STA 602 - Intro to Bayesian Statistics Lecture 14

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Missing data

- ➤ Real data sets are almost never as "clean" as you would love them to be.
- One common issue is missingness, i.e., the value of some variables for some observations are not recorded for one reason or another.
- ► There are a number of different causes for missing values. Some examples include
 - Data lost by "accident' or unintended random errors: e.g., accidentally skipped a question on a survey, recording error during data compiling.
 - ▶ Data that are selectively recorded: e.g., an experimental measurement is very expensive and so one only carries it out on a subset of subjects, which are deemed to be more likely producing interesting results based on *other available measurements*.
 - Data that are not recorded due to its underlying value: e.g., a device that measures high temperatures might have a higher failure rate (producing missing values) at extremely high temperatures.
 - Many others possibilities ...

Three types of missingness

- For a multivariate observation $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)'$, missing data scenarios can generally be characterized into the following types
 - ► Missing completely at random (MCAR): "the missingness has nothing to do we values of X."
 - ► Missing at random (MAR): "the missingness can depend on the observation **X** *only* through the observed part of **X**."
 - Missing not at random (MNAR): otherwise.

Examples from survey sampling

- ▶ 100 individuals are given a survey asking for their demographic information and a poll on their political interest such as whether they are supporters of a particular candidate.
- ➤ Suppose every one had completed their demographic questions, but some didn't respond to a few questions in the political section.
- ► MCAR: all respondants skipping questions on political information randomly, having nothing to do with either their political information or their demographic information.
- ► MAR: younger respondants skipped the political questions at a higer rate, and their age is recorded in the demographic section.
- ► MNAR: supporters for a politicular presendential candidate skipped more political questions than others.

Mathematical formulation of missing data

 \triangleright Suppose we observe *p*-dimensinoal random vectors on *n* samples

$$\mathbf{X}_1,\mathbf{X}_2,\ldots,\mathbf{X}_n$$

where $\mathbf{X}_i = (X_{i1}, X_{i2}, \dots, X_{ip})'$ is the *p* variables for the *i*th sample.

► For example,

Subject ID	Age	Gender	Education	Political affiliation
1	36	F	Grad degree	Democrat
2	35	M	College	??
3	42	??	??	Republican
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Let X be the entire data matrix. It can be represented as a matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = egin{pmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1' \\ \mathbf{X}_2' \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_n' \end{pmatrix} = egin{pmatrix} X_{11} & X_{12} & \cdots & X_{1p} \\ X_{21} & X_{22} & \cdots & X_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ X_{n1} & X_{n2} & \vdots & X_{np} \end{pmatrix}.$$

with possible NA's in some elements.

An alternative representation

- For Sample i, had there not been any missing values, we would observe the whole p-vector \mathbf{X}_i .
- ► In reality, we observe a subvector $\mathbf{X}_{i,obs}$ while the other elements $\mathbf{X}_{i,mis}$ are missing:

$$\mathbf{X}_i = (\mathbf{X}_{i,obs}, \mathbf{X}_{i,mis}).$$

- Note that for differen i, the missing dimensions will be different, and so please don't confuse the notation as the observed values always proceed the missing ones.
- Note that $X_{i,mis}$ represents the values that *could have been observed* but are missing. So their values are actually not in our data. For example, the actually education level and gender of Sample 3 in the above.
- ▶ We can also write all the observed data collectively as \mathbf{X}_{obs} and the missing data \mathbf{X}_{mis} .
- ▶ What is our data?

An alternative representation

- For each sample, not only do we observe the non-missing data $\mathbf{X}_{i,obs}$, we also observe whether each of its variable is missing or not.
- ▶ In other words, we observe an indicator vector for each sample

$$\boldsymbol{I}_i = (I_{i1}, I_{2p}, \dots, I_{ip})'$$

where $I_{ij} \in \{0,1\}$ such that I_{ij} indicates the *j*th variable is observed for Sample *i*.

- Collectively, let $I = (I_1, I_2, ..., I_n)$ be the indicators for all observations.
- ▶ So an actual dataset can be rewritten in the form of

$$(\mathbf{X}_{obs}, \mathbf{I}).$$

Note that we don't get to observe the values of X_{mis} in the *complete* data

$$(\mathbf{X}_{obs}, \mathbf{X}_{mis}, \mathbf{I}).$$

Inference strategy

- ▶ Bayesian inference carries forward as usual.
- Some specific details: The sampling model should include both the model for **X** and that for **I**, the missingness.
- Let $(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$ be the parameters for the sampling model, where $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is for \mathbf{X} , and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$ are parameters for \boldsymbol{I} given \mathbf{X} , that is we specify

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$
 and $p(\boldsymbol{I}|\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$.

