

# Assignment 5

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Data model:

$$[y_{ij}|z_i] = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } z_i = 0, \\ \text{Bern}(a_j) & \text{if } z_i = 1, \end{cases}$$

Process model:

$$[Z_i|p] = \text{Bern}(p)$$

Prior:

$$[p] = \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$$

$$\alpha = 1 \quad \beta = 1$$

Rapid test true positive rate:  $[a_1] = 0.80$

PCR true positive rate:  $[a_2] = 0.99$

\*Zi -> The actual bat that was tested

$$[p, z_i|y_{11}, y_{12}] = \frac{[y_{11}|p, z_i] * [y_{12}|p, z_i] * [z|p][p]}{\sum_{z_i=0}^1 \int_0^1 [y_{11}|p, z_i] * [y_{12}|p, z_i] * [z|p][p] dp}$$

$$[p|y_{11}, y_{12}] = \sum_{z_i=0}^1 [p, z_i|y_{11}, y_{12}]$$

$$[z_i|y_{11}, y_{12}] = \int_0^1 [p, z_i|y_{11}, y_{12}] dp$$

```
set.seed(401)

# Data
y1 <- 0 # Results from rapid test
y2 <- 0 # Results from PCR test

# Hyperparameters for priors
alpha.p <- 1
beta.p <- 1

# Fixed (assumed known) values of true positive rate
a1 <- 0.80
a2 <- 0.99

