

# Generalized Group Lasso for Patient Subgroup Selection

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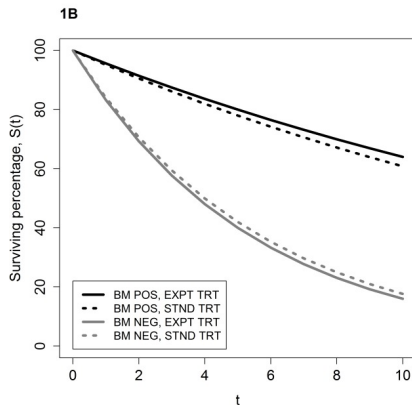
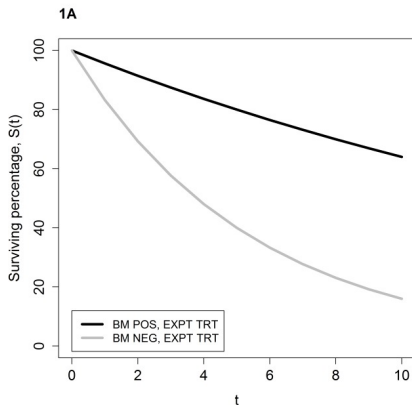
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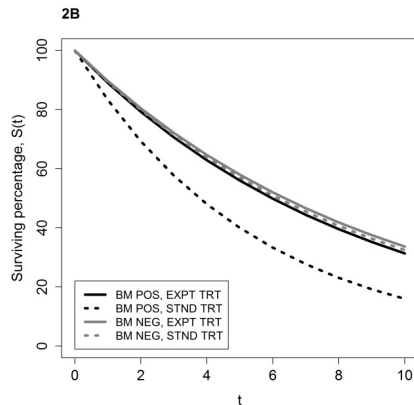
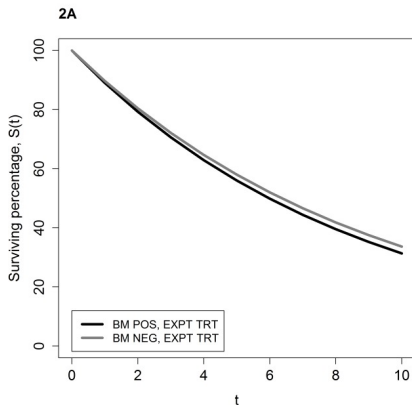
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# Prognostic Biomarkers



# Predictive Biomarkers



# Tree-based Methods

Regression trees GUIDE[Loh, 2018]:

- piecewise-linear Model
- examine residual patterns for each treatment level

Cannot repeat even the most naive simulation in GUIDE paper.

Reason: limited sample size. Even two splits will results in small sample size in each branch. The results would be highly unstable. Tree-based method is not appropriate to clinical trial dataset and identify prognostic and predictive biomarkers.

# Ordinary Linear Model

$$Y = X\beta + W\tau + G\alpha + W \otimes G\gamma + \epsilon$$

- $X$ : Baseline variables
- $W$ : Treatment variables
- $G$ : Main effects of genes, i.e. expression levels, SNP or mutation
- $W \otimes G$ : Interaction effects of genes and treatment
- $\epsilon$ : Random errors

We choose group lasso for its ability to

- handle high dimensional data
- allow hierarchical structure

However, the current group lasso based methods

- penalize on all parameters
- have no efficient adaptive penalty weights
- do not specifically target on patients treatment subgroup identification

# Loss Function

We assume the hierarchical relationship between prognostic biomarkers and predictive biomarkers, that is a predictive biomarker should be a prognostic biomarker.

The loss function is

$$\min_{\theta} f(\theta|Y, X, W, G) + g(\theta)$$

where

$$g(\theta) = \lambda \sum_i \phi_i^I |\gamma_i| + \lambda \sum_i \phi_i^M \sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + \gamma_i^2}$$

where  $f(\theta|Y, X, W, G)$  is L-2 loss function, i.e. sum of squared errors for ordinary linear model.

$\theta = (\beta, \tau, \alpha, \gamma)$  is parameter vector.



# Loss function for ordinary linear model

$$\min_{\theta} \| Y - (X\beta + W\tau + G\alpha + W \otimes G\gamma) \|^2 + \lambda \sum_i \phi_i^I |\gamma_i| + \lambda \sum_i \phi_i^M \sqrt{\alpha_i^2 + \gamma_i^2}$$

Denote  $X^{(l)} = [G_l, W \otimes G_l]$  is the  $l$ th group of the main and interaction effects of gene  $l$ . Then we let

$$\phi_i^I = \| X^{(i)} \|_2$$

- Fast iterative shrinkage-thresholding algorithm with backtracking[Beck and Teboulle, 2009]
- Adaptive restart for rippling behavior [ODonoghue and Candes, 2009]
- Adaptive stepsize of cyclic Barzilai-Borwein spectral approach[Wright, 2009]
- Warm start in cross validation

# Proximal Operator

## Definition

Let

$$Q_{\tau_i, g}(x, u) = g(x) + \frac{1}{2\tau} \|x - u\|^2$$

then the proximal operator is defined as

$$\tilde{x} = \arg \min Q_{\tau_i, g}(x, u)$$

For convenience, we denote  $P_{\tau_i, g}(u) = \tilde{x}$

Remark: Proximal operator is a point that compromises between minimizing  $g$  and being near to  $u$ .

# Algorithm

initialization  $x_0 = 0$  or warm start from previous run,  $\tau_0 = 0.1$ ,

stepsize  $\eta = 0.5$ ;

**while**  $i \leq k$  **do**

$u_i = \theta_{i-1} - \tau_i \nabla f(\theta_{i-1})$  Find the smallest nonnegative integers  $s_i$  such that with  $\tau_i = \eta^{s_i-1} \tau_{i-1}$ ,

$$(f + g)(P_{\tau_i, g}(u_i)) \leq Q_{\tau_i, g}(P_{\tau_i, g}(u_i), u_i);$$

Then, we compute  $x_i = P_{\tau_i, g}(u_i)$  And accelerate the computation by setting **if**  $f(\theta_i + g(\theta_i)) > f(\theta_{i-1}) + g(\theta_{i-1})$  **then**

$$\rho_i = 1$$

**else**

$$\rho_i = \frac{1 + \sqrt{1 + 4\rho_{i-1}^2}}{2}$$

**end**

$\theta_i = x_i + (\frac{\rho_{i-1}-1}{\rho_i})(x_i - x_{i-1})$  and find  $\tau_{i+1}$  that  $\tau_{i+1} / \tau_i$  can mimic the Hessian  $\nabla^2 f(x)$

**end**

**Algorithm 1:** Patient Subgroup Identification Group Lasso Algorithm

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| <b>Treatments</b> | <b>Response 1</b> | <b>Response 2</b> |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Treatment 1       | 0.0003262         | 0.562             |
| Treatment 2       | 0.0015681         | 0.910             |
| Treatment 3       | 0.0009271         | 0.296             |

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# Theorem

Theorem (Mass–energy equivalence)

$$E = mc^2$$



## Example (Theorem Slide Code)

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