# Survey Data Integration: Part 2

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- We are interested in combining information from several probability samples.
- Under non-monotone missingness, combining information effectively can be challenging.
- The measurement error model approach can be used to combine two independent surveys under heterogeneity.

Example 1: Sampling in time

Sample	t=1	t=2	
Α	0	0	ightarrow core panel part (detecting change)
В	0		supplemental panel survey (cross sectional)
С		0	supplemental panel survey (cross sectional)

Sample A :  $\bar{y}_{1A}$ ,  $\bar{y}_{2A}$ ,

Sample B :  $\bar{y}_{1B}$ , Sample C :  $\bar{y}_{2C}$ 

### Two Time Periods GLS

$$\begin{pmatrix} \bar{y}_{1B} \\ \bar{y}_{1A} \\ \bar{y}_{2A} \\ \bar{y}_{2C} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \bar{y}_{1,N} \\ \bar{y}_{2,N} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \\ e_4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$V \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \\ e_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n_B^{-1} & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n_A^{-1} & n_A^{-1} \rho & 0 \\ 0 & n_A^{-1} \rho & n_A^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & n_C^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \sigma^2$$

Composite estimator  $\hat{ heta} = (\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{Z})^{-1}\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{y}$ 

#### Example 2 Split questionnaire design

- Split the original sample into three groups
- In group 1, ask  $(x, y_1, y_2)$
- In group 2, ask  $(x, y_1)$
- In group 3, ask  $(x, y_2)$
- Often used to reduce the response burden (and improve the quality of the survey responses).

Table: Data structure

	Χ	$Y_1$	<i>Y</i> <sub>2</sub>
Group 1	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$
Group 2	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Group 3	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$

#### Example 3 Mixed mode survey

Table: Data structure

	X	$Y_1$	<i>Y</i> <sub>2</sub>
Sample A	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
Sample B	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$

- $Y_1$ : measurement of Y under mode A.
- $Y_2$ : measurement of Y under mode B.
- $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are never jointly observed. That is,  $Y_2$  is a counterfactual outcome of  $Y_1$ .
- It is a measurement error model problem.

#### Two types of data structure

- Type 1: Full joint modeling is possible without additional identifying assumptions (Example 1, 2)
- Type 2: Some extra assumptions are needed to make a joint model (Example 3).

Suppose that  $(X, Y_1, Y_2)$  follows a multivariate normal distribution

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix} \sim N \begin{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mu_{\mathsf{X}} \\ \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{\mathsf{X}\mathsf{X}} & \sigma_{\mathsf{X}1} & \sigma_{\mathsf{X}2} \\ & \sigma_{11} & \sigma_{12} \\ & & \sigma_{22} \end{pmatrix} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Under the setup of Example 2, all parameters can be estimated from the data (type 1 structure).
- Under the setup of Example 3,  $\sigma_{12}$  cannot be estimated directly.

### 2. Prediction under non-monotone missing patterns

#### Basic Steps

- Model specification
- Parameter estimation
- Prediction (i.e. mass imputation)
- Uncertainty quantification

# 2.1 Model specification

- The model is a description of the population structures (or relationships) among the survey items.
- The goal of the modeling is to predict the unobserved part of the data using the observed part. The prediction model is  $f(Y_{mis} \mid Y_{obs})$ , where  $(Y_{obs}, Y_{mis})$  is the (observed, missing) part of the data.
- Once a model is specified, we only have to estimate the parameters of the model.
- Some prior information can be used to build a good model.

### Example 4

- Suppose that we have the following data sources
  - **1** Sample A: observe  $(Y_1, Y_2, Y_3)$
  - 2 Sample B: observe  $(Y_1, Y_2)$
- Our goal is to predict  $Y_3$  for sample B. Thus, we need to build a model for  $f(Y_3 \mid Y_1, Y_2)$ .
- Note that we do not need to specify the marginal distribution of  $(Y_1, Y_2)$ . All we need is the model for the conditional distribution  $f(Y_{mis} \mid Y_{obs})$ .
- If, in addition to sample A and B, there is another sample, sample C, such that we observe  $(Y_2, Y_3)$ , then we also need to specify  $f(Y_1 \mid Y_2, Y_3)$ .
- In this case, the two models,  $f(Y_3 \mid Y_1, Y_2)$  and  $f(Y_1 \mid Y_2, Y_3)$ , may not be compatible with each other.

