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2   ************************************************************
3   *** REFERENCE-BASED IMPUTATION OF COST-EFFECTIVENESS DATA ***
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6   ***********************************************************************
7   //Stata program to conduct reference-based multiple imputation with cost-effectiveness data
8   //See accompanying instructions to use this do-file
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15  ** CONTENT:
16      * I  -  SET-UP
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21      * VI -  SAVE AS MI DATASET
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26  ***********************
27  ***  I - SET-UP     ***
28  ***********************
29  //Define here program parameters (dataset,variable names, imputation method, etc.)
30  //See do-file instructions
31
32      macro drop  all
33
34  ** Parameters **
35
36      * Required
37          global m   //Number of imputations
38          global emethod    //MAR J2R CIR LMCF BMCF
39          global cmethod    //MAR J2R CIR LMCF BMCF
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41          global data
42          global effectv
43          global costv
44          global covariates
45          global idv
46          global treatv
47          global refgroup
48
49      *Options
50          global interimMAR   // effect, cost, or leave blank
51          global restrictto  //Restrict MNAR imputation to a specific subgroup (e.g. arm==1). Leave blank
    otherwise.
52          global seed  //Specify seed for reproducibility. Leave blank for random seed
53          global saving
54
55
56  ** Check parameters
57      //Basic error checks
58
59      if !inlist("$emethod","MAR","J2R","CIR","LMCF","BMCF") | !inlist("$cmethod","MAR","J2R","CIR","LMCF","BMCF") {
60          display as error "Please specify imputation method for effect and cost: MAR J2R CIR LMCF or BMCF"
61          exit
62          }
63      if inlist("$emethod","J2R","CIR","LMCF","BMCF") & inlist("$cmethod","J2R","CIR","LMCF","BMCF") & "$emethod"!=
    "$cmethod" {
64          display as error "Different MNAR mechanisms for effect and costs not allowed"
65          exit
66          }
67      if !strpos("$interimMAR", "effect") & !strpos("$interimMAR", "cost") & "$interimMAR"!="" {
68          display as error " 'interimMAR' should be 'effect', 'cost', or nothing"
69          exit
70          }
71      if (inlist("$emethod","J2R","CIR") | inlist("$cmethod","J2R","CIR")) & "$refgroup"=="" {
72          display as error "Please specify reference group for CIR or J2R"
73          exit
74          }
75      if "$idv"=="" | "$treatv"=="" {
76          display as error "Please specify treatment arm and patient identifier variables"
77          exit
78          }
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82  ********************************
83  ***  II - DEFINE ROUTINES     ***
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85      //Define Mata functions used in imputation step
86
87          mata: mata clear
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89  ** Mata functions to manipulate list of variables
90      mata
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91          // Common : Returns common elements between 2 vectors
92              real vector common(real vector V1, real vector V2)
93              {
94                  st_local("v1",invtokens(strofreal(V1)))
95                  st_local("v2",invtokens(strofreal(V2)))
96                  stata("local l2: list v1 & v2")
97                  res=strtoreal(tokens(st_local("l2")))
98                  return(res)
99              }
100         // Join: Returns elements in either of 2 vectors
101             real vector join(real vector V1, real vector V2)
102             {
103                 st_local("v1",invtokens(strofreal(V1)))
104                 st_local("v2",invtokens(strofreal(V2)))
105                 stata("local l2: list v1 | v2")
106                 res=sort(strtoreal(tokens(st_local("l2")))',1)'
107                 return(res)
108             }
109         // Exclude: Returns elements of V1, not contained in V2.
