

## 2M2: Grid Approximate Posterior with Modified Prior

Now assume a prior for  $p$  that is equal to zero when  $p < 0.5$  and is a positive constant when  $p \geq 0.5$ . Again compute and plot the grid approximate posterior distribution for each of the sets of observations in the problem just above.

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library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)

n_points <- 100

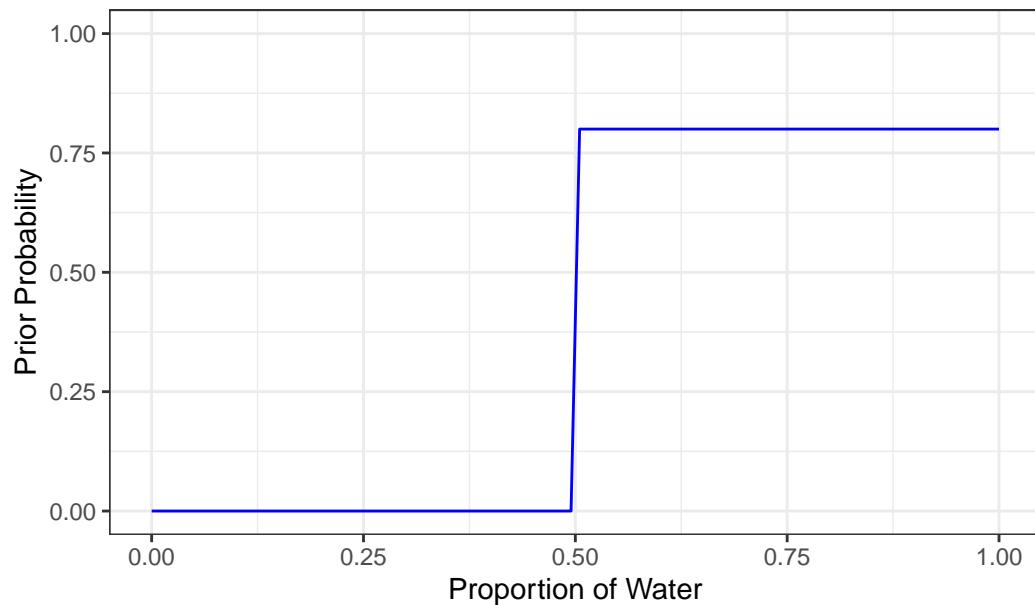
# define grid
p_grid <- seq(from=0, to=1, length.out=n_points)

# define prior
# A flat/uniform prior-every value of p is equally plausible before seeing data.
# This is the "I have no prior information" stance.
prob_const <- 0.8
prior <- if_else(p_grid < 0.5, 0, prob_const)

# plot the prior
df_prior <- tibble(grid = p_grid, prior = prior)

ggplot(df_prior, aes(x = grid, y = prior)) +
  geom_line(color = "blue", linewidth = 0.5) +
  labs(x = "Proportion of Water", y = "Prior Probability") +
  ggtitle("Prior Distribution") +
  ylim(0, 1) +
  theme_bw()
```

## Prior Distribution



W, W, W

```
# compute likelihood at each value in grid
# using a binomial distribution
likelihood <- dbinom(3, size = 3, prob = p_grid)

