

# Week 3

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## A trigonometric density

We now load the data

```
angles <- read.table("angles.txt")$x
```

### Ex 1

#### 1.0

This density is not normalized (that is, its integral is not 1), we need thus to compute the normalization constant  $C_k = 1 / \int_0^\pi \sin(x)^k dx$  and then define the appropriate density function in R.

You can find an R file with all the functions for this density here

```
source("f_sink.R") ###now we have dsin, psin, qsin and rsin
```

We actually only need `dsin` but I had to generate the data so I needed also `rsin` (the random number generator) and since I used the inverse transform sampling I needed also the quantile functions and thus the CDF.

#### 1.1

The model is parametric with one parameter  $k$ ,

$$f(x|k) = \frac{\sin(x)^k}{\int_0^\pi \sin(t)^k dt}$$

#### 1.1

Analytically the minus log likelihood is,

$$-\ell(k) = -k \sum_{i=1}^n \log \sin(X_i) + n \log \left( \int_0^\pi \sin(t)^k dt \right)$$

We define the minus log likelihood in R,

```
mll <- function(k, data){  
  sum( -log(dsin(x = data, k = k )))  
}
```

## 1.2

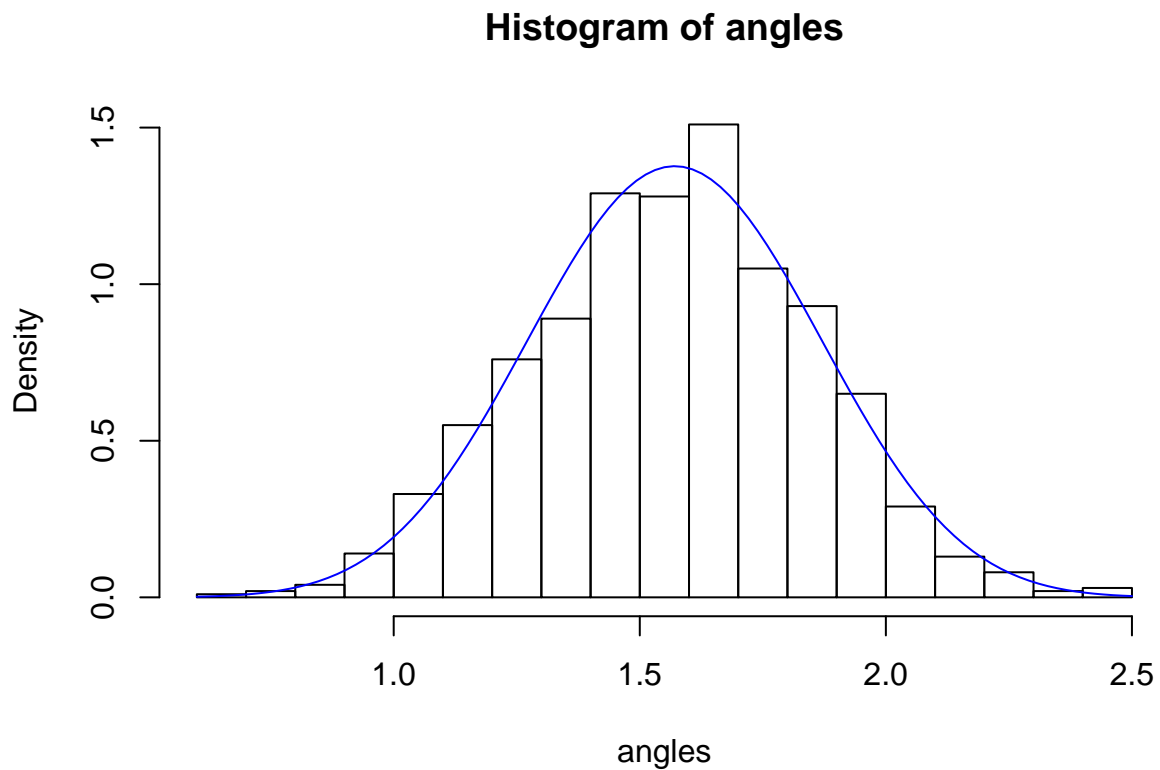
We use here numerical optimization to obtain the MLE of the parameter  $k$ .

```
k_est <- optimize(mll, interval = c(0,100), data = angles)$minimum  
k_est
```

```
## [1] 11.40039
```

