# Bayesian model averaging in multiple imputation under informative sampling

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# Assumption: MAR

- Suppose that  $y_i$  is subject to missingness, while  $x_i$  is fully observed.
  - Define

$$\delta_i = egin{cases} 1 & ext{if } y_i & ext{is observed} \\ 0 & ext{if } y_i & ext{is missing} \end{cases}.$$

 We consider the missing mechanism to be (population) missing at random (MAR) in the sense that

$$\Pr(y_i \in B|\mathbf{x}_i, \delta_i = 1) = \Pr(y_i \in B|\mathbf{x}_i)$$

for any measurable set B and  $i \in \mathcal{U}$ .

• Let  $\pmb{y}_{\rm obs}$  and  $\pmb{y}_{\rm mis}$ , respectively, be the observed part and the missing part in  $\pmb{y}_n=(y_1,\ldots,y_n)$ 

# Assumption: Informative sampling design

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#### Parameter of interest

• We are mainly interested in estimating domains satisfying

$$\eta_{\mathbf{x}} = E\{g(Y)|\mathbf{x}\} = \int g(y)f(y|\mathbf{x};\theta)dy,$$

where g is a known function.

• For example,

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \eta_{\textbf{\textit{x}}} & = & E(Y|\textbf{\textit{x}}), \\ \eta_{\textbf{\textit{x}}} & = & \Pr(Y < 1|\textbf{\textit{x}}). \end{array}$$

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# Existing method

existing MI

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# Proposed method

our new MI  $\begin{cases} \text{Uncertainty about } \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{mis}} \\ \text{Uncertainty about } \boldsymbol{\theta} \\ \text{Uncertainty about } \boldsymbol{M} \end{cases}$ 

# MI under model uncertainty

• To account for the model uncertainty in the multiple imputation, we now propose to replace **Step 1** by a new step as follows:

**Step 1'.** Create R complete datasets,  $\{\boldsymbol{D}_n^{(r)} = (\boldsymbol{y}_n^{(r)}, \boldsymbol{X}_n) : r = 1, \dots, R\}$ , by repeating the following procedures independently R times:

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## ABC approach

- Under informative sampling, determination of the likelihood  $f(\mathbf{D}_n|\boldsymbol{\theta};M)$  is very challenging.
- As in Kim and Yang (2017), we use the notion of Approximate Bayesian Computation (ABC).
- The key idea of ABC is to employ summary statistics computed by  $D_n$  as a substitute of the sample data (Blum, 2010).
- Motivated by Kim and Yang (2017), we propose to use the pseudo likelihood estimator under the full model.

# ABC approach (cont.)

- Let  $M_{\rm full}$  be the full model which contains all candidate models in  $\mathcal{M}$ .
- ullet Let  $\hat{oldsymbol{ heta}}_{\mathrm{full}}$  be the pseudo MLE of  $oldsymbol{ heta}$  under model  $M_{\mathrm{full}}$
- ullet Let  $g(\hat{ heta}_{\mathrm{full}}|oldsymbol{ heta})$  be the sampling distribution of  $\hat{oldsymbol{ heta}}_{\mathrm{full}}.$
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# Data augmentation algorithm using ABC

- We iterate following three steps until convergence:
  - 1. **Imputation:** For given  $(\boldsymbol{\theta}^*, M^*)$ , generate  $\boldsymbol{y}_{\text{mis}}^* = \{y_i^* : \delta_i = 0, i \in \mathcal{S}\}$  from  $y_i^* \sim f(y_i|\boldsymbol{x}_i; \boldsymbol{\theta}^*, M^*)$ .
  - 2. **new Model sampling:** For given  $D_n^* = (y_n^*, X_n)$ , generate  $M^*$  from

