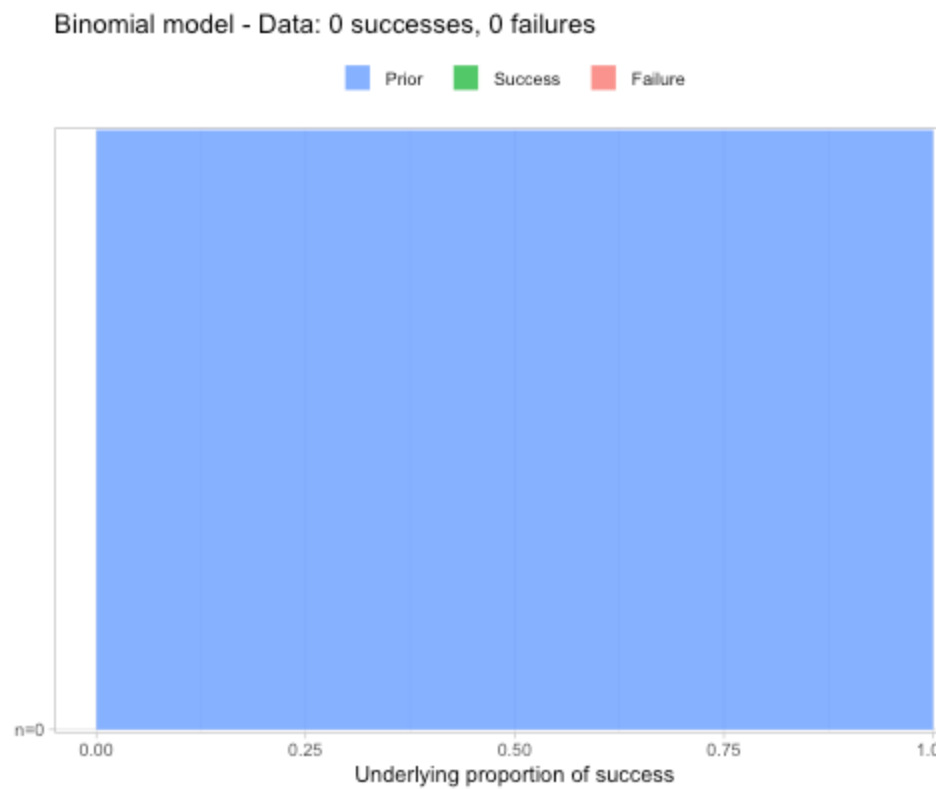


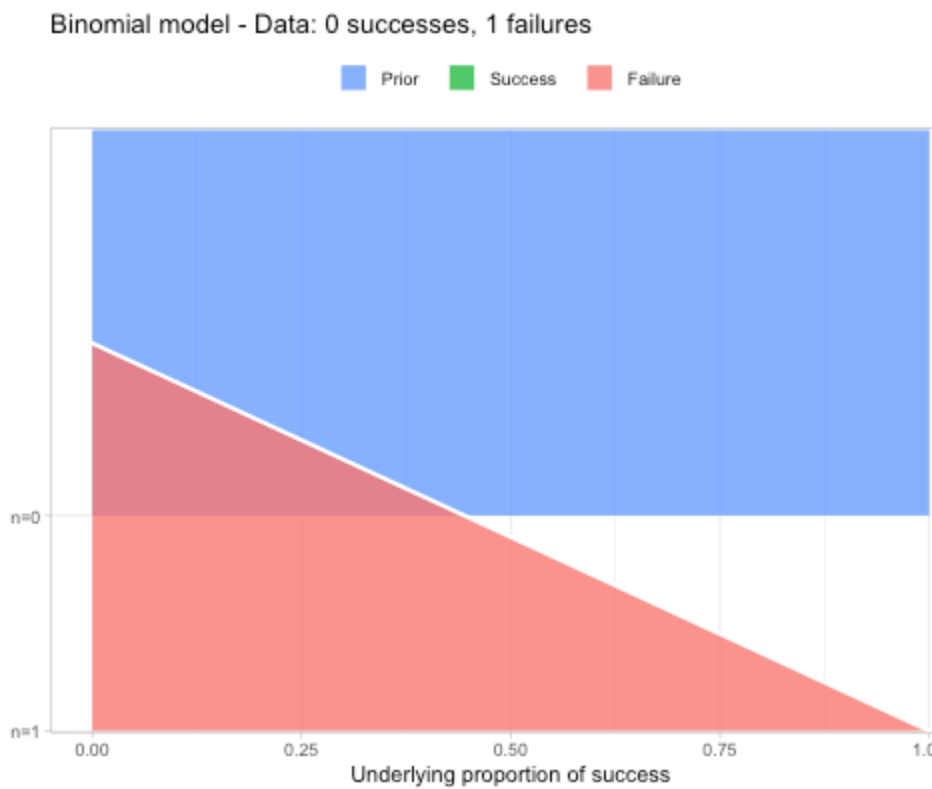
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The Beta-binomial

