

# Homework 4 Solutions

## Problem 1

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# Read in Data
school.1 <- read.table("~/Dropbox/UW/Teaching/CS&SS-STAT564/Solutions/HW4/school1.dat")[, 1]
school.2 <- read.table("~/Dropbox/UW/Teaching/CS&SS-STAT564/Solutions/HW4/school2.dat")[, 1]
school.3 <- read.table("~/Dropbox/UW/Teaching/CS&SS-STAT564/Solutions/HW4/school3.dat")[, 1]
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# Create Functions for Obtaining Posterior Parameters
get.kappa.n <- function(y, kappa.0) {
  kappa.n <- kappa.0 + length(y)
  return(kappa.n)
}

get.mu.n <- function(y, mu.0, kappa.0, kappa.n) {

  mu.n <- (kappa.0*mu.0 + sum(y))/kappa.n
  return(mu.n)
}

get.nu.n <- function(y, nu.0) {
  nu.n <- nu.0 + length(y)
  return(nu.n)
}

get.sigma.sq.n <- function(y, mu.0, nu.0, sigma.sq.0, nu.n, kappa.n) {

  sigma.sq.n <- (nu.0*sigma.sq.0 +
    sum((y - mean(y))^2) +
    kappa.0*length(y)*(mean(y) - mu.0)^2/kappa.n)/nu.n

  return(sigma.sq.n)
}
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# Set hyperparameters
mu.0 <- 5
sig.sq.0 <- 4
kappa.0 <- 1
nu.0 <- 2

# Compute posterior parameters
kappa.n.1 <- get.kappa.n(school.1, kappa.0)
kappa.n.2 <- get.kappa.n(school.2, kappa.0)
kappa.n.3 <- get.kappa.n(school.3, kappa.0)

mu.n.1 <- get.mu.n(school.1, mu.0, kappa.0, kappa.n.1)
mu.n.2 <- get.mu.n(school.2, mu.0, kappa.0, kappa.n.2)
mu.n.3 <- get.mu.n(school.3, mu.0, kappa.0, kappa.n.3)
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nu.n.1 <- get.nu.n(school.1, nu.0)
nu.n.2 <- get.nu.n(school.2, nu.0)
nu.n.3 <- get.nu.n(school.3, nu.0)

sig.sq.n.1 <- get.sigma.sq.n(school.1, mu.0, nu.0, sig.sq.0, nu.n.1, kappa.n.1)
sig.sq.n.2 <- get.sigma.sq.n(school.2, mu.0, nu.0, sig.sq.0, nu.n.2, kappa.n.2)
sig.sq.n.3 <- get.sigma.sq.n(school.3, mu.0, nu.0, sig.sq.0, nu.n.3, kappa.n.3)

# Take MC Samples
S <- 100000
sigma.sq.inv.samps.1 <- rgamma(S, nu.n.1/2, nu.n.1*sig.sq.n.1/2)
theta.samps.1 <- rnorm(S, mu.n.1,
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.1)/kappa.n.1))
tilde.y.samps.1 <- rnorm(S, theta.samps.1,
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.1)))

sigma.sq.inv.samps.2 <- rgamma(S, nu.n.2/2, nu.n.2*sig.sq.n.2/2)
theta.samps.2 <- rnorm(S, mu.n.2,
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.2)/kappa.n.2))
tilde.y.samps.2 <- rnorm(S, theta.samps.2,
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.2)))

sigma.sq.inv.samps.3 <- rgamma(S, nu.n.3/2, nu.n.3*sig.sq.n.3/2)
theta.samps.3 <- rnorm(S, mu.n.3,
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.3)/kappa.n.3))
tilde.y.samps.3 <- rnorm(S, theta.samps.3,
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.3)))

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## Part a.

