



Bayesian Statistics and Bayesian Cognitive Modeling

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Recap

What we've learned...

- R Basics
- probability distributions
- Bayes' theorem, $p(\theta|D)$
- Binomial model
- MCMC and Stan

BERNOULLI MODEL



Bernoulli Model

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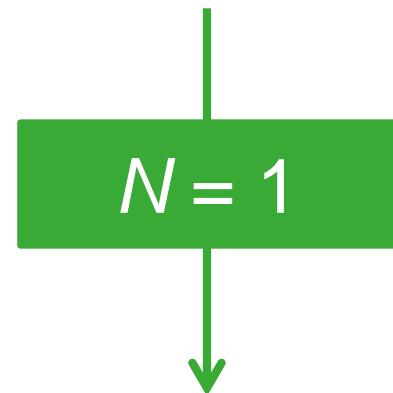
- You are interested in if a coin is biased.
- You will flip the coin.
- You will record whether it comes up a head (h) or a tail (t).
- You might observe 15 heads out of 20 flips.
- What is your degree of belief about the biased parameter ϑ ?



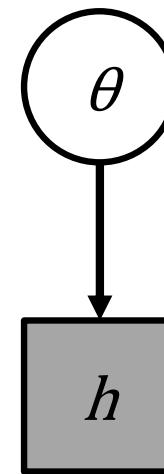
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$$p(w | N, p) = \binom{N}{w} p^w (1-p)^{N-w}$$



$$p(h | \theta) = \theta^h (1 - \theta)^{1-h}$$



$$\theta \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$$

$$h \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\theta)$$

Exercise I

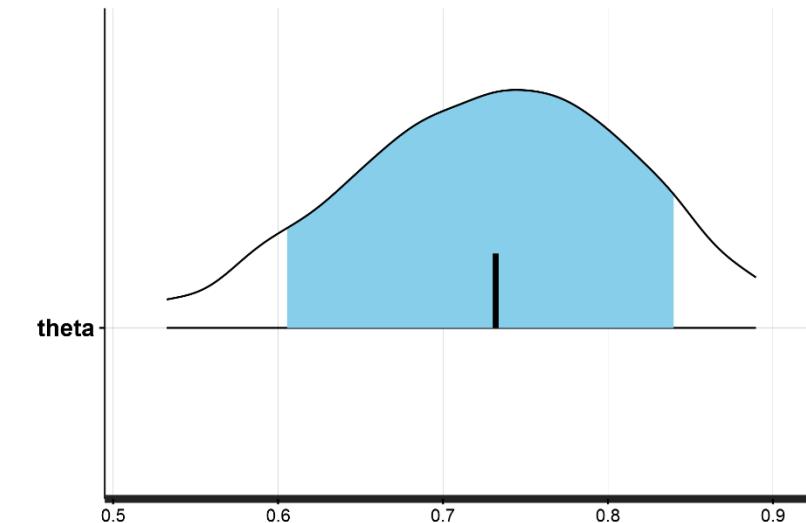
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```
.../BayesCog/03.bernoulli_coin/_scripts/bernoulli_coin_main.R
```

TASK: fit the Bernoulli model

```
> dataList
$`flip`
[1] 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 0 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 0 1

$N
[1] 20
```



Possible Optimization?

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```
model {  
  for (n in 1:N) {  
    flip[n] ~ bernoulli(theta);  
  }  
}
```

61.59 secs*

```
model {  
  flip ~ bernoulli(theta);  
}
```

53.25 secs*

Thinking before looping!

DAY2

| | |
|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| 09:00 – 09:30 | Warmup – Bernoulli Model |
| 09:30 – 10:00 | Linear Regression Model |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | Predictive Check |
| 10:30 – 10:45 | Coffee break |
| 10:45 – 11:30 | Cognitive Modeling |
| 11:30 – 12:30 | Reinforcement Learning Model |
| 12:30 – 13:30 | Lunch break |
| 13:30 – 14:00 | Fitting Multiple Participants |
| 14:00 – 15:00 | Hierarchical Modeling |
| 15:00 – 15:15 | Coffee Break |
| 15:15 – 16:15 | Optimizing Stan Codes |
| 16:15 – 17:00 | Model Comparison |

LINEAR REGRESSION

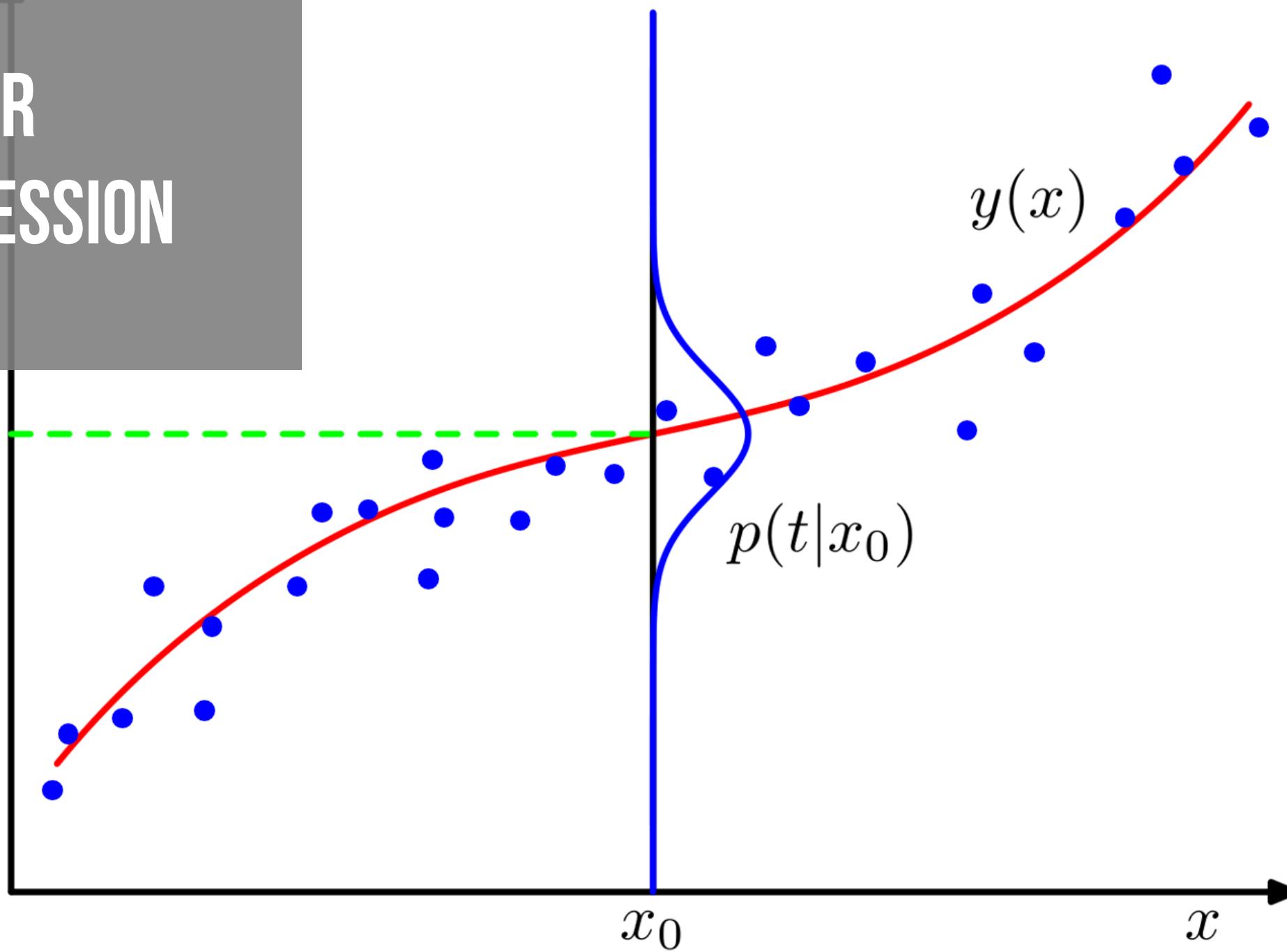
$$y(x_0)$$

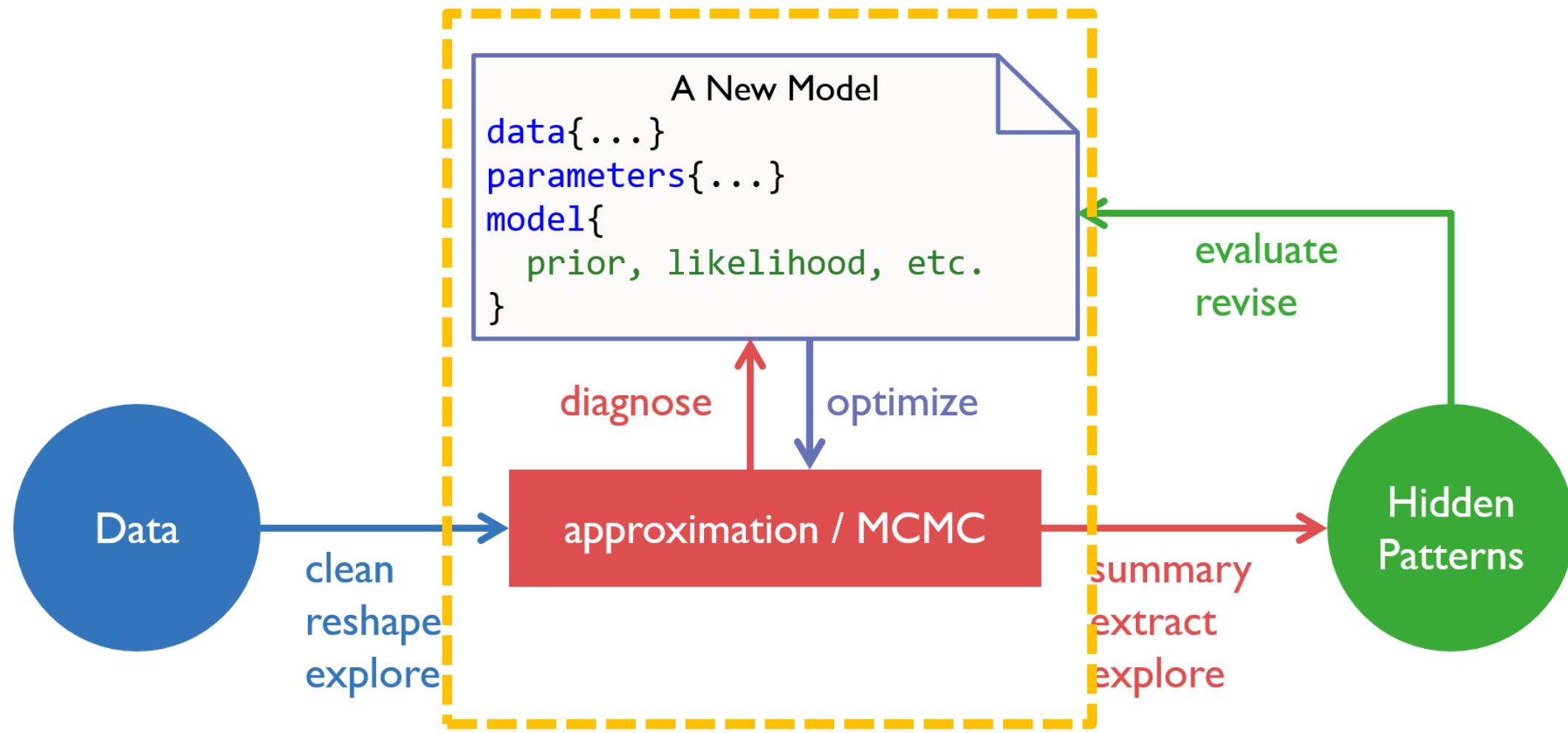
$$x_0$$

$$x$$

$$y(x)$$

$$p(t|x_0)$$





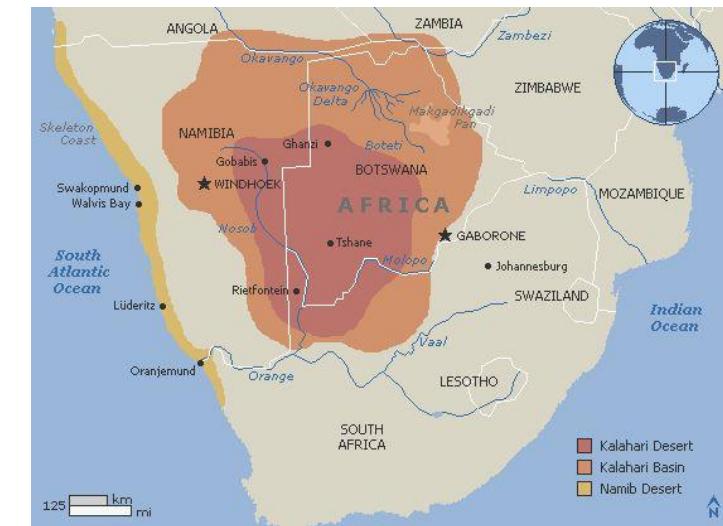
Linear Regression: height ~ weight

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.../BayesCog/04.regression_height/_scripts/regression_height_main.R

make scatter plot and fit the model with lm()

```
>load('_data/height.RData')
>d <- Howell1
>d <- d[ d$age >= 18 , ]
>head(d)
height    weight age male
1 151.765 47.82561 63   1
2 139.700 36.48581 63   0
3 136.525 31.86484 65   0
4 156.845 53.04191 41   1
5 145.415 41.27687 51   0
6 163.830 62.99259 35   1
```



Results with lm()

```
> L <- lm( height ~ weight, d) # estimate model by minimizing least squares errors  
> summary(L)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = height ~ weight, data = d)
```

Residuals:

| Min | 1Q | Median | 3Q | Max |
|----------|---------|--------|--------|---------|
| -19.7464 | -2.8835 | 0.0222 | 3.1424 | 14.7744 |

Coefficients:

| | Estimate | Std. Error | t value | Pr(> t) |
|-------------|-----------|------------|---------|------------|
| (Intercept) | 113.87939 | 1.91107 | 59.59 | <2e-16 *** |
| weight | 0.90503 | 0.04205 | 21.52 | <2e-16 *** |

Signif. codes: 0 ‘***’ 0.001 ‘**’ 0.01 ‘*’ 0.05 ‘.’ 0.1 ‘ ’ 1

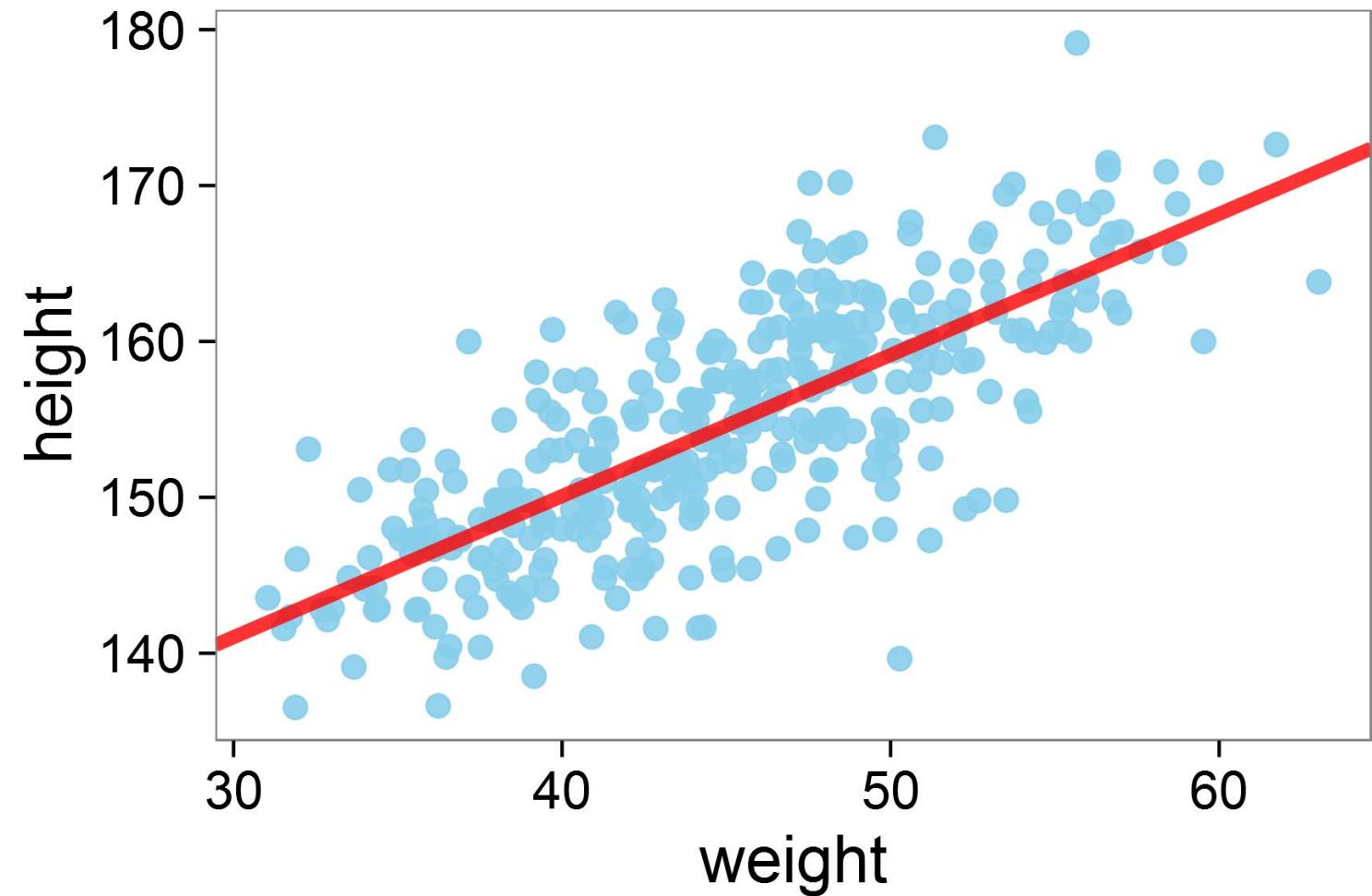
Residual standard error: 5.086 on 350 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.5696, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5684

F-statistic: 463.3 on 1 and 350 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

height ~ weight

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Rethinking Regression Model

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$$\mu_i = \alpha + \beta x_i$$

$$y_i = \mu_i + \varepsilon$$

$$\varepsilon \sim Normal(0, \sigma)$$

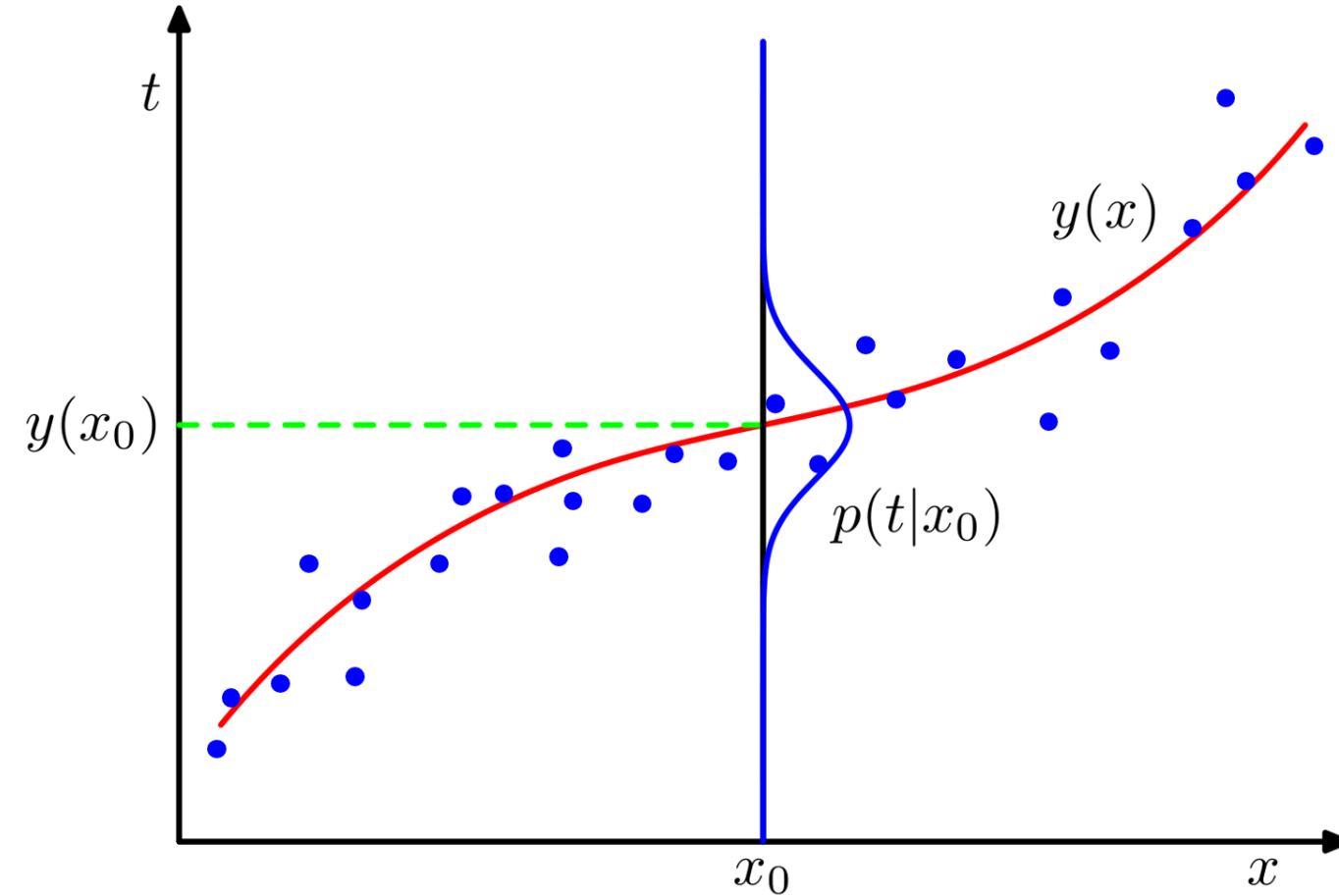
$$y_i \sim Normal(\mu_i, \sigma)$$

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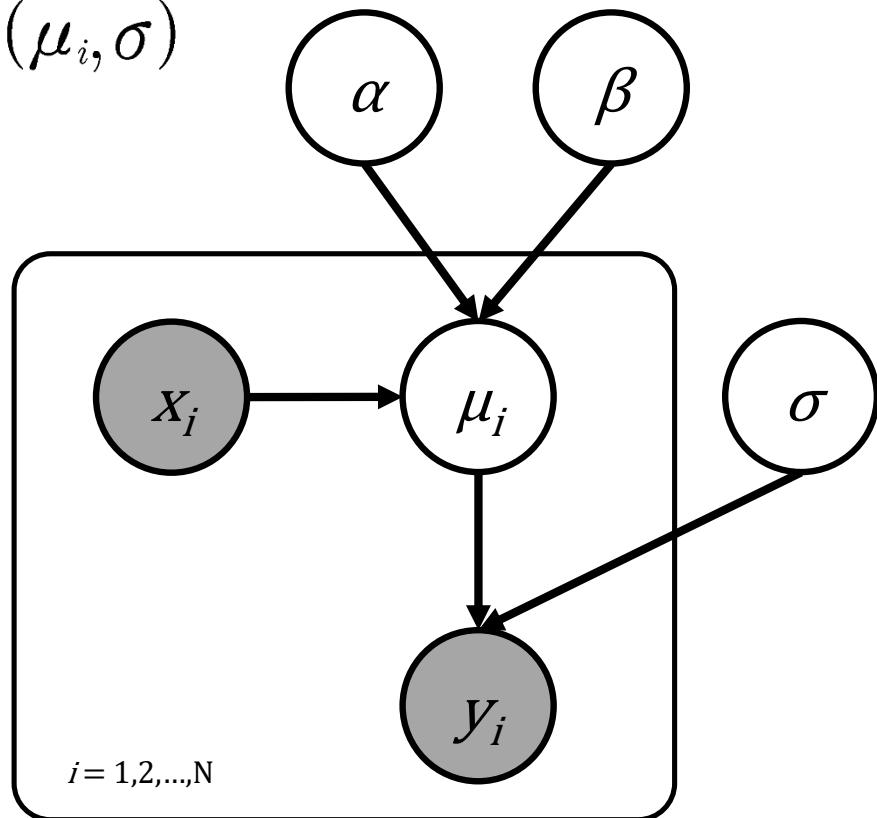


Rethinking Regression Model

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```
model {  
  vector[N] mu;  
  for (i in 1:N) {  
    mu[i] = alpha + beta * weight[i];  
    height[i] ~ normal(mu[i], sigma);  
  }  
}
```

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Thinking about Priors?

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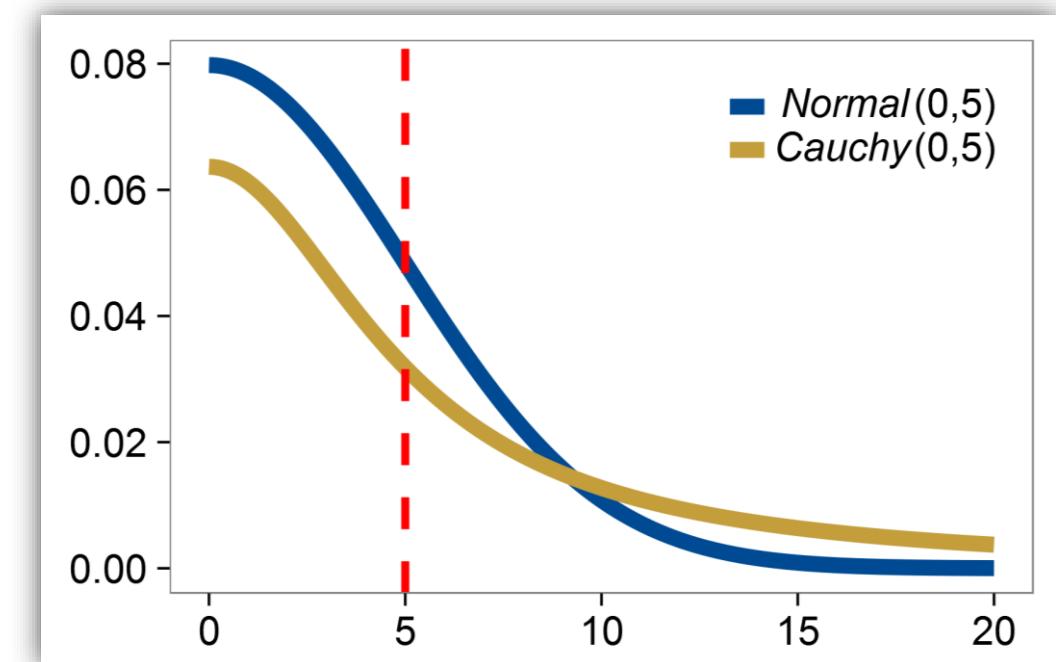
$$\alpha \sim Normal(170, 100)$$

$$\beta \sim Normal(0, 20)$$

$$\text{height} = \alpha + \beta * \text{weight}$$

$$\sigma \sim halfCauchy(0, 20)$$

$$\text{height} \sim Normal(\text{height}, \sigma)$$



Exercise II

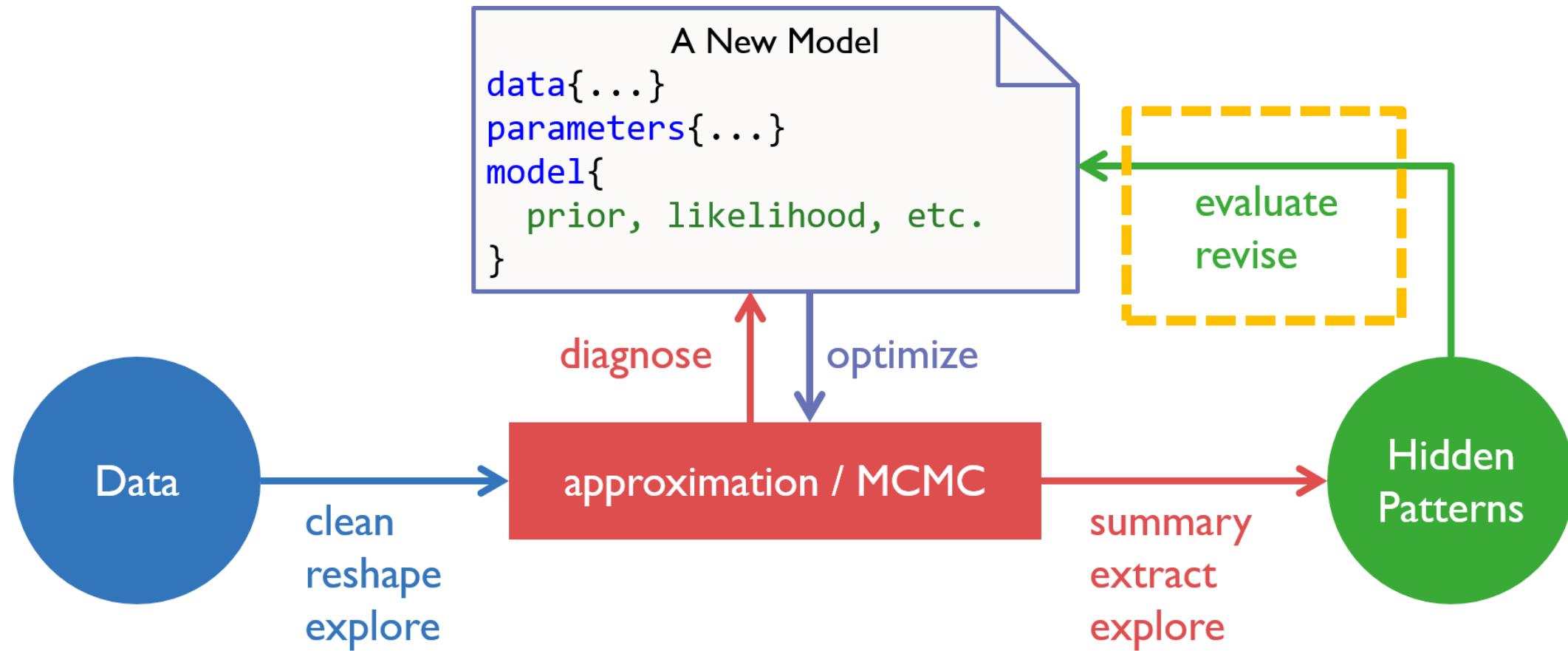
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.../BayesCog/04.regression_height/_scripts/regression_height_main.R

TASK: estimate the model and produce the results

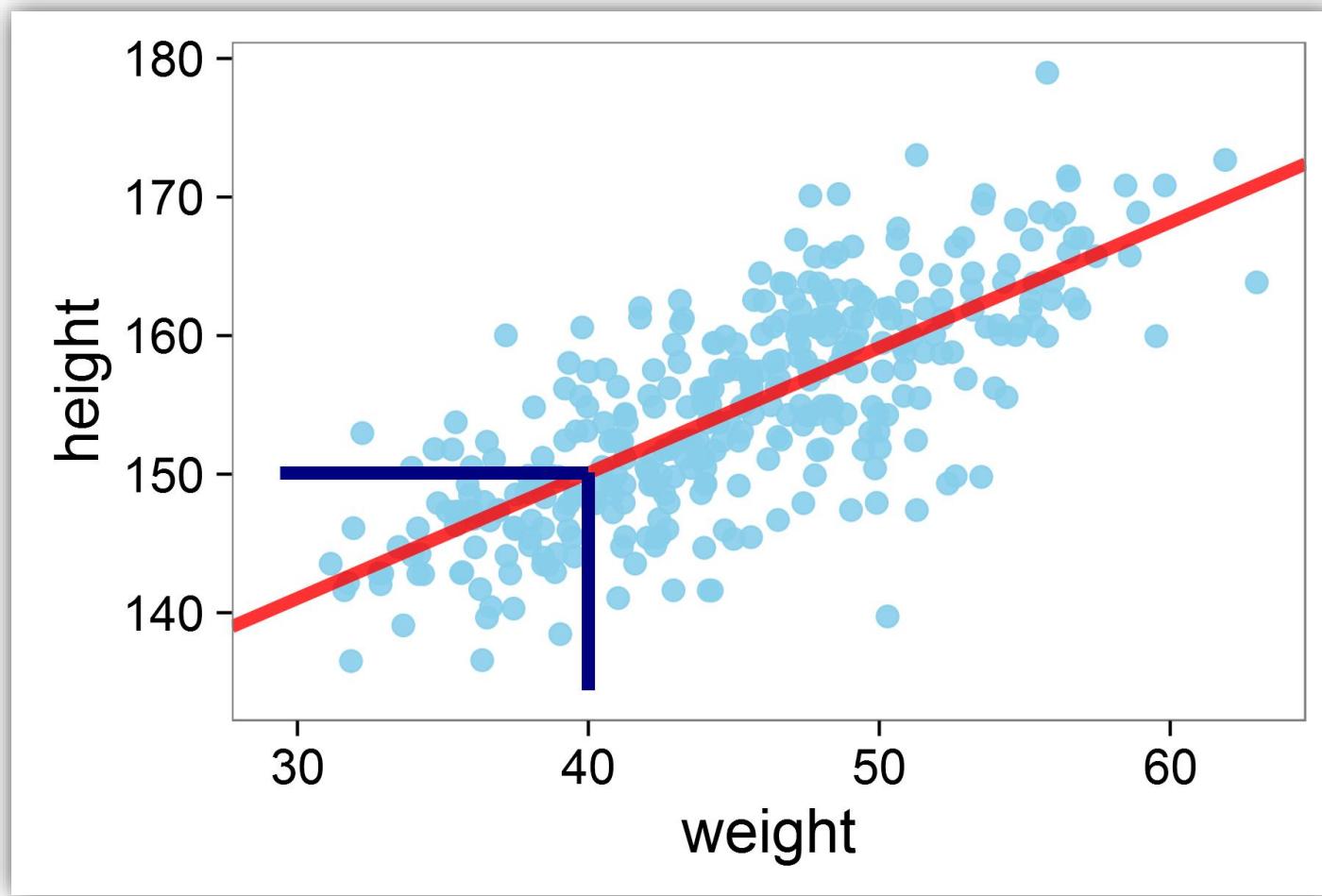
Inference for Stan model: regression_height_model.
4 chains, each with iter=2000; warmup=1000; thin=1;
post-warmup draws per chain=1000, total post-warmup draws=4000.

| | mean | se_mean | sd | 2.5% | 25% | 50% | 75% | 97.5% | n_eff | Rhat |
|-------|---------|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-------|------|
| alpha | 113.97 | 0.06 | 1.86 | 110.27 | 112.76 | 113.93 | 115.20 | 117.66 | 934 | 1 |
| beta | 0.90 | 0.00 | 0.04 | 0.82 | 0.88 | 0.90 | 0.93 | 0.99 | 922 | 1 |
| sigma | 5.11 | 0.01 | 0.19 | 4.74 | 4.97 | 5.10 | 5.24 | 5.50 | 1437 | 1 |
| lp__ | -747.61 | 0.04 | 1.23 | -750.80 | -748.15 | -747.28 | -746.72 | -746.24 | 993 | 1 |



What does the Model Predict?

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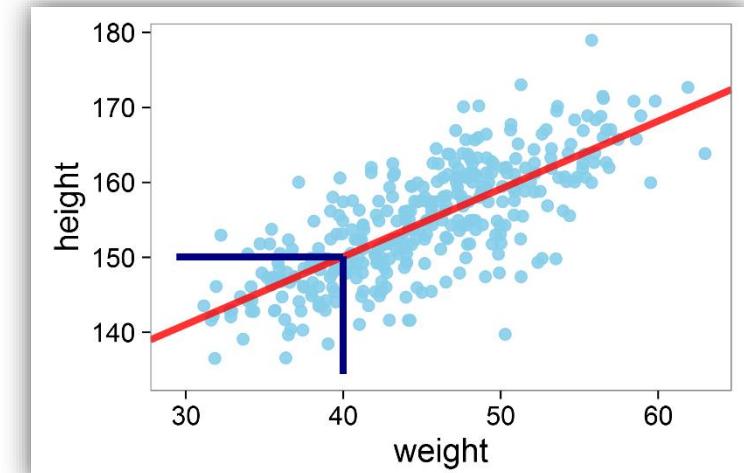
$$p(y_{rep} | y) = \int p(y_{rep} | \theta) p(\theta | y) d(\theta)$$

Posterior Predictive Check (PPC)

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```
generated quantities {  
    vector[N] height_bar;  
    for (n in 1:N) {  
        height_bar[n] = normal_rng(alpha + beta * weight[n], sigma);  
    }  
}
```

the generated quantities
block runs only AFTER the
sampling, and the time it costs
can be essentially ignored!