# Preliminary MCMC stuff
K <- 50000
```

```

samples <- matrix(,K,2)
colnames(samples) <- c("z1","p")
p.initial <- 0.01

# Gibbs sampler
for(k in 1:K){

  # Take one draw from the full conditional of z1 (i.e., [z1|p,y1,y2])
  p <- ifelse(k==1,p.initial,p)
  p.tilde <- (p*(1-a1)*(1-a2))/((p*(1-a1)*(1-a2))+1-p)
  z1 <- ifelse(min(c(y1,y2))==0,rbinom(1,1,p.tilde),1)

  # Take one draw from the full conditional of p (i.e., [p|z1,y1,y2])
  p <- rbeta(1,alpha.p+z1,beta.p+1-z1)

  # Save samples
  samples[k,] <- c(z1,p)
}

# Discard burn-in interval
samples <- samples[10001:K,]

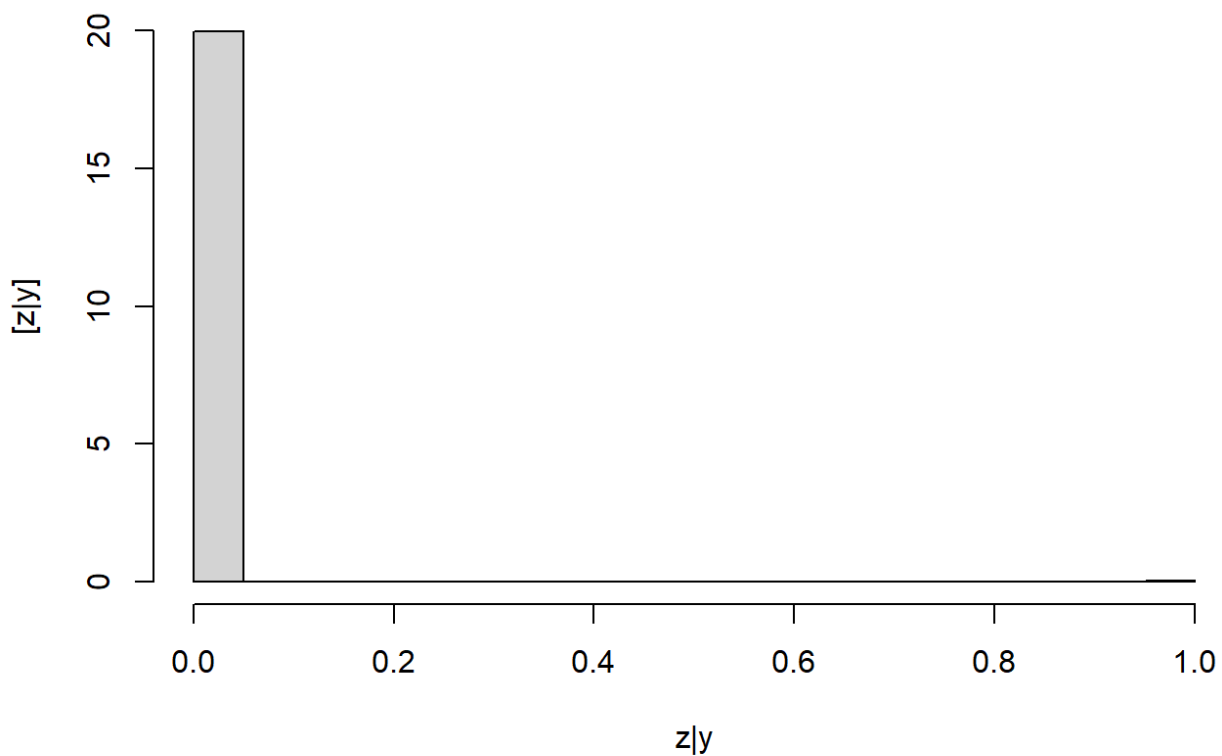
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2.

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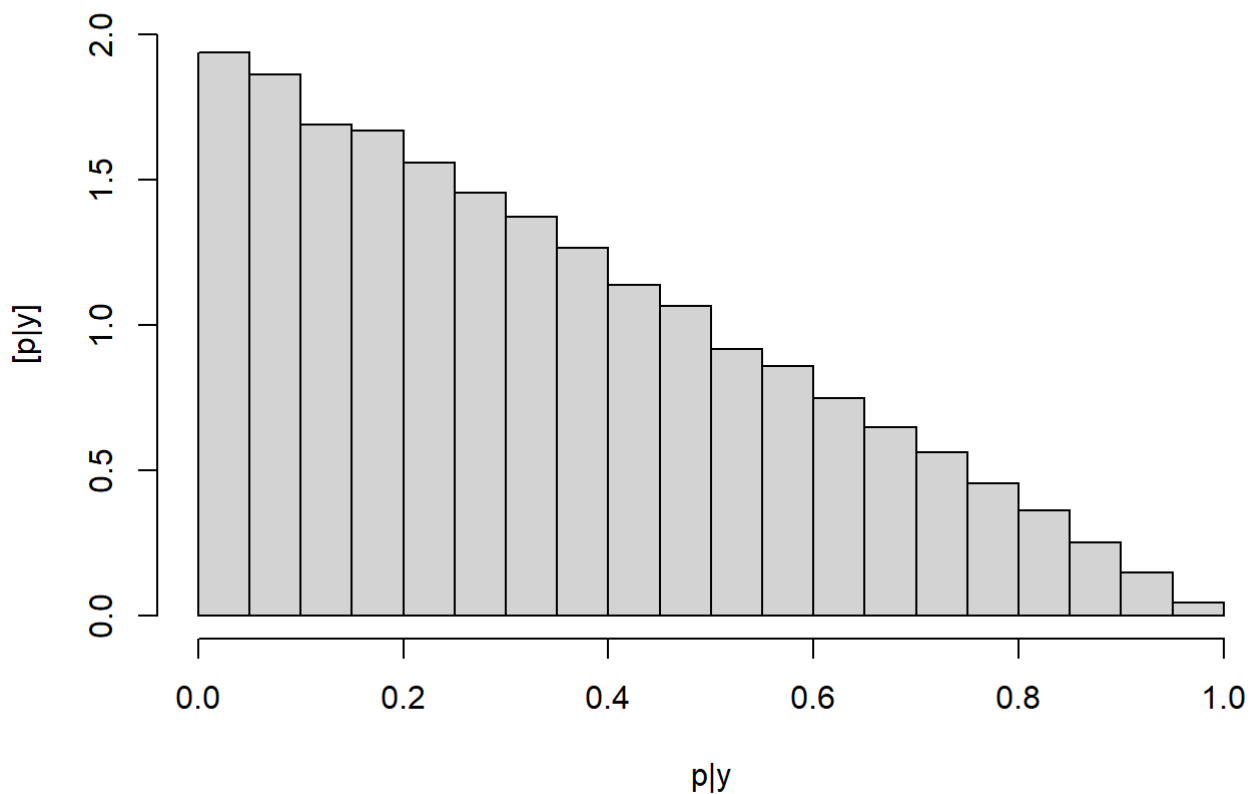
hist(samples[,1],freq=FALSE,xlab="z|y",ylab="[z|y]",main="")

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3.

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hist(samples[,2],freq=FALSE,xlab="p|y",ylab="[p|y]",main="")
```



