

Lab6

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Exercise 1: Given the multivariate normal distribution above, what are the posterior complete conditionals for X,Y and Z?

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$$p(X|Y, Z) \sim N(0 + \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} (\begin{pmatrix} Y \\ Z \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}), 0.1899)$$

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$$p(Y|X, Z) \sim N(0 + \begin{pmatrix} 0.9 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} (\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Z \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}), 0.1899)$$

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$$p(Z|X, Y) \sim N(0 + \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.9 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} (\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}), 0.9895)$$

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Exercise 2: Write a Gibbs sampler that alternates updating each of the variables and comment on the plots.

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#  $p(x|y,z)$ 
mux_1 = 0
mux_2 = c(0,0)
sigmax_11 = 1
sigmax_22 = matrix(c(1,0.1,0.1,1),nrow=2,ncol=2)
sigmax_12 = sigmax_21 = c(0.9,0.1)

#  $p(y|x,z)$ 
muy_1 = 0
muy_2 = c(0,0)
sigmay_11 = 1
sigmay_22 = matrix(c(1,0.1,0.1,1),nrow=2,ncol=2)
sigmay_12 = sigmay_21 = c(0.9,0.1)

#  $p(z|x,y)$ 
muz_1 = 0
muz_2 = c(0,0)
sigmaz_11 = 1
sigmaz_22 = matrix(c(1,0.9,0.9,1),nrow=2,ncol=2)
sigmaz_12 = sigmaz_21 = c(0.1,0.1)

## Gibbs sampler
n_iter <- 1000; burn_in <- 0.3*n_iter
set.seed(1234)

# Initialize the values
X_n = Y_n = Z_n = 0
X = Y = Z = NULL

for (s in 1:(n_iter+burn_in)){
  #update X_n
  mux = mux_1 + sigmax_12%%solve(sigmax_22)%%(c(Y_n,Z_n) - mux_2)
  varx = sigmax_11 - sigmax_12%%solve(sigmax_22)%%sigmax_21
  X_n <- rnorm(1, mean = mux, sd= varx)

  #update Y_n
  muy = muy_1 + sigmay_12%%solve(sigmay_22)%%(c(X_n,Z_n) - muy_2)
  vary = sigmay_11 - sigmay_12%%solve(sigmay_22)%%sigmay_21
  Y_n <- rnorm(1, mean = muy, sd= vary)

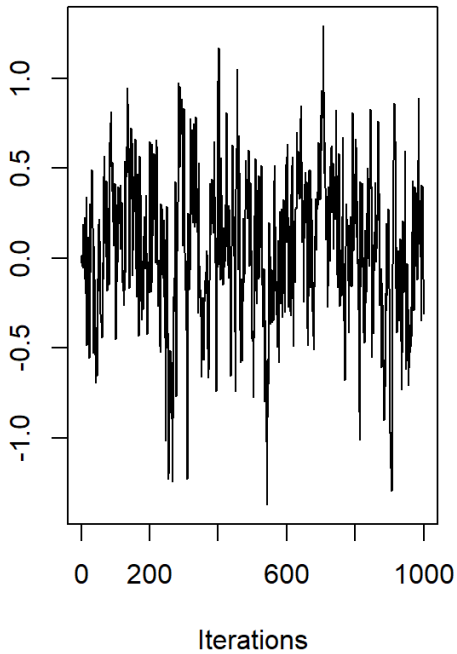
  #update Z_n
  muz = muz_1 + sigmaz_12%%solve(sigmaz_22)%%(c(X_n,Y_n) - muz_2)
  varz = sigmaz_11 - sigmaz_12%%solve(sigmaz_22)%%sigmaz_21
  Z_n <- rnorm(1, mean = muz, sd= varz)

  #save results only past burn-in
  if(s > burn_in){
    X <- rbind(X,X_n)
    Y <- rbind(Y,Y_n)
    Z <- rbind(Z,Z_n)
  }
}

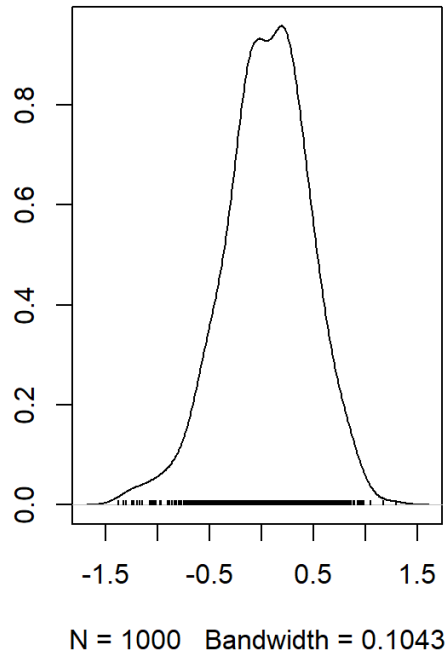
# trace plot of X
X.mcmc <- mcmc(X,start=1)
plot(X.mcmc, main='Traceplot and density plot of X')

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Traceplot and density plot of X

