

Chapter 12

- 12.1 Efficient Gibbs samplers (not part of the course)
- 12.2 Efficient Metropolis jump rules (not part of the course)
- 12.3 Further extensions to Gibbs and Metropolis (not part of the course)
- 12.4 Hamiltonian Monte Carlo (important)
- 12.5 Hamiltonian dynamics for a simple hierarchical model (useful example)
- 12.6 Stan: developing a computing environment (useful intro)

Extra material for HMC / NUTS

- An introduction for applied users with good visualizations:
Cole C. Monnahan, James T. Thorson, and Trevor A. Branch (2016) Faster estimation of Bayesian models in ecology using Hamiltonian Monte Carlo.
<https://dx.doi.org/10.1111/2041-210X.12681>
- A review of why HMC works:
Radford Neal (2012). MCMC using Hamiltonian dynamics.
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1206.1901>
- The No-U-Turn Sampler:
Matthew D. Hoffman and Andrew Gelman (2014). The No-U-Turn Sampler: Adaptively Setting Path Lengths in Hamiltonian Monte Carlo.
<https://jmlr.csail.mit.edu/papers/v15/hoffman14a.html>
- Multinomial variant of NUTS:
Michael Betancourt (2018). A Conceptual Introduction to Hamiltonian Monte Carlo. <https://arxiv.org/abs/1701.02434>

Extra material for Stan

- Andrew Gelman, Daniel Lee, and Jiqiang Guo (2015) Stan: A probabilistic programming language for Bayesian inference and optimization. http://www.stat.columbia.edu/~gelman/research/published/stan_jebbs_2.pdf
- Carpenter et al (2017). Stan: A probabilistic programming language. Journal of Statistical Software 76(1). <https://doi.org/10.18637/jss.v076.i01>
- Stan User's Guide, Language Reference Manual, and Language Function Reference (in html and pdf) <https://mc-stan.org/users/documentation/>
 - easiest to start from Example Models in User's guide
- Basics of Bayesian inference and Stan, part 1 Jonah Gabry & Lauren Kennedy (StanCon 2019 Helsinki tutorial)
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZRpo41I02KQ&index=6&list=PLuwyh42iHquU4hUBQs20hkBsKSMrp6H0J>
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6cc4N1vT8pk&index=7&list=PLuwyh42iHquU4hUBQs20hkBsKSMrp6H0J>

