

# Supplementary Material

## “Bayesian Subject-Specific Bi-Level Feature Selection Model”

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### 1 Subject-Specific Group-Level Feature Selection Model

As motivated by Xu and Ghosh [1] and Lique et al. [2], we present here a Bayesian subject-specific group-level feature selection model.

#### 1.1 Model hierarchy

For  $k = 1, \dots, K$  let

- $vec\left(\mathbf{Y}^T\right) \mid \mathbf{X}_{nJ \times Jp}, \beta_{pJ \times 1}, \sigma^2, \mathbf{Z}_{nJ \times nq}, \mathbf{b}_{nq \times 1} \sim N_{Jn}\left(\mathbf{X}_{nJ \times Jp} \beta_{pJ \times 1} + \mathbf{Z}_{nJ \times nq} \mathbf{b}_{nq \times 1}, \left(\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n \otimes \mathbf{I}_J\right)\right),$
- $vec\left(\mathbf{B}_k\right) \mid \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{J \times J}, \tau_k^2, \pi_{0k} \stackrel{ind.}{\sim} \pi_{0k} N_{p_k J}\left(\mathbf{0}_{p_k J \times 1}, \tau_k^2 \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{J \times J} \otimes \mathbf{I}_{p_k}\right) + (1 - \pi_{0k}) \delta_0\left(vec\left(\mathbf{B}_k\right)\right),$
- $\tau_k^2 \mid \lambda_k^2 \stackrel{ind.}{\sim} Gamma\left(shape = \frac{p_k J + 1}{2}, rate = \frac{\lambda_k^2}{2}\right),$
- $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{J \times J} \mid d, \mathbf{Q}_{J \times J} \sim Inverse\ Wishart\left(df = d, scale = \mathbf{Q}_{J \times J}\right),$
- $\pi_{0k} \mid \theta_\beta \stackrel{iid}{\sim} Bernoulli(\theta_\beta),$
- $\theta_\beta \mid a, b \sim Beta(a, b),$
- $\sigma^2 \mid \alpha, \gamma \stackrel{ind.}{\sim} Inverse\ Gamma(shape = \alpha, scale = \gamma),$
- $\lambda_k^2 \mid r, \delta \stackrel{ind.}{\sim} Gamma(shape = r, rate = \delta),$
- $\mathbf{b}_{nq \times 1} \mid \mathbf{G}_{q \times q} \sim N_{nq}\left(\mathbf{0}_{nq \times 1}, \mathbf{I}_n \otimes \mathbf{G}_{q \times q}\right), \text{ and}$
- $\mathbf{G}_{q \times q} \mid \nu_o, \mathbf{C}_0 \sim Inverse\ Wishart\left(df = \nu_o, scale = \mathbf{C}_0\right).$

## 1.2 Gibbs sampler

Let

- $\Sigma_k \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \tau_k^2 & \mathbf{X}_k^T & \mathbf{X}_k \\ \mathbf{X}_k^T \times nJ & nJ \times nJ & nJ \times Jp_k \end{bmatrix} + \sigma^2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma & \mathbf{I}_{p_k} \\ J \times J & p_k \times p_k \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1},$
- $\mathbf{z}_k \equiv \text{vec} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \\ J \times n \end{bmatrix} \right) - \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_{\neg k} & \text{vec} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_{\neg k} \\ p_{\neg k} \times J \end{bmatrix} \right) + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{b} \\ nJ \times nq & nq \times 1 \end{bmatrix} \end{bmatrix} \right),$
- $\mathbf{r} \equiv \text{vec} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \\ J \times n \end{bmatrix} \right) - \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} & \beta \\ nJ \times Jp & pJ \times 1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z} & \mathbf{b} \\ nJ \times nq & nq \times 1 \end{bmatrix} \right),$
- $\Sigma_{\mathbf{b}} \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}^T & \mathbf{Z} \\ nq \times nJ & nJ \times nq \end{bmatrix} + \sigma^2 \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_n & \mathbf{G} \\ n \times n & q \times q \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1},$
- $\mathbf{r}_{\mathbf{b}} \equiv \text{vec} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Y}^T \\ J \times n \end{bmatrix} \right) - \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} & \beta \\ nJ \times Jp & pJ \times 1 \end{bmatrix},$
- $f_k \equiv \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z}_k^T & \mathbf{X}_k & \Sigma_k^{-1} & \mathbf{X}_k^T & \mathbf{z}_k \\ 1 \times Jn & nJ \times Jp_k & Jp_k \times Jp_k & Jp_k \times nJ & Jn \times 1 \end{bmatrix},$  and
- $\eta_k^2 \equiv \frac{1}{\tau_k^2}.$

