

# Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC)

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In [1]: 1 import numpy as np
2 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
3 plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': 16})
4 import scipy.stats as stats
5 import math
6 import savingfigR as sf
```

1. Use Metropolis-Hastings sampling to randomly draw numbers from a bivariate normal distribution. The two conditional probabilities are:

$$p(x|y) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_X + \frac{\sigma_X}{\sigma_Y} \rho(y - \mu_Y), (1 - \rho^2)\sigma_X^2) \text{ and}$$

$$p(y|x) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_Y + \frac{\sigma_Y}{\sigma_X} \rho(x - \mu_X), (1 - \rho^2)\sigma_Y^2). \text{ Use the following constants: } \mu_X = 78.8, \sigma_X = 3.668, \mu_Y = 211, \sigma_Y = 26.904, \text{ and } \rho = 0.81 \text{ (10 marks).}$$

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In [2]: 1 # parameters
2 muX = 78.8
3 sigX = 3.668
4 muY = 211
5 sigY = 26.904
6 rho = 0.81
7 n=10000
8 # n = 5
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Gibbs (for comparison)

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In [3]: 1 # Gibbs sampler (1: Y, 2: X)
2 XgY = np.empty(n)
3 YgX = np.empty(n)
4 # initialize
5 XgY[0] = muX
6
7 for i in range(1,n):
8     # update
9     x = XgY[i-1]
10    # sample
11    YgX[i] = np.random.normal(muY + (sigY/sigX) * rho * (x - muX), np.s
12    # update
13    y = YgX[i]
14    # sample
15    XgY[i] = np.random.normal(muX + (sigX/sigY) * rho * (y - muY), np.s
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- a. Make an algorithm to perform Metropolis-Hastings sampling (5 marks).

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In [4]: 1 def logp(x):
2         if x < 0:
3             return 0
4         else :
5             return np.log(x)
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In [5]: 1 # Metropolis-Hastings
2 XgYMH = np.empty(n)
3 YgXMH = np.empty(n)
4 # initialize
5 XgYMH[0] = muX
6 YgXMH[0] = muY
7 # iterate
8 for i in range(1,n):
9     # 1. Generate random candidate
10    xgy = np.random.normal(XgYMH[i-1], 5)
11    ygx = np.random.normal(YgXMH[i-1], 30)
12
13    # 2. Calculate acceptance probability
14    num = stats.multivariate_normal.pdf(np.array([xgy, ygx]), np.array(
15    denom = stats.multivariate_normal.pdf(np.array([XgYMH[i-1], YgXMH[i-1]
16    A = np.min([np.log(1), logp(num/denom)])
17
18    # 3. Accept or reject
19    u = np.log(np.random.uniform(low=0, high=1))
20    if u <= A: # accept
21        YgXMH[i] = ygx
22        XgYMH[i] = xgy
23    else : # reject
24        YgXMH[i] = YgXMH[i-1]
25        XgYMH[i] = XgYMH[i-1]
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In [6]: 1 acc_rate = (len(np.unique(YgXMH)) / len(YgXMH)) * 100
2 print(f'Acceptance rate = {acc_rate:.0f}')
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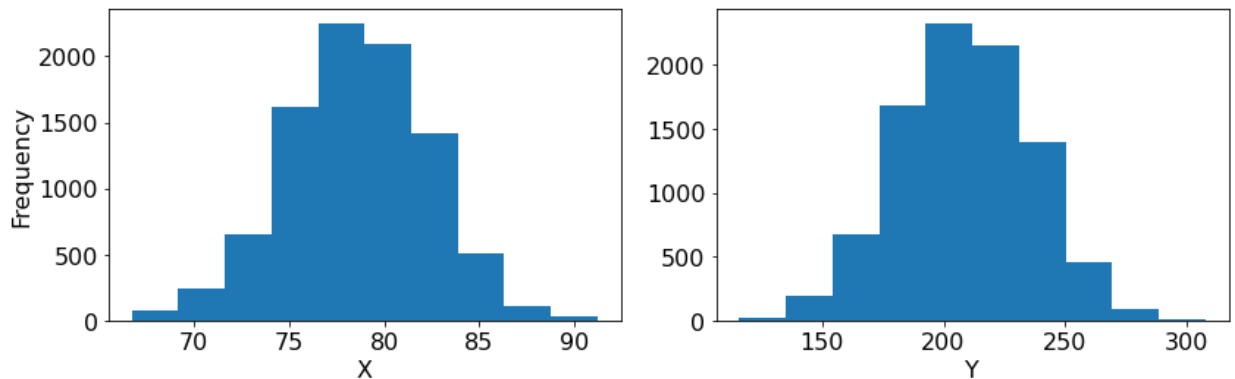
Acceptance rate = 32

b. Plot the marginal distributions of X and Y (3 marks).

