

Lab 3: Bayes Theorem

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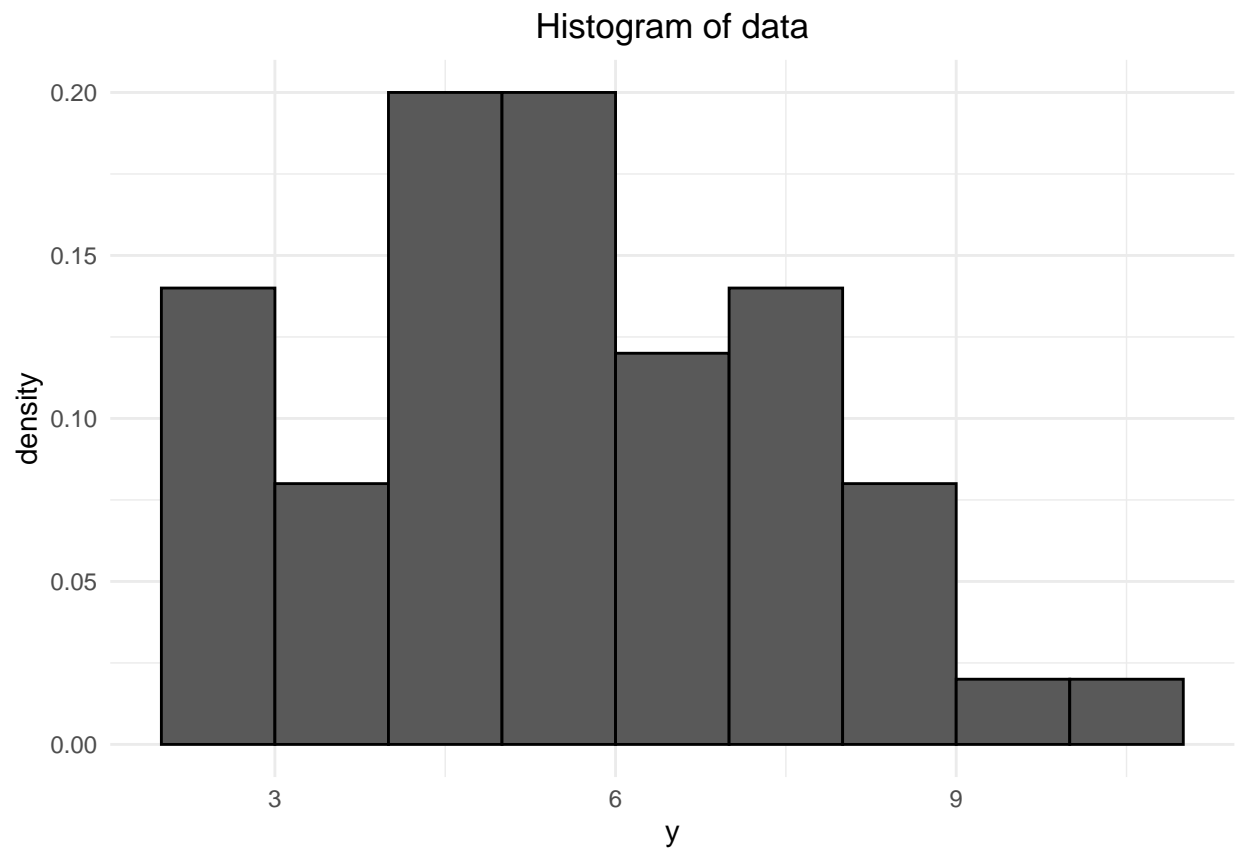
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Preliminaries

1. Simulate 50 data points from a Poisson distribution with mean $\theta = 6.4$ to represent the data set.
2. Plot a histogram of the data with density on the y-axis.



The histogram function in R will graph abundance data, so we need to set `freq=F` to put density on the y-axis.

3. Set values for the prior mean (mu.prior) and standard deviation (sigma.prior).

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## [1] 10.2
```

```
## [1] 0.5
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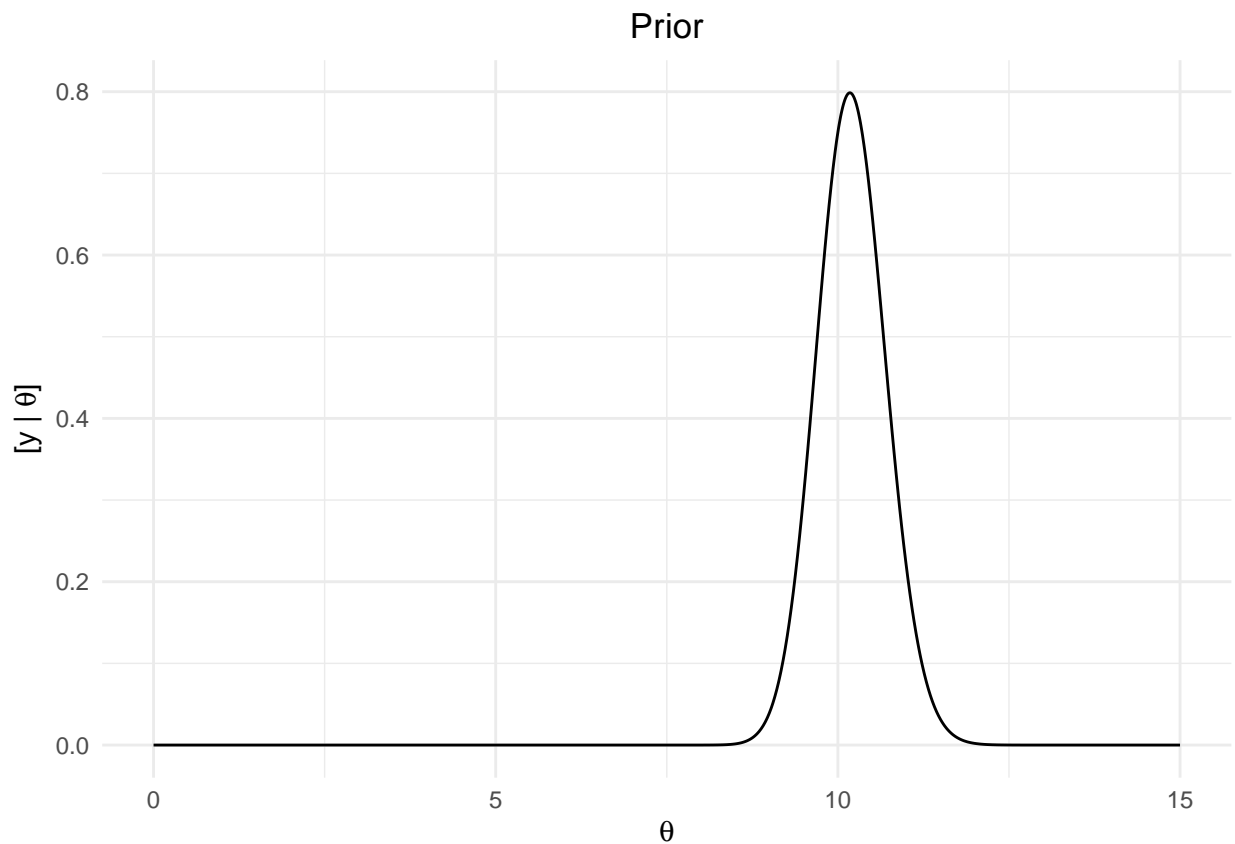
4. Set up a vector containing a sequence of values for θ , the mean number of invasive plants.

