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TRAINING COURSE

Introduction to descriptive and parametric statistic with R

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The objectives are both to propose useful statistical methods allowing to analyse univariate and multivariate data or to develop and calibrate models, as well as to learn how to use R.

The course is organized in three sessions :

- ▶ Session 1 : **Statistics for uni- and bivariate dataset**
- ▶ Session 2 : **Statistics for multivariate dataset**
- ▶ Session 3 : **Parametric statistic and statistical inference**

Git :	<code>gitlab.version.fz-juelich.de</code>
Homepage :	<code>www.vzu.uni-wuppertal.de/lehre</code>
Download R :	<code>cran.r-project.org</code>

Origin : 'Statistic' initially refers to the collection of information by states

- Etymology from the New Latin *statisticum* and the German words *Statistik* and *Staatskunde* (18th century)
- Counting of demographic and economic data

Modern sense : Collection, visualization, analysis, modelling, interpretation, prediction of information of all types

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|---|--------------------------|
| – Physics, social science, biology, ... | Models for understanding |
| – Engineering, neuroscience, ... | Models for prediction |
| – Applied mathematics, physics, ... | Statistical inference |

Context

Data: n observations of characteristics (of individuals, systems, ...) or results of experiments



Sample is not a time series (order of the observations has no importance)

→ Stochastic processes for dynamical systems

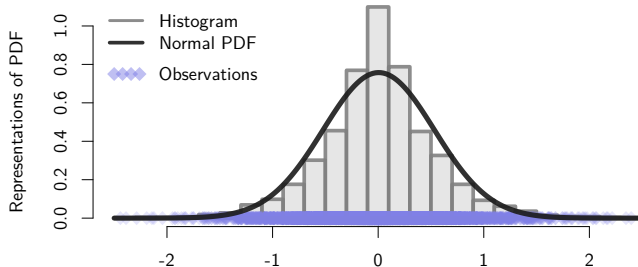
Statistic: Mathematical tools allowing to present, resume, explain or predict some data, and to develop and calibrate models

- Loose of information (data too big to individually analyze each observation)
- Focus on phenomena of interest, tendencies, global performances

Descriptive statistic : Tools describing data with no probabilist assumptions

Parametric statistic : Probabilist assumptions on the distributions of the data

Illustrative example



Representations of PDF by

Histogram : **Descriptive estimation**

Normal PDF : **Parametric estimation**

Statistical packages

Product	Description	Creation Date	Open Source	Written in Scripting	Support
MatLab mathworks.com	Platform for numerical computing	1970's		C++, java MatLab	Windows, Mac OS, Linux
SAS sas.com	Statistical analysis system	1974		C SAS language	Windows, Linux
SPSS ibm.com	Software package for statistical analysis	1968		java R, Python	Windows, Mac OS, Linux
Stata stata.com	General-purpose statistical software	1985		C ado, Mata	—
Statistica dell.com	Advanced analytics software package	1991		C++ R, SVB	Windows
R r-project.org	Software environment for statistical computing	1993	×	C, Fortran R language	Windows, Mac OS, Linux
SciLab scilab.org	Open-source alternative to MatLab	1990	×	C, C++, java SciLab	—
PSPP gnu.org	Open-source alternative to SPSS	1998	×	C Pearl	—
SciPy scipy.org	Python library for scientific computing	1992	×	C, Fortran Python	—

And many others ... (see, e.g., [Wikipedia: Statistical packages](#))

R software environment¹



R is a open source programming language and environment for statistical computing and graphics

Windows: **The terminal** — **The script** (eventual) — **The plots** (eventual)

Help with R: *?name_of_a_function* or *help(name_of_a_function)*

Implementation of S language — Functional programming

Computation in R consists of sequentially evaluating statements separated by semi-colon or new line, and that can be grouped using braces

Variable, vector, operations

```
pi*sqrt(10)+exp(4)
2:7
seq(0,1,0.1)
x=c(1,2,3);y=c(4,5)
z=c(x,y)
z^2;log(z)
```

Main control structures

```
x=7
if(x>0) y=0
for(i in 1:7)
  x=x+i
while(y>1)
  y=y/2
```

Functions

```
exp(2)
?exp
exp_app=function(x,n)
  sum(x^n/factorial(n))
exp_app(2,1:5)
```

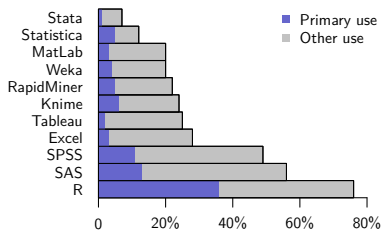
Integrated development environments for R: RStudio, Jupyter (online), Rattle, Red-R, R Commander, ...

¹1993, GNU General Public License, r-project.org

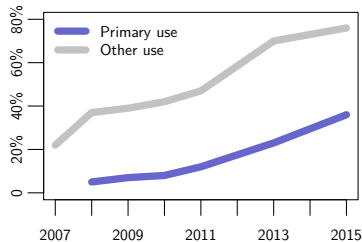
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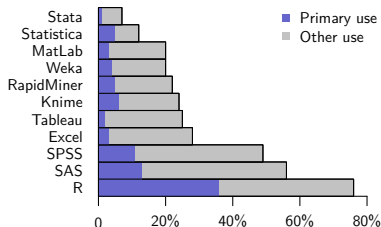
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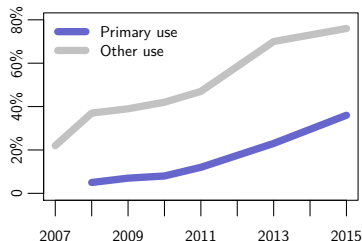
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Use of R



- ▶ R is the most used tool of data scientists and analysts (with tendency to increase)
- ▶ R is solely dedicated to statistical computing and graphics
- ▶ More general languages such as Python (see, e.g., package `scipy`) can compute statistical methods as well, but the implementation in R is generally easier

→ See Python & R codes for common machine learning algorithms at analyticsvidhya.com or R vs Python at blog.dominodatalab.com

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Data used

Experiments with pedestrians on a ring

→ 11 experiments done for different density levels

Measurement of:

Spacing

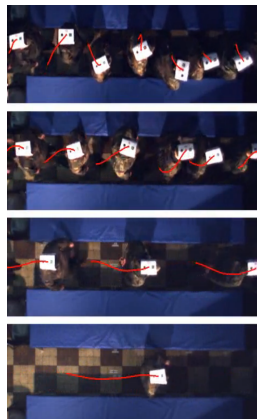
(position difference with predecessor)

Speed

(position time-difference)

Acceleration rate

(speed time-difference)



Descriptive statistics for univariate data

$$(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Histogram — R : hist(x)

Histogram : Counting of the observations on a regular partition $(I_j)_j$ with window δ

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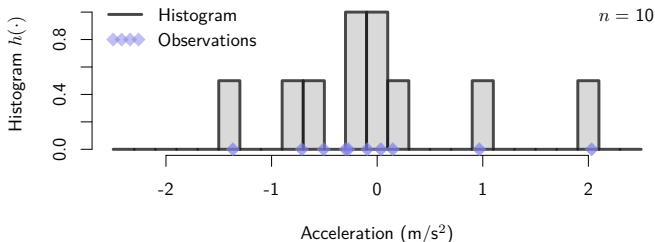
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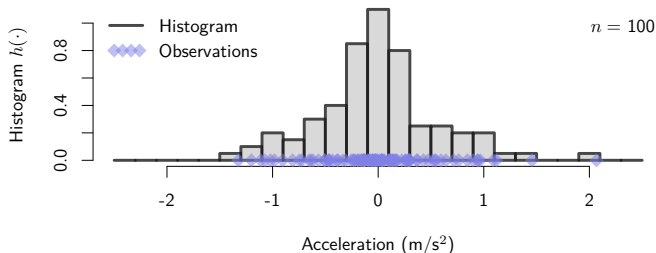


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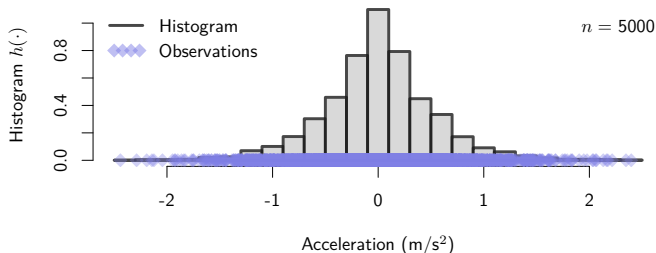


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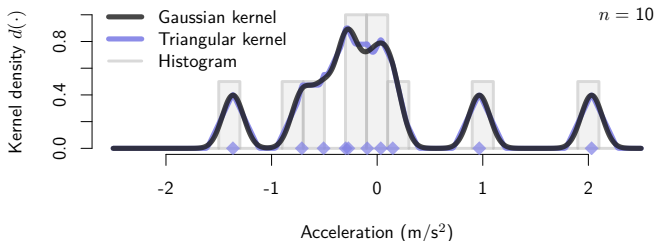
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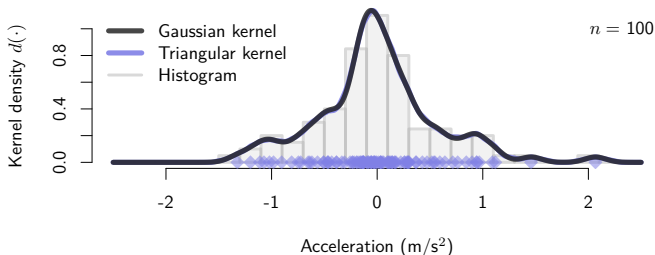


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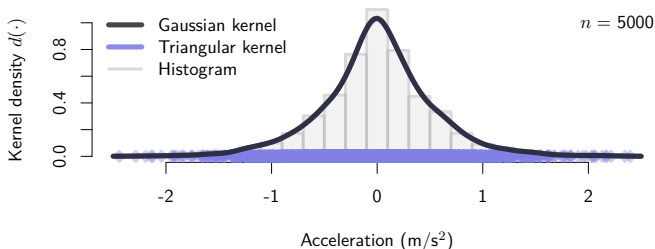


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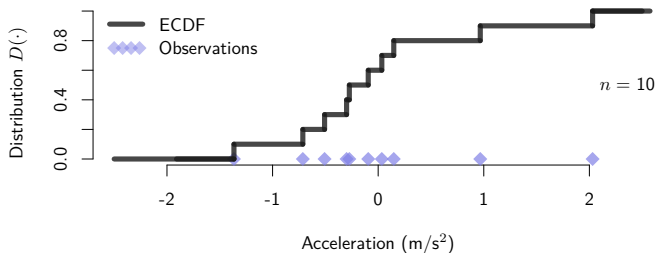
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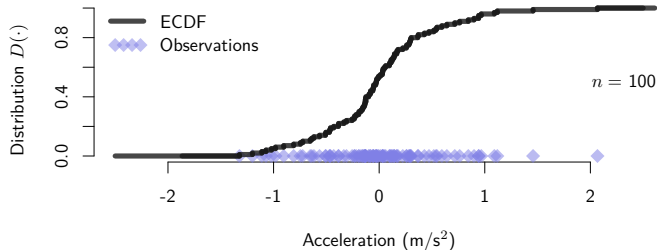


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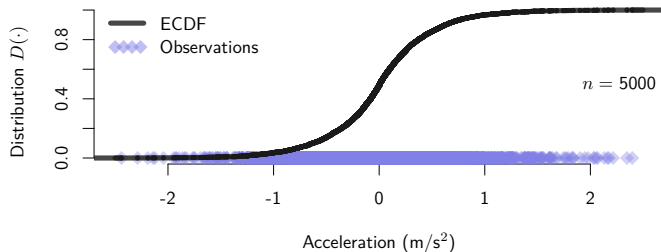


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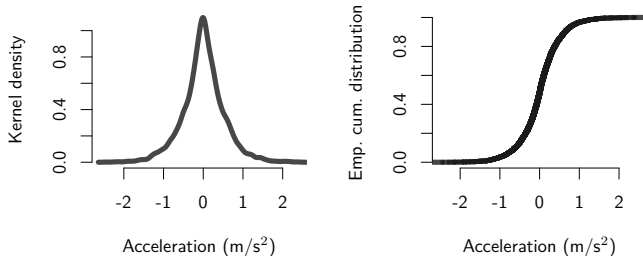


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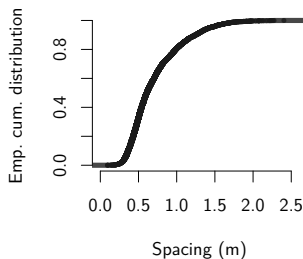
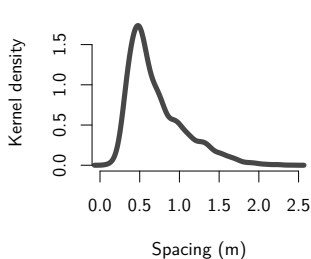


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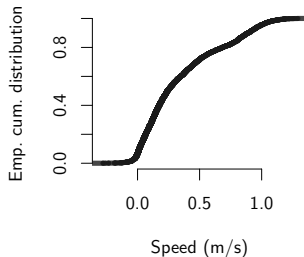
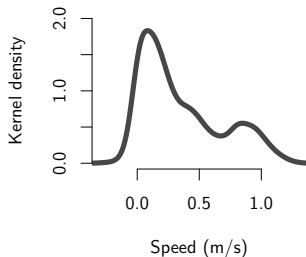


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Order statistic and quantile — R: `sort(x)`, `quantile(x,·)`

Univariate data :

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$$x_{i_1} \leq x_{i_2} \leq \dots \leq x_{i_n}$$

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$$(f(x))^{(k)} = \begin{cases} f(x^{(k)}) \\ f(x^{(n-1-k)}) \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad q_{f(x)}(\alpha) = \begin{cases} f(q_x(\alpha)) & \text{if } f \nearrow \\ f(q_x(1-\alpha)) & \text{if } f \searrow \end{cases}$$

Statistic for the location — R : `mean(x)`, `median(x)`

Three main statistics for the central position of univariate data

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

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* $\bar{x} = med_x = mod_x$ for uni-modal symmetric repartition of the data

* Mean and median solution of: $\bar{x} = \arg \min_a \sum_i (x_i - a)^2$ and $med_x = \arg \min_a \sum_i |x_i - a|$

* Mean sensible to extreme values, median or mode not: If $x_i \rightarrow \infty$ then $\bar{x} \rightarrow \infty$ but $med_x, mod_x \not\rightarrow \infty$

* Median and mode stable by monotone transform $med_{f(x)} = f(med_x)$, $mod_{f(x)} = f(mod_x)$

But the mean is not:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_i f(x_i) \begin{cases} \leq & \text{if } f \text{ is concave} \\ = & \text{if } f \text{ is affine} \\ \geq & \text{if } f \text{ is convex} \end{cases} \quad (\text{Jensen inequality})$$

Other statistics for the location

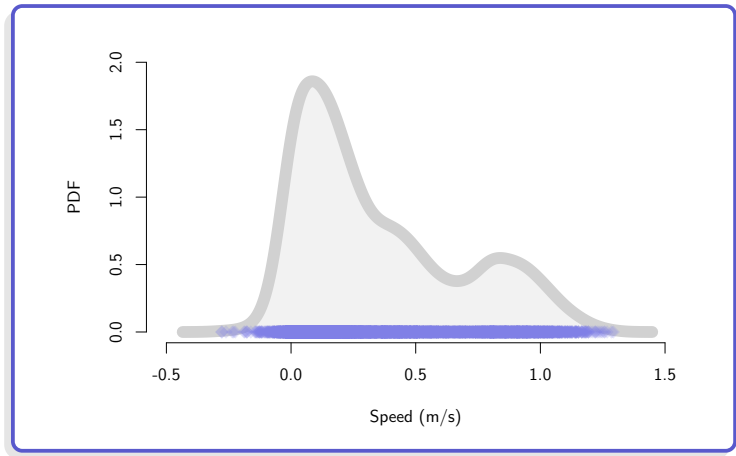
Average		Example (1, 2, 3)	R
Harmonic	$\bar{x}_H = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_i 1/x_i\right)^{-1}$	1.65	<code>1/mean(1/x)</code>
Geometric	$\bar{x}_G = \sqrt[n]{\prod_i x_i}$	1.82	<code>prod(x)^(1/length(x))</code>
Arithmetic	$\bar{x}_A = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i x_i$	2	<code>mean(x)</code>
Quadratic	$\bar{x}_Q = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_i x_i^2}$	2.16	<code>sqrt(mean(x^2))</code>
Contraharmonic	$\bar{x}_T = \sum_i x_i^2 / \sum_i x_i$	2.33	<code>mean(x^2)/mean(x)</code>

→ If $x_i > 0$ for all i , then we have²:

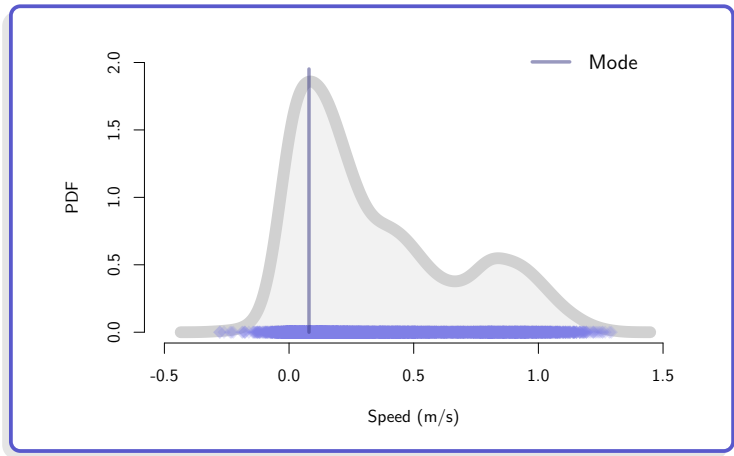
$$\bar{x}_H \leq \bar{x}_G \leq \bar{x}_A \leq \bar{x}_Q \leq \bar{x}_T$$

²We have more generally for $x_i > 0$ and $\bar{X}_m = \sqrt[m]{\frac{1}{N} \sum_i x_i^m}$, $\bar{X}_m \leq \bar{X}_n$ for all $m \leq n$