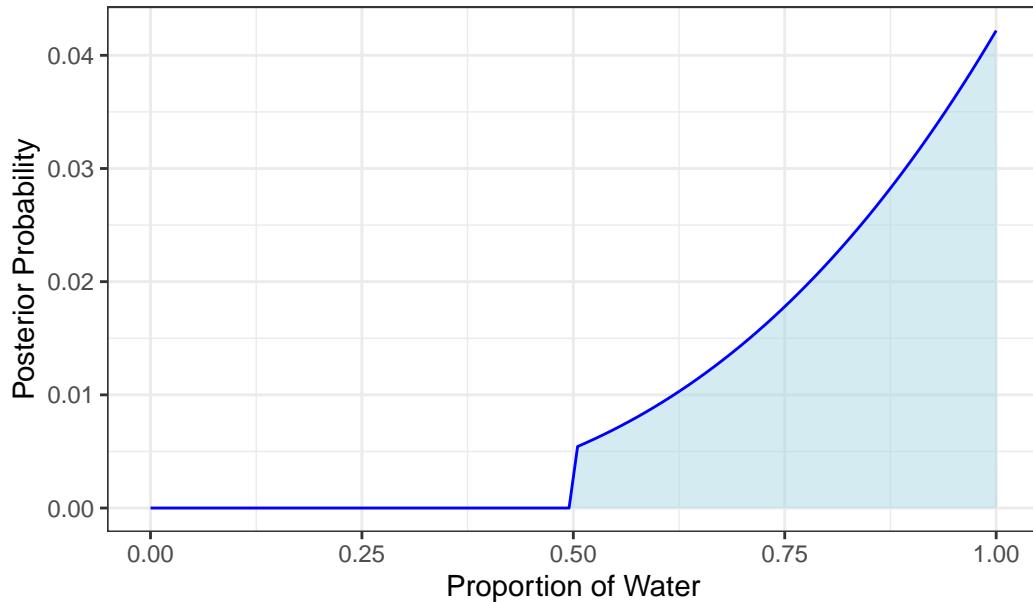
# compute product of likelihood and prior
unstd.posterior <- likelihood * prior

# standardize the posterior, so it sums to 1
posterior <- unstd.posterior / sum(unstd.posterior)

df <- tibble(grid = p_grid, posterior = posterior)

ggplot(df, aes(x = grid, y = posterior)) +
  geom_area(fill = "lightblue", alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_line(color = "blue", linewidth = 0.5) +
  labs(x = "Proportion of Water", y = "Posterior Probability") +
  ggtitle("Probability Distribution for W, W, W") +
  theme_bw()
```

## Probability Distribution for W, W, W



W, W, W, L

```
# compute likelihood at each value in grid
# using a binomial distribution
likelihood <- dbinom(3, size = 4, prob = p_grid)

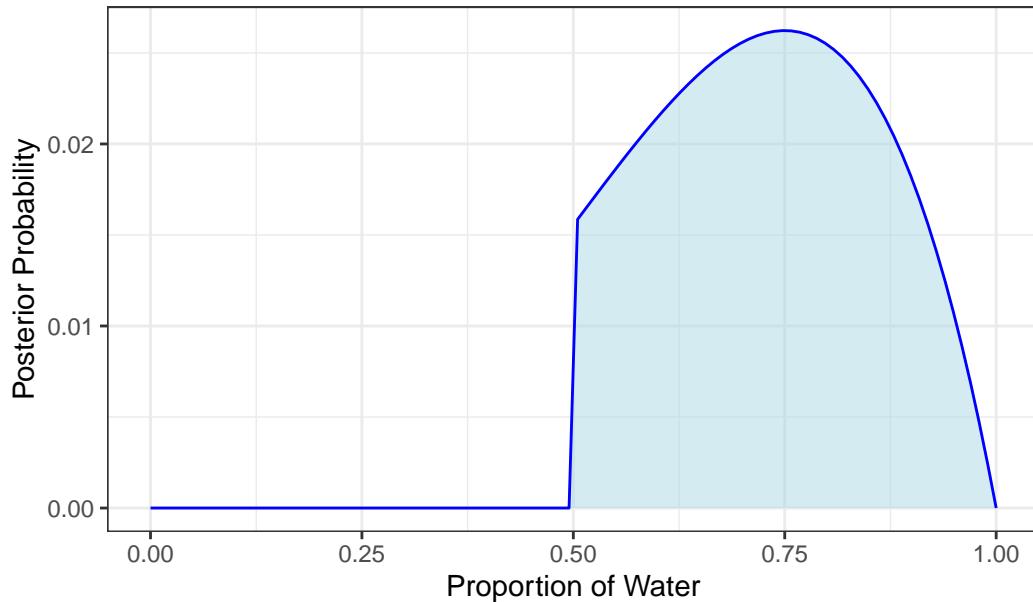
# compute product of likelihood and prior
unstd.posterior <- likelihood * prior

