

STA 601 - Homework 9

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Hierarchical Model: This model borrows information across experimental conditions.

Reaction times, y_{ij} , for subjects $j = 1, 2, \dots, n_i$, in experimental conditions, $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

$y_i \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda_i)$, - Within Condition Model

$\lambda_i \sim \text{Gamma}(a, b)$. - Between Condition Model.

Priors on a and b .

$a \sim e^{-a\alpha_a}$

$b \sim \text{Gamma}(\alpha_b, \beta_b)$.

Posterior Computation:

$$\begin{aligned} p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, a, b \mid y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) &\propto p(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n \mid \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, a, b) \times p(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n \mid a, b) \times p(a) \times p(b) \\ &\propto \prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} p(y_{ij} \mid \lambda_i, a, b) \prod_{i=1}^n p(\lambda_i \mid a, b) \times p(a) \times p(b) \end{aligned}$$

Full Conditionals:

- $p(\lambda_i \mid a, b, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(\lambda_i \mid a, b, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) &\propto p(\lambda_i \mid a, b) \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} p(y_j \mid \lambda_i, a, b) \\
 &\propto \lambda_i^{a-1} \exp(-\lambda_i b) \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} \lambda_i \exp(-\lambda_i y_j) \\
 &\propto \lambda_i^{a-1} \exp(-\lambda_i b) \lambda_i \exp\left(-\lambda_i \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_j\right) \\
 &\propto \lambda_i^{(a+n_i)-1} \exp\left[-\lambda_i \left(b + \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_j\right)\right] \\
 \therefore p(\lambda_i \mid a, b, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) &\sim \text{Gamma}\left(a + n_i, b + \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_j\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

- $p(a \mid \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, b, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p(a \mid \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, b, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) &\propto p(a) \prod_{i=1}^n p(\lambda_i \mid a, b) \\
 &\propto \exp(-a\alpha_a) \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{a-1} \exp(-\lambda_i b) \\
 &\propto \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i\right)^{a-1} \exp(-a\alpha_a)
 \end{aligned}$$

We can sample from this distribution in Matlab by using ‘randsample’ which is similar to ‘sample’ in R.

- $p(b \mid \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, a, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$

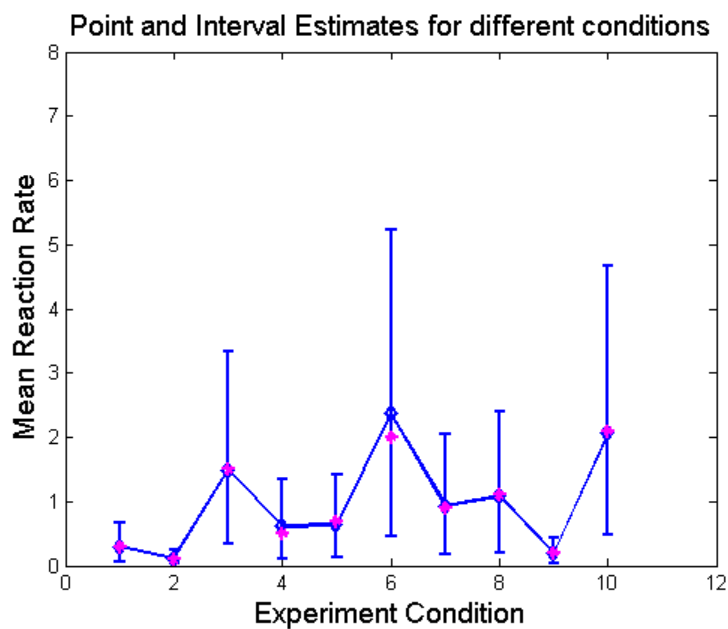
$$\begin{aligned}
 p(b \mid \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, a, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) &\propto p(b) \prod_{i=1}^n p(\lambda_i \mid a, b) \\
 &\propto b^{\alpha_b-1} \exp(-b\beta_b) \prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{a-1} \exp(-\lambda_i b) \\
 &\propto b^{\alpha_b-1} \exp(-b\beta_b) \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i b\right) \\
 &\propto b^{\alpha_b-1} \exp\left[-b \left(\beta_b + \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i\right)\right] \\
 \therefore p(b \mid \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n, a, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) &\sim \text{Gamma}\left(\alpha_b, \beta_b + \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i\right).
 \end{aligned}$$

Gibbs Sampling:

Start with $\{a^{(0)}, b^{(0)}\}$.

