

Homework 2

STA 360: Assignment 2, Fall 2020

Due Friday August 28, 5 PM Standard Eastern Time

```
library(tidyverse) #load in tidyverse package
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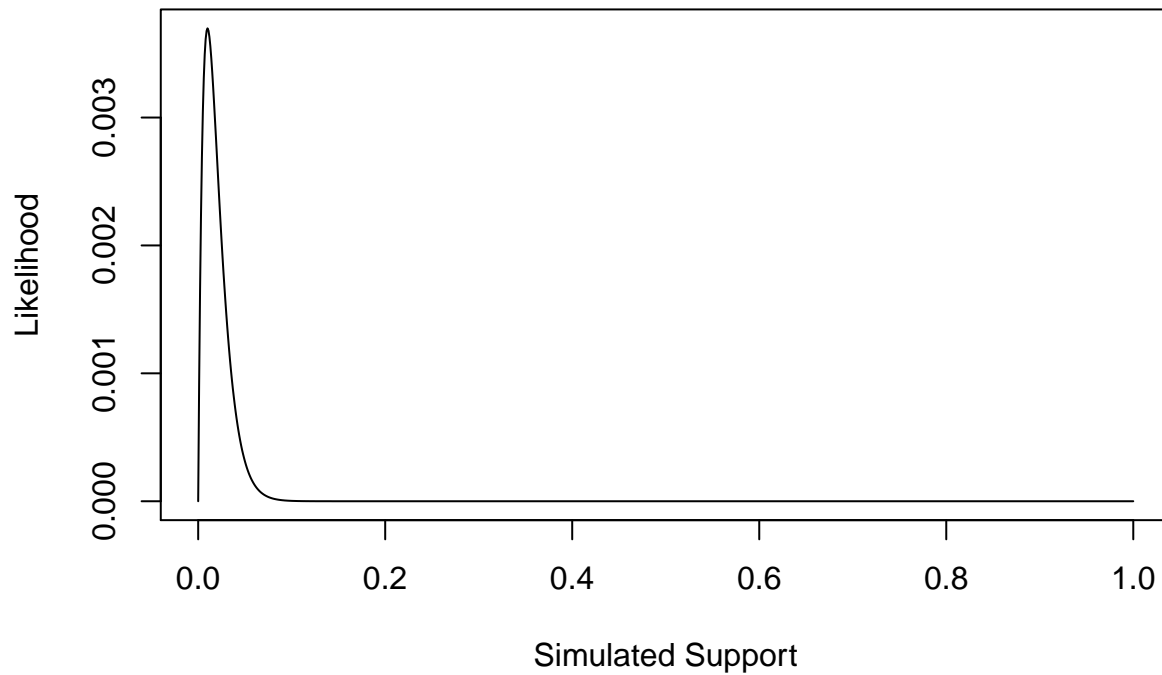
Lab Component

a. Task 3

```
set.seed(123)
### Bernoulli LH Function ###
# Input: obs.data, theta
# Output: bernoulli likelihood
obs.data <- rbinom(n = 100, size = 1, prob = 0.01)
bernLH <- function(obs.data, theta){
  N <- length(obs.data)
  x <- sum(obs.data)
  LH <- (theta ^ x) * ((1 - theta) ^ {N - x})
  return (LH)
}

