

## **L3. Conjugate Models**

## Questions from last lecture

1. From Bernoulli to Binomial? Does the order matter?
2. How to find the credible region?
3. Are the hyper parameters fixed?
4. How prior can be specified?
5. The meaning of  $p(\hat{y}|y)$ ?

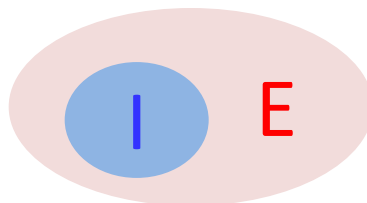
# Exchangeability

$$P(\text{100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100}) = P(\text{100, 100, 100, 100, 100, 100})$$

**Definition** (*Infinite exchangeability*). We say that  $(y_1, y_2, \dots)$  is an infinitely exchangeable sequence of random variables if, for any  $n$ , the joint probability  $p(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  is invariant to permutation of the indices. That is, for any permutation  $\pi$ ,

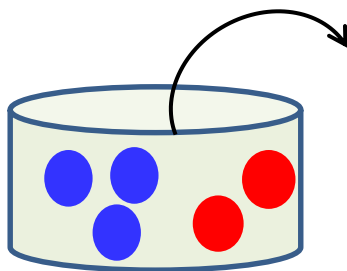
$$p_Y(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = p_Y(y_{\pi_1}, y_{\pi_2}, \dots, y_{\pi_n})$$

R.V.s are independent and identically distributed (i.i.d)



Random variables are infinitely exchangeability

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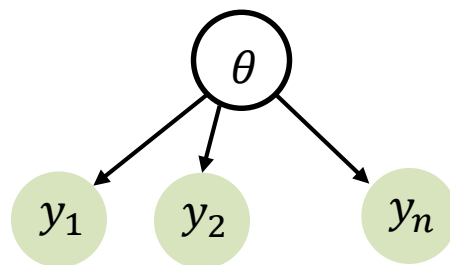
$$P(R, R, B, B, B) = P(B, R, B, B, R)$$

Exchangeable

Check!!

$$P(t_2 = R | t_1 = R) \neq P(t_2 = R | t_1 = B)$$

Not independent



**Theorem** (De Finetti, 1930s). A sequence of random variables  $(y_1, y_2, \dots)$  is infinitely exchangeable *iff*, for all  $n$ ,

$$p(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = \int \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i | \theta) p(\theta) d\theta$$

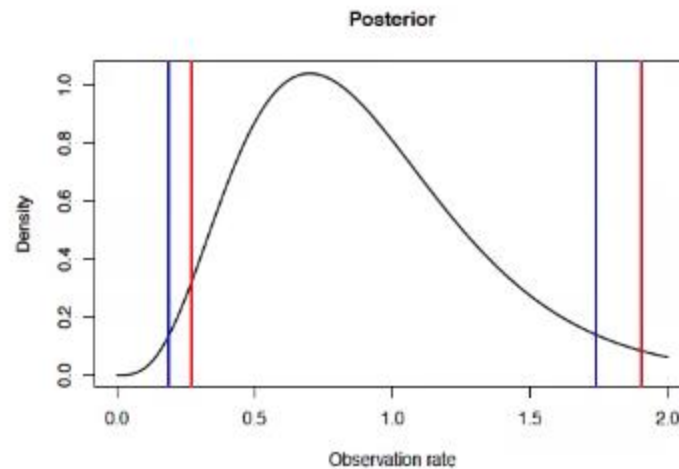
For coin tossing  $p(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = \int \binom{n}{\sum y_i} \theta^{\sum y_i} [1 - \theta]^{n - \sum y_i} p(\theta) d\theta$

The theorem says that if we have exchangeable data,

- There must exist a parameter  $\theta$
- There must exist a likelihood  $p(y|\theta)$
- There must exist a distribution  $p$  on  $\theta$
- The above quantities must exist so as to render the data  $y = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$  conditionally independent

Prior (Bayesian approach) is suggested by the data being exchangeable

## Credible region



Equal-tail 95% credible interval (red): (0.27,1.90)

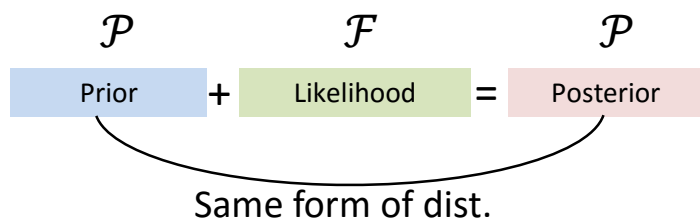
Highest posterior density (HPD) 95% credible interval (blue): (0.19, 1.74)

$$p(\theta|y) = \frac{p(y|\theta)p(\theta)}{p(y)} = \frac{p(y|\theta)p(\theta)}{\int_{\theta} p(y|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta}$$

1. Non-informative prior (objective prior, vague prior, reference prior...)
2. Weakly informative prior
3. Informative prior (subjective prior)

## Conjugacy

From the Bayes rule,  $p(\theta|y) = \frac{p(y|\theta)p(\theta)}{p(y)} = \frac{p(y|\theta)p(\theta)}{\int_{\theta} p(y|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta}$



$p(\theta|y) \in \mathcal{P}$  for all  $p(\cdot|\theta) \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $p(\cdot) \in \mathcal{P}$

$\rightarrow \mathcal{P}$  is conjugate for  $\mathcal{F}$

If the **posterior** is a distribution that is of the same family as our **prior**  
 $\rightarrow$  the prior is conjugate to the **likelihood**.

## Advantages

- By using conjugate prior, we know the form of the resultant posterior (no math!)  
 $\rightarrow$  we can easily summarize the results using mean, mode, variance, etc.
- Easy to understand the meaning of the prior used in the analysis (insight). For example, Beta prior is just adding pseudo counts to the data.
- Due to the analytical form available, we can carry out the integration

$$p(y) = \int_{\theta} p(y|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta$$

## Conjugate pairs

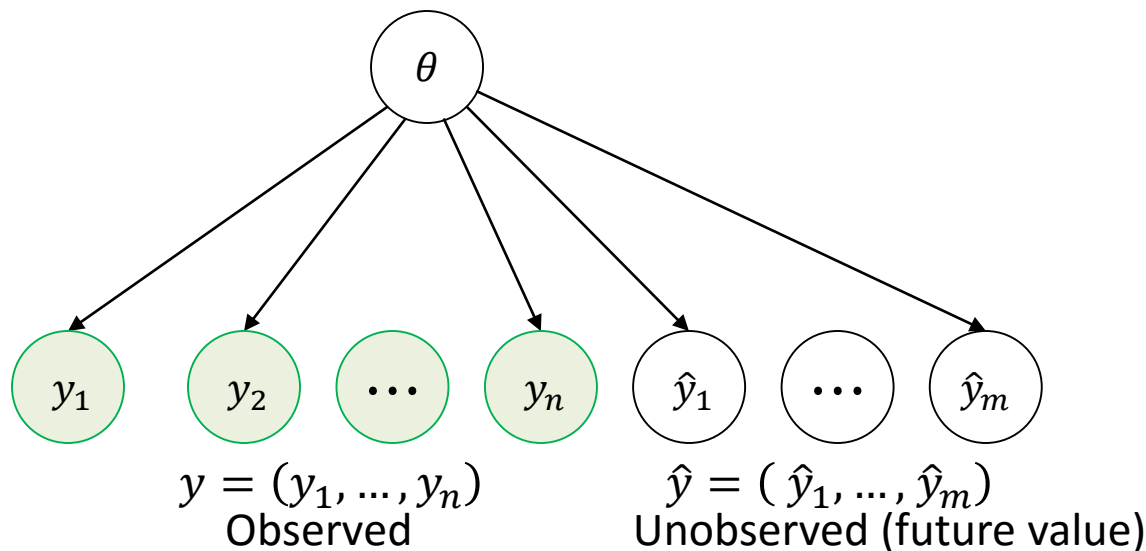
	Likelihood	Prior	Posterior
Single parameter model ←	Binomial	Beta	Beta
	Negative Binomial	Beta	Beta
	Geometric	Beta	Beta
	Poisson	Gamma	Gamma
	Exponential	Gamma	Gamma
	Normal (mean unknown)	Normal	Normal
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## Bayesian Inference Problems



### Objectives

- Prior predictive distribution

$$p(y) = \int_{\theta} p(y, \theta) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(y|\theta) p(\theta)$$

- Posterior distribution

$$p(\theta|y) = \frac{p(y|\theta)p(\theta)}{p(y)} = \frac{p(y|\theta)p(\theta)}{\int_{\theta} p(y|\theta)p(\theta)d\theta} \propto p(y|\theta)p(\theta)$$

- Posterior predictive distribution

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}, \theta|y) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}|\theta, y) p(\theta|y) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}|\theta) p(\theta|y) d\theta$$

$$p(\hat{y}|\theta, y) = p(\hat{y}|\theta) \text{ because } \hat{y} \perp y | \theta$$

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Prior:

$$\theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\theta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{\beta-1}$$

Prior predictive distribution :

$$p(y) = \int_{\theta} p(y, \theta) d\theta = \int_{\infty} p(y|\theta) p(\theta) d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(y) &= \int_0^1 p(y, \theta) d\theta \\ &= \int_0^1 p(y|\theta) p(\theta) d\theta \quad P(y|\theta) = \text{Bin}(y|n, \theta), \quad p(\theta) = \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta) \\ &= \int_0^1 \binom{n}{y} \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{n-y} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{\beta-1} d\theta \quad \binom{n}{y} = \frac{n!}{y!(n-y)!} = \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(y+1)\Gamma(n-y+1)} \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\Gamma(y+1)\Gamma(n-y+1)} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^1 \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{n-y} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{\beta-1} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(y+1)\Gamma(n-y+1)\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_0^1 \theta^{y+\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{n-y+\beta-1} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha + \beta) \Gamma(y + \alpha) \Gamma(n - y + \beta)}{\Gamma(y+1)\Gamma(n-y+1)\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta)} \int_0^1 \frac{\Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(y + \alpha) \Gamma(n - y + \beta)} \theta^{y+\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{n-y+\beta-1} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha + \beta) \Gamma(y + \alpha) \Gamma(n - y + \beta)}{\Gamma(y+1)\Gamma(n-y+1)\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta)} \int_0^1 \text{Beta}(\theta|y + \alpha, n - y + \beta) d\theta \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)\Gamma(\alpha + \beta) \Gamma(y + \alpha) \Gamma(n - y + \beta)}{\Gamma(y+1)\Gamma(n-y+1)\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta) \Gamma(n + \alpha + \beta)} 1 \\ &= \text{Beta-Binomial}(y|n, \alpha, \beta) \end{aligned}$$

The beta-binomial distribution is the binomial distribution in which the probability of success at each trial is not fixed but random and follows the beta distribution

$$\text{Beta-bin}(y|n, \alpha, \beta) = \int \text{Bin}(y|n, \theta) \text{Beta}(\theta|\alpha, \beta) d\theta$$

## Binomial Likelihood and Beta Prior Distribution (Recap)

Likelihood :

$$Y \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta) \rightarrow p(y|\theta) = \binom{n}{y} \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{n-y} \quad Y \text{ is the number of success among } n \text{ Bernoulli trial}$$

Prior:

$$\theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\theta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{\beta-1}$$

Posterior :

$$P(\theta|y) \propto p(y|\theta)p(\theta)$$

$$= \binom{n}{y} \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{n-y} \frac{\Gamma(\alpha + \beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{\beta-1}$$

$$\propto \theta^y (1 - \theta)^{n-y} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1 - \theta)^{\beta-1}$$

$$= \theta^{\alpha+y-1} (1 - \theta)^{\beta+n-y-1}$$

$$= \text{Beta}(\theta|\alpha + y, \beta + n - y)$$

( $\alpha$  is pseudo counts for the success while  $\beta$  is a pseudo counts for the failure)

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Posterior :

$$P(\theta|y) = \text{Beta}(\theta|\alpha + y, \beta + n - y)$$

Posterior predictive distribution :

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = \int_0^1 p(\hat{y}, \theta|y) d\theta = \int_0^1 p(\hat{y}|\theta) p(\theta|y) d\theta$$

$$p(y) = \int_0^1 p(y, \theta) d\theta = \int_0^1 p(y|\theta) p(\theta) d\theta$$

$$= \text{Beta-Binomial}(y|n, \alpha, \beta)$$

Using this result, the posterior predictive distribution is

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$$Y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \rightarrow p(y_i|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{y_i} e^{-\lambda}}{y_i!}$$

Prior:

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda}$$

**Prior predictive distribution :**

$$p(y) = \int_{\theta} p(y, \lambda) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(y|\lambda) p(\lambda) d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(y) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^y e^{-\lambda}}{y!} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{\beta^\alpha}{y! \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} \lambda^y e^{-\lambda} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{\beta^\alpha}{y! \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} \lambda^{y+\alpha-1} e^{-(\beta+1)\lambda} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{\beta^\alpha}{y! \Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{\Gamma(y+\alpha)}{(\beta+1)^{y+\alpha}} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(\beta+1)^{y+\alpha}}{\Gamma(y+\alpha)} \lambda^{y+\alpha-1} e^{-(\beta+1)\lambda} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{\beta^\alpha}{y! \Gamma(\alpha)} \frac{\Gamma(y+\alpha)}{(\beta+1)^{y+\alpha}} \text{Gamma}(\lambda|\alpha+y, \beta+1) \\ &= \binom{y+\alpha-1}{y} \left( \frac{1}{\beta+1} \right)^y \left( \frac{\beta}{\beta+1} \right)^\alpha = \text{Neg-bin}(y|\alpha, \beta) \end{aligned}$$

**Negative Binomial distribution (Neg – bin)** is a discrete probability distribution of the number of successes  $y$  in a sequence of independent and identically distributed Bernoulli trials before a specified (non-random) number of failures (denoted  $\alpha$ ) occurs.

$$\text{Neg-bin}(y|\alpha, \beta) = \int \text{Poisson}(y|\lambda) \text{Gamma}(\lambda|\alpha, \beta) d\lambda$$



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Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \rightarrow p(y_i|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{y_i} e^{-\lambda}}{y_i!} \quad E(Y_i) = \lambda$$

Prior:

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} \quad E(\lambda) = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$$

Posterior :

