# Prior distribution study

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### Set up

Seed = 2021; The number of sampling times is 1000;

#### **Parameters**

Prior distribution  $\theta \sim Beta(\alpha, \beta)$ ,  $Y \sim Bin(100, \theta)$ ; Observed data is 82 responses in the first cohort of 100 patients;

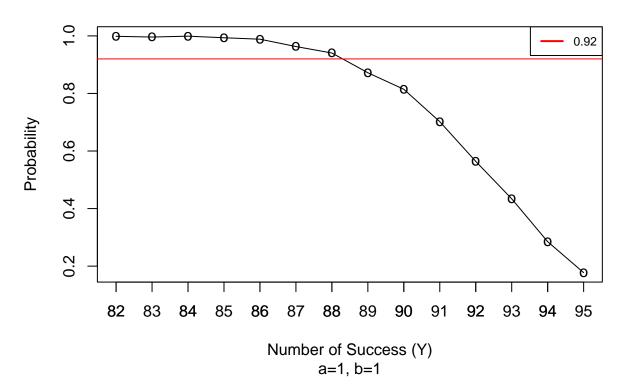
### Scenario 1:

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\alpha = 1, \beta = 1
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• Mean and Variance of Beta(1,1)

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## [1] "mean = 0.5"
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 $\bullet\,$  Posterior plot for number of success from 82 to 95



• Threshhold value

## [1] "P|Y=88: 0.9405"

## [1] "P|Y=89: 0.872"

#### Scenario 2:

 $\alpha = 0.09, \beta = 0.01$ 

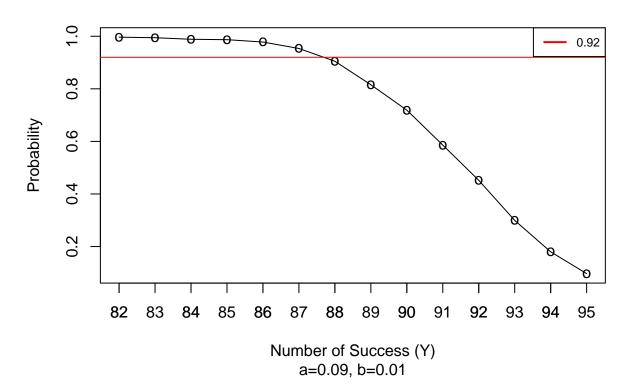
• Mean and Variance of Beta(0.09,0.01)

## [1] "mean = 0.9"

## [1] "variance = 0.0818181818181818"

Mean is 0.9, and variance is roughly the same as Beta(1,1)

• Posterior plot for number of success from 82 to 95



• Threshhold value

## [1] "P|Y=87: 0.9535"

## [1] "P|Y=88: 0.905"

#### Scenario 3:

 $\alpha = 0.0087, \beta = 0.0015$ 

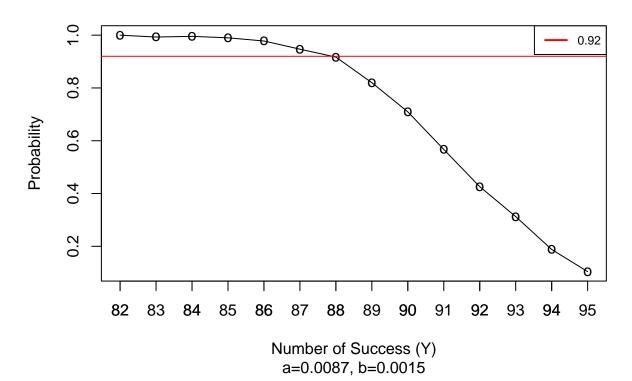
• Mean and Variance of Beta(0.0087,0.0015)

## [1] "mean = 0.852941176470588"

## [1] "variance = 0.124166032420864"

Mean is 0.85, and variance is higher.

• Posterior plot for number of success from 82 to 95



• Threshhold value

## [1] "P|Y=88: 0.917"

## [1] "P|Y=89: 0.82"

#### Scenario 4:

$$\alpha = 90, \beta = 10$$

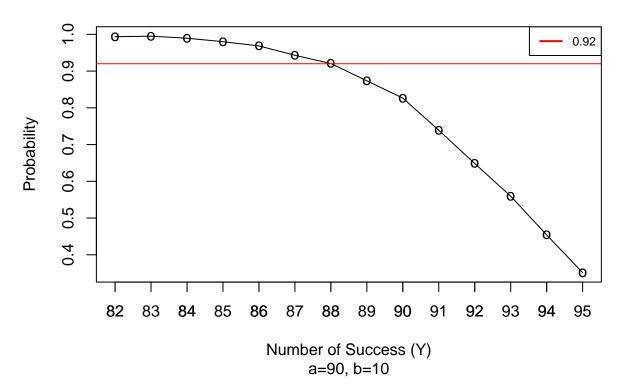
• Mean and Variance of Beta(90,10)

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$$[1]$$
 "mean = 0.9"

## [1] "variance = 0.000891089108910891"

Mean is 0.9, and variance is way lower.

• Posterior plot for number of success from 82 to 95



• Threshhold value

## [1] "P|Y=88: 0.9205"

## [1] "P|Y=89: 0.8735"