• We can specify a prior $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$, note that overlap between $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$ is a special case of prior specification.

Inference strategy

▶ The likelihood for our data $(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{I})$ is

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{I}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) = \int p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}, \mathbf{I}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) d\mathbf{x}_{mis}.$$

This often does not have a simple closed form, not even known up to a normalizing constant.

So applying Bayes theorem

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}|\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{I}) \propto p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{I}|\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$$

directly is not easy!

An important observation

► In many problems, since we usually directly specify a sampling model for the "complete data", the likelihood, *had there been no missing data at all*,

$$p(\mathbf{x}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

often does have simple analytic forms.

ightharpoonup The difficulty arises from the inability to observe \mathbf{x}_{mis} .

Key idea

There is nothing preventing us from treating \mathbf{x}_{mis} just like the other unobserved quantities, e.g., $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$, and sample from the posterior joint distribution of $(\mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$:

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi} | \mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{I}).$$

- **Question:** Do we need to specify a prior distribution for X_{mis} ?
 - No! The sampling model for the complete data already does the job!
 - We are already able to write down the joint probability.
- ► The joint probability is

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}, \mathbf{I}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) = p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}, \mathbf{I} | \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$$
$$= p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{I} | \mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}).$$

A conceptual justification

The essence of this strategy is to do the integration over \mathbf{x}_{mis} after applying Bayes theorem, rather than before.

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi} | \mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{I}) \propto p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\boldsymbol{I} | \mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}).$$

After sampling from this posterior

$$(\mathbf{x}_{mis}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{\psi}^{(1)}), (\mathbf{x}_{mis}^{(2)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(2)}, \boldsymbol{\psi}^{(2)}), \dots$$

Then discarding the sampled values $\mathbf{x}_{mis}^{(t)}$ corresponds to integrating out \mathbf{x}_{mis} in the posterior

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}|\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{I}) = \int p(\mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}|\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{I}) d\mathbf{x}_{mis}.$$

► This avoids the difficulty we had previously in sampling from the marginal posterior of $(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$ directly.

Bayesian imputation

▶ Inspired by Gibbs sampling, if we can iteratively sample \mathbf{x}_{mis} , $\boldsymbol{\theta}$, and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$ from their full conditionals. Then the Markov Chain

$$(\mathbf{x}_{mis}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{\psi}^{(1)}), (\mathbf{x}_{mis}^{(2)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(2)}, \boldsymbol{\psi}^{(2)}), \dots$$

will eventually converge to the target distribution

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi} | \mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{I}).$$

- So the key is to derive the full conditional of \mathbf{x}_{mis} given \mathbf{x}_{obs} , \boldsymbol{I} , $\boldsymbol{\theta}$, and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$.
- The step in the sampler that draws from the full conditional of \mathbf{x}_{mis} given others is called *imputation*.
- Note the difference from the naive strategy of imputing the missing values once and for all, which ignores the uncertainty in the missing values.
- A frequentist counterpart is to repeatedly impute \mathbf{x}_{mis} , then maximize over the parameter values $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$. (E.g., EM algorithm and others.)

Finding the joint probability

► The full joint probability of all random quantities is given by

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}, \mathbf{I}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) = p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) p(\mathbf{I} | \mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$$

based on which we can try to find the full conditionals of \mathbf{x}_{mis} along with those for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$.

- ► In case the full conditional is complicated, there are more advanced MCMC sampling strategies to sample from them.
- ► This is the general strategy for dealing with data that are missing not at random (MNAR), which is the case when the missingness model has the full form

$$p(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{x}_{obs},\mathbf{x}_{mis},\boldsymbol{\psi}).$$

- The missingness matrix I influences the full conditional for \mathbf{x}_{mis} and thus cannot be ignored in dealing with missing data.
- ► Things are a bit nicer with MCAR and MAR.