4.

```
mean(samples[,1]) # Expected value of Z_i
```

```
[1] 0.002
```

```
mean(samples[,2]) # Expected value of p
```

```
[1] 0.3341417
```

Looking at the  $E(z_i|y_1, y_2)$  of  $z_i$ , the probability of  $z_i$  being a false negative in both tests is 0.002.

According to the expected value of  $E(p|y_1, y_2)$ , the prevalence rate of the diseases is 0.334. Given the distribution of  $[p|y_1, y_2]$ , it is helpful to determine the highest density interval for  $p$ , which determines that the prevalence rate should be in the range between  $1.28e-5$  and 0.779.

```
HDInterval::hdi(samples[,2], credMass = 0.95)
```

```
      lower      upper
1.283798e-05 7.778948e-01
attr(,"credMass")
[1] 0.95
```

## 5.

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Find new prior

We performed a brief literature search on rabies prevalence in Kansas. Data for modelling the prior was retrieved by [The Kansas State University Rabies Laboratory](#) and made available through [Kansas Environmental Public Health Tracking - KDHE](#).

The new prior can be written as follows:

$$[p] \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha_i, \beta_i) \text{ where } \alpha_i = 2; \beta_i = 50$$

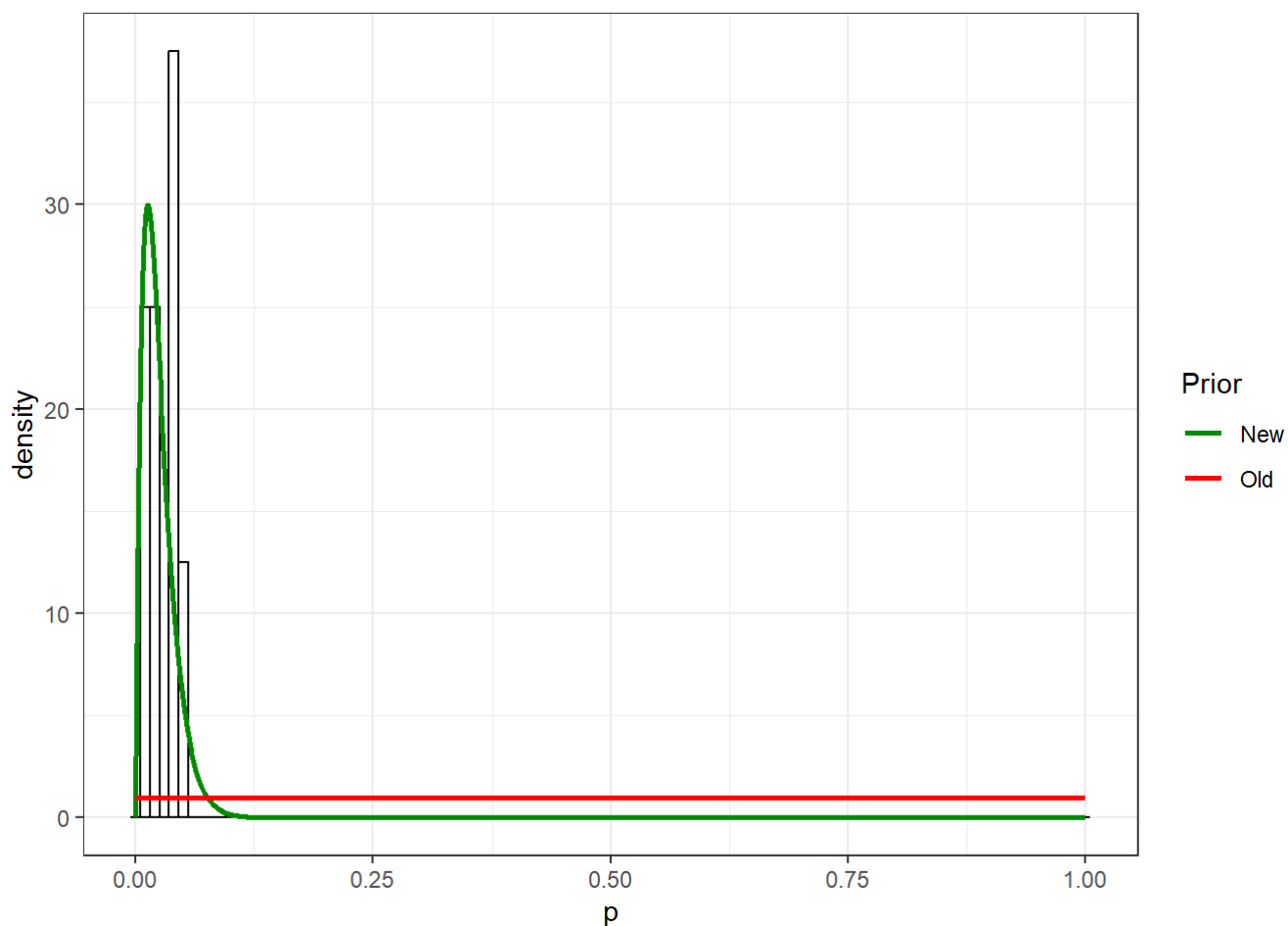
```
library(ggplot2)
library(tidyr)

p <- c(6/155, 4/166, 6/153, 6/153, 4/199, 3/234, 10/201, 2/198)

x = seq(0, 1, 0.001)

prior <- data.frame(
  # Old prior proposed on the exercise follows a Beta(1,1) or uniform distribution between 0
  old_prior = dbeta(x, 1, 1),