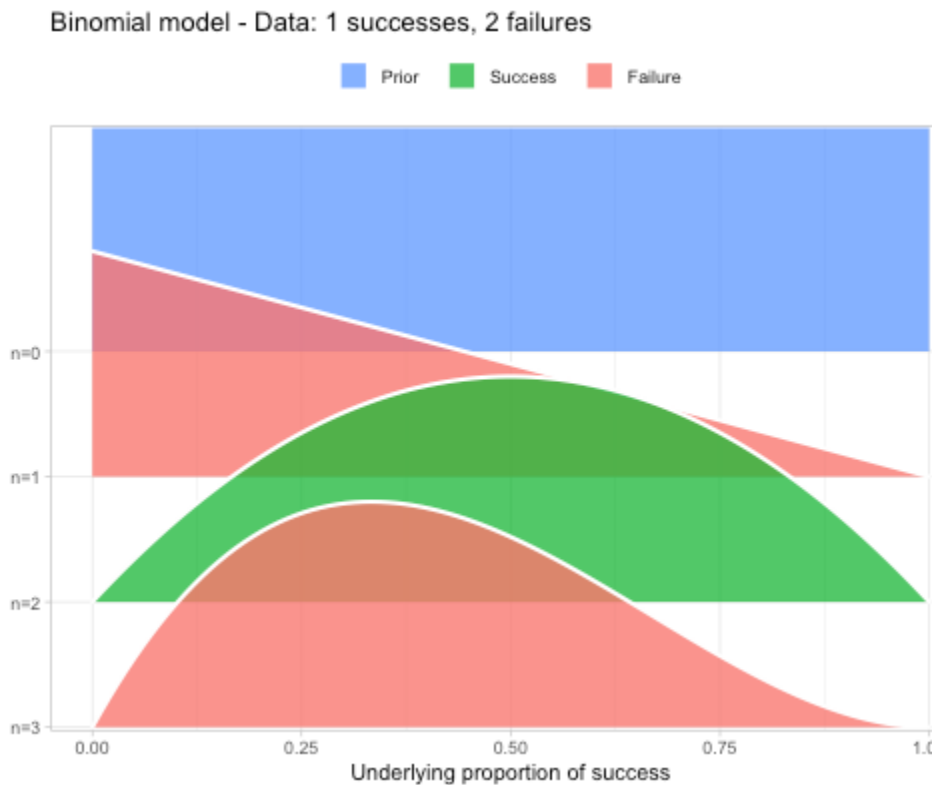
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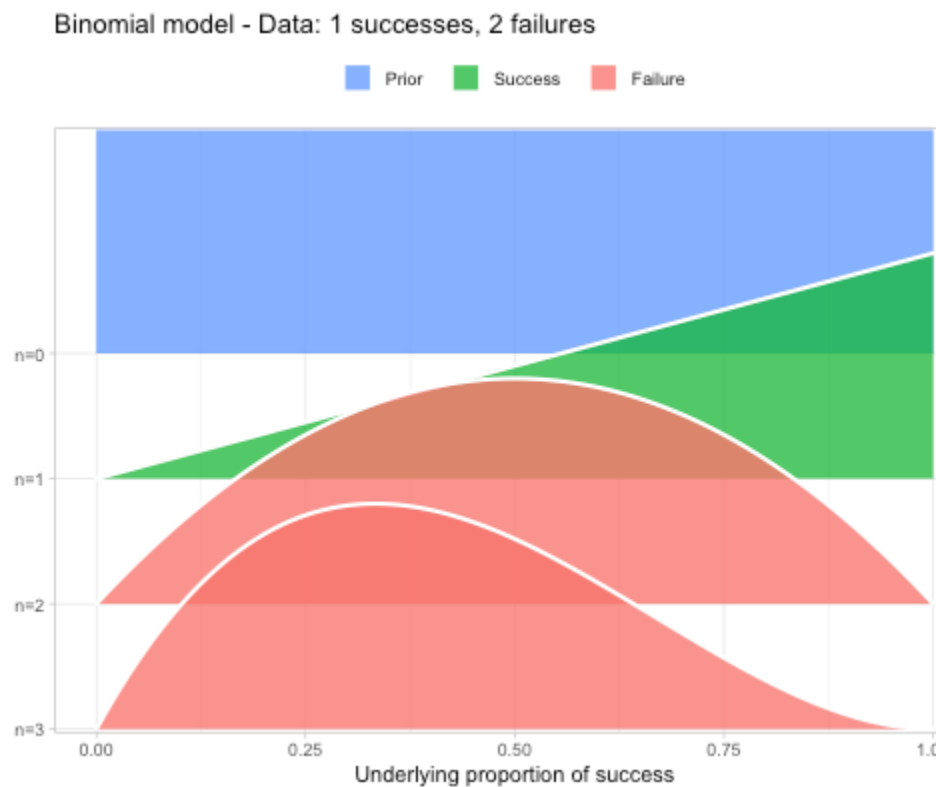
One observation



