

STAT6494: Adv Topics Bayesian Statistics
Homework #2 due on Feb 25

Problem# 1. Consider the following example due to Casella and George given in Arnold (1993). Suppose we are studying the distribution of the number of defectives X in the daily production of a product. Consider the model $(X|Y, \theta) \sim \text{binomial}(Y, \theta)$, where Y , a day's production, is a random variable with a Poisson distribution with known mean and θ is the probability that any product is defective. The difficulty, however, is that Y is not observable, and inference has to be made on the basis of X only. The prior distribution is such that $(\theta|Y = y) \sim \text{Beta}(\alpha, \gamma)$ independent of Y . How do you solve this problem? For this problem, we set $x = 1$, $\alpha = 1$, $\gamma = 49$, $\lambda = 100$.

1.1 Make a your solution using Rejection Sampling.

1.2 Make a your solution using Weighted Bootstrapping approach. For this problem, we suppose an M appropriate for the rejection method is not readily available, but we do have a sample $\theta_1, \dots, \theta_N$ from some approximating density $g(\theta) \sim \text{Beta}(x + \alpha, \gamma)$.

1.3 Make a your solution using Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.

1.4 Compare your all results

Problem# 2. Consider the following data from Bliss (1935, *Annals of Applied Biology*). The data record the number of adult flour beetles killed after five hours of exposure to various levels of gaseous carbon disulphide (CS₂).

Dosage	#killed	#exposed
w_i	y_i	n_i
1.6907	6	59
1.7242	13	60
1.7552	18	62
1.7842	28	56
1.8113	52	63
1.8369	53	59
1.8610	61	62
1.8839	60	60

2.1 Consider the model, $p(\text{death}|w_i) \equiv h(w_i) = \left[\frac{\exp(x_i)}{1+\exp(x_i)}\right]$, where w_i is the covariate (dose), and $x_i = \frac{w_i - \mu}{\sigma}$. Show 5 iterations steps using Adaptive Rejection sampling.

2.2 Consider the model, $p(\text{death}|w_i) \equiv h(w_i) = \left[\frac{\exp(x_i)}{1+\exp(x_i)}\right]^{m_1}$, where $m_1 > 0$, w_i is the covariate (dose), and $x_i = \frac{w_i - \mu}{\sigma}$. Give the summary or plots of parameters using Metropolis-Hastings algorithm.