Then, the full-conditional posterior distributions for our subject-specific group-level feature selection model Gibbs sampler are given below:

- $\text{vec} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_k \\ p_k \times J \end{bmatrix} \right) | \text{rest} \stackrel{\text{ind.}}{\sim} \pi_{0k} N_{p_k J} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \tau_k^2 & \Sigma_k^{-1} & \mathbf{X}_k^T & \mathbf{z}_k \\ Jp_k \times Jp_k & Jp_k \times nJ & Jn \times 1 \end{bmatrix}, \sigma^2 \tau_k^2 \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_k^{-1} \\ Jp_k \times Jp_k \end{bmatrix} \right) + (1 - \pi_{0k}) \delta_0 \left( \text{vec} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_k \\ p_k \times J \end{bmatrix} \right) \right),$
- $\eta_k^2 | \text{rest} \stackrel{\text{ind.}}{\sim} \begin{cases} \text{Inverse Gaussian} \left( \left( \left( \frac{\lambda_k^2}{\text{tr} \left( \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_k & \Sigma_k^{-1} & \mathbf{B}_k^T \\ p_k \times J & J \times J & J \times p_k \end{bmatrix} \right)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right), \lambda_k^2 \right) & \text{if } \pi_{0k} = 1, \\ \text{Inverse Gamma} \left( \text{shape} = \frac{p_k J + 1}{2}, \text{scale} = \frac{\lambda_k^2}{2} \right) & \text{if } \pi_{0k} = 0 \end{cases},$
- $\Sigma_{J \times J} | \text{rest} \sim \text{Inverse Wishart} \left( df = d + \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_{0k} p_k, \text{scale} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}^T & \\ J \times p \end{bmatrix} \text{diag} \left( \frac{1}{\tau_k^2} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{p_k} \\ p_k \times p_k \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} \\ p \times J \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} \\ J \times J \end{bmatrix} \right),$

- $\pi_{0k}|rest \stackrel{ind.}{\sim} Bernoulli \left( \frac{\theta_\beta (\sigma^2)^{\frac{Jp_k}{2}} \det \left( \begin{smallmatrix} \mathbf{\Sigma} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_{p_k} \end{smallmatrix} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ \frac{\tau_k^2}{2\sigma^2} f_k \right\} \det \left( \mathbf{\Sigma}_k^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{(1-\theta) + \theta_\beta (\sigma^2)^{\frac{Jp_k}{2}} \det \left( \begin{smallmatrix} \mathbf{\Sigma} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_{p_k} \end{smallmatrix} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp \left\{ \frac{\tau_k^2}{2\sigma^2} f_k \right\} \det \left( \mathbf{\Sigma}_k^{-1} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right),$
- $\theta_\beta|rest \sim Beta \left( a + \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_{0k}, b + K - \sum_{k=1}^K \pi_{0k} \right),$
- $\sigma^2|rest \sim Inverse\ Gamma \left( shape = \frac{nJ}{2} + \alpha, scale = \frac{\mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{1} \times Jn \mathbf{r}}{2} + \gamma \right),$
- $\lambda_k^2|rest \stackrel{ind.}{\sim} Gamma \left( shape = \frac{p_k J + 1}{2} + r, rate = \frac{\tau_k^2}{2} + \delta \right),$
- $\mathbf{b}_{nq \times 1}|rest \sim N_{nq} \left( \begin{smallmatrix} \mathbf{\Sigma}_b^{-1} & \mathbf{Z}^T & \mathbf{r}_b \\ nq \times nq & nq \times nJ & Jn \times 1 \end{smallmatrix}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{\Sigma}_b^{-1} \right), \text{ and}$
- $\mathbf{G}_{q \times q}|rest \sim Inverse\ Wishart \left( df = n + \nu_o, scale = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{b}_i \mathbf{b}_i^T + \mathbf{C}_0 \right).$

## 2 Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative (ADNI) Feature Data

Below is a table [1](#) detailing all of the  $p = 44$  features we used for our applied analysis.

