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Basics

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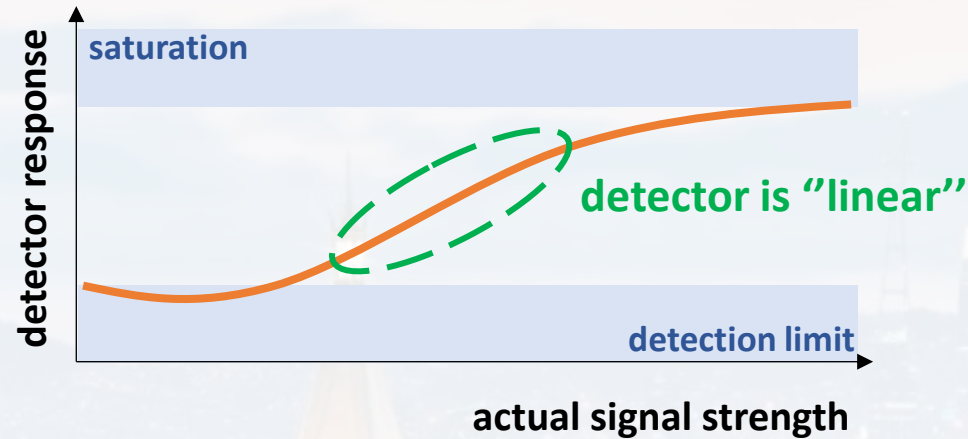
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Error Estimation

Bayesian Statistics



- **systematic errors**: calibration, non-linearity of the detector

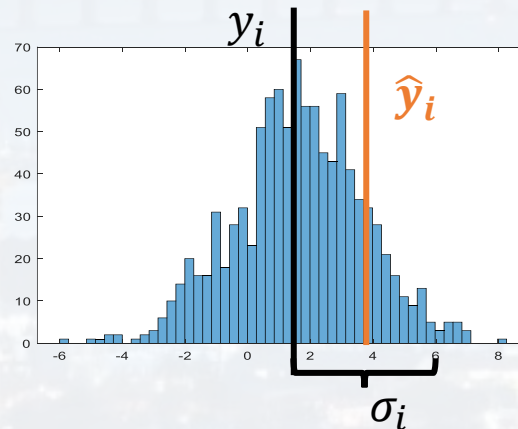
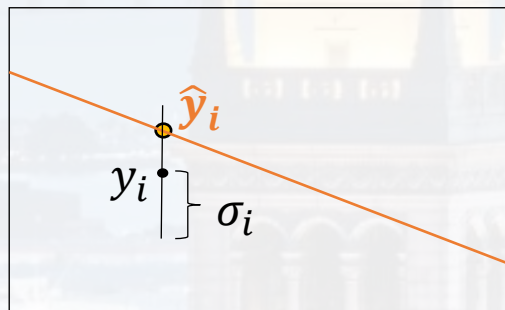
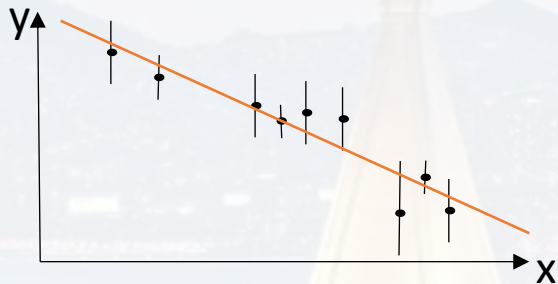


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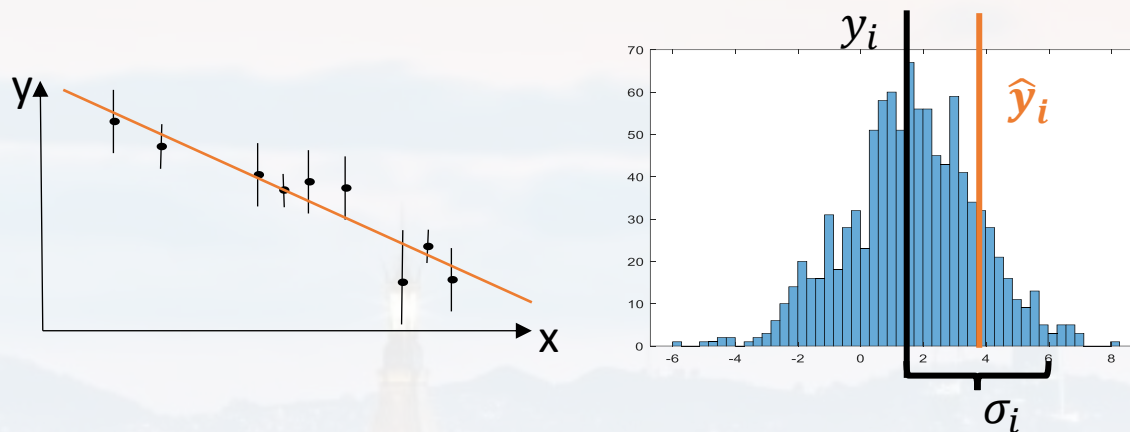


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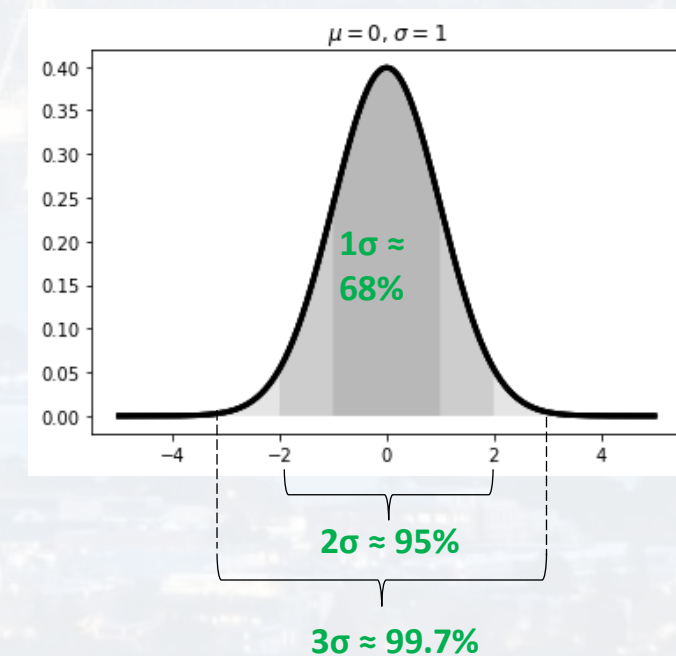