Prior distribution of θ

5. Write the mathematical expression for a gamma prior on θ

$$\theta \sim \text{gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$$
$$\theta \sim \text{gamma}(\mu^2/\sigma^2, \mu/\sigma^2)$$

6. Plot the prior distribution of θ .



7. Check your moment matching by generating 100,000 random variates from a gamma distribution with parameters matched to the prior mean and standard deviation.

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## [1] 10.19569
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[1] 0.5000646

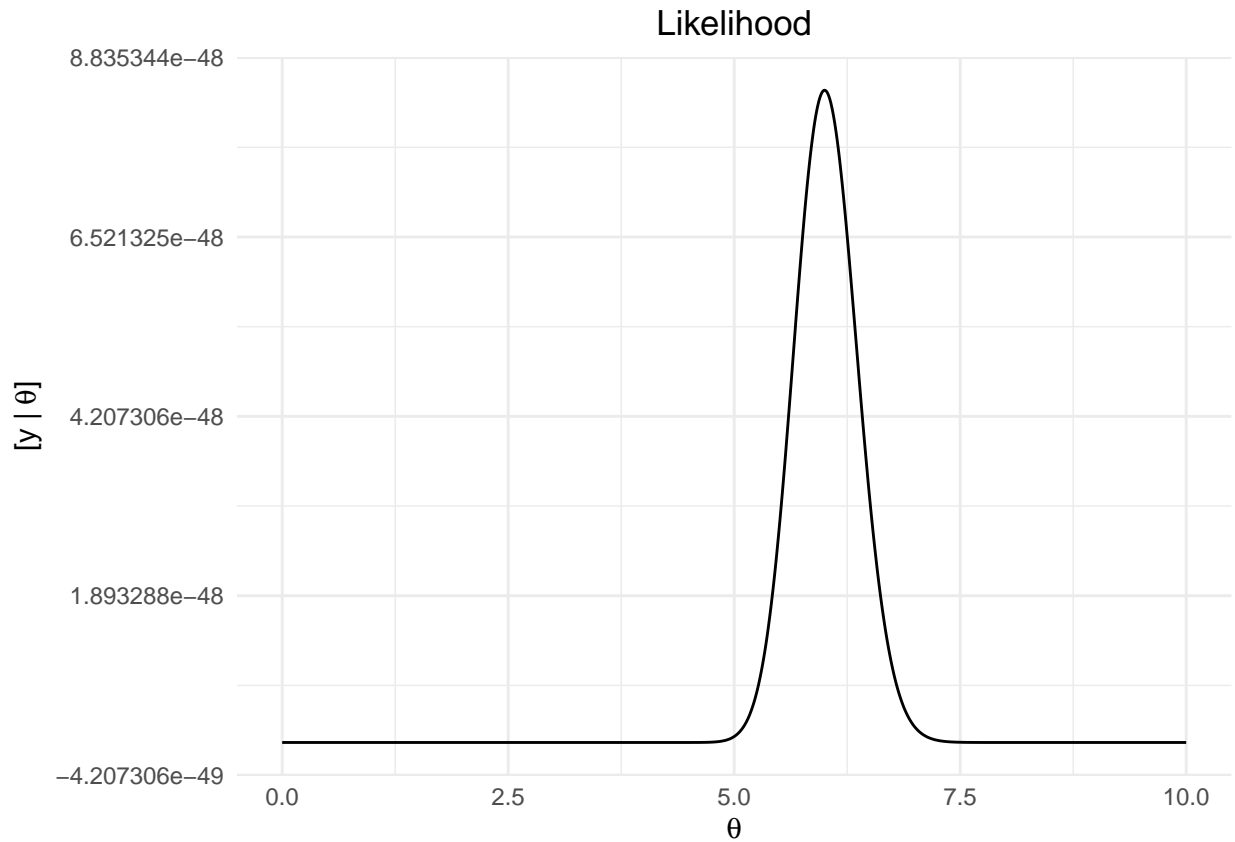
With a large sample size, the mean and variance will approximate the true mean and variance, which verifies the moment matching we performed.

Likelihood

8. What is the mathematical expression for the likelihood assuming that the data are conditionally independent?

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \text{Poisson}(y_i|\theta)$$