## 1.3

```
hist(angles, probability = TRUE, breaks = "FD")  
curve(dsin(x, k_est), add = TRUE, col = "blue")
```



## A case study of neuronal data

We continue the case study of the ISI data in the `neuronspikes.txt` file,

```
isi_data <- read.table("neuronspikes.txt")  
isi <- isi_data$V1
```

## Ex 2

### 2.1

Exponential model  $isi \sim \text{exponential}(\lambda)$

The maximum likelihood estimation of  $\lambda$  is  $\hat{\lambda} = 1/\bar{X}$ ,

```
rate_est <- 1/mean(isi)
rate_est
```

```
## [1] 1.146891
```

## 2.2

Gamma model,

$$isi \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$$

$\alpha$  is called shape parameter and  $\beta$  is the rate.

The MLE can be found with optimization methods, we define the minus log-likelihood,

```
mllg <- function(pars, data){
  -sum(dgamma(data, shape = pars[1], rate = pars[2], log = TRUE))
}
```

Now we can use numerical optimization, we use a very bad choice for the initial point:

```
res_optim <- optim(par = c(10, 10), fn = mllg, data = isi)
pars_est <- res_optim$par
res_optim
```

```
## $par
## [1] 1.562647 1.792188
##
## $value
## [1] 252.7012
##
## $counts
## function gradient
##      79      NA
##
## $convergence
## [1] 0
##
## $message
## NULL
```

## 2.3

We can find the method of moments estimators from the following equations,

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta} = \bar{X} \tag{1}$$

$$\frac{\alpha}{\beta^2} = s_n^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \tag{2}$$

From equation (1) we obtain,

$$\alpha = \beta \bar{X}$$

We substitute  $\alpha$  in equation (2) and we obtain,

$$\frac{\beta \bar{X}}{\beta^2} = s_n^2$$

and then,

$$\frac{\overline{X}}{\beta} = s_n^2$$

we can now solve it for  $\beta$  obtaining

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{\overline{X}}{s_n^2}$$

Then we can obtain for  $\alpha$

$$\hat{\alpha} = \hat{\beta} \overline{X} = \frac{\overline{X}^2}{s_n^2}$$

We will use  $s^2$  instead of  $s_n^2$ , the results will not vary a lot and we avoid to rescale the empirical variance.

```
shape_mmest <- mean(isi)^2 / var(isi) ##we just use the var function
rate_mmest <- mean(isi) / var(isi)
c(shape_mmest, rate_mmest)
```

```
## [1] 1.283954 1.472556
```

we can now use this estimates as initial points in the optimization method,

```
res_optim <- optim(par = c(shape_mmest,rate_mmest),
                  fn = mllg, data = isi)
pars_est <- res_optim$par
res_optim
```

```
## $par
## [1] 1.562585 1.792009
##
## $value
## [1] 252.7012
##
## $counts
## function gradient
##      63      NA
##
## $convergence
## [1] 0
##
## $message
## NULL
```

### Ex 3

We use now the Inverse Gaussian distribution to model the ISI data. The inverse Gaussian density is,

$$f(x|\mu, \lambda) = \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi x^3}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(\frac{-\lambda(x - \mu)^2}{2\mu^2 x}\right)$$

#### 3.1

The log likelihood is

$$\ell(\mu, \lambda) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(X_i|\mu, \lambda) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log(\lambda) - \sum_{i=1}^n \log(2\pi X_i^3) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda(X_i - \mu)^2}{2\mu^2 X_i}$$

$$= \frac{n}{2} \log(\lambda) - n \log(2\pi) - 3 \sum_{i=1}^n \log(X_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda(X_i - \mu)^2}{2\mu^2 X_i}$$

### 3.2

To obtain abalytically the MLE of  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  we need to compute the gradient of  $\ell$ .

