

Mathematical Exercises 1: problem 1

Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$, where $n=30$ and $s=3$

$$p(\theta) = 1 \Rightarrow \theta \sim \text{Beta}(1,1)$$

a)
$$p(x|\theta) = \theta^s \cdot (1-\theta)^f = \theta^3 \cdot (1-\theta)^{27}$$

$$p(\theta|x) \propto \theta^3 \cdot (1-\theta)^{27}, \text{ i.e. } \theta|x \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha+s=4, \beta+f=28)$$

• b)
$$p(s|\theta) = \binom{n}{s} \cdot \theta^s \cdot (1-\theta)^f \propto \theta^3 \cdot (1-\theta)^{27}$$

• Hence, same inference as in a)

c)
$$p(n|\theta) = \binom{n-1}{s-1} \theta^s \cdot (1-\theta)^f \propto \theta^3 \cdot (1-\theta)^{27}$$

Hence, same inference as in a)

Mathematical Exercises 1: problem 2

Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$$\begin{aligned} p(x_1, \dots, x_n | \theta, \sigma^2) &\propto \prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \underbrace{(x_i - \theta)^2}_{\theta^2 - 2x_i\theta + x_i^2}\right] \propto \prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \cdot \theta^2 + \frac{x_i}{\sigma^2} \cdot \theta\right] \\ &= \exp\left[-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} \cdot \theta^2 + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\sigma^2} \cdot \theta\right] \end{aligned}$$

We need to show that $\theta | x \sim N(\mu_n, \tau_n^2)$. Then,

$$p(\theta | x) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\tau_n^2} \cdot \underbrace{(\theta - \mu_n)^2}_{\theta^2 - 2\mu_n\theta + \mu_n^2}\right] \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\tau_n^2} \cdot \theta^2 + \frac{\mu_n}{\tau_n^2} \cdot \theta\right]$$

a) $p(\theta) \propto c \Rightarrow p(\theta | x) \propto p(x | \theta)$

Solve for τ_n^2 : $-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} = -\frac{1}{2\tau_n^2} \Rightarrow \tau_n^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

Solve for μ_n : $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\mu_n}{\tau_n^2} \Rightarrow \mu_n = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \bar{x}$

b) $\theta \sim N(\mu_0, \tau_0^2) \Rightarrow p(\theta) \propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\tau_0^2} \cdot \theta^2 + \frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} \cdot \theta\right]$

$$p(\theta | x) \propto p(x | \theta) \cdot p(\theta) \propto \exp\left[\left(-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{2\tau_0^2}\right) \cdot \theta^2 + \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2}\right) \cdot \theta\right]$$

Solve for τ_n^2 : $-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{2\tau_0^2} = -\frac{1}{2\tau_n^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\tau_n^2} = \frac{n}{\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{\tau_0^2}$

Solve for μ_n : $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} = \frac{\mu_n}{\tau_n^2} \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow \mu_n = \underbrace{\frac{n/\sigma^2}{1/\tau_n^2}}_w \cdot \bar{x} + \underbrace{\frac{1/\tau_0^2}{1/\tau_n^2}}_{1-w} \cdot \mu_0$$

Mathematical Exercises 1: problem 3

a) Let $x = (x_1, \dots, x_{10})$
 $\theta | x \sim N(\mu_n, \tau_n^2)$

We have that $n=10$, $\sigma^2=1$, $\bar{x}=1.873$, $\mu_0=0$, $\tau_0^2=5$
 Use the formulas for μ_n and τ_n^2 on slide 4, lecture 2.

$$w = \frac{10/1}{10/1 + \frac{1}{5}} \quad , \quad \mu_n = w \cdot 1.873 + (1-w) \cdot 0 = 1.84$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau_n^2} = \frac{10}{1} + \frac{1}{5} \Rightarrow \tau_n^2 = 0.098$$

b) Let $y = (y_1, \dots, y_{10})$

$$p(\theta | x, y) \propto p(x, y | \theta) \cdot p(\theta) = p(y | x, \theta) \cdot \underbrace{p(x | \theta) \cdot p(\theta)}_{\propto p(\theta | x)}$$

Hence, use $p(\theta | x)$ as the prior before obtaining the second sample y .
 Use the formulas for μ_n and τ_n^2 again.

$$\mu_n = \frac{n - \textcircled{10} \textcircled{2} \sigma^2}{\frac{10}{2} + \frac{1}{0.098}} \cdot \underbrace{0.582}_{\bar{y}} + \frac{\frac{1}{0.098}}{\frac{10}{2} + \frac{1}{0.098}} \cdot 1.84 = 1.43$$

$$\frac{1}{\tau_n^2} = \frac{10}{2} + \frac{1}{0.098} \Rightarrow \tau_n^2 = 0.066$$

c) $p(\theta | x, y, z) \propto p(x, y, z | \theta) \cdot p(\theta) = \underbrace{p(z | x, y, \theta)}_{p(z | \theta)} \cdot \underbrace{p(x, y | \theta) \cdot p(\theta)}_{\propto p(\theta | x, y)}$

Hence, $p(\theta | x, y)$ is the prior before obtaining the third sample z .

The likelihood $p(z | \theta)$ can be written as

$$P(Z_1 = z_1, \dots, Z_8 = z_8, Z_9 > 3, Z_{10} > 3 | \theta) = P(Z_1 = z_1, \dots, Z_8 = z_8 | \theta)$$

$$\cdot P(Z_9 > 3, Z_{10} > 3 | \theta) = p(z_1, \dots, z_8 | \theta) \cdot \prod_{j=1}^2 P(Z_j > 3 | \theta) \rightarrow 1 - \Phi\left[\frac{3 - \mu}{\sqrt{\tau^2}}\right]$$

Mathematical Exercises 1: problem 4

$$p(\theta) \propto \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\theta}$$

$$p(x|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(x_i|\theta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \theta e^{-\theta x_i} = \theta^n \cdot e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \cdot \theta$$

$$p(\theta|x) \propto p(x|\theta) \cdot p(\theta) \propto \theta^n \cdot e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n x_i} \cdot \theta \cdot \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\theta} = \theta^{\alpha+n-1} e^{-(\beta + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i)\theta}$$

- Hence, $\theta|x \sim \text{Gamma}\left(\alpha+n, \beta + \sum_{i=1}^n x_i\right)$, i.e.
- the gamma prior for θ is the conjugate prior.