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1 Description

A classical occupancy model that relies on replication to accommodate false negative errors.

2 Implementation

The file occ.sim.R simulates data according to the model statement below, and occ.mcmc.R contains the MCMC algorithm for parameter estimation.

3 Model Statement

Let y_{ij} be a binary observation representing a detection/non-detection, where i = 1, ..., N indexes sample units and $j = 1, ..., J_i$ indexes replicate observations within a sample unit.

$$\begin{array}{lcl} y_{ij} & \sim & \begin{cases} \operatorname{Bern}\left(p_{ij}\right), & z_i = 1 \\ 0, & z_i = 0 \end{cases} \\ \\ z_i & \sim & \operatorname{Bern}\left(\psi_i\right) \\ \psi_i & = & \operatorname{logit}^{-1}\left(\mathbf{x}_i'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right) \\ p_{ij} & = & \operatorname{logit}^{-1}\left(\mathbf{w}_{ij}'\boldsymbol{\alpha}\right) \\ \boldsymbol{\beta} & \sim & \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\beta}, \sigma_{\beta}^2 \mathbf{I}\right) \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha} & \sim & \mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\alpha}, \sigma_{\alpha}^2 \mathbf{I}\right) \end{cases}$$

4 Full-conditional Distributions

4.1 Occupancy state (z_i)

$$[z_{i} | \cdot] \propto \prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}} [y_{ij} | p_{ij}, z_{i}] [z_{i} | \psi_{i}]$$

$$\propto \prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}} \operatorname{Bern} (y_{ij} | p_{ij})^{z_{i}} 1_{\{y_{ij}=0\}}^{1-z_{i}} \operatorname{Bern} (z_{i} | \psi_{i})$$

$$\propto \prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}} \left(p_{ij}^{y_{ij}} (1 - p_{ij})^{1-y_{ij}} \right)^{z_{i}} \left(1_{\{y_{ij}=0\}}^{1-z_{i}} \right) \psi_{i}^{z_{i}} (1 - \psi_{i})^{1-z_{i}}$$

$$\propto \prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}} \left(\psi_{i} p_{ij}^{y_{ij}} (1 - p_{ij})^{1-y_{ij}} \right)^{z_{i}} \left(1_{\{y_{ij}=0\}} (1 - \psi_{i}) \right)^{1-z_{i}}$$

$$= \operatorname{Bern} \left(\tilde{\psi}_{i} \right),$$

where,

$$\tilde{\psi}_{i} = \frac{\psi_{i} \prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}} \left(p_{ij}^{y_{ij}} \left(1 - p_{ij} \right)^{1 - y_{ij}} \right)}{\psi_{i} \prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}} \left(p_{ij}^{y_{ij}} \left(1 - p_{ij} \right)^{1 - y_{ij}} \right) + \left(1 - \psi_{i} \right) \prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}} \left(1_{\{y_{ij} = 0\}} \right)}.$$

4.2 Occupancy coefficients (β)

$$[\boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \cdot] \propto \prod_{i=1}^{N} [z_i \mid \psi_i] [\boldsymbol{\beta}]$$

$$\propto \prod_{i=1}^{N} \operatorname{Bern} (z_i \mid \psi_i) \mathcal{N} (\boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \boldsymbol{\mu}_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}, \sigma_{\boldsymbol{\beta}}^2 \mathbf{I}).$$

The update for β proceeds using Metropolis-Hastings.

4.3 Detection coefficients (α)

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\boldsymbol{\alpha}\mid\cdot\right] & \propto & \prod_{i=1}^{N}\prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}}\left[y_{ij}\mid p_{ij},z_{i}\right]\left[\boldsymbol{\alpha}\right] \\ & \propto & \prod_{i=1}^{N}\prod_{j=1}^{J_{i}}\operatorname{Bern}\left(y_{ij}\mid p_{ij}\right)^{z_{i}}\mathcal{N}\left(\boldsymbol{\alpha}\mid\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\alpha},\sigma_{\alpha}^{2}\mathbf{I}\right). \end{aligned}$$

The update for α proceeds using Metropolis-Hastings. Note that the product over i and j only includes instances of i and j such that $z_i = 1$.