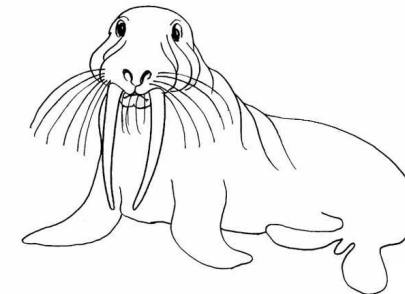


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revisitée à partir d'un exemple environnemental.



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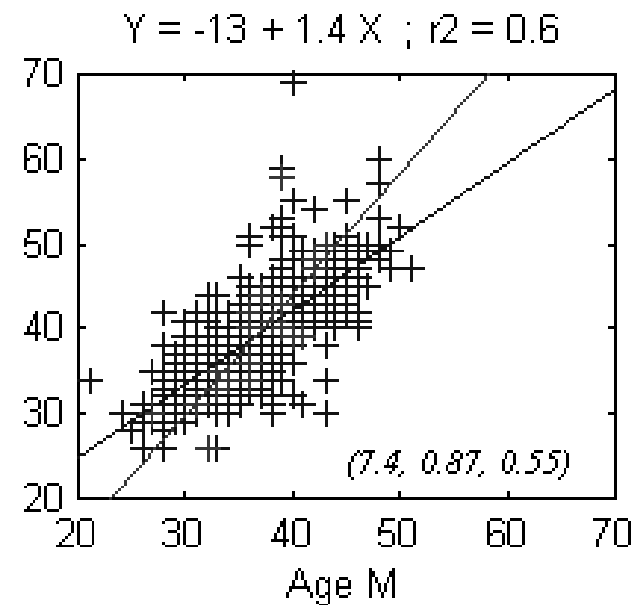
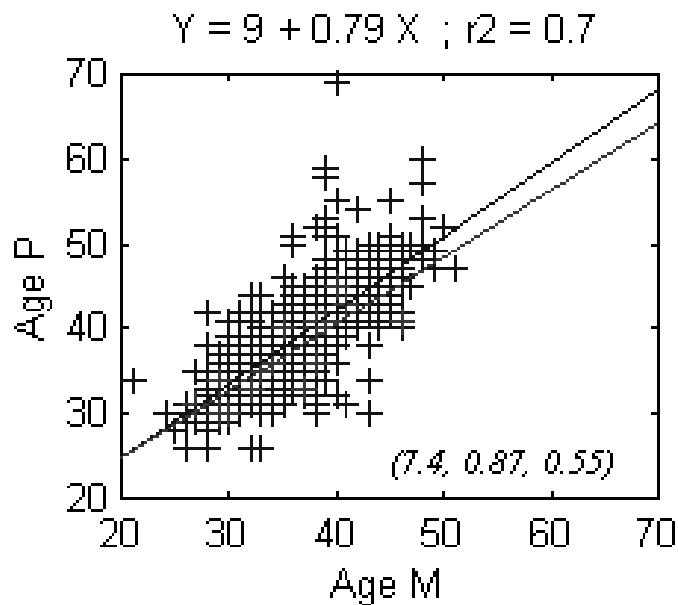
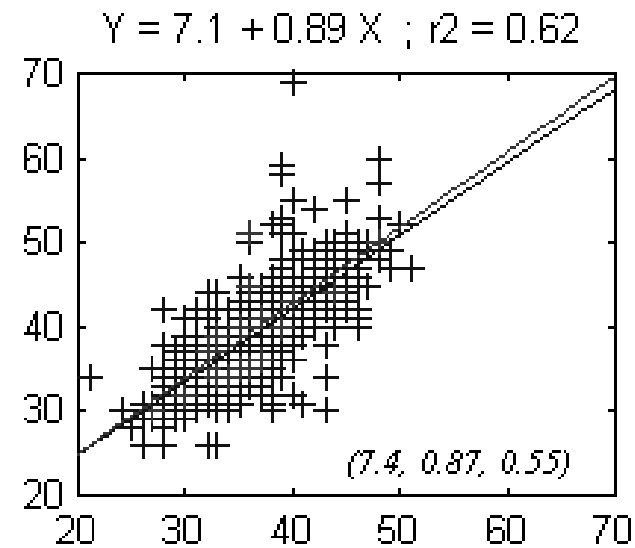
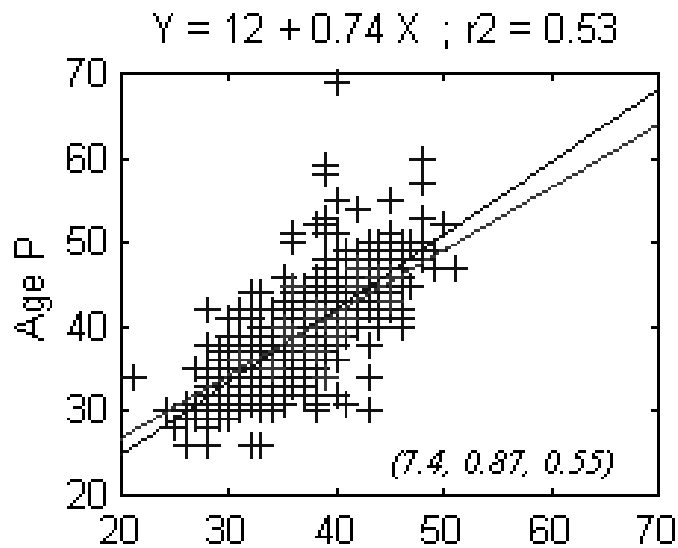
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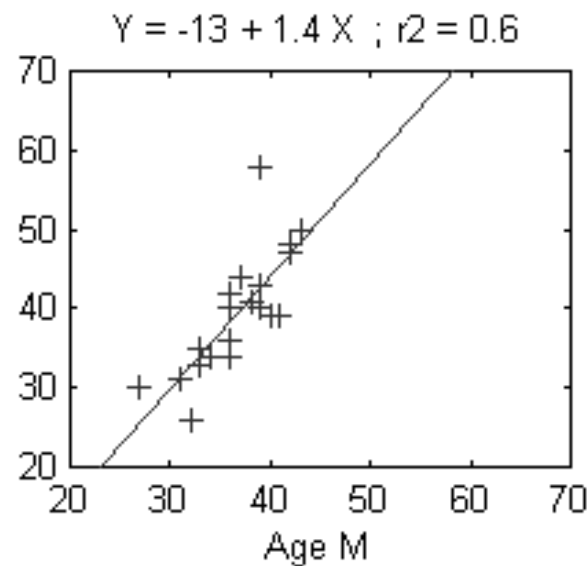
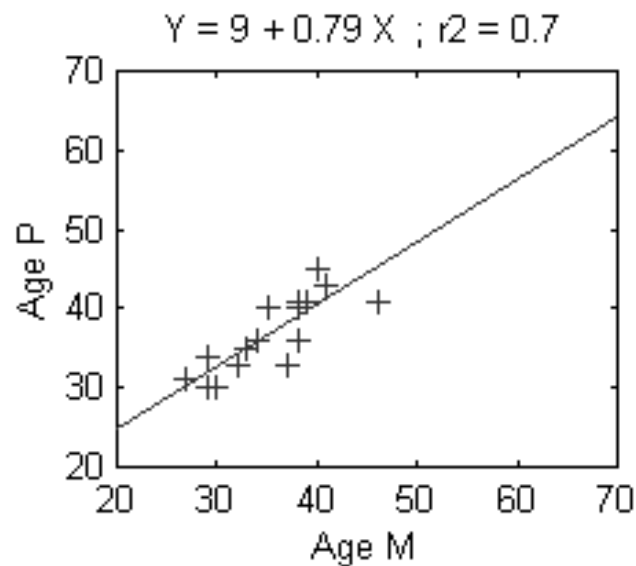
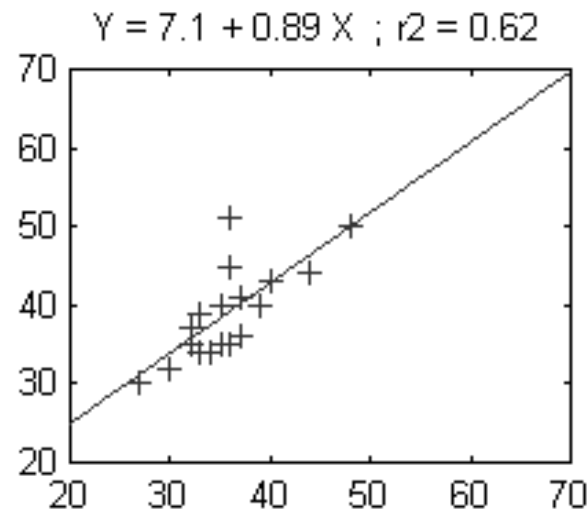
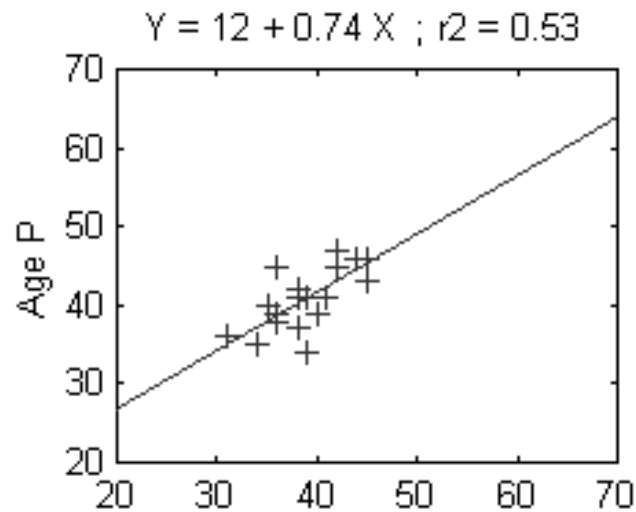
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# Basics for regression

