

# Density estimation

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## Histogram

### 1.

At the slides we have seen the following relationship

$$\hat{f}_{h,(-i)}(x_i) = \frac{n}{n-1} \left( \hat{f}_h(x_i) - \frac{K(0)}{nh} \right)$$

between the leave-one-out kernel density estimator  $\hat{f}_{h,(-i)}(x)$  and the kernel density estimator using all the observations  $\hat{f}_h(x)$ , when both are evaluated at  $x_i$ , one of the observed data. Find a similar relationship between the histogram estimator of the density function  $\hat{f}_{\text{hist}}(x)$  and its leave-one-out version,  $\hat{f}_{\text{hist},(-i)}(x)$ , when both are evaluated at  $x_i$ .

The new equation we have derived is

$$\hat{f}_{\text{hist},(-i)}(x_i) = \frac{n}{n-1} \hat{f}_{\text{hist}}(x_i) - \frac{1}{(n-1)b}$$

### 2.

Read the CD rate data set and call **x** the first column.

```
cdrate.df <- read.table("./cdrate.dat")
head(cdrate.df)
```

```
##      V1 V2
## 1 7.56  0
## 2 7.57  0
## 3 7.71  0
## 4 7.82  0
## 5 7.82  0
## 6 7.90  0
```

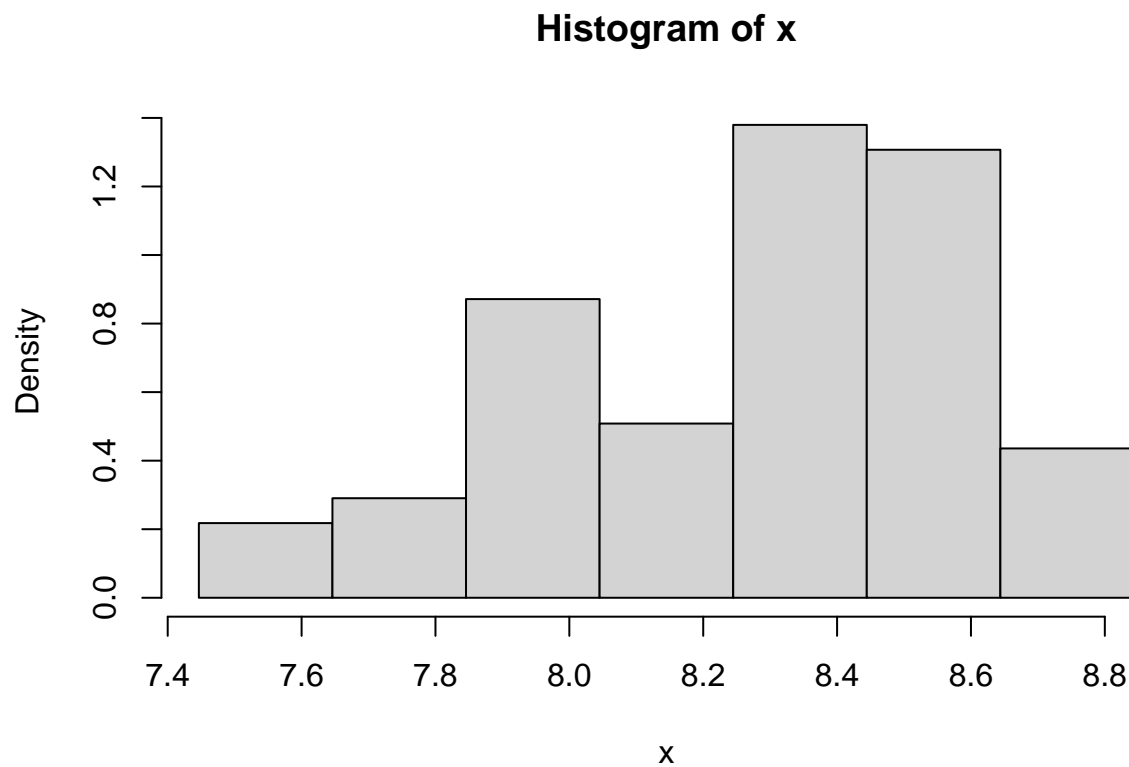
```
x <- cdrate.df[,1]
```

Then define

```
A <- min(x) - .05 * diff(range(x))
Z <- max(x) + .05 * diff(range(x))
nbr <- 7
```

and plot the histogram of **x** as

```
hx <- hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z,length=nbr+1),freq=F)
```

