0   Introduction

The goal of this document is to fully characterize the Dunson and Stanford day-specific probabilities model. In its current state it tries to provide full detail of the derivations described in *Bayesian Inferences on Predictors of Conception Probabilities*.

1   The day-specific probabilities model

1.1   Model specification

We wish to model the probability of a woman becoming pregnant for a given menstrual cycle as a function of her covariate status across the days of the cycle. Consider a study cohort and let us index

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\text{woman } i, && i = 1, \ldots, n \\
&\text{cycle } j, && j = 1, \ldots, n_i \\
&\text{day } k, && k = 1, \ldots, K
\end{aligned}
$$

where day k refers to the kth day out of a total of K days in the fertile window. Let us write day i, j, k as a shorthand for individual i, cycle j, and day k and similarly for cycle j, k. Then define

$$
\begin{aligned}
&Y_{ij} && \text{an indicator of conception for woman } i, \text{ cycle } j \\
&V_{ijk} && \text{an indicator of conception for woman } i, \text{ cycle } j, \text{ day } k \\
&X_{ijk} && \text{an indicator of intercourse for woman } i, \text{ cycle } j, \text{ day } k
\end{aligned}
$$

Then writing $\boldsymbol{X}_{ij} = (X_{ij1}, \ldots, X_{ijK})$, we observe that

$$
\begin{aligned}
&\mathbb{P}\Big(Y_{ij} = 1 \mid \boldsymbol{X}_{ij},\ Y_{i1} = 0, \ldots, Y_{i,j-1} = 0\Big) \\[4pt]
&\quad = 1 - \mathbb{P}\Big(Y_{ij} = 0 \mid \boldsymbol{X}_{ij},\ Y_{i1} = 0, \ldots, Y_{i,j-1} = 0\Big) \\[4pt]
&\quad = 1 - \mathbb{P}\Big(V_{ijk} = 0,\ k = 1, \ldots, K \mid \boldsymbol{X}_{ij},\ Y_{i1} = 0, \ldots, Y_{i,j-1} = 0\Big) \\[4pt]
&\quad = 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K} \mathbb{P}\Big(V_{ijk} = 0 \mid X_{ijk},\ Y_{i1} = 0, \ldots, Y_{i,j-1} = 0,\ V_{ij1} = 0, \ldots, V_{i,k-1} = 0\Big) \\[4pt]
&\quad = 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K} \left\{ 1 - \mathbb{P}\Big(V_{ijk} = 1 \mid X_{ijk},\ Y_{i1} = 0, \ldots, Y_{i,j-1} = 0,\ V_{ij1} = 0, \ldots, V_{i,k-1} = 0\Big) \right\} \\[4pt]
&\quad = 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K} \left\{ 1 - X_{ijk}\, \mathbb{P}\Big(V_{ijk} = 1 \mid Y_{i1} = 0, \ldots, Y_{i,j-1} = 0,\ V_{ij1} = 0, \ldots, V_{i,k-1} = 0\Big) \right\} \\[4pt]
&\quad = 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K} \left\{ 1 - \mathbb{P}\Big(V_{ijk} = 1 \mid Y_{i1} = 0, \ldots, Y_{i,j-1} = 0,\ V_{ij1} = 0, \ldots, V_{i,k-1} = 0\Big) \right\}^{X_{ijk}}
\end{aligned}
$$

With this result in mind, we now consider the Dunson and Stanford day-specific probabilities model. Using the same indexing scheme as above, define

$\boldsymbol{u}_{ijk}$ a covariate vector of length q for woman i, cycle j, day k

$\boldsymbol{\beta}$ a vector of length q of regression coefficients

ξ_i woman-specific random effect

Then writing $\boldsymbol{U}_{ij} = \left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}, \ldots, \boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\right)'$, Dunson and Stanford propose the model:

$$\mathbb{P}\left(Y_{ij} = 1 \mid \xi_i, \boldsymbol{X}_{ij}, \boldsymbol{U}_{ij}\right) = 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K}(1 - \lambda_{ijk})^{X_{ijk}}$$

$$\lambda_{ijk} = 1 - \exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}$$

$$\xi_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\phi, \phi) \tag{1}$$

From our previous derivation, we see that we may interpret λ_{ijk} as the day-specific probability of conception in cycle j from couple i given that conception has not already occured, or in the language of Dunson and Stanford, given intercourse only on day k.

