Causal Inference

Correlation versus Causation Potential Outcomes Fundamental Problem of Causal Inference Estimands

- ATE, ATT, ATU

Bias: Estimation versus Identification Identifiability: what is it?

Identifying the ATE

- Counterfactual Consistency
- No Interference
- Exchangeability
- Conditional Exchangeability
- Positivity
 - Diagnosing Violations
 - PS Overlap
 - Distribution of SW
 - Covariate Balance
 - Weighted and Unweighted eCDFs

Probability and Statistical Inference

- What is Probability?
- Direct versus Inverse Problems
- Bernoulli's Fallacy
- What is a Probability?
 - Mathematical versus Philosophical
 - Classical, Subjective, and Frequentist
- P Value (One versus Two Sided)
 - Lindley's Paradox
- P Value Functions
- S Values
- Fisher versus Neyman Pearson
 - o Divergence versus Decision Formulations
 - o Fundamental Problems with NP Testing
 - Specific Problems with NP Testing
 - Choosing alpha and beta
- Confidence Intervals
 - Coverage Property
 - Conservative versus Anticonservative
 - Honest versus Dishonest
- Compatibility Intervals

Regression

Marginal and Conditional Effects

- Marginal and Conditional Adjustment
- Collapsibility and Noncollapsibility
 - Strictly Collapsible
 - Collapsible
 - Noncollapsible
- Conditionally Adjusted Regression
 - GLMs: Distributions and Link Functions
 - · Risk Difference, Risk Ratio, Odds Ratio
 - Deriving via Link Functions
 - · Model Based, Robust, and Bootstrap SE
 - Interactions in Conditionally Adjusted Models
- Marginal Standardization & IP Weighting
 - ATE, ATT, and ATU
- IP Weighting for Categorical & Continuous Exposure
- Variable Coding in Regression
 - Target Function versus Nuisance Function
 - Z-Score
 - Dummy Variables
 - Splines

Missing Data

- MCAR, MAR, MNAR
- Relations to Exchangeability
- IP Weighting
- MICE in R
 - Selecting Methods
 - Modifying p Matrix
 - Implementing with:
 - Conditional Regression
 - IP Weighting
 - Marginal Standardization (with Bootstrap)

Longitudinal Data

- Clustering in Data
- Robust Variance and Clustered Bootstrap
- Generalized Estimating Equations
- (IP weighting and g Computation for Time-Dependent Confounding)

(Variance Estimation)

- Model-Based SEs
- Robust (Sandwich) SEs
- Bootstrapping
 - Normal Interval (Wald)
 - Percentile

BCa Intervals