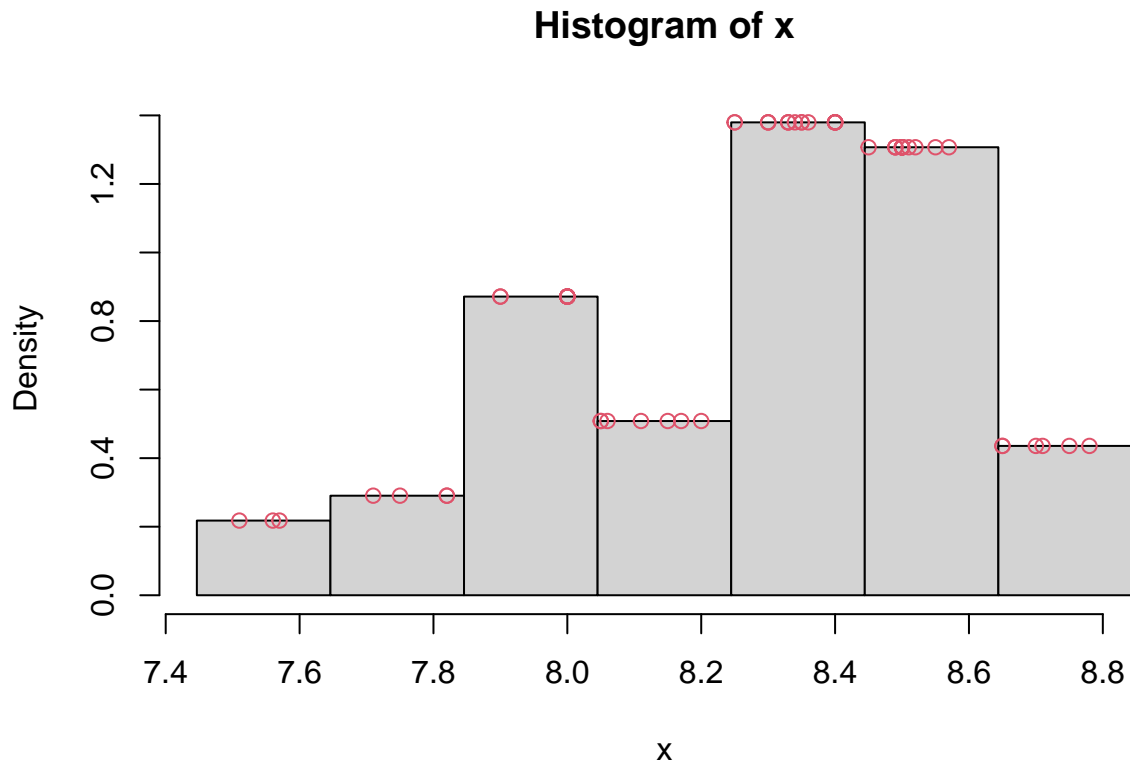


The following sentence converts this histogram into a function that can be evaluated at any point of  $\mathbb{R}$ , or at a vector of real numbers:

```
hx_f <- stepfun(hx$breaks,c(0,hx$density,0))
```

Use `hx_f` to evaluate the histogram at the vector of observed data `x`. Then add the points  $(x_i, f^{\wedge} \text{hist}(x_i))$ ,  $i=1, \dots, n$ , to the histogram you have plotted before.

```
y=hx_f(x)
hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z,length=nbr+1),freq=F)
points(x,y,col=2)
```

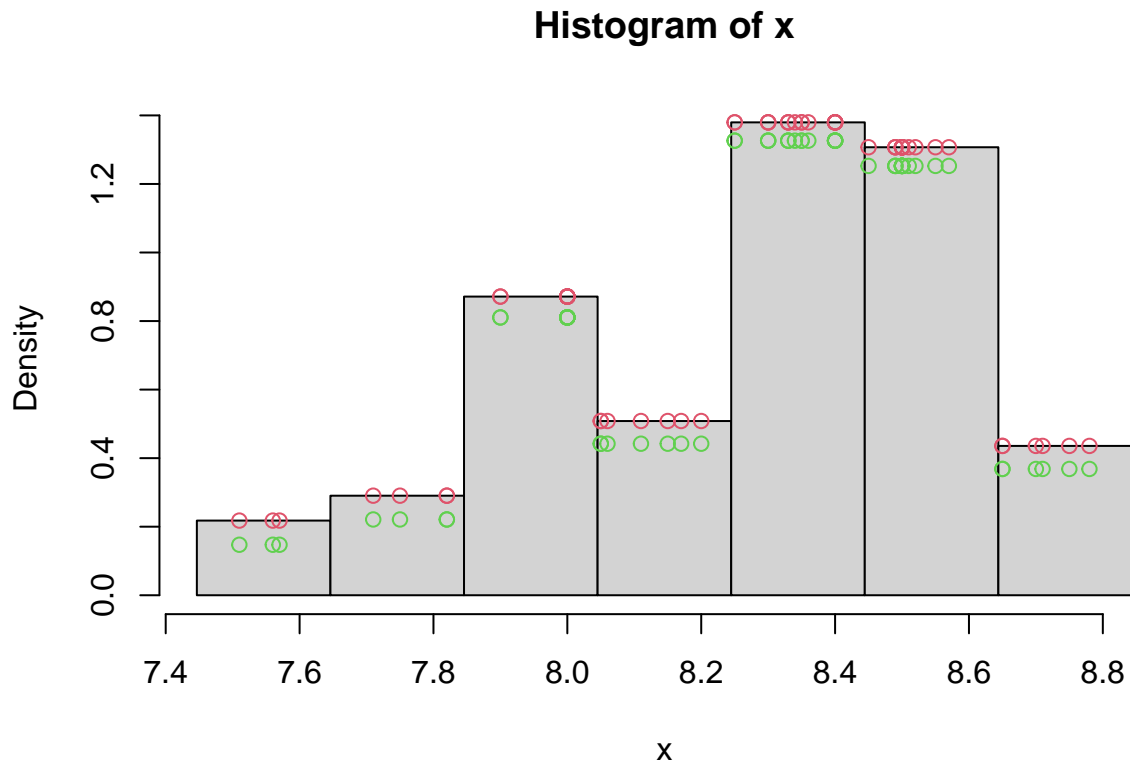


### 3.

Use the formula you have found before relating  $\hat{f}_{\text{hist}}(x_i)$  and  $\hat{f}_{\text{hist},(-i)}(x_i)$  to compute  $\hat{f}_{\text{hist},(-i)}(x_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then add the points  $(x_i, \hat{f}_{\text{hist},(-i)}(x_i))$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , to the previous plot.

```
b = hx$breaks[2] - hx$breaks[1]
n=length(x)
f_loovc = function(p) (hx_f(p)*n*b-1)/(b*(n-1))
hx_loocv=lapply(x,f_loovc)

hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z,length=nbr+1),freq=F)
points(x,y,col=2)
points(x,hx_loocv,col=3)
```



4.

