

# STA 721 HW 10

1. With the model from class and sufficient statistics, derive the full conditional distributions for  $\alpha$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\kappa_j$  and  $\phi$  assuming

$$p(\alpha, \phi) \propto 1/\phi \tag{1}$$

$$\gamma_j \mid \kappa_j, \phi, \alpha \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \mathbf{N}(0, \frac{1}{\phi \kappa_j}) \tag{2}$$

$$\kappa_j \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} G(1/2, 1/2) \tag{3}$$

(You should have a name, and expressions for all hyperparameters)

2. Modify your Gamma prior on  $\kappa_i$  to capture the desired features based on  $l_i$ .
3. Find the updated full conditionals based on your choice above. Do you need to update all of the full conditionals? Explain.
4. Implement your models in R or JAGS (see earlier JAGS code as a starting point) and apply this to the `longley` data. How do your results compare to classical ridge? Include plots of the posterior distributions of coefficients, plus means and credible intervals, as well as plots of the distributions of the  $\kappa$ 's. How sensitive to the results to the prior assumptions? How do the estimates of  $\kappa_i$  compare to the best GCV estimate from class?
5. Explain the computational advantage of using the canonical parameterization in MCMC.