Missing completely at random (MCAR)

▶ If, however, one is willing to assume MCAR, then

$$p(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{x}_{obs},\mathbf{x}_{mis},\boldsymbol{\psi})=p(\mathbf{I}|\boldsymbol{\psi}).$$

In this case, the right hand side of the full joint probability becomes

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}|\boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{I}|\boldsymbol{\psi})p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi})$$

In particular, if we are just interested in θ alone, and willing to place *independent* priors

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\psi}) = p(\boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{\psi})$$

then the part of the joint probability that involves \mathbf{x}_{mis} and $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ is

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}|\boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

Thus we can safely *ignore* the likelihood contribution from the missingness I whatsoever in finding the full conditionals of \mathbf{x}_{mis} and $\boldsymbol{\theta}$, which will not depend on I and $\boldsymbol{\psi}$.

Missing at random (MAR)

► If one thinks MCAR is too strong an assumption to make, but willing to assume MAR, then

$$p(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{x}_{obs},\mathbf{x}_{mis},\boldsymbol{\psi})=p(\mathbf{I}|\mathbf{x}_{obs},\boldsymbol{\psi})$$

then the right-hand side becomes

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}|\boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{I}|\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{\psi})p(\boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{\psi}).$$

In this case, the part that involves θ and \mathbf{x}_{mis} is

$$p(\mathbf{x}_{obs}, \mathbf{x}_{mis}|\boldsymbol{\theta})p(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

which again does not depend on I and ψ . So the full conditionals for \mathbf{x}_{mis} and $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ also will **not** depend on I!

► Therefore MCAR and MAR are called *ignorable* missingness.

Example: Multivariate normal model

▶ Suppose each $\mathbf{y}_i \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and we model them as multivariate normal

$$\mathbf{y}_i \stackrel{\mathrm{iid}}{\sim} \mathrm{N}(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \Sigma).$$

Now for each observation we may have some missing data, and so we can write

$$\mathbf{y}_i = (\mathbf{y}_{i,obs}, \mathbf{y}_{i,mis}).$$

- Assume that the missingness is ignorable, i.e., MCAR or MAR. As such, we can ignore the missingness indicator I_i .
- Suppose we adopt the same independent prior for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ and Σ as before

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}_0, \Lambda_0)$$
 and $\Sigma \sim IW(\boldsymbol{\nu}_0, \boldsymbol{S}_0)$.

Let's try to find the full conditional for $(\mathbf{y}_{mis}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \Sigma)$.

The full conditionals

- The full conditionals for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ and Σ given $\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}_{obs}, \mathbf{y}_{mis})$ are exactly those when there are no missing data.
- \triangleright For \mathbf{y}_{mis} , we have

$$p(\mathbf{y}_{mis}|\mathbf{y}_{obs},\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) = \frac{p(\mathbf{y}_{obs},\mathbf{y}_{mis}|\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}{p(\mathbf{y}_{obs}|\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}$$

$$= \frac{\prod_{i} p(\mathbf{y}_{i,obs},\mathbf{y}_{i,mis}|\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}{\prod_{i} p(\mathbf{y}_{i,obs}|\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\Sigma})}$$

$$= \prod_{i} p(\mathbf{y}_{i,mis}|\mathbf{y}_{i,obs},\boldsymbol{\theta},\boldsymbol{\Sigma}).$$

For multivariate normal random vector

$$(\mathbf{y}_{obs}, \mathbf{y}_{mis}) \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}, \Sigma \sim N(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \Sigma)$$

where

$$oldsymbol{ heta} = egin{pmatrix} oldsymbol{ heta}_1 \\ oldsymbol{ heta}_2 \end{pmatrix} \quad ext{and} \quad \Sigma = egin{pmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{12} \\ \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

we have

$$\mathbf{y}_{mis}|\mathbf{y}_{obs}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \sim \mathrm{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\theta}_{2} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^{-1}(\mathbf{y}_{obs} - \boldsymbol{\theta}_{1}), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{22} - \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{21}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{11}^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{12}\right).$$

Gibbs sampling

- Initialize $(\mathbf{y}_{mis}^{(0)}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(0)}, \Sigma^{(0)})$.
- For t = 1, 2, ...
 - ► Compute using the complete data $\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{y}_{obs}, \mathbf{y}_{mis}^{(t-1)}),$

$$\begin{split} \left(\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n}^{(t)}\right)^{-1} &= n \left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{(t-1)}\right)^{-1} + \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0}^{-1}, \\ \boldsymbol{\mu}_{n}^{(t)} &= \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{n}^{(t)} \left(n \left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{(t-1)}\right)^{-1} \bar{\boldsymbol{y}} + \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{0}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{0}\right) \end{split}$$

