### LECTURE NOTES

#### DECOMPOSITION OF MULTIVARIABLES USING STATE-SPACE MODELS

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# 1 Multivariables and Profiles

#### 1.1 Variables

A variable is a mapping  $\phi$  defined on a domain  $\Omega$  with values in a target  $\nabla$ .

Elements of the domain are called *individuals* or *objects*, elements of the target are called *categories* or *values*.

Targets can be sets of real numbers, sets of natural numbers, ordered sets, or arbitrary sets.

If a variable corresponds with actual data (and not with a "model") then the domain  $\Omega = \{\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n\}$  is finite. This makes the image  $\phi(\Omega) \subseteq \nabla$  finite as well.

In fact, for actual data we can suppose without loss of generality that  $\nabla$  is finite.

Some examples of variables:

 $\phi$ : Individuals  $\Rightarrow$  IQ scores

 $\phi$ : Surveyees  $\Rightarrow$  Agree with Thing

 $\phi$ : Students  $\Rightarrow$  Religion

 $\phi: \texttt{Timepoints} \ \Rightarrow \ \texttt{Height Mrs. Entity}$ 

 $\phi: \text{Time} \times \text{Person} \Rightarrow \text{Height}$ 

 $\phi: T \times X \times Y \times Z \Rightarrow \text{Aftershock}$ 

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#### 1.2 Multivariables

A multivariable is a finite sequence  $\Phi = \{\phi_1, \dots, \phi_m\}$  of variables with a common domain  $\Omega$  and with targets  $\nabla_1, \dots, \nabla_m$ .

Let  $\nabla_{\otimes} = \nabla_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \nabla_m$ . Then a multivariable on  $\Omega$  can also be interpreted as a variable on  $\Omega$  with target  $\nabla_{\otimes}$ .

An element of  $\nabla_{\otimes} = \nabla_1 \otimes \cdots \otimes \nabla_m$  is called a profile. Each profile is a sequence of m categories, with category j coming from variable j. Thus a multivariable maps the objects or individuals into the set of profiles. Or

$$\Phi:\Omega\Rightarrow\nabla_{\otimes}.$$

Often  $\operatorname{card}\{\Phi(\Omega)\}\$ is small compared to  $\operatorname{card}\{\nabla_{\otimes}\}$ , i.e. many of the profiles are unused.

Here is the GALO example, Groningen 1959.

- 1. Gender
- (a) Boys
- (b) Girls
- 2. IQ
- values between 60 and 144
- Teachers Advice
- (a) No further education
- ) Extended primary education
- (c) Manual labour education
- (d) Agricultural education
- (e) General Education
- f) Secondary school for girls
- (g) Pre-university
- 4. Fathers profession
- (a) Unskilled labour
- b) Schooled labour
- (c) Lower white collar
- (d) Shopkeepers
- e) Middle white collar
- (f) Professional
- School
- numbers 1-37

1.3 Coding

There are two essentially different ways to code profiles.

Suppose  $\nabla_j$  has  $k_j$  elements. Define  $g_{j\ell}$  to be a binary vector with  $k_j$  elements given by

$$\{g_{j\ell}\}_{\nu} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \ell = \nu \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

A profile  $\langle \ell_1, \dots, \ell_m \rangle$  can now be coded as a vector  $g_{\oplus} = g_{1\ell_1} \oplus \dots \oplus g_{m\ell_m}$  of length  $\sum_{j=1}^m k_j$ . Or, alternatively, as the  $k_1 \times \dots \times k_m$  array  $g_{\otimes} = g_{1\ell_1} \otimes \dots \otimes g_{m\ell_m}$ .

The vector  $g_{\oplus}$  has m elements equal to one, one for each variable. The array  $g_{\otimes}$  has exactly one element equal to one, indicating where the profile is in the m-dimensional grid.