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3. **Parameter sampling:** For given  $(D_n^*, M^*)$ , generate  $\theta^*$  from

$$\boldsymbol{\theta}^* \sim \pi_{g}(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{D}_{n}^*, \boldsymbol{M}^*) = \frac{g(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text{full}}^*|\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{M}^*)\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{M}^*)}{\int g(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text{full}}^*|\boldsymbol{\theta}; \boldsymbol{M}^*)\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}|\boldsymbol{M}^*)d\boldsymbol{\theta}}.$$
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- Define  $m_M = \int g(\hat{\theta}_{\text{full}}|\theta; M)\pi(\theta|M)d\theta$ .
- Define  $\ell_M(\theta) = \log\{g(\hat{\theta}_{\text{full}}|\theta; M)\pi(\theta|M)\}.$
- Using the Laplace approximation as in Tierney and Kadane (1986), we can
  obtain

$$m_{M} = (2\pi)^{\frac{P_{M}}{2}} \left| -\tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}_{M} \right|^{-\frac{1}{2}} g(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\text{full}} | \tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{M}; M) \pi(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{M} | M) \left\{ 1 + O(n^{-1}) \right\}, \tag{7}$$

where  $p_M$  is the number of free parameters under model M,  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_M = \arg\max_{\boldsymbol{\theta}} \ell_M(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  and  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}_M$  is the Hessian matrix of  $\ell_M(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  at  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_M$ .

## Remarks on ABC approach (cont.)

• Based on (7), the partial posterior probability of model M can be approximated as

$$\Pr_{g}(M|\boldsymbol{D}_{n}) \approx \left\{\hat{m}_{M}\pi(M)\right\} / \left\{\sum_{K \in \mathcal{M}} \hat{m}_{K}\pi(K)\right\},$$

where 
$$\hat{m}_M = (2\pi)^{\frac{\rho_M}{2}} \left| -\tilde{\boldsymbol{H}}_M \right|^{-\frac{1}{2}} g(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_{\mathrm{full}}|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_M;M)\pi(\tilde{\boldsymbol{\theta}}_M|M).$$

#### Theoretical result

#### **Theorem**

Under some regularity conditions, our proposed method yields

$$\begin{array}{lcl} p \lim_{R \to \infty} \hat{\eta}_{MI} & = & E_g \big( \eta_{\mathbf{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\mathrm{obs}} \big) \\ p \lim_{R \to \infty} \hat{V}_{MI} & = & var_g \big( \eta_{\mathbf{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\mathrm{obs}} \big). \end{array}$$

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It is straightforward to show that

$$\begin{split} \rho \lim_{R \to \infty} \hat{\eta}_{\text{BMA}} &= E_g \left\{ \mathsf{E}_g(\eta_{\boldsymbol{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}}; M) | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}} \right\} \\ &= \mathsf{E}_g(\eta_{\boldsymbol{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}}) \\ &= \rho \lim_{R \to \infty} \hat{\eta}_{\text{MI}}. \\ \\ \rho \lim_{R \to \infty} \hat{V}_{\text{BMA}} &= E_g \left\{ \mathsf{var}_g(\eta_{\boldsymbol{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}}; M) | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}} \right\} \\ &+ E_g \left\{ \mathsf{E}_g(\eta_{\boldsymbol{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}}; M)^2 | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}} \right\} \\ &- \left[ E_g \left\{ \mathsf{E}_g(\eta_{\boldsymbol{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}}; M) | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}} \right\} \right]^2 \\ &= \mathsf{var}_g(\eta_{\boldsymbol{x}} | \boldsymbol{X}_n, \boldsymbol{y}_{\text{obs}}) \\ &= \rho \lim_{R \to \infty} \hat{V}_{\text{MI}}. \end{split}$$

### Simulation study: continuous outcome

• (Finite population) Generate a finite population of size N = 20,000 from

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_4 x_4 + \beta_5 x_5 + \epsilon,$$

where  $x_1 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0,1)$ ,  $x_2, \dots, x_5 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} Ber(0.5)$ ,  $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0,\sigma^2)$ , and  $\theta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4, \beta_5, \sigma^2) = (-1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 1)$ .

**②** (MAR) Generate the response indicator of  $y_i$  from  $\delta_i \sim \mathsf{Bernoulli}(\psi_i)$ , where

$$logit(\psi_i) = 1 + 0.5x_{1i} + 0.5u_i,$$

where  $u_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0,1)$ . The average response rates are around 70%.

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$$logit(1 - \pi_i) = 3.66 + 0.33u_i - 0.1y_i.$$

\* The sample sizes range from 430 to 590.



