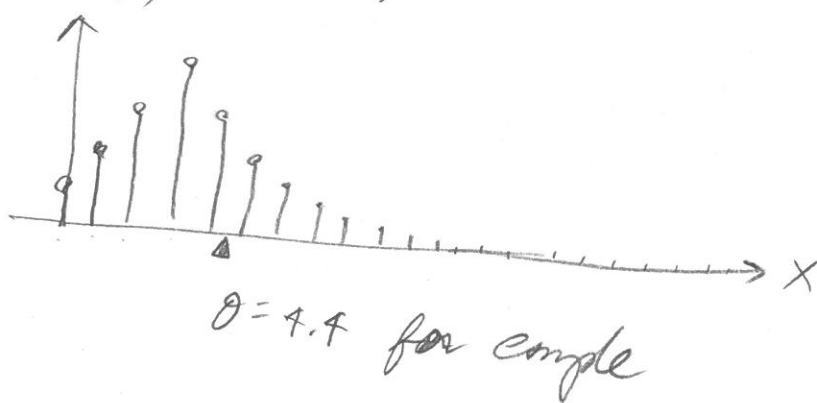


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$\mathcal{F}: \overbrace{X_1, \dots, X_n}^x \mid \theta \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{Poisson}(\theta) := \overbrace{\frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^x}{x!}}^{\text{PMF}}$

$P(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(\alpha, \beta) := \underbrace{\frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)}}_{\text{PDF}} \theta^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta\theta}$

$\Rightarrow P(\theta \mid x) = \text{Gamma}(\sum x_i + \alpha, n + \beta) \Rightarrow \text{Gamma distr. is conj. prior for Poisson likelihood}$   
 $= \frac{(\gamma + \beta)^{\sum x_i + \alpha}}{\Gamma(\sum x_i + \alpha)} \theta^{\sum x_i + \alpha - 1} e^{-(\gamma + \beta)\theta}$



Pt. Est's

$$\hat{\theta}_{MMSE} = \frac{\sum x_i + \alpha}{n + \beta}$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MAP} = \frac{\sum x_i + \alpha - 1}{n + \beta} \quad \text{if } \sum x_i + \alpha > 1$$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MMSE} = \text{Egamma}(0.5, \sum x_i + \alpha, n + \beta)$$

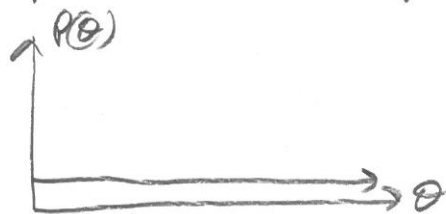
$$P(\theta|x) = \text{Gamma}(\sum x_i + \alpha, n + \beta)$$

$\uparrow$  # pseudocounts ( $x_0$ )       $\uparrow$  # pseudocounts ( $n_0$ )

Shrinkage?  $L(\theta; x) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^{x_i}}{x_i!} = \frac{e^{-n\theta} \theta^{\sum x_i}}{\prod_{i=1}^n x_i!}$

$$\hat{\theta}_{MMSE} = \frac{\sum x_i}{n + \beta} \cdot \frac{n}{n} + \frac{\alpha}{n + \beta} \cdot \frac{\beta}{\beta} = \frac{n}{n + \beta} \hat{\theta}_{MLE} + \frac{\beta}{n + \beta} E[\theta]$$

Laplace Prior ... not possible as a proper PDF.  $P(\theta) \propto 1$



$$\Rightarrow P(\theta|x) \propto e^{-n\theta} \theta^{\sum x_i + 1} (1) \propto \text{Gamma}(\sum x_i + 1, n)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(1, 0) \text{ improper}$$

Improper priors as a limit of proper priors

What about  $P(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(1, \epsilon) = \frac{\epsilon^2}{\Gamma(2)} \frac{1}{\theta^{1-1}} e^{-\epsilon\theta} \approx \epsilon^2 e^{-\epsilon\theta}$

$\Rightarrow P(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(1, 0)$  is the closest thing to prior of indifference. It is improper!

$\Rightarrow P(\theta|x) = \text{Gamma}(\sum x_i + 1, n)$  always proper!!! since  $n \geq 1$ .

MLE?

$$\ell(\theta; x) = -n\theta + \sum x_i \ln(\theta) - \ln(\prod x_i!)$$

$$\ell(\theta; x) = -n + \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta} \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$\sum x_i = n\theta \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{MLE} = \bar{x}$$

Cred. Region? SAME

$$CR_{\theta, 1-\alpha_0} = \left[ \text{Egamma}\left(\frac{\alpha_0}{2}, \sum x_i + \alpha, n + \beta\right), \text{Egamma}\left(1 - \frac{\alpha_0}{2}, \sum x_i + \alpha, n + \beta\right) \right]$$

Hyp. Tests? SAME!