- Population vs sample
- True parameters vs estimates
- Hypotheses



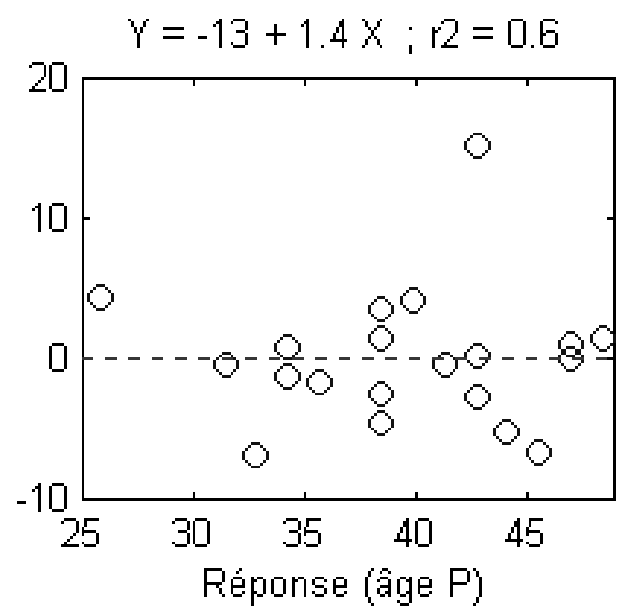
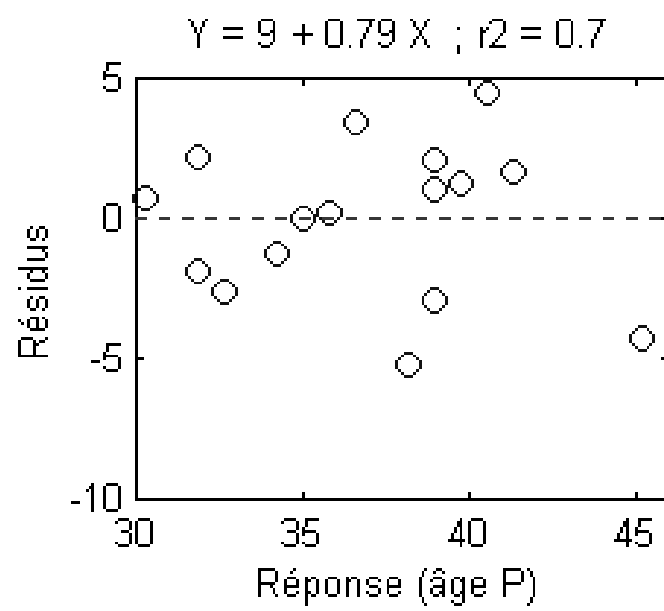
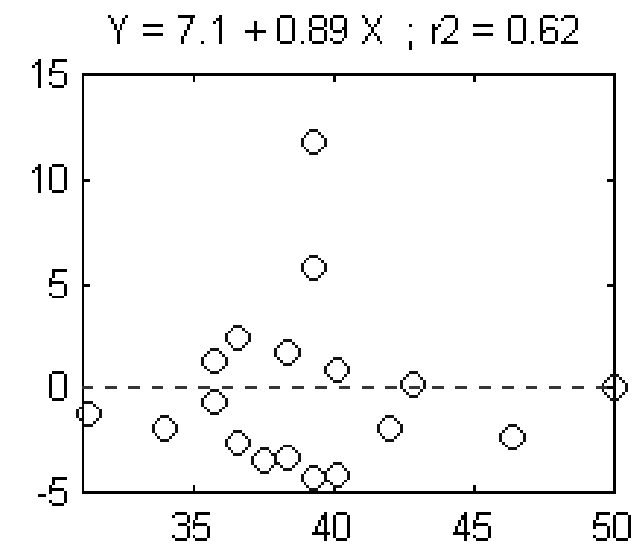
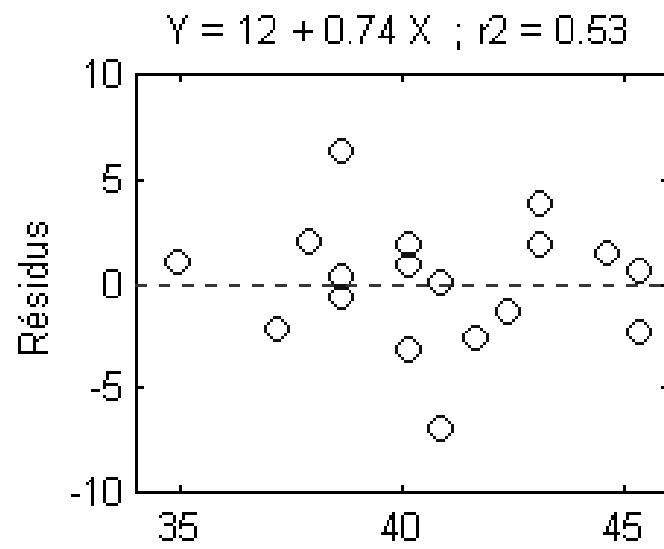
**Représentation graphique des notions suivantes :**  
**population (bleues), modèle (droite bleue), échantillon**  
**(croix rouges), modèle ajusté (droite rouge)**



**Représentation graphique de l'échantillon (croix rouges) et du modèle ajusté (droite rouge). La droite rouge obtenue est conditionnelle à l'échantillon en main (4 échantillons  $\Rightarrow$  4 droites différentes). Les coefficients (pente, ordonnée à l'origine et  $r^2$ ) sont donc incertains**

# Hypotheses

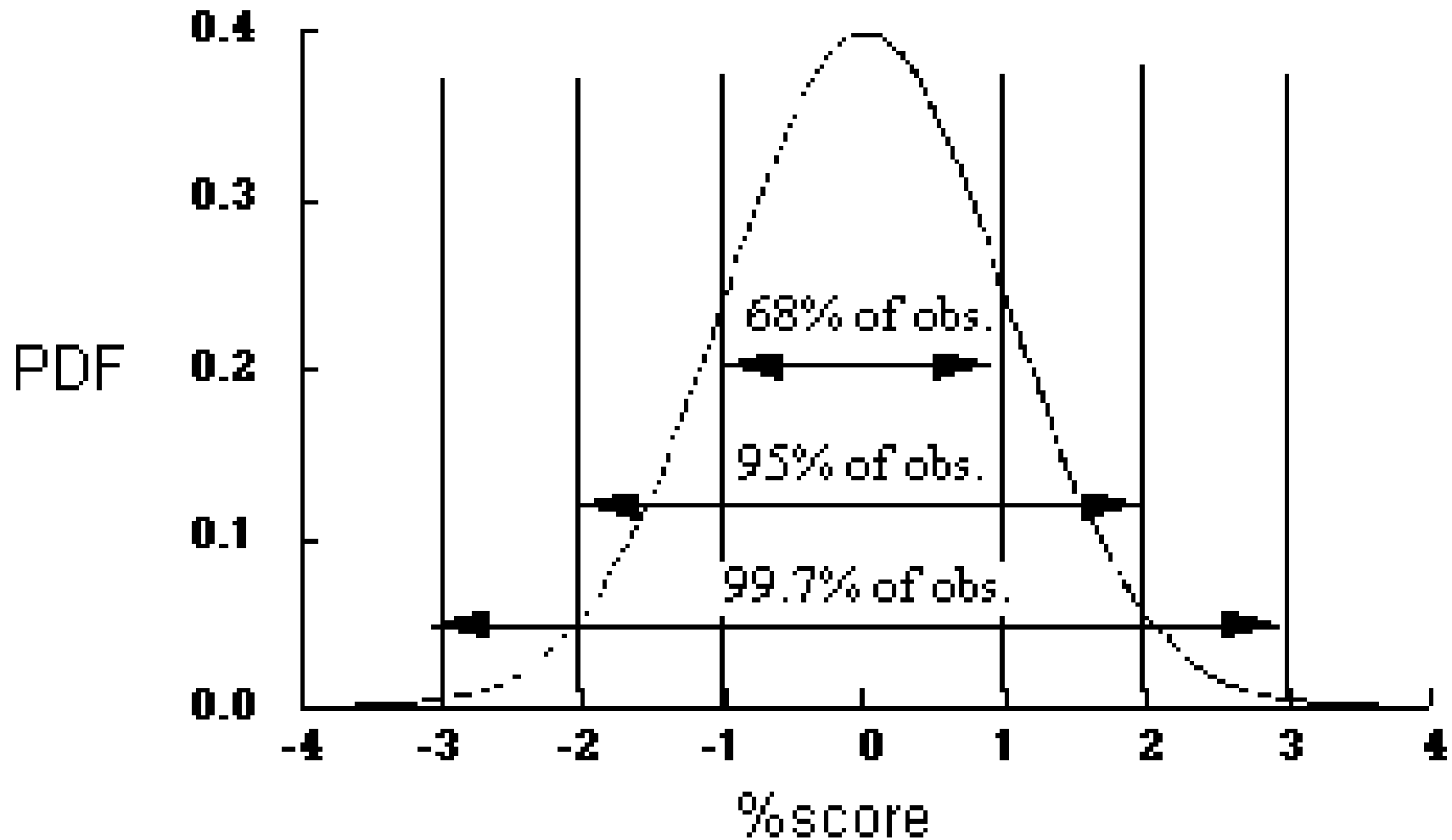
- Residuals are independent
- Residuals are from the same pdf
- Residuals are normal
  
- model structure



**Distribution des résidus  $e_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$  en fonction de  $\hat{y}_i = a + bx_i$ .**

$(\mu, \sigma)$  known;  $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$

# Normal PDF



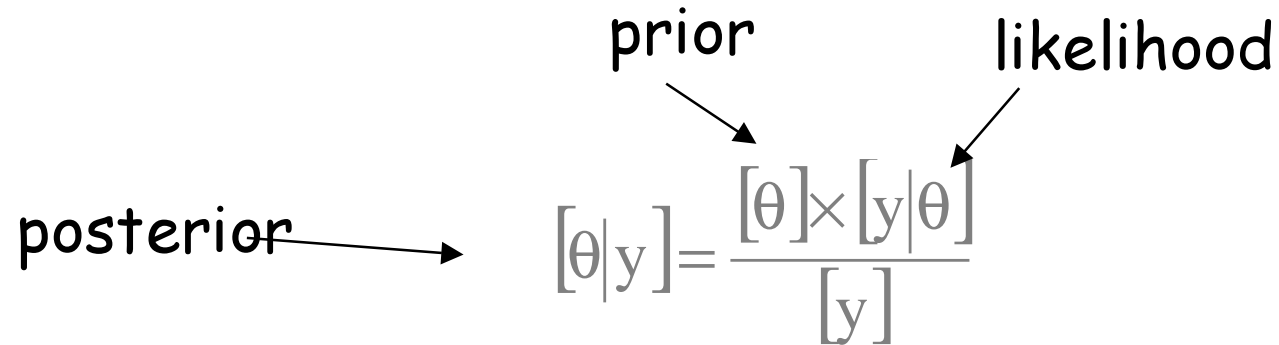
# Bayes theory for the linear model



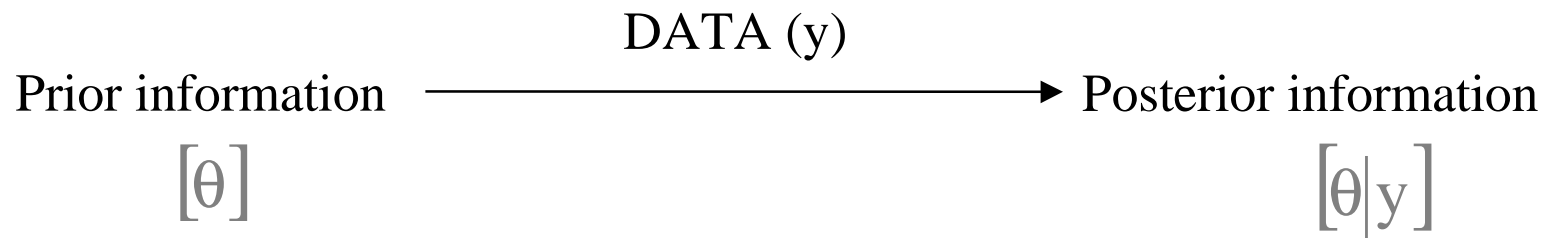
# Remember Bayesian statistics ?