## Bibliography

- [1] Xiaofan Xu and Malay Ghosh. Bayesian Variable Selection and Estimation for Group Lasso. *Bayesian Analysis*, 10(4):909–936, 2015.
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Feature ( $l$ )	Feature Group ( $k$ )	$p_k$	Feature Description
ABETA	CSF biomarkers	2	Amyloid beta peptide
TAU	CSF biomarkers	2	Total tau protein
Age	Demographics	5	Age
Education	Demographics	5	Education level (in years)
Sex	Demographics	5	Sex (female vs. male)
Race	Demographics	5	Race (white vs. other)
Marriage	Demographics	5	Marital status (married vs. other)
MCI	Neurological diagnoses	2	MCI vs. cognitively normal diagnosis
Dementia	Neurological diagnoses	2	Dementia vs. cognitively normal diagnosis
APOE4 1	Genetic markers	2	1 vs. 0 APOE- $\epsilon$ 4 alleles
APOE4 2	Genetic markers	2	2 vs. 0 APOE- $\epsilon$ 4 alleles
Hippocampus	MRI measurements	7	Volumetric quantification of the hippocampus
Ventricles	MRI measurements	7	Volumetric quantification of the ventricles
Whole Brain	MRI measurements	7	Volumetric quantification of the whole brain
Entorhinal	MRI measurements	7	Volumetric quantification of the entorhinal cortex
Fusiform	MRI measurements	7	Volumetric quantification of the fusiform gyrus
MidTemp	MRI measurements	7	Volumetric quantification of the middle temporal gyrus
ICV	MRI measurements	7	Intracerebral volume
MOCA	NP assessments/ECog	24	Montreal Cognitive Assessment
CDRSB	NP assessments/ECog	24	Clinical Dementia Rating sum of boxes
ADAS11	NP assessments/ECog	24	Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Subscale (11 task version)
ADASQ4	NP assessments/ECog	24	Alzheimer's Disease Assessment Cognitive Delayed Recall Task
MMSE	NP assessments/ECog	24	Mini-Mental State Examination
RAVLT Learning	NP assessments/ECog	24	Rey's Auditory Verbal Learning Test Learning
RAVLT Forgetting	NP assessments/ECog	24	Rey's Auditory Verbal Learning Test Forgetting
RAVLT Percent Forgetting	NP assessments/ECog	24	Rey's Auditory Verbal Learning Test Percent Forgetting
FAQ	NP assessments/ECog	24	Functional Assessment Questionnaire
LDELTOTAL	NP assessments/ECog	24	Logical Memory – Delayed Recall
TRABSCOR	NP assessments/ECog	24	Trail Making B Digit Symbol Substitution Test of the Wechsler Adult Intelligence Scale-Revised
ECog Pt Memory	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Participant Memory
ECog Pt Language	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Participant Language
ECog Pt Visuospatial	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Participant Visuospatial Abilities
ECog Pt Planning	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Participant Planning
ECog Pt Organization	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Participant Organization
ECog Pt Divided Attention	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Participant Divided Attention
ECog Pt Total	NP assessments/ECog	24	Average ECog Participant Score
ECog SP Memory	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Study Partner Assessment of Memory
ECog SP Language	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Study Partner Assessment of Language
ECog SP Visuospatial	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Study Partner Assessment of Visuospatial Abilities
ECog SP Planning	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Study Partner Assessment of Planning
ECog SP Organization	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Study Partner Assessment of Organization
ECog SP Divided Attention	NP assessments/ECog	24	ECog Study Partner Assessment of Divided Attention
FDG	PET measurements	2	Average FDG PET of the angular, temporal, and posterior cingulate
AV45	PET measurements	2	Average Florbetapir F 18 PET of THE whole cerebellum

Table 1: Baseline feature data from the ADNI; we consider a total of  $p = 44$  features partitioned into  $K = 7$  feature groups. **Abbreviations:** **MCI**: mild cognitive impairment, **APOE**: Apolipoprotein E, **NP**: neuropsychological, **ECog**: Everyday Cognition, and **FDG**: Fluorodeoxyglucose.