110             real vector exclude(real vector V1, real vector V2)
111             {
112                 st_local("v1",invtokens(strofreal(V1)))
113                 st_local("v2",invtokens(strofreal(V2)))
114                 stata("local l2: list v1 - v2")
115                 res=sort(strtoreal(tokens(st_local("l2")))',1)'
116                 return(res)
117             }
118     end
119
120 ** Mata function to build conditional covariance matrix
121     //Used for J2R and CIR imputation
122     //Build joint covariance matrix, so that MNAR-missing variables follow distribution from reference arm,
    conditionally on observed or MAR-missing variables
123     //Parameters = covariance matrix in active arm; covariance in reference arm; indicator of observed or MAR
    variables; indicator of MNAR-missing varibales
124     //See technical details in Appendix
125     mata
126         real matrix condcov(real matrix SigmaA, real matrix SigmaR, real vector vobsmar, real vector vmnar)
127             {
128             A11 = SigmaA[vobsmar,vobsmar]   //Decompose var/covar in active and reference arm
129             R11 = SigmaR[vobsmar,vobsmar]
130             R12 = SigmaR[vobsmar,vmnar]
131             R22 = SigmaR[vmnar,vmnar]
132             J11=A11  //Solve contraints (see Appendix)
133             J12=A11*invsym(R11)*R12
134             J22=R22-(R12)'*invsym(R11)*(R11-A11)*invsym(R11)*R12
135             J = J(cols(SigmaA),cols(SigmaA),.)  //Build joint covariance matrix
136             J[vobsmar,vobsmar]=J11
137             J[vobsmar,vmnar]=J12
138             J[vmnar,vobsmar]=J12'
139             J[vmnar,vmnar]=J22
140         return(J)
141         }
142     end
143
144
145
146 ******************************************
147 *** III - PREPARE DATA FOR IMPUTATION    ***
148 ******************************************
149
150 *** Open original dataset
151     use "$data" , clear
152     describe
153     list in 1/5, noobs
154
155 *** Prepare macros and variables for program
156
157     **Global macros
158         *Seed
159             capture: set seed $seed
160                 //Affect random draws in MVN, and imputation steps. Will obtain same draws with same sorted data
    (and do file)
161         *Outcomes list
162             global responses $effectv $costv
163         *Number of variables
164             global nresp: word count $responses
165             global ncov: word count $covariates
166             global nvar = $nresp + $ncov  //"nct" in mimix
167         *Number of treatment group
168             tab $treatv
169             global ntreat = r(r)
170         *First effectiveness and cost variable
171             //Note: in mata, variables order always $effectv $costv $covariates
172             global v1effect=1
173             local neff: word count $effectv
174             global v1cost= `neff' + 1  // Cost var = first after effectiveness vars.
175         *Interim-MAR option
176             if strpos("$interimMAR", "effect") global eintmeth iMAR
177                 else global eintmeth $emethod
178             if strpos("$interimMAR", "cost") global cintmeth iMAR
179                 else global cintmeth $cmethod
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180          *Check
181              macro list
182
183      ** New variables
184          *Treatment arm variable
185              egen m_treat=group($treatv)  //Recoding = 1,2,..
186              tab m_treat
187          *New reference-group code
188              if "$refgroup"!="" sum m_treat if $treatv==$refgroup
189              global m_refer=r(max)
190              display "New reference arm code = $m_refer"
191          *Observation ID
192              if substr("`:type $idv'",1,3)=="str" encode($idv), generate(m_id)
193              else gen m_id = $idv
194              duplicates report m_id
195          *Missing data pattern
196              qui: generate m_pattern = 0
197              local i=0
198              foreach var of varlist $responses  {
199                  local k2 = 2^(`i++')    //Will assign a unique number by pattern, for any number of variables.
200                  qui: replace m_pattern = m_pattern + `k2'  if `var'== .
201                  }
202              tab m_pattern m_treat ,m
203          *MNAR subgroup
204              //If restrictto specified, restrict MNAR imputation to these observations
205              gen m_allmar=0
206              if "$restrictto"!="" replace m_allmar= !($restrictto) // AllMAR=1 if restricto specified and
     observation not in "restrictto" subgroup
207              qui: count if m_allmar==0
208              if "$restrictto"!="" display "MNAR imputation restricted to `r(N)' observations out of "  _N
209              if `r(N)'==0  display as error "No observations MNAR-imputed - Check 'restrictto' option"
210
211  *** Sort and save
212      *Save dataset
213          //Original dataset + programming variables. Will be used to merge with imputed data at the end
214          sort m_id
215          compress
216          save "originalext.dta", replace
217
218      *Save reduced version for imputation
219          keep m_id m_treat $responses $covariates m_pattern m_allmar
220          order m_id m_treat $responses $covariates m_pattern m_allmar
221          sort m_treat m_pattern m_allmar m_id //Sort by treat arm, missing data pattern, then PID.
