

Supplementary material for A Bayesian Approach to Modeling Missing Not at Random Outcome Data: The Role of Identifying Restrictions

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S.1 Proof of Proposition 3.1

Proof. [Sadinle and Reiter \(2017\)](#) show that ICI implies the existence of functions $\eta_j(\bar{y}_{j-1})$ such that

$$\log \frac{p(S = j | Y = y)}{p(S = j - 1 | Y = y)} = \eta_j(\bar{y}_{j-1}). \quad (\text{S.1})$$

We show that this occurs if and only if NCMV is satisfied. First, suppose NCMV holds. Let $f_j(y)$ denote $p(y | S = j)$, and, abusing notation, define $f_j(y_k | \bar{y}_{k-1})$ to be $p(y_k | S = j, \bar{Y}_{k-1} = \bar{y}_{k-1})$. Then

$$\frac{p(S = j | Y = y)}{p(S = j - 1 | Y = y)} = \frac{p(S = j)}{p(S = j - 1)} \cdot \frac{f_j(\bar{y}_{j-1})f_j(y_j | \bar{y}_{j-1})}{f_{j-1}(\bar{y}_{j-1})f_{j-1}(y_j | \bar{y}_{j-1})} \cdot \frac{\prod_{k>j} f_j(y_k | \bar{y}_{k-1})}{\prod_{k>j} f_{j-1}(y_k | \bar{y}_{k-1})}.$$

Applying NCMV and canceling shared terms in the numerator and denominator gives

$$\frac{p(S = j | Y = y)}{p(S = j - 1 | Y = y)} = \frac{p(S = j)}{p(S = j - 1)} \cdot \frac{f_j(\bar{y}_{j-1})}{f_{j-1}(\bar{y}_{j-1})},$$

the right-hand-side of which can be chosen for $\eta_j(\bar{y}_{j-1})$.

Conversely, suppose that (S.1) holds. We prove the converse by showing that, for $k < j$,

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$f_k(y_j | \bar{y}_{j-1}) = f_{k+1}(y_j | \bar{y}_{j-1})$. Abusing notation, by Bayes theorem we have

$$\begin{aligned} f_{k+1}(y_j | \bar{y}_{j-1}) &= \frac{\int f(y)p(S = k + 1 | Y = y) dy_{j+1}, \dots, dy_j}{\int f(y)p(S = k + 1 | Y = y) dy_j, \dots, dy_j} \\ &= \frac{\int f(y)p(S = k | Y = y) dy_{j+1}, \dots, dy_j}{\int f(y)p(S = k | Y = y) dy_j, \dots, dy_j} \cdot \frac{\exp\{\eta_{k+1}(\bar{y}_k)\}}{\exp\{\eta_{k+1}(\bar{y}_k)\}} = f_k(y_j | \bar{y}_k). \end{aligned}$$

Crucially, note that this argument only holds for $k < j$; otherwise, we would not be able to factor out $\exp\{\eta_{k+1}(\bar{y}_k)\}$ in the denominator. \square

S.2 Markov chain Monte Carlo algorithm for the product-multinomial model

For completeness, we provide the MCMC algorithm used to fit the product-multinomial model used for the BCPT. For additional details, see [Dunson and Xing \(2009\)](#). The model

$$p^*(y, r) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \pi_k \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^J \gamma_{kj}^{r_j} (1 - \gamma_{kj})^{1-r_j} \right\} \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^J \beta_{kj}^{y_j} (1 - \beta_{kj})^{1-r_j} \right\}. \quad (\text{S.2})$$

can be reformulated as a hierarchical model as follows. For each i we have

$$\begin{aligned} Z_i &\sim \text{Categorical}(\pi) \\ Y_{ij} &\sim \text{Bernoulli}(\beta_{kj}), \quad (\text{given } Z_i = k), \\ R_{ij} &\sim \text{Bernoulli}(\gamma_{kj}), \quad (\text{given } Z_i = k), \end{aligned}$$

with the Y_{ij} 's and R_{ij} 's conditionally independent given Z_i . We use a Gibbs sampling algorithm which samples from the full conditionals.

Following [Si and Reiter \(2013\)](#), we truncate the infinite mixture model at some fixed $K < \infty$; unlike the usual latent-class setup, more mixture components are better. Let

$M_k = \sum_{i=1}^N I(Z_i = k)$ and $M_{>k} = \sum_{i=1}^N I(Z_i > k)$. Define

$$\begin{aligned} N_{\beta kj} &= \sum_{i:R_{ij}=1, Z_i=k} 1, & T_{\beta kj} &= \sum_{i:R_{ij}=1, Z_i=k} Y_{ij}, \\ N_{\gamma kj} &= \sum_{i:Z_i=k} 1, & T_{\gamma kj} &= \sum_{i:Z_i=k} R_{ij}. \end{aligned}$$