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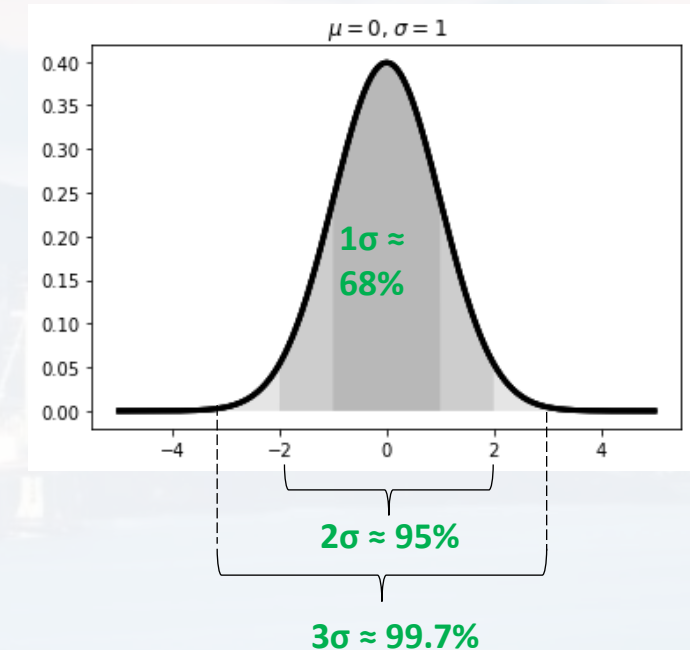
$$\chi^2_{red} = \frac{1}{df} \sum_{i=1}^N \left(\frac{y_i - \hat{y}_i}{\sigma_i} \right)^2 \quad df = N - p - 1$$

rule of thumb:

reduced $\chi^2 \approx$

- 1.0 excellent fit
- 1.0...1.5 acceptable fit
- 1.5...1.7 bad fit
- > 2.0 not acceptable
- < 1.0 suspicious, errors are overestimated!

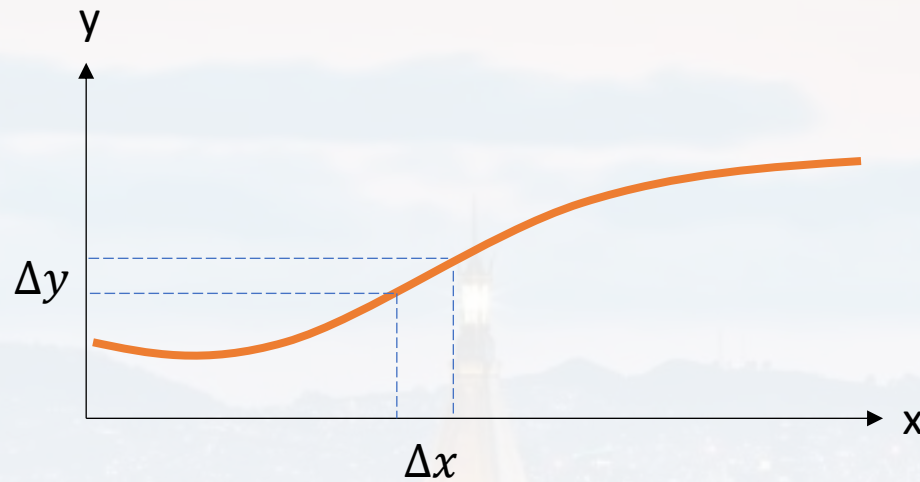
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y_i : measured value of data point
 σ_i : statistical error of y_i (often aka ey_i)
 \hat{y}_i : prediction by the model *after the fit*
 N : number of data points
 p : number of fit parameter



error propagation



$$\frac{dy}{dx} \approx \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

for $\Delta x \ll x$

$$\Delta x \left| \frac{dy}{dx} \right| \approx \Delta y$$

example:

$$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3 \quad \Delta V = ? \text{ given } \Delta r$$

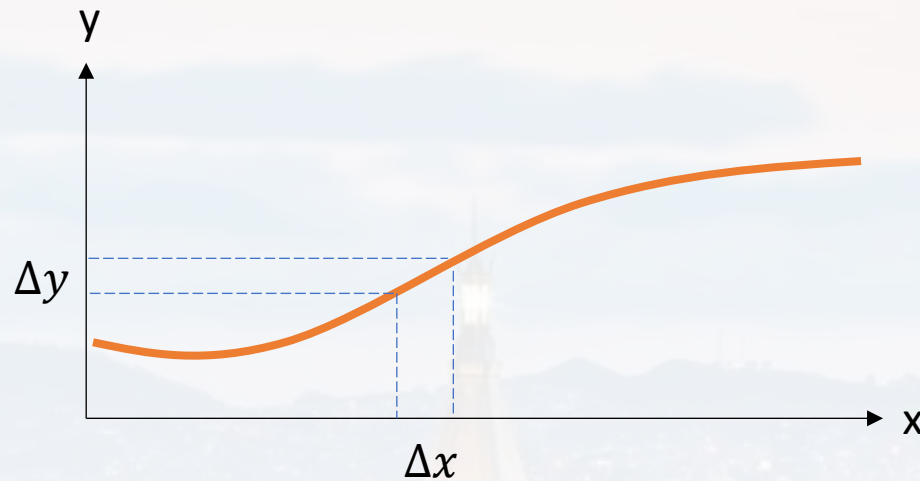
$$\Delta V = \frac{dV}{dr} \Delta r = 4 \pi r^2 \Delta r$$

$$\boxed{\frac{\Delta V}{V} = 3 \frac{\Delta r}{r}}$$

$\Delta r, \Delta V \approx 1\sigma$



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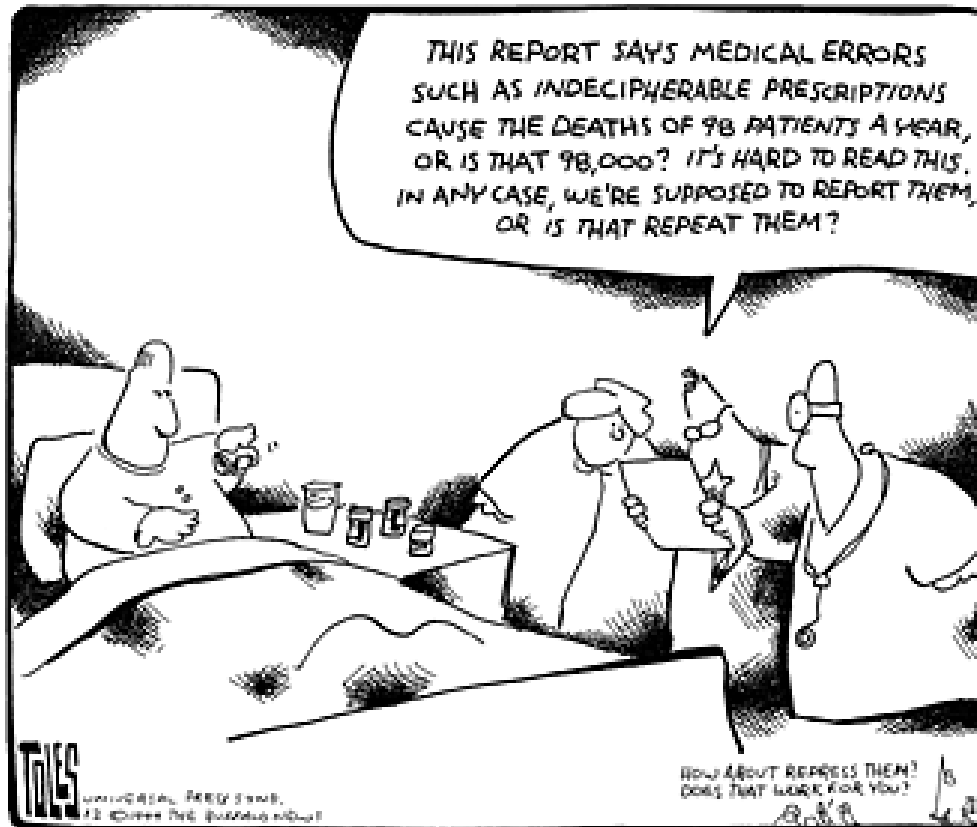
general:

$$\Delta f(max) = \sum_{i=1}^I \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right| \Delta x_i \quad \text{maximum error estimation}$$

if x_i do **not correlate**, i. e. are **mutually independent**:

$$\Delta f^2 = \sum_{i=1}^I \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right|^2 (\Delta x_i)^2$$

