

SUPPLEMENT TO “BAYESIAN SEMIPARAMETRIC ANALYSIS FOR TWO-PHASE STUDIES OF GENE-ENVIRONMENT INTERACTION”

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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

1. Appendix.

1.1. *Dunson and Xing (2009) Update*:. We describe the posterior sampling steps in relation to parameters in $P(\mathbf{W}|\boldsymbol{\theta})$, $\boldsymbol{\theta} = \{\boldsymbol{\psi}, \mathbf{V}, \alpha\}$, by following Dunson and Xing (2009). They introduce a vector of latent variables $\mathbf{u} = \{u_1, \dots, u_N\}$, $u_u > 0$. The joint distribution of $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{w}|\mathbf{V}, \boldsymbol{\psi}, \alpha$ is defined as,

$$(1.1) \quad \prod_{u=1}^N \left\{ \sum_{h \in A_{uv}} \prod_{j=1}^p \prod_{l=1}^{d_j} \psi_{hl}^{(j)I(w_{uj}=l)} \right\},$$

where $A_{uv} = \{h : \nu_h > z_u\}$ and $\nu_h = V_h \prod_{l < h} (1 - V_l)$. The joint posterior is then the product of the augmented data likelihood (1.1) and respective priors on $\mathbf{V}, \boldsymbol{\psi}, \alpha$. The augmented data Gibbs sampling is based on the following steps.

- (a) We start with the simplest one. Update u_u for $u = 1, \dots, N$, by sampling from $U(0, \nu_{z_u})$
- (b) Next step is regarding $\boldsymbol{\psi}_h^{(j)}$. Note that we can find $h^* = \max\{z_1, \dots, z_N\}$ such that we do not need to compute any conditionals $h > h^*$ later on. And we notice that

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\psi}_h^{(j)}|\cdot) \propto \text{Dirichlet}(a_{j1}, \dots, a_{jd_j}) \times \prod_{u=1}^N \prod_{l=1}^{d_j} \psi_{hl}^{(j)I(w_{uj}=l)}.$$

Due to the conjugate prior, the posterior conditional for j -th response when $z_u = h$ is given as

$$\text{Dirichlet} \left(a_{j1} + \sum_{u:z_u=h} I(w_{uj} = 1), \dots, a_{jd_j} + \sum_{u:z_u=h} I(w_{uj} = d_j) \right).$$

- (c) The conditionals with respect to V_h is

$$\pi(V_h|\cdot) \propto (1 - V_h)^{\alpha-1} \times \prod_{u=1}^N I(u_u < V_h) \prod_{l < h} (1 - V_l).$$

If we focus on the latter part, we can obtain a $\text{beta}(1, \alpha)$ distribution truncated at

$$\left[\max_{u: z_u=h} \left\{ \frac{u_u}{\prod_{l<h} (1-V_l)} \right\}, 1 - \max_{u: z_u>h} \left\{ \frac{u_u}{V_{z_u} \prod_{l<z_u, l \neq h} (1-V_l)} \right\} \right].$$

(d) Update z_u from the multinomial full conditional as given,

$$\Pr(z_u = h | \cdot) = \frac{I(\nu_h > u_u) \prod_{j=1}^p \psi_{hw_{uj}}^{(j)}}{\sum_{l \in A_{uv}} \prod_{j=1}^p \psi_{lw_{uj}}^{(j)}}, \quad u = 1, \dots, N.$$

As discussed in Walker (2007), we will be in trouble without latent variables \mathbf{u} in that the choice of z_u can be infinite. Since the number of subjects in the dataset itself is finite, the cardinality of the set A_{iv} is finite. To validate this argument, we need to find the smallest k^* such that $\sum_{h=1}^{k^*} \nu_h > 1 - \min\{u_1, \dots, u_N\}$. Noticing that $\sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \nu_h$ is monotonically increasing and $\sum_{h=1}^{\infty} \nu_h = 1$, we can compute the desired k^* .

(e) In the last step, we update α from

$$\text{Gamma} \left(a_\alpha + h^*, b_\alpha - \sum_{h=1}^{h^*} \log(1 - V_h) \right)$$

Above steps are equivalent to Dunson and Xing (2009) except we set the maximum of the number of mixtures k such that $\text{argmin} \sum_{h=1}^k \nu_h > 0.99$ to avoid possible large number of mixtures, theoretically up to the data size N . This can lead to the bias which has little influence overall. In such a situation, we adjust V_h and ν_h to satisfy $\sum_h^k \nu_h = 1$. The practical gain from this method is that we can resort to known posterior sampling distributions and can anticipate facilitating the process.

