

# Bayesian Data Analysis

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## Bayesian Regression Models



## Multiple Linear Regression

- ▶ Many studies concern the relationship between two or more observable quantities.
- ▶ How do changes in quantity  $y$  (the dependent variable) vary as a function of another quantity  $x$  (the independent variable)?
- ▶ Regression models allow us to examine the conditional distribution of  $y$  given  $x$ , parameterized as  $p(y|\beta, x)$  when the  $n$  observations  $(y_i, x_i)$  are exchangeable.



## Multiple Linear Regression

- ▶ The normal linear model occurs when a distribution of  $y$  given  $x$  is normal with a mean equal to a linear function of  $X$ :

$$E(y_i|\beta, X) = \beta_1 X_{1i} + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{ki}$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$  and  $X_1$  is a vector of one's.

- ▶ The ordinary linear regression model occurs when the variance of  $y$  given  $X$ ,  $\beta$  is assumed to be constant over all observations.
- ▶ In other words, we have an ordinary linear regression model when:

$$y_i \sim N(\beta_1 + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{ki}, \sigma^2)$$

for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .

## Multiple Linear Regression

- ▶ If

$$y_i \sim N(X_i^T \beta, \sigma^2)$$

then it is well known that the ordinary least squares estimates and the maximum likelihood estimates of the parameters  $\beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k)$  are equivalent.

- ▶ If  $\beta = [\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k]^T$  then the frequentist estimate of  $\beta$  is

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

- ▶ The frequentist estimate of  $\sigma^2$  is

$$s^2 = \frac{(y - X\hat{\beta})^T (y - X\hat{\beta})}{(n - k)}$$

- ▶ The sampling distribution of  $\hat{\beta}$  is

$$\hat{\beta} \sim N_k(\beta, \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1})$$

## Bayesian Regression with Noninformative Flat Prior

- ▶ By Bayes Rule, the posterior distribution is:

$$p(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k, \sigma^2 | y, X) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i | \mu_i, \sigma^2) p(\beta_1, \dots, \beta_k, \sigma^2)$$

- ▶ The standard non-informative prior distribution is uniform on  $(\beta, \log \sigma^2)$  which is equivalent to :

$$p(\beta, \log(\sigma^2)) \propto \sigma^{-2}$$

- ▶ This prior is a good choice for statistical models when you have a lot of data points and only a few parameters.
- ▶ The solution is equivalent to OLS or MLE
- ▶ Only advantage is you can make direct Bayesian probabilistic statement.

## Bayesian Regression with Noninformative Prior

- ▶ If  $y \sim N(X\beta, \sigma^2)$  and  $p(\beta, \log(\sigma^2)) \propto \sigma^{-2}$ , then conditional posterior distribution is

$$p(\beta | \sigma^2, y, X) \sim N_k(\hat{\beta}, \sigma^2(X^T X)^{-1})$$

$$\text{where } \hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

- ▶ The posterior distribution of  $\sigma^2$  can be written as:

$$p(\sigma^2 | y, X) \sim \text{Scaled} - \text{Inv} \chi^2(n - k, s^2)$$

$$\text{where } s^2 = (y - X\hat{\beta})^T (y - X\hat{\beta}) / (n - k)$$

# Bayesian Regression with Noninformative Prior

- ▶ The marginal posterior distribution of  $\beta$  follow Multivariate t-distribution, i.e.,

$$p(\beta|y, X) \sim t_{n-k}(\hat{\beta}, s^2(X^T X)^{-1})$$

- ▶ Notice the close comparison with the classical results. The key difference would be interpretation of the standard errors.

## Conjugate priors and the Gaussian linear model

- ▶ Suppose that instead of an improper prior, we decide to use the conjugate prior.
- ▶ For the normal regression model, the conjugate prior distribution for  $p(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_k, \sigma^2)$  is the normal-inverse-gamma distribution.

$$p(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_k, \sigma^2) = p(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_k | \sigma^2) p(\sigma^2)$$

where  $p(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_k | \sigma^2) \sim N_k(\beta_0, \Lambda_0)$

and  $p(\sigma^2) \sim \text{Inv} - \text{Gamma}(a_0, b_0)$

## Conjugate priors and the Gaussian linear model

- ▶ Posterior mean:

$$E(\beta|y, X) = (X^T X + \Lambda_0^{-1})^{-1}(X^T X \hat{\beta} + \Lambda_0^{-1} \beta_0)$$

- ▶ Notice that the coefficients are essentially a weighted average of the prior coefficients described by  $\beta_0$  and standard OLS estimate  $\hat{\beta}$ .
- ▶ The weights are provided by the conditional prior precision  $\Lambda_0^{-1}$  and the data  $X^T X$ .
- ▶ This should make clear that as we increase our prior precision (decrease our prior variance) for  $\beta$  we place greater posterior weight on our prior beliefs relative to the data.

