

Nonparametric Causal Survival Analysis under Clustered Interference

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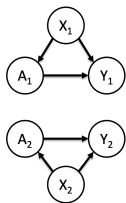
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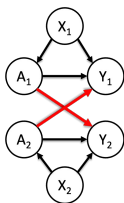
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Motivation

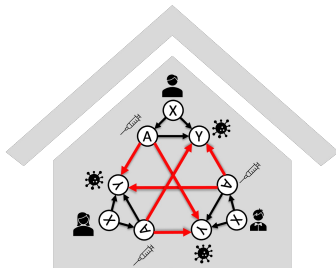
Clustered Interference



No interference

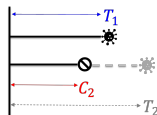


Interference

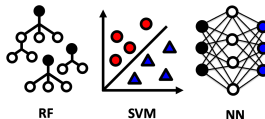


Clustered Interference

Right Censoring



Nonparametric (Data-adaptive)



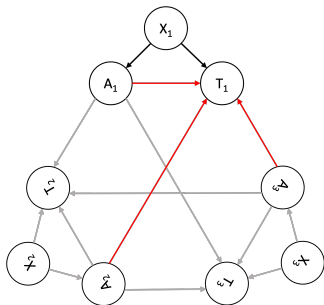
Notation

Observed data

- Cluster $i \in \{1, \dots, m\}$, Unit $j \in \{1, \dots, N_i\}$
- $T_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^+$: event time, $A_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$: treatment, $\mathbf{X}_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^p$: confounders, $\mathbf{Z}_i = (\mathbf{T}_i, \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i)$: **Full data**
- $C_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}^+$: censoring time, $Y_{ij} = \min\{T_{ij}, C_{ij}\}$: observed time, $\Delta_{ij} = \mathbb{1}(T_{ij} \leq C_{ij})$, $\mathbf{O}_i = (\mathbf{Y}_i, \mathbf{\Delta}_i, \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i)$: **Observed data**
- $\mathcal{A}(N_i) = \{0, 1\}^{N_i}$: set of all length N_i binary vectors

Potential outcome

- $T_{ij}(\mathbf{a}_i)$: Potential event time for unit j in cluster i when the cluster i receives treatment assignment according to \mathbf{a}_i
- $T_{ij}(\mathbf{a}_i) = T_{ij}(a_{ij}, \mathbf{a}_{i(-j)})$,
 $\mathbf{a}_{i(-j)} = (a_{i1}, \dots, a_{i(j-1)}, a_{i(j+1)}, \dots, a_{iN_i})$
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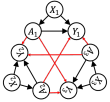
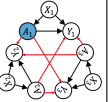
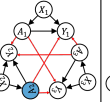
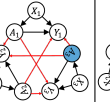
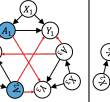
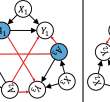
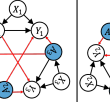
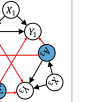
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TPB	0	0	0	0	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2

Treatment Proportion Bound: $Q_{\text{TPB}}(\mathbf{a}_i|\mathbf{X}_i, N_i; \rho) = \mathbb{1}(\bar{\mathbf{a}}_i \geq \rho) \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{a}_i|\mathbf{X}_i, N_i) / \mathbb{P}(\bar{\mathbf{A}}_i \geq \rho|\mathbf{X}_i, N_i)$

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 - ▷ **Unvaccinated** individual's COVID19 risks by one year when 50% vs. 30% of neighbors vaccinated

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- Using Observed data:

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- EIF of $w(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{x}, n)$: $\varphi_{w(\mathbf{a}, \mathbf{x}, n)}^*(\mathbf{O}_i) = \{ \mathbb{1}(\mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{x}, N_i = n) / d\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{x}, n) \} \phi(\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i; \mathbf{a})$

Observed data estimating equation - Robust correction

- Under censoring, employ IPCW and robust correction accounting for the censoring process

$$0 = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^m \frac{1}{N_i} \sum_{j=1}^{N_i} \left[\frac{\Delta_{ij}}{S_{ij}^C(Y_{ij}|\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i)} \varphi_{ij}^{F,*}(\tau; \mathbf{Z}_i) + \int_0^\infty \frac{\mathbb{E}\{\varphi_{ij}^{F,*}(\tau; \mathbf{Z}_i) | T_{ij} \geq r, \mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i\}}{S_{ij}^C(r|\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i)} dM_{ij}^C(r) \right]$$