222          compress
223          save "m_d2.dta", replace
224
225
226  *************************
227  ***  IV -  RUN MVN    ***
228  *************************
229   // Fit a multivariate normal model to the observed data, for each arm
230   // Then draw mean/covariance parameters from their posterior distribution
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232
233  ** Set-up MCMC burn-in parameters
234      local burnin = 100  //Number of iterations for the initial burn-in period
235      local burnbetween 100  //Number of iterations between imputation
236      local burninM = `burnin' + (($m-1)*`burnbetween')  //Total number of iterations
237
238  *** Run MVN for each treament arm, and save parameters
239       forvalues i = 1/$ntreat {
240          **Set-up
241              use "m_d2.dta" if m_treat == `i', clear
242              mi set wide  //Wide faster, can set to mlong if size error
243              qui: mi register imputed $responses $covariates
244
245          **MVN
246              display as text "Performing imputation procedure for arm "  as result "`i'" as text " of " as result
     "$ntreat" as text "..."
247              mi impute mvn $responses $covariates , mcmconly burnin(`burninM')  prior(jeffreys) initmcmc(em, iter(
     1000)) saveptrace(mimix_parms_a`i', replace)
248                  //Note: Used only to fit MVN model and save trace, not doing imputation.
249
250          **Save parameters
251              //Using values from the MCMC trace. Saving every 'burnbetween' iteration is like doing random draws
     from from posterior distribution of the parameters
252
253              *Open trace
254                  mi ptrace describe mimix_parms_a`i'
255                  mi ptrace use mimix_parms_a`i', clear
256
257              *Save every 100 iterations:
258                  local burn = `burnin' - 1
259                  drop in 1/`burn'
260                  keep if !mod( n-1,`burnbetween')
261                  generate m_treat = `i'
262                  drop m_iter
263                  capture mata: mata drop mimix_all
264                  mata: mimix_all= st_data( ., .) //Copy dataset (all params, m_treat) into mimix_all
265              *Save mean and covariance in matrices, for each m:
266                  forvalues k=1/$m {
267                      display _n " Draw for group `i', imputation `k' "
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                    *Save mean matrice:
                        mata: mean group`i' imp`k' = mimix_all[`k',1..$nvar]
                            *mata: mean group`i' imp`k'
                    *Save covariance matrices:
                        mata: mata_VAR_group`i'_imp`k'=J($nvar,$nvar,0)
                        local step = $nvar+ 1
                        forvalues r = 1/$nvar {
                            forvalues j = 1/$nvar{
                                if `j' <= `r' {
                                    mata: mata_VAR_group`i'_imp`k'[`r', `j'] = mimix_all[`k', `step']
                                    local step = `step' + 1
                                }
                            }
                        }
                        mata: mata_VAR_group`i'_imp`k' = makesymmetric(mata_VAR_group`i'_imp`k')
                            *mata: mata_VAR_group`i'_imp`k'
                } //End of saving mean and cov matrices

    }  //End of MVN loop.



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***  MNAR IMPUTATION, FOR EACH ARM AND MISSIGN DATA PATTERN   ***
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**** Set up

    ** Describe data
        use "m_d2.dta", clear
        describe
        tab m pattern m treat,m

    ** Save characteristics of each arm+pattern group

        *First and last observation
            gen n= n
            bysort m treat m pattern m allmar: gen nfirst=n[1]
            bysort m treat m pattern m allmar: gen nlast=n[ N]
        *Number of missing var
            egen nmiss=rowmiss($responses $covariates)
        *Contract
            contract m treat m pattern m allmar nfirst nlast nmiss
            rename  freq ncount
            gen groupID= n
        *Order var and save in a matrix
            mkmat m treat m pattern m allmar ncount nfirst nlast nmiss groupID , mat(m_group)
            matrix list m_group
        *Save number of combinations/groups
            global max_indicator=_N

    ** Indicator of effect/cost/MAR/MNAR variables
            mata: mata_responses=J(1,0,.)
            mata: mata eff=J(1,0,.)