We start with the partial derivative with respect to  $\mu$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \mu} &= -\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-2(X_i - \mu)2\mu^2 X_i - 4\mu X_i(X_i - \mu)^2}{4\mu^4 X_i^2} \\ &= -\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{-\mu X_i + \mu^2 - X_i^2 - \mu^2 + 2\mu X_i}{\mu^3 X_i} \\ &= -\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mu X_i - X_i^2}{\mu^3 X_i} = -\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mu - X_i}{\mu^3} \end{aligned}$$

So if we impose  $\partial \ell / \partial \mu = 0$  we obtain,

$$-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mu - X_i}{\mu^3} = 0$$

and hence (by multiplying by  $\mu^3$  and dividing by  $-\lambda$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n \mu - X_i &= 0 \\ \hat{\mu} &= \bar{X} \end{aligned}$$

To obtain  $\hat{\lambda}$  we impose that  $\partial \ell / \partial \lambda = 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \lambda} &= \frac{n}{2\lambda} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(X_i - \mu)^2}{2\mu^2 X_i} = 0 \\ \frac{1}{\hat{\lambda}} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i^2 + \bar{X}^2 - 2X_i \bar{X}}{\bar{X}^2 X_i} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{X_i} + \frac{1}{n \bar{X}^2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i - 2\bar{X} \\ \frac{1}{\hat{\lambda}} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{X_i} - \frac{1}{\bar{X}} \end{aligned}$$

### 3.3

In R,

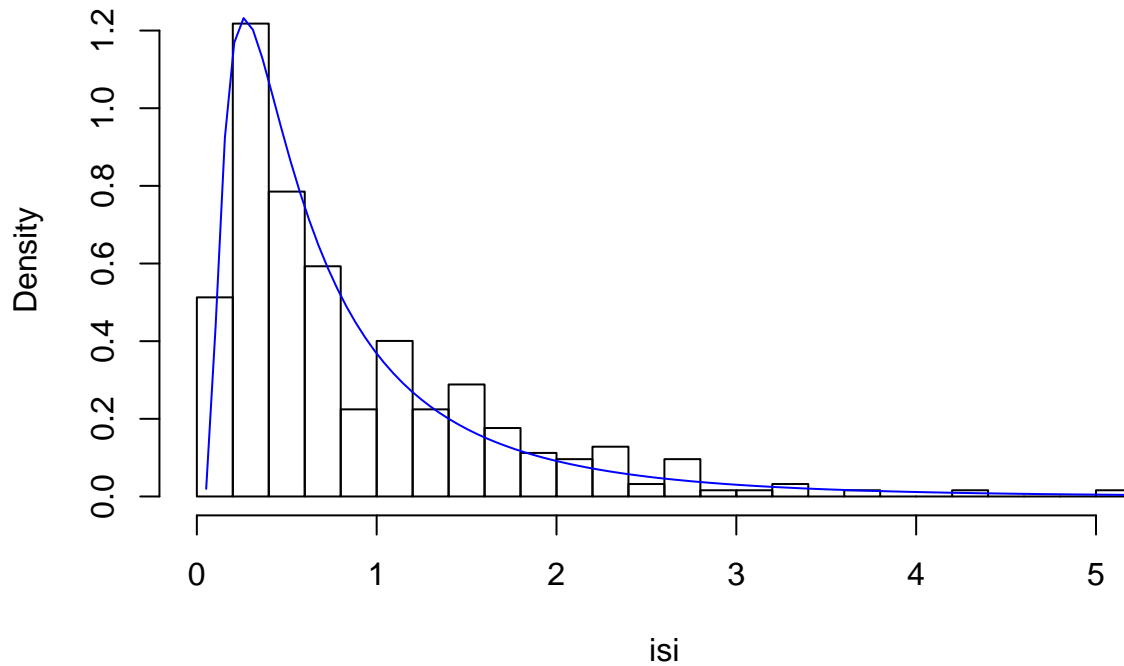
```
mu_est <- mean(isi)
lambda_est <- 1 / ( mean(1/isi) - 1/mean(isi))
c(mu_est, lambda_est)
```

```
## [1] 0.8719221 0.8679884
```