Compute the leave-one-out log-likelihood function corresponding to the previous histogram, at which `nbr=7` has been used.

```
log_likelihood=sum(log(unlist(hx_loocv)))
log_likelihood
```

```
## [1] -16.58432
```

5.

**Choosing `nbr` by leave-one-out Cross Validation (looCV).** Consider now the set `seq(1,15)` as possible values for `nbr`, the number of intervals of the histogram. For each of them compute the leave-one-out log-likelihood function (`looCV_log_lik`) for the corresponding histogram. Then plot the values of `looCV_log_lik` against the values of `nbr` and select the optimal value of `nbr` as that at which `looCV_log_lik` takes its maximum. Finally, plot the histogram of `x` using the optimal value of `nbr`.

```
n=length(x)
hx_loocv=list()
looCV_log_lik=list()
y=list()
for (i in seq(1,15)){
  hx <- hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z,length=i+1),plot=F)
  hx_f <- stepfun(hx$breaks,c(0,hx$density,0))
  b = hx$breaks[2] - hx$breaks[1]
  f_loocv = function(p) (hx_f(p)*n*b-1)/(b*(n-1))
```

```

y[length(y)+1] <- list(hx_f(x))
hx_loocv = lapply(x,f_loocv)
loocv_log__lik = append(loocv_log__lik,sum(log(unlist(hx_loocv))))
}

```

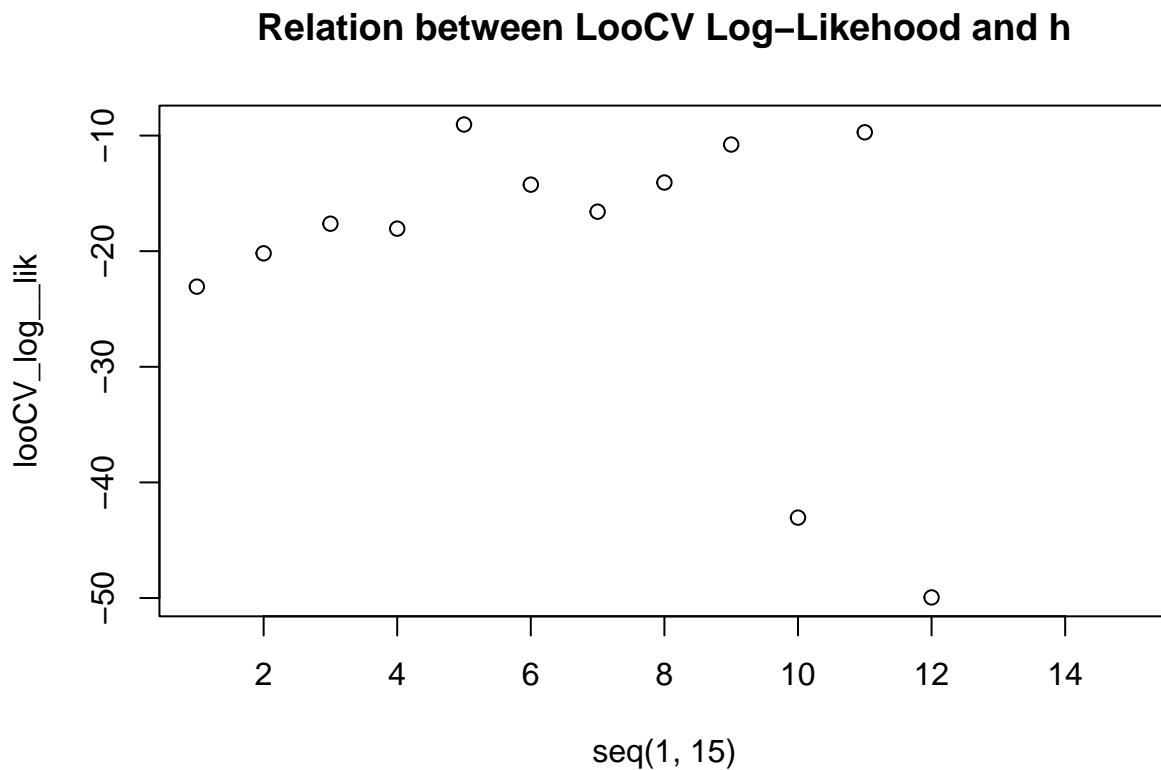
```
## Warning in log(unlist(hx_loocv)): NaNs produced
```

```
## Warning in log(unlist(hx_loocv)): NaNs produced
```

```

plot(seq(1,15),loocv_log__lik)
title("Relation between LooCV Log-Likelihood and h")