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In [7]: 1 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(12,4))
        2 plt.subplot(1,2,1)
        3 plt.hist(XgYMH[1000:]) # 1000 burn in
        4 plt.xlabel('X')
        5 plt.ylabel('Frequency')
        6 plt.subplot(1,2,2)
        7 plt.hist(YgXMH[1000:]) #
        8 plt.xlabel('Y')
        9
       10 plt.tight_layout()
       11 plt.show()
       12
       13 sf.best_save(fig, '1bMH')

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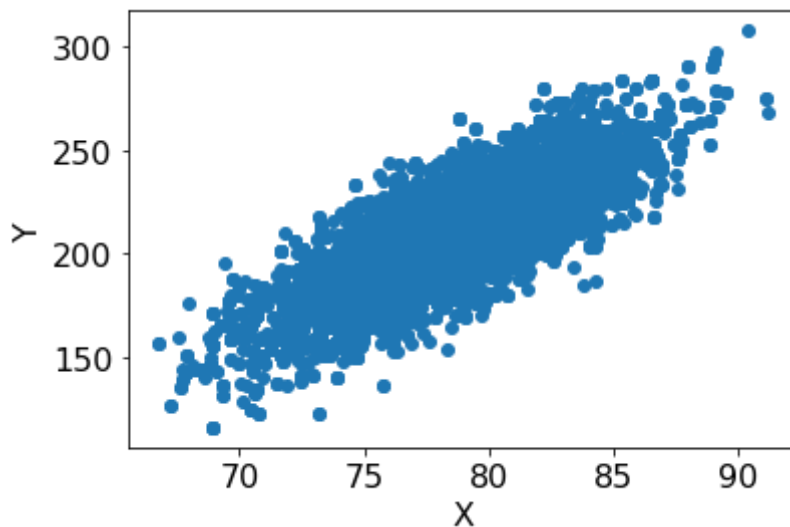


c. Plot the joint distribution X and Y (2 marks).

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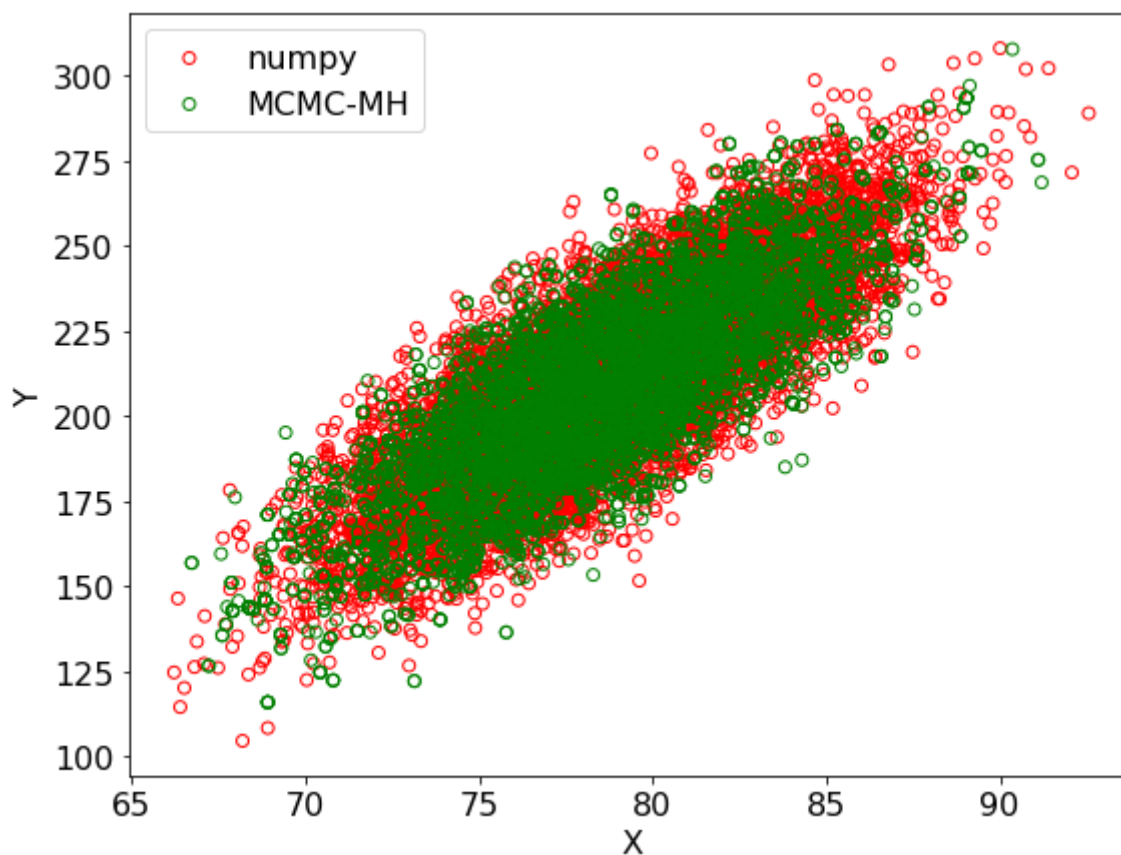
In [8]: 1 fig = plt.figure()
        2 plt.scatter(XgYMH[1000:], YgXMH[1000:])
        3 plt.xlabel('X')
        4 plt.ylabel('Y')
        5 plt.show()
        6
        7 sf.best_save(fig, '1cMH')

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## Test via numpy sampler

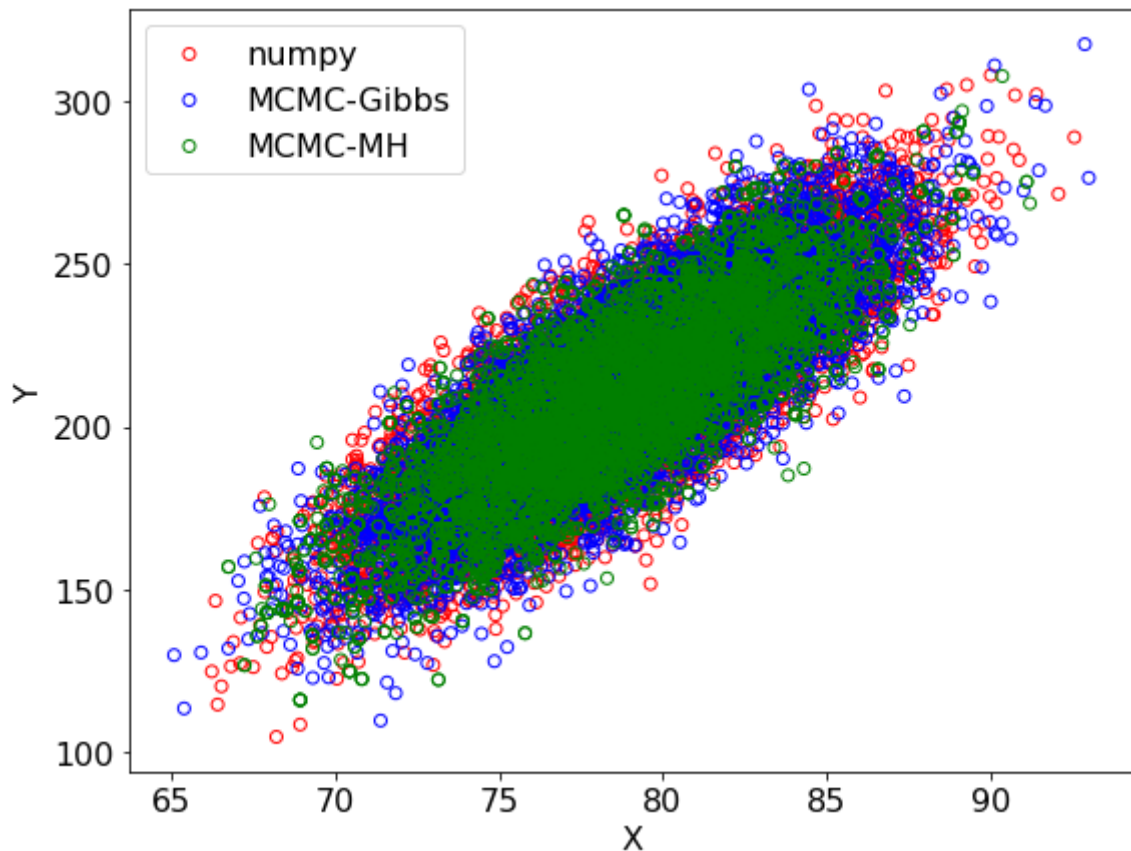
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In [9]: 1 test = np.random.multivariate_normal(np.array([muX, muY]), np.array([[s
2
3 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(9,7))
4 plt.scatter(test[:,0], test[:,1], facecolors='none', edgecolor='r', lab
5 plt.scatter(XgYMH[1000:], YgXMH[1000:], facecolors='none', edgecolor='g
6 plt.xlabel('X')
7 plt.ylabel('Y')
8 plt.legend(loc=0)
9 plt.show()
10
11 sf.best_save(fig, '1MHvnp')