Plotting,

```
dinvgauss <- function(x, mu = 1, lambda = 1){
  sqrt(lambda/(2*pi*x^3))*exp( -(lambda* (x-mu)^2)/ (2*mu^2*x) )
}
hist(isi, probability = TRUE, breaks = "FD")
curve(dinvgauss(x, mu = mu_est, lambda = lambda_est), add = TRUE,
      col = "BLUE")
```

## Histogram of isi



### 3.4

As usual we define the minus log-likelihood,

```
mllig <- function(pars, data){
  -sum(log(dinvgauss(data, pars[1], pars[2])))
}
```

And we call the optim function,

```
optim(par = c(1, 1), fn = mllig, data = isi)
```

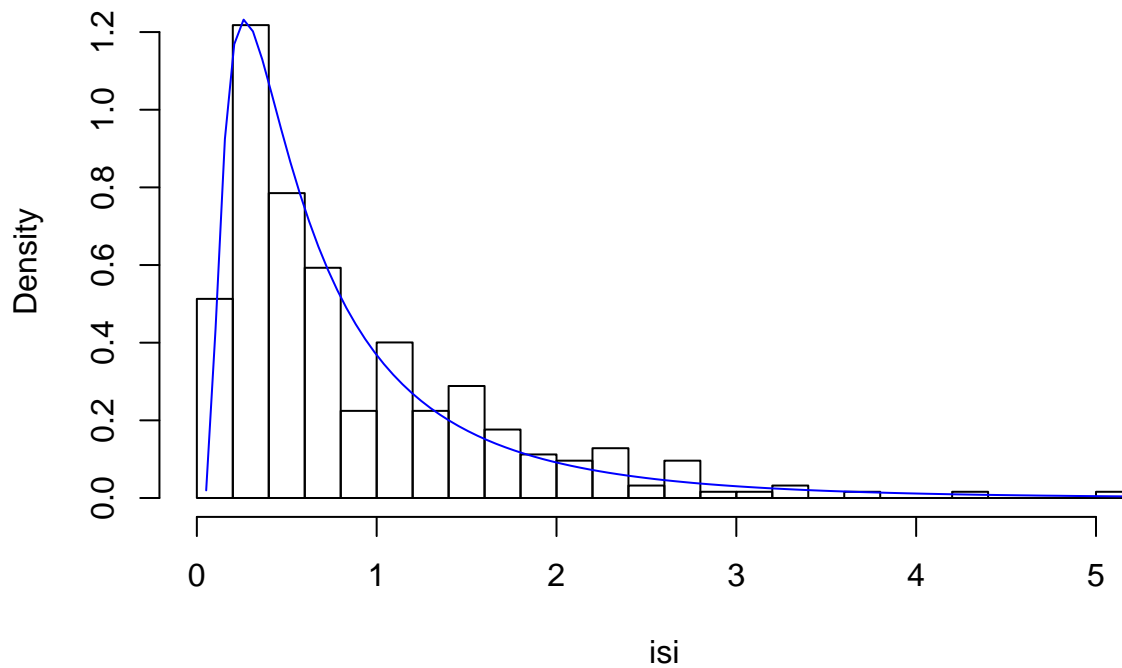
```
## $par
## [1] 0.8718732 0.8679736
##
## $value
## [1] 235.4785
##
## $counts
## function gradient
```

```
##      51      NA
##
## $convergence
## [1] 0
##
## $message
## NULL
```

3.5

```
hist(isi, probability = TRUE, breaks = "FD")
curve(dinvgauss(x, mu = mu_est, lambda = lambda_est), add = TRUE,
      col = "BLUE")
```