- Draw, $\lambda_i^{(s)} \sim \text{Gamma}\left(a^{(s)} + n_i, b^{(s)} + \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} y_j\right)$, $i=1, 2, \dots, n$.
- Draw, $a^{(s+1)} \sim \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{(s)}\right)^{a_{grid}-1} \exp(-a_{grid}\alpha_a)$, using Griddy Gibbs ('randsample' in Matlab).
- Draw, $b^{(s+1)} \sim \text{Gamma}\left(\alpha_b, \beta_b + \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i^{(s)}\right)$.
- Repeat.

Given below are results. The dots in Magenta denote the true values of λ_i used to simulate data. Blue lines denote means and 95% Credible Intervals.



Non-Hierarchical Model: This model does NOT borrow information across experimental conditions. To achieve that, we group together data across experimental conditions and use a common model for the data.

Reaction times, y_k , for subjects $k = 1, 2, \dots, m$. Where, m is the total number of data points pooled across all conditions.

$$y \sim \text{Exp}(\lambda),$$

$$\lambda \sim \text{Gamma}(a, b).$$

Posterior:

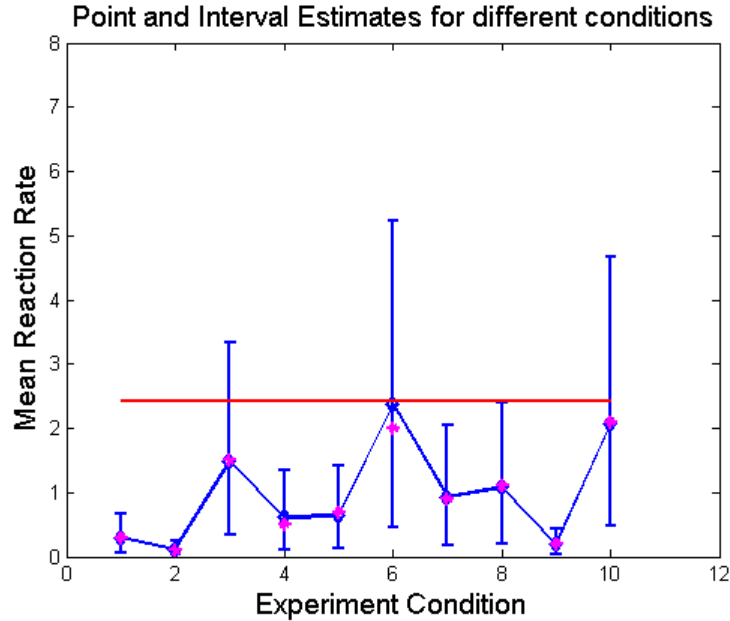
$$p(\lambda | y) \propto L(y; \lambda)p(\lambda)$$

$$\propto \prod_{k=1}^m \lambda \exp(-\lambda y_k) \lambda^{a-1} \exp(-\lambda b)$$

$$\propto \lambda^{a+m-1} \exp \left[-\lambda \left(b + \sum_{k=1}^m y_k \right) \right]$$

$$p(\lambda | y) \sim \text{Gamma} \left(a + m, b + \sum_{k=1}^m y_k \right)$$

Therefore, the posterior mean is given by, $E(\lambda | y) = \frac{a+m}{b+\sum_{k=1}^m y_k}$. Using, $a = 2$, $b = 3$, (same initial values used for Gibbs Sampler), $m = 835$ we get, $E(\lambda | y) = 2.4191$. If we plot this on the previous plot (red line), we can see that it is not a very good estimator for the condition specific reaction times.



