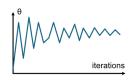


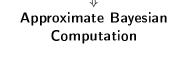
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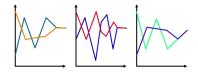
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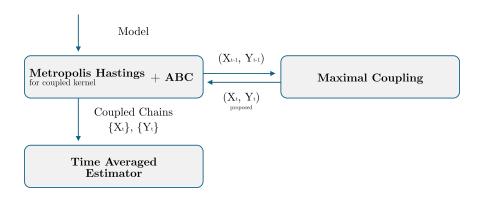
Unbiased Markov chain Monte Carlo methods with couplings





The complete method: MCMC + Couplings +

ABC



- **1** Compute $s_{obs} = S(y_{obs})$;
- 2) generate $\mu_x^{(0)} \sim \pi(\mu)$ and $\mu_y^{(0)} \sim \pi(\mu)$ from prior density;
- **3** generate $\sigma_x^{2(0)} \sim \pi(\sigma^2)$ and $\mu_y^{2(0)} \sim \pi(\sigma^2)$ from prior density;
- 4 generate with a maximal coupling two samples of N observations such that $y_{1j} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_x^{(0)}, \sigma_x^{2(0)})$ and $y_{2j} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_y^{(0)}, \sigma_y^{2(0)})$;
- **6** compute $s_x^{(0)} = S(y_1)$ and $s_y^{(0)} = S(y_2)$;
- **6** until $K_h(||s_x^{(0)} s_{obs}||) > 0$:
 - generate $\mu_x^{(0)} \sim \pi(\mu)$ and $\sigma_x^{(20)} \sim \pi(\sigma^2)$ from prior densities;
 - **Proof** generate a sample of N observations such that $y_{1i} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_x^{(0)}, \sigma_x^{2(0)})$;
 - compute $s_x^{(0)} = S(y_1)$;
- **1** until $K_h(||s_y^{(0)} s_{obs}||) > 0$:
 - generate $\mu_y^{(0)} \sim \pi(\mu)$ and $\sigma_y^{(2)} \sim \pi(\sigma^2)$ from prior densities;
 - **•** generate a sample of N observations such that $y_{1i} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_y^{(0)}, \sigma_y^{2(0)})$;
 - compute $s_x^{(0)} = S(y_1)$;

Metropolis Hastings with couplings and ABC

8 for i = 1,...,N: given

$$\theta^{(i-1)} = (\mu^{(i-1)}, \sigma^{2(i-1)})$$

- ▶ generate $[\theta_x^{(i)}, \theta_y^{(i)}]$ from a maximal coupling given $[\theta_x^{(i-1)}, \theta_y^{(i-1)}]$;
- penerate from a maximal coupling two samples of N observations $y_1 \sim p(y|\theta_x^{(i)})$ and $y_2 \sim p(y|\theta_y^{(i)})$;
- compute $s_x^{(i)} = S(y_1)$ and $s_y^{(i)} = S(y_2)$;
- ightharpoonup accept $\theta_x^{(i)}$ with probability

$$\frac{K_h(||s_x^{(i)} - s_{obs}||)\pi(\theta_x^{(i)})}{K_h(||s_x^{(i-1)} - s_{obs}||)\pi(\theta_x^{(i-1)})}$$

and accept $\theta_y^{(i)}$ with probability

$$\frac{K_h(||s_y^{(i)} - s_{obs}||)\pi(\theta_y^{(i)})}{K_h(||s_y^{(i-1)} - s_{obs}||)\pi(\theta_y^{(i-1)})}.$$

$$\mu_{x}^{(1)},...,\mu_{x}^{(N)} \sim \pi_{ABC}(\mu|y_{obs});$$
 $\mu_{y}^{(1)},...,\mu_{y}^{(N)} \sim \pi_{ABC}(\mu|y_{obs}).$
 $\sigma_{x}^{2(1)},...,\sigma_{x}^{2(N)} \sim \pi_{ABC}(\sigma^{2}|y_{obs});$
 $\sigma_{y}^{2(1)},...,\sigma_{y}^{2(N)} \sim \pi_{ABC}(\sigma^{2}|y_{obs}).$

Set $p = \mathcal{N}(X_{t-1}, 0.1^2 * \mathbb{I})$ and $q = \mathcal{N}(Y_{t-1}, 0.1^2 * \mathbb{I})$, then:

- **1** sample $X_t \sim p$;
- 2 sample $W|X_t \sim \mathcal{U}\{[0, p(X_t)]\};$
- 3 if $W \leq q(X_t)$ then output (X_t, X_t) , otherwise:
 - **1** sample $Y_t \sim q$;
 - 2 sample $W^*|Y_t \sim \mathcal{U}\{[0, q(Y_t)]\}$ until $W^* > p(Y_t)$ and output (X_t, Y_t) .

