

# Bayesian Statistics

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## 1 Normal Likelihood

### 1.1 Univariate Normal Distribution

Let  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  be a random sample from the normal distribution  $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \tau^{-1})$ .

- Consider prior independence with prior distributions  $\mu \sim \mathcal{N}(a, c^{-1})$  and  $\tau \sim \text{Gamma}(p, q)$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$ .
- Consider the conjugate prior distribution  $\mu \mid \tau \sim \mathcal{N}(a, c^{-1}\tau^{-1})$ ,  $\tau \sim \text{Gamma}(p, q)$ . Calculate the conditional and marginal posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$ .

*Solution.*

- The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\pi(\mu, \tau) = \pi(\mu) \cdot \pi(\tau)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sqrt{\frac{c}{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c(\mu-a)^2}{2}\right\} \cdot \frac{q^p}{\Gamma(p)} \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\
&\propto \exp\left\{-c\frac{\mu^2 - 2\mu a + a^2}{2}\right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\
&\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}c\mu^2 + ca\mu\right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau}.
\end{aligned}$$

The likelihood of the sample is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
f(y | \mu, \tau) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i | \mu, \tau) \\
&= \prod_{i=1}^n \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\tau(y_i - \mu)^2}{2}\right\} \\
&\propto \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \tau\right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 - 2y_i\mu + \mu^2}{2} \tau\right\} \\
&= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}n\tau\mu^2 + n\tau\bar{y}\mu\right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \tau\right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu | \tau, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \tau | y) \\
&\propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y | \mu, \tau) \\
&\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{c}{2}\mu^2 + ca\mu\right\} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{n\tau}{2}\mu^2 + n\tau\bar{y}\mu\right\} \\
&= \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(c + n\tau)}_{c_n} \mu^2 + (ca + n\tau\bar{y}) \mu\right\} \\
&= \exp\left\{-\frac{c + n\tau}{2} \mu^2 + \underbrace{(c + n\tau)}_{c_n} \underbrace{\frac{ca + n\tau\bar{y}}{c + n\tau}}_{a_n} \mu\right\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\tau | \mu, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y | \mu, \tau) \\
&\propto \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \tau\right\} \\
&= \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\left[q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2\right] \tau\right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\mu | \tau, y \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\frac{ca + n\tau\bar{y}}{c + n\tau}, \frac{1}{c + n\tau}\right), \quad \tau | \mu, y \sim \text{Gamma}\left(p + \frac{n}{2}, q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2\right).$$

We can calculate Jeffreys' prior for the univariate normal distribution as follows:

$$\log f(y | \mu, \tau) = \frac{1}{2} \log \tau - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{\tau(y - \mu)^2}{2},$$

$$\frac{\partial \log f(y | \mu, \tau)}{\partial \mu} = \tau(y - \mu), \quad \frac{\partial \log f(y | \mu, \tau)}{\partial \tau} = \frac{1}{2\tau} - \frac{(y - \mu)^2}{2},$$

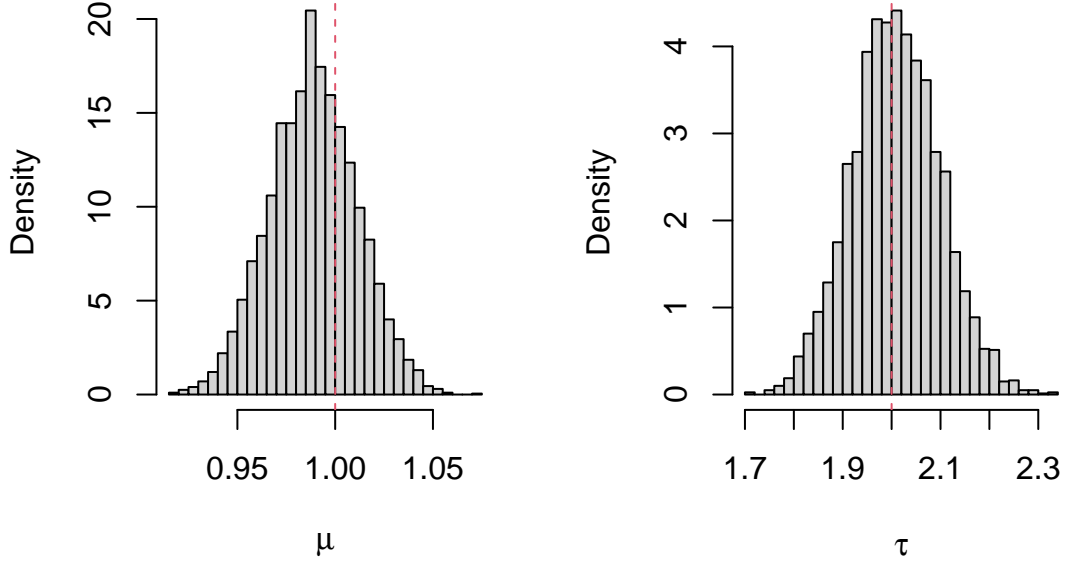
$$\frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \tau)}{\partial \mu^2} = -\tau, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \tau)}{\partial \tau^2} = -\frac{1}{2\tau^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \tau)}{\partial \mu \partial \tau} = y - \mu,$$

$$\mathcal{I}(\mu, \tau) = -\mathbb{E} \left[ \frac{\partial \log f(y | \mu, \tau)}{\partial(\mu, \tau) \partial(\mu, \tau)} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \tau & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{1}{2\tau^2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad J(\mu, \tau) \propto \sqrt{|\mathcal{I}(\mu, \tau)|} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2\tau}} \propto \tau^{-0.5}.$$

We observe that the improper Jeffreys' prior results for  $a = c = q = 0$  and  $p = 0.5$

```
MCMCnorm = function(Y, mu0, tau0, a, c, p, q, niter, nburn) {
  n = length(Y)
  S = sum(Y)
  mu = numeric(niter)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  mu[1] = mu0
  tau[1] = tau0
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    mu[i] = rnorm(1, (c * a + tau[i - 1] * S)/(c + n * tau[i - 1]), (c +
      n * tau[i - 1])^(-0.5))
    tau[i] = rgamma(1, p + n/2, q + sum((Y - mu[i])^2)/2)
  }
  return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn)], tau = tau[-(1:nburn)]))
}

n = 1000
mu = 1
tau = 2
Y = rnorm(n, mu, tau^(-0.5))
posterior = MCMCnorm(Y, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0.5, 0, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu))
abline(v = mu, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



b. The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu, \tau) &= \pi(\mu | \tau) \cdot \pi(\tau) \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{c\tau}{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c\tau(\mu - a)^2}{2}\right\} \cdot \frac{q^p}{\Gamma(p)} \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\
&\propto \tau^{p+\frac{1}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\left[q + \frac{c(\mu - a)^2}{2}\right]\tau\right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-c\tau \frac{\mu^2 - 2\mu a + a^2}{2}\right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}c\tau\mu^2 + c\tau a\mu\right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} \exp\left\{-\left(q + \frac{ca^2}{2}\right)\tau\right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the joint posterior distribution of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu, \tau | y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y | \mu, \tau) \\
&\propto \tau^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}c\tau\mu^2 + c\tau a\mu\right\} \cdot \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}n\tau\mu^2 + n\tau\bar{y}\mu\right\} \\
&\quad \times \tau^{p-1} \exp\left\{-\left(q + \frac{ca^2}{2}\right)\tau\right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 \tau\right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\underbrace{(c+n)}_{c_n}\tau\mu^2 + \tau(ca + n\bar{y})\mu\right\} \cdot \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\left(q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2\right)\tau\right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c+n}{2}\tau\mu^2 + \underbrace{(c+n)}_{c_n}\tau \underbrace{\frac{ca + n\bar{y}}{c+n}}_{a_n}\mu\right\} \cdot \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\left(q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2\right)\tau\right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}c_n\tau\mu^2 + c_n\tau a_n\mu - \frac{1}{2}c_n\tau a_n^2 + \frac{1}{2}c_n\tau a_n^2\right\} \\
&\quad \times \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp\left\{-\left(q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2\right)\tau\right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \tau^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{c_n \tau (\mu - a_n)^2}{2} \right\} \cdot \tau^{p + \frac{n}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ -\left( q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{c_n a_n^2}{2} \right) \tau \right\}.$$

We calculate that:

$$c_n a_n^2 = (c + n) \left( \frac{ca + n\bar{y}}{c + n} \right)^2 = \frac{(ca + n\bar{y})^2}{c + n}.$$

In other words,

$$\mu \mid \tau, y \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \frac{ca + n\bar{y}}{c + n}, \frac{\tau^{-1}}{c + n} \right), \quad \tau \mid y \sim \text{Gamma} \left( p + \frac{n}{2}, q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{(ca + n\bar{y})^2}{2(c + n)} \right).$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\tau \mid \mu, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y \mid \mu, \tau) \\ &\propto \tau^{p + \frac{1}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ -\left[ q + \frac{c(\mu - a)^2}{2} \right] \tau \right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \tau \right\} \\ &= \tau^{p + \frac{n+1}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ -\left[ q + \frac{c(\mu - a)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right] \tau \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\tau \mid \mu, y \sim \text{Gamma} \left( p + \frac{n+1}{2}, q + \frac{c(\mu - a)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right).$$

**Definition 1.1.** We say that a random variable  $X$  follows the generalized Student's t distribution with mean  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , variance  $\sigma^2 > 0$  and  $\nu > 0$  degrees of freedom, i.e.  $X \sim t_\nu(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , if it has the following probability density function:

$$f_X(x \mid \mu, \sigma^2, \nu) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\nu\pi\sigma^2}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\nu\sigma^2} (x - \mu)^2 \right]^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Finally, we define:

$$p_n = p + \frac{n}{2}, \quad q_n = q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{c_n a_n^2}{2}.$$

Then, we calculate the marginal posterior distribution of  $\mu$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu \mid y) &= \int \pi(\mu, \tau \mid y) d\tau \\ &\propto \int \tau^{p + \frac{n+1}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ -\left[ q + \frac{c(\mu - a)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right] \tau \right\} d\tau \\ &\propto \left[ q + \frac{c(\mu - a)^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2 \right]^{-(p + \frac{n+1}{2})} \\ &= \left[ q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 + \frac{c+n}{2} \mu^2 - (ca + n\bar{y}) \mu \right]^{-p_n - \frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left[ q + \frac{ca^2}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \frac{c_n a_n^2}{2} + \frac{c_n (\mu - a_n)^2}{2} \right]^{-\frac{2p_n + 1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\propto \left[ 1 + \frac{c_n (\mu - a_n)^2}{2q_n} \right]^{-\frac{2p_n+1}{2}} \\ &= \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2p_n} \frac{(\mu - a_n)^2}{\frac{q_n}{c_n p_n}} \right]^{-\frac{2p_n+1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

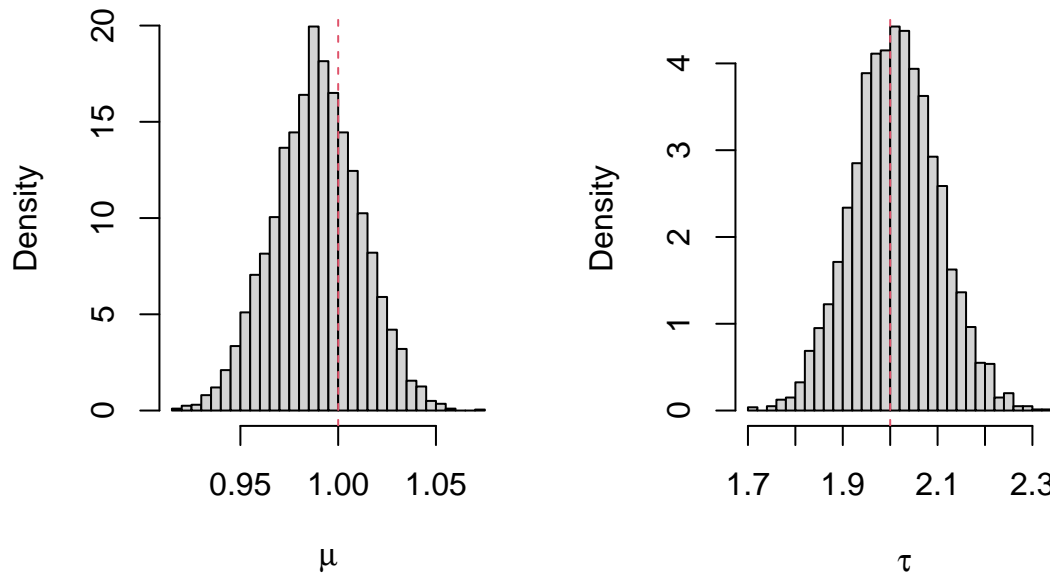
In other words,

$$\mu \mid y \sim t_{2p_n} \left( a_n, \frac{q_n}{c_n p_n} \right).$$

First, we implement a Gibbs sampler which alternately simulates from the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$ .

```
MCMCnorm = function(Y, mu0, tau0, a, c, p, q, niter, nburn) {
  n = length(Y)
  S = sum(Y)
  cn = c + n
  an = (c * a + S)/cn
  mu = numeric(niter)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  mu[1] = mu0
  tau[1] = tau0
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    mu[i] = rnorm(1, an, (cn * tau[i - 1])^(-0.5))
    tau[i] = rgamma(1, p + (n + 1)/2, q + c * (mu[i] - a)^2/2 + sum((Y -
      mu[i])^2)/2)
  }
  return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn)], tau = tau[-(1:nburn)]))
}

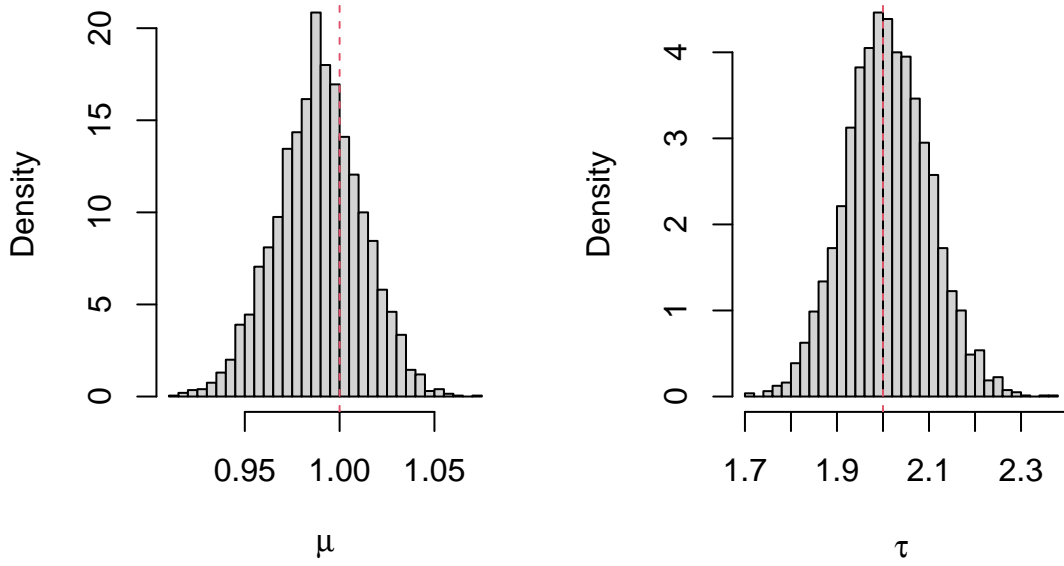
posterior = MCMCnorm(Y, 0, 1, 0, 0, 0.5, 0, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu))
abline(v = mu, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



Next, we implement the composition method which first simulates from the marginal posterior distribution of  $\tau$  and then from the conditional posterior distribution of  $\mu$ .

```
CMnorm = function(Y, a, c, p, q, niter) {
  n = length(Y)
  S = sum(Y)
  cn = c + n
  an = (c * a + S)/cn
  pn = p + n/2
  qn = q + c * a^2/2 + sum(Y^2)/2 - cn * an^2/2
  mu = numeric(niter)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  for (i in 1:niter) {
    tau[i] = rgamma(1, pn, qn)
    mu[i] = rnorm(1, an, (cn * tau[i])^(-0.5))
  }
  return(list(mu = mu, tau = tau))
}

posterior = CMnorm(Y, 0, 0, 0.5, 0, 4000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu))
abline(v = mu, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



## 1.2 Generalized Student's t Distribution

Let  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  be a random sample from the generalized Student's t distribution with mean  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , precision  $\tau > 0$  and  $\nu > 0$  degrees of freedom, that is:

$$f(y_i | \mu, \tau, \nu) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{\nu\pi}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\nu} \tau (y_i - \mu)^2 \right]^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}, \quad y_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Consider the random variables  $W_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^{-1})$  and  $V_i \sim \chi_\nu^2 \equiv \text{Gamma}(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ . Then, we observe that:

$$Y_i \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{W_i}{\sqrt{\frac{V_i}{\nu}}} + \mu.$$

We let  $Z_i = \frac{V_i}{\nu}$ . Then,  $Z_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2})$ . We observe that:

$$Y_i | z_i \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{W_i}{\sqrt{z_i}} + \mu \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \tau^{-1} z_i^{-1}).$$

Suppose that the degrees of freedom  $\nu$  are known and that the parameters  $\mu, \tau$  are a priori independent with prior distributions  $\mu \sim \mathcal{N}(a, c^{-1})$ ,  $\tau \sim \text{Gamma}(p, q)$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of the parameters  $\mu, \tau$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ .

*Solution.*

The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu, \tau) &= \pi(\mu) \cdot \pi(\tau) \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{c}{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c(\mu - a)^2}{2}\right\} \cdot \frac{q^p}{\Gamma(p)} \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\ &\propto \exp\left\{-c\frac{\mu^2 - 2\mu a + a^2}{2}\right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \end{aligned}$$



$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}c\mu^2 + ca\mu \right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau}.$$

We define:

$$\bar{z}\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i y_i.$$

The complete-data likelihood, i.e. the joint likelihood of the observed variables  $y_i$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(y, z | \mu, \tau) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i, z_i | \mu, \tau) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(z_i) f(y_i | z_i, \mu, \tau) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} z_i^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{\nu}{2}z_i} \sqrt{\frac{\tau z_i}{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\tau z_i (y_i - \mu)^2}{2} \right\} \\ &\propto \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\nu + \tau(y_i - \mu)^2}{2} z_i \right\} \\ &= \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)^2 \tau \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\} \\ &= \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^2 - 2y_i\mu + \mu^2}{2} z_i \tau \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} n\tau\bar{z}\mu^2 + n\tau\bar{z}\bar{y}\mu \right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i y_i^2 \tau \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu | \tau, z, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \tau, z | y) \\ &\propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y, z | \mu, \tau) \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}c\mu^2 + ca\mu \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}n\tau\bar{z}\mu^2 + n\tau\bar{z}\bar{y}\mu \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(c + n\tau\bar{z})}_{c_n} \mu^2 + (ca + n\tau\bar{z}\bar{y}) \mu \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{c + n\tau\bar{z}}{2} \mu^2 + \underbrace{(c + n\tau\bar{z})}_{c_n} \underbrace{\frac{ca + n\tau\bar{z}\bar{y}}{c + n\tau\bar{z}}}_{a_n} \mu \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\tau | \mu, z, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y, z | \mu, \tau) \\ &\propto \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)^2 \tau \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ - \left[ q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)^2 \right] \tau \right\}.$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of the latent variables  $z_i$  as follows:

$$f(z_i | y_i, \mu, \tau) \propto f(y_i, z_i | \mu, \tau) \propto z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ - \frac{\nu + \tau(y_i - \mu)^2}{2} z_i \right\}.$$

In other words,

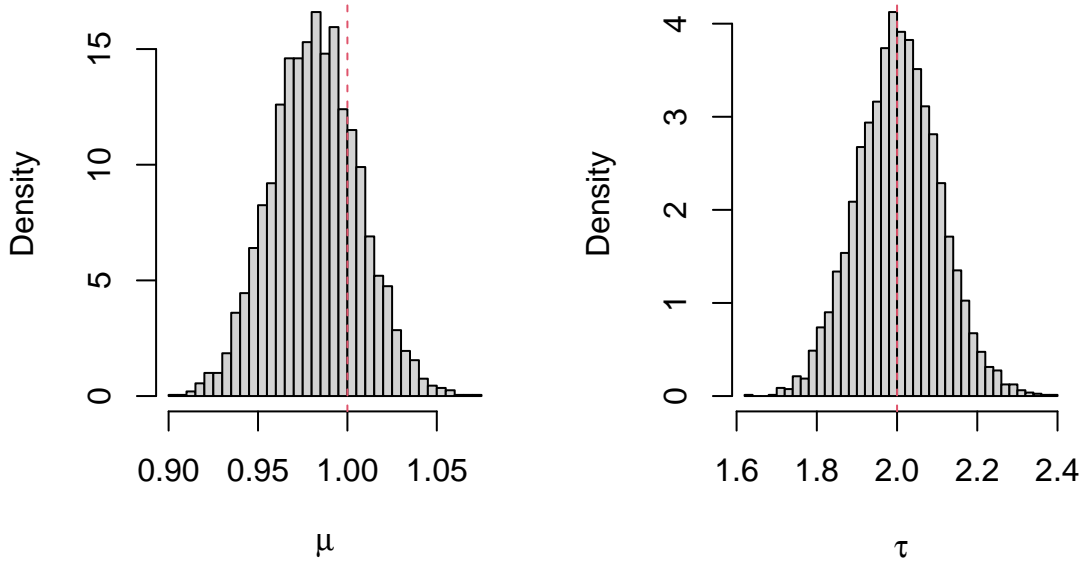
$$\mu | \tau, z, y \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \frac{ca + n\tau\bar{z}\bar{y}}{c + n\tau\bar{z}}, \frac{1}{c + n\tau\bar{z}} \right), \quad \tau | \mu, z, y \sim \text{Gamma} \left( p + \frac{n}{2}, q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)^2 \right),$$

$$z_i | y_i, \mu, \tau \sim \text{Gamma} \left( \frac{\nu + 1}{2}, \frac{\nu + \tau(y_i - \mu)^2}{2} \right).$$