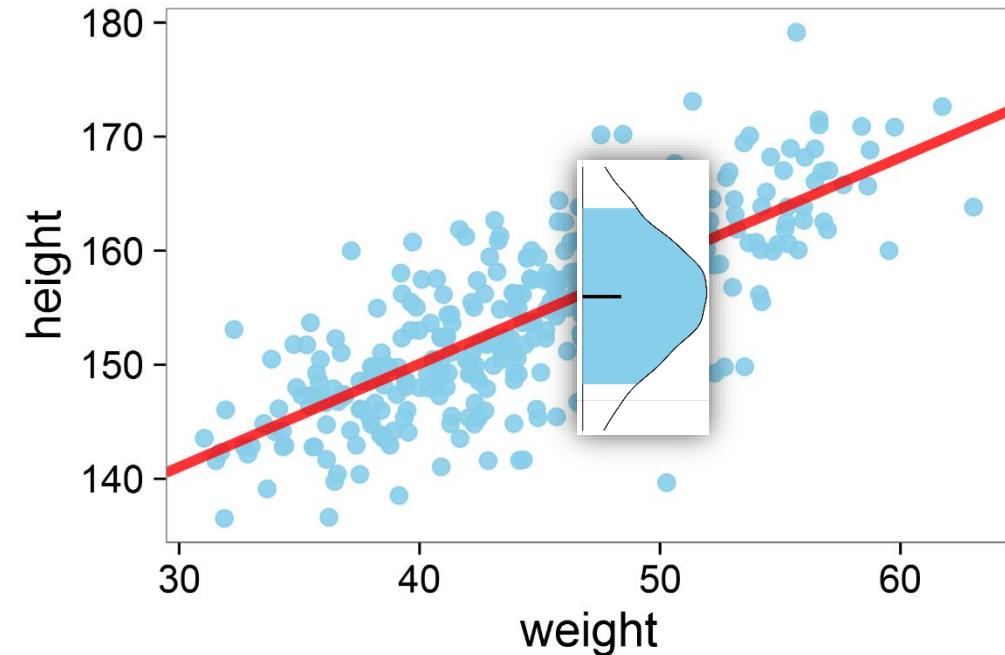
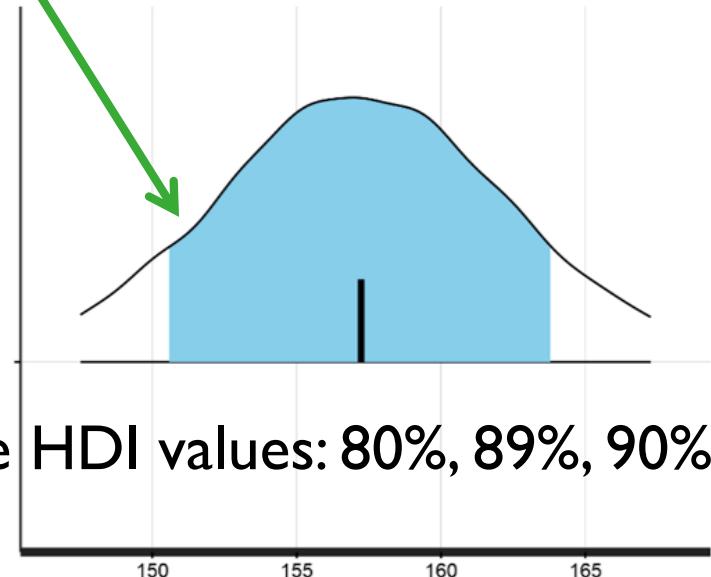
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Highest density interval (HDI)

`dens(height_bar | x=47.8)`

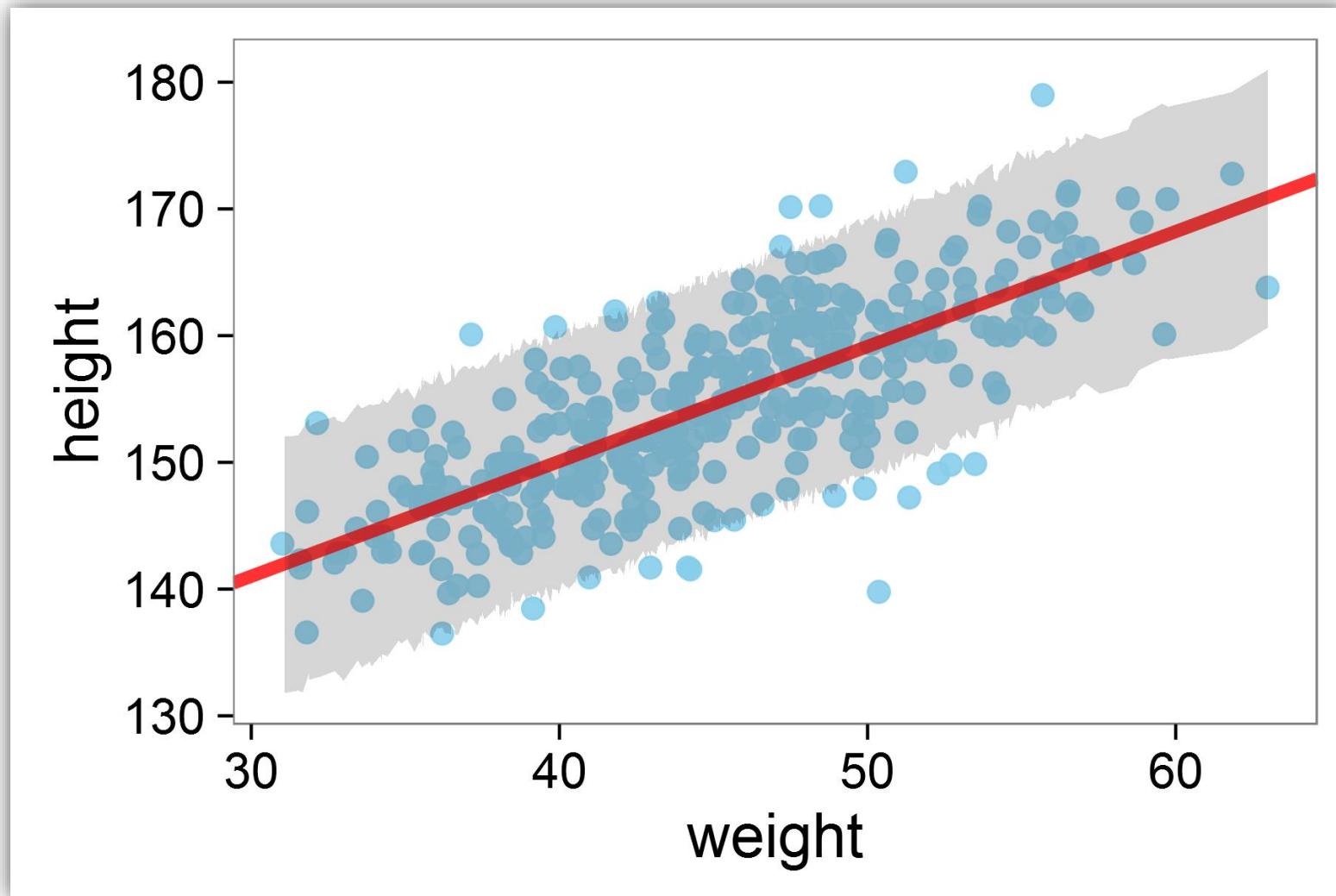
possible HDI values: 80%, 89%, 90%, 95%



```
height_bar <- extract(fit_reg_ppc, pars = 'height_bar',
                      permuted = FALSE)$height_bar
height_HDI <- apply(height_bar, 2, HDIofMCMC)
```

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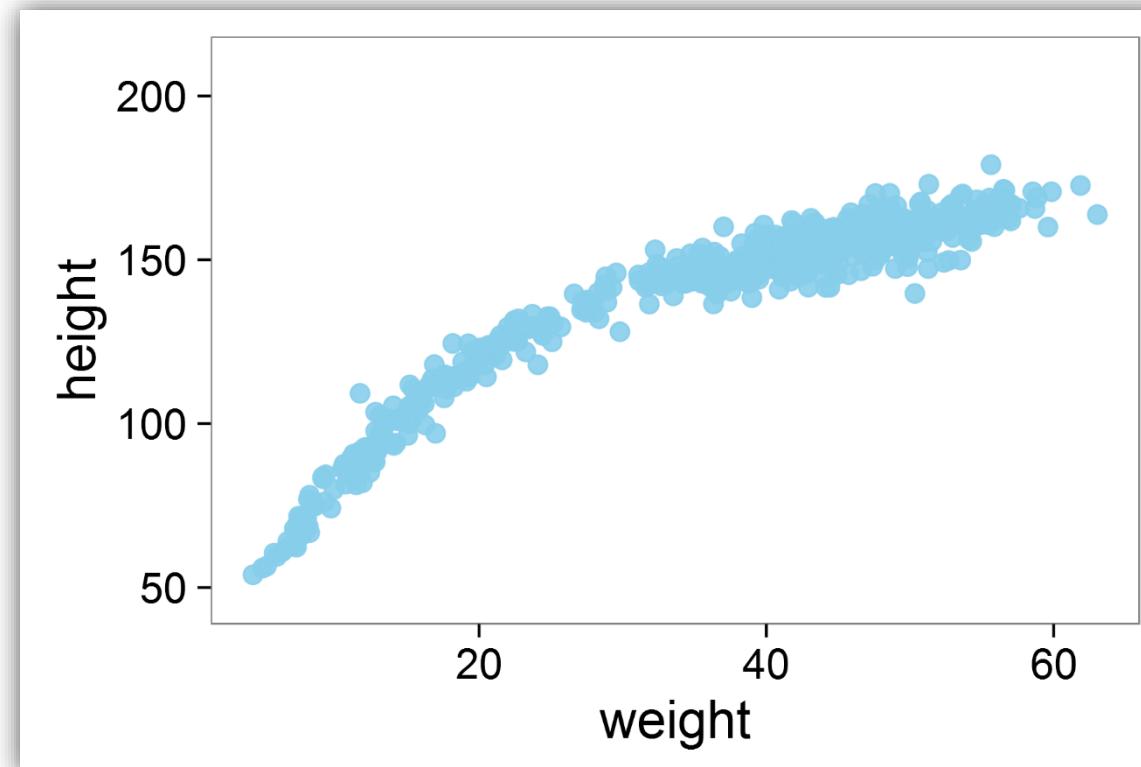


Exercise III

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```
.../BayesCog/05.regression_height_poly/_scripts  
/regression_height_poly_main.R
```

TASK: produce PPC plot for both 1st order and 2nd order polynomial fit



Exercise III – Tips

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```
> source('_scripts/regression_height_poly_main.R')  
  
> out1 <- reg_poly(poly_order = 1)
```

$$\overline{\text{height}} = \alpha + \beta_1 * \text{weight} + \beta_2 * \text{weight}^2$$

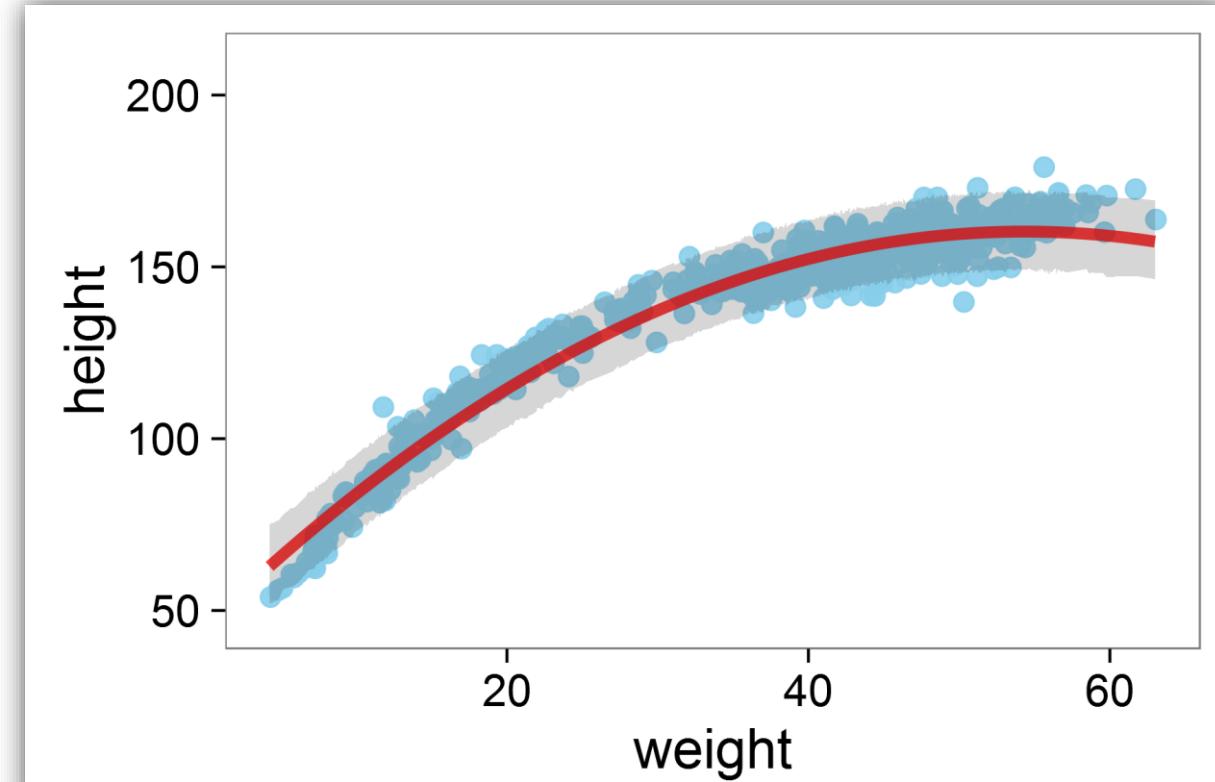
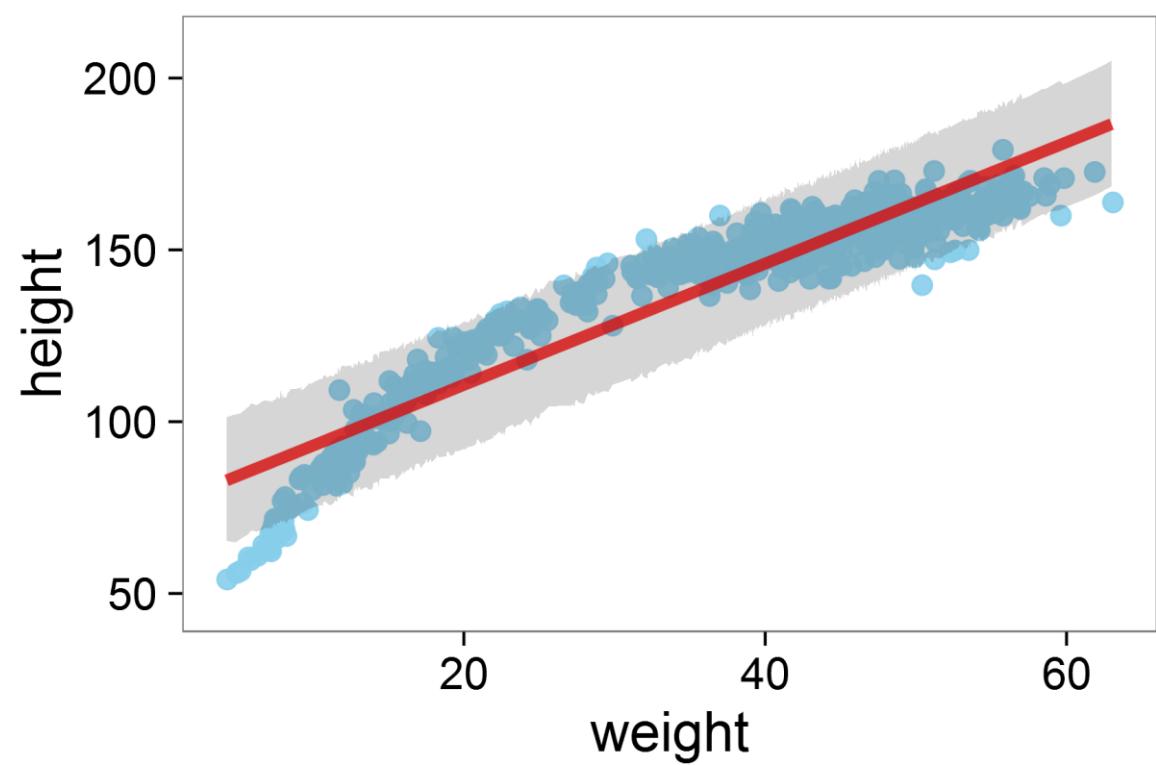
$$\text{height} \sim \text{Normal}(\overline{\text{height}}, \sigma)$$

```
data {  
  int<lower=0> N;  
  vector<lower=0>[N] height;  
  vector<lower=0>[N] weight;  
  vector<lower=0>[N] weight_sq;  
}
```

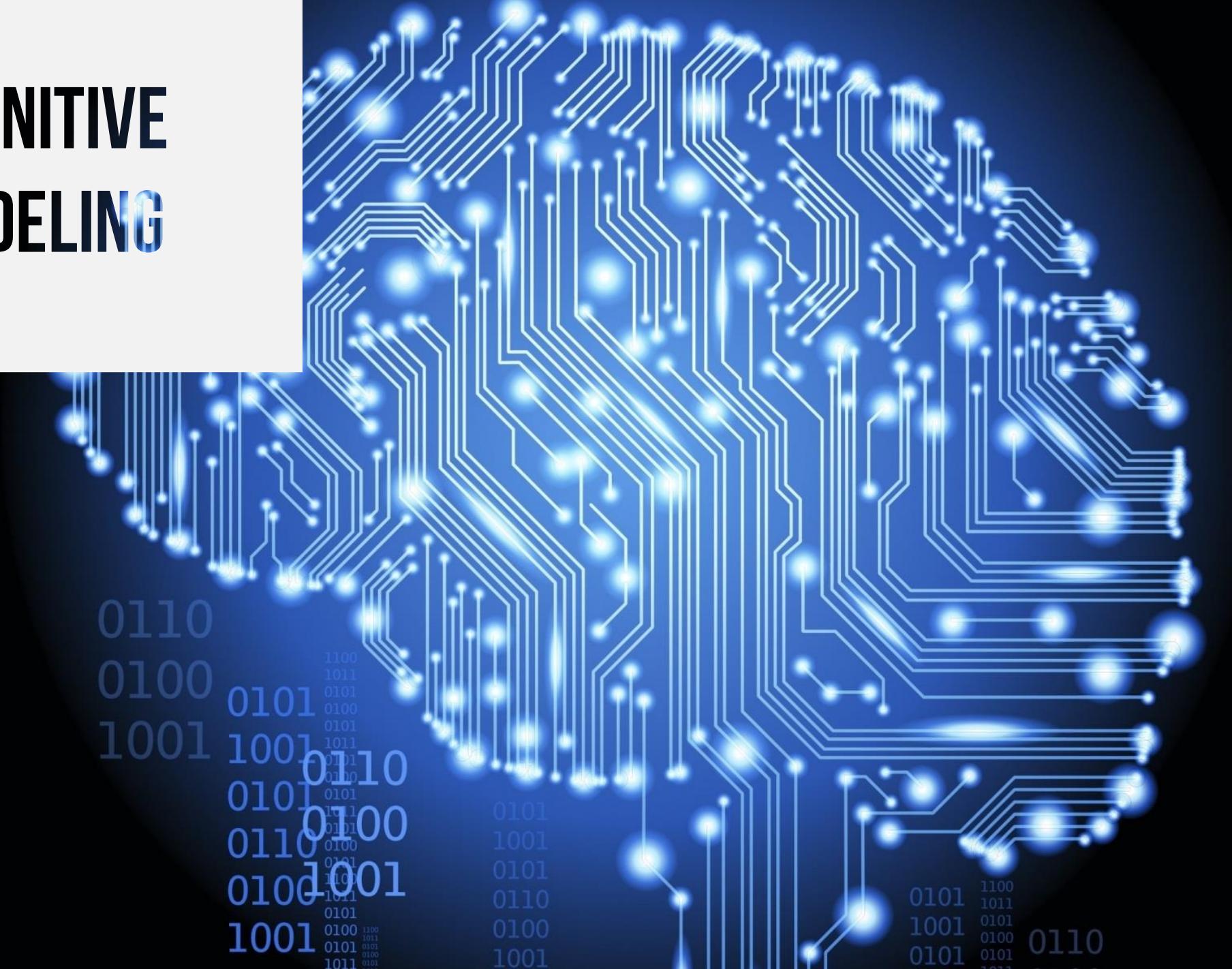
```
height ~ normal(alpha + beta1 * weight + beta2 * weight_sq, sigma);
```

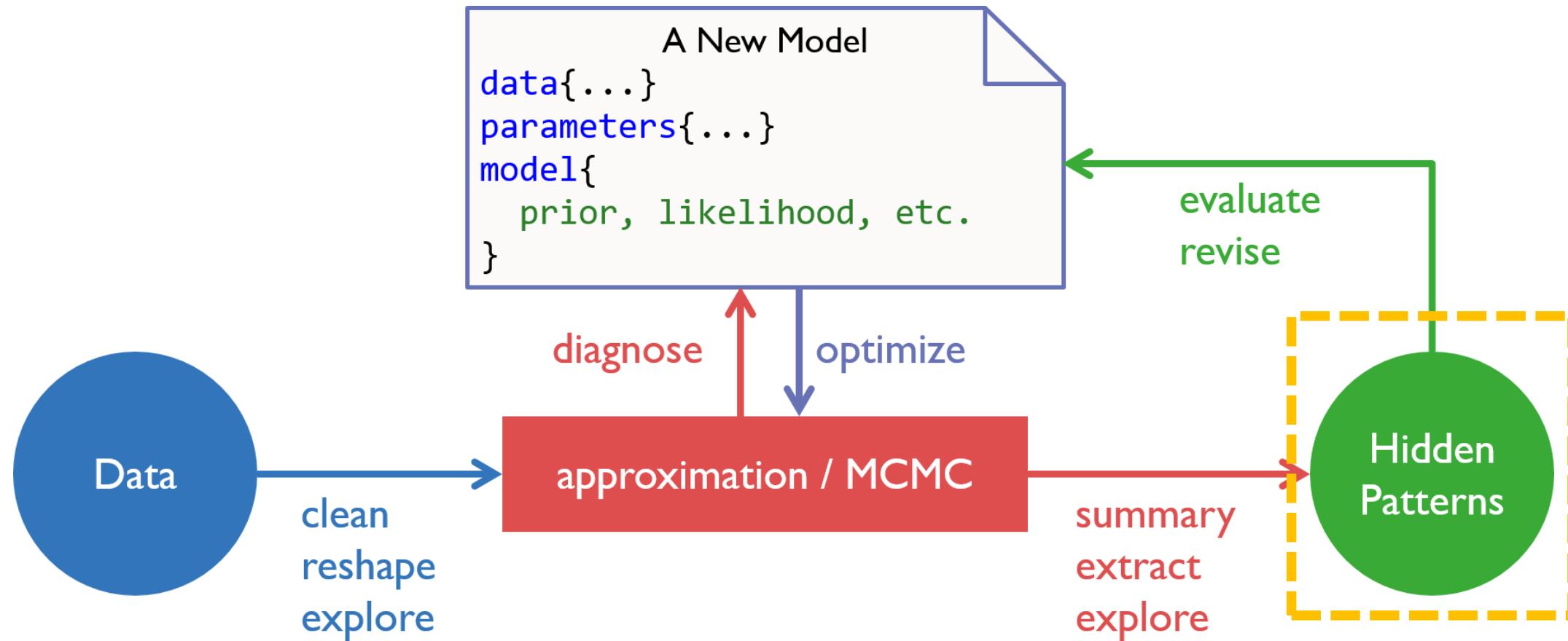
Exercise III – output2

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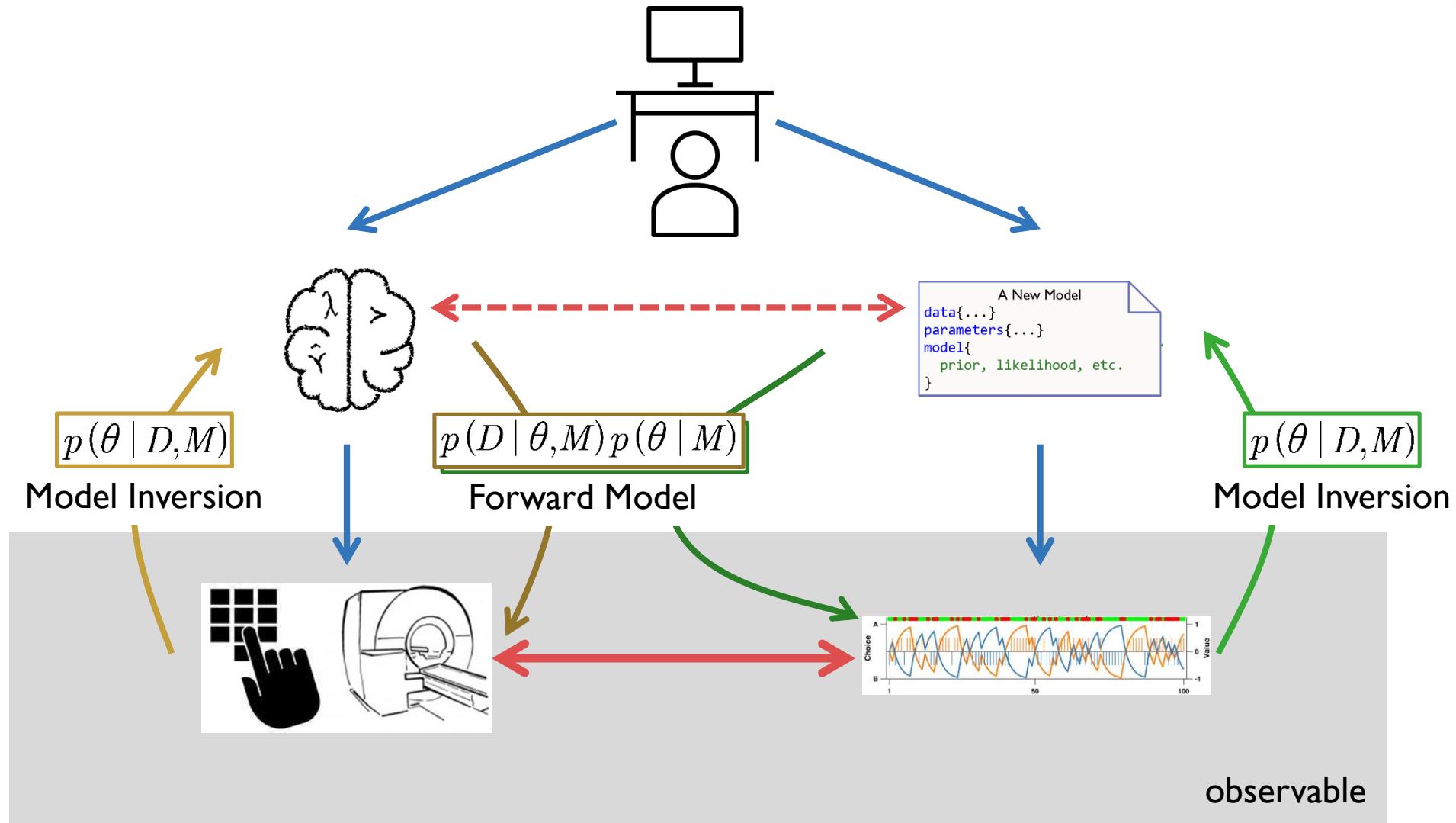
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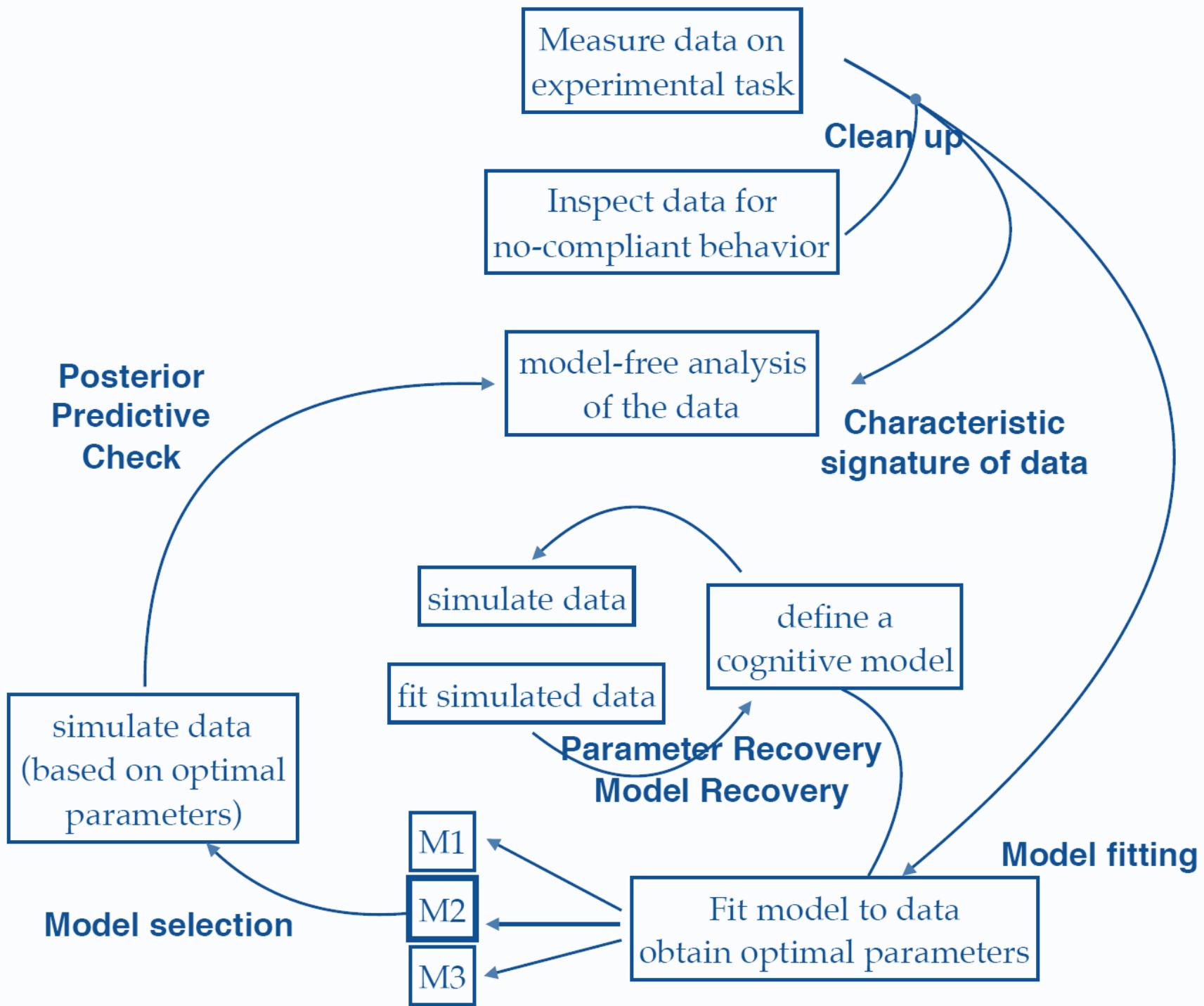




What is Cognitive Modeling?

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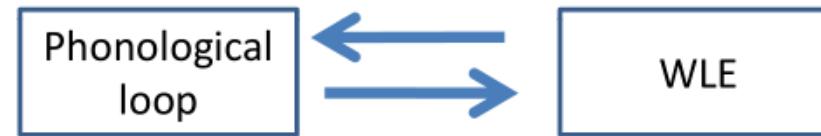


Adapted from Jan Gläscher's workshop

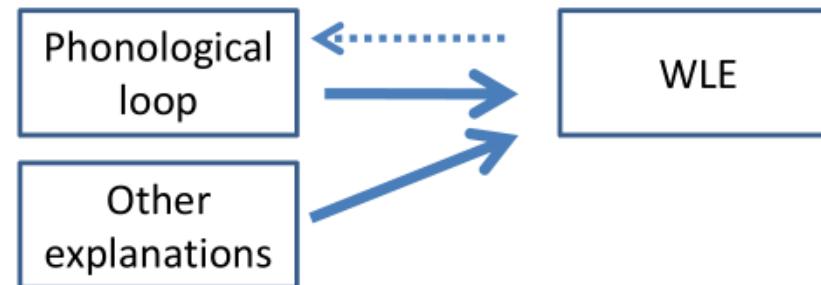
Mapping Model onto Cognitive Process?

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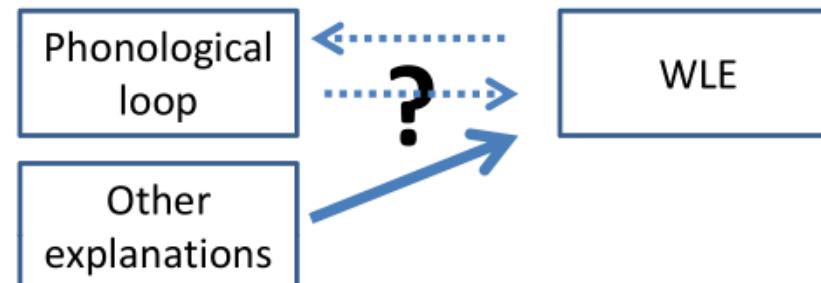
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b



c



WLE =
word length effect

Essentially, all the models are wrong, but some are useful.



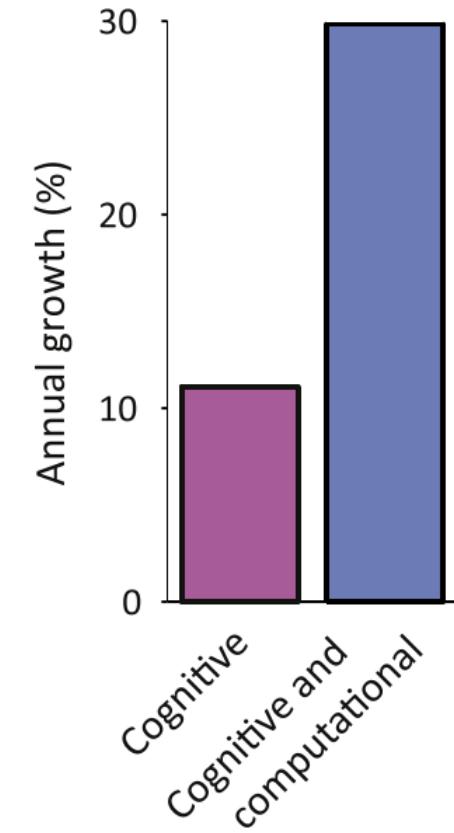
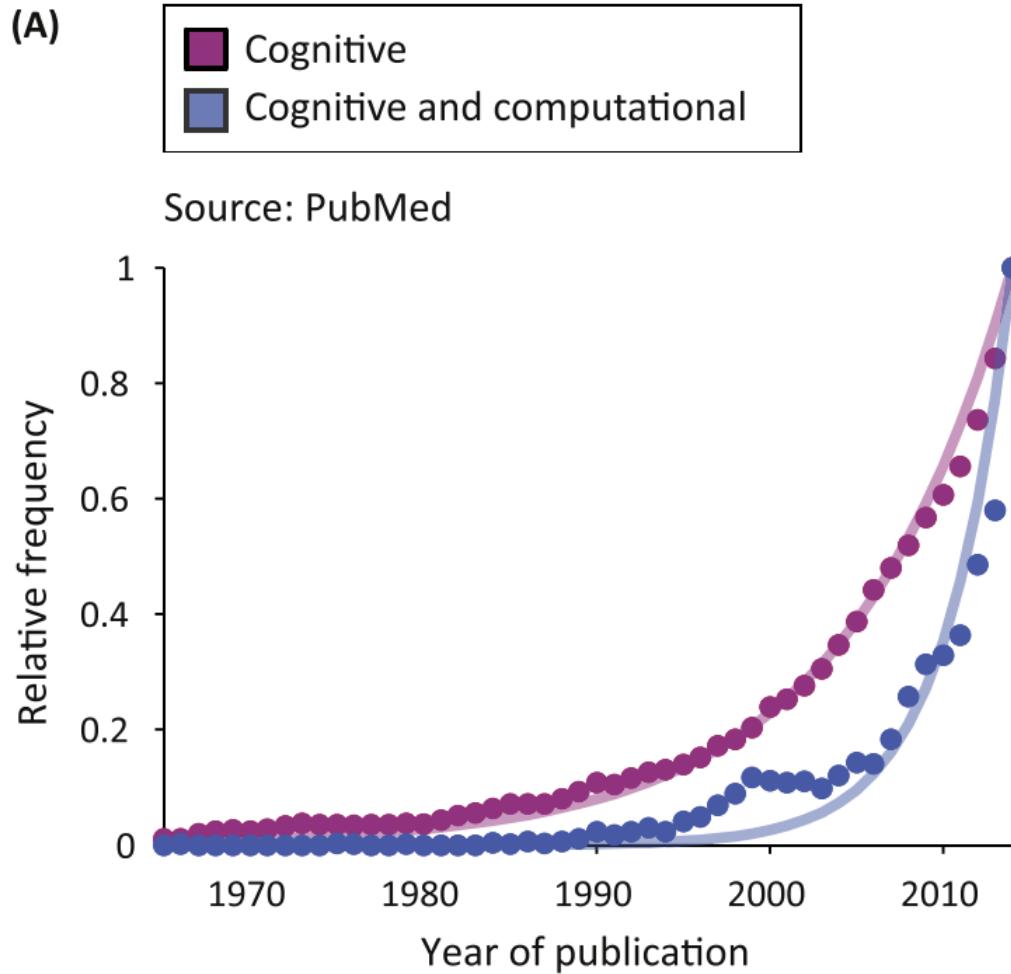
– George E. P. Box

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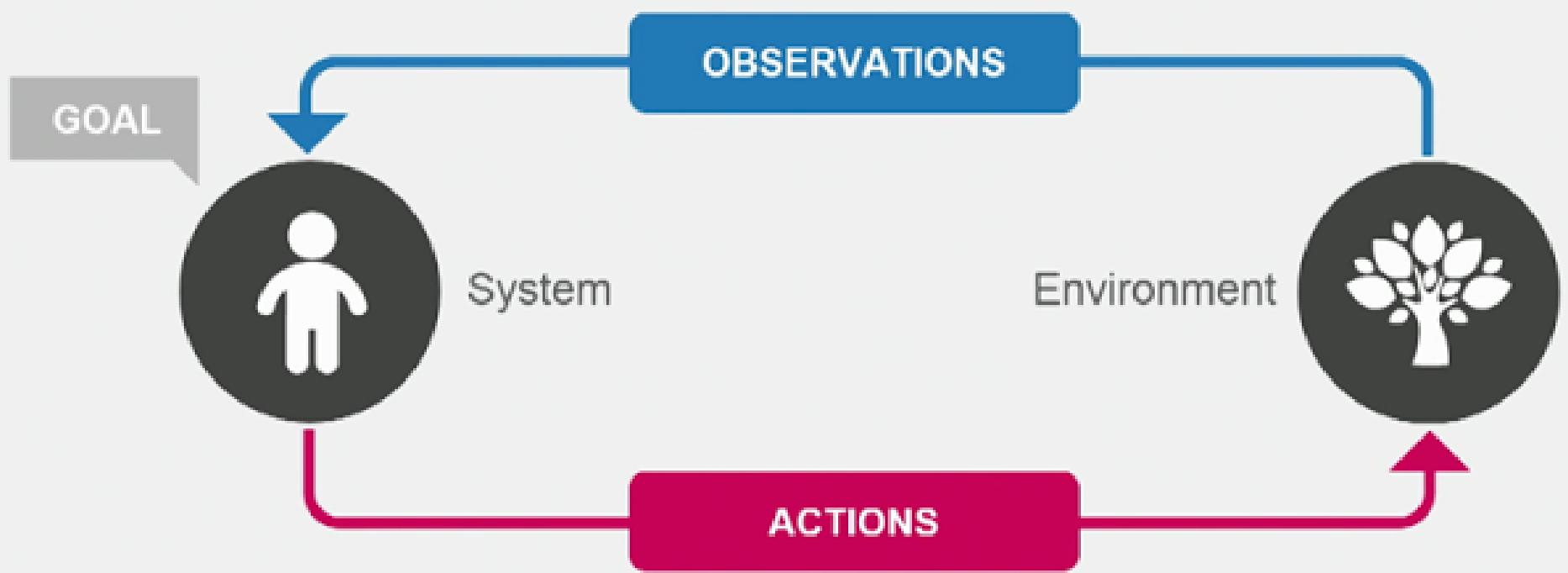
Boom in Cognitive Modeling