Summary statistic:

Sample mean, Sample Variance

Distance:

$$L^2$$
 – norm of the difference of $S(y)$ and s_{obs}

Kernel:

$$K(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{1}{2}u^2}, \quad K_h(u) = \frac{K(\frac{u}{h})}{h}$$

Model

$$Y_i|\mu,\sigma^2 \stackrel{\textit{iid}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu,\sigma^2)$$
 $\mu \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_0,\sigma_0^2)$
 $\sigma^2 \sim \textit{InvGa}(a,b)$
 $\pi(\mu,\sigma) = \pi(\mu) * \pi(\sigma)$
 $\mu_0 = 34, \quad \sigma_0^2 = 3$
 $a = b = 1$

Dataset

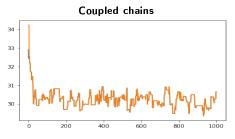
100 samples generated from a Gaussian distribution:

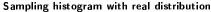
$$Y_{obs} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{obs}, \sigma_{obs}^2)$$

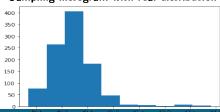
$$\mu_{obs} = 30, \sigma_{obs}^2 = 2$$

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 $E[\mu|y] = 30, 19$

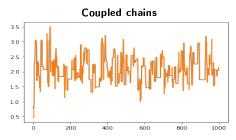




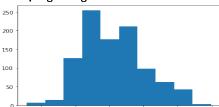


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$$E[\sigma^2|y] = 2,06$$



Sampling histogram with real distribution



Model 10/30

QUANTILE FUNCTION:

$$r \in (0,1) \longmapsto a + b(1+0.8\left(\frac{1-exp(-g\cdot z(r))}{1+exp(-g\cdot z(r))}\right)(1+z(r)^2)^k\cdot z(r)$$

where

is the r-th quantile of the standard Normal distribution.

Model

Prior distribution: $a \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 10])$

 $b \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 10])$

 $g \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 10])$

 $k \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 10])$

Summary statistic:

Distance:

$$L^2$$
 – norm of the difference of $S(y)$ and s_{obs}

Kernel:

$$K(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{1}{2}u^2}, \quad K_h(u) = \frac{K(\frac{u}{h})}{h}$$

Dataset

100 samples generated from the quantile distribution:

$$a_{obs} = 3, \ b_{obs} = 1, \ g_{obs} = 2, \ k_{obs} = 0.5, \ y_{obs}$$
 $y_{obs} = a_{obs} + b_{obs}(1 + 0.8 \left(\frac{1 - exp(-g_{obs} \cdot z(r))}{1 + exp(-g_{obs} \cdot z(r))}\right) (1 + z(r)^2)^k \cdot z(r)$ and $z(r) \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$

INITIALIZATION:

$$egin{aligned} \theta^{(0)} &= (a^{(0)}, b^{(0)}, g^{(0)}, k^{(0)}) \\ \theta^{(0)} &\sim \mathcal{U}([0, 10]^4) \\ \text{for j in } (1, ..., n): \end{aligned}$$

- $z^{(0,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- $y^{(0,j)} \sim quantilefunction(z^{(0,j)}(r))$

compute the summaries statistics: $s^{(0)} = S(y^{(0)})$ Untill $Kh(||s^{(0)} - s_{obs}||) > 0$

- lacksquare Generate $heta^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10]^4)$ from prior density.
- lacksquare Generate $z^{(0)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- Generate a sample of 1000 observations such that $y \sim quantilefunction(z^{(0)}(r), \theta^{(0)})$
- Compute $s^{(0)} = S(y)$

for i in (1,...,M):

- $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{1} \ \, \text{given} \ \, \theta^{(i-1)} = (a^{(i-1)}, b^{(i-1)}, g^{(i-1)}, k^{(i-1)}) \\ \theta^{(i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(\theta^{(i-1)}, I) \\ \text{for j in } (1, \dots, n): \\ z^{(i,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \\ y^{(ij)} \sim quantile function(z^{(i,j)}(r), \theta^{(i-1)}) \end{array}$
- **2** Compute the summaries $s^{(i)} = S(y^{(i)})$
- 3 Accept $\theta^{(i)}$ with probability $\frac{Kh(\|s^{(i)}-s_{obs}\|)\pi(\theta^{(i)})}{Kh(\|s^{(i-1)}-s_{obs}\|)\pi(\theta^{(i-1)})}$

ABC + COUPLED MARKOV CHAIN for parameter a $_{15/30}$

parameters b,g,k are fixed equal to the observation parameters $a_1^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10])$ $a_2^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10])$ for j in $(1,...,n_{obs})$:

- $z^{(0,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- $y_1^{(0,j)} \sim quantile function(z^{(0,j)}(r))$
- $lacksquare compute <math>s_1^{(0)} = S(y_1^{(0)})$

for j in $(1,...,n_{obs})$:

- $z^{(0,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- $y_2^{(0,j)} \sim quantilefunction(z^{(0,j)}(r))$
- compute the summaries statistics: $s_2^{(0)} = S(y_2^{(0)})$

ABC + COUPLED MARKOV CHAIN for parameter a $_{16/30}$

Untill $\mathit{Kh}(\|s_1^{(0)} - s_{obs}\|) > 0$:

- **1** Generate $a_1^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10])$ from prior density.
- **2** Generate $z_1^{(0)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- **3** Generate a sample of 1000 observations such that $y_1 \sim quantilefunction(z_1^{(0)}(r), a_1^0)$
- **4** Compute $s_1^{(0)} = S(y_1)$

Untill $Kh(||s_2^{(0)} - s_{obs}||) > 0$:

- $oldsymbol{0}$ Generate $a_2^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10])$ from prior density.
- ② Generate $z_2^{(0)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- **3** Generate a sample of 1000 observations such that $y_2 \sim quantilefunction(z_2^{(0)}(r), a_2^{(0)})$
- **4** Compute $s_2^{(0)} = S(y_2)$

ABC + COUPLED MARKOV CHAINS for parameter $a_{17/30}$

for i in (1,...,M):

 $oldsymbol{1}$ generate $a_1^{(i)}, a_2^{(i)}$ from maximalcoupling $(a_1^{(i-1)}, a_2^{(i-1)})$

for j in (1,...,n):

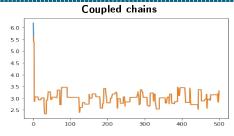
- $ightharpoonup z^{(i,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- penerate: $y_1^{(ij)} \sim quantilefunction(z^{(i,j)}(r), \theta^{(i-1)})$ $y_2^{(ij)} \sim quantilefunction(z^{(i,j)}(r), \theta^{(i-1)})$
- **2** Compute the summaries $s_1^{(i)} = S(y_1^{(i)})$ and $s_2^{(i)} = S(y_2^{(i)})$
- 3 acceptance:
 - Accept $a_1^{(i)}$ with probability $\frac{Kh(\|\mathbf{s}_1^{(i)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(a_1^{(i)})}{Kh(\|\mathbf{s}_1^{(i-1)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(a_1^{(i-1)})}$ otherwise $a_1^{(i)} = a_1^{(i-1)}$
 - Accept $a_2^{(i)}$ with probability $\frac{Kh(\|s_2^{(i)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(a_2^{(i)})}{Kh(\|s_2^{(i-1)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(a_2^{(i-1)})}$ otherwise $a_2^{(i)} = a_2^{(i-1)}$

given $(a_1^{(i-1)}, a_2^{(i-1)})$ set $p(\cdot|a_1^{(i-1)}) = \mathcal{N}(a_1^{(i-1)}, 1)$ and $q(\cdot|a_2^{(i-1)}) = \mathcal{N}(a_2^{(i-1)}, 1)$

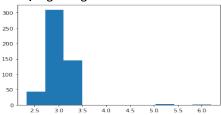
- **1** $a_1' \sim p(\cdot|a_1^{(i-1)})$
- ② if $w_1 \sim \mathcal{U}((0, p(a'|a_1^{(i-1)}))) < q(a'|a_2^{(i-1)}) : a_1^{(i)} = a_1'$ and $a_2^{(i)} = a_1'$ otherwise until $w_2 \sim \mathcal{U}((0, q(a'|a_2^{(i-1)})) > p(a'|a_1^{(i-1)})$:
 - $oldsymbol{1}$ generate $a_2' \sim q(\cdot|a_2^{(i-1)})$
 - 2 sample $I \sim \mathcal{U}((0,1))$

and then set: $a_1^{(i)}=a_1'$ and $a_2^{(i)}=a_2'$

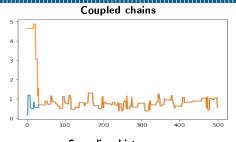
Results: parameter a

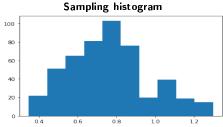


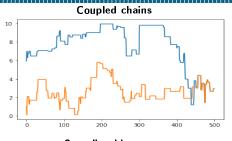
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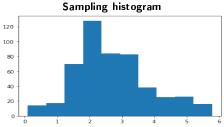


