

CS-E5710 Bayesian Data Analysis

Assignment 2

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Solution

a)

There're 274 sites being monitored with 230 no algae and 44 algae present.

$$P(\text{algae present}) = \frac{44}{274} = 0.1605$$

$$\text{Prior: } P(\pi) = \text{Beta}(2, 10) = \frac{2}{2+10} = 0.1666$$

$$\text{The resulting posterior: } P(\pi|y) = \text{Beta}(2 + 44, 10 + 230) = \frac{2+44}{2+10+44+230} = 0.1608$$

$$\text{Likelihood: } \text{Likelihood} = \frac{\text{Posterior} \times \text{Evidence}}{\text{Prior}} = \frac{0.1608 \times 0.1605}{0.1666} = 0.1549$$

To be intuitive, I plot the probability distribution of both Beta distribution and its resulting posterior Beta distribution.

Code:

```
1 from scipy import stats
2 import numpy
3 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4
5 x = numpy.arange(0, 1, 0.001)
6 prior = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=2, b=10)
7 posterior = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=46, b=240)
8
9 plt.plot(x, prior, label='Prior Beta(2,10)', color='red')
10 plt.plot(x, posterior, label='Posterior Beta(46,240)',
11         color='green')
12 plt.xlabel('P(algae present)')
13 plt.ylabel('density')
14 plt.savefig('./prob_density.png')
15 plt.show()
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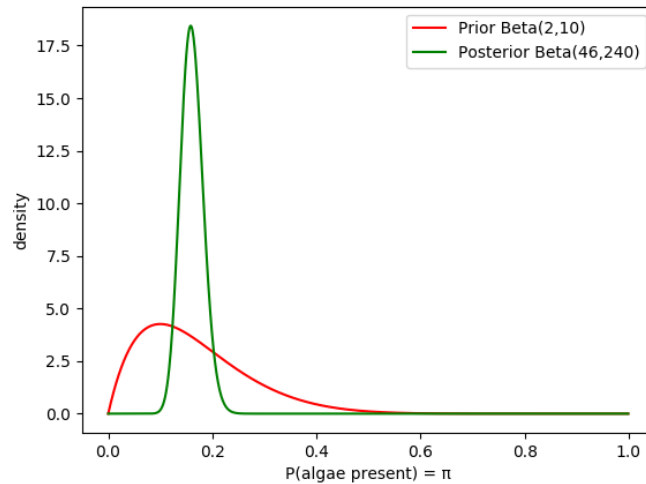


Figure 1: Beta probability density

Calculate mean, median and mode:

```
1 mean = stats.beta.mean(a=46, b=240, loc=0, scale=1)
2 print("mean:", mean)
3 median = stats.beta.median(a=46, b=240, loc=0, scale=1)
4 print("median:", median)
5 mode = (46-1) / (46+240-2) #mode= (a-1) / (a+b-2)
6 print("mode:", mode)
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mean: 0.16083916083916083

median: 0.16004803941468845

mode: 0.15845070422535212

The mode of a Beta distribution is given by the following expression:

$$mode = \frac{\alpha - 1}{\alpha + \beta - 2} \quad (1)$$

Calculate 90% interval estimate:

```
1 interval=stats.beta.interval(0.90, a=46, b=240)
2 print("90% interval estimate:", interval)
```

90% interval estimate: (0.12656071187877413, 0.197817667316323)

b)

Calculate $P(\pi < 0.2|y)$:

```

1 cumulative = stats.beta.cdf(0.2, a=46, b=240)
2 print('cumulative at 0.2: ', cumulative)

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cumulative at 0.2: 0.9586135871948555

The probability that the proportion of monitoring sites with detectable algae levels π is smaller than $\pi_0 = 0.2$ is 0.9586

To be intuitive, I plot the beta probability density function with shading the part smaller than 0.2

```

1 x2_line = np.arange(0, 0.3, 0.001)
2 posterior2_line = stats.beta.pdf(x2_line, a=46, b=240)
3
4 x2 = np.arange(0.096, 0.2, 0.001)
5 posterior2 = stats.beta.pdf(x2, a=46, b=240)
6
7 plt.fill_between(x2, posterior2, alpha=0.7)
8 plt.plot(x2_line, posterior2_line, color='green')
9 plt.legend()
10 plt.savefig('./cumulative.png')
11 plt.show()

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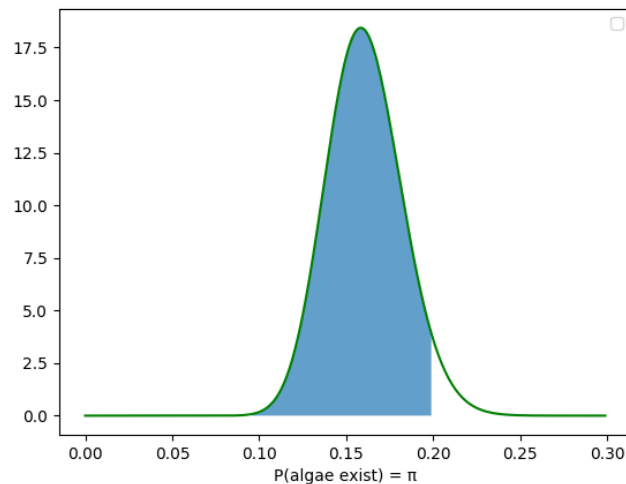


