

Posterior contraction in sparse non-linear marginal mixed model under spike-and-slab prior

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- **Sparsity:** only a few coordinates of the regression vector β are nonzero.

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- **Examples of mixture spike-and-slab priors:** Dirac-Laplace, Laplace-Laplace, Gaussian-Gaussian, etc...

Selection consistency and Posterior contraction

Selection property

Selection consistency: the posterior probability of the true model converges to 1

$$\inf_{\beta_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\Pi(\beta : S_\beta = S_0 | Y^{(n)}) \right] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1$$

Estimation property

Posterior contraction: ability of the posterior distribution to recover the true model from the data

$$\sup_{\theta_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\Pi \left(\theta : d_n(\theta, \theta_0) > C\epsilon_n \mid Y^{(n)} \right) \right] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

with $\epsilon_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$.

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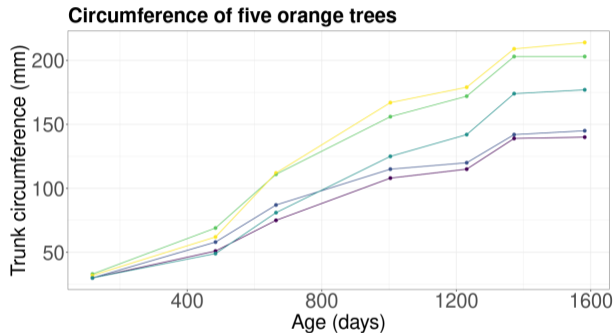
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where $LR = \text{Linear Regression}$.

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Framework: repeated measurement data

- ❖ **Mixed-effects models:** analyse observations collected repeatedly on several individuals.



- ❖ Same overall behaviour but with individual variations.
- ❖ Non-linear growth.
- ❖ Are these variations due to known characteristics?
 - ▶ E.g.: growing conditions, genetic markers, ...

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We assume that n independent observations $Y^{(n)} = (Y_i)_{1 \leq i \leq n} \in \mathbb{R}^N$, where $N = \sum_{i=1}^n n_i$, has been generated from this model for a given sparse β_0 and a given Γ_0 . The expectation under these true parameters is denoted \mathbb{E}_0 .

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Goal

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Theorem

Assume that the previous assumptions are satisfied. Then, there exists a constant $C_1 > 0$ such that:

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Posterior contraction Rényi theorem

Definition

For two n -variables densities $f = \prod_{i=1}^n f_i$ and $g = \prod_{i=1}^n g_i$ of independent variables, the **average Rényi divergence** (of order $1/2$) is defined by:

$$R_n(f, g) = -\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(\int \sqrt{f_i g_i} \right)$$

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Assume that the previous assumptions are satisfied, and $\log(J_n) \lesssim \log(p)$. We denote by $p_{\beta, \Gamma} = \prod_{i=1}^n p_{\beta, \Gamma, i}$ the joint density for $p_{\beta, \Gamma, i}$ the density of the i th observation vector y_i , and p_0 the true joint density. Then, there exists a constant $C_2 > 0$ such that:

$$\sup_{\beta_0 \in \mathcal{B}_0, \Gamma_0 \in \mathcal{H}_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\mathbb{P} \left((\beta, \Gamma) : R_n(p_{\beta, \Gamma}, p_0) > C_2 \frac{s_0 \log(p)}{n} \mid \mathcal{Y}^{(n)} \right) \right] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

Posterior contraction rates

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and under an assumption of identifiability on f , with $\phi_1(s) = \inf_{\beta: 1 \leq s_\beta \leq s} \frac{\|X\beta\|_2 \sqrt{s_\beta}}{\|X\|_* \|\beta\|_1}$:

$$\sup_{\beta_0 \in \mathcal{B}_0, \Gamma_0 \in \mathcal{H}_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\mathbb{P} \left(\beta : \|\beta - \beta_0\|_1 > C_5 \frac{s_0 \sqrt{\log(p)}}{\sqrt{\|X\|_*^2 \phi_1^2((C_1 + 1)s_0) - s_0^2 \log(p)}} \mid \mathcal{Y}^{(n)} \right) \right] \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0,$$

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where $y_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i}$, $f_i(\varphi_i) = (f(\varphi_i; t_{i,1}), \dots, f(\varphi_i; t_{i,n_i}))$, $\varphi_i \in \mathbb{R}^q$, $X_i \in \mathcal{M}_{q \times p}$, $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$.

❖ **In linear:** **Can we obtain a selection consistency theorem under spike-and-slab LASSO prior in LMEM with covariance matrix unknown?**

Et pour conclure sur les posteriEUR, en voici un sympathique...



Thank you for your attention!