prior                      likelihood

posterior →

$$[\theta|y] = \frac{[\theta] \times [y|\theta]}{[y]}$$


Bayes formula, an updating processor



# Bayesian analysis of the linear model

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta x_t + \varepsilon_t \text{ where } \varepsilon_t \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$[y|\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2, X] = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}}\right)^n \times \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \{(Y - X\theta)(Y - X\theta)\}'\right)$$

$$\left[\theta, \frac{1}{\sigma^2} | H\right] \propto \underbrace{\left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2}\right)^{a-1} \exp\left(-\frac{b}{\sigma^2}\right)}_{1/\sigma^2 \sim \text{Gamma}(a,b)} \underbrace{\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(\theta - \theta_0)' \Sigma_0^{-1} (\theta - \theta_0)\right)}_{\theta \sim N(\theta_0, \Sigma_0)}$$

$$Y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \dots \\ y_t \\ \dots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}; X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & \dots \\ \dots & x_t \\ \dots & \dots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix}; \theta = \begin{pmatrix} \alpha & \beta \end{pmatrix}$$

# Bayesian analysis of the linear model

$$Y = X\theta + \varepsilon \quad \text{where} \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$$

$$\hat{\theta} = (X'X)^{-1} X'Y \quad \longleftarrow \text{Least square estimate}$$

$$[y|\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2, X] = \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma} \right)^n \times \exp\left( -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left\{ (Y - X(\theta - \hat{\theta} + \hat{\theta}))'(Y - X(\theta - \hat{\theta} + \hat{\theta})) \right\} \right)$$

Pythagore' theorem

$$[y|\alpha, \beta, \sigma^2, X] \propto \exp\left( -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \left\{ (\theta - \hat{\theta})'(X'X)(\theta - \hat{\theta}) + (Y - X\hat{\theta})'(Y - X\hat{\theta}) \right\} \right)$$

↑ θ only!

$$\left[ \theta, \frac{1}{\sigma^2} | H \right] \propto \exp\left( -\frac{1}{2} (\theta - \theta_0)' \Sigma_0^{-1} (\theta - \theta_0) \right) \left( \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right)^{a-1} \exp\left( -\frac{b}{\sigma^2} \right)$$

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$$\left[ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} | Y, X, \theta \right] \propto \exp - \frac{1}{2} \left( (\theta - \theta_0)' \Sigma_0^{-1} (\theta - \theta_0) + (\theta - \hat{\theta}) \left( \frac{X'X}{\sigma^2} \right) (\theta - \hat{\theta}) \right)$$

If  $\sigma$  were known,  $\theta$  would be normal

$$\theta | \sigma^2 \sim N(\theta_1, \Sigma_1)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Sigma_1^{-1} = \Sigma_0^{-1} + \left( \frac{X'X}{\sigma^2} \right) \end{array} \right.$$

Addition of the precision matrices

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Sigma_1^{-1} \theta_1 = \Sigma_0^{-1} \theta_0 + \left( \frac{X'X}{\sigma^2} \right) \hat{\theta} \end{array} \right.$$

Linear combination between prior mean and least square estimates

# Bayesian analysis of the linear model

$$Y = X\theta + \varepsilon \quad \text{where} \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$$

Gamma (a,b)

$$\left[ \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mid Y, X, \theta \right] \propto \left( \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \right)^{a-1} \exp - \frac{b}{\sigma^2} \left( \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma^2} \right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \exp - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} ((Y - X\theta)'(Y - X\theta))$$

If  $\theta$  were known,  $\sigma^2$  would be inverse Gamma ( $a', b'$ )

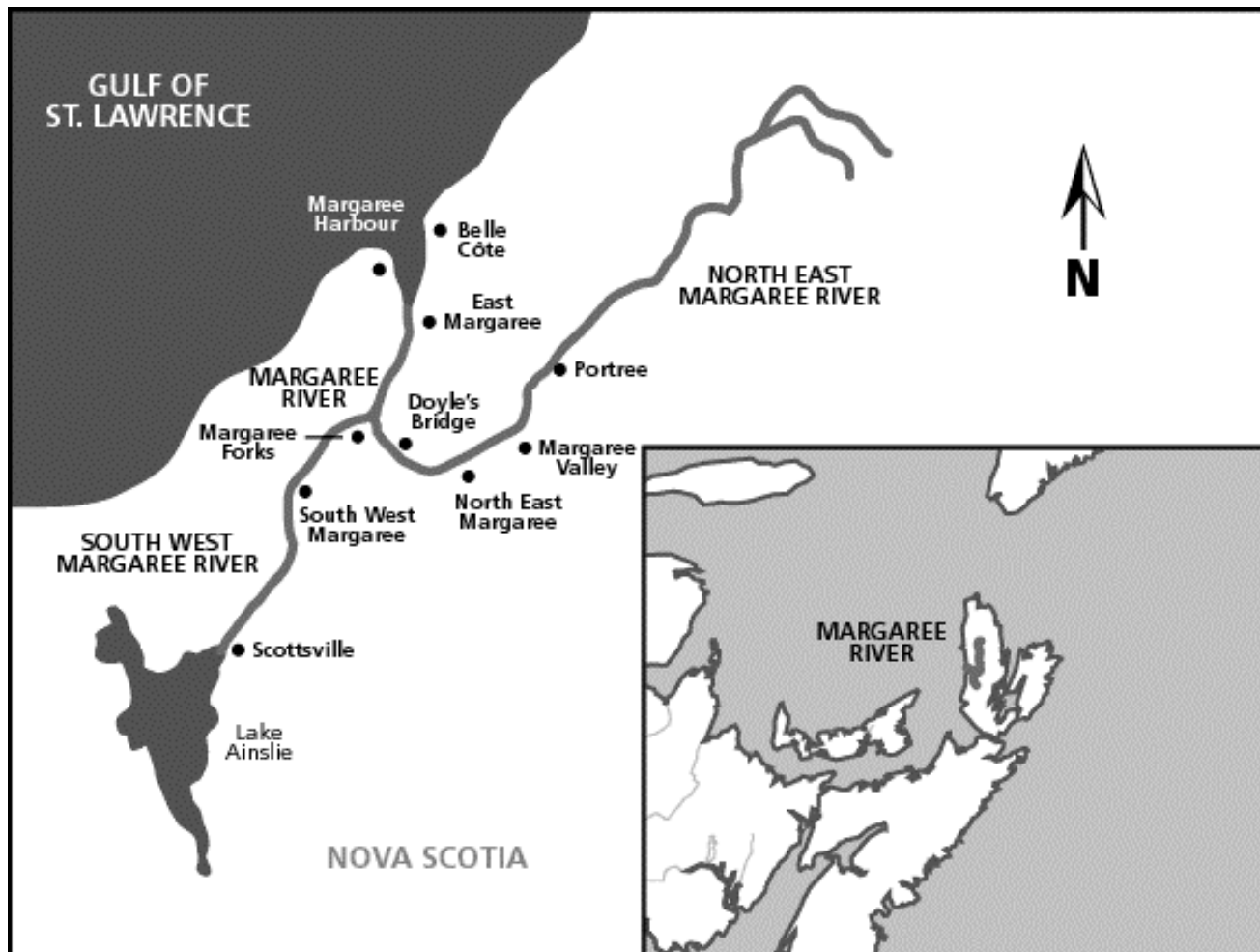
$$\boxed{\frac{1}{\sigma^2} \mid \theta \sim \text{gamma}(a', b')}$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} a' = a + \frac{n}{2} \\ b' = b + \frac{(Y - X\theta)'(Y - X\theta)}{2} \end{array} \right.$$

# Stock Recruitment issues

- Fishing should not endanger population conservation
- How many spawners are necessary to guarantee salmon population conservation ?
- How does the number of spawners influence on the recruitment ?
- Models of stock/recruitment relationship wanted

# Margaree River



# Margaree River



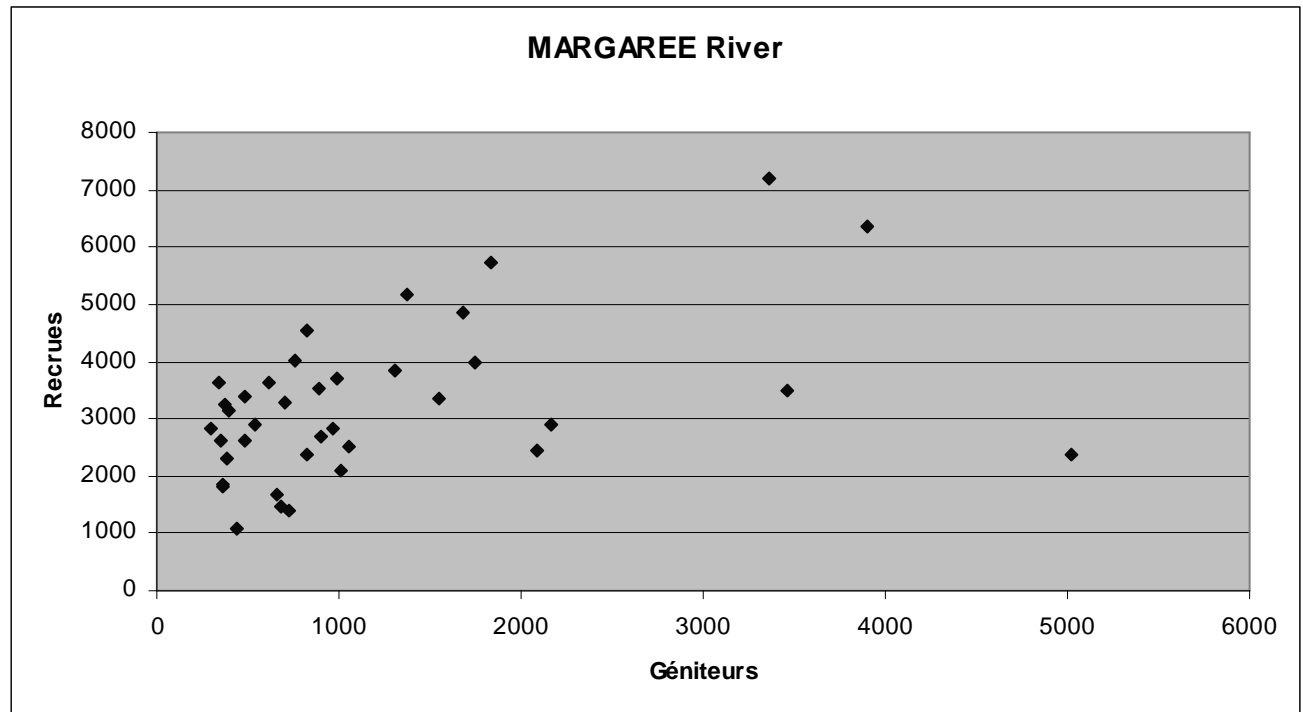
**SALMON:** The Salmon fishing season begins June 1 and ends October 31 ( fly only ). Resident fees are set at \$36.06. Non-resident anglers must pay \$133.19 for a seasonal license or \$54.26 for a 7 day license. Bag limit: 2 per day and 8 per season ( only grilse up to 63 cm 24.8 inches )