Note: $\Delta f(max)^2 > \Delta f^2$ because of the mixed terms $\left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \right| \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_j} \right| \Delta x_i \Delta x_j$ in $\Delta f(max)^2$



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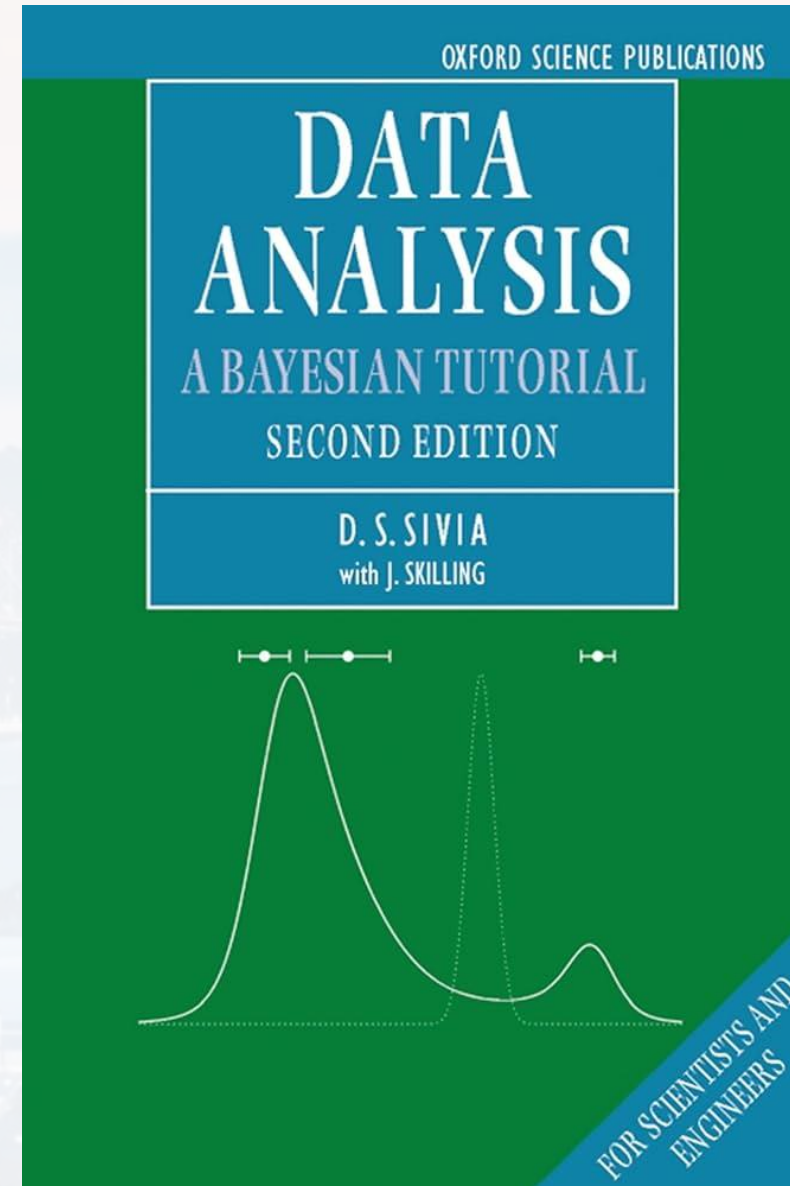
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$P(A \cap B)$ probability **P** that the events **A** and **B** occur

so far: A and B were independent $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) = P(B)P(A)$

now: **conditional probabilities** | “given” or “under the condition”

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cap B) &= P(A|B)P(B) \\ &= P(B|A)P(A) \end{aligned}$$



$$P(A|B)P(B) = P(B|A)P(A)$$



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Bayes Theorem

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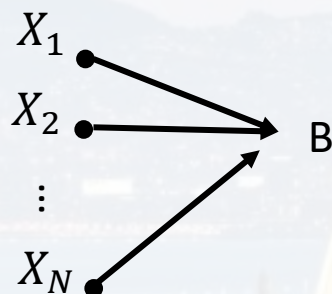
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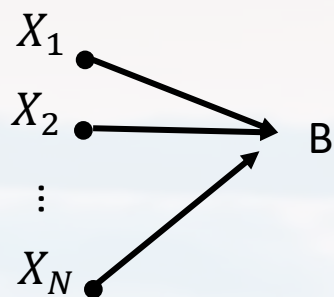
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marginalization

example:

model: M
data: D

$$P(D|M) = \int P(D|all\ model\ param, M) P(all\ model\ param|M) d\ all\ model\ param$$



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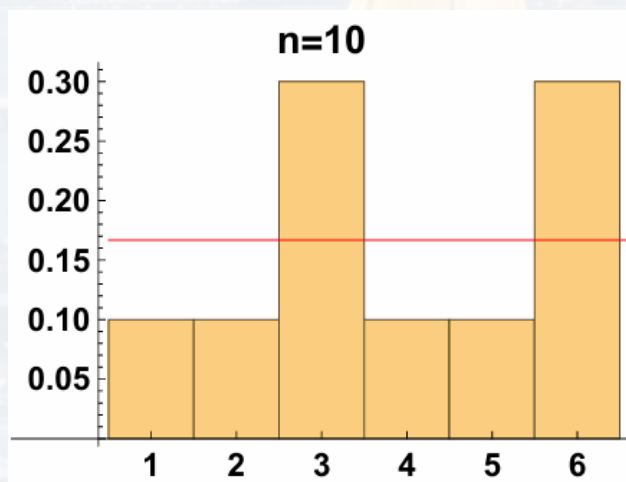
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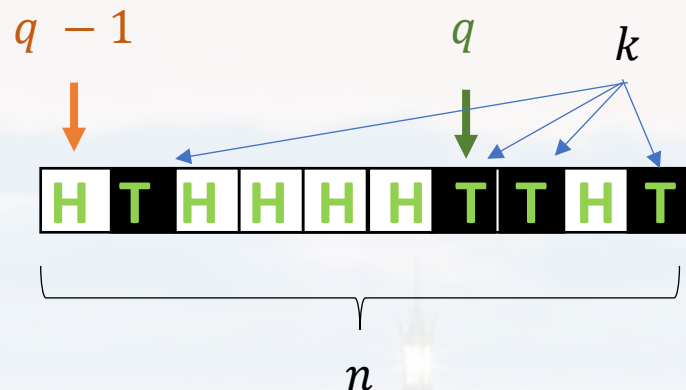
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for a normal distribution $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)$

$$P(D|\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)) = \int P(D|\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)) P(\mu, \sigma|\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma)) d\Omega_{\mu, \sigma}$$



- $\sigma = 2, \mu = 3.5$
- $\sigma = 2, \mu = 5.0$
- $\sigma = 1.5, \mu = 3.5$
- $\sigma = 7.0, \mu = 1.0$



