

1 Metropolis for Correlation Coefficient.

(a) By observing n samples $(X_i, Y_i), i = 1, \dots, n$, the likelihood can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\ell(\rho) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(x_i, y_i | \rho) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)}(x_i^2 - 2\rho x_i y_i + y_i^2) \right\} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \right)^n \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 - 2\rho x_i y_i + y_i^2) \right\} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \right)^n \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\rho \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

By choosing prior on ρ as $\pi(\rho) = \frac{1}{(1-\rho^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \rho \leq 1)$, we have the posterior as

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(\rho | \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) &\propto \ell(\rho) \pi(\rho) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2\pi\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \right)^n \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\rho \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{(1-\rho^2)^{3/2}} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \rho \leq 1). \\ &\propto (1-\rho^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}(n+3)} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\rho^2)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\rho \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) \right\} \\ &\quad \times \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \rho \leq 1).\end{aligned}$$

(b) By choosing the given proposal distribution, the algorithm for generating samples from posterior is shown below. Note that in the following algorithm, θ denotes the target parameter that we hope to obtain from posterior, which is ρ . To avoid confusion, we use $\gamma(\theta_n, \theta')$ to denote the acceptance ratio (which is same as what Brani used $\rho(\theta_n, \theta')$ in the lecture video).

- **Step 1.** Start with arbitrary θ_0 .
- **Step 2.** At stage $n + 1$, generate proposal θ' from uniform $\mathcal{U}(\theta_n - 0.1, \theta_n + 0.1)$.
- **Step 3.** Determine θ_{n+1} as
 - $\theta_{n+1} = \theta'$ with probability $\gamma(\theta_n, \theta')$;
 - $\theta_{n+1} = \theta_n$ with probability $1 - \gamma(\theta_n, \theta')$.
- **Step 4.** Set $n = n + 1$ and go to **Step 2**.

We now find the acceptance ratio $\gamma(\theta_n, \theta')$ as follows.

Based on the proposal distribution for θ , we know that

$$\begin{aligned} q(\theta'|\theta_n) &= \frac{1}{(\theta_n + 0.1) - (\theta_n - 0.1)} \mathbf{1}(\theta_n - 0.1 \leq \theta' \leq \theta_n + 0.1) \\ &= \frac{1}{0.2} \mathbf{1}(\theta_n - 0.1 \leq \theta' \leq \theta_n + 0.1). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we also have

$$q(\theta_n|\theta') = \frac{1}{0.2} \mathbf{1}(\theta' - 0.1 \leq \theta_n \leq \theta' + 0.1).$$

Notice that $\theta_n - 0.1 \leq \theta' \leq \theta_n + 0.1$ and $\theta' - 0.1 \leq \theta_n \leq \theta' + 0.1$ are indeed equivalent, and thus

$$\frac{q(\theta_n|\theta')}{q(\theta'|\theta_n)} = \frac{\frac{1}{0.2} \mathbf{1}(\theta' - 0.1 \leq \theta_n \leq \theta' + 0.1)}{\frac{1}{0.2} \mathbf{1}(\theta_n - 0.1 \leq \theta' \leq \theta_n + 0.1)} = 1.$$

Thus, the acceptance ratio can be computed as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(\theta_n, \theta') &= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\pi(\theta')}{\pi(\theta_n)} \frac{q(\theta_n|\theta')}{q(\theta'|\theta_n)} \right\} \\ &= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{(1 - \theta'^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}(n+3)} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta'^2)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\theta' \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) \right\} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \theta' \leq 1)}{(1 - \theta_n^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}(n+3)} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta_n^2)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\theta_n \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \right) \right\} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \theta_n \leq 1)} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

By plugging in the values for $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2$, $\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i$ based on $n = 100$ observations, the acceptance ratio can be computed as

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma(\theta_n, \theta') &= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{(1 - \theta'^2)^{-\frac{103}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta'^2)} \left(114.9707 - 2\theta' (82.5247) + 105.9196 \right) \right\} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \theta' \leq 1)}{(1 - \theta_n^2)^{-\frac{103}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta_n^2)} \left(114.9707 - 2\theta_n (82.5247) + 105.9196 \right) \right\} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \theta_n \leq 1)} \right\} \\ &= \min \left\{ 1, \frac{(1 - \theta'^2)^{-\frac{103}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta'^2)} (220.8903 - 165.0494\theta') \right\} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \theta' \leq 1)}{(1 - \theta_n^2)^{-\frac{103}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1-\theta_n^2)} (220.8903 - 165.0494\theta_n) \right\} \mathbf{1}(-1 \leq \theta_n \leq 1)} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