  # New prior approximates the rabies prevalence data retrieved from previous published literature
  new_prior = dbeta(x, 2, 80)
) %>%
  cbind(x) %>%
  pivot_longer(cols = c(old_prior, new_prior))

ggplot()+
  geom_histogram(aes(x = p, y = after_stat(density)), binwidth = 0.01, fill = NA, color = "black") +
  geom_line(data = prior, aes(x = x, y = value, color = name), linewidth = 1) +
  guides(color = guide_legend(title = "Prior")) +
  scale_color_manual(values = c("green4", "red"), labels = c("New", "Old")) +
  theme_bw()
```



**Figure.** Probability density function of previously reported prevalence data in Kansas (bins), new prior (green) and old prior (red) distribution of rabies prevalence data.

## 6.

Fit bayesian model to data using new prior

```
# Data
y1 <- 0 # Results from rapid test
y2 <- 0 # Results from PCR test

# Hyperparameters for priors
alpha.p <- 2
beta.p <- 80

# Fixed (assumed known) values of true positive rate
a1 <- 0.80
a2 <- 0.99

# Preliminary MCMC stuff
K <- 50000
samples <- matrix(,K,2)
colnames(samples) <- c("z1","p")
p.initial <- 0.01
```

```

# Gibbs sampler
for(k in 1:K){

  # Take one draw from the full conditional of z1 (i.e., [z1|p,y1,y2])
  p <- ifelse(k==1,p.initial,p)
  p.tilde <- (p*(1-a1)*(1-a2))/((p*(1-a1)*(1-a2))+1-p)
  z1 <- ifelse(min(c(y1,y2))==0,rbinom(1,1,p.tilde),1)

  # Take one draw from the full conditional of p (i.e., [p|z1,y1,y2])
  p <- rbeta(1,alpha.p+z1,beta.p+1-z1)

  # Save samples
  samples[k,] <- c(z1,p)
}

samples <- samples[10001:K,]

