

(Q1)

(a) Target density, $\pi(x)$ $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

logs $\therefore x[i-1] = y$

$$\rightarrow \frac{x[i-1]}{y} \rightarrow \alpha = \frac{1}{\theta}$$

Since $\log(\text{runif}(1)) < \alpha$

$$\Rightarrow \text{runif}(1) > \alpha$$

~~Not in the interest~~

$$R = \frac{\pi(y)}{\pi(x)} = \frac{e^{-|y|}}{e^{-|x|}}$$

Since we inverse the log of absolute value function.

So $\pi(x) \propto e^{-|x|}$, and we know that $\int \pi(x) dx = 1$.

$$\therefore \int_{\mathbb{R}} k e^{-|x|} dx = 1$$

$$= \int_0^{\infty} k e^{-x} dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 k e^x dx = 1$$

$$\text{or} \left[-k e^{-x} \right]_0^{\infty} + \left[k e^x \right]_{-\infty}^0 = 1$$

$$\cancel{[0+k]} + [k] = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore \pi(x) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x|}$$

(b) And the proposal $q(\theta^*|\theta)$ is simply a Normal distribution, with mean θ , and s.d. sigma (default = 1)

$$\cancel{q(\theta|\theta)} \sim N(\theta, \sigma) \quad q(\cdot) \sim N(\theta, \sigma)$$

$$\therefore \text{density } q(\theta^*|\theta) = \cancel{\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{\theta^*-\theta}{\sigma}\right)^2\right\}}$$

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Q2)

Target: $f(\theta) = \sin \theta$ $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi/2$

Proposal: $q(\theta^*) = \frac{8\theta^*}{\pi^2}$ $0 \leq \theta^* \leq \pi/2$

(b)

(i) 1. Initialise w/ $\theta^{(0)} = \pi/4$, $j=1$

2. Propose $\theta^* \sim q(\cdot)$ $\left[\frac{8\theta^*}{\pi^2} \right]$

3. Evaluate $\alpha(\theta^* | \theta^{(j-1)})$ where

$$\alpha(\theta^* | \theta) = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\sin \theta^*}{\sin \theta} \times \frac{\frac{8\theta^*}{\pi^2}}{\frac{8\theta}{\pi^2}} \right\}$$

$$= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\theta \sin \theta^*}{\theta^* \sin \theta} \right\}$$

4. With prob. $\alpha(\theta^* | \theta)$, put $\theta^{(j)} = \theta^*$, otherwise put $\theta^{(j)} = \theta^{(j-1)}$.

5. If $j=N$ stop, otherwise $j \leftarrow j+1$, go to step 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii)} \quad P(\text{move} | \theta) &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \alpha(\phi | \theta) q(\phi | \theta) d\phi \\ &= \int_0^{\pi/2} \min \left(1, \frac{\theta \sin \phi}{\phi \sin \theta} \right) \frac{8\phi}{\pi^2} d\phi \end{aligned}$$

→ When $\phi \geq \theta$, $\min. = \frac{\theta \sin \phi}{\phi \sin \theta}$

→ When $\phi < \theta$, $\min. = 1$

$$P(\text{move } l\theta) = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\theta \sin \phi}{\phi \sin \theta} \times \frac{8\phi}{\pi^2} d\phi + \int_0^{\theta} 1 \times \frac{8\phi}{\pi^2} d\phi$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{8\theta \sin \phi}{\pi^2 \sin \theta} d\phi + \left[\frac{4\phi^2}{\pi^2} \right]_0^{\theta}$$

$$= \left[\frac{-8\theta \cos \phi}{\pi^2 \sin \theta} \right]_0^{\pi/2} + \frac{4\theta^2}{\pi^2}$$

~~ans~~

$$= 0 - \left[\frac{-8\theta}{\pi^2 \sin \theta} \right] + \frac{4\theta^2}{\pi^2}$$

$$= \frac{8\theta + 4\theta^2 \sin \theta}{\pi^2 \sin \theta}$$

$$(iii) P(\text{move}) = \int_0^{\pi/2} P(\text{move } l\theta) f(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/2} \left[\frac{8\theta + 4\theta^2 \sin \theta}{\pi^2 \sin \theta} \right] \sin \theta d\theta$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \int_0^{\pi/2} 2\theta + \theta^2 \sin \theta \, d\theta = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left[\left[\theta^2 \right]_0^{\pi/2} + \left[-\theta^2 \cos \theta \right]_0^{\pi/2} - \int_0^{\pi/2} 2\theta \cos \theta \, d\theta \right] \\
&= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left[\left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) + 0 - \left[-2\theta \cos \theta \right]_0^{\pi/2} - \int_0^{\pi/2} 2 \sin \theta \, d\theta \right] \\
&= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left[\frac{\pi}{4} - \left(0 - \left[-2 \cos \theta \right]_0^{\pi/2} \right) \right] \\
&= \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left[\frac{\pi}{4} + (0 + 2) \right] = \frac{4}{\pi^2} \left(\frac{\pi}{4} + 2 \right) \\
&= \frac{\cancel{4\pi}}{\cancel{4\pi^2}} + \frac{8}{\pi^2} = \frac{1}{\pi} + \frac{8}{\pi^2} = \frac{\pi + 8}{\pi^2} \rightarrow > 1 \quad ??
\end{aligned}$$

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(iv) We get ≈ 0.70 for the sampler empirical acceptance rate, against our overall acceptance probability ~~1/2~~; some minor error? Since it is greater than 1.

(v) On average, the empirical acceptance rate is higher for the uniform proposal, so we would prefer this.

(Q3) If $\delta \leq 1$ then the distribution is bounded

\Rightarrow Markov chain is irreducible.