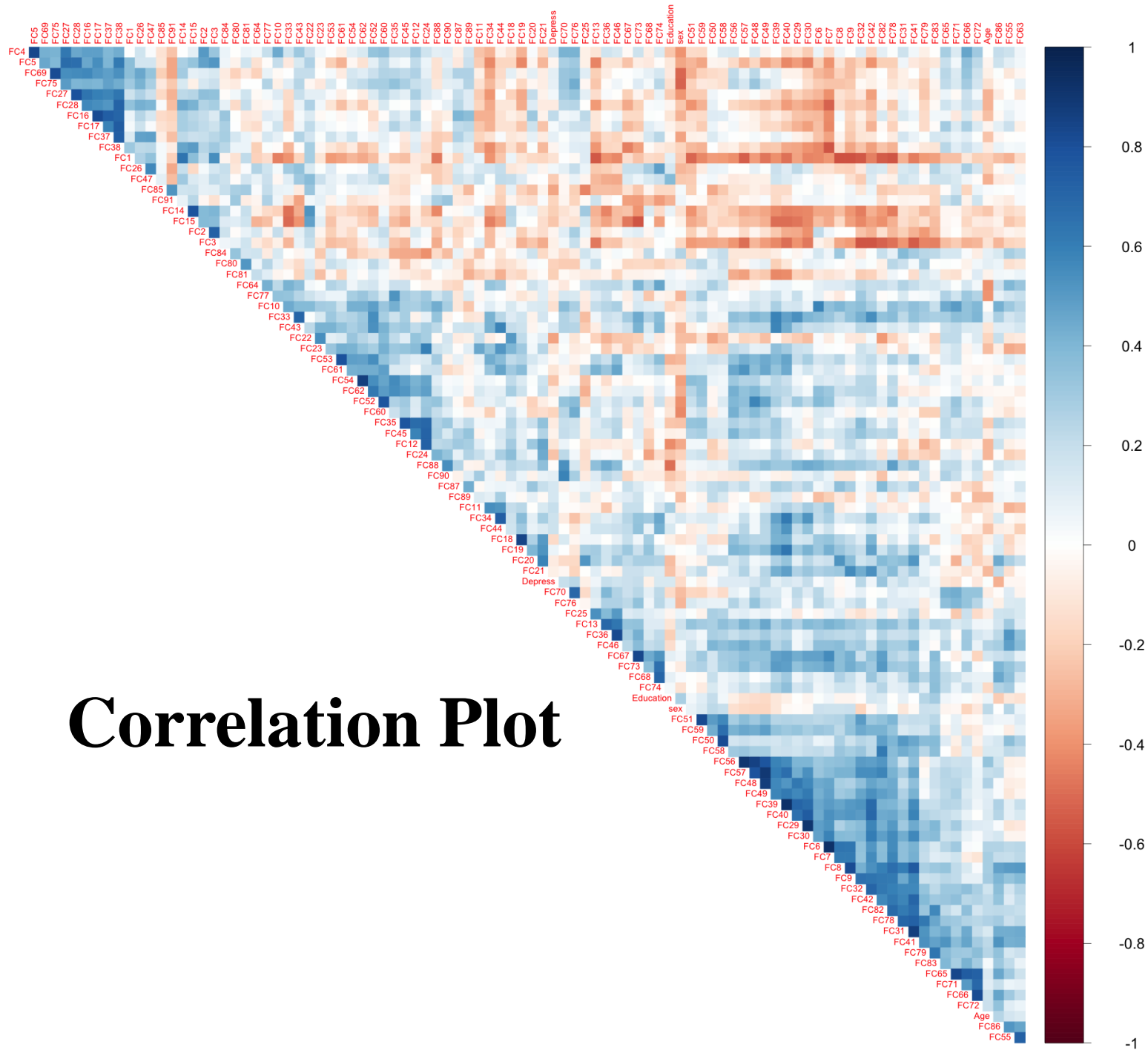
<i>Metropolis-Hastings</i>					<i>NUTS</i>			
<i>MSE</i>	<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>	<i>Exponential</i>	<i>Gaussian</i>	<i>Matérn52</i>	<i>Matérn32</i>
Total FC	0.118	0.119	0.108	0.118	0.111	0.113	0.113	0.113