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summ <- rbind(c(mean(theta.samps.1),
                quantile(theta.samps.1, c(0.025, 0.975)),
                mean(sqrt(1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.1)),
                quantile(sqrt(1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.1), c(0.025, 0.975))),
              c(mean(theta.samps.2),
                quantile(theta.samps.2, c(0.025, 0.975)),
                mean(sqrt(1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.2)),
                quantile(sqrt(1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.2), c(0.025, 0.975))),
              c(mean(theta.samps.3),
                quantile(theta.samps.3, c(0.025, 0.975)),
                mean(sqrt(1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.3)),
                quantile(sqrt(1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.3), c(0.025, 0.975))))

row.names(summ) <- 1:3
colnames(summ) <- c("$\\mathbb{E}\\left[\\theta \\boldsymbol{y}\\right]$",
                  "$\\theta \\boldsymbol{y}_{\\left(0.025\\right)}$",
                  "$\\theta \\boldsymbol{y}_{\\left(0.975\\right)}$",
                  "$\\mathbb{E}\\left[\\sigma \\boldsymbol{y}\\right]$",
                  "$\\sigma \\boldsymbol{y}_{\\left(0.025\\right)}$",
                  "$\\sigma \\boldsymbol{y}_{\\left(0.975\\right)}$")

kable(summ, digits = 2)

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$\mathbb{E}[\theta \mathbf{y}]$	$\theta \mathbf{y}_{(0.025)}$	$\theta \mathbf{y}_{(0.975)}$	$\mathbb{E}[\sigma \mathbf{y}]$	$\sigma \mathbf{y}_{(0.025)}$	$\sigma \mathbf{y}_{(0.975)}$
9.29	7.76	10.81	3.91	3.00	5.17
6.96	5.17	8.73	4.40	3.34	5.89
7.81	6.17	9.46	3.75	2.80	5.13

Part b.

```
comp.theta <- rbind(mean(theta.samps.1 < theta.samps.2 & theta.samps.2 < theta.samps.3),
  mean(theta.samps.1 < theta.samps.3 & theta.samps.3 < theta.samps.2),
  mean(theta.samps.2 < theta.samps.1 & theta.samps.1 < theta.samps.3),
  mean(theta.samps.2 < theta.samps.3 & theta.samps.3 < theta.samps.1),
  mean(theta.samps.3 < theta.samps.1 & theta.samps.1 < theta.samps.2),
  mean(theta.samps.3 < theta.samps.2 & theta.samps.2 < theta.samps.1))
row.names(comp.theta) <- c("$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\theta_1 < \\theta_2 < \\theta_3 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\theta_1 < \\theta_3 < \\theta_2 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\theta_2 < \\theta_1 < \\theta_3 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\theta_2 < \\theta_3 < \\theta_1 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\theta_3 < \\theta_1 < \\theta_2 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\theta_3 < \\theta_2 < \\theta_1 \\right)$")
kable(comp.theta, digits = 2)
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$\Pr(\theta_1 < \theta_2 < \theta_3)$	0.01
$\Pr(\theta_1 < \theta_3 < \theta_2)$	0.00
$\Pr(\theta_2 < \theta_1 < \theta_3)$	0.08
$\Pr(\theta_2 < \theta_3 < \theta_1)$	0.67
$\Pr(\theta_3 < \theta_1 < \theta_2)$	0.02
$\Pr(\theta_3 < \theta_2 < \theta_1)$	0.22

Part c.

