Test evaluation without a gold standard

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Recap from Day 1

- Sensitivity, Specificity definitions
- Bayes theorem Markov Chain Monte Carlo
- $\bullet\,$ Apparent & true prevalence estimation

Familiar with this JAGS model?

```
ap_model <-
'model {

# Define likelihood distribution of the data
# JAGS Binomial distribution Arguments: ap, n

y ~ dbin(ap,n)

# Specify prior distribution for parameters of interest
# Uniform (non-informative) prior distribution
ap ~ dbeta(1,1)

#data# n, y
#monitor# ap
#inits# ap
}
'</pre>
```

What about this one?

```
tp_model <-
'model {

# Define likelihood distribution of the data
# JAGS Binomial distribution Arguments: ap, n</pre>
```

```
y ~ dbin(ap,n)

ap <- tp * Se + (1-tp)*(1-Sp)
# Specify prior distribution for parameters of interest
# Uniform (non-informative) prior distribution
tp ~ dbeta(1,1)

# Prior distributions for Se, Sp
Se ~ dbeta(100,9)
Sp ~ dbeta(100,9)

#data# n, y
#monitor# tp, Se, Sp
#inits# tp, Se, Sp
}</pre>
```

- Do you see a something weird here (degrees of freedom vs parameters of interest)
- Add a second test and a second population
- Key assumptions of a latent class model

Sensitivity - Specificity estimation with and without a gold standard

Hui-Walter paradigm/model (1980)

- A particular model formulation that was originally designed for evaluating diagnostic tests in the absence of a gold standard
- Not originally/necessarily Bayesian implemented using Maximum Likelihood
- If we don't know the true disease status, how can we estimate sensitivity or specificity for either test?

Hui-Walter paradigm (1980)

• But we will use the data/observations from the manuscript published back in 1980.

Hui-Walter (1980) dataset

 Table 1

 Results of Mantoux and Tine tests for tuberculosis in two populations

	Population 1 Tine test			Population 2 Tine test		
Mantoux test	Positive	Negative	Total	Positive	Negative	Total
Positive	14	4	18	887	31	918
Negative	9	528	537	37	367	404
Total	23	532	555	924	398	1322

Encode the Table_1 data in RStudio

```
pop_1 = matrix(nrow=3,ncol=3)
rownames(pop_1) = c("Mantoux_Test_Pos", "Mantoux_Test_Neg", "Total")
colnames(pop_1) = c("Tine_Test_Pos", "Tine_Test_Neg", "Total")

pop_1[1,1] = 14
pop_1[1,2] = 4
pop_1[2,1] = 9
pop_1[2,2] = 528
#Total rows and columns
pop_1[1,3] = pop_1[1,1] + pop_1[1,2]
pop_1[2,3] = pop_1[2,1] + pop_1[2,2]
pop_1[3,1] = pop_1[1,1] + pop_1[2,1]
pop_1[3,2] = pop_1[1,2] + pop_1[2,2]
N_1 = sum(pop_1[1,1] + pop_1[1,2] + pop_1[2,1] + pop_1[3,3] = N_1
pop_1
```

```
## Tine_Test_Pos Tine_Test_Neg Total
## Mantoux_Test_Pos 14 4 18
## Mantoux_Test_Neg 9 528 537
## Total 23 532 555
```

Now let's do pop_2

```
pop_2 = matrix(nrow=3,ncol=3)
rownames(pop_2) = c("Mantoux_Test_Pos", "Mantoux_Test_Neg", "Total")
colnames(pop_2) = c("Tine_Test_Pos", "Tine_Test_Neg", "Total")

pop_2[1,1] = 887
pop_2[1,2] = 31
pop_2[2,1] = 37
```

```
pop_2[2,2] = 367
#Total rows and columns
pop_2[1,3] = pop_2[1,1] + pop_2[1,2]
pop_2[2,3] = pop_2[2,1] + pop_2[2,2]
pop_2[3,1] = pop_2[1,1] + pop_2[2,1]
pop_2[3,2] = pop_2[1,2] + pop_2[2,2]
N_2 = sum(pop_2[1,1] + pop_2[1,2] + pop_2[2,1] + pop_2[2,2])
pop_2[3,3] = N_2
pop_2
                   Tine_Test_Pos Tine_Test_Neg Total
## Mantoux_Test_Pos
                           887
                                          367
## Mantoux_Test_Neg
                             37
                                                404
## Total
                             924
                                         398 1322
```

Hui-Walter paradigm (1980)