- (c) We attached the histogram of ρ s and the realizations of the chain for the last 1000 simulations shown in Figure 1 and 2, respectively. The Bayes estimator can be computed from the mean of the ρ s obtained. We have

$$\hat{\rho}_{Bayes} = 0.7224.$$

- (d) By replacing the proposal distribution, we plot the histogram of ρ s and the realizations of the chain for the last 1000 simulations shown in Figure 3 and 4, respectively. The Bayes estimator of ρ based on proposal distribution $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$ is computed as

$$\hat{\rho}_{Bayes} = 0.7227.$$

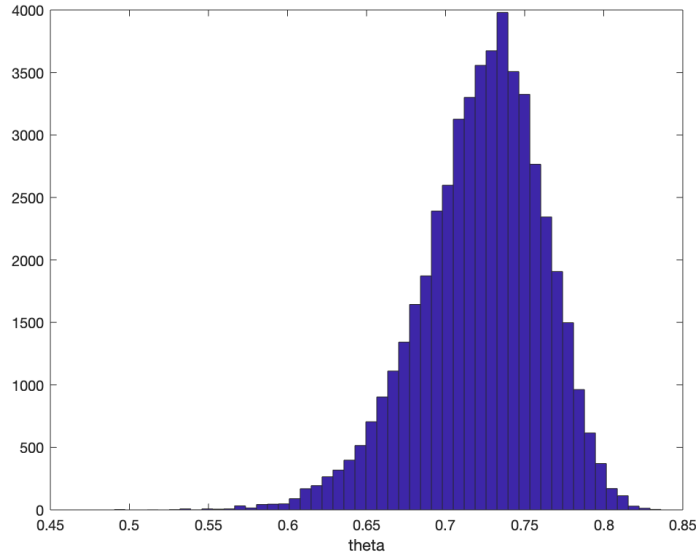


Figure 1: Histogram of ρ_s given proposal distribution $\mathcal{U}(\rho_{i-1} - 0.1, \rho_{i-1} + 0.1)$

We notice that the Bayes estimator with proposal distribution $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$ is similar to that with $\mathcal{U}(\rho_{i-1} - 0.1, \rho_{i-1} + 0.1)$. The acceptance ratio with proposal distribution $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$ is also lower (can be seen from the parallel segments from the behavior of the chain).

2 Gibbs Sampler and Lifetimes with Multiplicative Frailty.

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\lambda|\mu, t_1, \dots, t_n) &\propto \prod_{i=1}^n f(t_i|\lambda, \mu)\pi(\lambda) \\
 &= \lambda^n \exp(-\lambda\mu \sum_{i=1}^n t_i) \lambda^{c-1} \exp(-\alpha\lambda) \\
 &= \lambda^{n+c-1} \exp(-\lambda(\alpha + \mu \sum_{i=1}^n t_i)).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\lambda|\mu, t_1, \dots, t_n$ respects to Gamma distribution with parameters $n+c$ and $\mu \sum_{i=1}^n t_i + \alpha$. By symmetry, $\mu|\lambda, t_1, \dots, t_n$ respects to Gamma distribution with parameters $n+d$ and $\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n t_i + \beta$.

(b) Gibbs sampler algorithm for sampling $(\lambda, \mu)|t_1, \dots, t_n$ is as follows:

- **Step 1.** Start with $\mu_0 = 0.1$.

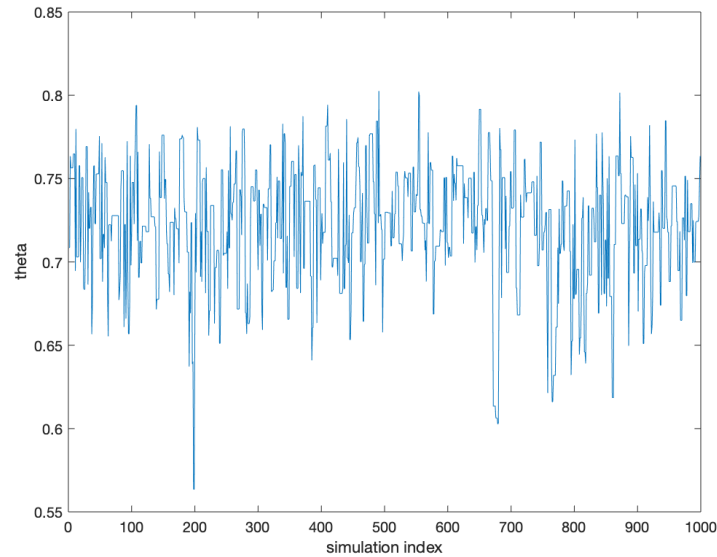


Figure 2: Realizations of the chain for the last 1000 simulations given given proposal distribution $\mathcal{U}(\rho_{i-1} - 0.1, \rho_{i-1} + 0.1)$

- **Step 2.** For $m = 1, \dots, 51000$
 - λ_m is a sample generated from $\mathcal{Ga}(n + c, \mu_{m-1} \sum_{i=1}^n t_i + \alpha)$
 - μ_m is a sample generated from $\mathcal{Ga}(n + d, \lambda_m \sum_{i=1}^n t_i + \beta)$
- **Step 3.** Discard (λ_m, μ_m) , $m = 1, \dots, 1000$.

