

# Q9

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In [1]: import numpy as np
import pandas as pd
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import scipy.stats as stats
from scipy.special import digamma
from scipy.stats import gamma, norm
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## 0.1 prior setting

Let  $(\sigma^2)^{-1} = \tau$  Then,

$$\begin{aligned}y_i|\mu, \tau &\sim N(\mu, \tau^{-1}) \\ \tau &\sim \text{Gamma}(a_0, b_0) \\ \mu|\tau &\sim N(0, (\tau/k)^{-1})\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$p(\mu, \tau|Y) = \frac{p(\mu, \tau)p(Y|\mu, \tau)}{p(Y)} = \frac{p(\mu|\tau)p(\tau)p(Y|\mu, \tau)}{p(Y)}$$

## 1 (a) Derive MF variational distribution of $(\mu, \tau)$ and ELBO

Let  $\theta = (a_0, b_0, k)$ ,  $p = p(\mu, \tau|Y, \theta)$  and  $q = q(\mu, \tau)$

$$p(\mu, \tau|Y, \theta) \approx q(\mu, \tau) = q_1(\mu)q_2(\tau)$$

Thus, mean-field variational distribution is

$$q(\mu, \tau) = q_1(\mu|t, u)q_2(\tau|v, w)$$

where  $q_1 \sim N(t, u^{-1})$  and  $q_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(v, w)$ , variational parameters  $\lambda = (t, u, v, w)$ . ELBO is

$$\begin{aligned}ELBO(\lambda) &= E_q[\log p(\mu, \tau, Y)|\lambda] - E_q[\log q(\mu, \tau)|\lambda] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n E_q[\log p(y_i|\mu, \tau)|\lambda] + E_q[\log p(\mu|\tau)|t, u] + E_q[\log p(\tau)|w, v] \\ &\quad - E_{q_1}[\log q_1(\mu|t, u)|t, u] - E_{q_2}[\log q_2(\tau)|v, w]\end{aligned}$$

## 2 (b) derive the coordinate descent algorithm

$$\begin{aligned}
\log q_1^*(\mu) &\propto E_{q_2} [\log p(\mu, \tau, Y)] \propto E_{q_2} [\log p(Y|\mu, \tau) + \log p(\mu|\tau)] \\
&\propto -\frac{1}{2} E_{q_2}[\tau] \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 - \frac{E_{q_2}[\tau]}{2k} \mu^2 \\
&\propto -\frac{1}{2} \left[ E_{q_2}[\tau] \left( n + \frac{1}{k} \right) \mu^2 - 2E_{q_2}[\tau] \mu \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right]
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$t = \frac{k \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{nk + 1}, u = \frac{E_{q_2}[\tau](nk + 1)}{k}$$

as  $q_1^*(\mu) \sim N(t, u^{-1})$

$$\begin{aligned}
E_{q_1}[\mu] &= t = \frac{k \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{nk + 1} \\
E_{q_1}[\mu^2] &= u^{-1} + t^2 = \left[ \frac{k}{E_{q_2}[\tau](nk + 1)} \right] + \left[ \frac{k \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{nk + 1} \right]^2
\end{aligned}$$

where  $E_{q_2}[\tau] = v/w$

$$\begin{aligned}
\log q_2^*(\tau) &\propto E_{q_1} [\log p(\mu, \tau, Y)] \propto E_{q_1} [\log p(Y|\mu, \tau) + \log p(\mu|\tau) + \log p(\tau)] \\
&\propto (a_0 - 1) \log \tau - b_0 \tau + \frac{n}{2} \log \tau - \frac{1}{2} \tau E_{q_1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right] + \frac{1}{2} \log \tau - \frac{\tau}{2k} E_{q_1} [\mu^2] \\
&\propto \log(\tau) \left( a_0 - 1 + \frac{n+1}{2} \right) - \tau \left( b_0 + \frac{1}{2} E_{q_1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right] + \frac{1}{2k} E_{q_1} [\mu^2] \right)
\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$v = a_0 + \frac{n+1}{2}, w = b_0 + \frac{1}{2} E_{q_1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right] + \frac{1}{2k} E_{q_1} [\mu^2]$$

where,

$$E_{q_1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right] = \sum y_i^2 - 2 \sum y_i E[\mu] + E[\mu^2]$$