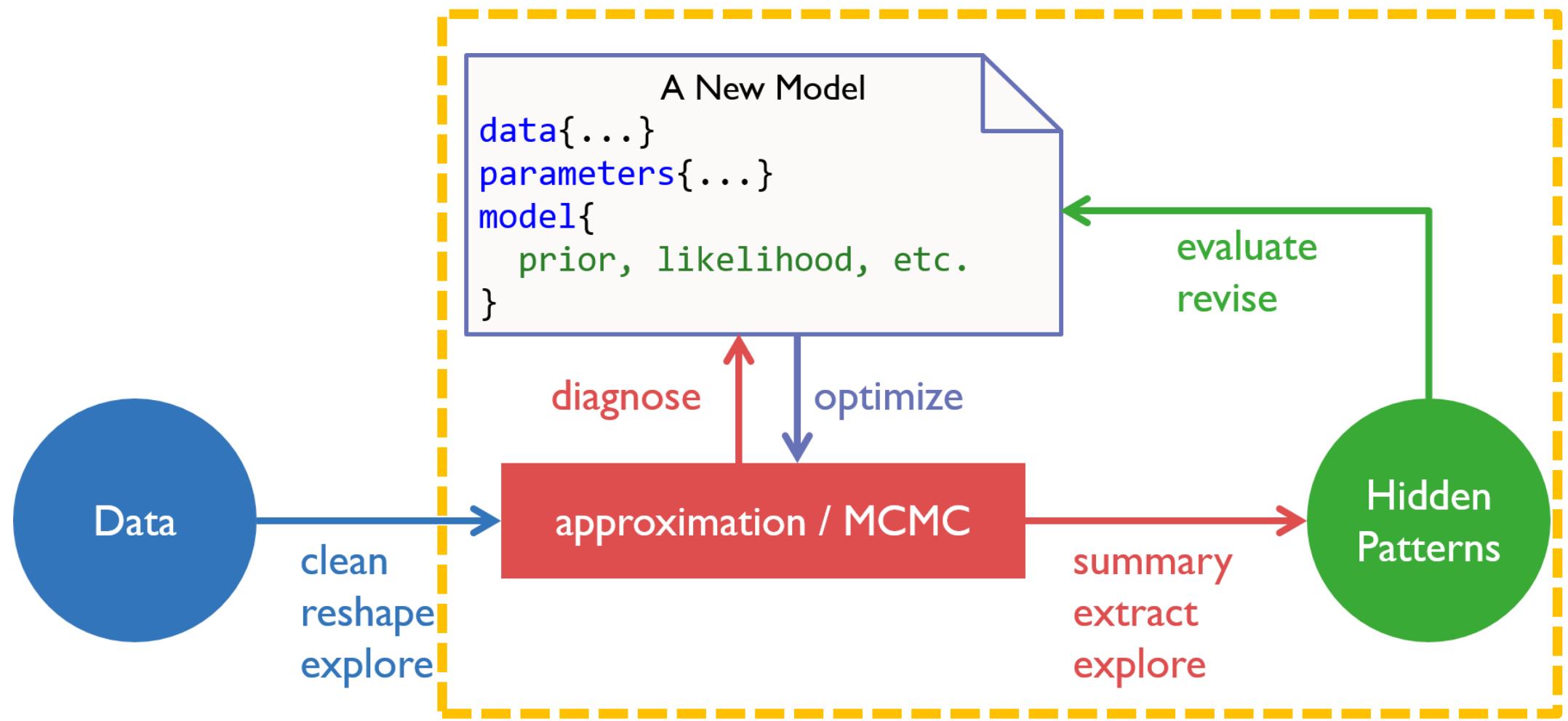
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(A)



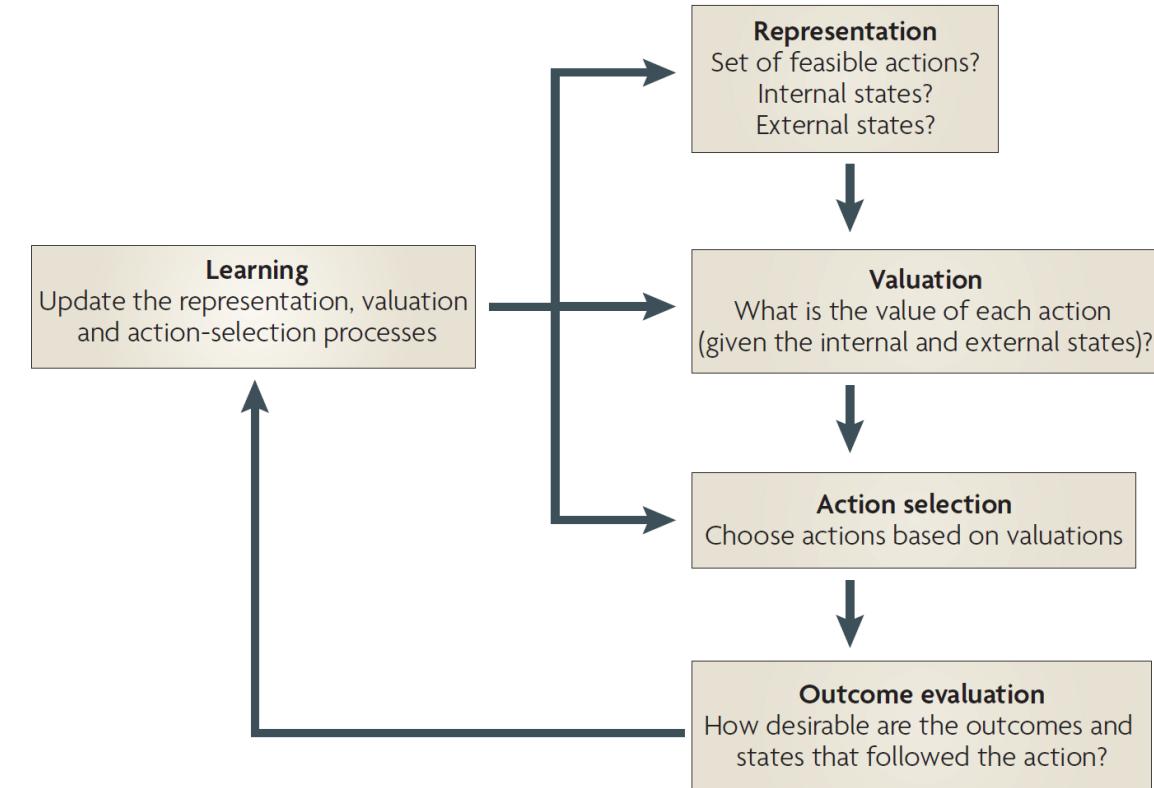
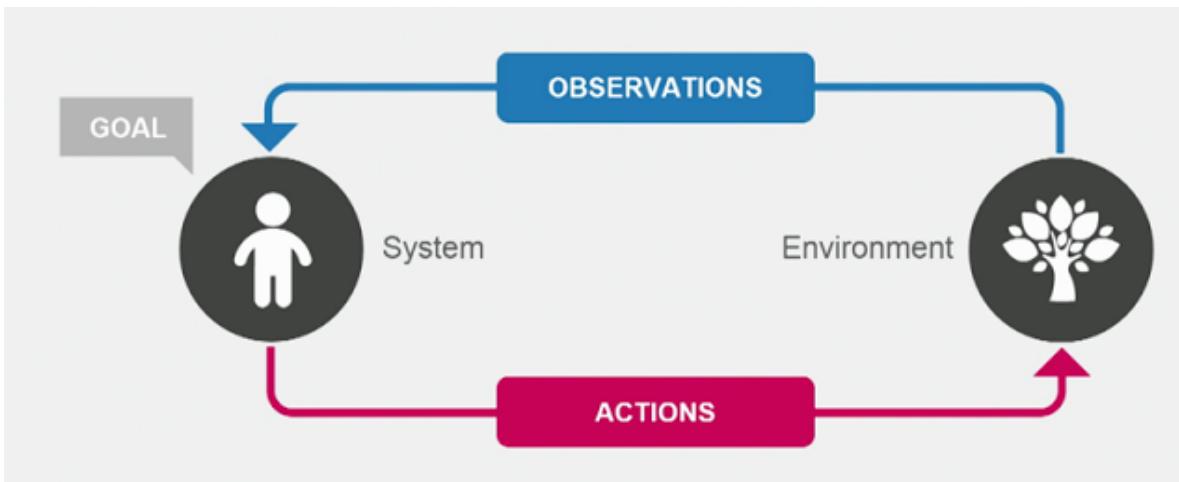
REINFORCEMENT LEARNING FRAMEWORK



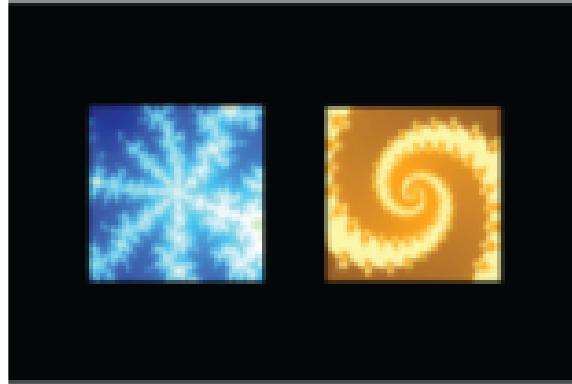


Reinforcement Learning

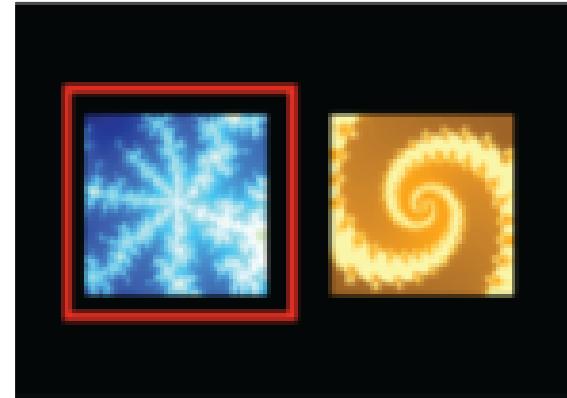
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One simple experiment: two choice task



choice
presentation



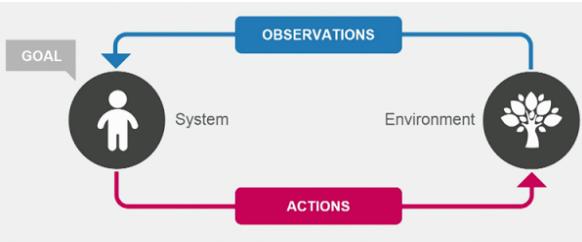
action
selection



outcome

reward contingency – 80:20

Rescorla-Wagner Value Update



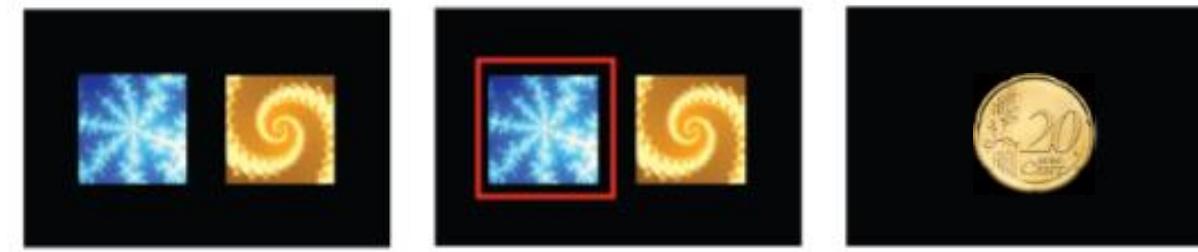
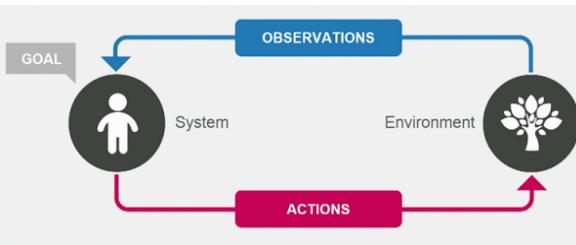
Cognitive Model

- cognitive process
- using internal variables and free parameters

Observation Model (Data Model)

- relate model to observed data
- has to account for noise

Rescorla-Wagner Value Update



Value update:

$$V_{t+1} = V_t + \alpha * PE$$

Prediction error:

$$PE = R_t - V_t$$

α - learning rate

PE - reward prediction error

V - value

R - reward

τ - softmax temperature

choice rule (sigmoid /softmax):

$$p(C=a) = \frac{1}{1+e^{\tau*(v(b)-v(a))}}$$

Data:

choice & outcome

Parameters:

α & τ

Understand the learning rate

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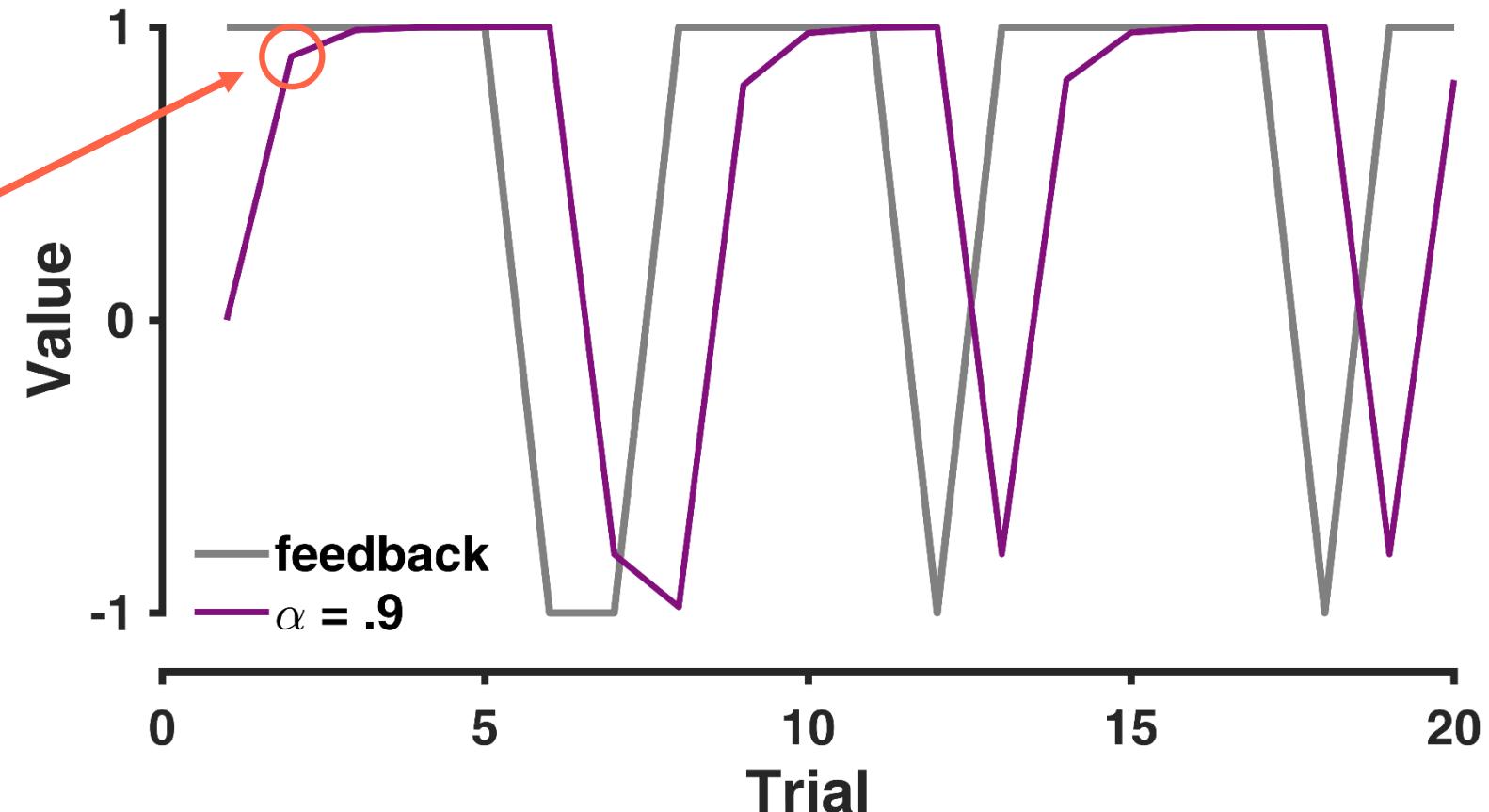
if $\eta = 0.9$

$$V_1 = 0$$

$$V_2 = V_1 + 0.9 * (1 - 0)$$

$$= 0 + 0.9$$

$$= 0.9$$



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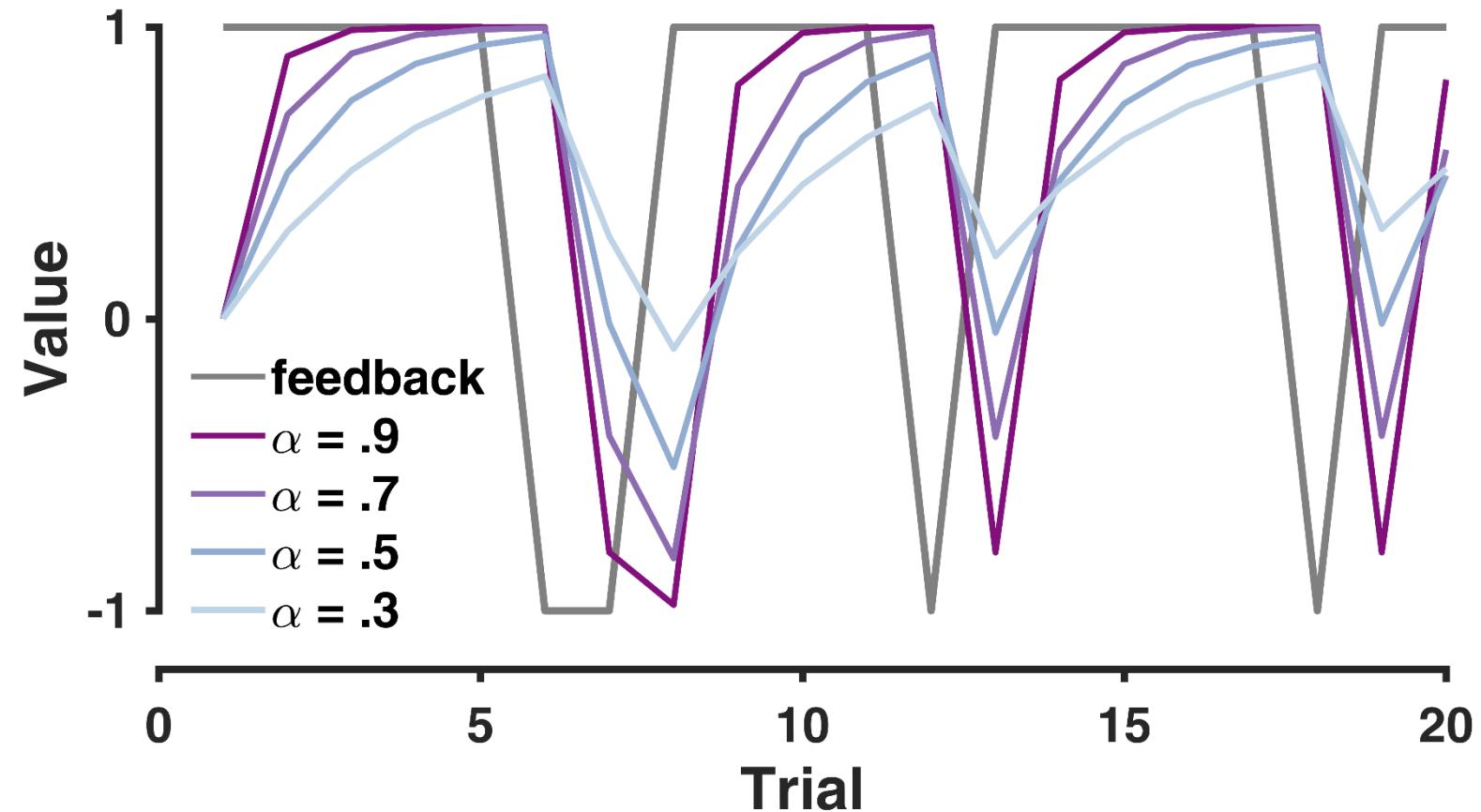
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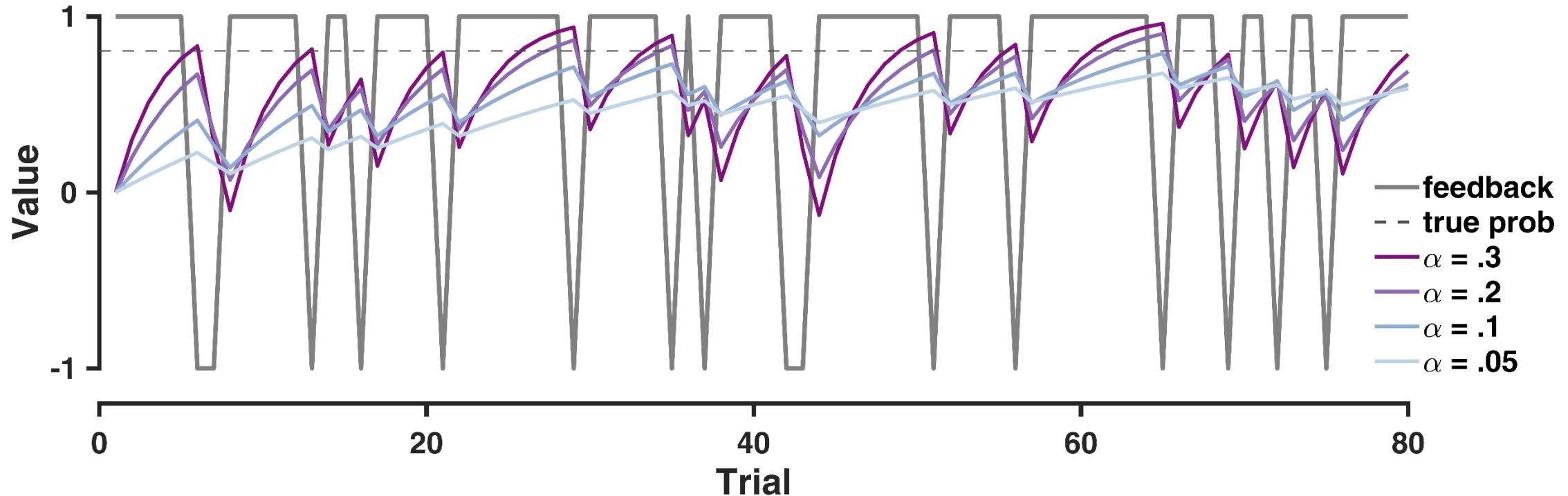
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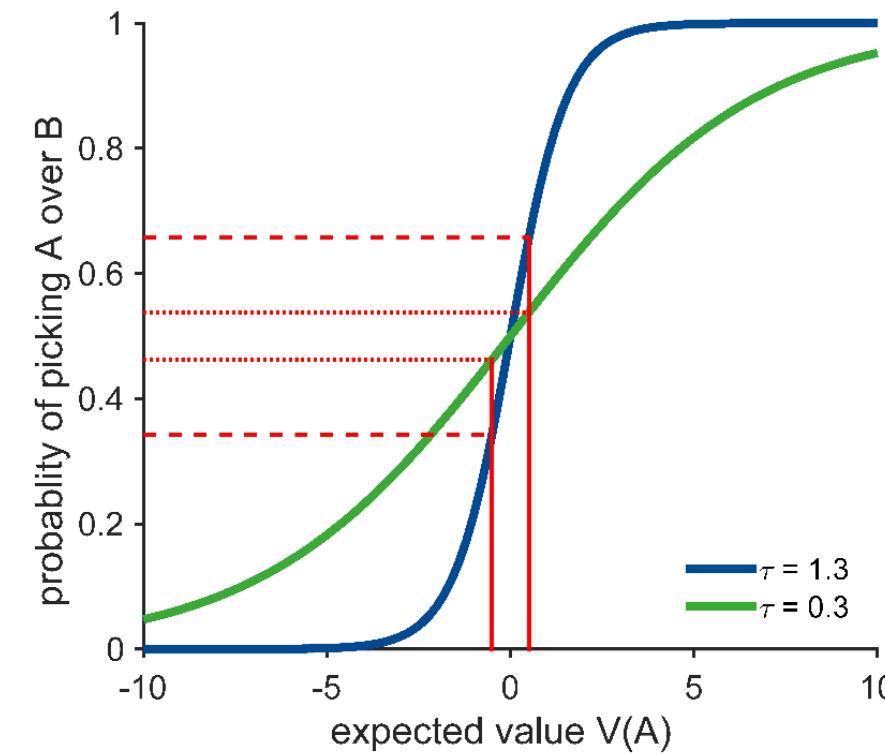
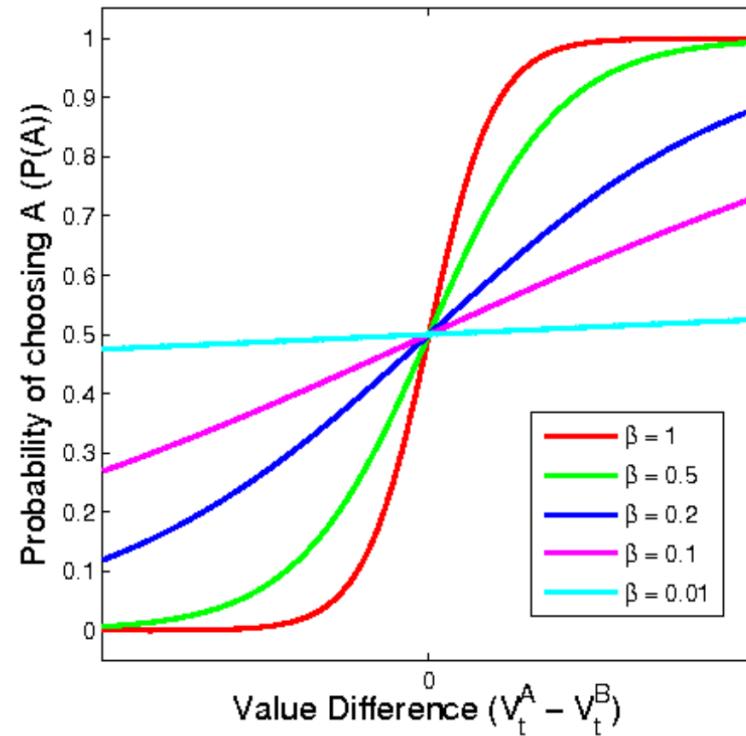
Understand the Softmax rule

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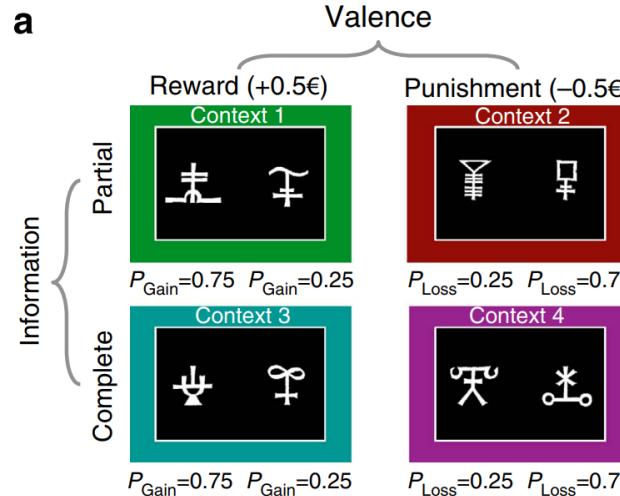
choice rule (sigmoid /softmax):

$$p(C=a) = \frac{1}{1+e^{\tau*(v(b)-v(a))}}$$

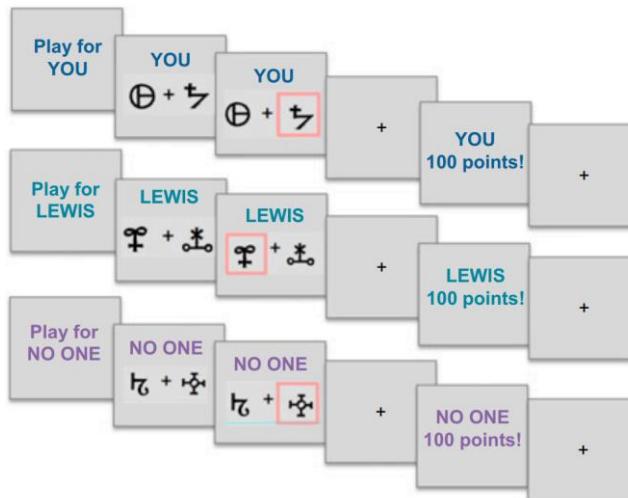
$$p(C=a) = \frac{e^{\tau*(v(a))}}{e^{\tau*(v(a))} + e^{\tau*(v(b))}}$$



Generalizing RL framework

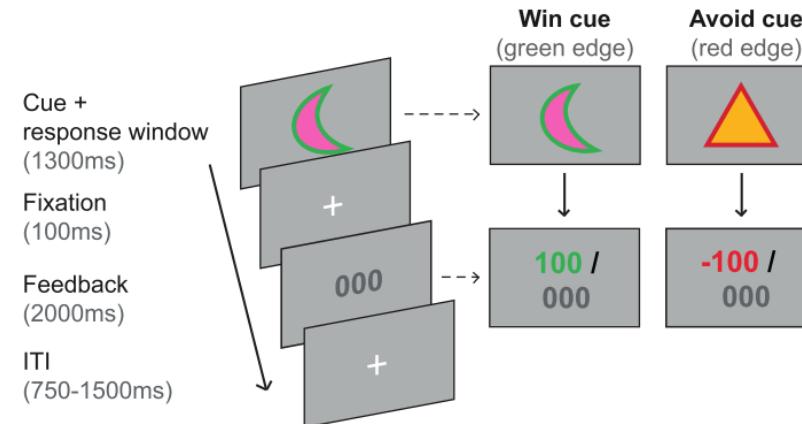


Stefano Palminteri et al. (2005)

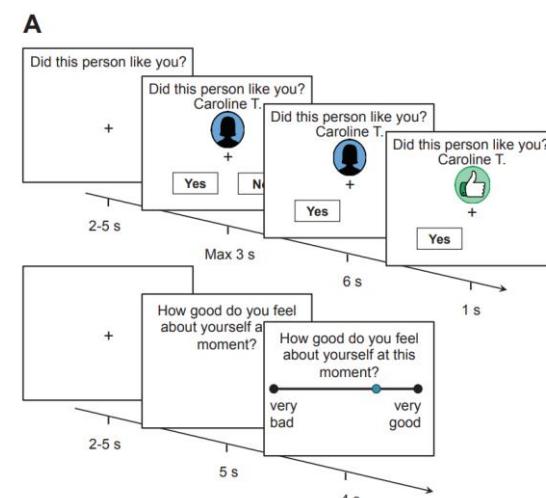


Lockwood et al. (2006)

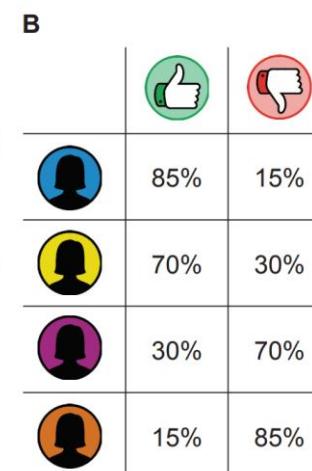
A. Trial details



Swart et al. (2017)

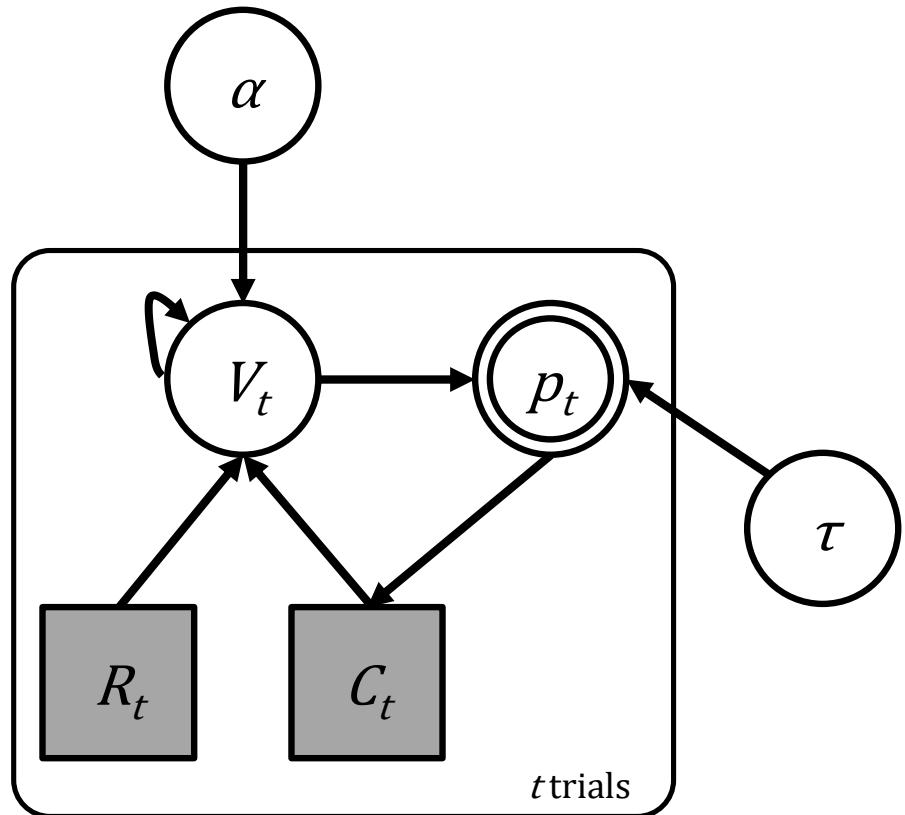


Will et al. (2017)



RL – Implementation

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$$\alpha \sim Uniform(0, 1)$$

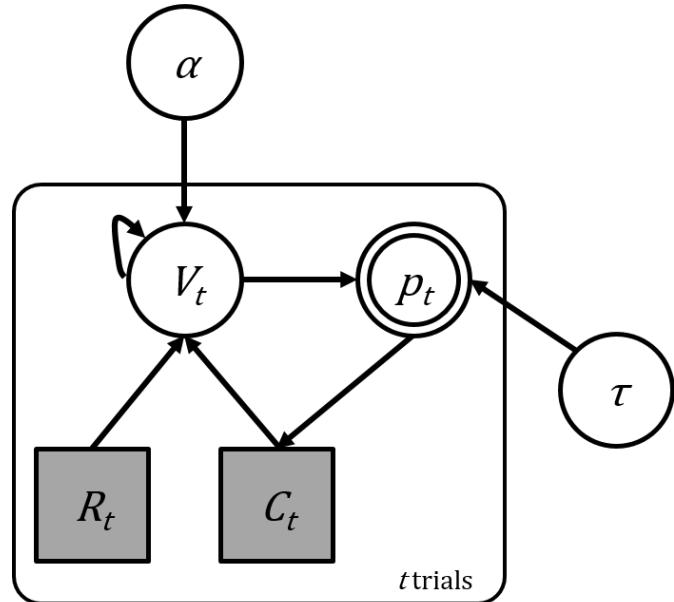
$$\tau \sim Uniform(0, 3)$$

$$p_t(C = A) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\tau(V_t(B) - V_t(A))}}$$

$$V_{t+1}^c = V_t^c + \alpha (R_t - V_t^c)$$

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$$\alpha \sim Uniform(0, 1)$$

$$\tau \sim Uniform(0, 3)$$

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$$V_{t+1}^c = V_t^C + \alpha (R_t - V_t^C)$$

```

transformed data {
  vector[2] initV;
  initV = rep_vector(0.0, 2);
}

model {
  vector[2] v[nTrials+1];
  real pe[nTrials];

  v[1] = initV;

  for (t in 1:nTrials) {
    choice[t] ~ categorical_logit( tau * v[t] );

    pe[t] = reward[t] - v[t,choice[t]];

    v[t+1] = v[t];
    v[t+1, choice[t]] = v[t, choice[t]] + lr * pe[t];
  }
}
  
```

RL - Implementation

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```
model {  
    vector[2] v[nTrials+1];  
    real pe[nTrials];  
  
    v[1] = initV;  
  
    for (t in 1:nTrials) {  
        choice[t] ~ categorical_logit( tau * v[t] );  
        pe[t] = reward[t] - v[t,choice[t]];  
  
        v[t+1] = v[t];  
        v[t+1, choice[t]] = v[t, choice[t]] + lr * pe[t];  
    }  
}
```

```
model {  
    vector[2] v;  
    real pe;  
  
    v = initV;  
  
    for (t in 1:nTrials) {  
        choice[t] ~ categorical_logit( tau * v );  
        pe = reward[t] - v[choice[t]];  
  
        v[choice[t]] = v[choice[t]] + lr * pe;  
    }  
}
```

RL – Fitting with Stan

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```
.../BayesCog/06.reinforcement_learning/_scripts/reinforcement_learning_single_parm_main.R
```

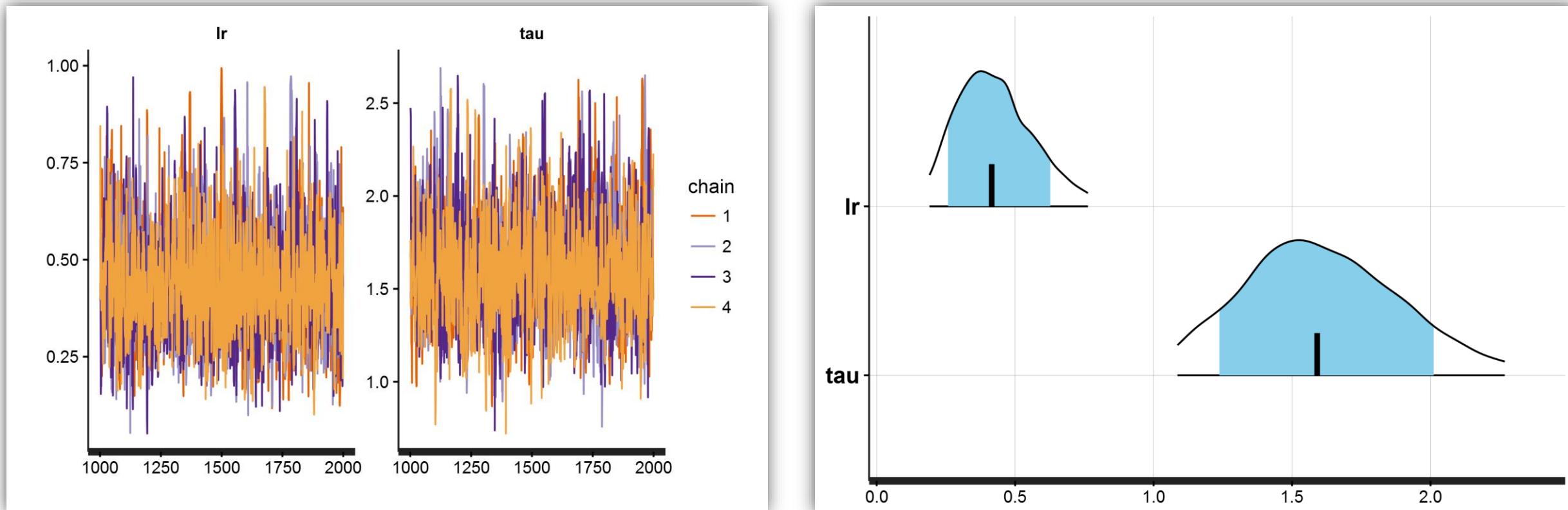
TASK: fit the model for single participants

```
> source('_scripts/reinforcement_learning_single_parm_main.R') # a function  
  
> fit_rl1 <- run_rl_sp(multiSubj = FALSE)
```

```
> load('_data/rl_sp_ss.RData')  
> head(rl_ss)  
     [,1] [,2]  
[1,]    2   -1  
[2,]    1    1  
[3,]    1    1  
[4,]    1    1  
[5,]    2   -1  
[6,]    1    1
```