$P(\lambda|y) \propto P(y|\lambda)p(\lambda)$      $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is a sequence of i.i.d. observation

$$\begin{aligned} &= \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i|\lambda)p(\lambda) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\lambda^{y_i} e^{-\lambda}}{y_i!} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} \\ &= \frac{\lambda^{\sum_i y_i} e^{-n\lambda}}{\prod_i y_i!} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} \\ &\propto \lambda^{n\bar{y}} e^{-n\lambda} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} \\ &\propto \lambda^{\alpha+n\bar{y}-1} e^{-(\beta+n)\lambda} \\ &= \text{Gamma}(\alpha + n\bar{y}, \beta + n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\because \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$

$$E(\lambda) = \frac{\alpha + n\bar{y}}{\beta + n} = \frac{\alpha + \sum_i y_i}{\beta + n}$$

( $\alpha$  is a pseudo count for #events while  $\beta$  is a pseudo count for #observations)

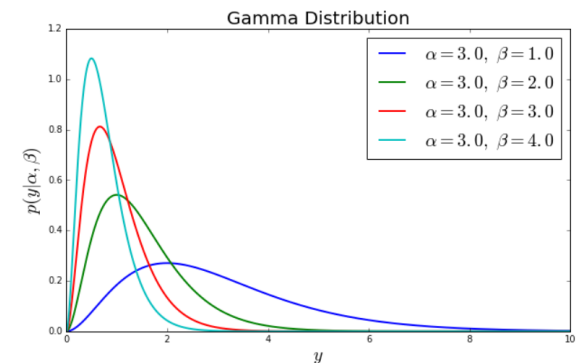
## Poisson Likelihood-Gamma Prior

The posterior mean is

$$\begin{aligned} E(\lambda|y) &= \frac{\alpha + \sum_i y_i}{\beta + n} \\ &= \frac{\alpha}{\beta + n} + \frac{\sum_i y_i}{\beta + n} \\ &= \frac{\beta}{\beta + n} \left( \frac{\alpha}{\beta} \right) + \frac{n}{\beta + n} \left( \frac{\sum_i y_i}{n} \right) \\ &= \frac{\beta}{\beta + n} E(\lambda) + \frac{n}{\beta + n} \hat{\theta}_{ML} \end{aligned}$$

Again, the data get weighted more heavily as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$\beta$  control strength of prior



## Example

Counts the numbers of PocketMons in each district of SF. The number are

14 13 7 10 15 15 2 13 13 11 10 13 5 13 9 12 9 12 8 7



- It is assumed that the numbers are independent and drawn from a Poisson distribution with mean  $\lambda$

$$Y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \rightarrow p(y_i|\lambda) = \frac{\lambda^{y_i} e^{-\lambda}}{y_i!}$$

- The prior distribution for  $\lambda$  is a Gamma distribution with mean 20 and standard deviation 10

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda}$$

$$E(\lambda) = \frac{\alpha}{\beta} = 20, \text{Var}(\lambda) = \frac{\alpha}{\beta^2} = 10^2 \rightarrow \alpha = 4, \beta = 0.2$$

- The posterior is

$$P(\lambda|y) = \text{Gamma}(4 + 211, 0.2 + 20) \quad P(\lambda|y) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha + n\bar{y}, \beta + n)$$

$$E(\lambda|y) = \frac{215}{20.2} = 10.64, \text{Var}(\lambda) = \frac{215}{20.2^2} = 0.5269$$

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Posterior :

$$P(\lambda|y) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha + n\bar{y}, \beta + n) \quad y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \text{ is a sequence of i.i.d. observation}$$

Posterior predictive distribution (Using Bayes' rule)

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = \int_{\lambda} p(\hat{y}, \lambda|y) d\theta = \int_{\lambda} p(\hat{y}|\lambda) p(\lambda|y) d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(y) &= \int_0^\infty p(y, \lambda) d\theta = \int_0^\infty p(y|\lambda) p(\lambda) d\theta \\ &= NB(y|\alpha, \beta) = \binom{y + \alpha - 1}{y} \left( \frac{1}{\beta + 1} \right)^y \left( \frac{\beta}{\beta + 1} \right)^\alpha \end{aligned}$$

Using this result, the posterior predictive distribution is

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = \int_0^\infty p(\hat{y}, \theta|y) d\theta = \int_0^\infty p(\hat{y}|\theta) p(\theta|y) d\theta$$

$$= NB(\hat{y}|\alpha + n\bar{y}, \beta + n) = \binom{\hat{y} + \alpha + n\bar{y} - 1}{\hat{y}} \left( \frac{1}{\beta + n + 1} \right)^{\hat{y}} \left( \frac{\beta + n}{\beta + n + 1} \right)^{\alpha + n\bar{y}}$$

$$p(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$$



$$p(\theta|y) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha + n\bar{y}, \beta + n)$$

## Poisson model parameterized in terms of rate and exposure

Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(x_i \lambda) \rightarrow p(y_i | \lambda, x_i) = \frac{(x_i \lambda)^{y_i} e^{-(x_i \lambda)}}{(x_i \lambda)!}$$

Where the value  $x_i$  is called the exposure of the  $i$ th unit

$$p(y | \lambda, x_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{(x_i \lambda)^{y_i} e^{-(x_i \lambda)}}{(x_i \lambda)!} \quad y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \text{ is a sequence of i.i.d. observation}$$

$$\propto \lambda^{(\sum_i^n y_i)} e^{-(\sum_i^n x_i) \lambda}$$

It is more flexible model in that we can control the unit time or area

Prior:

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta \lambda}$$

Posterior :

$$P(\lambda | y) = \text{Gamma} \left( \alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)$$

## Estimating a rate from Poisson data: an idealized example

- A Poisson sampling model is often used for epidemiological data of this form
- 3 persons, out of a population of 200,000 died of asthma  
→ 1.5 cases per 100,000 persons per year : exposure  $x = 2.0$
- Under the Poisson model, the sampling distribution of  $y$ , the number of deaths in a city of 200,000 in one year, can be expressed as

$$y \sim \text{Poisson}(2.0\lambda)$$

Where  $\lambda$  represents the true underlying long-term asthma mortality rate in our city (measured in cases per 100,000 persons per year)

- We can use knowledge about asthma mortality rates around the world to construct a prior distribution for  $\lambda$  and then combine the datum  $y = 3$  to obtain a posterior distribution

## Estimating a rate from Poisson data: an idealized example

Prior:

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = 3, \beta = 5)$$

$\lambda = \text{\#death per 100,000}$

Posterior :

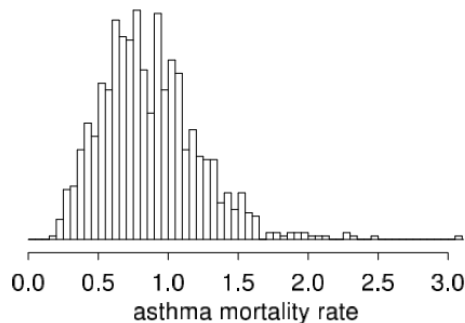
$$P(\lambda|y) = \text{Gamma}\left(\alpha + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)$$

**Case 1:** 3 persons, out of a population of 200,000 died of asthma for years

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i = 2 : \text{exposure}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i = 3 \text{ (average)}$$

$$P(\lambda|y) = \text{Gamma}(3 + 3, 5 + 2)$$

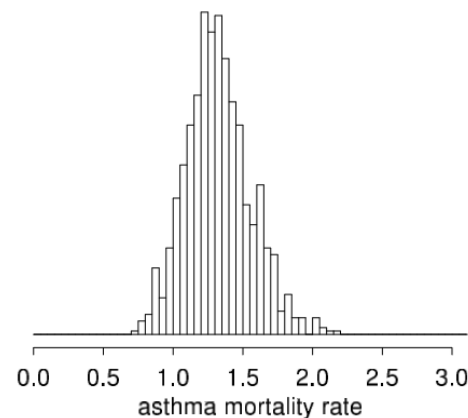


Case 1: 30 persons, out of a population of 200,000 died of asthma for 10 years

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n=10} x_i = 20 : \text{exposure}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i = 30 \text{ (average)}$$

$$P(\lambda|y) = \text{Gamma}(3 + 30, 5 + 20)$$



## Estimating a rate from Poisson data: an idealized example

**Jupyter Demo Simulation**



## Exponential Likelihood-Gamma Prior

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Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) \rightarrow p(y_i | \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y_i}$$

$$E(Y_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$$

Prior:

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta \lambda}$$

Posterior :

$P(\lambda | y) \propto P(y | \lambda) p(\lambda)$      $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is a sequence of i.i.d. observation

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i | \lambda) p(\lambda)$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda e^{-\lambda y_i} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta \lambda}$$

$$= \lambda^n e^{-\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n y_i} \frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta \lambda}$$

$$\propto \lambda^n e^{-\lambda n \bar{y}} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta \lambda}$$

$$= \lambda^{\alpha+n-1} e^{-(\beta+n\bar{y})\lambda}$$

$$= \text{Gamma}(\alpha + n, \beta + n\bar{y})$$

$$\because \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$$

## Exponential Likelihood-Gamma Prior (Example)

A machine continuously produces nylon filament. From time to time the filament snaps. Suppose that the time intervals, in minutes, between snaps are random, independent and have an exponential distribution.

- Time interval between two successive failures :  $Y_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) \rightarrow p(y_i|\lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y_i}$   
The mean time =  $E(Y_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda}$
- Prior  $\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = 6, \beta = 1800)$   
 $E(\lambda) = \frac{6}{1800} = 0.0033, \text{Var}(\lambda) = \frac{6}{1800^2} = 1.85 \times 10^{-6}$
- The mean time  $\frac{1}{\lambda}$  follows the *invers-Gamma* distribution, since its inverse follow Gamma

$$E\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda} \frac{\beta^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} d\theta \quad \lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) \rightarrow p(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^{\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lambda^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\lambda}$$
$$= \frac{\beta^{\alpha} \Gamma(\alpha - 1)}{\beta^{\alpha-1} \Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\beta^{\alpha-1}}{\Gamma(\alpha - 1)} \lambda^{\alpha-1-1} e^{-\beta\lambda} d\theta = \frac{\beta}{\alpha - 1}$$

$$E\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right) = \frac{\beta^2}{(\alpha - 1)(\alpha - 2)}$$

$$\text{Var}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = \frac{\beta^2}{(\alpha - 1)(\alpha - 2)} - \left(\frac{\beta}{\alpha - 1}\right)^2 = \frac{\beta^2}{(\alpha - 1)^2(\alpha - 2)}$$