Then the full conditionals are given by

$$\begin{aligned} V_k &\stackrel{\text{indep}}{\sim} \text{Beta}(1 + M_k, \alpha + M_{>k}), & (1 \leq k \leq K - 1) \\ \beta_{kj} &\stackrel{\text{indep}}{\sim} \text{Beta}\{a_{\beta j} \rho_{\beta j} + T_{\beta kj}, a_{\beta j}(1 - \rho_{\beta j}) + N_{\beta kj} - T_{\beta kj}\} & (1 \leq k \leq K, 1 \leq j \leq J) \\ \gamma_{kj} &\stackrel{\text{indep}}{\sim} \text{Beta}\{a_{\gamma j} \rho_{\gamma j} + T_{\gamma kj}, a_{\gamma j}(1 - \rho_{\gamma j}) + N_{\gamma kj} - T_{\gamma kj}\} & (1 \leq k \leq K, 1 \leq j \leq J). \end{aligned}$$

Each distribution above is understood to be the conditional distribution given both the observed data $(Y_{iR_i}, R_i : 1 \leq i \leq N)$ and the variables given on the other rows. We must also update the hyperparameters $a_{\beta j}, \rho_{\beta j}, a_{\gamma j}, \rho_{\gamma j}$ for $j = 1, \dots, J$. The priors we used for these parameters are not conditionally conjugate. We use Metropolis-within-Gibbs for these parameters. The density of the full conditionals are (up-to a normalizing constant),

$$\begin{aligned} a_{\beta j} &\stackrel{\text{indep}}{\sim} \frac{\sigma}{(\sigma + a_{\beta j})^2} \prod_{k=1}^K \text{Beta}\{\beta_{kj} \mid a_{\beta j} \rho_{\beta j} + T_{\beta kj}, a_{\beta j}(1 - \rho_{\beta j}) + N_{\beta kj} - T_{\beta kj}\}, \\ \rho_{\beta j} &\stackrel{\text{indep}}{\sim} I(0 \leq \rho_{\beta j} \leq 1) \prod_{k=1}^K \text{Beta}\{\beta_{kj} \mid a_{\beta j} \rho_{\beta j} + T_{\beta kj}, a_{\beta j}(1 - \rho_{\beta j}) + N_{\beta kj} - T_{\beta kj}\}, \\ a_{\gamma j} &\stackrel{\text{indep}}{\sim} \frac{\sigma}{(\sigma + a_{\gamma j})^2} \prod_{k=1}^K \text{Beta}\{\gamma_{kj} \mid a_{\gamma j} \rho_{\gamma j} + T_{\gamma kj}, a_{\gamma j}(1 - \rho_{\gamma j}) + N_{\gamma kj} - T_{\gamma kj}\}, \\ \rho_{\gamma j} &\stackrel{\text{indep}}{\sim} I(0 \leq \rho_{\gamma j} \leq 1) \prod_{k=1}^K \text{Beta}\{\gamma_{kj} \mid a_{\gamma j} \rho_{\gamma j} + T_{\gamma kj}, a_{\gamma j}(1 - \rho_{\gamma j}) + N_{\gamma kj} - T_{\gamma kj}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Slice sampling (Neal, 2000) was used for the Metropolis-within-Gibbs steps. To improve mixing on the hyperparameters, it is also valid to ignore any mixture components with $M_k = 0$; that

Algorithm 1 Monte Carlo integration for PMAR

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1: procedure GCOMP( $\theta, T, j$ )       $\triangleright$  Approximates  $\mu_j$  by simulating  $T$  samples from  $p_\theta(y)$ 
2:   for  $t = 1, \dots, T$  do
3:     Sample  $(Y_{R^{(t)}}, R^{(t)}) \sim p_\theta(y_r, r)$ .
4:     Sample  $Y_{-R^{(t)}}^{(t)} \sim p_\theta(Y_{s(-r)} \mid Y_r = y_r, R = \mathbf{1})$ .
5:   end for
6:   Set  $\mu_j = T^{-1} \sum_{s=1}^T Y_{sj}$ .
7:   return  $\mu_j$ 
8: end procedure

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Algorithm 2 Monte Carlo integration for tilted-last-occasion

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1: procedure GCOMP( $\theta, T, \xi$ )       $\triangleright$  Approximates  $\mu_J$  by simulating  $T$  samples from  $p_\theta(y_J)$ 
2:   for  $t = 1, \dots, T$  do
3:     Sample  $(Y_{R^{(t)}}, R^{(t)}) \sim p_\theta(y_r, r)$ .
4:     if  $R_J^{(t)} = 0$  then
5:       Sample

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$$Y_J^{(t)} \sim \frac{p_\theta(y_J \mid y_r, R^{(t)} = \mathbf{1})e^{\xi y_J}}{E_\theta(e^{\xi Y_J} \mid Y_r = y_r, R^{(t)} = \mathbf{1})}.$$

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6:       end if
7:     end for
8:     Set  $\mu_J = T^{-1} \sum_{s=1}^T Y_{sJ}$ .
9:     return  $\mu_J$ 
10: end procedure

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is, in each of the products above, we take the product over $\{k : M_k > 0\}$.

