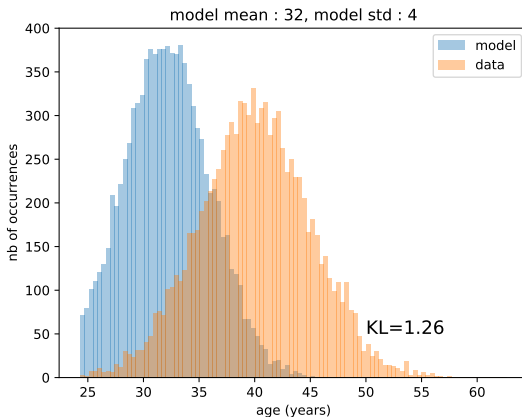


Machine learning II, unsupervised learning and agents: density estimation



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Kernel density estimation (non parametric model)

Density estimation

Objective : compute a probability distribution that represents the data well.

Maximum Likelihood

The **Maximum Likelihood** method is one example method.

We observe a dataset $D_n = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$.

We first need to choose a **model** (which is the distribution) of the dataset, p .

Then, we must optimize the **parameters of this model**, noted θ .

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This is the function that we want to **maximize**.

Remark on max-likelihood

Most of the time it's written this way : "minimise $-\log L(\theta)$ "

Because the log **transforms the product into a sum**, which is easier to **differentiate**.

$$-\log L(\theta) = -\sum_{i=1}^n \log(p(x_i|\theta)) \quad (5)$$

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For which value of p is this likelihood **maximum**?

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We want to show that the likelihood is maximum for :

- ▶ $\hat{\mu} = \frac{2.5+3.5}{2}$
- ▶ $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{(2.5-\hat{\mu})^2 + (3.5-\hat{\mu})^2}{2}$

Kullback-Leibler Divergence

The KL divergence is a measure of the discrepancy between two distributions.

Expected value (espérance)

- For a discrete random variable X that takes the values x_i with probability p_i :

$$E(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n p_i x_i \quad (11)$$

- For a continuous random variable X with density $p(x)$:

$$E(X) = \int x p(x) dx \quad (12)$$

Kullbach-Leibler Divergence

- ▶ The samples (x_1, \dots, x_n) are described by an empirical distribution.
- ▶ The **Kullbach-Leibler divergence** is a tool to compare distributions.
- ▶ It is not a distance : it is not symmetric, no triangular inequality.

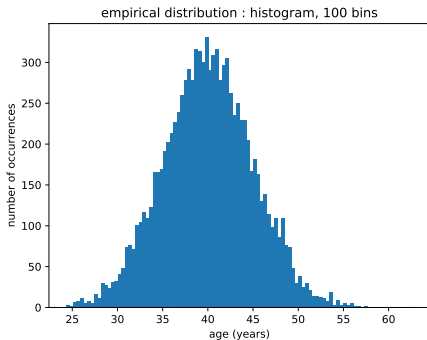
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- ▶ cd `kl_divergence`
- ▶ A two dimensional dataset is contained in `empirical_distribution.csv`. It represents the **age distribution** of some groupe of people. We want to study this age distribution.
- ▶ load it in `compute_kl.py`. We will use the functions provided in the file in order to find the best model, meaning here the model M , such that $KL(M||\tilde{P})$ is smallest, with \tilde{P} the empirical distribution of the data.