# 2.1 Model specification

• Two conditional models,  $f(Y_1 \mid Y_2)$  and  $f(Y_2 \mid Y_1)$ , are called compatible if there exists a joint model such that the conditional models are obtained from the joint model.

$$f(Y_1 \mid Y_2) = \frac{f(Y_1, Y_2)}{\int f(Y_1, Y_2) dY_1} f(Y_2 \mid Y_1) = \frac{f(Y_1, Y_2)}{\int f(Y_1, Y_2) dY_2}.$$

- Thus, in the previous example, we should specify  $f(Y_1, Y_3 \mid Y_2)$  first and derive each conditional distribution from the joint distribution.
- We may use

$$f(Y_1, Y_3 \mid Y_2) = f(Y_1 \mid Y_2)f(Y_3 \mid Y_1, Y_2)$$

to specify the joint distribution.



# Back to Example 3 (Mixed mode surveys)

- Two models (Y<sub>1</sub>: gold standard)
  - $f(Y_1 \mid X)$ : process model, structure model
  - $f(Y_2 \mid Y_1, X)$ : data model for measurement  $Y_2$ , measurement model
- For example, we may consider

$$Y_1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + e$$

for  $f(Y_1 \mid x)$  and consider

$$Y_2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 Y_1 + \alpha_2 X + u$$

for  $f(Y_2 | Y_1)$ .

Combining two models, we obtain

$$Y_2 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \beta_0 + (\alpha_1 \beta_1 + \alpha_2)X + \alpha_1 e + u$$

We can estimate  $(\beta_0, \beta_1)$  from sample A, but we cannot identify  $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  from sample B.

- The model is not identifiable under the data structure in Example 3.
- If we assume  $\alpha_2 = 0$ , then the model is identified and we can estimate  $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)$  from sample B.
- That is, to identify the model, we make an assumption that the measurement errors are invariant with respect to other covariates:

$$f(Y_2 \mid Y_1, X) = f(Y_2 \mid Y_1)$$
 (1)

Assumption (1) is often called the non-differentiable measurement error assumption.

#### 2.2 Parameter estimation

- Once a model is specified, we need to estimate the parameters from the data.
- Two approaches
  - GLS-type approach
  - (Modified) EM algorithm

# Example 5

Data Structure

Table: Data structure

	Χ	$Y_1$	<i>Y</i> <sub>2</sub>
Sample A	<b>√</b>	✓	$\checkmark$
Sample $B$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Sample $C$	$\checkmark$		

Model Specification

$$f(Y_1, Y_2 \mid X) = f(Y_1 \mid X; \theta_1) f(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2)$$

for some unknown parameter  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ .

- From sample A, we can obtain  $\hat{\theta}_{1,A}$  and  $\hat{\theta}_{2,A}$
- From sample B, we can obtain  $\hat{\theta}_{1,B}$ .
- How to combine these?

# GLS-type approach

GLS model

$$\begin{pmatrix} \hat{\theta}_{1,A} \\ \hat{\theta}_{2,A} \\ \hat{\theta}_{1,B} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \theta_1 \\ \theta_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \end{pmatrix}$$
(2)

where  $V\{(e_1, e_2, e_3)'\} = \text{diag}\{V(\hat{\theta}_{1,A}), V(\hat{\theta}_{2,A}), V(\hat{\theta}_{1,B})\}.$ 

• Best linear unbiased estimator

$$\hat{ heta}_1^* = lpha \hat{ heta}_{1,\mathsf{A}} + \left( \mathsf{I} - lpha 
ight) \hat{ heta}_{1,\mathsf{B}}$$

where  $\alpha = \left\{V(\hat{\theta}_{1,A}) + V(\hat{\theta}_{1,B})\right\}^{-1} V(\hat{\theta}_{1,B}).$ 



#### Remark

- If the data structure is non-monotone missing structure, then the above GLS method is less straightforward.
- For example, suppose that we have the following structure.

	Χ	$Y_1$	<i>Y</i> <sub>2</sub>
Sample A	$\checkmark$	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$
Sample $B$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Sample C	✓		✓

• In this case, the same model can be specified:

$$f(Y_1, Y_2 \mid X) = f_1(Y_1 \mid X; \theta_1) f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2)$$

ullet However, it is not easy to estimate these parameters from sample C.

# (Modified) EM algorithm

- Standardize the sampling weights for each sample such that  $\sum_{i \in A} w_{i,A} = n_A$ ,  $\sum_{i \in B} w_{i,B} = n_B$ , and  $\sum_{i \in C} w_{i,C} = n_C$ .
- ② Apply EM algorithm for the weighted sample. Let  $S = A \cup B \cup C$ .
  - E-step: Compute the conditional expectation of the pseudo log-likelihood:

$$Q_{1}(\theta_{1} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in S} w_{i} E \left\{ \log f_{1}(y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i,obs}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

$$Q_{2}(\theta_{2} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in S} w_{i} E \left\{ \log f_{2}(y_{2i} \mid x_{i}, y_{1i}; \theta_{2}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i,obs}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

where  $y_{i,obs}$  is the observed part of  $(y_{1i}, y_{2i})$ .