## Histogram of isi



## Brain cell dataset

We load the data,

```
cells <- read.csv("cell_types.csv", na.strings = "")
rampspiketime <- cells$ef__peak_t_ramp
```

Ex 4

4.1

We can find the maximum-likelihood easily with numerical optimization, as usual we first of all define the minus log-likelihood, we use the function `na.omit` so we are sure to clean the data from NA values before applying the density:

```
mlln <- function(pars, data){  
  -sum(dlnorm(na.omit(data), pars[1], pars[2], log = TRUE))  
}
```

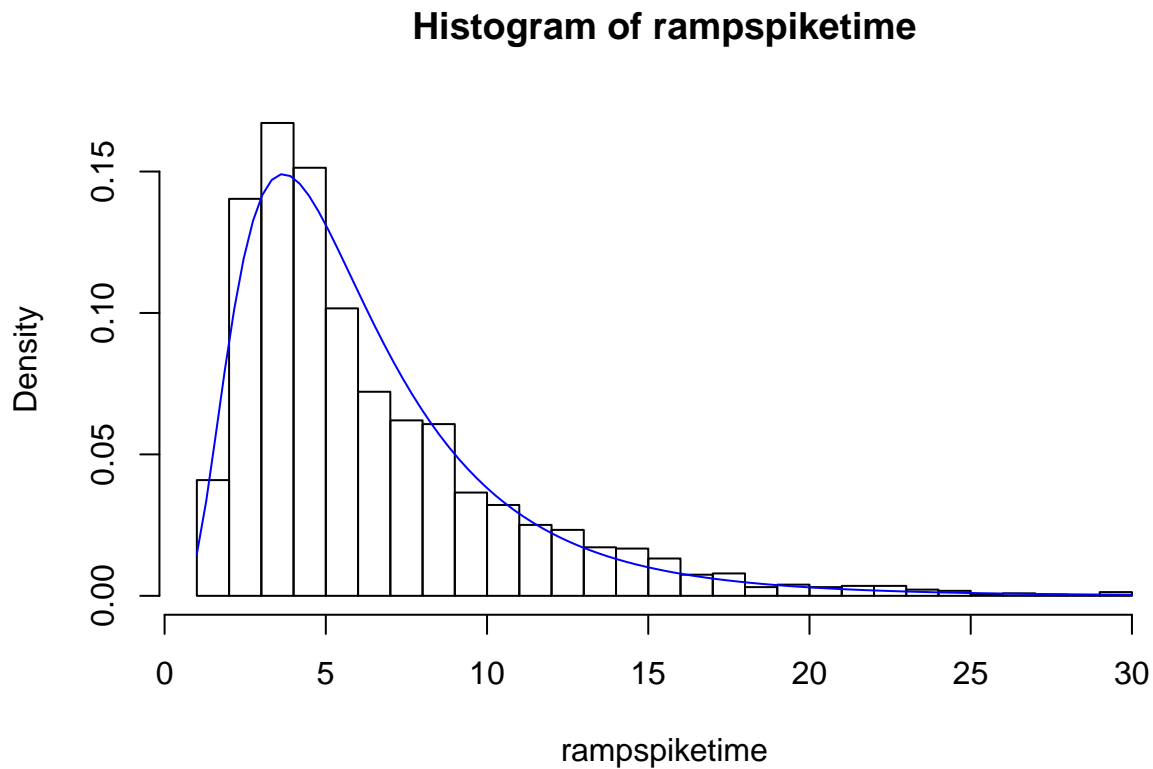
Now we can run `optim`

```
pars_est <- optim( c(0,1), fn = mlln, data = rampspiketime)$par  
pars_est
```

```
## [1] 1.6689543 0.6056442
```

We plot the result,

```
hist(rampspiketime, probability = TRUE, breaks = "FD")  
curve(dlnorm(x, meanlog = pars_est[1], sdlog = pars_est[2]), add  
       = TRUE, col = "blue")
```