### Profile Frequencies

multiplicative coding  $g_{\otimes}$ . profiles. In this course we will use the basic coding is the additive coding  $g_{\oplus}$  of the In the Gifi system for multivariate analysis the

data,  $\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} n_i = n$ .  $i \in \mathcal{I}$ . Each profile occurs with frequency  $n_i$  in the There are  $\prod_{j=1}^{m} k_j$  possible profiles, indexed by

profiles. mapping assigns frequencies to each of the mapping of  $\nabla_{\otimes}$  into the natural numbers  $\{0,1,2,\cdots\}$ . The interpretation is that the The profile frequencies of a multivariable are a

the observations does not matter. the profile frequencies if, and only if, the order of Observe that we can recover the variables from

also use the profile relative frequencies given by We use  $n_i$  for the frequency of profile i. Often we

$$p_i = \frac{n_i}{n}.$$

which is the set of all vectors with  $\prod_{j=1}^{m} k_j$ non-negative elements adding up to one. The relative frequencies are in the simplex  $\mathcal{P}$ ,

quantities  $\pi_i$  and  $\underline{p}_i$ . These quantities do not refer them in a separate section. to the data, but to the model. We shall discuss problems, we also have to define the related In order to study stability and related statistical

Here is a tiny example of a multivariable and its profile frequencies.

jane	jebb	jill	jack	jim	joe	jan	john	object
mormon	mormon	buddhist	buddhist	buddhist	mormon	mormon	buddhist	${f r}$ eligion
OR.	СЯ	O1	6	6	6	СП	6	height in feet
female	male	female	male	male	male	female	male	gender

 $_{ m religion}$	height in feet	gender	n	Р
buddhist	2	male	0	.000
buddhist	υπ	female	Н	.125
buddhist	6	male	ಲ	.375
buddhist	6	female	0	.000
mormon	υπ	male	Н	.125
mormon	υπ	female	2	.250
mormon	6	male	1	.125
mormon	6	female	0	.000

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#### 2 Models

#### 2.1 Why Models?

A model  $\mathcal{M}$  is a subset of space  $\mathcal{P}$ . It can consist of s single point (simple model) or of the whole space (saturated model).

Models are useful, because they

- summarize prior knowledge;
- provide a language for discourse;
- reduce data volume;
- enhance stability.

Models are harmful, because they

- incorporate prejudices and idols;
- introduce bias.

Models are used to filter and summarize observed arrays.

#### 2.2Fixed and Random Variables

specify something of the form specifying a subset of array space, but they also In many cases models do not only involve

Data = Structure + Deviation

replication is difficult or impossible. more heavily on the model when actual can or will be replicated, on the contrary, we rely This does not imply that the experiment actually will be different if the experiment is replicated. What is this "deviation"? It is something that

stays the same over replications. Again, this is a cumulative science does not make much sense however, the whole notion of stability and of falsified in any strict sense. Without it, theoretical construct, which can never be verified als the truth. It is the part of the outcome that

And what is the "structure"? This is also known

of experiments, sometimes known as a replication framework.model data, they model a hypothetical sequence important to realize that random variables do not value uses the notion of a random variable. It is The standard model for variability around a true

confidence interval). with the statistical notion of standard error (or with the variance of the random variable, and notion of unbiasedness. The deviations correpond the random variable, and with the statistical The truth corresponds with the expected value of

times, and define  $\pi = \mathbf{E}(\underline{p}_n)$  as the **Truth**. we replicate the experiment a large number of i.e. it is the variation in the profile frequencies if Now define  $\underline{p}_n$  as the replication framework for p,

they are there as they are by design. The random replications. variables have an error component, and vary over sequence of experiments. They do not have error fixed factors remain the same in our hypothetical (also called factors) and random variables. The We can also distinguish between fixed variables

generates a product multinomial structure. Each with the random variables. Thus the fixed variables and a part  $i_2$  corresponding profile i consist of a part  $i_1$  corresponding with discreteness, the notion of replications actually distribution over the profiles. Since we assume Random variation introduces a probability

a multinomial distribution over the values of  $i_2$  $\pi(i) = \pi(i_1, i_2) = \pi(i_2|i_1)$ . Each value of  $i_1$  defines