Chapter 12 demos

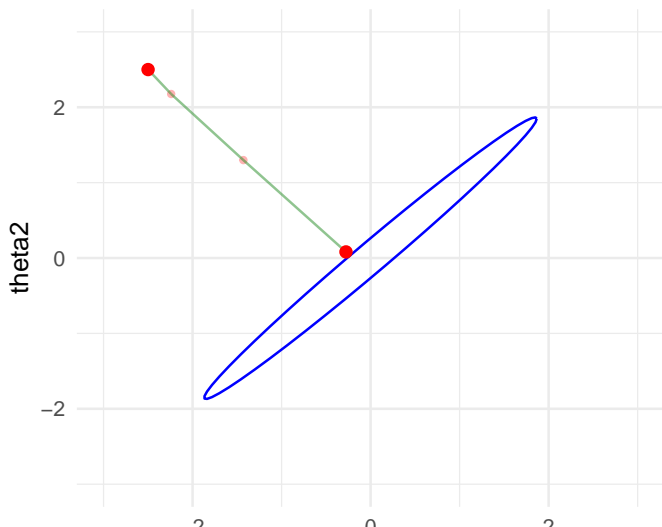
- demo12_1: HMC
- <https://chi-feng.github.io/mcmc-demo/>
- <http://elevanth.org/blog/2017/11/28/build-a-better-markov-chain/>
- cmdstanr_demo, rstan_demo
- <http://sumsar.net/blog/2017/01/bayesian-computation-with-stan-and-farmer-jons/>
- <http://mc-stan.org/documentation/case-studies.html>
- <https://mc-stan.org/cmdstanr/>
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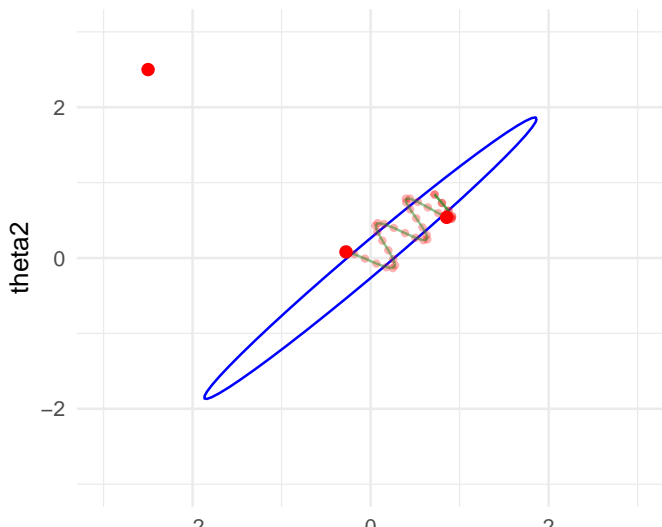
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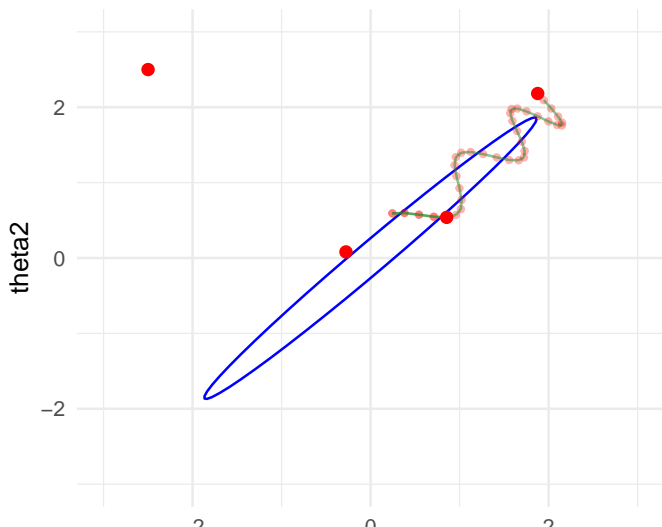
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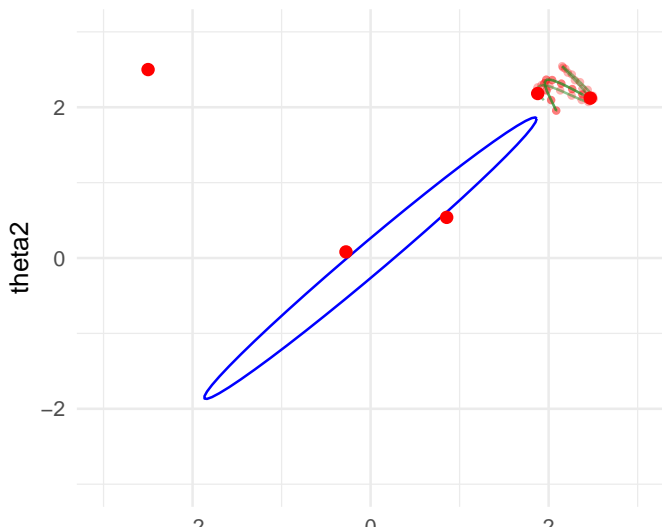
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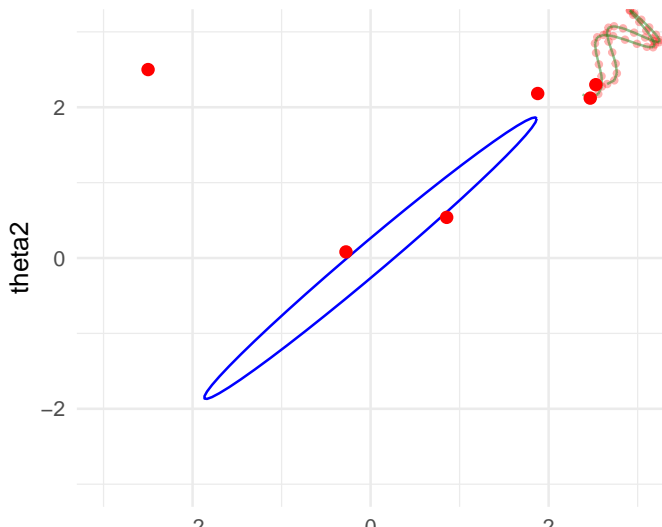
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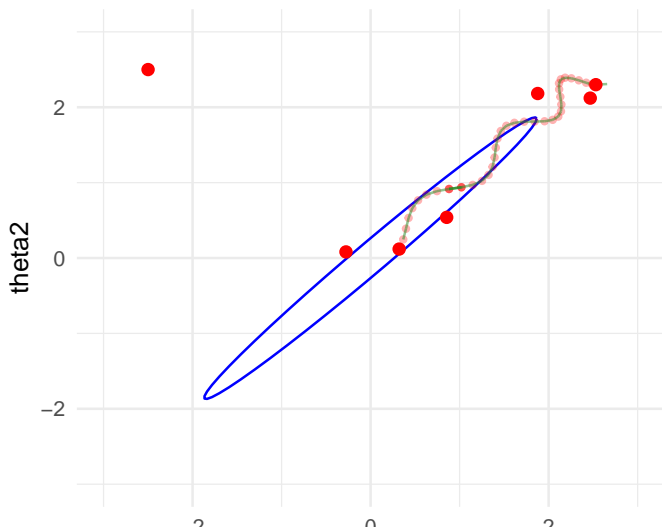
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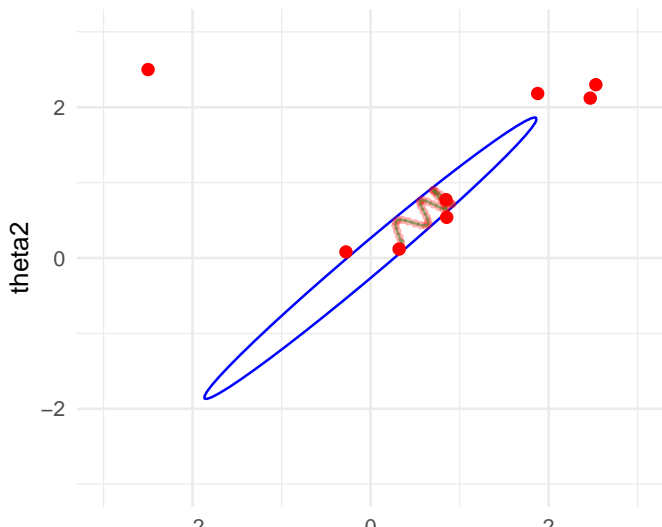
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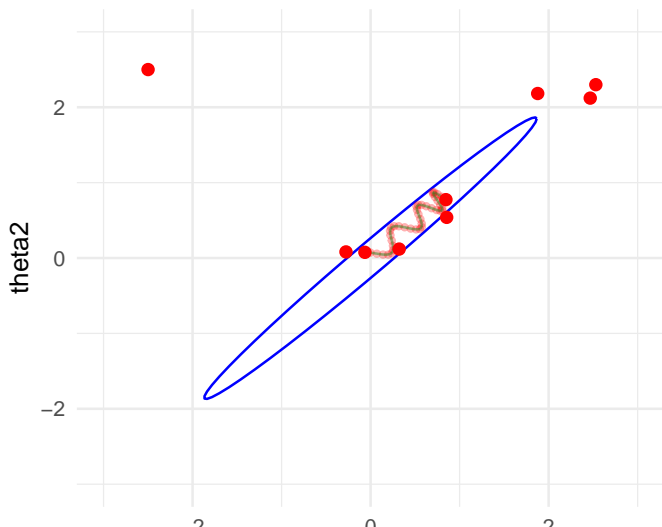
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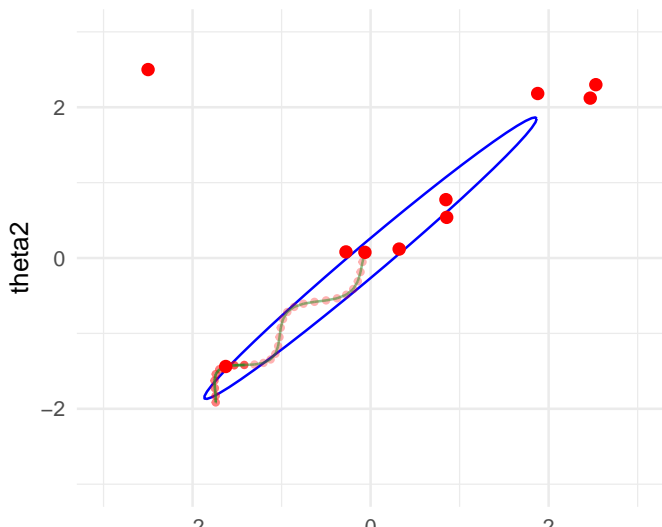
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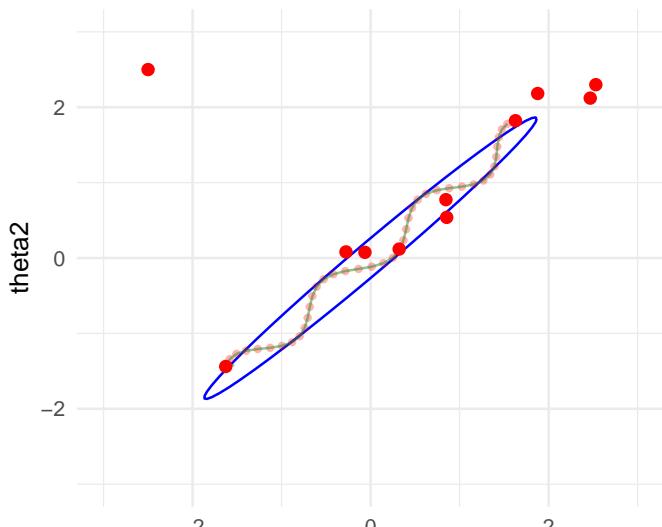
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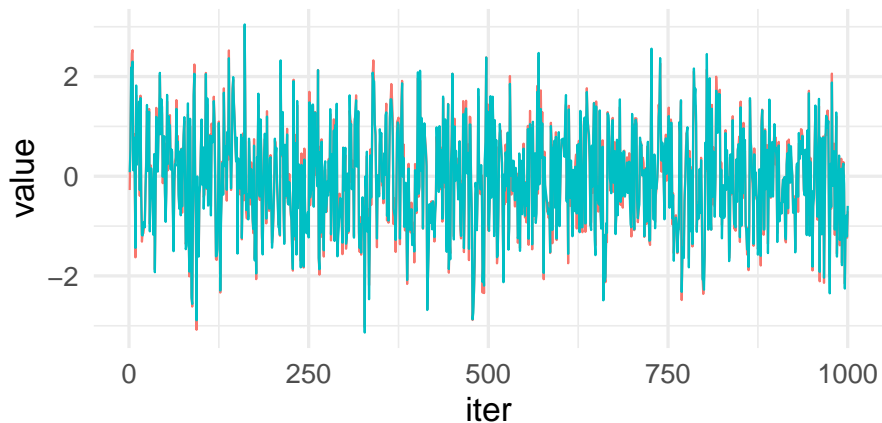
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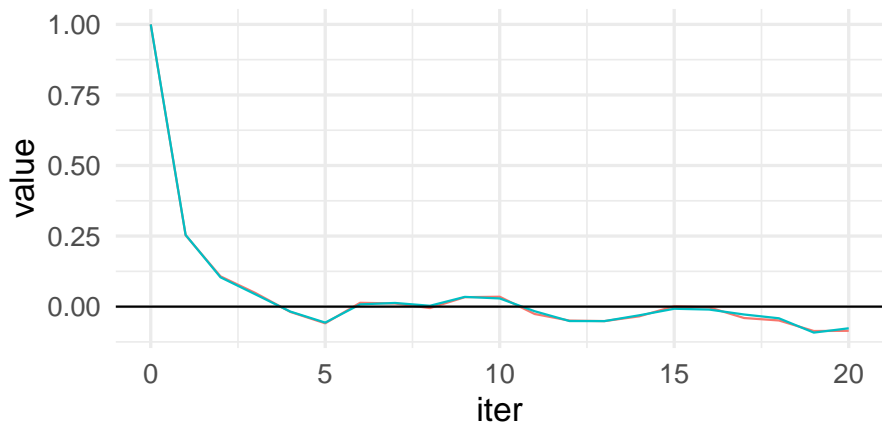
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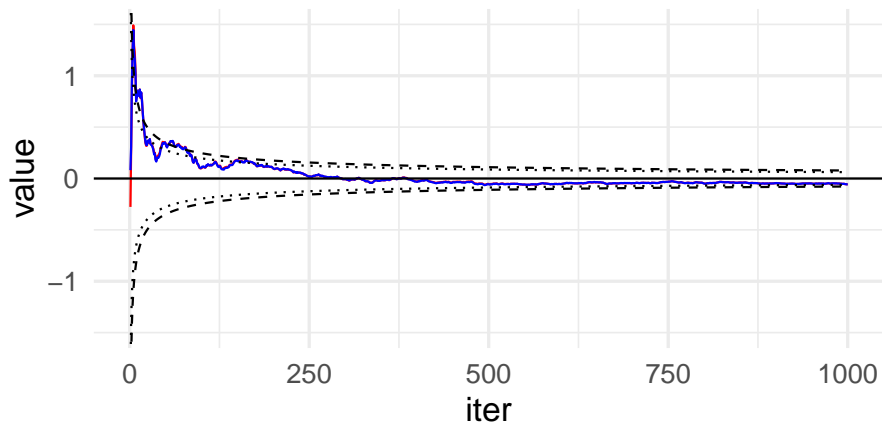
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Cumulative averages



