

Problem 1

→ $y_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Exp}(\lambda)$ or $p(y_i | \lambda) = \lambda e^{-\lambda y_i}$, $i = 1, \dots, 30$

→ part a → Informative prior with Exp value = 2.5 & variance = 0.2

⇒ use conjugate prior & find parameters to match info

⇒ $\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(a, \beta) \Rightarrow \pi(\lambda) = \frac{\beta^a}{\Gamma(a)} \lambda^{a-1} e^{-\beta \lambda}$

$E(\lambda) = \frac{a}{\beta} = 2.5 \Rightarrow a = 2.5\beta$

$V(\lambda) = \frac{a}{\beta^2} = 0.2 \quad \frac{2.5\beta}{\beta^2} = 0.2$

$\frac{2.5}{\beta} = 0.2$

⇒ $\beta = 12.5$ & $a = 31.25$

⇒ $\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(a = 31.25, \beta = 12.5)$

→ part b → Posterior distribution

→ $p(\lambda | y) \propto p(y | \lambda) \pi(\lambda)$

$= \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda e^{-\lambda y_i} \right] \frac{\beta^a}{\Gamma(a)} \lambda^{a-1} e^{-\beta \lambda}$

$\propto \lambda^{(n+a)-1} e^{-\lambda(\beta + \sum y_i)}$

$\propto \text{Gamma}(n+a, \beta + \sum y_i)$

⇒ using a, β, n & $y \rightarrow \lambda | y \sim \text{Gamma}(61.25, 90.6)$

Problem 2

→ $y_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2 = 1.5^2) \Rightarrow p(y_i | \mu) = \frac{1}{1.5\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\frac{y_i - \mu}{1.5})^2}$

→ part a → Informative prior with average of 8 & ranges from 4 to 12

⇒ $\mu \sim \text{Uniform}(4, 12) \Rightarrow \pi(\mu) = \frac{1}{8}$

→ part b → Posterior distribution

→ $p(\mu | y) \propto p(y | \mu) \pi(\mu)$

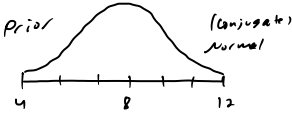
$= \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1.5\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1.5)^2}(y_i - \mu)^2} \right] \frac{1}{8}$

$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1.5)^2} (n\mu^2 - 2\mu \sum y_i) \right\}$

$\propto ?$

Not conjugate!! → Not general form of a normal model

→ part a again → Prior



range = $\mu_0 \pm 2\sigma_0 \Rightarrow$ nearly all values in range
 $\Rightarrow \sigma_0 = 4/3$

→ $\mu \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_0 = 8, \tau_0 = 4/3) \Rightarrow \pi(\mu) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \frac{4}{3}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\frac{\mu - 8}{4/3})^2}$

→ part b again → Posterior

$p(\mu | y) \propto p(y | \mu) \pi(\mu)$

$= \left[\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1.5\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(1.5)^2}(y_i - \mu)^2} \right] \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \frac{4}{3}} e^{-\frac{1}{2(4/3)^2}(\mu - 8)^2} \right]$

$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2(1.5)^2} (n\mu^2 - 2\mu \sum y_i) - \frac{1}{2(4/3)^2} (\mu^2 - 2(8)\mu) \right\}$

$= \exp \left\{ -\left(\frac{n}{2(1.5)^2} + \frac{1}{2(4/3)^2} \right) \mu^2 + \left(\frac{\sum y_i}{1.5^2} + \frac{8}{(4/3)^2} \right) \mu \right\}$

→ Normal dist → $f(x) \propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} x^2 + \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} x \right\}$
 (rearrangement)

$= \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\tau_n^2} \mu^2 + \frac{\mu \mu_n}{\tau_n^2} \right\}$

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\tau_n^2} = \frac{n}{1.5^2} + \frac{1}{(4/3)^2} \\ \frac{\mu_n}{\tau_n^2} = \frac{\sum y_i}{1.5^2} + \frac{8}{(4/3)^2} \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \tau_n^2 = \left(\frac{n}{\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{\tau_0^2} \right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{n}{1.5^2} + \frac{1}{(4/3)^2} \right)^{-1} \\ \mu_n = \tau_n^2 \left(\frac{\sum y_i}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu_0}{\tau_0^2} \right) = \tau_n^2 \left(\frac{\sum y_i}{1.5^2} + \frac{8}{(4/3)^2} \right) \end{cases}$

→ or $\sum y_i = n\bar{y}$ (like in notes)