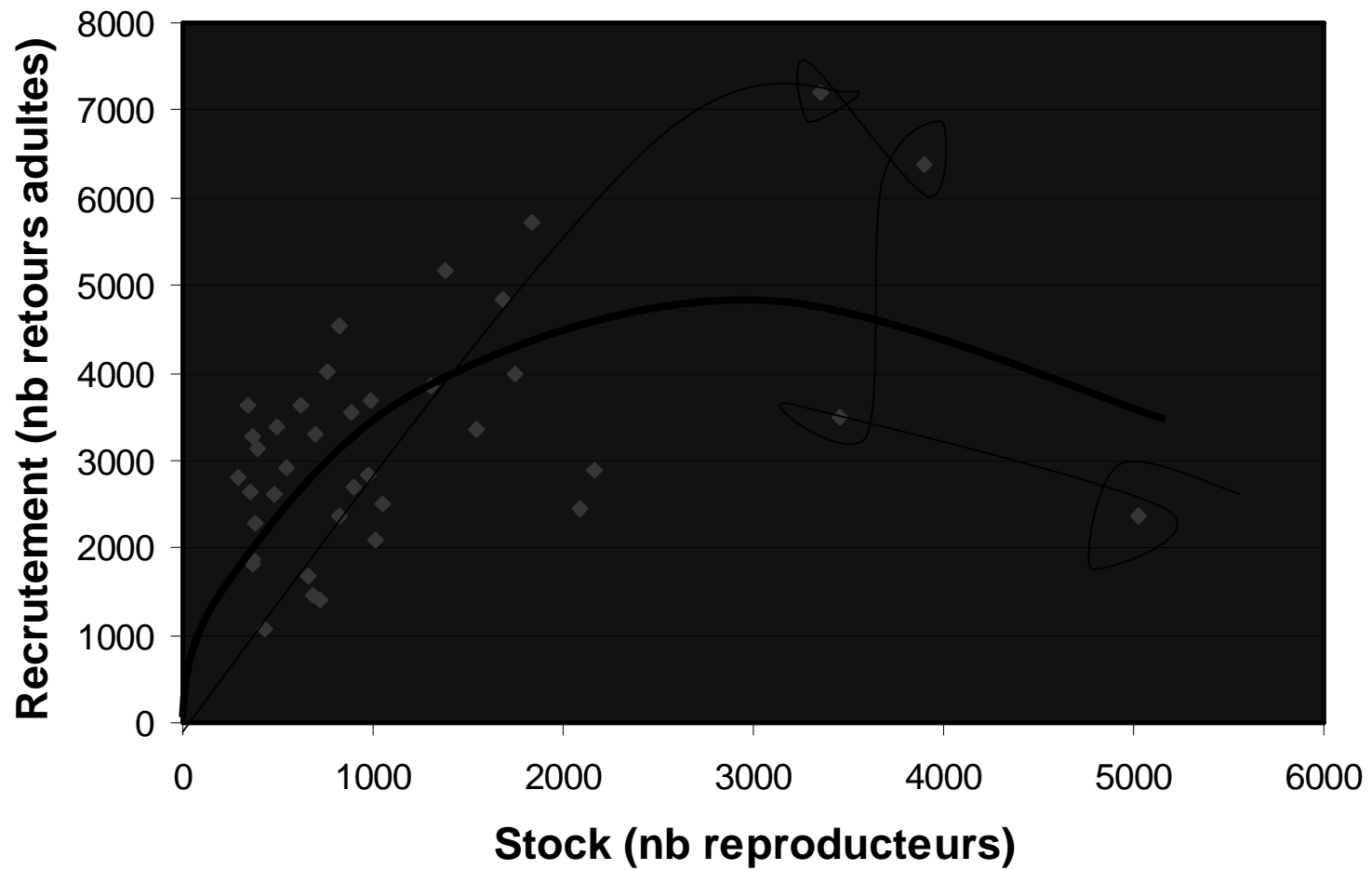


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1947	1685	4852
1948	3358	7204
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1951	2093	2440
1952	969	2833
1956	486	2616
1957	822	4534
1961	344	3620
1962	1306	3850
1963	887	3538
1964	1053	2515
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1967	1009	2083
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1969	488	3394
1970	901	2702
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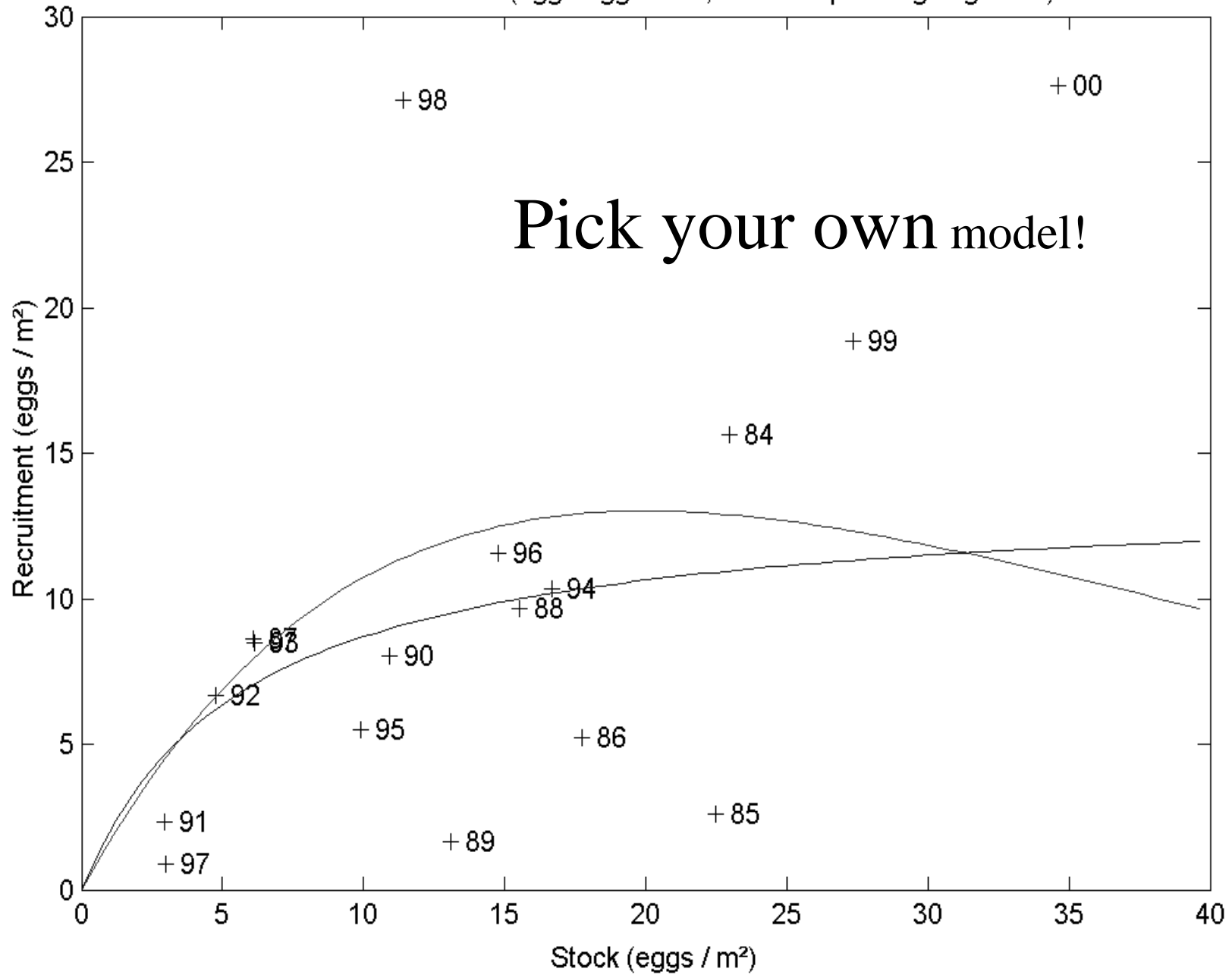
# Margaree River



# A look at the data of SR Margaree river



SR data - Oir data set (eggs-eggs / m<sup>2</sup> ; Year of spawning migration)



# Searching for a model

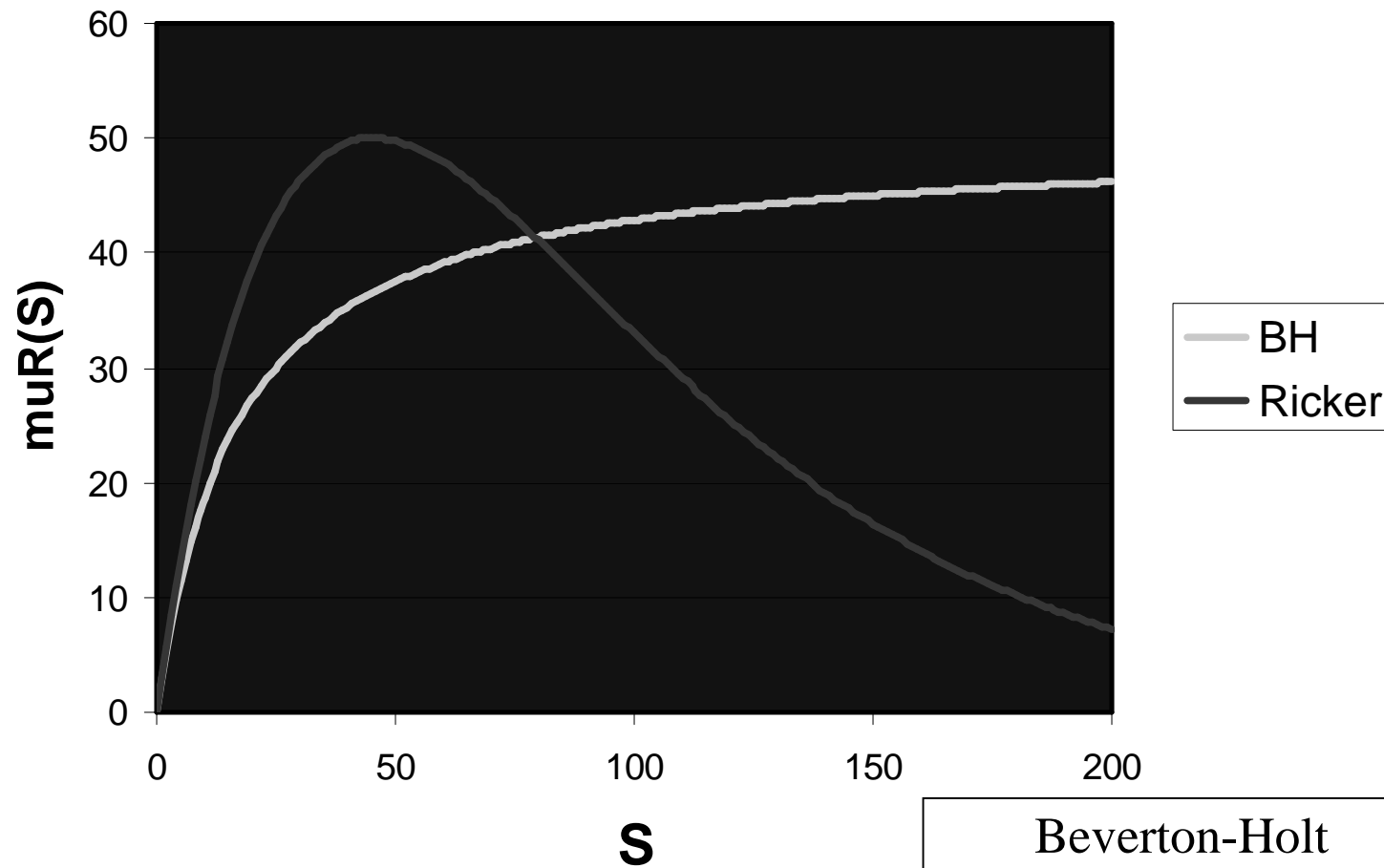
- R as a function of S :
  - a smooth idealized phenomenon  $R = \mu_R(S)$ ,
  - when  $S \uparrow$ ,  $R \uparrow$  (at least at the beginning)

$\Rightarrow R$  est fonction de  $S$
- Indeed R is uncertain for many reasons (S is the only explanation available)  
 $\Rightarrow$  stochastic model
- Math. translation :  
R ~ pdf with characteristics  $(\mu_R(S), \sigma)$ 
  - position parameter  $\mu_R(S)$ , dispersion parameter  $\sigma$
  - dispersion parameter  $\sigma$  is not a fonction of S
- $\mu_R(S)$  ? Which pdf ?