Population 1

		T2+	Т2-
D+	T1+	P1*Se1*Se2	P1*Se1*(1-Se2)
	T1-	P1*(1-Se1)*Se2	P1*(1-Se1)*(1-Se2)
		T2+	T2-
D-	T1+	(1-P1)*(1-Sp1)*(1-Sp2)	(1-P1)*(1-Sp1)*Sp2

Hui-Walter paradigm (1980)

Population 1 T1+T2+: P1*Se1*Se2+(1-P1)*(1-Sp1)*(1-Sp2) T1+T2-: P1*Se1*(1-Se2)+(1-P1)*(1-Sp1)*Sp2 T1-T2+: P1*(1-Se1)*Se2+(1-P1)*Sp1*(1-Sp2) T1-T2-: P1*(1-Se1)*(1-Se2)+(1-P1)*Sp1*Sp2

- 5 parameter and 3 degrees of freedom
 - Non identifiable model

Hui-Walter paradigm (1980)

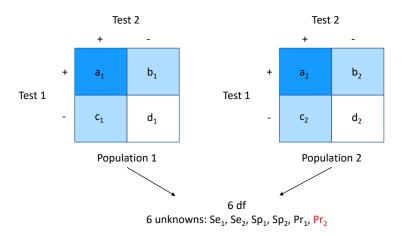
Population 1

T1+T2+:	P1*Se1*Se2+(1-P1)*(1-Sp1)*(1-Sp2)			
T1+T2-:	P1*Se1*(1-Se2)+(1-P1)*(1-Sp1)*Sp2			
T1-T2+:	P1*(1-Se1)*Se2+(1-P1)*Sp1*(1-Sp2)			
T1-T2-:	P1*(1-Se1)*(1-Se2)+(1-P1)*Sp1*Sp2			
Population 2				
T1+T2+:	P2*Se1*Se2+(1-P2)*(1-Sp1)*(1-Sp2)			
T1+T2-:	P2*Se1*(1-Se2)+(1-P2)*(1-Sp1)*Sp2			
T1-T2+:	P2*(1-Se1)*Se2+(1-P2)*Sp1*(1-Sp2)			
T1-T2-:	P2*(1-Se1)*(1-Se2)+(1-P2)*Sp1*Sp2			



Hui-Walter model

- A particular model formulation that was originally designed for evaluating diagnostic tests in the absence of a gold standard
- Also known as the two_test two_population setting/paradigm