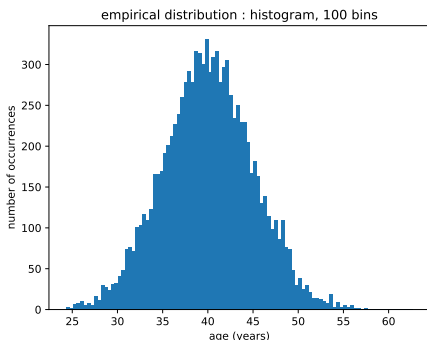
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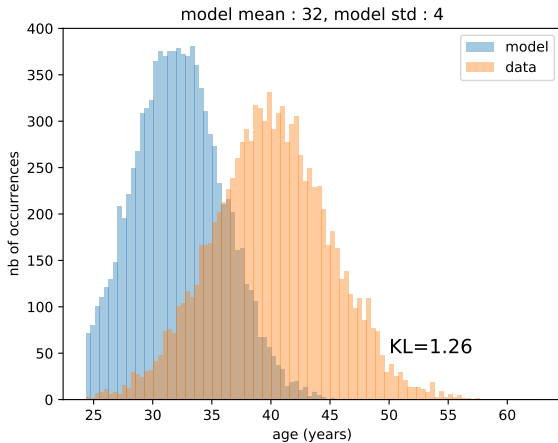
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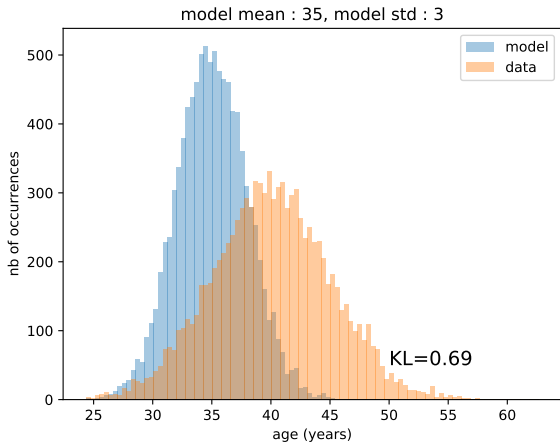
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- ▶ We will use **normal laws**. We want to find the normal law that is **the closest to the empirical data**
- ▶ We measure the proximity between the model and the empirical data with the KL divergence.



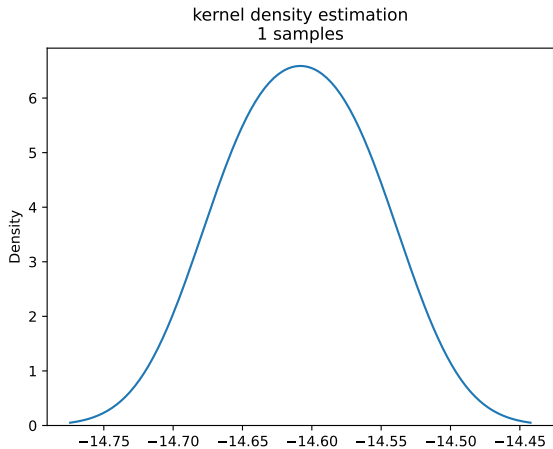




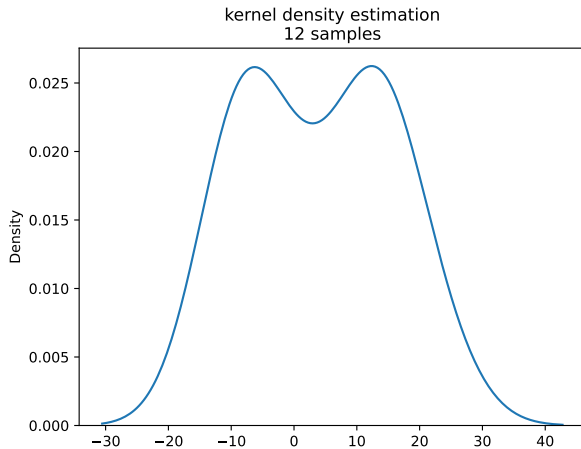
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https:
//seaborn.pydata.org/generated/seaborn.kdeplot.html
Example in **kde/**

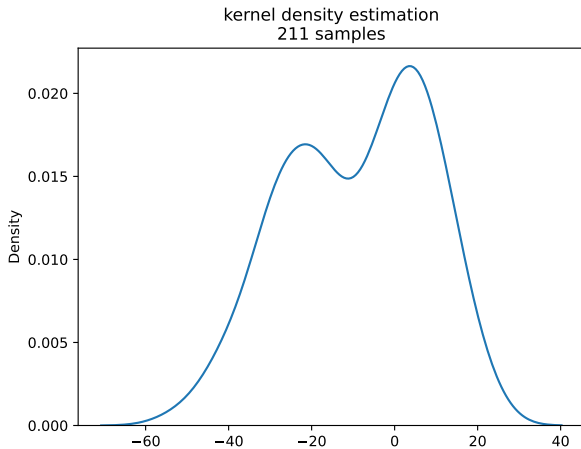
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