Hamiltonian Monte Carlo / No-U-Turn sampling

1. HMC basics (static HMC)
2. HMC + leapfrog discretization + Metropolis (static HMC)
3. NUTS + slice sampling + Metropolis (dynamic HMC)
4. NUTS + multinomial (dynamic HMC)

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- HMC
 - Augment with ϕ (the same dimensionality as θ)
 - - 1) sample directly from $p(\phi)$,
 - 2) make a special Metropolis step in $p(\theta, \phi)$

Hamiltonian Monte Carlo

- 1) Sample from $p(\phi)$
 - define $p(\phi) = \text{normal}(0, 1)$
- 2) Metropolis update for $p(\theta, \phi)$
 - proposal from Hamiltonian dynamic simulation

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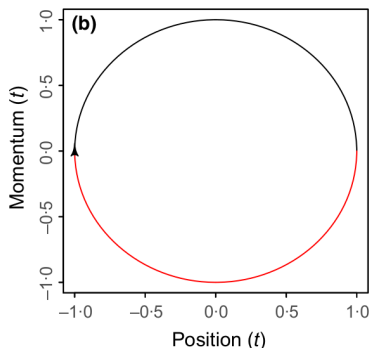
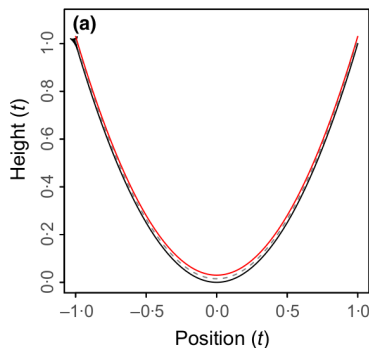
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Hamiltonian dynamic simulation

Equations of motion, use also the gradient

$$\frac{d\theta_i}{dt} = \frac{\partial H}{\partial p_i}$$
$$\frac{d\phi_i}{dt} = -\frac{\partial H}{\partial \theta_i}$$