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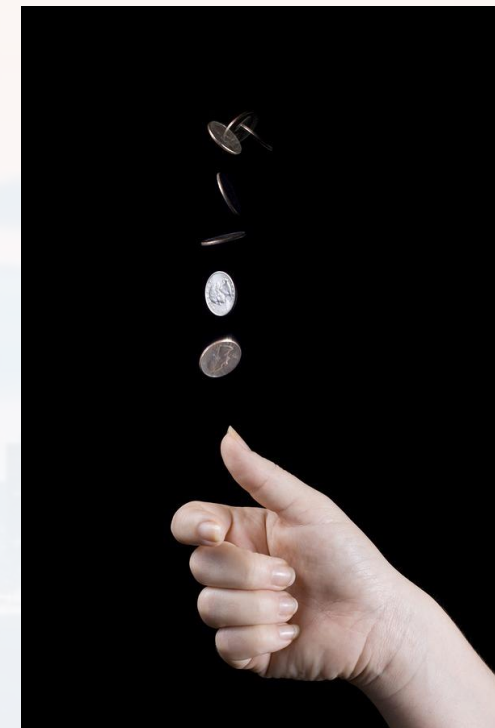
$$p_{tot} = \prod_i q_i^{n_i} = q^k (1 - q)^{n-k}$$

probability of having **any** sequence of **k tails** and **n-k heads**

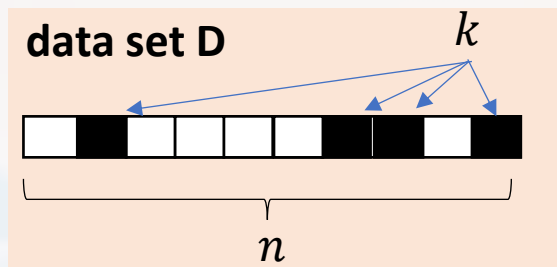
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binomial distribution

$$\frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} =: \binom{n}{k} \quad \text{``n choose k''}$$



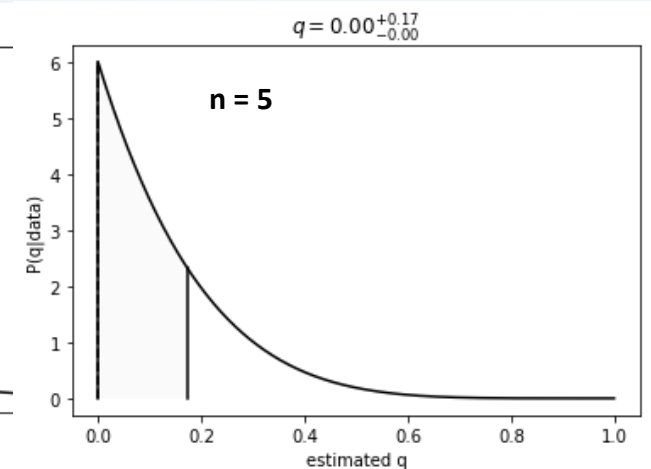
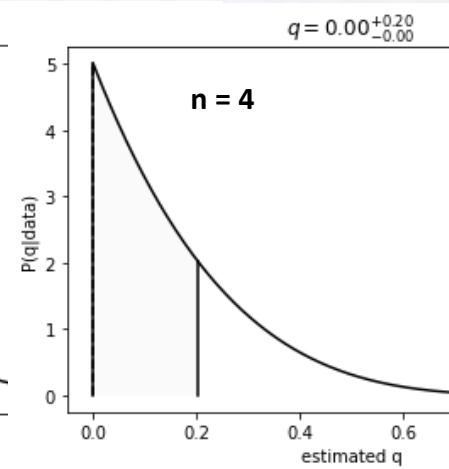
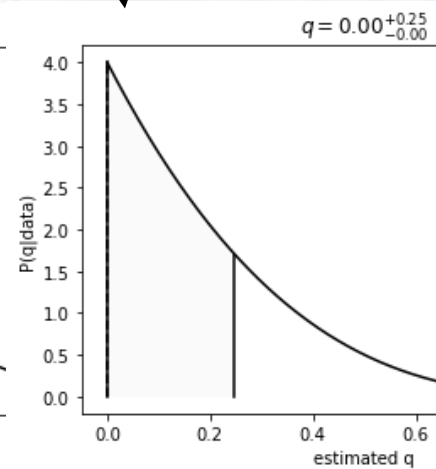
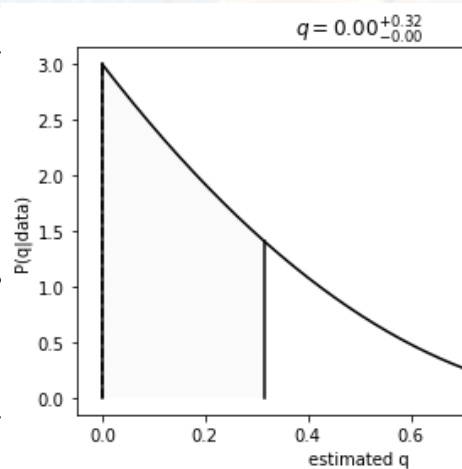
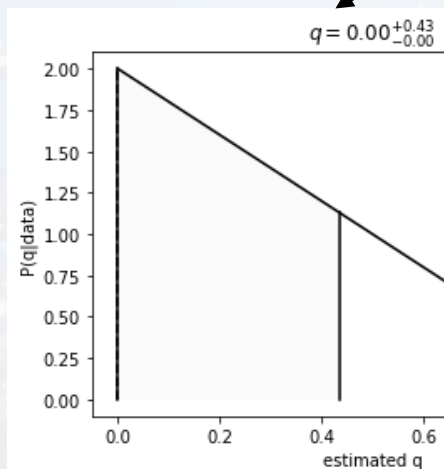
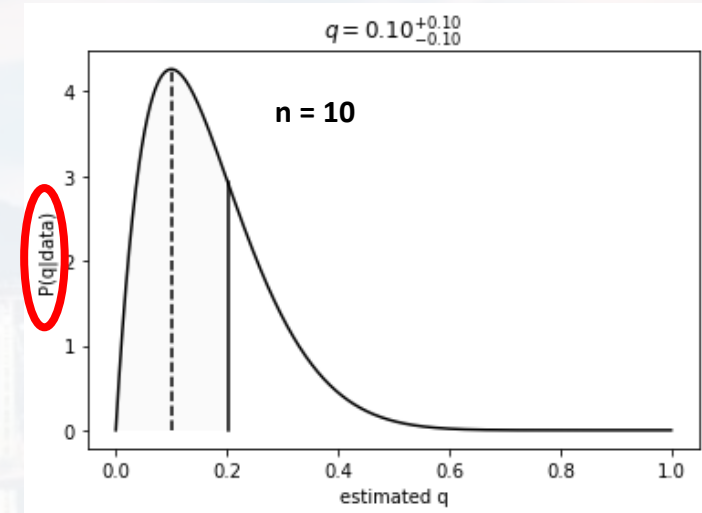
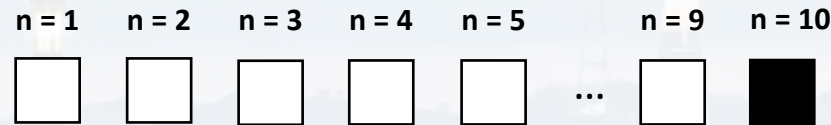
fair coin? $q = 0.5$???