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In [10]: 1 # numpy v gibbs v mh
2 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(9,7))
3 plt.scatter(test[:,0], test[:,1], facecolors='none', edgecolor='r', label='numpy')
4 plt.scatter(XgY[1000:], YgX[1000:], facecolors='none', edgecolor='b', label='MCMC-Gibbs')
5 plt.scatter(XgYMH[1000:], YgXMH[1000:], facecolors='none', edgecolor='g', label='MCMC-MH')
6 plt.xlabel('X')
7 plt.ylabel('Y')
8 plt.legend(loc=0)
9 plt.show()
10
11 sf.best_save(fig, 'npVGibssVMH')

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## Lecture example

### Set up

Prior = Beta( $\alpha=1$ ,  $\beta=1$ )

Likelihood = Binomial ( $n=20$ ,  $k=16$ )

Posterior =  $p(w|n,k,\alpha,\beta) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha_h, \beta_h)} w^{\alpha_h-1} (1-w)^{\beta_h-1}$ , s.t.

$$\alpha_h = k + \alpha$$

$$\beta_h = n - k + \beta$$

$$p(w|k, n, \alpha, \beta) \propto w^{k+\alpha-1} (1 - w)^{n-k+\beta-1}$$

Log rules

$$p(w|k, n, \alpha, \beta) \propto (k + \alpha - 1) * \log(w) + ((n - k + \beta - 1) * \log(1 - w))$$

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Propose  $w$  from  $\mathcal{N}(w_t, 0.4^2)$

Use the common acceptance function.

$$A(w', w_t) = \frac{P(w'|k, n, \alpha, \beta)}{P(w_t|k, n, \alpha, \beta)}$$

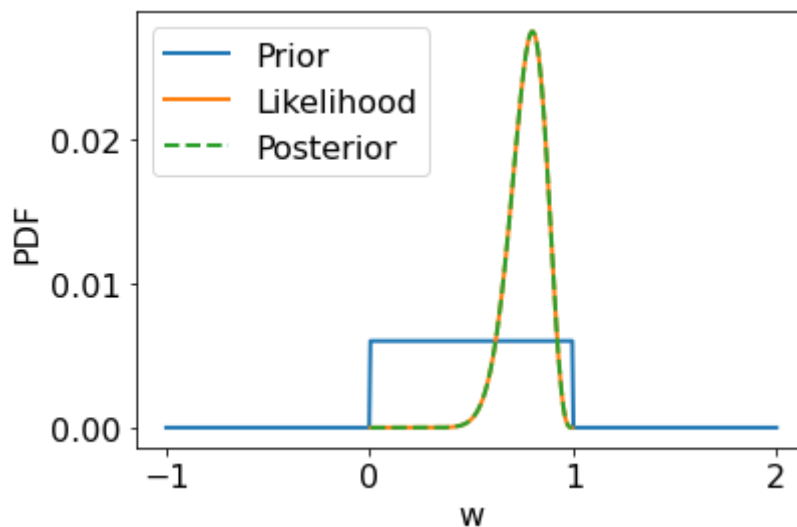
**Don't forget to consider underflow**

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In [11]: 1 # set up
          2 priorAlpha = 1
          3 priorBeta = 1
          4 likeN = 20