9. Plot the likelihood holding the data constant and varying θ .

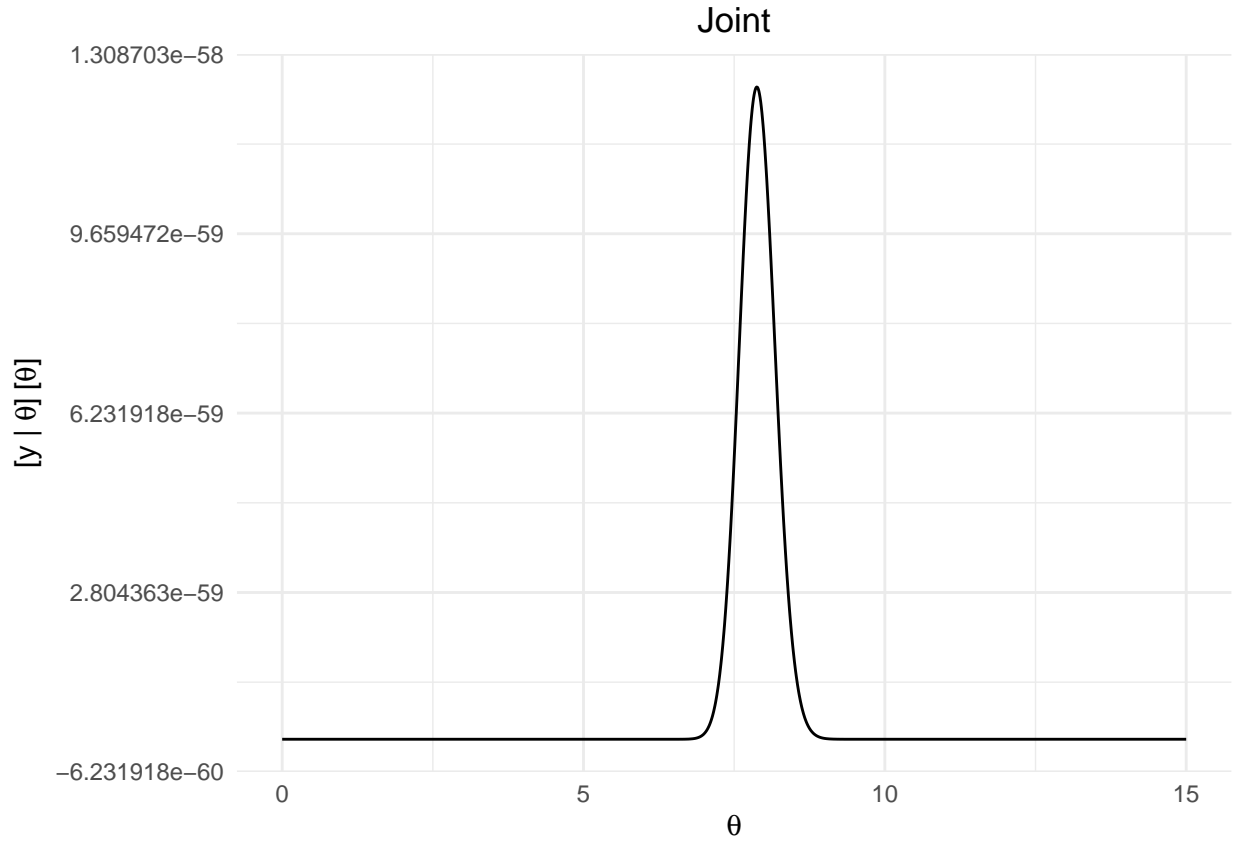


This plot is called likelihood profile, and the area under the curve does not sum to one. The relative inference is not affected whether or not we multiple the curve by a constant.

The joint distribution

10. What is the mathematical expression for the joint distribution?

$$\prod_{i=1}^n \text{Poisson}(y_i|\theta) \text{gamma}(\theta, \frac{10.2^2}{0.5^2}, \frac{10.2}{0.5^2})$$



The small number seems reasonable because we have multiplied to densities together, and multiplying numbers less than 1 gives us an even smaller number.

Marginal probability of the data

11. What is the mathematical expression for the marginal probability of the data $[y]$?

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{i=1}^n \text{Poisson}(y_i|\theta) \text{gamma}(\theta, \frac{10.2^2}{0.5^2}, \frac{10.2}{0.5^2})$$

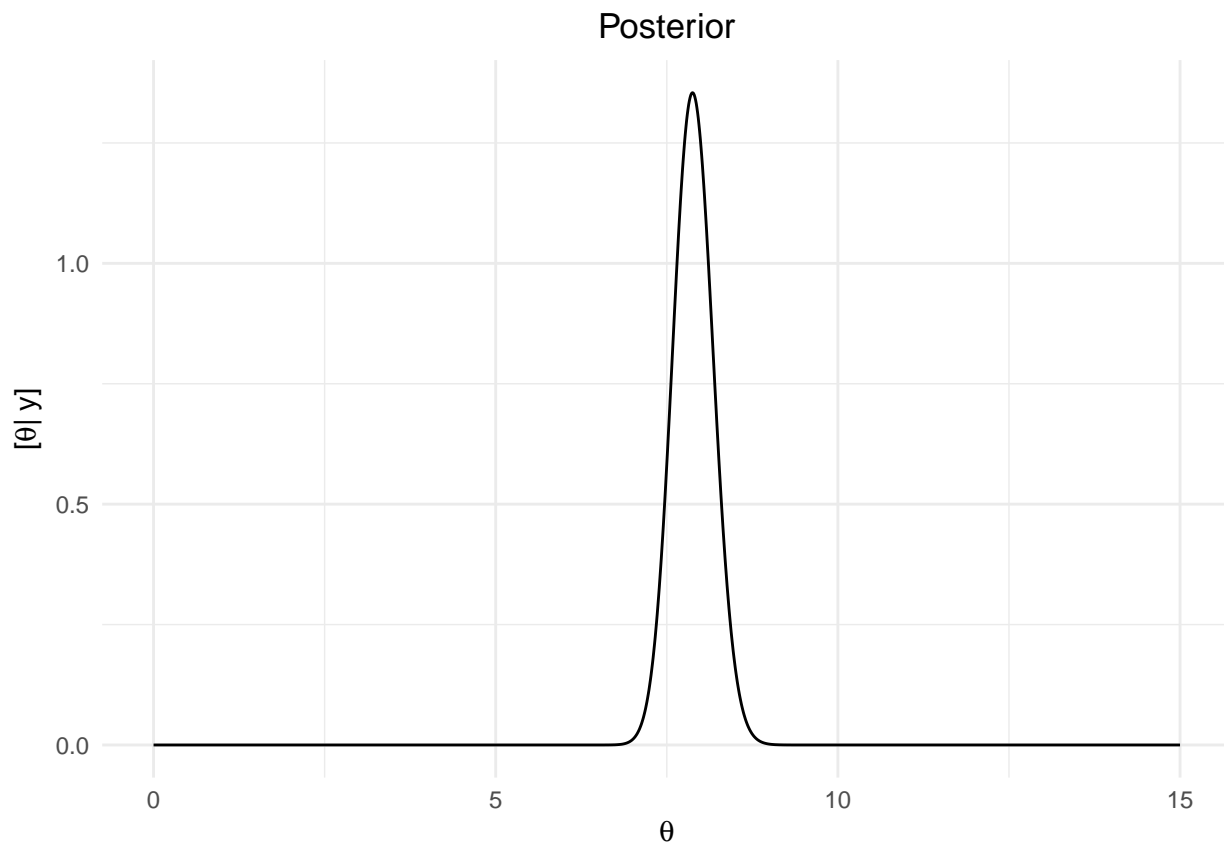
[1] 9.203307e-57

To find the area under the curve we take the integral, or approximate the integral by summing increasingly thinner bars that make up the distribution. Here we multiple the height of each bar by our predetermined width (0.01) to find the area. Y is a random variable governed by a distribution until we collect the data, at which point it becomes a vector of values that evaluates to a scalar.

