

SDS 383D, Bayesian Inference in Simple Conjugate Families

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E: Normal prior and sampling distribution with unknown mean and known idiosyncratic variance

$$p(\theta|x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto p(\theta|m, v)p(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta) \quad (1)$$

$$p(\theta|m, v) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi v}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2v}(\theta - m)^2\right) \quad (2)$$

$$p(x_i|\theta) = \left(\frac{\omega_i}{2\pi}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left(-\frac{\omega_i(x_i - \theta)^2}{2}\right) \quad (3)$$

$$p(x_1, \dots, x_n|\theta) = \prod_i^n p(x_i|\theta) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i^n \omega_i(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \quad (4)$$

$$p(\theta|x_1, \dots, x_n) \propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2v}(\theta - m)^2\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_i^n \omega_i(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \quad (5)$$

$$\propto \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2v}(\theta - m)^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_i^n \omega_i(x_i - \theta)^2\right) \quad (6)$$

$$- \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\sum_i \omega_i + \frac{1}{v} \right) \theta^2 - 2 \left(\sum_i x_i \omega_i + \frac{1}{v} m \right) \theta \right] \quad (7)$$

$$\theta|x_1, \dots, x_n \sim N\left(\frac{\sum_i x_i \omega_i + \frac{1}{v} m}{\sum_i \omega_i + \frac{1}{v}}, \left[\sum_i \omega_i + \frac{1}{v} \right]^{-1}\right) \quad (8)$$