### Plot LH for a grid of theta values ###
# Create the grid #
theta.sim <- seq(from = 0, to = 1, length.out = 1000)
# Store the LH values
sim.LH <- bernLH(obs.data, theta = theta.sim)
# Create the Plot
plot(theta.sim, sim.LH, type = "l", main = "Likelihood Profile",
      xlab = "Simulated Support",
      ylab = "Likelihood")
```

Likelihood Profile



b. Task 4

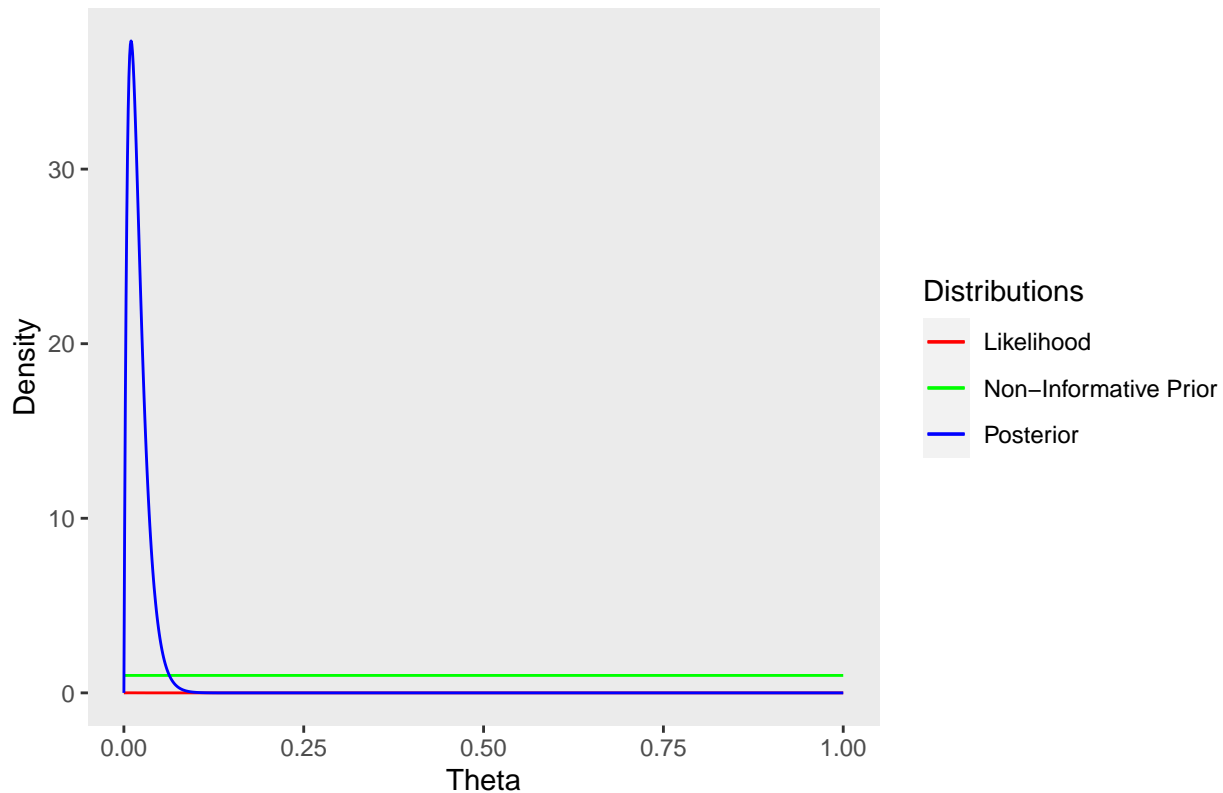
```
myBetaBernoulli <- function(obs.data, theta, a, b){  
  N <- length(obs.data)  
  x <- sum(obs.data)  
  BeBern <- dbeta(theta, x + a, N-x+b)  
  param1= x+a  
  param2 = N-x+b  
  print(param1)  
  print(param2)  
  return(BeBern)  
}  
  
non.informative.prior <- dbeta(theta.sim,1,1)  
informative.prior <- dbeta(theta.sim,3,1)  
  
posterior.non.informative <- myBetaBernoulli(obs.data, theta.sim, 1, 1)  
  
## [1] 2  
## [1] 100  
  
posterior.informative <- myBetaBernoulli(obs.data, theta.sim, 3, 1)  
  