```



The best result can be found with nbr=5

```

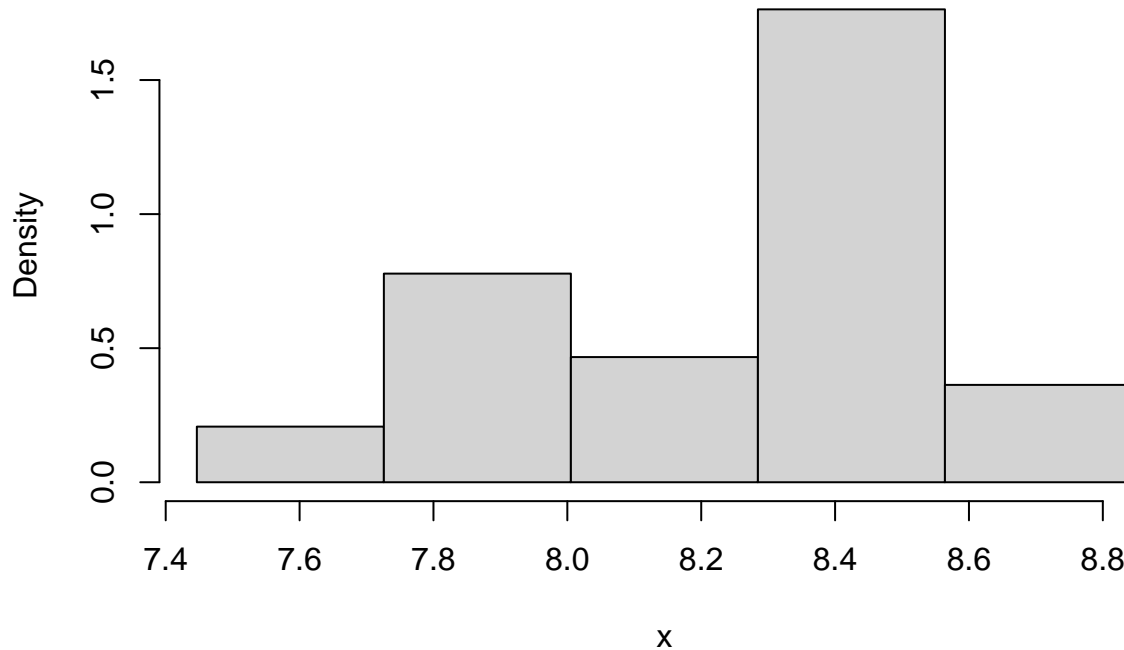
best=seq(1,15)[which.max(loocv_log__lik)]
best

```

```
## [1] 5
```

```
hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z,length=best+1), main="Best histogram density estimation (nbr=5)", freq=F)
```

## Best histogram density estimation (nbr=5)



6.

**Choosing  $b$  by looCV.** Let  $b$  be the common width of the bins of a histogram. Consider the set

```
b=seq((Z-A)/15,(Z-A)/1,length=30)
```

as possible values for  $b$ . Select the value of  $b$  maximizing the leave-one-out log-likelihood function, and plot the corresponding histogram. *NOTE:* To avoid errors, use the following syntax for computing a histogram with bin width  $b$

```
hx <- hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+b,by=b), plot=F)
```

and this sentence to plot it:

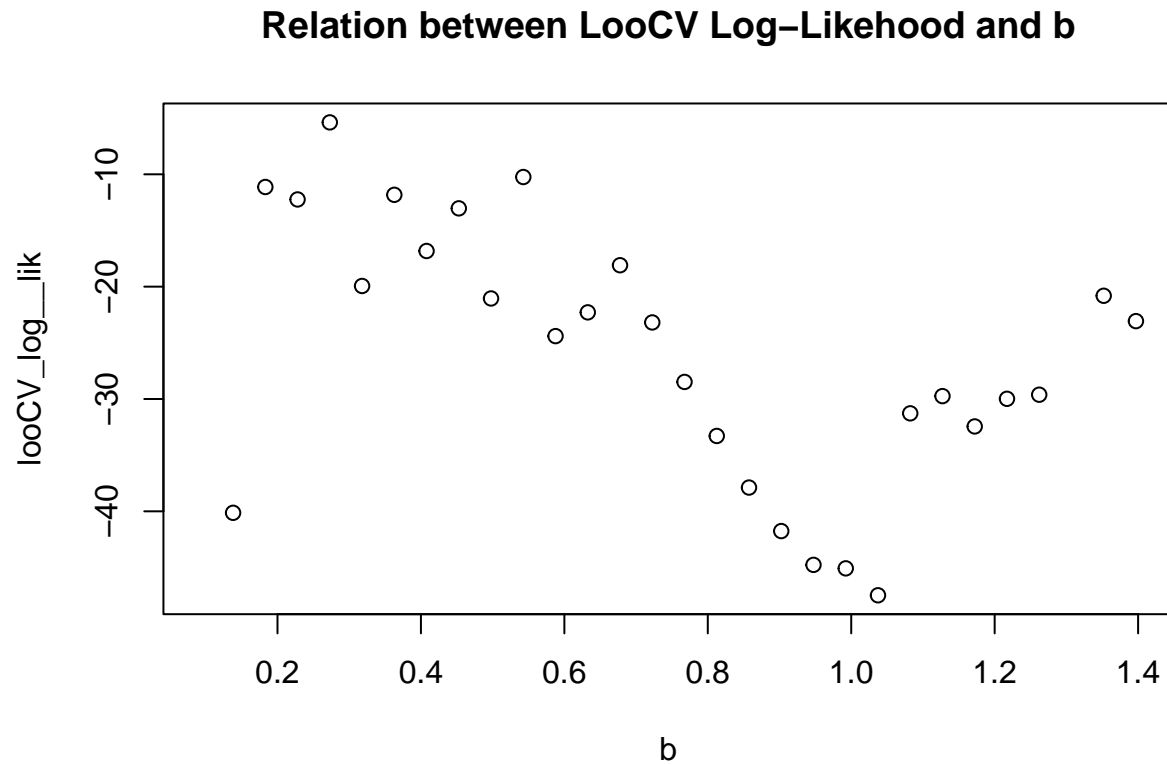
```
plot(hx,freq = FALSE)
```

```
b=seq((Z-A)/15,(Z-A)/1,length=30)
n=length(x)
y=list()
looCV_log__lik=list()
for (i in b){
  hx <- hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+i,by=i),plot=F)
  hx_f <- stepfun(hx$breaks,c(0,hx$density,0))
  f_loocv = function(p) (hx_f(p)*n*i-1)/(i*(n-1))
  y[length(y)+1]<-list(hx_f(x))
  hx_loocv=lapply(x,f_loocv)
  looCV_log__lik=append(looCV_log__lik,sum(log(unlist(hx_loocv))))
}
```

```
## Warning in log(unlist(hx_loocv)): NaNs produced
```

```
## Warning in log(unlist(hx_loocv)): NaNs produced
```

```
plot(b,looCV_log__lik)
title("Relation between LooCV Log-Likelihood and b")
```

