

Spatial Varying Coefficient Model

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1 Hierarchical modeling for univariate spatial data

1.1 Model framework

Consider a simple linear model:

$$Y(s) = \mu(s) + \underbrace{w(s) + \varepsilon(s)}_{\eta(s)} \quad (1.1.1)$$

where the mean structure $\mu(s) = X(s)\boldsymbol{\beta}$, the residual $\eta(s)$ is partitioned into two pieces, one spatial and one nonspatial.

Assumptions of model (1.1.1):

- a. $\varepsilon(s) \stackrel{i.i.d}{\sim} N(0, \tau^2)$;
- b. \mathbf{w} is a stationary process independent of $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$, and is a Gaussian processes(GP): $\mathbf{w} \sim GP(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{H}(\phi))$, where

$$(\mathbf{H}(\phi))_{ij} = \sigma^2 \rho(\phi; \|s_i - s_j\|) \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

1.2 Model decomposition

There are two ways to fit model from Bayes's point of view:

- (a) $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y}) \propto f(\mathbf{y} | \mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \tau^2) p(\mathbf{w} | \sigma^2, \phi) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta})$
- (b) $p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | \mathbf{y}) \propto f(\mathbf{y} | \boldsymbol{\theta}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\theta})$

The structure of the model is so complex that **numerical algorithm** is needed.

2 Model Solution

2.1 MCMC algorithm

Turn to (a), our goal is to sample $\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{w}$ from $p(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y})$ based on Gibbs sampler. Therefore, we need to solve $p(\boldsymbol{\beta} | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}, \tau^2), p(\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}), p(\tau^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{w}), p(\sigma^2 | \phi, \mathbf{w})$ and $p(\phi | \mathbf{w}, \sigma^2)$.

Step1: Set $\pi(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = N(\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\alpha}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta)$, then $p(\boldsymbol{\beta}|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}, \tau^2) = N(\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{D})$, where

$$\mathbf{D} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}}{\tau^2} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta^{-1} \right)^{-1}; \boldsymbol{\eta} = \frac{\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{w})}{\tau^2} + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta^{-1} \mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\alpha} \quad (2.1.1)$$

Step2: Since $\pi(\mathbf{w}) = N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{H}(\phi))$, then $p(\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$ is again of the form $N(\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta}, \mathbf{D})$, where

$$\mathbf{D} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{I}}{\tau^2} + \frac{\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)}{\sigma^2} \right)^{-1}; \boldsymbol{\eta} = \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})}{\tau^2} \quad (2.1.2)$$

Step3: Furthermore, set $\pi(\tau^2) = IG(a_\tau, b_\tau)$, $\pi(\sigma^2) = IG(a_\sigma, b_\sigma)$, respectively, then

$$p(\tau^2|\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{w}) = IG\left(a_\tau + \frac{n}{2}, b_\tau + \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})}{2}\right) \quad (2.1.3)$$

$$p(\sigma^2|\phi, \mathbf{w}) = IG\left(a_\sigma + \frac{n}{2}, b_\sigma + \frac{\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)\mathbf{w}}{2}\right) \quad (2.1.4)$$

Step4: However, no closed form is available for $p(\phi|\mathbf{w}, \sigma^2)$ as follow

$$p(\phi|\mathbf{w}, \sigma^2) \propto \pi(\phi) \exp\left(-\frac{\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)\mathbf{w}}{2\sigma^2}\right) \quad (2.1.5)$$

Except ϕ' s sample, the other can be sampled by Gibbs sampler, while the former can be taken by Metropolis algorithm or slice sampling.

2.2 Variational Bayes

Give initial values to the expectation of $1/\tau^2, \phi, \mathbf{w}$ and $\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1}$: $\mathbf{E}^{(0)}(1/\tau^2) = (1/\tau^2)^{(0)}$, $\mathbf{E}^{(0)}(\phi) = \phi^{(0)}$, $\boldsymbol{\mu}_w^{(0)} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{E}^{(0)}(\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1}) = \mathbf{R}(\phi^{(0)})^{-1}$.

Step1: Update the distribution of $\boldsymbol{\beta} \sim \text{MVN}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_\beta^{(t)}, \mathbf{V}_\beta^{(t)})$, where

$$\mathbf{V}_\beta^{(t)} = [\mathbf{E}^{(t-1)}(1/\tau^2)(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta^{-1}]^{-1}$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_\beta^{(t)} = [\mathbf{E}^{(t-1)}(1/\tau^2)(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta^{-1}]^{-1} [\mathbf{E}^{(t-1)}(1/\tau^2)\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{Y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_w^{(t-1)}) + \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta^{-1}];$$