(c) Scatterplot of (λ, μ) : Histograms of individual components λ and μ :

- Posterior means for $\lambda = 0.0547$ and for $\mu = 0.6911$.
- Posterior variances for $\lambda = 0.000358$ and for $\mu = 0.06579$.
- 95% equatailed credible sets for $\lambda = (0.0255, 0.0983)$ and for $\mu = (0.3185, 1.3139)$.

(d) $\hat{\mathbf{E}}[\lambda\mu|t_1, \dots, t_n] = \frac{1}{50000} \sum_{m=1001}^{51000} \lambda_m \mu_m = 0.03425$

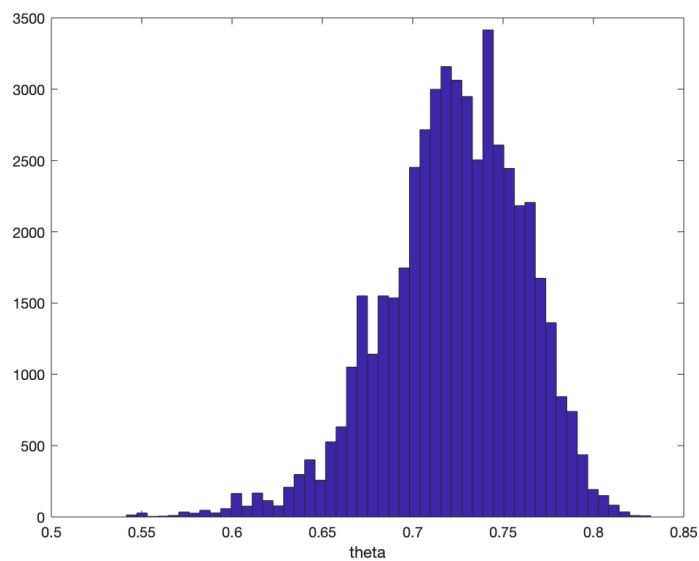


Figure 3: Histogram of ρ_s given proposal distribution $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$

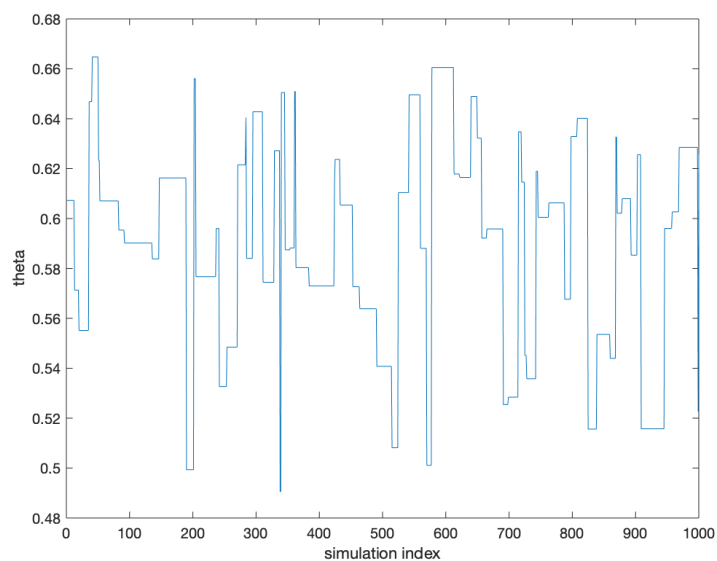
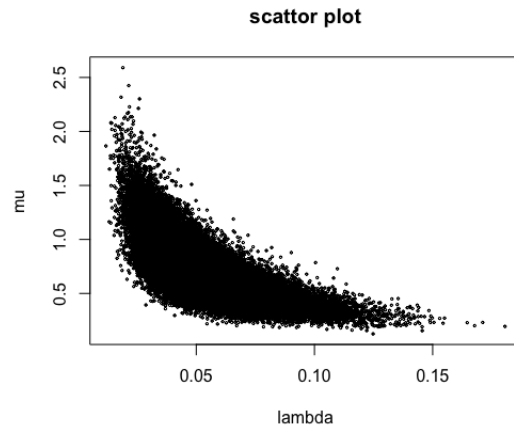
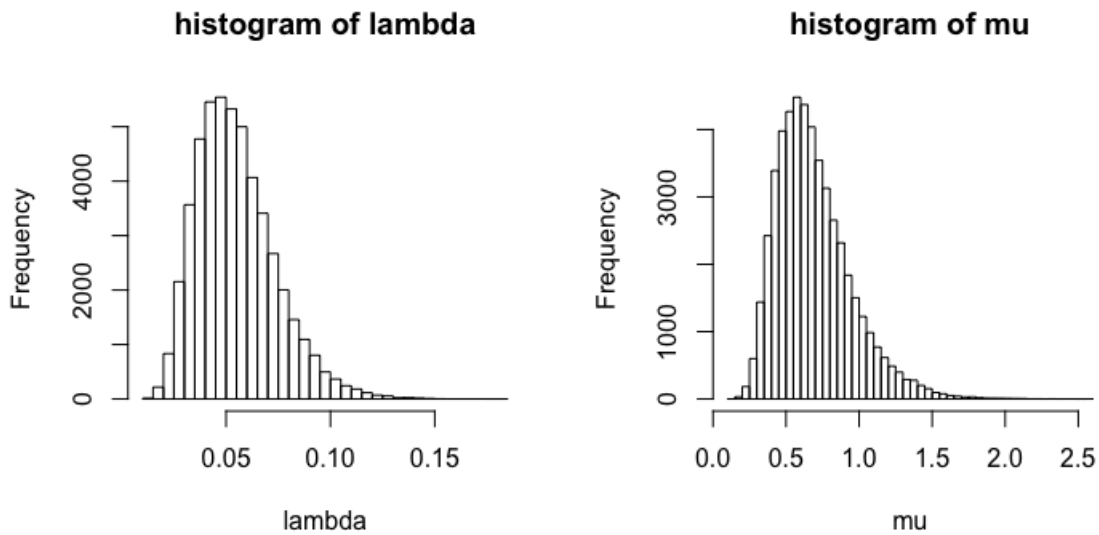