          5 likeK = 16
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In [12]: 1 x = np.linspace(-1, 2, num=500)
          2 prior = stats.beta.pdf(x, priorAlpha, priorBeta)
          3 like = stats.binom.pmf(likeK, likeN, x)
          4 prior /= np.nansum(prior)
          5 like /= np.nansum(like)
          6 posterior = prior * like
          7 posterior /= np.nansum(posterior)
          8
          9 fig = plt.figure()
          10 plt.plot(x, prior, lw=2, label='Prior')
          11 plt.plot(x, like, lw=2, label='Likelihood')
          12 plt.plot(x, posterior, lw=2, ls='--', label='Posterior')
          13 plt.xlabel('w')
          14 plt.ylabel('PDF')
          15 plt.legend(loc=0)
          16 plt.show()
          17
          18 sf.best_save(fig, 'lMHi')

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In [13]: 1 # Metropolis-Hastings algorithm
2
3 # set up
4 n = 100000
5 burn = 1000
6 w = np.empty(n)
7 pwgknab = lambda w, k, n, a, b: (k+a-1)*logp(w) + (n-k+b-1)*logp(1-w)
8
9 # initialize
10 w[0] = 0.5
11
12 # iterate
13 for i in range(1,n):
14
15     # generate candidate
16     wp = np.random.normal(w[i-1], 0.4)
17
18     # acceptance probability
19     num = pwgknab(wp, likeK, likeN, priorAlpha, priorBeta)
20     denom = pwgknab(w[i-1], likeK, likeN, priorAlpha, priorBeta)
21     A = np.min([np.log(1), num-denom])
22
23     # accept or reject
24     u = np.log(np.random.uniform(low=0, high=1))
25     if wp > 1 or wp < 0 : # reject (constrain like this?)