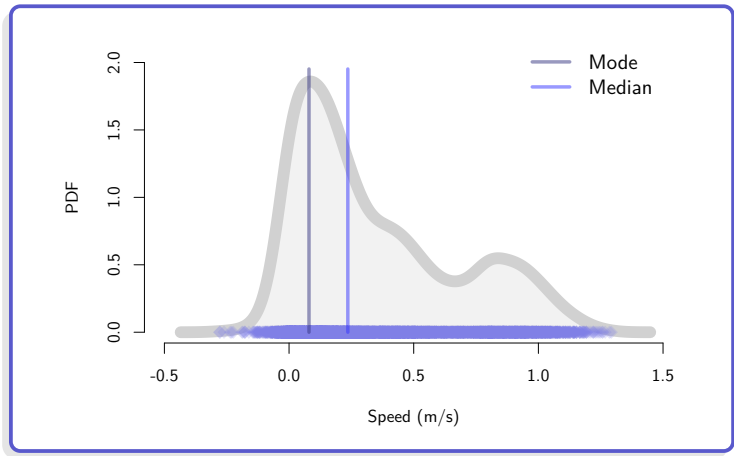
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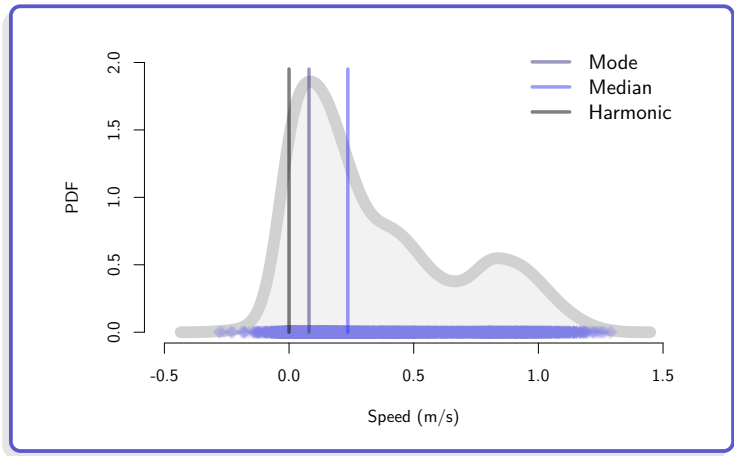
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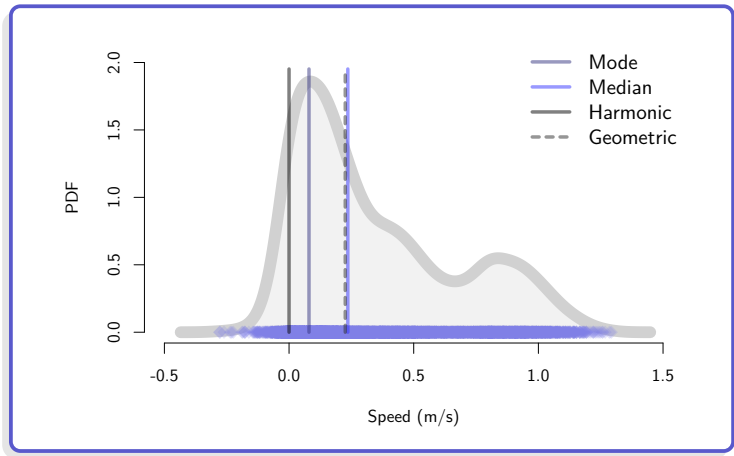
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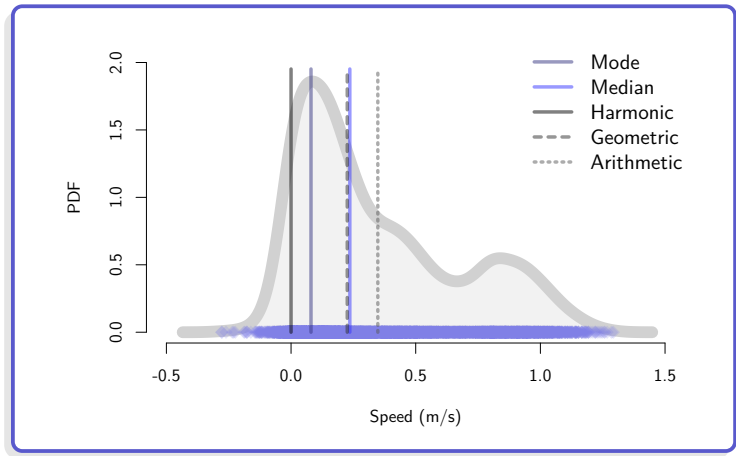
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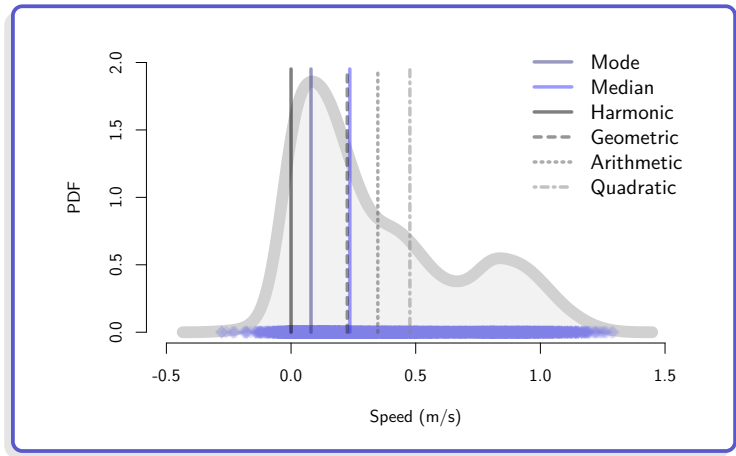
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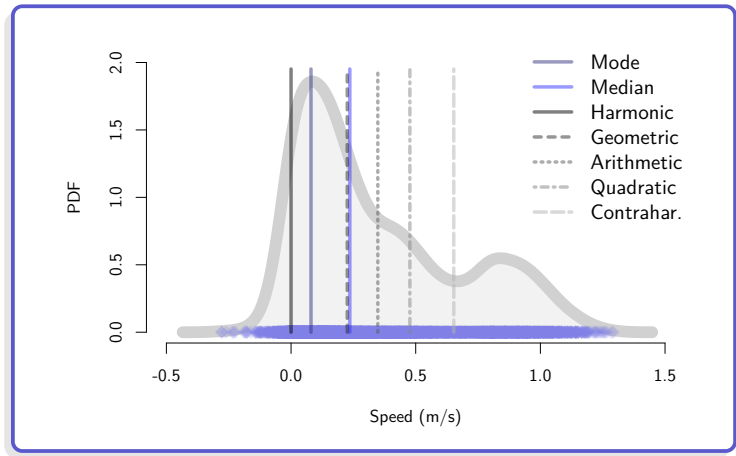
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Scattering statistics — $R : \text{var}(x), \text{sd}(x), \dots$

Main statistics used to measure the variability of

$$x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

- ▶ **Variance** $\text{var}_x = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2$ $R : \text{var}(x)$
- ▶ **Standard-deviation** $s_x = \sqrt{\text{var}_x}$ $\text{sd}(x)$
- ▶ **Mean absolute error** $\text{abs dev}_x = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i |x_i - \bar{x}|$ $\text{mean}(\text{abs}(x - \text{mean}(x)))$
- ▶ **Inter-quartile range** $IQR_x = q_x(0.75) - q_x(0.25)$ $\text{quantile}(x, .75) - \text{quantile}(x, .25)$
- ▶ **Max-Min difference** $\text{max min}_x = \max_i x_i - \min_i x_i$ $\text{max}(x) - \text{min}(x)$

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- ▶ **Mean absolute error** $abs\ dev_x = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i |x_i - \bar{x}|$ `mean(abs(x-mean(x)))`
- ▶ **Inter-quartile range** $IQR_x = q_x(0.75) - q_x(0.25)$ `quantile(x,.75)-quantile(x,.25)`
- ▶ **Max-Min difference** $max\ min_x = \max_i x_i - \min_i x_i$ `max(x)-min(x)`

* All these statistics are positive and have the units of the data, excepted the variance (unit to the square)

* We have $s_x \geq abs\ dev_x$ and $\max_i x_i - \min_i x_i \geq IQR_x$

* Statistics stable by affine transformation

$$\begin{aligned} s_{ax+b} &= |a| s_x, & IQR_{ax+b} &= |a| IQR_x, & var_{ax+b} &= a^2 var_x \\ abs\ dev_{ax+b} &= |a| abs\ dev_x, & max\ min_{ax+b} &= |a| max\ min_x, \end{aligned}$$

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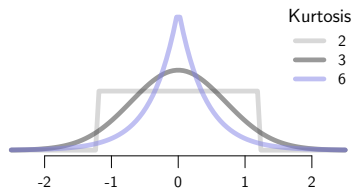
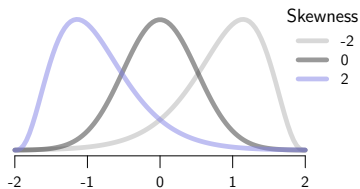
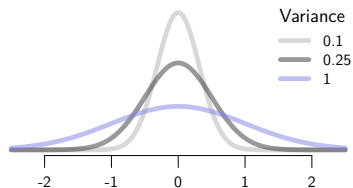
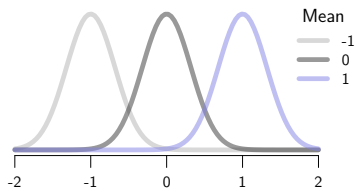
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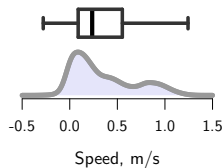
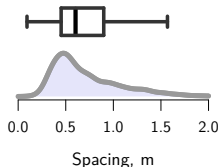
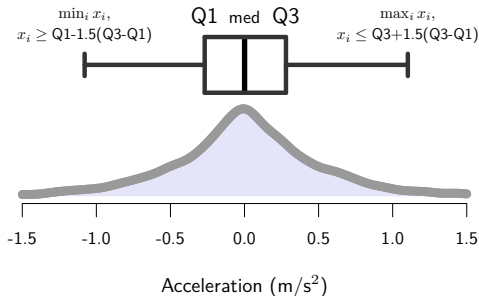
Straight distribution

► $K > 0$: Distribution with tails

Centred distribution

Statistics for the shape of a distribution : illustrative examples



Boxplot — R: `boxplot(x)`

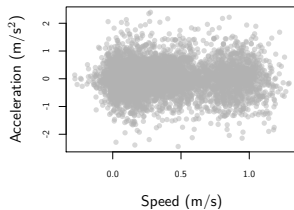
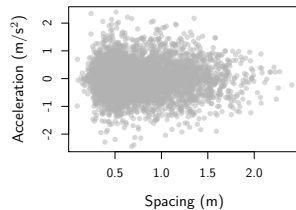
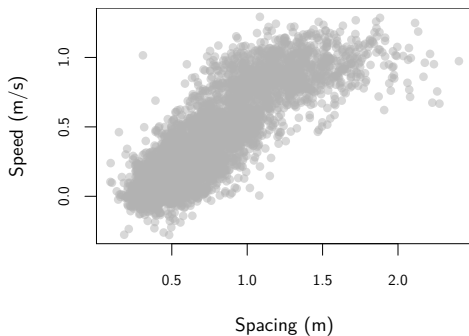
- ▶ 50% of the data into the box — 50% right (resp. left) to the median
- ▶ Normal distribution: $\geq 95\%$ of the data into the whiskers
- ▶ Different definitions for the whiskers exit (0.01/0.99-quantiles, min/max, ...)

Descriptive statistics for bivariate data

$$\left((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n) \right) \in \mathbb{R}^{2n}$$

Scatter plot — R: `plot(x,y)`, `plot(db)`

Scatter plot: The 2D plot of bivariate data



Covariance and correlation — R : `cov(x,y)`, `cor(x,y)`

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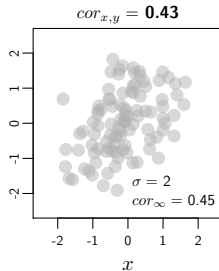
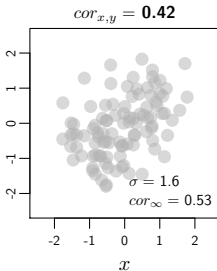
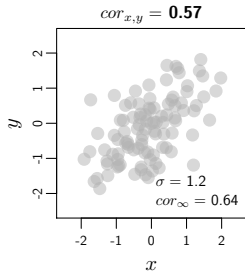
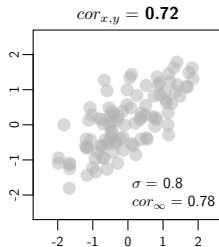
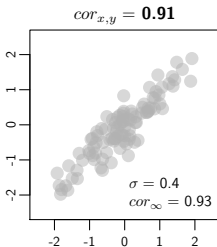
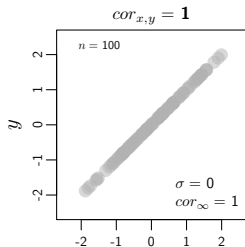
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- * Covariance and correlation tend to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$ if x and y are independent
- * The correlation $\text{cor}_{x,y} = |1|$ if and only if x and y are linked by an affine relation
- * Symmetric, $\text{covar}_{x,x} = \text{var}_x$, $\text{covar}_{ax+b,cy+d} = ac \text{ covar}_{x,y}$, $\text{cor}_{ax+b,cy+d} = \pm \text{cor}_{x,y}$

Correlation : Illustrative example

$$y_i = (x_i + \sigma z_i)(1 + \sigma^2)^{-1/2}$$

$cor_{x,y} \rightarrow cor_{\infty} = (1 + \sigma^2)^{-1/2}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$



Spearman correlation coefficient — R : `cor(x,y,method='spearman')`

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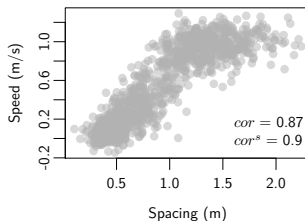
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$$cor_{x,y}^s = \frac{6 \sum_i d_i^2}{n(n^2-1)} \text{ with } d_i = r_{x_i} - r_{y_i}$$

if all n ranks are distinct integers

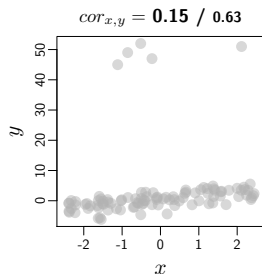


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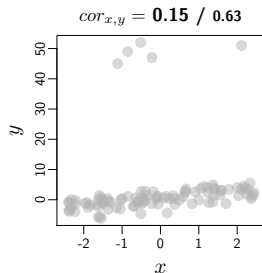


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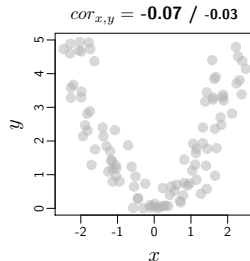


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see also [Wikipedia: Correlation](#)

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Illustrative examples

1. Researchers initially believed that electrical towers impact the health because life expectation and living distance to electrical towers are significantly negatively correlated
 \rightsquigarrow Further analysis shown that this due to the fact that people living around electrical towers are generally poor, with fewer access to healthcare
2. *Shadoks* scientist found significant correlations between the number of times someone eats his birthday cake and having a long life ...
 \rightsquigarrow He deduced that eating his birthday cake is very healthy!

Some useful properties

Mean value

- ▶ Mean of a sum is the sum of the means $\overline{x + y} = \bar{x} + \bar{y}$
- ▶ Stable for the product if the variables are linearly independent $\overline{xy} = \bar{x}\bar{y}$, if x and y ind.
In general : $\overline{xy} = \bar{x}\bar{y} + covar(x, y)$

Variance and covariance

- ▶ Variance stable by sum when the variables are linearly independent
In general : $var(x + y) = var(x) + var(y) + 2covar(x, y)$
- ▶ Variance of a product is always bigger than the product of the variances
If x and y are linearly independent : $var(xy) = var(x)var(y) + var(x)\bar{y} + var(y)\bar{x}$
- ▶ In general : $var(x) = \overline{x^2} - \bar{x}^2$ and $covar(x, y) = \overline{xy} - \bar{x}\bar{y}$

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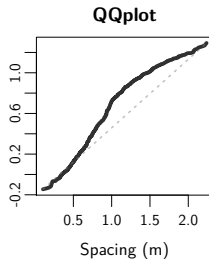
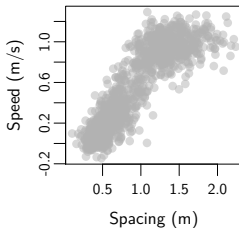
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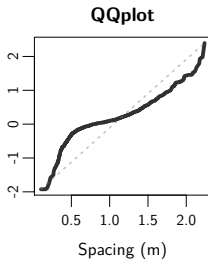
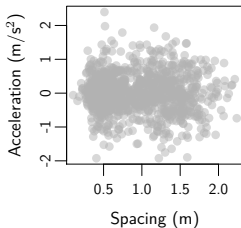


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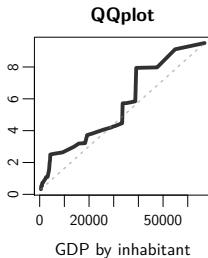
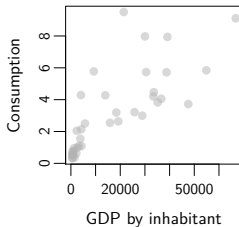


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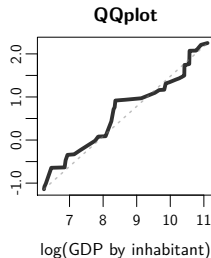
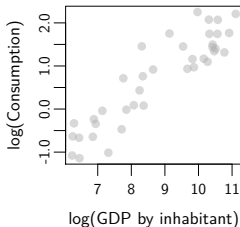


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Summary with R

Univariate data

Histogram

`hist(x)`

Kernel density

`density(x)`

Cumulative distribution function

`ecdf(x)`

Quantile, order statistic

`quantile(x,0.5);sort(x)`

Mean value, Median

`mean(x);median(x)`

Variance, standard deviation

`var(x);sqrt(var(x))`

Boxplot

`boxplot(x)`

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`plot(x,y)`

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Correlation

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Part 1 | Descriptive statistics for univariate and bivariate data

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Part 2 | Descriptive statistics for multivariate data

Least squares and linear and non-linear regression models, principal component analysis, principal component regression, clustering methods (K-means, hierarchical, density-based), linear discriminant analysis, bootstrap technique, artificial neural networks

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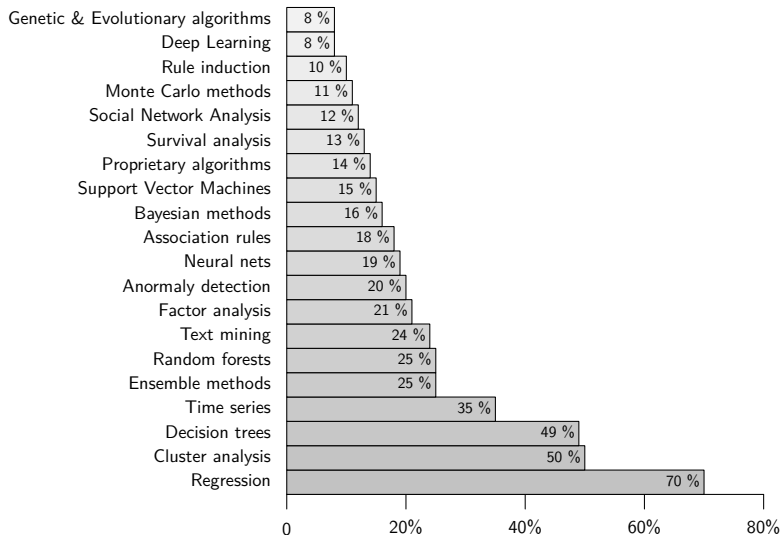
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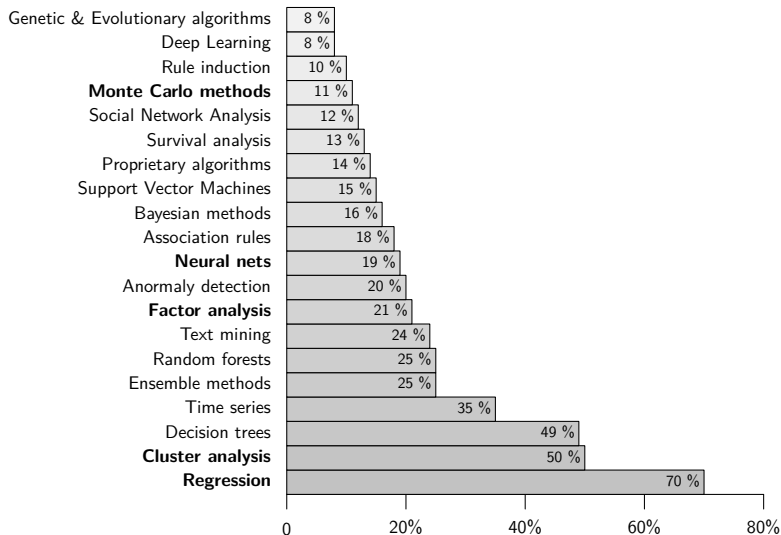
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Netflix Prize

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Congratulations!

The Netflix Prize sought to substantially improve the accuracy of predictions about how much someone is going to enjoy a movie based on their movie preferences.

On September 21, 2009 we awarded the \$1M Grand Prize to team "BellKor's Pragmatic Chaos". Read about [their algorithm](#), checkout team scores on the [Leaderboard](#), and join the discussions on the [Forum](#).

We applaud all the contributors to this quest, which improves our ability to connect people to the movies they love.

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- ▶ **Netflix dataset** : More than 100 million dated movie ratings performed by anonymous Netflix customers between Dec 31, 1999 and Dec 31, 2005 (about 480 189 users and 17 770 movies)
- ▶ **Training-test set format** : A hold-out set of about 4.2 million ratings was created consisting of the last nine movies rated by each user³ — Remaining data made up the training set
- ▶ **Winner** : “BellKor’s Pragmatic Chaos”
Blend of hundreds of different models
Test RMSE : 0.856704 (10.06%)

“The Ensemble Team”
Blend of 24 prediction models
Test RMSE : 0.856714 (10.06%)

→ BellKor’s defeated The Ensemble by submitting just 20 minutes earlier !