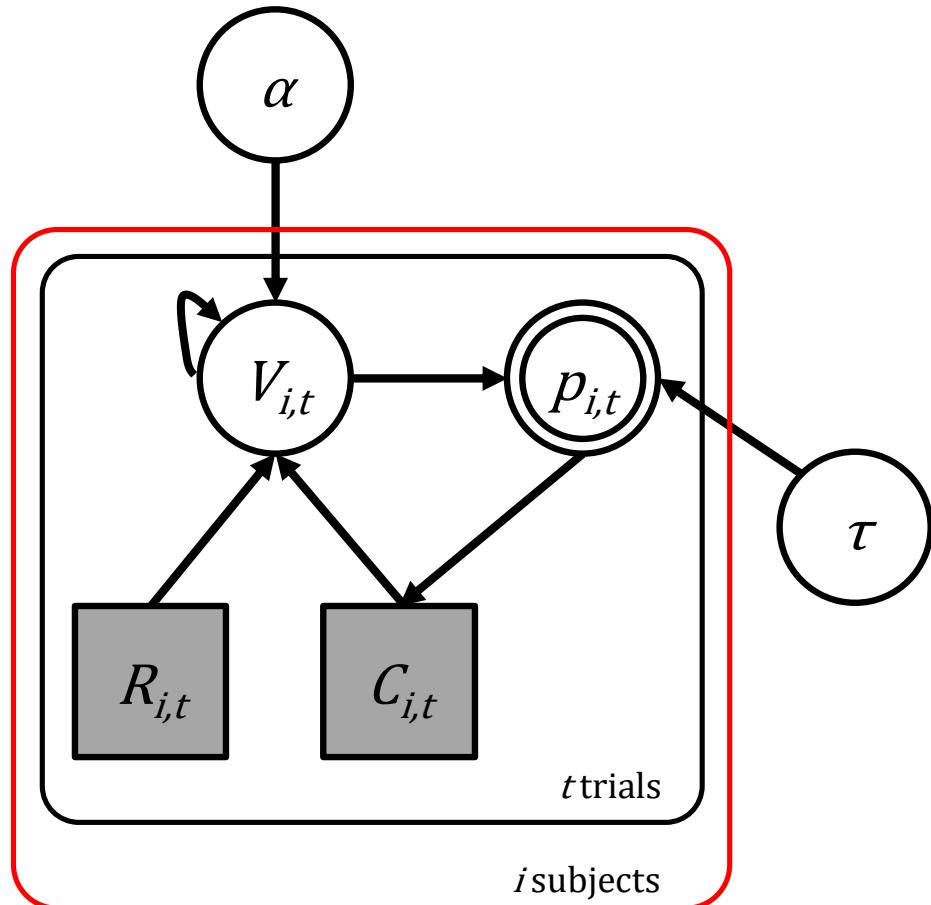
RL – MCMC Output

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Fitting Multiple Participants as ONE

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```
model {  
    for (s in 1:nSubjects) {  
        vector[2] v;  
        real pe;  
        v = initV;  
  
        for (t in 1:nTrials) {  
            choice[s,t] ~ categorical_logit( tau * v );  
            pe = reward[s,t] - v[choice[s,t]];  
            v[choice[s,t]] = v[choice[s,t]] + lr * pe;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Exercise IV

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```
.../BayesCog/06.reinforcement_learning/_scripts/reinforcement_learning_single_
parm_main.R
```

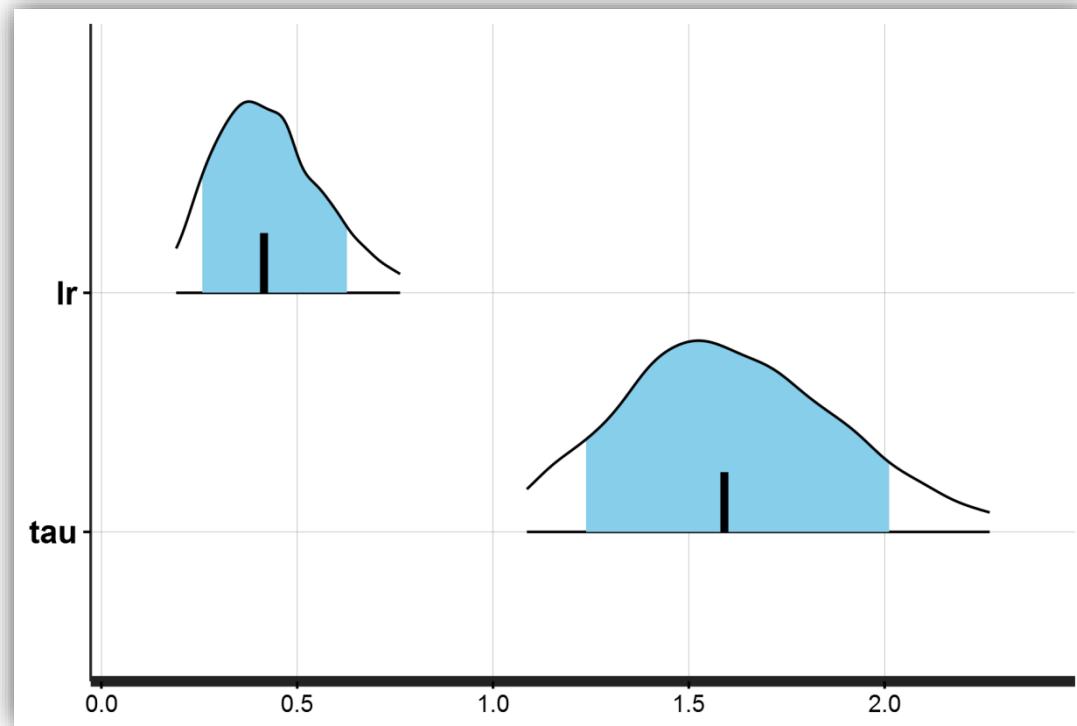
TASK: fit the model for multiple participants
(assuming same parameters)

```
> source('_scripts/reinforcement_learning_single_parm_main.R')  
  
> fit_rl2 <- run_rl_sp(multiSubj = TRUE)
```

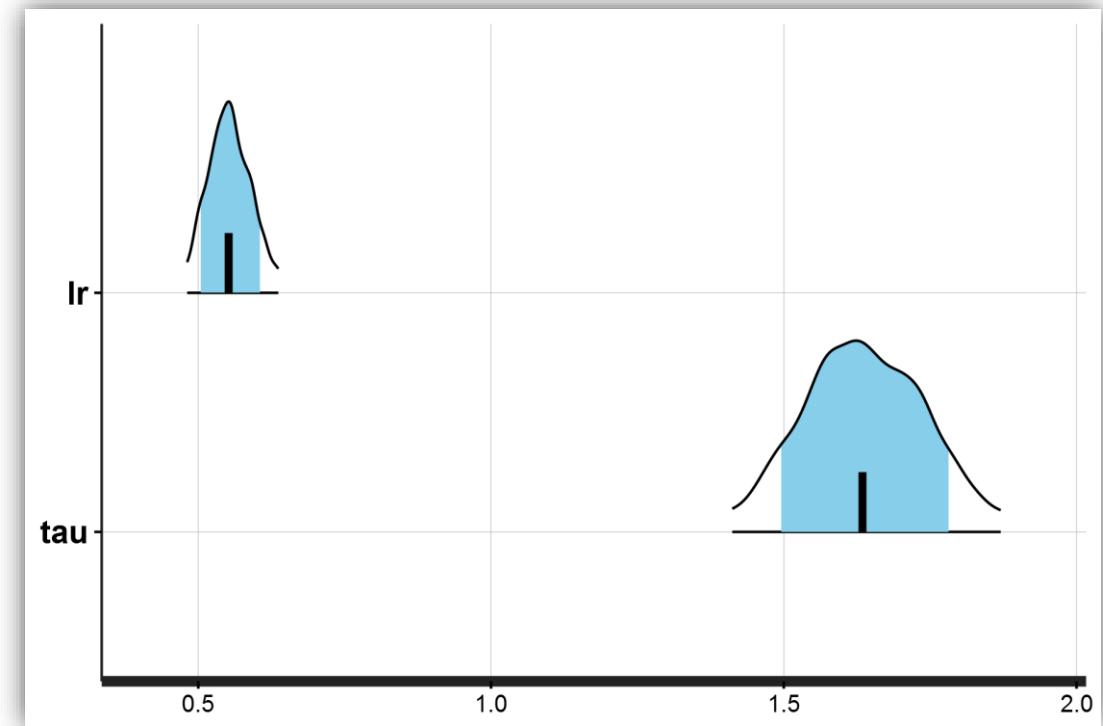
Exercise IV

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$N = 1$

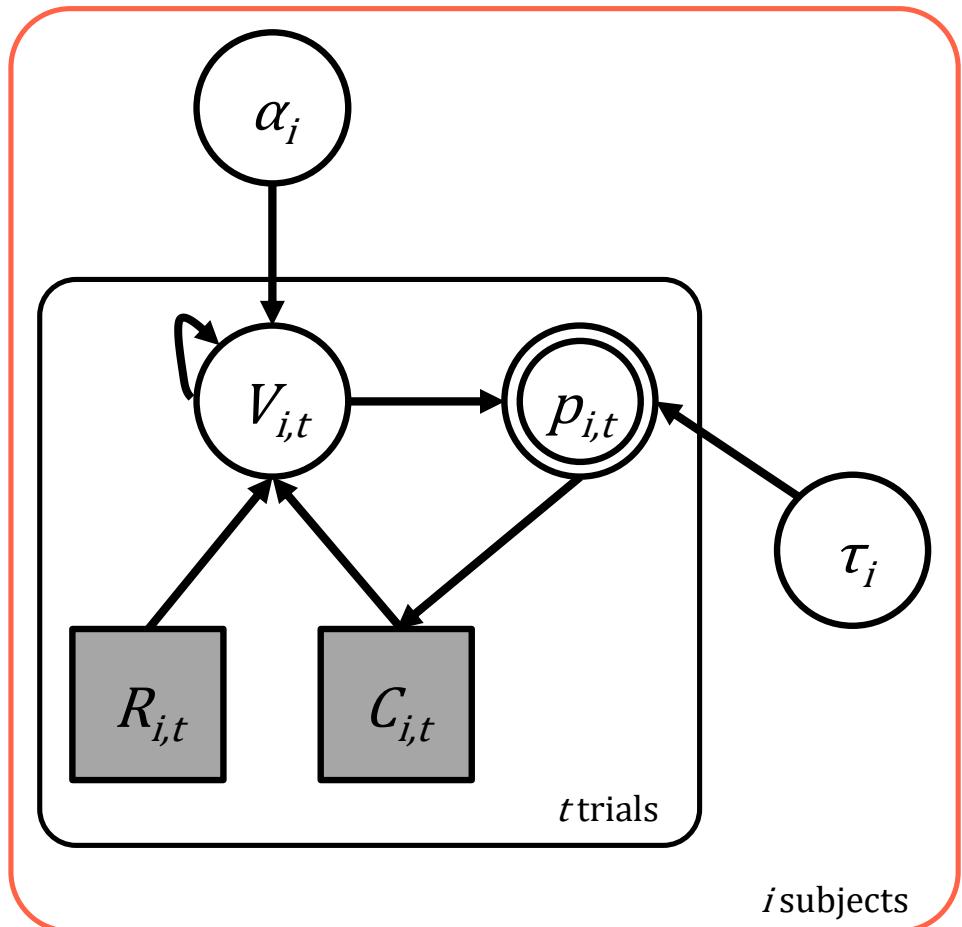


$N = 10$



Fitting Multiple Participants Independently

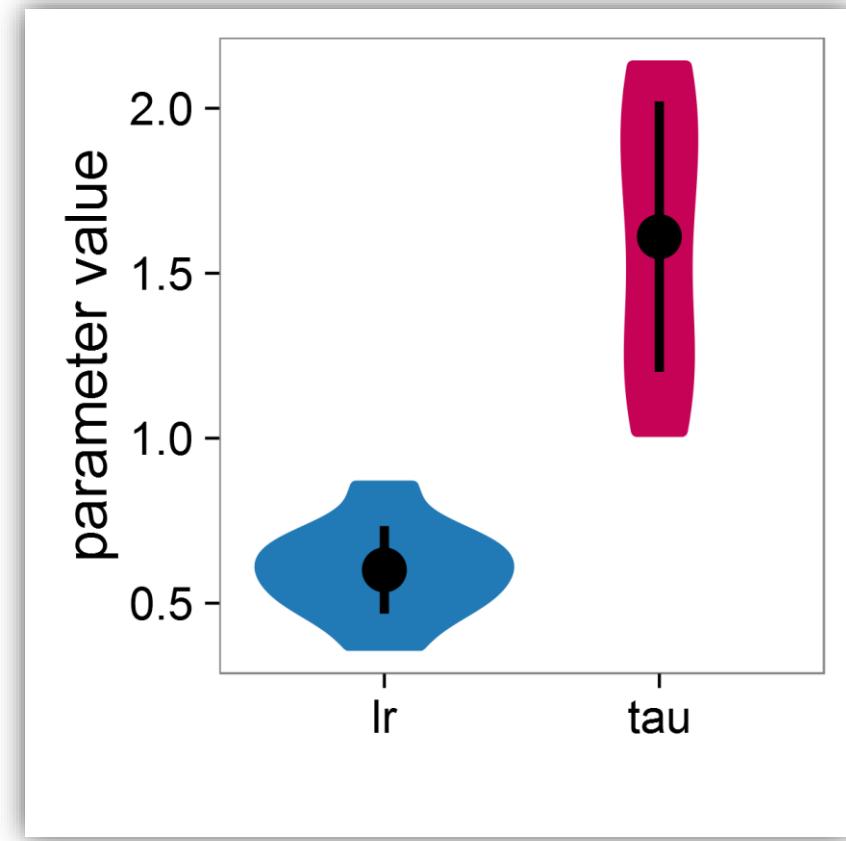
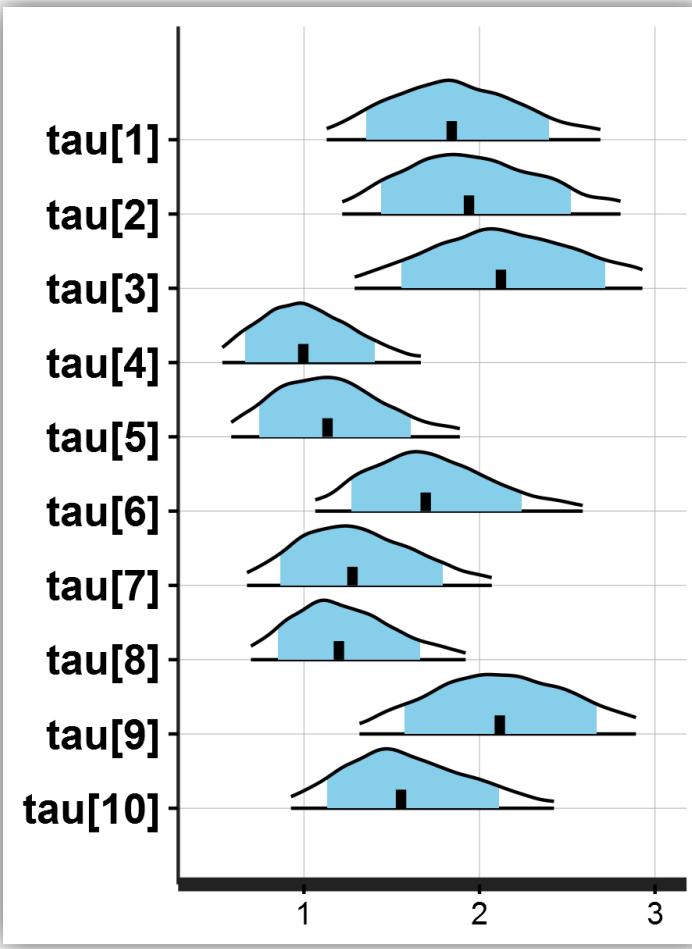
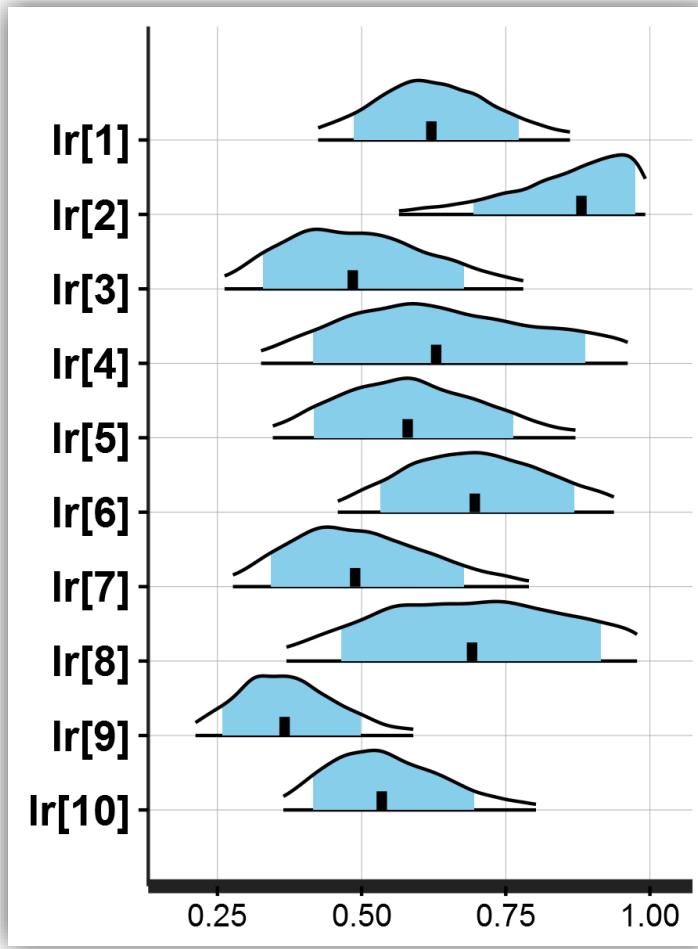
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```
model {  
    for (s in 1:nSubjects) {  
        vector[2] v;  
        real pe;  
        v = initV;  
  
        for (t in 1:nTrials) {  
            choice[s,t] ~ categorical_logit( tau[s] * v );  
            pe = reward[s,t] - v[choice[s,t]];  
            v[choice[s,t]] = v[choice[s,t]] + lr[s] * pe;  
        }  
    }  
}
```

Individual Fitting

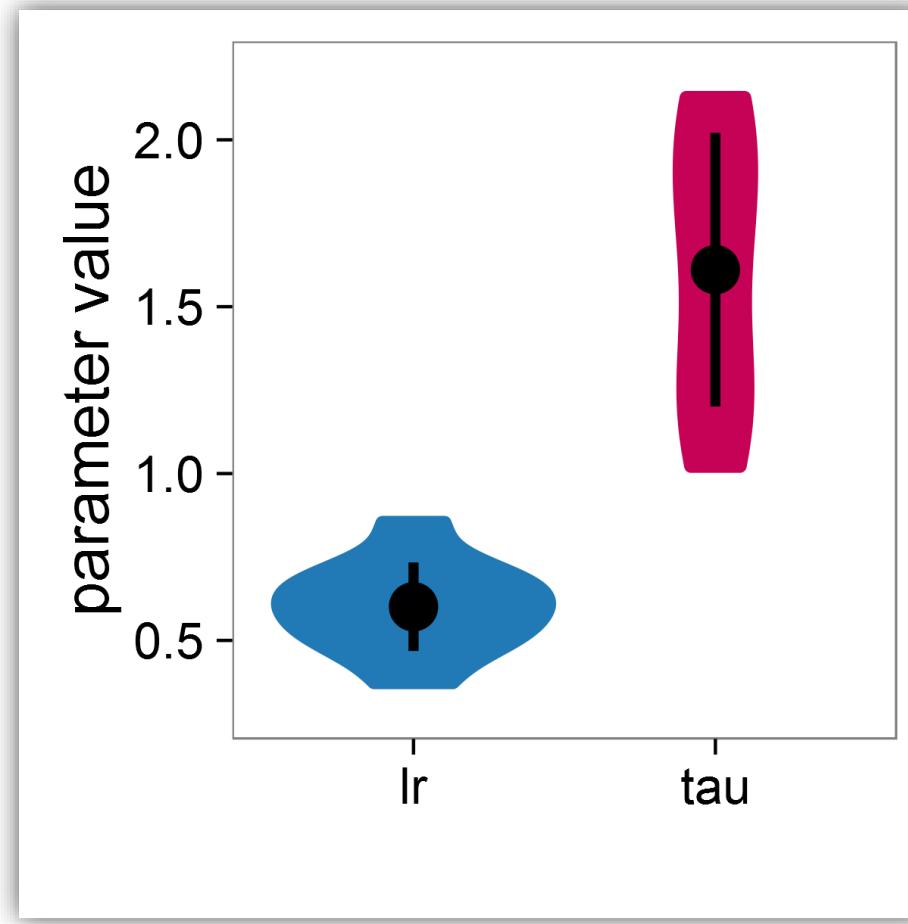
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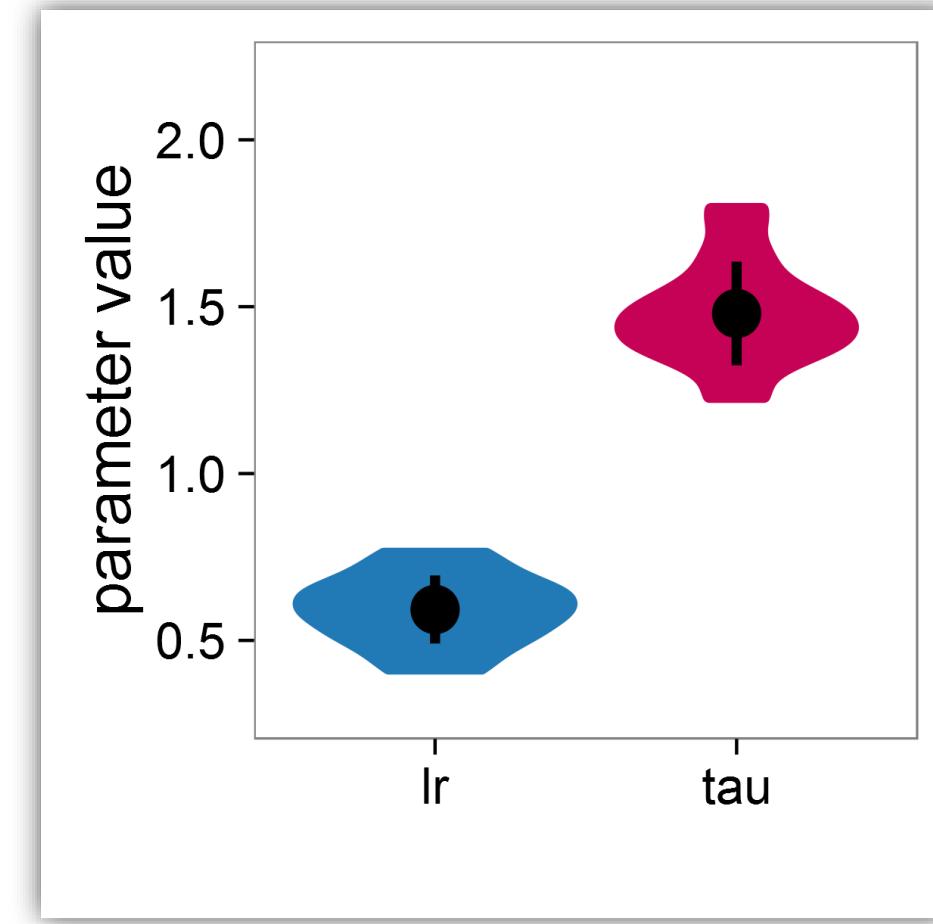
Comparing with True Parameters

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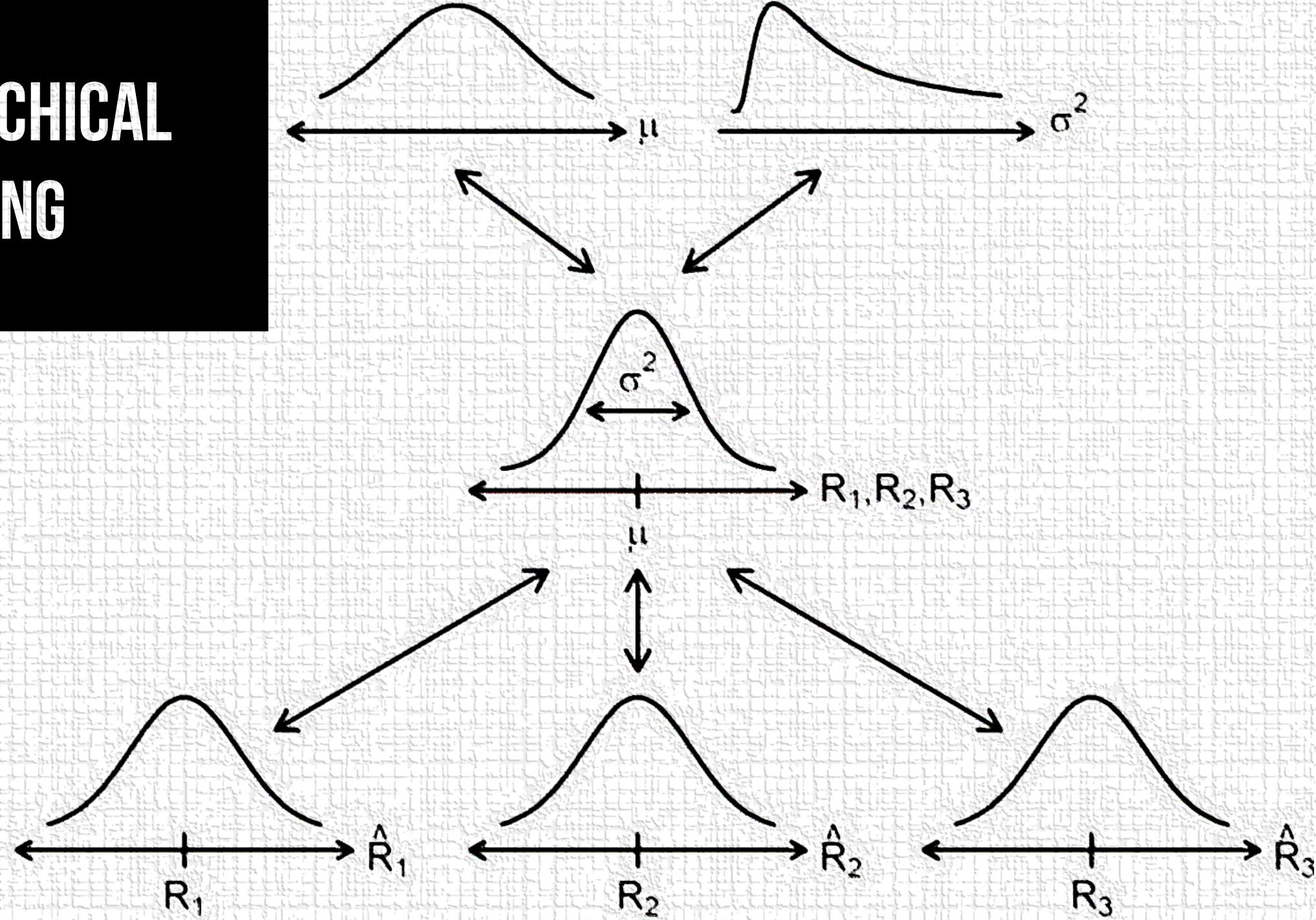
Posterior Means

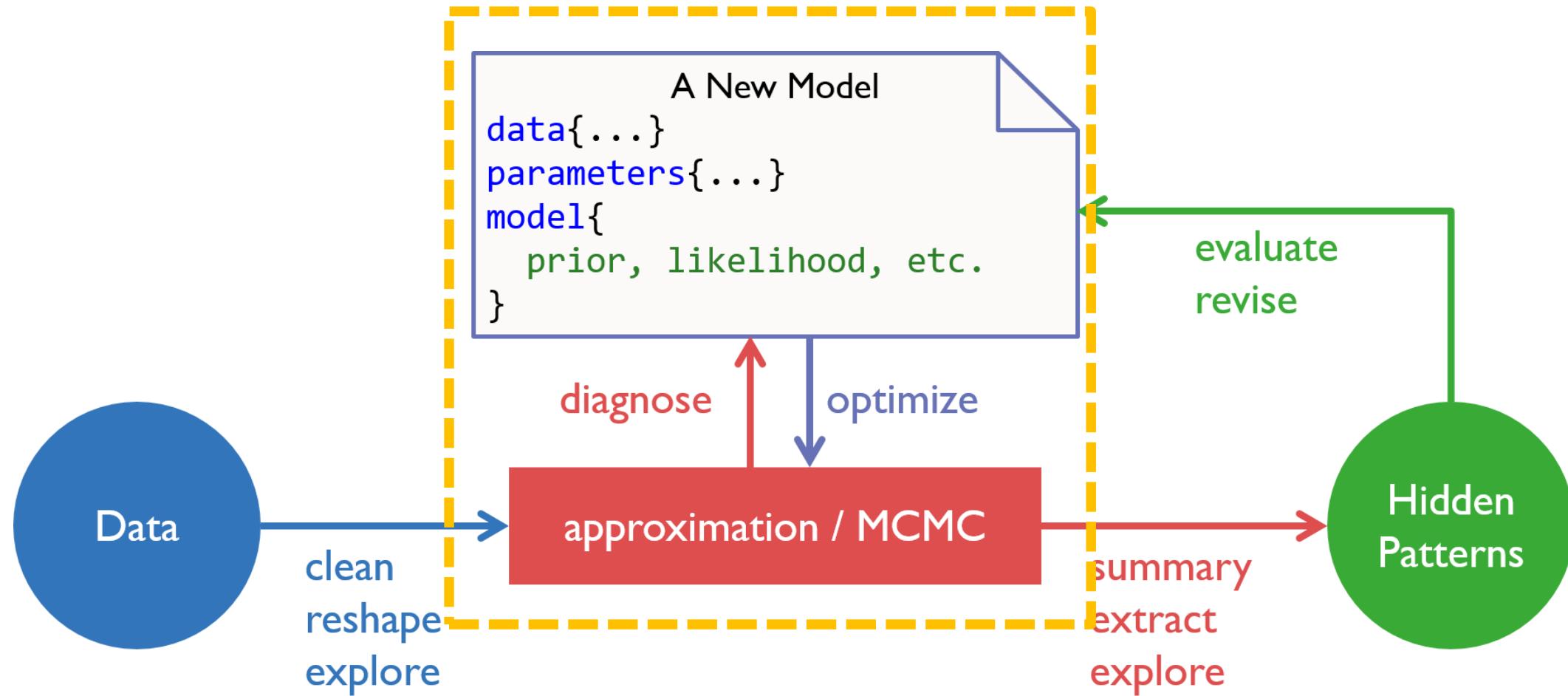


True Parameters

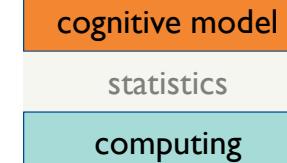


HIERARCHICAL MODELING



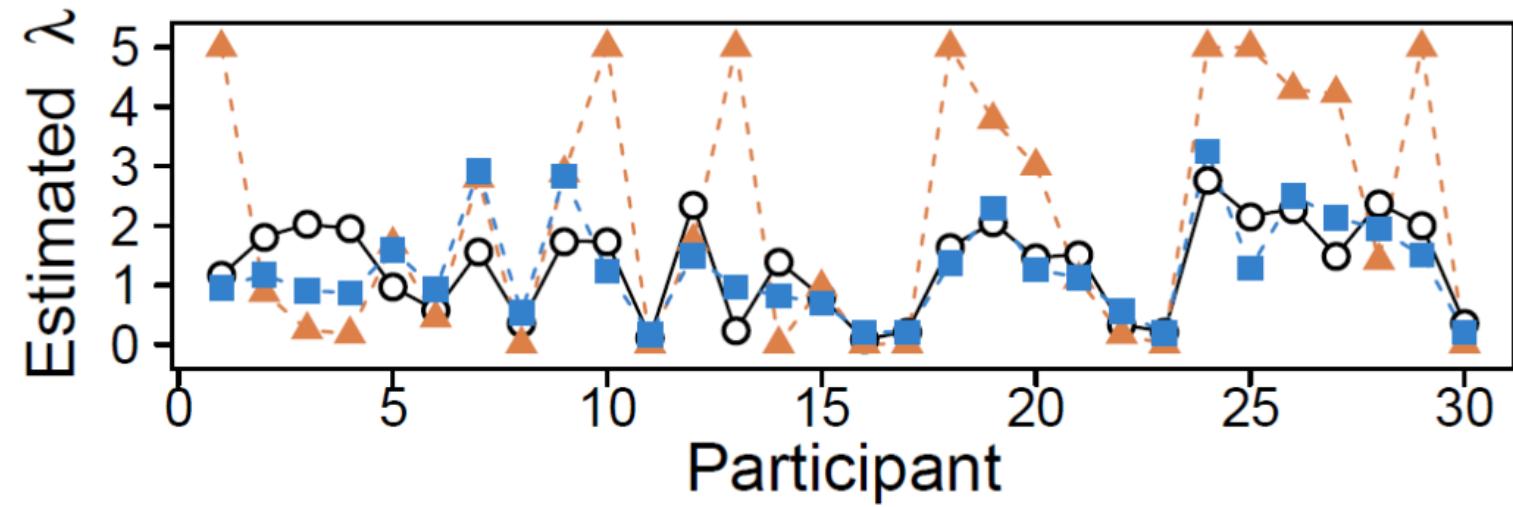


Why Hierarchical Bayesian Cognitive Modeling?



Simulation study

- Hierarchical Bayesian ■
- Maximum likelihood ▲
- Actual values ○



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Fixed effects

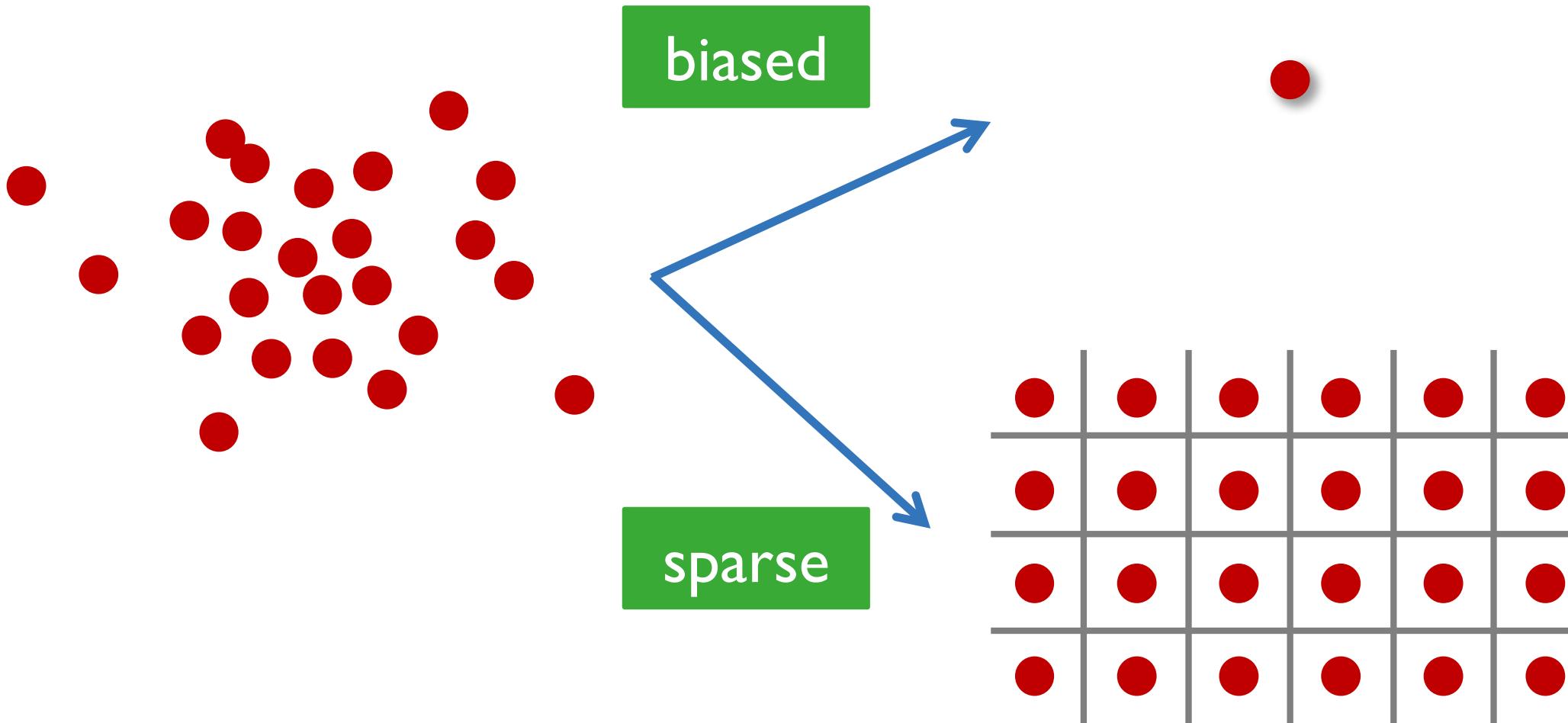
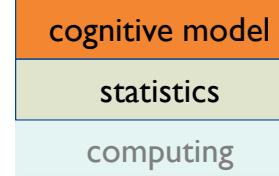
- all subjects are fitted with the same set of parameters
- worse model fit than “random effects”

Random effects

- each subject is fitted independently of the others
- best model fit for each subject
- parameter estimates can be noisy