# Searching for $\mu_R(S)$

- $\mu_R(S)$  ?
  - Ecological knowledge : competition for territory
  - $R \uparrow$  then  $S \uparrow$ , then  $R$  stops or decreases
  - ⇒ Feedback control by density
- 2 classical functions :
  - Beverton-Holt  
 $\mu_R(S) = aS/(1 + bS)$   
reproduction ratio  $\mu_R(S)/S = a/(1 + bS)$
  - Ricker  
 $\mu_R(S) = aSe^{-bS}$   
reproduction rate  $\mu_R(S)/S = ae^{-bS}$
  - $\text{Log}(\mu_R(S)/S) = \text{Log}(a) - bS$

# Fonctions Ricker et BH



Beverton-Holt  
 $\mu_R(S)/S = a/(1 + bS)$   
Ricker  
 $\mu_R(S)/S = ae^{-bS}$



# Ricker = a hidden linear model

- Summing up
  - $R \sim \log N(\mu_R(S), \sigma)$
  - $\mu_R(S) = aSe^{-bS}$  (Ricker function)
  - deterministic explanatory structure + random effect

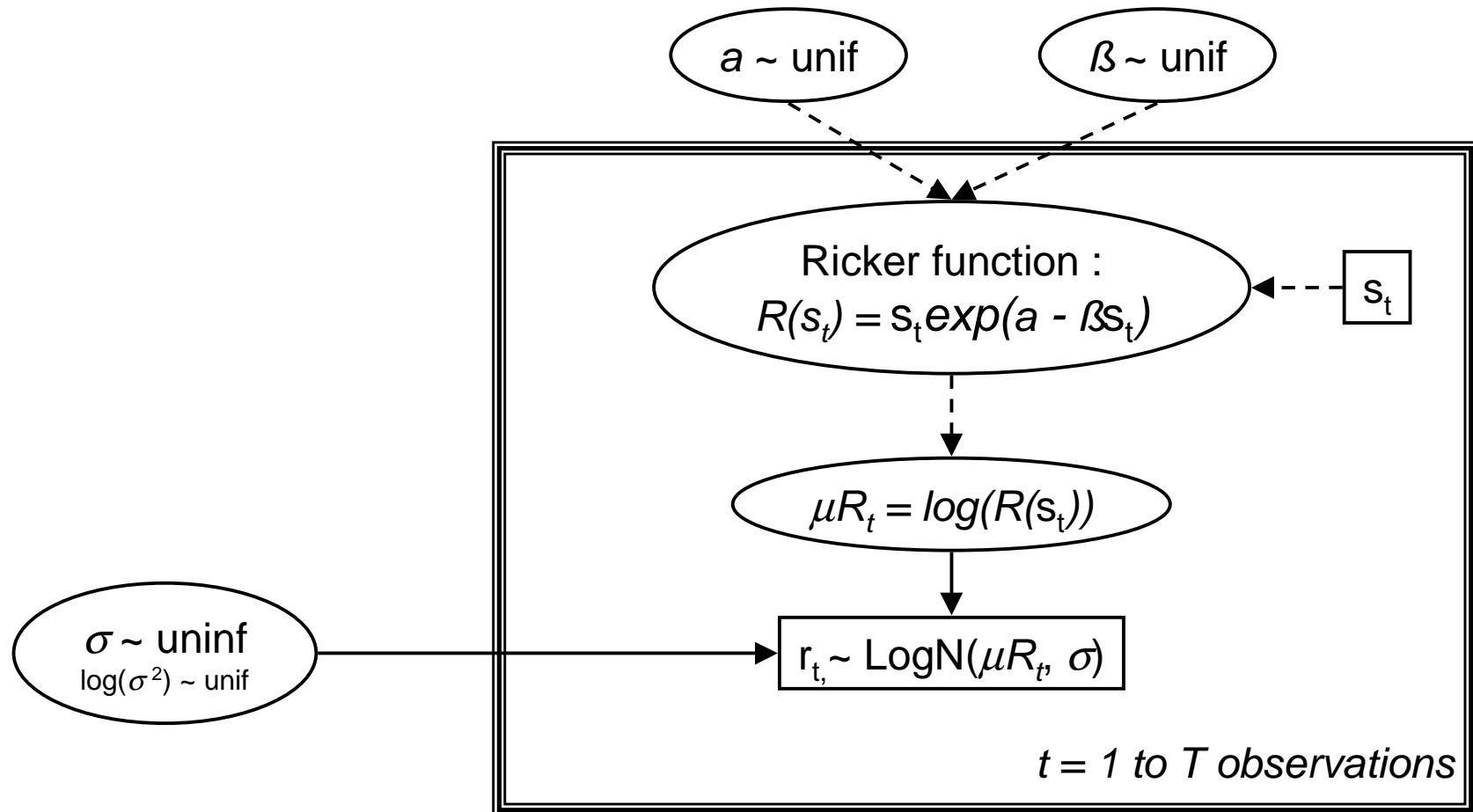
$$R = \mu_R(S)e^\varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \quad \mu_R(S) = aSe^{-bS}$$

$$\log(R) = \log(a) + \log(S) - bS + \varepsilon$$

$$y = \log\left(\frac{R}{S}\right) \quad x = S \quad \alpha = \log(a) \quad \beta = -b \quad \theta = (\log(a), b)$$

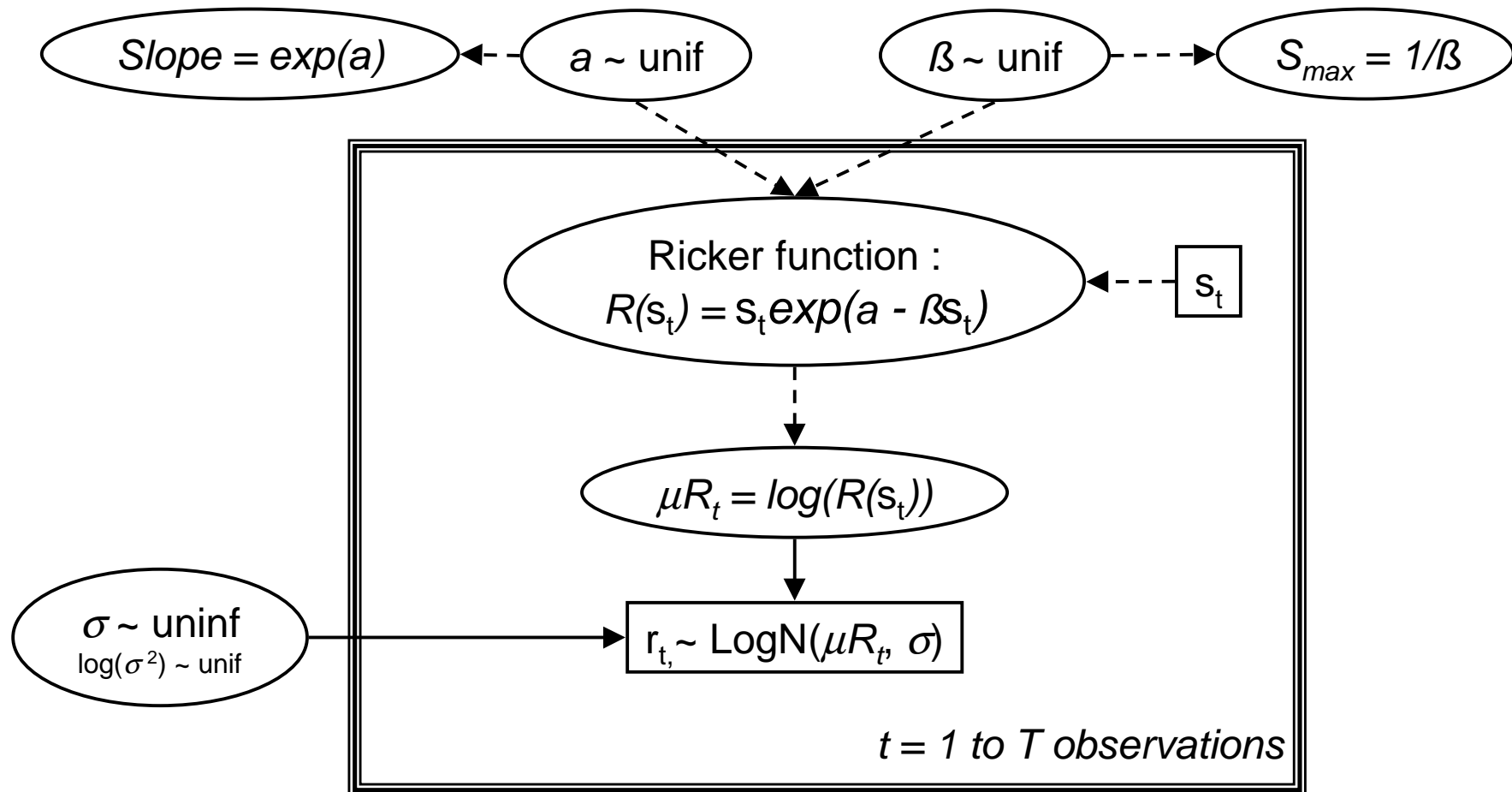
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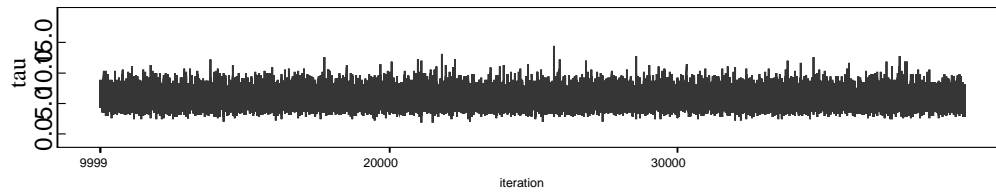
# DAG of the Ricker SR model: classical formulation