# Major Depressive Disorder

	<i>Control (n=23)</i>	<i>MDD (n=18)</i>	<i>Wilcoxon Rank Sum Tests</i>
	<i>Mean (SD)</i>	<i>Mean (SD)</i>	
Age(years)	31.78 (10.16)	32.06 (8.55)	t = -0.512, p = 0.608
Sex (% female)	65%	50%	t = 0.828, p = 0.408
Education (years)	15.78 (1.73)	16.28 (1.90)	t = -0.512, p = 0.608
Beck Depression Inventory (BDI)	1.90 (2.62)	22.11 (9.38)	t = -4.085, p <0.001
Montgomery–Asberg Depression Rating Scale (MADRS)	0.70 (1.06)	25.29 (3.20)	t = -5.438, p < 0.001
Processing Speed Domain	0.36 (0.67)	0.20 (0.61)	t = 0.841, p = 0.401
Working Memory Domain	0.10 (0.88)	0.02 (0.81)	t = 0.158, p = 0.875
Episodic Memory Domain	0.23 (0.55)	0.07 (0.75)	t = 0.578, p = 0.563
Executive Function Domain	0.20 (0.55)	0.23 (0.59)	t = -0.053, p = 0.958

# Convergence





**Correlation Plot**

# Case Study

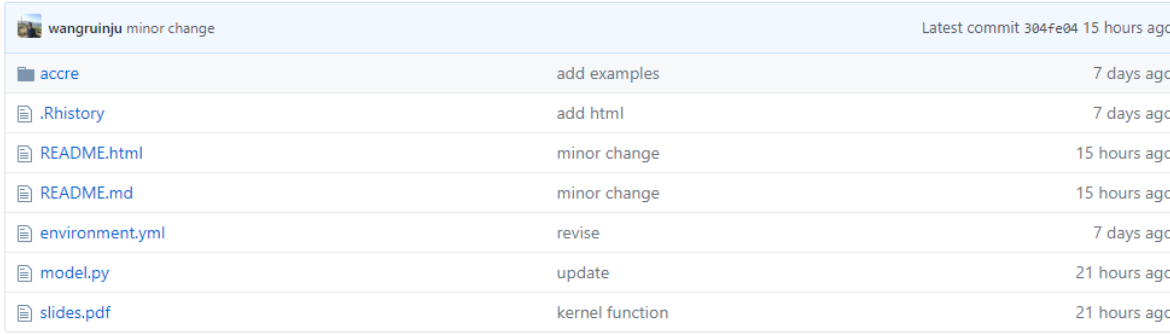
- Cognitive domain
  - processing speed domain
  - working memory domain
  - episodic memory domain
  - executive function domain
- Correlation test under FDR (False Discovery Rate with 0.1 threshold):
  - For executive function domain, “FC80” in control group
- Cognitive domain  $\sim$  Age + Sex + Education +  $FC_i$  + Depress +  $FC_i * \text{Depress}$ 
  - Interaction term  $FC_i * \text{Depress}$ : “FC80” in executive function domain

