

### Homework 3. Stat 202a. Due Mon, Nov 11, 11:59pm.

You must work on the homework INDEPENDENTLY! Collaborating on this homework will be considered cheating. **Late homeworks will not be accepted!** Your homework solution should be a single PDF document. The first pages should be your *output* from the problems. After that, on subsequent pages, include all your *code* for these problems. Email your homework to [statgrader@stat.ucla.edu](mailto:statgrader@stat.ucla.edu).

#### 1. Approximation of an infinite series in C.

It is well known that  $1 - 1/2 + 1/3 - 1/4 + 1/5 - 1/6 + \dots = \ln(2)$ .

Write a C function called *alt2(n)* that computes the first  $n$  terms in this series, as a function of  $n$ . Call your C function from *R* to evaluate *alt2(n)* for various  $n$ . Using *R*, plot *alt2(n)* vs.  $n$ , for  $n$  ranging from some small number up to 1 million. You may set up your range of the y-axis in a way that you feel is appropriate. You do not need to show *alt2(n)* for all values of  $n$  and should not plot *alt2* for very small values of  $n$  if they are off the plot.

#### 2. Kernel density estimation in C and plotted in R.

Write a C function to compute a Gaussian kernel density estimate for univariate data. The inputs to the function should be two integers,  $m$  and  $n$ , a vector  $g$  of  $m$  gridpoints at which to calculate the estimates, a vector  $x$  consisting of the  $n$  observed data points, and a vector  $y$  of length  $m$  which will contain the resulting density estimates.

Gather data on all earthquakes of magnitude at least 3.0 in the longitude range -122.0 to -118.0 and latitude range 34.0 to 38.0, from Jan 1, 1960 to Oct 1 2024, from [http://service.scedc.caltech.edu/eq-catalogs/date\\_mag\\_loc.php](http://service.scedc.caltech.edu/eq-catalogs/date_mag_loc.php). Input the data into *R*. Use minimum magnitude = 3.0, maximum magnitude = 9.0, min depth = -5km, max depth = 100km, event type = earthquake, geographic type = local. Take this vector of earthquake magnitudes, and use your C function to make a kernel density estimate of the earthquake magnitudes, using a Gaussian kernel with bandwidth selected using the rule of thumb suggested by Scott (1992). You may calculate this bandwidth in *R*. Let  $\{m_1, m_2, \dots, m_{100}\}$  = a vector of 100 equally spaced magnitudes spanning the observed range of magnitudes in your dataset, compute your kernel estimates on this grid using the C function, and plot your kernel density estimates  $\hat{f}(m_1), \hat{f}(m_2), \dots, \hat{f}(m_{100})$ .

#### 3. Approximation of an integral in C.

Consider the integral from 0 to  $x_{\max}$  of the shifted Pareto density,  $f(x) = (p-1) c^{p-1} (x+c)^{-p}$ , for  $x \geq 0$ , and  $f(x) = 0$  otherwise, where  $c > 0$  and  $p > 1$  are parameters.

Let  $c = 4$  and  $p = 3$ . Write a C function called *paretoint(xmax,c,p)* that approximates this integral over a grid of 1 million values ranging from  $x = 0$  to  $x_{\max}$ . Note that technically *paretoint()* is not only going to be a function of  $x_{\max}$ ,  $c$ , and  $p$ , but will also have another input variable which will store the result. Call your C function from *R* to evaluate *paretoint(xmax,c,p)* for various choices of  $x_{\max}$  between 10 and 1000.

(you do not need to calculate `paretoint` for every integer between 10 and 1000, but choose around 10-15 numbers between 10 and 1000), and for  $c = 4$  and  $p = 3$  each time. Using *R*, plot `paretoint(xmax,4,3)` vs. *xmax*, for *xmax* ranging from 10 up to 1000. You may set up your range of the y-axis in a way that you feel is appropriate.

**Output:** Your output for this assignment should be a pdf document containing the following, in this order.

Figure 1. A plot of `alt2(n)` versus *n*, for several values of *n* ranging up to 1 million.

Figure 2. A plot of your kernel density estimates  $\hat{f}(m_1)$ ,  $\hat{f}(m_2)$ , ...,  $\hat{f}(m_{100})$  versus *m*.

Figure 3. A plot of `paretoint(xmax,4,3)` vs. *xmax*, for *xmax* ranging from 10 to 1000.

All of your code, at the end.