## Conjugate priors and the Gaussian linear model

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$$E(\beta|y, X) = (X^T X + \Lambda_0^{-1})^{-1}(X^T X \hat{\beta} + \Lambda_0^{-1} \beta_0)$$

- ▶ If you choose  $\beta_0 = 0$  and  $\Lambda_0^{-1} = \lambda I$ , then

$$E(\beta|y, X) = (X^T X + \lambda I)^{-1} X^T y$$

this is "Ridge Solution" of the Ridge Regression.

- ▶ Ridge Regression is a special case of Bayesian Regression with Conjugate prior
- ▶ Bayesian Regression with Conjugate prior automatically takes care of multicollinearity issue of the data.

## Application : Capital Asset Pricing Model

- ▶ Load `data_stock.RData` in your R environment.
- ▶ The data consists of daily adjusted close value of (i) Nifty 50 index value, (ii) INR-USD exchange rate, (iii) Nifty-Bank Index, (iv) Nifty Mid Cap 50 index, (v) HDFC Bank, (vi) Reliance, (vii) Maruti and (viii) TCS
- ▶ We considered the data from 02-Jan-2018 to 31-Dec-2018
- ▶ Suppose  $P_t$  is the adjusted close price/value of a stock/index on  $t^{th}$  day
- ▶ Corresponding log-return is
- ▶  $r_t = \log(P_t) - \log(P_{t-1})$

## Application : Capital Asset Pricing Model

- ▶ Consider the following portfolio

-	HDFC Bank	Reliance	Maruti	TCS	Total
Weight	20%	30%	25%	25%	100%

## Application : Capital Asset Pricing Model

- ▶ We want to model the relationship as

$$r_t^{portf} = \alpha + \beta r_t^{Nifty50} + \epsilon$$

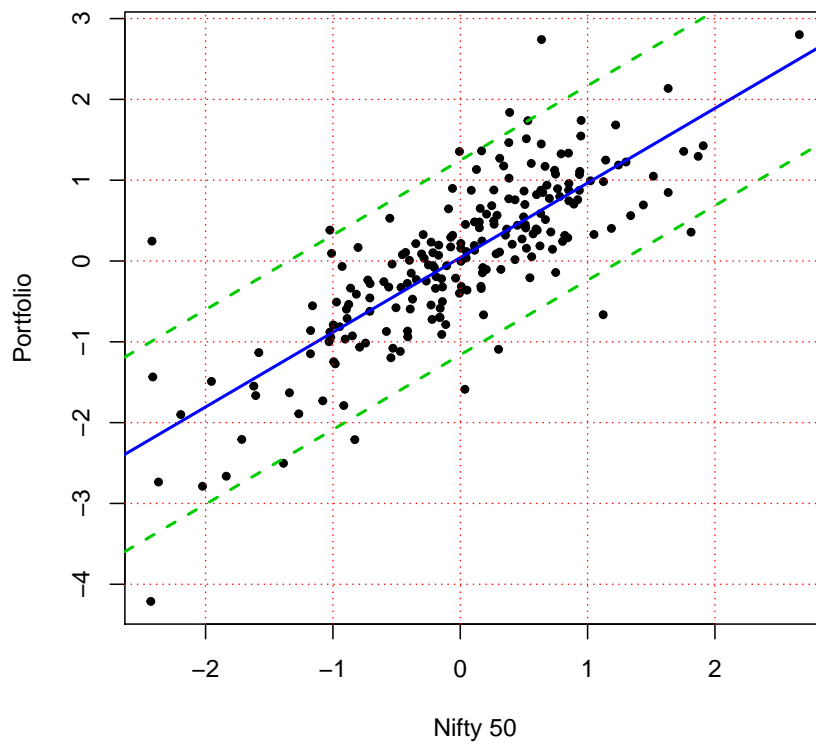
where  $r_t^{portf}$  is portfolio return,  $r_t^{Nifty50}$  is market index return and  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

- ▶  $\alpha > 0$  means Portfolio is undervalued
- ▶  $\alpha < 0$  means Portfolio is overvalued
- ▶  $\alpha = 0$  means Portfolio is fairly valued
- ▶  $\beta$  is the measure of the systematic risk.