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# 2.3 Stability of Profile Frequencies

We have

$$\operatorname{prob}(\underline{p}_n = p_n) = \prod_{i_1 \in \mathcal{I}_1} \mathcal{C}(i_1) \prod_{i_2 \in \mathcal{I}_2} \pi(i_2|i_1)^{n(i_2|i_1)}.$$

In the same way

$$\mathbf{V}\left(\underline{p}_n(i)\right) = n(i_1)\pi(i_2|i_1)(1 - \pi(i_2|i_1)),$$

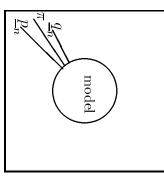
and, for  $i \neq i'$ ,

$$\mathbf{C}(\underline{p}_n(i),\underline{p}_n(i')) =$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} -n(i_1)\pi(i_2|i_1)\pi(i_2'|i_1') & \text{if } i_1 = i_1' \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{array} \right.$$

### 2.4 Fitting Models

We project the observed array on the model. Or, to put it differently, we find the closest point on the model.



Observe that in this case the model is not "true", and observe that projection improves stability (although it introduces bias).

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## 2.5 Distance between Profile Frequencies

There are many different ways to define distance between conforming vectors of frequencies. One that is particulary natural is based on weighted least squares.

If p(i) is the observed vector of frequencies, and  $\pi(i)$  is the expected vector (given the model), then

$$\Delta_{WLS}(p,\pi) = n \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} w(i)(p(i) - \pi(i))^2.$$

The weights w(i) should be chosen in some "reasonable" way, to reflect the stability of the observed frequencies.

For the time being we suppose there are only random variables.

to zero. For the generalized inverse we find is singular, because its rows and columns add up matrix with the  $\pi(i)$  on the diagonal. This matrix form is equal to  $V = \Pi - \pi \pi'$ , with  $\Pi$  the diagonal We now that the dispersion of the  $\underline{p}_n$  in matrix

$$[V + \frac{1}{n}ee']^{-1} = V^{+} + \frac{1}{n}ee',$$

and thus

$$V^+(p-\pi) = \Pi^{-1}(p-\pi).$$

This suggests

$$\Delta_{XS}(p,\pi) = n(p-\pi)'V^+(p-\pi) = n(p-\pi)'\Pi^{-1}(p-\pi)$$

or, in scalar notation,

$$\Delta_{XS}(p,\pi) = n \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \frac{(\pi(i) - \pi(i))^2}{\pi(i)}.$$

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Here is another one:

$$\Delta_{ML}(p,\pi) = 2n \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} p(i) \log \frac{p(i)}{\pi(i)}.$$

By writing

$$p(i)=\pi(i)+(p(i)-\pi(i))$$

we see that

$$\log \frac{p(i)}{\pi(i)} = \log \left\{ 1 + \frac{p(i) - \pi(i)}{\pi(i)} \right\} =$$

$$\approx \frac{p(i) - \pi(i)}{\pi(i)} - \frac{1}{2} \frac{(p(i) - \pi(i))^2}{\pi(i)^2},$$

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which shows

$$\Delta_{ML}(p,\pi) \approx \Delta_{XS}(p,\pi).$$

Another popular and elegant one:

$$\begin{split} \Delta_{HD}(p,\pi) &= 4n \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} (\sqrt{\pi(i)} - \sqrt{p(i)})^2 = \\ &= 8n(1 - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \sqrt{p(i)\pi(i)}). \end{split}$$

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$$\sqrt{p(i)\pi(i)} = \pi(i)\sqrt{1 + \frac{p(i) - \pi(i)}{\pi(i)}}$$

$$\approx \pi(i) + \frac{1}{2}(p(i) - \pi(i)) - \frac{1}{8} \frac{(p(i) - \pi(i)^2}{\pi(i)},$$

and again

$$\Delta_{HD}(p,\pi) \approx \Delta_{XS}(p,\pi).$$

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## Mixture Models for Profile Frequencies

Mixture models assume that each vectur of frequencies is a mixture of "simple" vectors. Thus we write

$$\pi(i) = \sum_{s=1}^{r} \pi(s)\pi(i|s),$$

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$$\pi(i) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \pi(s)\pi(i|s)ds,$$

and we assume the  $\pi(i|s)$  are "simple", in some sense. The  $\pi(s)$  are the mixing proportions. It is as if we really have a two-dimensional table  $\pi(i,s)$ , for which we only observe the marginal  $\pi(i)$ .