³or fewer if a user had not rated at least 18 movies over the entire period



- ▶ **Driverless car competition** on a 96 kilometres (60 mi) urban area course, to be completed in less than 6 hours (Nov. 3, 2007 in Victorville, California)

- ▶ **Rules :**
 - *Vehicle must be stock or have a documented safety record*
 - *Vehicle must obey the California state driving laws*
 - *Vehicle must be entirely autonomous, using only the information it detects with its sensors and public signals such as GPS*
 - *DARPA will provide the route network 24 hours before the race starts*
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Regression models

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Model $M_\alpha : \mathbb{R}^p \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ for y as a function of the (x^1, \dots, x^p)

$$y = M_\alpha(x^1, \dots, x^p) + \sigma\mathcal{E}$$

- ▶ α are the parameters and $\sigma\mathcal{E}$ is a *noise* (or an error) with amplitude σ (unexplained part)

Example: Multiple linear model

$$M_\alpha(x^1, \dots, x^p) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x^1 + \dots + \alpha_p x^p$$

- $p + 2$ parameters: $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p)$ and σ — Simple linear regression for $p = 1$

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Non-parametric estimation of the parameters by least squares

(or ordinary least squares (OLS), or regression model)

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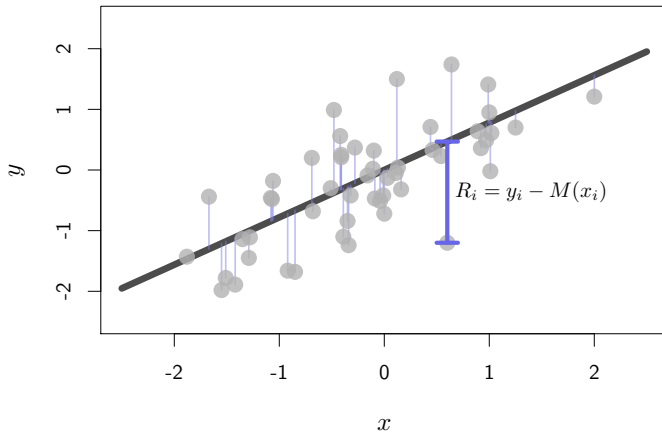
$$R_{\alpha}(y, x^1, \dots, x^p) = y - M_{\alpha}(x^1, \dots, x^p)$$

- ▶ OLS : Minimisation of the variance of the residuals / Sensible to extreme values
- ▶ Estimation of the amplitude of the noise using the empirical residual variance

$$\tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n R_{\tilde{\alpha}}^2(y_i, x_i^1, \dots, x_i^p)$$

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Minimisation of the variance of the residuals



Goodness of the fit

Evaluation of the goodness through the repartition of the variability

- ▶ $SST = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$ **Total Sum of Squares**
- ▶ $SSM = \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{M} - M_{\hat{\alpha}}(x_i))^2$ **Sum of Squares of the Model**
- ▶ $SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - M_{\hat{\alpha}}(x_i))^2$ **Sum of Squared Residuals**

Residuals centred and linearly independent : $SST = SSM + SSR$

→ Minimizing the variance of residuals maximizes variance explained by the model

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- ▶ $SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - M_{\hat{\alpha}}(x_i))^2$ **Sum of Squared Residuals**

Residuals centred and linearly independent : $SST = SSM + SSR$

→ Minimizing the variance of residuals maximizes variance explained by the model

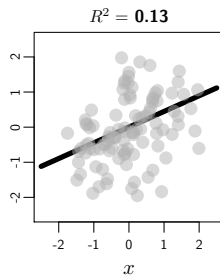
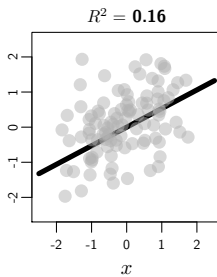
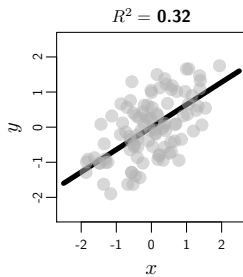
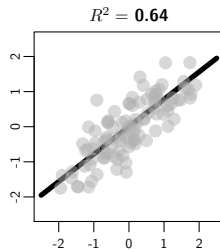
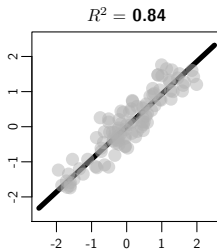
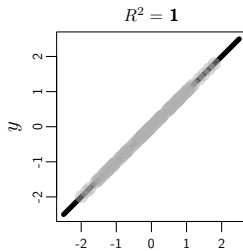
Coefficient of determination

Explained proportion of the variance

$$R^2 = \frac{SSM}{SST} = 1 - \frac{SSR}{SST} \leq 1$$

→ Good fit if $R^2 \approx 1$ — OLS estimation maximizes the R^2 — If $p = 1$ then $R^2 = \text{cor}_{x,y}^2$

R^2 : Example



Linear regression — R : `lm(y ~ x)`

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$$\tilde{\alpha} = (X^t X)^{-1} X^t y$$

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Generalized Least Squares (GLS) estimation:

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→ Variance/Covariance matrix Ω for the residuals

Simple linear regression

Bivariate data $(x, y) = ((x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)) \in \mathbb{R}^2$

The linear regression of y on x is the straight line

$$y = a_{\text{OLS}}x + b_{\text{OLS}}$$

$$(a_{\text{OLS}}, b_{\text{OLS}}) = \arg \min_{a,b} \sum_i (y_i - (ax_i + b))^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \begin{cases} a_{\text{OLS}} &= \frac{\text{covar}_{x,y}}{\text{var}_x} \\ b_{\text{OLS}} &= \bar{y} - a_{\text{OLS}}\bar{x} \end{cases}$$

Formal proof: We denote as $F(a, b) = \sum_i (y_i - (ax_i + b))^2$

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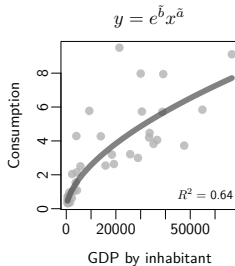
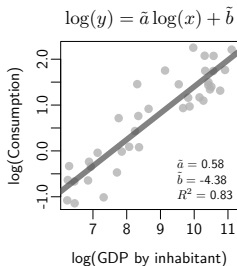
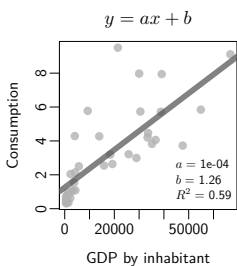
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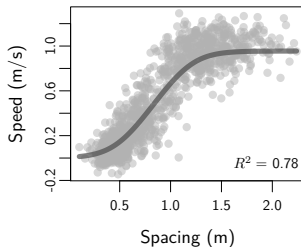
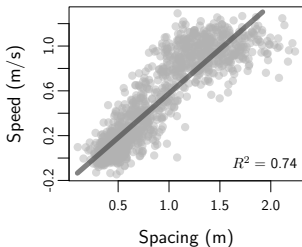
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Multiple linear and non-linear regression with R

y, x1, x2 and x3 are vectors with the same size

Linear least squares estimate

$$\text{lm}(y \sim x1 + x2 + x3)$$

- ▶ Linear regression of y on x1, x2 and x3
- ▶ Linear model (with intercept nil): $\text{lm}(y \sim 0 + x1 + x2 + x3)$

Non-linear least squares estimate

$$\text{nls}(y \sim \text{mod}(x, p1, p2, p3, \dots))$$

- ▶ The model must be at least derivable — Default method: Gauss–Newton
- ▶ Partial derivative can be given as input or are estimated numerically

Regression models : Summary

- ▶ Regression models allow to describe relationships between a variable to explain and explanatory factors
 - Parameter estimations by *least squares method* (sensitivity to extreme values)
 - *Linear* (explicit solution) and *non-linear* (invertible transformation or numerical approximation) models
- ▶ The variability of the variable to explain can be decomposed as
 - *Variability explained by the model* (explained part)
 - *Variability of the residuals* (non-explained part)

→ The $R^2 \in [0, 1]$ is the proportion of variable explained by the model allowing to compare models and to evaluate the quality of the fit
- ▶ Linear and non-linear regression are very easy to implement in R
 - `lm(.)` and `nlm(.)` functions — `coef(.)` to get the estimations of the coefficients

Principal Component Analysis

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Specific tools for the visualisation and description of multivariate data

- **Scatterplots**
- **Parallel plots, Andrews plot, radar charts**
- **Chernoff faces**
- **Principal component analysis**

By coupling the variables — $p(p-1)$ plots

Different geometrical representations

Human face representation

Decomposition in principal components

Example

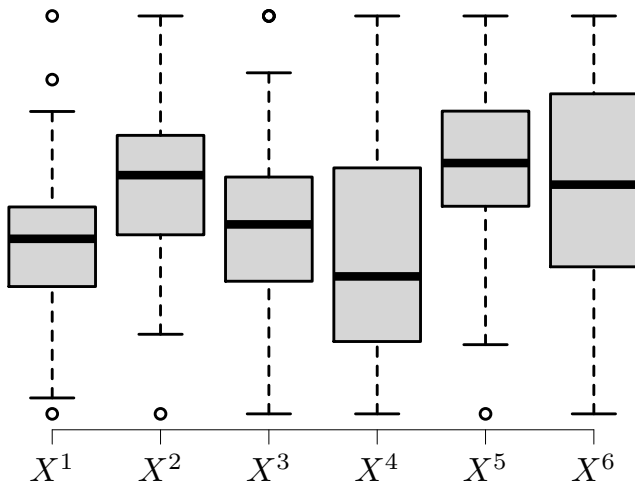
Six measurements of Swiss banknotes ($n = 200$ observations, $p = 6$)

→ Some are **authentic**, some are **counterfeit**



Boxplot — R : `boxplot(database)`

Normed data

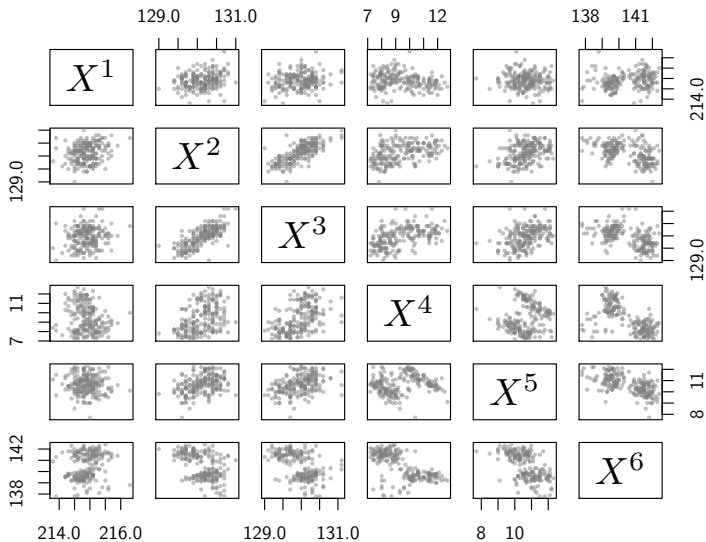


Correlation coefficients

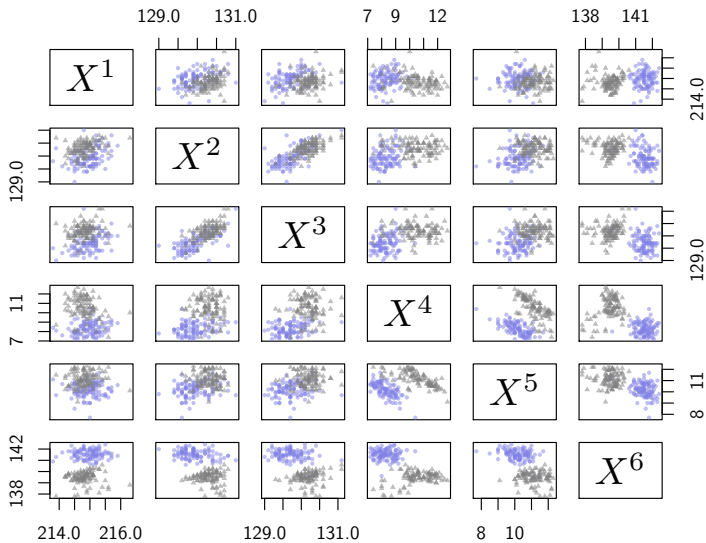
	X^1	X^2	X^3	X^4	X^5	X^6
X^1	1.00	0.23	0.15	-0.19	-0.06	0.19
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X^3	0.15	0.74	1.00	0.49	0.40	-0.52
X^4	-0.19	0.41	0.49	1.00	0.14	-0.62
X^5	-0.06	0.36	0.40	0.14	1.00	-0.59
X^6	0.19	-0.50	-0.52	-0.62	-0.59	1.00

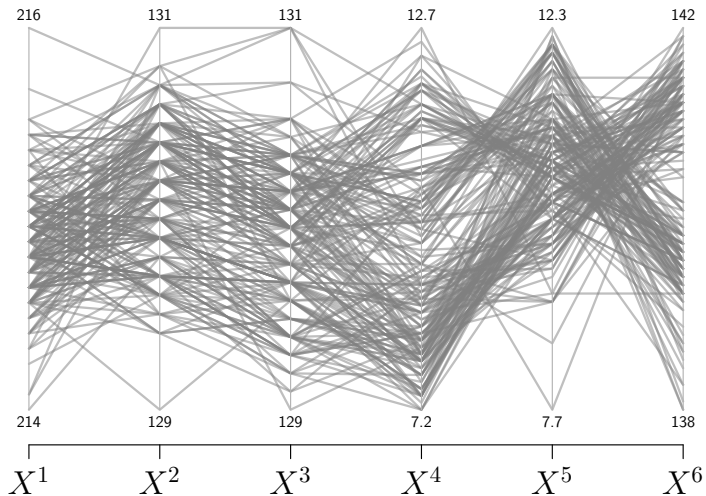
- ▶ X^2 and X^3 are highly correlated
- ▶ X^4 and X^5 are highly correlated to X^3
- ▶ X^6 is highly correlated to all the variables excepted X^1

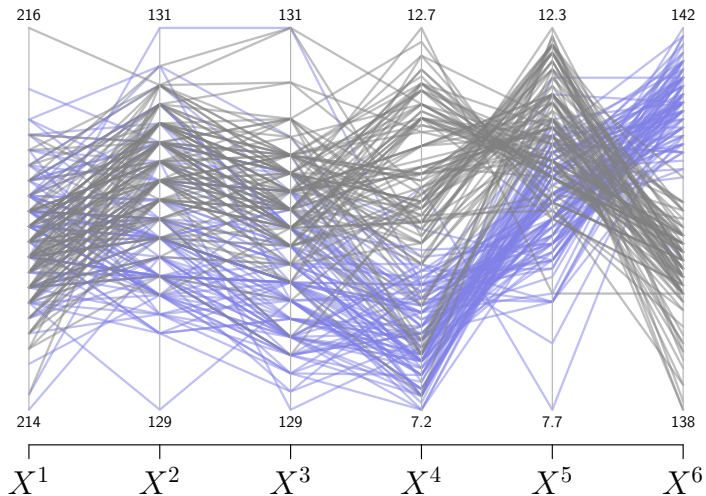
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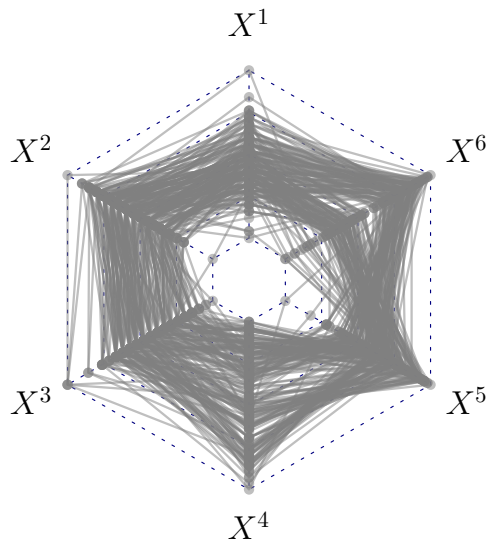


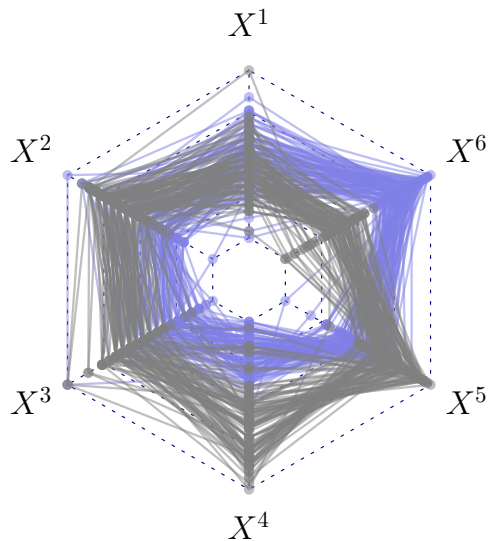
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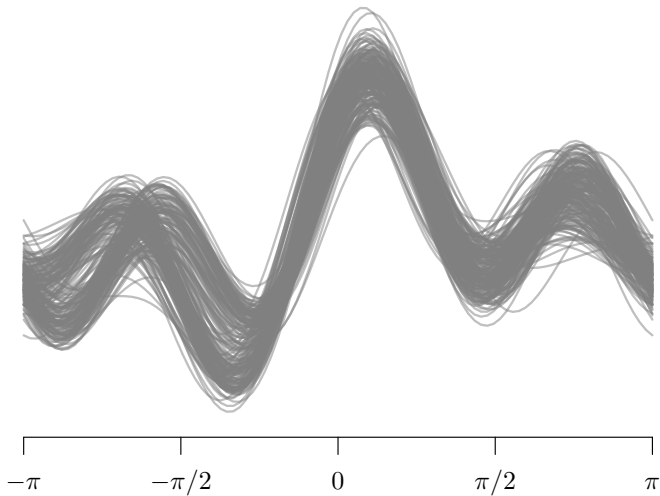




Andrews plots — R : `andrews(database)`

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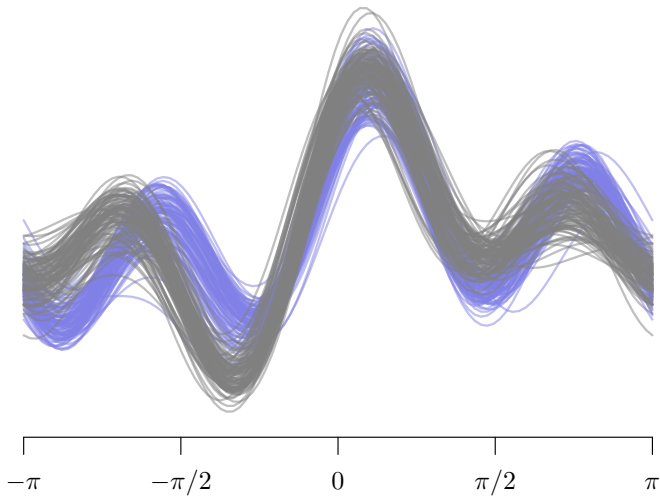
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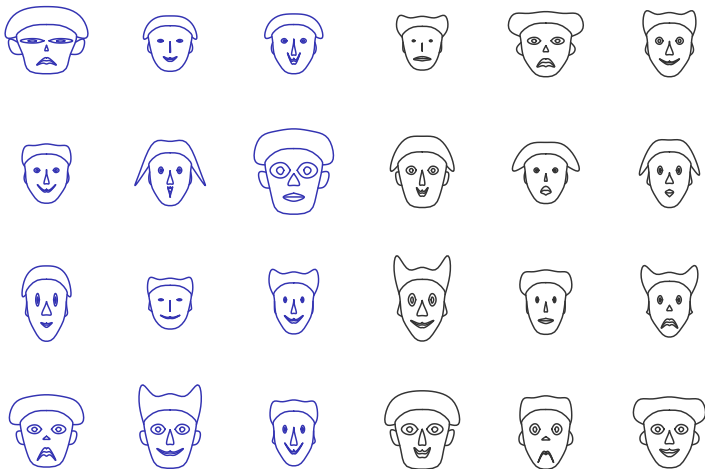
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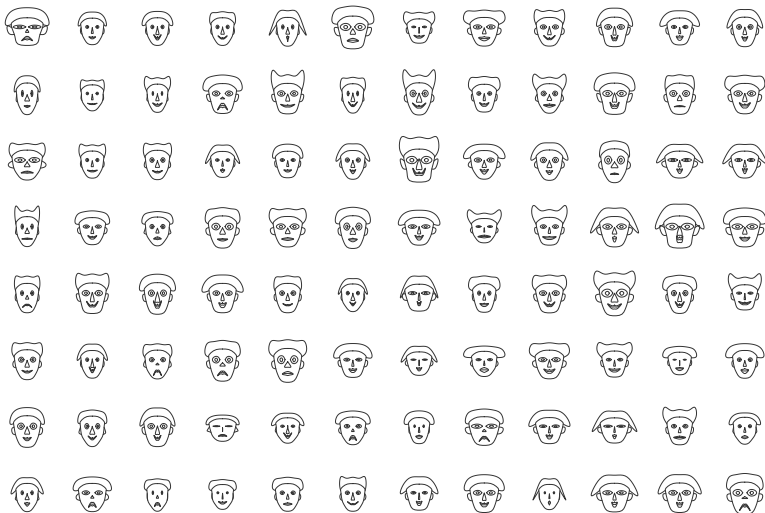
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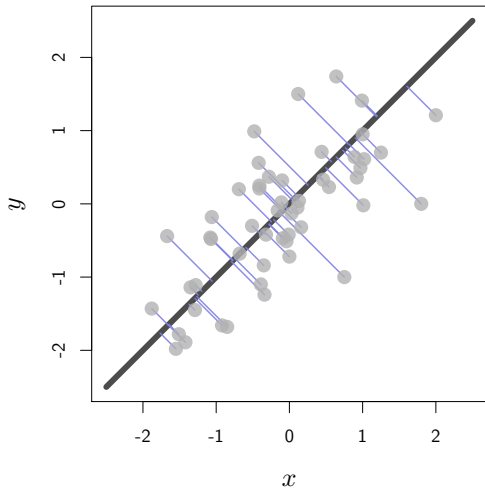
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Principle: Reduction of the dimension with uncorrelated linear combinations of (x^1, \dots, x^p) maximising the variability