## [1] 4  
## [1] 100
```

The parameters for the posterior with a non-informative prior are Beta(2, 100) and for the informative, the parameters are Beta(4, 100).

c. Task 5

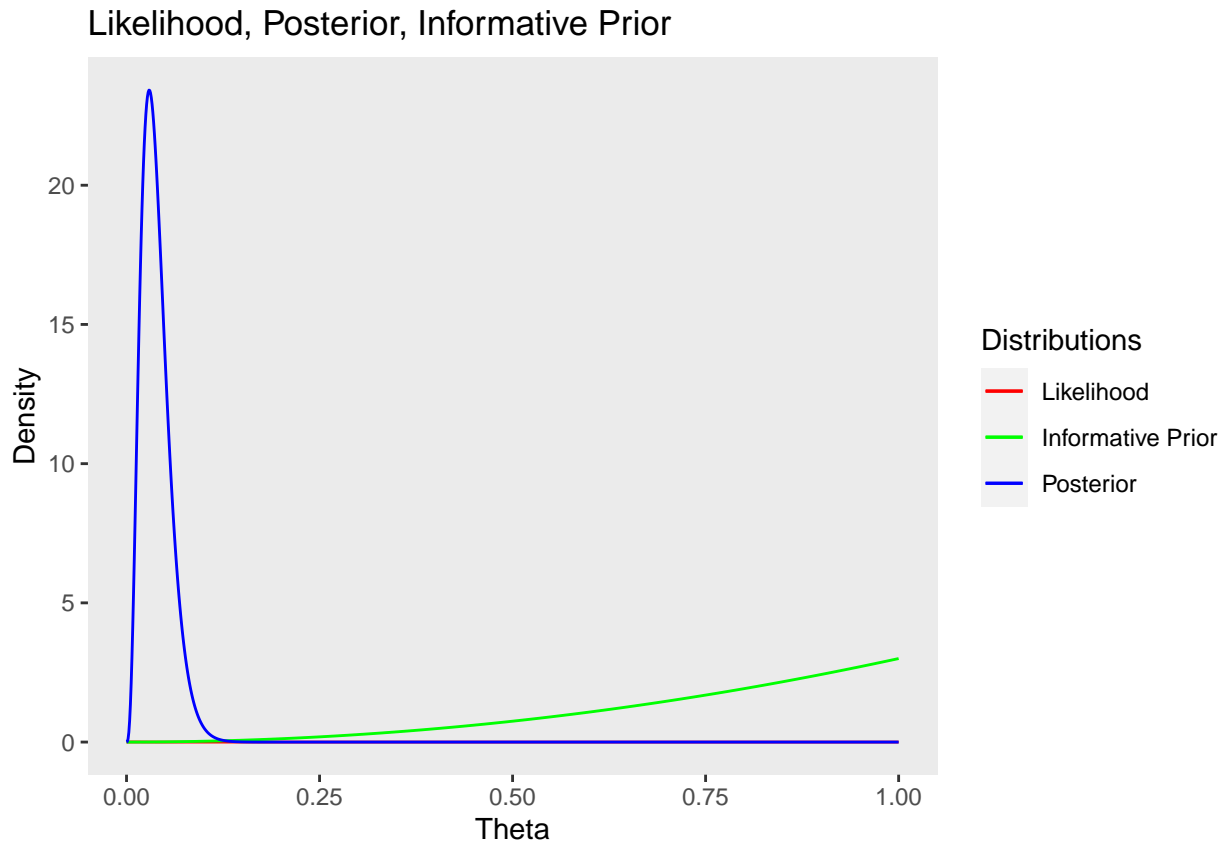
```
df<- data.frame(theta.sim, non.informative.prior, informative.prior, sim.LH)
ggplot(df, aes(theta.sim)) +
  geom_line(aes(y=sim.LH, color="Likelihood")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=non.informative.prior,
                color= "Non-Informative Prior")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=posterior.non.informative, color="Posterior"))+
  scale_color_manual(name = "Distributions",
                    breaks = c("Likelihood","Non-Informative Prior",
                              "Posterior"),
                    values = c("red", "green","blue"))+
  labs(title = "Likelihood, Posterior, Non-Informative Prior",
       y = "Density",
       x = "Theta" ) +
  theme(
    panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
    panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
  )
```

Likelihood, Posterior, Non-Informative Prior