Delving further, we see that λ_{ijk} is strictly increasing in $u_{ijkh}\beta_h$, where we are denoting u_{ijkh} to be the hth term in $\boldsymbol{u}_{ijk}$ and similarly for β_h. When $\beta_h = 0$ then the hth covariate has no effect on the day-specific probability of conception.

λ_{ijk} is also strictly increasing in ξ_i which as Dunson and Stanford suggest may be interpreted as a woman-specific random effect. The authors state that specifying the distribution of the ξ_i with a common parameters prevents nonidentifiability between $\mathbb{E}[\xi_i]$ and the day-specific parameters. Since $\text{Var}[\xi_i] = 1/\phi$ it follows that ϕ may be interpreted as a measure of variability across women.

1.1.1 Computation consideration

As an aside, we note that it may be more computationally convenient to calculate

$$\mathbb{P}\left(Y_{ij} = 1 \mid \xi_i, \boldsymbol{X}_{ij}, \boldsymbol{U}_{ij}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K}(1 - \lambda_{ijk})^{X_{ijk}}$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K}\left[\exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}\right]^{X_{ijk}}$$

$$= 1 - \prod_{k=1}^{K}\exp\left\{-X_{ijk}\xi_i \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}$$

$$= 1 - \exp\left\{-\sum_{k=1}^{K}X_{ijk}\xi_i \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}$$

1.2 Marginal probability of conception

The marginal probability of conception, obtained by integrating out the couple-specific frailty ξ_i, has form as follows.

$$\mathbb{P}\left(Y_{ij}=1\,|\,\boldsymbol{X}_{ij},\boldsymbol{U}_{ij}\right)$$

$$=\int_0^\infty \mathbb{P}\left(Y_{ij},\xi_i\,|\,\boldsymbol{X}_{ij},\boldsymbol{U}_{ij}\right)d\xi_i$$

$$=\int_0^\infty \mathbb{P}\left(Y_{ij},\xi_i\,|\,\boldsymbol{X}_{ij},\boldsymbol{U}_{ij}\right)\mathcal{G}(\xi_i;\,\phi,\phi)\,d\xi_i$$

$$=\int_0^\infty\left[1-\prod_{k=1}^K(1-\lambda_{ijk})^{X_{ijk}}\right]\mathcal{G}(\xi_i;\,\phi,\phi)\,d\xi_i$$

$$=1-\int_0^\infty\prod_{k=1}^K(1-\lambda_{ijk})^{X_{ijk}}\,\mathcal{G}(\xi_i;\,\phi,\phi)\,d\xi_i$$

$$=1-\int_0^\infty\prod_{k=1}^K\left[\exp\left\{-\xi_i\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}\right]^{X_{ijk}}\mathcal{G}(\xi_i;\,\phi,\phi)\,d\xi_i$$

$$=1-\int_0^\infty\prod_{k=1}^K\exp\left\{-\xi_iX_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}\mathcal{G}(\xi_i;\,\phi,\phi)\,d\xi_i$$

$$=1-\int_0^\infty\exp\left\{-\xi_i\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}\mathcal{G}(\xi_i;\,\phi,\phi)\,d\xi_i$$

$$=1-\left[\frac{\phi}{\phi+\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}\right]^\phi$$

since

$$\int_0^\infty\exp\left\{-\xi_i\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}\mathcal{G}(\xi_i;\,\phi,\phi)\,d\xi_i$$

$$=\int_0^\infty\exp\left\{-\xi_i\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}\frac{\phi^\phi}{\Gamma(\phi)}\xi_i^{\phi-1}d\xi_i$$

$$=\int_0^\infty\frac{\phi^\phi}{\Gamma(\phi)}\xi_i^{\phi-1}\exp\left\{-\xi_i\left[\phi+\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right]\right\}d\xi_i$$

$$=\left[\frac{\phi}{\phi+\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}\right]^\phi\int_0^\infty\frac{\left[\phi+\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right]^\phi}{\Gamma(\phi)}$$

$$\times\xi_i^{\phi-1}\exp\left\{-\xi_i\left[\phi+\sum_{k=1}^K X_{ijk}\exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right]^\phi\right\}d\xi_i$$

and the function inside the integral is a gamma density function.