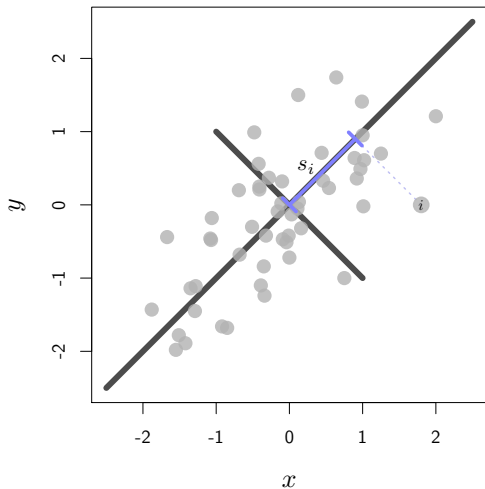
- ▶ Geometric interpretation: Projection of the data in orthogonal basis maximising the variance (i.e. the information – other criteria may be used)
- ▶ The 1st component is an optimal representation of the data in one dimension, 1st and 2nd components optimal representation of the data in two dimensions, and so on

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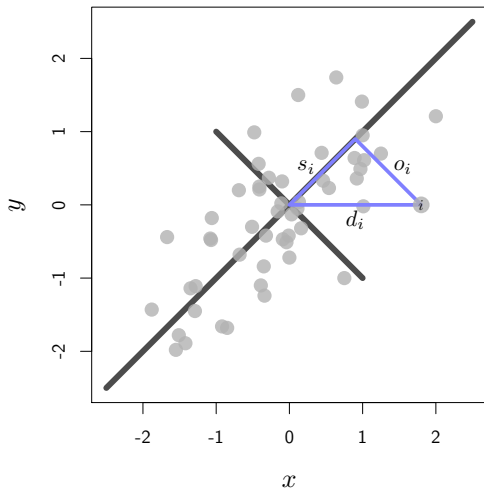
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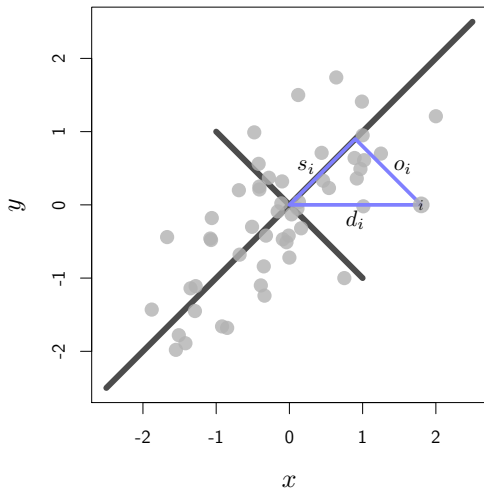
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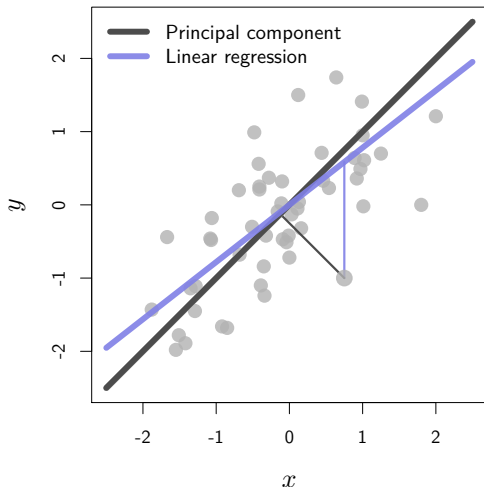
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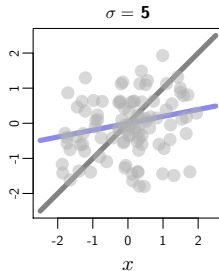
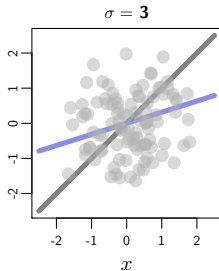
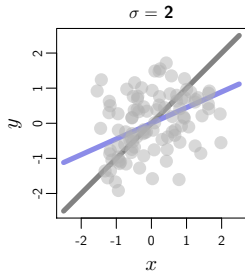
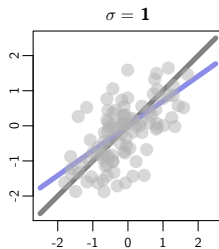
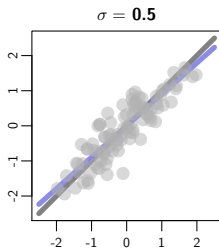
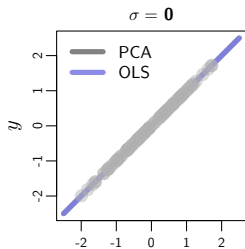


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Example

$$y_i = (x_i + \sigma z_i)(1 + \sigma^2)^{-1/2}$$

$a_{\text{PCA}} \rightarrow 1$ while $a_{\text{OLS}} \rightarrow (1 + \sigma^2)^{-1/2}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$



Construction of the components

Centred/Standard score transformation $x_i^j \rightarrow \tilde{x}_i^j = x_i^j - \bar{x}^j$ or $x_i^j \rightarrow \tilde{x}_i^j = \frac{x_i^j - \bar{x}^j}{s_{x^j}}$

- **Total variance** of the dataset

$$\text{var}_{\tilde{X}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^p (\tilde{x}_i^j)^2 = \sum_{j=1}^p s_{\tilde{x}^j}^2 \quad (= p \text{ if std. score})$$

- $P_H \tilde{X}$ is the orthogonal projection of the data on subset H and $\tilde{X} - P_H \tilde{X}$ is the projection on a subset orthogonal to H , then (Pythagore)

$$\text{var}_{\tilde{X}} = \text{var}_{P_H \tilde{X}} + \text{var}_{\tilde{X} - P_H \tilde{X}}$$

- **PCA**: Iterative calculation of orthogonal unidimensional subsets (principal components) maximizing the variance

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- * The unit vectors (u_1, u_2, \dots, u_p) form an orthonormal basis of R^p — The last component is fixed
- * By construction $var_{PC1} \geq var_{PC2} \geq \dots \geq var_{PCp}$ and $\sum_j var_{PCj} = var_X$
- * The first components contain most of the variability of the data when the initial variables are correlated

Construction with multivariate data

Variance/covariance matrix of the data Γ (diagonalizable $p \times p$ real and symmetric matrix)

$$\Gamma = \frac{1}{n} X^t X \quad \left| \quad \begin{aligned} \Gamma_{j,j} &= \text{var}_{\tilde{x}^j} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i (\tilde{x}_i^j)^2, \\ \Gamma_{j,j'} &= \text{covar}_{\tilde{x}^j, \tilde{x}^{j'}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \tilde{x}_i^j \tilde{x}_i^{j'}, \end{aligned} \quad \forall j, j' \in \{1, \dots, p\} \right.$$

- **Principal components** $PCj = \tilde{X}u_j$ described by eigenvectors and ordered eigenvalues of Γ

Formal proof: \tilde{X}_v is the projection of the data X on axis subset $v \in \mathbb{R}^p$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}_{\tilde{X}_v} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_j \sum_{j'} v_j v_{j'} \sum_i \tilde{x}_i^j \tilde{x}_i^{j'} = v^t \Gamma v \\ &= \sum_j \lambda_j \langle v, u_j \rangle^2 \leq \lambda_1 \sum_j \langle v, u_j \rangle^2 \leq \lambda_1 = \text{var}_{PC1} \end{aligned}$$

The axis v for which the variance is maximal is u_1 (and the variance is var_{PC1})

→ Then for all $v \perp u_1$ (i.e. $\langle v, u_1 \rangle = 0$), the axis maximizing the variance is u_2 etc. . .

Construction with bivariate data

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Example of the notes

Six measurements for the notes



Principal components — R : `prcomp(database)`

Rotations

Eigenvectors u_j

	<i>PC1</i>	<i>PC2</i>	<i>PC3</i>	<i>PC4</i>	<i>PC5</i>	<i>PC6</i>
X^1	0.04	-0.01	0.33	-0.56	-0.75	0.10
X^2	-0.11	-0.07	0.26	-0.46	0.35	-0.77
X^3	-0.14	-0.07	0.34	-0.42	0.53	0.63
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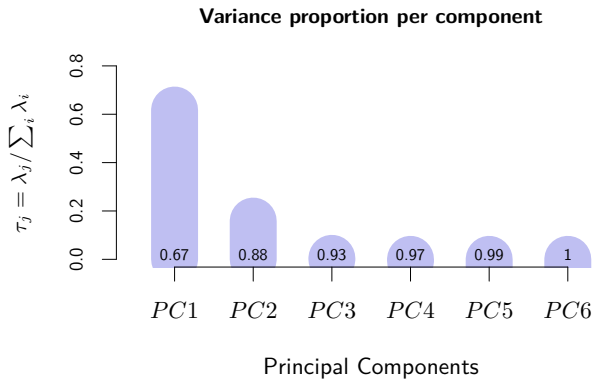
Component variance

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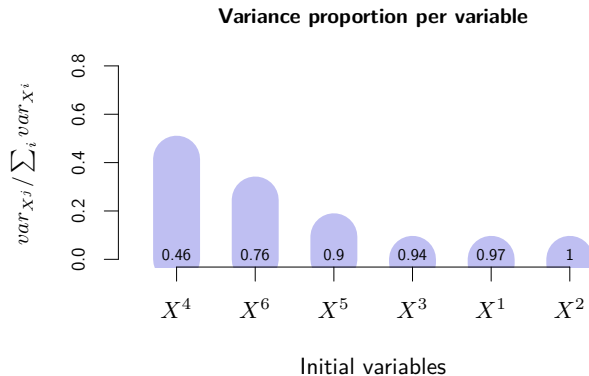
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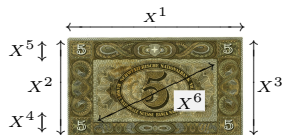
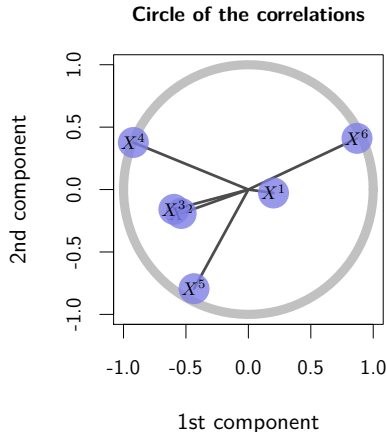
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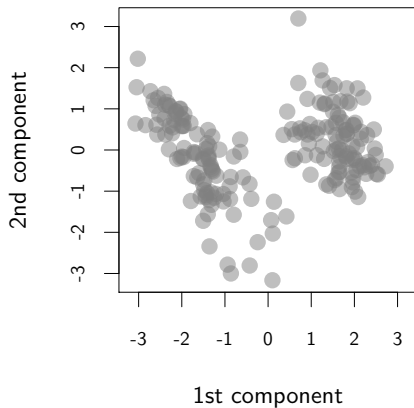


- **PC1** Large flag / Short border — Long / not large note
- **PC2** Large flag and down border / Short up border

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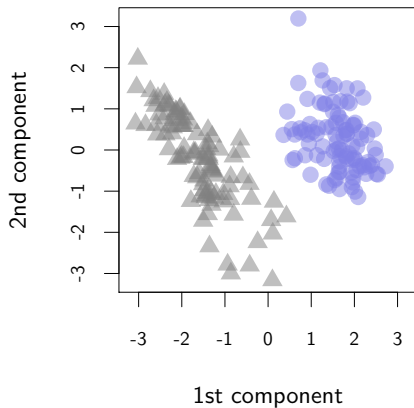
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PCA with R

Read of the data :

```
data=read.table('C/...')
```

► **Principal component analysis with R**

```
prcomp(M)
```

| No standard score transformation of the data by default

| `prcomp(M,scale=T)` for PCA on standard scores

► **Basic example :**

```
pca=prcomp(data)
```

```
pca$rotations
```

```
pca$stddev
```

```
summary(pca)
```


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* By shorting the regressors to the first principal components the model still depends on **all the initial variables**

Principal component analysis : Summary

PCA is a descriptive tool allowing to reduce the dimension of multivariate data

→ Then use of tools for low dimension data (uni- or bivariate)

The principal components are :

- **Linear combinations of the initial variables** Linear transformation
- **Linearly independent** By construction
- **Ordered by maximizing the variability** Best representation in 1D, 2D, ...

Practical use of PCA :

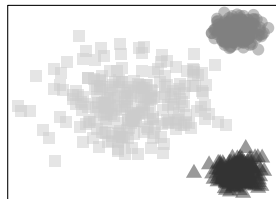
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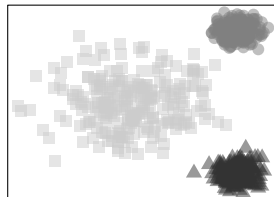
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Possible distinctions (among others)

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<i>Strict clustering with outliers :</i>	Observations can also belong to no cluster (outliers)
<i>Overlapping clustering :</i>	Observations may belong to more than one cluster
<i>Fuzzy clustering :</i>	Each observation belongs to each cluster according to a certain degree
<i>Hierarchical clustering :</i>	Observations of a child cluster also belong to the parent cluster
<i>Centroid clustering :</i>	Cluster represented by a centroid (mean value)
<i>Density-based clustering :</i>	Clustering based on empirical PDF estimation

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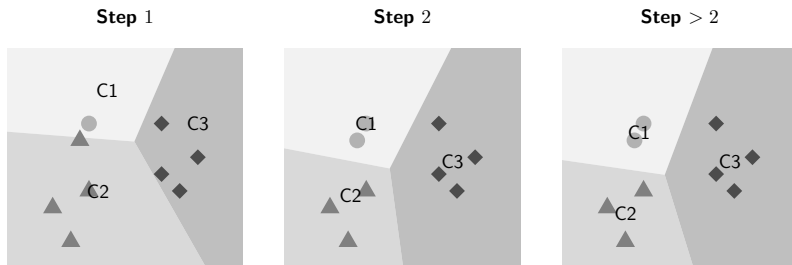
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- * Minimizing the intra-variability \Leftrightarrow Maximizing the inter-variability (Pythagore)
- * Partition based on the Voronoi diagram for the means by cluster
- * Calculation of the global minimum is a NP-complex problem
- Iterative numerical algorithms (Hartigan-Wong, Lloyd-Forgy, ...) with convergence to local minima

K-means: Illustrative example with 3 clusters



- * Convergence to steady state in 3 steps (the step's number depends on the initial partition / mean values)
- * In this example the reached local optimum is the global one

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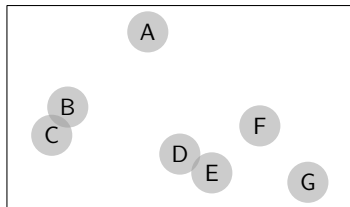
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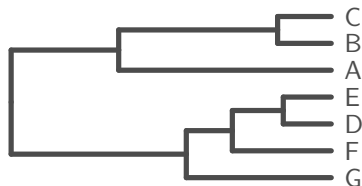
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AHM : Illustrative example

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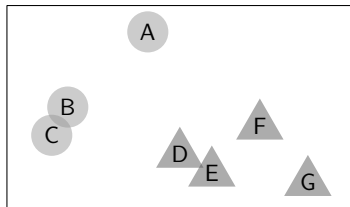
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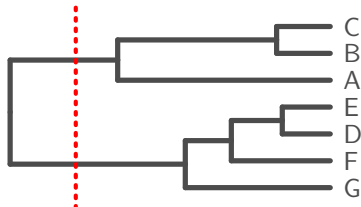
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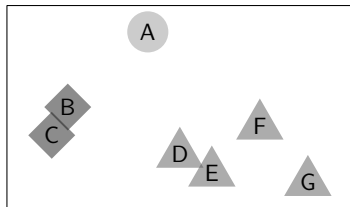
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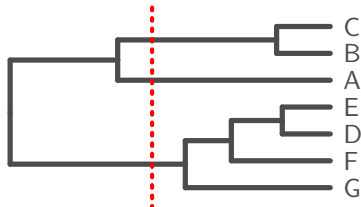
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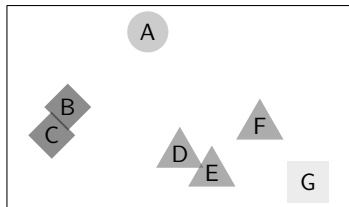
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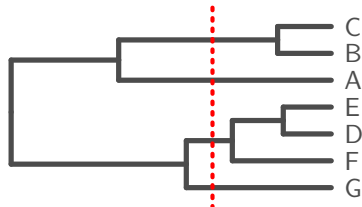
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Package LPMC

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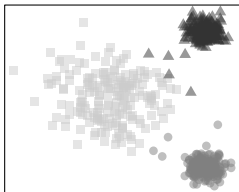
* More flexible method than K-means or AHM, suitable for any type of clusters

* Bandwidth not easy to calibrate, adaptive bandwidth often required

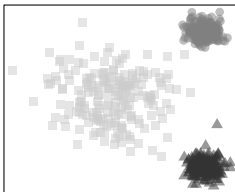
→ See also DBSCAN or OPTICS algorithms

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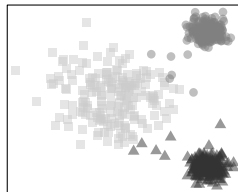
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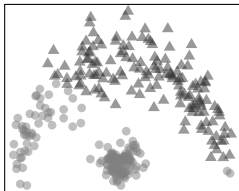


Circular clusters : K-means, AHM and mean-shift methods give satisfying results

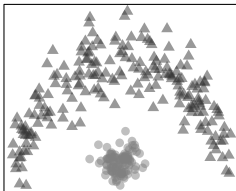
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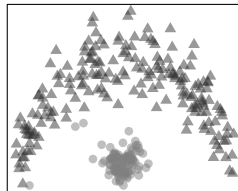
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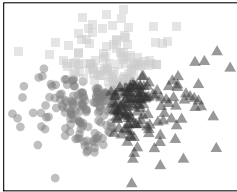


Non-circular clusters : K-means not adapted / AHM and mean-shift more robust

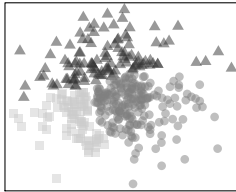
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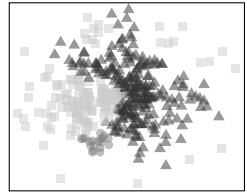
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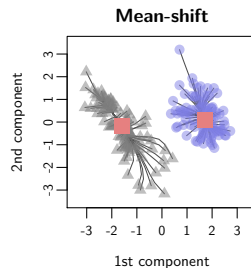
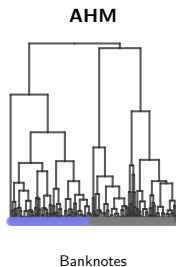
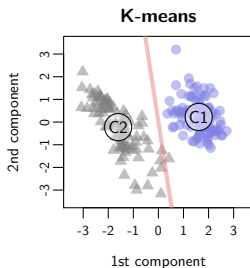


Clustering methods find clusters even if there is no significant dissimilarities

→ Criteria for significance of inter/intra-variability, dendrogram branch size, bandwidth size, ...

