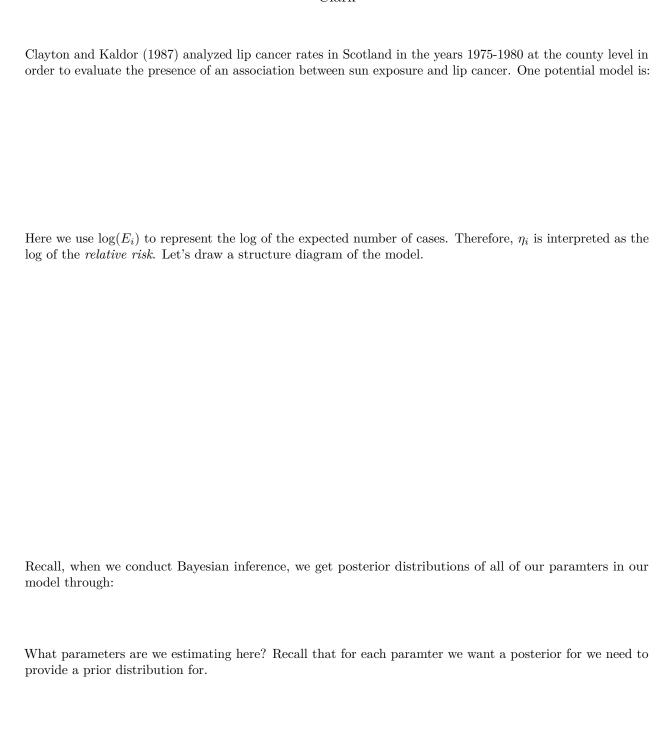
Lesson 22

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Typically, to find the posterior distribution we cannot find a closed form solution to the actual posterior. Therefore, researchers either simulate from the posterior, or they estimate the posterior. Today, we're going to use the later technique. If you take a Bayesian course in the future they likely will spend a lot of time on Markov Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) techniques for simulating from the posterior. While this is typically really smart to do, it also can be computationally intensive and takes some time to talk about what's actually going on. We're going to side step this today and instead estimate the posterior using a technique called integrated nested Laplace approximation (INLA). The basics are this:

The really nice thing about this, I think is it's sort of straight forward to code.

Let's go through this and then look at some of the printouts.

```
summary(lip.cancer.model)

round(lip.cancer.model$summary.fixed,3)
round(lip.cancer.model$summary.hyperpar,3)

scotland_fitted <- scotland_sf
scotland_fitted$county_effect <- lip.cancer.model$summary.random$id$mean
ggplot() +
    geom_sf(data = scotland_fitted, aes(fill= county_effect))</pre>
```

Let's say instead we want a model where we assume the effect of sunlight differs per each county. We can write:

Our code then becomes:

Let's go through the R code I posted and see if we can figure out what's going on.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(faraway)
library(INLA)
library("spdep")
library("lme4")
library("spatstat")
library("sp")
library("maptools")
```

```
library("lattice")
data(penicillin)
summary(penicillin)
  treat
             blend
##
                         yield
## A:5 Blend1:4
                    Min.
                            :77
## B:5
        Blend2:4
                    1st Qu.:81
## C:5
        Blend3:4
                    Median:87
        Blend4:4
## D:5
                    Mean
                            :86
##
          Blend5:4
                     3rd Qu.:89
##
                     Max.
                            .97
#Prior for Precision
prec.prior <- list(prec = list(param = c(0.001, 0.001)))</pre>
penicillin$treat <- relevel(penicillin$treat, "D")</pre>
inla.pen <- inla(yield ~ 1 + treat + f(blend, model = "iid",</pre>
                                       hyper = prec.prior),
                 data = penicillin, control.predictor = list(compute = TRUE))
summary(inla.pen)
##
## Call:
##
      c("inla.core(formula = formula, family = family, contrasts = contrasts,
##
      ", " data = data, quantiles = quantiles, E = E, offset = offset, ", "
##
      scale = scale, weights = weights, Ntrials = Ntrials, strata = strata,
##
      ", " lp.scale = lp.scale, link.covariates = link.covariates, verbose =
      verbose, ", " lincomb = lincomb, selection = selection, control.compute
##
##
      = control.compute, ", " control.predictor = control.predictor,
##
      control.family = control.family, ", " control.inla = control.inla,
     control.fixed = control.fixed, ", " control.mode = control.mode,
##
      control.expert = control.expert, ", " control.hazard = control.hazard,
##
      control.lincomb = control.lincomb, ", " control.update =
##
##
      control.update, control.lp.scale = control.lp.scale, ", "
##
      control.pardiso = control.pardiso, only.hyperparam = only.hyperparam,
##
      ", " inla.call = inla.call, inla.arg = inla.arg, num.threads =
     num.threads, ", " keep = keep, working.directory = working.directory,
##
      silent = silent, ", " inla.mode = inla.mode, safe = FALSE, debug =
##
##
      debug, .parent.frame = .parent.frame)" )
## Time used:
      Pre = 0.485, Running = 0.295, Post = 0.179, Total = 0.959
##
## Fixed effects:
                         sd 0.025quant 0.5quant 0.975quant
                 mean
                                                             mode kld
## (Intercept) 86.000 2.745
                                80.552
                                         86.000
                                                    91.448 86.000
## treatA
              -1.992 2.820
                                -7.592
                                         -1.993
                                                     3.611 -1.992
                                                                    0
                                -6.597
## treatB
              -0.996 2.820
                                         -0.996
                                                     4.607 -0.996
                                                                    0
## treatC
              2.988 2.820
                                -2.616
                                        2.989
                                                    8.587 2.989
##
```