Laplace prior: I've seen  $X_0=1$  (i.e. an obs. with one success) with the weight of  $n_0=0$ . Strange! (3)

Haldane prior (total ignorance)  $P(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(\theta, 0)$  improper of course!  
 From previous...  $X_0=0, n_0=0$  ~~///~~

$$\Rightarrow P(\theta|x) = \text{Gamma}(\sum x_i, n) \text{ proper only if } \sum x_i > 0.$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}} = \frac{\sum x_i}{n} = \hat{\theta}_{\text{MLE}}$$

Jeffreys prior?

$$-l''(\theta; x) = + \frac{\sum x_i}{\theta^2}$$

like before

$$I(\theta) = E[-l''(\theta; x)] = E\left[\frac{\sum x_i}{\theta^2}\right] = \frac{1}{\theta^2} E[\sum x_i] = \frac{n}{\theta^2} E[x_i]$$

$$E[x_i] = \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} x \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^x}{x!} = e^{-\theta} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} x \frac{\theta^x}{x!} = e^{-\theta} \sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^x}{(x-1)!} = e^{-\theta} \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^{y+1}}{y!}$$

$$= \theta e^{-\theta} \left[ \sum_{y=0}^{\infty} \frac{\theta^y}{y!} \right] = \theta e^{-\theta} e^{\theta} = \theta$$

Taylor series for  $e^{\theta}$

$$\Rightarrow I(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta^2}(\theta) = \frac{n}{\theta} \Rightarrow P_{-1}(\theta) \propto \sqrt{I(\theta)} = \sqrt{\frac{n}{\theta}} \propto \sqrt{\theta^{-1}} = \theta^{-\frac{1}{2}} = \theta^{\frac{1}{2}-1}$$

$$\propto \text{Gamma}\left(\frac{1}{2}, 0\right)$$

Improper!

$$\Rightarrow P(\theta|x) = \text{Gamma}\left(\sum x_i + \frac{1}{2}, n\right)$$

always proper!!

Posterior predictive distribution for  $X^* \sim \text{i.i.d.}$   $h^* = 1$  i.e. one future observation. (7)

$$P(X^* | X) = \int P(X^* | \theta) P(\theta | X) d\theta = \int_0^{\infty} \left( \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^{x^*}}{x^*!} \right) \left( \frac{(h+\beta)^{\sum x_i + \alpha}}{\Gamma(\sum x_i + \alpha)} \theta^{\sum x_i + \alpha} e^{-(h+\beta)\theta} \right) d\theta$$

$$= \frac{(h+\beta)^{\sum x_i + \alpha}}{x^*! \Gamma(\sum x_i + \alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} \theta^{(x^* + \sum x_i + \alpha) - 1} e^{-(h+\beta+1)\theta} d\theta$$

let  $t = (h+\beta+1)\theta \Rightarrow \theta = \frac{t}{h+\beta+1} \Rightarrow d\theta = \frac{dt}{h+\beta+1}$

$$= \frac{(h+\beta)^{\sum x_i + \alpha}}{x^*! \Gamma(\sum x_i + \alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{t^{(x^* + \sum x_i + \alpha) - 1}}{(h+\beta+1)^{x^* + \sum x_i + \alpha - 1}} e^{-t} \frac{dt}{h+\beta+1}$$

cancel

$$= \frac{(h+\beta)^{\sum x_i + \alpha}}{x^*! \Gamma(\sum x_i + \alpha) (h+\beta+1)^{x^* + \sum x_i + \alpha}} \Gamma(x^* + \sum x_i + \alpha)$$

$$= \left( \frac{h+\beta}{h+\beta+1} \right)^{\sum x_i + \alpha} \left( \frac{1}{h+\beta+1} \right)^{x^*} \left( \frac{\Gamma(x^* + \sum x_i + \alpha)}{x^*! \Gamma(\sum x_i + \alpha)} \right) = \frac{\Gamma(x^* + r)}{x^*! \Gamma(r)} p^{x^*} (1-p)^r$$

let  $p := \frac{h+\beta}{h+\beta+1} \in (0,1)$  and  $1-p := \frac{1}{h+\beta+1} = 1 - \frac{h+\beta}{h+\beta+1}$

$$= \text{Extended Neg bin} \left( \sum x_i + \alpha, \frac{h+\beta}{h+\beta+1} \right)$$

let  $r = \sum x_i + \alpha$

Neg bin is the sum of  $r$  geometric r.v.'s i.e. wait for  $r$  successes for  $\text{i.i.d. Bern}(p)$  experiments