

IPW models

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```
library(lme4)
library(plyr)
library(dplyr)
library(igraph)
library(numDeriv)
library(gtools)
rm(list = ls())

source("https://github.com/uri-ncipher/Nearest-Neighbor-estimators/blob/main/functions.R?raw=TRUE")
```

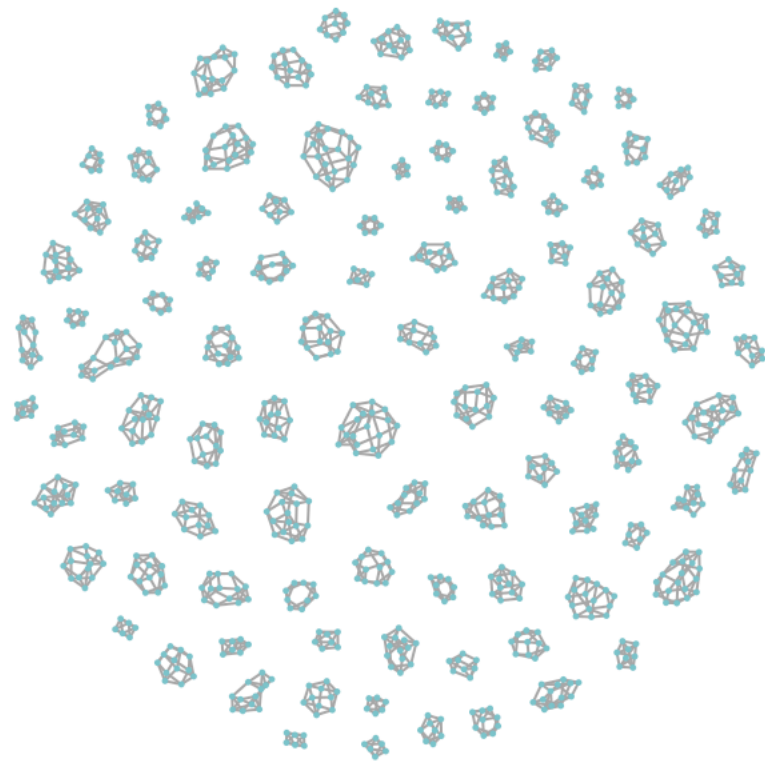
Data Preparation

Read in the synthetic nodes and edges data sets for creating the simulated network.

```
nodes=read.csv("https://github.com/uri-ncipher/Nearest-Neighbor-estimators/blob/main/nodes.csv?raw=TRUE")
edges=read.csv("https://github.com/uri-ncipher/Nearest-Neighbor-estimators/blob/main/edges.csv?raw=TRUE")
net0=graph_from_data_frame(d=edges, vertices = nodes, directed=F)
```

Network visualization

```
# plot the network generated above
plot(net0, vertex.size=1, vertex.label=NA, vertex.color="cadetblue3", vertex.frame.color="cadetblue3")
```



Make the data for modeling

```
# Save the number of individuals (nodes) and number of components
n=length(V(net0))      # number of individuals
m=components(net0)$no  # number of components

# generate a data set with three columns, the first column is participant id (node id),
# the second column is number of nearest neighbors for each participant (is also node degree),
# the third column indicates the component for each participant.
data=data.frame(id=1:n, na=unlist(lapply(1:n, num_neighbors, net=net0)),
                component=components(net0)$membership)

# assign treatment, outcome, and baseline covariates to the dataset 'data'.
data$treatment=nodes$treatment
data$outcome=nodes$outcome
data$var1=nodes$var1
data$var2=nodes$var2
data$na_a= unlist(lapply(1:n, trt_neighbors, net=net0))
data$notna_a=data$na-data$na_a

base_covariate=c("var1", "var2")

