Computational Statistics-Report

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mydata<-read.table("Report2 Dataset.txt", header=FALSE)</pre>

Statistical Analysis of Covariates

It is important to mention the use of notation before we proceed. We will in this section use the notation $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ as our covariate vector.

Bernoulli - Beta, Ascicles

Since the Ascicles - covariate has a 0-1 outcome we can assume that it is Bernoulli distributed with parameter θ . A natural conjugate prior for the Bernoulli distribution is the Beta distribution. Therefore we have the following initial information:

$$f(x_i|\theta) = \theta^{x_i} (1-\theta)^{1-x_i}$$
$$L(\mathbf{x}|\theta) = \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i} (1-\theta)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}$$
$$h(\theta) = Beta(a,b)$$

We proceed by calculating the posterior distribution for θ

$$h(\theta|\mathbf{x}) \propto L(\mathbf{x}|\theta)h(\theta) = \theta^{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i} (1-\theta)^{n-\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i} \frac{1}{B(a,b)} \theta^{a-1} (1-\theta)^{b-1} I(0 < \theta < 1)$$

$$\propto Beta(\theta|a + \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i, b + n - \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i)$$

1.1 Model selection

1.2 Results

1. Sex

The sex of the patients is encoded in a binary variable, where 0 means male and 1 means female.

1.1 Model selection

We assume a Bernoulli model $Ber(\theta)$ for the sex of the patient conditional on one parameter θ , the probability of the patient to be female. The density function is given by

$$f(x|\theta) = \theta^x (1-\theta)^{1-x},\tag{1}$$

where $x \in \{0,1\}$. As a prior distribution for θ we use the natural conjugate family of the Bernoulli distribution, namely the Beta distribution, Beta(a,b), with two shape parameters a=b=2 to give more weight to the middle of the interval [0,1], knowing how females and males are represented in the general population.

1.2 Results

From the given dataset we get the sample size n and the sum of the observations s:

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n<-length(mydata$V6[!is.na(mydata$V6)])</pre>
s<-sum(mydata$V6)</pre>
## [1] 312
## [1] 276
Therefore the posterior distribution is Beta(2+s, 2+n-s), which turns out to be Beta(278, 38). From that
we get
## Posterior mean: 0.8797468
## Posterior mode: 0.8821656
## Posterior 95% Confidence Interval: [ 0.8417454 , 0.9132003 ]
And the HPD confidence Interval calculates to:
tst<-rbeta(1e5,278,38)
hdi(tst)
##
       lower
                  upper
## 0.8433167 0.9141901
## attr(,"credMass")
## [1] 0.95
```