

Bayesian Computing

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Aim - Estimation for the two-parameter exponential distribution: using simulated values from the posterior, find the posterior mean and posterior standard deviation.

Theory -

Sampling Importance Resampling (SIR) Algorithm -

The Sampling Importance Resampling (SIR) algorithm is a Monte Carlo method used for approximating complex distributions by drawing samples from an importance distribution & then resampling to assign higher weights to more relevant samples. The key steps include -

1. Sampling -

Generate a set of N samples (x_i) from an importance distribution $q(x)$. Compute the importance weights (w_i) proportional to the target distributions $p(x)$ - $w_i = \frac{p(x_i)}{q(x_i)}$

2. Normalization -

Normalize the weights to make their sum to 1 -

$$\hat{w}_i = \frac{w_i}{\sum_{i=1}^N w_i}$$

3. Resampling - Draw N samples with replacement from the set of x_i with probabilities given by the normalized weights \hat{w}_i

Usage of SIR simulation for Estimation of Two-parameter Exponential Distribution - Use SIR simulation to generate samples from the posterior distribution of the two-parameter exponential distribution. Then, calculate the posterior mean & posterior standard deviation using the simulated values.

1. Two-Parameter Exponential Distribution : The PDF for 2-parameter exponential distribution is given by : $f(x|\lambda, \theta) = \lambda e^{-\lambda(x-\theta)}$
2. Posterior Distribution : Assume prior distribution $p(\lambda, \theta)$ and use Baye's theorem to obtain posterior distribution.

$$p(\lambda, \theta | \text{data}) \propto f(\text{data} | \lambda, \theta) \times p(\lambda, \theta)$$
3. SIR Simulation :
 Generate samples (λ_i, θ_i) using the SIR algorithm from the posterior distribution.
4. Posterior Mean and standard Deviation :

$$\text{Posterior Mean} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_i}{N}$$

$$\text{Posterior standard deviation} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (\lambda_i - \text{Posterior Mean})^2}{N}}$$

Conclusion :

In this experiment, we successfully implemented the SIR algorithm for estimating the parameters of the experimental distribution



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Estimation for the two-parameter exponential distribution: Using your simulated values from the posterior, find the posterior mean and posterior standard deviation.

Code:

Import Libraries:

```
library(MASS) # for multivariate t-distribution
```

Define the parameters for the exponential distribution:

```
lambda <- 1 # rate parameter for the exponential distribution  
theta <- 1 # scale parameter for the exponential distribution
```

Define the proposal density function (multivariate t-distribution):

```
proposal_density <- function(x, df, mu, Sigma) {  
  dmvt(x, df = df, mu = mu, Sigma = Sigma)  
}
```

SIR Step 1: Generate a sample from the proposal density:

```
n <- 1000 # number of samples  
df <- 2 # degrees of freedom for the t-distribution  
mu <- c(lambda, theta) # mean vector  
Sigma <- diag(c(1, 1)) # covariance matrix  
proposal_sample <- rmvnorm(n, mean = mu, sigma = Sigma)
```



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SIR Step 2: Calculate the weights for each sample:

```
weights <- dexp(proposal_sample[, 1], rate = lambda) * dexp(proposal_sample[, 2], rate =  
1/theta) weights <- weights / sum(weights) # normalize  
the weights
```

SIR Step 3: Perform the resampling step:

```
resampled_indices <- sample(1:n, size = n, replace = TRUE, prob = weights)  
resampled_sample <- proposal_sample[resampled_indices, ]
```

Calculate the posterior mean and standard deviation:

```
posterior_mean <- colMeans(resampled_sample) posterior_sd <-  
apply(resampled_sample, 2, sd) print(paste("Posterior mean  
(lambda): ", posterior_mean[1])) print(paste("Posterior mean (theta):  
", posterior_mean[2])) print(paste("Posterior standard deviation  
(lambda): ", posterior_sd[1])) print(paste("Posterior standard  
deviation (theta): ", posterior_sd[2]))
```

Visualize posterior sample:

```
plot(resampled_sample[, 1], resampled_sample[, 2], xlab = "Lambda", ylab = "Theta",  
main  
= "Posterior sample")
```




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Output:

Calculate posterior mean and standard deviation:

```
[1] "Posterior mean (lambda): 0.743075390295787"
```

```
[1] "Posterior mean (theta): 0.76260856601354"
```

```
[1] "Posterior standard deviation (lambda): 0.587616872814157"
```

```
[1] "Posterior standard deviation (theta): 0.611449920236162"
```

Visualize the Posterior Sample:

