

# Computational Bayesian Tools for Modeling the Aging Process

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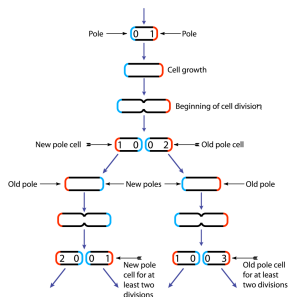
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  - Express the focus on the statistical laws,
  - By no means should be understood as a divergence.

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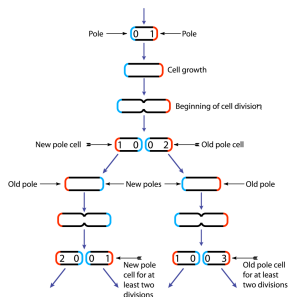
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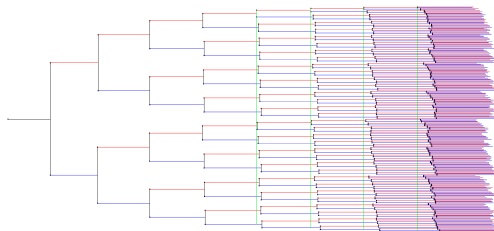
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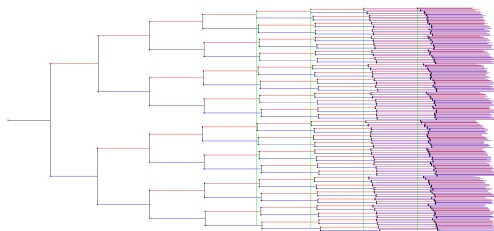
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*Is there a rejuvenation mechanism?*

*Are damages transmitted evenly to daughter cells?*

*How can we quantify a potential asymmetry?*

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- **Model:** Reconstruct a quantity that explains the physiological variability, as a physical quantity and which grows independently from the cell growth.

## Physical variables of the model

- $x_i(t)$ : Amount of accumulated damages in cell  $i$  at time  $t$ , **hidden**,
- $\gamma_i$ : Growth rate of cell  $i$ , seen as a noisy observation of  $x_i(t)$  at birth time of cell  $i$ ,
- $t_i$ : Date of division of cell  $i$ ,
- $T_i$ : Time elapsed between the formation of the cell  $i$  and its division,
- **Indexing convention**: daughters of cell  $i$  are indexed  $2i + 1$  and  $2i + 2$ .



# Dynamics of the hidden variable

- $x$  grows according to a drifting Brownian motion:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dx_i(t)}{dt} &= \mu_x + \sigma_x \frac{dW_t}{dt} \Rightarrow \\ x_i(T_i) &= \mu_x T_i + \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_x^2 T_i^2)\end{aligned}$$

- $x$  is spread across daughter cells at division, picking a rejuvenated cell randomly ( $\delta \sim B(0.5)$ ):

$$\begin{aligned}x_{2i+1+\delta_i}(t_i) \mid \delta_i, x_i(t_i) &\sim x_i(t_i) \times \text{Beta}(\beta_{\text{rejuvenated}}, \beta_{\text{aged}}) \\ x_{2i+2}(t_i) + x_{2i+1}(t_i) &= x_i(t_i)\end{aligned}$$

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- **Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC) :**
  - Avoids intractable likelihood functions.
  - Draws samples from an approximate posterior distribution
  - Still feasible to simulate data from the model/likelihood.

# ABC Methodology

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**Algorithm 1** Likelihood-free ABC rejection sampler 1

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- 1: Draw parameters  $\theta = (\mu_x, \sigma_x, \beta_{rejuvenated}, \beta_{aged}) \sim \pi$ .
  - 2: Simulate synthetic data  $z$  using these parameter values from the likelihood.
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**Outcome:**

$$f(\theta_i) \propto \sum_z \pi(\theta_i) f(z|\theta_i) \mathbb{I}_y(z) = \pi(\theta_i) f(y|\theta_i) \propto \pi(\theta_i|y)$$

# ABC Algorithms I

- Extension to the case of the continuous sample spaces.

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## Algorithm 2 Likelihood-free ABC rejection sampler 2

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  - 3: If  $d(\eta(z), \eta(y)) < \epsilon$  accept the parameters, else reject.
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- Specifications:
  - $\eta$ : a function defining a statistic; often not sufficient,
  - $d$ : a distance,
  - $\epsilon$ : a tolerance level.



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- The idea behind ABC is that using representative summary statistics with a small tolerance level should produce a good approximation to the posterior.

## ABC Algorithms II

- Using simulations from the prior distribution is inefficient.

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### Algorithm 3 Likelihood-free ABC MCMC sampler

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- 1: Use Algorithm 1 to get a realization  $(\theta_0, z_0)$  from the ABC target distribution  $\pi_\epsilon(\theta, z|y)$ .
- 2: Draw parameters from a Markov truncated-normal kernel  $\theta' \sim q(\cdot|\theta_{t-1})$ .
- 3: Simulate synthetic data  $z'$  using these parameter values.
- 4: Draw  $u \sim \mathcal{U}_{[0,1]}$ .
- 5: If

$$u \leq \frac{\pi(\theta')q(\theta_{t-1}|\theta')}{\pi(\theta_{t-1})q(\theta'|\theta_{t-1})} \quad \text{and} \quad d(\eta(z'), \eta(y)) < \epsilon$$

accept the parameters, else reproduce.

- 6: Repeat from stage 2.

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## ■ Artificial Dataset

- The number of cells is 255; 7 generations.
- All times to division are set to 1.
- The values of the parameters are set to  $(\mu_X, \sigma_X) = (1, 0.1)$  and  $(\beta_r, \beta_a) = \{(10, 15), (15, 15), (2, 3), (3, 3)\}$ .

# Calibration of ABC in Aging 1

## ■ Summary Statistics

- Introduce  $\hat{x}_i = \frac{1}{\gamma_i}$
- Reorder  $\hat{x}$  so that  $\gamma_{2i+2} < \gamma_{2i+1}$
- Define the following statistics

$$\eta_1 = \text{mean} \left[ \frac{\hat{x}_{2i+1} + \hat{x}_{2i+2} - \hat{x}_i}{T_i} \right]$$

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## Calibration of ABC in Aging 2

- The distance  $d$  is the euclidean, normalized by the a priori standard deviation of each component.

$$w_1[\eta_1(D_{obs}) - \eta_1(D_{synth})] + \dots + w_4[\eta_1(D_{obs}) - \eta_4(D_{synth})]$$

where  $\sum_{i=1}^4 w_i[\eta_i(D_{obs}) - \eta_i(D_{synth})] = 1$  under the prior.

## In presence of asymmetry

$$(\beta_{rejuvenated}, \beta_{aged}) = (10, 15)$$

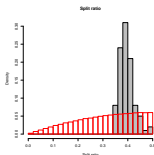
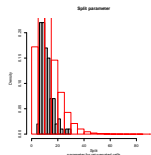
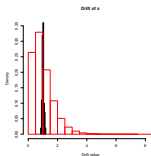
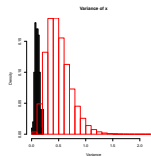


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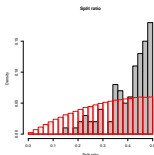
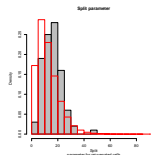
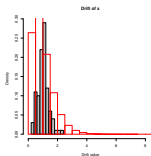
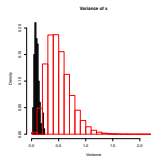


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## In case of broadly distributed splits

$$(\beta_{rejuvenated}, \beta_{aged}) = \{(2, 3), (3, 3)\}$$

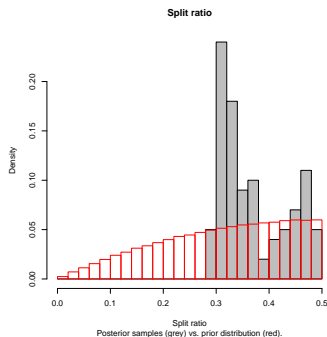


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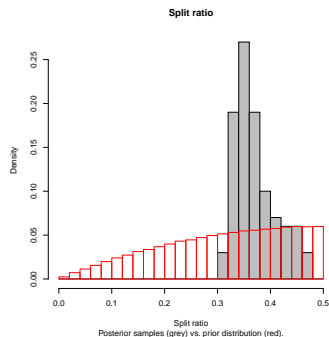


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- **Extensions:**
  - Modeling: Introduction of a hidden *aging-switch* parameter,  $\delta_j$ .
  - Methodology: Monte Carlo Markov Chain.



# Introducing the Aging-Switch Parameter $\delta_i$

$$x_0^b = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$x_i^d = x_i^b + \mathcal{TN}(\mu_x T_i, \sigma_x^2 T_i^2) \quad (2)$$

$$\delta_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(0.5) \quad (3)$$

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$$x_{2i+1}^b(t_i) \mid \delta_i = 2, x_i^d(t_i) \sim x_i^d(t_i) \times \text{Beta}(\beta_a, \beta_r) \quad (5)$$

$$x_{2i+2}^b(t_i) + x_{2i+1}^b(t_i) = x_i^d(t_i) \quad (6)$$

$$\gamma_i^b \sim \text{Gamma}\left(10, \frac{1}{x_i^b(t_i)}\right) \quad (7)$$

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## ■ The priors:

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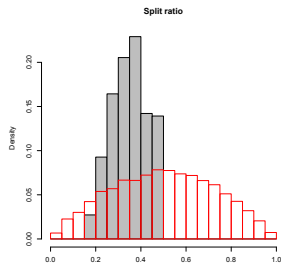
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- The exact distribution of  $x_{2i+1}^b \mid \delta_i = 1, x_i^d$ :

$$\begin{aligned} f_{x_{2i+1}^b}(x_{2i+1}^b \mid \delta_i = 1, x_i^d) &= f_{x_{2i+1}^b}\left(\frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d}\right) \frac{1}{x_i^d} \\ &= \left(\frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d}\right)^{\beta_r - 1} \left(1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d}\right)^{\beta_a - 1} \frac{1}{B(\beta_r, \beta_a) x_i^d} \end{aligned}$$

# Results

- Real dataset
- 24 parallel processes
- $10^8$  simulations,  $10^{-5}$  acceptance ratio



Thank you for your attention !

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## ■ Practical Techniques for Convergence

- *Burn-in*: Influence the time of convergence by discarding a number of iterations at the early stage of the sampling process.
- *Thinning*: Reduce the dependence between the draws of the Markov Chain by building a subchain which keeps only every  $d$ -th draw.



# Gibbs Sampling

Sampling from a posterior distribution  $p(\theta | y)$ .

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## Algorithm 4 Gibbs Sampler

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- 1: Choose a vector of starting values  $\theta^{(0)}$ .
- 2: Start with any  $\theta$ . Draw a value  $\theta_1^{(1)}$  from the full conditional  $p(\theta_1 | \theta_2^{(0)}, \dots, \theta_i^{(0)}, \dots, \theta_k^{(0)}, y)$ .
- 3: Draw a value  $\theta_i^{(0)}$  from  $p(\theta_i | \theta_1^{(1)}, \dots, \theta_{i-1}^{(1)}, \theta_{i+1}^{(0)}, \dots, \theta_k^{(0)}, y)$  by using the most updated values for the other parameters until  $i = k$ .
- 4: Draw  $\theta^{(2)}$  using  $\theta^{(1)}$  and continually using the most updated values.
- 5: Repeat until we get M draws, with each draw being a vector  $\theta^{(i)}$ .
- 6: Optional burn-in and/or thinning.

# Full Conditionals Calculation

- 1 Write out the full posterior distribution ignoring constants of proportionality.
- 2 Pick a block of parameters and drop everything that doesn't depend on that parameter.
- 3 Use the knowledge of distributions to determine the distribution of the full conditional.
- 4 Repeat the previous steps for all parameters.

# Metropolis-Hastings Algorithm

If the full conditionals do not look like any known distribution.

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## Algorithm 5 Metropolis - Hastings Algorithm

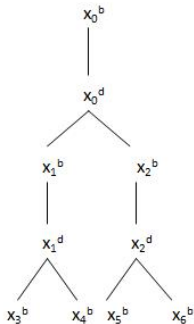
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- 1: Choose a starting value  $\theta^{(0)}$ .
- 2: At iteration  $t$ , draw a candidate  $\theta^*$  from a jumping distribution  $J_t(\theta^* | \theta^{(t-1)})$ .
- 3: Compute an acceptance ratio (probability):

$$r = \frac{\pi(\theta^* | y) / J_t(\theta^* | \theta^{(t-1)})}{\pi(\theta^{(t-1)} | y) / J_t(\theta^{(t-1)} | \theta^*)}$$

- 4: Accept  $\theta^*$  as  $\theta^{(t)}$  with probability  $\min(r, 1)$ . If  $\theta^*$  is not accepted, then  $\theta^{(t)} = \theta^{(t-1)}$ .
- 5: Repeat steps 2-4  $M$  times to get  $M$  draws from  $\pi(\theta | y)$ , with optional burn-in and/or thinning.

## Likelihood Computation - Example

Partial Lineage  
Tree

## Likelihood

$$\begin{aligned}
 L = & P(x_0^b) && \times && P(x_0^d | x_0^b) \times \\
 & P(x_1^b | x_0^d) && \times && P(x_1^d | x_1^b) \times \\
 & \delta_{\{x_0^d - x_1^b\}}(x_2^b) && \times && P(x_2^d | x_0^d - x_1^b) \times \\
 & P(x_3^b | x_1^d) && \times && \\
 & \delta_{\{x_1^d - x_3^b\}}(x_4^b) && \times && \\
 & P(x_5^b | x_2^d) && \times && \\
 & \delta_{\{x_2^d - x_5^b\}}(x_6^b) && && 
 \end{aligned}$$

## Likelihood - General Form

$$\begin{aligned}
L &= P(x_0^b) \times \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \mathbb{P}(x_i^d | x_i^b) \times \\
&\prod_{\delta_i=1} [\mathbb{P}(x_{2i+1}^b | x_i^d) \delta_{\{x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b\}}(x_{2i+2}^b)] \times \\
&\prod_{\delta_i=2} [\mathbb{P}(x_{2i+1}^b | x_i^d) \delta_{\{x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b\}}(x_{2i+2}^b)] \\
&= 1 \times \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)} \frac{1}{\sigma_x T_i \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{[x_i^d - (x_i^b + \mu_x T_i)]^2}{2\sigma_x^2 T_i^2} \right\} \right] \times \\
&\prod_{\delta_i=1} \left[ \frac{(x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_r - 1} (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_a - 1}}{(x_i^d)^{\beta_r + \beta_a - 1} B(\beta_r, \beta_a)} \times \delta_{\{x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b\}}(x_{2i+2}^b) \right] \times \\
&\prod_{\delta_i=2} \left[ \frac{(x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_a - 1} (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_r - 1}}{(x_i^d)^{\beta_r + \beta_a - 1} B(\beta_a, \beta_r)} \times \delta_{\{x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b\}}(x_{2i+2}^b) \right]
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## Full Conditional Distributions 1

$$f(\theta | \mathbf{x}) \propto L \times e^{-\frac{(\mu_x - 1.25)^2}{2(1.1)^2}} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma_x^2}\right)^4 e^{-\frac{0.02}{\sigma_x^2}} \beta_r e^{-10\beta_r} \beta_a e^{-10\beta_a} \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\pi(\mu_x | \cdot) \propto \left(\frac{1}{1 - \Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)}\right)^{nb_{obs}} \text{TN}\left(\frac{\sigma_1^2 \sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{x_i^d - x_i^b}{T_i} + \sigma_x^2 \mu_1}{\sigma_1^2 nb_{obs} + \sigma_x^2}; \left(\frac{\sigma_x \sigma_1}{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 nb_{obs} + \sigma_x^2}}\right)^2\right) \mathbb{1}_{\mu_x > 0}$$

$$\pi(\sigma_x^2 | \cdot) \propto \left(\frac{1}{1 - \Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)}\right)^{nb_{obs}} \text{IG}\left(\frac{nb_{obs}}{2} + \alpha - 2; \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} (\mu_x - \frac{x_i^d - x_i^b}{T_i})^2 + \beta\right) \mathbb{1}_{\sigma_x > 0}$$

## Full Conditional Distributions 2

$$\pi(\beta_r|\cdot) \propto \prod_{\delta_i=1} [(\frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_r}] \times \prod_{\delta_i=2} [(1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_r}] \times$$

$$[\frac{1}{B(\beta_r, \beta_a)}]^{nb_{obs}} \times \beta_r^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\beta_r}$$

$$\pi(\beta_a|\cdot) \propto \prod_{\delta_i=1} [(1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_a}] \times \prod_{\delta_i=2} [(\frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_a}] \times$$

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$$\pi(\delta_i|\cdot) \propto [(\frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_r-1} (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_a-1}]^{\delta_i=1}$$

$$[(x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_a-1} (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_r-1}]^{\delta_i=2}$$

# Algorithmic Specifications

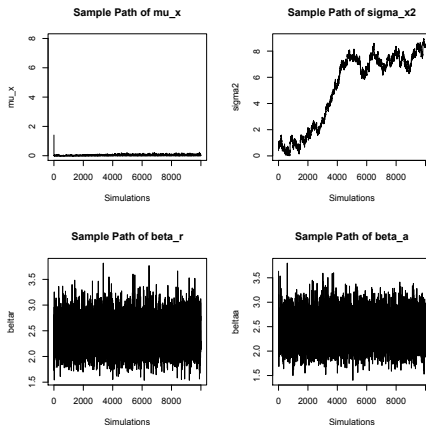
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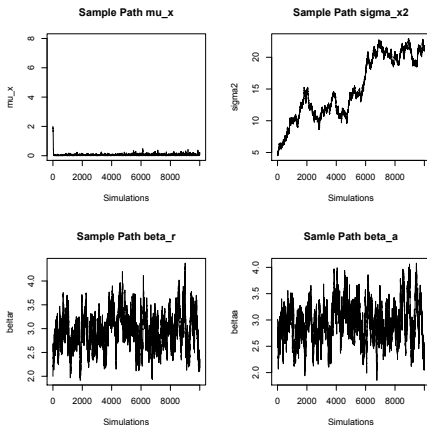
# Presence of Asymmetry - Sampling Paths



**Figura:** Number of iterations:  $10^6$ , burn-in =  $10^3$ , thin = 100,  
 candidate standard deviations =  $(0.1, 0.005, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,

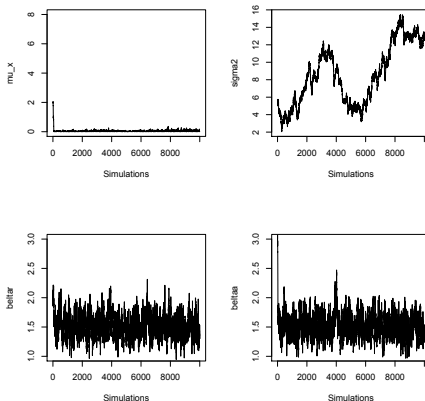
$(0, 0)$   $(10, 15)$

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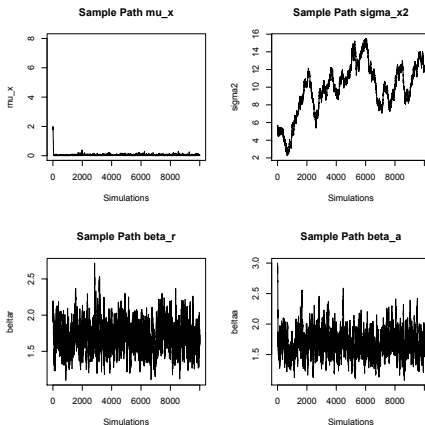
**Figura:** Number of iterations:  $10^4$ , burn-in = 0, thin = 1, candidate standard deviations =  $(0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $(\beta_r, \beta_a) = (15, 15)$ .

# Presence of Weak Asymmetry - Sampling Paths



**Figura:** Number of iterations:  $10^4$ , burn-in = 0, thin = 1, candidate standard deviations =  $(0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $(\beta_r, \beta_a) = (2, 3)$ .

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**Figura:** Number of iterations:  $10^4$ , burn-in = 0, thin = 1, candidate standard deviations =  $(0.1, 0.1, 0.1, 0.1)$ ,  $(\beta_r, \beta_a) = (3, 3)$ .

# Posterior - Prior Histograms

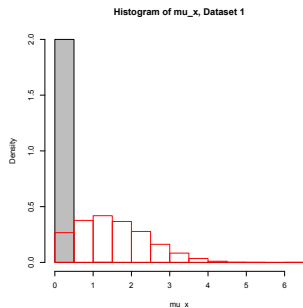


Figura: A

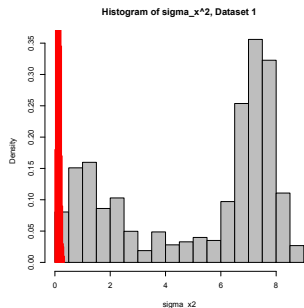
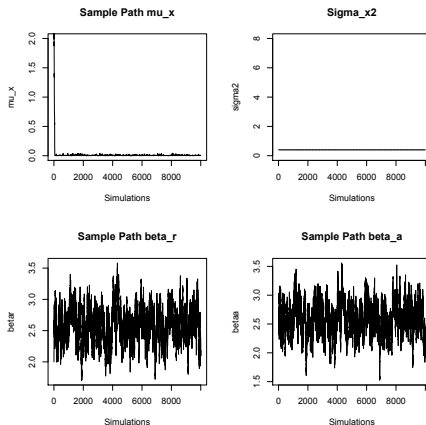


Figura: B

Figura: True values:  $(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2) = (1, 0.1)$ . Number of iterations:  $10^6$ .

Fixed  $\sigma_x^2$ 

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& \exp \left\{ - \sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{[x_i^d - (x_i^b + \mu_x T_i)]^2}{2\sigma_x^2 T_i^2} \right\} \times \\
& \prod_{\delta_i=1} [ \left( \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_r} \left( 1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_a} ] \times \prod_{\delta_i=2} [ \left( \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_a} \left( 1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_r} ] \times \\
& \left[ \frac{1}{B(\beta_r, \beta_a)} \right]^{nb_{obs}} \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{(x_i^d)^2}{x_{2i+1}^b (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)} \right]
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 & \prod_{\delta_i=1} [ (\frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_r} (1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_a} ] \times \prod_{\delta_i=2} [ (\frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_a} (1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d})^{\beta_r} ] \times \\
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 \end{aligned}$$

$\mu_x$  Full Conditional

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\mu_x | \cdot) &= \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{1}{1-\Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)} \frac{1}{\sigma_x T_i \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{[x_i^d - (x_i^b + \mu_x T_i)]^2}{2\sigma_x^2 T_i^2} \right\} \right] \times \\
&\quad \frac{1}{1-\Phi(0, \mu_1, \sigma_1)} \frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\mu_x - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2} \right] \\
&\propto \left( \frac{1}{1-\Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)} \right)^{nb_{obs}} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_x \sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^{nb_{obs}} \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{1}{T_i} \right] \times \\
&\quad \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{[x_i^d - (x_i^b + \mu_x T_i)]^2}{2\sigma_x^2 T_i^2} \right\} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\mu_x - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2} \right] \\
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&\quad \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{[\mu_x - \frac{x_i^d - x_i^b}{T_i}]^2}{2\sigma_x^2} \right\} \exp \left[ -\frac{(\mu_x - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2} \right]
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&\exp \left\{ - \frac{1}{2 \left( \frac{\sigma_x \sigma_1}{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 nb_{obs} + \sigma_x^2}} \right)^2} \left[ \left( \mu_x - \frac{\sigma_1^2 \sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{x_i^d - x_i^b}{T_i} + \sigma_x^2 \mu_1}{\sigma_1^2 nb_{obs} + \sigma_x^2} \right)^2 \right] \right\} \times \\
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&\left. \left. \left( \frac{\sigma_1^2 \sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{x_i^d - x_i^b}{T_i} + \sigma_x^2 \mu_1}{\sigma_1^2 nb_{obs} + \sigma_x^2} \right)^2 \right] \right\} \\
&\propto \left( \frac{1}{1 - \Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)} \right)^{nb_{obs}} \\
&\text{TN} \left( \frac{\sigma_1^2 \sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{x_i^d - x_i^b}{T_i} + \sigma_x^2 \mu_1}{\sigma_1^2 nb_{obs} + \sigma_x^2} ; \left( \frac{\sigma_x \sigma_1}{\sqrt{\sigma_1^2 nb_{obs} + \sigma_x^2}} \right)^2 \right) \mathbb{1}_{\mu_x > 0}
\end{aligned}$$

$\sigma_x^2$  Full Conditional

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\sigma_x^2 | \cdot) &= \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{1}{1 - \Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)} \frac{1}{\sigma_x T_i \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{[x_i^d - (x_i^b + \mu_x T_i)]^2}{2\sigma_x^2 T_i^2} \right\} \right] \times \\
&\quad \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} \right)^{\alpha-1} \exp \left[ -\frac{\beta}{\sigma_x^2} \right] \\
&\propto \left( \frac{1}{1 - \Phi(0, \mu_x, \sigma_x)} \right)^{nb_{obs}} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_x \sqrt{2\pi}} \right)^{nb_{obs}} \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{1}{T_i} \right] \times \\
&\quad \exp \left\{ -\sum_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \frac{[\mu_x - \frac{x_i^d - x_i^b}{T_i}]^2}{2\sigma_x^2} \right\} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_x^2} \right)^{\alpha-1} \exp \left[ -\frac{\beta}{\sigma_x^2} \right]
\end{aligned}$$

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$\beta_r$  Full Conditional

$$\begin{aligned}
\pi(\beta_r | \cdot) &= \prod_{\delta_i=1} \left[ \frac{(x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_r-1} (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_a-1}}{(x_i^d)^{\beta_r+\beta_a-1} B(\beta_r, \beta_a)} \right] \times \\
&\quad \prod_{\delta_i=2} \left[ \frac{(x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_a-1} (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_r-1}}{(x_i^d)^{\beta_r+\beta_a-1} B(\beta_a, \beta_r)} \right] \times \beta_r^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\beta_r} \\
&\propto \prod_{\delta_i=1} \left[ \left( \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_r} \left( 1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_a} \right] \times \\
&\quad \prod_{\delta_i=2} \left[ \left( \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_a} \left( 1 - \frac{x_{2i+1}^b}{x_i^d} \right)^{\beta_r} \right] \times \\
&\quad \left[ \frac{1}{B(\beta_r, \beta_a)} \right]^{nb_{obs}} \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{(x_i^d)^2}{x_{2i+1}^b (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)} \right] \times \beta_r^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\beta_r} \\
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\end{aligned}$$

$\beta_a$  Full Conditional

$$\begin{aligned}
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&\quad \prod_{\delta_i=2} \left[ \frac{(x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_a-1} (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)^{\beta_r-1}}{(x_i^d)^{\beta_r+\beta_a-1} B(\beta_a, \beta_r)} \right] \times \beta_a^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\beta_a} \\
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&\quad \left[ \frac{1}{B(\beta_r, \beta_a)} \right]^{nb_{obs}} \prod_{i=0}^{nb_{obs}-1} \left[ \frac{(x_i^d)^2}{x_{2i+1}^b (x_i^d - x_{2i+1}^b)} \right] \times \beta_a^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\beta_a} \\
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