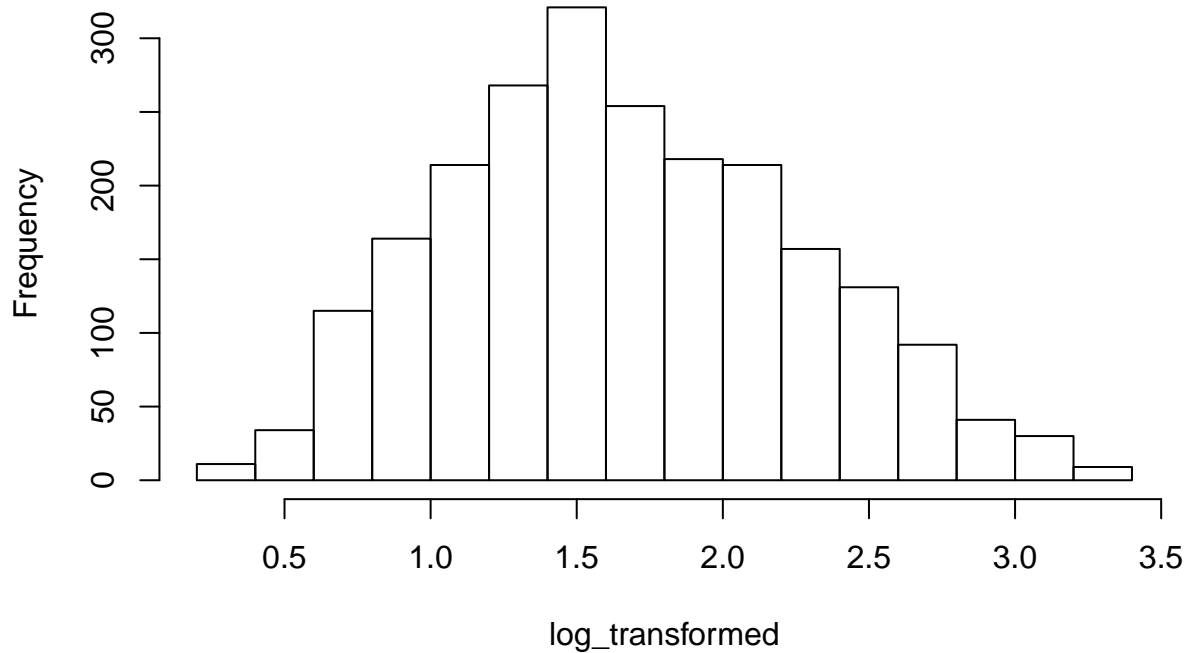
## 4.2

We transform the ramp spike observations with the logarithm

```
log_transformed <- log(rampspiketime)  
hist(log_transformed)
```



## Histogram of log\_transformed



The MLE for the parameter of a Gaussian distribution can be obtained analytically,

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{X} \quad \hat{\sigma} = \frac{(n-1)s}{n} \approx s$$

So we get in this case,

```
n <- length(na.omit(log_transformed))
mu_est <- mean(log_transformed, na.rm = TRUE)
sigma_est <- sd(log_transformed, na.rm = TRUE)
c(mu_est, sigma_est)
```

```
## [1] 1.6688950 0.6057655
```

### 4.3

For the human male observations:

```
male_obs_log <- log_transformed[cells$donor__sex == "Male"]
mu_male <- mean(male_obs_log, na.rm = TRUE)
sigma_male <- sd(male_obs_log, na.rm = TRUE)
c(mu_male, sigma_male)
```

```
## [1] 1.8357933 0.7271868
```