• M-step: Update the parameters by finding the maximizer of  $Q_1(\theta_1 \mid \theta^{(t)})$  and  $Q_2(\theta_2 \mid \theta^{(t)})$  with respect to  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ .



Note that

$$Q_{1}(\theta_{1} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in S} w_{i} E \left\{ \log f_{1}(y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i,obs}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{i \in A} w_{i,A} \log f_{1}(y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1}) + \sum_{i \in B} w_{i,B} \log f_{1}(y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1})$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in C} w_{i,C} E \left\{ \log f_{1}(Y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i2}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

where the conditional expectation in sample C is with respect to

$$f(Y_1 \mid X, Y_2; \theta^{(t)}) = \frac{f_1(Y_1 \mid X; \theta_1^{(t)}) f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2^{(t)})}{\int f_1(Y_1 \mid X; \theta_1^{(t)}) f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2^{(t)}) dY_1}.$$

Similarly, we have

$$Q_{2}(\theta_{2} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in S} w_{i} E \left\{ \log f_{2}(y_{2i} \mid x_{i}, y_{1i}; \theta_{2}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i,obs}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

$$= \sum_{i \in A} w_{i,A} \log f_{2}(y_{2i} \mid x_{i}, y_{1i}; \theta_{2})$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in B} w_{i,B} E \left\{ \log f_{2}(Y_{2i} \mid x_{i}, y_{1i}; \theta_{2}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i1}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in C} w_{i,C} E \left\{ \log f_{2}(y_{2i} \mid x_{i}, Y_{1i}; \theta_{2}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i2}; \theta^{(t)} \right\},$$

where the conditional expectation in sample B is with respect to  $f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2^{(t)})$ .

# 2.3 Prediction (= Mass Imputation )

- Once the parameters for the specified model are estimated, then we can predict unobserved items in the data.
- For the data structure in Example 5,

Table: Data structure

	Χ	<i>Y</i> <sub>1</sub>	<i>Y</i> <sub>2</sub>
Sample A	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$
Sample $B$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Sample C	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$

we impute  $Y_2$  for sample B and impute  $Y_1$  for sample C.

• The imputation model for  $Y_2$  in sample B is  $f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \hat{\theta}_2)$ . Also, the imputation model for  $Y_1$  in sample C is

$$f(Y_1 \mid X, Y_2; \hat{\theta}) = \frac{f_1(Y_1 \mid X; \hat{\theta}_1) f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \hat{\theta}_2)}{\int f_1(Y_1 \mid X; \hat{\theta}_1) f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \hat{\theta}_2) dY_1}.$$
 (3)

# 3. Statistical Matching

# Statistical Matching: Combining two surveys

- Survey Items
  - X: demographic variables
  - $Y_1$ : Health variables
  - Y<sub>2</sub>: Social economic variables
- Two different surveys
  - Survey A: Health-related survey (Observe X and  $Y_1$ )
  - Survey B: Socio-Economic survey (Observe X and  $Y_2$ )
- Interested in fitting a regression of  $Y_1$  (e.g. Obesity) on X and  $Y_2$  using two surveys.
- Two samples should be obtained from the same finite population.

# Classical Approach

- We want to create  $Y_1$  for each element in sample B by finding a "statistical twin" from sample A.
- Often based on the assumption that  $Y_1$  and  $Y_2$  are conditionally independent, conditional on X. That is,

$$Y_1 \perp Y_2 \mid X$$

Under CI (Conditional Independence) assumption, we have

$$f(y_1 | x, y_2) = f(y_1 | x)$$

and the "statistical twin" is solely determined by "how close" they are in terms of x's.

# New Approach

#### Motivation

- Mass imputation based on CI assumption may not be a good idea.
- The regression of  $Y_1$  on X and  $Y_2$  will provide insignificant regression coefficient on  $Y_2$ . That is, the p-value for  $\hat{\beta}_2$  will be large in

$$\hat{y}_1 = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x + \hat{\beta}_2 y_2$$

- Cl assumption is often unrealistic!
- In many cases, we may have

$$Corr(Y_1, Y_2 \mid X) \neq 0$$

and the true value of  $\beta_2$  will be different from zero.

# Proposal: Kim et al. (2016)

Data Structure

Table: Data structure			
	Χ	$Y_1$	<i>Y</i> <sub>2</sub>
Sample A	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	
Sample B	$\checkmark$		<b>√</b>

Model Specification

$$f(Y_1, Y_2 \mid X) = f(Y_1 \mid X; \theta_1) f(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2)$$

 The specified model should be identified under the above data structure.