$q_2^*(\tau) \sim \text{Gamma}(v, w)$

## 3 (c) write down python code

input data

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In [2]: Y = np.array([1.64, 1.70, 1.72, 1.74, 1.82, 1.82, 1.82,
                      1.90, 2.08, 1.78, 1.86, 1.96, 1.96, 2.00, 2.00])
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setting the initail value

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In [45]: def mfvb(Y,maxiter = 100):
    a_0=2
    b_0=60
    k=2
    n= len(Y)
    expected_mu = 0
    expected_mu2 = 1

    v = a_0 +(n+1)/2
    param_out=[]
    i=0
    while i<maxiter:
        w = b_0 + 0.5*((Y**2).sum() -2 *Y.sum() * expected_mu
            + expected_mu2) + expected_mu2/(2*k)
        expected_tau = v/w
        t = (k*Y.sum())/(n*k+1)
        u = (expected_tau * (n*k+1))/k
        expected_mu = t
        expected_mu2 = 1/u + t**2
        param_out.append([v,w,t,u])
        i= i+1
        if i>1:
            if param_out[-1] == param_out[-2]:
                break
    out = pd.DataFrame(param_out)
    out.columns = ['v','w','t','u']
    return(out)

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In [46]: mfvb(Y)

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Out [46]:
   v      w      t      u
0 10.0 86.625200 1.793548 1.789318
1 10.0 38.846321 1.793548 3.990082
2 10.0 38.615133 1.793548 4.013970
3 10.0 38.614014 1.793548 4.014087
4 10.0 38.614009 1.793548 4.014087
5 10.0 38.614009 1.793548 4.014087
6 10.0 38.614009 1.793548 4.014087
7 10.0 38.614009 1.793548 4.014087
8 10.0 38.614009 1.793548 4.014087

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In [13]: ksigma2 = 1/4.014087
    sigma2 = ksigma2/2
    print(ksigma2,sigma2)

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0.24912265229926506 0.12456132614963253

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$$q_2(\tau) \sim \text{Gamma}(10, 38.614009)$$

$$q_1(\mu) \sim N(1.793548, 0.249123)$$

## 4 (d) draw contour of the target posterior distribution and compare it with MFVB

### 4.1 VI Contour

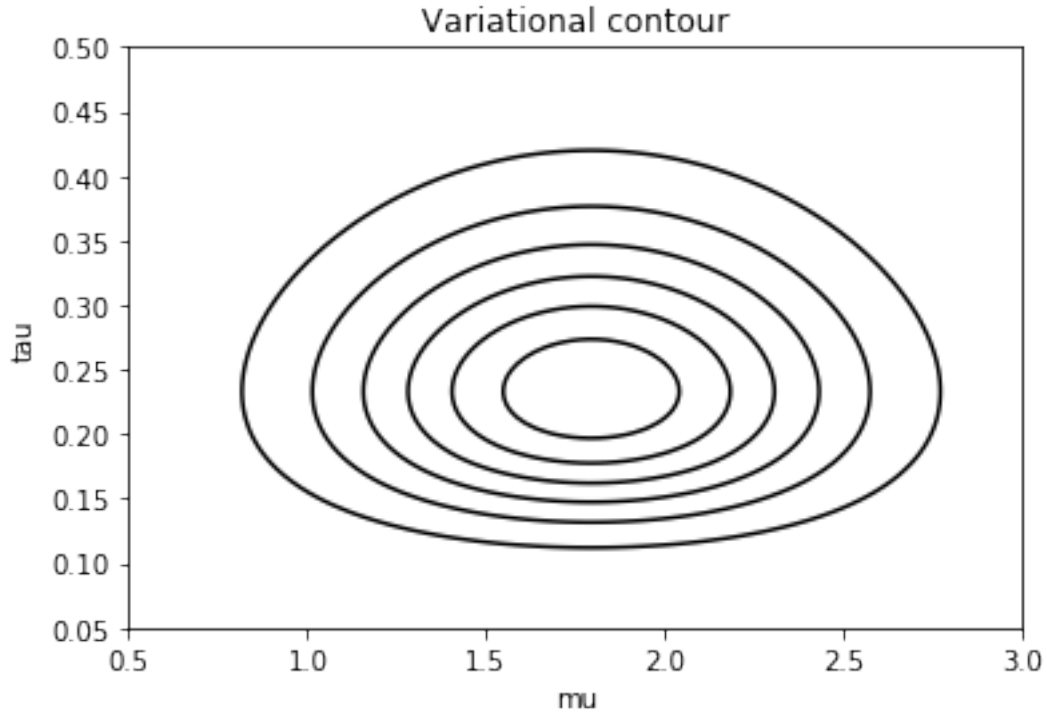
$$q_2(\tau) \sim \text{Gamma}(10, 38.614009)$$