Posterior distribution

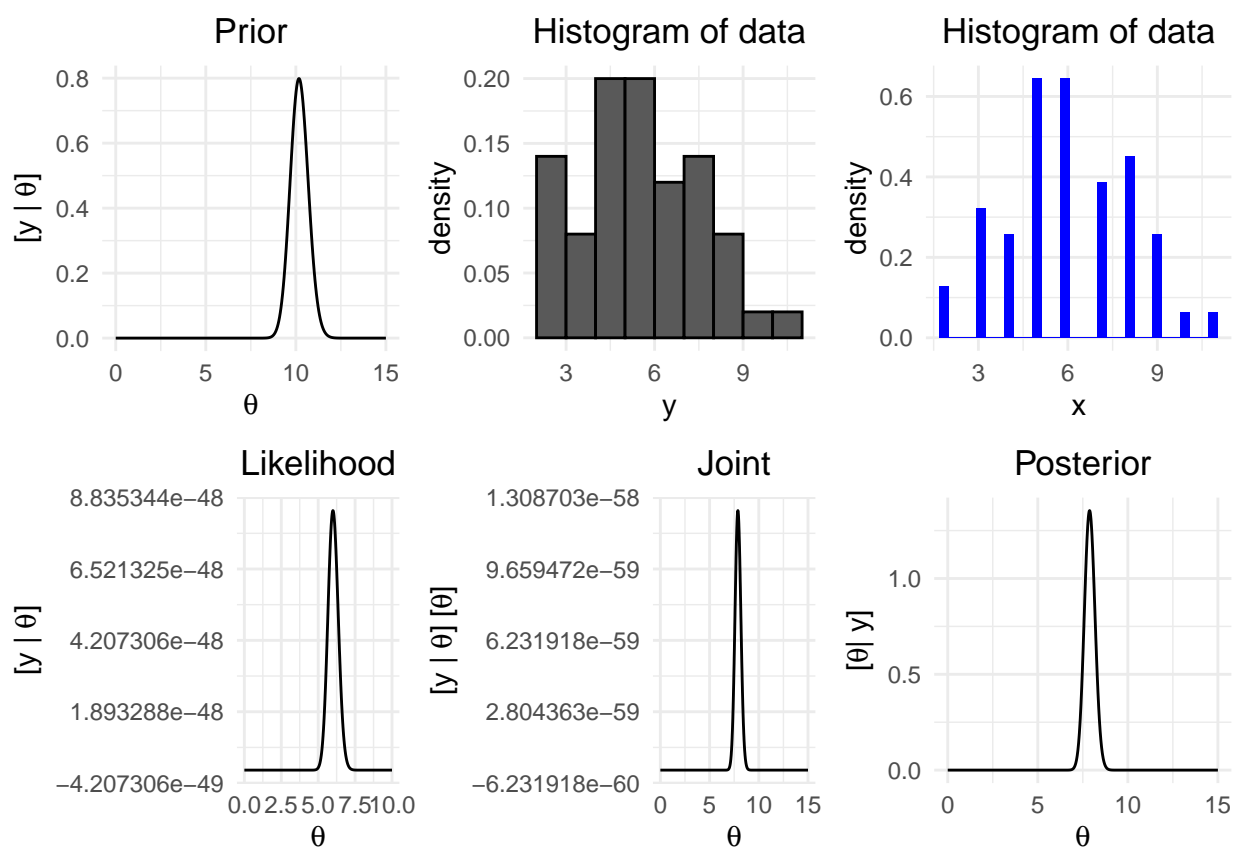
12. What is the mathematical expression for the posterior distribution?

$$[\theta|y] = \frac{\prod_{i=1}^n \text{Poisson}(y_i|\theta) \text{gamma}(\theta, \frac{10.2^2}{0.5^2}, \frac{10.2}{0.5^2})}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \prod_{i=1}^n \text{Poisson}(y_i|\theta) \text{gamma}(\theta, \frac{10.2^2}{0.5^2}, \frac{10.2}{0.5^2})}$$



