

Homework No.3 (MSDS 954:567)

Spring 2022

Due date: 4/21/2022

Problem 1. (a) Generate 200 replicas of uniform $[-\pi, \pi]$ and 200 normal with mean 0 and standard deviation $1/8$. Set data x from this uniform, error ϵ from this normal distribution. The response y is by model:

$$y = \sin(x) + \epsilon$$

Fit the data with two types of smoothing techniques. Plot both the data and your fitted smooth curves.

(b) The same as (a) except changing the standard deviation from $1/8$ to $1/2$.

[*Remark: Use a computer for you calculation; explain your analysis and results carefully*]

Problem 2. (a) Use a linear regression model to analyze the GAG in urine data in data frame GAGurine. Produce a chart to help a pediatrician to assess if a child's GAG concentration is 'normal' or not (hint: plot in one graph the estimated line and confidence bands at different levels)

(b) Consider using a smooth regression to analyze the GAG in urine data

[*Remark: See the data set named "GAGurine.csv" in the assignment. Use a computer for you calculation; explain your analysis and results carefully*]

Problem 3. Service times of a queuing system follow Exponential distribution with an unknown parameter θ . A sample of service times X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is observed.

(a) Show that the $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \lambda)$ family of prior distributions is conjugate.

(b) Find the posterior parameters, posterior mean and variance. (As functions of θ, α, λ and X_i 's)

(c) Suppose that we can allow $\alpha = 0$ and consider a prior density $\pi(\lambda) = 1/\lambda$ for $\lambda > 0$. Of course, this is not a proper density. Nevertheless, find the posterior distribution, its mean and variance.

[*Remark: Solve this problem by paper and pencil. Write down the detailed calculation process.*]

Problem 4. Write a computing code to calculate the integration of $\int_{-5}^5 (x^3 - x^2)e^{-x^2/2}$ using Monte Carlo simulation with N samples from a uniform distribution, for $N = 10, 100, 1000$. For each choice of N , repeat the experiment for 500 times, compute the variance and visualize the relationship between the variance and N .

[*Remark: Use a computer for you calculation; explain your results carefully*]