```

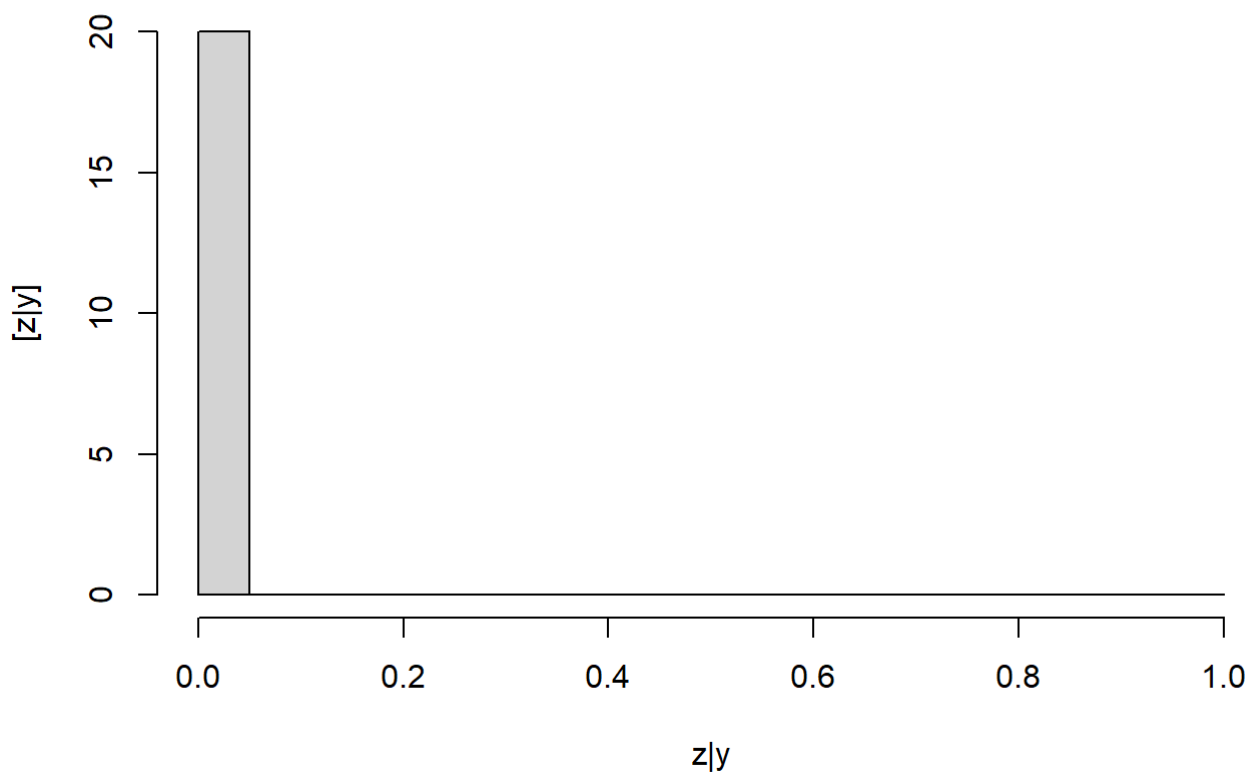
## 7.