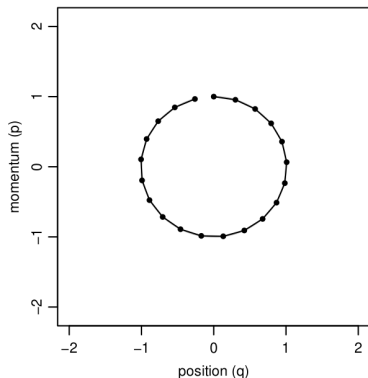


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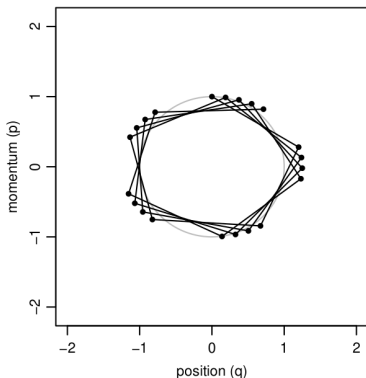
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 - preserves volume
 - reversible
 - discretization error does not usually grow in time

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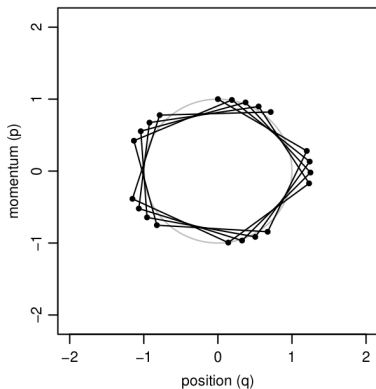


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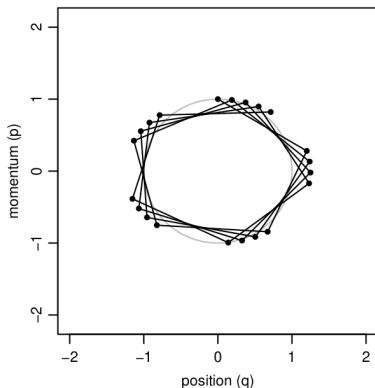
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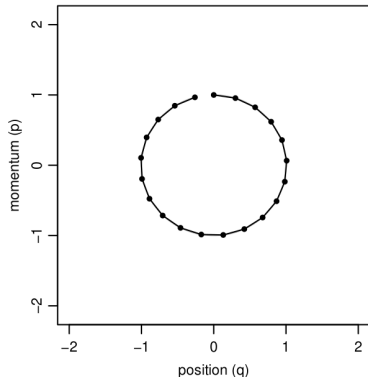
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- Metropolis step with $r = \exp(H(\theta^*, \phi^*) - H(\theta^{(t-1)}, \phi^{(t-1)}))$
 - accept if the Hamiltonian energy in the end is higher
 - accept with some probability if the Hamiltonian energy in the end is lower



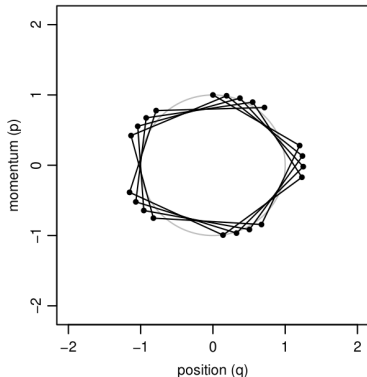
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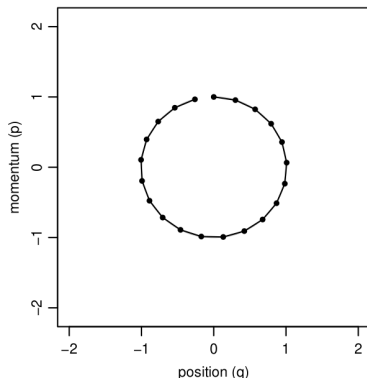


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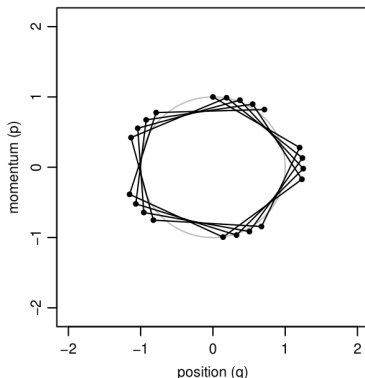
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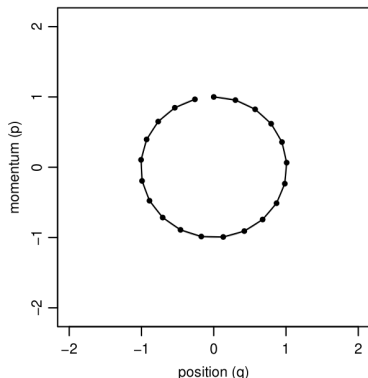


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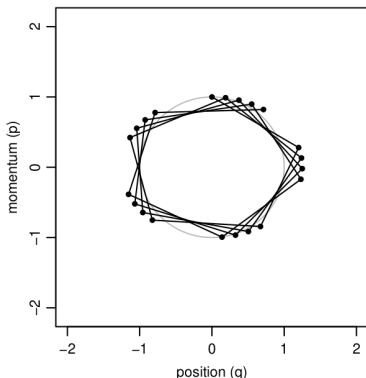
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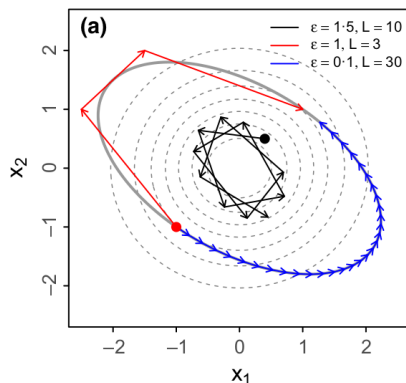
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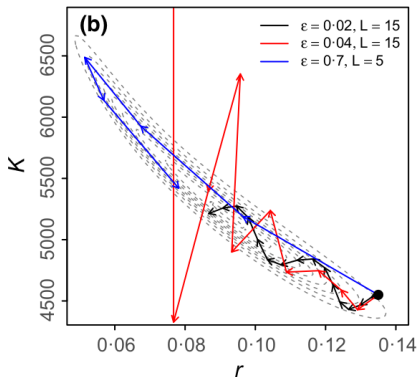
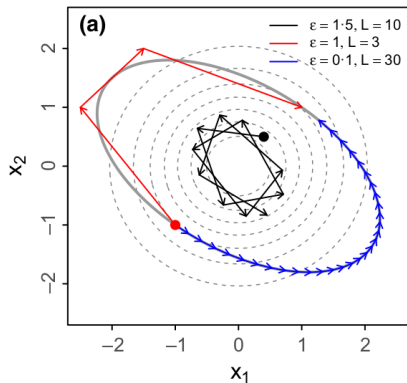
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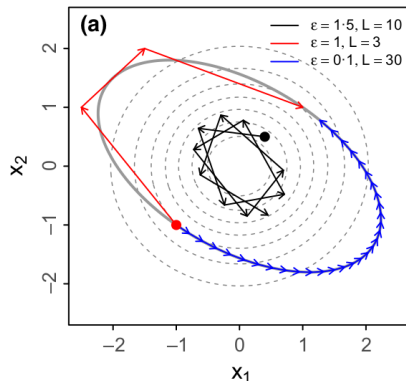
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Leapfrog discretization, the number of steps

