

### Exercise 1

$$\theta \sim \text{Beta}(1, 1) \quad \theta | y \sim \text{Beta}(1 + \sum y_i, 1 + (n - \sum y_i))$$
$$(\sum y_i = 0) \quad \sim \text{Beta}(1, n+1)$$

$$\therefore \Pr(\hat{Y} = 1 | y_1, \dots, y_n) = E(\theta | y_1, \dots, y_n) = \frac{1}{n+2}.$$

$$\text{Mode}(\theta | y_1, \dots, y_n) = \frac{1-1}{1+(n+1)-2} = 0$$

$\Pr(\hat{Y} = 1 | y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is the better posterior summary for predicting the outcome of a future observation because we

take into account the uncertainty in the value of  $\theta$  (rather than relying on a plug in value as in  $\hat{\theta} = y/n$  or  $\text{Mode}(\theta | y_1, \dots, y_n)$ ).

## Exercise 2

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$$\theta|y \sim \text{Beta}(1+2, 1+8) = \text{Beta}(3, 9)$$

→ Use simulation or `qbeta()` function in R

→ 95% posterior interval for  $\theta$  is

$(0.06, 0.52)$  (interval ~~lies~~ lies in range of plausible values for  $\theta$ ).

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Frequentist

$$0.2 \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{0.2(1-0.2)}{10}}$$

$$= (-0.048, 0.45)$$

 interval outside range  $[0, 1]$ .

## Poisson model

$$\begin{aligned} p(\theta | y_1 \dots y_n) &\propto p(\theta) p(y_1 \dots y_n | \theta) \\ &\propto p(\theta) \prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{y_i} e^{-\theta} \\ &= p(\theta) \theta^{\sum y_i} e^{-n\theta} \end{aligned}$$

A Conjugate class of priors  $p(\theta) \propto \theta^{c_1} e^{-c_2 \theta}$  has the form ~~A~~.

The Gamma distribution has density of this form.

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &\sim \text{Gamma}(a, b) \\ p(\theta) &= \frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} \theta^{a-1} e^{-b\theta} \end{aligned}$$

and so  $p(\theta | y) \propto \theta^{a + \sum y_i - 1} e^{-(n+b)\theta}$ .

$$\theta | y \sim \text{Gamma}(a + \sum y_i, n + b)$$

$b$ : # prior observations

$a$ : sum of counts from  $b$  prior observations