#### Remark: Model identification

• Consider the following joint model of  $(Y_1, Y_2)$  given X,

$$Y_1 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 X + e_1, \tag{4}$$

$$Y_2 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \beta_2 Y_1 + e_2, (5)$$

where  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  are mean zero and  $Cov(e_1, e_2) = 0$ . Because  $(X, Y_1)$  is observed in sample A,  $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1)$  is identifiable. Because  $(X, Y_2)$  is observed in sample B,  $f(Y_2 \mid X)$  is identifiable.

Coupling (4) and (5) leads to

$$Y_2 = (\beta_0 + \alpha_0 \beta_2) + (\beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_2)X + \beta_2 e_1 + e_2.$$

Thus, only  $\beta_0 + \alpha_0 \beta_2$  and  $\beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_2$  are identifiable and  $(\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2)$  is not.

• In general, non-linear relationships can help achieve identification. For example, suppose that the linear relationship of  $X-Y_1$  in (4) is changed to

$$Y_1 = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 X + \alpha_2 X^2 + e_1. \tag{6}$$

• Again,  $(\alpha_0, \alpha_1, \alpha_2)$  is identifiable from sample A. Coupling (5) and (6) leads to

$$Y_2 = (\beta_0 + \alpha_0 \beta_2) + (\beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_2)X + (\alpha_2 \beta_2)X^2 + \beta_2 e_1 + e_2.$$

Thus,  $\beta_0 + \alpha_0 \beta_2$ ,  $\beta_1 + \alpha_1 \beta_2$  and  $\alpha_2 \beta_2$  are identifiable from the sample B. As long as  $\alpha_2 \neq 0$ ,  $(\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2)$  is identifiable.

### Statistical Learning

Suppose that the model is identified. We can apply the EM algorithm for the combined sample.

• E-step: Compute the conditional expectation of the pseudo log-likelihood:

$$Q_{1}(\theta_{1} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in A \cup B} E \left\{ \log f_{1}(y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i,obs}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

$$Q_{2}(\theta_{2} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in A \cup B} E \left\{ \log f_{2}(y_{2i} \mid x_{i}, y_{1i}; \theta_{2}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i,obs}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

where  $y_{i,obs}$  is the observed part of  $(y_{1i}, y_{2i})$ .

• M-step: Update the parameters by finding the maximizer of  $Q_1(\theta_1 \mid \theta^{(t)})$  and  $Q_2(\theta_2 \mid \theta^{(t)})$  with respect to  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$ .

Note that

$$Q_{1}(\theta_{1} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in A} \log f_{1}(y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1})$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in B} E \left\{ \log f_{1}(Y_{1i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i2}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

$$Q_{2}(\theta_{2} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in A} E \left\{ \log f_{2}(Y_{2i} \mid x_{i}, y_{1i}; \theta_{2}) \mid x_{i}, y_{i1}; \theta^{(t)} \right\}$$

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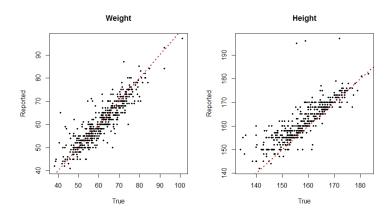
where the conditional expectation in sample A is with respect to  $f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2^{(t)})$  and the conditional expectation in sample B is with respect to

$$f(Y_1 \mid X, Y_2; \theta^{(t)}) = \frac{f_1(Y_1 \mid X; \theta_1^{(t)}) f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2^{(t)})}{\int f_1(Y_1 \mid X; \theta_1^{(t)}) f_2(Y_2 \mid X, Y_1; \theta_2^{(t)}) dY_1}.$$

4. Measurement error model approach 1: Correcting measurement bias with a validation subsample

### Motivating Example: BMI data example

- Korean Longitudinal Study of Aging (KLoSA) data (http://www.kli.re.kr/klosa/en/about/introduce.jsp)
- Original sample measures height and weight from survey questions (N=9,842)
- A validation sample (n=505) is randomly selected from the original sample to obtain physical measurement for the height and weight.



### Bayes theorem

- Three random variables
  - X: covariate
  - Y: study variable of interest
  - ullet  $ilde{Y}$ : proxy measure of Y with measurement error
- Bayes formula

$$f(y \mid \tilde{y}, x) = \frac{f(\tilde{y} \mid y, x)f(y \mid x)}{\int f(\tilde{y} \mid y)f(y \mid x)d\mu(y)},\tag{7}$$

where  $\mu$  is the dominating measure.