Example of the notes

Detection of the counterfeit notes	Method		
	K-means	AHM	Mean-shift
Complete sample	0.005%	0	0.005%
Two first components (PCA)	0.005%	0	0%



Linear discriminant analysis — R : `lda(data,cluster)` Package MASS

Clustering : Observations (continuous variables)	→	Clusters (discrete variable)
Discriminant analysis : Clusters (discrete variable)	→	Observations (discriminant)

Linear discriminant analysis

► Data :

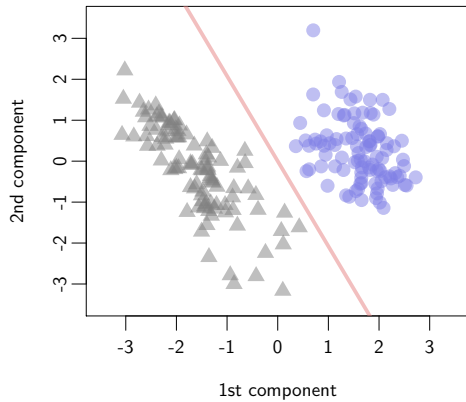
Continuous explanatory variables (regressors)	X^1, \dots, X^p
Discrete variable to explain (clusters)	$Y = 1, \dots, K$

► Discriminant variable D as linear combination of the regressors minimizing the sum of the variances by cluster $Y = 1, \dots, K$:

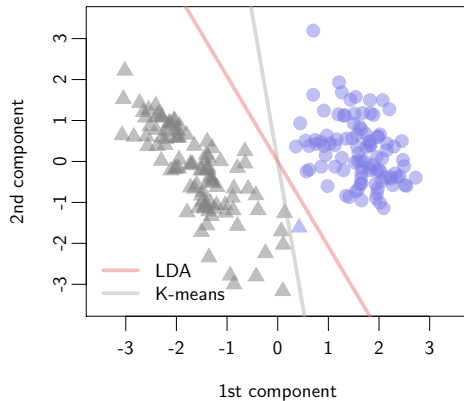
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→ Best linear combination of the regressors (X^j) for the clustering given by Y

LDA : Example of the notes



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→ The linear discriminant and the K-means only match when the given clustering in LDA is the one minimizing the intra-variability

Clustering and LDA with R

Clustering methods

► *K-means*

`kmean(X,k)`

with `X` the data (vector or matrix) and `k` the number of clusters

► *AHM*

`hclust(dist(X))`

- Specification of the metric `dist()` (see option methods)
- Specification of the linkage with option methods in `hclust()` function
- Cutting of the dendrogram with `cutree(H,k)`, with `H` a `hclust()`-object and `k` the number of clusters

► *Mean-shift*

`ms(X,h)`

with `X` the data and `h` the bandwidth — Package LPMC to install

Linear discriminant analysis

`lda(X)` or `fda(X)`

Packages MASS or MDA to install

Clustering: Summary


Clustering methods allow to partition heterogeneous data in homogeneous clusters

- | | |
|---|-------------------|
| ▶ Optimisation of intra/inter-variability | K-means |
| → Fixed number of clusters | |
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Clustering methods allow to partition heterogeneous data in homogeneous clusters

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Bootstrap numerical technique

1. Resampling the observations (independent urn sampling with replacement)
2. Analysing the distribution (and the variability) of the estimates on the bootstrap subsamples

An illustrative example

A machine produces some components

- Some of them are operational, some others are defective
- Estimation the probability p that a component is defective

Two sets of observations

$$p = 0.2$$

1. Sample 1: Among 10 observed components, two are defective
2. Sample 2: Among 100 observed components twenty two are defective

→ Respective estimates: $\tilde{p}_1 = 0.2$ and $\tilde{p}_2 = 0.22$

Are these estimations precise ?

Bootstrapping — R: `sample(data,n,replace=T)`

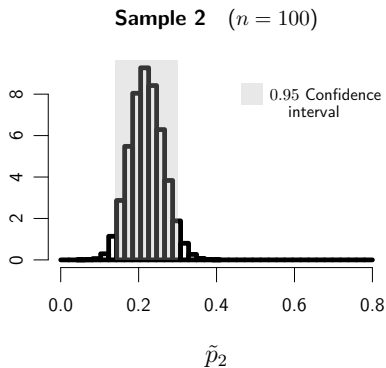
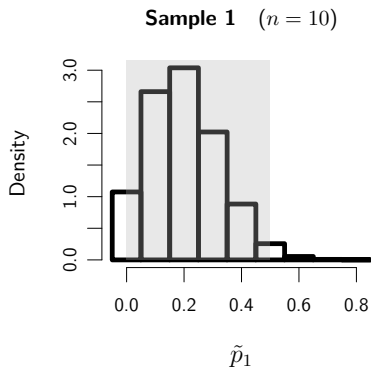
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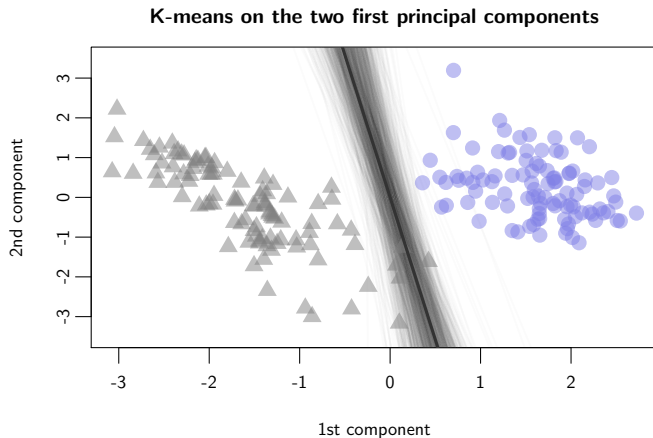
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Histogram of the estimations of the probability $p = 0.2$ for $1e5$ bootstrap subsamples



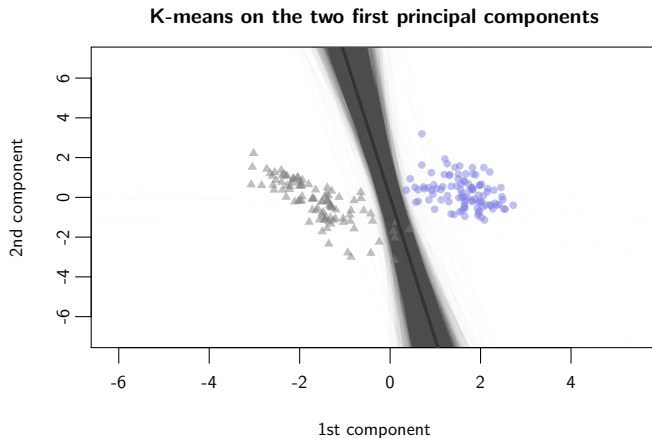
Example of the notes

1e3 bootstrap subsamples



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1e4 bootstrap subsamples



Bootstrap: Summary

- ▶ The Bootstrap method is strictly descriptive, **with no assumption on the data and their distribution**
- ▶ The method is **purely numerical** and can be **computationally costly**
- ▶ Bootstrap **does not improve punctual estimate** but give information on its **variability** (i.e. the precision of estimation)
- ▶ The approach can be used for **any type of estimates** (mean, quantile, etc...) but can be imprecise for distribution queue (high or low quantiles)
- ▶ **Smooth bootstrap** by adding noise onto each resampled observation (sampling from kernel density estimate of the data)
- ▶ Time series : **Moving block bootstrap**
- ▶ Bootstrap with random variable generator : **Monte Carlo simulation**

Artificial neural networks

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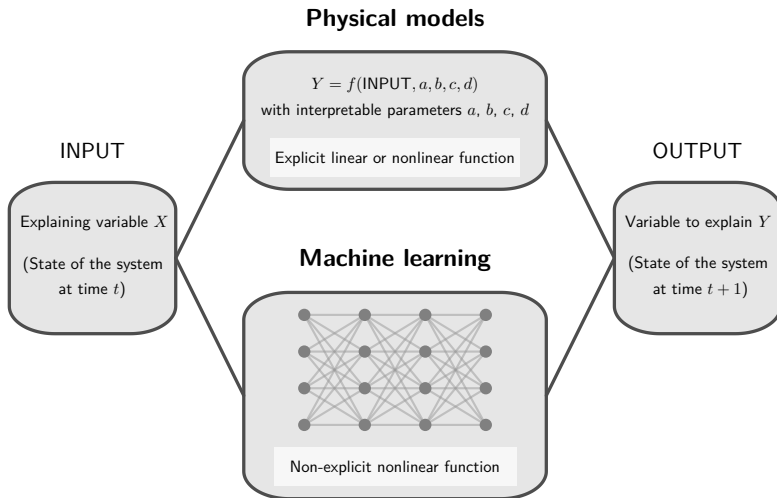
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Statistical models for prediction

Machine learning / Data-based algorithms / AI

- ▶ Merely an algorithm coming more from the data than from a theory
- ▶ Algorithm intentionally complex (very large degrees of freedom/plasticity) with focus on the predictive ability
 - Typically an artificial neural network
 - Algorithm complexity depends on the data (e.g., its size and structure of its distribution)

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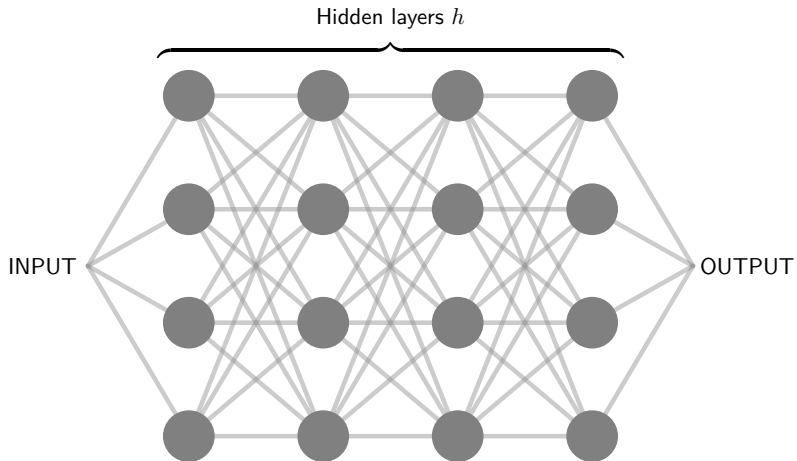
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- ▶ Feedforward (acyclic networks) or recurrent neural networks (RNN) with cycles
 - ▶ Convolutional neural networks (CNN) with partially overlapping layers
 - ▶ Deep neural networks (DNN) with multiple hidden layers
 - ▶ Long short-term memory (LSTM), time delay neural network (TDNN), and many others

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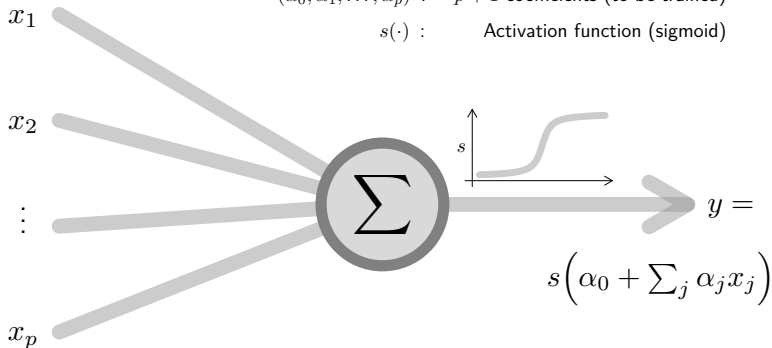


Single node (perceptron)

Settings

$(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p) :$ $p + 1$ coefficients (to be trained)

$s(\cdot) :$ Activation function (sigmoid)



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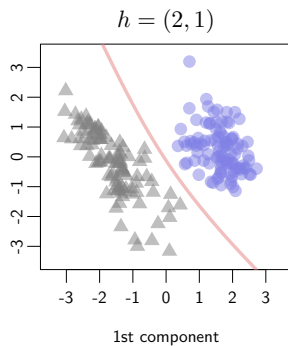
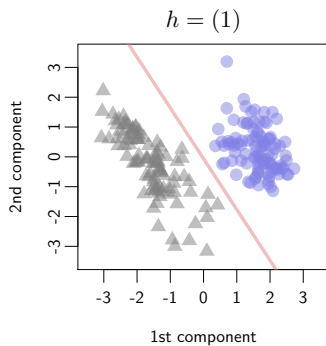
The network with a single node correspond to a linear regression

- Modelling of complex non-linear relationships with large networks
- However large networks (too various non-linear possibilities) can be superfluous and provide undesired overfitting

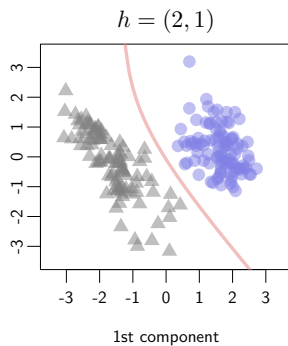
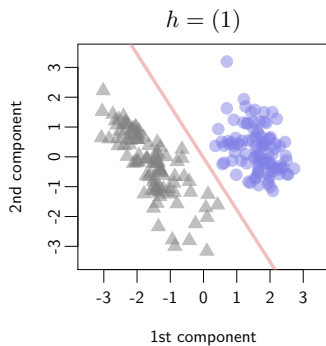
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- ▶ Clear *linear* discrimination on the plan of the two first components
- ▶ Single node (linear regression) sufficient to discriminate the notes, more complex networks lead to overfitting

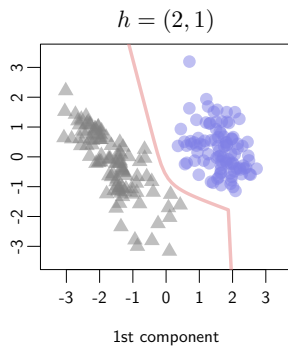
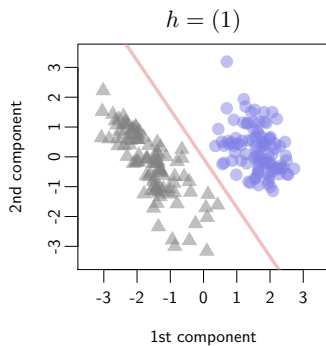
Example of the notes : Subsample 1



Example of the notes : Subsample 2



Example of the notes : Subsample 3



Network complexity : Risk minimization

We denote $f(x_i; \theta)$ the neural networks with parameter θ for prediction of y_i

► Risk minimization

L is a loss function, the risk $R = E(L)$ is the expectation of the loss

→ Empirical risk: $R_{emp} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i L(y_i, f(x_i; \theta))$

→ Vapnik's inequality with proba $1 - \alpha$: $R < R_{emp} + \sqrt{\frac{d(\ln(2n/d)+1) - \ln(\alpha/4)}{n}}$

with d the Vapnik–Chervonenkis dimension (i.e. the cardinality of the largest set of points that the algorithm can shatter — i.e. prediction ability)

► No distributional assumptions (only $d \ll n$)

► Selection of the network with minimal bound for R (Ratio d/n of interest)

→ Increase of the complexity and prediction ability d as n increases

Determining the network complexity in practice

Vapnik–Chervonenkis dimension difficult to evaluate in practice

► **Empirical approach**

Trade-off between the fit and robustness of a network

Repeat in a K -Bootstrap loop :

S_k is the k -th bootstrap-sampling; partition S_k in two sub-samples S_k^1 and S_k^2

S_k^1 : **Training set** used to fit the network

S_k^2 : **Testing set** use to estimate prediction error E_k

► Cross-validation bootstrap

► Selection of the network with **minimal empirical prediction error**

$$\bar{E}_K = \frac{1}{K} \sum_k E_k$$

Example: Prediction of pedestrian dynamics

- ▶ **Prediction of pedestrian speed v** according to the relative position $(\tilde{x}_j, \tilde{y}_j)$ and distance s_j to the $N = 10$ closest neighbors
- ▶ **Data:** Experiments in corridor (C) and bottleneck (B) geometries for various density levels
- ▶ **Two modelling approaches**

1. Physical model (fundamental diagram) with three parameters

$$\tilde{v} = \text{FD}(\bar{s}_N, v_0, T, \ell) = v_0 \left(1 - e^{-\frac{\ell - \bar{s}_N}{v_0 T}} \right)$$

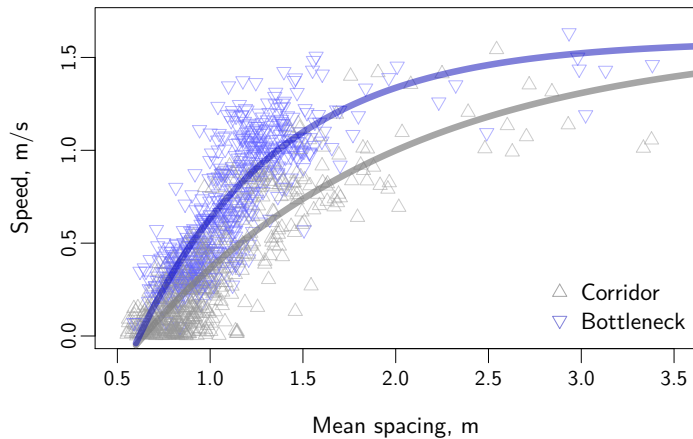
2. Feedforward neural network with hidden layers h

$$\tilde{v} = \text{NN}(h, \bar{s}_N, (\tilde{x}_j, \tilde{y}_j, 1 \geq j \geq N))$$

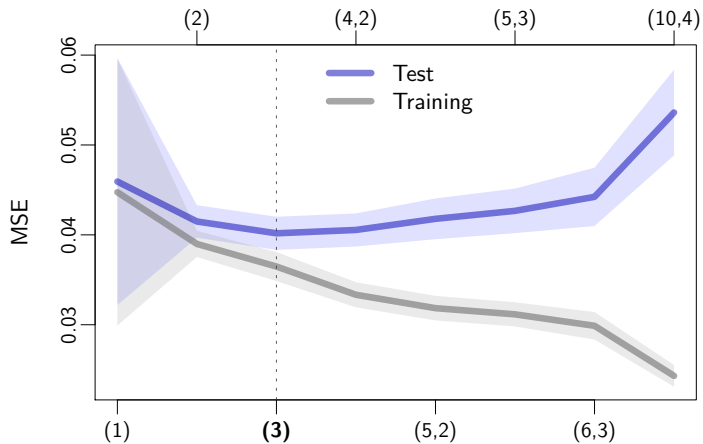
- ▶ **Minimise the mean square error**

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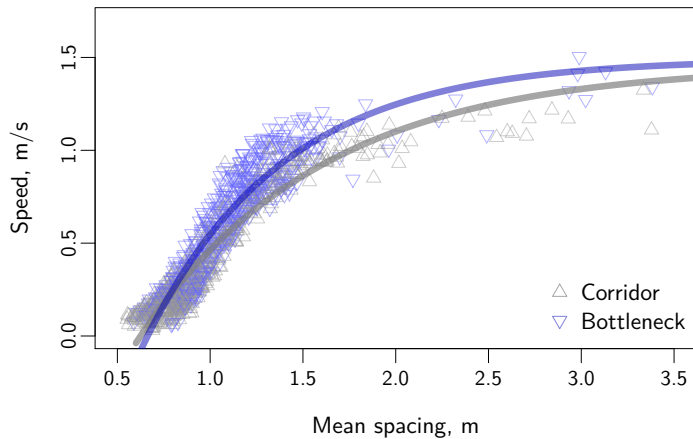
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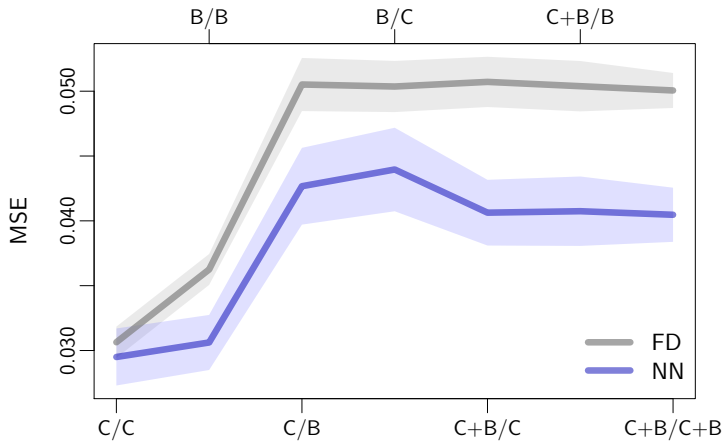


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Model comparison

Notation : Training/Testing — E.g., C/B: Trained on the corridor experiment, tested on the bottleneck experiment



Artificial neural networks with R

- ▶ Artificial neural networks very easy to train and compute with R

- ▶ Package `neuralnet` to install

```
install.packages('neuralnet')  
require(neuralnet)
```

