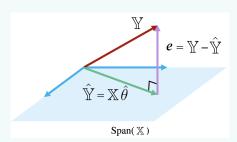
# STAT 135 Lecture 19

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### Remark 0.1



$$y_{i} \approx \beta_{0} + x_{i1} + x_{i2} + \dots + x_{ip}$$

$$\hat{\beta} \text{ minimizing } \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_{i} - \beta_{0} - \beta_{1}x_{i1} - \beta_{2}x_{i2} - \dots - \beta_{p}x_{ip})^{2}$$

$$d(\mathbb{Y}, \mathbb{X}) = \sqrt{(y_{1} - x_{1})^{2} + (y_{2} - x_{2})^{2} + \dots + (y_{p} - x_{p})^{2}}$$

$$\hat{\mathbb{Y}} = x\hat{\beta}$$

$$\mathbb{X}^{\mathsf{T}}(\mathbb{Y} - \hat{\mathbb{Y}}) = 0$$

$$\mathbb{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbb{Y} = (\mathbb{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbb{X})\hat{\beta} \to \hat{\beta} = (\mathbb{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbb{X})^{-1}\mathbb{X}\mathbb{Y} = \hat{\beta}$$

Even if we do not have full rank the diagram will still look the same

# Remark 0.2 (Reasons for being Bayesian)

Flip a "possibly biased" coin 5 times and get 0 heads. What is your best guess at p? MLE  $\to$  0 is best guess

 $\hat{p}$  is good in many ways: MLE, Unbiased, Minimum Variance Frequentists approach ignores relevant information

- Symmetry of coin
- Historical evidence

 $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \overset{iid}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$  with known variance, interested in the mean Precision =  $\frac{1}{\text{Variance}}$   $\Theta \sim \mathcal{N}(\theta_0, \xi_{\text{prior}}^{-1})$   $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\xi_{\text{prior}}}$   $X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ 

$$\Theta \sim \mathcal{N}(\theta_0, \xi_{\text{prior}}^{-1})$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{\xi_{\text{prior}}}$$

$$X = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

$$f_{\Theta|X}(\theta|X) \propto f_{X|\Theta}(x|\theta)f_{\Theta}(\theta)$$

$$f_{X|\Theta}(x|\theta) \cdot f_{\Theta}(\theta) = \left(\frac{\xi_0}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left(-\frac{\xi_0}{2}(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \cdot \left(\frac{\xi_{\text{prior}}}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{1}{2} \exp\left(-\frac{\xi_{\text{prior}}}{2}(\theta - \theta_0)^2\right)$$

$$\propto \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\xi_0 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \theta)^2 + \xi_{\text{prior}}(\theta - \theta_0)^2\right)\right]$$

$$= \left[-\frac{1}{2}\left(\xi_0 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + n(\theta - x_0)^2 + \xi_{\text{prior}}(\theta - \theta_0)^2\right)\right]$$

Get  $\exp(\text{something quadratic in }\theta)$  times some other stuff

$$\exp\left(-\frac{\xi_{\text{post}}}{2}(x-\theta_{\text{post}})^2\right)$$
  
Posterior is also normal

$$\xi_{\text{post}} = n\xi_0 + \xi_{\text{prior}}$$

$$\theta_{post} = \bar{x} \frac{n\xi_0}{n\xi_0 + \xi_{\text{prior}}} + \theta_0 \frac{\xi_{\text{prior}}}{n\xi_0 + \xi_{\text{prior}}}$$

- Posterior distribution  $\Theta|X$  also normal
- Posterior mean is weighted combination of  $\bar{X}$  &  $\theta_0$  with weight on  $\bar{X} \to 1$  as  $n \to \infty$
- Prior is flat  $\to \xi_{\text{post}}^{-1} \approx \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

With flat prior  $(\xi_{\text{prior}} \approx 0)$  or large data, result is similar to frequentist approach

### **Definition 0.4** (Conjugate Prior)

- Prior from family G
- Conditional on parameters of G, data has distribution H
- Posterior distribution also from family G
- "G is conjugate to H", "Beta conjugate to binomial, normal conjugate to normal"

### Remark 0.5 (Some issues with priors)

- In previous example, what if we don't know  $\hat{\mu}$ ?
- Could do Bayesian analysis  $(\Theta, \Sigma)$ , We'd need a prior on joint variables
- Tricky to specify prior joint distribution of all unknowns

Sometimes we want a non-informative prior

Coin flipping  $\to \theta \sim U(0,1)$ 

Knowing nothing about  $\theta \Leftrightarrow \theta \sim U(0,1)$ 

 $\theta^2$  is not uniform on U(0,1) if  $\theta$  is

Same information about  $\theta$  and  $\theta^2$ 

Try to model

non-informative = flat

Problem: Flat depends on parameterization

Not straightforward even to "model", "non-informative"

# **Remark 0.6** (Statistics pulls into two different directions)

- 1. Very strong assumptions and express questions & answers very clearly (Bayesian)
- 2. Weak assumptions but we have to accept indirect answers

### Method 0.7 (Permutation Test)

$$X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_n, \sim F$$

$$Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_m \sim G$$

Test 
$$F=G$$
?

Mann-Whitney, Data  $\to$  Ranks,  $\binom{m+n}{n}$  assignments of the treatment groups are equally likely Refer to the known distribution of Rank Sum (tables) or normal approximation

Look at all  $\binom{n+m}{m}$  ways to assign m to treatment Don't need to use all permutations, just take some B of them at random

Some true p-value P, we would get from all permutations,  $T = \bar{Y} - \bar{X}$ ,  $P(T > T_{obs})$ 

 $\hat{p} = \text{fraction of B permutations for which } T > T_{obs}$ 

$$E(\hat{p}) = p, Var(\hat{p}) = \frac{p(1-p)}{B}$$