Model Specification ('hw_definition')

```
hw_definition <- c("model{
    Population_1 ~ dmulti(prob_1, N_1)
    Population_2 ~ dmulti(prob_2, N_2)

#Population_1

# Test1+ Test2+
    prob_1[1] <- (prev[1] * ((se[1])*(se[2]))) + ((1-prev[1]) * ((1-sp[1])*(1-sp[2])))

# Test1+ Test2-
    prob_1[2] <- (prev[1] * ((se[1])*(1-se[2]))) + ((1-prev[1]) * ((1-sp[1])*(sp[2])))

# Test1- Test2+
    prob_1[3] <- (prev[1] * ((1-se[1])*(se[2]))) + ((1-prev[1]) * ((sp[1])*(1-sp[2])))

# Test1- Test2-
    prob_1[4] <- (prev[1] * ((1-se[1])*(1-se[2]))) + ((1-prev[1]) * ((sp[1])*(sp[2])))

# Population_2</pre>
```

```
# Test1+ Test2+
    prob_2[1] <- (prev[2] * ((se[1])*(se[2]))) + ((1-prev[2]) * ((1-sp[1])*(1-sp[2])))
  # Test1+ Test2-
    prob_2[2] <- (prev[2] * ((se[1])*(1-se[2]))) + ((1-prev[2]) * ((1-sp[1])*(sp[2])))
  # Test1- Test2+
    prob_2[3] <- (prev[2] * ((1-se[1])*(se[2]))) + ((1-prev[2]) * ((sp[1])*(1-sp[2])))
  # Test1- Test2-
    prob_2[4] <- (prev[2] * ((1-se[1])*(1-se[2]))) + ((1-prev[2]) * ((sp[1])*(sp[2])))
  prev[1] ~ dbeta(1, 1)
  prev[2] ~ dbeta(1, 1)
  se[1] ~ dbeta(1, 1)T(1-sp[1], )
  sp[1] ~ dbeta(1, 1)
  se[2] \sim dbeta(1, 1)T(1-sp[2], )
  sp[2] ~ dbeta(1, 1)
  #data# Population_1, Population_2, N_1, N_2
  #monitor# prev, prob_1, prob_2, se, sp
  #inits# prev, se, sp
}
```

```
library('runjags')

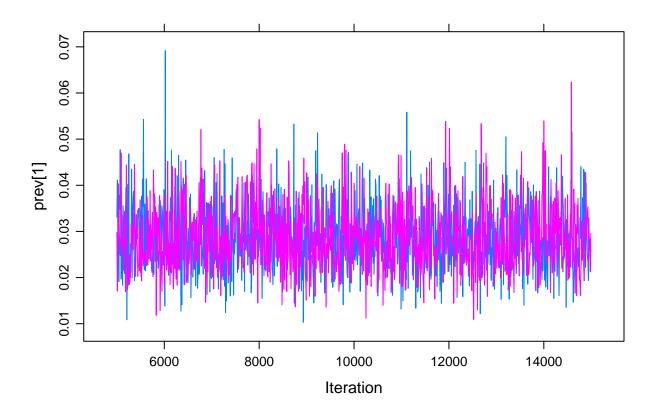
Population_1 <- as.numeric(pop_1[1:2,1:2])

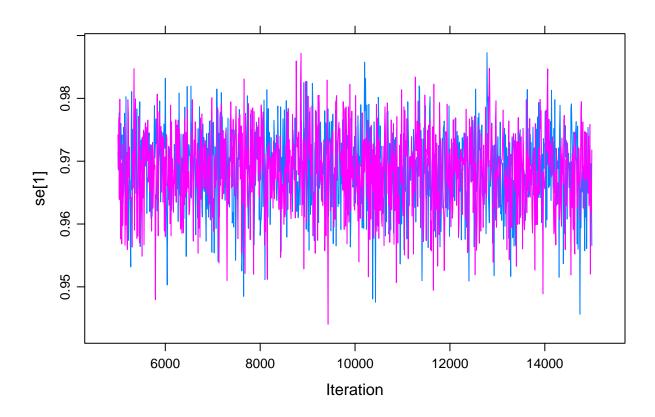
Population_2 <- as.numeric(pop_2[1:2,1:2])

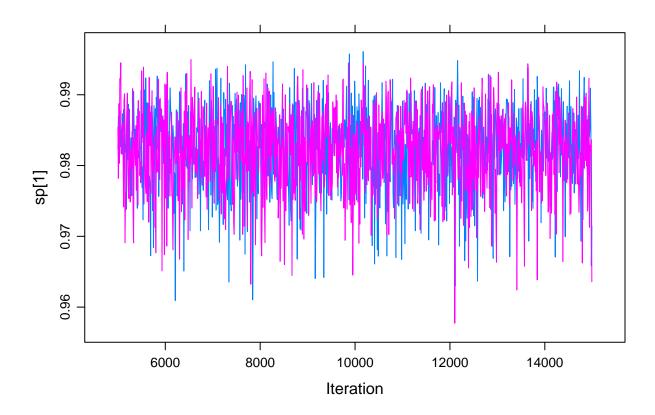
prev <- list(chain1=c(0.05,0.99), chain2=c(0.95,0.05))
se <- list(chain1=c(0.5,0.99), chain2=c(0.99,0.5))
sp <- list(chain1=c(0.5,0.99), chain2=c(0.99,0.5))
results <- run.jags(hw_definition, n.chains=2)</pre>
```

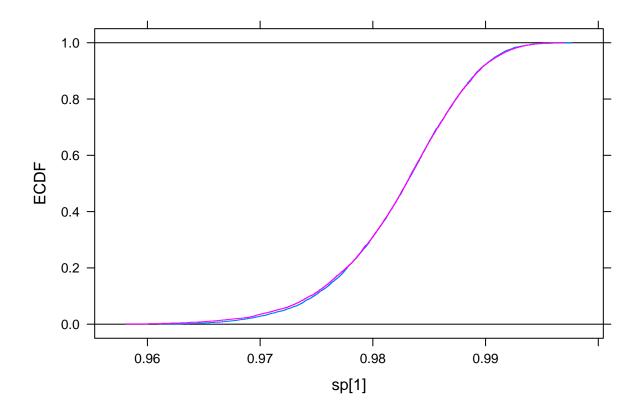
Remember to check convergence and effective sample size!

```
plot(results)
```









summary(results)

Exercise

Run the model and compare the results we the ones obtained from the original Hui-Walter model.

Points to discuss

- 1. What is the latent variable here also discuss about it tomorrow.
- 2. Can this type of models support more tests and more populations?
- 3. What is conditional (in)depedence between diagnostic tests and can we adjust for that?
- 4. Three main assumptions of this model

Any questions?

Video Summary - Take home message

 $https://www.youtube.com/watch?v = z6 devQmW2xE\&ab_channel = PolychronisKostoulas$