• Under the non-differentiability assumption in (1), the above formula can be written as

$$f(y \mid \tilde{y}, x) = \frac{f(\tilde{y} \mid y)f(y \mid x)}{\int f(\tilde{y} \mid y)f(y \mid x)d\mu(y)}.$$
 (8)

# 4.1 Model specification

- Two models in (8):
  - $f(y \mid x) = f_1(y \mid x; \theta)$ : process model
  - ②  $f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y)$ : data model

#### Table: Data structure

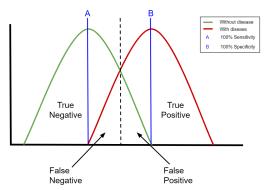
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Sample A		<b>√</b>	$\checkmark$
Sample $B$	$\checkmark$		$\checkmark$

- Sample A can be called calibration sample (or validation sample) as the true measurement y is observed.
- Sample B is the main survey with inaccuarate measurement  $\tilde{y}$ .
- In some cases, sample A is not available to us. Only the observations in sample B are available. In this case, the data model is treated as known.

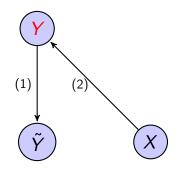
# Data model for binary Y

- Y = 1 means disease status
  - sensitivity (true positive rate):  $P(\tilde{Y} = 1 \mid Y = 1) = 1 \alpha$
  - specificity (true negative rate):  $P(\tilde{Y}=0 \mid Y=0) = 1-\beta$

#### Sensitivity vs. Specificity



## Measurement error model framework



- (1): Data model (known),
- (2): Process model (known up to  $\theta$ ).

# 4.2 Parameter estimation: 1. Direct approach

- Idea:
  - Combine the two models to get the marginal distribution of the observations in sample B

$$f(\tilde{y} \mid x; \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \int f_1(y \mid x; \boldsymbol{\theta}) f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y) d\mu(y)$$
  
:=  $\tilde{f}(\tilde{y} \mid x; \boldsymbol{\theta})$ 

 $oldsymbol{ ilde{Q}}$  Construct the observed log-likelihood function of heta

$$\ell_{obs}(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log \tilde{f}(\tilde{y}_i \mid x_i; \theta). \tag{9}$$

**3** Compute the maximizer of  $\ell_{obs}(\theta)$ :

$$\hat{\theta} = \arg\max_{\theta} \ell_{obs}(\frac{\theta}{\theta}).$$

## 4.2 Parameter estimation: 2. EM algorithm

• First define the log-likelihood function using true measurement *Y*:

$$\ell_{com}(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \log f_1(y_i \mid x_i; \theta)$$

- Iterative computation:
  - **E-step**: Given the current parameter  $\theta^{(t)}$ , compute

$$Q(\boldsymbol{\theta} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}) = E\{\ell_{com}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mid X, \tilde{Y}; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)}\}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[ E\{\log f_1(Y \mid x_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}) \mid x_i, \tilde{y}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}^{(t)} \right]$$

where the expectation is with respect to

$$f(y \mid x, \tilde{y}; \theta^{(t)}) = \frac{f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y)f_1(y \mid x; \theta^{(t)})}{\int f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y)f_1(y \mid x; \theta^{(t)})d\mu(y)}.$$

• **M-step**: Update  $\theta$  by

$$\theta^{(t+1)} = \arg\max Q(\theta \mid \theta^{(t)}).$$
 (10)

# 4.3 Prediction (or mass imputation)

ullet Best prediction: Expectation from the prediction model at  $heta=\hat{ heta}$ 

$$\hat{Y}_{i}^{*} = E\left(Y_{i} \mid X_{i}, \tilde{Y}_{i}; \hat{\theta}\right) \tag{11}$$

This is a denoised version of  $\tilde{Y}_i$  in sample B.

 Prediction model is obtained by combining data model with process model using Bayes theorem:

$$f(y \mid x, \tilde{y}; \theta) = \frac{f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y)f_1(y \mid x; \hat{\theta})}{\int f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y)f_1(y \mid x; \hat{\theta})d\mu(y)}.$$

## 4.4 Prediction error

Let

$$Y_i^* = E\left(Y_i \mid X_i, \tilde{Y}_i; \theta\right) := Y_i^*(\theta).$$

• Prediction error of  $\hat{Y}_i^* = Y_i^*(\hat{\theta})$  in (11):

$$\hat{Y}_{i}^{*} - Y_{i} = \{Y_{i}^{*}(\theta) - Y_{i}\} + \{Y_{i}^{*}(\hat{\theta}) - Y_{i}^{*}(\theta)\}.$$
 (12)

- In (12), the first part is the genuine prediction error and the second part is the error due to the uncertainty in  $\hat{\theta}$ .
- Mean Squared Prediction Error:

$$MSPE(\hat{Y}_i^*) \doteq E\{(Y_i^* - Y_i)^2\} + B_i V(\hat{\theta}) B_i'$$
  
= 
$$E\{V(Y_i \mid X_i, \tilde{Y}_i)\} + B_i V(\hat{\theta}) B_i',$$

where  $B_i = \partial Y_i^*(\theta)/\partial \theta$ .