$$q_1(\mu) \sim N(1.793548, 0.249123)$$

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In [5]: def q(mu,tau):
        out = gamma.pdf(tau,a = 10,scale = 1/38.614009)*\
            norm.pdf(mu,loc = 1.793548,
                    scale = np.sqrt(0.249123))
        return(out)

In [28]: tau = np.linspace(0.05, 0.5, 100)
        mu = np.linspace(0.5, 3, 100)

        Mu, Tau = np.meshgrid(mu, tau)
        vi = q(Mu, Tau)
        plt.contour( Mu,Tau, vi, colors='black')
        plt.title('Variational contour')
        plt.xlabel('mu')
        plt.ylabel('tau')
        plt.show()
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## 4.2 Posterior contour

$$p(\mu, \tau | Y) \propto p(\mu, \tau, Y) \propto p(Y | \mu, \tau) p(\mu | \tau) p(\tau)$$

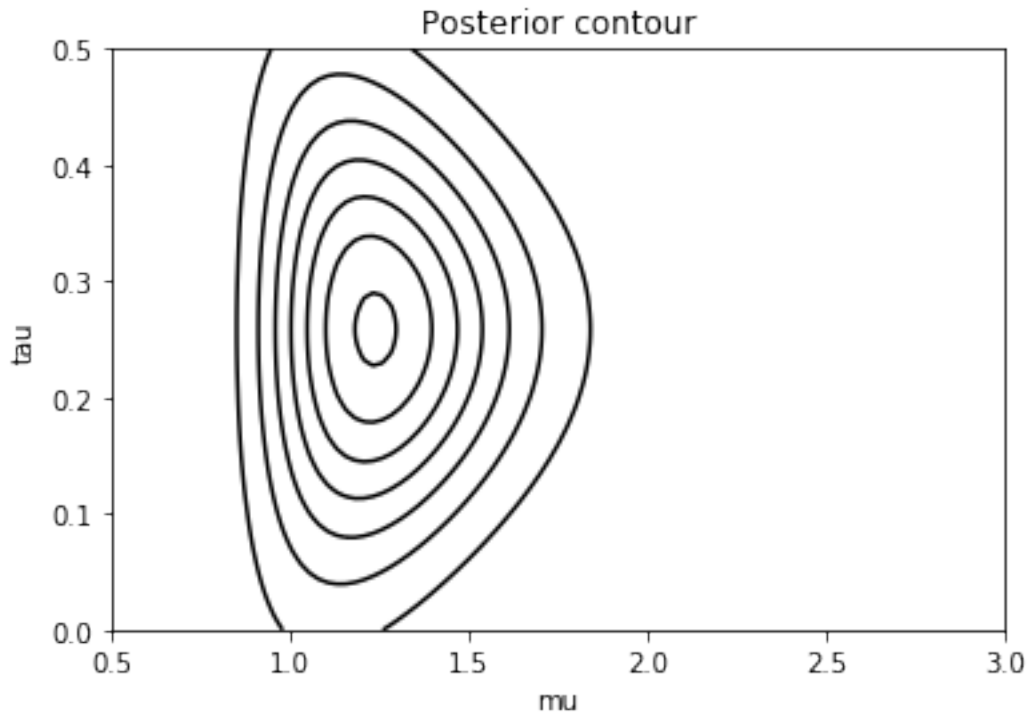
Thus

where  $a_0 = 2, b_0 = 60$  and  $k = 2$

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In [8]: def p(mu, tau, Y):
        out = np.prod(norm.pdf(Y, loc = mu,
                                scale = np.sqrt(tau**(-1))))*\
        norm.pdf(mu, loc = 0,
                    scale = np.sqrt(2*(tau**(-1))))*\
        gamma.pdf(tau, a = 2, scale = 1/60)
        return(out)
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In [29]: post = np.zeros([100,100])