```
MCMCt = function(Y, mu0, tau0, nu, a, c, p, q, niter, nburn) {
  n = length(Y)
  mu = numeric(niter)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  Z = matrix(0, niter, n)
  mu[1] = mu0
  tau[1] = tau0
  Z[1, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + 1)/2, (nu + tau[1] * (Y - mu[1])^2)/2)
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    mu[i] = rnorm(1, (c * a + tau[i - 1] * sum(Z[i - 1, ] * Y))/(c + tau[i - 1] * sum(Z[i - 1, ])), (c + n * tau[i - 1])^(-0.5))
    tau[i] = rgamma(1, p + n/2, q + sum(Z[i - 1, ] * (Y - mu[i])^2)/2)
    Z[i, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + 1)/2, (nu + tau[i] * (Y - mu[i])^2)/2)
  }
  return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn)], tau = tau[-(1:nburn)], Z = Z[-(1:nburn), ]))
}
```

```
library(mvtnorm)
n = 1000
mu = 1
tau = 2
nu = 10
Y = rmvt(n, matrix(tau^(-1)), nu, mu)
posterior = MCMCt(Y, 0, 1, nu, 0, 0, 0.5, 0, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu))
abline(v = mu, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
```

```
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



Alternatively, we can implement a Random Walk Metropolis-Hastings algorithm. We consider the proposed random variable  $\mu^* | \mu_{\ell-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{\ell-1}, \sigma_\mu^2)$  for the parameter  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$  with the following acceptance probability:

$$A(\mu_{\ell-1}, \mu^*) = \min \left\{ \frac{\pi(\mu^*)}{\pi(\mu_{\ell-1})} \frac{f(y | \mu^*, \tau_{\ell-1})}{f(y | \mu_{\ell-1}, \tau_{\ell-1})}, 1 \right\}.$$

We consider the proposed random variable  $\tau^* | \tau_{\ell-1} \sim \text{Lognormal}(\log \tau_{\ell-1}, \sigma_\tau^2)$  for the parameter  $\tau > 0$  with the following conditional probability density function:

$$f(\tau^* | \tau_{\ell-1}) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_\tau^2\tau_{\ell-1}^2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(\log \tau^* - \log \tau_{\ell-1})^2}{2\sigma_\tau^2} \right\}.$$

Then, the acceptance probability of the value  $\tau^*$  is given by:

$$A(\tau_{\ell-1}, \tau^*) = \min \left\{ \frac{\pi(\tau^*)}{\pi(\tau_{\ell-1})} \frac{f(y | \mu_\ell, \tau^*)}{f(y | \mu_\ell, \tau_{\ell-1})} \frac{\tau^*}{\tau_{\ell-1}}, 1 \right\}.$$

If  $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_\tau^2)$ , then we know that  $\tau^* | \tau_{\ell-1} \sim \tau_{\ell-1} e^Z$ . Therefore, this proposal is called a multiplicative random walk and may be equivalently written as a random walk on the log scale in the following manner:

$$\log \tau^* | \tau_{\ell-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\log \tau_{\ell-1}, \sigma_\tau^2).$$

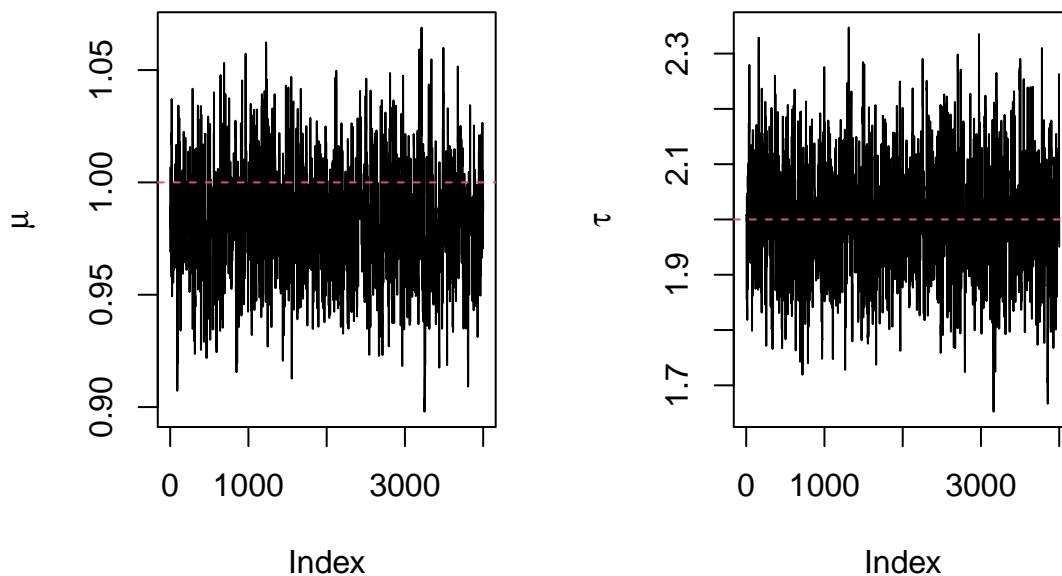
```
RWMHt = function(Y, mu0, tau0, nu, musd, tausd, niter, nburn) {
  library(mvtnorm)
  mu = numeric(niter)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  mu[1] = mu0
  tau[1] = tau0
  for (i in 2:niter) {
```

```

    mustar = rnorm(1, mu[i - 1], musd)
    logA = sum(dmvt(Y, mustar, matrix(tau[i - 1]^(-1)), nu) - dmvt(Y, mu[i -
      1], matrix(tau[i - 1]^(-1)), nu))
    mu[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, mustar, mu[i - 1])
    taustar = tau[i - 1] * exp(rnorm(1, sd = tausd))
    logA = log(taustar/tau[i - 1])/2 + sum(dmvt(Y, mu[i], matrix(taustar^(-1)),
      nu) - dmvt(Y, mu[i], matrix(tau[i - 1]^(-1)), nu))
    tau[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, taustar, tau[i - 1])
  }
  return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn)], tau = tau[-(1:nburn)]))
}

posterior = RWMHt(Y, 0, 1, nu, 0.05, 0.1, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
plot(posterior$mu, type = "l", ylab = expression(mu))
abline(h = mu, col = 2, lty = 2)
plot(posterior$tau, type = "l", ylab = expression(tau))
abline(h = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)

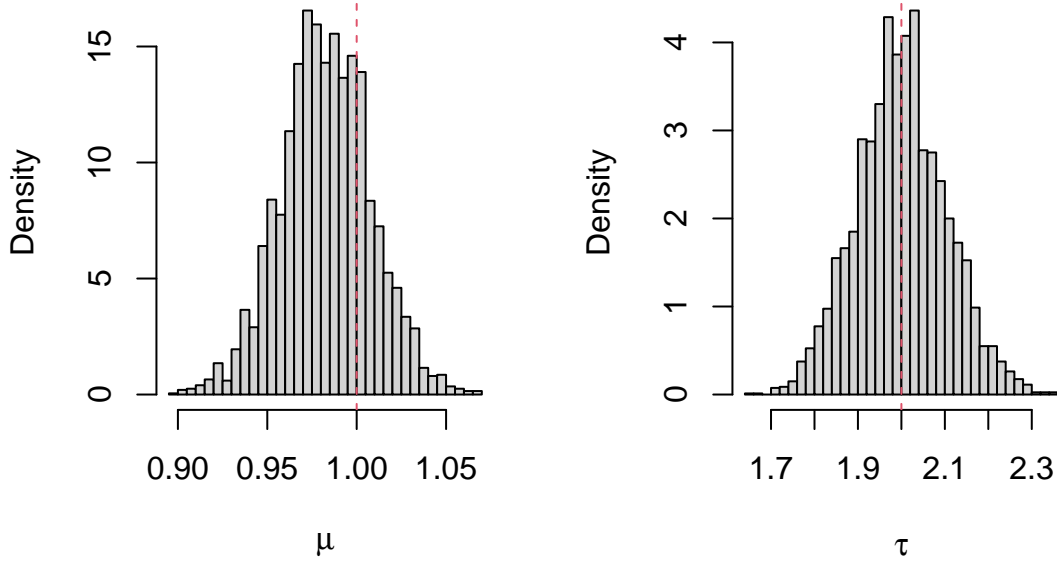
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hist(posterior$mu, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu))
abline(v = mu, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)

```



### 1.3 One-Way Analysis of Variance Model

Consider the analysis of variance model  $y_{ij} = \mu_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$ , where  $\varepsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^{-1})$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$  and  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n_i$ . We consider prior independence with prior distributions  $\mu_i \sim \mathcal{N}(a, c^{-1})$  and  $\tau \sim \text{Gamma}(p, q)$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu_i$  and  $\tau$ .

*Solution.*

The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \pi(\mu, \tau) &= \pi(\tau) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m \pi(\mu_i) \\
 &= \frac{q^p}{\Gamma(p)} \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^m \sqrt{\frac{c}{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c(\mu_i - a)^2}{2}\right\} \\
 &\propto \exp\left\{-c \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{\mu_i^2 - 2a\mu_i + a^2}{2}\right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\
 &\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{c}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i^2 + ca \sum_{i=1}^m \mu_i\right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We define:

$$n = \sum_{i=1}^m N_i, \quad \bar{y}_i = \frac{1}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_{ij}.$$

Then, the likelihood of the sample is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(y \mid \mu, \tau) &= \prod_{i=1}^m \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} f(y_{ij} \mid \mu, \tau) \\
 &= \prod_{i=1}^m \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{2\pi}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\tau(y_{ij} - \mu_i)^2}{2}\right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \propto \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (y_{ij} - \mu_i)^2 \tau \right\} \\
& = \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} \frac{y_{ij}^2 - 2y_{ij}\mu_i + \mu_i^2}{2} \tau \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \tau \sum_{i=1}^m N_i \mu_i^2 + \tau \sum_{i=1}^m N_i \bar{y}_i \mu_i \right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_{ij}^2 \tau \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu_i$  and  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu_i | \tau, y) & \propto \pi(\mu, \tau | y) \\
& \propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y | \mu, \tau) \\
& \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{c}{2} \mu_i^2 + ca \mu_i \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} n_i \tau \mu_i^2 + n_i \tau \bar{y}_i \mu_i \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \underbrace{(c + n_i \tau)}_{c_n} \mu_i^2 + (ca + n_i \tau \bar{y}_i) \mu_i \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{c + n_i \tau}{2} \mu_i^2 + \underbrace{(c + n_i \tau)}_{c_n} \underbrace{\frac{ca + n_i \tau \bar{y}_i}{c + n_i \tau}}_{a_n} \mu_i \right\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\tau | \mu, y) & \propto \pi(\mu, \tau) \cdot f(y | \mu, \tau) \\
& \propto \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (y_{ij} - \mu_i)^2 \tau \right\} \\
& = \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\left[ q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (y_{ij} - \mu_i)^2 \right] \tau \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\mu_i | \tau, y \sim \mathcal{N} \left( \frac{ca + n_i \tau \bar{y}_i}{c + n_i \tau}, \frac{1}{c + n_i \tau} \right), \quad \tau | \mu, y \sim \text{Gamma} \left( p + \frac{n}{2}, q + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} (y_{ij} - \mu_i)^2 \right).$$

```

MCMCanova = function(Y, X, mu0, tau0, a, c, p, q, niter, nburn) {
  n = length(Y)
  m = length(levels(X))
  N = table(X)
  S = aggregate(Y ~ X, FUN = sum)[, 2]
  mu = matrix(0, niter, m)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  mu[1, ] = mu0
  tau[1] = tau0
  for (i in 2:niter) {

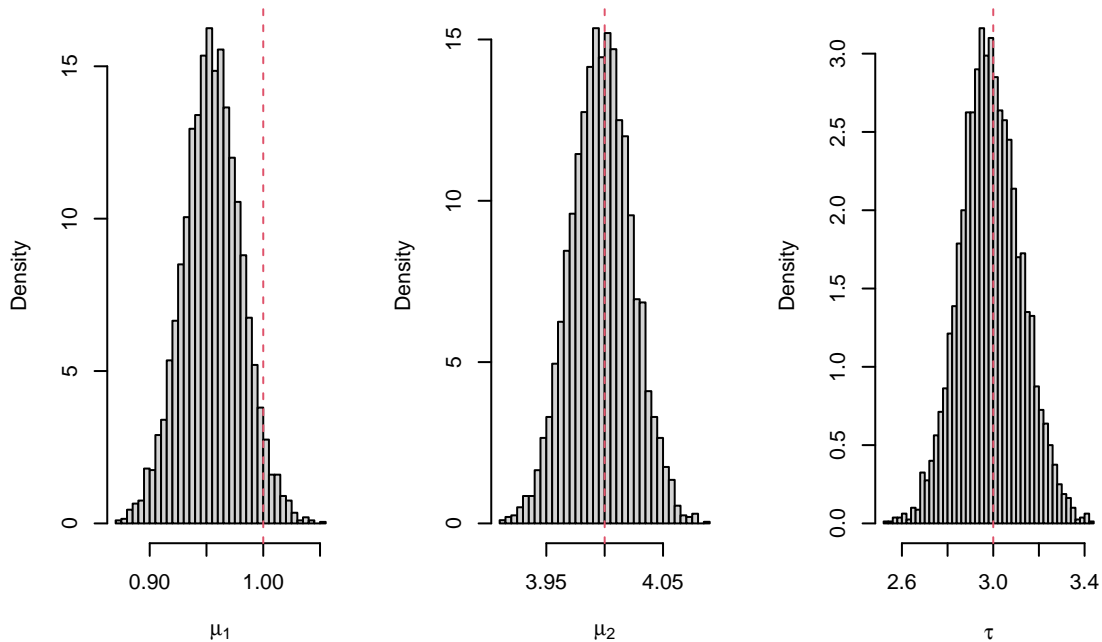
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mu[i, ] = rnorm(m, (c * a + tau[i - 1] * S)/(c + N * tau[i - 1]), (c +
  N * tau[i - 1])^(-0.5))
tau[i] = rgamma(1, p + n/2, q + sum((Y - mu[i, X])^2)/2)
}
return(list(tau = tau[-(1:nburn)], mu = mu[-(1:nburn), ]))
}

n = 1000
m = 2
tau = 3
mu = c(1, 4)
X = factor(sample(m, n, replace = TRUE), levels = 1:m)
Y = rnorm(n, mu[X], tau^(-0.5))
posterior = MCMCanova(Y, X, numeric(m), 1, 0, 0, 0.5, 0, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
hist(posterior$mu[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[1]))
abline(v = mu[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$mu[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[2]))
abline(v = mu[2], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)

```



## 1.4 Linear Model with Student's t Error Term

Consider the linear model  $y_i = x_i^T \beta + \varepsilon_i$ , where  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^k$  and the error term  $\varepsilon_i$  follows the generalized Student's t distribution with mean 0, precision  $\tau > 0$  and  $\nu > 0$  degrees of freedom, that is:

$$f(y_i | \beta, \tau, \nu) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} \sqrt{\frac{\tau}{\nu\pi}} \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{\nu} \tau (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2 \right]^{-\frac{\nu+1}{2}}, \quad y_i \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Consider the random variables  $W_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^{-1})$  and  $V_i \sim \chi_\nu^2 \equiv \text{Gamma}(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ . Then, we observe that:

$$Y_i \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{W_i}{\sqrt{\frac{V_i}{\nu}}} + x_i^T \beta.$$

We let  $Z_i = \frac{V_i}{\nu}$ . Then,  $Z_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2})$ . We observe that:

$$Y_i | z_i \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{W_i}{\sqrt{z_i}} + x_i^T \beta \sim \mathcal{N}(x_i^T \beta, \tau^{-1} z_i^{-1}).$$

Suppose that the degrees of freedom  $\nu$  are known and consider the conditionally conjugate prior distribution  $\beta | \tau \sim \mathcal{N}_k(a, \tau^{-1} C^{-1})$ ,  $\tau \sim \text{Gamma}(p, q)$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions  $\pi(\beta, \tau | z, y)$ ,  $\pi(\tau | \beta, z, y)$  and  $f(z_i | y_i, \beta, \tau)$ .

*Solution.*

The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\beta, \tau) &= \pi(\beta | \tau) \cdot \pi(\tau) \\ &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |\tau^{-1} C^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\tau(\beta - a)^T C(\beta - a)}{2} \right\} \cdot \frac{q^p}{\Gamma(p)} \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\ &\propto \tau^{p+\frac{k}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\left[ q + \frac{(\beta - a)^T C(\beta - a)}{2} \right] \tau \right\} \\ &= \tau^{\frac{k}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\tau \frac{\beta^T C \beta - 2\beta^T C a + a^T C a}{2} \right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} e^{-q\tau} \\ &= \tau^{\frac{k}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T \tau C \beta}{2} + \beta^T \tau C a \right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} \exp \left\{ -\left( q + \frac{a^T C a}{2} \right) \tau \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

The complete-data likelihood, i.e. the joint likelihood of the observed variables  $y_i$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(y, z | \beta, \tau) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i, z_i | \beta, \tau) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(z_i) f(y_i | z_i, \beta, \tau) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{(\frac{\nu}{2})^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})} z_i^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{\nu}{2} z_i} \sqrt{\frac{\tau z_i}{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\tau z_i (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2}{2} \right\} \\ &\propto \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\nu + \tau (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2}{2} z_i \right\}. \end{aligned}$$



We define  $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , the design matrix  $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$  and the diagonal weight matrix  $Z = \text{diag}(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Then, we observe that  $y | z \sim N_n(X\beta, \tau^{-1}Z^{-1})$ . In other words, the complete-data likelihood is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}
f(y, z | \beta, \tau) &= f(z) \cdot f(y | z, \beta, \tau) \\
&= f(y | z, \beta, \tau) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n f(z_i) \\
&= (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} |\tau^{-1}Z^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\tau(y - X\beta)^T Z (y - X\beta)}{2} \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{\nu}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} z_i^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{\nu}{2}z_i} \\
&\propto \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(y - X\beta)^T Z (y - X\beta)}{2} \tau \right\} \cdot |Z|^{\frac{1}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{y^T Z y - 2\beta^T X^T Z y + \beta^T X^T Z X \beta}{2} \tau \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{1}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\} \\
&= \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T \tau X^T Z X \beta}{2} + \beta^T \tau X^T Z y \right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{y^T Z y}{2} \tau \right\} \\
&\quad \times \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the joint conditional posterior distribution of  $\beta$  and  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\beta, \tau | z, y) &\propto \pi(\beta, \tau, z | y) \\
&\propto \pi(\beta, \tau) \cdot f(y, z | \beta, \tau) \\
&\propto \tau^{\frac{k}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T \tau C \beta}{2} + \beta^T \tau C a \right\} \cdot \tau^{p-1} \exp \left\{ -\left( q + \frac{a^T C a}{2} \right) \tau \right\} \\
&\quad \times \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T \tau X^T Z X \beta}{2} + \beta^T \tau X^T Z y \right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{y^T Z y}{2} \tau \right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{k}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \beta^T \tau \underbrace{(C + X^T Z X)}_{C_n} \beta + \beta^T \tau (C a + X^T Z y) \right\} \\
&\quad \times \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\left( q + \frac{a^T C a + y^T Z y}{2} \right) \tau \right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{k}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T \tau C_n \beta}{2} + \beta^T \tau \underbrace{(C + X^T Z X)}_{C_n} \underbrace{(C a + X^T Z y)}_{a_n} \right\} \\
&\quad \times \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\left( q + \frac{a^T C a + y^T Z y}{2} \right) \tau \right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{k}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T \tau C_n \beta}{2} + \beta^T \tau C_n a_n - \frac{a_n^T \tau C_n a_n}{2} + \frac{a_n^T \tau C_n a_n}{2} \right\} \\
&\quad \times \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\left( q + \frac{a^T C a + y^T Z y}{2} \right) \tau \right\} \\
&= \tau^{\frac{k}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\tau(\beta - a_n)^T C_n (\beta - a_n)}{2} \right\} \\
&\quad \times \tau^{p+\frac{n}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\left( q + \frac{a^T C a + y^T Z y - a_n^T C_n a_n}{2} \right) \tau \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

We calculate that:

$$a_n^T C_n a_n = (Ca + X^T Zy)^T (C + X^T ZX)^{-1} (Ca + X^T Zy).$$

In other words,

$$\begin{aligned} \beta \mid \tau, z, y &\sim \mathcal{N}_k \left( (C + X^T ZX)^{-1} (Ca + X^T Zy), \tau^{-1} (C + X^T ZX)^{-1} \right), \\ \tau \mid z, y &\sim \text{Gamma} \left( p + \frac{n}{2}, q + \frac{a^T Ca + y^T Zy - a_n^T C_n a_n}{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of  $\tau$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\tau \mid \beta, z, y) &\propto \pi(\beta, \tau) \cdot f(y, z \mid \beta, \tau) \\ &\propto \tau^{p + \frac{k}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ - \left[ q + \frac{(\beta - a)^T C (\beta - a)}{2} \right] \tau \right\} \cdot \tau^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ - \frac{(y - X\beta)^T Z (y - X\beta)}{2} \tau \right\} \\ &= \tau^{p + \frac{n+k}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ - \left[ q + \frac{(\beta - a)^T C (\beta - a) + (y - X\beta)^T Z (y - X\beta)}{2} \right] \tau \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\tau \mid \beta, z, y \sim \text{Gamma} \left( p + \frac{n+k}{2}, q + \frac{(\beta - a)^T C (\beta - a) + (y - X\beta)^T Z (y - X\beta)}{2} \right).$$

Finally, we get the conditional posterior distribution of the latent variables  $z_i$  as follows:

$$f(z_i \mid y_i, \beta, \tau) \propto f(y_i, z_i \mid \beta, \tau) \propto z_i^{\frac{\nu+1}{2} - 1} \exp \left\{ - \frac{\nu + \tau (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2}{2} z_i \right\}.$$

In other words,

$$z_i \mid y_i, \beta, \tau \sim \text{Gamma} \left( \frac{\nu+1}{2}, \frac{\nu + \tau (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2}{2} \right).$$

First, we implement a Gibbs sampler which alternately simulates from the conditional posterior distributions of the parameters  $\beta$ ,  $\tau$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ .

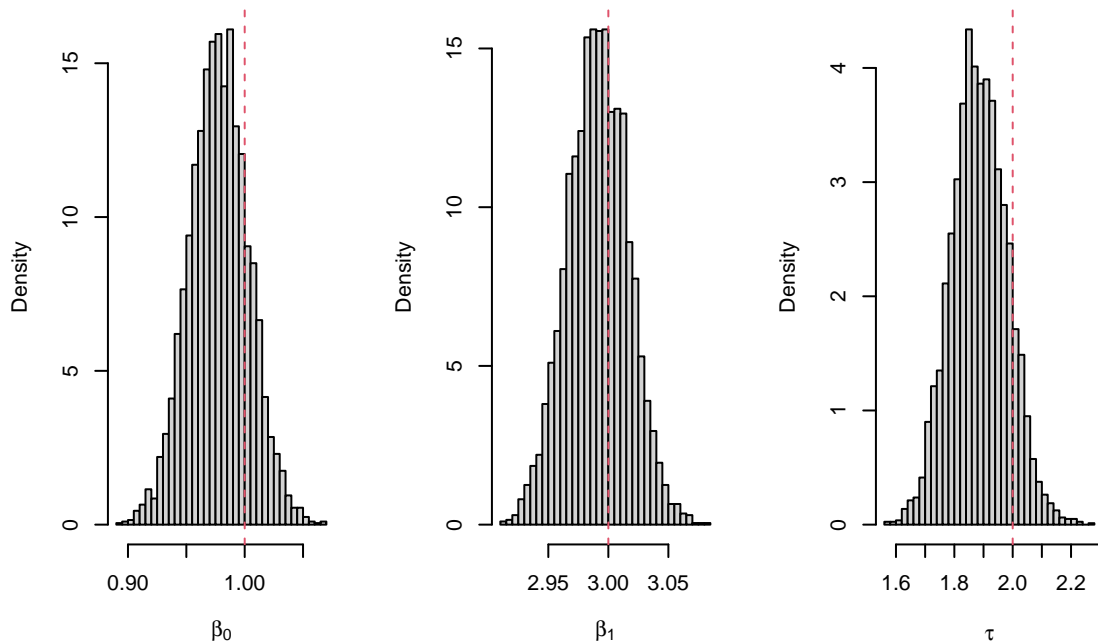
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MCMCt1m = function(Y, X, beta0, tau0, nu, a, C, p, q, niter, nburn) {
  library(MASS)
  n = length(Y)
  k = dim(X)[2]
  beta = matrix(0, niter, k)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  Z = matrix(0, niter, n)
  beta[1, ] = beta0
  tau[1] = tau0
  Z[1, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + 1)/2, (nu + tau[1] * (Y - X %*% beta[1, ])^2)/2)
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    Cn = C + crossprod(X, Z[i - 1, ] * X)
    an = solve(Cn, C %*% a + crossprod(X, Z[i - 1, ] * Y))
    beta[i, ] = mvrnorm(1, an, solve(Cn)/tau[i - 1])
  }
}
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    tau[i] = rgamma(1, p + (n + k)/2, q + (crossprod(beta[i, ] - a, C %%%
      (beta[i, ] - a)) + crossprod(Y - X %%% beta[i, ], Z[i - 1, ] * (Y -
        X %%% beta[i, ])))/2)
    Z[i, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + 1)/2, (nu + tau[i] * (Y - X %%% beta[i, ])^2)/2)
  }
  return(list(beta = beta[-(1:nburn), ], tau = tau[-(1:nburn)], Z = Z[-(1:nburn),
    ]))
}

library(mvtnorm)
n = 1000
k = 2
beta = c(1, 3)
tau = 2
nu = 10
X = cbind(1, rnorm(n))
Y = X %%% beta + rmvt(n, matrix(tau^(-1)), nu)
posterior = MCMCtM(Y, X, numeric(k), 1, nu, numeric(k), matrix(0, k, k), 0.5,
  0, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
hist(posterior$beta[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[0]))
abline(v = beta[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$beta[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[1]))
abline(v = beta[2], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)

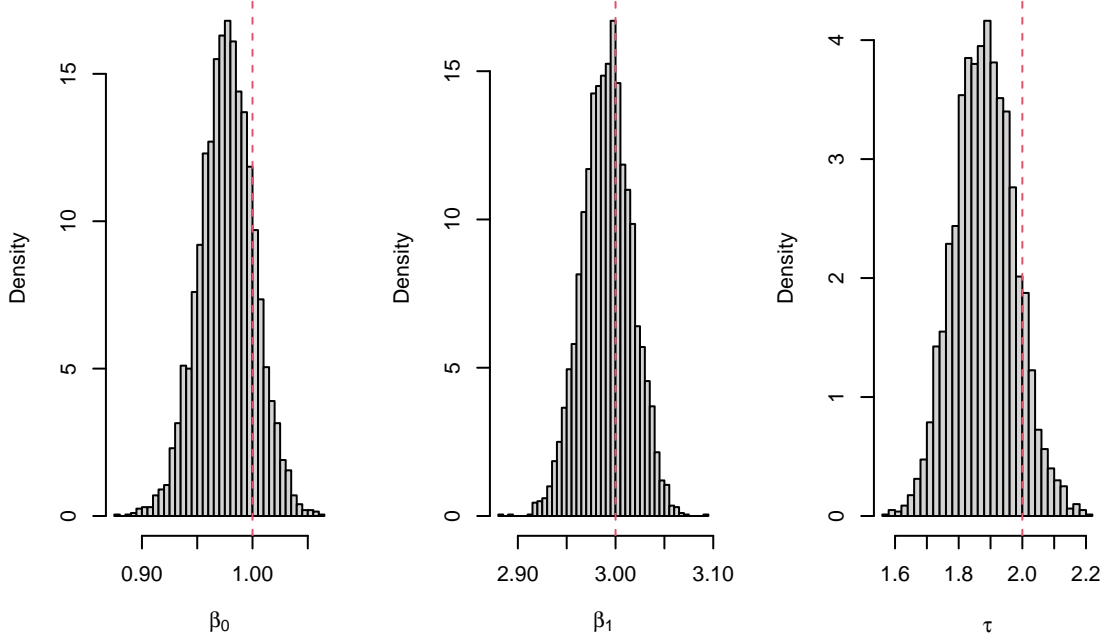
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Next, we implement a Gibbs sampler which alternately simulates from the conditional posterior distributions of the parameter  $(\beta, \tau)$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ .

```
MCMCt1m = function(Y, X, beta0, tau0, nu, a, C, p, q, niter, nburn) {
  library(MASS)
  n = length(Y)
  k = dim(X)[2]
  beta = matrix(0, niter, k)
  tau = numeric(niter)
  Z = matrix(0, niter, n)
  beta[1, ] = beta0
  tau[1] = tau0
  Z[1, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + 1)/2, (nu + tau[1] * (Y - X %*% beta[1, ])^2)/2)
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    Cn = C + crossprod(X, Z[i - 1, ] * X)
    an = solve(Cn, C %*% a + crossprod(X, Z[i - 1, ] * Y))
    qn = q + (crossprod(a, C %*% a) + crossprod(Y, Z[i - 1, ] * Y) - crossprod(C %*%
      a + crossprod(X, Z[i - 1, ] * Y), an))/2
    tau[i] = rgamma(1, p + n/2, qn)
    beta[i, ] = mvrnorm(1, an, solve(Cn)/tau[i])
    Z[i, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + 1)/2, (nu + tau[i] * (Y - X %*% beta[i, ])^2)/2)
  }
  return(list(beta = beta[-(1:nburn), ], tau = tau[-(1:nburn)], Z = Z[-(1:nburn),
    ]))
}

posterior = MCMCt1m(Y, X, numeric(k), 1, nu, numeric(k), matrix(0, k, k), 0.5,
  0, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
hist(posterior$beta[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[0]))
abline(v = beta[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$beta[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[1]))
abline(v = beta[2], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$tau, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(tau))
abline(v = tau, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



## 1.5 Multivariate Normal Distribution

**Definition 1.2.** We define the multivariate Gamma function as follows:

$$\Gamma_k(x) = \pi^{\frac{k(k-1)}{4}} \prod_{j=1}^k \Gamma\left(x + \frac{1-j}{2}\right), \quad x > \frac{k-1}{2}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

**Definition 1.3.** We say that a positive definite random matrix  $X \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$  follows the Wishart distribution with positive definite scale matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$  and  $\nu > 0$  degrees of freedom, i.e.  $X \sim \mathcal{W}_k(A, \nu)$ , if it has the following probability density function:

$$f_X(x | A, \nu) = \frac{1}{2^{\frac{\nu k}{2}} |A|^{\frac{\nu}{2}} \Gamma_k\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} |x|^{\frac{\nu-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A^{-1}x)}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}.$$

Let  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  be a random sample from the multivariate normal distribution  $\mathcal{N}_k(\mu, \Sigma)$ .

- Consider prior independence with prior distributions  $\mu \sim \mathcal{N}_k(a, C^{-1})$  and  $\Omega \sim \mathcal{W}_k(A^{-1}, d)$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\Omega$ .
- Consider the conjugate prior distribution  $\mu | \Omega \sim \mathcal{N}_k(a, c^{-1}\Omega^{-1})$ ,  $\Omega \sim \mathcal{W}_k(A^{-1}, d)$ . Calculate the conditional and marginal posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\Omega$ .

*Solution.*

- The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu, \Omega) &= \pi(\mu) \cdot \pi(\Omega) \\ &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |C^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(\mu - a)^T C(\mu - a)}{2}\right\} \cdot \frac{|A|^{\frac{d}{2}}}{2^{\frac{dk}{2}} \Gamma_k\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)} |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A\Omega)} \\ &\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{\mu^T C \mu - 2\mu^T C a + a^T C a}{2}\right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A\Omega)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T C \mu}{2} + \mu^T C a \right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A \Omega)}.$$

**Lemma 1.1.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ . Then,

$$x^T A x = \text{tr}(x^T A x) = \text{tr}(x x^T A).$$

The likelihood of the sample is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(y \mid \mu, \Omega) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i \mid \mu, \Omega) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n (2\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |\Omega^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(y_i - \mu)^T \Omega (y_i - \mu)}{2} \right\} \\ &\propto |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \Omega \right] \right\} \\ &= |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^T \Omega y_i - 2\mu^T \Omega y_i + \mu^T \Omega \mu}{2} \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T n \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T n \Omega \bar{y} \right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T \Omega \right) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\Omega$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu \mid \Omega, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \Omega \mid y) \\ &\propto \pi(\mu, \Omega) \cdot f(y \mid \mu, \Omega) \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T C \mu}{2} + \mu^T C a \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T n \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T n \Omega \bar{y} \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \mu^T \underbrace{(C + n \Omega)}_{C_n} \mu + \mu^T (C a + n \Omega \bar{y}) \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T (C + n \Omega) \mu}{2} + \mu^T \underbrace{(C + n \Omega)}_{C_n} \underbrace{(C + n \Omega)^{-1} (C a + n \Omega \bar{y})}_{a_n} \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\Omega \mid \mu, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \Omega) \cdot f(y \mid \mu, \Omega) \\ &\propto |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A \Omega)} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \Omega \right] \right\} \\ &= |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \left( A + \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \right) \Omega \right] \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\mu \mid \Omega, y \sim \mathcal{N}_k \left( (C + n \Omega)^{-1} (C a + n \Omega \bar{y}), (C + n \Omega)^{-1} \right),$$

$$\Omega \mid \mu, y \sim \mathcal{W}_k \left( \left( A + \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \right)^{-1}, d + n \right).$$

**Definition 1.4.** We define the Kronecker product of two matrices  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q}$  as the following matrix:

$$C = A \otimes B = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}B & a_{12}B & \cdots & a_{1m}B \\ a_{21}B & a_{22}B & \cdots & a_{2m}B \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{n1}B & a_{n2}B & \cdots & a_{nm}B \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{np \times mq}.$$

**Lemma 1.2.** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  be a positive definite matrix,  $x, a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then, it follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial c}{\partial x} &= \mathbf{0}_n, & \frac{\partial a}{\partial x} &= \mathbf{0}_{n \times n}, & \frac{\partial Ax}{\partial x} &= A, & \frac{\partial a^T x}{\partial x} &= a, & \frac{\partial x^T Ax}{\partial x} &= 2Ax, \\ \frac{\partial aa^T}{\partial x} &= \mathbf{0}_{n^2 \times n}, & \frac{\partial ax^T}{\partial x} &= \frac{\partial xa^T}{\partial x} = a \otimes I_n, & \frac{\partial xx^T}{\partial x} &= x \otimes I_n + I_n \otimes x, \\ \frac{\partial x^T Ax}{\partial A} &= xx^T, & \frac{\partial \log |A|}{\partial A} &= A^{-1}, & \frac{\partial A^{-1}}{\partial A} &= -A^{-1} \otimes A^{-1}, & \frac{\partial Ax}{\partial A} &= x^T \otimes I_n. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 1.3.** Let  $X \in \mathbb{R}^k$  be a random vector and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  a constant matrix. Then, it follows that:

$$\mathbb{E}(A \otimes X) = A \otimes \mathbb{E}(X), \quad \mathbb{E}(X \otimes A) = \mathbb{E}(X) \otimes A.$$

**Lemma 1.4.** Let  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $B \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ . Then, it follows that:

$$|A \otimes B| = |A|^m |B|^n.$$

We can calculate Jeffreys' prior for the multivariate normal distribution as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \log f(y | \mu, \Omega) &= \frac{1}{2} \log |\Omega| - \frac{k}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{(y - \mu)^T \Omega (y - \mu)}{2}, \\ \frac{\partial \log f(y | \mu, \Omega)}{\partial \mu} &= \Omega(y - \mu) \in \mathbb{R}^k, & \frac{\partial \log f(y | \mu, \Omega)}{\partial \Omega} &= \frac{1}{2} \Omega^{-1} - \frac{(y - \mu)(y - \mu)^T}{2} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}, \\ \frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \Omega)}{\partial \mu \partial \mu} &= -\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}, & \frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \Omega)}{\partial \Omega \partial \Omega} &= -\frac{1}{2} \Omega^{-1} \otimes \Omega^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}^{k^2 \times k^2}, \\ \frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \Omega)}{\partial \Omega \partial \mu} &= (y - \mu)^T \otimes I_k \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k^2}, & \frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \Omega)}{\partial \mu \partial \Omega} &= \frac{(y - \mu) \otimes I_k + I_k \otimes (y - \mu)}{2} \in \mathbb{R}^{k^2 \times k}, \\ \mathcal{I}(\mu, \Omega) &= \mathbb{E} \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 \log f(y | \mu, \Omega)}{\partial(\mu, \Omega) \partial(\mu, \Omega)} \right] = \begin{bmatrix} \Omega & \mathbf{0}_{k \times k^2} \\ \mathbf{0}_{k^2 \times k} & \frac{1}{2} \Omega^{-1} \otimes \Omega^{-1} \end{bmatrix}, \\ J(\mu, \Omega) &\propto \sqrt{|\mathcal{I}(\mu, \Omega)|} = \sqrt{|\Omega| \left| \frac{1}{2} \Omega^{-1} \otimes \Omega^{-1} \right|} \propto \sqrt{|\Omega| |\Omega|^{-k} |\Omega|^{-k}} = |\Omega|^{\frac{1-2k}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

We observe that the improper Jeffreys' prior results for  $a = \mathbf{0}_k$ ,  $C = A = \mathbf{0}_{k \times k}$  and  $d = 2 - k$

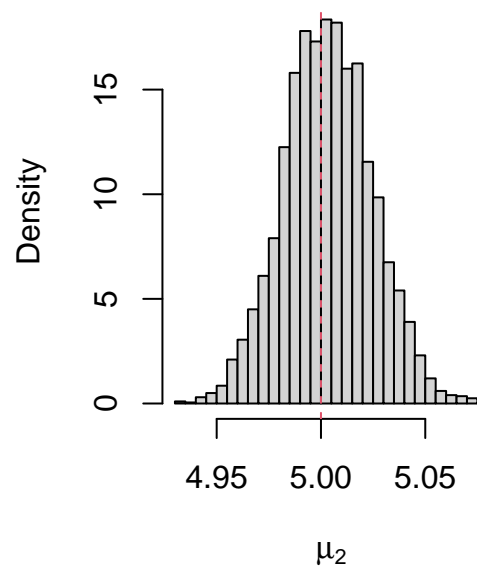
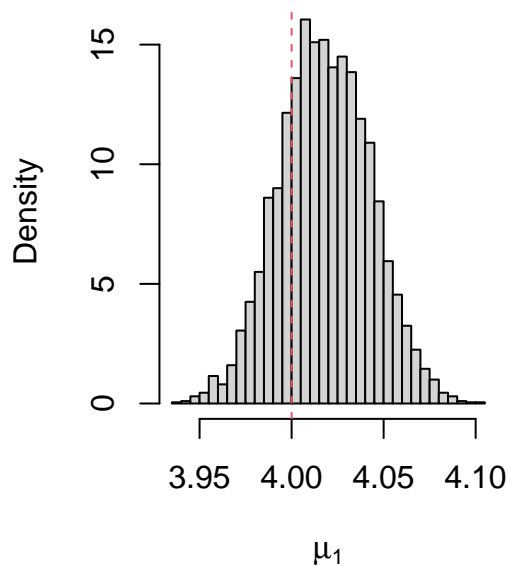
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MCMCmvnorm = function(Y, mu0, Omega0, a, C, A, d, niter, nburn) {
  library(MASS)
  n = dim(Y)[1]
```

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k = dim(Y)[2]
S = colSums(Y)
mu = matrix(0, niter, k)
Omega = array(0, c(k, k, niter))
mu[1, ] = mu0
Omega[, , 1] = Omega0
for (i in 2:niter) {
  Cn = C + n * Omega[, , i - 1]
  an = solve(Cn, C %*% a + Omega[, , i - 1] %*% S)
  mu[i, ] = mvrnorm(1, an, solve(Cn))
  Omega[, , i] = rWishart(1, d + n, solve(A + tcrossprod(t(Y) - mu[i,
    ])))
}
return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn), ], Omega = Omega[, , -(1:nburn)]))
}

library(MASS)
n = 1000
k = 2
mu = c(4, 5)
Omega = matrix(c(2, 1, 1, 3), k)
Y = mvrnorm(n, mu, solve(Omega))
posterior = MCMCmnorm(Y, numeric(k), diag(k), numeric(k), matrix(0, k, k),
  matrix(0, k, k), 2 - k, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[1]))
abline(v = mu[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$mu[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[2]))
abline(v = mu[2], col = 2, lty = 2)

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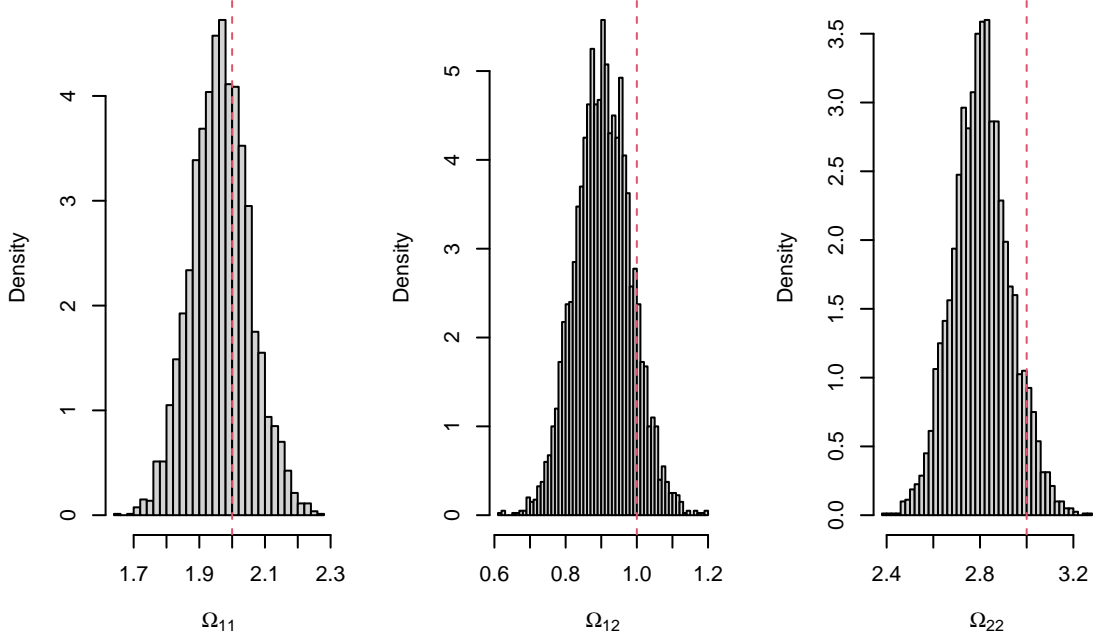




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par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
hist(posterior$Omega[1, 1, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[11]))
abline(v = Omega[1, 1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$Omega[1, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[12]))
abline(v = Omega[1, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$Omega[2, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[22]))
abline(v = Omega[2, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)

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b. The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu, \Omega) &= \pi(\mu | \Omega) \cdot \pi(\Omega) \\
&= (2\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |c^{-1}\Omega^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c(\mu - a)^T \Omega (\mu - a)}{2}\right\} \cdot \frac{|A|^{\frac{d}{2}}}{2^{\frac{dk}{2}} \Gamma_k\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)} |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(A\Omega)} \\
&\propto |\Omega|^{\frac{d+1-k-1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}[(A + c(\mu - a)(\mu - a)^T) \Omega]\right\} \\
&= |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-c\frac{\mu^T \Omega \mu - 2\mu^T \Omega a + a^T \Omega a}{2}\right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}(A\Omega)} \\
&= |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\mu^T c \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T c \Omega a\right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}[(A + caa^T) \Omega]\right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the joint posterior distribution of  $\mu$  and  $\Omega$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu, \Omega | y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \Omega) \cdot f(y | \mu, \Omega) \\
&\propto |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{\mu^T c \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T c \Omega a\right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}[(A + caa^T) \Omega]\right\} \\
&\quad \times \exp\left\{-\frac{\mu^T n \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T n \Omega \bar{y}\right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\text{tr}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T \Omega\right)\right\}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \mu^T \underbrace{(c+n)}_{c_n} \Omega \mu + \mu^T \Omega (ca + n\bar{y}) \right\} \\
&\quad \times |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \left( A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T \right) \Omega \right] \right\} \\
&= |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T (c+n) \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T \underbrace{(c+n)}_{c_n} \Omega \underbrace{\frac{ca + n\bar{y}}{c+n}}_{a_n} \right\} \\
&\quad \times |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \left( A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T \right) \Omega \right] \right\} \\
&= |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T c_n \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T c_n \Omega a_n - \frac{a_n^T c_n \Omega a_n}{2} + \frac{a_n^T c_n \Omega a_n}{2} \right\} \\
&\quad \times |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \left( A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T \right) \Omega \right] \right\} \\
&= |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{c_n (\mu - a_n)^T \Omega (\mu - a_n)}{2} \right\} \\
&\quad \times |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \left( A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T - c_n a_n a_n^T \right) \Omega \right] \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

We calculate that:

$$c_n a_n a_n^T = \frac{(ca + n\bar{y})(ca + n\bar{y})^T}{c+n}.$$

In other words,

$$\begin{aligned}
\mu \mid \Omega, y &\sim \mathcal{N}_k \left( \frac{ca + n\bar{y}}{c+n}, \frac{1}{c+n} \Omega^{-1} \right), \\
\Omega \mid y &\sim \mathcal{W}_k \left( \left( A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T - \frac{(ca + n\bar{y})(ca + n\bar{y})^T}{c+n} \right)^{-1}, d+n \right).
\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of  $\Omega$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\Omega \mid \mu, y) &\propto \pi(\mu, \Omega) \cdot f(y \mid \mu, \Omega) \\
&\propto |\Omega|^{\frac{d+1-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ (A + c(\mu - a)(\mu - a)^T) \Omega \right] \right\} \\
&\quad \times |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \Omega \right] \right\} \\
&= |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n+1-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \left( A + c(\mu - a)(\mu - a)^T + \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \right) \Omega \right] \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\Omega \mid \mu, y \sim \mathcal{W}_k \left( \left( A + c(\mu - a)(\mu - a)^T + \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \right)^{-1}, d+n+1 \right).$$

**Definition 1.5.** We say that a random vector  $X \in \mathbb{R}^k$  follows the multivariate Student's t distribution with mean

vector  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , positive definite covariance matrix  $\Sigma \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$  and  $\nu > 0$  degrees of freedom, i.e.  $X \sim t_\nu(\mu, \Sigma)$ , if it has the following probability density function:

$$f_X(x | \mu, \Sigma, \nu) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+k}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} \frac{1}{(\nu\pi)^{\frac{k}{2}} |\Sigma|^{\frac{1}{2}}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{\nu}(x - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(x - \mu)\right]^{-\frac{\nu+k}{2}}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^k.$$

**Lemma 1.5.** Let  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  an invertible matrix. Then,

$$|A + xy^T| = |A| (1 + y^T A^{-1} x).$$

Finally, We define:

$$d_n = d + n - k + 1, \quad A_n = A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T - c_n a_n a_n^T.$$

Then, we calculate the marginal posterior distribution of  $\mu$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu | y) &= \int \pi(\mu, \Omega | y) d\Omega \\ &\propto \int |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n+1-k-1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}\left[\left(A + c(\mu - a)(\mu - a)^T + \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T\right)\Omega\right]\right\} d\Omega \\ &\propto \left|A + c(\mu - a)(\mu - a)^T + \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T\right|^{-\frac{d+n+1}{2}} \\ &= \left|A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T + (c+n)\mu\mu^T - (ca + n\bar{y})\mu^T - \mu(ca + n\bar{y})^T\right|^{-\frac{d+n-k+1+k}{2}} \\ &= \left|A + caa^T + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i y_i^T - c_n a_n a_n^T + c_n (\mu - a_n)(\mu - a_n)^T\right|^{-\frac{d_n+k}{2}} \\ &\propto \left[1 + c_n (\mu - a_n)^T A_n^{-1} (\mu - a_n)\right]^{-\frac{d_n+k}{2}} \\ &= \left[1 + \frac{1}{d_n} (\mu - a_n)^T c_n d_n A_n^{-1} (\mu - a_n)\right]^{-\frac{d_n+k}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\mu | y \sim t_{d_n}\left(a_n, \frac{1}{c_n d_n} A_n\right).$$

First, we implement a Gibbs sampler which alternately simulates from the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\Omega$ .

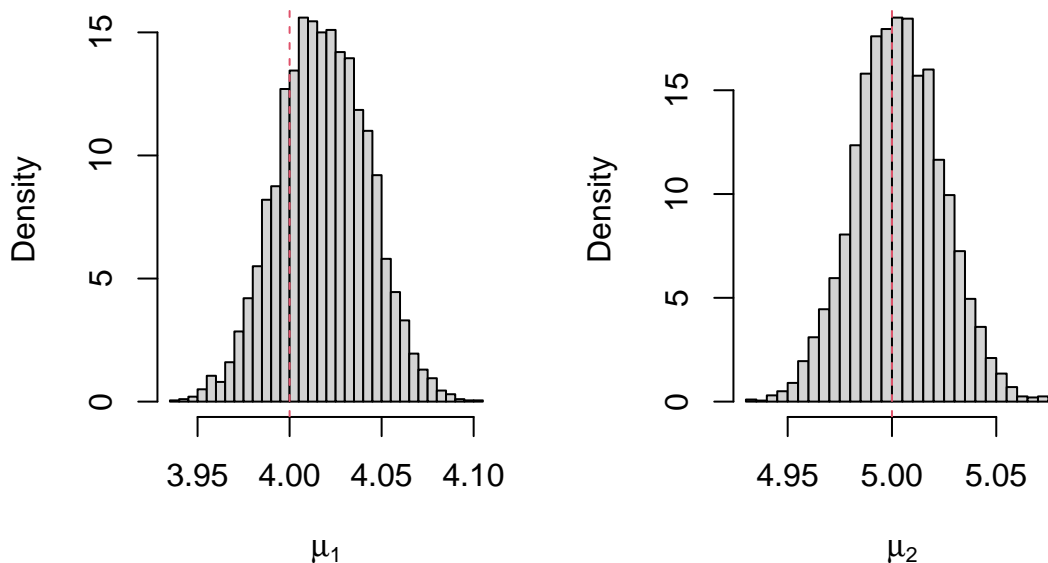
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MCMCMvnorm = function(Y, mu0, Omega0, a, c, A, d, niter, nburn) {
  library(MASS)
  n = dim(Y)[1]
  k = dim(Y)[2]
  S = colSums(Y)
  cn = c + n
  an = (c * a + S)/cn
  mu = matrix(0, niter, k)
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Omega = array(0, c(k, k, niter))
mu[1, ] = mu0
Omega[, , 1] = Omega0
for (i in 2:niter) {
  mu[i, ] = mvrnorm(1, an, solve(Omega[, , i - 1])/cn)
  Omega[, , i] = rWishart(1, d + n + 1, solve(A + c * tcrossprod(mu[i,
    ] - a) + tcrossprod(t(Y) - mu[i, ])))
}
return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn), ], Omega = Omega[, , -(1:nburn)]))
}

posterior = MCMCmvrnorm(Y, numeric(k), diag(k), numeric(k), 0, matrix(0, k, k),
  2 - k, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[1]))
abline(v = mu[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$mu[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[2]))
abline(v = mu[2], col = 2, lty = 2)

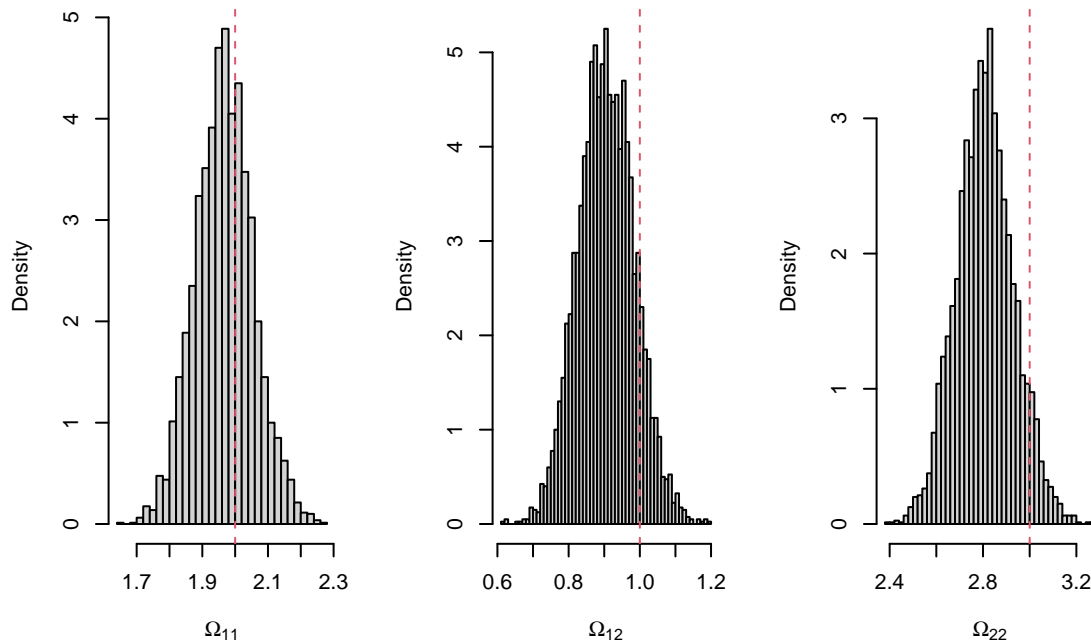
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par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
hist(posterior$Omega[1, 1, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[11]))
abline(v = Omega[1, 1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$Omega[1, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[12]))
abline(v = Omega[1, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$Omega[2, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[22]))
abline(v = Omega[2, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)

```



Next, we implement the composition method which first simulates from the marginal posterior distribution of  $\Omega$  and then from the conditional posterior distribution of  $\mu$ .

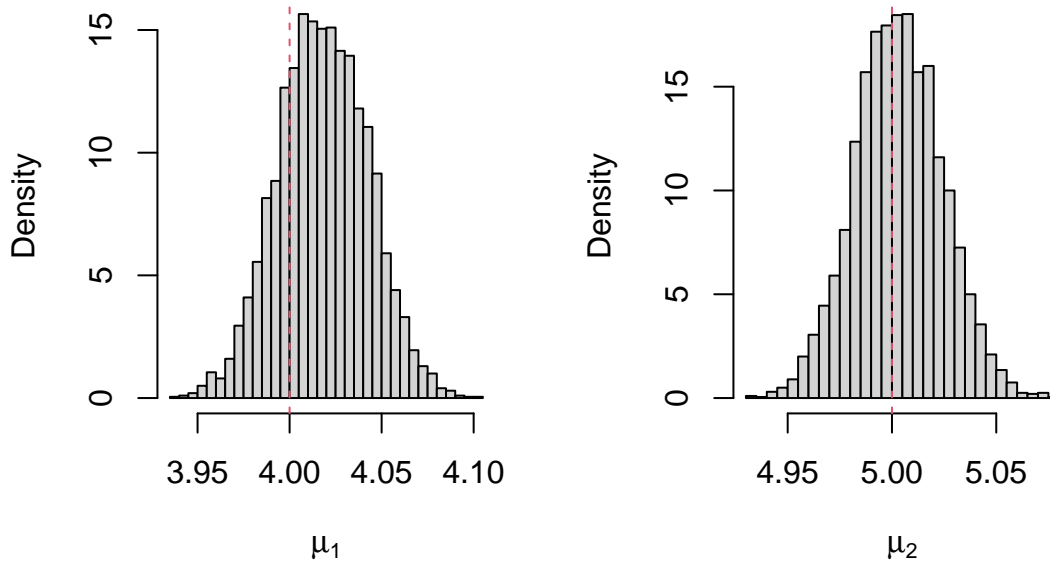
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CMmvnorm = function(Y, mu0, Omega0, a, c, A, d, niter, nburn) {
  library(MASS)
  n = dim(Y)[1]
  k = dim(Y)[2]
  S = colSums(Y)
  cn = c + n
  an = (c * a + S)/cn
  An = solve(A + c * tcrossprod(a) + crossprod(Y) - cn * tcrossprod(an))
  mu = matrix(0, niter, k)
  Omega = array(0, c(k, k, niter))
  mu[1, ] = mu0
  Omega[, , 1] = Omega0
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    Omega[, , i] = rWishart(1, d + n, An)
    mu[i, ] = mvnorm(1, an, solve(Omega[, , i])/cn)
  }
  return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn), ], Omega = Omega[, , -(1:nburn)]))
}

posterior = CMmvnorm(Y, numeric(k), diag(k), numeric(k), 0, matrix(0, k, k),
  2 - k, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[1]))
abline(v = mu[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$mu[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[2]))

```

```
abline(v = mu[2], col = 2, lty = 2)
```



```
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
```

```
hist(posterior$Omega[1, 1, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[11]))
```

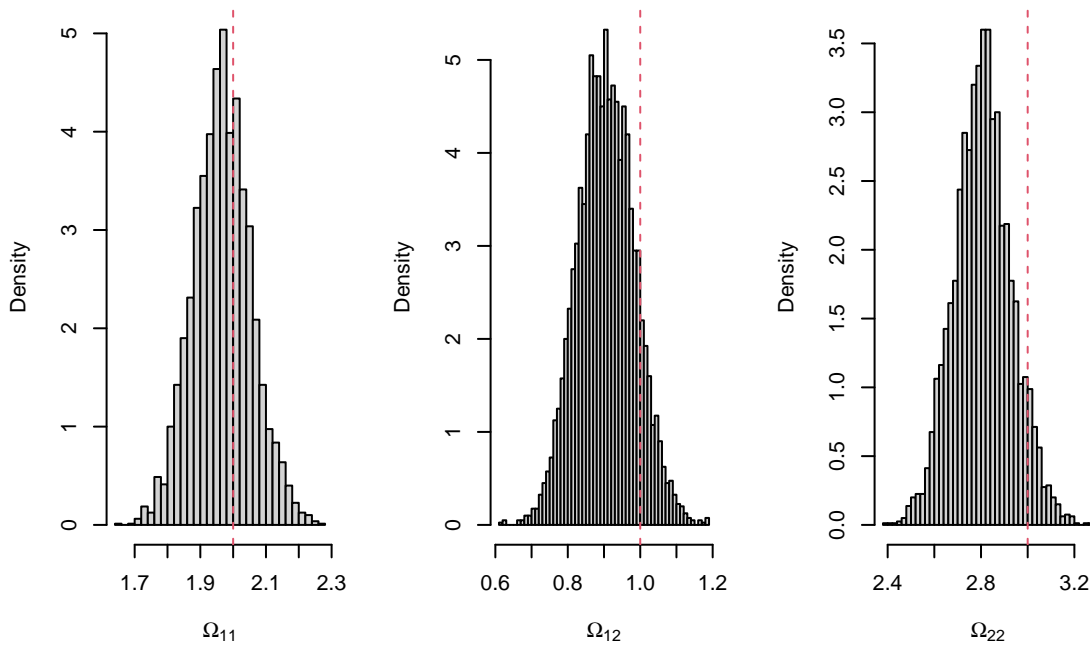
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abline(v = Omega[1, 1], col = 2, lty = 2)
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hist(posterior$Omega[1, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[12]))
```

```
abline(v = Omega[1, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)
```

```
hist(posterior$Omega[2, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[22]))
```

```
abline(v = Omega[2, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)
```



## 1.6 Multivariate Student's t Distribution

Let  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  be a random sample from the multivariate Student's t distribution with mean vector  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}^k$ , positive definite precision matrix  $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times k}$  and  $\nu > 0$  degrees of freedom, that is:

$$f(y_i | \mu, \Omega, \nu) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu+k}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} (\nu\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |\Omega|^{\frac{1}{2}} \left[1 + \frac{1}{\nu}(y_i - \mu)^T \Omega (y_i - \mu)\right]^{-\frac{\nu+k}{2}}, \quad y_i \in \mathbb{R}^k.$$

Consider the random variables  $W_i \sim \mathcal{N}_k(0, \Omega^{-1})$  and  $V_i \sim \chi_\nu^2 \equiv \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$ . Then, we observe that:

$$Y_i \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{W_i}{\sqrt{\frac{V_i}{\nu}}} + \mu.$$

We let  $Z_i = \frac{V_i}{\nu}$ . Then,  $Z_i \sim \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{\nu}{2}, \frac{\nu}{2}\right)$ . We observe that:

$$Y_i | z_i \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{W_i}{\sqrt{z_i}} + \mu \sim \mathcal{N}_k(\mu, z_i^{-1} \Omega^{-1}).$$

Suppose that the degrees of freedom  $\nu$  are known and that the parameters  $\mu, \Omega$  are a priori independent with prior distributions  $\mu \sim \mathcal{N}_k(a, C^{-1})$  and  $\Omega \sim \mathcal{W}_k(A^{-1}, d)$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of the parameters  $\mu, \Omega$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ .

*Solution.*

The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\mu, \Omega) &= \pi(\mu) \cdot \pi(\Omega) \\ &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |C^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{(\mu - a)^T C (\mu - a)}{2}\right\} \cdot \frac{|A|^{\frac{d}{2}}}{2^{\frac{dk}{2}} \Gamma_k\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)} |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A\Omega)} \\ &\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{\mu^T C \mu - 2\mu^T C a + a^T C a}{2}\right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A\Omega)} \\ &\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{\mu^T C \mu}{2} + \mu^T C a\right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A\Omega)}. \end{aligned}$$

We define:

$$\bar{z}y = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i y_i.$$

The complete-data likelihood, i.e. the joint likelihood of the observed variables  $y_i$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(y, z | \mu, \Omega) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i, z_i | \mu, \Omega) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(z_i) f(y_i | z_i, \mu, \Omega) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)^{\frac{k}{2}}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{\nu}{2}\right)} z_i^{\frac{\nu}{2}-1} e^{-\frac{\nu}{2} z_i} (2\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |z_i^{-1} \Omega^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{z_i (y_i - \mu)^T \Omega (y_i - \mu)}{2}\right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \propto |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+k}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\nu + (y_i - \mu)^T \Omega (y_i - \mu)}{2} z_i \right\} \\
& = |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \Omega \right] \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+k}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\} \\
& = |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i^T \Omega y_i - 2\mu^T \Omega y_i + \mu^T \Omega \mu}{2} z_i \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+k}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T n \bar{z} \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T n \Omega \bar{z} \bar{y} \right\} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n z_i y_i y_i^T \Omega \right) \right\} \\
& \quad \times \prod_{i=1}^n z_i^{\frac{\nu+k}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $\mu$  and  $\Omega$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu \mid \Omega, z, y) & \propto \pi(\mu, \Omega, z \mid y) \\
& \propto \pi(\mu, \Omega) \cdot f(y, z \mid \mu, \Omega) \\
& \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T C \mu}{2} + \mu^T C a \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T n \bar{z} \Omega \mu}{2} + \mu^T n \Omega \bar{z} \bar{y} \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \mu^T \underbrace{(C + n \bar{z} \Omega)}_{C_n} \mu + \mu^T (C a + n \Omega \bar{z} \bar{y}) \right\} \\
& = \exp \left\{ -\frac{\mu^T C_n \mu}{2} + \mu^T \underbrace{(C + n \bar{z} \Omega)}_{C_n} \underbrace{(C + n \bar{z} \Omega)^{-1} (C a + n \Omega \bar{z} \bar{y})}_{a_n} \right\},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\Omega \mid \mu, z, y) & \propto \pi(\mu, \Omega) \cdot f(y, z \mid \mu, \Omega) \\
& \propto |\Omega|^{\frac{d-k-1}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2} \text{tr}(A \Omega)} \cdot |\Omega|^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \Omega \right] \right\} \\
& = |\Omega|^{\frac{d+n-k-1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left[ \left( A + \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \right) \Omega \right] \right\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of the latent variables  $z_i$  as follows:

$$f(z_i \mid y_i, \mu, \Omega) \propto f(y_i, z_i \mid \mu, \Omega) \propto z_i^{\frac{\nu+k}{2}-1} \exp \left\{ -\frac{\nu + (y_i - \mu)^T \Omega (y_i - \mu)}{2} z_i \right\}.$$

In other words,

$$\mu \mid \Omega, z, y \sim \mathcal{N}_k \left( (C + n \bar{z} \Omega)^{-1} (C a + n \Omega \bar{z} \bar{y}), (C + n \bar{z} \Omega)^{-1} \right),$$

$$\Omega \mid \mu, z, y \sim \mathcal{W}_k \left( \left( A + \sum_{i=1}^n z_i (y_i - \mu)(y_i - \mu)^T \right)^{-1}, d + n \right),$$

$$z_i \mid y_i, \mu, \Omega \sim \text{Gamma} \left( \frac{\nu + k}{2}, \frac{\nu + (y_i - \mu)^T \Omega (y_i - \mu)}{2} \right).$$

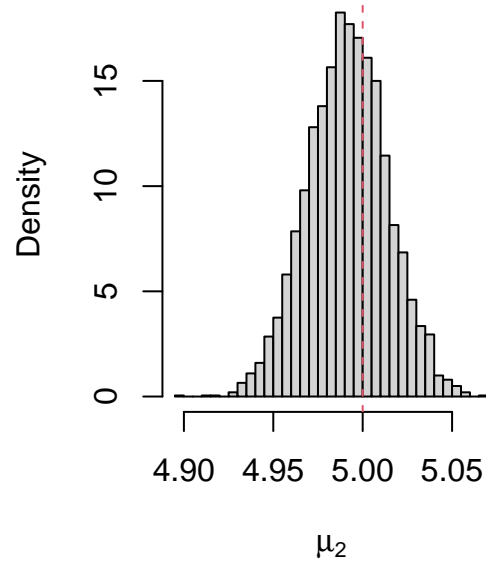
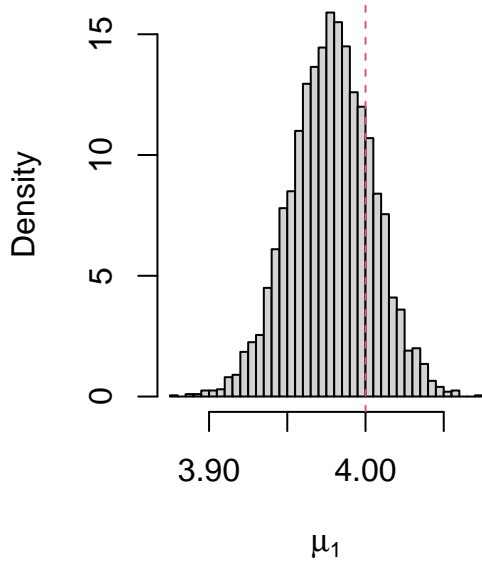


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MCMCmvt = function(Y, mu0, Omega0, nu, a, C, A, d, niter, nburn) {
  library(MASS)
  n = dim(Y)[1]
  k = dim(Y)[2]
  mu = matrix(0, niter, k)
  Omega = array(0, c(k, k, niter))
  Z = matrix(0, niter, n)
  mu[1, ] = mu0
  Omega[, , 1] = Omega0
  Z[1, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + k)/2, (nu + colSums((t(Y) - mu[1, ]) * Omega[,
    , 1] %*% (t(Y) - mu[1, ])))/2)
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    Cn = C + sum(Z[i - 1, ]) * Omega[, , i - 1]
    an = solve(Cn, C %*% a + Omega[, , i - 1] %*% colSums(Z[i - 1, ] * Y))
    mu[i, ] = mvrnorm(1, an, solve(Cn))
    Omega[, , i] = rWishart(1, d + n, solve(A + crossprod(sqrt(Z[i - 1,
      ]) * t(t(Y) - mu[i, ]))))
    Z[i, ] = rgamma(n, (nu + k)/2, (nu + colSums((t(Y) - mu[i, ]) * Omega[,
      , i] %*% (t(Y) - mu[i, ])))/2)
  }
  return(list(mu = mu[-(1:nburn), ], Omega = Omega[, , -(1:nburn)]))
}

library(mvtnorm)
n = 1000
k = 2
mu = c(4, 5)
Omega = matrix(c(2, 1, 1, 3), k)
nu = 10
Y = rmvt(n, solve(Omega), nu, mu)
posterior = MCMCmvt(Y, numeric(k), diag(k), nu, numeric(k), matrix(0, k, k),
  matrix(0, k, k), 2 - k, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$mu[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[1]))
abline(v = mu[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$mu[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(mu[2]))
abline(v = mu[2], col = 2, lty = 2)

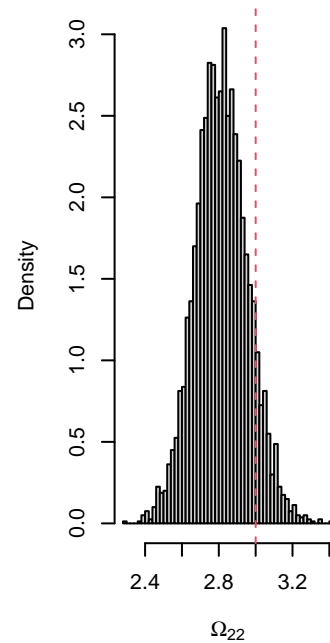
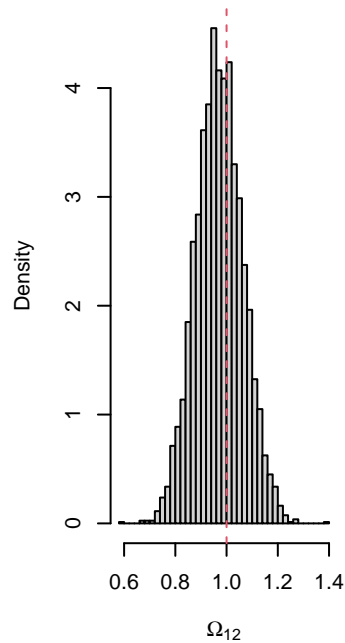
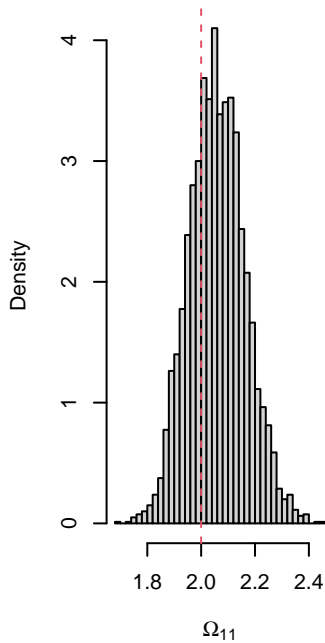
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par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
hist(posterior$Omega[1, 1, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[11]))
abline(v = Omega[1, 1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$Omega[1, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[12]))
abline(v = Omega[1, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$Omega[2, 2, ], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(Omega[22]))
abline(v = Omega[2, 2], col = 2, lty = 2)

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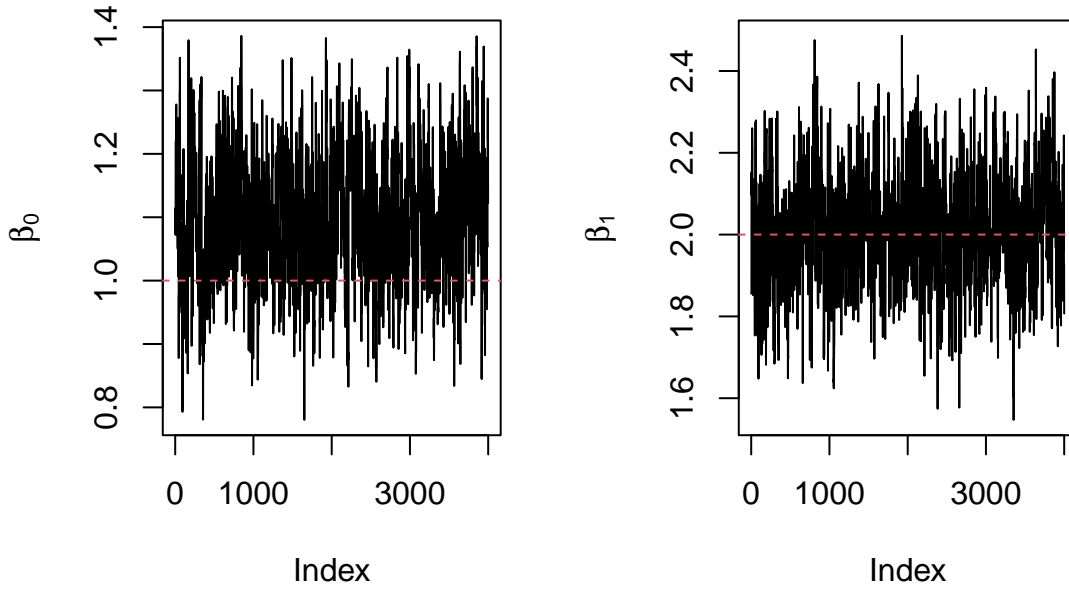
## 2 Generalized Linear Models

### 2.1 Logistic Model

Consider the logistic regression model  $y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p_i)$ , where  $\text{logit } p_i = \log \frac{p_i}{1-p_i} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$ , i.e.  $p_i = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i}}$ . We consider prior independence with improper prior distributions  $\pi(\beta_0) \propto 1$  and  $\pi(\beta_1) \propto 1$ . We can implement a Random Walk Metropolis-Hastings Algorithm with proposed random variables  $\beta_0^* | \beta_0^{(\ell-1)} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_0^{(\ell-1)}, \sigma_0^2)$  and  $\beta_1^* | \beta_1^{(\ell-1)} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_1^{(\ell-1)}, \sigma_1^2)$ .

```
RWMHlogistic = function(Y, X, beta00, beta10, beta0sd, beta1sd, niter, nburn) {
  beta0 = numeric(niter)
  beta1 = numeric(niter)
  beta0[1] = beta00
  beta1[1] = beta10
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    beta0star = rnorm(1, beta0[i - 1], beta0sd)
    logA = sum(dbinom(Y, 1, (1 + exp(-beta0star - beta1[i - 1] * X))^(-1),
      log = TRUE) - dbinom(Y, 1, (1 + exp(-beta0[i - 1] - beta1[i - 1] *
      X))^(-1), log = TRUE))
    beta0[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, beta0star, beta0[i - 1])
    beta1star = rnorm(1, beta1[i - 1], beta1sd)
    logA = sum(dbinom(Y, 1, (1 + exp(-beta0[i] - beta1star * X))^(-1), log = TRUE) -
      dbinom(Y, 1, (1 + exp(-beta0[i] - beta1[i - 1] * X))^(-1), log = TRUE))
    beta1[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, beta1star, beta1[i - 1])
  }
  return(list(beta0 = beta0[-(1:nburn)], beta1 = beta1[-(1:nburn)]))
}

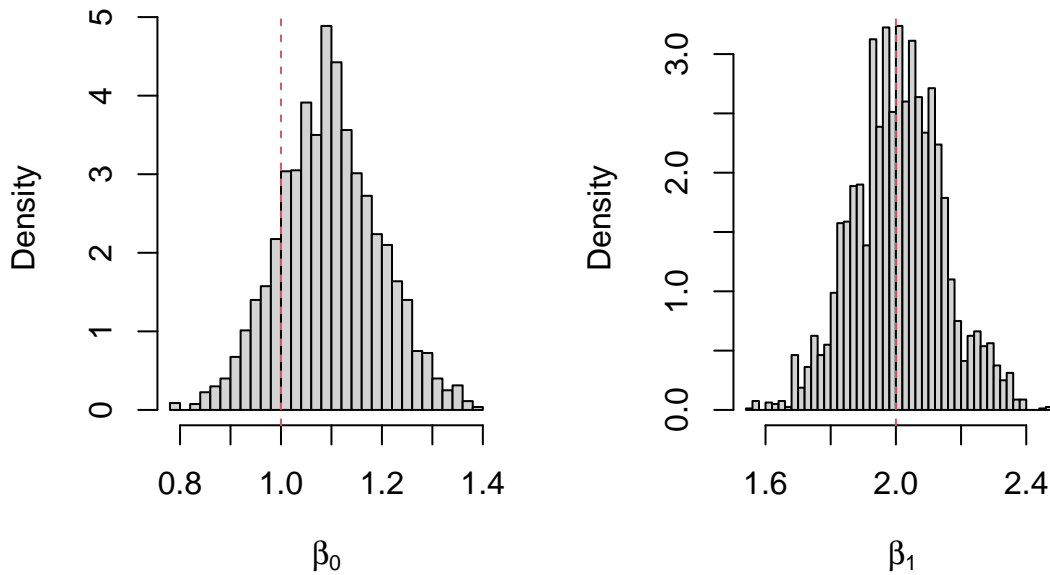
n = 1000
beta0 = 1
beta1 = 2
X = rnorm(n)
Y = rbinom(n, 1, (1 + exp(-beta0 - beta1 * X))^(-1))
posterior = RWMHlogistic(Y, X, 0, 0, 0.15, 0.25, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
plot(posterior$beta0, type = "l", ylab = expression(beta[0]))
abline(h = beta0, col = 2, lty = 2)
plot(posterior$beta1, type = "l", ylab = expression(beta[1]))
abline(h = beta1, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



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hist(posterior$beta0, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[0]))
abline(v = beta0, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$beta1, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[1]))
abline(v = beta1, col = 2, lty = 2)

```



## 2.2 Probit Model

Consider the probit regression model  $y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p_i)$ , where  $p_i = \Phi(x_i^T \beta)$  and  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^k$ . We consider the independent random variables  $z_i = x_i^T \beta + \varepsilon_i$ , where  $\varepsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ . Then, we observe that:

$$p_i = \mathbb{P}(Y_i = 1) = \Phi(x_i^T \beta) = \mathbb{P}(\varepsilon_i \leq x_i^T \beta) = \mathbb{P}(\varepsilon_i \geq -x_i^T \beta) = \mathbb{P}(Z_i \geq 0).$$

In other words,  $y_i | z_i \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}}$ . We consider the prior distribution  $\beta \sim \mathcal{N}_k(a, C^{-1})$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of the parameter  $\beta$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ .

*Solution.*

The prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(\beta) &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{k}{2}} |C^{-1}|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(\beta - a)^T C (\beta - a)}{2} \right\} \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T C \beta - 2\beta^T C a + a^T C a}{2} \right\} \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T C \beta}{2} + \beta^T C a \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

The complete-data likelihood, i.e. the joint likelihood of the observed variables  $y_i$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}f(y, z | \beta) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i, z_i | \beta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(z_i | \beta) f(y_i | z_i) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(z_i - x_i^T \beta)^2}{2} \right\} \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}} \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i < 0\}}^{1-y_i}.\end{aligned}$$

We define  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and the design matrix  $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)^T \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ . Then, we observe that  $z \sim N_n(X\beta, I_n)$ . In other words, the likelihood of the sample is given by:

$$\begin{aligned}f(y, z | \beta) &= f(z | \beta) \cdot f(y | z) \\ &= f(z | \beta) \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i | z_i) \\ &= (2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} |I_n|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{(z - X\beta)^T (z - X\beta)}{2} \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}}^{y_i} \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i < 0\}}^{1-y_i} \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{z^T z - 2\beta^T X^T z + \beta^T X^T X \beta}{2} \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}}^{y_i} \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i < 0\}}^{1-y_i} \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T X^T X \beta}{2} + \beta^T X^T z \right\} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}}^{y_i} \mathbf{1}_{\{z_i < 0\}}^{1-y_i}.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of  $\beta$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}\pi(\beta | z, y) &\propto \pi(\beta, z | y) \\ &\propto \pi(\beta) \cdot f(y, z | \beta) \\ &\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T C \beta}{2} + \beta^T C a \right\} \cdot \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T X^T X \beta}{2} + \beta^T X^T z \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \beta^T \underbrace{(C + X^T X)}_{C_n} \beta + \beta^T (C a + X^T z) \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ -\frac{\beta^T C_n \beta}{2} + \beta^T \underbrace{(C + X^T X)}_{C_n} \underbrace{(C a + X^T z)}_{a_n} \right\}.\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of the latent variables  $z_i$  as follows:

$$f(z_i | y_i, \beta) \propto f(y_i, z_i | \beta) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{(z_i - x_i^T \beta)^2}{2} \right\} \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}}^{y_i} \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i < 0\}}^{1-y_i}.$$

In other words,

$$\beta | z \sim \mathcal{N}_k \left( (C + X^T X)^{-1} (Ca + X^T z), (C + X^T X)^{-1} \right),$$

$$(z_i | y_i = 1, \beta) \sim \mathcal{N}(x_i^T \beta, 1) \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}}, \quad (z_i | y_i = 0, \beta) \sim \mathcal{N}(x_i^T \beta, 1) \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i < 0\}}.$$

We observe that:

$$F_{Z_i | y_i = 1, \beta}(z_i) = \frac{\Phi(z_i - x_i^T \beta) - \Phi(-x_i^T \beta)}{1 - \Phi(-x_i^T \beta)} \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i \geq 0\}}, \quad F_{Z_i | y_i = 0, \beta}(z_i) = \frac{\Phi(z_i - x_i^T \beta)}{\Phi(-x_i^T \beta)} \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i < 0\}}.$$

If  $U_1, U_2, \dots, U_n \sim \text{Unif}[0, 1]$ , then we get that:

$$Z_i = \begin{cases} \Phi^{-1} [\Phi(x_i^T \beta) U_i + 1 - \Phi(x_i^T \beta)] + x_i^T \beta, & y_i = 1 \\ \Phi^{-1} [(1 - \Phi(x_i^T \beta)) U_i] + x_i^T \beta, & y_i = 0 \end{cases}.$$

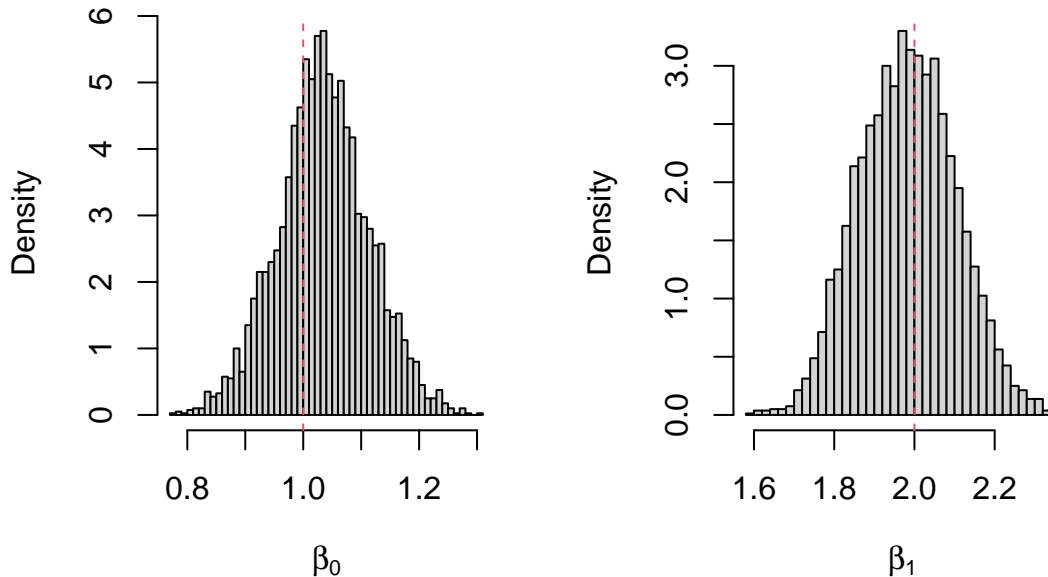
```
MCMCprobit = function(Y, X, beta0, a, C, niter, nburn) {
  library(MASS)
  n = length(Y)
  k = dim(X)[2]
  beta = matrix(0, niter, k)
  Z = matrix(0, niter, n)
  beta[1, ] = beta0
  prob = pnorm(X %*% beta[1, ])
  U = runif(n)
  Z[1, ] = X %*% beta[1, ] + ifelse(Y == 1, qnorm(prob * U + 1 - prob), qnorm((1 -
  prob) * U))
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    Cninv = solve(C + crossprod(X))
    an = crossprod(Cninv, C %*% a + crossprod(X, Z[i - 1, ]))
    beta[i, ] = mvrnorm(1, an, Cninv)
    prob = pnorm(X %*% beta[i, ])
    U = runif(n)
    Z[i, ] = X %*% beta[i, ] + ifelse(Y == 1, qnorm(prob * U + 1 - prob),
    qnorm((1 - prob) * U))
  }
  return(list(beta = beta[-(1:nburn), ], Z = Z[-(1:nburn), ]))
}

n = 1000
k = 2
beta = c(1, 2)
```

```

X = cbind(1, rnorm(n))
Y = rbinom(n, 1, pnorm(X %*% beta))
posterior = MCMCprobit(Y, X, numeric(k), numeric(k), matrix(0, k, k), 5000,
  1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(posterior$beta[, 1], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[0]))
abline(v = beta[1], col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$beta[, 2], "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[1]))
abline(v = beta[2], col = 2, lty = 2)

```



### 2.3 Log-Linear Poisson Model

Consider the log-linear regression model  $y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda_i)$ , where  $\log \lambda_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$ , i.e.  $\lambda_i = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}$ . We consider prior independence with improper prior distributions  $\pi(\beta_0) \propto 1$  and  $\pi(\beta_1) \propto 1$ . We can implement a Random Walk Metropolis-Hastings algorithm with proposed random variables  $\beta_0^* | \beta_0^{(\ell-1)} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_0^{(\ell-1)}, \sigma_0^2)$  and  $\beta_1^* | \beta_1^{(\ell-1)} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_1^{(\ell-1)}, \sigma_1^2)$ .

```

RWMHpois = function(Y, X, beta00, beta10, beta0sd, beta1sd, niter, nburn) {
  beta0 = numeric(niter)
  beta1 = numeric(niter)
  beta0[1] = beta00
  beta1[1] = beta10
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    beta0star = rnorm(1, beta0[i - 1], beta0sd)
    logA = sum(dpois(Y, exp(beta0star + beta1[i - 1] * X), log = TRUE) -
      dpois(Y, exp(beta0[i - 1] + beta1[i - 1] * X), log = TRUE))
    beta0[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, beta0star, beta0[i - 1])
    beta1star = rnorm(1, beta1[i - 1], beta1sd)
    logA = sum(dpois(Y, exp(beta0[i] + beta1star * X), log = TRUE) - dpois(Y,

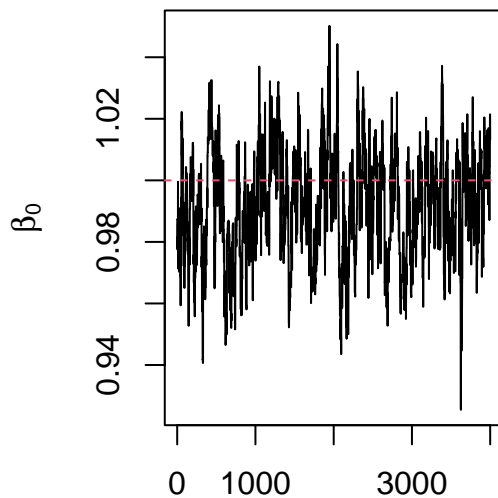
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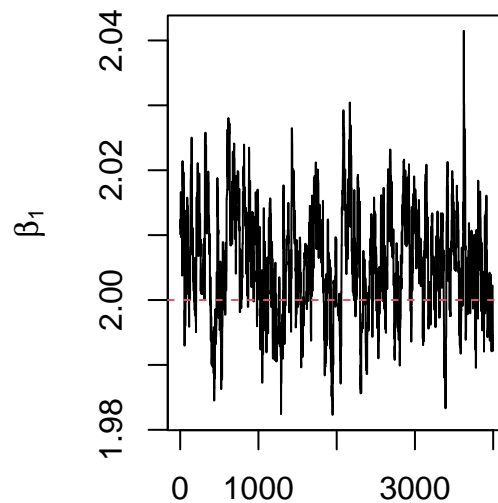
    exp(beta0[i] + beta1[i - 1] * X), log = TRUE))
    beta1[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, beta1star, beta1[i - 1])
  }
  return(list(beta0 = beta0[-(1:nburn)], beta1 = beta1[-(1:nburn)]))
}

n = 1000
beta0 = 1
beta1 = 2
X = rnorm(n)
Y = rpois(n, exp(beta0 + beta1 * X))
posterior = RWMHpois(Y, X, 0, 0, 0.015, 0.0075, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
plot(posterior$beta0, type = "l", ylab = expression(beta[0]))
abline(h = beta0, col = 2, lty = 2)
plot(posterior$beta1, type = "l", ylab = expression(beta[1]))
abline(h = beta1, col = 2, lty = 2)

```



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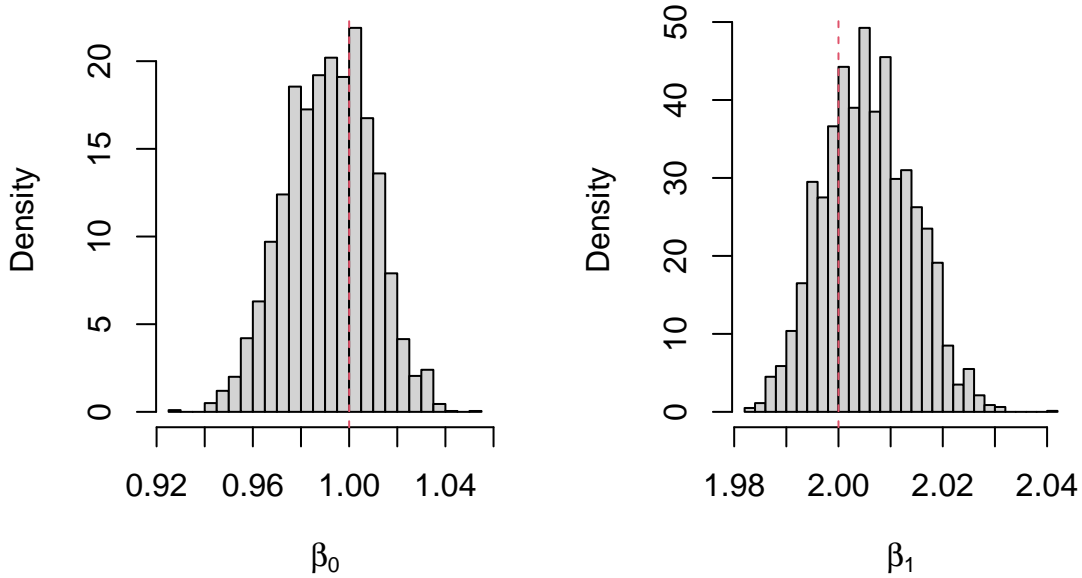
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```

hist(posterior$beta0, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[0]))
abline(v = beta0, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$beta1, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta[1]))
abline(v = beta1, col = 2, lty = 2)

```





## 2.4 Zero-Inflated Poisson Model

Consider the zero-inflated Poisson regression model:

$$\mathbb{P}(Y_i = k) = \begin{cases} 1 - p + pe^{-\lambda}, & k = 0 \\ pe^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}, & k = 1, 2, \dots \end{cases}$$

We consider the independent random variables  $z_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(p)$ . For  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , we observe that:

$$\mathbb{P}(Y_i = k \mid Z_i = 1) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}, \quad \mathbb{P}(Y_i = 0 \mid Z_i = 0) = 1.$$

In other words, it holds that  $(y_i \mid z_i = 1) \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$  and  $(y_i \mid z_i = 0) \stackrel{d}{=} 0$ . We consider prior independence with prior distributions  $p \sim \text{Beta}(a, c)$  and  $\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(d, q)$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of the parameters  $p$ ,  $\lambda$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ .

*Solution.*

The joint prior distribution may be written as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(p, \lambda) &= \pi(p)\pi(\lambda) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(a+c)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(c)} p^{a-1}(1-p)^{c-1} \cdot \frac{q^d}{\Gamma(d)} \lambda^{d-1} e^{-q\lambda} \\ &\propto p^{a-1}(1-p)^{c-1} \cdot \lambda^{d-1} e^{-q\lambda}. \end{aligned}$$

The complete-data likelihood, i.e. the joint likelihood of the observed variables  $y_i$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ , is given by:

$$f(y, z \mid p, \lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i, z_i \mid p, \lambda)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \prod_{i=1}^n f(z_i | p) f(y_i | z_i, \lambda) \\
&= \prod_{i=1}^n p^{z_i} (1-p)^{1-z_i} \left( e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^{y_i}}{y_i!} \right)^{z_i} \mathbb{1}_{\{y_i=0\}}^{1-z_i} \\
&\propto \prod_{i=1}^n p^{z_i} (1-p)^{1-z_i} e^{-\lambda z_i} \lambda^{y_i} \mathbb{1}_{\{y_i=0\}}^{1-z_i} \\
&\propto p^{n\bar{z}} (1-p)^{n-n\bar{z}} \cdot \lambda^{n\bar{y}} e^{-n\lambda\bar{z}} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{\{y_i=0\}}^{1-z_i}.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $p$  and  $\lambda$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(p | \lambda, z, y) &\propto \pi(p, \lambda, z | y) \\
&\propto \pi(p) \cdot f(y, z | p, \lambda) \\
&\propto p^{a-1} (1-p)^{c-1} \cdot p^{n\bar{z}} (1-p)^{n-n\bar{z}} \\
&= p^{a+n\bar{z}-1} (1-p)^{c+n-n\bar{z}-1},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\lambda | p, z, y) &\propto \pi(\lambda) \cdot f(y, z | p, \lambda) \\
&\propto \lambda^{d-1} e^{-q\lambda} \cdot \lambda^{n\bar{y}} e^{-n\lambda\bar{z}} \\
&= \lambda^{d+n\bar{y}-1} e^{-(q+n\bar{z})\lambda}.
\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of the latent variables  $z_i$  as follows:

$$f(z_i | y_i, p, \lambda) \propto f(y_i, z_i | p, \lambda) \propto p^{z_i} (1-p)^{1-z_i} e^{-\lambda z_i} \mathbb{1}_{\{y_i=0\}}^{1-z_i} = (pe^{-\lambda})^{z_i} (1-p)^{1-z_i} \mathbb{1}_{\{y_i=0\}}^{1-z_i}.$$

In other words,

$$\begin{aligned}
p | z, y &\sim \text{Beta}(a + n\bar{z}, c + n - n\bar{z}), \quad \lambda | z, y \sim \text{Gamma}(d + n\bar{y}, q + n\bar{z}), \\
(z_i | y_i = 0, p, \lambda) &\sim \text{Bernoulli}\left(\frac{pe^{-\lambda}}{pe^{-\lambda} + 1 - p}\right), \quad (z_i | y_i > 0, p, \lambda) \stackrel{d}{=} 1.
\end{aligned}$$

```

MCMCzip = function(Y, p0, lambda0, a, c, p, q, niter, nburn) {
  n = length(Y)
  SY = sum(Y)
  p = numeric(niter)
  lambda = numeric(niter)
  Z = matrix(0, niter, n)
  p[1] = p0
  lambda[1] = lambda0
  Z[1, ] = ifelse(Y == 0, rbinom(n, 1, p[1] * exp(-lambda[1]))/(p[1] * exp(-lambda[1]) +
    1 - p[1]), 1)
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    SZ = sum(Z[i - 1, ])
    p[i] = rbeta(1, a + SZ, c + n - SZ)
    lambda[i] = rgamma(1, p + SY, q + SZ)
  }
}

```

```

    Z[i, ] = ifelse(Y == 0, rbinom(n, 1, p[i] * exp(-lambda[i])/(p[i] *
      exp(-lambda[i]) + 1 - p[i])), 1)
  }
  return(list(p = p[-(1:nburn)], lambda = lambda[-(1:nburn)], Z = Z[-(1:nburn),
    ]))
}

```

```
n = 1000
```

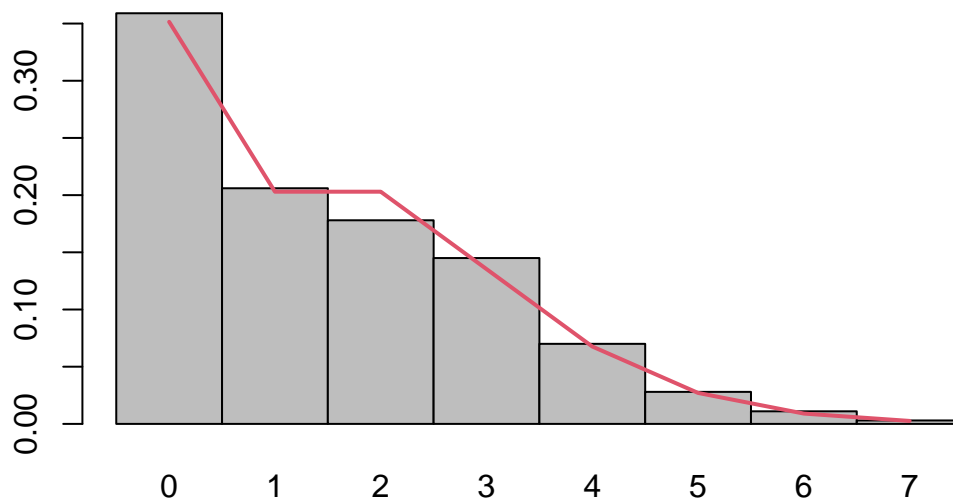
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p = 0.75
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lambda = 2
```

```
Y = ifelse(rbinom(n, 1, p) == 1, rpois(n, lambda), 0)
```

```
barplot(table(factor(Y, levels = 0:max(Y)))/n, space = 0)
```

```
lines(0:max(Y) + 0.5, c(1 - p, numeric(max(Y))) + p * dpois(0:max(Y), lambda),
  col = 2, lwd = 2)
```



```
posterior = MCMCzip(Y, 0.5, 1, 0.5, 0.5, 0.5, 0, 5000, 1000)
```

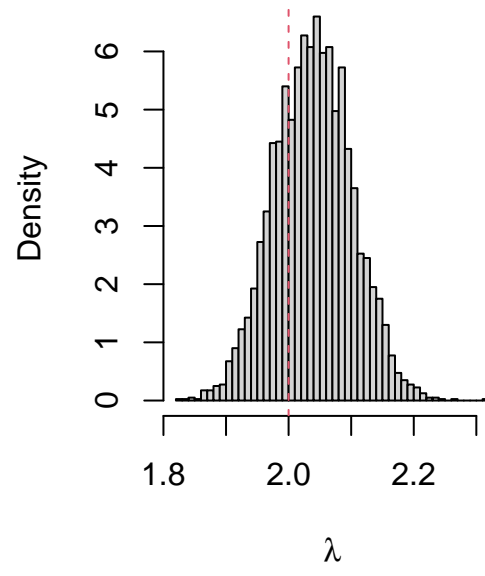
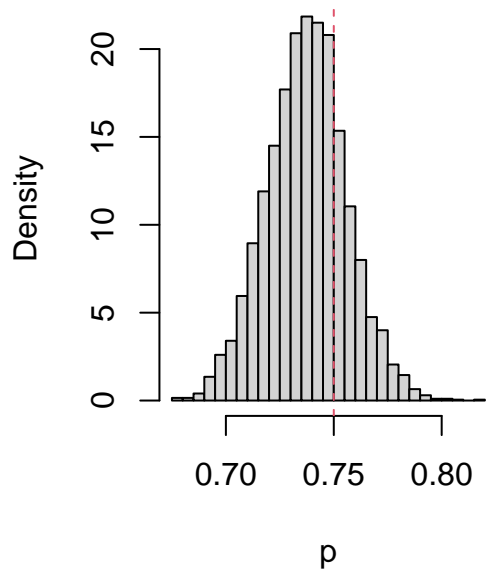
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par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
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```
hist(posterior$p, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = "p")
```

```
abline(v = p, col = 2, lty = 2)
```

```
hist(posterior$lambda, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(lambda))
```

```
abline(v = lambda, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



### 3 Other Applications

#### 3.1 Change Point Model

Consider the following model:

- For  $i = 1, 2, \dots, t$ , the observation  $x_i$  is an independent realization of a Poisson random variable with mean  $\theta_1$ .
- For  $i = t + 1, t + 2, \dots, n$ , the observation  $x_i$  is an independent realization of a Poisson random variable with mean  $\theta_2$ .

We consider the prior distributions  $\theta_1 \sim \text{Gamma}(p_1, q_1)$ ,  $\theta_2 \sim \text{Gamma}(p_2, q_2)$  and  $t \sim U\{1, 2, \dots, n - 1\}$ . Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of the parameters of the model and the marginal posterior distribution of  $t$ .

*Solution.*

The joint prior distribution of  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  and  $t$  may be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\theta_1, \theta_2, t) &= \pi(\theta_1) \cdot \pi(\theta_2) \cdot \pi(t) \\ &= \frac{q_1^{p_1}}{\Gamma(p_1)} \theta_1^{p_1-1} e^{-q_1 \theta_1} \cdot \frac{q_2^{p_2}}{\Gamma(p_2)} \theta_2^{p_2-1} e^{-q_2 \theta_2} \cdot \frac{1}{n-1} \\ &\propto \theta_1^{p_1-1} e^{-q_1 \theta_1} \cdot \theta_2^{p_2-1} e^{-q_2 \theta_2}. \end{aligned}$$

We define:

$$S_t = \sum_{i=1}^t x_i.$$

Then, we observe that:

$$S_n - S_t = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \sum_{i=1}^t x_i = \sum_{i=t+1}^n x_i.$$

The likelihood of the sample is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(x | \theta_1, \theta_2, t) &= \prod_{i=1}^t f(x_i | \theta_1) \cdot \prod_{i=t+1}^n f(x_i | \theta_2) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^t e^{-\theta_1} \frac{\theta_1^{x_i}}{x_i!} \cdot \prod_{i=t+1}^n e^{-\theta_2} \frac{\theta_2^{x_i}}{x_i!} \\ &= e^{-t\theta_1} \theta_1^{S_t} \cdot e^{-(n-t)\theta_2} \theta_2^{S_n - S_t} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i!} \\ &\propto e^{-t\theta_1} \theta_1^{S_t} \cdot e^{-(n-t)\theta_2} \theta_2^{S_n - S_t}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $\theta_1$ ,  $\theta_2$  and  $t$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\theta_1 | \theta_2, t, x) &\propto \pi(\theta_1, \theta_2, t | x) \\ &\propto \pi(\theta_1, \theta_2, t) \cdot f(x | \theta_1, \theta_2, t) \\ &\propto \theta_1^{p_1-1} e^{-q_1 \theta_1} \cdot e^{-t\theta_1} \theta_1^{S_t} \\ &= \theta_1^{p_1+S_t-1} e^{-(q_1+t)\theta_1}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\theta_2 \mid \theta_1, t, x) &\propto \pi(\theta_1, \theta_2, t) \cdot f(x \mid \theta_1, \theta_2, t) \\
&\propto \theta_2^{p_2-1} e^{-q_2 \theta_2} \cdot e^{-(n-t)\theta_2} \theta_2^{S_n - S_t} \\
&= \theta_2^{p_2 + S_n - S_t - 1} e^{-(q_2 + n - t)\theta_2},
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(t \mid \theta_1, \theta_2, x) &\propto \pi(\theta_1, \theta_2, t) \cdot f(x \mid \theta_1, \theta_2, t) \\
&\propto e^{-t\theta_1} \theta_1^{S_t} \cdot e^{-(n-t)\theta_2} \theta_2^{S_n - S_t} \\
&\propto e^{-t\theta_1} \theta_1^{S_t} \cdot e^{t\theta_2} \theta_2^{-S_t} \\
&= e^{-(\theta_1 - \theta_2)t} \left( \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_2} \right)^{S_t}.
\end{aligned}$$

We observe that the parameters  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  are a posteriori independent given  $t$ , that is:

$$\theta_1 \mid t, x \sim \text{Gamma}(p_1 + S_t, q_1 + t), \quad \theta_2 \mid t, x \sim \text{Gamma}(p_2 + S_n - S_t, q_2 + n - t).$$

The conditional posterior distribution of  $t$  is a discrete distribution  $\pi(t \mid \theta_1, \theta_2, x)$  with finite support  $\{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ . For the calculation of the probability vector  $\pi(t \mid \theta_1, \theta_2, x)$  we use the Log-Sum-Exp trick. In other words, we define:

$$v_i = -(\theta_1 - \theta_2)i + S_i \log \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_2}, \quad m = \max_{i \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}} v_i.$$

Then, we get that:

$$\pi(t \mid \theta_1, \theta_2, x) = \frac{e^{v_t - m}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} e^{v_i - m}}.$$

Furthermore, we get the marginal posterior distribution of  $t$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(t \mid x) &= \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \pi(\theta_1, \theta_2, t \mid x) d\theta_1 d\theta_2 \\
&\propto \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \pi(\theta_1, \theta_2, t) f(x \mid \theta_1, \theta_2, t) d\theta_1 d\theta_2 \\
&\propto \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \theta_1^{p_1-1} e^{-q_1 \theta_1} \cdot \theta_2^{p_2-1} e^{-q_2 \theta_2} \cdot e^{-t\theta_1} \theta_1^{S_t} \cdot e^{-(n-t)\theta_2} \theta_2^{S_n - S_t} d\theta_1 d\theta_2 \\
&= \int_0^\infty \theta_1^{p_1 + S_t - 1} e^{-(q_1 + t)\theta_1} d\theta_1 \cdot \int_0^\infty \theta_2^{p_2 + S_n - S_t - 1} e^{-(q_2 + n - t)\theta_2} d\theta_2 \\
&= \frac{\Gamma(p_1 + S_t)}{(q_1 + t)^{p_1 + S_t}} \cdot \frac{\Gamma(p_2 + S_n - S_t)}{(q_2 + n - t)^{p_2 + S_n - S_t}}.
\end{aligned}$$

We implement the following Gibbs sampler to simulate from this joint posterior distribution.

```

MCMCchangept = function(Y, theta10, theta20, p1, q1, p2, q2, niter, nburn) {
  n = length(Y)
  S = cumsum(Y)
  theta1 = numeric(niter)
  theta2 = numeric(niter)
  t = numeric(niter)
  theta1[1] = theta10
  theta2[1] = theta20

```

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**Algorithm 3.1** Gibbs Sampler

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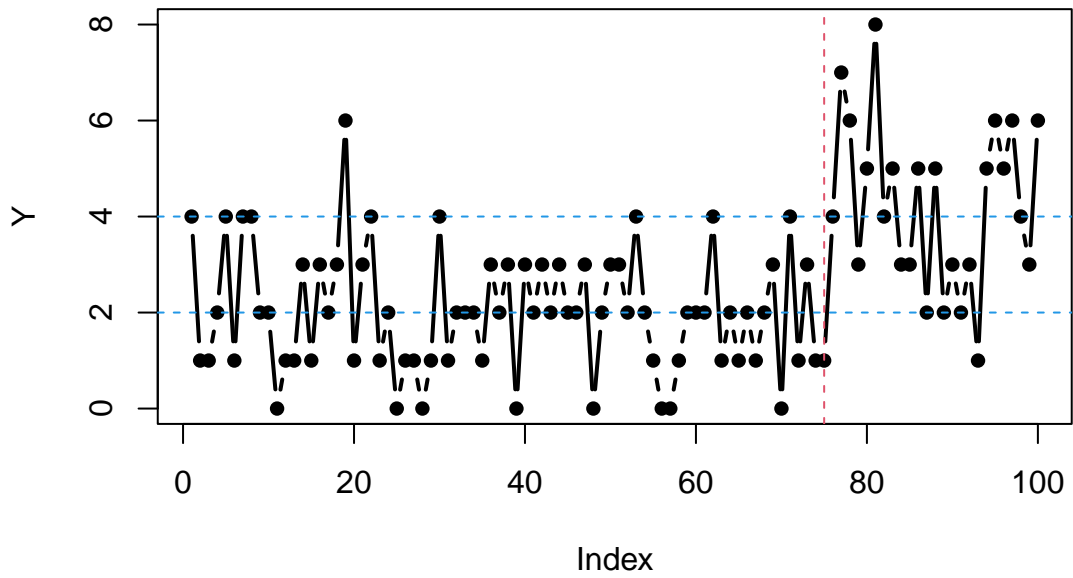
Initialize  $\theta_1^{(0)}, \theta_2^{(0)}, t^{(0)}$ .

Iterate the following steps:

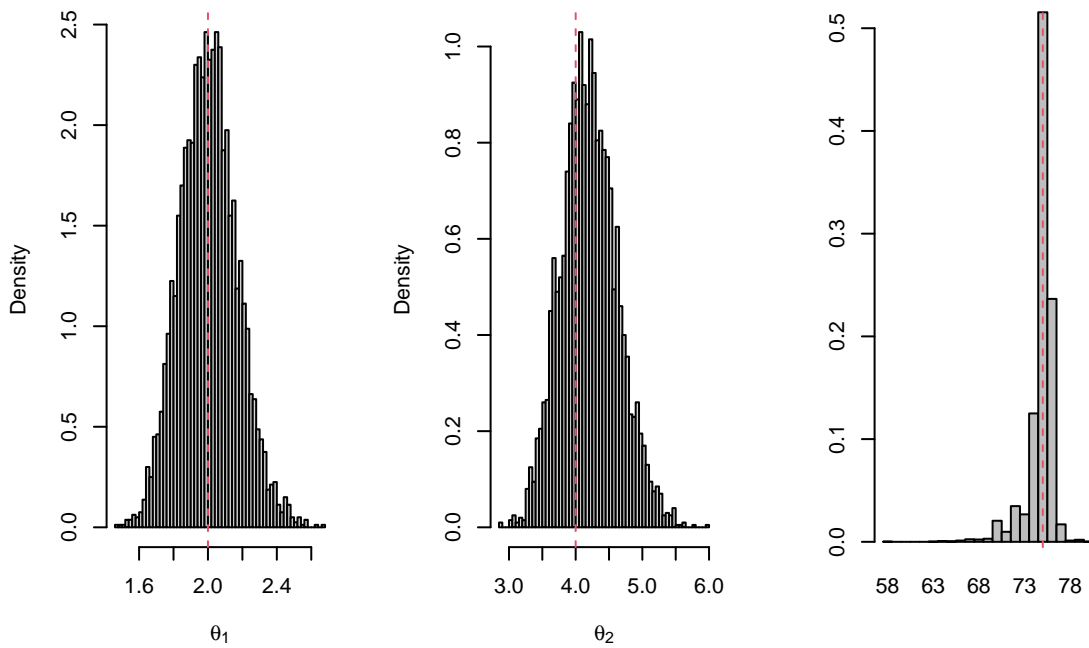
- 1: Simulate  $\theta_1^{(k)} \sim \text{Gamma}(p_1 + S_{t^{(k-1)}}, q_1 + t^{(k-1)})$ .
  - 2: Simulate  $\theta_2^{(k)} \sim \text{Gamma}(p_2 + S_n - S_{t^{(k-1)}}, q_2 + n - t^{(k-1)})$ .
  - 3: Calculate the probability vector  $\pi(t | \theta_1^{(k)}, \theta_2^{(k)}, x)$ . Simulate a value  $t^{(k)}$  from the set  $\{1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  according to that probability vector.
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```
logprob = S[-n] * log(theta1[1]/theta2[1]) - (theta1[1] - theta2[1]) * (1:(n -
  1))
t[1] = sample(n - 1, 1, prob = exp(logprob - max(logprob)))
for (i in 2:niter) {
  theta1[i] = rgamma(1, p1 + S[t[i - 1]], q1 + t[i - 1])
  theta2[i] = rgamma(1, p2 + S[n] - S[t[i - 1]], q2 + n - t[i - 1])
  logprob = S[-n] * log(theta1[i]/theta2[i]) - (theta1[i] - theta2[i]) *
    (1:(n - 1))
  t[i] = sample(n - 1, 1, prob = exp(logprob - max(logprob)))
}
return(list(theta1 = theta1[-(1:nburn)], theta2 = theta2[-(1:nburn)], t = t[-(1:nburn)]))
}

n = 100
theta1 = 2
theta2 = 4
t = 75
Y = c(rpois(t, theta1), rpois(n - t, theta2))
plot(Y, type = "b", pch = 16, lwd = 2)
abline(h = theta1, col = 4, lty = 2)
abline(h = theta2, col = 4, lty = 2)
abline(v = t, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