            mata: mata cost=J(1,0,.)
            mata: mata meth mar=J(1,0,.)
            mata: mata meth mnar=J(1,0,.)
            local j=0
            foreach var in $responses $covariates {  //Note: Variables identified by their position, use always same order
                local j=`j'+1
                if strpos("$responses","`var'")  mata: mata responses=(mata responses,`j')
                if strpos("$effectv","`var'")  mata: mata eff=(mata eff,`j')
                if strpos("$costv","`var'")    mata: mata cost=(mata cost,`j')
                if strpos("$effectv","`var'")*("$emethod"=="MAR") | strpos("$costv","`var'")*("$cmethod"=="MAR") {
                    mata: mata meth mar=(mata meth mar,`j')
                    }
                if strpos("$effectv","`var'")*("$emethod"!="MAR") | strpos("$costv","`var'")*("$cmethod"!="MAR") {
                    mata: mata_meth_mnar=(mata_meth_mnar,`j')
                    }
                }


    ** Empty matrix to save imputed data
        global new varlist m treat m $responses $covariates m_id  //List of variables to be saved after each mata-imputation (used when converting back to Stata)
        mata: mata all new=J(0,$nvar+3,.) // Size= nvar+3(treat,m,ID)


**** Begining of "for each imputation group" loop
    //Split data in imputation groups ( = arm + missing data pattern).
    //For each group do:  1) Build joint distribution from MAR parameters 2) Draw missing values from that distribution 3) Redo 1-2 m times.
    //Note: large loop, encompasses "foreach imputation" loop, see below.

    forvalues i= 1/$max_indicator {  //For each imputation group

        display  n "--- Imputation for group `i' of $max_indicator ---"

        ** Set up
            //Group charateristics, before going into "for each m" loop.
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357             *Save group characteristics
358                 matrix list m_group
359                 local trt_grp= m_group[`i',1]
360                 local pattern = m_group[`i',2]
361                 local allmar= m_group[`i',3]
362                 local ncount= m_group[`i',4]
363                 local nfirst= m_group[`i',5]
364                 local nlast= m_group[`i',6]
365                 local miss_count= m_group[`i',7]
366                 local refer = $m_refer  //Note: reference arm currently same for everyone, but allow to change if
    needed.
367
368             *Indicator of complete/missing var
369                 qui: use m_d2.dta, clear
370                 mata: mata_miss = J(1,0,.)
371                 mata: mata_nonmiss = J(1,0,.)
372                 local j=0
373                 foreach var of varlist $responses  $covariates {
374                     local j=`j'+1
375                     if (`var'[`nfirst']>=.)  mata: mata_miss=(mata_miss,`j')
376                         else  mata: mata_nonmiss=(mata_nonmiss,`j')
377                     }
378
379             *Indicator of interim-MAR missing
380                 *Last observed cost/effect:
381                     mata: st_numscalar("lastobse",rowmax((common(mata_eff,mata_nonmiss),0))) //Adding a 0 so is
    "0" if empty matrix
382                     mata: st_numscalar("lastobsc",rowmax((common(mata_cost,mata_nonmiss),0))) //Adding a 0 so is
    "0" if empty matrix
383                 *Testing whether interim (+MAR option specified), for each missing variable:
384                     mata: st_local("misslist",invtokens(strofreal(mata_miss)))
385                     mata: mata_int_mar = J(1,0,.)
386                     foreach v of local misslist {
387                         if (`v'>=$v1effect & `v'<lastobse & "$eintmeth"=="iMAR" )  | (`v'>=$v1cost & `v'<lastobsc
    & "$cintmeth"=="iMAR"){
388                             mata: mata_int_mar=(mata_int_mar,`v')
389                             }
390                         }
391                 *Check
392                     mata: mata_int_mar
393
394             *Indicator of forced-MAR variables
395                 //If "restricto" specified, impute all var under MAR for observations not in that subgroup.
396                 if `allmar'==1 mata: mata_allmar=mata_responses
397                 else mata: mata_allmar=J(1,0,.)