        for i in range(100):
            for j in range(100):
                post[i,j] = p(mu[i], tau[j], Y)
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In [27]: plt.contour(Mu, Tau, post, colors='black')
        plt.title('Posterior contour')
        plt.xlabel('mu')
        plt.ylabel('tau')
        plt.show()
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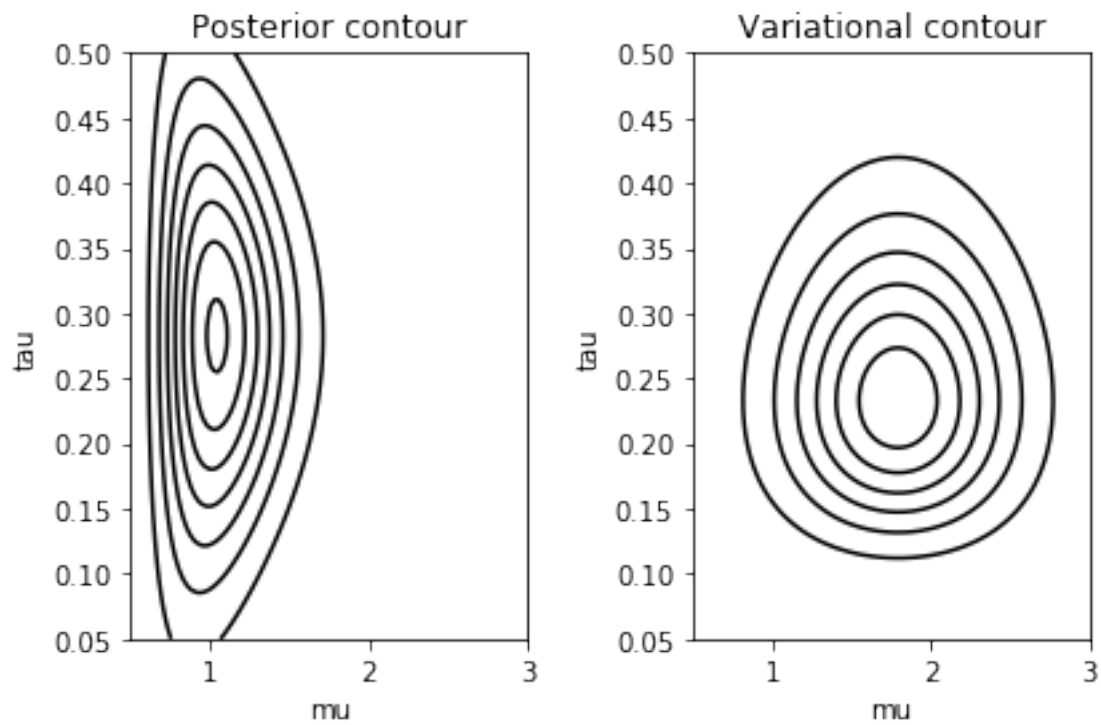


### 4.3 Compare

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In [40]: def posteriorplot(ax):
          ax.contour(Mu, Tau, post, colors='black')
          ax.set_xlabel('mu')
          ax.set_ylabel('tau')
          ax.set_title('Posterior contour')
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In [41]: def viplot(ax):
          ax.contour( Mu,Tau, vi, colors='black')
          ax.set_xlabel('mu')
          ax.set_ylabel('tau')
          ax.set_title('Variational contour')
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In [42]: fig, ((ax1), (ax4)) = plt.subplots(nrows=1, ncols=2)
          posteriorplot(ax1)
          viplot(ax4)
          plt.tight_layout()
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It seems that mean-field variational distribution overestimate variance of  $\mu$  and underestimate variance of  $\tau$