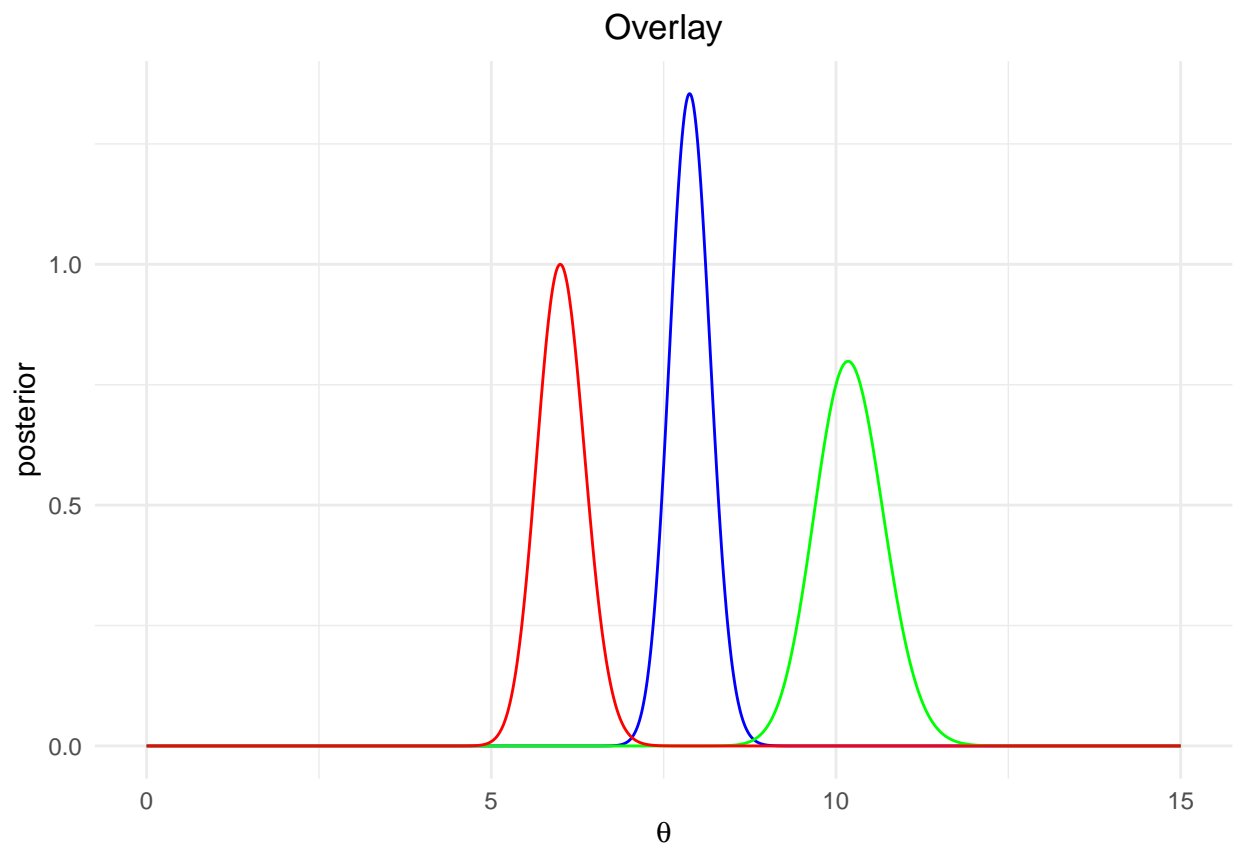
Putting it all together

13. Plot the prior, a histogram of the data, the likelihood, the joint, and the posterior in a six panel layout.

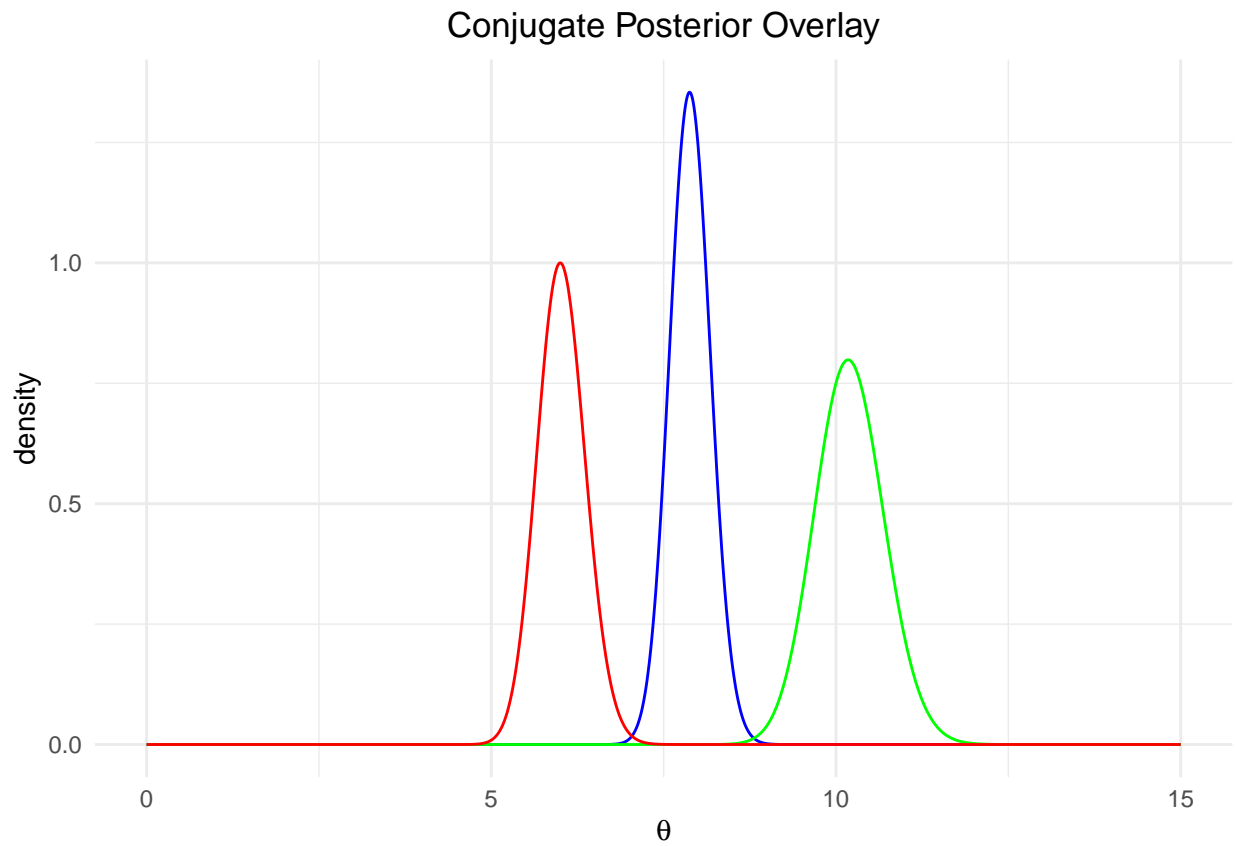


14. Overlay the prior, the likelihood, and the posterior on a single plot.

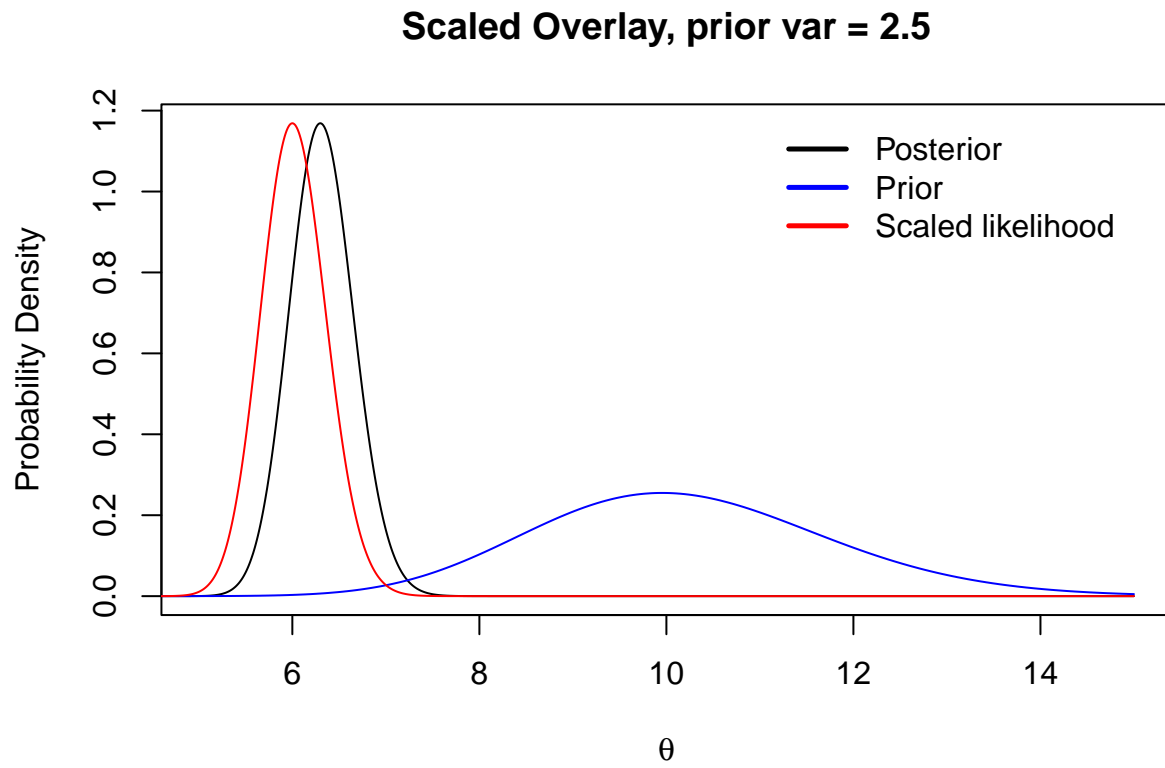
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## [1] 8.414613e-48