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Static Hamiltonian Monte Carlo

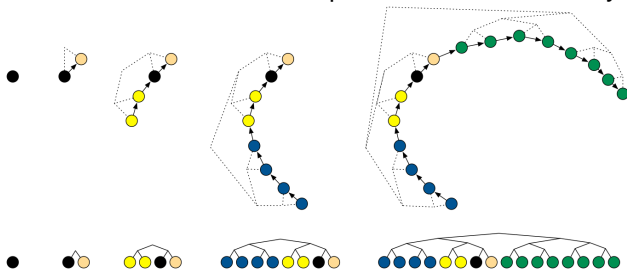
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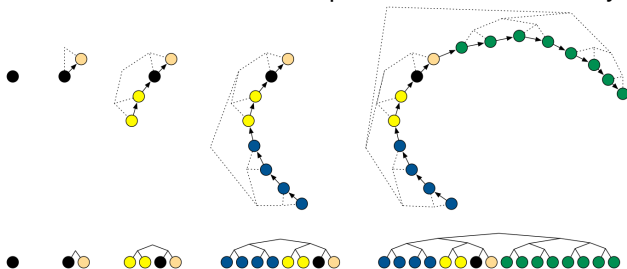
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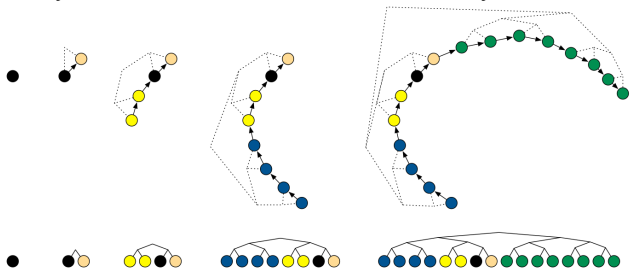
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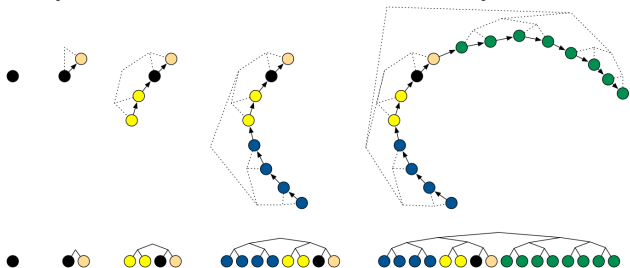
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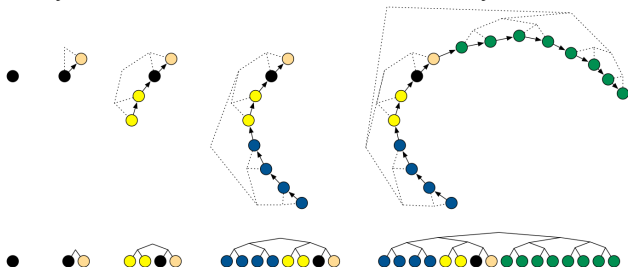


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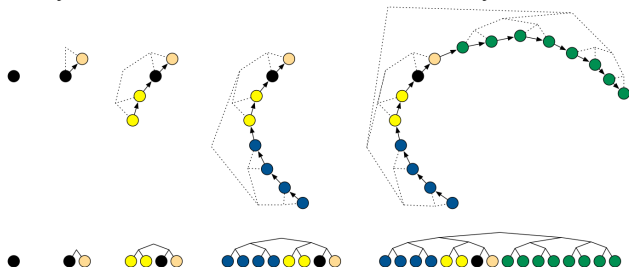


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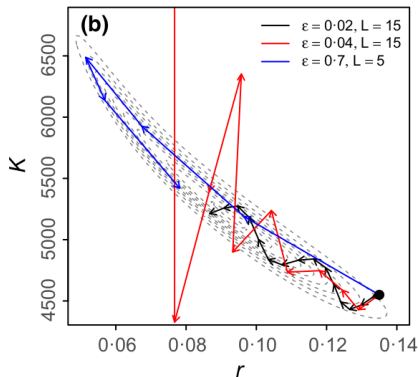


