

Homework 2

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Ch. 8 Exercise 2

mu <- 0.55

alpha <- 1:2000

beta <- alpha/mu - alpha

Vector of probabilities for interval (0.51, 0.59)

prob <- pbeta(0.59, alpha, beta) - pbeta(0.51, alpha, beta)

prob.err <- abs(0.95 - prob) # Errors for the probabilities

Results: Target parameter values

t.alpha <- alpha[prob.err==min(prob.err)]

t.beta <- round(t.alpha/mu - t.alpha)

t.alpha

t.beta

Checking: Achieved mean and probability

a.mean <- t.alpha/(t.alpha + t.beta)

a.mean

a.prob <- pbeta(0.59, t.alpha, t.beta) - pbeta(0.51, t.alpha, t.beta)

a.prob

Plot of the beta prior with the selected parameter values

x <- seq(0,1,0.001)

y <- dbeta(x,t.alpha,t.beta)

plot(x,y,type='l')

(a)
$$\mu = \frac{\alpha}{\alpha + \beta}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha + \beta)^2 (\alpha + \beta + 1)}$$

$$\mu = E[\pi] \approx 0.55$$

$$P(0.51 < \pi < 0.59) \approx 0.95$$

$$P(\mu - 2\sigma < \pi < \mu + 2\sigma) \approx 0.95$$

$$\Rightarrow \sigma \approx 0.02$$

So
$$\frac{\mu}{\alpha + \beta} = 0.55$$

$$0.55\alpha = 0.50\beta$$

$$\beta = 1.1 \alpha$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{0.81\alpha^2}{(1.01\alpha)^2 (1.81\alpha + 1)}} = 0.02$$

$$\frac{0.81\alpha^2}{6.0081\alpha^2 + 3.636\alpha} = 0.0004$$

$$0.81\alpha = 0.0004(6.0081\alpha + 3.636)$$

(b)

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>
> t.alpha
[1] 326
> t.beta
[1] 267
>
> # Checking: Achieved mean and probability
>
> a.mean <- t.alpha/(t.alpha + t.beta)
> a.mean
[1] 0.549747 ✓
> a.prob <- pbeta(0.59, t.alpha, t.beta) - pbeta(0.51, t.alpha, t.beta)
> a.prob
[1] 0.9500065 ✓
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is assumed to be an integer

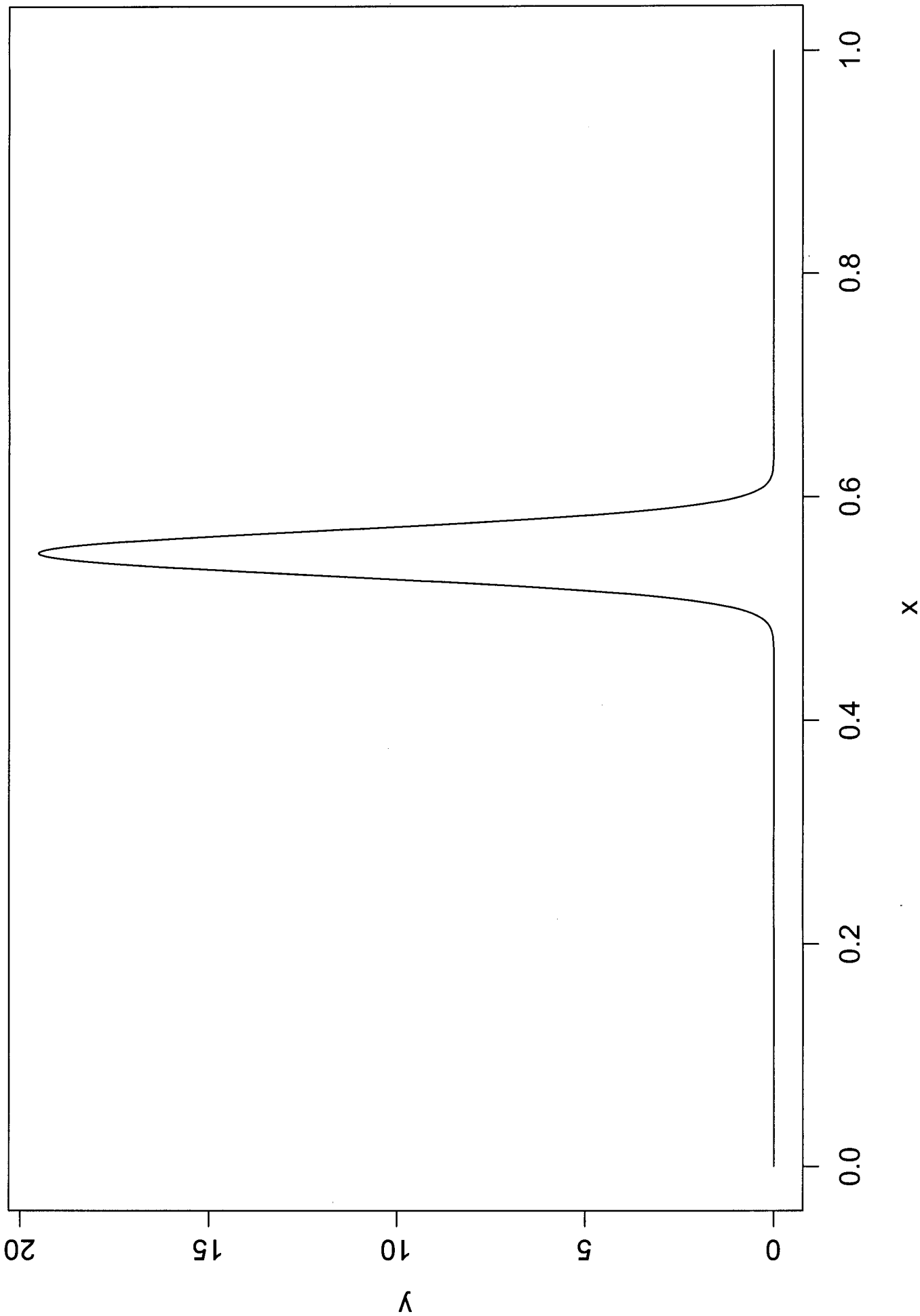
- approximation

$$.812 = .0024 \alpha + .0013$$

$$\alpha = 340$$

$$\beta = 278$$

approximate values.



Ch. 8 Exercise 2

mu <- 0.56

alpha <- 1:2000

beta <- alpha/mu - alpha

Vector of probabilities for interval (0.51, 0.59)

prob <- pbeta(0.59, alpha, beta) - pbeta(0.51, alpha, beta)

prob.err <- abs(0.90 - prob) # Errors for the probabilities

Results: Target parameter values

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t.beta <- round(t.alpha/mu - t.alpha)

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> t.alpha <- alpha[prob.err==min(prob.err)]
> t.beta <- round(t.alpha/mu - t.alpha)
>
> t.alpha
[1] 280
> t.beta
[1] 220
>
> # Checking: Achieved mean and probability
>
> a.mean <- t.alpha/(t.alpha + t.beta)
> a.mean
[1] 0.56
> a.prob <- pbeta(0.59, t.alpha, t.beta) - pbeta(0.51, t.alpha, t.beta)
> a.prob
[1] 0.8998249
>
> # Plot of the beta prior with the selected parameter values
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> y <- dbeta(x,t.alpha,t.beta)
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> plot(x,y,type='l')
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