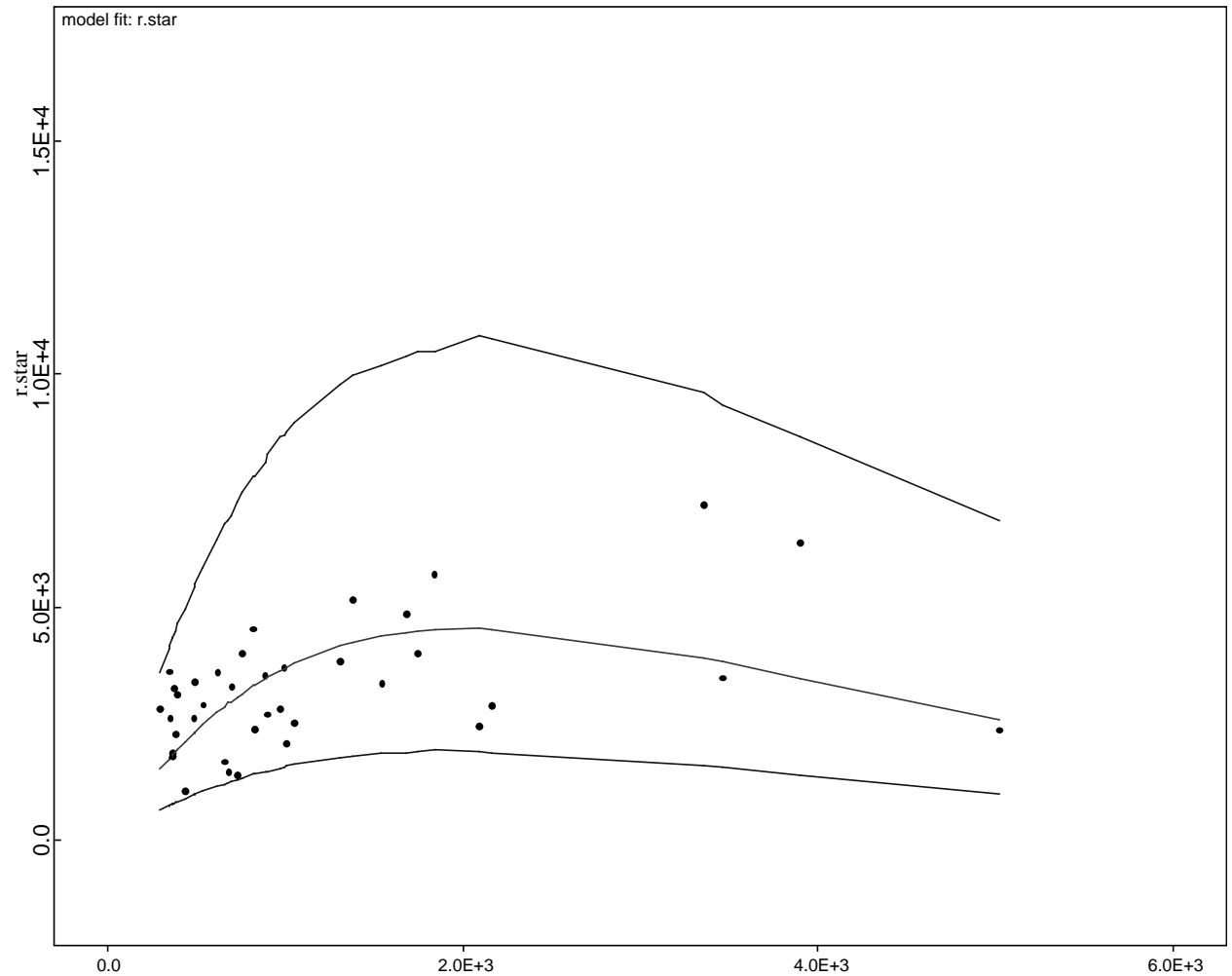
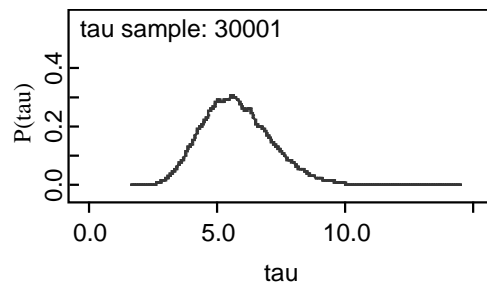
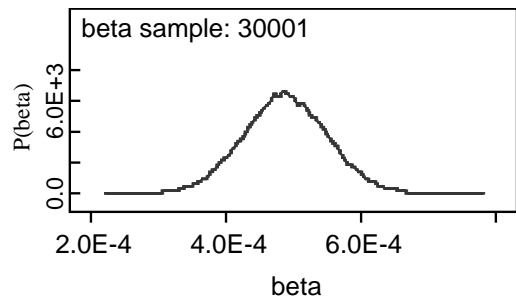
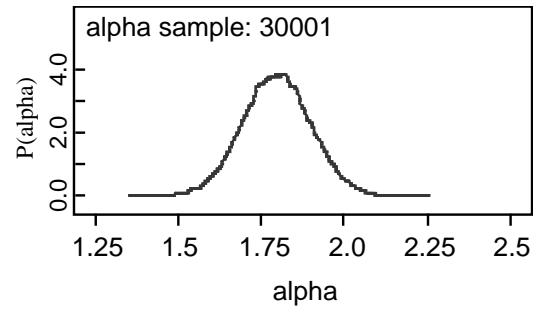


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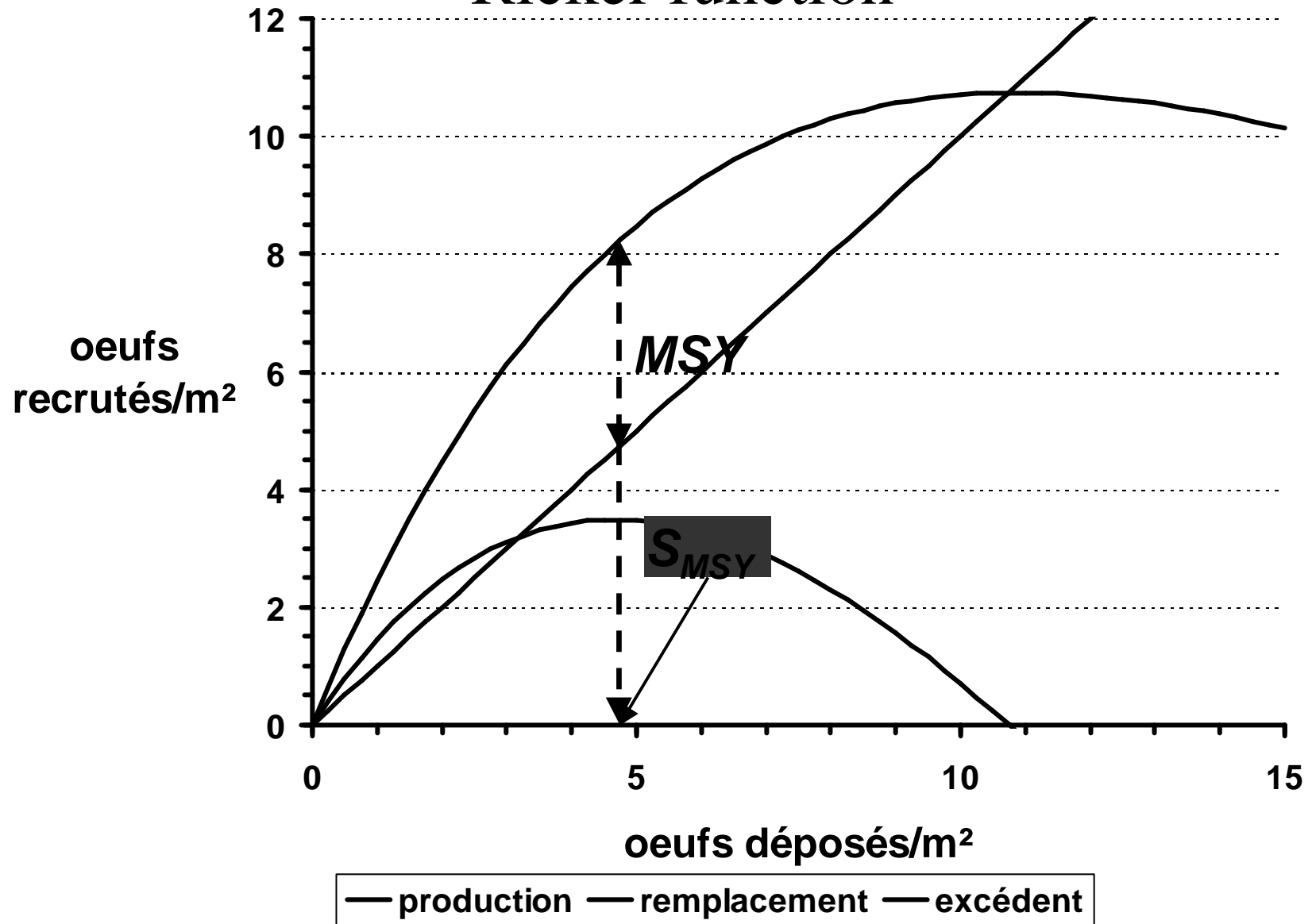




# Posterior inference....



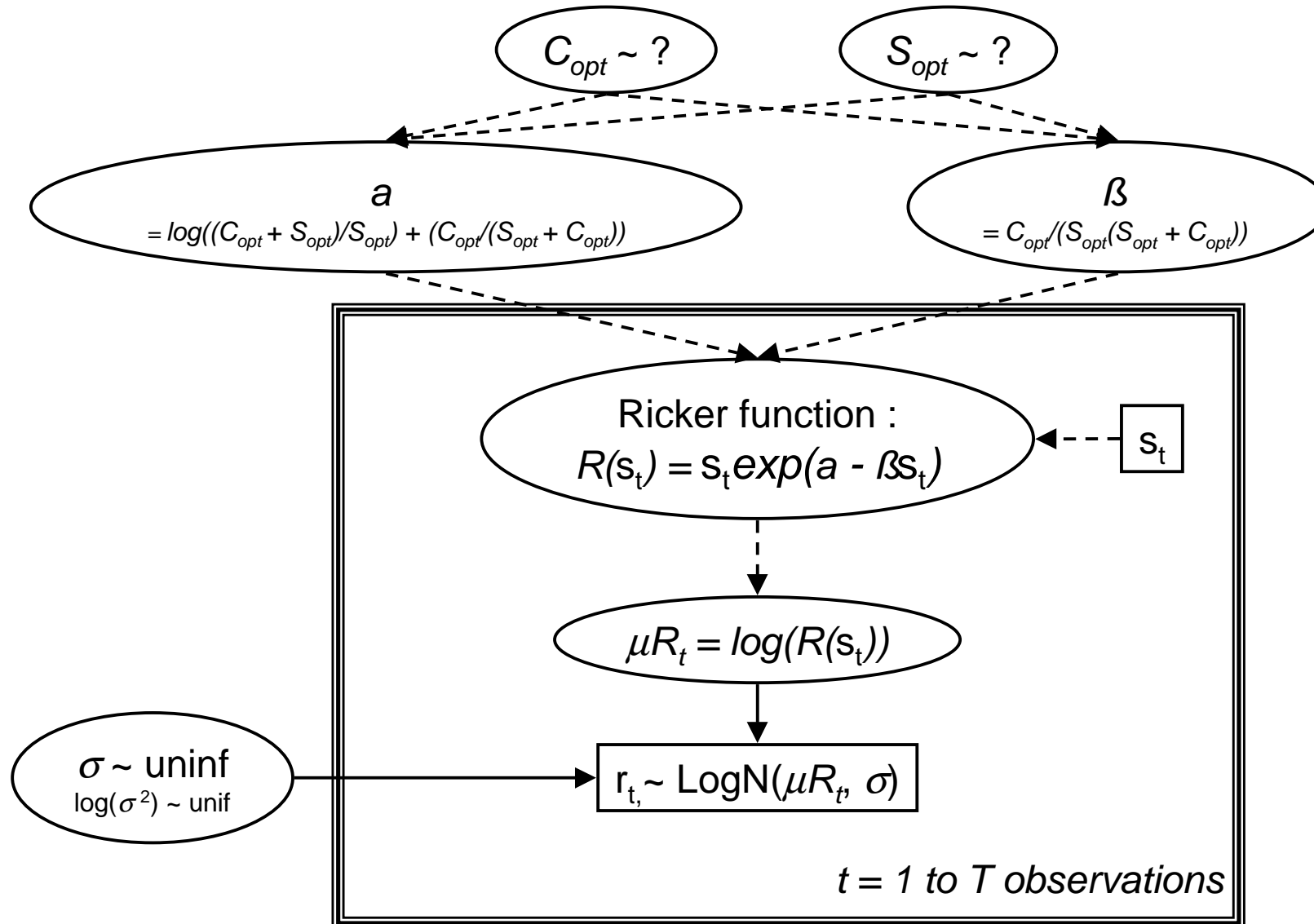
# Reference points of the Ricker function