- ▶ **Train the network** (backpropagation algorithm)

```
NN=neuralnet(Y~X1+...+Xp,data=train,hidden=h)
```

Here Y is the variable to explain, X_1, \dots, X_p are the explanatory variables, `train` are data for the training and `h` are the hidden layers

- ▶ **Compute the trained network**

```
compute(NN,data=test)
```

Here `NN` is a trained network and `test` are data for the testing

Artificial neural networks: Summary

► **Artificial neural network**: Oriented graphs with positive weights

- Network with nodes as sigmoid activation function
- Network structure in (hidden) layers — Several types of configurations possible (feedforward, recurrent, convolutional, etc...)
- Fitting of any transfer function from given input to an output

► **Prediction** of new observations, missing values, dynamics

- Algorithm coming from the data, trained by backpropagation of a cost or an error
- No physical investigation of the underlying mechanisms of the studied systems
- Prediction of complex (non-linear) relationships in high dimension

► **Determining the network complexity**

- Network complexity depends on size and distribution of the data
- Empirical setting in training/testing cross-validation

Part 1 | Descriptive statistics for univariate and bivariate data

Repartition of the data (histogram, kernel density, empirical cumulative distribution function), order statistic and quantile, statistics for location and variability, boxplot, scatter plot, covariance and correlation, QQplot

Part 2 | Descriptive statistics for multivariate data

Least squares and linear and non-linear regression models, principal component analysis, principal component regression, clustering methods (K-means, hierarchical, density-based), linear discriminant analysis, bootstrap technique, artificial neural networks

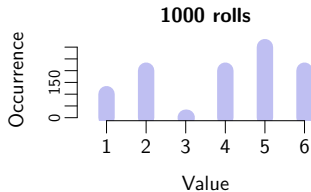
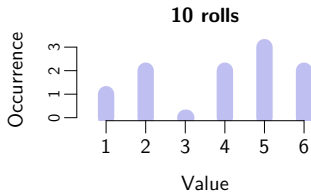
Part 3 | Parametric statistic

Likelihood, estimator definition and main properties (bias, convergence), punctual estimate (maximum likelihood estimation, Bayesian estimation), confidence and credible intervals, information criteria, test of hypothesis, parametric clustering

Appendix | \LaTeX plots with R and Tikz

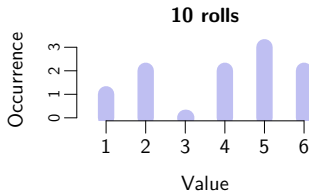
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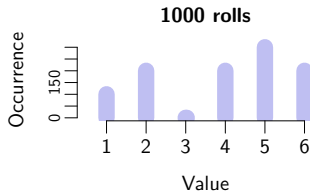
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No, well not sure

Observed differences
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Yes

Observed differences
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The example of the machine

A machine produces some components that can be operational or defective

- ▶ Estimation of the probability p that a component is defective by mean value

$$\tilde{p}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad \text{with } X_i = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if the component } i \text{ is operational} \\ 1 & \text{if the component } i \text{ is defective} \end{cases}$$

The estimation from a sample with 100 observations is more precise than the estimation with 10 observations (cf. bootstrap)

Why? Because the variability of the mean decreases as the observation number increases

- ▶ Implicitly this reasoning supposes probabilist assumptions on the convergence of the mean, its distribution or again existence of expected values

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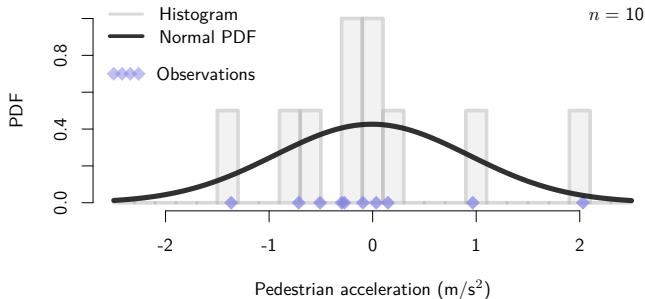
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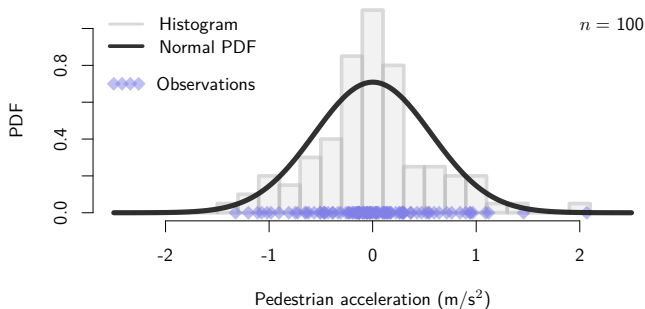
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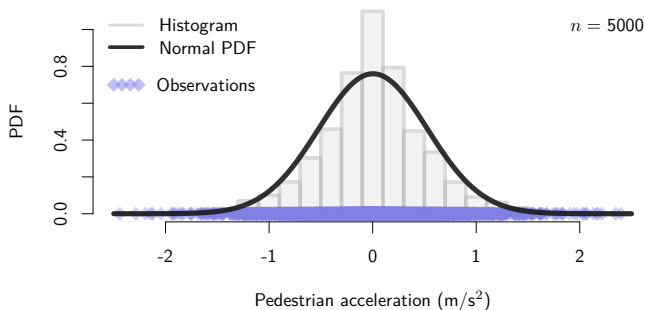
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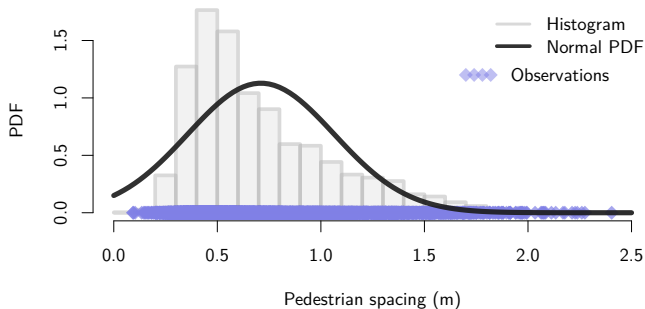
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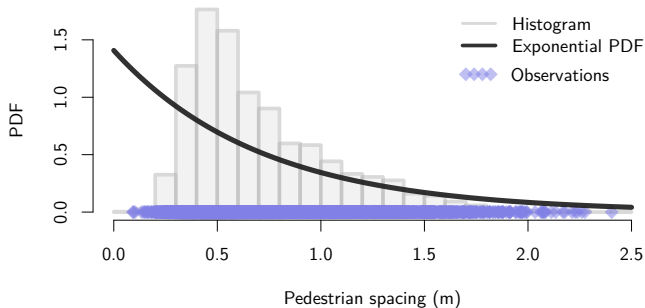
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Assumption: Exponential distribution

$\mathcal{E}(\lambda)$

$$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$$

→ Estimation of expected value λ by $\tilde{\lambda}_n = \bar{x}$



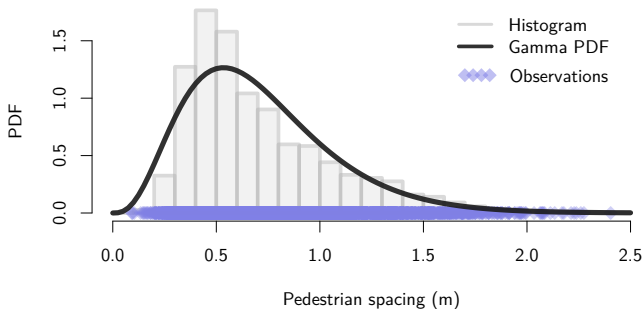
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Assumption: Gamma distribution

$$\mathcal{G}(k, \alpha)$$

$$f(x) = \frac{x^{k-1} e^{-x/\alpha}}{\Gamma(k) \alpha^k}$$

→ Estimation of k and α by $\tilde{k}_n = \bar{x}^2 / \text{var}_x$ and $\tilde{\alpha}_n = \text{var}_x / \bar{x}$



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Main theorems

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$$\sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{D} Z \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{with } Z \text{ a normal random variable}$$

→ Mean value has asymptotically a normal distribution

Example of the Bernoulli distribution

In the example machine, the state of a component has a Bernoulli distribution with expected value $\mu = p < \infty$ and variance $\sigma^2 = p(1 - p) < \infty$

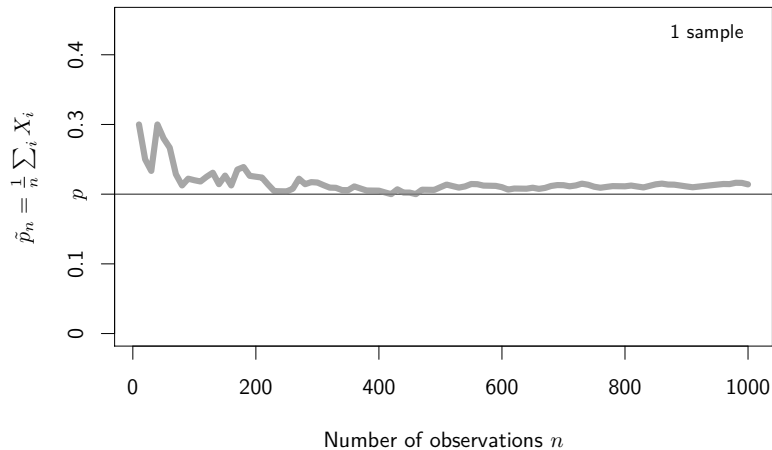
→ **Assumptions of LLN and CLT hold**

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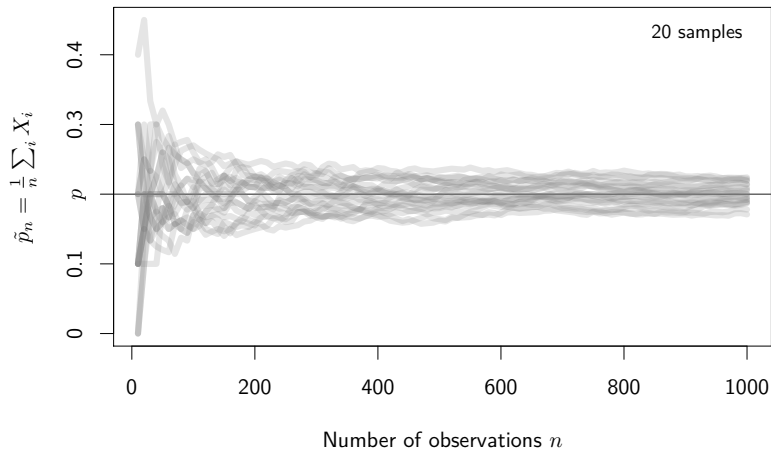
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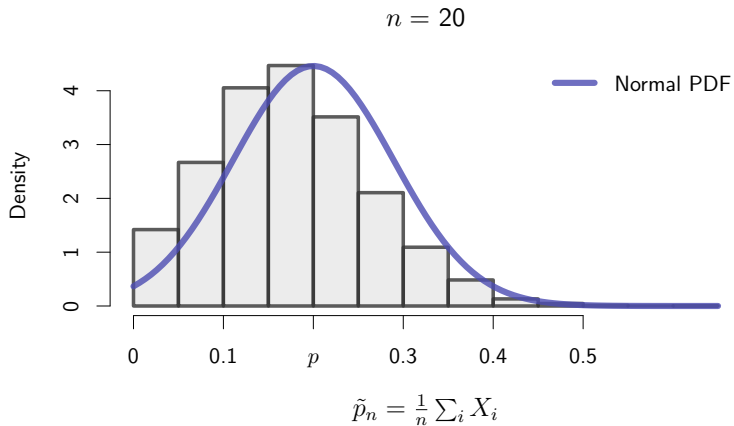


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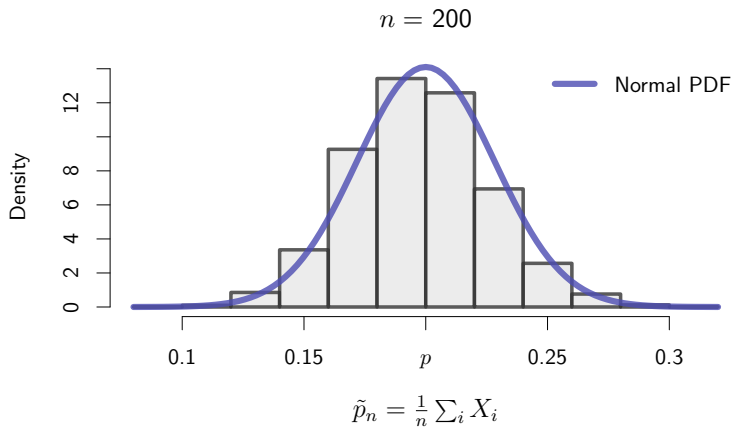
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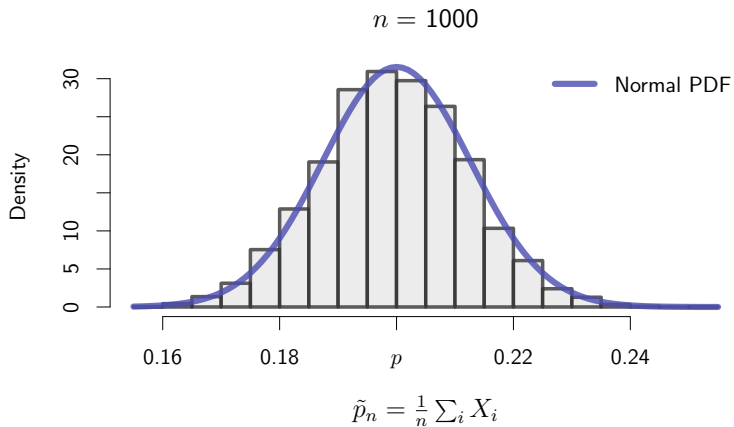
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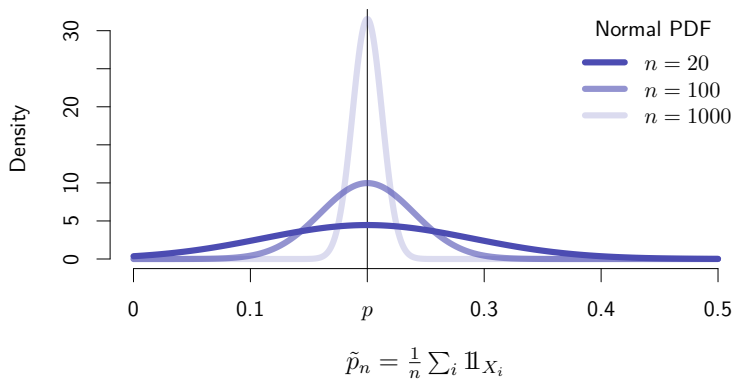
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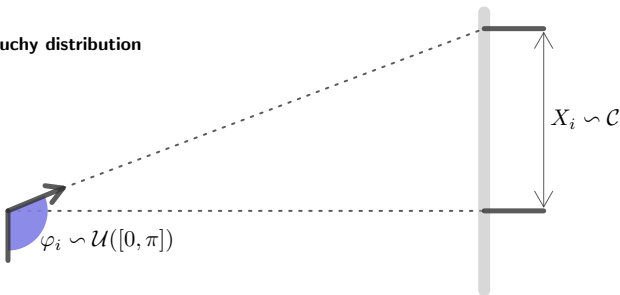
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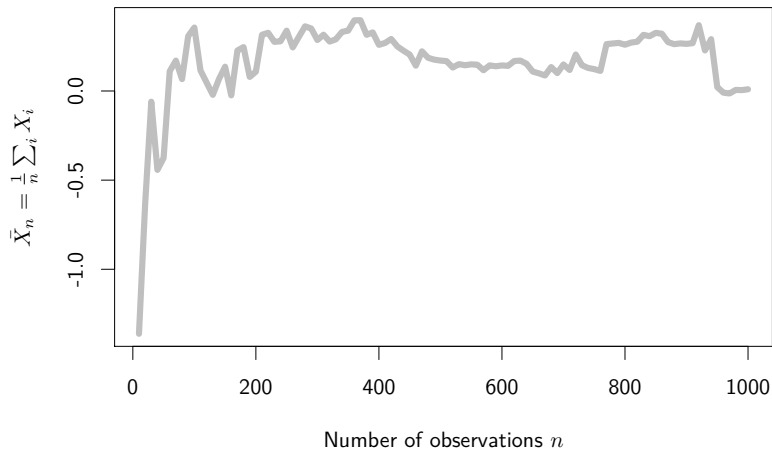
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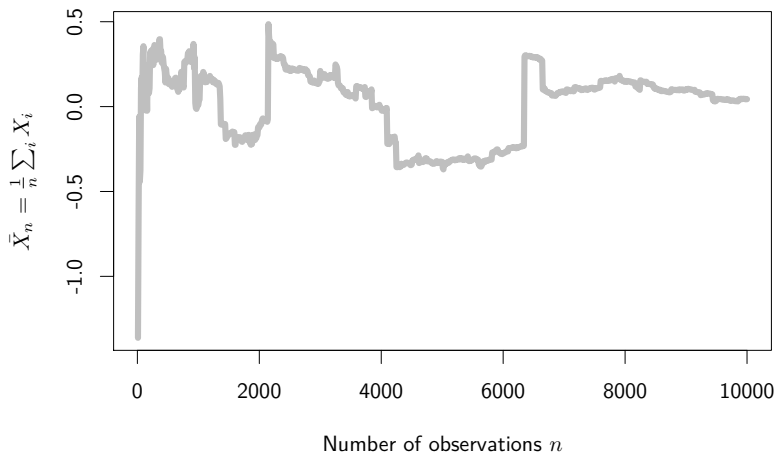
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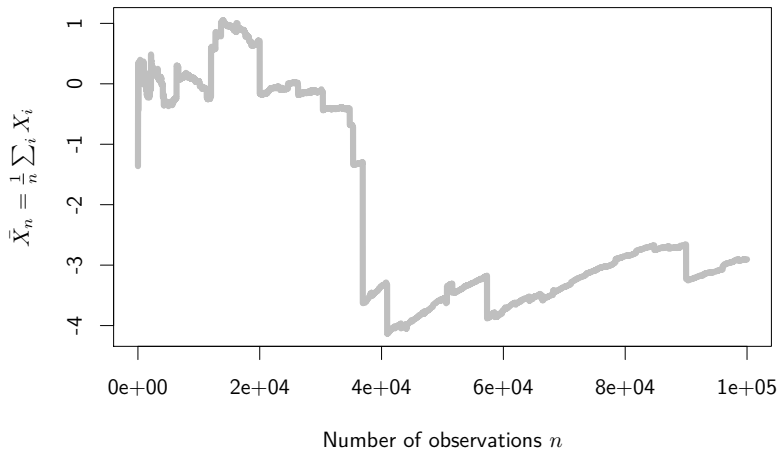
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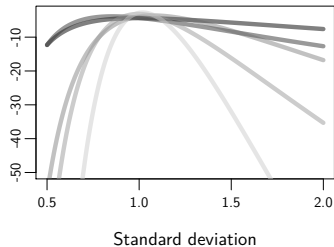
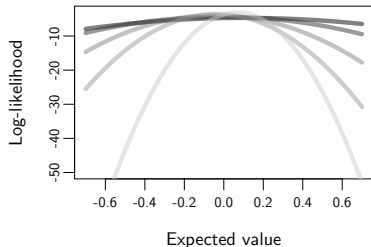
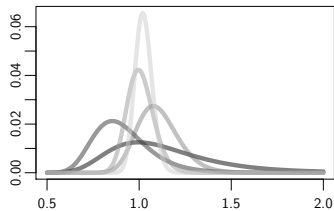
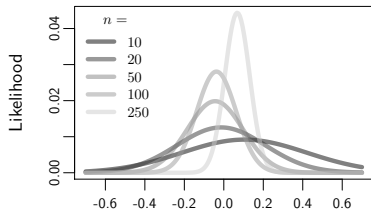
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Normalised likelihood and log-likelihood for the normal distribution



PDF and random number generation with R

<code>d{distrib_name}(x)</code>	Density function
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<code>q{distrib_name}(p)</code>	Quantile function
<code>r{distrib_name}(n)</code>	Random number generator

More than 20 distributions available in R

Examples

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- ▶ An estimator $\tilde{\theta}_n$ must have specific properties to well estimate the parameter

Bias of an estimator

$E_{\theta} \tilde{\theta}_n = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \tilde{\theta}_n(x) \prod_i dP_{\theta}(x_i)$ is the expected value of the estimator $\tilde{\theta}_n$