# Statistical Methods (Summary)

### Basic Steps

- Model Specification
  - Data model
  - Process model
- Parameter estimation
  - Direct maximization of marginal likelihood
  - EM alghorithm
- Best prediction
  - Derive the predictive model using Bayes formula
  - Best prediction is obtained by computing the expectation of the prediction model evaluated at MLE.
- Uncertainty quantification
  - Linearization or Bootstrap
  - Bayesian approach



## Discussion

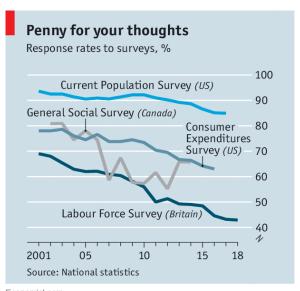
- Parametric fractional imputation of Kim (2011) can be a useful computational tool for the EM algorithm.
- The whole theory and methods for imputation and missing data can be found in Kim and Shao (2021).
- Xu et al. (2017) develop a semiparametric ML estimator using nonparametric estimation of  $f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y)$  from the calibration sample.
- Park and Kim (2018) considered a mixture model for  $f_2(\tilde{y} \mid y, x)$  and used the model to obtain the prediction for correct BMI in the KLoSA data.

5. Measurement error model approach 2: Correcting measurement bias using external calibration sample

## 5.1 Introduction

- Data A: Survey sample data
- Data B: Non-survey data
  - Administrative data (Income tax data)
  - Credit card purchase information, voluntary membership database
- Traditionally, only Data A is used for official statistics.
- However, using Data B is becoming more important because
  - decreasing participation rate in survey samples.
  - increasing availability of non-survey data

## Survey participation rates over time



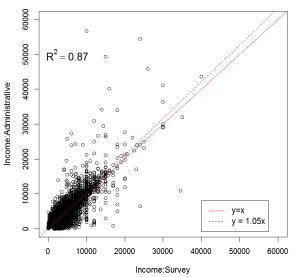
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# Motivating Example: Income survey data with Tax information

- Statistics Korea performs a yearly household survey of income and expenditure (with sample size = 20,000).
- From 2015, income tax information is available for the matched sample (about 85%) of the sample.
- Income from survey data is systematically different from Tax income data.
- The non-matched part of the sample can be treated as missing data.

# Plot of two income data (wage income)





# 5.2 Mass imputation under imperfect matching

Table: Data structure for sample A

	Χ	Ϋ́	Y
Matched	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>
Unmatched	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	

- Thus, it is a missing data problem.
- Imputed values are generated from

$$y^* \sim f(y \mid x, \tilde{y}) = \frac{f(y \mid x)f(\tilde{y} \mid x, y)}{\int f(y \mid x)f(\tilde{y} \mid x, y)dy}$$

## Example

Model Specification:

$$y_i \mid x_i \sim f_1(y_i \mid x_i; \theta_1)$$

$$\tilde{y}_i \mid (x_i, y_i) \sim f_2(\tilde{y}_i \mid x_i, y_i; \theta_2)$$

Parameter estimation: Find the maximizer of

$$l_{obs}(\theta_1, \theta_2) = \sum_{i \in A} w_i \delta_i \left\{ \log f_1(y_i \mid x_i; \theta_1) + \log f_2(\tilde{y}_i \mid x_i, y_i; \theta_2) \right\}$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in A} w_i (1 - \delta_i) \log \int f_1(y \mid x_i; \theta_1) f_2(\tilde{y}_i \mid x_i, y; \theta_2) dy$$

Prediction: Use

$$y^* \sim \frac{f_1(y \mid x_i; \hat{\theta}_1) f_2(\tilde{y} \mid x_i, y_i; \hat{\theta}_2)}{\int f_1(y \mid x_i; \hat{\theta}_1) f_2(\tilde{y}_i \mid x_i, y; \hat{\theta}_2) dy}$$



#### Remark

• Instead of direct maximization of  $l_{obs}(\theta)$  for  $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)$ , one can consider EM algorithm:

[E-step] Given  $\theta^{(t)}$ , compute

$$Q_{1}(\theta_{1} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in A} w_{i} \delta_{i} \log f_{1}(y_{i} \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1})$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in A} w_{i}(1 - \delta_{i}) E\left\{\log f_{1}(Y \mid x_{i}; \theta_{1}) \mid x_{i}, \tilde{y}_{i}; \theta^{(t)}\right\}$$

$$Q_{2}(\theta_{2} \mid \theta^{(t)}) = \sum_{i \in A} w_{i} \delta_{i} \log f_{2}(\tilde{y}_{i} \mid x_{i}, y_{i}; \theta_{2})$$

$$+ \sum_{i \in A} w_{i}(1 - \delta_{i}) E\left\{\log f_{2}(\tilde{y}_{i} \mid x_{i}, Y; \theta_{2}) \mid x_{i}, \tilde{y}_{i}; \theta^{(t)}\right\}$$

[M-step] Update the parameters by finding the maximizer of  $Q_1$  and  $Q_2$ .



## 2017 KHIES Data

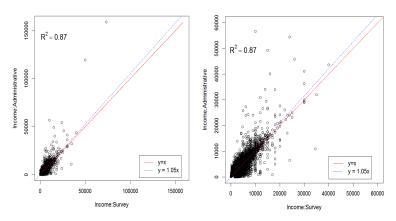
- We apply the proposed method to the 2017 Korean Household Income and Expenditure Survey (KHIES) conducted by Statistics Korea.
- One purpose of the KHIES is to provide up-to-date information about Korean household welfare-related status.
- It measures several different types of income items for each person in a household as well as expenditure-related items and basic demographic information.
  - earned income, business income, financial income, property income, and other types of incomes
- Earned income is the primary variable considered in this study.

# 5.3 Application to 2017 KHIES Data

- Since 2014, income tax administrative data has been accessible to Statistics Korea.
- The accurate information about earned income is available for each person in the sample using personal identification number (PIN).
- However, some participants in the sample do not reveal PIN. In this
  case, their tax information about earned income is not available.
- The overall matching rate of the KHIES sample is about 85%.

## 2017 KHIES Data

Figure: Scatterplots of the survey and administrative earned incomes for the matched respondents in the KHIES (Unit: KRW 10,000)



## 2017 KHIES Data

Table: Summary statistics of survey and administrative annual earned incomes for the matched and unmatched groups (Unit: KRW 1,000)

		1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	
Matched	Survey	14,400	24,000	31,450	40,000	
iviatched	Admin.	12,000	22,280	31,990	42,200	
Unmatched	Survey	15,000	24,000	29,290	37,100	
Offinatched	Admin.	NA				

• The earned incomes from the two data sources are highly correlated, however, there are still differences, which suggests measurement errors in the reported income in KHIES.

- In Figure 1, we observe that  $\tilde{y}$  and y are highly correlated with increasing variation for large  $\tilde{y}$ 
  - $\Rightarrow$  Ratio imputation of y using  $\tilde{y}$  only is appealing!
- To improve the prediction accuracy, we can divide data into several cells so that observations are homogeneous within each cell and then perform ratio imputations within each cell.
- Such cell-formation can be determined by  $\tilde{y}$  and other covariates x.
- However, we do not have clear evidence of a relationship between  $\tilde{y}$  and x, and  $\tilde{y}$  is very skew-distributed itself.

## Gaussian Mixture model

- Decompose Y into (x, y), where y is subject to missingness and x is always observed.
- The GMM is based on the joint model of (x, y)

$$f(x,y) = \sum_{g=1}^{G} P(z=g)f(x,y \mid z=g) = \sum_{g=1}^{G} \pi_g \phi(x,y;\psi_g)$$

where z is the latent variable taking values on  $\{1, 2, \dots, G\}$ .

 From the joint distribution, we can derive the conditional distribution of y given x:

$$f(y \mid x) = \sum_{g=1}^{G} P(z = g \mid x) \phi(y \mid x, z = g),$$
 (13)

where

$$P(z=g\mid x)=\frac{\pi_g\phi(x\mid z=g)}{\sum_{g=1}^G\pi_g\phi(x\mid z=g)}.$$

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# Conditional Gaussian mixture model (CGMM)

 Under complete responses, instead of deriving (13) from GMM, we directly assume that

$$f(y \mid x) = \sum_{g=1}^{G} P(z = g \mid x) f(y \mid x, z = g)$$

$$= \sum_{g=1}^{G} \pi_{g}(x) \phi(y \mid x; \psi_{g}), \qquad (14)$$

- $\bullet \ \pi_g(x) = P(z = g \mid x)$
- $\phi(\cdot;\psi_{\mathbf{g}})$ : density of multivariate Gaussian distribution with  $\psi_{\mathbf{g}}$
- Assume that  $\pi_g(x) = \pi_g(x; \alpha_g)$  follows a multinomial logit model.