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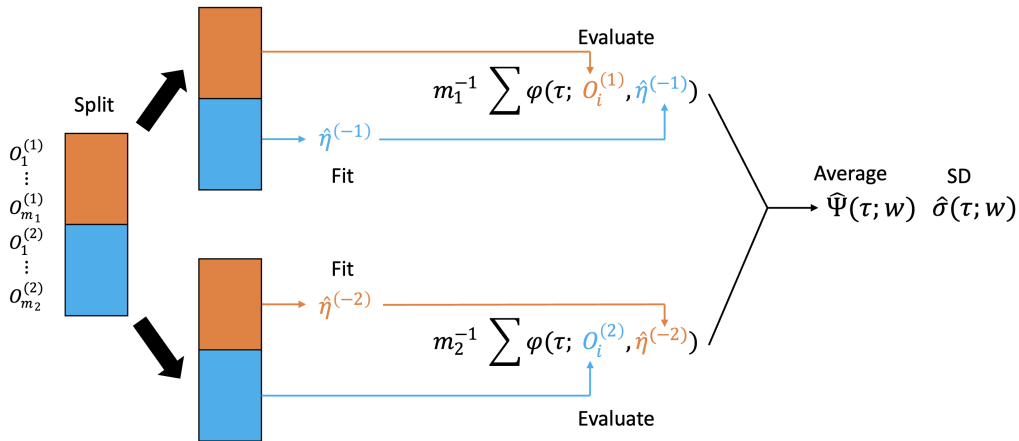
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$$\text{AUG}_{ij}(\tau; \mathbf{O}_i) = \frac{w_j(\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i)}{\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{A}_i | \mathbf{X}_i, N_i)} \int_0^\tau \frac{S_{ij}^T(r|\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i) - S_{ij}^T(\tau|\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i)}{S_{ij}^C(r|\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i) S_{ij}^T(r|\mathbf{A}_i, \mathbf{X}_i, N_i)} dM_{ij}^C(r)$$

Nuisance functions

- Nuisance functions $\eta = (\mathbf{F}^T, \mathbf{S}^C, H, \mathbf{w}, \phi)$:
 1. Event time distribution function $\mathbf{F}^T(r|\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{x}_i, n_i) = \left[F_{ij}^T(r|\mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{x}_i, N_i = n_i) \right]_{j=1}^{n_i}$
 2. Censoring time survival function $\mathbf{S}^C(r|\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{x}_i, n_i) = \left[S_{ij}^C(r|\mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{x}_i, N_i = n_i) \right]_{j=1}^{n_i}$
 3. Cluster treatment probability $H(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{x}_i, n_i) = \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{A}_i = \mathbf{a}_i | \mathbf{X}_i = \mathbf{x}_i, N_i = n_i)$
 4. Weight function $\mathbf{w}(\mathbf{a}_i, \mathbf{x}_i, n_i)$
 5. EIF of the weight function $\phi(\mathbf{a}'_i, \mathbf{x}_i, n_i; \mathbf{a}_i)$
- \mathbf{F}^T & \mathbf{S}^C : Random survival forest (Ishwaran et al. 2023)
- H : Random effect Bayesian additive regression trees (Chipman et al. 2010, Dorie 2022)

Sample Splitting Estimator



Theoretical results

Theorem

Under the mild conditions s.t nuisance function estimators have convergence rate of $m^{-1/4}$, then $\sqrt{m}\{\hat{\Psi}(\tau; \mathbf{w}) - \Psi(\tau; \mathbf{w})\}/\hat{\sigma}(\tau; \mathbf{w}) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$, where $\hat{\sigma}(\tau; \mathbf{w}) \xrightarrow{P} \sigma(\tau; \mathbf{w})$. Also, if there is no censoring, $\sigma(\tau; \mathbf{w})^2 = \text{Var}\{\varphi^{F,*}(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta})\}$ is the nonparametric efficiency bound of $\Psi(\tau; \mathbf{w})$.