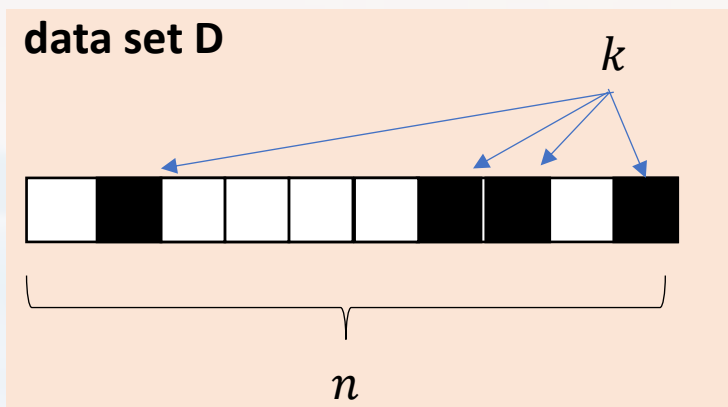


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Bayes' theorem:

likelihood function (here: binomial)

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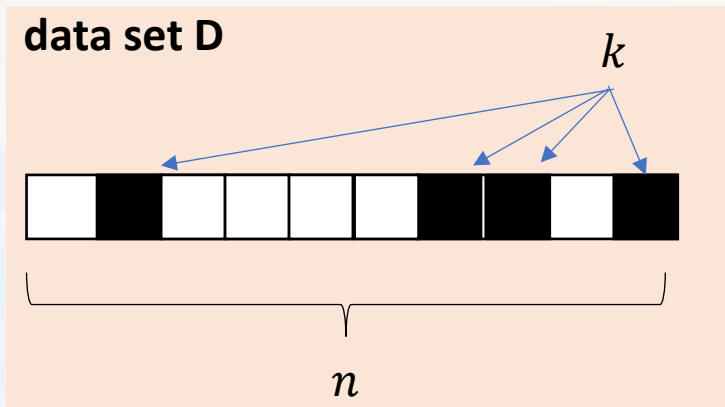
prior
evidence (const wrt q)

$$= \frac{\binom{n}{k} q^k (1-q)^{n-k}}{P(D)} P(q)$$

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$P(D)$ and $\binom{n}{k}$ are no functions of q





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max. entropy: $P(q) = \text{const}$
if no prior information about q

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check out `bayesian_bino.py`