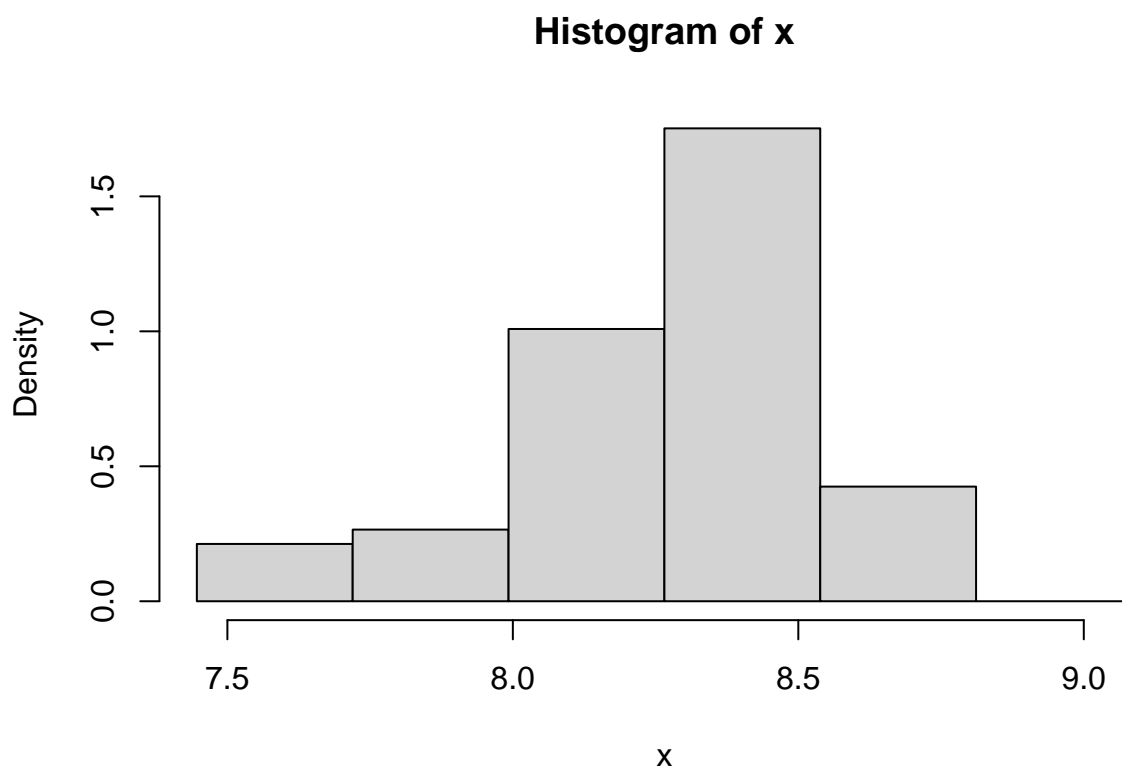


Best estimation can be found at  $b = 0.272977$

```
best=b[which.max(looCV_log__lik)]
best
```

```
## [1] 0.272977
```

```
hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+best,by=best), freq=F)
```



```
hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+best,by=best), plot=F)
```

```
## $breaks
## [1] 7.446500 7.719477 7.992454 8.265431 8.538408 8.811385 9.084362
##
## $counts
## [1] 4 5 19 33 8 0
##
## $density
## [1] 0.2123659 0.2654574 1.0087381 1.7520188 0.4247318 0.0000000
##
## $mids
## [1] 7.582989 7.855966 8.128943 8.401920 8.674897 8.947874
##
## $xname
## [1] "x"
##
## $equidist
## [1] TRUE
##
## attr(,"class")
## [1] "histogram"
```

7.

Recycle the functions `graph.mixt` and `sim.mixt` defined at `density_estimation.Rmd` to generate  $n=100$  data from



$$f(x) = (3/4)N(x; m = 0, s = 1) + (1/4)N(x; m = 3/2, s = 1/3)$$

Let  $b$  be the bin width of a histogram estimator of  $f(x)$  using the generated data. Select the value of  $b$  maximizing the leave-one-out log-likelihood function, and plot the corresponding histogram. Compare with the results obtained using the Scott's formula:

$$b_{\text{Scott}} = 3.49 \cdot \text{SD}(X)n^{-\frac{1}{3}}.$$

```
graph.mixt<-
function(k=1, mu=seq(-2*(k-1),2*(k-1),length=k), sigma=seq(1,1,length=k), alpha=seq(1/k,1/k,length=k),
{
  L<-min(mu-3*sigma)
  U<-max(mu+3*sigma)

  x<- seq(from=L,to=U,length=200)
  fx<- 0*x
  Salpha<-sum(alpha)
  for(i in 1:k){
    p<-alpha[i]/Salpha
    #      fx <- fx + p*exp(-(x-mu[i])/sigma[i])^2)/(sqrt(2*pi)*sigma[i])
    fx <- fx + p*dnorm(x,mu[i],sigma[i])
  }
  if (graphic){
    plot(x,fx,type="l",...)
  }
  return(list(L = L, U = U, x = x, fx = fx))
}

sim.mixt <- function(n=1,k=1,
  mu=seq(-2*(k-1),2*(k-1),length=k),
  sigma=seq(1,1,length=k),
  alpha=seq(1/k,1/k,length=k), graphic=FALSE,...)
{
  csa<-cumsum(alpha)
  x<-runif(n)

  for (i in 1:n){
    comp<-sum(csa<=x[i])+1
    x[i]<-rnorm(1,mu[comp],sigma[comp])
  }
  if(graphic) {
    out<-graph.mixt(k, mu, sigma, alpha, gr=FALSE)
    hist(x,freq = FALSE,
      ylim=c(0,max(c(max(out$fx),max(hist(x,plot=FALSE)$density))))
    lines(out$x,out$fx,lty=1,lwd=2)
  }
  return(x)
}
```