1.2.1 Day-specific marginal probability of conception

Dunson and Stanford also point out the following remarkable result. The marginal day-specific probability of conception in a cycle with intercourse only on day k and with predictors $\boldsymbol{u}$ is given by

$$\mathbb{P}(Y = 1 \,|\, \boldsymbol{u}) = 1 - \left(\frac{\phi}{\phi + \exp(\boldsymbol{u}'\boldsymbol{\beta})} \right)^{\phi}$$

which is in the form of the Aranda-Ordaz generalized linear model, and reduces to a logistic regression model for $\phi = 1$.

1.3 Prior specification

Define

$\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\cdot)$ density function of a gamma distribution truncated to the region $\mathcal{A}_h \subset (0, \infty)$

γ_h $\exp(\beta_h)$

Then the Dunson and Stanford model chooses priors of the form

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\gamma}) = \prod_{h=1}^{q} \left\{ p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) + (1 - p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma_h; \, a_h, b_h) \right\}$$

$$\pi(\phi) = \mathcal{G}\left(\phi; \, c_1, c_2\right)$$

where

p_h prior probability that $\gamma_h = 1$, a hyperparameter

a_h, b_h shape and rate hyperparameters for gamma distribution of γ_h

c_1, c_2 shape and rate hyperparameters for gamma distribution of ϕ

Values of $\gamma_h = 1$ correspond to $\beta_h = 0$ and the hth predictor in $\boldsymbol{u}_{ijk}$ being dropped from the model. Thus assigning the prior for each of the γ_h to be a mixture distribution between a point mass at one and a gamma distribution allows the model to drop terms from the regression component with nonzero probability.

Typical constraints for the γ_h are $\mathbb{R}^+$, $(0, 1)$, and $(1, \infty)$ which correspond to no constraint, a negative effect on probability of conception, and a positive effect on probability of conception, respectively. Thus a priori knowledge of the direction of association of the predictor variables can be incorporated into the model to decrease posterior uncertainty.

1.3.1 Monotone effects

Consider a model where the list of covariates includes an ordered categorical variable with types $1, \ldots, t$. Let $\boldsymbol{s}_{ijk} = \left(s_{ijk,2}, \ldots, s_{ijk,t}\right)$ be a vector of length $(t-1)$ for each day i, j, k where

$$s_{ijk,2} = I\left(\text{categorical variable for day } i, \text{ cycle } j, \text{ day } k \text{ is type 2} \right)$$

$$s_{ijk,3} = I\left(\text{categorical variable for day } i, \text{ cycle } j, \text{ day } k \text{ is type 2 or 3} \right)$$

$$\vdots \quad \vdots \qquad\qquad\qquad \vdots$$

$$s_{ijk,t} = I\left(\text{categorical variable for day } i, \text{ cycle } j, \text{ day } k \text{ is type 2 or 3 or } \ldots \text{ or } t \right)$$

Next, let us partition each covariate vector $u_{ijk} = (r_{ijk}, s_{ijk})$ so that r_{ijk} is a vector of the remaining covariate terms. Furthermore let $\beta = (\tau, \alpha)$ be the corresponding partition of covariate coefficients where $\alpha = (\alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_t)$. Then for person i, cycle j, and day k with categorical variable type d where $d \in \{1, \dots, t\}$, then

$$
\begin{aligned}
\lambda_{ijk} &= 1 - \exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(u'_{ijk}\beta\right)\right\} \\
&= 1 - \exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(r'_{ijk}\tau + s'_{ijk}\alpha\right)\right\} \\
&= 1 - I(d = 1)\exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(r'_{ijk}\tau\right)\right\} - I(d \geq 2)\exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(r'_{ijk}\tau + \sum_{m=2}^{d}\alpha_m\right)\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

From this form we can see that when $\alpha_m \geq 0$, $m = 2, \dots, t$ then λ_{ijk} is nondecreasing in m. It follows that a monotone increasing categorical variable can be created by coding the variable in the format as described above, and constraining the corresponding parameters of γ_h to be greater than or equal to one (corresponding to $\beta_h \geq 0$ for each of the corresponding h). Similarly, a monotone decreasing categorical variable can be created by coding the variable as described above, and constraining the corresponding parameters of γ_h to be less than or equal to one.