```
ggplot(df, aes(theta.sim)) +
  geom_line(aes(y=sim.LH, color="Likelihood")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=informative.prior,
                color= "Informative Prior")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=posterior.informative, color="Posterior"))+
  scale_color_manual(name = "Distributions",
                    breaks = c("Likelihood","Informative Prior",
                              "Posterior"),
                    values = c("red", "green","blue"))+
```

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labs(title = "Likelihood, Posterior, Informative Prior",
     y = "Density",
     x = "Theta" ) +
theme(
  panel.grid.major = element_blank(),
  panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
)
```



We can see that the informative prior is slightly more to the right than the non-informative prior. Having an informative prior shifted the posterior distribution so the value of theta it's centered about is greater than the non-informative prior posterior distribution. We can also see that the non-informative distribution is taller than the informative

The Exponential-Gamma Model

$$\textcircled{1} p(\theta|x) = \frac{p(\theta, x)}{p(x)} = \frac{p(x|\theta)p(\theta)}{p(x)} \propto p(x|\theta)p(\theta)$$

In this case:

$$p(x|\theta) = \text{Exp}(x|\theta) = \theta \exp(-\theta x) \mathbb{I}(x > 0)$$

$$p(\theta) = \text{Gamma}(\theta|a, b) = \frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} \theta^{a-1} \exp(-b\theta) \mathbb{I}(\theta > 0)$$

so

$$\textcircled{2} p(x|\theta)p(\theta) = \theta e^{-\theta x} * \frac{b^a}{\Gamma(a)} \theta^{a-1} e^{-b\theta} \mathbb{I}(\theta > 0)$$

$$\textcircled{3} \underbrace{\theta e^{-\theta x}}_{\text{group like terms}} * \underbrace{\theta^{a-1} e^{-b\theta}}_{\text{remove constant}} \rightarrow \theta^{(a+1)-1} e^{-\theta(b+x)} \rightarrow \theta^{(a+1)-1} \exp(-\theta(b+x))$$

$\textcircled{4}$ We can see that the posterior, $p(\theta|x)$, is a Gamma distribution with parameters $a+1$, $b+x$

$$\text{Gamma}(\theta|a+1, b+x) \rightarrow \theta^{(a+1)-1} \exp(-\theta(b+x))$$

$$\text{Thus } p(\theta|x) = \text{Gamma}(\theta|a+1, b+x)$$

a.

b. The posterior distribution is a proper density distribution function because it is an actual probability distribution, a Gamma distribution. Improper distributions are functions that do not integrate to 1. In this case, the Gamma distribution with parameters $(a + 1, b + x)$ integrates to 1 with respect to theta.

c.

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q2.obs.data <- c(20.9, 69.7, 3.6, 21.8, 21.4, 0.4, 6.7, 10.0)
q2.theta <- seq(from = 0.4, to = 69.7, length.out = 1000)
x <- sum(q2.obs.data)
alpha = 0.1
beta = 1.0
alpha2 = 0.1 + length(q2.obs.data)
beta2 = 1.0 + x
q2.prior <- dgamma(x = q2.theta, alpha, rate = 1.0/beta)
q2.posterior <- dgamma(x = q2.theta, alpha2, rate = 1.0/beta2)
df2 <- data.frame(q2.theta, q2.prior, q2.posterior)
ggplot(df2, aes(x = q2.theta)) +
  geom_line(aes(y=q2.prior, color="Prior")) +
  geom_line(aes(y=q2.posterior,
                color="Posterior")) +
  scale_color_manual(name = "Distributions",
                    breaks = c("Prior",
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      "Posterior"),
  values = c("red", "green"))+
labs(title = "Posterior and Prior",
     y = "Density",
     x = "Theta" )

```