## Exponential Likelihood-Gamma Prior (Example)

$$Y_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda) \rightarrow p(y_i | \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y_i}$$

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha = 6, \beta = 1800)$$

- The prior mean for the time interval :  $E\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = \frac{\beta}{\alpha-1} = \frac{1800}{6-1} = 360(5 \text{ hours})$
- The prior variance for the time interval :  $\text{var}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = \frac{\beta^2}{(\alpha-1)^2(\alpha-2)} = \frac{1800^2}{5^2 \times 4} = 32,400$
- The prior std. for the time interval :  $\text{std}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda}\right) = \sqrt{32,400} = 180(3 \text{ hours})$

### Observations:

55 30 231 592 141 139 695 56 803 642 1890 208 246 183 38 486 264 1091 368 222 662 150  
2 133 417 418 743 216 138 306 201 145 804 193 66 577 773 268 388 861

$$P(\lambda | y) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha + n, \beta + \sum_i y_i) = \text{Gamma}(6 + 40, 1800 + 15,841)$$

- The posterior mean for the time interval :  $E\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} | y\right) = \frac{\beta}{\alpha-1} = \frac{1800+15,841}{46-1} = 392.0(\text{minutes})$
- The posterior variance for the time interval :  $\text{var}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} | y\right) = \frac{\beta^2}{(\alpha-1)^2(\alpha-2)} = \frac{17641^2}{45^2 \times 44} = 3492.76$
- The posterior std. for the time interval :  $\text{std}\left(\frac{1}{\lambda} | y\right) = \sqrt{3492.76} = 59.1(\sim 1 \text{ hours})$

**Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance)**

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim N(\theta, \sigma_Y^2) \rightarrow p(y_i | \theta, \sigma_Y^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_Y^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}\right)$$

Note that  $\theta = \mu_Y$ , ( $\sigma_Y^2$  is known)

Prior:

$$\theta \sim N(\mu_0, \tau_0^2) \rightarrow p(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau_0^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\theta - \mu_0)^2}{2\tau_0^2}\right)$$

**Prior predictive distribution :**

Before the data  $y$  are considered, the distribution of the unknown but observable  $y$  is

$$p(y) = \int_{\theta} p(y, \theta) d\theta = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} p(y|\theta) p(\theta) d\theta$$

(Without integration)

$$E(y) = E[E(y|\theta)] = E[\theta] = \mu_0$$

$$\because E(y|\theta) = \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(y) &= E[\text{var}(y|\theta)] + \text{var}(E(y|\theta)) \\ &= E(\sigma_Y^2) + \text{var}(\theta) \\ &= \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_0^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\because \text{var}(y|\theta) = \sigma_Y^2$$

$$p(y) = N(y | \mu_0, \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_0^2)$$

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim N(\theta, \sigma_Y^2) \rightarrow p(y_i | \theta, \sigma_Y^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_Y^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}\right)$$

Note that  $\theta = \mu_Y$ , ( $\sigma_Y^2$  is known)

Prior:

$$\theta \sim N(\mu_0, \tau_0^2) \rightarrow p(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau_0^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\theta - \mu_0)^2}{2\tau_0^2}\right)$$

Posterior :

$$P(\theta|y) \propto P(y|\theta, \sigma_Y^2)p(\theta) \quad y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \text{ is a sequence of i.i.d. observation}$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_Y^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}\right) \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau_0^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\theta - \mu_0)^2}{2\tau_0^2}\right)$$

$$\propto \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \theta)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2} + \frac{(\theta - \mu_0)^2}{2\tau_0^2}\right)$$

$$= \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \theta)^2}{\sigma_Y^2} + \frac{(\theta - \mu_0)^2}{\tau_0^2}\right)\right]$$

$$= \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2}\left(\tau_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \theta)^2 + \sigma_Y^2(\theta - \mu_0)^2\right)\right]$$

$$= \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2}\left(\tau_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i^2 - 2\theta y_i + \theta^2) + \sigma_Y^2(\theta^2 - 2\theta\mu_0 + \mu_0^2)\right)\right]$$