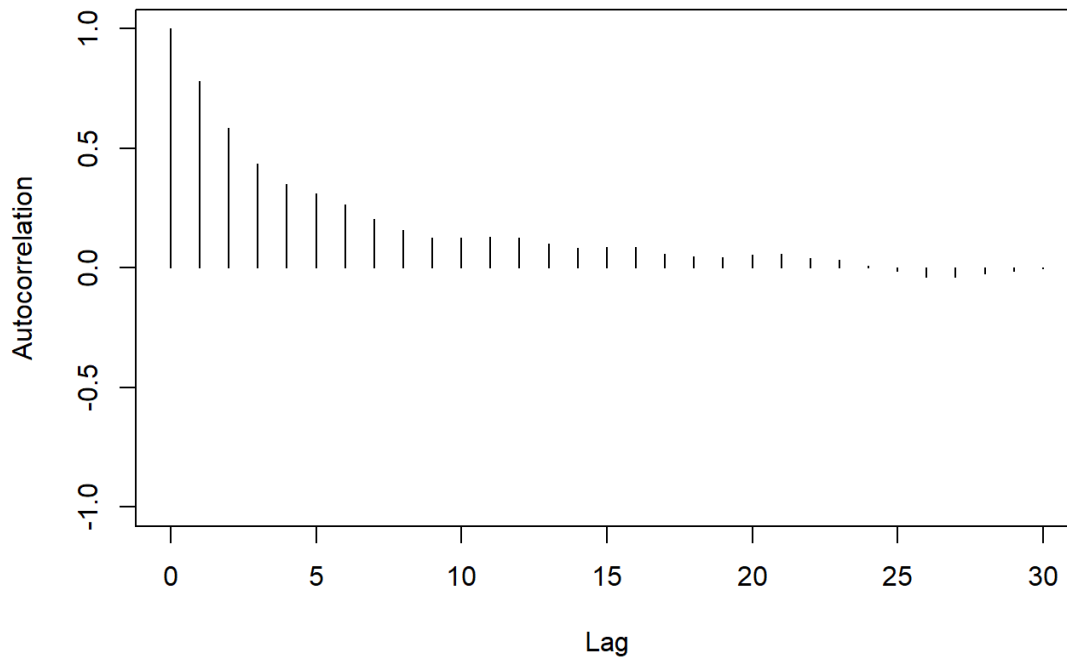


Traceplot and density plot of X



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# autocorrelation plot of X
autocorr.plot(X.mcmc, main='Autocorrelation plot of X')
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Autocorrelation plot of X



In the traceplot, there exists some “snaking” behavior with cyclic local trends in the mean, which shows high posterior correlation in the parameters, especially X and Y. The autocorrelation plot of X shows that autocorrelation doesn’t completely go to zero before lag 20, we have slow mixing problem.

Exercise 3: Give the conditional distributions for $(X, Y)|Z$ and $Z|(X, Y)$.

$$p(X, Y|Z) \sim N\left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} (1)^{-1}((Z) - (0)), \begin{pmatrix} 0.99 & 0.89 \\ 0.89 & 0.99 \end{pmatrix}\right)$$

$$p(Z|X, Y) \sim N\left(0 + \begin{pmatrix} 0.1 \\ 0.1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.9 \\ 0.9 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \left(\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}\right), 0.9895\right)$$

Exercise 4: Write a Gibbs sampler using the conditional distributions in Exercise 3 above. Comment on the plots.

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# p((x,y)|z)
muxy_1 = c(0,0)
muxy_2 = 0
sigmaxy_11 = matrix(c(1,0.9,0.9,1),nrow=2,ncol=2)
sigmaxy_22 = 1
sigmaxy_12 = sigmaxy_21 = c(0.1,0.1)

#p(z|(x,y) is given above

## Gibbs Sampler
n_iter <- 1000; burn_in <- 0.3*n_iter
set.seed(1234)

#Initialize the values
Z_n = 0
XY = Z = NULL

for (s in 1:(n_iter+burn_in)){
  #update X_n, Y_n
  muxy = muxy_1 + sigmaxy_12*%solve(sigmaxy_22)*%(c(Z_n) - muxy_2)
  varxy = sigmaxy_11 - sigmaxy_12*%solve(sigmaxy_22)*%sigmaxy_21
  XY_n <- rmvnorm(1, mean = muxy, sigma= varxy)

  #update Z_n
  muz = muz_1 + sigmaz_12*%solve(sigmaz_22)*%(c(XY_n) - muz_2)
  varz = sigmaz_11 - sigmaz_12*%solve(sigmaz_22)*%sigmaz_21
  Z_n <- rnorm(1, mean = muz, sd= varz)

