

Summary of Short-term Research Objectives

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1 Model Specification

Let L be a K -dimensional Bernoulli random variable denoting the true state. Consider the Quadratic Exponential Family, or pairwise log linear model:

$$f(l; \Theta) = \exp\{\Theta_a^T l + \Theta_b^T u - A(\Theta)\}$$

where $U = (L_1 L_2, \dots, L_{K-1} L_K)$ is a $K(K-1)/2 \times 1$ vector of two-way cross-products and $\Theta = (\Theta_a, \Theta_b)$ contains the the natural parameters, which is a $K(K+1)/2 \times 1$ vector.

For the prior, let $S = \sum_{j=1}^K L_j = s$ has some fixed pmf $\pi(s)$, $s = 1, \dots, K$, and let each possible outcome of L given $S = s$ occur with probability $\frac{\pi(s)}{\binom{K}{s}}$.

2 Research Objectives

1. Given the above model specification, what is the implied prior for Θ ?
2. Using the implied prior calculated above, simulate measurement data Y from the following hierarchical model:

$$\Theta \sim [\Theta | \pi, K]$$

$$L \sim [L | \Theta]$$

$$Y \sim [Y | L]$$

where $[Y | L]$ is defined by $Pr(Y_j = 1 | L_j = 1) = \psi_j$ and $Pr(Y_j = 0 | L_j = 0) = \phi_j$ with Y_j being conditional independent with each other given L .

3. Based on the data simulated above, estimate the individual etiology $P(L_i | Y)$ and the population etiology $P(\Theta | Y)$.