Functional Censored Quantile Regression

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1 Introduction

This vignette provides an introduction to the FCQR package. R package FCQR implements method for Functional Censored Quantile Regression.

```
remotes::install_github("QingCheng0218/FCQR@main");
```

Load the package using the following command:

```
library(FCQR);
```

2 Simulation Study

2.1 Finite Sample Performance Without IGACV Procedure

In this section, we conduct simulation studies to assess the finite-sample performance of the FCQR procedure. We first load the dependent R packages as follows:

```
library(xtable); library(survival); library(fda);
library(quantreg); library(ggplot2); library(MASS);
```

We generate the event time from the model,

$$\log(T_i) = b_1 X_{1i} + \int_0^1 Z_i(s)\phi(s)ds + \left\{ b_2 X_{2i} + \int_0^1 Z_i(s)ds \right\} \epsilon_i,$$

where X_{1i} is a normal variate with variance σ_z^2 , X_{2i} is a variate uniformly distribution on $[0, c_0]$, and ϵ_i is a normal random error with mean zero and variance σ_ϵ^2 . The detailed information of functional covariate $Z_i(s)$ and $\phi(s)$ can be found in Section 5.1 of our paper. We set $\sigma_\epsilon = 0.2$, $\nu = 2.5$, n = 200 and λ_0 is used to control the censored rate.

We using the following function to B-spline bases.

```
# -----#
# creat B-spline basis.
nbasis <- 5; norder <- 4;
basis <- create.bspline.basis(range(t),nbasis = nbasis, norder = norder)
nbasis <- basis$nbasis</pre>
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valueBasis <-eval.basis(t, basis)</pre>
nsim = 10;
Base0.m <- Sigb0.m <- array(0, dim = c(nsim, length(qv), lb0));</pre>
Bfun.m <- Sigfun.m <- array(0, dim = c(nsim, m, length(qv)))</pre>
cdata <- matrix(0, ncol = nsim, nrow = n);</pre>
itr <- 0; tt <- 1;
repeat{
  itr <- itr +1
  # -----#
  # Generate Sim function.
 temp <- simfun(t, v, n, sdx, sdz, b0, lam0, c0);
  Zb <- temp$Zb # baseline covariate.
  time <- temp$Timedata # survival time and censoring time.
  Zs <- temp$mZ # functional covariate.
  cdata[, itr] <- 1*(time[, 1] <= time[, 2])</pre>
  # -----#
  res.itr <- try(Fcqr(time, Zs, Zb, t, grd, qv, valueBasis));</pre>
  if(class(res.itr) != 'try-error'){
   Base0.m[itr, , 1:1b0] <- res.itr$base0;</pre>
   Sigb0.m[itr, ,1:lb0] <- res.itr$sigb0;</pre>
   Bfun.m[itr, , ] <- t(res.itr$Bfun);</pre>
   Sigfun.m[itr, , ] <- t(res.itr$sigfun);</pre>
   tt <- tt + 1;
  if(tt%100==0) {print(tt);print(itr);print(Sys.time())}
  if(tt == nsim + 1){
   break
  }
}
cenRate = 1 - mean(colMeans(cdata))
#**********
# The result of coefficient function.
#*********
alfun <- simBX(t, v, nk)$B0
plot.m <- alfun.be(alfun, Sigfun.m, Bfun.m, grd, qv, sdx);</pre>
tau.id <- 3;
resplot6 <- alphaplot.be(t, grd, qv, tau.id, plot.m, -10, 1);
#*********
# The result of Beta0
#********
lgrd <- length(grd);</pre>
btautrue <- cbind(rep(b0[1], lgrd), b0[1]*qnorm(grd, 0, sdx))
bores <- rbind(bores.be(Baseo.m[,,1], Sigbo.m[,,1], btautrue[,1], qv),
             b0res.be(Base0.m[,,2], Sigb0.m[,,2], btautrue[,2], qv));
colnames(b0res) = c("BIAS", "SD", "SE", "CP");
rownames(b0res) = paste0(rep(c("$\\hat\\beta_1(","$\\hat\\beta_2("), 5),
                       rep(grd[qv], each = 2),rep(")$", 10));
```

Table 1 shows the estimation result for $\beta(\tau)$, the result of time-varying estimator can be found in Figure 1. One can increase the number of replications, denoted by nsim, to obtain more accurate results.