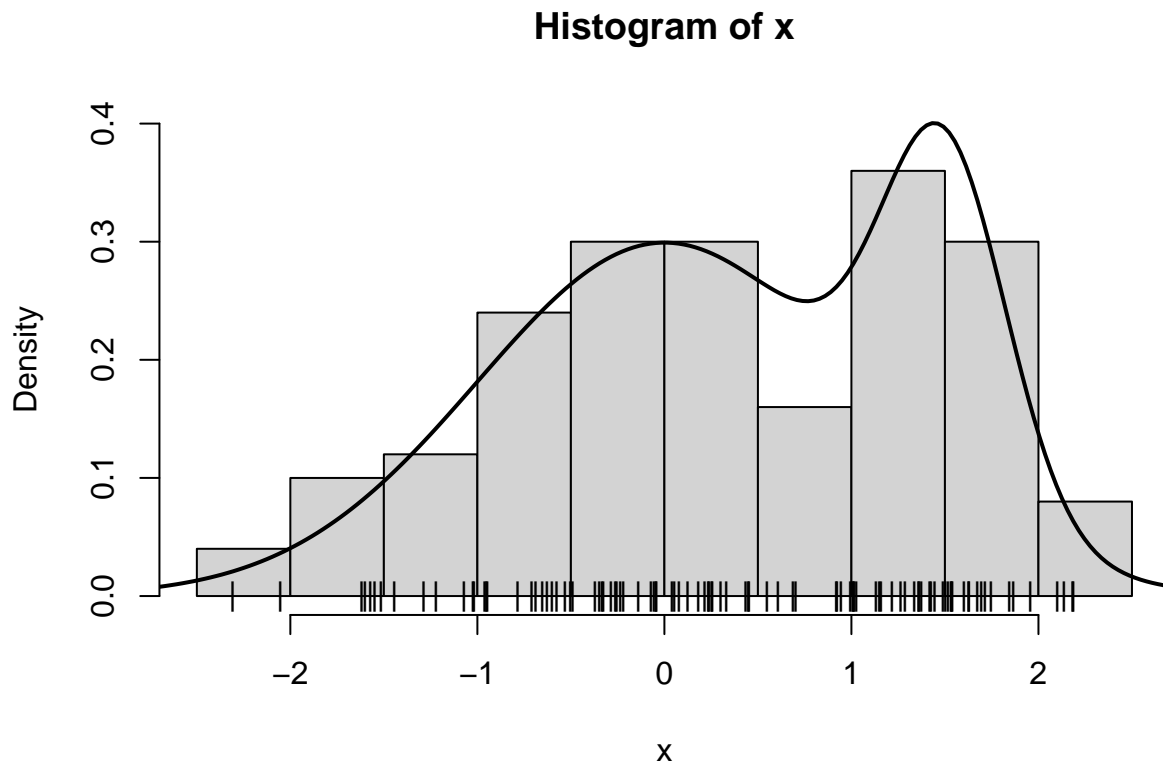
Generate  $n = 100$  data from

$$f(x) = (3/4)N(x; m = 0, s = 1) + (1/4)N(x; m = 3/2, s = 1/3)$$

```

set.seed(123)
n <- 100
mu <- c(0,3/2)
sigma <- c(1,1/3)
alpha <- c(3/4,1/4)
x <- sim.mixt(n=n, k=2, mu=mu, sigma=sigma, alpha=alpha, gr=T)
points(x,0*x,pch="|")

```



Make the usual estimations together with an additional one using the `scott_b` parameter.

```

A <- min(x) - .05*diff(range(x))
Z <- max(x) + .05*diff(range(x))
b=seq((Z-A)/15, (Z-A)/1, length=30)
n=length(x)
y=list()
looCV_log_lik=list()
for (i in b){
  hx <- hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+i,by=i),plot=F)
  hx_f <- stepfun(hx$breaks,c(0,hx$density,0))
  f_loovc = function(p) (hx_f(p)*n*i-1)/(i*(n-1))
  y[length(y)+1]<-list(hx_f(x))
  hx_loocv=lapply(x,f_loovc)
  looCV_log_lik=append(looCV_log_lik,sum(log(unlist(hx_loocv))))
}

```

```

scott_b=3.49*sd(x)*length(x)^(-1/3)
scott_b

```

```
## [1] 0.8311985
```

```
scott_hx <- hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+scott_b,by=scott_b),plot=F)
scott_hx_f <- stepfun(scott_hx$breaks,c(0,scott_hx$density,0))
scott_f_looVC = function(p) (scott_hx_f(p)*n*scott_b-1)/(scott_b*(n-1))
scott_y=scott_hx_f(x)
scott_hx_looCV=lapply(x,scott_f_looVC)
scott_looCV_log_lik=sum(log(unlist(scott_hx_looCV)))
scott_looCV_log_lik
```

```
## [1] -150.3579
```

```
best=b[which.max(looCV_log_lik)]
# maybe it is better to put this as text in the markdown
print(paste("best b (LOOCV)",best," l-likelihood=",max(unlist(looCV_log_lik))))
```

```
## [1] "best b (LOOCV) 0.966489482113715 l-likelihood= -149.527120603357"
```