Draw

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)} \sim \mathrm{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_n^{(t)}, \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_n^{(t)})$$

Draw

$$\Sigma^{(t)} \sim \mathrm{IW}\left(v_n, S_0 + S_{\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}}\right).$$

$$\mathbf{y}_{i,\textit{mis}}^{(t)} \sim \mathrm{N} \left(\mathbf{\theta}_{2,i}^{(t)} + \Sigma_{21,i}^{(t)} \left(\Sigma_{11,i}^{(t)} \right)^{-1} (\mathbf{y}_{i,\textit{obs}} - \mathbf{\theta}_{1,i}^{(t)}), \Sigma_{22,i}^{(t)} - \Sigma_{21,i}^{(t)} \left(\Sigma_{11,i}^{(t)} \right)^{-1} \Sigma_{12,i}^{(t)} \right)$$

(The subscript "i' emphasizes the fact that the missing variables can be different acros samples.)

Discard burn-ins.

Example: Air pollutant measurements

➤ Suppose in measuring two pollutants (e.g., PM2.5 and SO2), 16 times on a day, out of which, in 6 times, we measured only one of the pollutant.

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(104,100), (105,??), (103,101), (102,104), (105,108), (107,108), \\ (??,103), (104,104), (??,106), (106,107), (105,105), (102,??), \\ (102,??), (??,106), (105,105), (104,105)
```

- ▶ Also, we know that those missingness is either MCAR or MAR.
- Can you think of some plausible scenarios for MCAR, MAR, and MNAR?

Reading the data

Prior specification

```
# prior for theta
mu.0 <- c(100,100)
Lambda.0 = matrix(c(100,15,15,25),ncol=2,byrow=TRUE)
# prior for Sigma
nu.0 <- p + 2  # a very weak prior
S0 <- matrix(c(4,0,0,4),ncol=2,byrow=TRUE)</pre>
```

Initialization

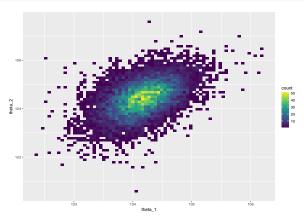
```
niter <- 10000 # total number of iterations
nburnin <- 1000 # 1000 burn-in steps
ybar.original <- apply(y.original, 2, mean, na.rm=TRUE) # the column means of the original data
y <- y.original ## y holds the imputed data (y.obs,y.mis)
# initialize y by filling in the NAs with the corresponding column means
for (i in 1:p) {
 y[I[,i]==0,i] \leftarrow ybar.original[i]
## Proceed as before like there are no missing data
vbar <- apply(v,2,mean)</pre>
nu.n \le nu.0 + n
THETA <- matrix (NA, nrow=niter, ncol=p) # matrix for storing the draws for theta
colnames(THETA) <- c("theta1", "theta2")</pre>
THETA.init <- ybar # Initial values set to sample mean
THETA.curr <- THETA.init # the theta value at current iteration
SIGMA <- matrix (NA, nrow=niter, ncol=p*p) # matrix for storing the draws for Sigma
colnames(SIGMA) <- c("sigma11", "sigma12", "sigma21", "sigma22")</pre>
SIGMA.init <- cov(v) # intial value set to sample covariance
SIGMA.curr <- SIGMA.init # the Sigma value at current iternation
```

Gibbs sampling