26         w[i] = w[i-1]
27     elif u <= A: # accept
28         w[i] = wp
29     else : # reject
30         w[i] = w[i-1]

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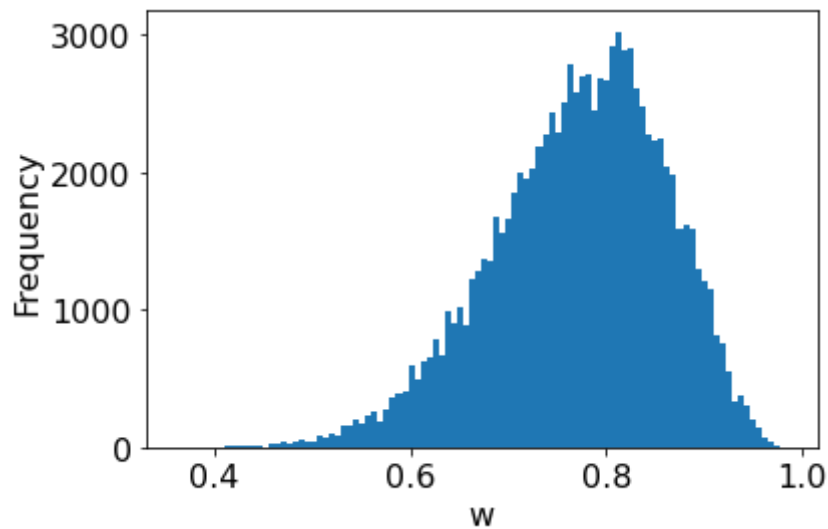
In [14]: 1 acc_rate = (len(np.unique(w)) / len(w)) * 100
2 print(f'Acceptance rate = {acc_rate:.0f}')

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Acceptance rate = 26



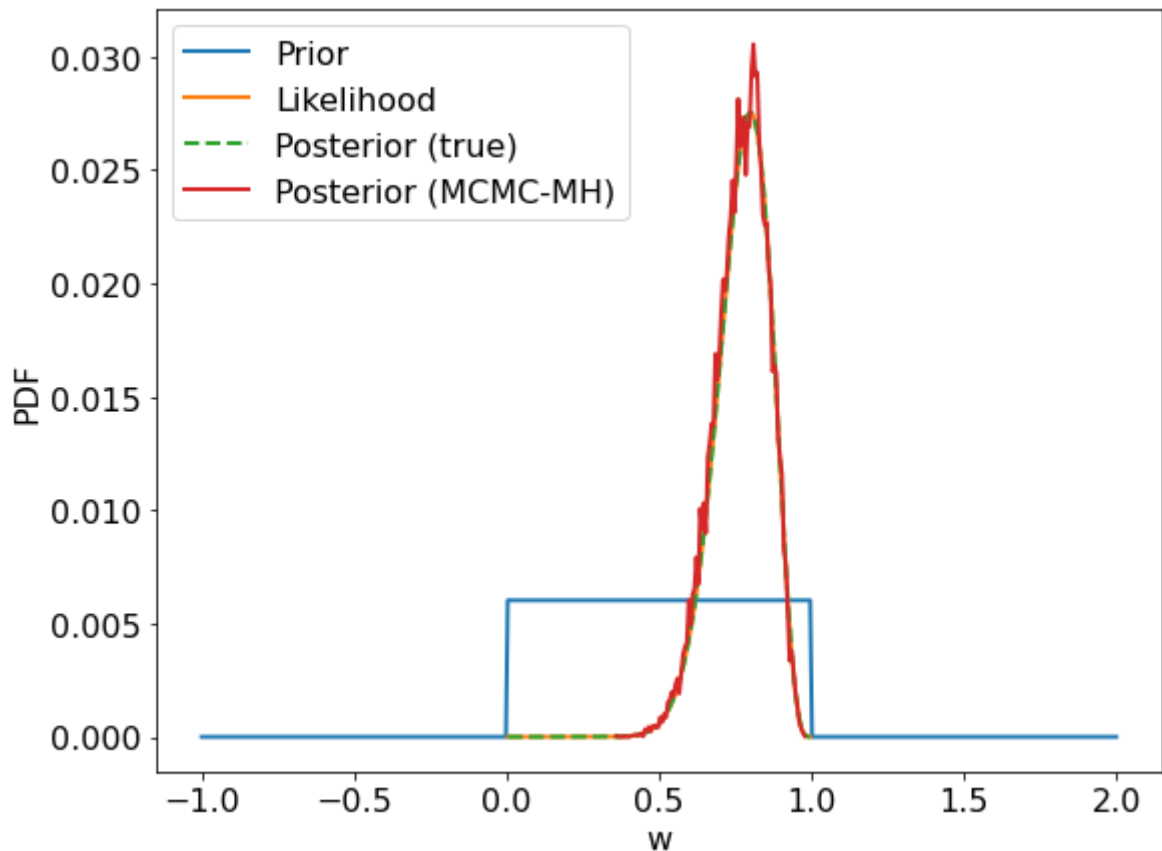
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In [15]: 1 # visualize
2 fig = plt.figure()
3 n, bins, _ = plt.hist(w[burn:], bins=100)
4 plt.xlabel('w')
5 plt.ylabel('Frequency')
6 plt.show()
7
8 sf.best_save(fig, 'LMHii')
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In [16]: 1 # posterior for plotting
2 xpost = bins[:-1]
3 ypost = n/sum(n)
4 print(sum(ypost))
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In [17]: 1 fig = plt.figure(figsize=(9,7))
2         plt.plot(x, prior, lw=2, label='Prior')
3         plt.plot(x, like, lw=2, label='Likelihood')
4         plt.plot(x, posterior, lw=2, ls='--', label='Posterior (true)')
5         plt.plot(xpost, ypost, lw=2, label='Posterior (MCMC-MH)')
6         plt.legend(loc='upper left')
7         plt.xlabel('w')
8         plt.ylabel('PDF')
9         plt.show()
10
11 sf.best_save(fig, 'LMHiii')
```



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In [18]: 1 def nll(n, k, p):