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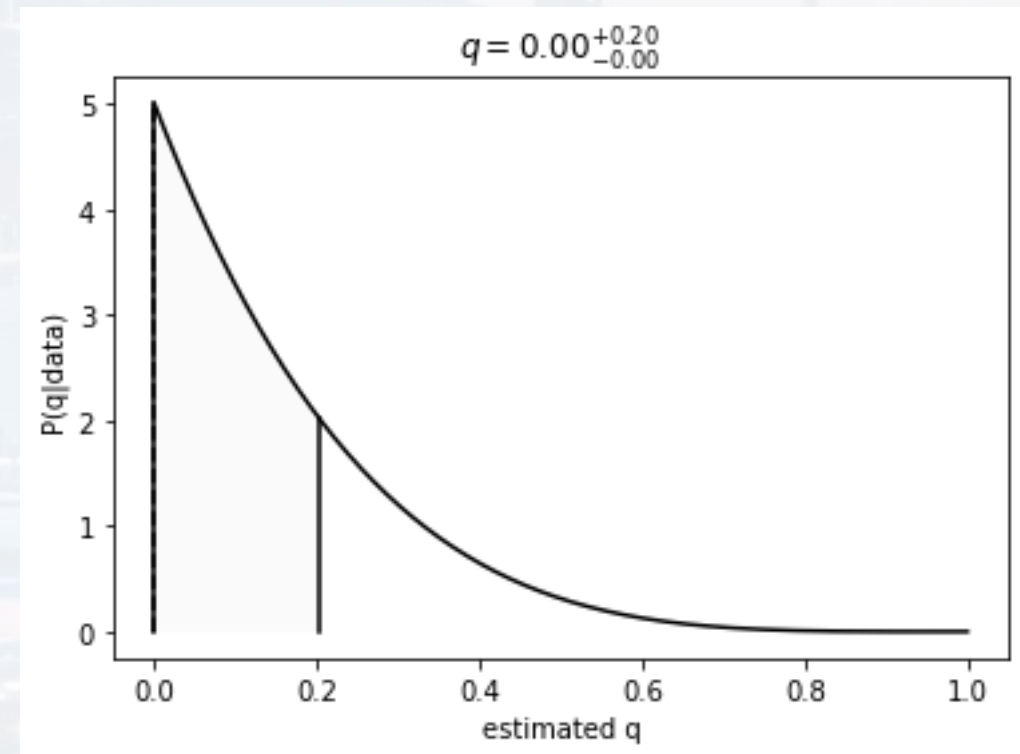
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k1 = np.random.binomial(n1, 0.25)
```

creating artificial data set

note: in reality q is unknown!

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[q1, b, _] = bayesian_bino(n1, k1)
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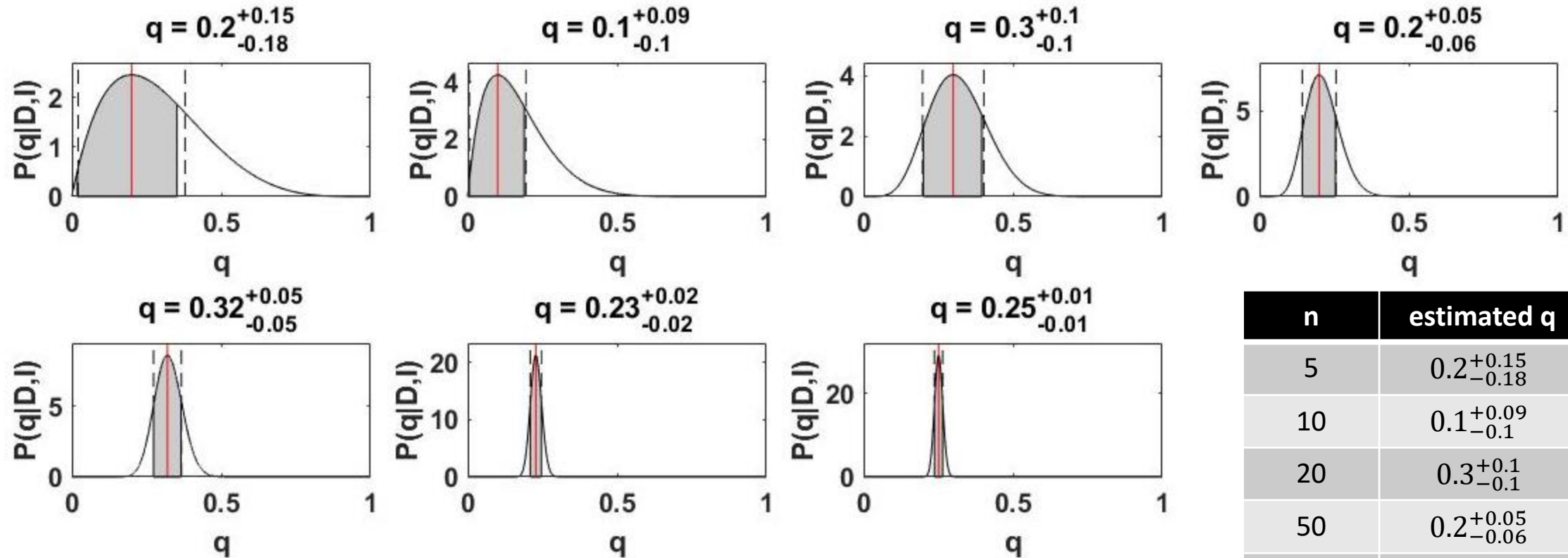
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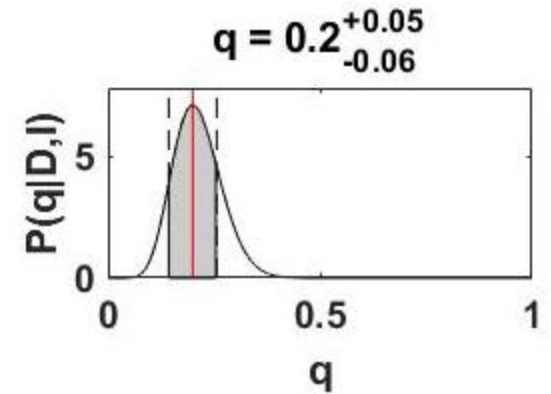
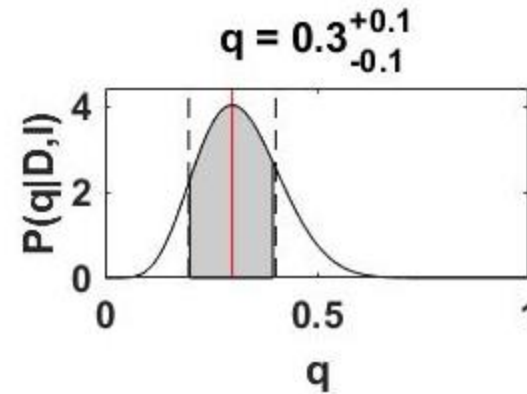
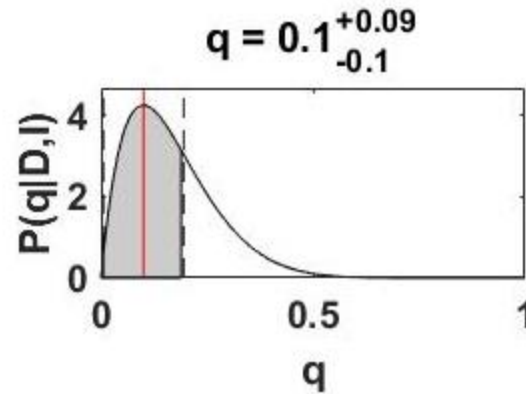
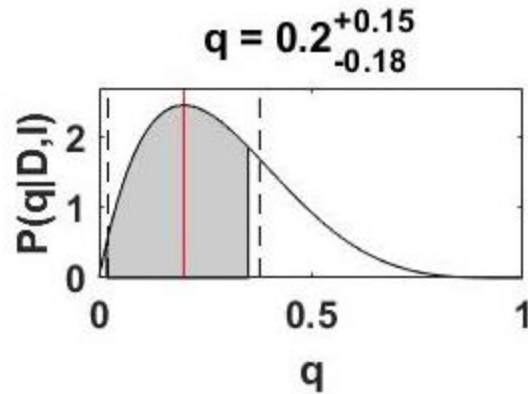


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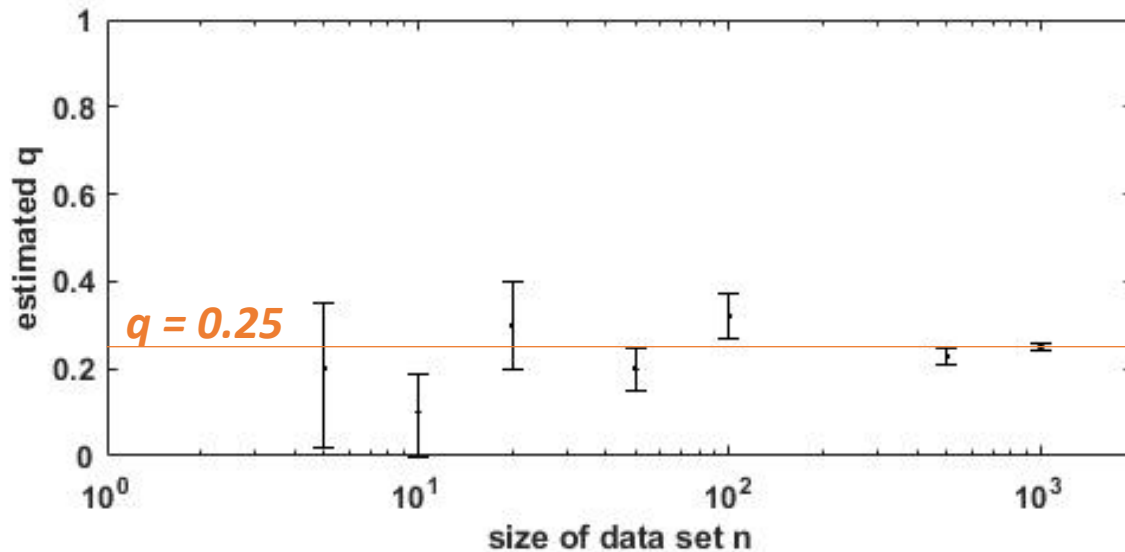
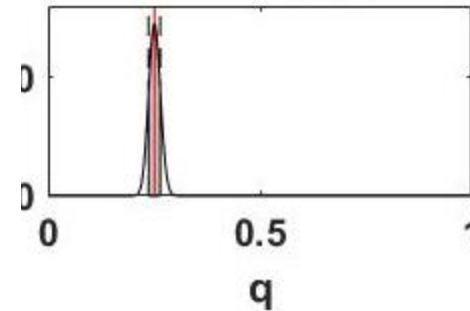
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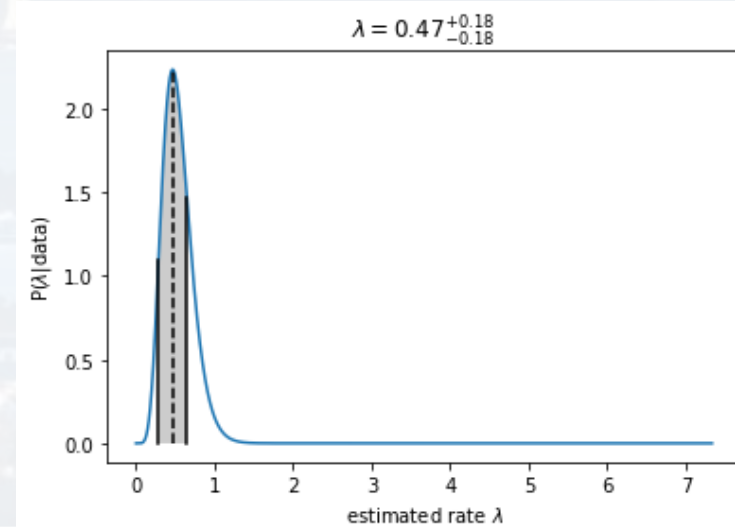
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Sun:	5		