TABLE 1

Stratified contingency table containing frequency of different configurations defined by levels of RS1800775 on CETP (G_1) and RS1056836 on CYP1B1 (G_2), statins (E), and disease status. The frequencies are based on completely observed 2,334 subjects at phase II

	CETP (RS1800775)						CYP1B1 (RS1056836)				
	Control		Case		Total		Control		Case		Total
	E=0	E=1	E=0	E=1			E=0	E=1	E=0	E=1	
G=0(A/A)	347	67	354	21	789	(C/C)	294	72	347	20	733
G=1(A/C)	373	97	454	44	968	(G/C)	471	97	522	51	1141
G=2(C/C)	233	54	267	33	587	(G/G)	188	49	206	27	470
Total	953	218	1075	98	2344		953	218	1075	98	2344

TABLE 2

Simulation results under exposure enriched sampling with all $E = 1$ in phase I data are selected in phase II for both cases and controls. We consider two association scenarios: 1) $G_1 \perp E$, $G_1 \perp G_2$, and $G_2 \perp E$ association, 2) $G_1 \perp E$, $G_1 \sim G_2$, and $G_2 \sim E$. The results are based on 200 replicated datasets, each with 1,000 cases and 1,000 controls in phase I and 800 cases and 800 controls in phase II. The approaches listed, TPFB, TPFB_{emp}, WL, PL, UML, CML, and EB where each represents Two-phase full Bayes (with empirically obtained prior variance), Weighted likelihood, Pseudolikelihood, Unconstrained Maximum Likelihood, Constrained Maximum Likelihood, and Empirical Bayes respectively. The CML imposes G_1 - E and G_1 - G_2 independence, however, no constraints on G_2 - E association. We set $(\beta_E, \beta_{G_1 G_2}, \beta_{G_1 E}, \beta_{G_2 E}) = (-1.5, 0, \log(2), \log(2))$ for all scenarios. The rows with the two smallest sum(MSE) are in bold.

Stratified sampling (a) [†]	E		$G_1 \perp E, G_1 \perp G_2, G_2 \perp E$		$G_1 \perp E, G_1 \sim G_2, G_2 \sim E$		Sum [‡]			
	Bias	MSE	$G_1 \times G_2$	$G_1 \times E$	$G_2 \times E$	E		$G_1 \times E$	$G_2 \times E$	Sum [‡]
TPFB	Bias	0.019	$(\lambda_{G_1 G_2}, \lambda_{G_1 E}, \lambda_{G_2 E}) = (0, 0, 0)$	$(\lambda_{G_1 G_2}, \lambda_{G_1 E}, \lambda_{G_2 E}) = (0, 0, 0)$	$(\lambda_{G_1 G_2}, \lambda_{G_1 E}, \lambda_{G_2 E}) = (0, 0, 0)$	$(\lambda_{G_1 G_2}, \lambda_{G_1 E}, \lambda_{G_2 E}) = (\log(2), 0, \log(1.5))$				
	MSE	(0.079)	0.011	-0.022	-0.070	0.011	-0.116	0.232	-0.018	0.190
TPFB _{emp}	Bias	0.019	(0.035)	(0.101)	(0.095)	(0.109)	(0.062)	(0.093)	(0.111)	(0.376)
	MSE	(0.079)	0.038	-0.086	-0.109	0.034	-0.086	0.034	-0.048	0.126
WL	Bias	-0.030	(0.015)	(0.105)	(0.090)	(0.103)	(0.041)	(0.069)	(0.109)	(0.323)
	MSE	-0.030	-0.009	0.049	0.030	-0.074	0.006	0.047	0.071	(0.439)
PL	Bias	-0.030	(0.050)	(0.147)	(0.134)	(0.132)	(0.048)	(0.123)	(0.137)	(0.439)
	MSE	-0.030	-0.010	0.050	0.030	-0.074	0.004	0.047	0.071	(0.439)
UML	Bias	(0.097)	(0.049)	(0.146)	(0.134)	(0.132)	(0.048)	(0.123)	(0.137)	(0.439)
	MSE	-0.049	-0.010	0.050	0.030	-0.095	0.004	0.047	0.071	(0.439)
CML	Bias	-0.042	(0.049)	(0.146)	(0.134)	(0.135)	(0.048)	(0.123)	(0.137)	(0.443)
	MSE	(0.086)	(0.023)	(0.088)	(0.123)	(0.320)	(0.117)	(0.274)	(0.080)	(0.600)
EB	Bias	-0.044	-0.010	0.042	0.014	-0.083	0.112	0.035	0.062	(0.600)
	MSE	(0.089)	(0.030)	(0.104)	(0.126)	(0.349)	(0.119)	(0.059)	(0.129)	(0.397)

[†]All subjects with $E = 1$ in case and control are sub-sampled for phase II.

[‡]The combined MSEs over all four parameters.

TPFB uses the informative prior $N(0, 10^{-2})$ on G - G and G - E associations in the model (??)

TPFB_{emp} uses the prior $N(0, \hat{\theta}^2)$ on G - G and G - E associations in the model (??) where

$\hat{\theta}^2$ is empirically estimated G - G or G - E association parameter under controls.

Supplement: C source code

(<http://www.umich.edu/~jaeil/tp.zip>). Zipped C-code for MECC data analysis

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