### 3.1 The Notion of State

States, or state variables, are also known as *latent* variables. The general idea is that the state characterizes the system, in the sense that we knew the most important aspects of the system if we know the state. Unfortunately, the state cannot be measured directly, but it has to be inferred.

Some of the major examples show more clearly what this means. If we know the intelligence, the IQ tests do not really provide additional information. If we know the true value of a quantity, then the repeated measurements merely show what the error of measurement is. If we know the state of a dynamic system, then there is no need to enquire into its past, because the state has all the information necessary for prediction.

Many people question the notion of latent variables. We silence them by quoting a Nobel Price laureate.

Quotation

There is now a school of mathematical Physicists which objects to the introduction of ideas which do not relate to things which can actually be observed and measured. ... I hold that if the introduction of a quantity promotes clearness of thought, then even if at the moment we have no means of determining it with precision, its introduction is not only legitimate but desirable. The immeasurable of to-day may be the measurable of to-morrow.

J.J. Thomson, January 29, 1930

### 3.2 The EM algorithm

Let us study projecting on the model, using  $\Delta_{ML}(p,\pi)$ . This is known as maximum likelihood estimation, because it amounts to maximizing the log-likelihood

$$\mathcal{L}(\pi) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} n(i) \log \pi(i) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} n(i) \log \sum_{s=1}^r \pi(s) \pi(i|s).$$

Suppose  $\tilde{\pi}(s)$  and  $\tilde{\pi}(i|s)$  are our current best estimates. Then

$$\log \frac{\pi(i)}{\tilde{\pi}(i)} = \log \frac{\sum_{s=1}^{r} \tilde{\pi}(s)\tilde{\pi}(i|s) \frac{\pi(s)\pi(i|s)}{\tilde{\pi}(s)\tilde{\pi}(i|s)}}{\sum_{s=1}^{r} \tilde{\pi}(s)\tilde{\pi}(i|s)},$$

which shows

$$\log \pi(i) \geq \log \tilde{\pi}(i) + \sum_{s=1}^{r} \tilde{\pi}(s|i) \log \pi(i,s) - \sum_{s=1}^{r} \tilde{\pi}(s|i) \log \tilde{\pi}(i,s).$$

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The only term on the right hand side that depends on  $\pi(i,s)$  is  $\sum_{s=1}^{r} \tilde{\pi}(s|i) \log \pi(i,s)$ . By maximizing this term, we maximize the right-hand-side, and this maximum will be larger than  $\tilde{\pi}(s)$ .

Because of the inequality on the previous page, we see that this implies that we increase  $\pi(i)$  as well. Thus, in each step, we maximize

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} n_i \sum_{s=1} \tilde{\pi}(s|i) \log \pi(s) \pi(i|s)$$

$$= n \sum_{s=1}^{r} \tilde{p}(s) \log \pi(s)$$

$$+ n \sum_{s=1}^{r} \tilde{p}(s) \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \tilde{p}(i|s) \log \pi(i|s).$$

with  $\tilde{p}(i,s) = p_i \tilde{\pi}(s|i)$ , etc. This is usually much simpler than the original problem, but we have to solve it a large number of times.