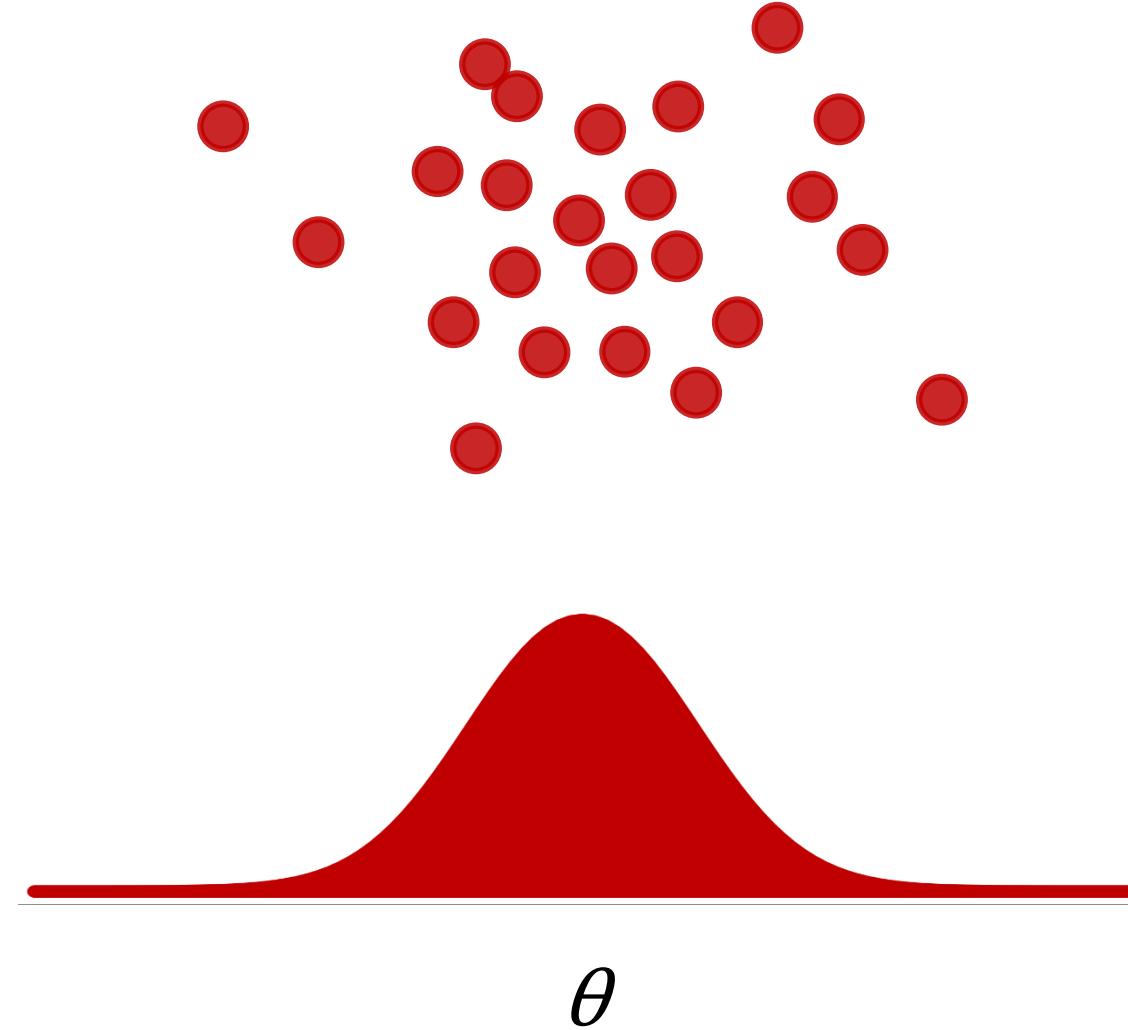
Adapted from Jan Gläscher's workshop

Fitting Multiple Participants



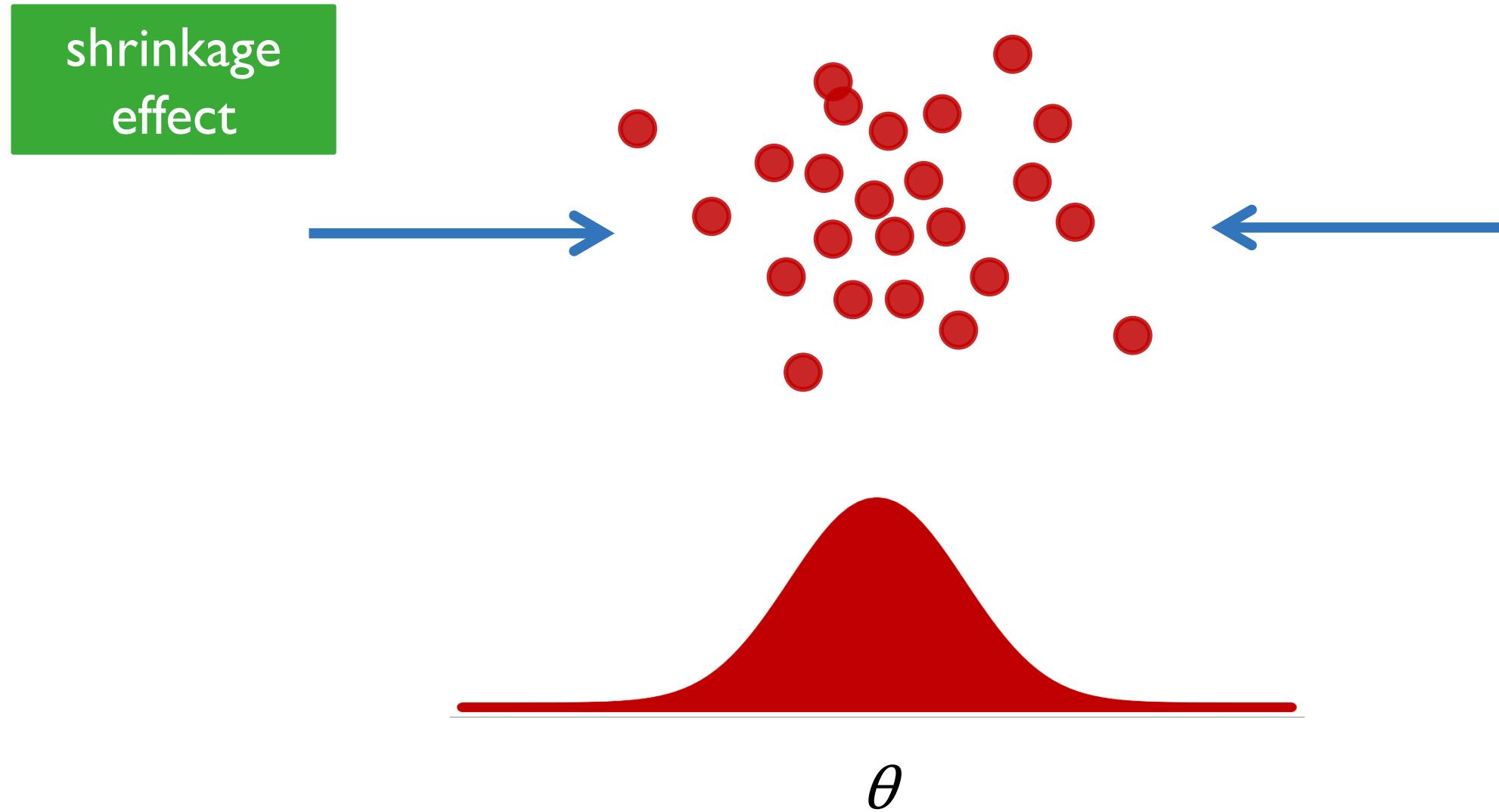
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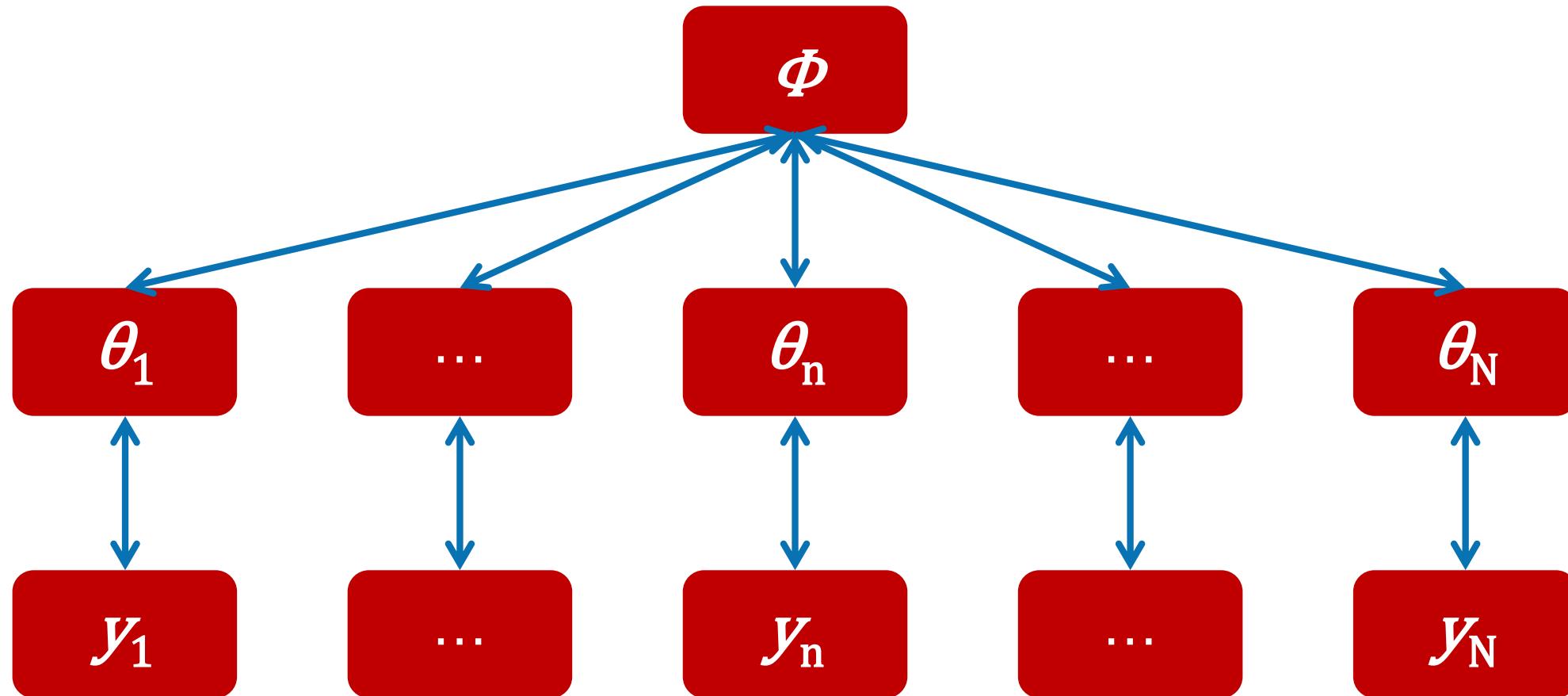
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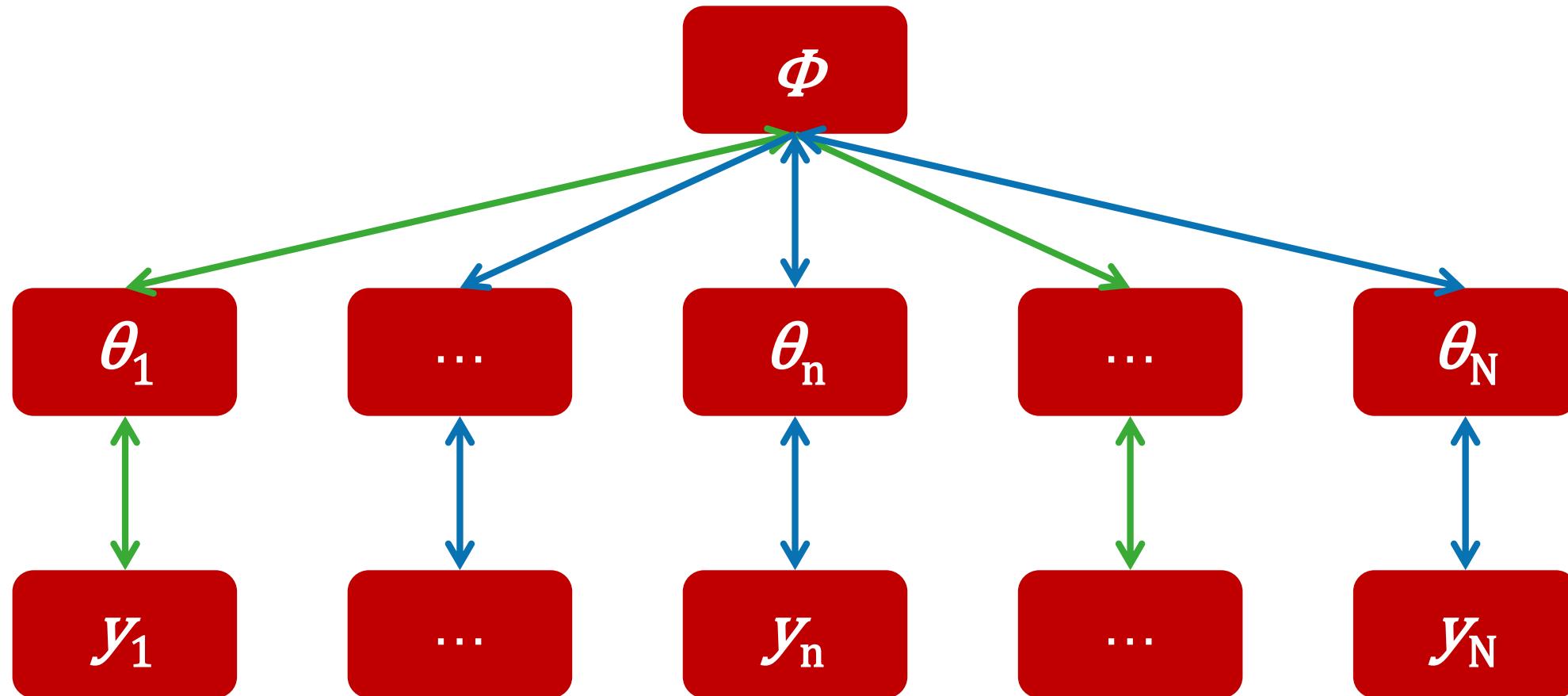
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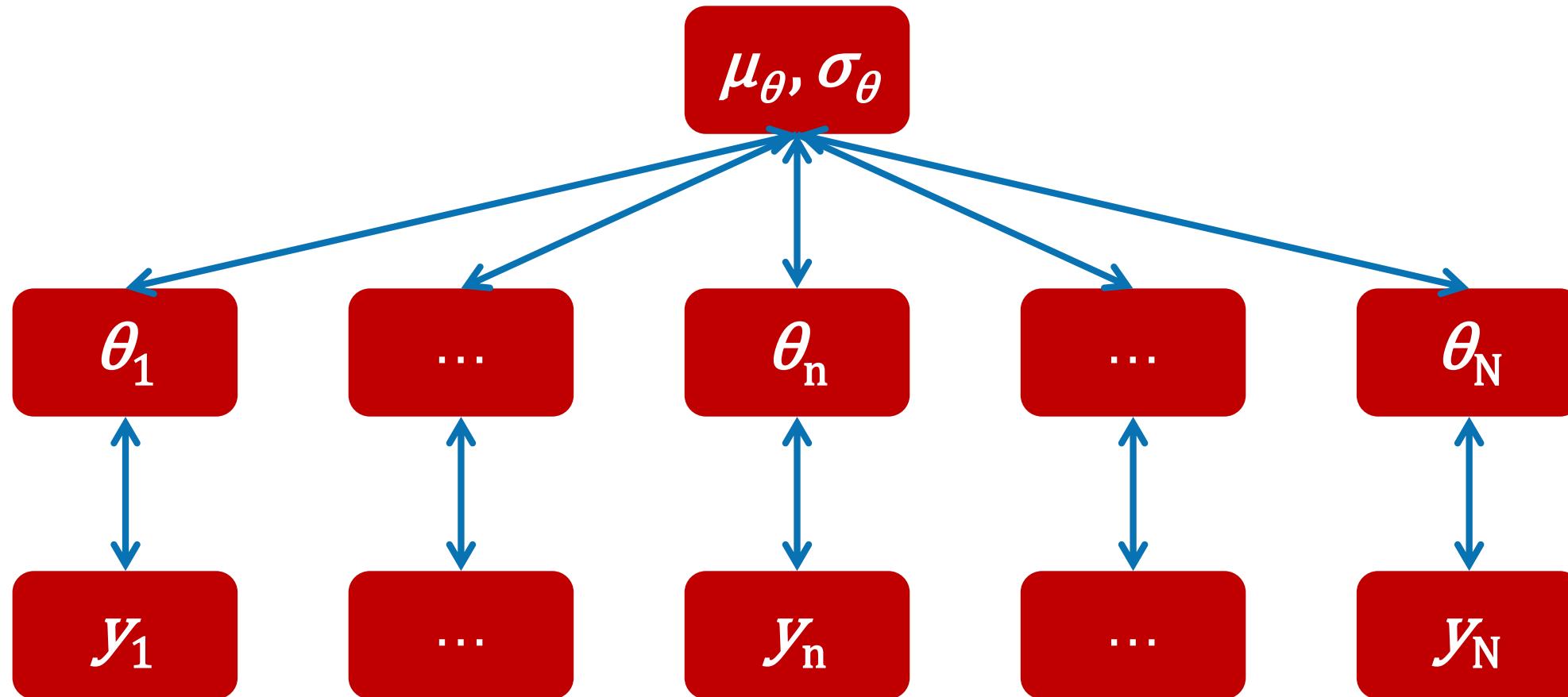
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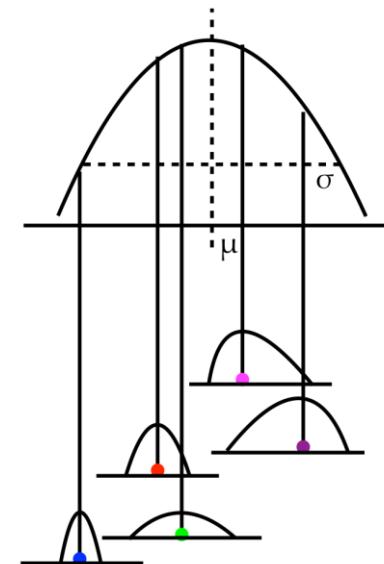
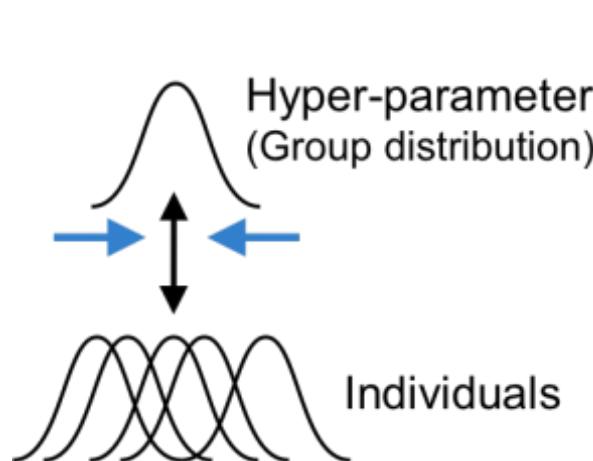
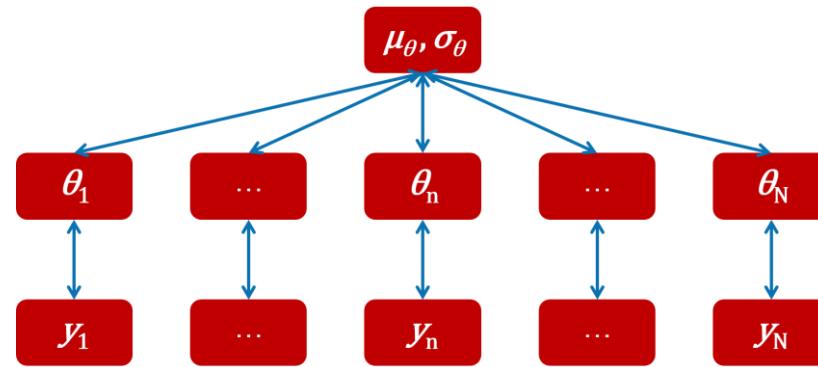


Hierarchical Structure

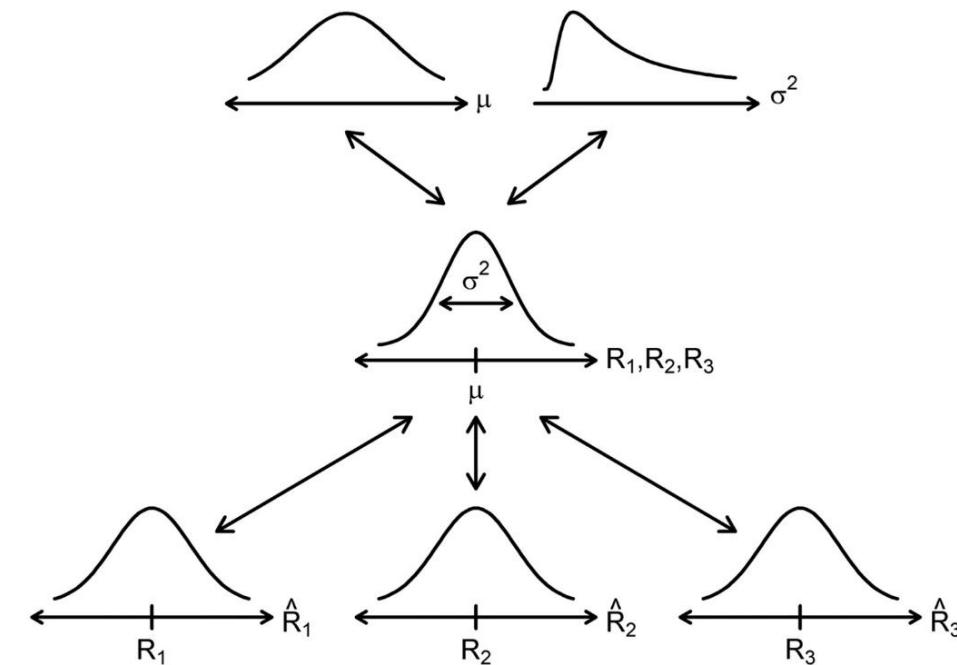
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Hierarchical Structure



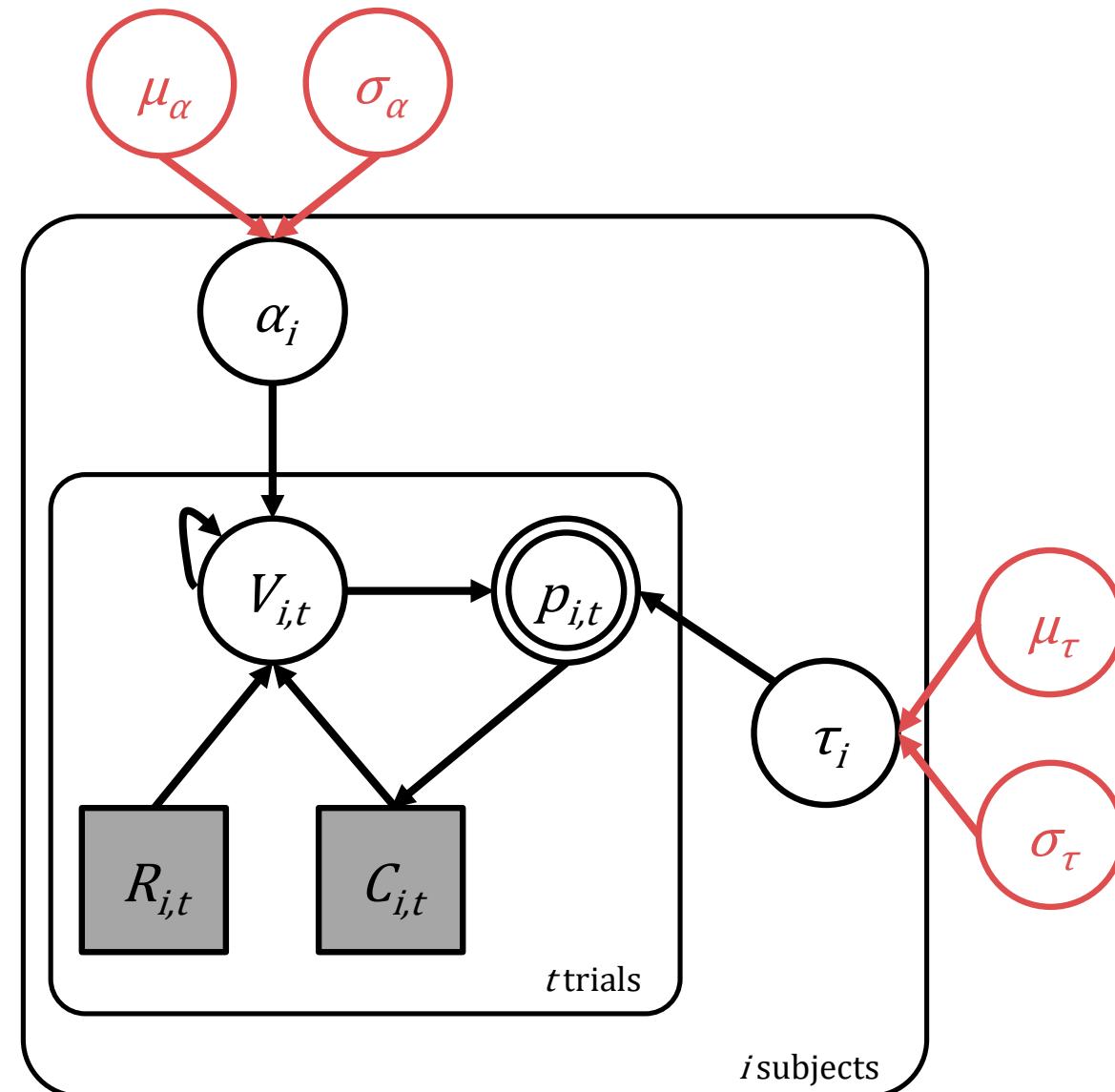
$$P(\Theta, \Phi | D) = \frac{P(D | \Theta, \Phi) P(\Theta, \Phi)}{P(D)} \propto P(D | \Theta) P(\Theta | \Phi) P(\Phi)$$



Hierarchical RL Model

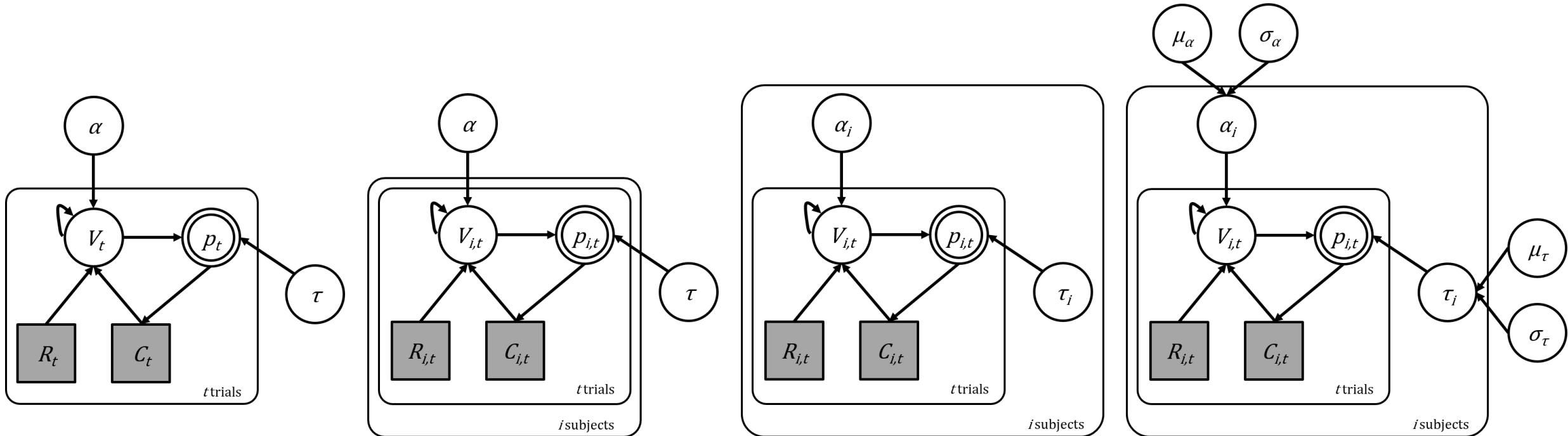
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Voilà!



HOW DID WE GET HERE?

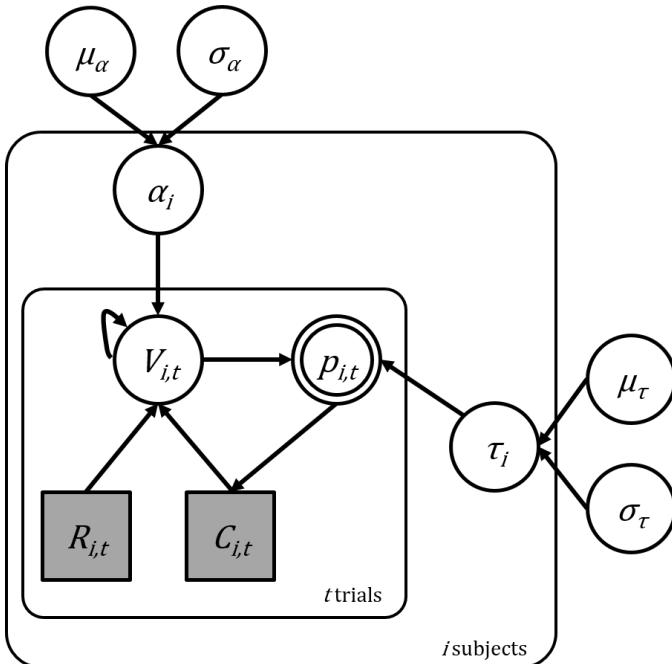
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The cognitive model *per se* is the same!

Implementing Hierarchical RL Model

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$$\begin{aligned}\mu_\alpha &\sim Uniform(0,1) \\ \sigma_\alpha &\sim halfCauchy(0,1) \\ \mu_\tau &\sim Uniform(0,3) \\ \sigma_\tau &\sim halfCauchy(0,3) \\ \alpha_i &\sim Normal(\mu_\alpha, \sigma_\alpha)_{\mathcal{T}(0,1)} \\ \tau_i &\sim Normal(\mu_\tau, \sigma_\tau)_{\mathcal{T}(0,3)}\end{aligned}$$

$$p_{i,t}(C = A) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\tau_i(V_{i,t}(B) - V_{i,t}(A))}}$$

$$V_{i,t+1}^c = V_{i,t}^C + \alpha_i(R_{i,t} - V_{i,t}^C)$$

```
parameters {
    real<lower=0,upper=1> lr_mu;
    real<lower=0,upper=3> tau_mu;
    real<lower=0> lr_sd;
    real<lower=0> tau_sd;
    real<lower=0,upper=1> lr[nSubjects];
    real<lower=0,upper=3> tau[nSubjects];
}

model {
    lr_sd ~ cauchy(0,1);
    tau_sd ~ cauchy(0,3);
    lr ~ normal(lr_mu, lr_sd) ;
    tau ~ normal(tau_mu, tau_sd) ;

    for (s in 1:nSubjects) {
        vector[2] v;
        real pe;
        v = initV;

        for (t in 1:nTrials) {
            choice[s,t] ~ categorical_logit( tau[s] * v );
            pe = reward[s,t] - v[choice[s,t]];
            v[choice[s,t]] = v[choice[s,t]] + lr[s] * pe;
        }
    }
}
```

Exercise V

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```
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```

TASK: fit the hierarchical RL model

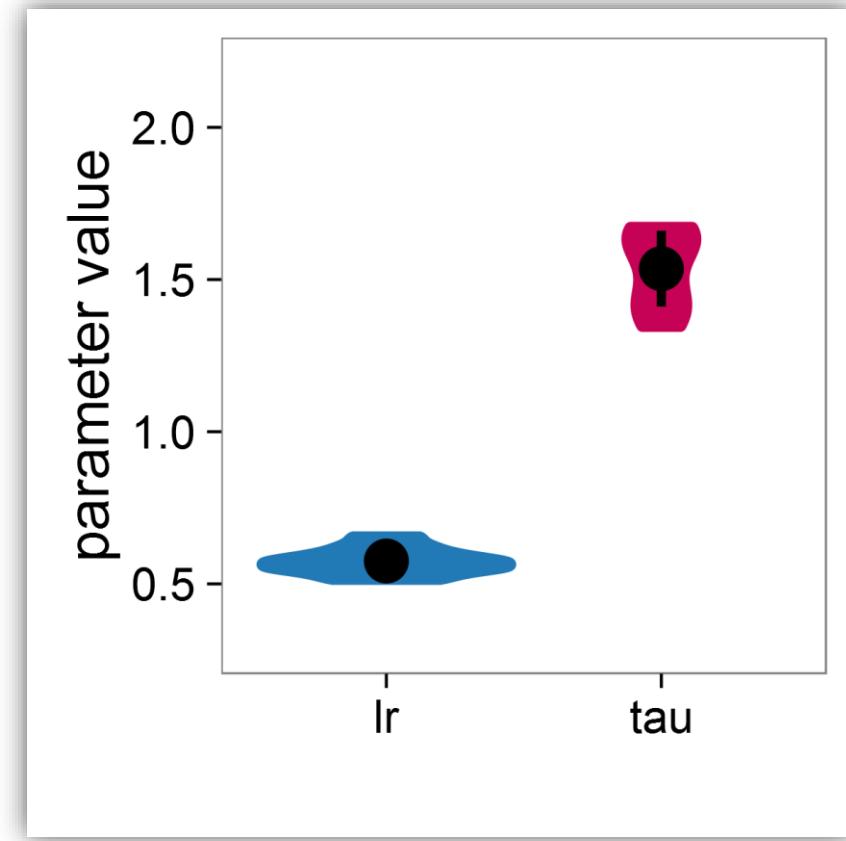
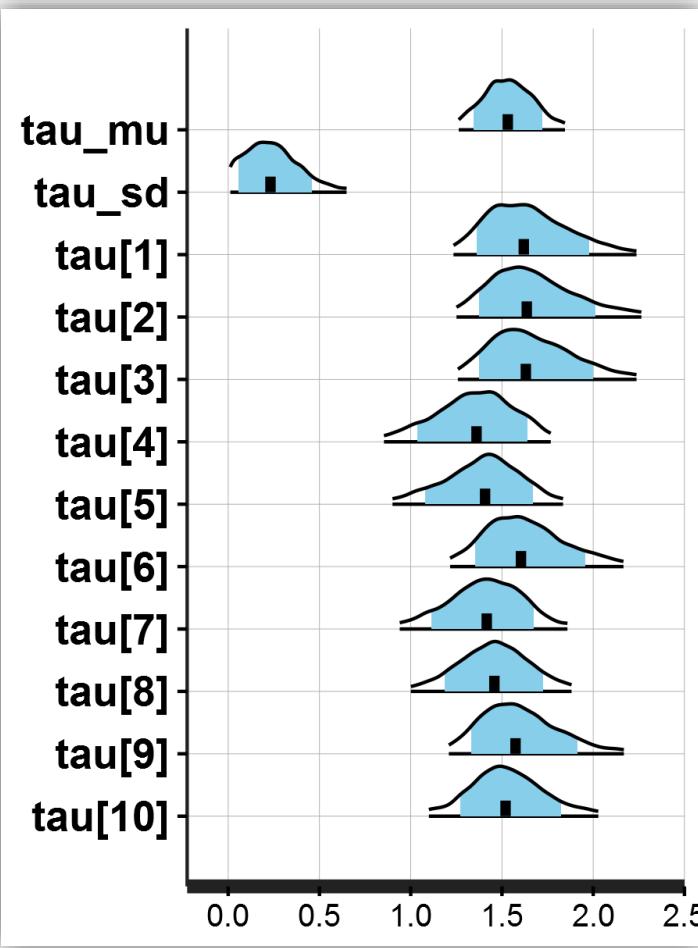
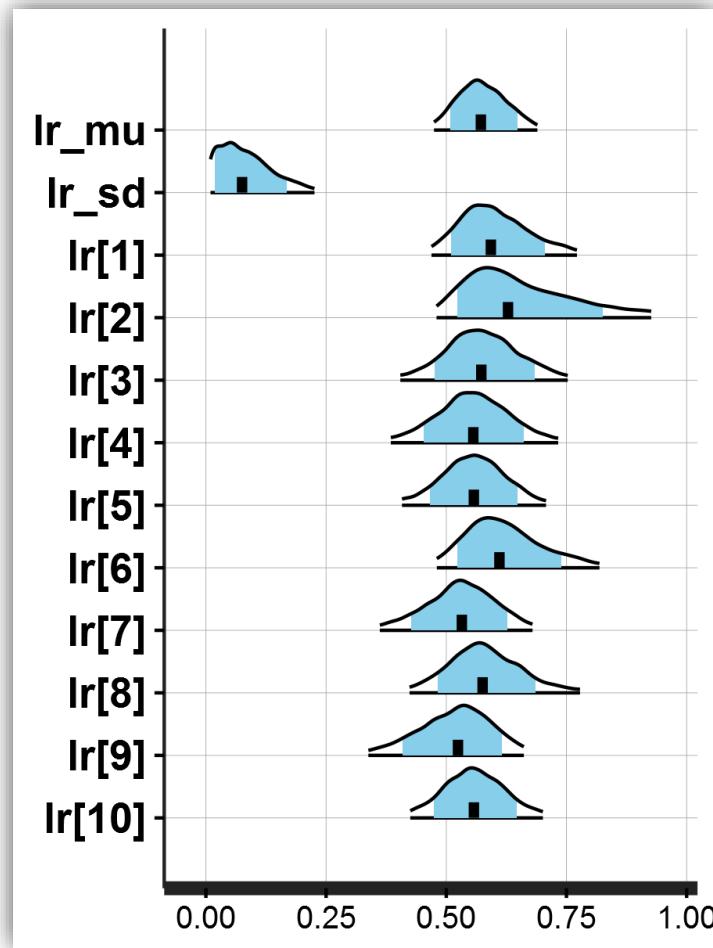
```
> source('_scripts/reinforcement_learning_multi_parm_main.R')  
  
> fit_rl3 <- run_rl_mp( modelType = 'hrch' )
```

In addition: Warning messages:

1: There were 97 divergent transitions after warmup. Increasing adapt_delta above 0.8 may help. See <http://mc-stan.org/misc/warnings.html#divergent-transitions-after-warmup>
2: Examine the pairs() plot to diagnose sampling problems

Hierarchical Fitting*

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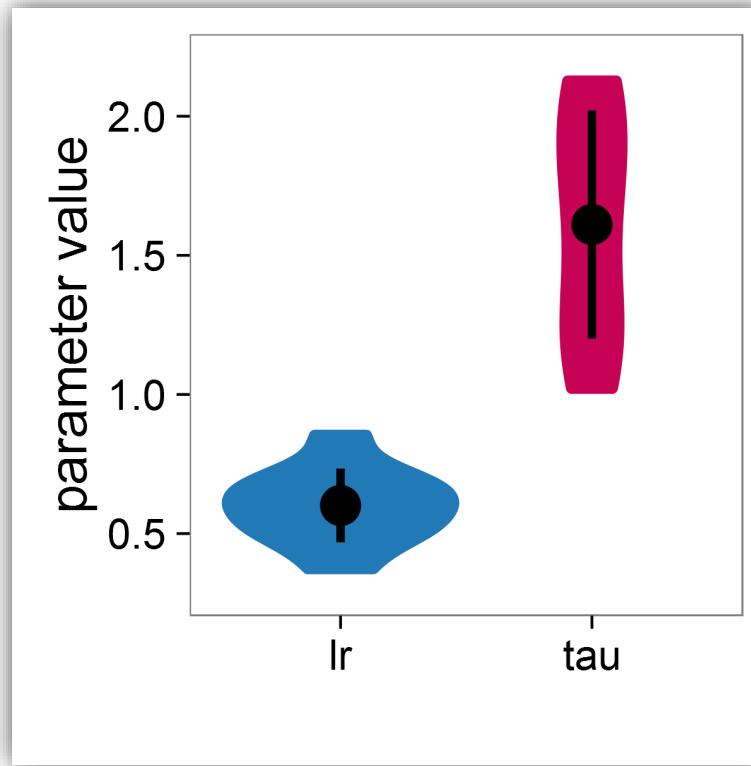