398
399             *Identify MAR-missing variables
400                 //Variable is MAR if either i)Main imputation-method for that endpoint = MAR or ii) is
    interim-MAR or iii) observation not in "restrictto" subgroup
401                 //Note: use mata "common" and "join" functions defined above
402                 mata: mata_mar2=join(mata_meth_mar,join(mata_int_mar,mata_allmar))
403                 mata: mata_marmiss=common(mata_mar2,mata_miss) // MAR and actually missing. Will be those
    MAR-imputed for that pattern.
404
405             *Identify MNAR-missing variables
406                 //Is MNAR if main imputation method=MNAR, except if i) interim-MAR missing or ii) observation not
    in "restrictto" subgroup
407                 mata: mata_mnar2=exclude(mata_meth_mnar,join(mata_int_mar,mata_allmar))
408                 mata: mata_mnarmiss=common(mata_mnar2,mata_miss) // MNAR and actually missing. Will be those
    MNAR-imputed for that pattern.
409
410             *Indicator of any MNAR missing variables:
411                 mata: st_local("n_mnar_miss",strofreal(cols(mata_mnarmiss)))
412
413             *Check all indicators:
414                 display as txt  _n "Variables imputation status for group `i' (var numbered in order of:
    effect,cost,covariates)"
415                 display as txt "Observed:"
416                     mata: mata_nonmiss
417                 display as txt "MAR-missing:"
418                     mata: mata_marmiss
419                 display as txt "MNAR-missing:"
420                     mata: mata_mnarmiss
421
422             *Save observed data
423                 //Save responses,covariates,ID in a mata matrix
424                 qui: use m_d2.dta, clear
425                 qui: keep in `nfirst'/`nlast'
426                 keep $responses $covariates m_id
427                 order $responses $covariates m_id
428                 mata: mata_obs= st_data( . , .)
429
430
431         *** Begining "for each imputation" loop
432
433             forvalues imp = 1/$m {
434                     display "."  _cont
435
436                 ** If no missing data, copy data directly
437                     if `miss_count' == 0 {
438                         if `imp'==1 dis "No missing"
439                         *Copy observed data
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440                             mata: mata_new = (J(`ncount',1,`trt grp'), J(`ncount',1, `imp'), mata_obs)  //Dataset with Arm + imp number + observed data
441                         *Append to existing
442                             mata: mata_all_new = (mata_all_new \ mata_new)
443                         }
444
445                 ** If missing data, build the joint distribution (mean vector, and covariance matrix)
446                     else {
447                         *All MAR
448                             if `n_mnar_miss'==0  {  // No MNAR missing
449                                 if `imp'==1 dis "Imputation (Method = MAR)"
450                                 mata: mata_Meansv=mean_group`trt grp'_imp`imp'
451                                 mata: Sigma = mata_VAR_group`trt grp'_imp`imp'
452                                 }
453                         *J2R
454                             if (`n_mnar_miss'>0) & ("$emethod" == "J2R" | "$cmethod" == "J2R")  {  // Cost or effectiveness is J2R
455                                 if `imp'==1 dis "Imputation (Method = J2R)"
456                                 *Mean
457                                     mata: mata_Meansv=mean_group`trt grp'_imp`imp'
458                                     mata: mata_Meansv[1,mata_mnarmiss]=mean_group`refer'_imp`imp'[1,mata_mnarmiss]  //Replacing Mean from reference group for MNAR variables
459                                 *Covariance
460                                     mata: mata_nonmiss_marmiss=join(mata_nonmiss,mata_marmiss)  //Observed or MAR-missing variables.