```
posterior = MCMCchangepoint(Y, 1, 1, 0.5, 0, 0.5, 0, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
hist(posterior$theta1, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(theta[1]))
abline(v = theta1, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$theta2, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(theta[2]))
abline(v = theta2, col = 2, lty = 2)
barplot(table(factor(posterior$t, levels = min(posterior$t):max(posterior$t)))/4000,
        space = 0)
abline(v = t - min(posterior$t) + 0.5, col = 2, lty = 2)
```





### 3.2 Mixture Model

Let  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  be a random sample from the following mixture of Poisson distributions:

$$f(y_i | \alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \gamma f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha) + (1 - \gamma) f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha e^{\beta x_i}),$$

where we denote the probability mass function of the distribution  $\text{Poisson}(\theta)$  by  $f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \theta)$ . We consider prior independence with prior distributions  $\alpha \sim \text{Gamma}(2, 1)$ ,  $\beta \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$  and  $\gamma \sim U(0, 1) \equiv \text{Beta}(1, 1)$ .

- Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of  $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ . Use the prior distributions of  $\alpha, \gamma$  as independent proposal densities and a random walk proposal for the parameter  $\beta$ .
- Now, consider the following data augmentation technique. For each  $y_i$ , we insert a binary random variable  $z_i$  such that:

$$P(Z_i = 1 | \gamma) = 1 - P(Z_i = 0 | \gamma) = \gamma.$$

Then, the conditional probability mass function of  $y_i$  given  $z_i$  is given by:

$$f(y_i | z_i, \alpha, \beta) = \begin{cases} f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha), & z_i = 1 \\ f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha e^{\beta x_i}), & z_i = 0 \end{cases}.$$

Calculate the conditional posterior distributions of all unknown quantities.

*Solution.*

- The joint prior distribution of  $\alpha, \beta$  and  $\gamma$  may be written as:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) &= \pi(\alpha) \cdot \pi(\beta) \cdot \pi(\gamma) \\ &= \alpha e^{-\alpha} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\beta^2/2} \cdot 1 \\ &\propto \alpha e^{-\alpha} \cdot e^{-\beta^2/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The likelihood of the sample is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(y | \alpha, \beta, \gamma) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i | \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n [\gamma f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha) + (1 - \gamma) f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha e^{\beta x_i})] \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ \gamma e^{-\alpha} \frac{\alpha^{y_i}}{y_i!} + (1 - \gamma) e^{-\alpha e^{\beta x_i}} \frac{\alpha^{y_i} e^{\beta x_i y_i}}{y_i!} \right] \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha^{y_i}}{y_i!} \left[ \gamma e^{-\alpha} + (1 - \gamma) e^{\beta x_i y_i - \alpha e^{\beta x_i}} \right] \\ &\propto \alpha^{n\bar{y}} \prod_{i=1}^n \left[ \gamma e^{-\alpha} + (1 - \gamma) e^{\beta x_i y_i - \alpha e^{\beta x_i}} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

For the calculation of the likelihood, we use the Log-Sum-Exp trick. In other words, we define:

$$v_{i1} = \log \gamma + \log f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha), \quad v_{i2} = \log(1 - \gamma) + \log f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i | \alpha e^{\beta x_i}), \quad m_i = \max\{v_{i1}, v_{i2}\}.$$

Then, we infer that:

$$\log f(y \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) = \sum_{i=1}^n [m_i + \log (e^{v_{i1}-m_i} + e^{v_{i2}-m_i})].$$

Therefore, we get the joint posterior distribution of  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma \mid y) &\propto \pi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \cdot f(y \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \\ &\propto \alpha e^{-\alpha} \cdot e^{-\beta^2/2} \cdot \alpha^{n\bar{y}} \prod_{i=1}^n [\gamma e^{-\alpha} + (1-\gamma)e^{\beta x_i y_i - \alpha e^{\beta x_i}}] \\ &= \alpha^{n\bar{y}+1} e^{-\alpha} \cdot e^{-\beta^2/2} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^n [\gamma e^{-\alpha} + (1-\gamma)e^{\beta x_i y_i - \alpha e^{\beta x_i}}]. \end{aligned}$$

We implement the following Metropolis-Hastings algorithm to simulate from this joint posterior distribution. We adjust the proposal variance  $\sigma_\beta^2$  so that the percentage of accepted values for  $\beta$  is roughly equal to 50%.

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**Algorithm 3.2** Metropolis-Hastings

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Initialize  $\alpha^{(0)}$ ,  $\gamma^{(0)}$ ,  $\beta^{(0)}$ .

Iterate the following steps:

1: Simulate  $\alpha^* \sim \text{Gamma}(10, 1)$  and  $U_\alpha \sim U(0, 1)$ .

2: Calculate the ratio:

$$A_\alpha = \frac{f(y \mid \alpha^*, \beta^{(\ell-1)}, \gamma^{(\ell-1)})}{f(y \mid \alpha^{(\ell-1)}, \beta^{(\ell-1)}, \gamma^{(\ell-1)})}.$$

3: If  $U_\alpha < A_\alpha$ , then let  $\alpha^{(\ell)} = \alpha^*$ . Otherwise, let  $\alpha^{(\ell)} = \alpha^{(\ell-1)}$ .

4: Simulate  $\gamma^* \sim U(0, 1)$  and  $U_\gamma \sim U(0, 1)$ .

5: Calculate the ratio:

$$A_\gamma = \frac{f(y \mid \alpha^{(\ell)}, \beta^{(\ell-1)}, \gamma^*)}{f(y \mid \alpha^{(\ell)}, \beta^{(\ell-1)}, \gamma^{(\ell-1)})}.$$

6: If  $U_\gamma < A_\gamma$ , then let  $\gamma^{(\ell)} = \gamma^*$ . Otherwise, let  $\gamma^{(\ell)} = \gamma^{(\ell-1)}$ .

7: Simulate  $\beta^* \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta^{(\ell-1)}, \sigma_\beta^2)$  and  $U_\beta \sim U(0, 1)$ .

8: Calculate the ratio:

$$A_\beta = \frac{\pi(\beta^* \mid \alpha^{(\ell)}, \gamma^{(\ell)}, y)}{\pi(\beta^{(\ell-1)} \mid \alpha^{(\ell)}, \gamma^{(\ell)}, y)}.$$

9: If  $U_\beta < A_\beta$ , then let  $\beta^{(\ell)} = \beta^*$ . Otherwise, let  $\beta^{(\ell)} = \beta^{(\ell-1)}$ .

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logdpois = function(Y, X, alpha, gamma, beta) {
  logprob = cbind(log(gamma) + dpois(Y, alpha, log = TRUE), log(1 - gamma) +
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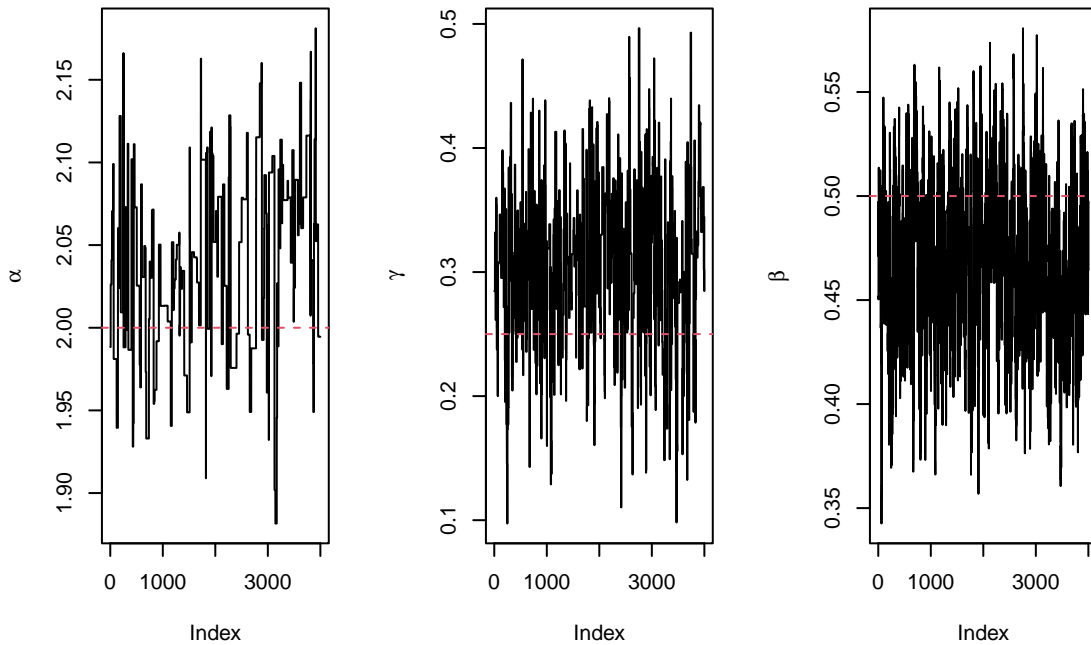
    dpois(Y, alpha * exp(beta * X), log = TRUE))
  maximum = apply(logprob, 1, max)
  return(sum(maximum + log(rowSums(exp(logprob - maximum))))))
}

MHpois = function(Y, X, alpha0, gamma0, beta0, betasd, niter, nburn) {
  alpha = numeric(niter)
  gamma = numeric(niter)
  beta = numeric(niter)
  alpha[1] = alpha0
  gamma[1] = gamma0
  beta[1] = beta0
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    alphastar = rgamma(1, 2)
    logA = logdpois(Y, X, alphastar, gamma[i - 1], beta[i - 1]) - logdpois(Y,
      X, alpha[i - 1], gamma[i - 1], beta[i - 1])
    alpha[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, alphastar, alpha[i - 1])
    gammastar = runif(1)
    logA = logdpois(Y, X, alpha[i], gammastar, beta[i - 1]) - logdpois(Y,
      X, alpha[i], gamma[i - 1], beta[i - 1])
    gamma[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, gammastar, gamma[i - 1])
    betastar = rnorm(1, beta[i - 1], betasd)
    logA = (beta[i - 1]^2 - betastar^2)/2 + logdpois(Y, X, alpha[i], gamma[i],
      betastar) - logdpois(Y, X, alpha[i], gamma[i], beta[i - 1])
    beta[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, betastar, beta[i - 1])
  }
  return(list(alpha = alpha[-(1:nburn)], gamma = gamma[-(1:nburn)], beta = beta[-(1:nburn)]))
}

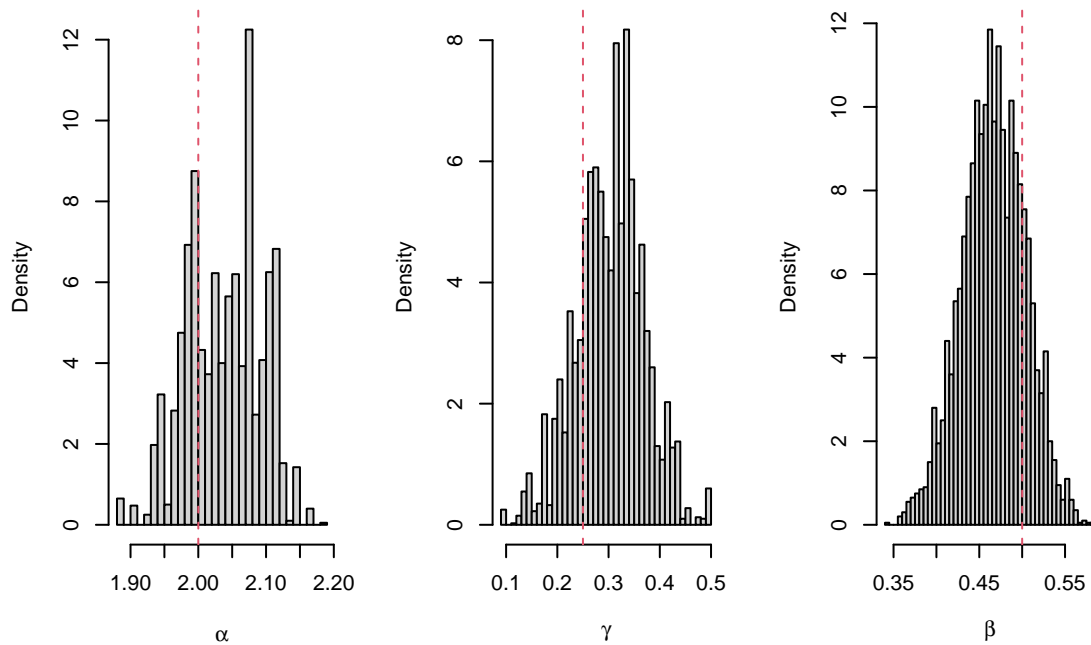
n = 1000
alpha = 2
gamma = 0.25
beta = 0.5
X = rnorm(n)
Z = rbinom(n, 1, gamma)
Y = ifelse(Z == 1, rpois(n, alpha), rpois(n, alpha * exp(beta * X)))
posterior = MHpois(Y, X, 1, 0.5, 0, 0.05, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
plot(posterior$alpha, type = "l", ylab = expression(alpha))
abline(h = alpha, col = 2, lty = 2)
plot(posterior$gamma, type = "l", ylab = expression(gamma))
abline(h = gamma, col = 2, lty = 2)
plot(posterior$beta, type = "l", ylab = expression(beta))

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abline(h = beta, col = 2, lty = 2)
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hist(posterior$alpha, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(alpha))
abline(v = alpha, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$gamma, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(gamma))
abline(v = gamma, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$beta, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta))
abline(v = beta, col = 2, lty = 2)
```



We observe that the prior distribution of  $\alpha$  isn't efficient as an independent proposal density.

b. We define:

$$n_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=1\}}, \quad S_{XY} = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=0\}} x_i y_i, \quad S_\beta = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=0\}} e^{\beta x_i}.$$

The complete-data likelihood, i.e. the joint likelihood of the observed variables  $y_i$  and the latent variables  $z_i$ , is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(y_i, z_i \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n f(z_i \mid \gamma) f(y_i \mid z_i, \alpha, \beta) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n [P(Z_i = 1 \mid \gamma) f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i \mid \alpha)]^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=1\}}} [P(Z_i = 0 \mid \gamma) f_{\text{Poisson}}(y_i \mid \alpha e^{\beta x_i})]^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=0\}}} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \left( \gamma e^{-\alpha} \frac{\alpha^{y_i}}{y_i!} \right)^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=1\}}} \left[ (1 - \gamma) e^{-\alpha e^{\beta x_i}} \frac{\alpha^{y_i} e^{\beta x_i y_i}}{y_i!} \right]^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=0\}}} \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n (\gamma e^{-\alpha})^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=1\}}} \left[ (1 - \gamma) e^{\beta x_i y_i - \alpha e^{\beta x_i}} \right]^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=0\}}} \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\alpha^{y_i}}{y_i!} \\ &\propto \gamma^{n_1} e^{-n_1 \alpha} \cdot (1 - \gamma)^{n - n_1} e^{\beta S_{XY} - \alpha S_\beta} \cdot \alpha^{n \bar{y}} \\ &= \alpha^{n \bar{y}} e^{-(S_\beta + n_1) \alpha} \cdot \gamma^{n_1} (1 - \gamma)^{n - n_1} \cdot e^{S_{XY} \beta}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we get the conditional posterior distributions of  $\alpha$  and  $\gamma$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\alpha \mid \beta, \gamma, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) &\propto \pi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \mathbf{z} \mid \mathbf{y}) \\ &\propto \pi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \cdot f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \\ &\propto \alpha e^{-\alpha} \cdot \alpha^{n \bar{y}} e^{-(S_\beta + n_1) \alpha} \\ &= \alpha^{n \bar{y} + 1} e^{-(S_\beta + n_1 + 1) \alpha}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\gamma \mid \alpha, \beta, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) &\propto \pi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \cdot f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \\ &\propto \gamma^{n_1} (1 - \gamma)^{n - n_1}. \end{aligned}$$

In other words,

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha \mid \beta, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y} &\sim \text{Gamma}(n \bar{y} + 2, S_\beta + n_1 + 1), \\ \gamma \mid \mathbf{z} &\sim \text{Beta}(n_1 + 1, n - n_1 + 1). \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, we get the conditional posterior distribution of  $\beta$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\beta \mid \alpha, \mathbf{z}, \mathbf{y}) &\propto \pi(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \cdot f(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{z} \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \\ &\propto e^{-\beta^2 / 2 + S_{XY} \beta - \alpha S_\beta}, \end{aligned}$$

which isn't some known distribution.

Finally, we get the conditional posterior distribution of the latent variables  $z_i$  as follows:

$$f(z_i \mid y_i, \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \propto f(y_i, z_i \mid \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \propto (\gamma e^{-\alpha})^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=1\}}} \left[ (1 - \gamma) e^{\beta x_i y_i - \alpha e^{\beta x_i}} \right]^{\mathbb{1}_{\{z_i=0\}}}.$$

In other words,

$$(z_i | y_i, \alpha, \beta, \gamma) \sim \text{Bernoulli} \left( \frac{\gamma e^{-\alpha}}{\gamma e^{-\alpha} + (1 - \gamma) e^{\beta x_i y_i - \alpha e^{\beta x_i}}} \right).$$

We implement the following Markov Chain Monte Carlo algorithm to simulate from this joint posterior distribution.

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**Algorithm 3.3** Markov Chain Monte Carlo

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Initialize  $\alpha^{(0)}, \gamma^{(0)}, \beta^{(0)}, z^{(0)}$ .

Iterate the following steps:

- 1: Simulate  $\alpha^{(\ell)} \sim \text{Gamma}(n\bar{y} + 2, S_{\beta^{(\ell-1)}} + n_1 + 1)$ .
- 2: Simulate  $\gamma^{(\ell)} \sim \text{Beta}(n_1 + 1, n - n_1 + 1)$ .
- 3: Simulate  $\beta^* \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta^{(\ell-1)}, \sigma_\beta^2)$  and  $U_\beta \sim U(0, 1)$ .
- 4: Calculate the ratio:

$$A_\beta = \frac{\pi(\beta^* | \alpha^{(\ell)}, z^{(\ell-1)}, y)}{\pi(\beta^{(\ell-1)} | \alpha^{(\ell)}, z^{(\ell-1)}, y)}.$$

- 5: If  $U_\beta < A_\beta$ , then let  $\beta^{(\ell)} = \beta^*$ . Otherwise, let  $\beta^{(\ell)} = \beta^{(\ell-1)}$ .
  - 6: Calculate the probabilities  $p_i = P(Z_i = 1 | y_i, \alpha^{(\ell)}, \gamma^{(\ell)}, \beta^{(\ell)})$ .
  - 7: Simulate  $U_i \sim U(0, 1)$ .
  - 8: If  $U_i < p_i$ , then let  $z_i^{(\ell)} = 1$ . Otherwise, let  $z_i^{(\ell)} = 0$ .
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```

prob = function(Y, X, alpha, gamma, beta) {
  logprob = cbind(log(gamma) - alpha, log(1 - gamma) + beta * X * Y - alpha *
    exp(beta * X))
  maximum = apply(logprob, 1, max)
  unnormalized = exp(logprob - maximum)
  return(unnormalized[, 1]/rowSums(unnormalized))
}

```

```

MCMCpois = function(Y, X, alpha0, gamma0, beta0, betasd, niter, nburn) {
  n = length(Y)
  S = sum(Y)
  alpha = numeric(niter)
  gamma = numeric(niter)
  beta = numeric(niter)
  Z = matrix(0, niter, n)
  alpha[1] = alpha0
  gamma[1] = gamma0
  beta[1] = beta0
  Z[1, ] = rbinom(n, 1, prob(Y, X, alpha[1], gamma[1], beta[1]))
  for (i in 2:niter) {
    n1 = sum(Z[i - 1, ])

```

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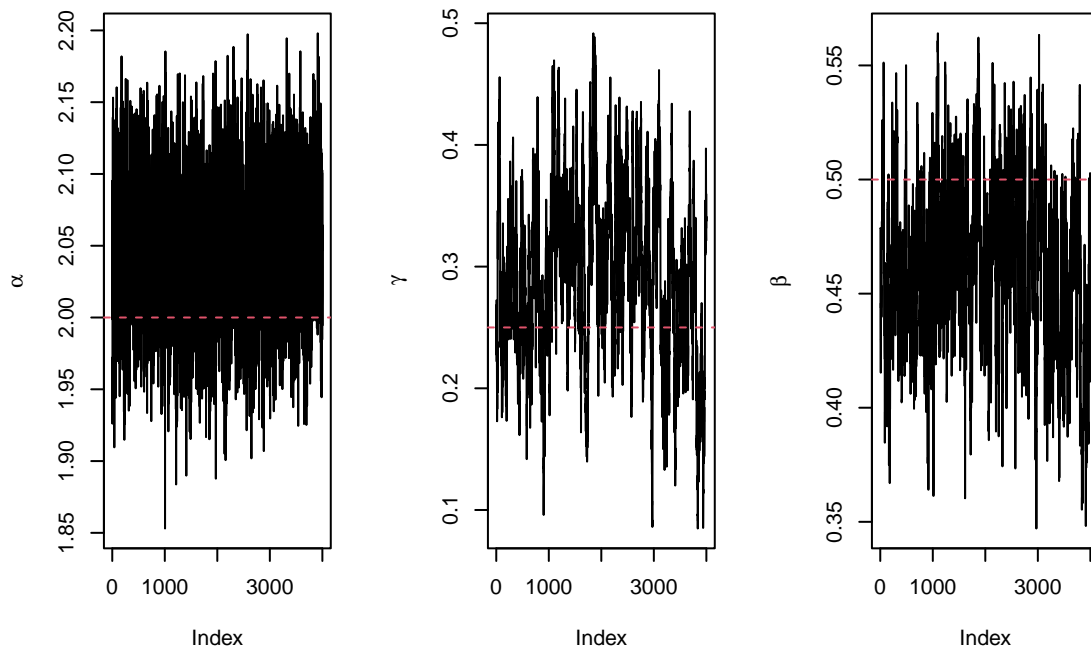
Sbeta = sum(exp(beta[i - 1] * X[Z[i - 1, ] == 0]))
alpha[i] = rgamma(1, S + 2, Sbeta + n1 + 1)
gamma[i] = rbeta(1, n1 + 1, n - n1 + 1)
betastar = rnorm(1, beta[i - 1], betasd)
logA = (beta[i - 1]^2 - betastar^2)/2 + sum(X[Z[i - 1, ] == 0] * Y[Z[i -
  1, ] == 0]) * (betastar - beta[i - 1]) + alpha[i] * (Sbeta - sum(exp(betastar *
  X[Z[i - 1, ] == 0])))
beta[i] = ifelse(log(runif(1)) < logA, betastar, beta[i - 1])
Z[i, ] = rbinom(n, 1, prob(Y, X, alpha[i], gamma[i], beta[i]))
}
return(list(alpha = alpha[-(1:nburn)], gamma = gamma[-(1:nburn)], beta = beta[-(1:nburn)],
  Z = Z[-(1:nburn), ]))
}

```

```

posterior = MCMCpois(Y, X, 1, 0.5, 0, 0.05, 5000, 1000)
par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
plot(posterior$alpha, type = "l", ylab = expression(alpha))
abline(h = alpha, col = 2, lty = 2)
plot(posterior$gamma, type = "l", ylab = expression(gamma))
abline(h = gamma, col = 2, lty = 2)
plot(posterior$beta, type = "l", ylab = expression(beta))
abline(h = beta, col = 2, lty = 2)

```



```

hist(posterior$alpha, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(alpha))
abline(v = alpha, col = 2, lty = 2)
hist(posterior$gamma, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(gamma))
abline(v = gamma, col = 2, lty = 2)

```

```
hist(posterior$beta, "FD", freq = FALSE, main = NA, xlab = expression(beta))
abline(v = beta, col = 2, lty = 2)
```