## Lazy Implementation of Bayesian Linear Regression

```
> library(bayeslm)
> fit <- bayeslm(ln_rt_portf ~ ln_rt_nifty50
+               , prior = 'horseshoe'
+               , N = 30000, burnin = 1000)
>
```

## Application : Capital Asset Pricing Model

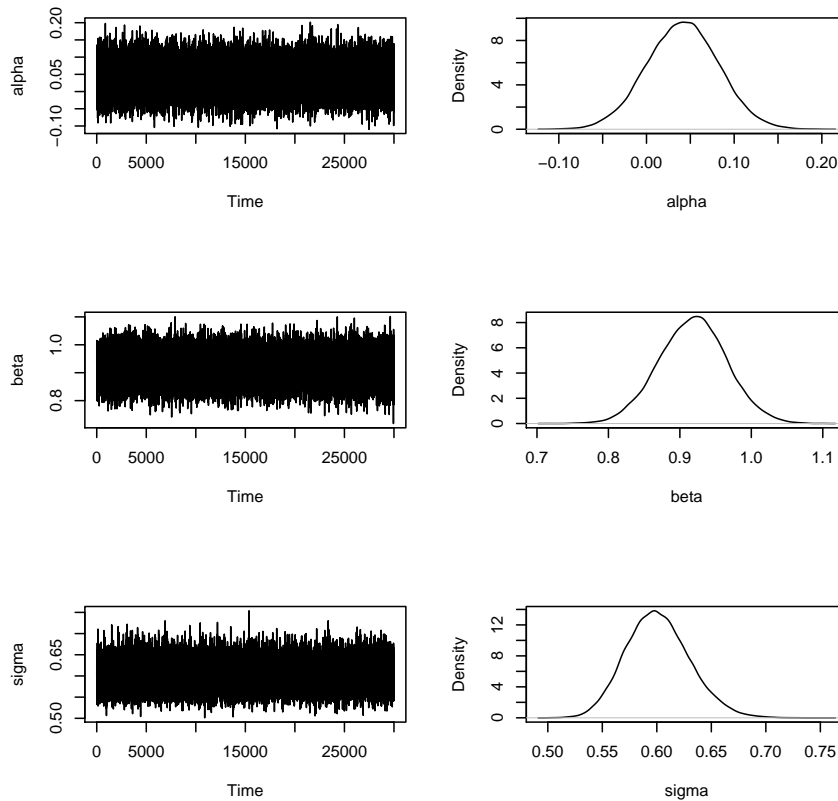


## Application : Capital Asset Pricing Model

	alpha	beta	sigma
median	0.0415	0.9188	0.5998
mean	0.0413	0.9181	0.6011
sd	0.0409	0.0474	0.0292
2.5%	-0.0394	0.8248	0.5478
97.5%	0.1216	1.0115	0.6620



# Application : Capital Asset Pricing Model



## Stress Testing

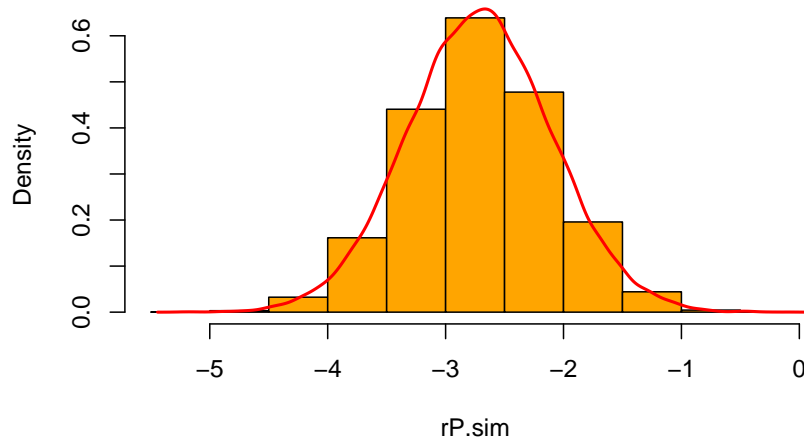
- ▶ What happens to the portfolio if Nifty 50 drops by 3% in a day?
- ▶ We can simulate from posterior predictive distribution

$$p(\tilde{y}|y, x) = \int_{\beta, \sigma} p(\tilde{y}|\beta, \sigma, x) p(\beta, \sigma|y, x) d\beta d\sigma$$