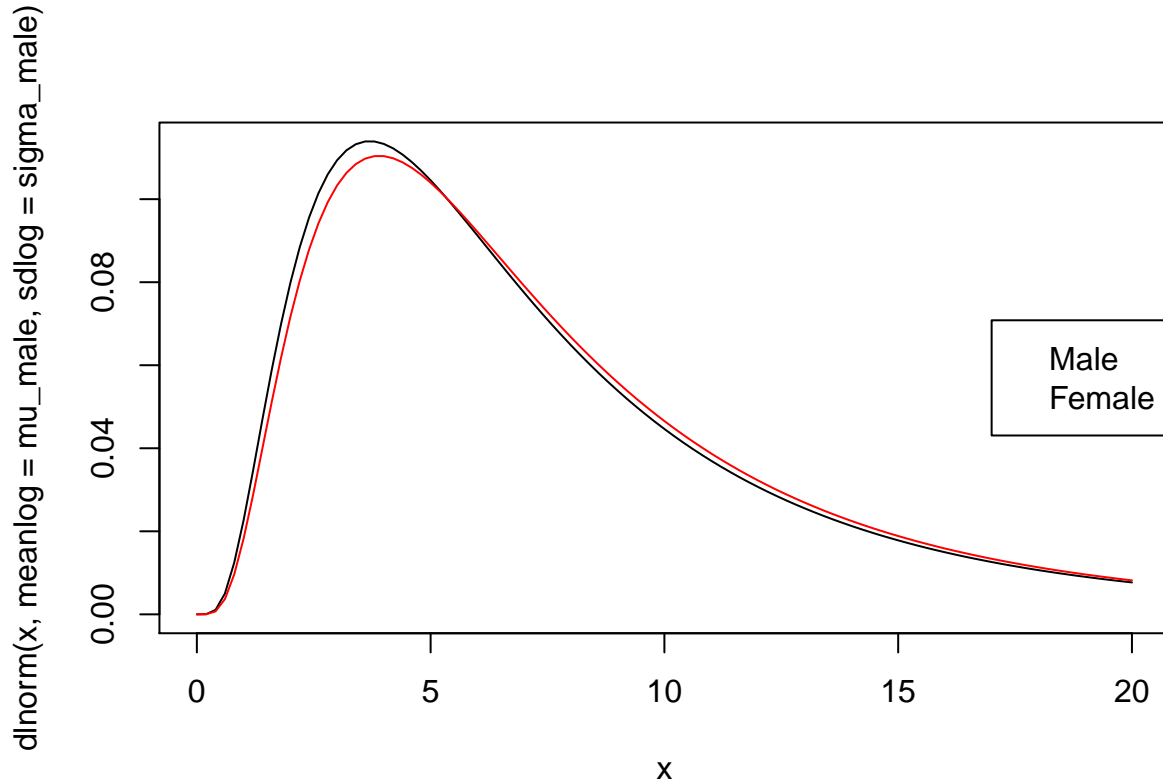
For the human female

```
female_obs_log <- log_transformed[cells$donor__sex == "Female"]
mu_female <- mean(female_obs_log, na.rm = TRUE)
```

```
sigma_female <- sd(female_obs_log, na.rm = TRUE)
c(mu_female, sigma_female)
```

```
## [1] 1.8741756 0.7168038
```

```
curve(dlnorm(x, meanlog = mu_male, sdlog = sigma_male), from = 0, to = 20)
curve(dlnorm(x, meanlog = mu_female,
             sdlog = sigma_female), from = 0, to = 20, col = "red", add = TRUE)
legend("right", legend = c("Male", "Female"), col = c("black", "red"))
```



## Jukes-Cantor model

Ex 5

5.1

```
f_jk <- function(x, y, t, a){
  if (x == y){
    0.25 + 0.75 * exp(-4*a*t)
  }else{
    0.25 - 0.25 * exp(-4*a*t)
  }
}
```

5.2

We can write the likelihood as:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(\alpha) &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(X = x_i, Y = y_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X = x_i)P(Y = y_i|X = x_i) = \\ &= \prod_{x_i=y_i} \frac{1}{4} (1/4 + 3e^{-4\alpha t}/4) \prod_{x_i \neq y_i} \frac{1}{4} (1/4 - e^{-4\alpha t}/4) = \\ &= \frac{1}{4^{2n}} \left( \prod_{x_i=y_i} 1 + 3e^{-4\alpha t} \prod_{x_i \neq y_i} 1 - e^{-4\alpha t} \right)\end{aligned}$$

so the log-likelihood is:

$$\ell(\alpha) = \log(\mathcal{L}(\alpha)) = -2n \log(4) + \sum_{x_i=y_i} \log(1 + 3e^{-4\alpha t}) + \sum_{x_i \neq y_i} \log(1 - e^{-4\alpha t})$$