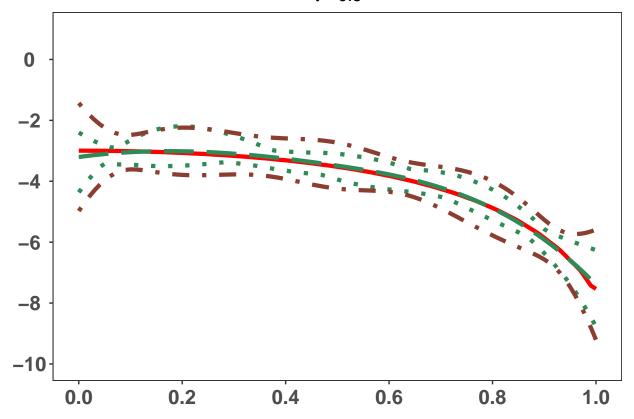


Figure 1: Estimated coefficient function $B_{rS}^T(s)\hat{\gamma}_S(0.5)$ under a censoring rate of 20%.

Table 1: Estimation results for $\hat{\beta}(\tau) = (\hat{\beta}_1(\tau_1), \hat{\beta}_2(\tau_2))$ at different quantiles with a censoring rate of 20%.

| | BIAS | SD | SE | CP |
|---------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----|
| $\overline{\hat{\beta}_1(0.3)}$ | 0.0071215 | 0.0549538 | 0.0613021 | 1.0 |
| $\hat{\beta}_2(0.3)$ | 0.0061289 | 0.0430495 | 0.0630073 | 1.0 |
| $\hat{\beta}_1(0.4)$ | 0.0125346 | 0.0553038 | 0.0602159 | 0.9 |
| $\hat{\beta}_2(0.4)$ | 0.0164120 | 0.0756839 | 0.0690479 | 0.9 |
| $\hat{\beta}_1(0.5)$ | 0.0191060 | 0.0697755 | 0.0713653 | 0.9 |
| $\hat{\beta}_2(0.5)$ | 0.0916022 | 0.1914818 | 0.1854501 | 0.8 |
| $\hat{\beta}_1(0.6)$ | 0.0632341 | 0.2052910 | 0.2063237 | 0.9 |
| $\hat{\beta}_2(0.6)$ | 0.0200254 | 0.1385350 | 0.1899308 | 1.0 |
| $\hat{\beta}_1(0.7)$ | 0.0277758 | 0.1610413 | 0.2220223 | 1.0 |
| $\hat{\beta}_2(0.7)$ | 0.1168473 | 0.1931968 | 0.2404025 | 1.0 |

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2.2 Performance of IGACV for Knot Selection

In this section, we mimic the real data to illustrate the performance of the IGACV procedure.

```
rm(list = ls())
library(FCQR);
library(xtable); library(survival); library(fda);
library(quantreg); library(ggplot2); library(MASS);
```

In particular, we generate n = 297 survival time from the model

$$\log(T_i) = \int_0^1 Z_i(s)\phi(s)ds + \left\{b_1 X_{2i} + \int_0^1 Z_i(s)ds\right\}\epsilon_i,$$

where $Z_i(s) = SBP_i(s) + U_i(s)$ and $Z_{1i} = \min(SBP_i) + U_{1i}$ with $SBP_i(s)$ corresponding to the systolic blood pressure(SBP) trajectory for the i-th individual, and $U_i(s)$ and U_{1i} are uniform random variables on $[-c_0, c_0]$.

We evaluate IGACV and IBIC over the choices of $d_s = 4, 5, 6, 7, 8$.