Appendix:

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1 %% STA 601 — Homework 9
2 % Author: Kedar Prabhudesai
3 % Created on: 10/09/2013
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5 close all;
6 clear all;
7
8 %% This is the hieracrchical Model
9 %  $Y_{ij} \sim \text{Exp}(Li)$ 
10 %  $Li \sim \text{Gamma}(a,b)$ 
11 %  $a \sim \text{Gamma}(Aa,Ba)$ 
12 %  $b \sim \text{Gamma}(Ab,Bb)$ 
13
14 %% Simulate Data
15 % Dummy Variables to simulate data
16 nConditions = 10;
17 nSubjectsPerCondition = [100 75 65 100 80 90 100 95 70 60];
18 LambdaI = [0.3 0.1 1.5 0.5 0.7 2 0.9 1.1 0.2 2.1];
19 Yij = cell(1,nConditions);
20
21 % Create Distribution Objects
22 for iCond = 1:nConditions
23     DistObj = makedist('Gamma','a',1,'b',1/LambdaI(iCond));
24     Yij{1,iCond} = DistObj.random(1,nSubjectsPerCondition(iCond));
25 end
26
27 %% Gibbs Sampler
28 nGibbs = 5000;
29 nBurnIn = 1000;
30 LiSamples = zeros(nConditions,nGibbs);
31 aSamples = zeros(1,nGibbs);
32 bSamples = zeros(1,nGibbs);
33 %  $p(a) \sim \text{Exp}(-a*Aa)$ 
34 Aa = 5;
35 %  $b \sim \text{Gamma}(Ab,Bb)$ 
36 Ab = 4;
37 Bb = 5;
38 % Initialize
39 aSamples(1) = 2;
40 bSamples(1) = 3;
41 LiGivenAll = makedist('Gamma','a',2,'b',1/3);
42 bGivenAll = makedist('Gamma','a',Ab,'b',1/Bb);
43 SumYj = zeros(1,nConditions);
44
45 for iCond = 1:nConditions
46     SumYj(iCond) = sum(Yij{1,iCond});
47 end
48
49 aGrid = (1:0.1:60);
50 aGridWeights = -aGrid.*Aa;
51
52 for iGibbs = 2:nGibbs
53     home;
54     disp(iGibbs);
55     % Update Li for all i
56     for iCond = 1:nConditions
57         LiGivenAll.a = aSamples(iGibbs-1) + nSubjectsPerCondition(iCond);
58         LiGivenAll.b = 1/(bSamples(iGibbs-1) + SumYj(iCond));
59         LiSamples(iCond,iGibbs) = LiGivenAll.random();
60     end
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62     % Update a
63     %     aProbWeights = (aSamples(iGibbs-1)-1)*sum(log(LiSamples(:,iGibbs))) + aGridWeights;
64     aProbWeights = (aGrid-1)*sum(log(LiSamples(:,iGibbs))) + aGridWeights;
65     aProbWeights = exp(aProbWeights - max(aProbWeights));
66     aSamples(iGibbs) = randsample(aGrid,1,true,aProbWeights);
67
68     % Update b
69     bGivenAll.b = 1/(Bb + sum(LiSamples(:,iGibbs)));
70     bSamples(iGibbs) = bGivenAll.random();
71 end
72
73 % Burn-In
74 aSamples(1:nBurnIn) = [];
75 bSamples(1:nBurnIn) = [];
76 LiSamples(:,1:nBurnIn) = [];
77
78 %% Manage Plotting
79 MeanLi = zeros(nConditions,1);
80 ConfInts = zeros(nConditions,2);
81 for iCond = 1:nConditions
82     MeanLi(iCond) = mean(LiSamples(iCond,:));
83     ConfInts(iCond,:) = quantile(LiSamples(iCond,:),[0.025 0.975]);
84 end
85
86 figure;
87 errorbar(1:nConditions,MeanLi,ConfInts(:,1),ConfInts(:,2),'Marker','diamond','Linewidth',2)...
88     ;hold on;
89 title('Point and Interval Estimates for different conditions','FontSize',14);
90 xlabel('Experiment Condition','FontSize',14);
91 ylabel('Mean Reaction Rate','FontSize',14);
92 ylim([0 8]);
93 plot(1:nConditions,LambdaI,'m*','Linewidth',2);hold off;
94 keyboard

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