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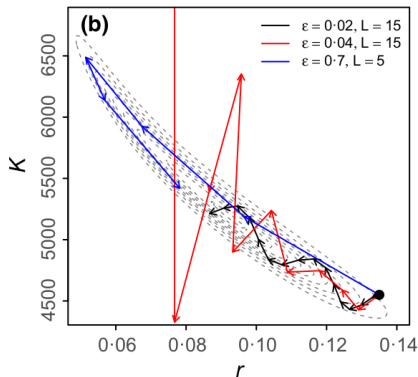
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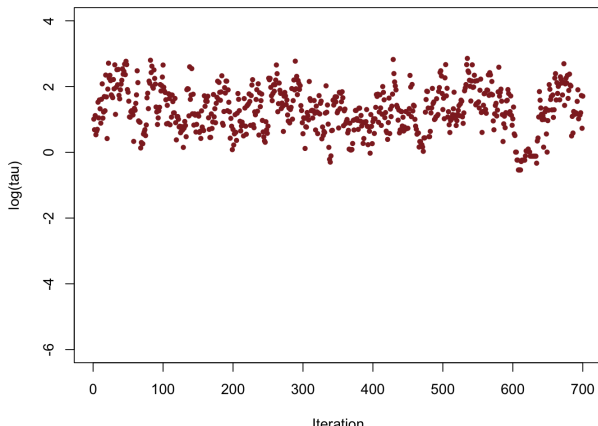
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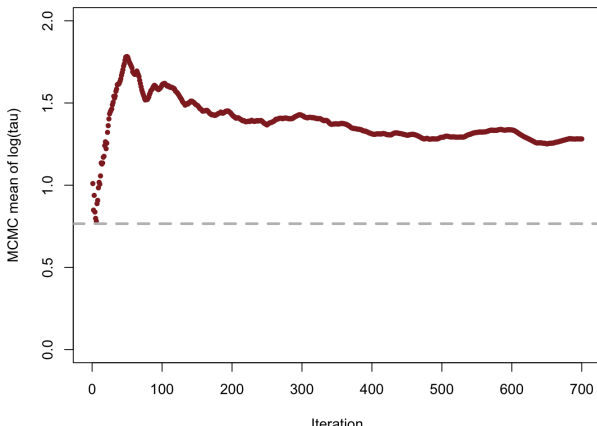
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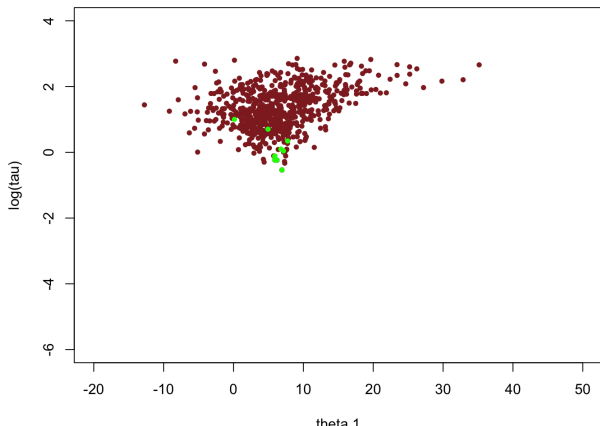
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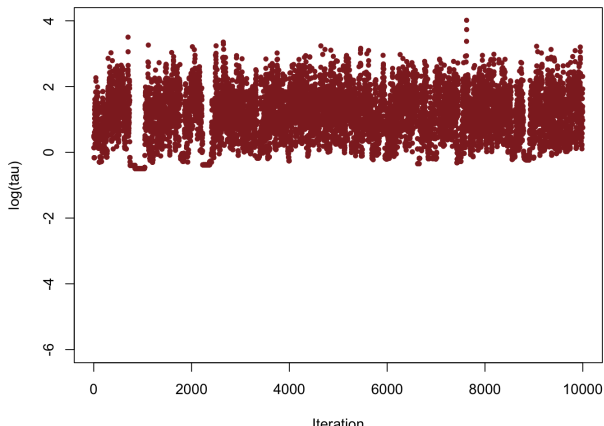
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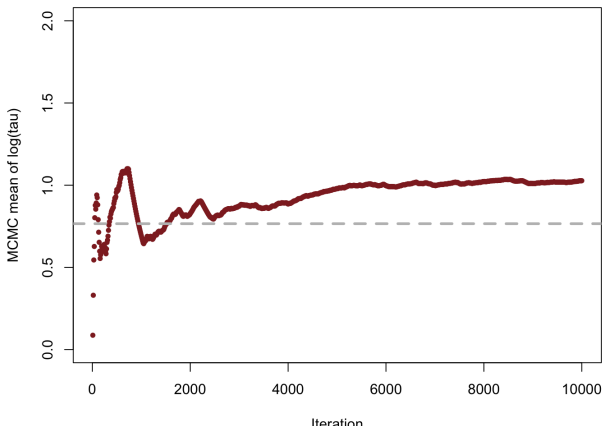
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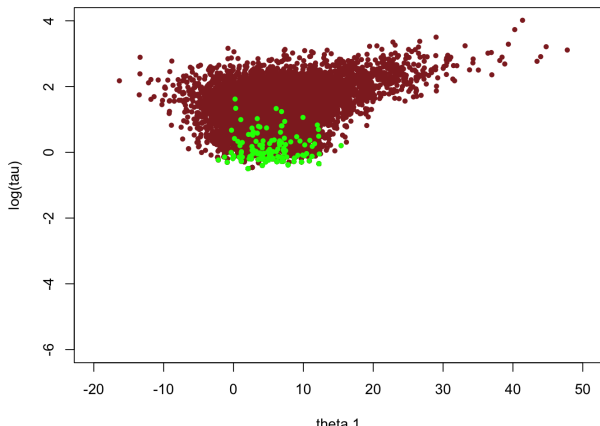
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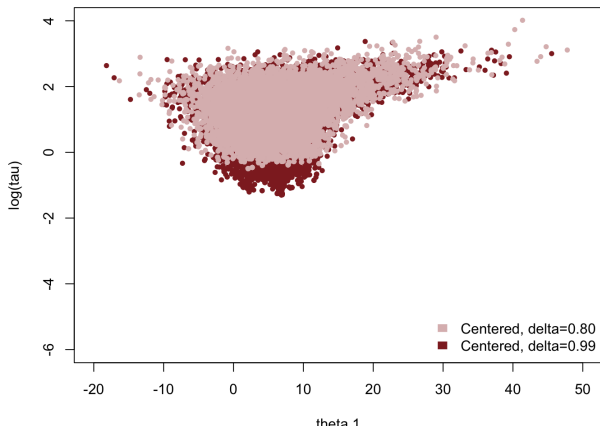
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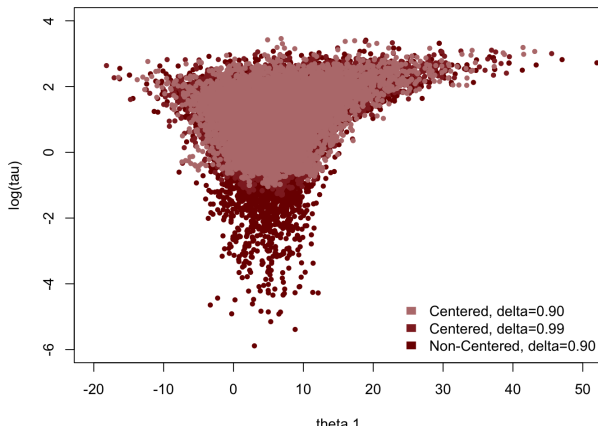
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- To make probabilistic programming useful
 - inference has to be as automatic as possible
 - diagnostics for telling if the automatic inference doesn't work
 - easy workflow (to reduce manual work)
 - fast enough (manual work replaced with automation)

Probabilistic programming

- Enables agile workflow for developing probabilistic models
 - language
 - automated inference
 - diagnostics
- Many frameworks Stan, PyMC, Pyro (Uber), TFP (Google), Turing.jl, JAGS, ELFI, ...

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- R, Python, Julia, Scala, Stata, Matlab, command line interfaces
- More than 100 R packages using Stan



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Stan

- Stanislaw Ulam (1909-1984)
 - Monte Carlo method
 - H-Bomb

Binomial model - Stan code

```
data {  
  int<lower=0> N;      // number of experiments  
  int<lower=0,upper=N> y; // number of successes  
}  
  
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- you can write in Stan language any program to compute the log density (Stan language is Turing complete)

Stan

- Stan compiles (transpiles) the model written in Stan language to C++
 - this makes the sampling for complex models and bigger data faster
 - also makes Stan models easily portable, you can use your own favorite interface

CmdStanR

RStan

```
library(cmdstanr)
```

```
options(mc.cores = 1)
```

```
d_bin <- list(N = 10, y = 7)
```

```
mod_bin <- cmdstan_model(stan_file = 'binom.stan')
```

```
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import stan_utility

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Stan

- Compilation (unless previously compiled model available)
- Warm-up including adaptation
- Sampling
- Generated quantities
- Save posterior draws
- Report divergences, n_{eff} , \hat{R}

Difference between proportions

- An experiment was performed to estimate the effect of beta-blockers on mortality of cardiac patients
- A group of patients were randomly assigned to treatment and control groups:
 - out of 674 patients receiving the control, 39 died
 - out of 680 receiving the treatment, 22 died