```
## Random effects:
##
    Name
           Model
      blend IID model
##
##
## Model hyperparameters:
                                                    sd 0.025quant 0.5quant
##
                                            mean
## Precision for the Gaussian observations 0.064 0.025
                                                            0.028
                                                                     0.059
## Precision for blend
                                           0.140 0.190
                                                                     0.084
                                                            0.012
                                           0.975quant mode
## Precision for the Gaussian observations
                                                0.124 0.052
## Precision for blend
                                                0.619 0.031
## Marginal log-Likelihood: -84.10
## is computed
## Posterior summaries for the linear predictor and the fitted values are computed
## (Posterior marginals needs also 'control.compute=list(return.marginals.predictor=TRUE)')
test<-inla.pen$marginals.fixed[[3]]
```

Let's try to write out the model that we are fitting:

```
data("sleepstudy")
sleepstudy$Reaction <- sleepstudy$Reaction / 1000</pre>
inla.sleep <- inla(Reaction ~ 1 + Days + f(Subject, model = "iid"),</pre>
                   data = sleepstudy)
#sleepstudy %>% ggplot(aes(x=Days,y=Reaction))+geom_point()+
# stat smooth(method="lm",se=F)
#sleepstudy %>% ggplot(aes(x=Days,y=Reaction))+geom_point()+
# stat_smooth(method="lm",se=F)+facet_wrap(~Subject)
inla.sleep.w <- inla(Reaction ~ 1 + f(Subject, Days, model = "iid"),</pre>
                     data = sleepstudy, control.predictor = list(compute = TRUE))
summary(inla.sleep.w)
##
## Call:
      c("inla.core(formula = formula, family = family, contrasts = contrasts,
##
      ", " data = data, quantiles = quantiles, E = E, offset = offset, ", "
```

```
##
      scale = scale, weights = weights, Ntrials = Ntrials, strata = strata,
##
      ", " lp.scale = lp.scale, link.covariates = link.covariates, verbose =
##
      verbose, ", " lincomb = lincomb, selection = selection, control.compute
      = control.compute, ", " control.predictor = control.predictor,
##
##
      control.family = control.family, ", " control.inla = control.inla,
      control.fixed = control.fixed, ", " control.mode = control.mode,
##
      control.expert = control.expert, ", " control.hazard = control.hazard,
##
      control.lincomb = control.lincomb, ", " control.update =
##
##
      control.update, control.lp.scale = control.lp.scale, ", "
##
      control.pardiso = control.pardiso, only.hyperparam = only.hyperparam,
##
      ", " inla.call = inla.call, inla.arg = inla.arg, num.threads =
      num.threads, ", " keep = keep, working.directory = working.directory,
##
      silent = silent, ", " inla.mode = inla.mode, safe = FALSE, debug =
##
      debug, .parent.frame = .parent.frame)" )
##
## Time used:
       Pre = 0.382, Running = 0.331, Post = 0.087, Total = 0.8
##
## Fixed effects:
                        sd 0.025quant 0.5quant 0.975quant mode kld
                mean
   (Intercept) 0.255 0.004
                                         0.255
##
                                0.247
                                                     0.263 0.255
## Random effects:
    Name
##
              Model
##
       Subject IID model
##
## Model hyperparameters:
                                               mean
                                                         sd 0.025quant 0.5quant
## Precision for the Gaussian observations 1198.80 133.41
                                                                954.83 1192.41
## Precision for Subject
                                           7361.87 2494.99
                                                               3562.09 6997.44
                                           0.975quant
## Precision for the Gaussian observations
                                              1479.39 1181.66
## Precision for Subject
                                             13263.29 6326.02
##
## Marginal log-Likelihood: 336.13
## is computed
## Posterior summaries for the linear predictor and the fitted values are computed
## (Posterior marginals needs also 'control.compute=list(return.marginals.predictor=TRUE)')
```

How do these models differ? When would you want to use the second model over the first?

Let's step up our modeling a bit

```
levels(nyc.stops$eth) <- c("black", "hispanic", "white")</pre>
nyc.stops$eth <- relevel(nyc.stops$eth, "white")</pre>
nyc.stops$crime <- as.factor(nyc.stops$crime)</pre>
levels(nyc.stops$crime) <- c("violent", "weapons", "property", "drug")</pre>
nyc.stops.agg <- aggregate(cbind(stops, past.arrests, pop) ~ precinct + eth,</pre>
                        data = nyc.stops, sum)
# Population is summed 4 times
nyc.stops.agg$pop <- nyc.stops.agg$pop / 4</pre>
## -----
nyc.inla <- inla(stops ~ eth + f(precinct, model = "iid"),</pre>
               data = nyc.stops.agg, offset = log((15 / 12) * past.arrests),
               family = "poisson")
## -----
# Ethnicity precinct index
nyc.stops.agg$ID <- 1:nrow(nyc.stops.agg)</pre>
nyc.inla2 <- inla(stops ~ eth + f(precinct, model = "iid") +</pre>
                  f(ID, model = "iid"),
                data = nyc.stops.agg, offset = log((15/12) * past.arrests),
                family = "poisson")
```

So, we can do this, but how do we know the models are any good? Other than conceptualizing the problem, perhaps we want something similar to AIC or BIC to help us out.

Two possible methods are posterior predictive checks and DIC.

The general idea behind posterior predictive checks (or P values) is:

We can sample from the posterior doing something like:

We can take a look at:

```
hist(predicted.p.value)
```

Here we see some issues. We can see where we aren't fitting the data well:

We can repeat this with the more complex model.

To compare two models we can use DIC or deviance information criterion

```
## [1] 3857.836
nyc.inla2$dic$dic
```

```
## [1] 2156.08
```

Here we see for a variety of reasons the second model would be preferred to the first.