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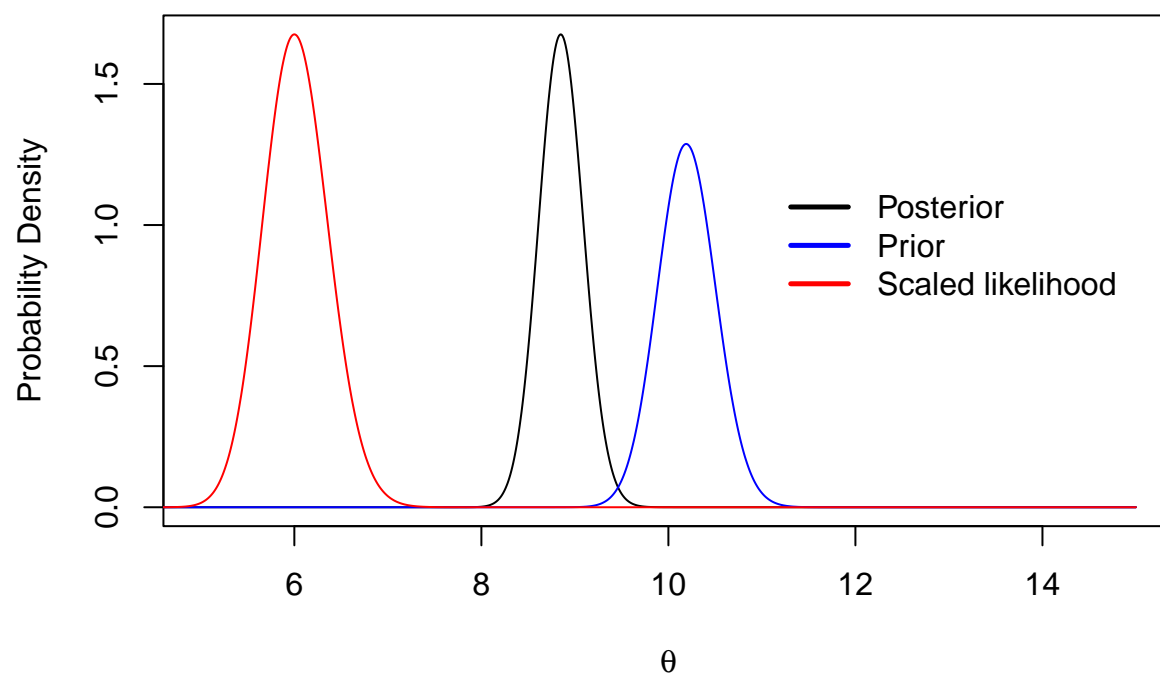
15. Check to be sure that everything is correct using the gamma-Poisson conjugate relationship.



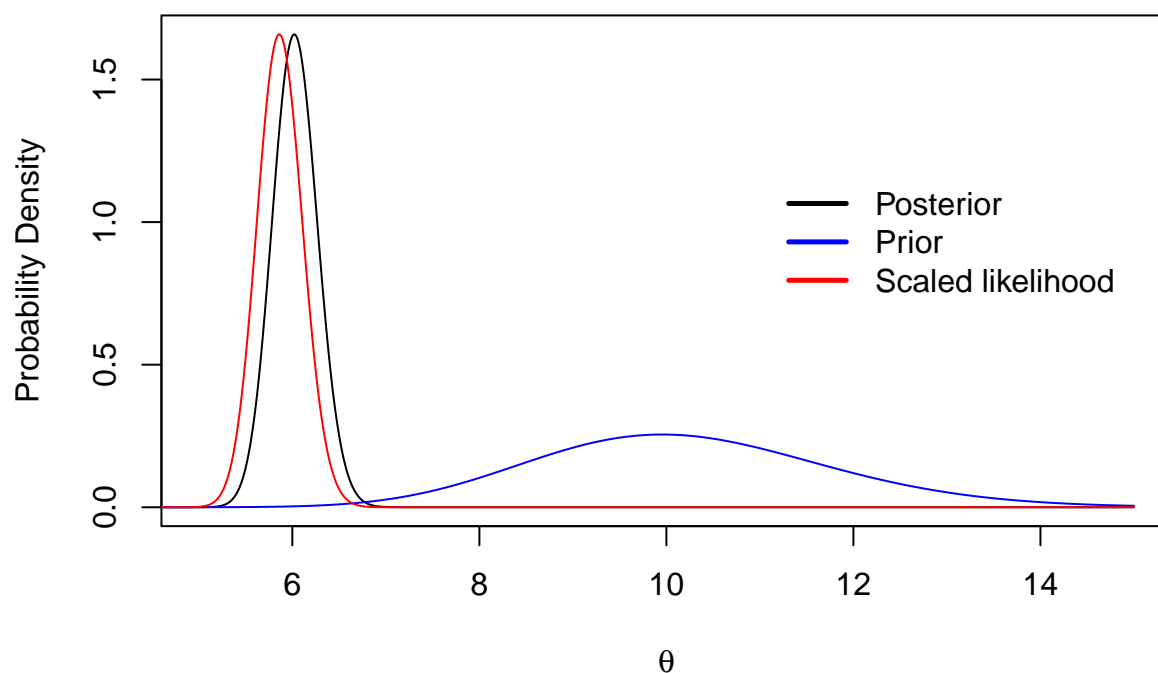
The likelihood profile for θ has much less dispersion than our histogram because we are using 1450 more data points. The more data we have, the less variance within our sample.



