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$$P(X|\theta) = \text{Binomial}(n, \theta) \Rightarrow P(\theta) = \text{Beta}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\phi = \frac{\theta}{1+\theta}$$

$$P(X|\phi) = \text{Binomial}\left(1, \frac{\phi}{1+\phi}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\phi) = \frac{1}{\pi} \phi^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1+\phi)^{-1} = F(1,1)$$

$$= \text{Jeffreys prior}\left(\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Fisher's
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Sufficient
Statistic

Now do $P(\phi)$ and $P(\theta)$ respect the change of variables?

$$P(\phi) = P_{\theta}(\tau^{-1}(\phi)) \left| \frac{d}{d\phi} [\tau^{-1}(\phi)] \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left(\frac{\phi}{1+\phi}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{1}{1+\phi}\right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left| \frac{1}{(1+\phi)^2} \right|$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \phi^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1+\phi)^{-2} = \frac{1}{\pi} \phi^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1+\phi)^{-1} \quad \text{YES!}$$

We have a procedure that picks ^{specific} priors directly from likelihoods that is the same regardless of parameterization of the likelihood!

How is this possible? $\phi = \tau(\theta)$

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with

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Assume $P(\theta) \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)}$, prove $P(\phi) \propto \sqrt{I(\phi)}$

$$P(\phi) = P_{\theta}(\theta) \left| \frac{d\theta}{d\phi} \right| \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)} \left| \frac{d\theta}{d\phi} \right| = \sqrt{I(\theta)} \frac{d\theta}{d\phi} \frac{d\theta}{d\phi} = \sqrt{E[\ell'(\theta; X)^2]} \frac{d\theta}{d\phi} \frac{d\theta}{d\phi}$$

$$= \sqrt{E\left[\frac{d\ell}{d\theta} \frac{d\ell}{d\theta} \frac{d\theta}{d\phi} \frac{d\theta}{d\phi}\right]} = \sqrt{E\left[\frac{d\ell}{d\phi} \frac{d\ell}{d\phi}\right]} = \sqrt{E[\ell'(\phi; X)^2]} = \sqrt{I(\phi)} \quad \checkmark$$

Jeffreys used Fisher's own information against him!

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$$P(\phi|x) \propto P(x|\phi) P(\phi) = \binom{h}{x} \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi+1}\right)^x \left(\frac{1}{\phi+1}\right)^{h-x} \left(\frac{1}{\pi} \phi^{-\frac{1}{2}} (1+\phi)^{-1}\right)$$

$$\propto \phi^{x-\frac{1}{2}} (1+\phi)^{-h-1}$$

$$= \phi^{\overbrace{(x+\frac{1}{2})}^{\alpha}-1} (1+\phi)^{-\overbrace{(h+1-(x+\frac{1}{2}))}^{\beta}-\overbrace{(x+\frac{1}{2})}^{\alpha}}$$

$$\propto \text{Beta Prime} \left(x + \frac{1}{2}, h - x + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$x=2, h=6 \Rightarrow P(\theta|x) = \text{Beta}(2.5, 4.5)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\phi|x) = \text{Beta Prime}(2.5, 4.5)$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{\text{unbiased}} = 0.357$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} = 0.3429$$

$$\hat{\phi}_{\text{unbiased}} = 0.714 \Rightarrow \theta =$$

$$\hat{\phi}_{\text{MLE}} = 0.5217 \Rightarrow \theta = 0.3929$$

Become $P(\theta|x)$ and $P(\phi|x)$, the posterior are invariant to t
 Under Jeffreys prior, Quantiles are invariant to monotonic
 transformations. Expectation is not!