# standardize the posterior, so it sums to 1
posterior <- unstd.posterior / sum(unstd.posterior)

df <- tibble(grid = p_grid, posterior = posterior)

ggplot(df, aes(x = grid, y = posterior)) +
  geom_area(fill = "lightblue", alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_line(color = "blue", linewidth = 0.5) +
  labs(x = "Proportion of Water", y = "Posterior Probability") +
  ggtitle("Probability Distribution for W, W, W, L") +
  theme_bw()
```

## Probability Distribution for W, W, W, L



## L, W, W, L, W, W, W

```
# compute likelihood at each value in grid
# using a binomial distribution
likelihood <- dbinom(5, size = 7, prob = p_grid)

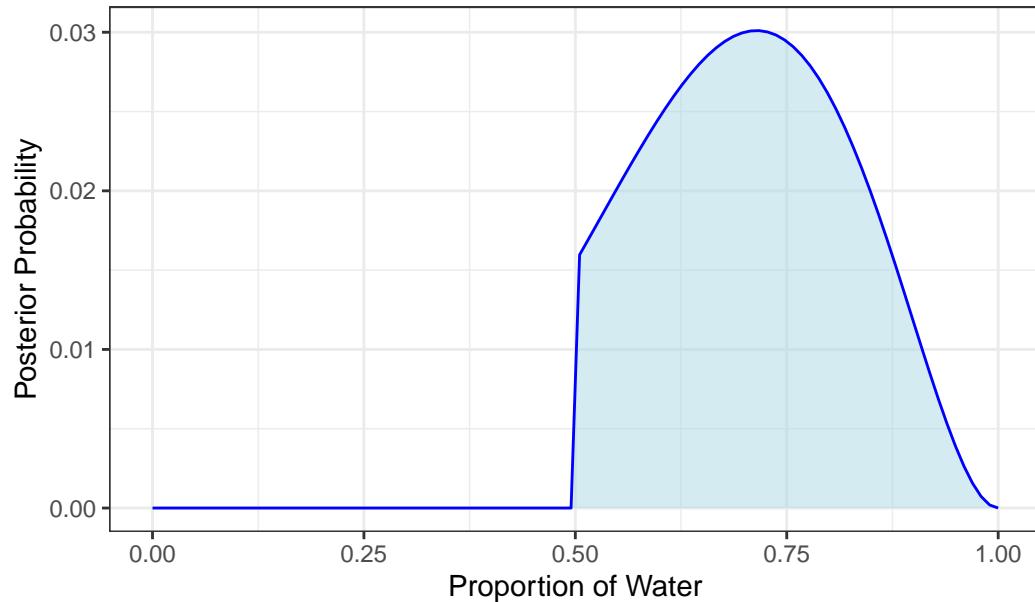
# compute product of likelihood and prior
unstd.posterior <- likelihood * prior

# standardize the posterior, so it sums to 1
posterior <- unstd.posterior / sum(unstd.posterior)

df <- tibble(grid = p_grid, posterior = posterior)

ggplot(df, aes(x = grid, y = posterior)) +
  geom_area(fill = "lightblue", alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_line(color = "blue", linewidth = 0.5) +
  labs(x = "Proportion of Water", y = "Posterior Probability") +
  ggtitle("Probability Distribution for L, W, W, L, W, W, W") +
  theme_bw()
```

### Probability Distribution for L, W, W, L, W, W, W, W



L, L, L

```
# compute likelihood at each value in grid
# using a binomial distribution
likelihood <- dbinom(0, size = 3, prob = p_grid)

# compute product of likelihood and prior
unstd.posterior <- likelihood * prior

# standardize the posterior, so it sums to 1
posterior <- unstd.posterior / sum(unstd.posterior)

df <- tibble(grid = p_grid, posterior = posterior)

ggplot(df, aes(x = grid, y = posterior)) +
  geom_area(fill = "lightblue", alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_line(color = "blue", linewidth = 0.5) +
  labs(x = "Proportion of Water", y = "Posterior Probability") +
  ggtitle("Probability Distribution for L, L, L") +
  theme_bw()
```

Probability Distribution for  $L, L, L$