Three observations



Three observations, reordered



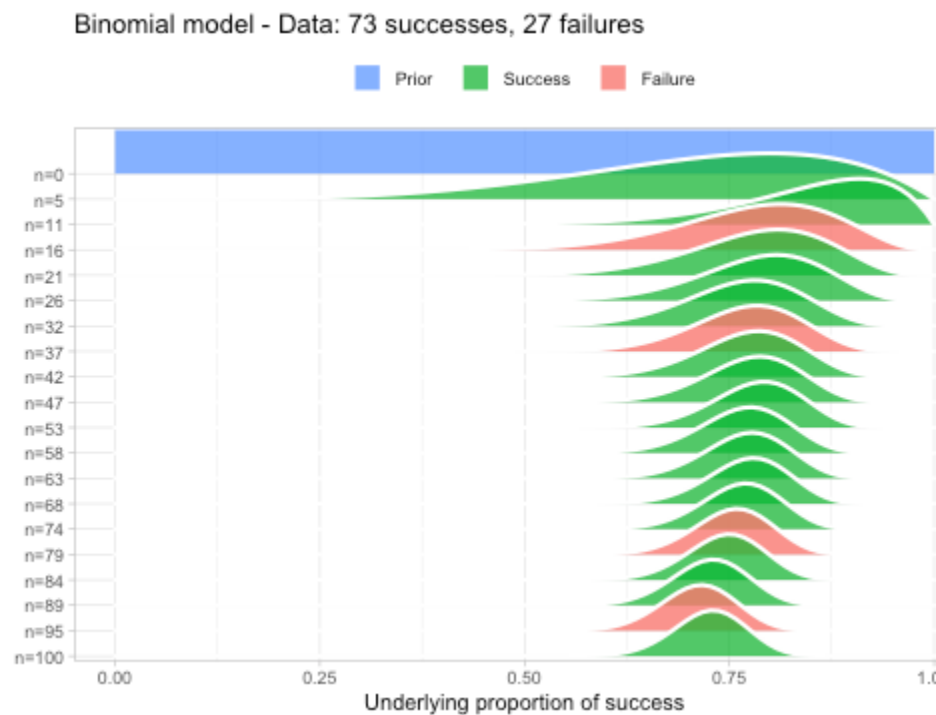
Sequential observations

There are two ways of thinking about updating a prior:

1. In one lump, based on the full dataset \mathbf{x} .
2. As a sequence of n individual updates to the prior.

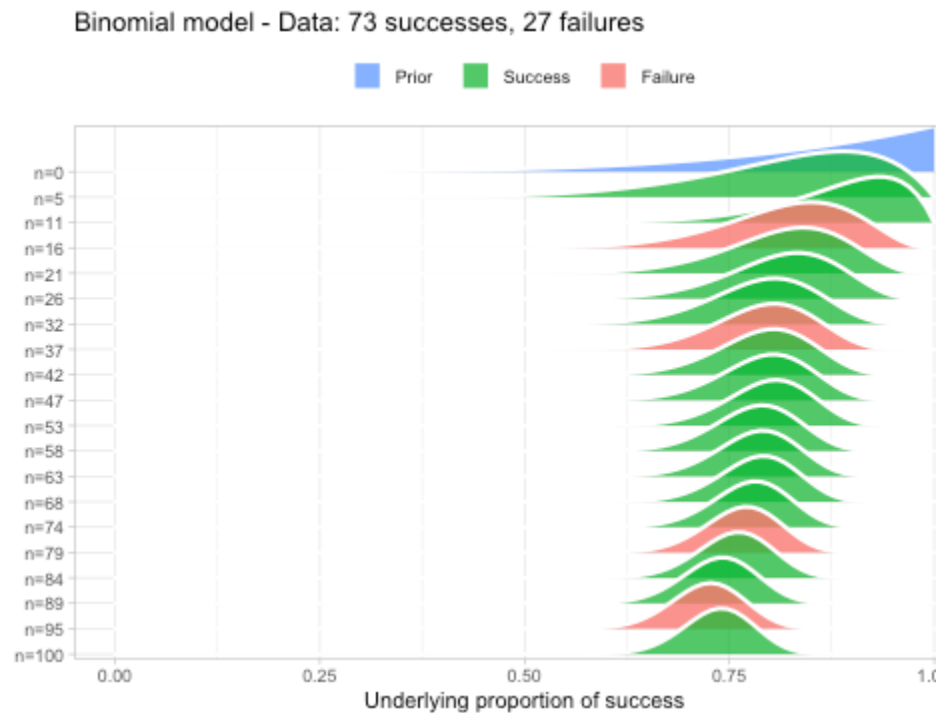
The posterior will be the same by both methods.

100 observations

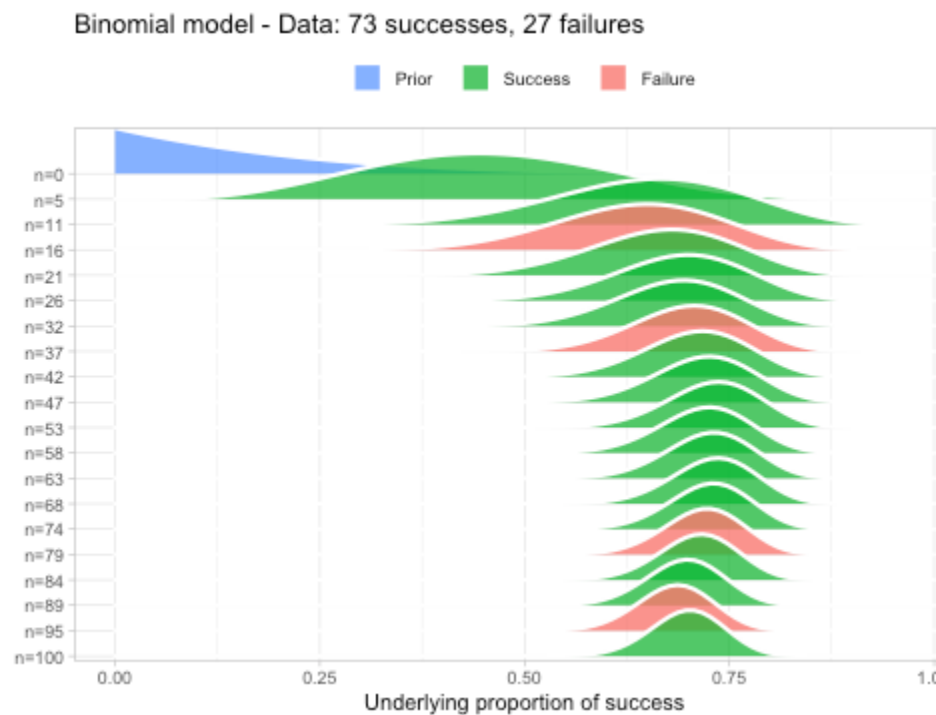


More data leads to less uncertainty around the parameter.