- ▶ We can simulate in the following way:
  1. Simulate  $\beta_i^*$  and  $\sigma_i^*$  from  $p(\beta, \sigma|y, x)$
  2. Simulate  $\tilde{y}_i^*$  from  $N(x^T \beta_i^*, \sigma_i^*)$

## Stress Testing: If Nifty 50 drops by 3%, the portfolio return vary

2.5% 97.5%  
-3.910 -1.503



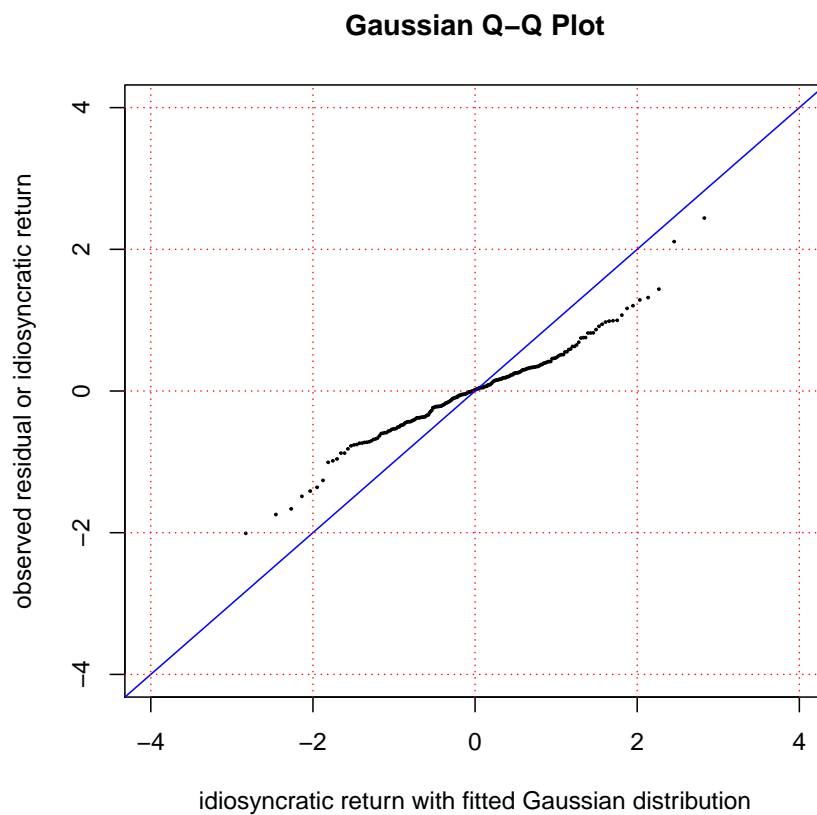
## Test the Assumption

```
> ### Test the assumption  
> shapiro.test(capm_portf$residuals)  
  
Shapiro-Wilk normality test
```

```
data: capm_portf$residuals  
W = 0.97304, p-value = 0.0004049
```

