

AdvStDaAn, Worksheet, Week 12

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Task 1

You are working in a call center. In the past there were about 30 incoming calls per hour that have to be forwarded. The times between calls can be assumed to be exponentially distributed with rate λ .

Based on your knowledge you model a prior on λ that is Gamma distributed with mean 30 and standard deviation 10.

You recorded 120 calls in 3 hours.

Calculate a 90% credible interval for the parameter λ based on observed data. Calculate the MAP estimate for the parameter λ .

Assume you would have recorded 1200 calls in 30 hours, calculate the 90% credible interval for the parameter λ and the MAP based on these observations.

In the past: 30 calls/hour
Recorded: 120 calls in 3 hours (40 calls/hour)
prior: gamma distribution with $\mu = 30$ and $\sigma = 10$

For the gamma distribution the following equations can be used to calculate a and b:

$$\mu = \frac{a}{b} \text{ and } \sigma = \frac{a}{b^2}$$

solve for one and insert in second equation resulting in:

```
a <- 9
b <- 0.3

# plot prior density
curve(dgamma(x,a,b), 0, 100, ylim = c(0, 0.2), col = 'red')
# plot posterior density
```

```

curve(dgamma(x,a+120,b+3), 0, 100, col="magenta", add=T)
# equal tailed 90% credible interval
abline(v = qgamma(c(0.05,0.95), a+120, b+3))
qgamma(c(0.05,0.95), a+120, b+3)

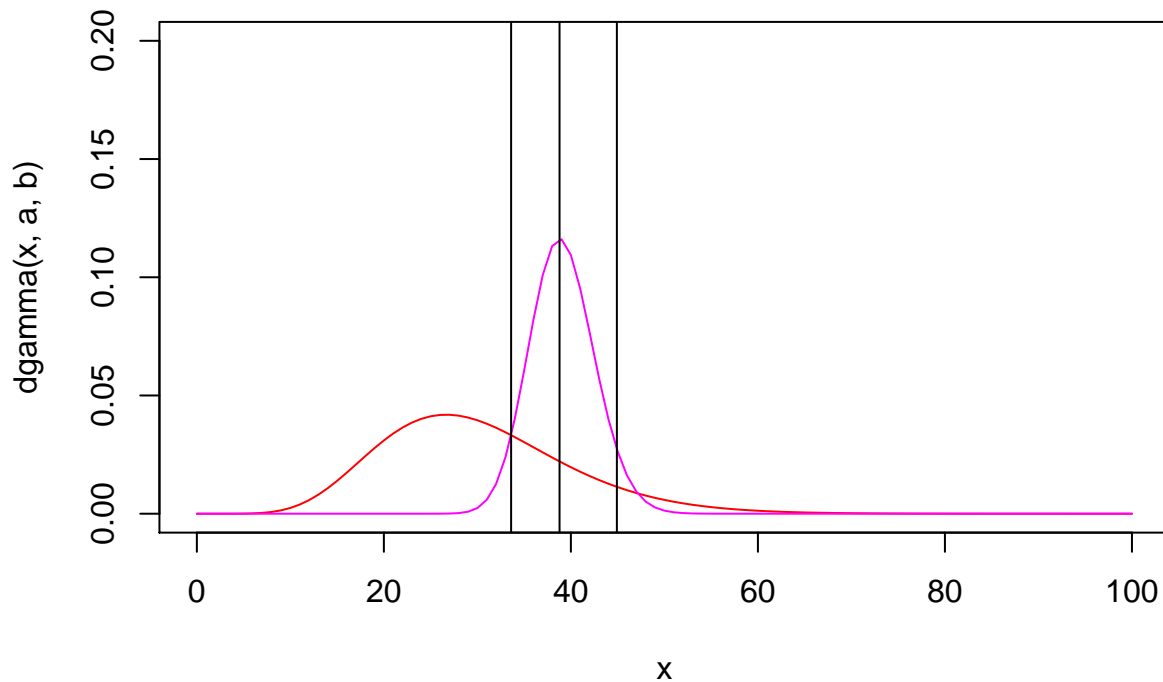
```

```
## [1] 33.60715 44.91908
```

```

# mode
mode = (a+120-1)/(b+3)
abline(v=mode)

```



```

# more observations
# equal tailed 90% credible interval
qgamma(c(0.05,0.95),a+1200,b+30)

```

```
## [1] 38.03239 41.80711
```

```

# mode
mode = (a+1200-1)/(b+30)

```

Task 2

The concentration of Carbon dioxide CO₂ in the air is reported to be normally distributed with mean 325 ppm and standard deviation 2 (under certain conditions). You can take this as prior information.

You conducted an experiment and measured the concentration of Carbon dioxide CO₂ at different times in the air: 310 ppm, 320 ppm, 324 ppm, 307 ppm and 329 ppm. The data are normally distributed with a known fixed standard deviation 9.

What's an equally tailed 95% credible interval for the concentration of Carbon dioxide CO₂ after seeing the data? Perform an exact Bayesian analysis and use an ABC approach to compare the results.

Exact Bayesian analysis:

Mean of observed carbon dioxide concentrations: $\text{mean}(310, 320, 324, 307, 329) = 318$ ppm

The posterior standard deviation of the expected concentration μ is $\left(\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{5}{9^2}\right)^{-1} = 3.208$.

The posterior mean of the expected concentration μ is $\left(\frac{325}{2^2} + \frac{1590}{9^2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2^2} + \frac{5}{9^2}\right)^{-1} = 323.6$.

```
# given information
obs = sum(310, 320, 324, 307, 329)
nObs = 5
sigma = 9
m = 325
s = 2
# plot prior of expected concentration of carbon dioxide
curve(dnorm(x,m,s), 310, 340)
# calculate posterior distribution of expected concentration of carbon dioxide
post_m = (m/s^2+obs/sigma^2)/(1/s^2+nObs/sigma^2) # different written than in slides: / and no ^-1
post_m = (m/s^2+obs/sigma^2)*(1/s^2+nObs/sigma^2)^-1 # -> same as above
post_s = (1/s^2+nObs/sigma^2)^-.5
# plot posterior
curve(dnorm(x,post_m,post_s), 310, 340, col="magenta", lwd=5, n=1001)
curve(dnorm(x,m,s), 310, 340, col="cyan", lwd=5, n=1001, add=T)
qnorm(c(0.025, 0.975), post_m, post_s)
abline(v=qnorm(c(0.025,0.975), post_m, post_s), col="magenta")
```

ABC approach:

```
# number of simulated values
nSamples = 10000
# simulate from the prior
prior = rnorm(nSamples, mean=325, sd=2)
# observed value
observed = sum(310, 320, 324, 307, 329)
observed
# take simulated parameters from prior in data generating process and keep values
# if simulated data equals approximately observed data
keep = rep(FALSE, nSamples)
for(i in 1:nSamples)
{
  simulatedValues = rnorm(5, mean=prior[i], sd=9)
```

```
if(abs(sum(simulatedValues)-observed)<10)
{
  keep[i] = TRUE
}
}
# condition on observed data
posterior = prior[keep]
# how many data are left after conditioning?
length(posterior)
# calculate the credible interval from the sample
quantile(posterior,c(0.025,0.5,0.975))
```

Question Task

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