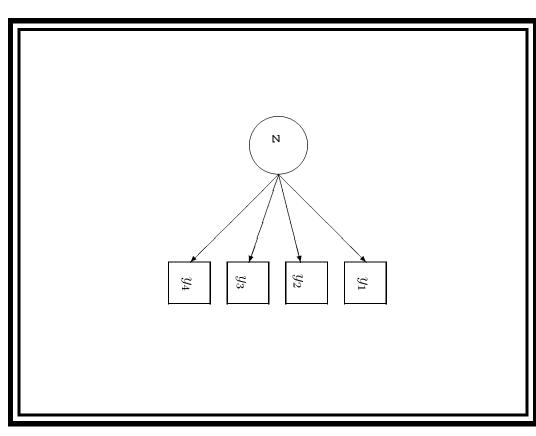
### Factor Analysis

We now give a brief and unconventional introduction to factor analysis. In our presentation of the model, it covers latent class analysis, Rasch models, and various other special cases as well. In fact, the important thing to understand is that basically these are all the same model.

Factor analysis is a cross-sectional state space model without input variables.

This point of view is far from new. It was discussed with varying degree of generality in the forties by Lazarsfeld and Guttman, in the fifties by Anderson and Koopmans, and in the sixties and seventies by McDonald, Lord, and others.

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The basic assumption for factor analysis is *local* or conditional independence. Given the value of the state variable, the observed variables are independent. To use some canonical examples:

- Given a person's intelligence, the scores on various intelligence tests are independent;
- Given a person's ability, his results on the items of a test are independent.

This is just another way of saying that intelligence tests only have intelligence in common, and test items only have the fact that they measure ability in common.

Thus the "simplicity" in the factor analysis model is independence. This is not strictly necessary. We can also have a factor analysis in which "simple" means no second-order interactions.

### .1 Latent Class Analysis

Suppose there is only a finite number of states. For notational simplicity, suppose there are three observed variables, i.e. our array is three-dimensional with elements  $p_{ijk}$ . The model is

$$\pi_{ijk} = \sum_{s=1}^{r} \pi_s \pi_{i|s}^{A} \pi_{j|s}^{B} \pi_{k|s}^{C}.$$

The EM algorithm is simply

$$\begin{array}{cccc} \pi_{S} & \longleftarrow & \tilde{p}_{S} \\ \pi_{i|S} & \longleftarrow & \tilde{p}_{i|S} \\ \pi_{j|S} & \longleftarrow & \tilde{p}_{j|S} \\ \pi_{k|S} & \longleftarrow & \tilde{p}_{k|S}. \end{array}$$

This is a simple as it gets. We do iterative proportional fitting on the augmented array.

### .2 Latent Trait Analysis

Suppose the state is a single continuous variable such as intelligence, or ability), and the (three) variables are all binary (such as correct-false items). Then, for profile < 1, 1, 1 > for example,

$$\pi(111) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \pi(s)\pi_1(s)\pi_2(s)\pi_3(s)ds,$$

where  $\pi_1(s)$  is short for the probability of a correct response on variable 1 given ability s. The function  $\pi_j(s)$  is called the trace-line of item j. More generally, we can write

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \pi(s) \prod_{j=1}^{m} \pi_j(s)^{y_{ij}} (1 - \pi_j(s))^{1 - y_{ij}} ds.$$

 $\pi(s) \prod_{j=1} \pi_j(s)^{y_{ij}} (1 - \pi_j(s))^{1 - y_{ij}}$ 

What can we say about the EM algorithm in this case? Well, in the first place we need to distinguish some cases. If  $\pi(s)$  is not further specified, and estimated, then we do semiparametric maximum marginal likelihood estimation. We call it semiparametric, because often the trace lines will have a prescribed parametric form, such as

$$\pi_{j}(s) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\{-(s - \mu_{j})\}},$$

$$\pi_{j}(s) = \frac{1}{1 + \exp\{-\frac{s - \mu_{j}}{\sigma_{j}}\}},$$

$$\pi_{j}(s) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{j}\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{s} \exp\{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{(t - \alpha_{j})^{2}}{\sigma_{j}^{2}}\} dt.$$

We can also consider the nonparametric situation in which neither the functional form of the  $\pi(s)$ , nor that of the  $\pi_j(s)$  is specified (except for monotonicity of the  $\pi_j(s)$ ). This actually brings us back to latent class analysis.