```
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poissfit(data)
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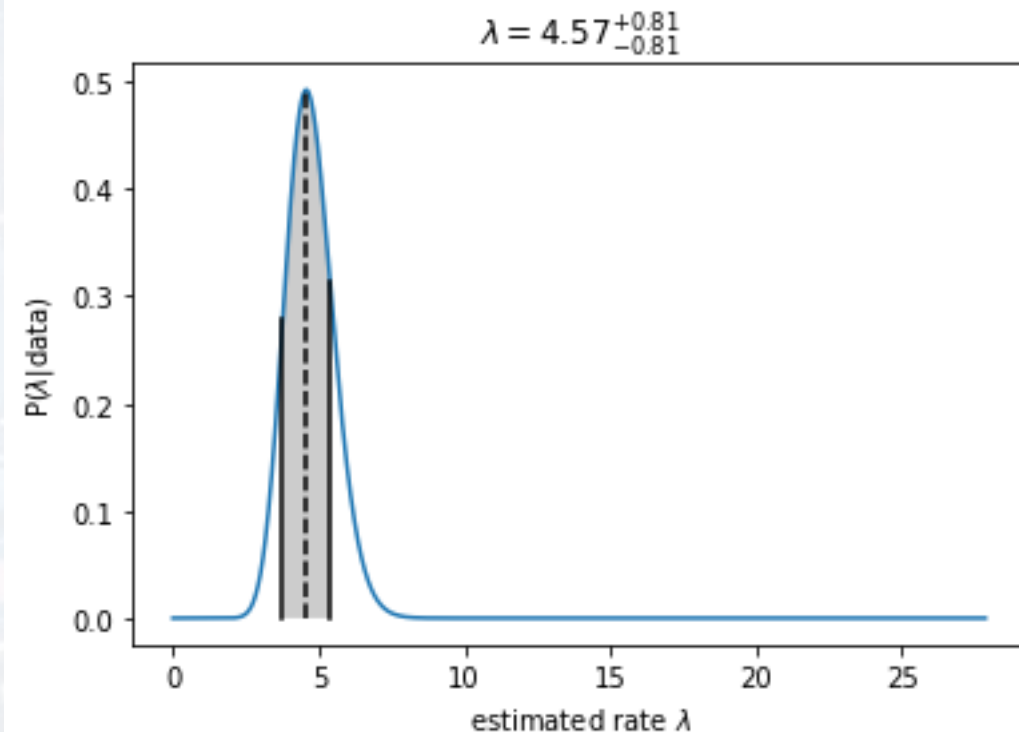
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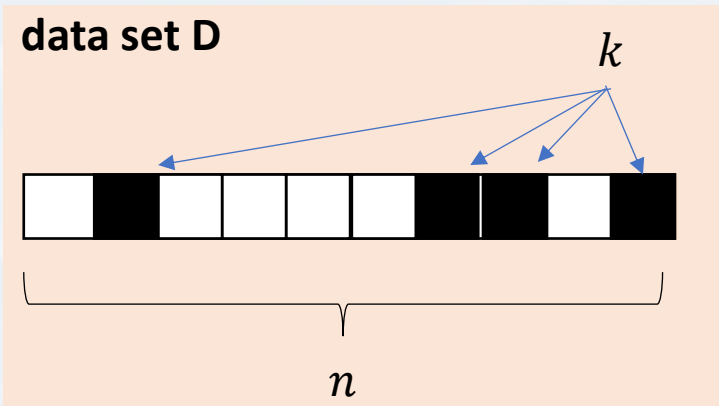
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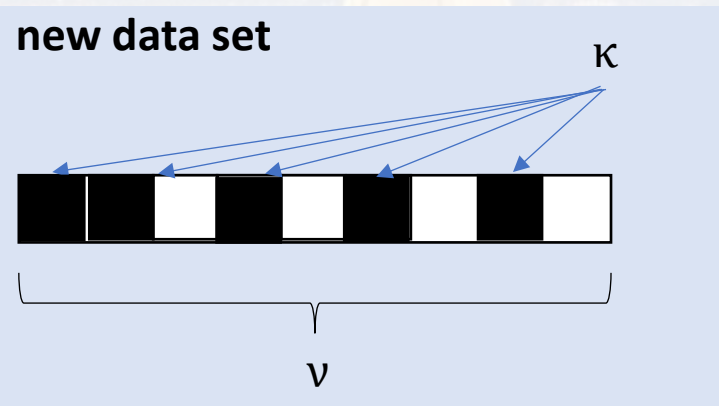
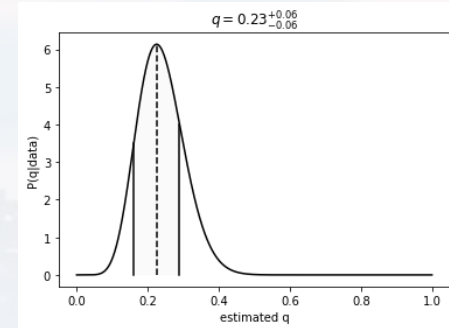


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if there is prior information I about q :

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$$= \frac{q^{k+\kappa}(1-q)^{\nu-\kappa+n-k}}{\int_0^1 q^{k+\kappa}(1-q)^{\nu-\kappa+n-k} dq}$$

$$= \frac{q^{k+\alpha-1}(1-q)^{n-k+\beta-1}}{\int_0^1 q^{k+\alpha-1}(1-q)^{n-k+\beta-1} dq}$$

