

Developing a Bayesian method for locating breakpoints in time series data.

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1 Introduction

2 Math

Here is the math for our paper

2.1 Derivations of Ratio

To start we need to find the ratio

$$\begin{aligned} ratio &= \frac{g(\tau_n K_n | x_1, \dots, x_n)}{g(\tau_o K_o | x_1, \dots, x_n)} \times \frac{q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n)}{q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o)} \\ &= \frac{\left[\frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n) \pi(\tau_n K_n)}{\int f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n) \pi(\tau_n K_n) d\tau_n K_n} \right] q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n)}{\left[\frac{f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o) \pi(\tau_o K_o)}{\int f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o) \pi(\tau_o K_o) d\tau_o K_o} \right] q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o)} \end{aligned}$$

Then we have,

$$ratio = \frac{\left[\frac{\int f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n) \left(\pi(\tau | K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma) \right)_{new} d\tau dK}{\int f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n) \left(\pi(\tau | K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma) \right)_{new} d\tau dK d\beta d\sigma} \right] q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n)}{\left[\frac{\int f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o) \left(\pi(\tau | K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma) \right)_{old} d\tau dK}{\int f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o) \left(\pi(\tau | K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma) \right)_{old} d\tau dK d\beta d\sigma} \right] q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o)}$$

Basing priors of the BARS paper (Kass & Wasserman, 1995) we have that

$\pi(\theta) = \pi(\tau | K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma)$ for both the θ_n and the θ_o .

$\pi(\beta)$ is an unit information prior, multivariate normal

$\pi(\sigma)$ is an inverse gamma

$\pi(\tau|K)$ might be uniform

$\pi(K)$ might be a Poisson or uniform

2.1.1 BIC

Applying this ratio into our own model we need to first take the log such that,

$$\begin{aligned}
 ratio &= \frac{\left[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n) (\pi(\tau|K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma))_{new} \right] q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n)}{\left[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o) (\pi(\tau|K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma))_{old} \right] q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o)} \\
 \log(ratio) &= \log \left[\frac{\left[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n) (\pi(\tau|K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma)) \right] q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n)}{\left[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o) (\pi(\tau|K) \pi(K) \pi(\beta) \pi(\sigma)) \right] q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o)} \right] \\
 &= \left[\log[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n)] - \log[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o)] \right] \\
 &\quad + \left[\log[q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n)] - \log[q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o)] \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

From the knowledge gained by the (Kass & Wasserman, 1995) paper we have that

$\left[\log[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_n K_n)] - \log[f(x_1, \dots, x_n | \tau_o K_o)] \right]$ approximates BIC. Thus,

$$\log(ratio) = \frac{-\Delta BIC}{2} + \left[\log[q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n)] - \log[q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o)] \right]$$

The q values depend on whether the step is addition or subtraction.

Addition: $q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n) = c \cdot d \cdot dpois(K_{old}, \lambda)$, $q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o) = c \cdot b \cdot dpois(K_{old}, \lambda)$

Subtraction: $q(\tau_o K_o | \tau_n K_n) = c \cdot b \cdot dpois(K_{new}, \lambda)$, $q(\tau_n K_n | \tau_o K_o) = c \cdot d \cdot dpois(K_{old}, \lambda)$

2.2 Derivations of β and σ draws

The posterior for the β coefficient is laid out in detail in the *Forecasting time series* (Pesaran Paper, 2006) such that, $y \sim N(x\beta, \sigma) \longrightarrow \beta | \sigma^2, b_0, B_0, V_0, d_0, p, S_\gamma, Y_\gamma \sim N(\bar{\beta}_j, \bar{V}_j)$ Where $\bar{V}_j = (\sigma^{-2}x^Tx + B_0^{-1})^{-1}$, and $\bar{\beta}_j = \bar{V}_j(\sigma^{-2}x^Ty + B_0^{-1}b_0)$. Thus we have that $\beta \sim N(\bar{\beta}_j, \bar{V}_j)$.

The *Forecasting time series* (Pesaran Paper, 2006) also lays out the σ posterior. $y \sim N(x\beta, \sigma)$ and $\sigma_j^{-2} \sim \Gamma(v_0, d_0) \longrightarrow \sigma_j^{-2} | \beta, b_0, B_0, v_0, d_0, p, S_\gamma, Y_\gamma \sim \Gamma(\bar{v}_0, \bar{d}_0)$ Where $\bar{v}_0 = v_0 + \frac{n_j}{2}$, and $\bar{d}_0 = d_0 + \frac{1}{2}(y - x\beta)^T(y - x\beta)$

3 Methods

4 Results

5 Discussion

6 Appendix

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