- **The bias** B of an estimator $\tilde{\theta}_n$ of θ is the quantity

$$B_{\theta}(\tilde{\theta}_n) = \theta - E_{\theta}(\tilde{\theta}_n)$$

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(X_1, \dots, X_n) **uniform random variables** on $[0, u]$

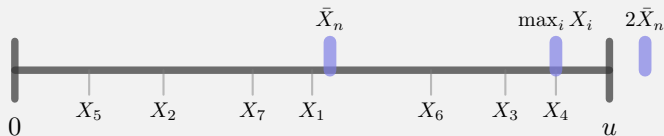
PDF: $f(x) = \frac{1}{u} \mathbb{1}_{[0, u]}(x)$

→ Two estimators for u

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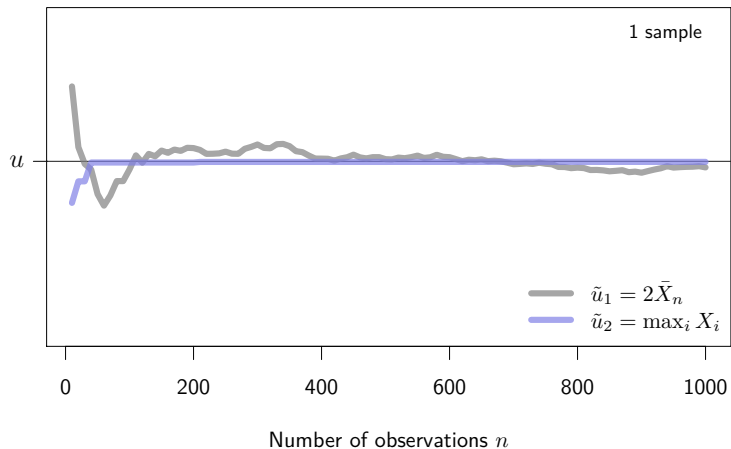
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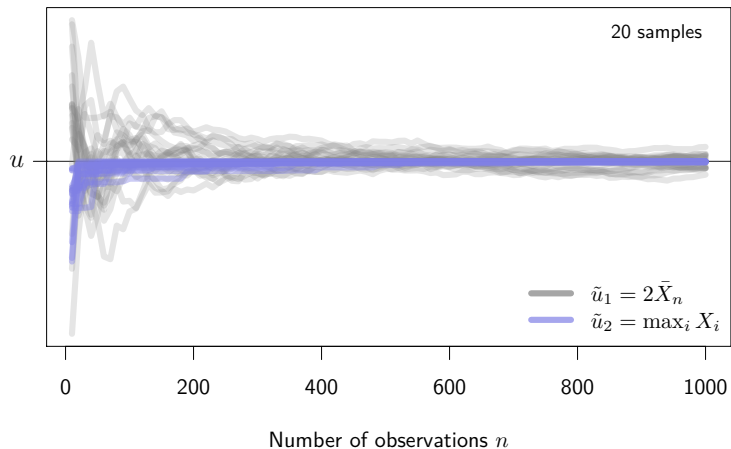
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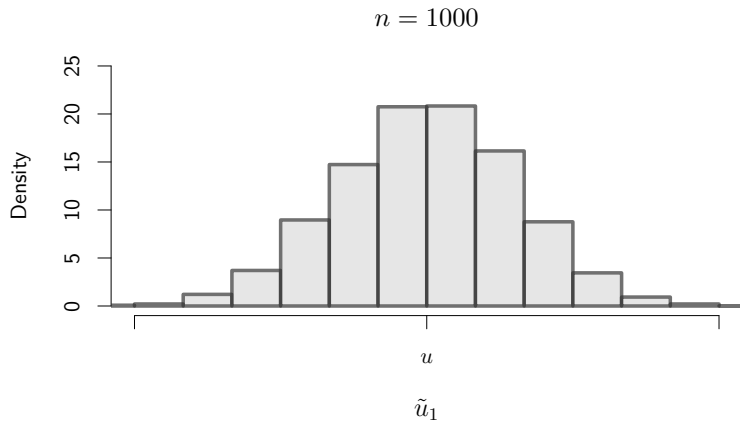


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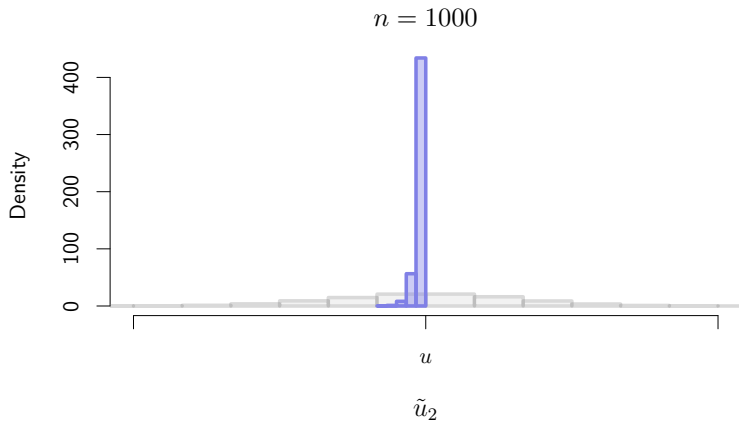
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|----------------------------|---|
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| ▶ Likelihood | Maximum likelihood estimate |
| ▶ Bayesian approach | Posterior distribution for some given prior on the parameters |

Optimisation with R

Punctual estimations (Least squares, MLE and posterior PDF) are optimisation problems for functions $f : \mathbb{R}^k \mapsto \mathbb{R}$

► **Optimisation with R (general case)**

`optim(par,f)`

with `par` the initial values for the parameters and `f` the function to optimize

| Exist different optimisation methods (Nelder-Mead, quasi-Newton, ...)

| Quasi-Newton method ‘L-BFGS-B’ allows box constraints for the parameter

Least-squares optimisation with R

► Multilinear models

`lm(f,X)`

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`nls(f,X,par)`

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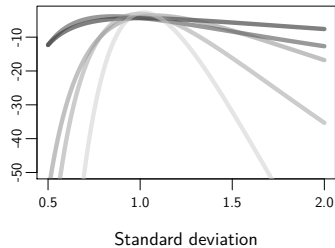
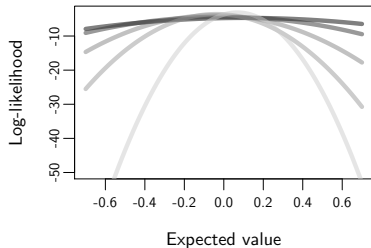
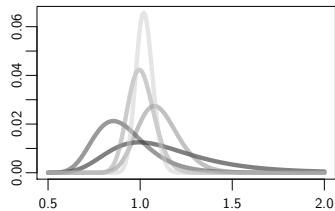
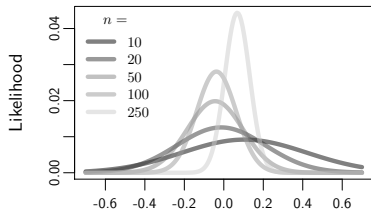
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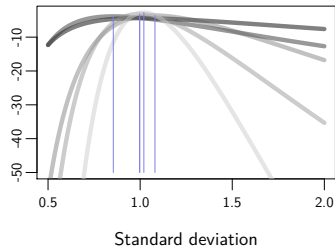
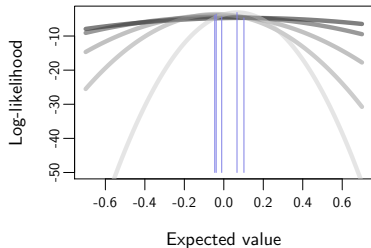
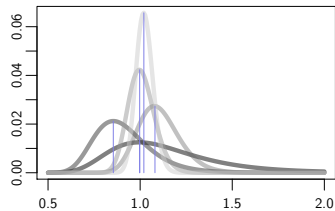
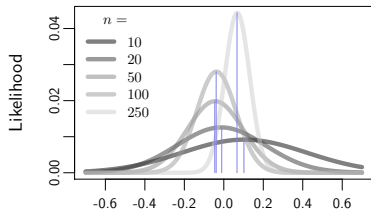
Properties

- ▶ MLE not necessary unbiased but is in general asymptotically unbiased
 - ▶ If it exists a sufficient statistic then MLE depends on it (but MLE not necessary sufficient)
 - ▶ If it exists a efficient statistic then it is the MLE (regularity assumptions of Cramer-Rao th.)
- MLE generally better than least squares or moment methods (cf. uniform distribution)

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MLE of u is: $\tilde{u}_n^{\text{MLE}} = \max_i x_i$ (but $\frac{\partial L_u}{\partial u}$ not defined for $u = \max_i x_i$)

→ The maximum is the MLE of u for the uniform distribution on $[0, u]$

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assuming $P(x), P(\theta) > 0$

$$P_x(\theta) = P(\theta | x) = \frac{P(x, \theta)}{P(x)} = \frac{P(\theta)P(x | \theta)}{P(x)}$$

$$\text{posterior} \propto \text{prior} * \text{likelihood}$$

- ▶ Punctual estimations of θ by mode, median or mean of posterior distribution $P_x(\theta)$
- ▶ Posterior distribution = (normalized) likelihood when prior is uniform
 - MLE is the mode of posterior with non-informative prior

Algorithms to calculate MLE and posterior PDF

MLE or posterior PDF are complex optimization problems having in general no explicit solutions

→ Approximation by iterative algorithms (starting from initial value $\tilde{\theta}_n^{(0)}$ for the parameters)

- **Gibbs sampling**

Randomized algorithm – MCMC

Simulation of $\tilde{\theta}_n^{(i)}$ as random variables with distribution $P\left(\tilde{\theta}_n^{(i-1)}\right)P\left(x \mid \tilde{\theta}_n^{(i-1)}\right)$
(convergence to posterior distribution)

- **Expectation-Maximization (EM)**

Deterministic algorithm

Iterations of maximisation of the parameters $\tilde{\theta}_n^{(i)}$ of the expected log-likelihood conditionally to the data and values $\tilde{\theta}_n^{(i-1)}$ of the parameters at previous step

- **Variational Bayesian (VB)**

Deterministic algorithm

Estimation of posterior distribution by minimizing the Kullback-Leibler divergence measure with parameter previous values $\tilde{\theta}_n^{(i-1)}$ over a partition of their domain

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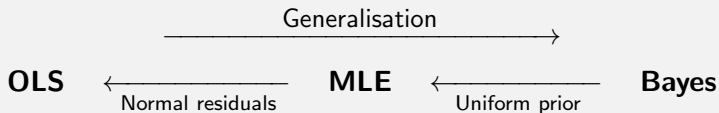
- The dataset is small
- Models are complex (many parameters)
- There are priori on the parameter values
- Dynamical integration of new data

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$CI = [i_-, i_+]$ is a **confidence interval for θ at the confidence level $1 - \alpha$** if

$$P_{\theta}(\theta \in CI) \geq 1 - \alpha, \quad \forall \theta \in \mathbb{R}^k$$

→ Parameter θ belongs to CI in more than $1 - \alpha$ % of the cases

- ▶ Interval of values with a confidence level instead of punctual estimation
- ▶ Precision of estimation of deterministic quantities: Size of the CI reduces as $n \rightarrow \infty$
- ▶ Distinct from prediction intervals taking into account the noise to predict new observations

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Situation generally not accessible since estimator distribution is unknown

- ▶ Use of sufficient conditions Tchebychev inequality
- ▶ Asymptotic distribution Central limit theorem
- ▶ Posterior distribution Bayes approach

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- *Confidence interval for excess*

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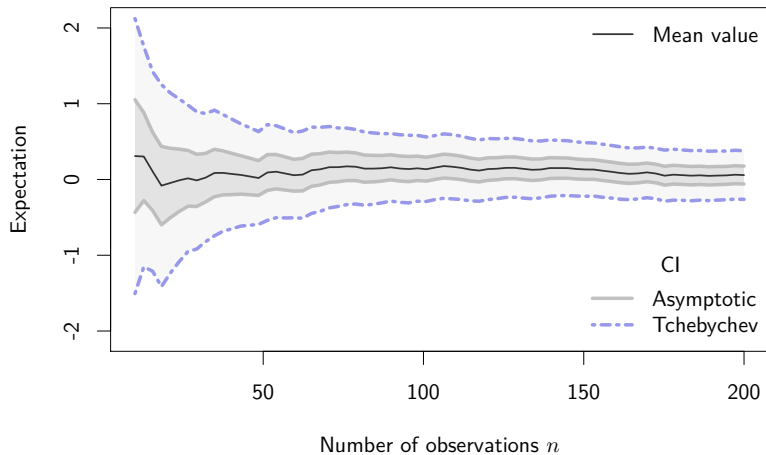
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- * Asymptotic CI still valid substituting σ by empirical estimator σ_x (exact CI: Student)

CI for the expected value of normal distribution



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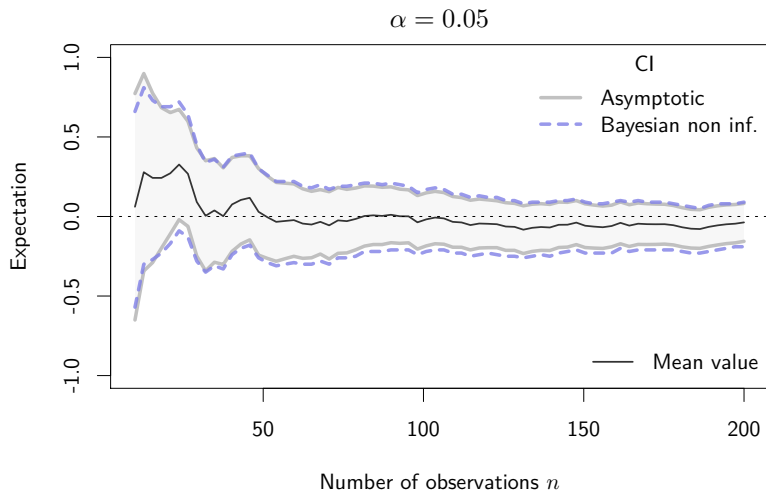
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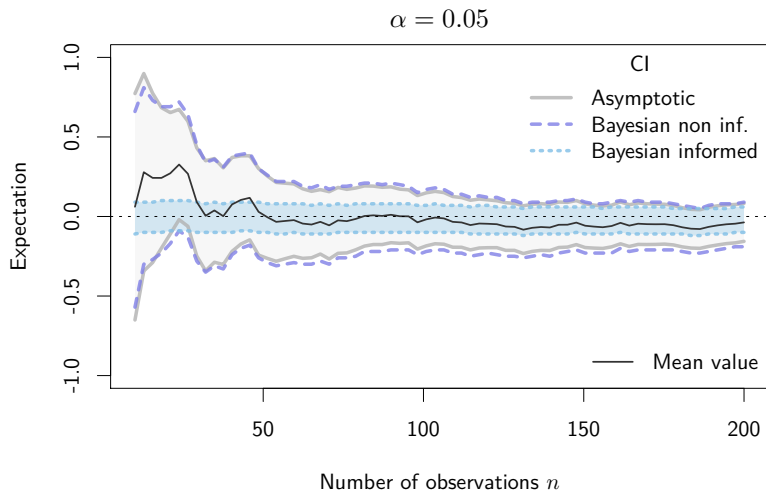
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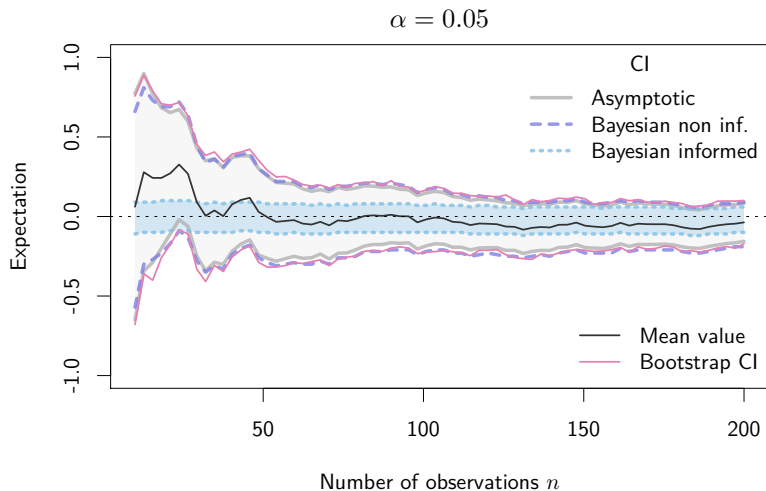
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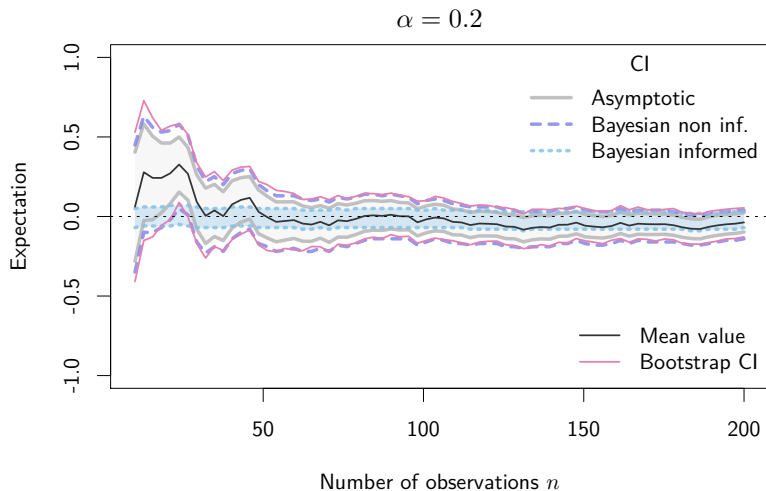
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- * Do not require to know the expected value
- * Asymmetric CI since Chi-square distribution is asymmetric

Asymptotic confidence interval for linear regressions

Data $(x, y) = ((x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n))$

Linear model $y_i = ax_i + b + \varepsilon_i$

OLS estimates: $\tilde{a} = a + \frac{\sum_i x_i \varepsilon_i}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2}$ and $\tilde{b} = b + \bar{x}_n \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_i x_i \varepsilon_i}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2}$

► The statistics $\frac{\tilde{a} - a}{s_{\tilde{a}}}$ and $\frac{\tilde{b} - b}{s_{\tilde{b}}}$

with $s_{\tilde{a}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_i \varepsilon_i^2 / \sum_i (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2}$ and $s_{\tilde{b}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_i \varepsilon_i^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_n^2}{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2} \right)}$

have asymptotically a Student distribution t_{n-2} with $n - 2$ degrees of freedom (CLT)

► **Asymptotic confidence interval** with risk level α for the coefficients a and b of the linear regression :

$$\tilde{a} \pm q_{t_{n-2}}(\alpha/2)s_{\tilde{a}} \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{b} \pm q_{t_{n-2}}(\alpha/2)s_{\tilde{b}}$$

Confidence and prediction bands for linear regressions

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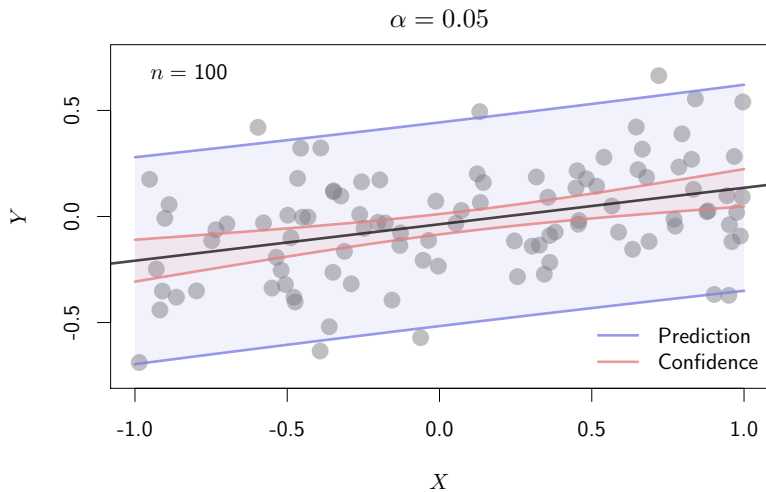
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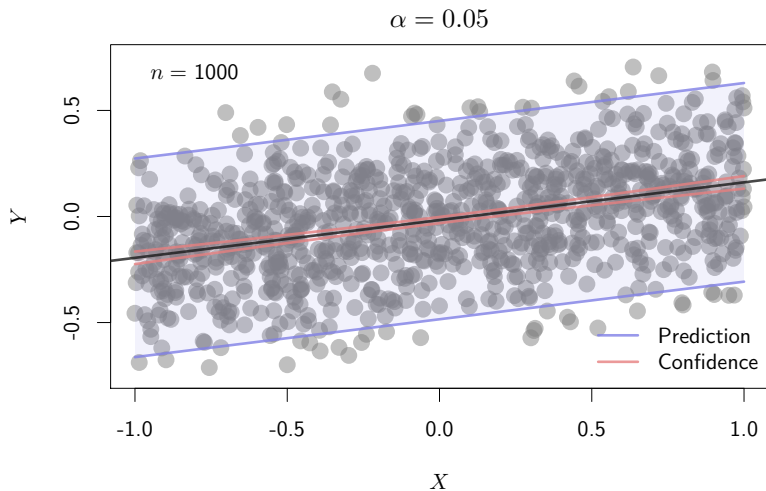
Interval of prediction of a new observation at x^* with confidence level $1 - \alpha$

