

Bayesian Topics

$$\text{Posterior: } P(\theta|X) \propto \underbrace{P(X|\theta)}_{\text{Likelihood}} \underbrace{P(\theta)}_{\text{Prior}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Post - Prd: } P(\bar{x}|X) &= \int P(\bar{x}, \theta|X) d\theta \\ &= \int P(\bar{x}|X, \theta) P(\theta|X) d\theta \\ &= \int \underbrace{P(\bar{x}|\theta)}_{\substack{\text{one unit} \\ \text{Likelihood}}} \underbrace{P(\theta|X)}_{\text{Post.}} d\theta\end{aligned}$$

Post-Summaries:

$$\hat{\theta}_{PM} = \mathbb{E}[\theta|X] \quad \theta_{MAP} = \arg \max_{\theta \in \Theta} P(\theta|X)$$

- Credibility intervals

$$P(\theta \in S_\alpha | X) = 1 - \alpha$$

- Percentage credibility interval

$$P(\theta \in (F_{\alpha/2}^{-1}, F_{1-\alpha/2}^{-1})) = 1 - \alpha$$

- HDPP

$$\{\theta : P(\theta|X) > k_\alpha\} \text{ with}$$

$$P(\{\theta : P(\theta|X) > k_\alpha\}) = 1 - \alpha$$

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Ex: $\Theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$ $X | \Theta \sim \text{Binom}(n, \theta)$
 $\Theta | X \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha + X, n - X + \beta)$

post mode: $\frac{\alpha + X - 1}{n + \alpha + \beta - 2}$

mean: $\frac{\alpha + X}{n + \alpha + \beta}$

var: $\frac{\mathbb{E}[\Theta|X](1-\mathbb{E}[\Theta|X])}{n+\alpha+\beta+1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$

Noninformative Priors

Jeffrey's Prior: main prop is invariance to
reparametrization

$$P(\theta) \propto I(\theta)^{-1/2} \quad I(\theta) = \mathbb{E}_{\Theta} \left[\left(\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \theta} \right)^2 \right] \\ = -\mathbb{E}_{\Theta} \left[\frac{\partial^2 \ell}{\partial \theta^2} \right]$$

obs Fisher's info $\ell = \log P(\theta)$

$$I^{\text{obs}}(\theta) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log P(X_i | \theta)$$

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Examples from Exp. families:

Jeffreys for $X \sim \text{Binom}(n, \theta)$ is

$$\theta \sim \text{Beta}(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$$

Conjugate Prior for $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ known

$$P(\mu) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma_0^2} (\mu - \mu_0)^2\right) = N(\mu_0, \sigma_0^2).$$

Conjugate Post: $N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$

$$\mu_1 = \frac{\mu_0/\sigma_0^2 + \bar{x}/(\sigma^2/n)}{\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{1}{(\sigma^2/n)}} \quad \sigma_1^2 = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\sigma_0^2} + \frac{1}{(\sigma^2/n)}}$$

Post predictive:

$$\tilde{X} | \mu \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \quad \tilde{X} = \mu + e \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\mu | X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2) \quad \mu = \mu_1 + f \sim N(0, \sigma_1^2).$$

notice $e \perp \!\!\! \perp f$ so

$$\tilde{X} | X \sim N(\mu_1, \sigma^2 + \sigma_1^2)$$

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Examples from Exp. families

model: $X_i | \sigma^2 \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$
 $\underbrace{i}_{\text{known}}$

conj prior: $P(\sigma^2) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-(v_0/2 + 1)} \exp\left(\frac{-r_0 t_0}{2\sigma^2}\right)$
 $\sim \text{Inv } \chi^2(v_0, t_0)$

Post: $\sigma^2 | X \sim \text{Inv } \chi^2\left(n + r_0, \frac{S(X) + r_0 \bar{t}_0}{n + r_0}\right)$

for $S(X) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{\mu})^2$

Model: $Y | \epsilon \sim P_\theta(x|\epsilon)$

Prior: $P(\theta) \propto \theta^{d-1} e^{-\beta \theta} \sim \text{Gamma}(d, \beta)$

Post: $\theta | Y \sim \text{Gamma}(d + n\bar{y}, \beta + n\bar{x})$

Post Pred: $\tilde{Y} | Y \sim NB\left(d + n\bar{y}, \frac{\bar{x}}{\bar{x} + \beta + n\bar{x}}\right)$

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Model: $X_1, \dots, X_n | \mu, \sigma^2 \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

Prior: $P(\mu, \sigma^2) = P(\mu | \sigma^2)P(\sigma^2)$

$$P(\mu | \sigma^2) \propto \exp\left\{-\frac{(\mu - \mu_0)^2}{2\sigma^2/k_0}\right\}$$

$$P(\sigma^2) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-\frac{v_0}{2}-1} \exp\left(-\frac{v_0 \sigma^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

$\mu, \sigma^2 \sim N\text{-Inv} \chi^2(\mu_0, k_0, v_0, \sigma_0^2)$.

Post: $\mu, \sigma^2 | X \sim N\text{-Inv} \chi^2(\mu_n, k_n, v_n, \sigma_n^2)$

$$\mu_n = \frac{n\bar{x} + k_0\mu_0}{n+k_0} \quad (\text{See text.})$$

Laplace Approximation.

Set $\Theta^* = \underset{\Theta}{\operatorname{argmax}} \Pi(\Theta)$ for $\Pi(\Theta) = \log P(\Theta | X)$

then $\Theta | X \sim N(\Theta^*, I^{obs}(\Theta^*)^{-1})$

Bernstein von Mises: $\Theta^* \approx \hat{\Theta}_{MLE}$ so

$$\Theta | X \sim N(\hat{\Theta}_{MLE}, I(\hat{\Theta}_{MLE})^{-1})$$