$\propto \text{Normal}(\mu_n, \tau_n^2)$

⇒ using $y \rightarrow \mu | y \sim \text{Normal}(\text{mean} = 5.547, \text{var} = 0.072)$

→ part d → Posterior predictive distribution

$p(y | y) = \int_{\theta} p(y | \theta) p(\theta | y) d\theta$

→ Simulate → 1) $\mu^{(m)} \sim p(\mu | y) = \text{Normal}(\mu_n, \tau_n^2) \rightarrow$ (using result of part b)
 for $m = 1, \dots, M$ 2) $y \sim p(y | \mu^{(m)}) = \text{Normal}(\mu^{(m)}, \sigma^2)$

→ Approximate → $E(y | y) \approx \frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^M y^{(m)}$
 $\text{SD}(y | y) \approx \sqrt{\frac{1}{M-1} \sum_{m=1}^M (y^{(m)} - \bar{y})^2}$

Problem 3

→ Data dists → Rank 5 SAT → $X_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu_{0,i}, \sigma^2 = 1)$, $i = 1, \dots, 30$

→ Rank 6 SAT → $y_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu_{0,i}, \sigma^2 = 1)$, $i = 1, \dots, 28$

→ priors → $\mu_{0,1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{0,1}, \tau_{0,1}^2 = 4)$

→ $\mu_{0,2} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{0,2}, \tau_{0,2}^2 = 4)$

→ posteriors → using results from problem 2 ...

$\mu_{0,1} | X \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{n,1}, \tau_{n,1}^2) \Rightarrow \tau_{n,1}^2 = \left(\frac{n}{\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{\tau_{0,1}^2} \right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{30}{1} + \frac{1}{4} \right)^{-1}$
 $\mu_{n,1} = \tau_{n,1}^2 \left(\frac{\sum x_i}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu_{0,1}}{\tau_{0,1}^2} \right) = \tau_{n,1}^2 \left(\frac{\sum x_i}{1} + \frac{2.5}{4} \right)$

→ using $X \Rightarrow \mu_{0,1} | X \sim \mathcal{N}(\text{mean} \approx 21.978, \text{var} \approx 0.071)$

$\mu_{0,2} | y \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_{n,2}, \tau_{n,2}^2) \Rightarrow \tau_{n,2}^2 = \left(\frac{n}{\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{\tau_{0,2}^2} \right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{28}{1} + \frac{1}{4} \right)^{-1}$
 $\mu_{n,2} = \tau_{n,2}^2 \left(\frac{\sum y_i}{\sigma^2} + \frac{\mu_{0,2}}{\tau_{0,2}^2} \right) = \tau_{n,2}^2 \left(\frac{\sum y_i}{1} + \frac{20.5}{4} \right)$

→ using $y \Rightarrow \mu_{0,2} | y \sim \mathcal{N}(\text{mean} \approx 20.377, \text{var} \approx 0.075)$

→ Equal tails interval for difference in means → it's just simply an interval based on the resulting distribution from subtracting the two posteriors

$\mu_{0,1} | X - \mu_{0,2} | y \sim \mathcal{N}(\text{mean} = \mu_{n,1} - \mu_{n,2}, \text{var} = \tau_{n,1}^2 + \tau_{n,2}^2)$

\downarrow $\approx 21.978 - 20.377$, \downarrow $\approx 0.071 + 0.075$

\downarrow ≈ 1.606 , \downarrow ≈ 0.066

⇒ 95% equal tails interval → LB = qnorm(0.025, mean = 1.606, sd = $\sqrt{0.066}$)
 UB = qnorm(0.975, ...)

Problem 4

→ let $y | \theta \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta) \Rightarrow H(y | \theta) = \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^y}{y!} = L(\theta | y)$

→ Fisher's information = $I(\theta)$

$= -E \left[\frac{\partial^2 L(\theta)}{\partial \theta^2} \right]$

$= -E \left[-\frac{y}{\theta^2} \right]$

$= \frac{1}{\theta^2} E(y)$

$= \frac{1}{\theta^2}$

→ $L(\theta) = L(\theta | y)$

$\downarrow = -\theta + y \ln(\theta) - y!$

→ $\frac{\partial L(\theta)}{\partial \theta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left[-\theta + y \ln(\theta) - y! \right]$

$\downarrow = -1 + \frac{y}{\theta}$

→ $\frac{\partial^2 L(\theta)}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left[-1 + \frac{y}{\theta} \right]$

$\downarrow = -\frac{y}{\theta^2}$

→ Jeffreys' prior $p(\theta) \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)}$

$\downarrow = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\theta^2}}$

$\downarrow = \frac{1}{\theta}$