Scaled Overlay, prior var = 0.1



Scaled Overlay, prior var = 2.5, y = 100



17. Gather some classmates and discuss the position of the prior, likelihood and posterior along the x axis and their variances.

Increasing the variance of the prior gave us a flatter distribution and gave the likelihood more weight in the posterior distribution. Decreasing the variance of the prior has the opposite effect, and the prior is more informative. Increasing the sample size decreased the variance in both the likelihood and the posterior.

Code

```
1 knitr::opts_chunk$set(  
2   echo = FALSE,  
3   message = FALSE,  
4   warning = FALSE,  
5   attr.source = ".numberLines"  
6 )  
7 library(ggplot2)  
8 library(gridExtra)  
9 library(dplyr)  
10 library(ggpubr)  
11 library(mathjaxr)  
12 set.seed(10)  
13 data <- rpois(n=50, lambda=6.4)  
14 y_df <- data.frame(data)  
15 f_hist1 <- ggplot(y_df, aes(x=data))+  
16   geom_histogram(aes(y = ..density..), breaks=c(2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11), color = "black")+  
17   theme_minimal()+  
18   labs(title="Histogram of data", x="y")+  
19   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))  
20 f_hist1  
21  
22 f_hist2 <- ggplot(y_df, aes(x=data))+  
23   geom_histogram(aes(y = ..density..), fill = "blue")+  
24   theme_minimal()+  
25   labs(title="Histogram of data", x="x")+  
26   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))  
27 mu.prior <- 10.2  
28 sigma.prior <- 0.5  
29  
30 mu.prior  
31 sigma.prior  
32 step <- .01  
33 theta <- seq(0,15,step)  
34 prior_fx <- function(theta, mu = mu.prior, sigma = sigma.prior) {  
35   prior <- dgamma(theta, rate=mu/sigma^2, shape=mu^2/sigma^2)  
36   return(prior)  
37 }  
38  
39 prior <- prior_fx(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior)  
40 prior_df <- data.frame(cbind(theta, prior))  
41  
42 # plot(x=theta, y=prior)  
43 f_prior <- ggplot(prior_df, aes(theta, prior)) +  
44   geom_line() +  
45   theme_minimal()+  
46   labs(x=expression(theta), y = expression(paste("[y | ", theta, "]")), title="Prior")+  
47   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))  
48  
49  
50 f_prior  
51 beta <- mu.prior/sigma.prior^2
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52 alpha <- mu.prior^2/sigma.prior^2
53
54 check <- rgamma(n=100000, alpha, beta)
55
56 mean(check)
57 sd(check)
58 # function "like" generates the likelihood of the data given theta
59 # uses arguments: y = a vector of collected data
60 # theta = a vector of means
61
62 like_fx <- function(theta, y){
63   y_theta = prod(dpois(y,theta))
64   return(y_theta)
65 }
66
67 like_data = c()
68 for (i in 1:length(theta)){
69   like_data[i] = like_fx(theta[i], data)
70 }
71
72 like_df = data.frame(theta, like_data)
73
74 f_likelihoood <- ggplot(like_df, aes(x=theta, y=like_data))+
75   geom_line()+
76   theme_minimal()+
77   labs(x=expression(theta), y = expression(paste("[y | ", theta, "]")), title="Likelihood")+
78   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))+
79   xlim(0,10)
80
81 f_likelihoood
82
83 #10
84 joint_theta = c()
85 for (i in 1:length(theta)){
86   joint_theta[i] = like_fx(theta[i], data)*prior_fx(theta[i],mu.prior, sigma.prior)
87 }
88
89 joint_df <- data.frame(theta, joint=joint_theta)
90 f_joint <- ggplot(joint_df, aes(x=theta, y=joint))+
91   geom_line()+
92   theme_minimal()+
93   labs(x=expression(theta), y=expression(paste("[y | ", theta, "] [",theta,"]")), title="Joint")+
94   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
95
96 f_joint
97 sum(joint_theta)
98 posterior_df <- data.frame(theta, posterior = joint_df$joint/sum(joint_theta*0.01))
99 f_posterior <- ggplot(posterior_df, aes(x=theta, y=posterior))+
100   geom_line() +
101   theme_minimal()+
102   labs(x=expression(theta), y=expression(paste("[", theta, "| y]")), title="Posterior")+
103   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
104

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105 f_posterior
106 library(ggpubr)
107 ggarrange(f_prior, f_hist1, f_hist2, f_likelihood, f_joint, f_posterior, ncol = 3, nrow = 2)
108 max(like_df$like_data)
109
110 like_df <- like_df %>%
111   mutate(likelihood.2 = like_data/max(like_df$like_data))
112
113 ggplot()+
114   geom_line(posterior_df, mapping=aes(x=theta, y=posterior), color="blue")+
115   geom_line(prior_df, mapping=aes(x=theta, y=prior), color="green")+
116   geom_line(like_df, mapping=aes(x=theta, y=likelihood.2), color="red")+
117   theme_minimal()+
118   labs(x=expression(theta), title="Overlay")+
119   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
120
121 #15
122 posterior_conj <- function(theta){
123   #gamma distribution
124   alpha_conj = alpha + sum(data)
125   beta_conj = beta + 50
126   prob_density = dgamma(theta, alpha_conj, beta_conj)
127   return (prob_density)
128 }
129
130 posterior_df_conj = data.frame(theta, density = posterior_conj(theta))
131
132 ggplot()+
133   geom_line(posterior_df_conj, mapping=aes(x=theta, y=density), color="blue")+
134   geom_line(prior_df, mapping=aes(x=theta, y=prior), color="green")+
135   geom_line(like_df, mapping=aes(x=theta, y=likelihood.2), color="red")+
136   theme_minimal()+
137   labs(x=expression(theta), title="Conjugate Posterior Overlay")+
