

Prove Beta-Binomial conjugation

⇒ 要 prove 之前要先介紹 gamma function

$\Gamma(x) = \int_0^{\infty} p^{x-1} e^{-p} dp$ 該 function 有以下性質：

① $\Gamma(x) = (x-1)\Gamma(x-1)$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\infty} p^{x-1} e^{-p} dp &= -p^{x-1} e^{-p} \Big|_0^{\infty} + (x-1) \int_0^{\infty} p^{x-2} e^{-p} dp \\ &= (x-1) \Gamma(x-1)\end{aligned}$$

② $\int_0^{\infty} p^{a-1} (1-p)^{b-1} dp = \frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)}$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^{\infty} \beta(p, a, b) dp &= 1 \Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} p^{a-1} (1-p)^{b-1} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} dp \\ &= \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} \int_0^{\infty} p^{a-1} (1-p)^{b-1} dp = 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\infty} p^{a-1} (1-p)^{b-1} dp = \frac{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}{\Gamma(a+b)}$$

Prior 為 beta distribution, 其分布為以下

$$p^{a-1} (1-p)^{b-1} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}$$

令 a, b 為先前的 knowledge, p 為成功的

機率。N為測試次數。m為成功。n為失敗

$$P(\theta|\text{event}) = \frac{\text{likelihood} \times \text{prior}}{\text{marginal}} = \frac{C_m^N p^m (1-p)^{N-m} p^{a-1} (1-p)^{b-1} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)}}{\int_0^1 C_m^N \theta^m (1-\theta)^{N-m} \theta^{a-1} (1-\theta)^{b-1} \frac{\Gamma(a+b)}{\Gamma(a)\Gamma(b)} d\theta}$$
$$= \frac{p^{m+a-1} (1-p)^{N-m+b-1}}{\int_0^1 \theta^{m+a-1} (1-\theta)^{N-m+b-1} d\theta}$$

$$\therefore \int_0^1 \beta(\theta|m+a, N-m+b) d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^1 \theta^{m+a-1} (1-\theta)^{N-m+b-1} \frac{\Gamma(a+N+b)}{\Gamma(m+a)\Gamma(N-m+b)} d\theta$$

$$= 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 \theta^{m+a-1} (1-\theta)^{N-m+b-1} d\theta = \frac{\Gamma(m+a)\Gamma(N-m+b)}{\Gamma(a+N+b)}$$

$$P(\theta|\text{event}) = \frac{p^{m+a-1} (1-p)^{N-m+b-1}}{\int_0^1 \theta^{m+a-1} (1-\theta)^{N-m+b-1} d\theta}$$

$$= p^{m+a-1} (1-p)^{N-m+b-1} \frac{\Gamma(a+N+b)}{\Gamma(m+a)\Gamma(N-m+b)}$$

$$= \beta(p|a+m, b+N-m)$$



由此可以 prove Beta-Binomial
conjugation