Results: parameter b

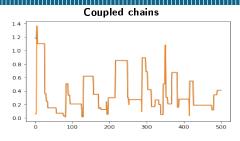


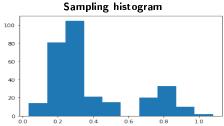






Results: parameter k





given $\theta = (a, b, g, k)$

- $\theta_1^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0, 10]^4)$
- $\theta_2^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10]^4)$
- for j in $(1,...,n_{obs})$:
 - $z^{(0,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
 - $y_1^{(0,j)} \sim quantilefunction(z^{(0,j)}(r), \theta_1^{(0)})$
 - $lacksquare{}$ compute $s_1^{(0)} = S(y_1^{(0)})$

for j in $(1,...,n_{obs})$:

- $z^{(0,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- $y_2^{(0,j)} \sim quantilefunction(z^{(0,j)}(r), theta_2^{(0)})$
- lacksquare compute the summaries statistics: $s_2^{(0)} = S(y_2^{(0)})$

ABC + COUPLED MARKOV CHAIN for parameter a $_{ ext{\tiny 24/30}}$

Untill $\mathit{Kh}(\|s_1^{(0)} - s_{obs}\|) > 0$:

- $oldsymbol{0}$ Generate $heta_1^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10]^4)$ from prior density.
- **2** Generate $z_1^{(0)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- **3** Generate a sample of 1000 observations such that $y_1 \sim quantilefunction(z_1^{(0)}(r), \theta_1^0)$
- **4** Compute $s_1^{(0)} = S(y_1)$

Untill $Kh(||s_2^{(0)} - s_{obs}||) > 0$:

- $oldsymbol{0}$ Generate $heta_2^{(0)} \sim \mathcal{U}([0,10]^4)$ from prior density.
- **2** Generate $z_2^{(0)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
- **3** Generate a sample of 1000 observations such that $y_2 \sim quantilefunction(z_2^{(0)}(r), theta_2^{(0)})$
- **4** Compute $s_2^{(0)} = S(y_2)$

ABC + COUPLED MARKOV CHAINS

for i in (1,...,M):

 $oldsymbol{1}$ generate $heta_1^{(i)}, heta_2^{(i)}$ from maximalcoupling $(heta_1^{(i-1)}, heta_2^{(i-1)})$

for j in (1,...,n):

- $ightharpoonup z^{(i,j)}(r) \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1)$
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- **2** Compute the summaries $s_1^{(i)} = S(y_1^{(i)})$ and $s_2^{(i)} = S(y_2^{(i)})$
- 3 acceptance:
 - Accept $a_1^{(i)}$ with probability $\frac{Kh(\|\mathbf{s}_1^{(i)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(\theta_1^{(i)})}{Kh(\|\mathbf{s}_1^{(i-1)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(\theta_1^{(i-1)})}$ otherwise $a_1^{(i)} = \theta_1^{(i-1)}$
 - Accept $a_2^{(i)}$ with probability $\frac{Kh(\|s_2^{(i)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(\theta_2^{(i)})}{Kh(\|s_2^{(i-1)} s_{obs}\|)\pi(\theta_2^{(i-1)})}$ otherwise $\theta_2^{(i)} = \theta_2^{(i-1)}$

given
$$(\theta_1^{(i-1)}, \ \theta_2^{(i-1)})$$
 set $p(\cdot|\theta_1^{(i-1)}) = \mathcal{N}(\theta_1^{(i-1)}, 0.1^2\mathbb{I})$ and $q(\cdot|\theta_2^{(i-1)}) = \mathcal{N}(\theta_2^{(i-1)}, 0.1^2\mathbb{I})$

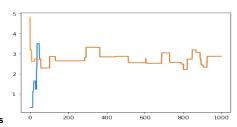
1 $\theta_1' \sim p(\cdot|\theta_1^{(i-1)})$

2 if $w_1 \sim \mathcal{U}((0, p(\theta'|\theta_1^{(i-1)}))) < q(\theta'|\theta_2^{(i-1)}) : \theta_1^{(i)} = \theta_1' \text{ and } \theta_2^{(i)} = \theta_1'$

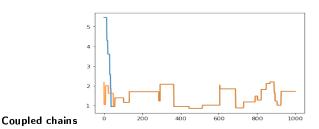
otherwise until $w_2 \sim \mathcal{U}((0, q(\theta'|\theta_2^{(i-1)})) > p(\theta'|\theta_1^{(i-1)})$:

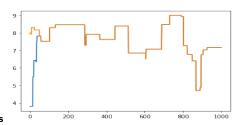
1 generate $\theta_2' \sim q(\cdot|\theta_2^{(i)})$

and then set: $\theta_1^{(i)} = \theta_1'$ and $\theta_2^{(i)} = \theta_2'$

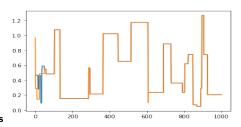


Coupled chains





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