Table 2: Optimal d_S based on the IGACV and IBIC criteria under different censoring rate of 20% over 10 simulations.

| | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|-------|---|---|---|---|---|
| IGACV | 1 | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0 |
| IBIC | 4 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 |

IGACV chooses $d_S = 6$ as the optimal number of basis functions, see Table 2. Next, we present the estimation results for d_S in Table 3 and Figure 2.

Table 3: Estimation results for $\hat{\beta}(\tau)$ at different quantiles with a censoring rate of 20%.

| | BIAS | SD | SE | CP |
|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----|
| 0.2 | 0.0268858 | 0.1566130 | 0.2376471 | 1.0 |
| 0.3 | 0.0627040 | 0.1999660 | 0.2025017 | 0.9 |
| 0.4 | 0.0033346 | 0.1957361 | 0.2056496 | 0.9 |
| 0.5 | 0.0189750 | 0.1472664 | 0.2331903 | 1.0 |
| 0.6 | 0.0470778 | 0.1696225 | 0.2111539 | 1.0 |
| 0.7 | 0.0199307 | 0.1474049 | 0.2453912 | 1.0 |
| 0.8 | 0.0471585 | 0.1688762 | 0.2524428 | 1.0 |
| | | | | |

```
mimicplot;
```

Again, the accuracy of results can be improved by increasing the number of simulations.

3 Stroke Application

In this section, we identify functional relationship between ambulatory blood pressure trajectories and clinical outcomes in stroke patients. We first apply the IGACV and IBIC criteria to select d_S .

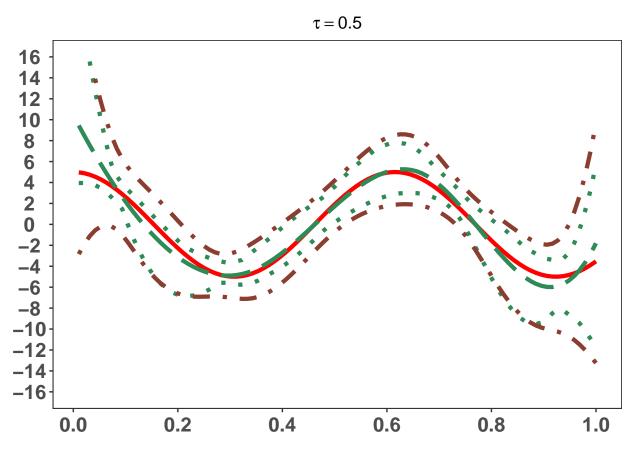


Figure 2: Estimated coefficient function $B_{rS}^T(s)\hat{\gamma}_S(0.5)$ with $d_S=6$ under a censoring rate of 20%.

```
which(eleq(0.3, grd)), which(eleq(0.4, grd)), which(eleq(0.5, grd)),
         which(eleq(0.6, grd)), which(eleq(0.7, grd)), which(eleq(0.8, grd)));
# using GACV method to determine optimal nbasis
CBA \leftarrow c(1, 2, 3, 4, 5)
BICR <- GACVR <- matrix(0, ncol=length(CBA), nrow=lgrd)
NBS <- rep(0,length(CBA))</pre>
n <- dim(MSdata)[1]</pre>
cn <- (log(n))^{(1/2)}
for(i in 1:length(CBA)){
  cba <- CBA[i];</pre>
  res <- predfun(MSdata, a0, b0, gn, time, norder, cba);
  TM <- res$TM; DEL <- res$DEL;</pre>
  nbasis <- res$nbasis; ns <- nbasis + 1;</pre>
  pre.y <- res$pre.y;</pre>
  bicres <- bicfun(n, ns, cn, TM, pre.y, DEL, grd);</pre>
  GACVR[, i] <- bicres$gacv;</pre>
  BICR[, i] <- bicres$bic;</pre>
  NBS[i] <- nbasis;</pre>
bicres <- optfun(grd, BICR);</pre>
gacvres <- optfun(grd, GACVR);</pre>
resoptReal <- rbind(gacvres[2, ], bicres[2, ]);</pre>
rownames(resoptReal) <- c("IGACV", "IBIC");</pre>
colnames(resoptReal) <- 4:8;</pre>
```