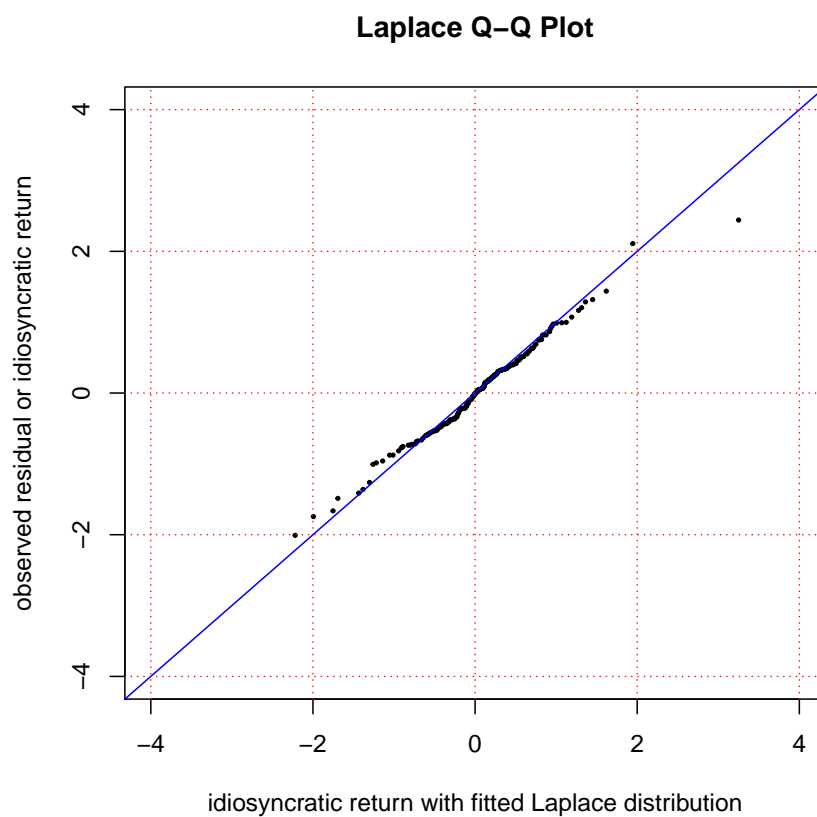
Assumption the  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  is not correct. Note that  $\epsilon$  is also known as idiosyncratic return in CAPM

# Test the Assumption



the  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  is not correct.

Does  $\epsilon \sim \text{Laplace}(0, \sigma)$ ?



## Bayesian CAPM where Idiosyncratic Return follows Laplace Distribution!

We want to model the relationship as

$$r_t^{portf} = \alpha + \beta r_t^{Nifty50} + \epsilon$$

where  $r_t^{portf}$  is portfolio return,  $r_t^{Nifty50}$  is market index return and  $\epsilon \sim \text{Laplace}(0, \lambda)$

That is the idiosyncratic Return follows Laplace Distribution

$$\alpha \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, 1)$$

$$\beta \sim \text{Cauchy}(0, 1)$$

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(1, 1)$$

## Bayesian CAPM where Idiosyncratic Return follows Laplace Distribution!

Write log-likelihood function

```
> log_likelihood <- function(param,y,x){  
+   a = param[1]  
+   b = param[2]  
+   lambda = param[3]  
+   pred = a + b*x  
+   likelihoods = -log(2*lambda)-abs(y-pred)/lambda  
+   sumll = sum(likelihoods)  
+   return(sumll)  
+ }
```

## Bayesian CAPM where Idiosyncratic Return follows Laplace Distribution!

Write log-prior function

```
> log_prior <- function(param,x){  
+   a = param[1]  
+   b = param[2]  
+   lambda = param[3]  
+   a_prior = dcauchy(a,0,1,log = T)  
+   b_prior = dcauchy(b,0,1,log = T)  
+   scale_prior = dgamma(lambda,1,1,log = T)  
+  
+   return(a_prior+b_prior+scale_prior)  
+ }
```

## Bayesian CAPM where Idiosyncratic Return follows Laplace Distribution!

Write log-posterior function

```
> log_posterior <- function(param,y,x){  
+   like <- log_likelihood(param=param,y=y,x=x)  
+   prior <- log_prior(param=param,x=x)  
+   post <- like + prior  
+   return ( post )  
+ }
```

# Bayesian CAPM Model Fitting with Metropolis-Hastings

Use conjugate posterior or posterior with flat prior as proposal function

```
> proposalfunction <- function(param,x){  
+   X=cbind(rep(1,length(x)),x)  
+   S=param[3]*solve(t(X)%*%X)  
+   prop<-c(rmvnorm(1  
+             ,mean = param[1:2]  
+             ,sigma = S)  
+   ,rgamma(1,param[3]*5,5))  
+   return(prop)  
+ }
```

# Bayesian CAPM Model Fitting with Metropolis-Hastings

```
> run_metropolis <- function(startvalue, N.sim, burnin){  
+   iterations = N.sim + burnin  
+   chain = array(dim = c(iterations+1,3))  
+   chain[1,] = startvalue  
+   for (i in 1:iterations){  
+     proposal = proposalfunction(chain[i,],x=x)  
+  
+     probab = exp(log_posterior(param=proposal  
+                               ,y=y,x=x)  
+                 - log_posterior(param=chain[i,]  
+                               ,y=y,x=x))  
+  
+     if (runif(1) < probab){  
+       chain[i+1,] = proposal  
+     }else{  
+       chain[i+1,] = chain[i,]  
+     }  
+   }  
+   return(chain)  
+ }
```