138   theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
139
140 Like <- like_data
141
142 like <- function(y, theta){
143   L <- numeric(length(theta))
144   for (i in 1:length(theta)){
145     L[i] <- prod(dpois(y,theta[i]))
146   }
147   return(L)
148 }
149
150 ##### INCREASE TO 2.5 #####
151
152 ##### increasing variance #####
153 sigma.prior1 <- 1.58 ## var = 2.5
154 prior1 <- function(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior1){
155   alpha = mu.prior^2/sigma.prior1^2
156   beta = mu.prior/sigma.prior1^2
157   priordist = dgamma(theta, alpha, beta)
158   return(priordist)
159 }

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158 prior.prob1 <- prior1(theta,mu.prior,sigma.prior1)
159
160 joint1 <- function(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior1, y){
161   prior.prob <- prior_fx(theta,mu.prior,sigma.prior1)
162   Like <- like(y,theta)
163   j <- prior.prob * Like
164   return(j)
165 }
166 Jdist1 <- joint1(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior1, data)
167
168 marg1 <- sum(step*Jdist1)
169
170 post1 <- Jdist1/marg1
171
172 Like_sort1 <- sort(Like, decreasing = TRUE)
173 like.rescale1 <- Like / Like_sort1[1]
174 post_sort1 <- sort(post1, decreasing = TRUE)
175 rescale_like1 <- (like.rescale1 * post_sort1[1])
176
177
178 plot(theta, post1, main = "Scaled Overlay, prior var = 2.5", xlab = expression(theta), ylab = "Probabil
179 lines(theta, prior.prob1, col = "blue")
180 lines(theta, rescale_like1, col = "red")
181 legend(11,1.2, c("Posterior", "Prior", "Scaled likelihood"),
182        lwd=c(2.5, 2.5, 2.5),col=c("black", "blue", "red"), bty = "n")
183
184
185 ### DECREASE TO 0.1 #####
186
187
188 sigma.prior2 <- 0.31 ## var = 0.1
189 prior2 <- function(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior2){
190   alpha = mu.prior^2/sigma.prior2^2
191   beta = mu.prior/sigma.prior2^2
192   priordist = dgamma(theta, alpha, beta)
193   return(priordist)
194 }
195 prior.prob2 <- prior2(theta,mu.prior,sigma.prior2)
196
197 joint2 <- function(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior2, y){
198   prior.prob <- prior_fx(theta,mu.prior,sigma.prior2)
199   Like <- like(y, theta)
200   j <- prior.prob * Like
201   return(j)
202 }
203 Jdist2 <- joint2(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior2, data)
204
205 marg2 <- sum(step*Jdist2)
206
207 post2 <- Jdist2/marg2
208
209 Like_sort2 <- sort(Like, decreasing = TRUE)
210 like.rescale2 <- Like / Like_sort2[1]

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211 post_sort2 <- sort(post2, decreasing = TRUE)
212 rescale_like2 <- (like.rescale2 * post_sort2[1])
213
214
215
216 plot(theta, post2, main = "Scaled Overlay, prior var = 0.1", xlim = c(5,15), xlab = expression(theta),
217 lines(theta, prior.prob2, col = "blue")
218 lines(theta, rescale_like2, col = "red")
219 legend(11,1.2, c("Posterior", "Prior", "Scaled likelihood"),
220       lwd=c(2.5, 2.5, 2.5),col=c("black", "blue", "red"), bty = "n")
221
222
223 ##### INCREASE TO 100 #####
224
225 set.seed(10)
226 y1 <- rpois(100, 6.4) # increase number of obs to 100
227
228 # set values for prior mean and sd
229 mu.prior <- 10.2
230 sigma.prior1 <- 1.58 ## var = 2.5
231
232 ##### Prior Distribution of theta #####
233 prior1 <- function(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior1){
234   alpha = mu.prior^2/sigma.prior1^2
235   beta = mu.prior/sigma.prior1^2
236   priordist = dgamma(theta, alpha, beta)
237   return(priordist)
238 }
239 prior.prob1 <- prior1(theta,mu.prior,sigma.prior1)
240
241 ##### The likelihood #####
242 # function "like" generates the likelihood of the data given theta.
243 # uses arguments: y = a vector of collected data
244 #               theta = a vector of means of number of invasive plants
245 like1 <- function(y1, theta){
246   L <- numeric(length(theta))
247   for (i in 1:length(theta)){
248     L[i] <- prod(dpois(y1,theta[i]))
249   }
250   return(L)
251 }
252 Like1 <- like1(y1, theta)
253
254 ##### The Joint Distribution #####
255 joint1 <- function(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior1, y1){
256   prior.prob <- prior_fx(theta,mu.prior,sigma.prior1)
257   Like1 <- like(y1, theta)
258   j <- prior.prob * Like1
259   return(j)
260 }
261 Jdist11 <- joint1(theta, mu.prior, sigma.prior1, y1)
262
263 ##### The Marginal Probability of the data #####

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264 marg11 <- sum(step*Jdist11)
265
266 ##### The Posterior Distribution #####
267 post11 <- Jdist11/marg11
268
269 Like_sort1 <- sort(Like1, decreasing = TRUE)
270 like.rescale1 <- Like1 / Like_sort1[1]
271 post_sort1 <- sort(post11, decreasing = TRUE)
272 rescale_like1 <- (like.rescale1 * post_sort1[1])
273
274
275 # make overlay plot
276 plot(theta, post11, main = "Scaled Overlay, prior var = 2.5, y = 100", xlim = c(5,15), xlab = expression(theta),
277 lines(theta, prior.prob1, col = "blue")
278 lines(theta, rescale_like1, col = "red")
279 legend(11,1.2, c("Posterior", "Prior", "Scaled likelihood"),
280       lwd=c(2.5, 2.5, 2.5),col=c("black", "blue", "red"), bty = "n")
281 # this R markdown chunk generates a code appendix

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