1. I chose a prior of $(\theta h, \theta w) = (50,50)$.

Make $\mu-2\sigma=0$, where we can have a 95% confidence interval within 2 variance, we know $\sigma 1=\sigma 2=25$.

Assuming the correlation between husband and wife age is 0.5, then $\sigma 12 = \sigma 21 = 25*25*0.5 = 312.5$

Thus we have
$$\Lambda 0 = \frac{625}{312.5} = \frac{312.5}{625}$$

2. The prior predictive distribution under such prior assumptions is as following

Prior Predictive Distribution

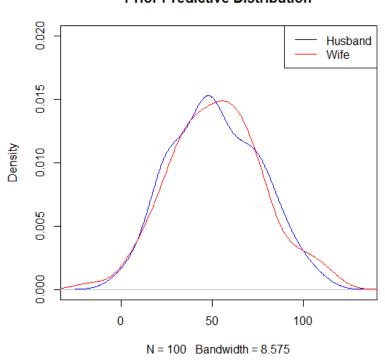


Figure 1: Prior Predictive Distribution Test Plot 1, under prior assumption stated in Q1

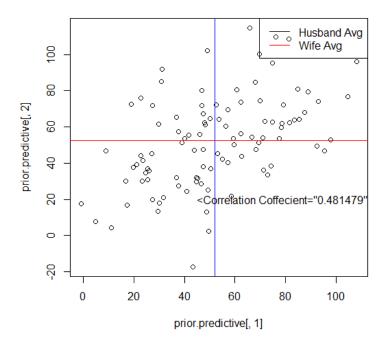


Figure 2: Scatter Plot of θh , θw in Prior Predictive Distribution, example 1

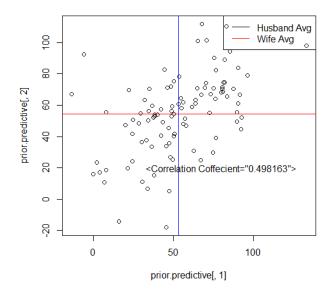


Figure 3: Scatter Plot of $\theta h,\,\theta w$ in Prior Predictive Distribution, example 2

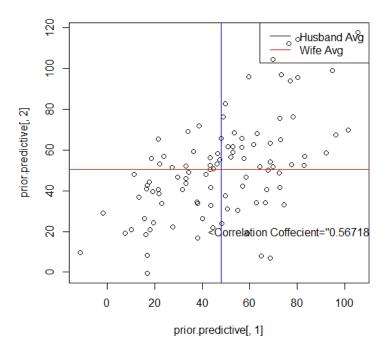


Figure 4: Scatter Plot of θh , θw in Prior Predictive Distribution, example 3

From the above three figures, we can see, our prior If your prior predictive datasets does generally conform to your beliefs of the parameters.

3. Following the method in Hoff book page 112-113, which is also stated in Lab lectures, we can do the Gibbs sampling, upon a prior stated in question 1.

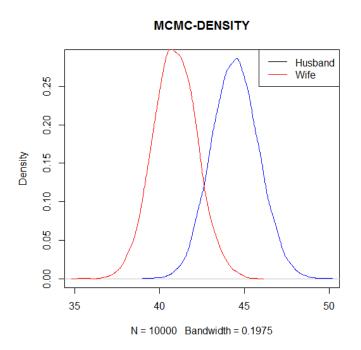
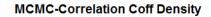


Figure 5: Density Distribution of θh and θw in MCMC simulation



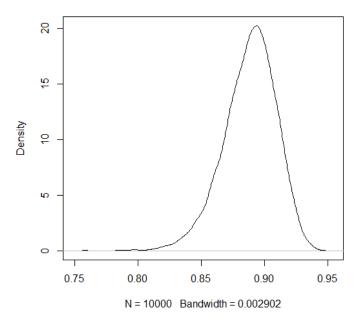


Figure 6: Density Distribution of Correlation Coffecient in MCMC simulation

95% Intervals are:

Husband θh =(41.81863 47.16969)

Wife θ w =(38.34298 43.51096).

Correlation Coefficient= (0.8421991 0.9240957)

4. Using the new prior, we can calculate the new distribution. The 95% Interval are:

Husband $\theta h = (41.70611 47.20329)$

Wife θ w = (38.36744 43.53102)

Correlation Coefficient= (0.7947551 0.8999829)

We can see, the actually result under very different prior is actually very close, especially for θh , θw , but correlation coefficient is biased.