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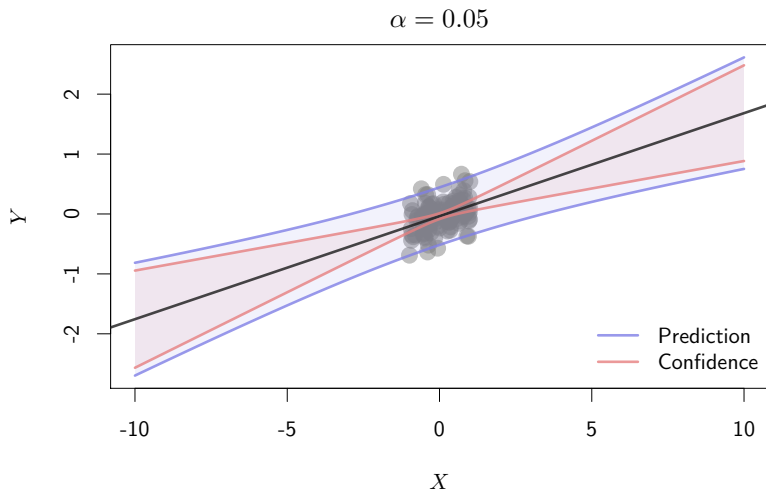
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Confidence interval with R

- ▶ **Confident interval** `confint(object,level)`
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- ▶ **Prediction band** `predict(object,x,'predict',level)`

| Generic function for any fitted model object

| level is the confidence level

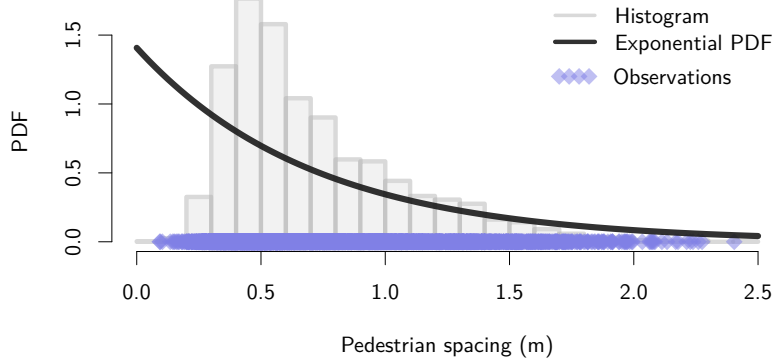
| Default method assume asymptotic normal distribution for the residuals (asymptotic CI)

Example

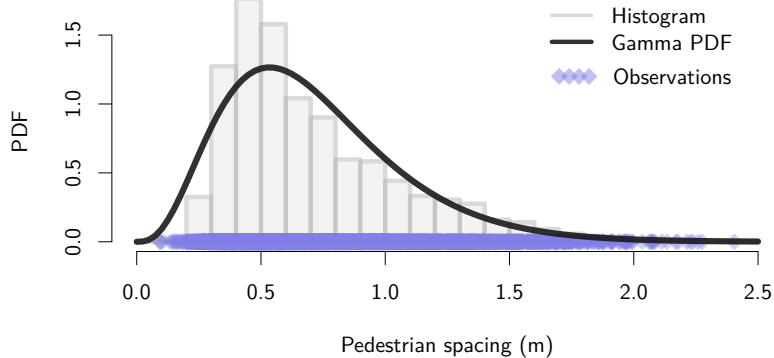
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| object=lm(y~x)
| confint(object,0.95)
| predict(object,data.frame(1:100),interval='confidence',0.95)
```


Information criteria

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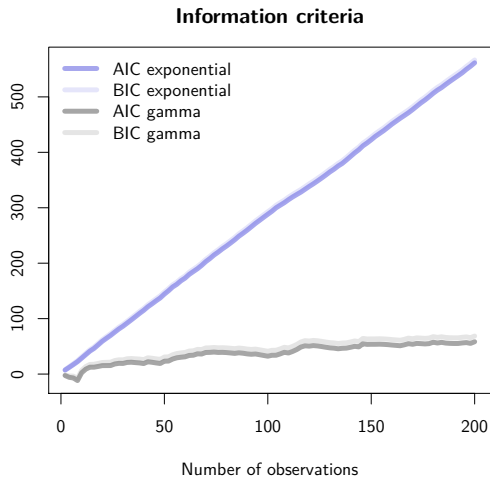
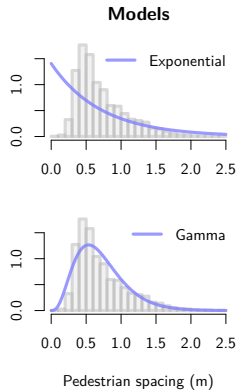
$$AIC = 2k - 2 \ln(L)$$

Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)

$$BIC = k \ln(2\pi n) - 2 \ln(L)$$

- ▶ Compromise between goodness of the fit through maximum likelihood L and the complexity of the model through the parameter number k
- ▶ Better model minimizes criteria

Information criteria for the fit of the spacing



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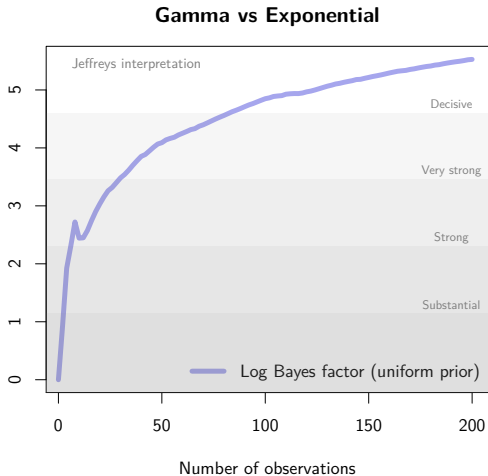
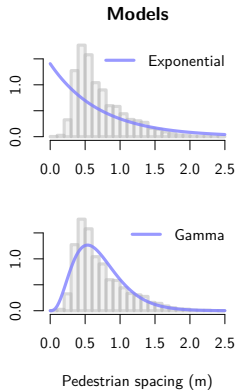
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- **Bayes factor BF**: Ratio of the mean likelihood over given prior f_1 and f_2

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→ Better fit of the model 1 when $BF > c$ or $\log BF > \log c$
(cf. Jeffreys interpretation)

Likelihood ratio and Bayes factor for the fit of the spacing



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Four possible configurations :

	Reality	H_0 is true	H_0 is false
Test			
Reject of H_0		Error1	OK
No reject of H_0		OK	Error2

- ▶ The probability of occurrence of Error1 is $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ Valid for any number of observations
- ▶ The probability of occurrence of Error2 tends to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$ Power of the test

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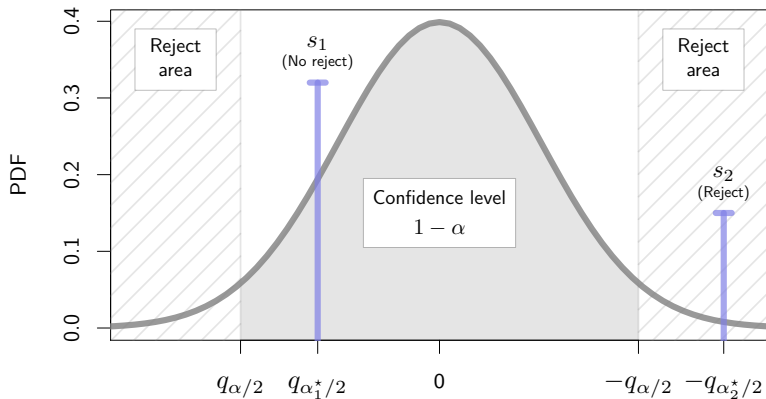
► $\xi_\alpha = -q_{\alpha/2}$ i.e. $R_\alpha(S_n) = |S_n| > -q_{\alpha/2}$ with q quantile of normal distribution

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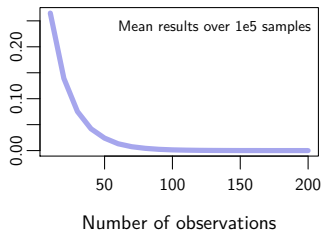
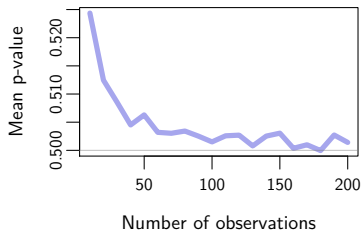
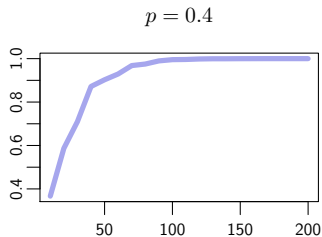
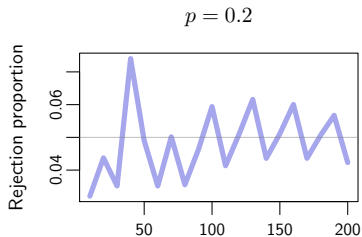
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Some tests with R

Test for	Statistic	Distribution	R
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Variance $\{\sigma = \sigma_0\}$	$(n - 1) \frac{s_x^2}{\sigma_0^2}$	Chi-squared	—
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Variance equality $\{\sigma_1 = \sigma_2\}$	s_x^2 / s_y^2	Fisher	<code>var.test(x, y)</code>
Adequacy of discrete distribution	$\frac{\sum_i (E_i - O_i)^2}{E_i}$	Chi-squared	<code>chisq.test(x, p)</code>
Adequacy of continuous distribution	$\sup_z D_x(z) - D_y(z) $	Kolmogorov	<code>ks.test(x, y)</code>
Normality	$\frac{(\sum_i a_i x^{(i)})^2}{n s_x^2}$	Shapiro-Wilk	<code>shapiro.test(x)</code>
Independence	$\frac{\sum_i (n E_{i,j} - E_i E_j)^2}{n E_i E_j}$	Chi-squared	<code>chisq.test(x, y)</code>

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1. Local optimum for fixed K through iterative algorithms EM, Gipps sampling, VB, ...
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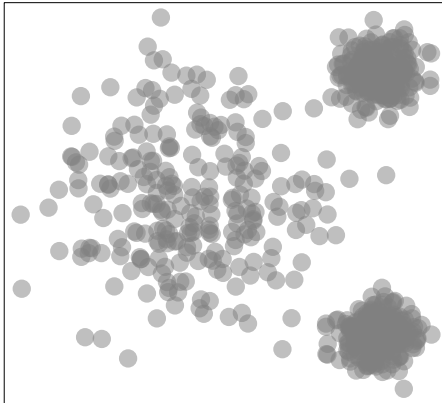
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Several shapes for the cluster can be used

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- ▶ EEV : Ellipsoidal, equal volume & shape
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- ▶ EVV : Ellipsoidal, equal volume
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Observations

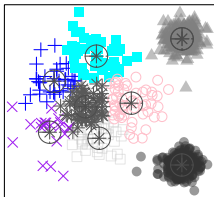


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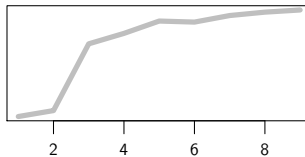
EII: Spherical, equal volume

Spherical clusters

Classification

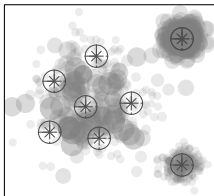


BIC criterion

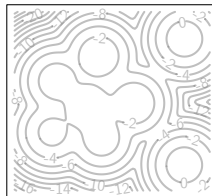


Number of clusters

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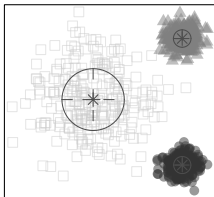


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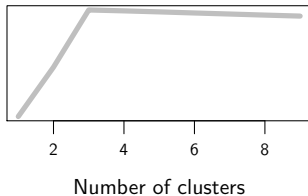
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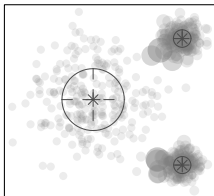
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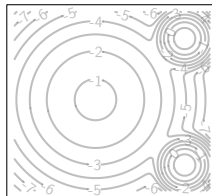
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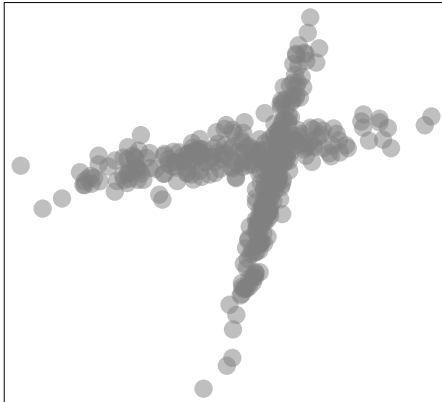
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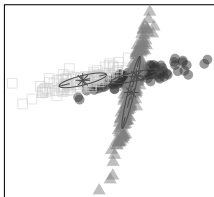


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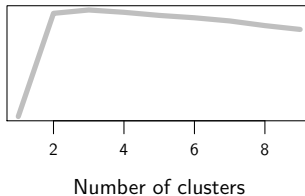
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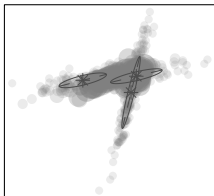
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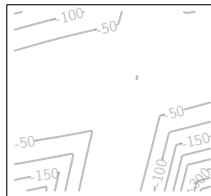
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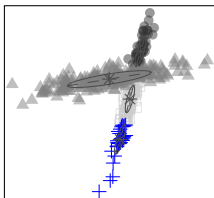


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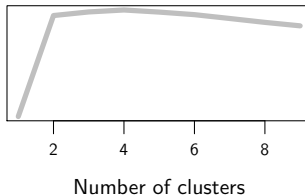
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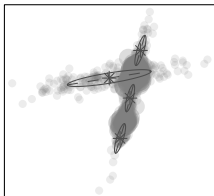
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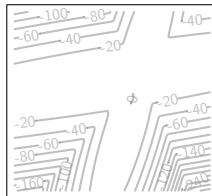
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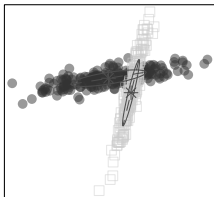


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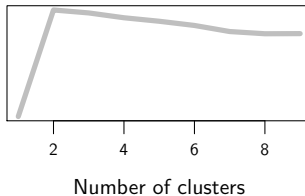
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See also mixture of linear models [here](#)

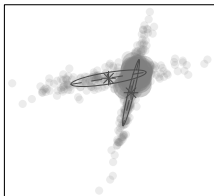
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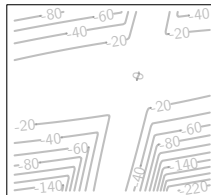
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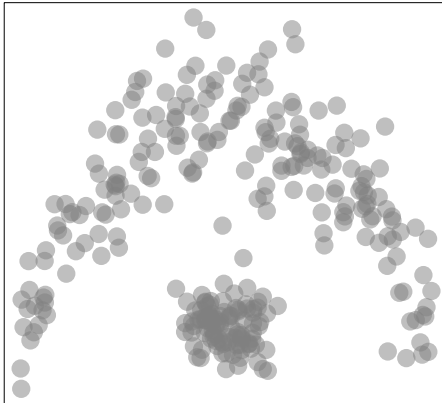
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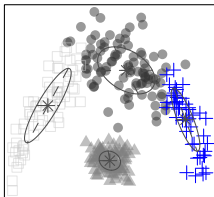


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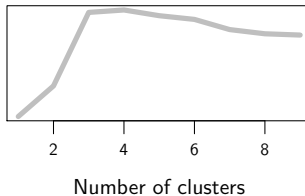
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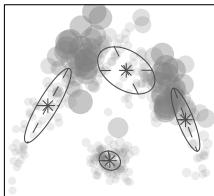
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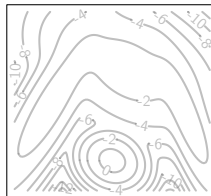
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Parametric statistic : Summary

- ▶ In parametric statistic, the data are supposed to be samples of independent and identically distributed (iid) random variables
 - Estimation of the parameters of the distributions
 - **Punctual estimation** (Maximizing the likelihood or posterior distribution)
 - **Precision of the estimation** (confidence and credible intervals)
 - **Goodness of the fit and test of hypothesis** (AIC, BIC, Bayes factor, test for mean value, variance, independence, adequacy to distributions etc. . .)
- ▶ **The likelihood** is a fundamental function in parametric statistic
- ▶ **Bayesian approaches** are useful when we have prior on the parameters, the size of the sample are small or the models are complex
- ▶ Statistics based on square error are accurate when observations are distributed on 'compact' supports (like normal ones)
 -  **High extreme values** can bring disproportionate weights

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R and its numerous packages and help forums is a practical software for both descriptive and parametric data analysis

References and links

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- ▶ Wikipedia : Statistics wikipedia.org/Statistics
- ▶ Online courses statistics.com
- ▶ Python & R codes for common machine learning algorithms analyticsvidhya.com

Videos

- ▶ R vs Python blog.dominodatalab.com
- ▶ R statistics tutorials youtube.com

Integrated development environments for R

- ▶ RStudio, Jupyter (online), Rattle, Red-R, R Commander, JGR, RKWard, Deducer, ...

Abbreviations

PDF	<i>Probability Density Function</i>
ECDF	<i>Empirical Cumulative Distribution Function</i>
iff	<i>If and only if</i>
th.	<i>Theorem</i>
ind.	<i>Independent</i>
iid	<i>Independent and identically distributed</i>
OLS	<i>Ordinary Least Squares</i>
PCA	<i>Principal Component Analysis</i>
lc	<i>Linear combination</i>
D	<i>Distribution</i>
P	<i>Probability</i>
a.s.	<i>Almost surely</i>
LLN	<i>Law of Large Numbers</i>
CLT	<i>Central Limit Theorem</i>
MSE	<i>Mean Squared Error</i>
MLE	<i>Maximum Likelihood Estimator</i>

Overview

Part 1 | Descriptive statistics for univariate and bivariate data
Repartition of the data (histogram, kernel density, empirical cumulative distribution function), order statistic and quantile, statistics for location and variability, boxplot, scatter plot, covariance and correlation, QQplot

Part 2 | Descriptive statistics for multivariate data
Least squares and linear and non-linear regression models, principal component analysis, principal component regression, clustering methods (K-means, hierarchical, density-based), linear discriminant analysis, bootstrap technique

Part 3 | Parametric statistic
Likelihood, estimator definition and main properties (bias, convergence), punctual estimate (maximum likelihood estimation, Bayesian estimation), confidence and credible intervals, information criteria, test of hypothesis, parametric clustering

Appendix | \LaTeX plots with R and Tikz

Appendix 1: Plotting with R

R is not only a software for data analysis and mathematical modelling, it is also a software to get graphics⁴

- Basically R allows to produce figures in Metafile, Postscript, PDF, Png, Bmg, TIFF, jpg
- `tikzDevice` package allows to get L^AT_EX file (.tex)

Simple plot

- Options `plot(x,y)`
- Legends `xlab, ylab, main, ...`
`legend('topright', ...)`
- Specification of the axis label `axis(1, ...)`

Multiplot

- Figures with 2 lines of 3 plots `par(mfrow=c(2,3));plot()...`
- Customized position of the plots `split.screen(rbind(...));screen(1)...`
- Scatterplot of a database `plot(data_base)`

⁴See `demo(graphics)`, package 'ggplot2', CRAN Task View, Google image: R graphics

\LaTeX plot with R

Script

```
require(tikzDevice)
tikz('exemple.tex',width=5,height=3,standAlone=T)
curve(sin(x)/x,xlim=c(0,20),xlab='$x$',ylab='$f(x)$',lwd=7,col=rgb(.5,.5,.5))
legend('topright',c('$f(x)=\\frac{1}{x}\\sin(x)$'),lwd=7,col=rgb(.5,.5,.5))
dev.off()
```

Example of a \LaTeX plot with R