For the general latent trait model

$$\log \pi(i|s) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} y_{ij} \log \left\{ \frac{\pi_j(s)}{1 - \pi_j(s)} \right\} + \log\{1 - \pi_j(s)\},$$

and thus

$$\sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \tilde{p}(i|s) \log \pi(i|s) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} u_j(s) \log \pi_j(s) + (1 - u_j(s)) \log \{1 - \pi_j(s)\},$$

with

$$u_j(s) = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{I}} \tilde{p}(i|s) y_{ij}.$$

The EM algorithms sets  $\pi(s)$  equal to  $\tilde{p}(s)$ , and sets  $\pi_{j}(s)$  equal to a monotonic version of  $u_{j}(s)$ . Because of the monotone regression, this creates step functions as solutions. The problem becomes slightly more complicated if we also require that the trace lines do not cross.

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## 4.3 Linear Factor Analysis

Suppose we have

$$\pi(y_1,\dots,y_m) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \pi(s) \prod_{j=1}^m \pi(y_j|s) ds,$$

and the regressions of the observed variables on the state variables are linear and homoscedastic, i.e.

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{E}(\underline{y}_{j}|s) &= \sum_{h=1}^{f} \alpha_{jh} s_{h}, \\ \mathbf{V}(\underline{y}_{j}|s) &= \sigma_{j}^{2} \end{split}$$

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$$\mathbf{C}(\underline{y}_j, \underline{y}_\ell) = \sum_{h=1}^f \sum_{g=1}^f \alpha_{jh} \alpha_{\ell g} \omega_{hg} + \delta^{j,\ell} \sigma_j^2.$$

This is the famous Thurstone Multiple Factor Analysis Model, with f=1 the special Spearman case.

for stable estimation. Thus we must use a space, and a "continuous" observed space is not  $\pi(s)$  and/or  $\pi(y_j|s)$  are normal. But then parametric model, which assume for instance that zero or one), and there are too many parameters the profiles have low frequencies (usually either Unfortunately if the variables are "continuous" principle the same EM algorithm could be used too different from the laten class model. In The factor analysis model with a continuous state

$$-2\log \pi(y|s) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \log \sigma_{j}^{2} + \frac{(y_{j} - \sum_{h=1}^{f} \alpha_{jh} s_{h})^{2}}{\sigma_{j}^{2}},$$

and thus we see that the EM algorithm is based on the simple result 
$$-2\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \pi(s) \log \pi(y|s) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} \log \sigma_j^2 + \frac{\mathbf{E}((y_j - \sum_{h=1}^{f} \alpha_{jh} s_h)^2)}{\sigma_j^2}.$$

# 4.4 Ordinal and Nominal Variables

basic machanisms to make the extensions. outcomes. They are slightly more involved for build for both binary outcomes and numerical ordinal and nominal outcomes. There are two We see that factor analysis models are easy to

variables  $\underline{y}_1, \dots, \underline{y}_m$  a set of m pairs of variables are again latent or in state space.  $(\underline{y}_1,\underline{\eta}_1),\cdots,(\underline{y}_m,\underline{\eta}_m)$ . The  $\underline{y}_j$  are observed, the  $\underline{\eta}_j$ The main trick is to study, instead of the m

connection is probabilistic. or partially known. The second possibility is to relationship  $\underline{y}_j = F_j(\underline{\eta}_j)$ , where  $F_j$  is completely assume that  $\underline{y}_j$  only depends on  $\underline{\eta}_j$  but that the The first possibility is to assume a deterministic We now need to connect the members of the pair

The first is the Box-Cox method. We set Three examples of the deterministic approach

$$F(\eta, \lambda) = \begin{cases} \frac{\eta^{\lambda} - 1}{\lambda} & \text{if } \lambda > 0\\ \log(\eta) & \text{if } \lambda = 0 \end{cases}$$