*: adapt_delta=0.999, max_treedepth=100

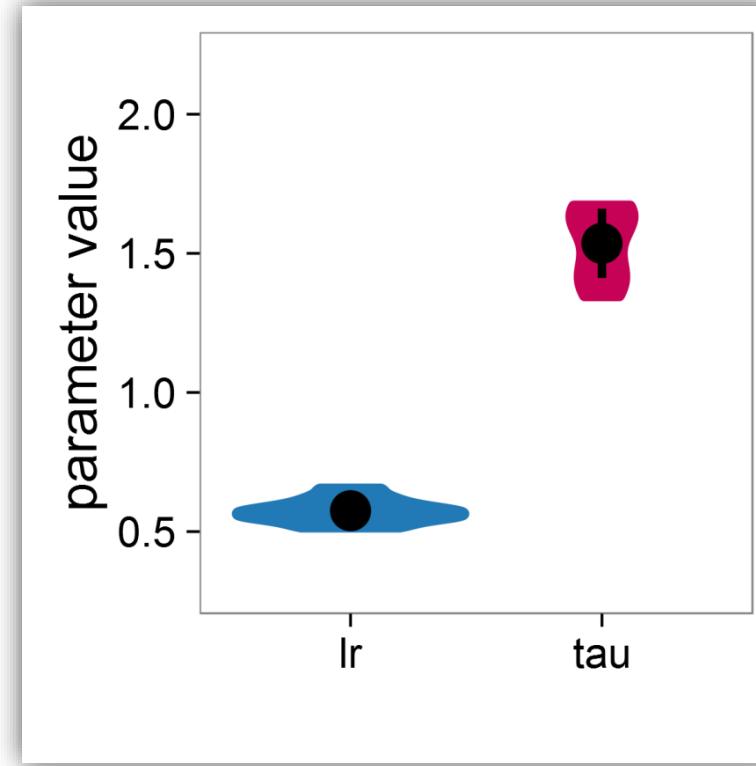
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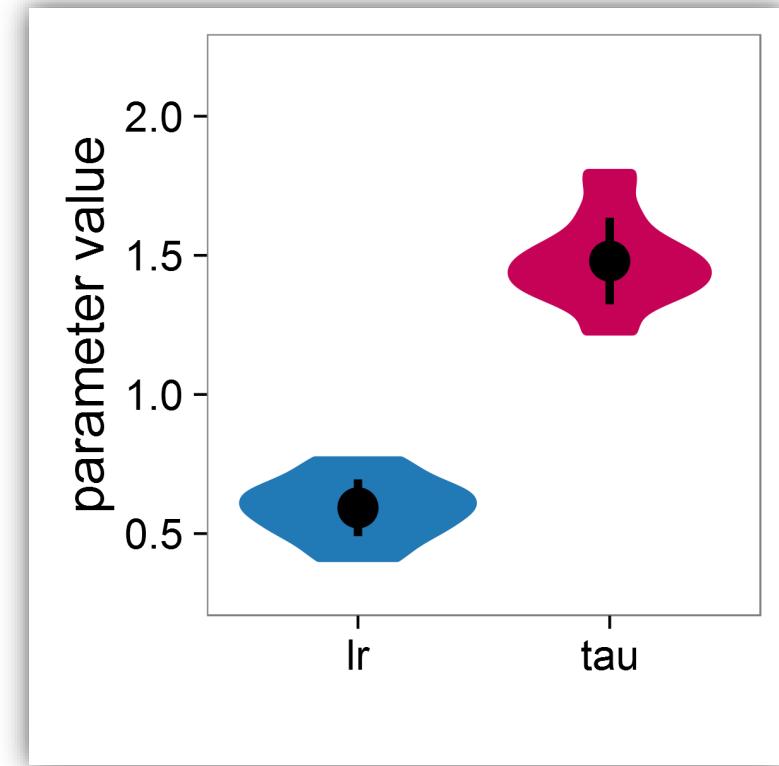
Posterior Means (indv)



Posterior Means (hrch)*



True Parameters



*: adapt_delta=0.999, max_treedepth=100

Group-level Parameters

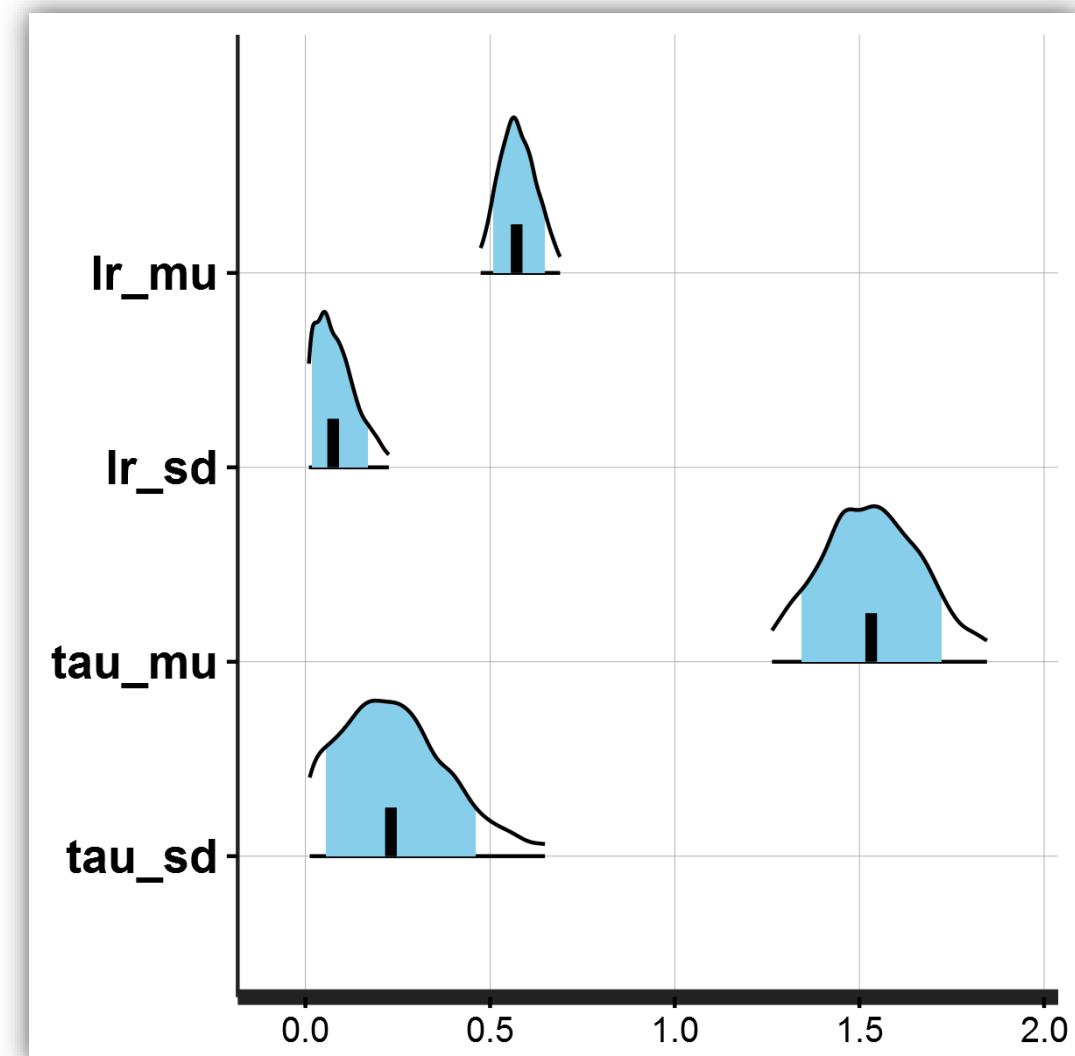
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True group parameters

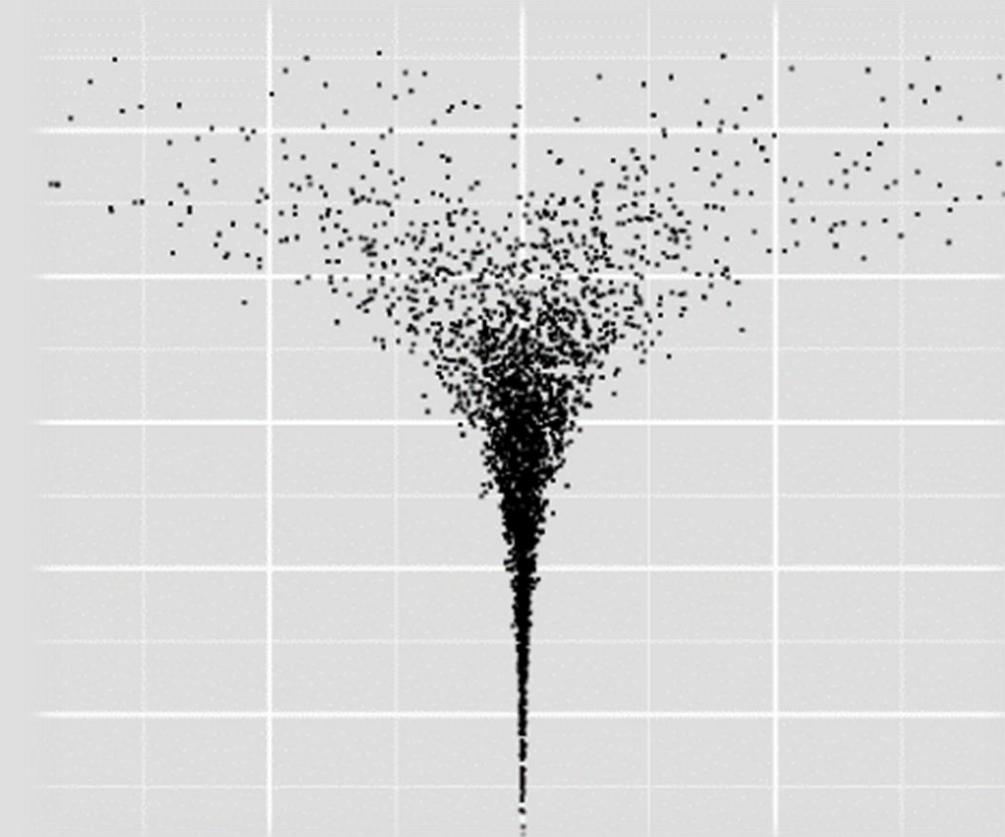
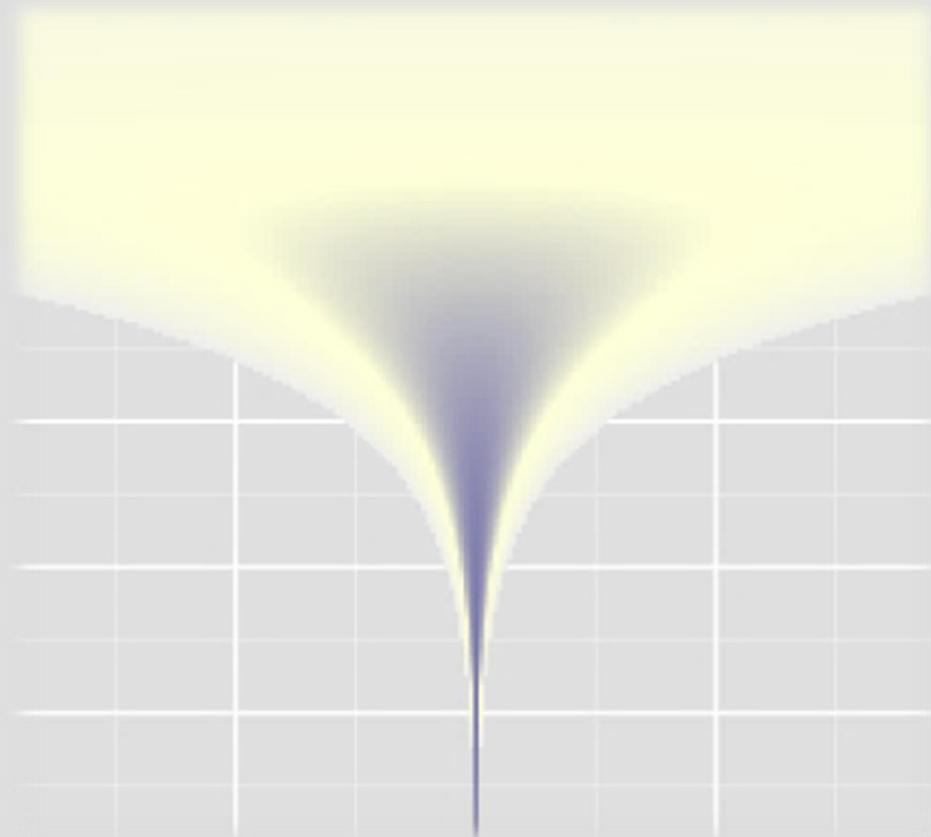
```
lr = rnorm(10, mean=0.6, sd=0.12)  
tau = rnorm(10, mean=1.5, sd=0.2)
```

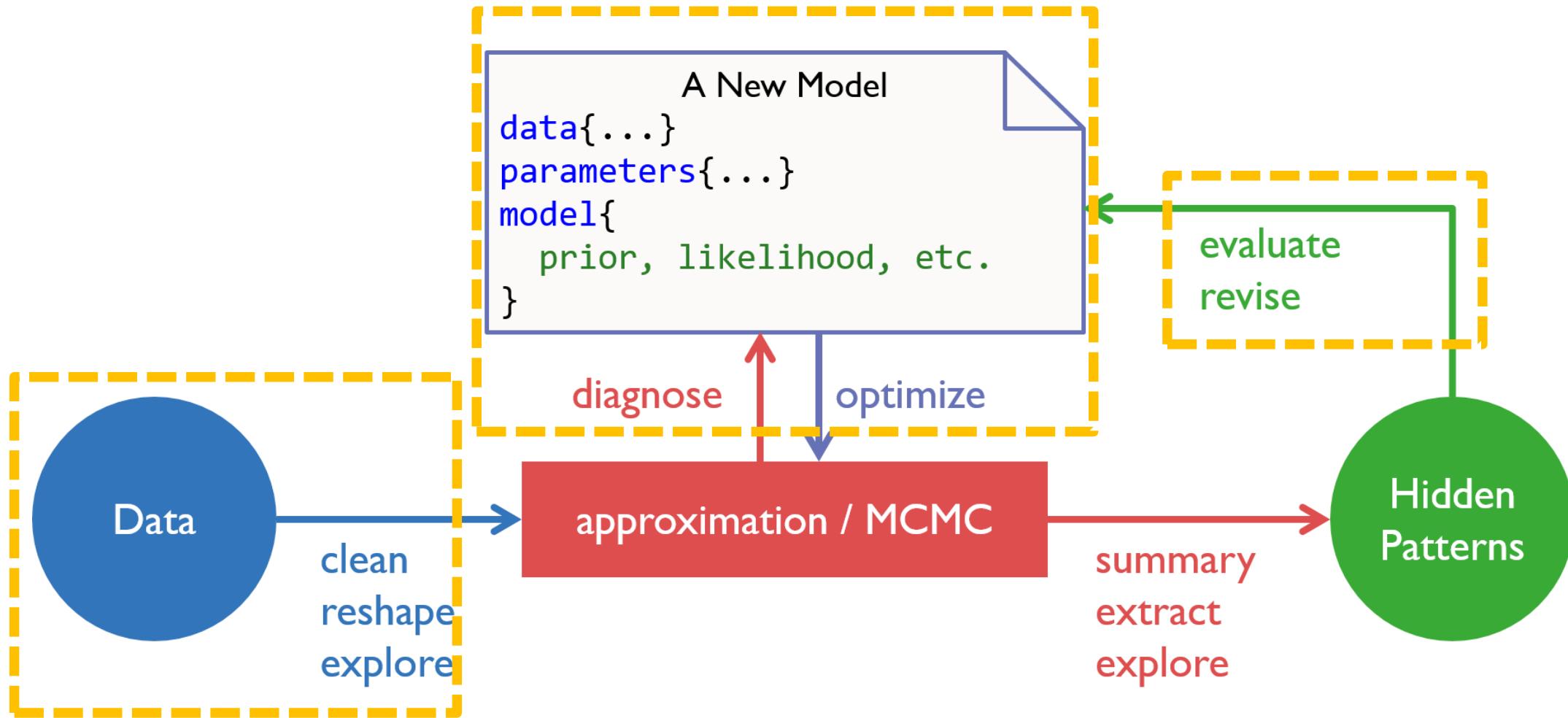
Estimated group parameters

| | mean | 2.5% | 25% | 50% | 75% | 97.5% |
|--------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|
| lr_mu | 0.58 | 0.47 | 0.54 | 0.57 | 0.61 | 0.69 |
| lr_sd | 0.09 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.08 | 0.12 | 0.23 |
| tau_mu | 1.54 | 1.26 | 1.43 | 1.53 | 1.63 | 1.85 |
| tau_sd | 0.25 | 0.01 | 0.13 | 0.23 | 0.34 | 0.65 |



OPTIMIZING STAN CODES







Optimizing Stan Code

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Preprocess data

run as many calculations as you can outside Stan

Specify a proper model

follow literature, supervision, experience, etc.

Vectorizing

vectorize Stan code whenever you can

Reparameterizing

reparameterize target parameter to simple distributions

Preprocess Data

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$$\overline{\text{height}} = \alpha + \beta_1 * \text{weight} + \beta_2 * \text{weight}^2$$

```
d$weight_sq <- d$weight^2
```

```
data {
  int<lower=0> N;
  vector<lower=0>[N] height;
  vector<lower=0>[N] weight;
  vector<lower=0>[N] weight_sq;
}
```

Specify a Proper Model

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- Follow Literatures
- Start from simple and then build complexities
- Simulate data and run model recovery

A New Model

```
data{...}  
parameters{...}  
model{  
    prior, likelihood, etc.  
}
```

Vectorization

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```
model {  
  for (n in 1:N) {  
    flip[n] ~ bernoulli(theta);  
  }  
}
```

```
model {  
  flip ~ bernoulli(theta);  
}
```

```
parameters {  
  ...  
  real<lower=0,upper=1> lr[nSubjects];  
  real<lower=0,upper=3> tau[nSubjects];  
}  
  
model {  
  ...  
  lr      ~ normal(lr_mu, lr_sd) ;  
  tau    ~ normal(tau_mu, tau_sd) ;  
  ...  
}
```

```
model {  
  vector[N] mu;  
  for (i in 1:N) {  
    mu[i] = alpha + beta * weight[i];  
    height[i] ~ normal(mu[i], sigma)  
  }  
}
```

```
model {  
  vector[N] mu;  
  mu = alpha + beta * weight;  
  height ~ normal(mu, sigma);  
}
```

```
model {  
  height ~ normal(alpha + beta * weight, sigma);  
}
```

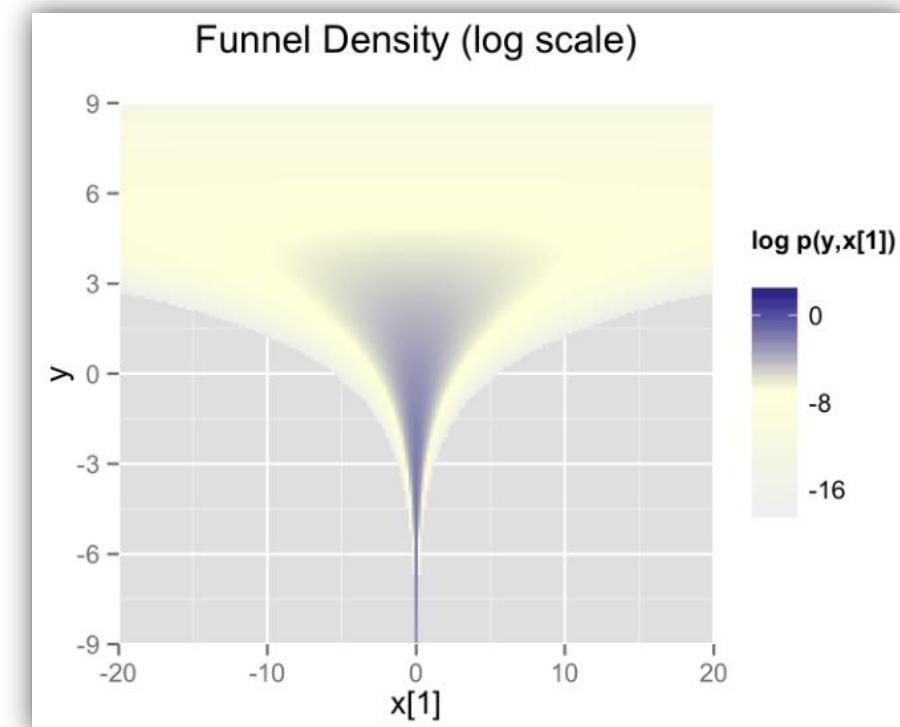
Reparameterization

Neal's Funnel

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$$p(y, x) = \text{Normal}(y|0, 3) \times \prod_{n=1}^9 \text{Normal}(x_n|0, \exp(y/2))$$

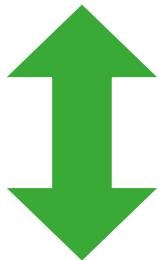
```
parameters {
    real y;
    vector[9] x;
}
model {
    y ~ normal(0,3);
    x ~ normal(0,exp(y/2));
}
```



Non-centered Reparameterization

| |
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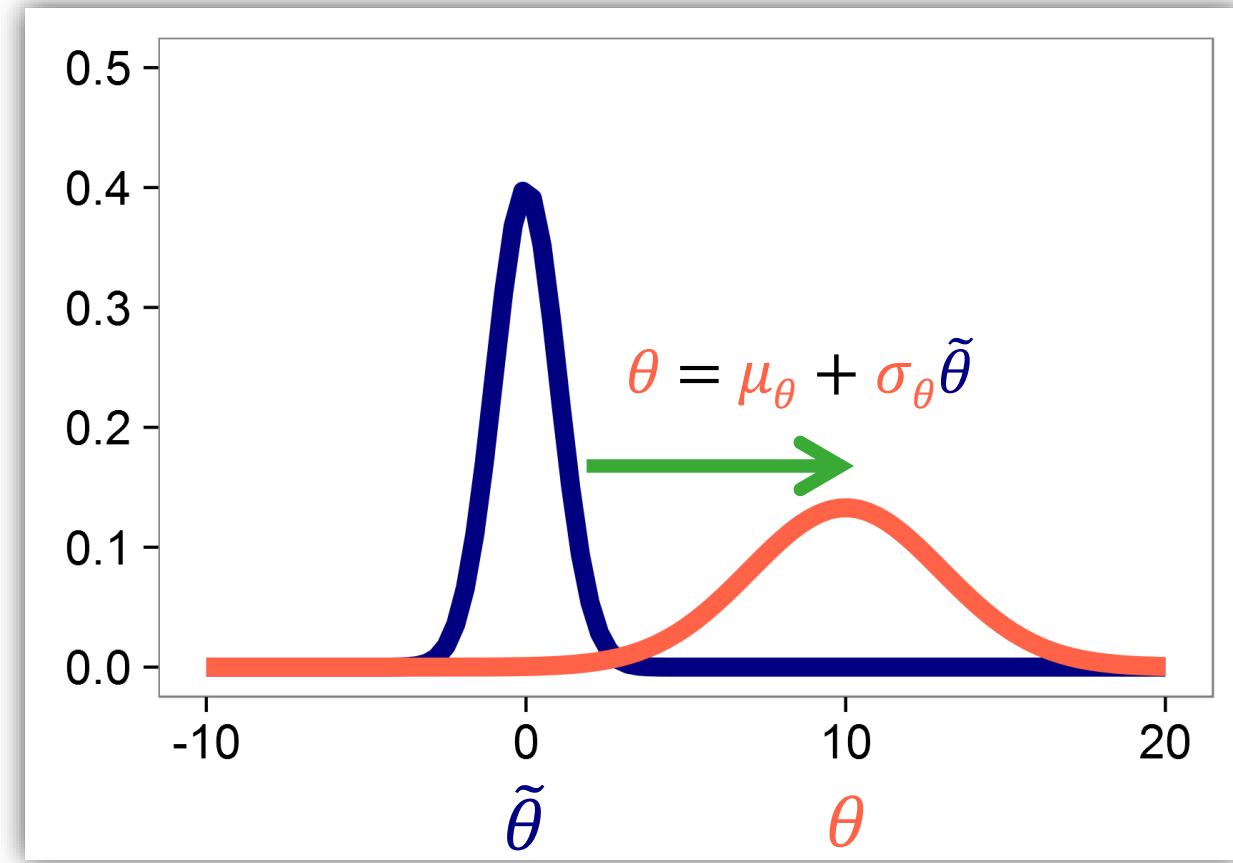
$$\theta \sim Normal(\mu_\theta, \sigma_\theta)$$



$$\tilde{\theta} \sim Normal(0, 1)$$

$$\theta = \mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \tilde{\theta}$$

Stan likes **simple** distributions!

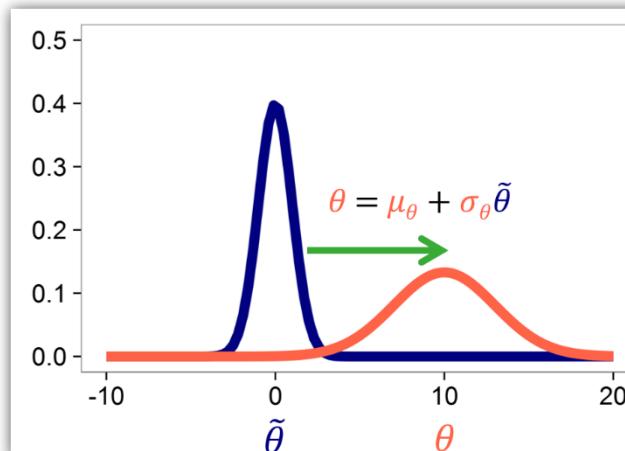


Reparameterization

Neal's Funnel

$$p(y, x) = \text{Normal}(y|0, 3) \times \prod_{n=1}^9 \text{Normal}(x_n|0, \exp(y/2))$$

```
parameters {
  real y;
  vector[9] x;
}
model {
  y ~ normal(0,3);
  x ~ normal(0,exp(y/2));
}
```



```
parameters {
  real y_raw;
  vector[9] x_raw;
}
transformed parameters {
  real y;
  vector[9] x;
}
y = 3.0 * y_raw;
x = exp(y/2) * x_raw;
}
model {
  y_raw ~ normal(0,1);
  x_raw ~ normal(0,1);
}
```

Stan Sampling Parameters

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| parameter | description | constraint | default |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
| iterations | number of MCMC samples (per chain) | int, > 0 | 2000 |
| delta: δ | target Metropolis acceptance rate | $\delta \in [0, 1]$ | 0.80 |
| stepsize: ε | initial HMC step size | real, $\varepsilon > 0$ | 2.0 |
| max_treedepth: L | maximum HMC steps per iteration | int, $L > 0$ | 10 |

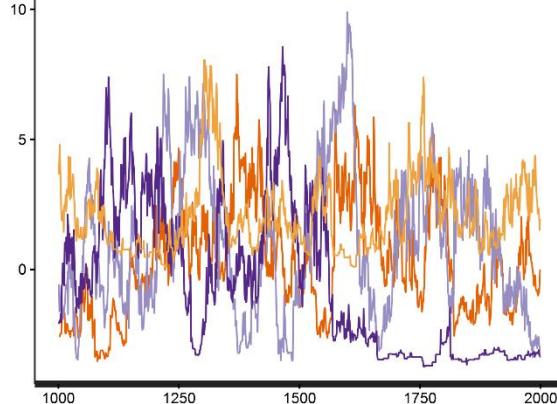
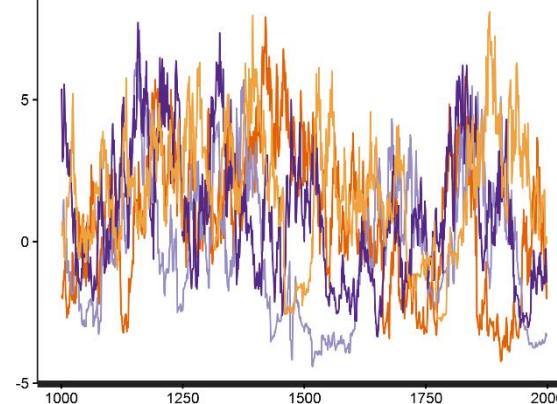
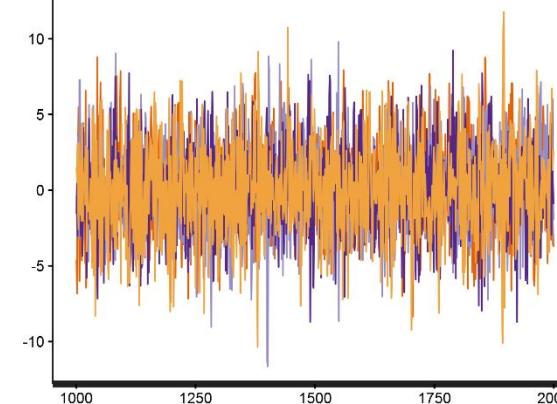
Typical adjustments

- Increase iterations
- Increase delta
- Decrease stepsize
- Might have to increase max_treedepth

```
funnel_fit2 <- stan("_scripts/funnel.stan",
  iter = 4000,
  control = list(adapt_delta = 0.999,
    stepsize = 1.0,
    max_treedepth = 20))
```

Neal's Funnel: Comparing Performance

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| | direct model | adjusted direct model | reparameterized model |
|-------------------------|---|--|--|
| Rhat (y) | 1.22 | 1.1 | 1.0 |
| n_eff (y) | 18 | 42 | 3886 |
| runtime* | 48.50 sec | 50.76 sec | 50.12 sec |
| n_eff (y) / runtime | 0.37 / sec | 0.82 / sec | 77.53 / sec |
| n_divergent | 53 | 0 | 0 |
| traceplot (y) |  |  |  |

*: 2 cores in parallel, including compiling time

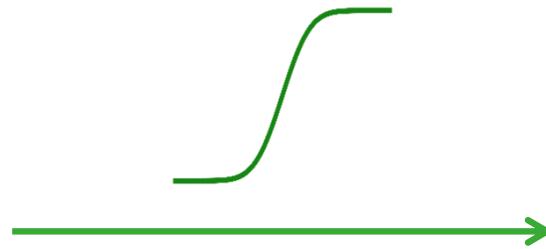
How about Bounded Parameters?

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$$\tilde{\theta} \sim Normal(0, 1)$$

$$\theta = \mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \tilde{\theta}$$

$$\theta \in (-\infty, +\infty)$$



$$\tilde{\theta} \sim Normal(0, 1)$$

$$\theta = Probit^{-1}(\mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \tilde{\theta})$$

$$\theta \in [0, 1]$$

| constraint | reparameterization |
|---------------------------------|--|
| $\theta \in (-\infty, +\infty)$ | $\theta = \mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \tilde{\theta}$ |
| $\theta \in [0, N]$ | $\theta = Probit^{-1}(\mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \tilde{\theta}) \times N$ |
| $\theta \in [M, N]$ | $\theta = Probit^{-1}(\mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \tilde{\theta}) \times (N-M) + M$ |
| $\theta \in (0, +\infty)$ | $\theta = exp(\mu_\theta + \sigma_\theta \tilde{\theta})$ |

Apply to Our Hierarchical RL Model

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```
parameters {  
    real<lower=0,upper=1> lr_mu;  
    real<lower=0,upper=3> tau_mu;  
  
    real<lower=0> lr_sd;  
    real<lower=0> tau_sd;  
  
    real<lower=0,upper=1> lr[nSubjects];  
    real<lower=0,upper=3> tau[nSubjects];  
}
```



```
parameters {  
    # group-Level parameters  
    real lr_mu_raw;  
    real tau_mu_raw;  
    real<lower=0> lr_sd_raw;  
    real<lower=0> tau_sd_raw;  
  
    # subject-Level raw parameters  
    vector[nSubjects] lr_raw;  
    vector[nSubjects] tau_raw;  
}  
  
transformed parameters {  
    vector<lower=0,upper=1>[nSubjects] lr;  
    vector<lower=0,upper=3>[nSubjects] tau;  
  
    for (s in 1:nSubjects) {  
        lr[s] = Phi_approx( lr_mu_raw + lr_sd_raw * lr_raw[s] );  
        tau[s] = Phi_approx( tau_mu_raw + tau_sd_raw * tau_raw[s] ) * 3;  
    }  
}
```

Apply to Our Hierarchical RL Model

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```
model {  
    lr_sd ~ cauchy(0,1);  
    tau_sd ~ cauchy(0,3);  
    lr ~ normal(lr_mu, lr_sd) ;  
    tau ~ normal(tau_mu, tau_sd) ;  
  
    for (s in 1:nSubjects) {  
        vector[2] v;  
        real pe;  
        v = initV;  
  
        for (t in 1:nTrials) {  
            choice[s,t] ~ categorical_logit( tau[s] * v );  
            pe = reward[s,t] - v[choice[s,t]];  
            v[choice[s,t]] = v[choice[s,t]] + lr[s] * pe;  
        }  
    }  
}
```



```
model {  
    lr_mu_raw ~ normal(0,1);  
    tau_mu_raw ~ normal(0,1);  
    lr_sd_raw ~ cauchy(0,3);  
    tau_sd_raw ~ cauchy(0,3);  
  
    lr_raw ~ normal(0,1);  
    tau_raw ~ normal(0,1);  
  
    for (s in 1:nSubjects) {  
        ...  
  
generated quantities {  
    real<lower=0,upper=1> lr_mu;  
    real<lower=0,upper=3> tau_mu;  
  
    lr_mu = Phi_approx(lr_mu_raw);  
    tau_mu = Phi_approx(tau_mu_raw) * 3;  
}
```

Exercise VI

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```
.../BayesCog/07.optm_rl/_scripts/reinforcement_learning_hrch_main.R
```

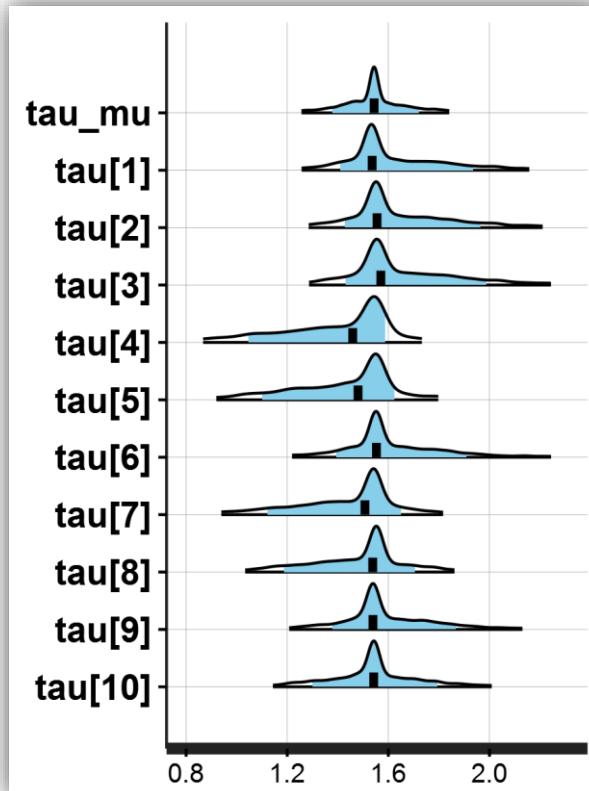
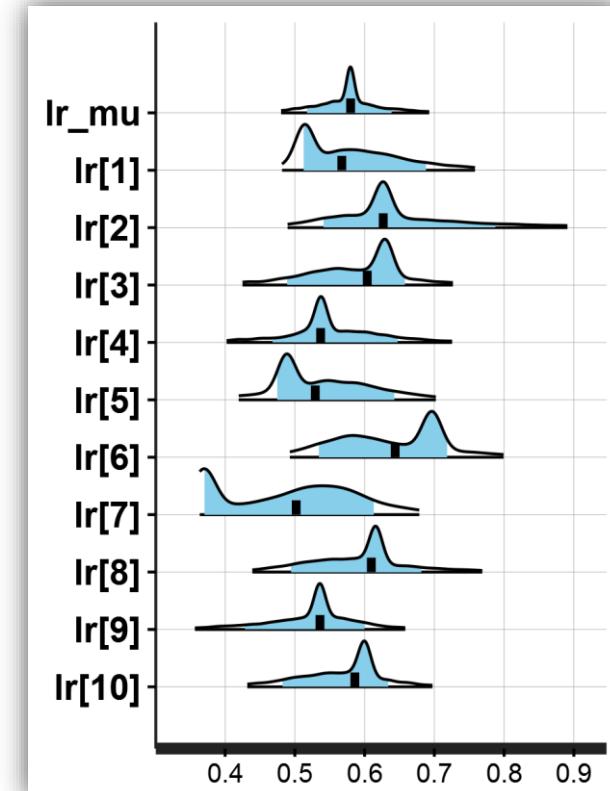
TASK: fit the optimized hierarchical RL model

```
> source('_scripts/reinforcement_learning_hrch_main.R')  
  
> fit_rl4 <- run_rl_mp2(optimized = TRUE)
```

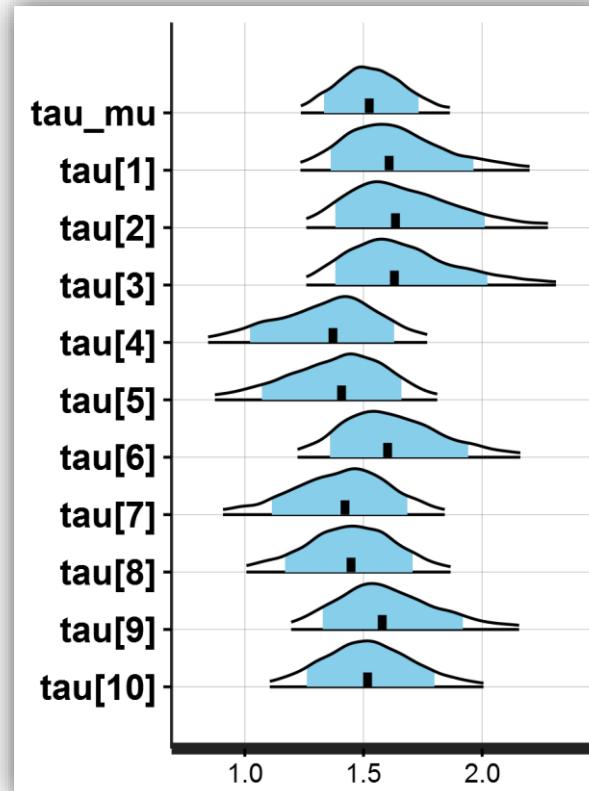
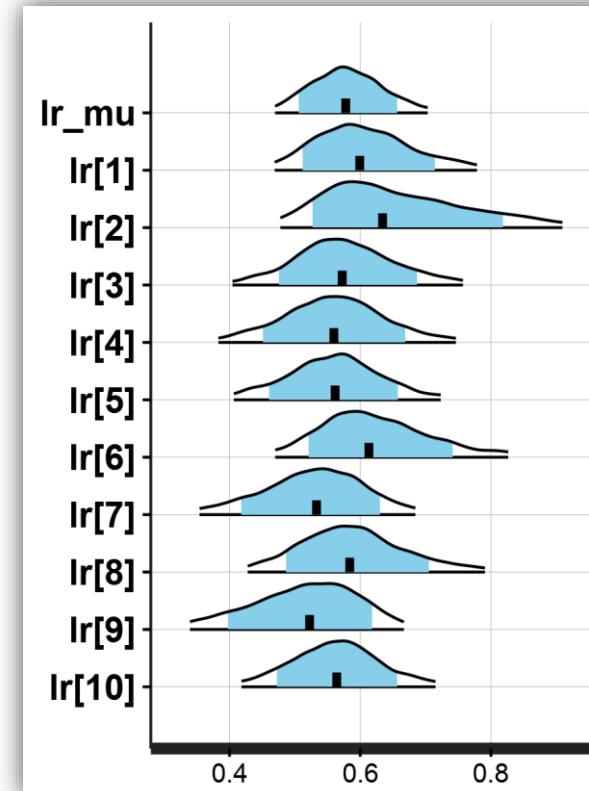
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Posterior Means (hrch)



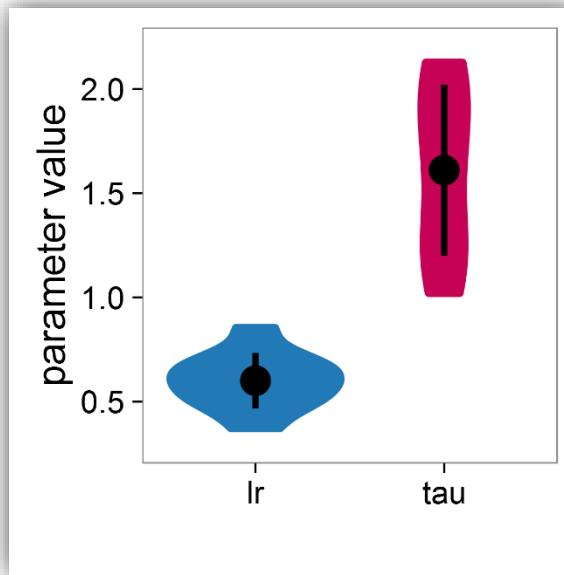
Posterior Means (hrch + optm)