$$\pi_{g}(x; \alpha_{g}) = \frac{\exp(\alpha_{g0} + x'\alpha_{g1})}{\sum_{h=1}^{G} \exp(\alpha_{h0} + x'\alpha_{h1})}$$
(15)

for  $g = 1, \dots, G$ , where  $(\alpha_{10}, \alpha'_{11})' = 0_{q+1}$ .

ullet This motivates the CGMM: for  $g=1,\ldots,G$ ,

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \pi_{g}(\tilde{y},x) & = & \frac{\exp\{(1,\tilde{x}')\alpha_{g}\}}{1+\sum_{k=2}^{G}\exp\{(1,\tilde{x}')\alpha_{k}\}}, \\ y_{i} \mid \tilde{y}_{i},x_{i},z_{i}=g & \sim & \textit{N}(\tilde{y}_{i}\beta_{g},\sigma_{g}^{2}), \end{array}$$

- $\tilde{x}_i = (\tilde{y}_i, x_i')'$  and  $\alpha_1 = 0$
- Imputation model:

$$f(y \mid \tilde{y}, x) = \sum_{g=1}^{G} \pi_g(\tilde{y}, x) f(y \mid \tilde{y}; \beta_g, \sigma_g^2),$$

where

$$\pi_{g}(\tilde{y}, x) = \frac{\exp\{(1, \tilde{x}')\alpha_{g}\}}{1 + \sum_{k=2}^{G} \exp\{(1, \tilde{x}')\alpha_{k}\}},\tag{16}$$

• Let  $\hat{\theta}$  denote the maximum likelihood estimates and we compute imputed values of y for the unmatched respondents in the survey as

$$\hat{y}_i^* = \sum_{g=1}^G \hat{\pi}_g(\tilde{y}_i, x_i) \tilde{y}_i \hat{\beta}_g,$$

- $\hat{\pi}_g(\tilde{y}, x)$  is  $\pi_g(\tilde{y}, x)$  in (16) evaluated at  $\alpha = \hat{\alpha}$ .
- a weighted sum of cell ratio estimation.
- We consider  $G = \{1, ..., 10\}$  and then select G minimizing BIC(G).
  - In this data, G = 4 was selected.

Table: Estimated parameters of CGMM with G = 4

g	$\beta_{\mathbf{g}}$	$\sigma_{g}^{2}$	$\alpha_{\sf g,0}$	$lpha_{ m g,Age}$	$lpha_{ m g,Edu}$	$\alpha_{\sf g}, {\it Survey}$
1	1.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	1.03	37.06	0.88	-0.11	-0.08	2.51
3	1.44	5912.03	-1.28	0.38	-0.10	2.63
4	0.96	605.17	1.49	-0.23	-0.05	2.25

- It successfully distinguishes a cell in which the survey and administrative earned incomes are exactly the same, from other cells.
- The survey earned income contributed more to form such cells than age and education.

Table: Summary statistics of survey and administrative/imputed earned incomes for the matched/unmatched groups (Unit: KRW 1,000)

		1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.
Matched	Survey	14,400	24,000	31,450	40,000
	Admin.	12,000	22,280	31,990	42,200
l la mantaland	Survey	15,000	24,000	29,290	37,100
Unmatched	Imputed	15,130	24,310	29,720	37,610

- The average imputed earned income is higher than the mean of the survey earned income:
  - consistent with the difference between the survey and administrative incomes for the matched respondents

Table: Imputation results with 95% confidence interval and estimates of survey earned incomes (Unit: KRW 1,000)

	Survey estimate	Imputed estimate	95% C.I.
1st Qu.	14,450	12,104	(11,904, 12,303)
Median	24,000	22,778	(22,164, 23,391)
Mean	31,204	31,675	(31,213, 32,137)
3rd Qu.	40,000	41,396	(40,592, 42,199)

- The jackknife method is used to estimate the variance of the imputed estimates.
- The proposed imputed results show non-negligible differences from the estimates only based on the survey earned income.
- For more details, see Lee and Kim (2022).



## 6. Conclusion

- Mass imputation uses missing data imputation to construct synthetic data for unmeasured survey items.
- Fully observed data can be used as training data for model selection and parameter estimation.
- For non-monotone missing data, the EM algorithm can be used with parametric model assumptions.
- Extensions to non-parametric and semi-parametric models need to be developed further.
- Promising area of research and application.

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