Step2: Update the distribution of $\tau^2 \sim IG$ with parameters $a_\tau + \frac{n}{2}$ and

$$b_\tau + \frac{1}{2} \left[\text{tr} (\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t-1)}) + p\mathbf{E}^{(t-1)} (1/\tau^2) + (\mathbf{Y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t-1)})' (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{H}) (\mathbf{Y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t-1)}) \right],$$

where $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'$, calculate $m_{\tau^2}^{(t)} = \mathbf{E}^{(t)} (1/\tau^2)$;

Step3: Update the distribution of $\sigma^2 \sim IG$ with parameters $a_\sigma + \frac{n}{2}$ and

$$b_\sigma + \frac{1}{2} \left\{ \text{tr} [\mathbf{E}^{(t-1)} (\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1}) \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t-1)}] + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t-1)'} \mathbf{E}^{(t-1)} (\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1}) \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t-1)} \right\};$$

calculate $m_{\sigma^2}^{(t)} = \mathbf{E}^{(t)} (1/\sigma^2)$;

Step4: Update the distribution of $\mathbf{w} \sim \text{MVN} (\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)}, \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)})$, where

$$\mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)} = \left[m_{\sigma^2}^{(t)} \mathbf{E}^{(t-1)} (\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1}) + m_{\tau^2}^{(t)} \mathbf{I}_n \right]^{-1}$$

and

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)} = m_{\tau^2}^{(t)} \left[m_{\sigma^2}^{(t)} \mathbf{E}^{(t-1)} (\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1}) + m_{\tau^2}^{(t)} \mathbf{I}_n \right]^{-1} (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\beta}^{(t)})$$

Step5: Update the distribution of ϕ which is proportional to

$$g(\phi) = |\mathbf{R}(\phi)|^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{m_{\sigma^2}^{(t)} [\text{tr} (\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1} \mathbf{V}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)}) + \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)} \mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1} \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\mathbf{w}}^{(t)}]}{2} \right\} \quad (2.2.1)$$

and calculate $\mathbf{E}^{(t)}(\phi)$ and $\mathbf{E}^{(t)} (\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1})$. However the distribution function (2.2.1) is not analytically tractable, so importance sampling is proposed to approximate.

$$\mathbf{E}(f(\phi)) = \frac{\int f(\phi) g(\phi) d\phi}{\int g(\phi) d\phi} = \frac{\int f(\phi) \frac{g(\phi)}{p_I(\phi)} p_I(\phi) d\phi}{\int \frac{g(\phi)}{p_I(\phi)} p_I(\phi) d\phi} \approx \frac{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N f(\phi_i) W(\phi_i)}{\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N W(\phi_i)} = \sum_{i=1}^N f(\phi_i) W^*(\phi_i) \quad (2.2.2)$$

where $\phi_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} p_I(\phi)$, $W(\phi_i) = g(\phi_i) / p_I(\phi_i)$ and $W^*(\phi_i) = \frac{W(\phi_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^N W(\phi_i)}$.

- (1) Because the distributions of the parameters other than ϕ only depend on $\mathbf{E} (\mathbf{R}(\phi)^{-1})$ using the expectation from importance sampling in (2.2.2) allows the VB algorithm to proceed toward convergence.
- (2) After the VB algorithm converges, importance sampling resampling method (Rubin, 1987) is used to simulate samples of ϕ , which is proportional to (2.2.1). Inferences about $p(\phi|\mathbf{Y})$ can be made based on these samples.

2.3 EM algorithm

E-step:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}) &= E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}} (\log p(\mathbf{y}, \mathbf{w}|\boldsymbol{\theta})) \\
 &= E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}} (\log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\theta})p(\mathbf{w}|\sigma^2, \phi)) \\
 &= \underbrace{E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}} (\log p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\theta}))}_{Q_1} + \underbrace{E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}} (\log p(\mathbf{w}|\sigma^2, \phi))}_{Q_2}
 \end{aligned}$$

where $p(\mathbf{y}|\mathbf{w}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \sim N(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w}, \tau^2 \mathbf{I})$; $p(\mathbf{w}|\sigma^2, \phi) \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{H}(\phi))$. Let $E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}}(\cdot) = E(\cdot)$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_1 &= -\frac{n}{2} \log \tau^2 - \frac{E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y},\boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})}{2\tau^2} \\
 Q_2 &= -\frac{n}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \log |\mathbf{H}(\phi)| - \frac{E[\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)\mathbf{w}]}{2\sigma^2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