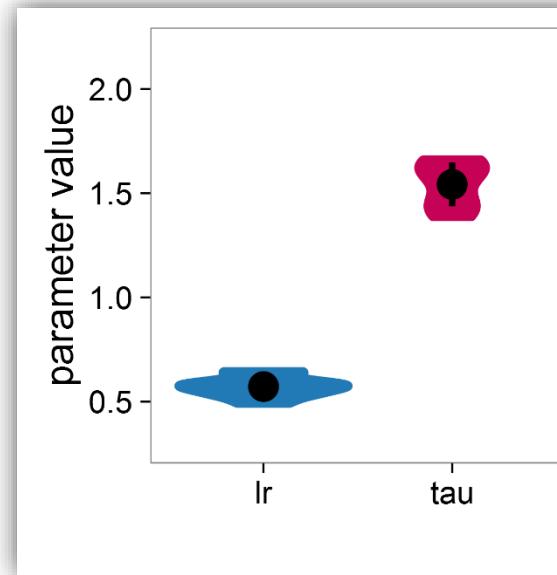
Comparing with True Parameters

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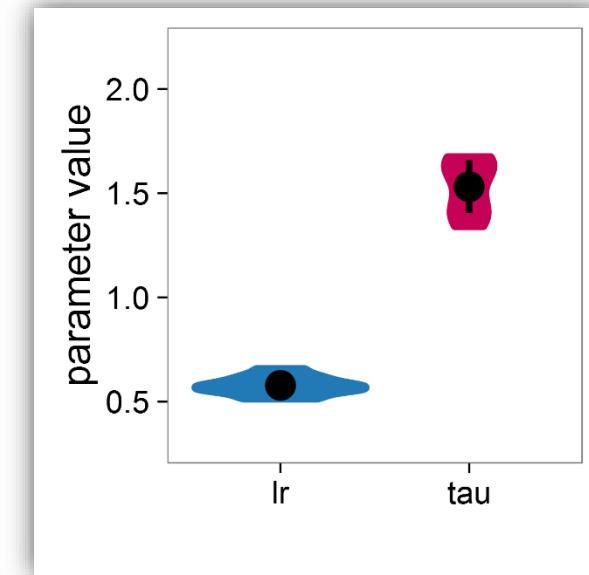
Posterior Means (indv)



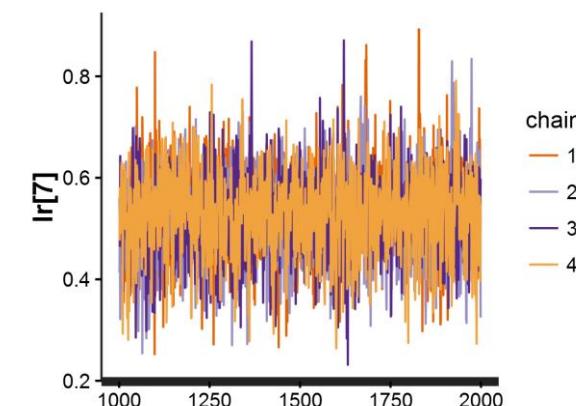
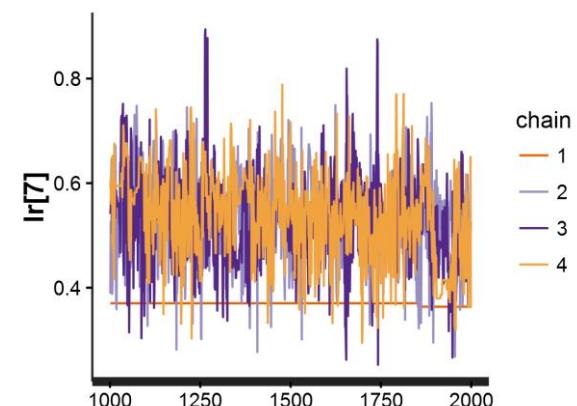
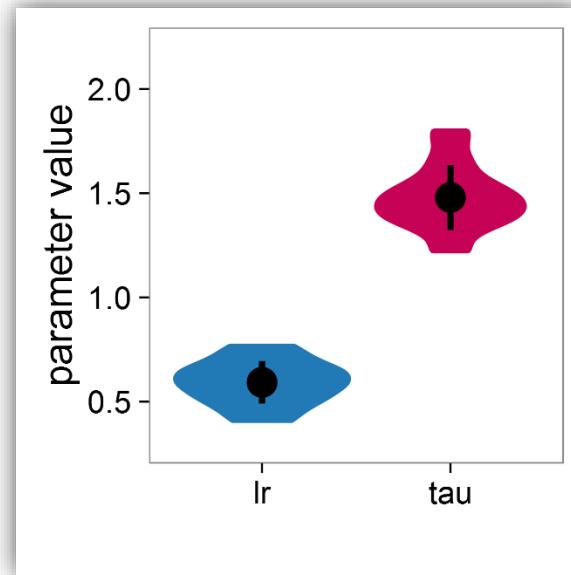
Posterior Means (hrch)



Posterior Means (hrch+optm)

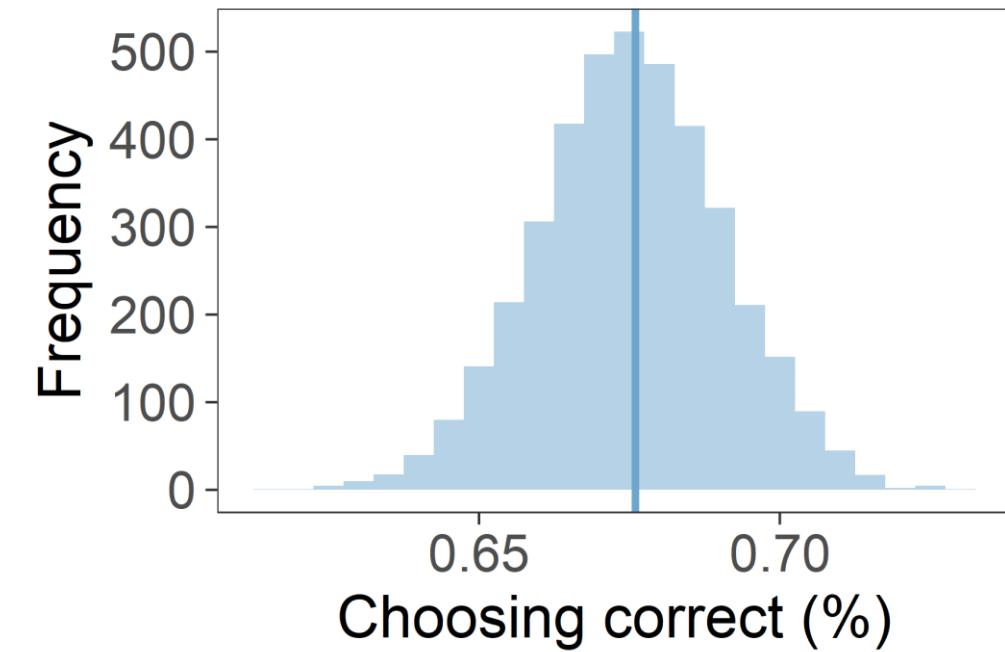
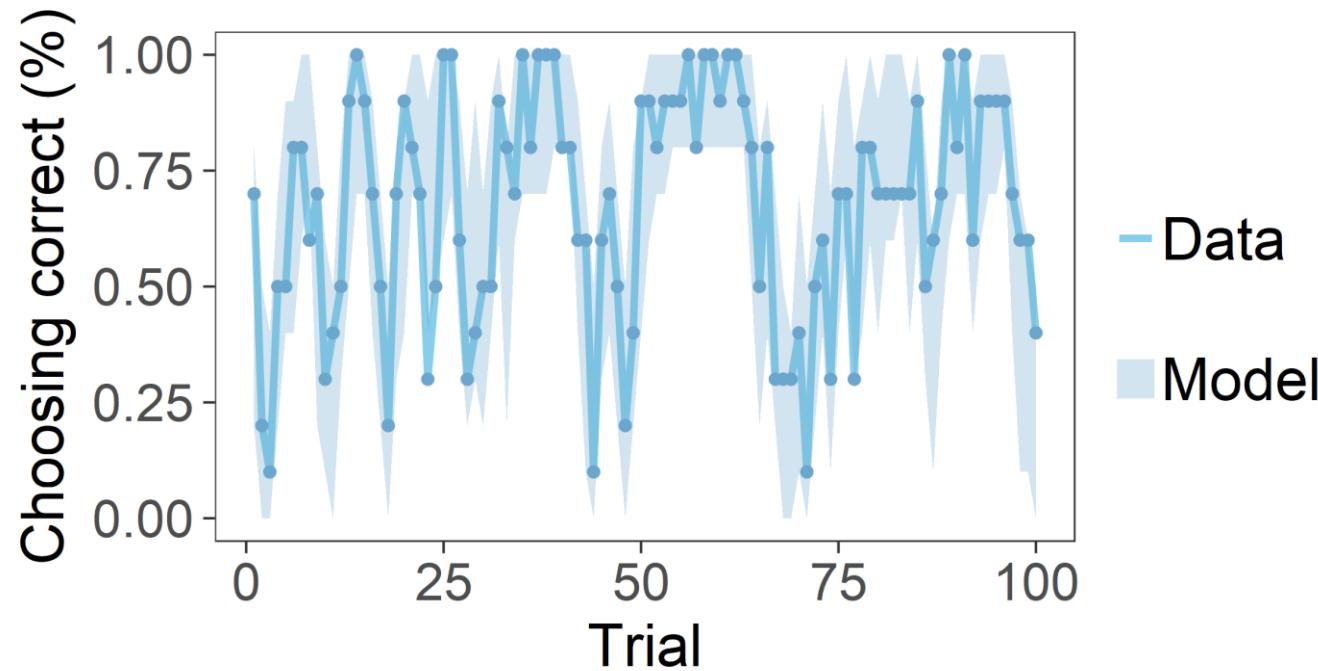


True Parameters

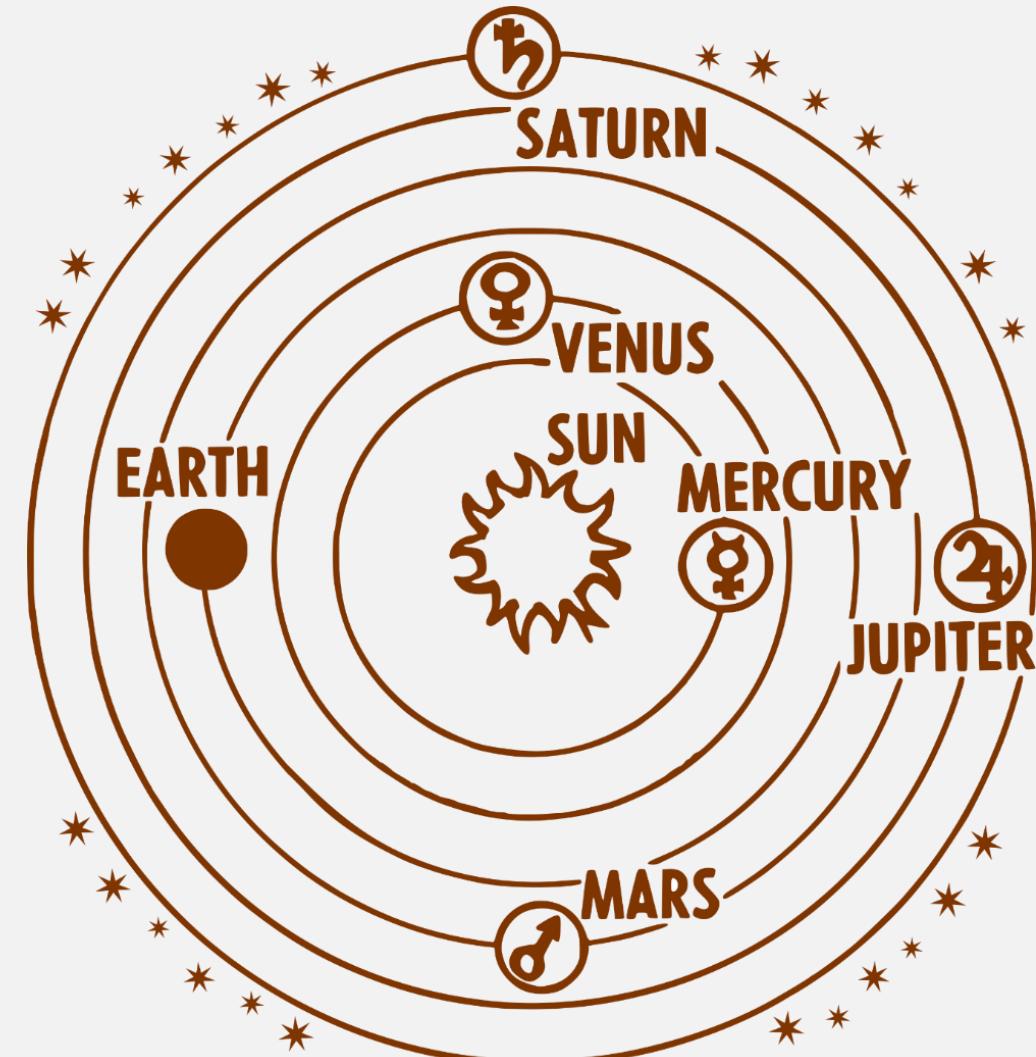
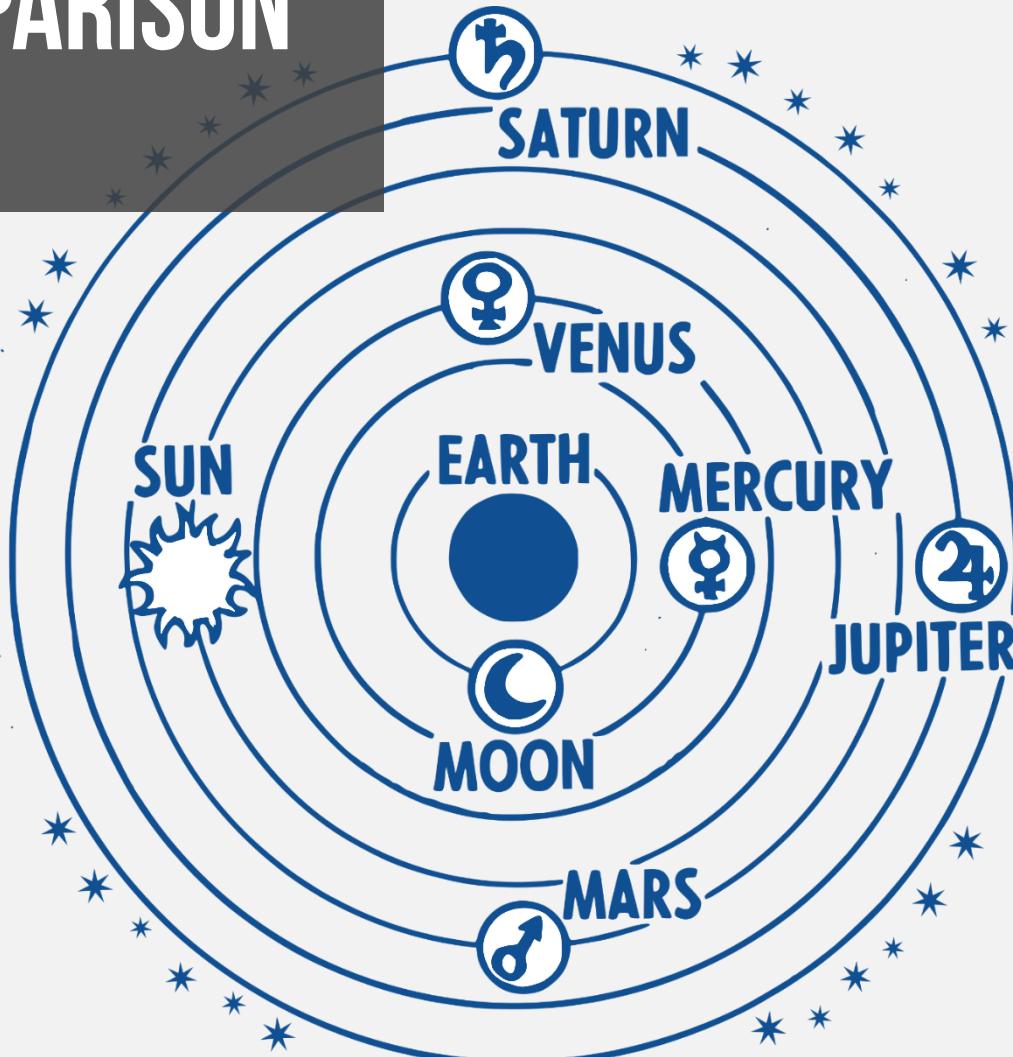


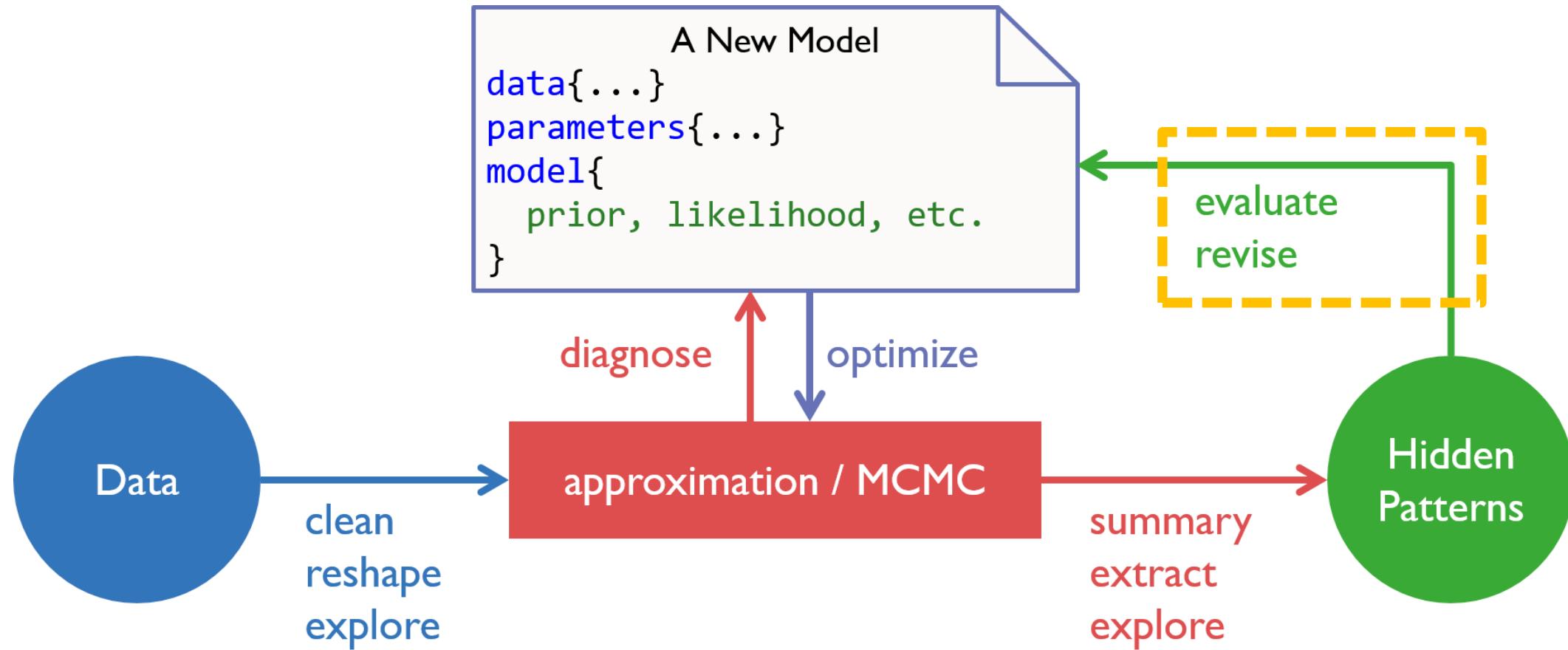
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MODEL COMPARISON





Model Comparison

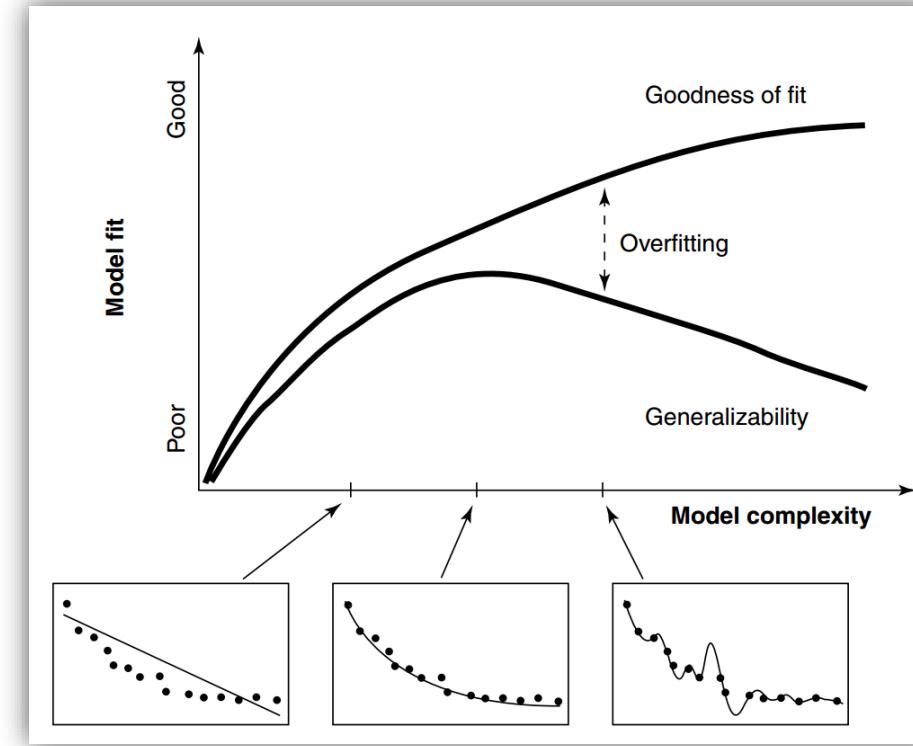
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Which model provides the best **fit**?

Which model represents the best **balance** between model fit and model complexity?

Ockham's razor:

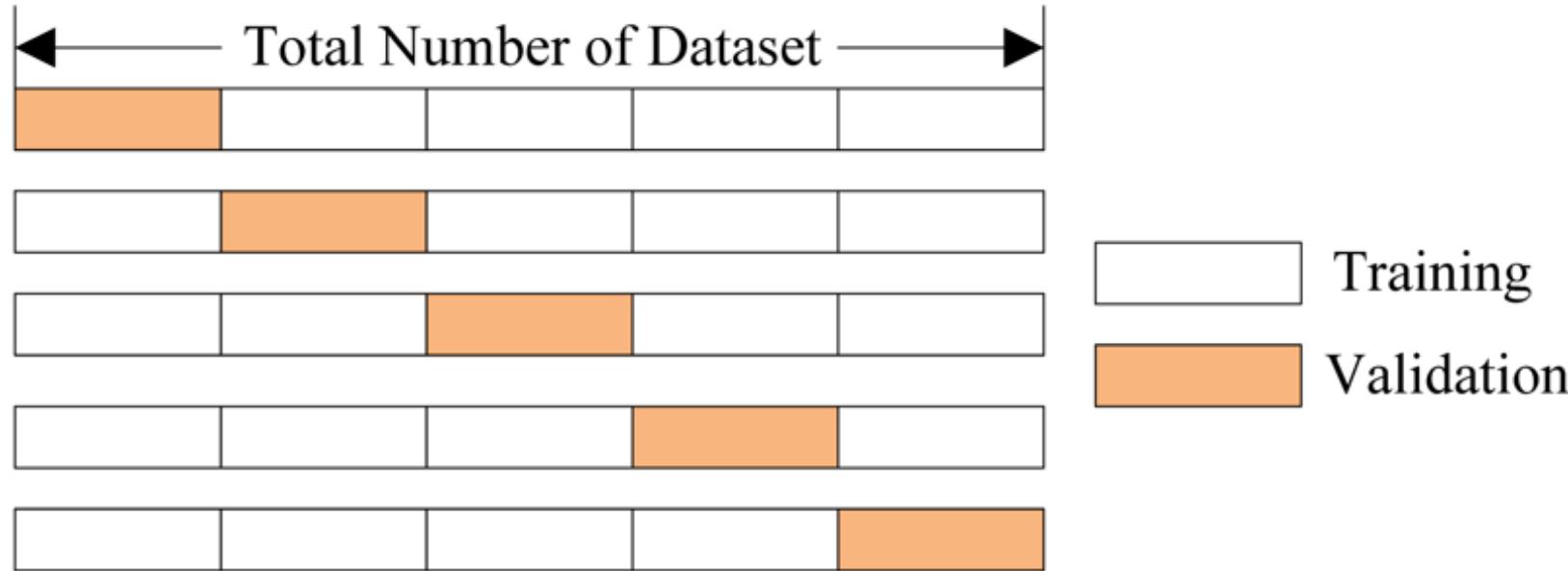
Models with fewer assumptions are to be preferred



- overfitting: learn **too much** from the data
- underfitting: learn **too little** from the data

Focusing on Predictive Accuracy

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- Nothing prevents you from doing that in a Bayesian context but holding out data makes your posterior distribution more diffuse
- Bayesians usually condition on *all* the data and evaluate how well a model is expected to **predict out of sample** using "information criteria": model with the **highest expected log predictive density (ELPD)** for new data

Information Criteria

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AIC – Akaike information criterion

DIC – Deviance Information Criterion

WAIC – Widely Applicable Information Criterion

finding the model that has the highest out-of-sample predictive accuracy

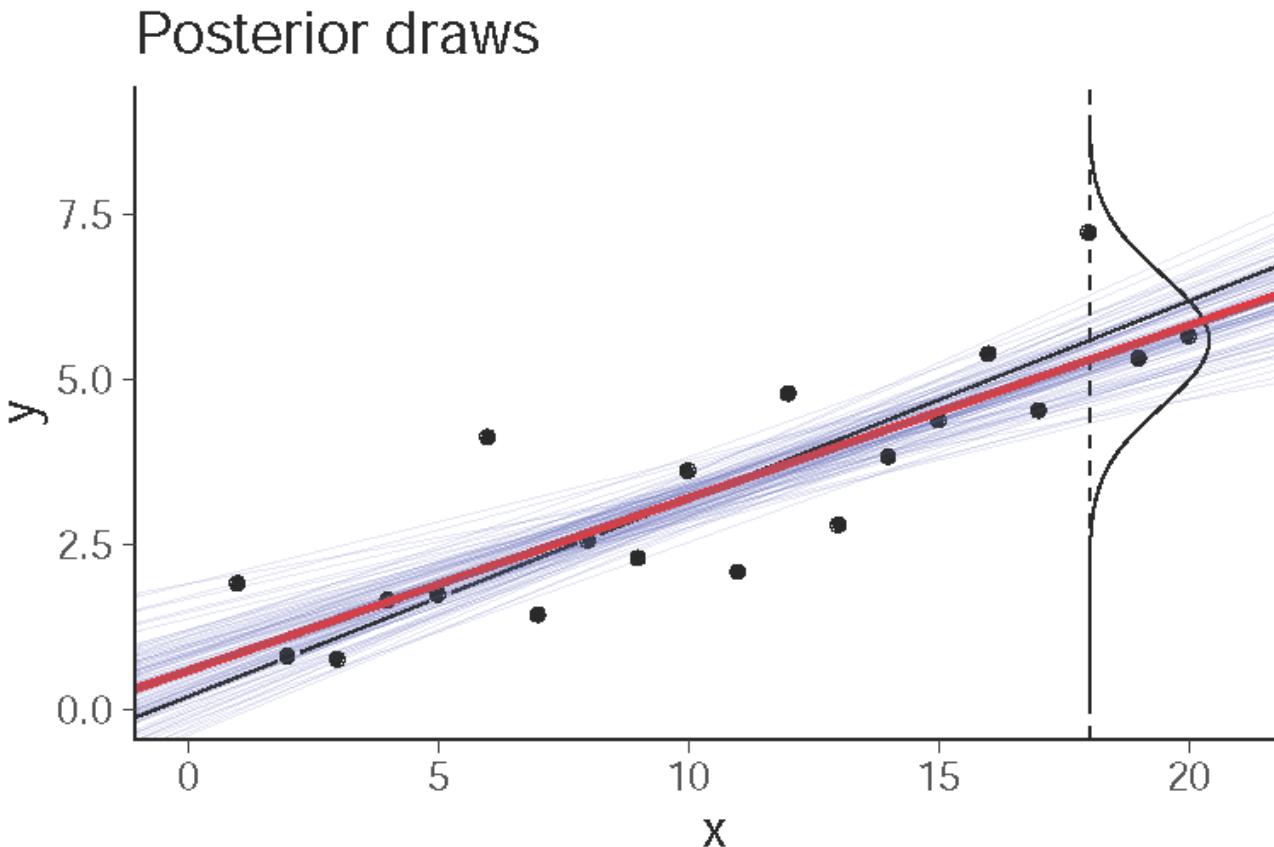
BIC – Bayesian Information Criterion

approximation to LOO

finding the “true” model

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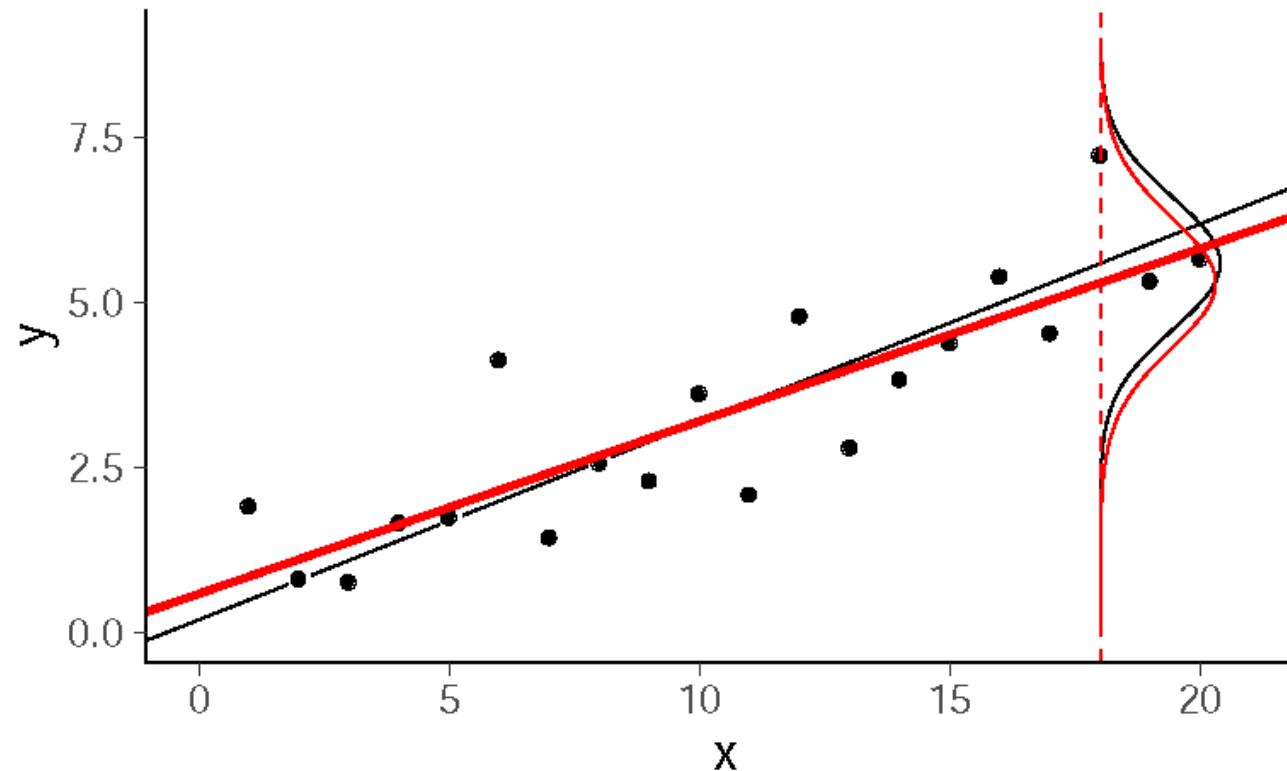


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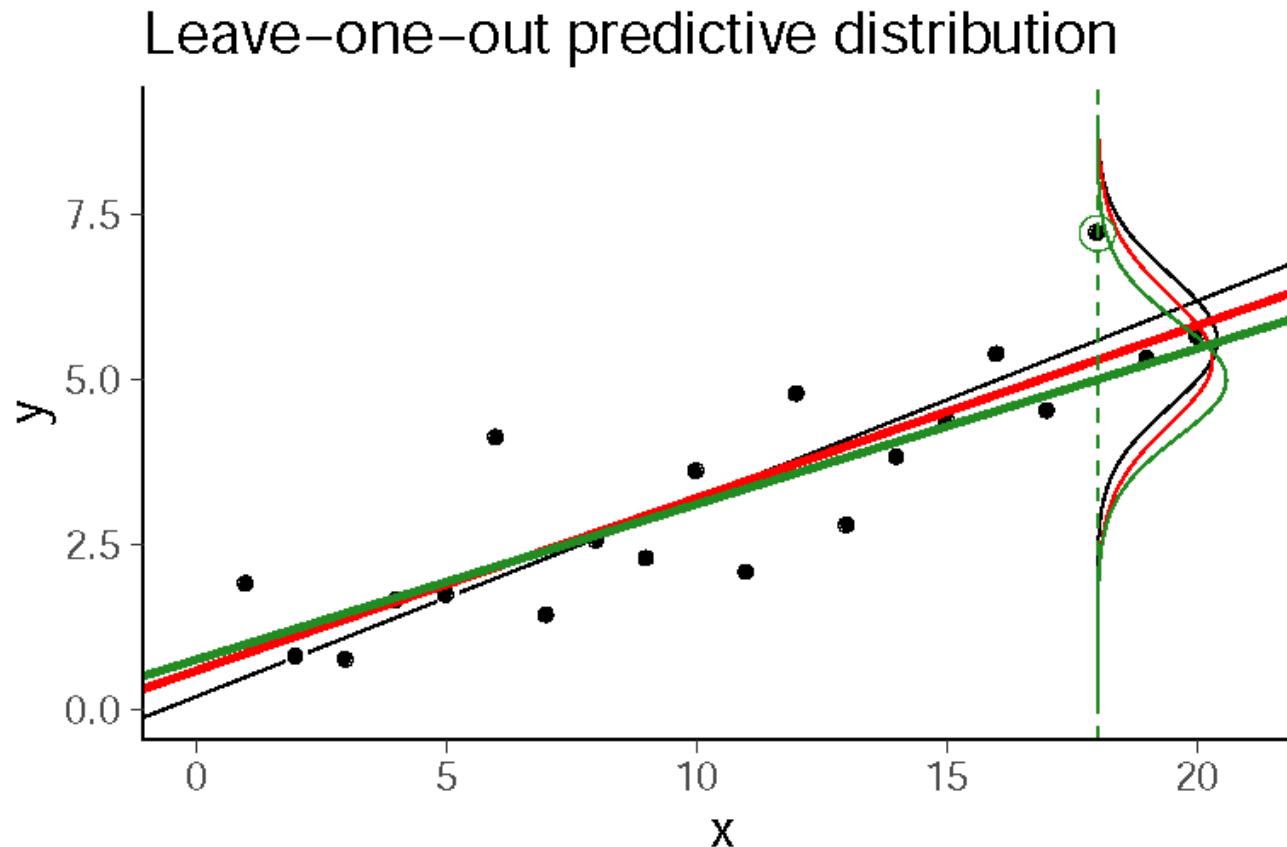
Posterior predictive distribution



$$p(\tilde{y}|\tilde{x} = 18, x, y) = \int p(\tilde{y}|\tilde{x} = 18, \theta)p(\theta|x, y)d\theta$$

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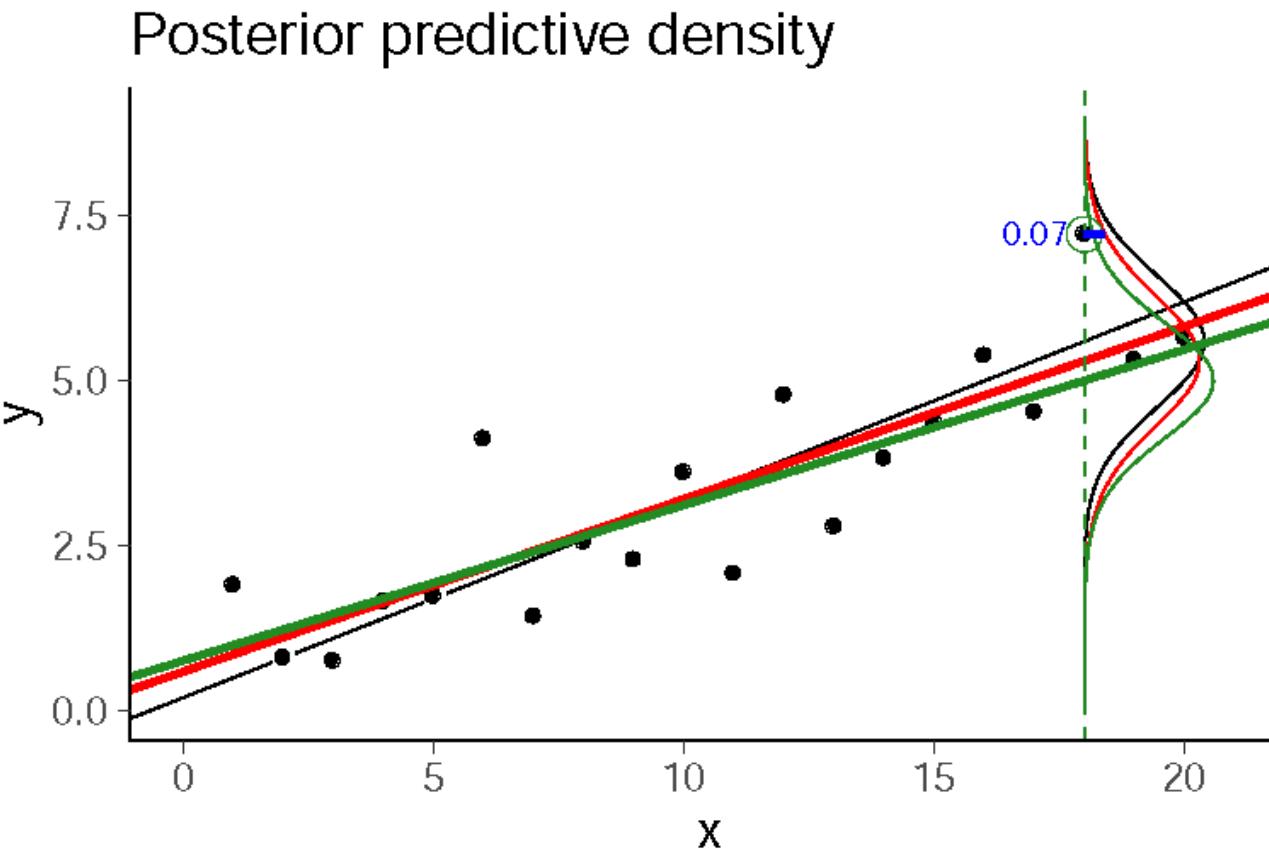
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$$p(\tilde{y}|\tilde{x} = 18, x_{-18}, y_{-18}) = \int p(\tilde{y}|\tilde{x} = 18, \theta) p(\theta|x_{-18}, y_{-18}) d\theta$$

