

Paper solutions

Exam TDDE07 2020 06/04

1 a)

1. a) $X|N, \theta \sim \text{Bin}(N, \theta)$ $N=50$
 $\theta \sim U(0,1) \Rightarrow P(\theta) = 1$
 $P(\theta|x) \propto P(x|\theta)P(\theta) \propto \binom{N}{x} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{N-x}$
 $\propto \theta^x (1-\theta)^{50-x} \propto \frac{\theta^x (1-\theta)^{50-x} \Gamma(51)}{\Gamma(x+1) \Gamma(51-x)} \sim \text{Beta}(x+1, 51-x)$
 $\checkmark \checkmark \checkmark$

2 d)

2 d) Method 1: Normal approximation

One can approximate the posterior distribution $N(\hat{\theta}, J^{-1}(\hat{\theta}))$ where

$\hat{\theta}$: Posterior mode and $J = \text{negative } \frac{d^2 \log(p(\theta|x))}{d^2 \theta}(\hat{\theta})$
(second derivative of log posterior likelihood)
at $\theta = \hat{\theta}$.

The posterior mode can be found by optimizing $\max_{\theta} \log(p(\theta|x))$, using optim in R for instances same with J.

Method 2: Hamiltonian monte carlo,
which adds momentum to the sampling distribution, akin to a physics simulation,
using expressions for kinetic and potential energy of the posterior.

1. Sample from momentum to begin
2. Simulate new theta proposal and momentum (using leapfrog algorithm)

3. compute acceptance probability

$$\alpha = \min\left(1, \frac{p(\tilde{y}|\theta_p)p(\theta_p)}{p(\tilde{y}|\theta^{(i-1)})p(\theta^{(i-1)})} \cdot \frac{p(\phi_p)}{p(\phi_s)}\right)$$

4. with probability α , set $\theta^{(i)} = \theta_p$, else $\theta^{(i)} = \theta^{(i-1)}$.

Repeat N times from step 2.

4 a)

4. a) $X \overset{i.i.d}{\sim} \text{Bern}(\theta) \quad \theta \sim \text{Beta}(2, 2)$
 θ : Prob. for female

$$p(x=1) = \int p(x=1|\theta) p(\theta|\bar{x}) d\theta$$

$$p(\theta|\bar{x}) \propto p(\bar{x}|\theta) p(\theta) \propto \theta^{16} (1-\theta)^4 \theta^1 (1-\theta)^1 \propto$$

$$\text{Beta}(18, 6) = \text{Beta}(18, 6)$$

$$\int p(x=1|\theta) p(\theta|\bar{x}) d\theta = \frac{\int \theta \cdot \theta^{17} (1-\theta)^5 d\theta}{\frac{\Gamma(18)\Gamma(6)}{\Gamma(24)}} =$$

$$\frac{\Gamma(24)}{\Gamma(18)\Gamma(6)} \int \theta^{18} (1-\theta)^5 d\theta = \frac{\Gamma(24) \cdot \Gamma(19) \Gamma(6)}{\Gamma(18)\Gamma(6)\Gamma(25)}$$

$$p(x=1) = \frac{\Gamma(24)\Gamma(18) \cdot 18}{\Gamma(18)\Gamma(24) \cdot 24} \quad // \text{ using } \frac{\Gamma(x+1)}{\Gamma(x)x} //$$

$$\Leftrightarrow p(x=1) = \frac{18}{24} = \frac{3}{4}$$

4 b)

$$4. b) \quad \text{length}_n = x \sim N(\mu_{ML}, 2^2) \quad \sigma_{ML} = 2$$

$$P(\mu_{ML} | \bar{x}) \propto P(\bar{x} | \mu_{ML}) \underbrace{P(\mu_{ML})}_{\text{Uniform prior}} \propto$$

$$\propto \exp\left(-\frac{(\mu_{ML} - \bar{x})^2}{2(\sigma_{ML}^2/n)}\right) \sim N\left(\bar{x}, \frac{2^2}{4}\right)$$

$$// n=4 //$$

$$\mu_{ML} = \bar{x} + \epsilon \quad // \epsilon \sim N\left(0, \frac{2^2}{4}\right) \Rightarrow$$

$$y_{pred} = \mu_{ML} + v \quad // v \sim N(0, 2^2)$$

$$y_{pred} = \bar{x} + \epsilon + v \sim N\left(\bar{x}, 2^2\left(1 + \frac{1}{4}\right)\right) =$$

$$y_{pred} = N(12, 5)$$

predictive variance = population variance
+ posterior variance