2         mindiff = -(np.log(math.factorial(n)/(math.factorial(k)*math.factorial(n-k))))
3         return mindiff
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In [19]: 1 # visualize parameter space
2 n = np.linspace(18,25,8)
3 k = np.linspace(10,18,9)
4
5 NLL = np.empty([len(n),len(k)])
6 for idx1, N in enumerate(n):
7     for idx2, K in enumerate(k):
8         NLL[idx1,idx2] = nll(n=int(N), k=int(K), p=xpost[np.argmax(ypost[N])])
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In [20]: 1 minIdx = np.where(NLL == NLL.min())
2 print(f'$n$ brute force = {np.round(n[minIdx[0][0]]:.3f}')
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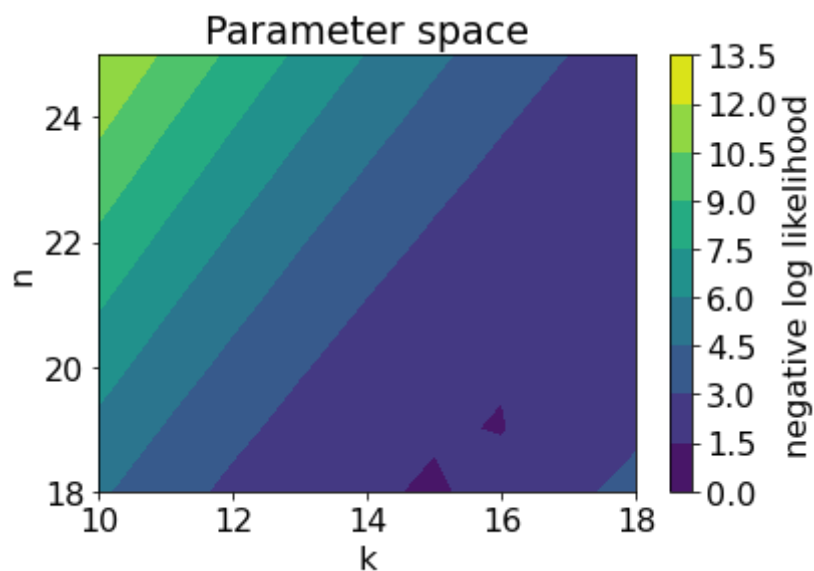
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3 print(f'$k$ brute force = {np.round(k[minIdx[1][0]]:.3f}')
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\$n\$ brute force = 18.000  
\$k\$ brute force = 15.000

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In [21]: 1 # optimizer
2 # nk = opt.fmin(lambda x: nll(x[0], x[1], p=ypost), np.array((15,19)))
3 # print(f'$n$ via optimization = {nk[0]:.4f}')
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4 # print(f'$k$ via optimization = {nk[1]:.4f}')
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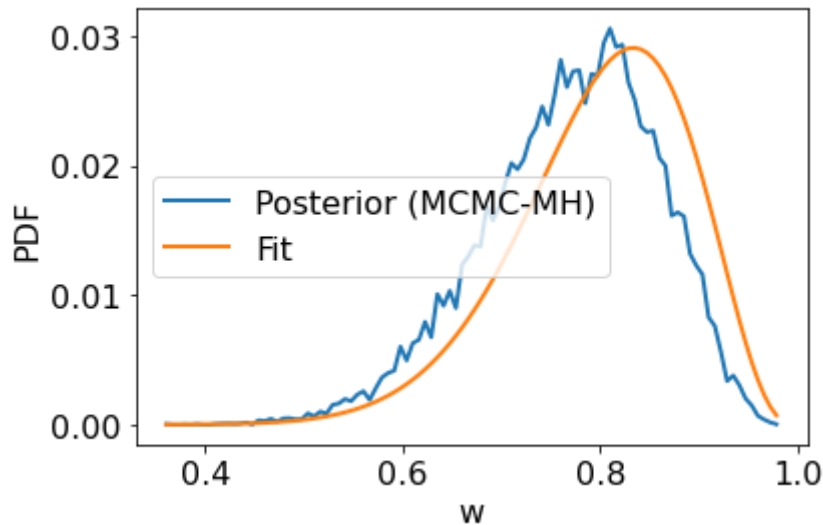
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In [22]: 1 # visualize