# CHANGE of PARAMETERS

## Schnute & Kronlund formulation

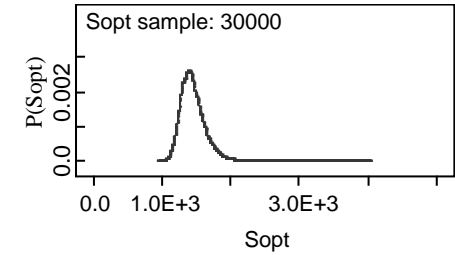
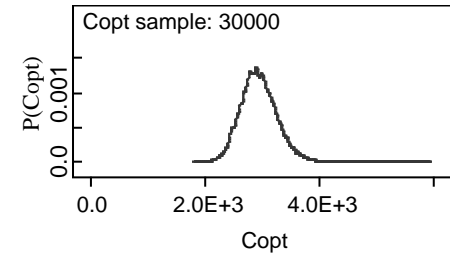
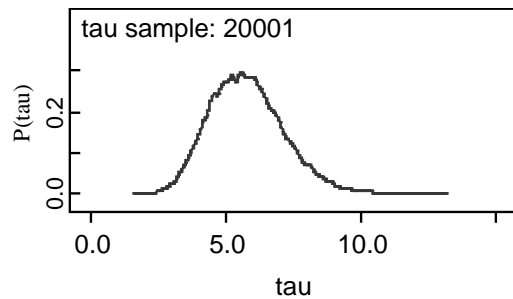
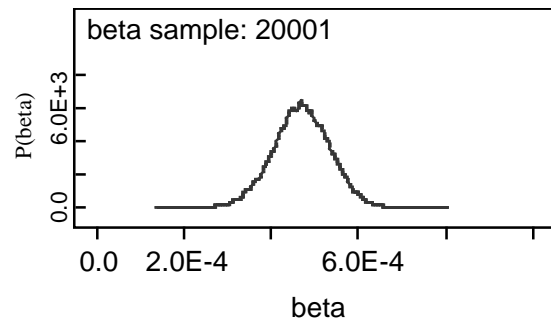
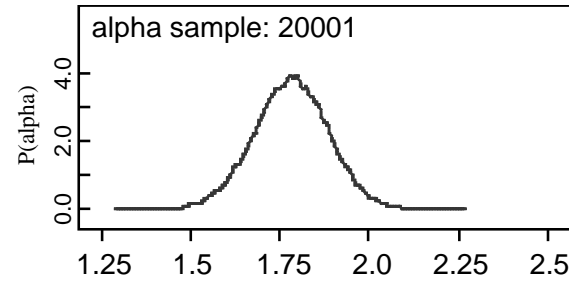


Which priors to assign to  $C_{opt}$  and  $S_{opt}$ ?

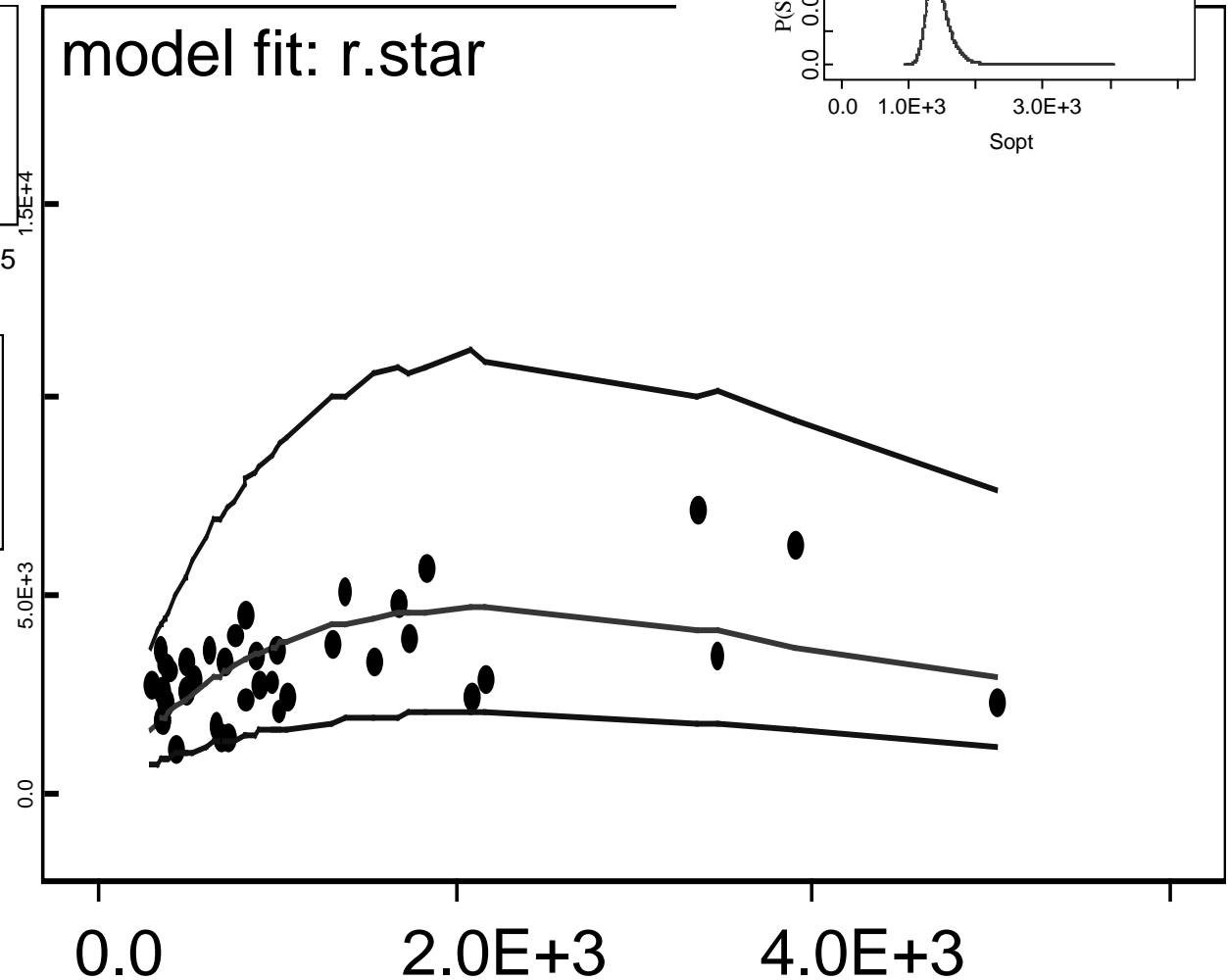
- Option 0 : uninformative priors to  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$
- Option 1: assign a prior equivalent to the reference prior assigned to  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$
- Option 2: propose a little informative prior(s) based on some rationale

	5%	50%	95%
Copt	2378.0	2926.0	3636.0
Sopt	1170.0	1425.0	1881.0

# Posterior Analysis 2



model fit: r.star



Caution is required when changing parameterization (Rivot et al., 2001): it may carry additional (implicit) hypothesis

- in the case of the Ricker model: the management related parameterization assumes at least a segment of the Ricker curve is above replacement  $\Leftrightarrow \alpha > 0 \Leftrightarrow \text{slope} > 1$
- this is a very strong a priori hypothesis for weak population hardly able to replace generations
- Recommendations:
  - o always start with classical parameters and priors not excluding  $\alpha < 0$
  - o assess sensitivity of results to various reasonable priors/parameterization



## CHANGE OF ERROR

Under the standard lognormal formulation, recruitment variance is proportional to the square of the Ricker function  $\Rightarrow$  for  $s > S_{\max}$ , recruitment variance decreases with  $s$

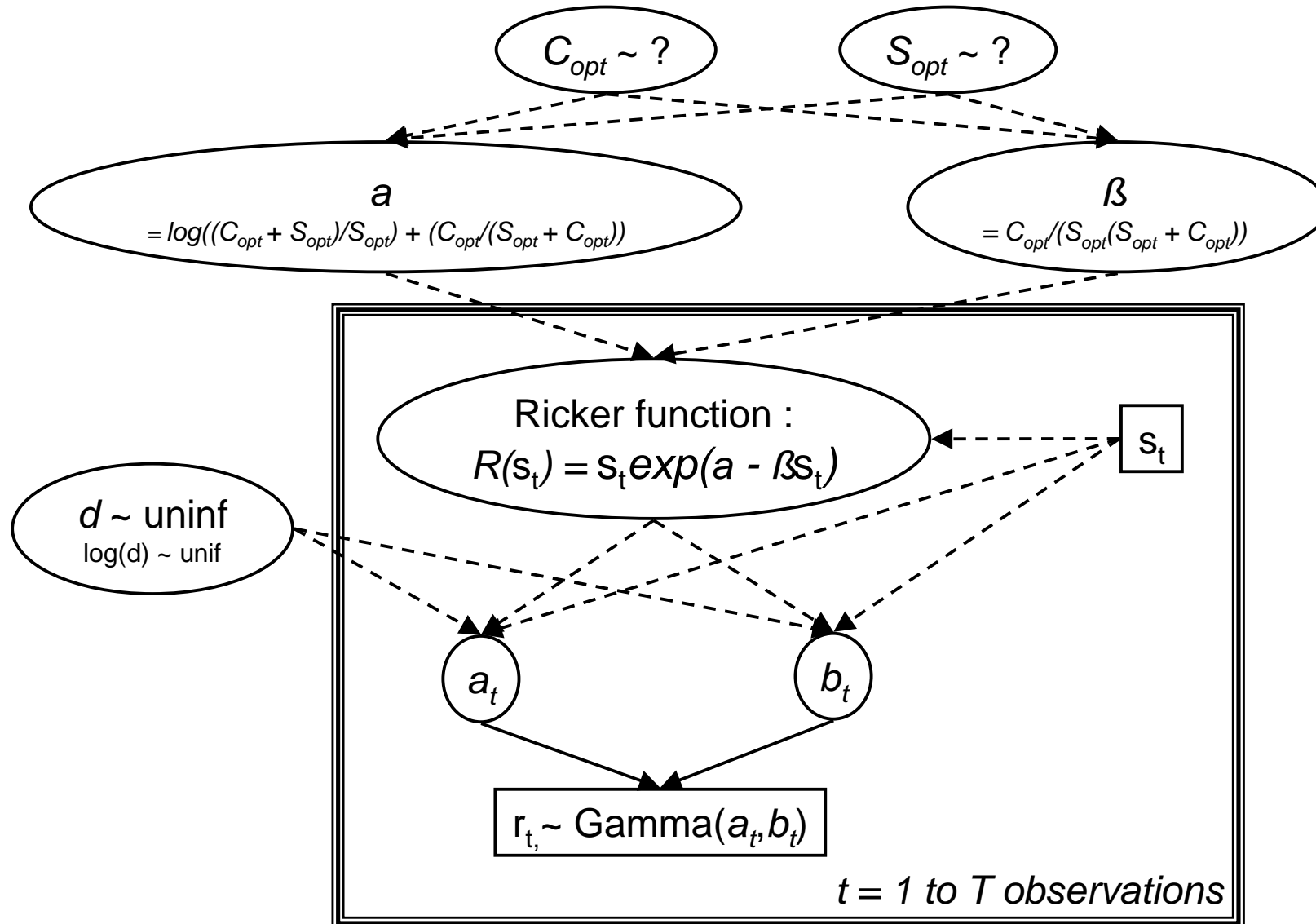
Alternative hypothesis: recruitment variance is proportional to  $s$