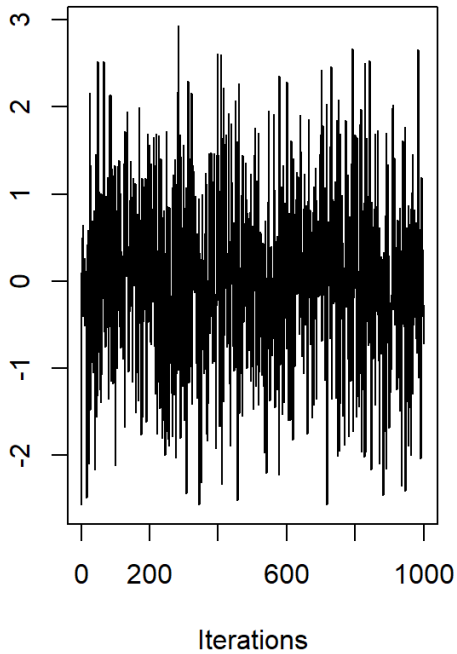
  #save results only past burn-in
  if(s > burn_in){
    XY <- rbind(XY,XY_n)
    Z <- rbind(Z,Z_n)
  }
}

colnames(XY) <- c("X","Y")

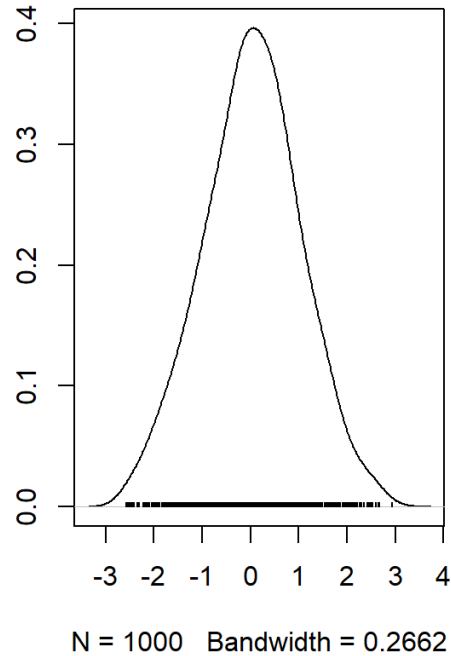
# Diagnostics
XY.mcmc <- mcmc(XY,start=1);

plot(XY.mcmc[, 'X'], main = 'Traceplot and density plot of X')
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Traceplot and density plot of X

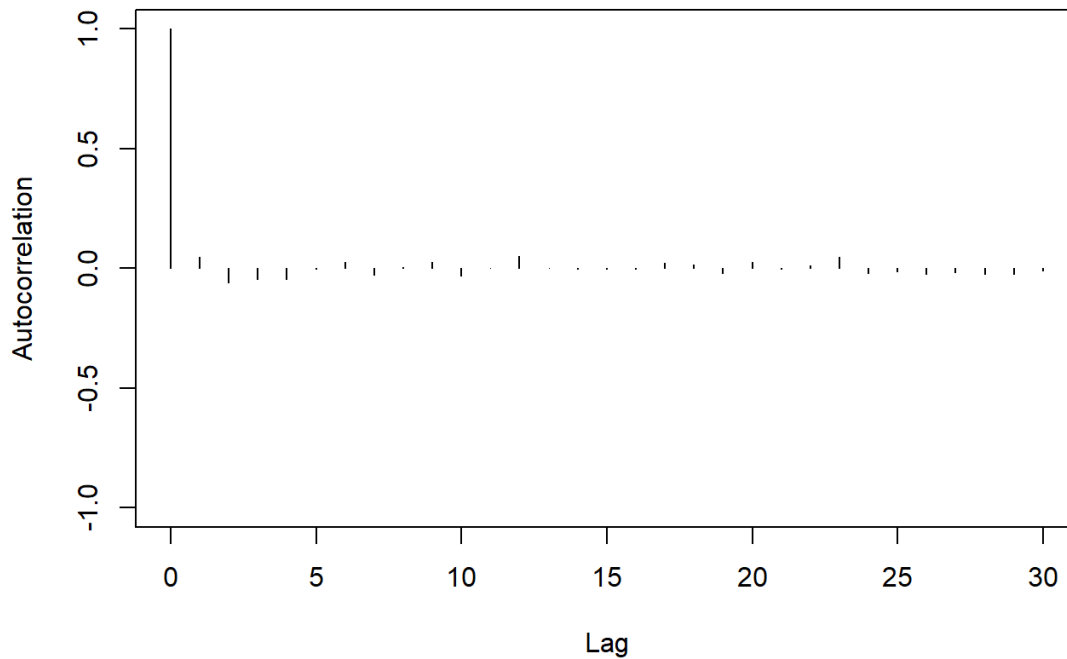


Traceplot and density plot of X



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autocorr.plot(XY.mcmc[, 'X'], main='Autocorrelation plot of X')
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Autocorrelation plot of X



The traceplot of X doesn't show the cyclic local trends, which means it has a good mixing. In addition, in the autocorrelation plot X, autocorrelation completely decreases to zero after lag 1, which also shows a good mixing.

Exercise 5: Comment on the difference between the performance of the two Gibbs samplers. Why is the second more efficient?

Since X and Y are highly correlated, if we sample them individually, then it will result in poor mixing. However, if we group X and Y together using block updates and then sample Z conditioned on X and Y , there won't be high correlation problem since X, Y as a group has low correlation with Z .

The more dependence there is between X and Y , the more efficient it will be to update them jointly. Sampling X and Y which are highly correlated individually is less efficient.