2 fig = plt.figure()
3 plt.contourf(k, n, NLL)
4 plt.colorbar(label='negative log likelihood')
5 plt.xlabel('k')
6 plt.ylabel('n')
7 plt.title('Parameter space')
8 plt.show()
9
10 sf.best_save(fig, 'LMHiv')
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In [23]: 1 # fit some parameters to the data
2 fig = plt.figure()
3 plt.plot(xpost, ypost, lw=2, label='Posterior (MCMC-MH)')
4 yfit = stats.binom.pmf(k=np.round(k[minIdx[1][0]]), n=np.round(n[minIdx
5 yfit /= np.nansum(yfit)
6 plt.plot(xpost, yfit, lw=2, label='Fit')
7 plt.xlabel('w')
8 plt.ylabel('PDF')
9 plt.legend(loc=0)
10 plt.show()
11
12 sf.best_save(fig, 'LMHv')

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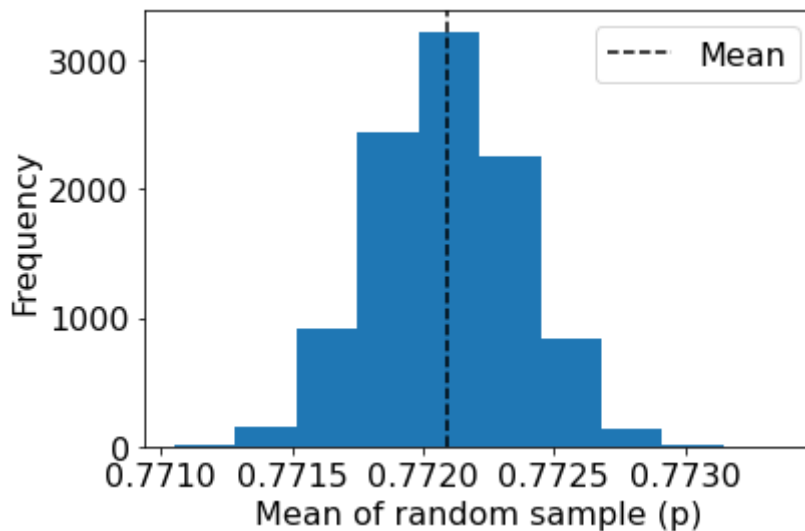


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In [24]: 1 # bootstrap the max of the samples to get a better estimate of the true
2 nBoot = 10000
3 bootmean = np.empty(nBoot)
4 for i in range(nBoot):
5     samp = np.random.choice(w[burn:], len(w[burn:]))
6     bootmean[i] = np.mean(samp)
7
8 mumu = np.mean(bootmean)

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In [25]: 1 # visualize
2 fig = plt.figure()
3 plt.hist(bootmean)
4 plt.axvline(mumu, c='k', ls='--', label='Mean')
5 plt.xlabel('Mean of random sample (p)')
6 plt.ylabel('Frequency')
7 plt.legend(loc=0)
8 plt.show()
9
10 sf.best_save(fig, 'LMHvi')
```