Difference between proportions

```
data {  
  int<lower=0> N1;  
  int<lower=0> y1;  
  int<lower=0> N2;  
  int<lower=0> y2;  
}  
parameters {  
  real<lower=0,upper=1> theta1;  
  real<lower=0,upper=1> theta2;  
}  
model {  
  theta1 ~ beta(1,1);  
  theta2 ~ beta(1,1);  
  y1 ~ binomial(N1,theta1);  
  y2 ~ binomial(N2,theta2);  
}  
  
generated quantities {  
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}
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- generated quantities is run after the sampling

Difference between proportions

```
d_bin2 <- list(N1 = 674, y1 = 39, N2 = 680, y2 = 22)
mod_bin2 <- cmdstan_model(stan_file = 'binom2.stan')
fit_bin2 <- mod_bin2$sample(data = d_bin2, refresh=1000)
```

```
> Running MCMC with 4 parallel chains...
```

```
Chain 1 Iteration:    1 / 2000 [  0%] (Warmup)
Chain 1 Iteration: 1000 / 2000 [ 50%] (Warmup)
Chain 1 Iteration: 1001 / 2000 [ 50%] (Sampling)
Chain 1 Iteration: 2000 / 2000 [100%] (Sampling)
```

```
...
```

```
All 4 chains finished successfully.
Mean chain execution time: 0.0 seconds.
Total execution time: 0.2 seconds.
```

Difference between proportions

```
fit_bin2$summary()
```

	variable	mean	median	sd	mad	q5	q95	rhat	ess_bulk	ess_tail
1	lp__	-253.	-253.	1.0	0.74	-255.	-253.	1.0	1751.	2231.
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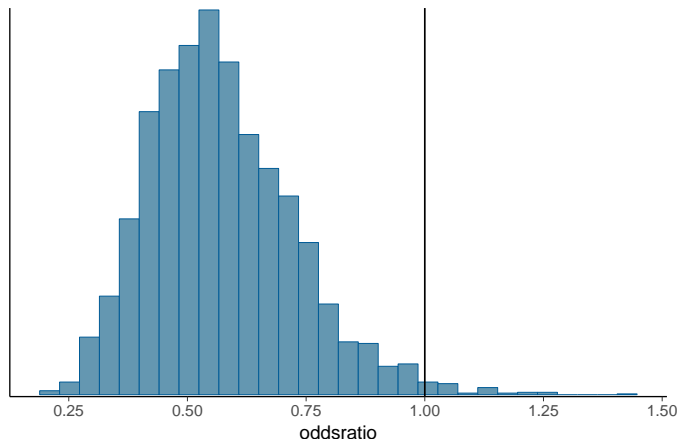
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- `lp__` is the log density, ie, same as `target`

Difference between proportions

```
draws <- fit_bin2$draws()  
mcmc_hist(draws, pars = 'oddsratio') +  
  geom_vline(xintercept = 1) +  
  scale_x_continuous(breaks = c(seq(0.25, 1.5, by=0.25)))
```

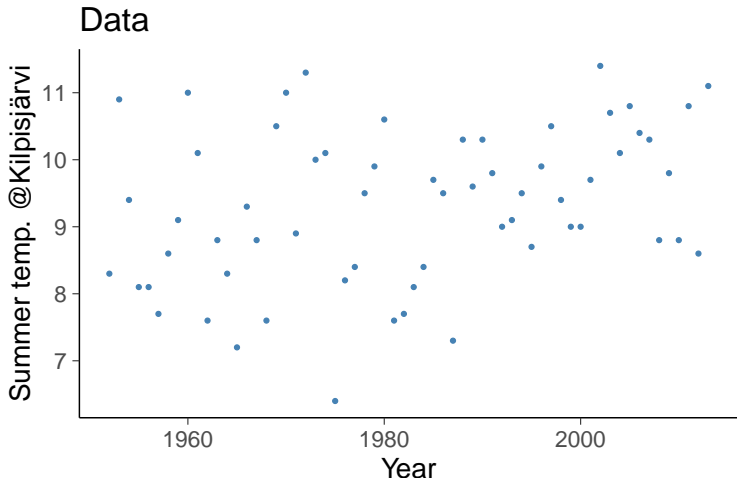


Shinystan

- Graphical user interface for analysing MCMC results

Kilpisjärvi summer temperature

- Temperature at Kilpisjärvi in June, July and August from 1952 to 2013
- Is there change in the temperature?



Gaussian linear model

```
data {  
  int<lower=0> N; // number of data points  
  vector[N] x; //  
  vector[N] y; //  
}  
parameters {  
  real alpha;  
  real beta;  
  real<lower=0> sigma;  
}  
transformed parameters {  
  vector[N] mu;  
  mu <- alpha + beta*x;  
}  
model {  
  y ~ normal(mu, sigma);  
}
```

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- difference between `vector[N] x` and `array[N] real x`

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- transformed parameters are deterministic transformations of parameters and data

Priors for Gaussian linear model

```
data {  
  int<lower=0> N; // number of data points  
  vector[N] x; //  
  vector[N] y; //  
  real pmualpha; // prior mean for alpha  
  real psalpha; // prior std for alpha  
  real pmubeta; // prior mean for beta  
  real psbeta; // prior std for beta  
}  
...  
transformed parameters {  
  vector[N] mu;  
  mu <- alpha + beta*x;  
}  
model {  
  alpha ~ normal(pmualpha, psalpha);  
  beta ~ normal(pmubeta, psbeta);  
  y ~ normal(mu, sigma);  
}
```

Student-t linear model

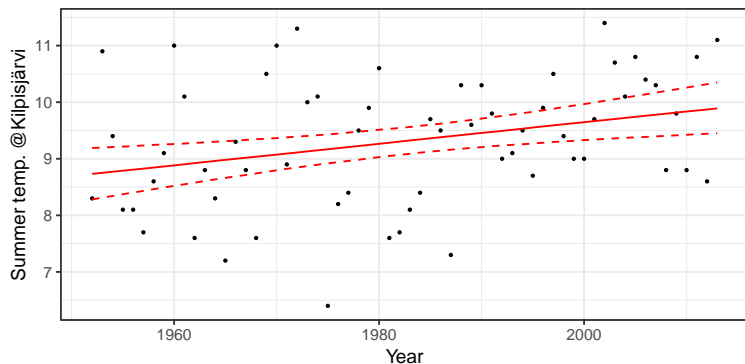
```
...  
parameters {  
  real alpha;  
  real beta;  
  real<lower=0> sigma;  
  real<lower=1,upper=80> nu;  
}  
transformed parameters {  
  vector[N] mu;  
  mu <- alpha + beta*x;  
}  
model {  
  nu ~ gamma(2,0.1);  
  y ~ student_t(nu, mu, sigma);  
}
```

Priors

- Prior for temperature increase?

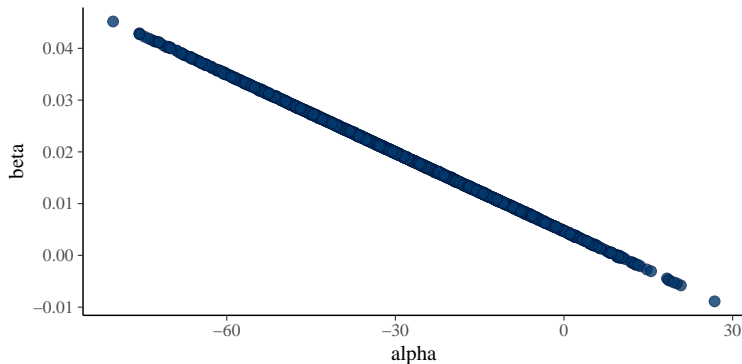
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Posterior fit



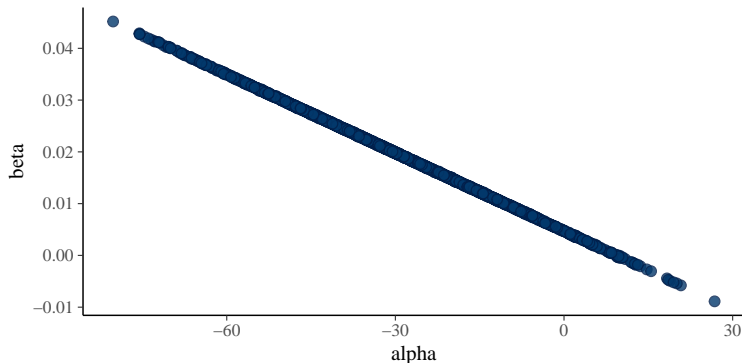
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Posterior draws of alpha and beta



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Posterior draws of alpha and beta



Warning: 1 of 4000 (0.0%) transitions hit the maximum treedepth limit
See <https://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings> for details.

Linear regression model in Stan