Histogram representation of the posterior distribution of the true rabies status using the new prior.

```

# Histogram representation of the posterior distributions
hist(samples[,1],freq=FALSE,xlab="z|y",ylab="[z|y]",main="")

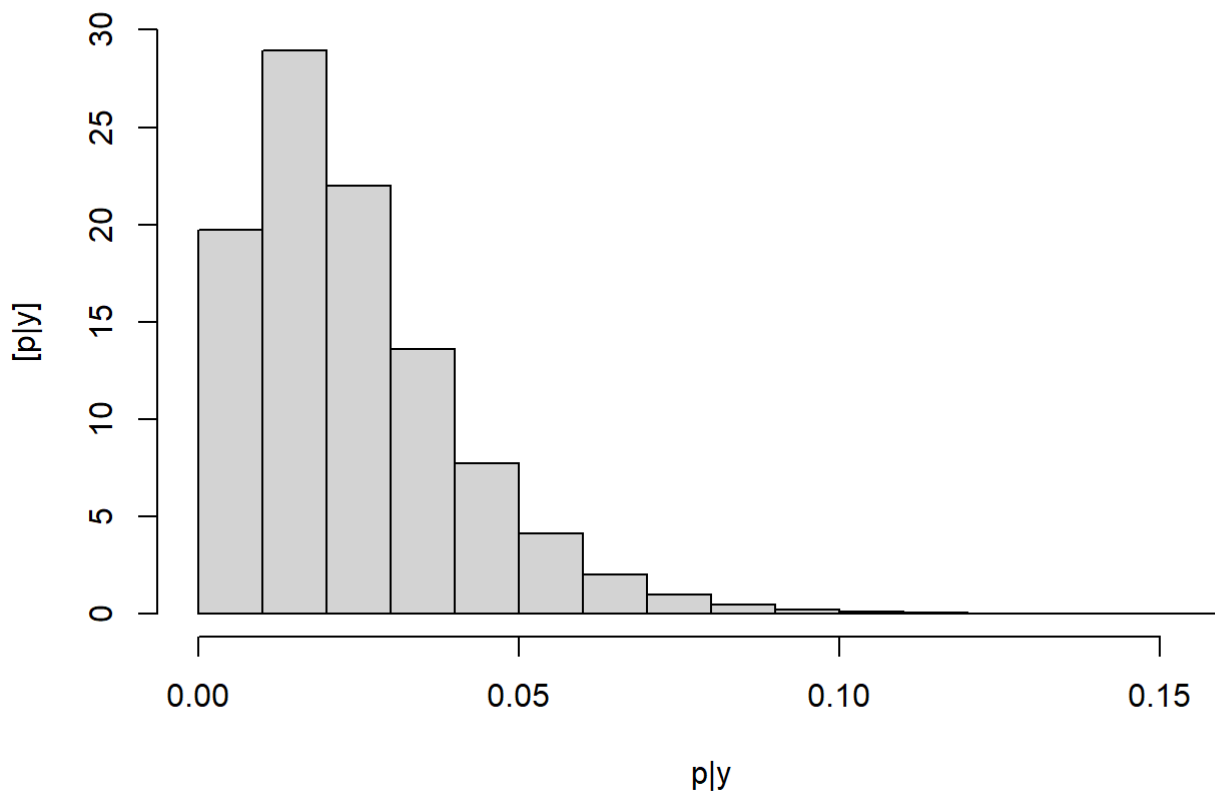
```



## 8.

Posterior distribution of the prevalence rate parameter using the new prior.

```
hist(samples[,2],freq=FALSE,xlab="p|y",ylab="[p|y]",main="")
```



## 9.

Using the new prior, the probability of the bat analyzed having rabies (being a false negative in both test) is close to zero looking at the expected value of  $z_i|y_1, y_2$

```
# True rabies status posterior summaries  
mean(samples[,1])
```

```
[1] 5e-05
```

From our posterior distribution outputs our expected value for the prevalence rate  $E(p|y_1, y_2)$  is 0.02423536. The highest density interval, which accounts for the 95% of the values, is located between 0.0004512952 and 0.0568963900.

```
# Prevalence rate posterior summaries  
mean(samples[,2])
```

```
[1] 0.02423536
```

```
HDInterval::hdi(samples[,2], credMass = 0.95)
```

```
      lower      upper  
0.0004512952 0.0568963900  
attr(,"credMass")  
[1] 0.95
```

Compared to the results with the old prior distribution, the new posterior inform a lower possibility of both tests being a false negative. Also the prevalence rate conditioned on the test result has a lower expected value than the obtained with the old prior, while the HDI has been narrowed compared to the previous results.