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Model approximation

$$\begin{cases} y_i = f_i(\psi, \varphi_i) + \varepsilon_i & , \varepsilon_i \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}_{n_i}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 I_{n_i}), \\ \varphi_i = X_i \beta + \xi_i & , \xi_i \stackrel{\text{i.i.d.}}{\sim} \mathcal{N}_q(\mathbf{0}, \Gamma). \end{cases}$$

where $y_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n_i}$, $f_i(\psi, \varphi_i) = (f(\psi, \varphi_i; t_{i,1}), \dots, f(\psi, \varphi_i; t_{i,n_i}))$, $\psi \in \mathbb{R}^r$, $\varphi_i \in \mathbb{R}^q$, $X_i \in \mathcal{M}_{q \times p}$, $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$.

First order approximation of $f_i(\psi, X_i \beta + \xi_i)$ around $\mathbb{E}[\varphi_i] = X_i \beta$:

$$y_i = f_i(\psi, X_i \beta) + Z_i(\beta) \xi_i + \varepsilon_i,$$

where $Z_i = \frac{\partial f_i}{\partial \varphi_i}$.

⇒ Non-linear marginal mixed model with varied matrix of random effects (Demidenko, 2013).

Identifiability/injectivity assumption

$$\forall 1 \leq i \leq n, \forall \delta > 0, \forall t \in \mathbb{R},$$

$$|f(X_i\beta, t) - f(X_i\beta_0, t)| \leq \delta \Rightarrow |f(X_i\beta, t) - f(X_i\beta_0, t)| \gtrsim \|X_i(\beta - \beta_0)\|_2$$

Stages of proof

In general, the stages of proof (following Castillo et al. (2015)) are as follows:

1. **Support size:** $\sup_{\beta_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\Pi \left(\beta : |\mathcal{S}_\beta| > K|\mathcal{S}_0| \mid Y^{(n)} \right) \right] \rightarrow 0$
2. **Posterior contraction / Recovery:** $\sup_{\theta_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\Pi \left(\theta : d_n(\theta, \theta_0) > C\epsilon_n \mid Y^{(n)} \right) \right] \rightarrow 0$, with $\epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$
3. **Distributional approximation:** $\sup_{\beta_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\left\| \Pi(\beta \in \cdot \mid Y^{(n)}) - \Pi^\infty(\beta \in \cdot \mid Y^{(n)}) \right\|_{TV} \right] \rightarrow 0$
4. **Selection, no supersets:** $\sup_{\beta_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\Pi \left(\beta : \mathcal{S}_\beta \supset \mathcal{S}_0, \mathcal{S}_\beta \neq \mathcal{S}_0 \mid Y^{(n)} \right) \right] \rightarrow 0$
5. **Selection consistency:** $\inf_{\beta_0} \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\Pi(\beta : \mathcal{S}_\beta = \mathcal{S}_0 \mid Y^{(n)}) \right] \rightarrow 1$.

Idea of the proof

Set $B = \{(\beta, \Gamma) : |S_\beta| > \tilde{s}\}$, with any integer $\tilde{s} \geq s_0$.

Yet, by Bayes' formula: $\Pi(B|y) = \frac{\int_B \Lambda_n(\beta, \Gamma) d\Pi(\beta, \Gamma)}{\int \Lambda_n(\beta, \Gamma) d\Pi(\beta, \Gamma)}$, where $\Lambda_n(\beta, \Gamma) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{p_{\beta, \Gamma, i}}{p_{0, i}}$ likelihood ratio.

Thus, the following lemma shows that the denominator of the posterior distribution is bounded below by a factor with probability tending to one:

Lemma

Let's assume that the previous hypotheses are satisfied. Then, there exists a constant M such that:

$$\mathbb{P}_0 \left(\int \Lambda_n(\beta, \Gamma) d\Pi(\beta, \Gamma) \geq \pi_p(s_0) e^{-M(s_0 \log(p) + \log(n))} \right) \rightarrow 1.$$

This event is denoted by \mathcal{A}_n .

Idea of the proof

$$\text{Then, } \mathbb{E}_0 [\Pi (B|y)] = \mathbb{E}_0 [\Pi (B|y) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_n}] + \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_0 [\Pi (B|y) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_n^c}]}_{\longrightarrow 0 \text{ by lemma}}.$$

And by the lemma and Fubini-Tonelli's theorem the first term is bounded by a term tending towards 0 with n :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}_0 [\Pi (B|y) \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_n}] &= \mathbb{E}_0 \left[\frac{\int_B \Lambda_n(\beta, \Gamma) d\Pi(\beta, \Gamma)}{\int \Lambda_n(\beta, \Gamma) d\Pi(\beta, \Gamma)} \mathbb{1}_{\mathcal{A}_n} \right] \\ &\leq \pi_p(s_0)^{-1} \exp \{M(s_0 \log(p) + \log(n))\} \Pi(B) \longrightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

This leads to the theorem: there exist a constant C_1 such that $\mathbb{E}_0 [\Pi (|S_\beta| > C_1 s_0 |y)] \longrightarrow 0$.