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where

$$p_i = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_4 x_4 + \beta_5 x_5)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_4 x_4 + \beta_5 x_5)},$$

 $x_1 \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0,1), x_2, \dots, x_p \stackrel{iid}{\sim} Ber(0.5), and$  $\theta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3, \beta_4, \beta_5) = (-1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0).$ 

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### Simulation study: setup

- The sampling weights are defined by  $w_i = 1/\pi_i$ .
- We consider all possible  $2^5 (= 32)$  models in  $\mathcal{M}$ .
- We define  $\pi(\theta) \propto 1$  and  $\pi(M) = 1/32$  for all  $M \in \mathcal{M}$ .
- We define imputation size R = 100.
- We consider three domains:
  - $1) \eta_{x_1} = E\{Y | \mathbf{x} = (1,0,1,0,0,0)\},$
  - $2) \eta_{x_2} = E\{Y|x = (1,0,0,1,0,0)\},$
  - ▶ 3)  $\eta_{x_3} = E\{Y | x = (1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)\},$ where  $x = (1, x_1, ..., x_5).$

### Simulation study: estimation methods

- Our BMA method is compared with the following four approaches:
  - MI under the true model,
  - MI under the full model,
  - MI under the selected model by BIC,
  - MI under the selected model by AIC,

where we utilize Kim and Yang (2017) for MI and Lumley and Scott (2015) for BIC and AIC.

#### Simulation results: continuous outcome

Parameter	Method	95% CP	$Var( imes 10^5)$	$Bias(\times 10^2)$	$MSE(\times 10^5)$
$\eta_{\mathbf{x}_1}$	TRUE	93.50	582.73	0.06	625.64
	BMA	95.30	814.62	0.31	767.20
	FULL	93.80	1490.09	0.41	1606.05
	BIC	89.70	628.68	0.37	930.27
	AIC	87.00	857.12	0.41	1384.23
$\eta_{\mathbf{x}_2}$	TRUE	93.70	646.60	0.24	747.63
	BMA	95.40	877.14	0.30	934.87
	FULL	92.10	1550.72	0.40	1932.66
	BIC	90.30	694.10	0.33	1111.80
	AIC	86.80	920.56	0.22	1697.60
$\eta_{x_3}$	TRUE	93.70	646.60	0.24	747.63
	BMA	95.50	878.33	0.48	880.36
	FULL	93.90	1554.83	0.61	1692.14
	BIC	91.10	693.84	0.56	1027.40
	AIC	87.70	920.57	0.59	1498.78

Table: Result based on MC size =1,000

## Simulation results: binary outcome

Parameter	Method	95% CP	$Var(\times 10^5)$	$Bias( imes 10^2)$	$MSE(\times 10^5)$
$\eta_{x_1}$	TRUE	94.70	141.00	-0.10	147.88
	BMA	95.80	200.81	-0.33	195.61
	FULL	93.00	356.78	-0.16	404.31
	BIC	91.30	147.83	-0.15	211.31
	AIC	88.00	202.73	-0.24	337.31
$\eta_{\mathbf{x}_2}$	TRUE	94.50	105.60	0.20	109.38
	BMA	95.30	149.53	0.50	156.82
	FULL	93.10	242.86	0.15	263.75
	BIC	91.50	109.87	0.24	156.09
	AIC	88.10	145.61	0.12	226.85
$\eta_{x_3}$	TRUE	94.50	105.60	0.20	109.38
	BMA	95.60	149.49	0.51	153.71
	FULL	93.90	244.99	0.21	251.02
	BIC	90.80	109.91	0.25	157.86
	AIC	88.80	145.57	0.13	220.18

Table: Result based on MC size =1,000

data	method	%
Continuous	BIC	85
	AIC	35
Binary	BIC	89
	AIC	35

Table: % of selecting true model

### Concluding remarks

- In this study, we assume that the number of parameters is relatively smaller than sample size *n*.
- $\bullet$  If the full parameter space is high-dimensional, the asymptotic normality of  $\hat{\theta}_{\rm full}$  may fail.
- To address this issue, we can employ the stochastic search variable selection (George & McCulloch, 1993) with the notion of spike and slab prior.

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