# averaging baseline covariates (average of nearest neighbors' baseline covariate values)
data$avg_var1=unlist(lapply(1:n, avg_neighbors, net=net0, variable="var1"))
data$avg_var2=unlist(lapply(1:n, avg_neighbors, net=net0, variable="var2"))

avg_covariate=c("avg_var1", "avg_var2")
```

Modeling

In this section, we will apply both IPW1 and IPW2 estimators for the average potential outcomes and corresponding causal effects. An individual's exposure/treatment and allocation strategy α jointly determine the average potential outcome (allocation strategy represents the probability that individuals in nearest neighbors set receiving the exposure/treatment in the counterfactual scenario. so it is a numeric value between 0 and 1). For each estimator, the R programs will output the **point estimation and the estimated variance of average potential outcomes** $\hat{Y}(1, \alpha)$, $\hat{Y}(0, \alpha)$, $\hat{Y}(\alpha)$ under three different allocation strategies α (i.e., 0.25, 0.50, and 0.75), respectively. Also, the R program will output the **point estimation and estimated variance of four causal effects: Direct (DE), Indirect (IE), Total (TE), and Overall effect (OE)**.

Equations for calculating the four causal effects are:

- $\widehat{DE} = \widehat{Y}(1, \alpha) - \widehat{Y}(0, \alpha)$
- $\widehat{IE} = \widehat{Y}(0, \alpha_0) - \widehat{Y}(0, \alpha_1)$
- $\widehat{TE} = \widehat{Y}(1, \alpha_0) - \widehat{Y}(0, \alpha_1)$
- $\widehat{OE} = \widehat{Y}(\alpha_0) - \widehat{Y}(\alpha_1)$,

where α_0, α_1 both represents allocation strategies, and $\alpha_0 \neq \alpha_1$ (Note: The associated [paper](#) compared the estimated average potential outcomes with α_1 to α_0 for the indirect, total, and overall effects. The code here compared the estimated average potential outcomes with α_0 to α_1 for the indirect, total, and overall effects). Users can set any values between 0 and 1 for α_0 and α_1 .

IPW1

Using IPW1 to estimate the average potential outcomes and causal effects under allocation strategies α .

```
alpha=c(0.25, 0.50, 0.75) # set allocation strategies
IPW_1_model(data, base_covariate, alpha) # call on IPW1 function
```

```
## [[1]]
##           a=1           a=0           margin alpha           type
## 1 0.1852175678 0.188372738 0.1875839458 0.25 point estimate
## 2 0.1451336794 0.276759930 0.2109468049 0.50 point estimate
## 3 0.1352103897 0.261785879 0.1668542621 0.75 point estimate
## 4 0.0014465618 0.000919702 0.0005100593 0.25 variance
## 5 0.0003415270 0.001480020 0.0004108478 0.50 variance
## 6 0.0004228426 0.001566447 0.0003414386 0.75 variance
##
## [[2]]
##           estimation alpha0 alpha1           type
## 1 -0.0031551706 0.25 0.25 Direct
## 2 -0.1316262511 0.50 0.50 Direct
## 3 -0.1265754895 0.75 0.75 Direct
## 4 0.0028872409 0.25 0.25 Var DE
## 5 0.0019997039 0.50 0.50 Var DE
## 6 0.0019589605 0.75 0.75 Var DE
## 7 -0.0883871920 0.25 0.50 Indirect
## 8 -0.0734131408 0.25 0.75 Indirect
## 9 0.0149740512 0.50 0.75 Indirect
## 10 0.0004993204 0.25 0.50 Var IE
## 11 0.0018240734 0.25 0.75 Var IE
## 12 0.0012634087 0.50 0.75 Var IE
## 13 -0.0915423626 0.25 0.50 Total
## 14 -0.0765683114 0.25 0.75 Total
## 15 -0.1166521998 0.50 0.75 Total
## 16 0.0033180932 0.25 0.50 Var TE
## 17 0.0024878018 0.25 0.75 Var TE
## 18 0.0017330800 0.50 0.75 Var TE
## 19 -0.0233628591 0.25 0.50 Overall
## 20 0.0207296837 0.25 0.75 Overall
## 21 0.0440925428 0.50 0.75 Overall
## 22 0.0001937051 0.25 0.50 Var OE
## 23 0.0006692608 0.25 0.75 Var OE
## 24 0.0003768236 0.50 0.75 Var OE
```

In the output above,

- The **section [[1]]** displays the point estimates (type = “point estimate” in the output) and estimated variances (type = “variance” in the output) for the average potential outcomes under three different allocation strategies (i.e., $\alpha = 0.25, 0.50, 0.75$) and each individual exposure ($a = 0, a = 1$, and margin). “Margin” is the average potential outcomes for a particular allocation strategy, regardless of individual exposure status.
- The **section [[2]]** displays the point estimates (type = “Direct”, “Indirect”, “Total”, “Overall” in the output) and estimated variances (type = “Var DE”, “Var IE”, “Var TE”, “Var OE” in the output) of four causal effects: direct, indirect, total and overall effects, corresponding to particular allocation strategies (α_0 and α_1). The estimated values are shown in “estimation” column in the output above.

IPW2

Using IPW2 to estimate the average potential outcomes and causal effects under allocation strategies α .