Sketch of proof)

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\Psi}(\tau; \mathbf{w}) - \Psi(\tau; \mathbf{w}) &= \frac{1}{K} \sum_{k=1}^K \left[(\mathbb{P}_m^k - \mathbb{P})\varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}; \boldsymbol{\eta}) + (\mathbb{P}_m^k - \mathbb{P})\{\varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{(k)}) - \varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta})\} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \mathbb{P}\{\varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{(k)}) - \varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta})\} \right]\end{aligned}$$

- $(\mathbb{P}_m^k - \mathbb{P})\varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}; \boldsymbol{\eta}) \sim N(0, \sigma^2(\tau; \mathbf{w}))$: CLT
- $(\mathbb{P}_m^k - \mathbb{P})\{\varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{(k)}) - \varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta})\} = O_{\mathbb{P}}\left(m_k^{-1/2} \|\varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{(k)}) - \varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta})\|\right)$
- $\mathbb{P}\{\varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{(k)}) - \varphi(\tau; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta})\} = O_{\mathbb{P}}(r_{\mathbf{w}}^2 + r_{\mathbf{F}\tau}(r_H + r_{\phi} + r_{\mathbf{S}^c}))$

Theoretical results

Theorem

Under the mild conditions, $\sqrt{m}\{\hat{\Psi}(\cdot; \mathbf{w}) - \Psi(\cdot; \mathbf{w})\} \rightsquigarrow \mathbb{G}(\cdot)$ in $\ell^\infty([0, \tau])$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$, where $\ell^\infty([0, \tau])$ is a function space with the finite supremum norm over $[0, \tau]$, and $\mathbb{G}(\cdot)$ is a mean zero Gaussian process with covariance function $\mathbb{E}\{\mathbb{G}(s)\mathbb{G}(t)\} = \text{Cov}\{\varphi(s; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta}), \varphi(t; \mathbf{O}, \boldsymbol{\eta})\}$.

Policy	Consistency	Asymptotic Normality	Consistent Variance Estimator	Notes
Type B	$r_{\lambda^\tau}(r_H + r_{\mathbf{S}^c}) = o(1)$	$r_{\lambda^\tau}(r_H + r_{\mathbf{S}^c}) = o(m^{-1/2})$	$r_H = r_{\lambda^\tau} = r_{\mathbf{S}^c} = o(1)$	$\phi = 0$, Doubly Robust
TPB	$r_H = o(1),$ $r_{\lambda^\tau}(r_H + r_{\mathbf{S}^c}) = o(1)$	$r_H = o(m^{-1/4}),$ $r_{\lambda^\tau}(r_H + r_{\mathbf{S}^c}) = o(m^{-1/2})$	$r_H = r_{\lambda^\tau} = r_{\mathbf{S}^c} = o(1)$	Consistent H estimation required

Simulations

- $D = 1000$ simulations, each consisted of $m = 200$ clusters
- $N_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}\{5, 6, \dots, 20\}, i = 1, \dots, m$
- $X_{i,c1}, \dots, X_{i,c5} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}(0, 1)$: cluster-level covariates
- $X_{ij1}, \dots, X_{ij5} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Unif}(0, 1), X_{ij6}, \dots, X_{ij10} \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(0.5)$: individual-level covariates
- $A_{ij} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi_{ij})$: treatment status,
 $\pi_{ij} = \Phi(0.1 + 0.2X_{ij1}^2 + 0.2 \max\{X_{ij2}, 0.3\}X_{ij6} + 0.3\mathbb{1}(X_{i,c1} > 0.5) + b_i), b_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, 0.5)$
- Event time $T_{ij} \sim \text{Gamma}(0.5A_{ij} + 0.4\bar{\mathbf{A}}_{i(-j)}X_{ij1} + 0.2A_{ij}\bar{\mathbf{A}}_{i(-j)} + 0.2X_{ij2} + 0.4X_{i,c1}, 2)$
- Censoring time $C_{ij} = X_{ij7}C_{ij,\text{Unif}} + (1 - X_{ij7})C_{ij,\text{Poi}}$
- Type B policy with $\alpha \in \{0.1, 0.3, 0.5, 0.7, 0.9\}$ at time $\tau = 0.3$