Figure 4: Realizations of the chain for the last 1000 simulations given given proposal distribution $\mathcal{U}(-1, 1)$

Figure 5: Scatter plot of (λ, μ) Figure 6: Histograms of individual components λ and μ

A MATLAB code for problem 1

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1
2 close all force
3 clear all
4
5 theta = 0; %initial values
6 thetas = [theta];
7
8 sum_x2 = 114.9707;
9 sum_y2 = 105.9196;
10 sum_xy = 82.5247;
11
12 n = 100;
13
14 tic
15 for i = 1:51000
16     %theta_prop = theta-0.1+2*0.1*rand();
17     theta_prop = -1+2*rand();
18     %-----
19     if (theta>=1 && theta<=1)
20         indicator_theta = 1;
21     else
22         indicator_theta = 0;
23     end
24     if (theta_prop>=1 && theta_prop<=1)
25         indicator_theta_prop = 1;
26     else
27         indicator_theta_prop = 0;
28     end
29     %-----
30 rr = ((1-theta_prop^2)^(-(n+3)/2)* ...
31     exp(-(sum_x2-2*theta_prop*sum_xy+sum_y2)/(2*(1-theta_prop^2))) * ...
32     indicator_theta_prop)/((1-theta^2)^(-(n+3)/2)* ...
33     exp(-(sum_x2-2*theta*sum_xy+sum_y2)/(2*(1-theta^2)))*indicator_theta);
34     %-----
35 rho = min( rr ,1);
36     if (rand < rho)
37         theta = theta_prop;
38     end
39 thetas = [thetas theta];
40 end
41 toc
42 %Burn in 1000
43 thetas = thetas(1000:end);
44 figure(1)
45 hist(thetas, 50)
46 xlabel('theta')
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B R code for problem 2

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1 alpha=100; beta=5
2 c=3; d=1
3 sumt=512
4 n=20
5 M=51000
6
7 mu=0.1
8 set.seed(1)
9 record = matrix(0, nrow=2, ncol=M)
10 for(m in 1:M){
11   lambda=rgamma(1, shape=(n+c), rate=(mu*sumt+alpha))
12   mu=rgamma(1, shape=(n+d), rate=(lambda*sumt+beta))
13   record[,m] = c(lambda, mu)
14 }
15 lambda=record[1,-(1:1000)]
16 mu=record[2,-(1:1000)]
17 ## scatterplot
18 par(mfrow=c(1, 1))
19 plot(lambda, mu, main="scattor plot", xlab="lambda", ylab="mu", cex=0.3)
20
21 ## histogram of lambda and mu
22 par(mfrow=c(1, 2))
23 hist(lambda, xlab="lambda", main="histogram of lambda", breaks=50)
24 hist(mu, xlab="mu", main="histogram of mu", breaks=50)
25
26 ## mean of lambda and mu
27 mean(lambda)
28 mean(mu)
29
30 var(lambda)
31 var(mu)
32
33 ## 95% equitailed credible set of lambda and mu
34 slambda=sort(lambda)
35 smu=sort(mu)
36 slambda[c(1250, 48750)]
37 smu[c(1250, 48750)]
38
39 ## mean of lambda*mu
40 mean(lambda*mu)
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