S.3 Monte Carlo algorithms

In Algorithm 1 and Algorithm 2 we give the Monte Carlo integration algorithms used for PMAR and the tilted-last-occasion restriction in the analysis of the BCPT data in Section 5.

S.4 Conditional distributions for the product-multinomial mixture model

For the model given in Section 5, we need to sample from the conditional distributions of (S.2). This task is straight-forward due to the within-class independence. For example, the conditional density $p_\theta(y_{-r} \mid y_r, R = \mathbf{1})$ is given by

$$\begin{aligned} p_\theta^*(y_{-r} \mid y_r, \mathbf{1}) &= \frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^J \gamma_{kj} \right\} \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^J \beta_{kj}^{y_j} (1 - \beta_{kj})^{1-y_j} \right\}}{\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^J \gamma_{kj} \right\} \left\{ \prod_{j:r_j=1} \beta_{kj}^{y_j} (1 - \beta_{kj})^{1-y_j} \right\}} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^K \vartheta_k(y_r) \prod_{j:r_j=0} \beta_{kj}^{y_j} (1 - \beta_{kj})^{1-y_j}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\sum_{k=1}^K \vartheta_k(y_r) = 1$ and

$$\vartheta_k(y_r) \propto \pi_k \left\{ \prod_{j=1}^J \gamma_{kj} \right\} \left\{ \prod_{j:r_j=1} \beta_{kj}^{y_j} (1 - \beta_{kj})^{1-y_j} \right\}.$$

Hence sampling from this conditional can be accomplished by choosing a mixture component k with probability $\vartheta_k(y_r)$ and then sampling independently $Y_j \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\beta_{kj})$. The density of $p_\theta(y_j \mid \bar{o}_{j-1})$ is given by

$$\frac{\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \left\{ \prod_{\ell=1}^{j-1} \gamma_{k\ell}^{r_\ell} (1 - \gamma_{k\ell})^{1-r_\ell} \right\} \left\{ \prod_{\ell < j, r_\ell=1} \beta_{k\ell}^{y_\ell} (1 - \beta_{k\ell})^{1-y_\ell} \right\} \beta_{kj}^{y_j} (1 - \beta_{kj})^{1-y_j}}{\sum_{k=1}^K \pi_k \left\{ \prod_{\ell=1}^{j-1} \gamma_{k\ell}^{r_\ell} (1 - \gamma_{k\ell})^{1-r_\ell} \right\} \left\{ \prod_{\ell < j, r_\ell=1} \beta_{k\ell}^{y_\ell} (1 - \beta_{k\ell})^{1-y_\ell} \right\}}.$$

As before, this can be written as $\sum_{k=1}^K \vartheta_k(y_r, r) \beta_{kj}^{y_j} (1 - \beta_{kj})^{1-y_j}$ where

$$\vartheta_k(y_r, r) \propto \pi_k \left\{ \prod_{\ell=1}^{j-1} \gamma_{k\ell}^{r_\ell} (1 - \gamma_{k\ell})^{1-r_\ell} \right\} \left\{ \prod_{\ell < j, r_\ell=1} \beta_{k\ell}^{y_\ell} (1 - \beta_{k\ell})^{1-y_\ell} \right\}.$$

		ATE	Lower limit	Upper limit	P -value
MAR	FB	0.752	-0.693	2.233	0.168
	MI	0.638	-0.874	2.150	0.204
PMAR	FB	0.497	-0.992	2.005	0.258
	MI	0.468	-1.008	1.944	0.267
SE	FB	4.091	0.841	7.410	0.006
	MI	3.850	0.329	7.372	0.016
TLO	FB	0.292	-2.536	3.151	0.420
	MI	0.331	-2.557	3.218	0.411

Table S.2: Results for the BCPT study. MAR, PMAR, SE, and TLO denote the missing at random, pairwise missing at random, sequential explainability, and tilted-last-occasion models. FB denotes inference obtained using the fully-Bayes procedure while MI denotes inference obtained using multiple imputation. ATE denotes the point estimate of the average treatment effect, with lower and upper limits associated to a 95% credible interval. The posterior probability is associated to a one-sided test for $\psi > 0$.

S.5 Results of BCPT

We provide the results for the BCPT from Figure 2 in tabular form in Table S.2. Results are given using both fully-Bayesian inference with the G-computation algorithm and multiple imputation with $M = 50$ imputed datasets. We see that the inferences using either fully-Bayesian inference or multiple imputation largely agree.

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