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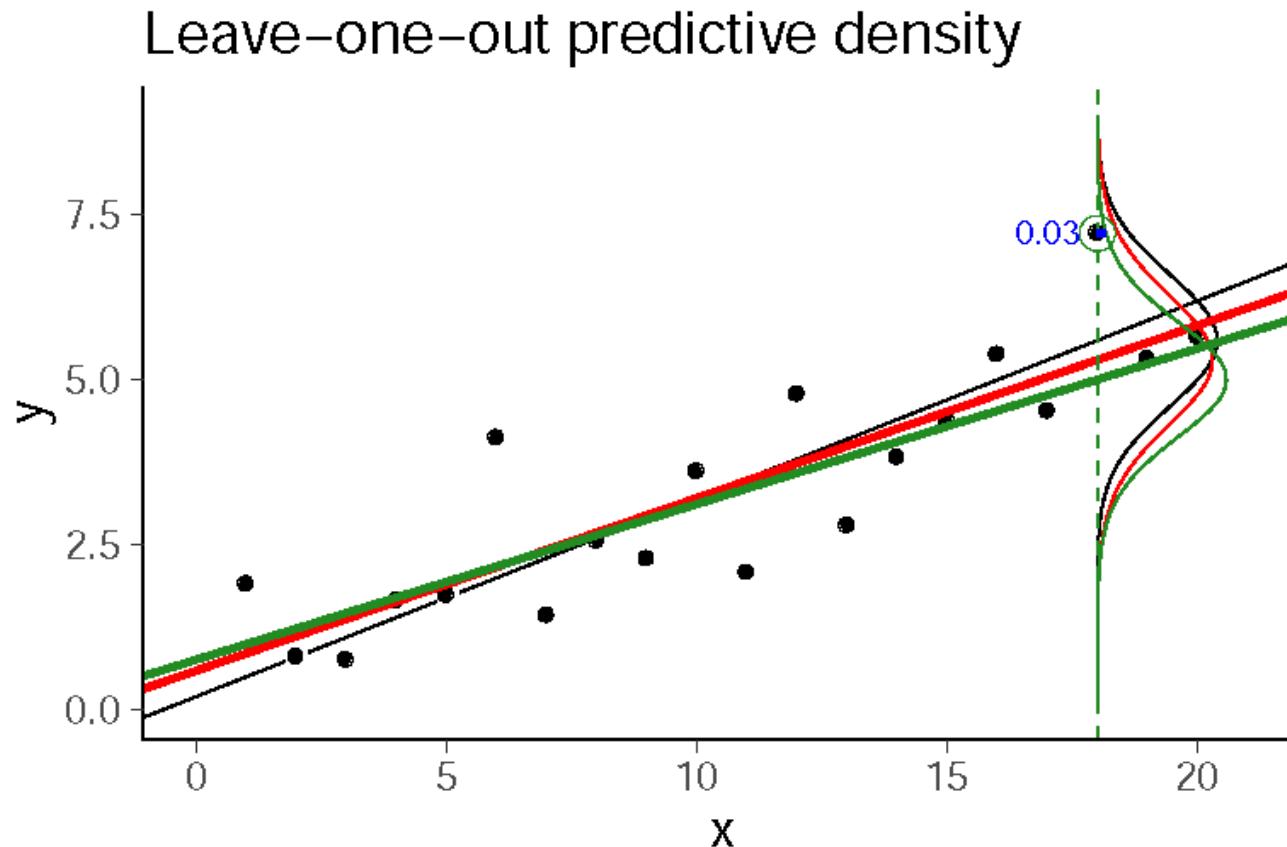
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$$p(\tilde{y} = y_{18} | \tilde{x} = 18, x, y) \approx 0.07$$

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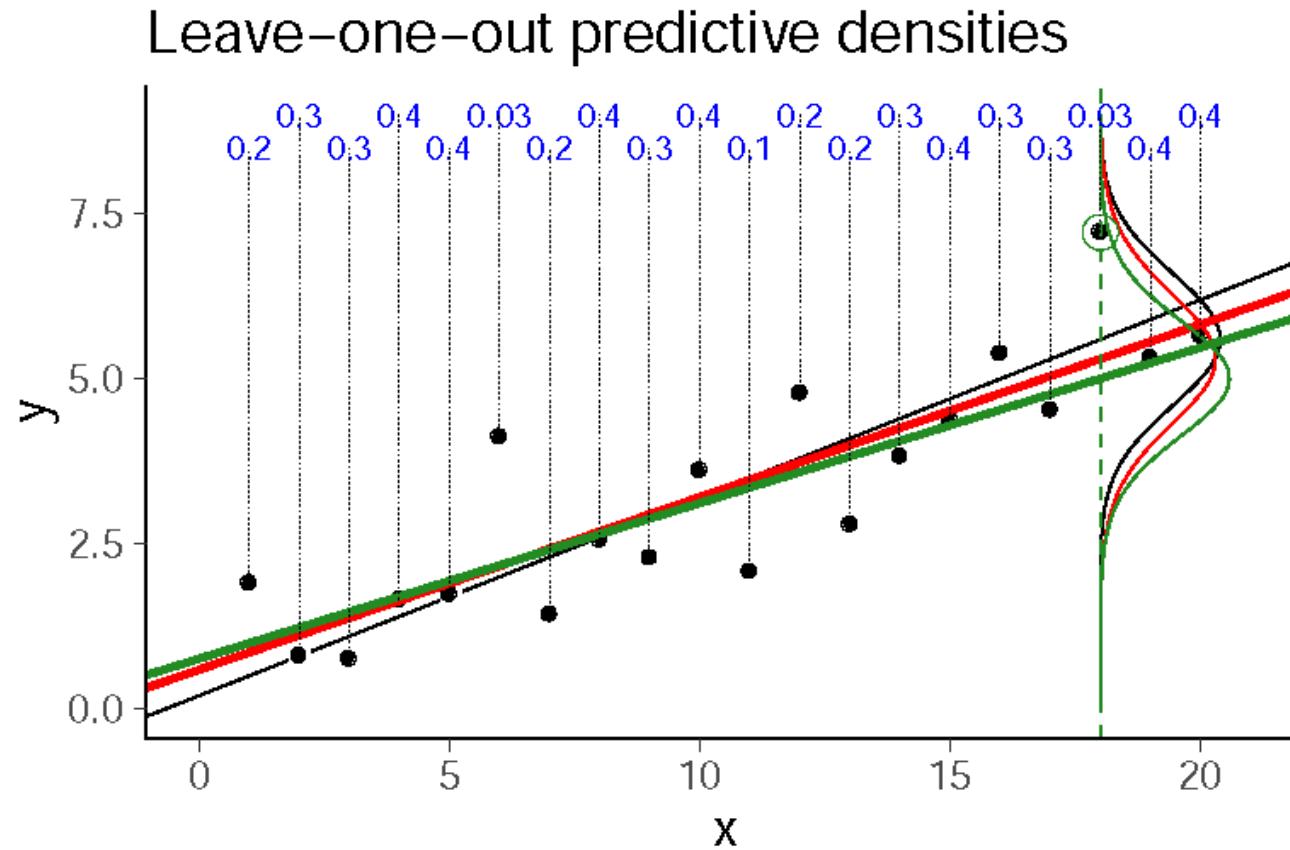


$$p(\tilde{y} = y_{18} | \tilde{x} = 18, x, y) \approx 0.07$$

$$p(\tilde{y} = y_{18} | \tilde{x} = 18, x_{-18}, y_{-18}) \approx 0.03$$

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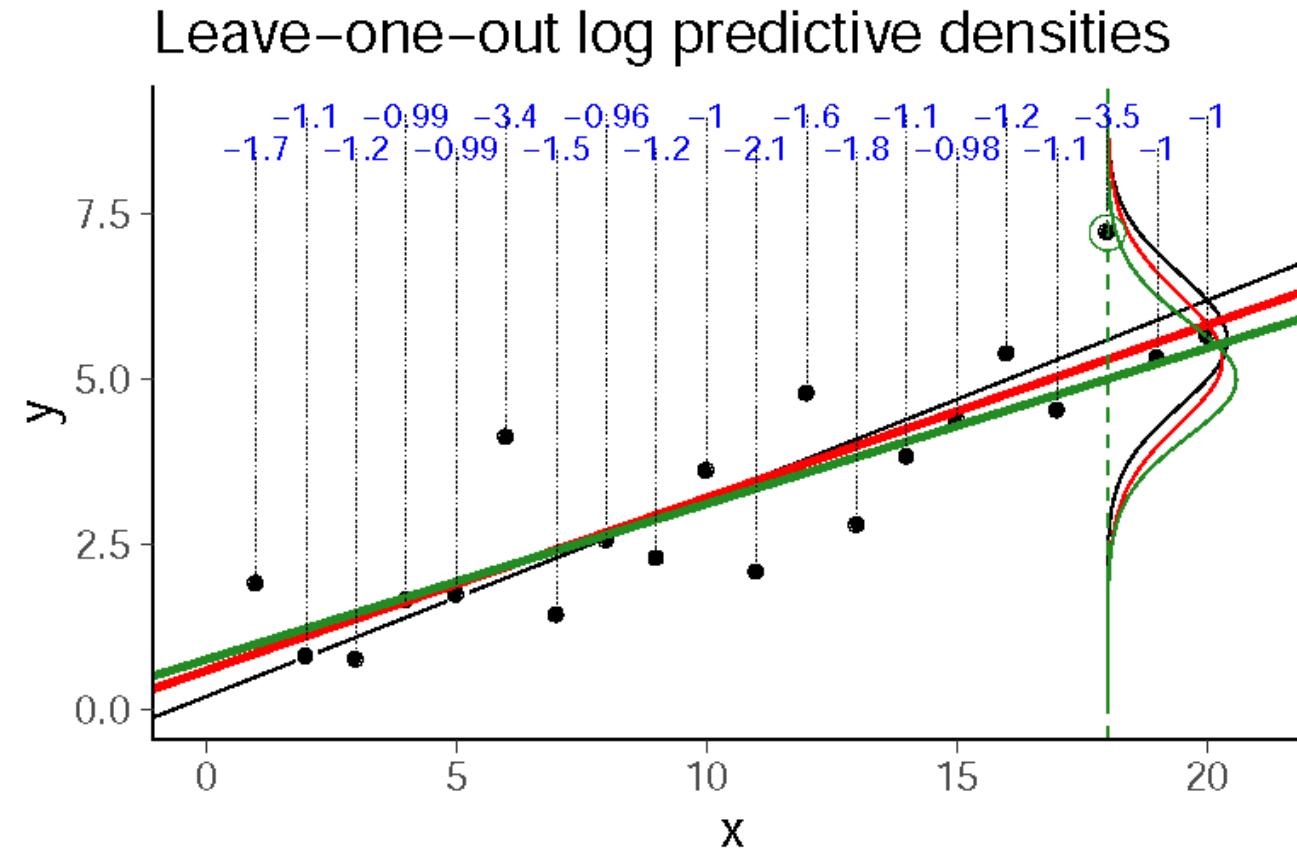
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$$p(y_i|x_i, x_{-i}, y_{-i}), \quad i = 1, \dots, 20$$

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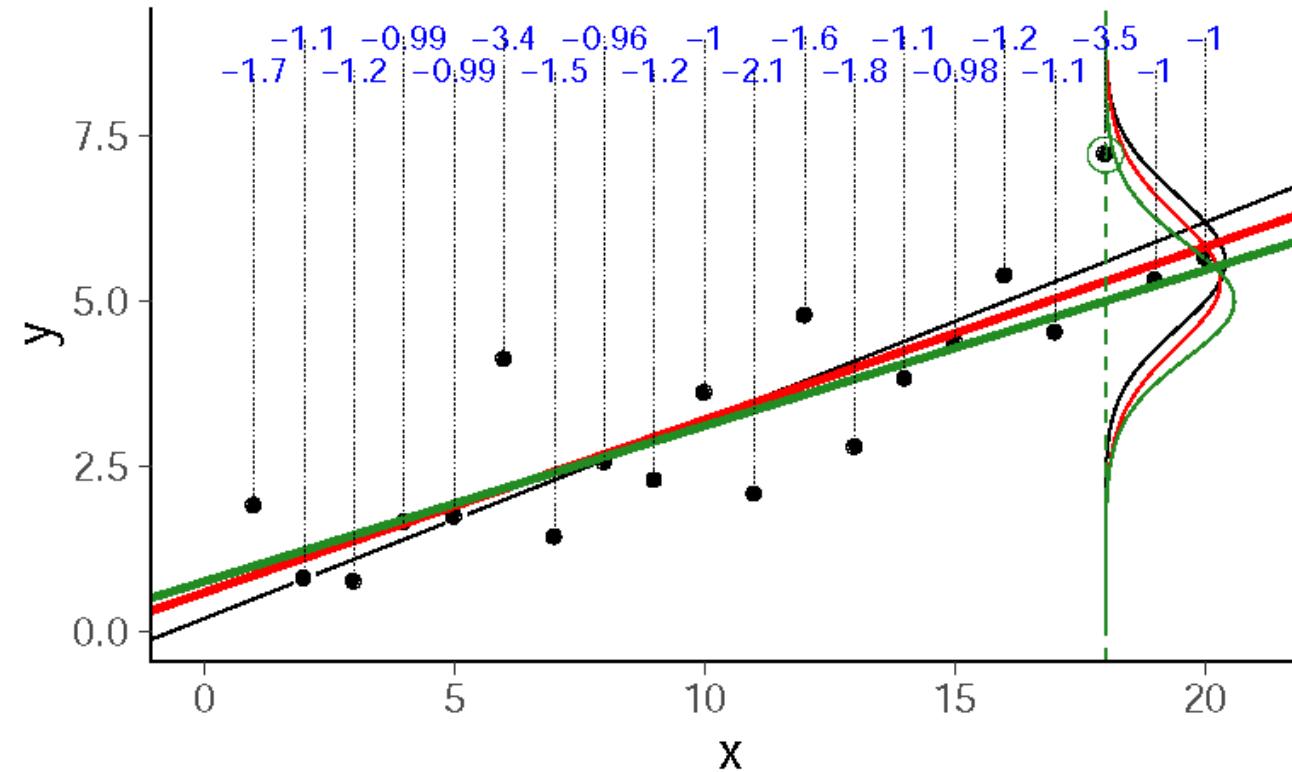


$$\log p(y_i|x_i, x_{-i}, y_{-i}), \quad i = 1, \dots, 20$$

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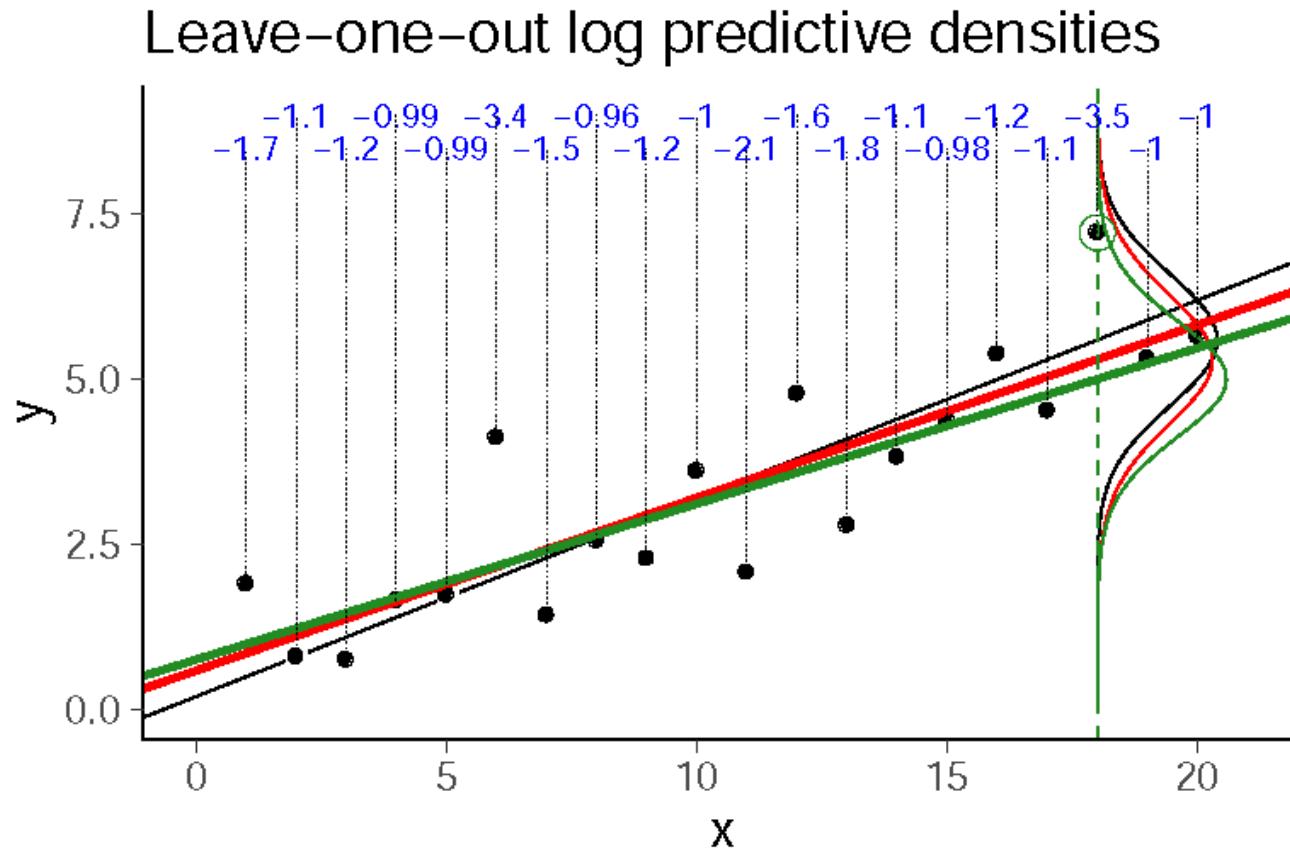
Leave-one-out log predictive densities



$$\sum_{i=1}^{20} \log p(y_i|x_i, x_{-i}, y_{-i}) \approx -29.5$$

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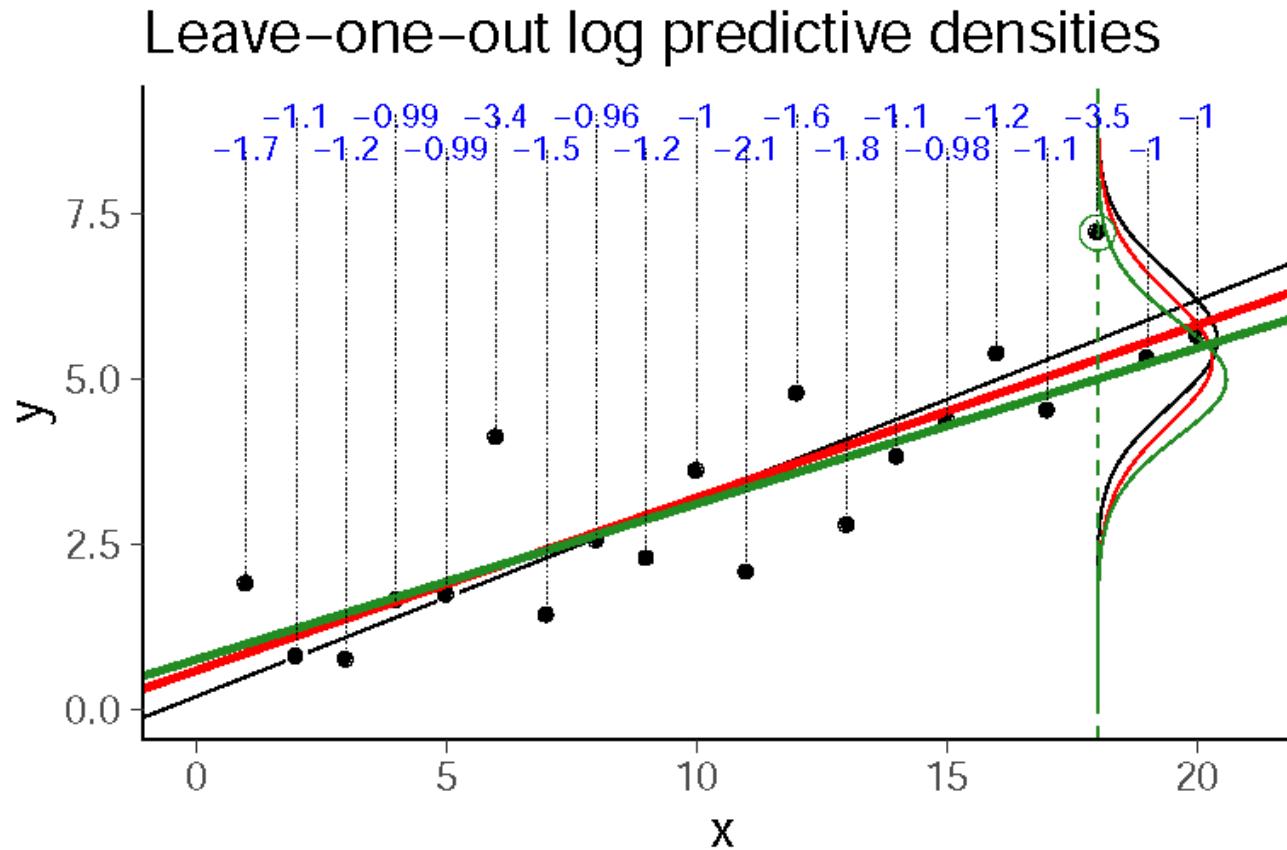


$$\text{elpd_loo} = \sum_{i=1}^{20} \log p(y_i|x_i, x_{-i}, y_{-i}) \approx -29.5$$

unbiased estimate of log posterior pred. density for new data

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$$\text{elpd_loo} = \sum_{i=1}^{20} \log p(y_i|x_i, x_{-i}, y_{-i}) \approx -29.5$$

$$\text{lpd} = \sum_{i=1}^{20} \log p(y_i|x_i, x, y) \approx -26.8$$

$$\text{p_loo} = \text{lpd} - \text{elpd_loo} \approx 2.7$$

Compute WAIC from Likelihood

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$$\text{WAIC} = -2 \widehat{\text{elpd}}_{\text{waic}}$$

expected log pointwise predictive density

$$\widehat{\text{elpd}}_{\text{waic}} = \widehat{\text{lpd}} - \widehat{p}_{\text{waic}}$$

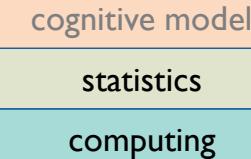
$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\text{lpd}} &= \text{computed log pointwise predictive density} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(\frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S p(y_i | \theta^s) \right).\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{p}_{\text{waic}} &= \text{estimated effective number of parameters} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n V_{s=1}^S (\log p(y_i | \theta^s))\end{aligned}$$

```
lpd <- log(colMeans(exp(log_lik)))
```

```
p_waic <- colVars(log_lik)
```

*IC comparisons



| | | No pooling $(\tau = \infty)$ | Complete pooling $(\tau = 0)$ | Hierarchical model $(\tau \text{ estimated})$ |
|--------|--|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| AIC | $-2 \text{lpd} = -2 \log p(y \hat{\theta}_{\text{mle}})$ | 54.6 | 59.4 | |
| | k | 8.0 | 1.0 | |
| | $\text{AIC} = -2 \widehat{\text{elpd}}_{\text{AIC}}$ | 70.6 | 61.4 | |
| DIC | $-2 \text{lpd} = -2 \log p(y \hat{\theta}_{\text{Bayes}})$ | 54.6 | 59.4 | 57.4 |
| | p_{DIC} | 8.0 | 1.0 | 2.8 |
| | $\text{DIC} = -2 \widehat{\text{elpd}}_{\text{DIC}}$ | 70.6 | 61.4 | 63.0 |
| WAIC | $-2 \text{lppd} = -2 \sum_i \log p_{\text{post}}(y_i)$ | 60.2 | 59.8 | 59.2 |
| | $p_{\text{WAIC 1}}$ | 2.5 | 0.6 | 1.0 |
| | $p_{\text{WAIC 2}}$ | 4.0 | 0.7 | 1.3 |
| | $\text{WAIC} = -2 \widehat{\text{elppd}}_{\text{WAIC 2}}$ | 68.2 | 61.2 | 61.8 |
| LOO-CV | -2lppd | | 59.8 | 59.2 |
| | $p_{\text{loo-cv}}$ | | 0.5 | 1.8 |
| | $-2 \text{lppd}_{\text{loo-cv}}$ | | 60.8 | 62.8 |

Recording the Log-Likelihood in Stan

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```
generated quantities {
  ...
  real log_lik[nSubjects];
  ...

  { # Local section, this saves time and space
    for (s in 1:nSubjects) {
      vector[2] v;
      real pe;

      log_lik[s] = 0;
      v = initV;

      for (t in 1:nTrials) {
        log_lik[s] = log_lik[s] + categorical_logit_lpmf(choice[s,t] | tau[s] * v);

        pe = reward[s,t] - v[choice[s,t]];
        v[choice[s,t]] = v[choice[s,t]] + lr[s] * pe;
      }
    }
  }
}
```

The {loo} Package

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```
> library(loo)
> LL1    <- extract_log_lik(stanfit)
> loo1   <- loo(LL1)    # PSIS leave-one-out
> waic1 <- waic(LL1)   # WAIC
```

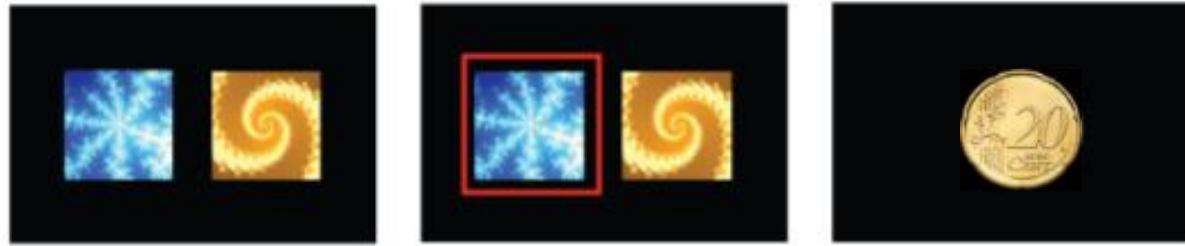
Computed from 4000 by 20 log-likelihood matrix

| | Estimate | SE |
|----------|----------|-----|
| elpd_loo | -29.5 | 3.3 |
| p_loo | 2.7 | 1.0 |
| looic | 58.9 | 6.7 |

Pareto Smoothed Importance Sampling

Reversal Learning Task

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Value update:

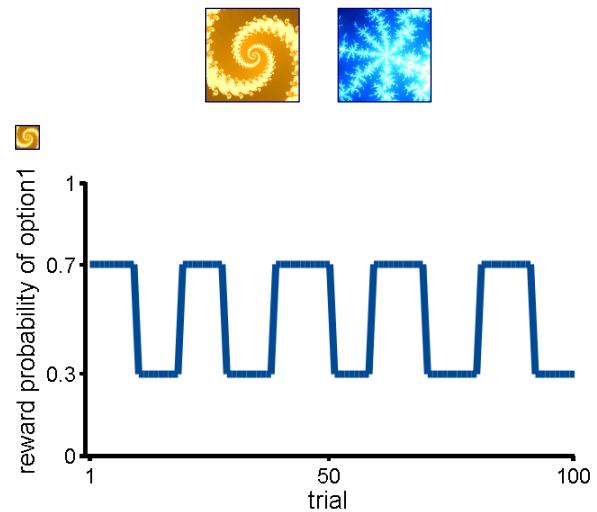
$$V_{t+1}^c = V_t^c + lr * PE$$

$$V_{t+1}^{nc} = V_t^{nc} + lr * PEnc$$

Prediction error:

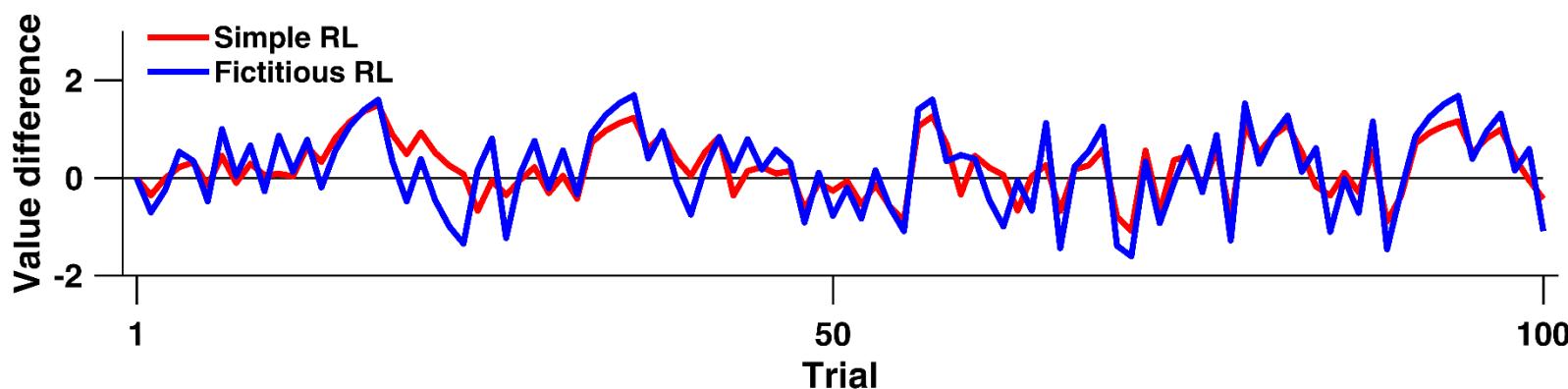
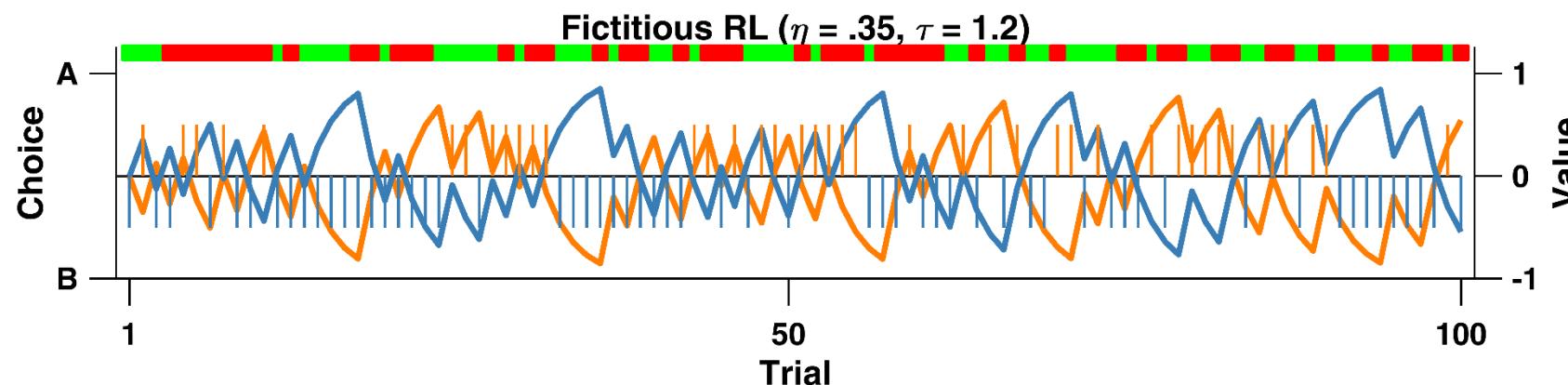
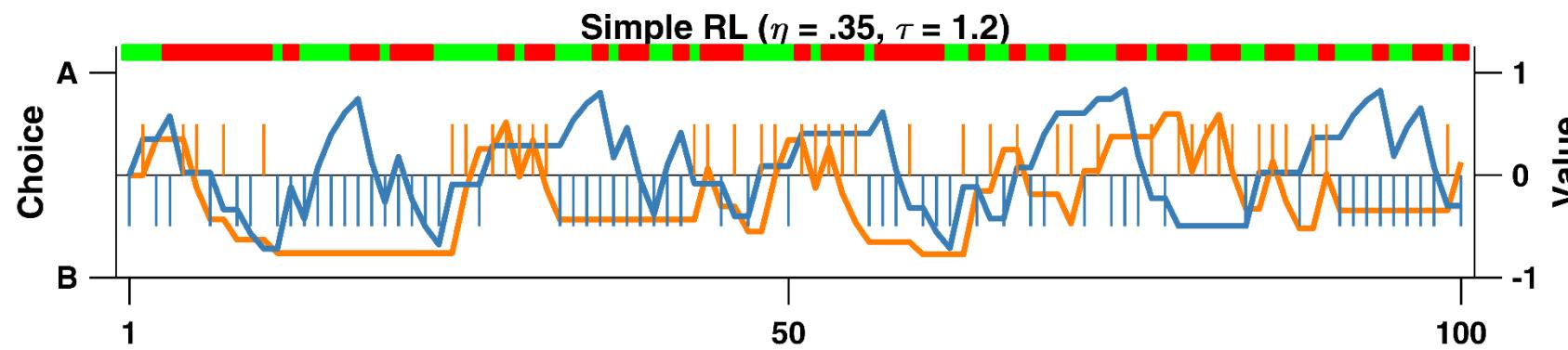
$$PE = R_t - V_t^c$$

$$PEnc = -R_t - V_t^{nc}$$



More on Fictitious RL

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Exercise VII

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```
.../BayesCog/08.compare_models/_scripts/compare_models_main.R
```

TASK: complete the fictitious RL model (model2)
fit and compare the 2 models

Exercise VII – output

```
> LL1 <- extract_log_lik(fit_rl1)
> ( loo1 <- loo(LL1) )
```

Computed from 4000 by 10 log-likelihood matrix

| | Estimate | SE |
|----------|----------|------|
| elpd_loo | -389.8 | 15.4 |
| p_loo | 3.8 | 0.8 |
| looic | 779.5 | 30.9 |

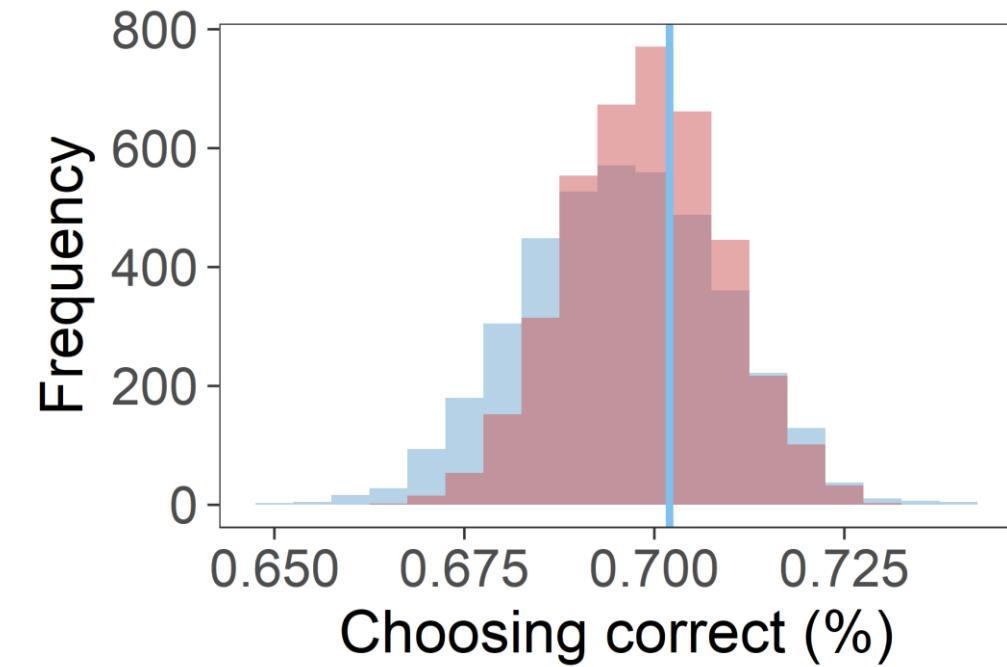
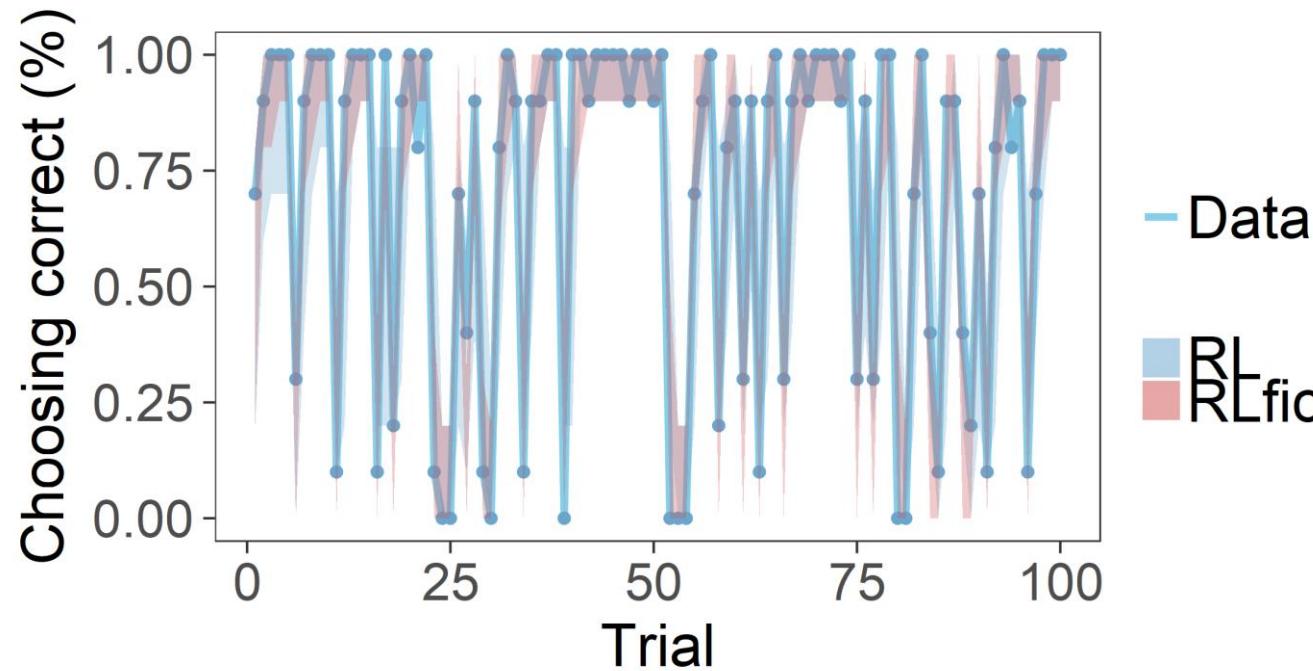
```
> ( loo2 <- loo(LL2) )
```

Computed from 4000 by 10 log-likelihood matrix

| | Estimate | SE |
|----------|----------|------|
| elpd_loo | -281.3 | 17.5 |
| p_loo | 3.4 | 0.5 |
| looic | 562.6 | 35.0 |

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