The second example sets

$$F(\eta, \alpha) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \alpha_0 < \eta \le \alpha_1 \\ 2 & \text{if } \alpha_1 < \eta \le \alpha_2 \\ \dots & \dots \\ k & \text{if } \alpha_{k-1} < \eta \le \alpha_k \end{cases}$$

coefficients  $\beta$ . This is all meant for ordinal or even (monotone) spline with knots  $\alpha$  and B-spline "continuous" variables. And finally we can set  $F(\eta, \alpha, \beta)$  equal to a

approach. Suppose  $\underline{y}$  is discrete, and has values We give a single example of the probabilistic  $1, \dots, k$ . Then we can set

$$\operatorname{prob}(\underline{y} = \ell | \underline{\eta} = \eta) = \frac{\exp\{\alpha_{\ell} + \beta_{\ell}\eta\}}{\sum_{v=1}^{k} \exp\{\alpha_{v} + \beta_{v}\eta\}};$$

and, of course,

$$\operatorname{prob}(y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \operatorname{prob}(y|\eta) \operatorname{prob}(\eta) d\eta = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \operatorname{prob}(\eta) \prod_{j=1}^{m} \operatorname{prob}(y_j|\eta_j) d\eta.$$

#### Ů Input and Output

#### Regression

same role. The state variable is different (it is symmetrically into the model. They all play the discussed above) all observed variables enter "causally prior") but it is not observed. In factor analysis (and the related techniques we

or independent and dependent variables. There is observable input and observable output, models, the situation is more or less reversed. In input-output models, also known as regression

detail. or latent variable model, we shall not discuss it in following figure, but since this is not a state space In its simplest form the model is given in the

 $x_3$  $x_2$  $x_1$ y

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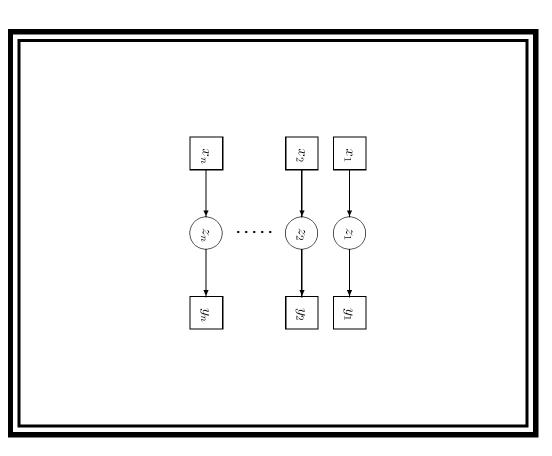
#### 5.2 **Fixed and Random Predictors**

study) then input is random. what we consider to be a replication of the different output as well as input (observational the the input is fixed, if a replication will give but different output (as in experimental design) experiment. If a replication means identical input as fixed or as random? This depends entirely on becomes relevant here. Do we consider the input Observe that a distinction we made earlier

 $\pi(x,y)$  as  $\pi(y|x)\pi(x)$  and of course in  $\pi(y|x)$  we From the modeling point of view we often model

have fixed x, at least formally.

ლ :ა The MIMIC Model



6 Time in the Picture

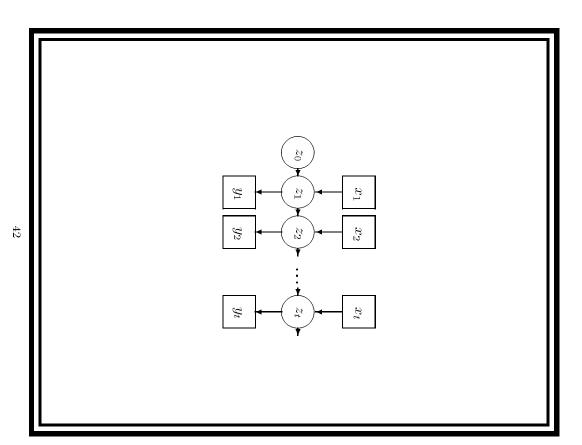
6.1 The State Space Model

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6.5 Event Histories and Point Processes



7 We Go Into Space

7.1 Spatial Grids

7.2 Kriging

7.3 Spatial EM