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

Posterior :

$$\begin{aligned} P(\theta|y) &\propto \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2} \left( \tau_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i^2 - 2\theta y_i + \theta^2) + \sigma_Y^2(\theta^2 - 2\theta\mu_0 + \mu_0^2) \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2} \left( \tau_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - 2\tau_0^2\theta n\bar{y} + \tau_0^2 n\theta^2 + \sigma_Y^2\theta^2 - 2\sigma_Y^2\theta\mu_0 + \sigma_Y^2\mu_0^2 \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2} \left( \tau_0^2 \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - 2\tau_0^2\theta n\bar{y} + \tau_0^2 n\theta^2 + \sigma_Y^2\theta^2 - 2\sigma_Y^2\theta\mu_0 + \sigma_Y^2\mu_0^2 \right) \right] \\ &\propto \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2} (\theta^2(\sigma_Y^2 + n\tau_0^2) - 2\theta(\mu_0\sigma_Y^2 + n\bar{y}\tau_0^2) + \text{const}) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \theta^2 \left( \frac{\sigma_Y^2 + n\tau_0^2}{\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2} \right) - 2\theta \left( \frac{\mu_0\sigma_Y^2 + n\bar{y}\tau_0^2}{\sigma_Y^2\tau_0^2} \right) + \text{const}' \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \theta^2 \left( \frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2} \right) - 2\theta \left( \frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\sigma_Y^2} \right) + \text{const}' \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2} \right) \left( \theta^2 - 2\theta \left( \frac{\frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\sigma_Y^2}}{\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}} \right) + \text{const}' \right) \right] \\ &= \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2} \right) \left( \theta - \left( \frac{\frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\sigma_Y^2}}{\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}} \right) \right)^2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\left( \because \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right)$$



## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim N(\theta, \sigma_Y^2) \rightarrow p(y_i | \theta, \sigma_Y^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_Y^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}\right)$$

Prior:

$$\theta \sim N(\mu_0, \tau_0^2) \rightarrow p(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\tau_0^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\theta - \mu_0)^2}{2\tau_0^2}\right)$$

Posterior on  $\theta = \mu_Y$

$$P(\theta | y) = N\left(\theta \left| \frac{\frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\sigma_Y^2}}{\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}}, \left(\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}\right)^{-1} \right.\right)$$

• Posterior mean  $\mu_1$  :

$$\mu_1 = \frac{\frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\sigma_Y^2}}{\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}} = \frac{\sigma_Y^2 \mu_0}{\sigma_Y^2 + n\tau_0^2} + \frac{n\tau_0^2 \bar{y}}{\sigma_Y^2 + n\tau_0^2}$$

$\mu_0$ : Prior mean  
 $\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$ : Data mean

- $\tau_0^2 \downarrow \Rightarrow$  Prior mean  $\mu_0$  becomes accurate and influence more to  $\mu_1$
- $\sigma_Y^2 \downarrow \Rightarrow$  the data become precise, making  $\bar{y}$  stronger
- $n \uparrow \Rightarrow \bar{y}$  stronger

• Posterior variance  $\tau_1^2$  :

$$\tau_1^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}\right)^{-1}$$

• Posterior precision :

$$\frac{1}{\tau_1^2} = \frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}$$

$\frac{1}{\tau_0^2}$ : Prior precision  
 $\frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}$ : data precision

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim N(\theta, \sigma_Y^2) \rightarrow p(y_i | \theta, \sigma_Y^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma_Y^2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \theta)^2}{2\sigma_Y^2}\right)$$

Note that  $\theta = \mu_Y$ , ( $\sigma_Y^2$  is known)

Posterior :  $\theta = \mu_Y$

$$P(\theta|y) = N(\theta | \mu_1, \tau_1^2)$$

$$\mu_1 = \frac{\frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\sigma_Y^2}}{\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}}$$

$$E[\theta|y] = \mu_1$$

$$\tau_1^2 = \left(\frac{1}{\tau_0^2} + \frac{n}{\sigma_Y^2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\text{var}(\theta|y) = \tau_1^2$$

Posterior predictive distribution

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}, \theta|y) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}|\theta, y) p(\theta|y) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}|\theta) p(\theta|y) d\theta$$

(Without integration)

$$E(\hat{y}|y) = E[E(\hat{y}|\theta, y)|y] = E[\theta|y] = \mu_1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(\hat{y}|y) &= E[\text{var}(\hat{y}|\theta, y)|y] + \text{var}(E(\hat{y}|\theta, y)|y) \\ &= E(\sigma_Y^2|y) + \text{var}(\theta|y) \\ &= \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_1^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = N(\hat{y} | \mu_1, \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_1^2)$$

$$\because E(\hat{y}|\theta, y) = E(\tilde{y}|\theta) = \theta$$

$$\because \text{var}(\hat{y}|\theta, y) = \sigma_Y^2$$

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

$$E(y) = E[E(y|\theta)] = E[\theta] = \mu_0$$

$$\because E(y|\theta) = \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(y) &= E[\text{var}(y|\theta)] + \text{var}(E(y|\theta)) \\ &= E(\sigma_Y^2) + \text{var}(\theta) \\ &= \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_0^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\because \text{var}(y|\theta) = \sigma_Y^2$$

$$p(y) = N(y|\mu_0, \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_0^2)$$

$$E(\hat{y}|y) = E[E(\hat{y}|\theta, y)|y] = E[\theta|y] = \mu_1$$

$$\because E(\hat{y}|\theta, y) = E(\tilde{y}|\theta) = \theta$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(\hat{y}|y) &= E[\text{var}(\hat{y}|\theta, y)|y] + \text{var}(E(\hat{y}|\theta, y)|y) \\ &= E(\sigma_Y^2|y) + \text{var}(\theta|y) \\ &= \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_1^2\end{aligned}$$

$$\because \text{var}(\hat{y}|\theta, y) = \sigma_Y^2$$

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = N(\hat{y}|\mu_1, \sigma_Y^2 + \tau_1^2)$$

