

## THE ENTIRE LIKELIHOOD LANDSCAPE

EX  $T \sim p_T(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}$   $\lambda$ -RATE

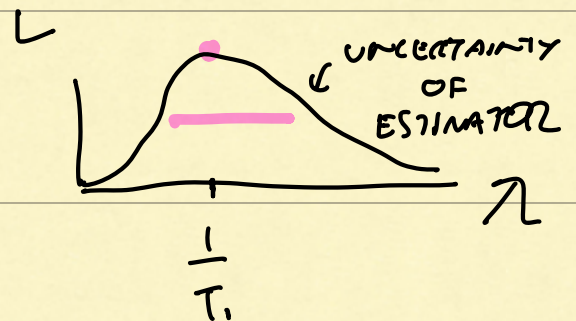
↑  
EXPONENTIAL

$$= \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau}$$

$$\tau = \frac{1}{\lambda} \text{ MEAN TIME}$$

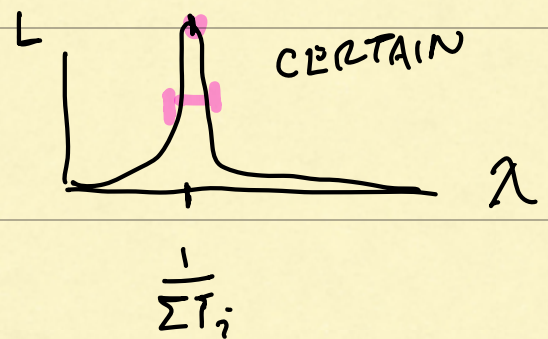
DATA  $T_1$

$$\begin{aligned} L(\lambda) &= \lambda e^{-\lambda t} \\ &= \lambda e^{-\lambda T_1} \end{aligned}$$



DATA  $T_1, \dots, T_N$

$$L(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^N \lambda e^{-\lambda T_i}$$

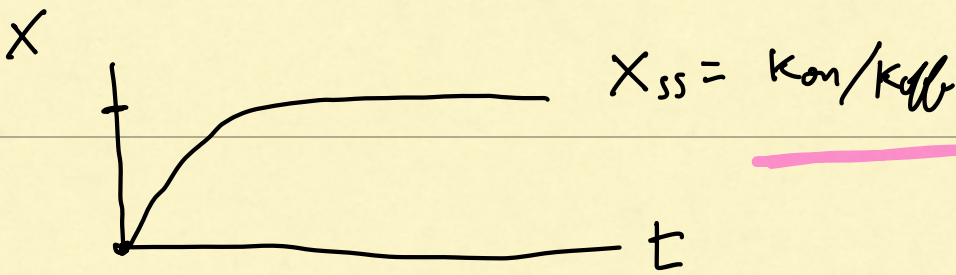


EX  $\frac{dX}{dt} = k_{on} - k_{off}X$   $\leftarrow X_{ss} = \frac{k_{on}}{k_{off}}$

$$X(0) = 0$$

$$Y = X + \epsilon$$

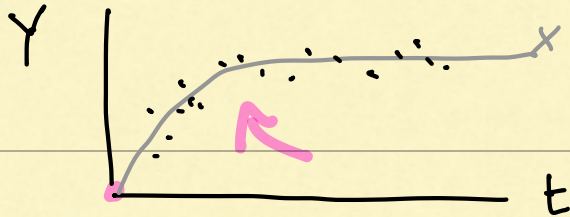
↖ random iid normal



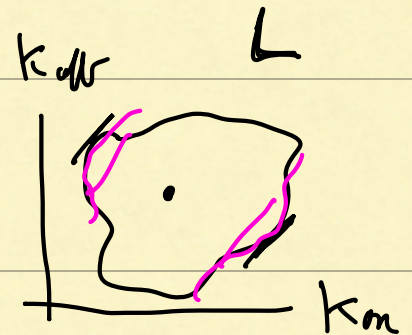
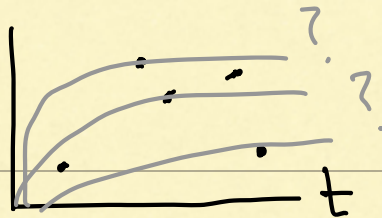
$$X(t) = \frac{k_{on}}{k_{off}} (1 - e^{-k_{off}t})$$