Simulations

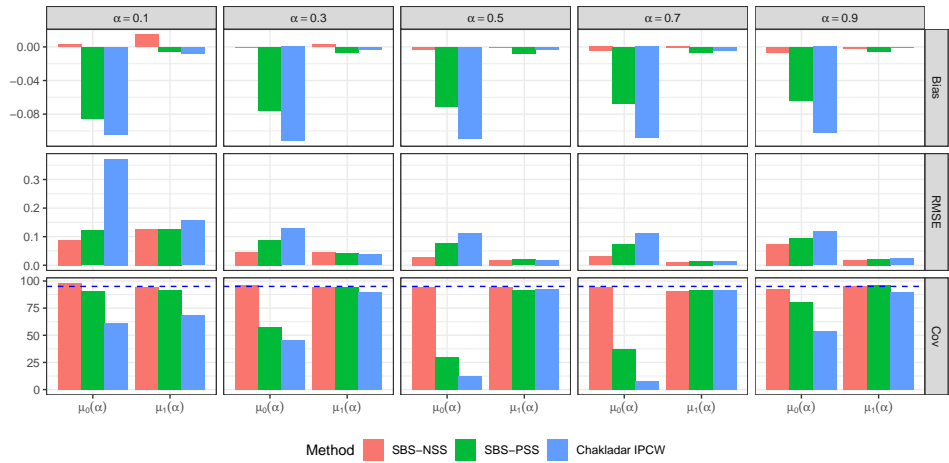


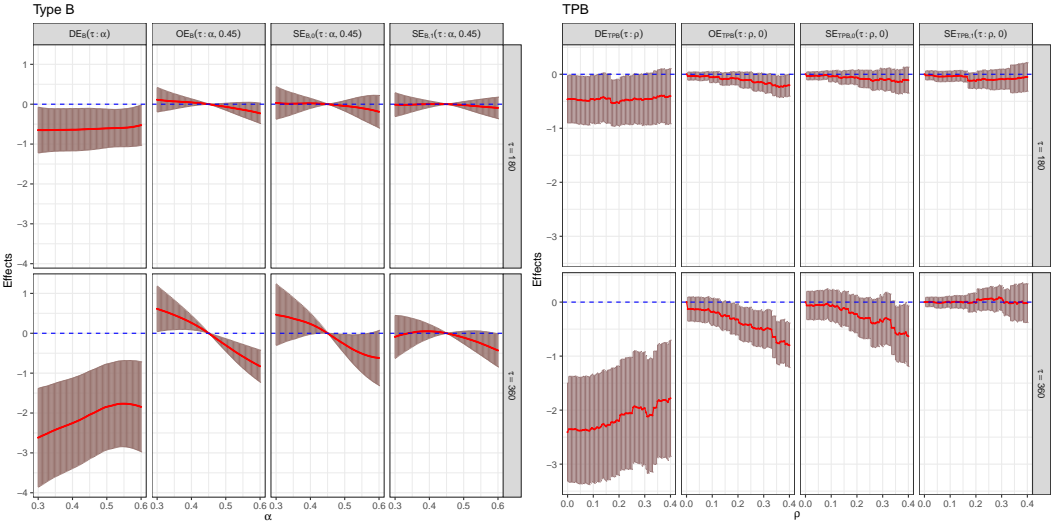
Figure 1: Finite sample performance of the proposed SBS-NSS, SBS-PSS, and Chakladar IPCW estimators for Type B policy; Bias: average bias of estimates, RMSE: root mean squared error, Cov: 95% CI coverage (%)

Application to Cholera Vaccine Study in Bangladesh

- Prior research suggests possible interference within baris, i.e., clusters of patrilineally related households, but none have utilized data-adaptive methods.
- $m = 5,625$ baris, size of $N_i = 2, \dots, 239$, total 112,154 individuals.
- Vaccine rate: 45% (48,763 / 112,154)
- Cholera incident rate: 0.4% (458 / 112,154)
- Mean event time: 256 days (IQR: [183, 364])
- Mean censoring time: 412 days (IQR: [397, 431])
- How does cholera incidence change if every individual is vaccinated with a probability of 0.6? [Type B policy]
- How does cholera incidence change if at least 30% of individuals within a bari are vaccinated? [TPB policy]

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Discussion

- Nonparametric methods are developed which can be used to draw inference about treatment effects in the presence of confounding, clustered interference, and right censoring, and can be applied to any treatment allocation policy, allowing for units' propensity to vary by their covariates and are not based on parametric model
- Proposed nonparametric sample splitting estimators make use of semiparametric efficiency theory and a variety of data-adaptive techniques, and therefore are robust to model mis-specification compared to parametric estimators.
- Application to the cholera vaccine study suggests that vaccination decreases the risk of cholera, and unvaccinated individuals may receive a protective spillover effect from vaccinated individuals. The direct vaccine effect is large when the vaccine coverage is low, while the spillover effect from vaccinated to unvaccinated individuals is large when the vaccine coverage is high.