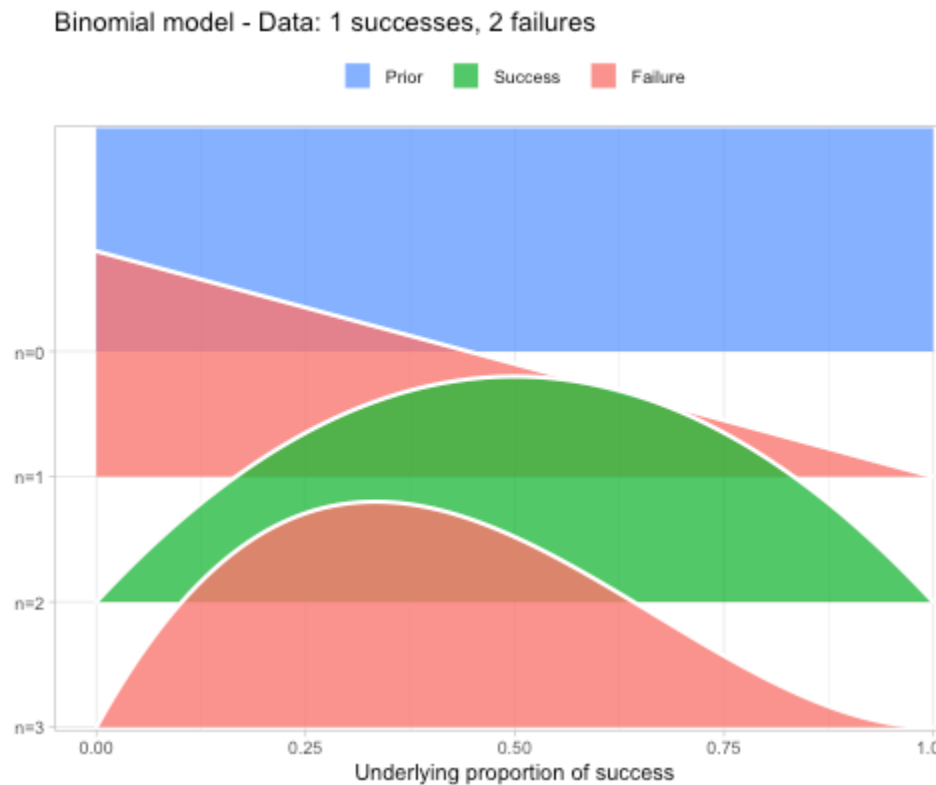
A strong positive prior ($p \sim .8$, parameters: (5,1))



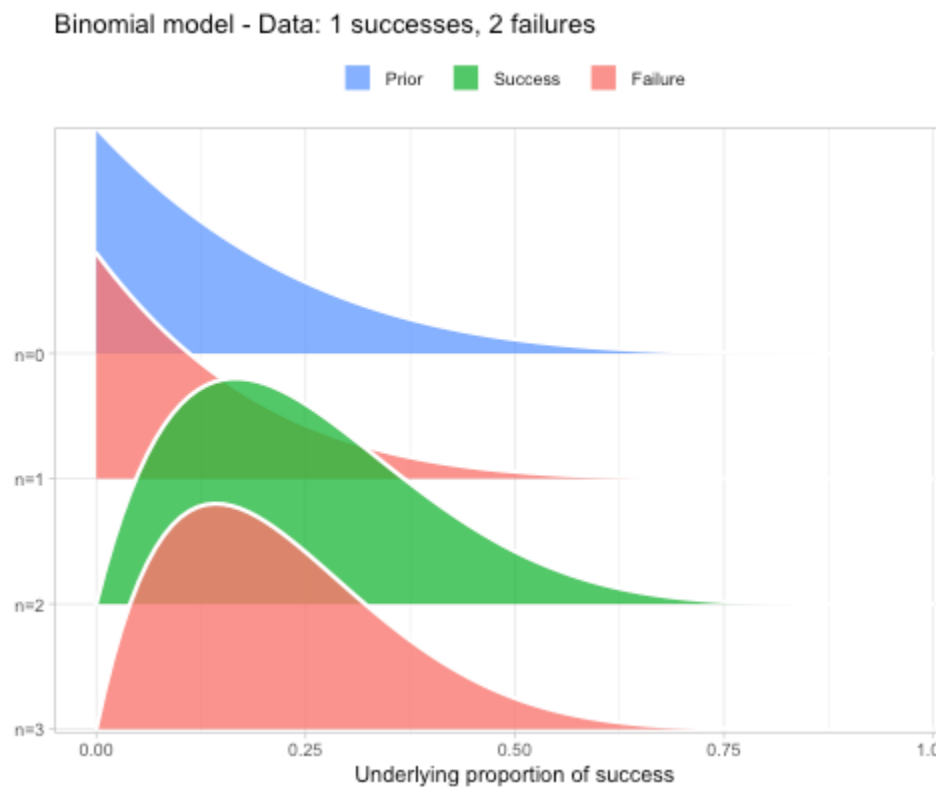
A strong negative prior ($p \sim .2$, parameters: (1,5))



Back to three observations



$n = 3$ with strong prior ($p \sim .8$)



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