461                                     mata: Sigma=condcov(mata_VAR_group`trt_grp'_imp`imp', mata_VAR_group`refer'_imp`imp',mata_nonmiss_marmiss,mata_mnarmiss)
462                                 }
463                         *CIR
464                             if (`n_mnar_miss'>0) & ("$emethod" == "CIR" | "$cmethod" == "CIR")  {  //Cost or effectiveness is CIR
465                                 if `imp'==1 dis "Imputation (Method = CIR)"
466                                     **Mean
467                                         mata: mata_Meansv=mean_group`trt grp'_imp`imp'
468                                         mata: MeansC=mean_group`refer'_imp`imp'
469                                         *Effect
470                                             mata: mata_mnarmiss_e=common(mata_mnarmiss,mata_eff) // Effectiveness var MNAR-missing
471                                             mata: st_local("vlist",invtokens(strofreal(mata_mnarmiss_e)))
472                                             foreach v of local vlist {
473                                                 if `v'==$v1effect mata: mata_Meansv[1,`v'] = MeansC[1,`v']  //If first var missing, copy from reference arm
474                                                 else mata: mata_Meansv[1,`v'] = mata_Meansv[1,`v'-1] + (MeansC[1,`v']-MeansC[1,`v'-1])  //Previous mean (in current arm) + increment in mean in refer group
475                                             }
476                                         *Cost
477                                             mata: mata_mnarmiss_c=common(mata_mnarmiss,mata_cost)
478                                             mata: st_local("vlist",invtokens(strofreal(mata_mnarmiss_c)))
479                                             foreach v of local vlist {
480                                                 if `v'==$v1cost mata: mata_Meansv[1,`v'] =  MeansC[1,`v']
481                                                 else mata: mata_Meansv[1,`v'] = mata_Meansv[1,`v'-1] + (MeansC[1,`v']-MeansC[1,`v'-1])
482                                             }
483                                     **Covariance
484                                         mata: mata_nonmiss_marmiss=join(mata_nonmiss,mata_marmiss)  //Observed or MAR-missing variables.
485                                         mata: Sigma=condcov(mata_VAR_group`trt grp'_imp`imp', mata_VAR_group`refer'_imp`imp',mata_nonmiss_marmiss,mata_mnarmiss)
486                                 }
487                         *LMCF
488                             if (`n_mnar_miss'>0) & ("$emethod" == "LMCF" | "$cmethod" == "LMCF") { //Cost or effectiveness is LMCF
489                                 if `imp'==1 dis "Imputation (Method = LMCF)"
490                                 *Mean
491                                     mata: mata_Meansv=mean_group`trt grp'_imp`imp'
492                                     *Effect
493                                         mata: mata_mnarmiss_e=common(mata_mnarmiss,mata_eff) // Effectiveness variables MNAR-missing
494                                         mata: st_local("vlist",invtokens(strofreal(mata_mnarmiss_e)))
495                                         foreach v of local vlist {
496                                             if `v'>$v1effect {  //Note: if first var missing, use the mean
497                                                 mata: mata_Meansv[1,`v'] = mata_Meansv[1,`v'-1]     // Copying previous mean
498                                             }
499                                         }
500                                     *Cost
501                                         mata: mata_mnarmiss_c=common(mata_mnarmiss,mata_cost)
502                                         mata: st_local("vlist",invtokens(strofreal(mata_mnarmiss_c)))
503                                         foreach v of local vlist {
504                                             if `v'>$v1cost {
505                                                 mata: mata_Meansv[1,`v'] = mata_Meansv[1,`v'-1]
506                                             }
507                                         }
508                                 *Covariance
509                                     mata: Sigma = mata_VAR_group`trt grp'_imp`imp'  //Using MAR covariance from that arm
510                                 }
511                         *BMCF
512                             if (`n_mnar_miss'>0) & ("$emethod" == "BMCF" | "$cmethod" == "BMCF") { //Cost or effectiveness is BMCF
513                                 if `imp'==1 dis "Imputation (Method = BMCF)"
514                                 *Mean
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515                                     mata: mata Meansv=mean group`trt grp' imp`imp'
516                                     *Effect
517                                         mata: mata mnarmiss e=common(mata mnarmiss,mata eff) // Effectiveness
    variables MNAR-missing
518                                         mata: st_local("vlist",invtokens(strofreal(mata_mnarmiss_e)))
519                                         foreach v of local vlist {
520                                             mata: mata_Meansv[1,`v'] = mata_Meansv[1,$v1effect]  // Copying mean
    of first variable
521                                         }
522                                     *Cost
523                                         mata: mata mnarmiss c=common(mata mnarmiss,mata cost)
524                                         mata: st local("vlist",invtokens(strofreal(mata mnarmiss c)))
525                                         foreach v of local vlist {
526                                                 mata: mata Meansv[1,`v'] = mata Meansv[1,$v1cost ]
527                                         }
528                                 *Covariance
529                                     mata: Sigma = mata VAR group`trt grp' imp`imp'  //Using MAR covariance from
    that arm
530                                 }
531
532                     **Check joint distribution
533                         *mata: mata Meansv
534                         *mata: Sigma
535
536                     ** Perform imputation
537                         * Expand mean vector to n observations
538                             mata: mata_Means=J(`ncount', 1, mata_Meansv)
539                         * Decompose the covariance matrix observed/missing
540                             mata: S11 = Sigma[mata_nonmiss, mata_nonmiss]   //Covariance observed var.