```
comp.tilde.y <- rbind(mean(tilde.y.samps.1 < tilde.y.samps.2 & tilde.y.samps.2 < tilde.y.samps.3),
  mean(tilde.y.samps.1 < tilde.y.samps.3 & tilde.y.samps.3 < tilde.y.samps.2),
  mean(tilde.y.samps.2 < tilde.y.samps.1 & tilde.y.samps.1 < tilde.y.samps.3),
  mean(tilde.y.samps.2 < tilde.y.samps.3 & tilde.y.samps.3 < tilde.y.samps.1),
  mean(tilde.y.samps.3 < tilde.y.samps.1 & tilde.y.samps.1 < tilde.y.samps.2),
  mean(tilde.y.samps.3 < tilde.y.samps.2 & tilde.y.samps.2 < tilde.y.samps.1))
row.names(comp.tilde.y) <- c("$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\tilde{y}_1 < \\tilde{y}_2 < \\tilde{y}_3 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\tilde{y}_1 < \\tilde{y}_3 < \\tilde{y}_2 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\tilde{y}_2 < \\tilde{y}_1 < \\tilde{y}_3 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\tilde{y}_2 < \\tilde{y}_3 < \\tilde{y}_1 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\tilde{y}_3 < \\tilde{y}_1 < \\tilde{y}_2 \\right)$",
  "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\tilde{y}_3 < \\tilde{y}_2 < \\tilde{y}_1 \\right)$")
kable(comp.tilde.y, digits = 2)
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$\Pr(\tilde{y}_1 < \tilde{y}_2 < \tilde{y}_3)$	0.11
$\Pr(\tilde{y}_1 < \tilde{y}_3 < \tilde{y}_2)$	0.11
$\Pr(\tilde{y}_2 < \tilde{y}_1 < \tilde{y}_3)$	0.18

$\Pr(\tilde{y}_2 < \tilde{y}_3 < \tilde{y}_1)$	0.27
$\Pr(\tilde{y}_3 < \tilde{y}_1 < \tilde{y}_2)$	0.14
$\Pr(\tilde{y}_3 < \tilde{y}_2 < \tilde{y}_1)$	0.20

