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$$f_{\Theta|K}(\theta \mid k) = \frac{1}{d(n,k)} \theta^k (1-\theta)^{n-k}$$

$$d(n,k) = \int_0^1 \theta^k (1-\theta)^{n-k} d\theta = \frac{k! (n-k)!}{(n+1)!}$$

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$$P(X_1 < X_2 < \dots < X_{\alpha} < Z < Y_1 < Y_2 < \dots < Y_{\beta}) = P(A) = \frac{1}{(\alpha + \beta + 1)!}$$

$$\int (A) = \int P(A | Z = \theta) \int_{Z} (\theta) d\theta = \int \theta^{\alpha} (1 - \theta)^{\beta} \frac{1}{\alpha!} \frac{1}{\beta!} d\theta$$

$$P(A | Z = \theta) = P(X_1, \dots, X_{\alpha} < \theta \text{ and } X_1 < X_2 < \dots < X_{\alpha})$$

$$Y_1, \dots, Y_{\beta} > \theta \qquad Y_1 < Y_2 < \dots < Y_{\beta})$$

$$= \int_{Q} (1 - \theta)^{\beta} \frac{1}{\alpha!} \frac{1}{\beta!}$$