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (unknown mean and known variance) : Example

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**Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (known mean and unknown variance)**

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (known mean and unknown variance)

Likelihood :

$$Y_i \sim N(\mu, \theta) \rightarrow p(y_i | \mu, \theta) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \mu)^2}{2\theta}\right)$$

Note that  $\theta = \sigma^2$ , ( $\mu$  is known)

Prior:

$$\theta \sim \text{Inv - Gamma}(\theta | \alpha_0, \beta_0) \rightarrow p(\theta) = \frac{\beta_0^{\alpha_0}}{\Gamma(\alpha_0)} \theta^{-(\alpha_0+1)} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta_0}{\theta}\right)$$

Posterior :

$$P(\theta | y) \propto p(y | \theta) p(\theta) \quad y = (y_1, \dots, y_i) \text{ is a sequence of i.i.d. observation}$$

$$= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\theta}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \mu)^2}{2\theta}\right) \times \frac{\beta_0^{\alpha_0}}{\Gamma(\alpha_0)} \theta^{-(\alpha_0+1)} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta_0}{\theta}\right)$$

$$\propto \prod_{i=1}^n \theta^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_i - \mu)^2}{2\theta}\right) \times \theta^{-(\alpha_0+1)} \exp\left(-\frac{\beta_0}{\theta}\right)$$

$$= \theta^{-(\alpha_0+1+\frac{n}{2})} \exp\left(-\left(\frac{\beta_0}{\theta} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2}{2\theta}\right)\right)$$

$$= \theta^{-(\alpha_0+\frac{n}{2}+1)} \exp\left(-\left(\frac{\beta_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2}{\theta}\right)\right)$$

$$= \text{Inv - Gamma}\left(\theta \middle| \alpha_0 + \frac{n}{2}, \beta_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu)^2\right)$$

## Normal Likelihood-Normal Prior (known mean and unknown variance) : Example

Population mean test score : normal

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## Multi-Parameters Model



## Multinomial Likelihood-Dirichlet Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

Likelihood :

$$p(y|\theta) = \text{Multin}(y|n, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_k) = \binom{n}{y_1 \ y_2 \ \dots \ y_k} \theta_1^{y_1} \dots \theta_k^{y_k}$$

$y = (y_1, \dots, y_j, \dots, y_k)$   
 $y_j \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}, \sum_{j=1}^k y_j = n$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+1)} \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{y_j}$$

Prior:

$$\theta \sim \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_k) \rightarrow p(\theta) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_k)}{\Gamma(\alpha_1) \dots \Gamma(\alpha_k)} \theta_1^{\alpha_1-1} \dots \theta_k^{\alpha_k-1}$$

$\sum_{j=1}^k \theta_j = 1$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(\alpha_j)} \theta_1^{\alpha_1-1} \dots \theta_k^{\alpha_k-1}$$

Posterior :

$$\begin{aligned} P(\theta|y) &\propto P(y|\theta) p(\theta) \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+1)} \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{y_j} \frac{\Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(\alpha_j)} \theta_1^{\alpha_1-1} \dots \theta_k^{\alpha_k-1} \\ &\propto \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{y_j} \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{\alpha_j-1} \\ &\propto \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{\alpha_j+y_j-1} \\ &= \text{Dirichlet}(\alpha_1 + y_1, \dots, \alpha_k + y_k) \end{aligned}$$

## Multinomial Likelihood-Dirichlet Prior (unknown mean and known variance)

### Posterior predictive distribution

$$p(\hat{y}|y) = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}, \theta|y) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}|\theta, y) p(\theta|y) d\theta = \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}|\theta) p(\theta|y) d\theta$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(\hat{y}|y) &= \int_{\theta} p(\hat{y}|\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k) p(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k|y) d\theta \\ &= \int_{\theta} \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+1)} \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{y_j} \frac{\Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(\alpha_j)} \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{\alpha_j-1} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+1)} \frac{\Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(\alpha_j)} \int_{\theta} \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{y_j+\alpha_j-1} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+1)} \frac{\Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(\alpha_j)} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+\alpha_j)}{\Gamma(n+\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)} \int_{\theta} \frac{\Gamma(n+\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+\alpha_j)} \prod_{j=1}^K \theta_j^{y_j+\alpha_j-1} d\theta \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(n+1)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+1)} \frac{\Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)}{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(\alpha_j)} \frac{\prod_{j=1}^K \Gamma(y_j+\alpha_j)}{\Gamma(n+\sum_{j=1}^K \alpha_j)} \end{aligned}$$

## Flexible Conjugate Prior : Mixture of Priors