# Variable Selection

	<i>Processing Speed Domain</i>	<i>Working Memory Domain</i>	<i>Episodic Memory Domain</i>	<i>Executive Function Domain</i>
Exhaustive	FC4, FC27, FC28, FC48, FC57, FC69	<b>FC26</b> , FC29, FC62, FC64, <b>FC69</b> , FC71	FC6, <b>FC9</b> , FC42, FC57, FC78, FC79	FC6, FC7, <b>FC26</b> , FC27, FC50, FC79
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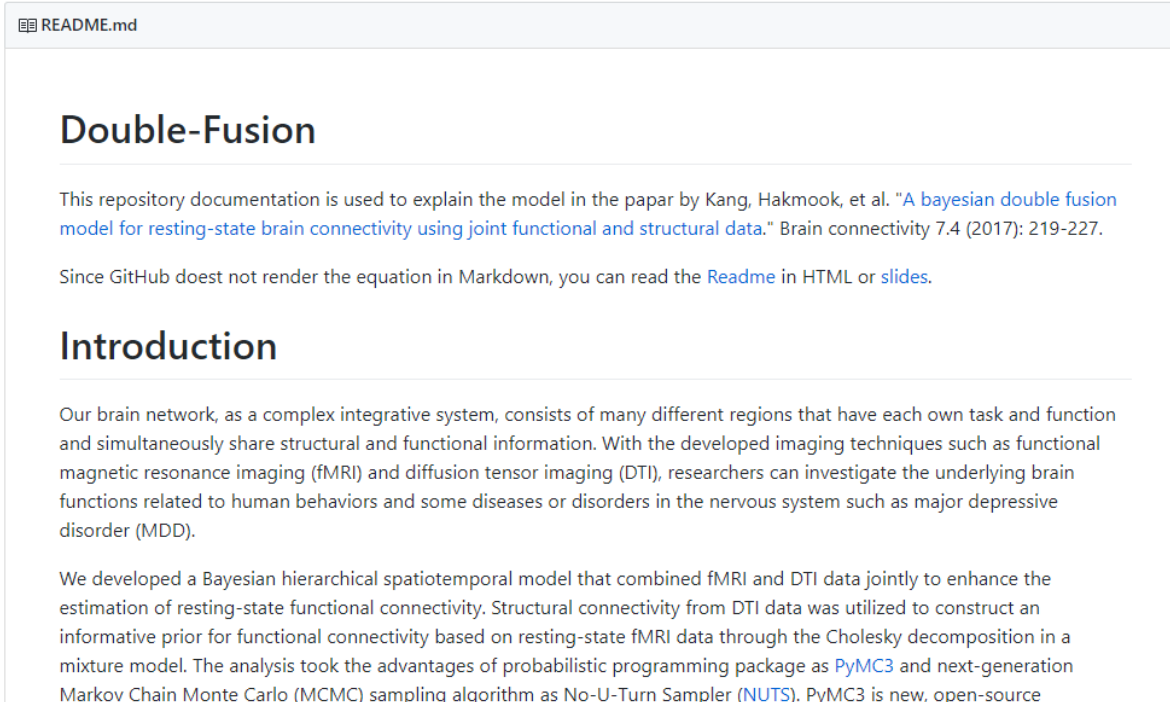


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## Double-Fusion

This repository documentation is used to explain the model in the paper by Kang, Hakmook, et al. "[A bayesian double fusion model for resting-state brain connectivity using joint functional and structural data](#)." Brain connectivity 7,4 (2017): 219-227.

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## Introduction

Our brain network, as a complex integrative system, consists of many different regions that have each own task and function and simultaneously share structural and functional information. With the developed imaging techniques such as functional magnetic resonance imaging (fMRI) and diffusion tensor imaging (DTI), researchers can investigate the underlying brain functions related to human behaviors and some diseases or disorders in the nervous system such as major depressive disorder (MDD).

We developed a Bayesian hierarchical spatiotemporal model that combined fMRI and DTI data jointly to enhance the estimation of resting-state functional connectivity. Structural connectivity from DTI data was utilized to construct an informative prior for functional connectivity based on resting-state fMRI data through the Cholesky decomposition in a mixture model. The analysis took the advantages of probabilistic programming package as [PyMC3](#) and next-generation Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) sampling algorithm as No-U-Turn Sampler ([NUTS](#)). PyMC3 is new, open-source

# Future Work

- Other kernel covariance functions
- 200 ~ 300 subjects
  - Machine learning methods
  - MDD classification

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