```
for (t in 1:niter) {
 Lambda.n <- solve (n*solve (SIGMA.curr) +solve (Lambda.0))
 mu.n <- Lambda.n %*% (n*solve(SIGMA.curr,vbar)+solve(Lambda.0,mu.0))
  ## Update theta
 THETA.curr <- rmvnorm(1, mean=mu.n, sigma=Lambda.n)
 ## Update Sigma
 S.theta \leftarrow (t(y)-c(THETA.curr)) %*% t(t(y)-c(THETA.curr))
  SIGMA.curr <- riwish(v=nu.n,S=S0+S.theta)
  ## Impute the missing data
  for (i in 1:n) {
      var.obs = which(I[i,]) ## which variables are observed
      var.mis = which(!I[i,]) ## which variables are missing
      if (length(var.mis) > 0) { ## if there are missing values
        SIGMA.obs <- SIGMA.curr[var.obs,var.obs] # Sigma11
        SIGMA.mis <- SIGMA.curr[var.mis,var.mis] # Sigma22
        SIGMA.mis.obs <- SIGMA.curr[var.mis,var.obs] # Sigma21
        SIGMA.obs.mis <- t(SIGMA.mis.obs) # Sigma12
        v[i,var.mis] <- rnorm(1, mean=THETA.curr[var.mis]+</pre>
                          SIGMA.mis.obs%*%solve(SIGMA.obs,v[i,var.obs]-THETA.curr[var.obs]),
                           sd=sgrt(SIGMA.mis-SIGMA.mis.obs%*%solve(SIGMA.obs,SIGMA.obs.mis)))
 ybar <- apply(y,2,mean)
  ## Save the current iteration
 THETA[t,] <- THETA.curr
  SIGMA[t,] <- SIGMA.curr
```

Histogram of MCMC draws for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

```
ggplot(data.frame(THETA), aes(x=theta1, y=theta2)) +
labs(x=expression(theta_1),y=expression(theta_2)) +
geom_bin2d(bins=70) +
scale_fill_continuous(type = "viridis")
```

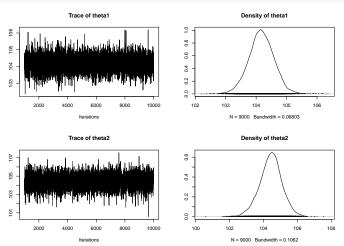


MCMC diagnostics

```
THETA.mcmc <- mcmc(THETA[-(1:nburnin),],start=nburnin+1)</pre>
summary (THETA.mcmc)
##
## Iterations = 1001:10000
## Thinning interval = 1
## Number of chains = 1
## Sample size per chain = 9000
##
## 1. Empirical mean and standard deviation for each variable,
     plus standard error of the mean:
##
##
         Mean
                 SD Naive SE Time-series SE
## theta1 104 0.416 0.00438
                             0.00518
## theta2 104 0.668 0.00704 0.00836
##
## 2. Ouantiles for each variable:
##
##
         2.5% 25% 50% 75% 97.5%
## theta1 103 104 104 104 105
## theta2 103 104 104 105 106
```

Trace plots for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$

plot(THETA.mcmc)

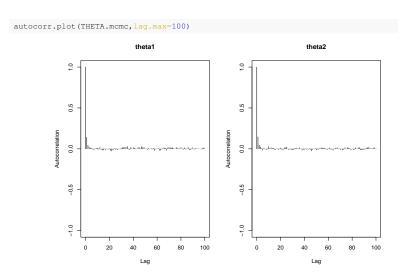


ESS for **0**

effectiveSize(THETA.mcmc)

```
## theta1 theta2
## 6439 6385
```

Autocorrelation plot for $\boldsymbol{\theta}$



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## 1. Empirical mean and standard deviation for each variable,
     plus standard error of the mean:
##
                  SD Naive SE Time-series SE
##
          Mean
## sigmal1 2.46 0.991 0.0105
                                     0.0123
## sigma12 2.30 1.296 0.0137
                                     0.0183
## sigma21 2.30 1.296 0.0137
                                     0.0183
## sigma22 6.10 2.647 0.0279
                                     0.0395
##
## 2. Quantiles for each variable:
##
##
           2.5% 25% 50% 75% 97.5%
## sigmal1 1.202 1.79 2.25 2.91 4.88
## sigma12 0.405 1.45 2.08 2.91 5.44
## sigma21 0.405 1.45 2.08 2.91 5.44
## sigma22 2.792 4.29 5.49 7.23 12.84
```

Trace plots for Σ

plot(SIGMA.mcmc) Trace of sigma11 Density of sigma11 2000 6000 8000 10 15 N = 9000 Bandwidth = 0.1433 Iterations Trace of sigma12 Density of sigma12 6000 8000 Iterations N = 9000 Bandwidth = 0.1868 Trace of sigma21 Density of sigma21 2000 10 6000 8000 N = 9000 Bandwidth = 0.1868 Trace of sigma22 Density of sigma22 2000 6000 8000

N = 9000 Bandwidth = 0.3771

Iterations

ESS for Σ

effectiveSize(SIGMA.mcmc)

```
## sigma11 sigma12 sigma21 sigma22
## 6509 5020 5020 4479
```

Autocorrelation plot for Σ