M-step: Therefore, to maximize Q_1 and Q_2 and then obtain

$$\hat{\tau}^2 = \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}) - 2(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'E(\mathbf{w}) + E(\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{w})}{n} \quad (2.3.1)$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{E[\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)\mathbf{w}]}{n} \quad (2.3.2)$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{y} - E(\mathbf{w})) \quad (2.3.3)$$

$$\phi_{k+1} = \phi_k - \frac{\partial Q_2 / \partial \phi|_{\phi=\phi_k}}{\partial^2 Q_2 / \partial \phi^2|_{\phi=\phi_k}} \quad (2.3.4)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{w}] &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{D}) + (\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta})'\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta}; \\
 E[\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)\mathbf{w}] &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)E[\mathbf{w}\mathbf{w}']) \\
 &= \text{tr}(\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)(\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta}\boldsymbol{\eta}'\mathbf{D}')),
 \end{aligned}$$

see (2.1.2) for \mathbf{D} and $\boldsymbol{\eta}$. In addition,

$$\frac{\partial Q_2}{\partial \phi} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left(\mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi} \right) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \text{tr} \left(\mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi} \mathbf{H}^{-1} (\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta}\boldsymbol{\eta}'\mathbf{D}') \right) \quad (2.3.5)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{Q}_2}{\partial \phi^2} = & -\frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left(\mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi} \mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left(\mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi^2} \right) \\
& - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \text{tr} \left(\mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi^2} \mathbf{H}^{-1} (\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta}\boldsymbol{\eta}'\mathbf{D}') \right) \\
& + \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \text{tr} \left(\mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi} \mathbf{H}^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi} \mathbf{H}^{-1} (\mathbf{D} + \mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\eta}\boldsymbol{\eta}'\mathbf{D}') \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{2.3.6}$$

here,

$$\begin{aligned}
\left(\frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi} \right)_{ij} &= [1 - I_0(|s_i - s_j|)] \exp(-\phi|s_i - s_j|)(-|s_i - s_j|); \\
\left(\frac{\partial^2 \mathbf{H}}{\partial \phi^2} \right)_{ij} &= [1 - I_0(|s_i - s_j|)] \exp(-2\phi|s_i - s_j|)(-|s_i - s_j|)^2,
\end{aligned}$$

$I_0(|s_i - s_j|) = 1$ if $|s_i - s_j| = 0$, and 0 otherwise; $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

2.4 Accelerated EM: The PX-EM Algorithm

See Liu C, Rubin D B, Wu Y N(1998), we have

E-step:

$$\begin{aligned}
Q_1 &= -\frac{n}{2} \log \tau^2 - \frac{E_{\mathbf{w}|\mathbf{y}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \alpha\mathbf{w})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \alpha\mathbf{w})}{2\tau^2} \\
Q_2 &= -\frac{n}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \log |\mathbf{H}(\phi)| - \frac{\alpha^2 E[\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)\mathbf{w}]}{2\sigma^2}.
\end{aligned}$$

M-step: Therefore, to maximize Q_1 and Q_2 and then obtain

$$\hat{\tau}^2 = \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}) - 2\alpha(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'E(\mathbf{w}) + \alpha^2 E(\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{w})}{n} \tag{2.4.1}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\alpha^2 E[\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{H}^{-1}(\phi)\mathbf{w}]}{n} \tag{2.4.2}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{y} - \alpha E(\mathbf{w})) \tag{2.4.3}$$

$$\hat{\alpha} = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'E(\mathbf{w})/E(\mathbf{w}'\mathbf{w}) \tag{2.4.4}$$

3 Appendix A

3.1 VB

Because of

$$p(\tau^2 | \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{w}) = IG\left(a_\tau + \frac{n}{2}, b_\tau + \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})}{2}\right), \quad (3.1.1)$$

hence, only need to consider the expectation of this term, $(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})$, which is

$$\begin{aligned} E_{\beta, w}[(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{w})] &= (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_w)'(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_w) + \text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_w) - \\ &\quad 2(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_w)' \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_w) + \\ &\quad E_\beta(\boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}) \end{aligned}$$

here,

$$\begin{aligned} E_\beta(\boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}) &= E_\beta[\text{tr}(\boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta})] = E_\beta[\text{tr}(\mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} \boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}')] \\ &= \text{tr}\{\mathbf{X} E_\beta[\boldsymbol{\beta} \boldsymbol{\beta}'] \mathbf{X}'\} \\ &= \text{tr}\{\mathbf{X} (\mathbf{V}_\beta + \boldsymbol{\mu}_\beta \boldsymbol{\mu}_\beta') \mathbf{X}'\} \end{aligned}$$

Especially, $E_\beta(\boldsymbol{\beta}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}) = pE(\frac{1}{\tau^2}) + (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_w)' \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_w)$, as $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\beta = \mathbf{0}$.

4 Data fusion

Let $\{\phi_{ik}; i = 1, 2, k = 1, 2, \dots, r.\}$ be pre-specified spatial basis functions, then we have

$$Z(s) = \begin{pmatrix} X(s) \\ Y(s) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} W(s) \\ W(s) \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{k=1}^r \phi_k(s) \eta_k \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \xi_1(s) \\ \xi_2(s) \end{pmatrix} \quad (4.0.2)$$