5. The probability that $pr(\theta h > \theta w)=1$, when using the given data set.

Please also refer to the code attached.

CODE:


```
library(mvtnorm)
age<-read.table(header = TRUE, "http://www.stat.washington.edu/hoff/Book/Data/hwdata/agehw.dat")
mu0<-c(45,40)
L0<-matrix(c(625,312.5,312.5,625),2,2)
nu0<-4
S0<-matrix(c(625,312.5,312.5,625),2,2)
prior.predictive<-matrix(nrow=100,ncol=2)
for (i in 1:100) {
    theta.star<-rmvnorm(100,mu0,L0)
    prior.predictive[i,]<-rmvnorm(1,colMeans(theta.star),cov(theta.star))
}
#plot(density(prior.predictive[,1]),col="blue",main="Prior Predictive Distribution",ylim=c(0,0.02))
#lines(density(prior.predictive[,2]),col="red")
#legend("topright", legend=c("Husband","Wife"), col=c(1,2), lty=1)
```

```
plot(prior.predictive[, 1], prior.predictive[, 2])
cov(prior.predictive)
abline(v=colMeans(prior.predictive)[1],col='blue')
abline(h=colMeans(prior.predictive)[2],col='red')
legend("topright", legend=c("Husband Avg","Wife Avg"), col=c(1,2), lty=1)
cof=cov(prior.predictive)[1,2]/(sqrt(var(prior.predictive[,1]))*sqrt(var(prior.predictive[,2])))
print(cof)
text(80,20, sprintf("<Correlation Coffecient=\"%f\">",cof))
#############3#####################
n<-dim(age)[1]
ybar<-apply(age,2,mean)
Sigma<-cov(age)
THETA<-SIGMA<-NULL
for (s in 1:10000)
Ln<-solve(solve(L0)+n*solve(Sigma))
 mun<-Ln%*%(solve(L0)%*%mu0+n*solve(Sigma)%*%ybar)
theta<-rmvnorm(1,mun,Ln)
Sn<-SO+(t(age)-c(theta))%*%t(t(age)-c(theta))
Sigma<-solve(rwish(1,nu0+n,solve(Sn)))
THETA<-rbind(THETA,theta)
SIGMA<-rbind(SIGMA,c(Sigma))
plot(density(THETA[,1]),col="blue",main="MCMC-DENSITY",xlim=c(35,50))
lines(density(THETA[,2]),col="red")
legend("topright", legend=c("Husband","Wife"), col=c(1,2), lty=1)
quantile(THETA[,1],c(0.025,0.975))
quantile(THETA[,2],c(0.025,0.975))
####Correlation Coffecient
Coff=SIGMA[,2]/sqrt(SIGMA[,1]*SIGMA[,4])
plot(density(Coff),main="MCMC-Correlation Coff Density")
quantile(Coff,c(0.025,0.975))
library(mvtnorm)
age<-read.table(header = TRUE, "http://www.stat.washington.edu/hoff/Book/Data/hwdata/agehw.dat")
```

```
mu0 < -c(0,0)
L0<-matrix(c(10^5,0,0,10^5),2,2)
nu0<-3
S0<-matrix(c(1000,0,0,1000),2,2)
n<-dim(age)[1]
ybar<-apply(age,2,mean)
Sigma<-cov(age)
THETA<-SIGMA<-NULL
for (s in 1:10000)
{
Ln<-solve(solve(L0)+n*solve(Sigma))
mun<-Ln%*%(solve(L0)%*%mu0+n*solve(Sigma)%*%ybar)
theta<-rmvnorm(1,mun,Ln)
Sn<-SO+(t(age)-c(theta))%*%t(t(age)-c(theta))
Sigma<-solve(rwish(1,nu0+n,solve(Sn)))
THETA<-rbind(THETA,theta)
SIGMA<-rbind(SIGMA,c(Sigma))
plot(density(THETA[,1]),col="blue",main="MCMC-DENSITY",xlim=c(35,50))
lines(density(THETA[,2]),col="red")
legend("topright", legend=c("Husband","Wife"), col=c(1,2), lty=1)
quantile(THETA[,1],c(0.025,0.975))
quantile(THETA[,2],c(0.025,0.975))
####Correlation Coffecient
Coff=SIGMA[,2]/sqrt(SIGMA[,1]*SIGMA[,4])
plot(density(Coff),main="MCMC-Correlation Coff Density")
quantile(Coff,c(0.025,0.975))
mean(THETA[,1]>THETA[,2])
```