541                             mata: S12 = Sigma[mata_nonmiss, mata_miss] //Covariance for
    observed(row)Xmissing(col) var
542                             mata: S22 = Sigma[mata miss, mata miss]  //Covariances missing var
543                         *Draw missing values conditionally on observed
544                             mata: m1=mata Means[., mata nonmiss]  //Mean param for all observed var (n times)
545                             mata: m2=mata Means[., mata miss]  //Mean param for all missing var (n times)
546                             mata: raw1=mata obs[., mata nonmiss] //Observed values matrix.
547                             mata: meanval = m2 + (raw1 - m1)*invsym(S11)*S12 //Expectation given observed values.
548                             mata:conds=S22-S12'*invsym(S11)*S12
549                             mata: U = cholesky(conds)
550                             mata: Z = invnormal(uniform(`ncount',`miss count'))  //Drawn n*nmiss standard normal
551                             mata: mata_y1 = meanval + Z*U'  //Draw n X nmiss following N((cond mean),Covar). =
    Imputed values.
552                         *Merge all variables
553                             mata: mata_new =J(`ncount',$nvar,.)  //Empty mat n*nvar
554                             mata: mata_new[.,mata nonmiss] = mata obs[.,mata nonmiss] //Add observed val
555                             mata: mata_new[.,mata miss] = mata_y1[.,.] //Add imputed val
556                             mata: GI=J(`ncount',1,`trt grp')  //Treatment group
557                             mata: II=J(`ncount',1,`imp')   //Imputation number
558                             mata: ID = mata_obs[.,cols(mata_obs)] //Last column of mata_obs = ID
559                             mata: mata_new=(GI, II, mata_new, ID)
560                         *Append to existing data
561                             mata: mata_all_new = (mata_all_new \ mata_new)
562
563                     } //End of "if missing" loop.
564
565                 } //End of "for m" loop
566
567     } //End of "for each group" loop
568
569
570     *** Check data
571         clear
572         getmata($new varlist)=mata all new
573         describe
574         list in 1/5, header noobs
575         count
576         dis  N/$m //Check same number of obs as original dataset
577
578
579     *********************************
580     ***** SAVE AS MI DATASET     ****
581     *********************************
582
583         *Prepare imputed data
584             clear
585             getmata($new varlist)=mata all new  //Convert mata "all new" to Stata
586             keep $responses m m_id  //Other var will be in original dataset
587             sort m id m
588             tempfile imputedv
589             save `imputedv', replace
590
591         *Add other variables from original dataset
592             use originalext.dta, clear
593             count
594             sort m id
595             merge 1:m m id using `imputedv', nogen update
596             count //OK, N*$m
597
598         *Add  m=0 (=observed data)
599             append using originalext.dta
600             replace m=0 if m==.
601
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602         *Convert to MI format
603             mi import flong , m(m) id($idv) clear
604             mi register imputed $responses $covariates
605             mi describe
606             list in 1/5
607
608         *Clean and save
609             describe
610             drop m_treat-m  //Drop programming var
611             sort $idv _mi_m
612             list in 1/10, sepby($idv)
613             compress
614             label data "Reference-based imputed ($emethod-$cmethod) - `c(current date)'"
615             save "$saving", replace     //! Will overwrite dataset if already exist.
616
617         ** Delete temporary datasets
618             //Temporary datasets created for the program
619             erase originalext.dta
620             erase m_d2.dta
621             forvalues i = 1/$ntreat {
622                 erase mimix_parms_a`i'.stptrace
623                 }
624
625     ***** END *****
626
627
```