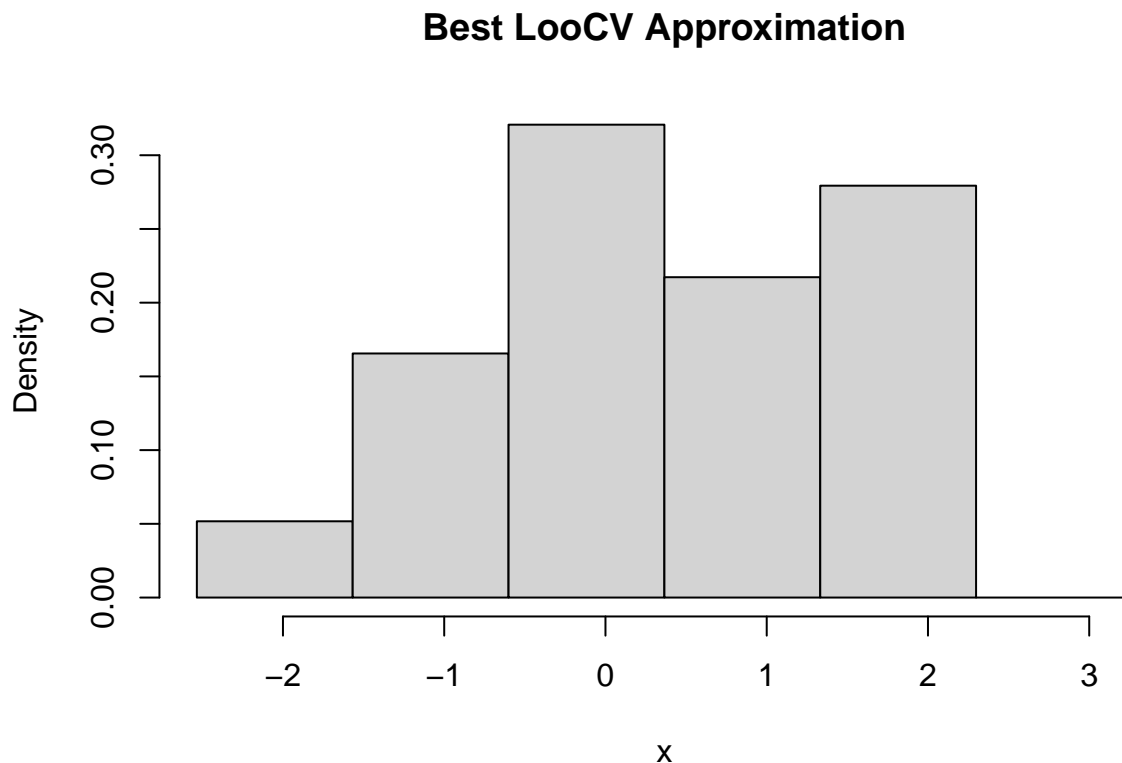
```
print(paste("best scott b",scott_b," l-likelihood=",scott_looCV_log_lik))
```

```
## [1] "best scott b 0.831198505080386 l-likelihood= -150.35788696066"
```

Best LOOCV b: 0.9665, Log-Likelihood: -149.527

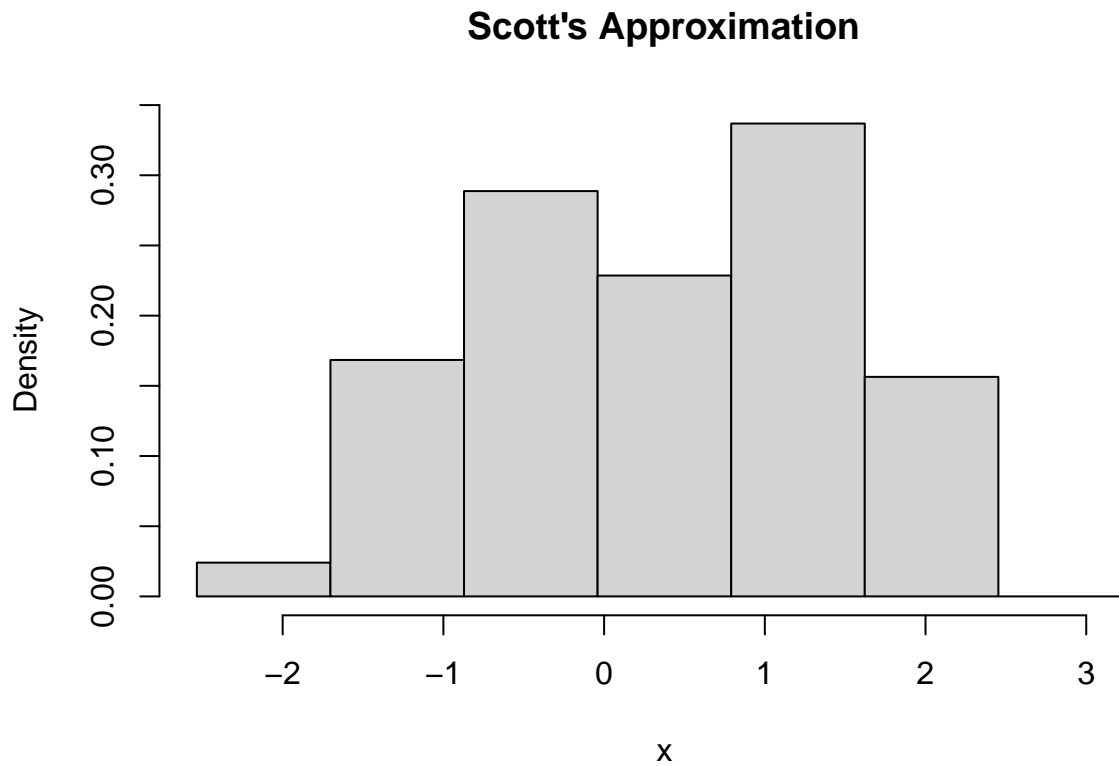
Scott's Formula b: 0.8312, Log-Likelihood: -150.358

```
hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+best,by=best),main="Best LooCV Approximation",freq=F)
```



```
# plot(x,unlist(y[which.max(looCV_log_lik)]))
```

```
hist(x,breaks=seq(A,Z+best,by=scott_b),main="Scott's Approximation",freq=F)
```



```
# plot(x,unlist(scott_y))
```

## Kernel density estimation

8.