Table 4: Selection of the optimal number of basis functions using the IGACV and IBIC criteria respectively for the stroke data.

| | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|
| IGACV IBIC | 0.35430 -0.61647 | 0.35546 -0.60538 | 0.0000_ | 0.35327 -0.59384 | 0.0000_ |

As shown in Table 4, the IGACV reaches the minimum value at $d_S = 7$. Based on $d_S = 7$, we estimate $\beta(\tau)$ and $\alpha(s,\tau)$ using the following command.

```
c2 <- base0 + 1.96 * sqrt(sigb0);</pre>
c1 <- base0 - 1.96 * sqrt(sigb0);</pre>
ci0 <- paste("(",round(c1,5),",",round(c2,5),")",sep="")
resbase0 <- rbind(round(base0, 5), ci0)</pre>
rownames(resbase0) <- c("Estimators", "95% CI ")</pre>
resbase = resbase0[, 2:5];
colnames(resbase) = seq(0.3, 0.6, 0.1);
```

Table 5: Estimates $\hat{\beta}(\tau)$ and the 95% bootstrap confidence intervals (CIs) at different values of τ for the stroke data.

| | 0.3 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.6 |
|------------|-----|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Estimators | | -0.00735 | -0.00725 | -0.00681 |
| 95% CI | | (-0.00974 ,-0.00495) | (-0.00933 ,-0.00517) | (-0.00808 ,-0.00554) |

```
# Result of time dependent covariate
Bfun <- coefres$Bfun
sigfun <- coefres$sigfun</pre>
DA00 <- DA01 <- DA02 <- matrix(0, ncol = length(time), nrow = length(grd[qv]))
for(j in 1:length(grd[qv])){
  DA00 <- Bfun;
  bt <- DA00[j, ];
  vc <- sigfun[j, ];</pre>
  DA01[j, ] \leftarrow bt + 1.96 * sqrt(vc);
  DA02[j, ] <- bt - 1.96 * sqrt(vc);
tau.id <- 3;
bt <- Bfun[tau.id, ];</pre>
vc <- sigfun[tau.id, ];</pre>
da00 <- bt;
da01 <- bt + 1.96 * sqrt(vc);
da02 \leftarrow bt - 1.96 * sqrt(vc)
yid <- 0.5; max.y <- yid; min.y <- -yid;
t \leftarrow seq(19.25, 43, length.out = 96);
realplot = bandplot(da00, da01, da02, tau.id, t, min.y, max.y);
```

realplot;

Table 5 shows that there are significant negative effects of Z_{1i} at all considered quantiles, which suggests that hypertension is an important risk factor for stroke. Figure 3 displays the estimated $\alpha(s,\tau)$ and the corresponding 95% pointwise bootstrap confidence intervals with $\tau = 0.4$.

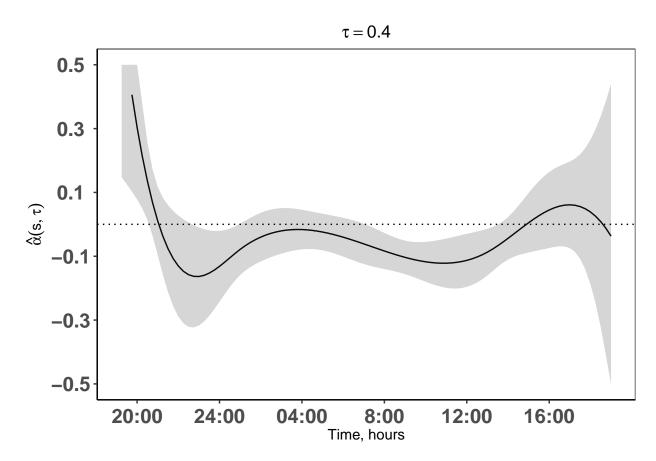


Figure 3: Estimated coefficient function $B_{rS}^T(s)\hat{\gamma}_S(\tau)$ with $d_S=7$.