Implementation is easy with assuming a gamma distribution for the recruitment (not possible with lognormal)

- $X \sim \text{gamma}(a, b)$ ,  $a = \text{shape}$ ,  $b = \text{inverse scale}$ 
  - o  $E(X) = a/b$
  - o  $\text{Var}(X) = a/b^2 = E(X)/b$
- Given the above, propose a formulation for which mean recruitment is the Ricker function and recruitment variance is proportional to the stock

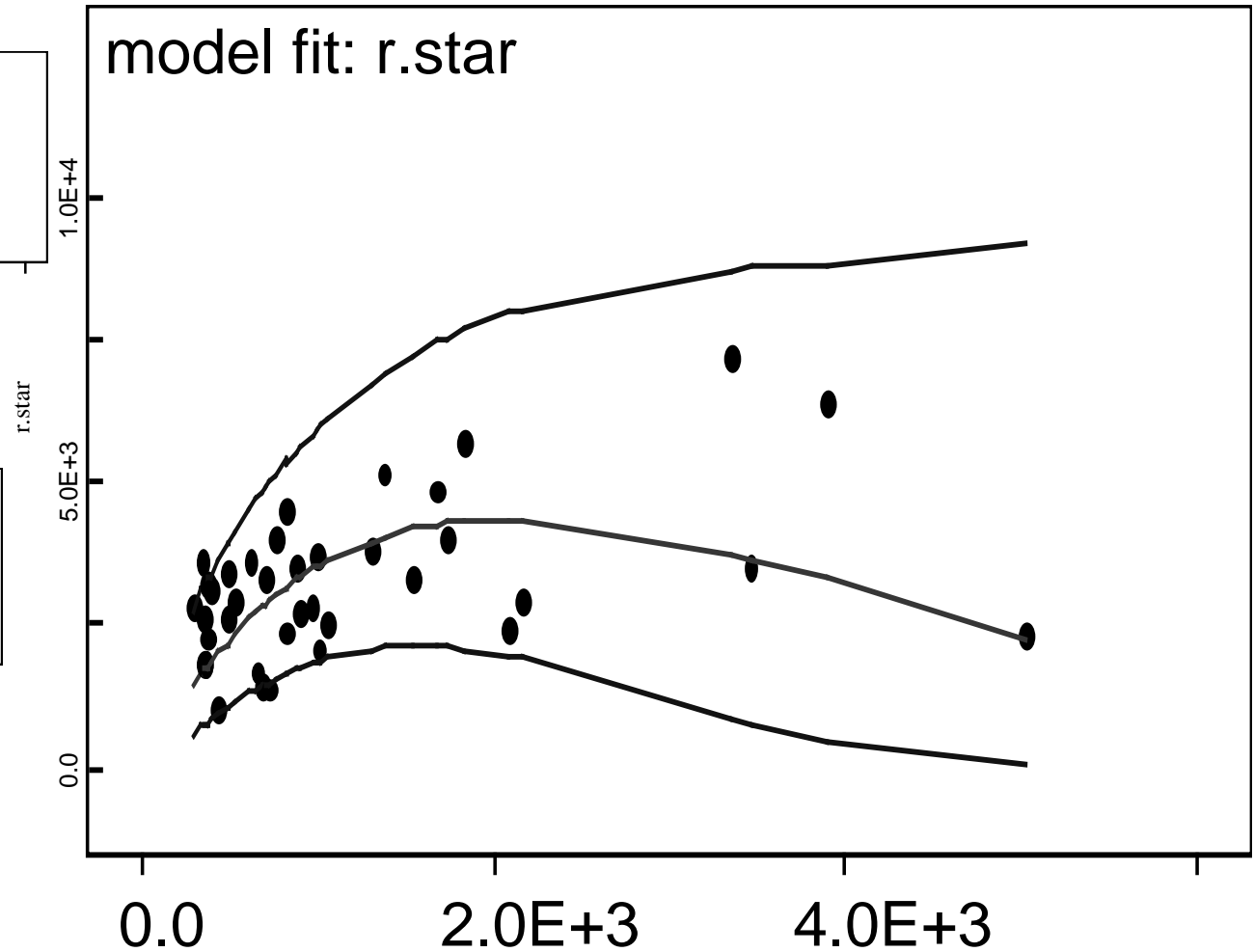
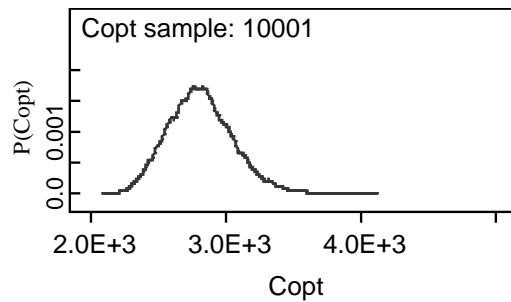
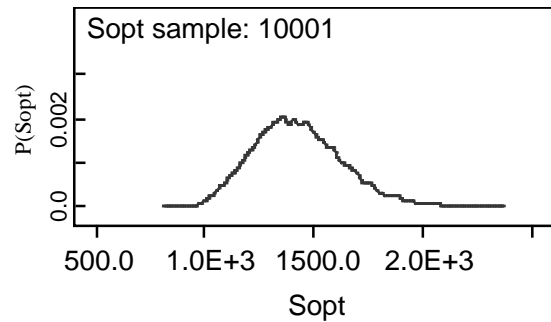


# Ricker model DAG : (variance $\propto$ stock) formulation



	5%	50%	95%
Copt	2379.0	2805.0	3334.0
Sopt	1070.0	1411.0	1870.0

# Ricker with gamma errors





# CHANGE OF MODEL

## Beverton&Holtz =a non linear model

- Summing up
  - $R \sim \log N(\mu_R(S), \sigma)$
  - $\mu_R(S) = aS/(1 + bS)$  (Beverton & Holtz type )
  - deterministic explanatory structure + random effect

- $R = \mu_R(S)e^\varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \quad \mu_R(S) = \frac{aS}{1+bS}$

$$\log(R) = \log(a) + \log(S) - \log(1 + bS) + \varepsilon$$

$$y = \log\left(\frac{R}{S}\right) \quad x = S \quad \alpha = \log(a) \quad \beta = b \quad \theta = (\log(a), b)$$

$$y = \alpha - \log(1 + \beta x) + \varepsilon \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

# Inference of RS relationships

- Ricker : use the standart linear model theory  
If bayesian, what becomes the prior  
knowledge (if any) after reparametrization?

- Beverton-Holtz : use non linear techniques

$$[y_1, \dots, y_t, \dots, y_T | \theta, \sigma] = \prod_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_t - \alpha - \log(1 + \beta x))^2\right)$$

If bayesian, which prior  $[\theta, \sigma]$ ?

Then MCMC...(see WinBugs in a while)

# To sum it up...

<b>Modèle</b>			
Ricker	classique	Schnute/Kronlund	
a	6,02558	1381	Sopt
b	0,00049	2859	Copt
SCE	6,17671	6	
Beverton/Holt	classique	Schnute/Kronlund	
a	13,58068	835	Sopt
b	0,00321	2243	Copt
SCE	5,10412	5	

# Summary

- R-S curves : Bayes inference at work  
Ricker a hidden linear model....
- Reparametrisation : statistical *natural* parameters are seldom *meaningful* for practitioners -> prior modelling
- Role of the error term : what is  $\varepsilon$  ?
- Discuss the hypotheses
  - Change R/S structure
  - S not known, only observed



## **Conclusion**

Our inferences are not sensitive to priors: the data set is long and informative (good contrast in the spawning stock level)

But

Inferences are more sensitive to modelling hypotheses (recruitment variance proportional to stock or to recruitment)

Which model is best? Model choice by calculating posterior odds of competing models

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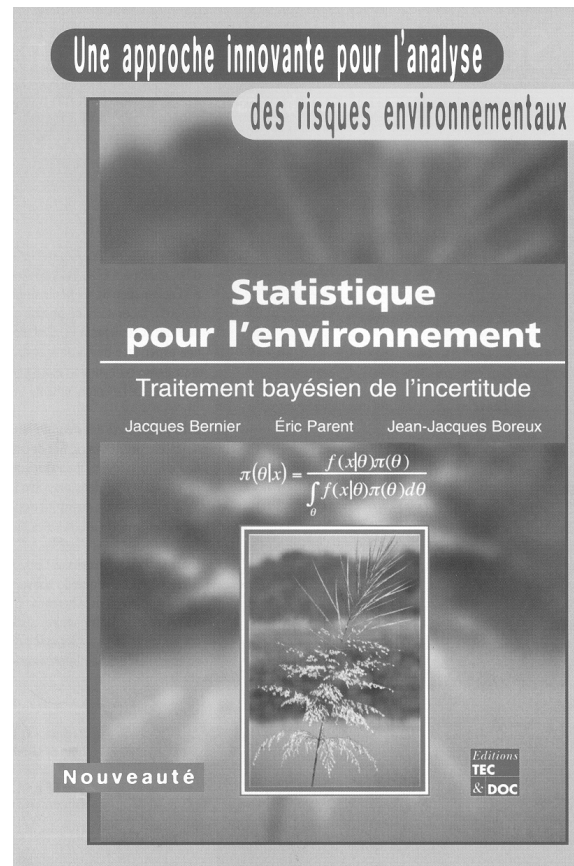
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