```
data {  
  int<lower=0> N; // number of data points  
  vector[N] x; //  
  vector[N] y; //  
  real xpred; // input location for prediction  
}  
transformed data {  
  vector[N] x_std;  
  vector[N] y_std;  
  real xpred_std;  
  x_std = (x - mean(x)) / sd(x);  
  y_std = (y - mean(y)) / sd(y);  
  xpred_std = (xpred - mean(x)) / sd(x);  
}
```

RStanARM

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 - a restricted set of models

Two group Binomial model:

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Gaussian linear model

```
fit_lin <- stan_glm(temp ~ year, data = d_lin)
```

BRMS

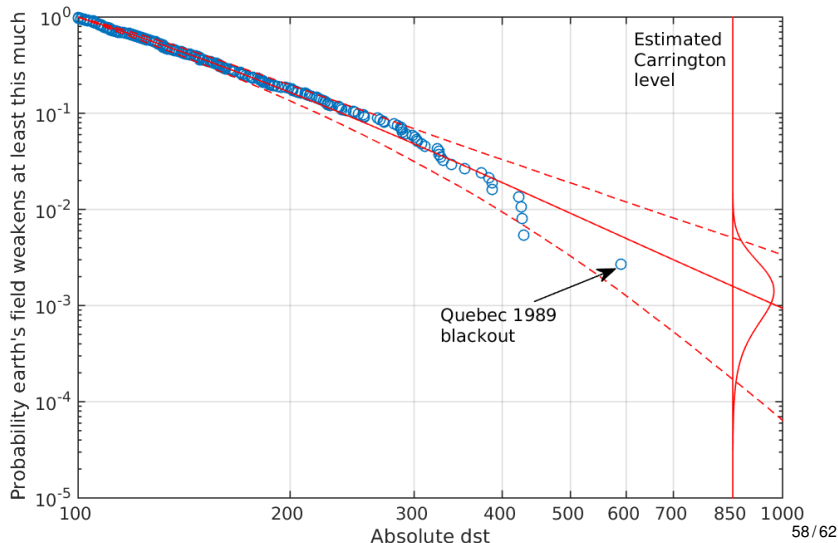
- BRMS provides simplified model description
 - a larger set of models than RStanARM, but still restricted
 - need to wait for the compilation

```
fit_bin2 <- brm(y/N ~ grp2, family = binomial(), data = d_bin2,  
               weights = N)
```

```
fit_lin_t <- brm(temp ~ year, data = d_lin, family = student())
```

Extreme value analysis

Geomagnetic storms



Extreme value analysis

```
data {  
  int<lower=0> N;  
  vector<lower=0>[N] y;  
  int<lower=0> Nt;  
  vector<lower=0>[Nt] yt;  
}  
transformed data {  
  real ymax;  
  ymax <- max(y);  
}  
parameters {  
  real<lower=0> sigma;  
  real<lower=-sigma/ymax> k;  
}  
model {  
  y ~ gpareto(k, sigma);  
}  
generated quantities {  
  vector[Nt] predccdf;  
  predccdf<-gpareto_ccdf(yt,k,sigma);  
}
```

Functions

```
functions {  
  real gpareto_lpdf(vector y, real k, real sigma) {  
    // generalised Pareto log pdf with mu=0  
    // should check and give error if k<0  
    // and max(y)/sigma > -1/k  
    int N;  
    N <- dims(y)[1];  
    if (fabs(k) > 1e-15)  
      return -(1+1/k)*sum(log1pv(y*k/sigma)) -N*log(sigma);  
    else  
      return -sum(y/sigma) -N*log(sigma); // limit k->0  
  }  
  vector gpareto_ccdf(vector y, real k, real sigma) {  
    // generalised Pareto log ccdf with mu=0  
    // should check and give error if k<0  
    // and max(y)/sigma < -1/k  
    if (fabs(k) > 1e-15)  
      return exp((-1/k)*log1pv(y/sigma*k));  
    else  
      return exp(-y/sigma); // limit k->0  
  }  
}
```


Other packages

- R
 - posterior — posterior handling and diagnostics
 - shinystan — interactive diagnostics
 - bayesplot — visualization and model checking (see model checking in Ch 6)
 - tideybayes and ggdist — more visualization
 - loo — cross-validation model assessment and comparison (see Ch 7)
 - projpred — projection predictive variable selection
 - priorsense — prior and likelihood sensitivity diagnostics
- Python
 - ArviZ — visualization, and model checking and assessment (see Ch 6 and 7)

Different interfaces

- CmdStanR / CmdStanPy
 - Lightweight interface on top of commandline program CmdStan
 - Lacks some features that are not needed in this course, but is usually easier to install
- RStan / PyStan
 - C++ functions of Stan are called directly from R / Python
 - Higher integration between R/Python and Stan, but maybe more difficult to install due to more requirements of compatible C++ compilers and libraries
- More recent useful R packages
 - posterior: for handling posterior draws, convergence diagnostics, and summaries
 - tidybayes + ggdist: pretty plots