Let $a := Q[X, p]$, $Y = g(X)$. Is $g(a) = Q[Y, p]$? g is strictly increasing.

$$p = F_X(a) := P(X \leq a) = P(g(X) \leq g(a)) = P(Y \leq g(a)) = F_Y(g(a)) \quad \checkmark$$

$$P(X|\theta) = \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$$

- $P(\theta) = \text{Beta}(1, 1)$ Laplace / Uninformative
- $P(\theta) = \text{Beta}(0, 0)$ Haldane / total ignorance
- $P(\theta) = \text{Beta}(1/2, 1/2)$ Jeffreys Invariant Prior

Principled
Uninformative
Prior

$$P(\theta) = \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta) \text{ when } \alpha + \beta \text{ is "large" close to } n$$

Informative prior
built using
previous data
to estimate α, β .
You want the
shrinkage.

$$P(X|\theta) = \text{Bin}(n, \theta) = \binom{n}{x} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x}$$

Model phone calls in
call center

Imagine $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $\theta \rightarrow 0$ but $n\theta = \lambda$

Imagine $\lambda = 1$ $n = 1000$ & $\theta = \frac{1}{1000}$, $n = 1,000,000$, $\theta = \frac{1}{1,000,000}$ etc.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{n}{x} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{n-x} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n!}{x! (n-x)!} \left(\frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^x \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-x} = \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\overbrace{(n-1)(n-2) \dots (n-x+1)}^{x \text{ terms}}}{(n)(n) \dots (n)} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^{n-x}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n-2}{n}\right) \dots \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{n-x+1}{n}\right) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)^n \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n}\right)\right)^{-x}$$

Let θ denote λ/n

$$P(\theta|x) \propto P(X|\theta) P(\theta) = \frac{\theta^x e^{-\theta}}{x!} P(\theta) \propto \theta^x e^{-\theta} K(\theta)$$

$\text{Supp}(X) = \{0, 1, \dots\} = \mathbb{N}_0$
 Param space
 $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$

If we use the conjugate prior, then $K(\theta) = \theta^a e^{-b\theta}$

$$\text{so } P(\theta|x) \propto (\theta^x e^{-\theta}) (\theta^a e^{-b\theta}) = \theta^{x+a} e^{-(b+1)\theta}$$

Find $P(\theta) \Rightarrow$ Find c !

$$\int_0^{\infty} \theta^q e^{-b\theta} d\theta = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{t}{b}\right)^q e^{-t} \frac{1}{b} dt = \frac{1}{b^{q+1}} \int_0^{\infty} t^{(q+1)-1} e^{-t} dt = \frac{\Gamma(q+1)}{b^{q+1}}$$

let $t = b\theta \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{t}{b} \Rightarrow dt = b d\theta \Rightarrow d\theta = \frac{1}{b} dt$

$$\Rightarrow P(\theta) = \frac{1}{c} k(\theta) = \frac{b^{q+1}}{\Gamma(q+1)} \theta^q e^{-b\theta} = \text{Gamma}(q+1, b)$$

Let $P(Y) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) = \frac{\beta^{\alpha+1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta y}$

$\text{supp}[Y] = (0, \infty)$

parameters: $\alpha > 0, \beta > 0$

$E[Y] = \frac{\alpha}{\beta}$

$\text{Var}[Y] = \frac{\alpha}{\beta^2}$

$\text{Mode}[Y] = \frac{\alpha-1}{\beta}$ if $\alpha > 0$

$\text{Med}[Y] = \text{qgamma}(0.5, \alpha, \beta)$ numerical integration, no closed form solution

$P(X|\theta) = \text{Poisson}(\theta)$
 $P(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta)$ ← one observation

$$P(\theta|X) \propto P(X|\theta) P(\theta) = \left(\frac{\theta^x e^{-\theta}}{x!} \right) \left(\frac{\beta^{\alpha+1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\theta} \right) \propto \theta^{x+\alpha-1} e^{-(\beta+1)\theta} \propto \text{Gamma}(x+\alpha, \beta+1)$$

$X_1, \dots, X_n | \theta \text{ i.i.d. } \text{Poisson}(\theta)$

$$P(\theta|X) \propto \left(\prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i|\theta) \right) P(\theta) = \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\theta^{x_i} e^{-\theta}}{x_i!} \right) \left(\frac{\beta^{\alpha+1}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\theta} \right) \propto \theta^{\sum x_i + \alpha - 1} e^{-(\beta+1)\theta} \propto \text{Gamma}(\sum x_i + \alpha, \beta+1)$$

three basic shapes:
 α is the most important...



Calculus
Exercises

Gamma is conj.
prior for
Poisson i.i.d.
model