Part d.

```
comp <- rbind(mean(theta.samps.1 > theta.samps.2 & theta.samps.1 > theta.samps.3),
              mean(tilde.y.samps.1 > tilde.y.samps.2 & tilde.y.samps.1 > tilde.y.samps.3))
row.names(comp) <- c("$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\theta_1 > \\theta_2\\text{ \\& }\\theta_1 > \\theta_3\\right)$",
                    "$\\text{Pr}\\left(\\tilde{y}_1 > \\tilde{y}_2\\text{ \\& }\\tilde{y}_1 > \\tilde{y}_3\\right)$")
kable(comp, digits = 2)
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$\Pr(\theta_1 > \theta_2 \text{ \& } \theta_1 > \theta_3)$	0.89
$\Pr(\tilde{y}_1 > \tilde{y}_2 \text{ \& } \tilde{y}_1 > \tilde{y}_3)$	0.47

## Problem 2

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n.a <- n.b <- 16

y.bar.a <- 75.2
s.a <- 7.3

y.bar.b <- 77.5
s.b <- 8.1

mu.0 <- 75
sig.sq.0 <- 100

kappa.0 <- nu.0 <- 2^seq(0, 5, by = 1)

kappa.n.a <- kappa.0 + n.a
kappa.n.b <- kappa.0 + n.b

mu.n.a <- (kappa.0*mu.0 + n.a*y.bar.a)/kappa.n.a
mu.n.b <- (kappa.0*mu.0 + n.b*y.bar.b)/kappa.n.b

nu.n.a <- nu.0 + n.a
nu.n.b <- nu.0 + n.b

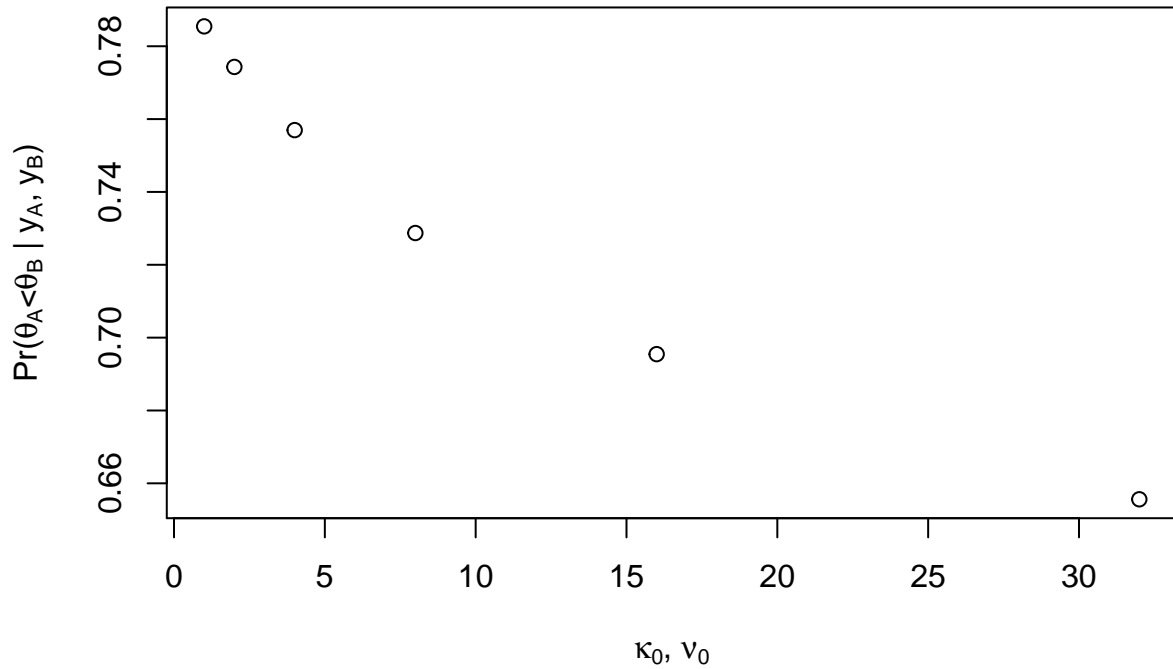
sig.sq.n.a <- (nu.0*sig.sq.0 + (n.a - 1)*s.a^2 + ((kappa.0*n.a)/kappa.n.a)*(y.bar.a - mu.0)^2)/nu.n.a
sig.sq.n.b <- (nu.0*sig.sq.0 + (n.b - 1)*s.b^2 + ((kappa.0*n.b)/kappa.n.b)*(y.bar.b - mu.0)^2)/nu.n.b

ests <- numeric(length(kappa.0))
# Compute posterior theta_a < theta_b
S <- 100000
for (i in 1:length(ests)) {
  sigma.sq.inv.samps.a <- rgamma(S, nu.n.a[i]/2, nu.n.a[i]*sig.sq.n.a[i]/2)
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theta.samps.a <- rnorm(S, mu.n.a[i],
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.a)/kappa.n.a[i]))
sigma.sq.inv.samps.b <- rgamma(S, nu.n.b[i]/2, nu.n.b[i]*sig.sq.n.b[i]/2)
theta.samps.b <- rnorm(S, mu.n.b[i],
                      sqrt((1/sigma.sq.inv.samps.b)/kappa.n.b[i]))
ests[i] <- mean(theta.samps.a < theta.samps.b)
}
plot(kappa.0, ests,
     xlab = expression(paste(kappa[0], ", ", nu[0], sep = "")),
     ylab = expression(paste("Pr(", theta[A], "<", theta[B], " | ", y[A], ", ", y[B], ")"), sep = ""))

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From the plot, we see that  $\Pr(\theta_A < \theta_B | y_A, y_B)$  is not very sensitive to the choice of  $\kappa_0$  and  $\nu_0$  when  $\kappa_0 = \nu_0$ . As  $\kappa_0$  and  $\nu_0$  increase, i.e. our prior belief that  $\theta_A = \theta_B$  and  $\sigma_A = \sigma_B$  increases in certainty,  $\Pr(\theta_A < \theta_B | y_A, y_B)$  decreases slowly. Someone with a strong prior belief that  $\theta_A = \theta_B$ , i.e.  $\kappa_0 = \nu_0 = 32$ , would still conclude that  $\theta_A < \theta_B$  after seeing the data.