```
# note: the same allocation strategies applied here. i.e., alpha=c(0.25, 0.5, 0.75)

# fit logistic regression models for nearest neighbors' exposures (M1) and individual's exposure (M2), respective ly.
formula_1=paste("cbind(na_a, notna_a)", "~", "treatment", "+",
                paste(base_covariate, collapse = "+"), "+",
                paste(avg_covariate, collapse = "+")) # formula for fitting M1
formula_2=paste("treatment", "~", paste(base_covariate, collapse = "+")) # formula for fitting M2
M1=glm(formula_1, family = binomial(link = "logit"), data=data)
M2=glm(formula_2, family = binomial(link = "logit"), data=data)

IPW_2_model(data, M1, M2, alpha) # call on IPW2 function
```

```
## [[1]]
##           a=1           a=0           margin alpha           type
## 1 0.1796249651 0.1454643863 0.1540045310 0.25 point estimate
## 2 0.1597258863 0.2266322694 0.1931790778 0.50 point estimate
## 3 0.1470394052 0.2526265019 0.1734361794 0.75 point estimate
## 4 0.0011119881 0.0003719574 0.0002913227 0.25 variance
## 5 0.0003355471 0.0004879431 0.0002299846 0.50 variance
## 6 0.0004107754 0.0016837676 0.0003741267 0.75 variance
##
## [[2]]
##           estimation alpha0 alpha1           type
## 1 0.0341605788 0.25 0.25 Direct
## 2 -0.0669063830 0.50 0.50 Direct
## 3 -0.1055870966 0.75 0.75 Direct
## 4 0.0014167592 0.25 0.25 Var DE
## 5 0.0007270418 0.50 0.50 Var DE
## 6 0.0018927829 0.75 0.75 Var DE
## 7 -0.0811678831 0.25 0.50 Indirect
## 8 -0.1071621155 0.25 0.75 Indirect
## 9 -0.0259942325 0.50 0.75 Indirect
## 10 0.0002295839 0.25 0.50 Var IE
## 11 0.0017476652 0.25 0.75 Var IE
## 12 0.0010428090 0.50 0.75 Var IE
## 13 -0.0470073043 0.25 0.50 Total
## 14 -0.0730015368 0.25 0.75 Total
## 15 -0.0929006155 0.50 0.75 Total
## 16 0.0014390786 0.25 0.50 Var TE
## 17 0.0020005766 0.25 0.75 Var TE
## 18 0.0015989317 0.50 0.75 Var TE
## 19 -0.0391745468 0.25 0.50 Overall
## 20 -0.0194316484 0.25 0.75 Overall
## 21 0.0197428985 0.50 0.75 Overall
## 22 0.0001526009 0.25 0.50 Var OE
## 23 0.0005000172 0.25 0.75 Var OE
## 24 0.0002177706 0.50 0.75 Var OE
```

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