

12/2/2021. PROBLEMS CLASS 1

For a random variable  $X$  with density  $f(x)$  if

$$f(x) = c g(x)$$

where  $c$  is a constant not depending upon  $x$  then  $g(x)$  is a **KERNEL** of the density.

$$\text{e.g. } f(\theta) = \frac{1}{B(\alpha, \beta)} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1} = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}$$

$$\propto \underbrace{\theta^{\alpha-1} (1-\theta)^{\beta-1}}_{\text{A kernel of Beta } (\alpha, \beta)} \quad (\text{Compare Q1 of the homework})$$

4.  $\theta \sim \text{Beta}(4, 4)$   $X | \theta \sim \text{Bin}(10, \theta)$ . Observe  $X < 3$ .

$$f(\theta | X < 3) \propto P(X < 3 | \theta) f(\theta)$$

$$= \left\{ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{10-x} \right\} \frac{1}{B(4, 4)} \underbrace{\theta^{4-1} (1-\theta)^{4-1}}_{\text{keep this in the form of the Beta kernel}}$$

Only interested in functions of  $\theta$ . Absorb any constant multipliers in  $P(X < 3 | \theta) f(\theta)$  into the constant of proportionality. Thus,

$$f(\theta | X) \propto \left\{ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \theta^x (1-\theta)^{10-x} \right\} \theta^{4-1} (1-\theta)^{4-1}$$

$$= \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \underbrace{\theta^{(4+x)-1} (1-\theta)^{(14-x)-1}}_{\text{Recognise this as a kernel of Beta } (4+x, 14-x)}$$

[Compare this with question 2 of the homework]

[Remember: if  $\theta \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \beta)$ ,  $X | \theta \sim \text{Bin}(n, \theta)$  and observe  $X = x$  then  $\theta | x \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha+x, \beta+n-x)$ ]

# successes  $\nearrow$  # FAILURES  $\nwarrow$

Hence,

$$f(a|x) = k \left[ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} a^{(4+x)-1} (1-a)^{(14-x)-1} \right]$$

As  $\int_0^1 f(a|x) da = 1$  then:

$$k = \left[ \int_0^1 \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} a^{(4+x)-1} (1-a)^{(14-x)-1} da \right]^{-1}$$

$$= \left[ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \int_0^1 a^{(4+x)-1} (1-a)^{(14-x)-1} da \right]^{-1}$$

$$= \left[ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \beta(4+x, 14-x) \right]^{-1}$$

as the integrand is a kernel of Beta  $(4+x, 14-x)$   
 then I know the value of this integral  
 [Compare with Q3 of the homework].

Thus,  $k^{-1} = \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \beta(4+x, 14-x)$

$$= \beta(4, 14) + 10 \beta(5, 13) + 45 \beta(6, 12)$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(4)\Gamma(14)}{\Gamma(18)} + 10 \frac{\Gamma(5)\Gamma(13)}{\Gamma(18)} + 45 \frac{\Gamma(6)\Gamma(12)}{\Gamma(18)}$$

$$[ \Gamma(z+1) = z \Gamma(z) ]$$

$$= \frac{\Gamma(4)\Gamma(12)}{\Gamma(18)} \left[ \overbrace{(13 \times 12)}^{156} + 10 \overbrace{(4 \times 12)}^{480} + 45 \overbrace{(5 \times 4)}^{900} \right]$$

$$= 1536 \frac{\Gamma(4)\Gamma(12)}{\Gamma(18)}$$

$$\text{i.e. } f(Q|x) = \frac{\Gamma(18)}{1536 \Gamma(4) \Gamma(12)} \left[ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} Q^{(4+x)-1} (1-Q)^{(14-x)-1} \right]$$

$$[\text{Note: } f(Q|x) = \frac{\Gamma(18)}{1536 \Gamma(4) \Gamma(12)} \left[ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \beta(4+x, 14-x) \frac{1}{\beta(4+x, 14-x)} Q^{(4+x)-1} (1-Q)^{(14-x)-1} \right]$$

pdf of Beta (4+x, 14-x)

Let  $f_x(Q)$  be the pdf of Beta (4+x, 14-x) then:

$$f(Q|x) = \frac{\Gamma(18)}{1536 \Gamma(4) \Gamma(12)} \left[ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \beta(4+x, 14-x) f_x(Q) \right]$$

$$\text{i.e. } f(Q|x) = \alpha_0 f_0(Q) + \alpha_1 f_1(Q) + \alpha_2 f_2(Q)$$

where:  $f_x(Q)$  is the pdf of Beta (4+x, 14-x) and  $\alpha_x \geq 0$  ( $x=0,1,2$ ) and  $\alpha_0 + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = 1$ . This is a MIXTURE DISTRIBUTION. ]

$$b). E(Q|X) = \int_0^1 Q \frac{\Gamma(18)}{1536 \Gamma(4) \Gamma(12)} \left[ \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} Q^{(4+x)-1} (1-Q)^{(14-x)-1} \right] dQ$$

$$= k \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \int_0^1 \underbrace{Q^{(5+x)-1} (1-Q)^{(14-x)-1}}_{\text{kernel of Beta (5+x, 14-x)}} dQ$$

$$= k \sum_{x=0}^2 \binom{10}{x} \beta(5+x, 14-x)$$

$$= k \left[ \frac{\Gamma(15) \Gamma(14)}{\Gamma(19)} + \frac{10 \Gamma(6) \Gamma(13)}{\Gamma(19)} + \frac{45 \Gamma(7) \Gamma(12)}{\Gamma(19)} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2106}{1536} \frac{\cancel{\Gamma(18)}}{\cancel{\Gamma(4)} \cancel{\Gamma(12)}} \times \frac{\overset{4}{\Gamma(5)} \cancel{\Gamma(12)}}{\cancel{\Gamma(19)} 18} = \frac{39}{128}$$