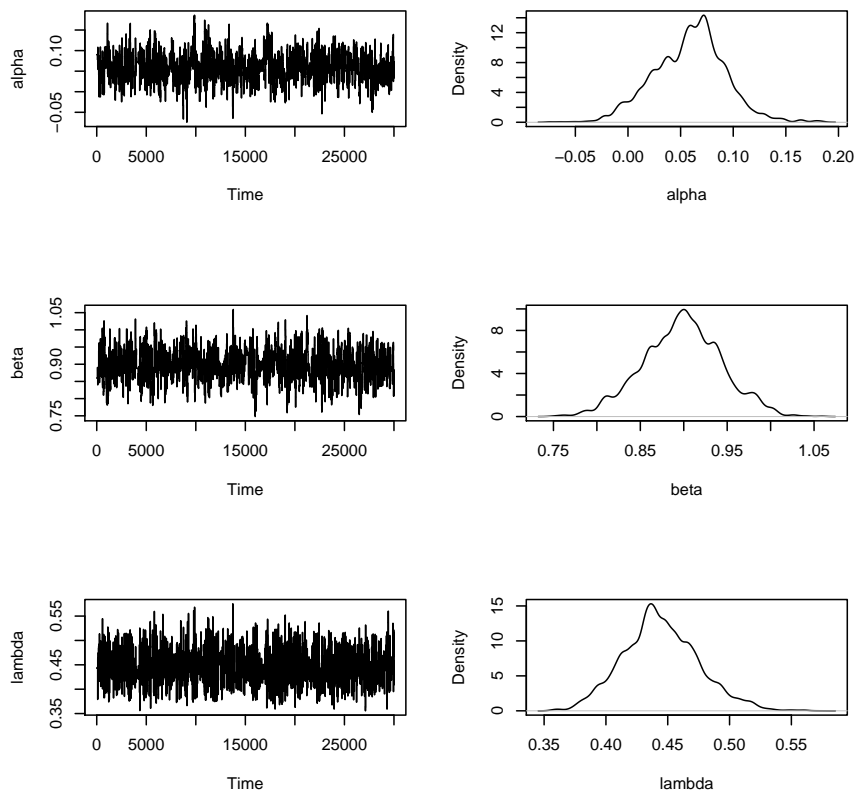
# Bayesian CAPM Model Fitting with Metropolis-Hastings

alpha	beta	lambda
0.0585258	0.8981305	0.4444055

alpha	beta	lambda
0.03390401	0.04509828	0.03055110

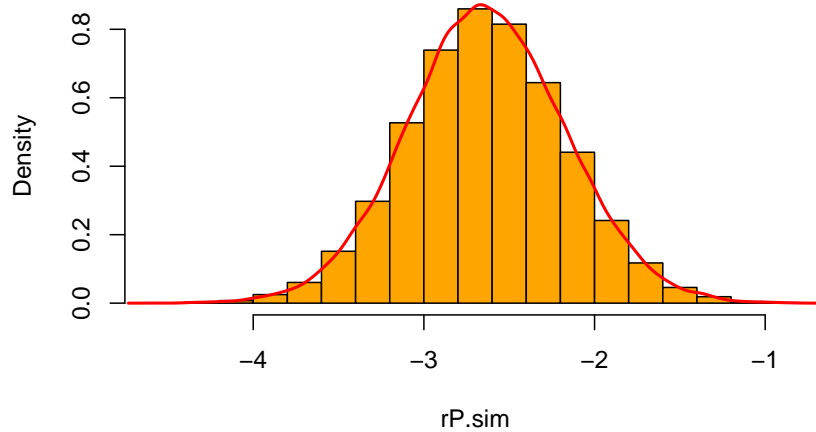
	alpha	beta	lambda
2.5%	-0.008357383	0.8080117	0.3879888
97.5%	0.125309804	0.9851925	0.5095209

# Bayesian CAPM Model Fitting with Metropolis-Hastings



Stress Testing: If Nifty 50 drops by 3%, the portfolio return vary

2.5% 97.5%  
-3.546 -1.719



**Thank You**

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