If we introduce the statistics

$$n_1 = |\{i : X_i = Y_i\}|$$

and

$$n_2 = |\{i : X_i \neq Y_i\}| = n - n_1$$

we have that

$$\ell(\alpha) = -2n \log(4) + n_1 \log(1 + 3e^{-4\alpha t}) + n_2 \log(1 - e^{-4\alpha t})$$

### 5.3

To find the MLE of  $\alpha$  we have to compute the derivative of  $\ell$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d\ell(\alpha)}{d\alpha} &= \frac{n_1}{1 + 3e^{-4\alpha t}} (-12e^{-4\alpha t}) + \frac{n_2}{1 - e^{-4\alpha t}} (4e^{-4\alpha t}) = \\ &= \frac{4n_2 e^{-4\alpha t} (1 + 3e^{-4\alpha t}) - 12n_1 e^{-4\alpha t} (1 - e^{-4\alpha t})}{\dots} =\end{aligned}$$

We can divide by  $4e^{-4\alpha t} > 0$  and obtain the equation for the critical point as:

$$n_2 + 3n_2 e^{-4\alpha t} - 3n_1 + 3n_1 e^{-4\alpha t} = 0$$

thus

$$e^{-4\alpha t} = \frac{3n_1 - n_2}{3(n_1 + n_2)}$$

Thus if  $3n_1 \leq n_2$  there are no solution and  $d\ell/d\alpha > 0$  thus the log-likelihood is unbounded. If  $3n_1 > n_2$  then the only critical point is

$$\hat{\alpha} = -\frac{1}{4t} \log\left(\frac{3n_1 - n_2}{3n}\right)$$

which we can prove to be a maximum of  $\ell$  and thus the MLE. We can also rewrite it as

$$\hat{\alpha} = \frac{\log(3n) - \log(3n_1 - n_2)}{4t}$$

### 5.4

```

simulate_jk <- function(n = 1, t = 1, a = 1){
  x <- sample(x = c("A", "C", "G", "T"), size = n,
             replace = TRUE)
  y <- sapply(x, function(xx){
    probs <- sapply(c("A", "C", "G", "T"),
                   function(yy){
                     f_jk(x = xx, y = yy, t = t, a = a)
                   })
    sample(c("A", "C", "G", "T"), size = 1, prob = probs)
  })
  return(data.frame(x = x, y = y))
}

```

```
simulate_jk(5, t = 2, a = 0.5)
```

```

##   x y
## 1 T G
## 2 G T
## 3 G A
## 4 C T
## 5 G A

```

We write e minus log-likelihood

```

mll_jk <- function(a, data, t = 1){
  -sum(sapply(1:nrow(data), function(i){
    log(f_jk(x = data$x[i], y = data$y[i], t = t, a = a))
  })))
}
D <- simulate_jk(n = 100, t = 1, a = 5)
mll_jk(1, data = D)

```

```
## [1] 138.9665
```

we try to solve the MLE numerically,

```

a_real <- 0.2
t <- 1
n <- 1000
D <- simulate_jk(n = n, t = t, a = a_real)
a_est <- optimize(f = mll_jk, interval = c(0,2), data = D, t = t)$minimum

a_est

```

```
## [1] 0.1905384
```

we can compare it now with the analytical solution of the MLE obtained before:

```

n1 <- sum(apply(D, MARGIN = 1,
               function(r) r[1] == r[2]))
n2 <- nrow(D) - n1
a_mle <- - log( (3*n1 - n2) / (3*(n1+n2))) / (4*t)
a_mle

```

```
## [1] 0.190535
```