Try again, but with a more accurate mean (p parameter)

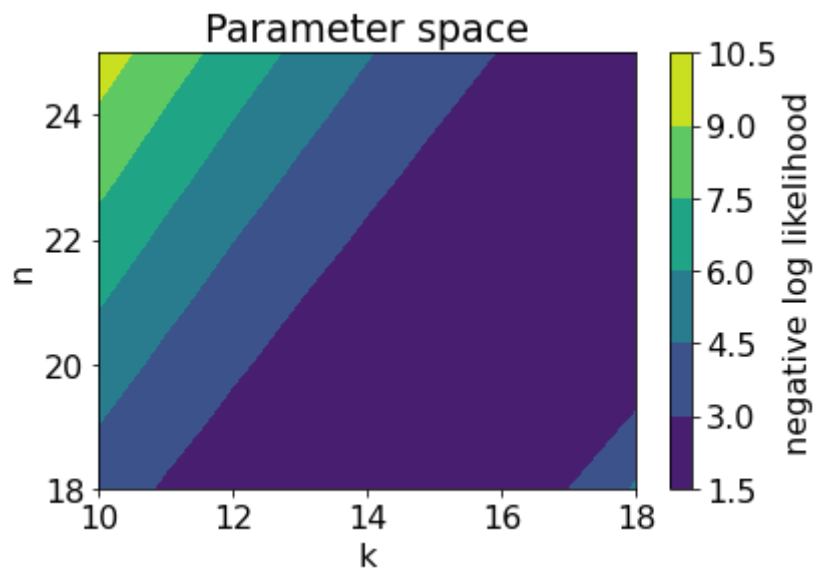
```
In [26]: 1 # visualize parameter space
2 n = np.linspace(18,25,8)
3 k = np.linspace(10,18,9)
4
5 NLL = np.empty([len(n),len(k)])
6 for idx1, N in enumerate(n):
7     for idx2, K in enumerate(k):
8         NLL[idx1,idx2] = nll(n=int(N), k=int(K), p=mumu)
```

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In [27]: 1 minIdx = np.where(NLL == NLL.min())
2 print(f'$n$ brute force = {np.round(n[minIdx[0][0]]:.3f}')
3 print(f'$k$ brute force = {np.round(k[minIdx[1][0]]:.3f}')
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\$n\$ brute force = 18.000

\$k\$ brute force = 14.000

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In [28]: 1 # visualize
2 fig = plt.figure()
3 plt.contourf(k, n, NLL)
4 plt.colorbar(label='negative log likelihood')
5 plt.xlabel('k')
6 plt.ylabel('n')
7 plt.title('Parameter space')
8 plt.show()
9
10 sf.best_save(fig, 'LMHvii')
```



```
In [29]: 1 # fit some parameters to the data
2 fig = plt.figure()
3 plt.plot(xpost, ypost, lw=2, label='Posterior (MCMC-MH)')
4 yfit = stats.binom.pmf(k=np.round(k[minIdx[1]][0])), n=np.round(n[minIdx
5 yfit /= np.nansum(yfit)
6 plt.plot(xpost, yfit, lw=2, label='Fit')
7 plt.xlabel('w')
8 plt.ylabel('PDF')
9 plt.legend(loc=0)
10 plt.show()
11
12 sf.best_save(fig, 'LMHviii')
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