$$= X_{ss} (1 - e^{-t/\tau})$$

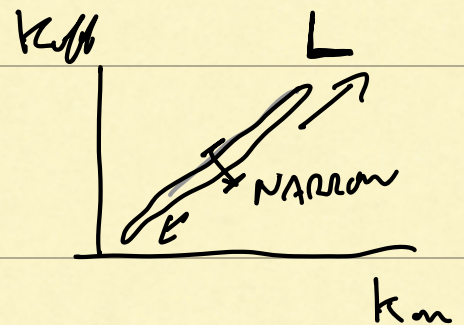
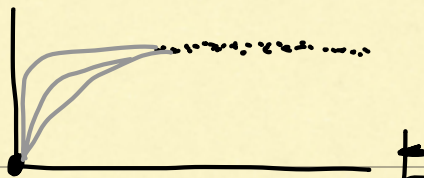
$$\tau = \frac{1}{k_{off}}$$



HIGH  $\sigma$   
LOW DATA



LOW  $\sigma$   
LATE DATA



ISSUE WITH LIKELIHOOD LANDSCAPE: NOT A  
PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTION

• DOES NOT INTEGRATE TO UNITY

• NO MEAN, NO STANDARD DEVIATION,  
CONFIDENCE INTERVALS

## BAYESIAN STATISTICS

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(B|A)P(A)}{P(B)}$$

FOR ANY  
A, B

$$p(\theta | x) = \frac{P(x|\theta) \underbrace{P(\theta)}_{\text{PRIOR}}}{P(x)}$$

$\uparrow$        $\uparrow$   
PARAMETER   DATA

$\uparrow$   
 $\int P(x) dx = 1$

$\uparrow$   
POSTERIOR

$P(x; \theta) = L(\theta)$   
 $\downarrow$   
 $P(x|\theta)$

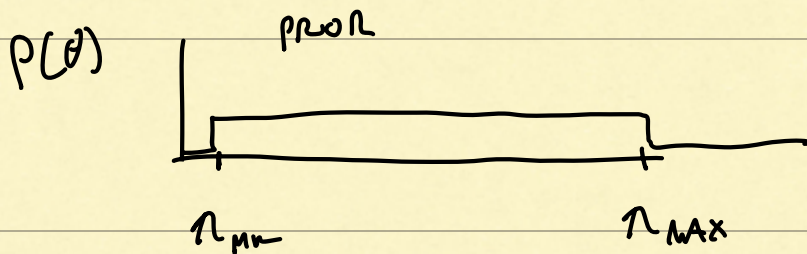
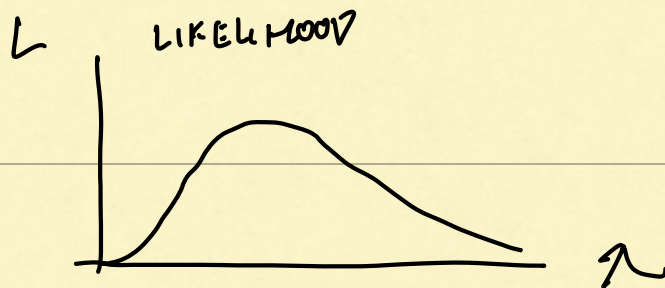
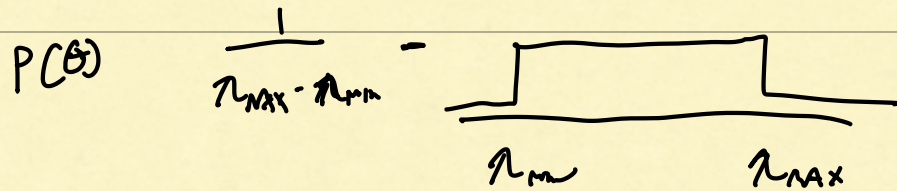
$$= \frac{L(\theta) P(\theta)}{P(x)}$$

INSTEAD OF  $L(\theta)$ , LOOK AT  $P(\theta | x)$

EX  $T \sim p_T(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}$



PRIOR  $\lambda \sim \text{UNIFORM IN } (\lambda_{\min}, \lambda_{\max})$



### NOTES

i) AS  $\lambda_{\min} \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\lambda_{\max} \rightarrow \infty$

$$P(\lambda | T) \rightarrow \frac{\lambda e^{-\lambda T}}{(1/T^2)}$$

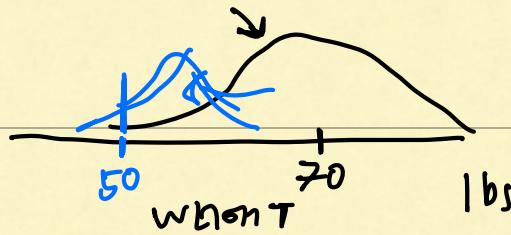
POSTERIOR IS STILL WELL-DEFINED EVEN  
THOUGH THE PRIOR IS ILL-DEFINED

$\rightarrow$  "IRREGULAR PRIOR"