Consider the vector  $\mathbf{x}$  of data you have generated before from the mixture of two normals. Use the relationship

$$\hat{f}_{h,(-i)}(x_i) = \frac{n}{n-1} \left( \hat{f}_h(x_i) - \frac{K(0)}{nh} \right),$$

to select the value of  $h$  maximizing the leave-one-out log-likelihood function, and plot the corresponding kernel density estimator. *NOTE:* The following sentences converts the kernel density estimator obtained with the function `density` into a function that can be evaluated at any point of  $\mathbb{R}$  or at a vector of real numbers:

```
kx <- density(x)
x_f <- approxfun(x=kx$x, y=kx$y, method='linear', rule=2)
```

Here the  $h$  is pulled from a  $[11,50]$  interval, and the estimation is the kernel one performed in theory lessons. However, the value seems to improve in a logarithmic way with respect to  $h$ . This makes sense due to the kernel choice, since it is the one chosen by R. We considered that, since the scope of this practice is not to make a good fit (avoiding regression), 50 is a sufficient number.

```
n=length(x)
hx_loocv=list()
```

```

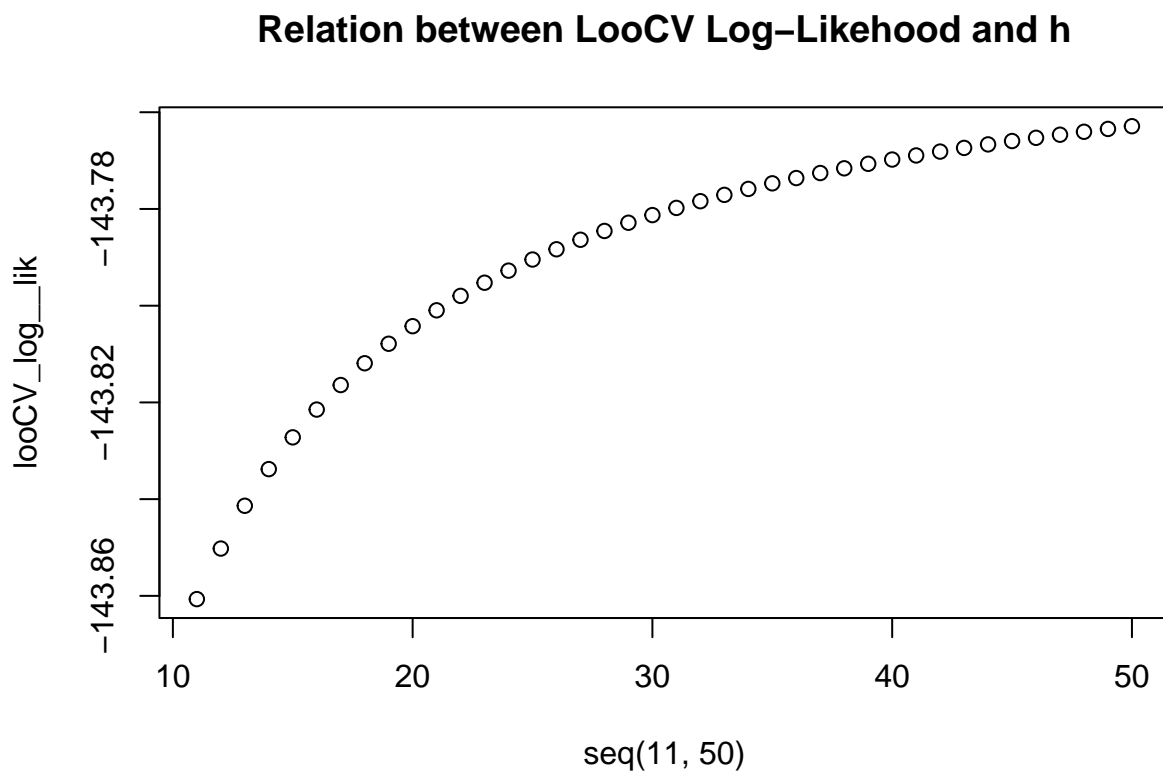
looCV_log__lik=list()
y=list()
for (h in seq(11,50)){
  kx <- density(x)
  x_f <- approxfun(x=kx$x, y=kx$y, method='linear', rule=2)
  f_loovc = function(p) (n/(n-1))*(x_f(p)-(x_f(0)/(n*h)))
  y[length(y)+1]<-list(x_f(x))
  hx_loocv=lapply(x,f_loovc)
  looCV_log__lik=append(looCV_log__lik,sum(log(unlist(hx_loocv))))
}

```

```

plot(seq(11,50),looCV_log__lik)
title("Relation between LooCV Log-Likelihood and h")

```



The best estimation is  $h = 50$

```

best=seq(11,50)[which.max(looCV_log__lik)]
best

```

```
## [1] 50
```

```

plot(x,unlist(y[which.max(looCV_log__lik)]),ylab="Density")
title("Best looCV approximation")

```

**Best looCV approximation**