often: $\kappa = \alpha - 1$
 $\beta = \nu - \kappa - 1$

Beta function

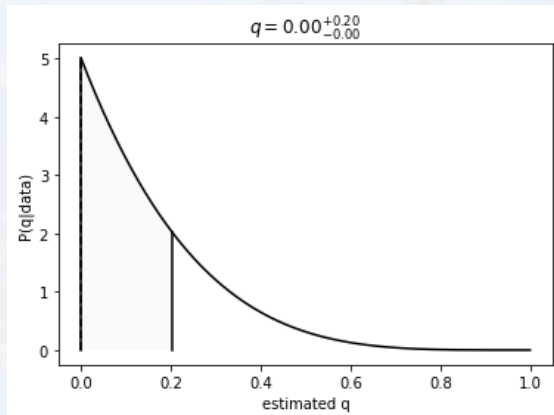


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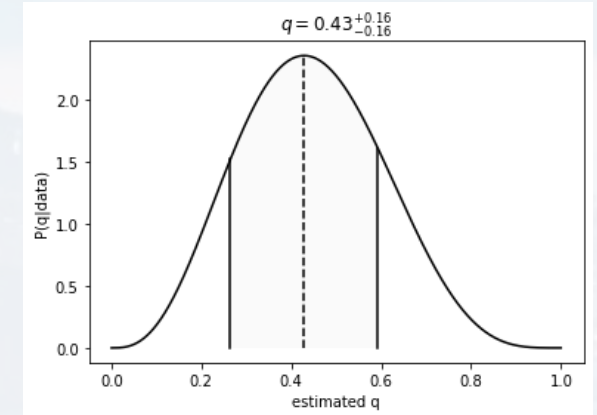
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k1 = np.random.binomial(n1, q = 0.2)
[_ , _ , Prior] = bayesian_bino(n1, k1)
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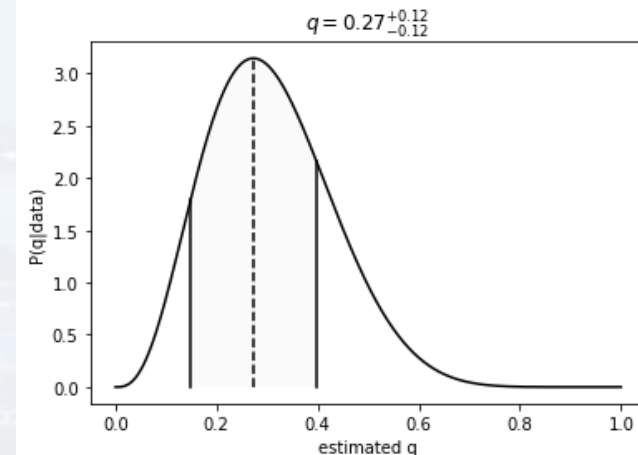
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n2 = 7
k2 = np.random.binomial(n2, q = 0.2)
[_ , _ , _] = bayesian_bino(n2, k2)
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$$P(q, I) = \frac{q^k(1-q)^{n-k}}{\int_0^1 q^k(1-q)^{n-k} dq}$$



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[_ , _ , _] = bayesian_bino(n2, k2, Prior = Prior)
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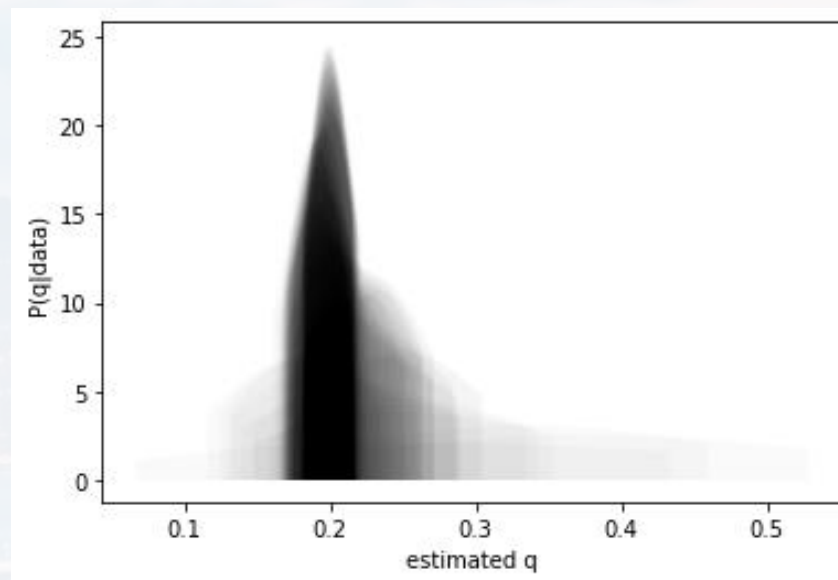




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The **posterior** from the **previous** experiment is the **prior** of the **next** experiment



→ we become more certain about the model parameters
→ learning!

→ see e.g. **Variational Auto Encoders**

2D images → 3D objects



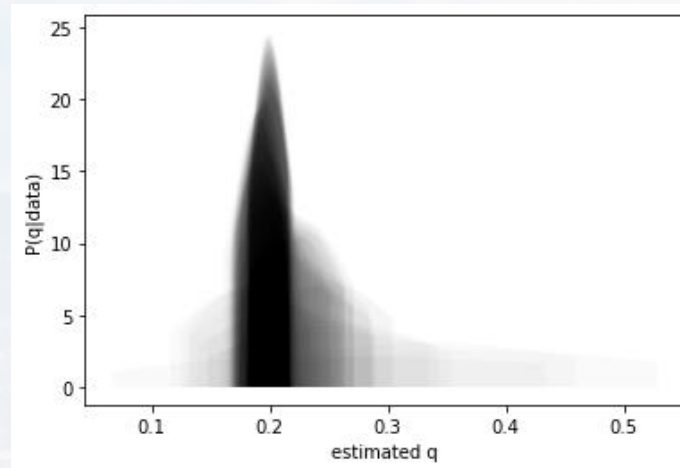
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What if there is new data?

$$P(q|\text{new data set}, I) = \frac{q^\kappa(1-q)^{v-\kappa}}{\int_0^1 q^\kappa(1-q)^{v-\kappa}} \frac{q^k(1-q)^{n-k}}{q^k(1-q)^{n-k}} dq$$

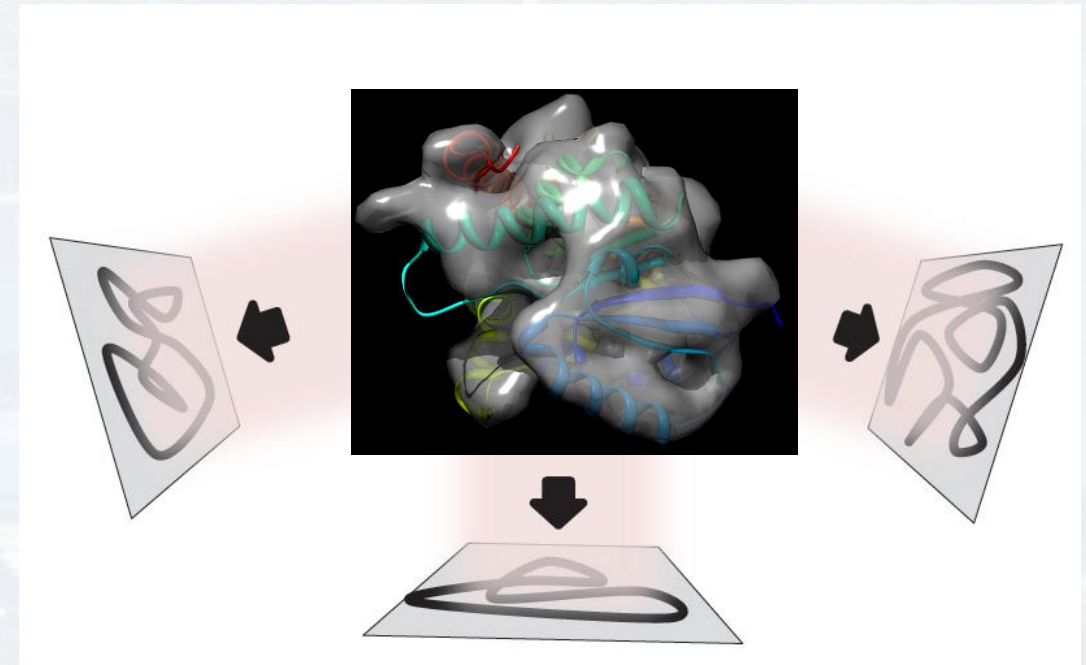
The **posterior** from the **previous** experiment is the **prior** of the **next** experiment



- we become more certain about the model parameters
- learning!

→ see e.g. **Variational Auto Encoders** 2D images → 3D objects

Cryo – EM: 3D structure from 2D images/projections



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Thank you very much for your attention!