Figure 2: Beta probability density

c)

In terms of Independent and Identically Distributed, all sampling lakes have the same

distribution on the interval [0,1]

d)

Make prior sensitivity by testing prior Beta(2,8), Beta(2,10), Beta(2,12), Beta(5,25), Beta(10,50), Beta(20,100)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Beta}(2, 8) &= \frac{2}{2 + 8} = 0.2 \\
 \text{Beta}(2, 10) &= \frac{2}{2 + 10} = 0.1667 \\
 \text{Beta}(2, 12) &= \frac{2}{2 + 12} = 0.1428 \\
 \text{Beta}(5, 25) &= \frac{5}{5 + 25} = 0.1667 \\
 \text{Beta}(10, 50) &= \frac{10}{10 + 50} = 0.1667 \\
 \text{Beta}(20, 100) &= \frac{20}{20 + 100} = 0.1667
 \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Then I plot the beta probability density functions and cumulative density functions. With observation of two plots below, it's obvious that Beta distributions with larger number are more concentrated around 0.1667 and converge much faster.

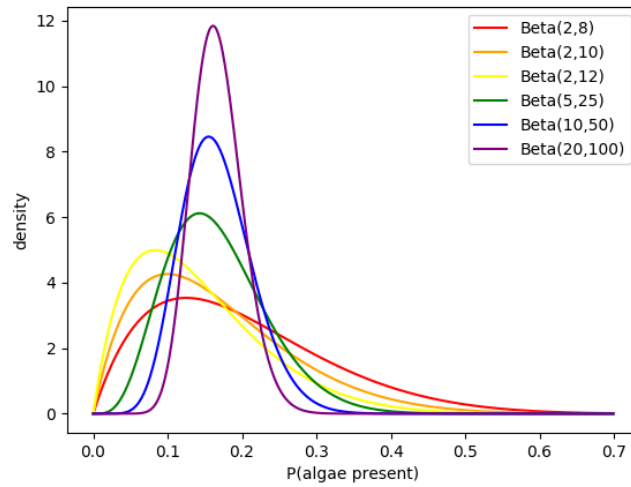


Figure 3: Beta probability density

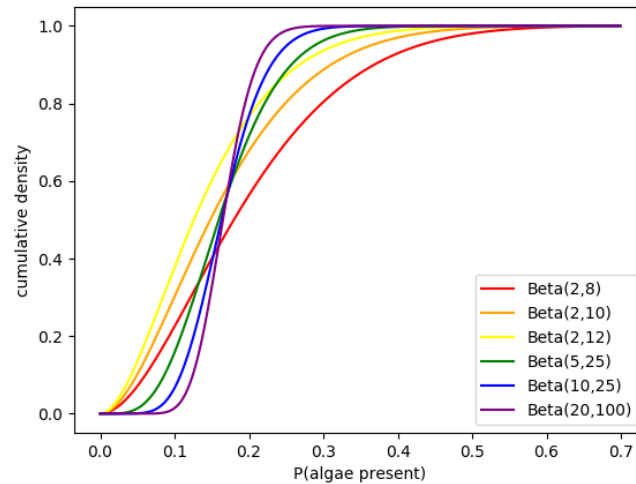


Figure 4: Beta probability density

Code:

```

1  from scipy import stats
2  import numpy as np
3  import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
4
5  x = np.arange(0, 0.7, 0.001)
6  beta1 = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=2, b=8)
7  beta2 = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=2, b=10)
8  beta3 = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=2, b=12)
9  beta4 = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=5, b=25)
10 beta5 = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=10, b=50)
11 beta6 = stats.beta.pdf(x, a=20, b=100)
12
13 plt.plot(x, beta1, label='Beta(2,8)', color='red')
14 plt.plot(x, beta2, label='Beta(2,10)', color='orange')
15 plt.plot(x, beta3, label='Beta(2,12)', color='yellow')
16 plt.plot(x, beta4, label='Beta(5,25)', color='green')
17 plt.plot(x, beta5, label='Beta(10,50)', color='blue')
18 plt.plot(x, beta6, label='Beta(20,100)', color='purple')
19
20 plt.xlabel('P(algae present)')
21 plt.ylabel('density')
22 plt.legend()
23 plt.savefig('./plotpdfs.png')
24 plt.show()
25

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26 beta01 = stats.beta.cdf(x, a=2, b=8)
27 beta02= stats.beta.cdf(x, a=2, b=10)
28 beta03= stats.beta.cdf(x, a=2, b=12)
29 beta04= stats.beta.cdf(x, a=5, b=25)
30 beta05= stats.beta.cdf(x, a=10, b=50)
31 beta06= stats.beta.cdf(x, a=20, b=100)
32
33 plt.plot(x, beta01, label='Beta(2,8)', color='red')
34 plt.plot(x, beta02, label='Beta(2,10)', color='orange')
35 plt.plot(x, beta03, label='Beta(2,12)', color='yellow')
36 plt.plot(x, beta04, label='Beta(5,25)', color='green')
37 plt.plot(x, beta05, label='Beta(10,25)', color='blue')
38 plt.plot(x, beta06, label='Beta(20,100)', color='purple')
39
40 plt.xlabel('P(algae present)')
41 plt.ylabel('cumulative density')
42 plt.legend()
43 plt.savefig('./plotcdfs.png')
44 plt.show()

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