

## Areal Data Model Fitting, Part 2

Continuing with the Tester election dataset.

Now consider some covariates to explain the response

Consider a linear model with county population, using both `lm` and `S.glm`

```
lm_dat <- Tester %>%  
  left_join(usmap::countypop %>% rename("county_fips" = fips), by = 'county_fips') %>%  
  mutate(scale_pop = scale(pop_2015))
```

```
pop_model <- lm(Tester_Prop ~ scale_pop, data = lm_dat)  
display(pop_model)
```

```
## lm(formula = Tester_Prop ~ scale_pop, data = lm_dat)  
##           coef.est coef.se  
## (Intercept) 0.40      0.02  
## scale_pop   0.06      0.02  
## ---  
## n = 56, k = 2  
## residual sd = 0.13, R-Squared = 0.18
```

```
S.glm(Tester_Prop ~ scale_pop, data = lm_dat, family = 'gaussian',  
      burnin = 100, n.sample = 1000, verbose = F)
```

```
##  
## #####  
## #### Model fitted  
## #####  
## Likelihood model - Gaussian (identity link function)  
## Random effects model - None  
## Regression equation - Tester_Prop ~ scale_pop  
## Number of missing observations - 0  
##  
## #####  
## #### Results  
## #####  
## Posterior quantities and DIC  
##  
##           Median   2.5%  97.5% n.effective Geweke.diag  
## (Intercept) 0.3982 0.3650 0.4348          900         -1.5  
## scale_pop   0.0621 0.0241 0.0967         1053          1.4  
## nu2         0.0182 0.0125 0.0262          900         -1.1  
##  
## DIC = -62.58489      p.d = 2.901435      LMPL = 30.64
```

We previously extract the residuals create a choropleth and test for spatial association. Now we will directly run the CAR model using **CARBayes**. See vignette for more info and options on model fitting, including GLM models.

This model can be expressed as

$$Y_k \sim N(\mu_k, \nu^2), \text{ where } \mu_k = x_k\beta + \psi_k.$$

A CAR prior is placed on  $\psi_k$  such that the full conditional is expressed as

$$\psi_k | - \sim N\left(\frac{\rho \sum_i w_{ki} \psi_i}{\rho \sum_i w_{ki} + 1 - \rho}, \frac{\tau^2}{\rho \sum_i w_{ki} + 1 - \rho}\right)$$

If  $\rho = 0$  there is no spatial structure present, if  $\rho \rightarrow 1$  this is the intrinsic CAR model.

```
S.CARleroux(Tester_Prop ~ scale_pop, data = lm_dat, family = 'gaussian', burnin = 10000,
             n.sample = 100000, W = mt.adj.mat, thin = 5, verbose = F)
```

```
##
## #####
## #### Model fitted
## #####
## Likelihood model - Gaussian (identity link function)
## Random effects model - Leroux CAR
## Regression equation - Tester_Prop ~ scale_pop
## Number of missing observations - 0
##
## #####
## #### Results
## #####
## Posterior quantities and DIC
##
##           Median   2.5%  97.5% n.effective Geweke.diag
## (Intercept) 0.3977 0.3698 0.4258      18000.0         0.9
## scale_pop   0.0538 0.0208 0.0881      15840.8         0.0
## nu2         0.0108 0.0034 0.0201       3285.2         2.1
## tau2        0.0123 0.0029 0.0373       3096.0        -1.6
## rho         0.5307 0.0646 0.9454       4799.9         1.9
##
## DIC =   -81.44965           p.d =   17.83747           LMPL =   34.33
```