## 2 NON-UNIFORM PRIORS

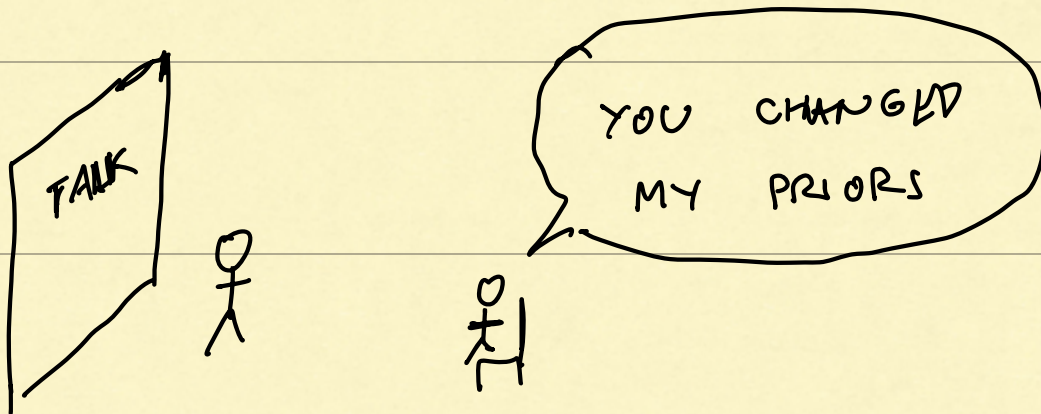
• MY DOG WEIGHS 70 lbs

• VET SCALE : 50 lbs



PRIOR - PRIOR BELIEF

POSTERIOR - UPDATED BELIEF



2b RIDGE : PRIOR  $p(\beta_i) = e^{-\frac{\sum \beta_i^2}{\tau}}$

LASSO : PRIOR  $p(\beta_i) = e^{-\frac{\sum |\beta_i|}{\tau}}$

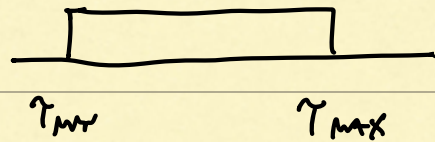
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T - EXPONENTIAL

$$p_T(t) = \frac{1}{\tau} e^{-t/\tau}$$

$\tau$  - PARAMETER

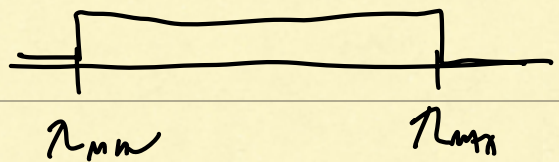
PRIOR:  $p(\tau) \sim \text{UNIF}$



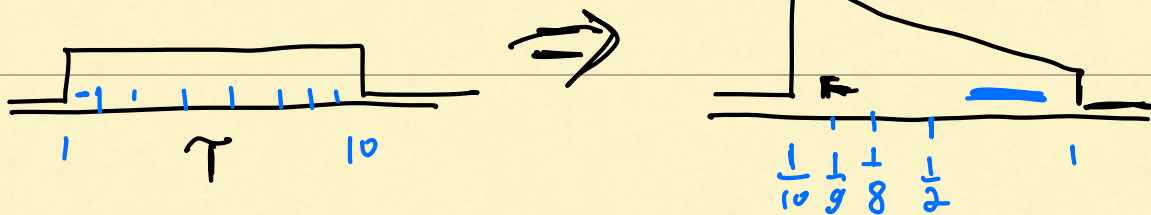
$$p_{\tau}(t) = \lambda e^{-\lambda t}$$

$\lambda$  - PARAMETER

PRIOR  $p(\lambda) \sim \text{UNIF}$



$$\lambda = \frac{1}{\tau}$$



$\Rightarrow$  NO SUCH THING AS FLAT PRIORS