2 Posterior computation

Express the data augmentation model as

$$
Y_{ij} = I\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} X_{ijk}Z_{ijk} > 0\right),
$$

$$
Z_{ijk} \sim \text{Poisson}\left(\xi_i \exp\left(u'_{ijk}\beta\right)\right), \quad k = 1, \dots, K \tag{2}
$$

Let us further define $W_{ijk} = X_{ijk}Z_{ijk}$ for all i, j, k.

2.1 Verifying the equivalence of the data augmentation model

Under (2), $Y_{ij} = 0$ if and only if $W_{ij1}, \dots, W_{ijK}$ are identically 0. It follows that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}\left(Y_{ij} = 0 \mid \xi_i, X_{ij}, U_{ij}\right) \\
&= \prod_{k:X_{ijk}=1} \mathbb{P}\left(W_{ijk} = 0 \mid \xi_i, u_{ijk}\right) \\
&= \prod_{k=1}^{K}\left[\mathbb{P}\left(W_{ijk} = 0 \mid \xi_i, u_{ijk}\right)\right]^{X_{ijk}} \\
&= \prod_{k=1}^{K}\left[\exp\left\{\xi_i \exp\left(u'_{ijk}\beta\right)\right\}\right]^{X_{ijk}} \\
&= \prod_{k=1}^{K}(1 - \lambda_{ijk})^{X_{ijk}}
\end{aligned}
$$

which is the model in (1).

2.2 The full likelihood

Let $\boldsymbol{Y}$ be a random variable representing all of the potential pregnancy indicators Y_{ij}, let $\boldsymbol{W}$ be a random variable representing all of the latent variables W_{ijk}, and let ξ be a random variable representing all of the woman-specific random effects ξ_i. Then

$$\pi\left(\boldsymbol{Y}, \boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \xi, \phi \mid \text{data}\right)$$

$$= \pi\left(\boldsymbol{Y} \mid \boldsymbol{W}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \xi, \phi, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\boldsymbol{W} \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \xi, \phi, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\xi \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \phi, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\boldsymbol{\gamma} \mid \phi, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\phi \mid \text{data}\right)$$

$$= \pi\left(\boldsymbol{Y} \mid \boldsymbol{W}\right) \pi\left(\boldsymbol{W} \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \xi, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\xi \mid \phi\right) \pi\left(\boldsymbol{\gamma}\right) \pi\left(\phi\right)$$

$$= \left(\prod_{i,j} \pi\left(Y_{ij} \mid \boldsymbol{W}_{ij}\right)\right)\left(\prod_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \pi\left(W_{ijk} \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \xi\right)\right)\left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \pi\left(\xi_i \mid \phi\right)\right)\left(\prod_{\ell=1}^{q} \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)\right) \pi\left(\phi\right)$$

$$= \left\{\prod_{i,j}\left[I\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk} > 0\right)Y_{ij} + I\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk} = 0\right)(1 - Y_{ij})\right]\right\}$$

$$\times \left(\prod_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \frac{1}{W_{ijk}!}\left[\xi_i \exp\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^{q} u_{ijk\ell} \log \gamma_\ell\right)\right]^{W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^{q} u_{ijk\ell} \log \gamma_\ell\right)\right\}\right)$$

$$\times \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\phi^{\phi}}{\Gamma(\phi)} \xi_i^{\phi-1} \exp\left(-\phi \xi_i\right)\right)$$

$$\times \left(\prod_{\ell=1}^{q}\left[p_h I\left(\gamma_h = 1\right) + (1 - p_h)I\left(\gamma_h \neq 1\right)\mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma_h; a_h, b_h)\right]\right)$$

$$\times \frac{c_2^{c_1}}{\Gamma(c_1)} \phi^{c_1-1} \exp\left(-c_2 \phi\right)$$

2.3 The full conditional distributions

Step 1. Writing $\boldsymbol{W}_{ij} = \left(W_{ij1}, \ldots, W_{ijK}\right)$ and letting $\boldsymbol{m} = \left(m_1, \ldots, m_K\right)$ be a vector of realized outcomes for $\boldsymbol{W}_{ij}$, we see first that for $Y_{ij} = 0$ we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ij} = \boldsymbol{m} \mid Y_{ij} = 0, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right) = \begin{cases} 1, & \boldsymbol{m} = \boldsymbol{0} \\ 0, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Next, for $Y_{ij} = 1$ we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ij} = \boldsymbol{m} \mid Y_{ij} = 1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ij} = \boldsymbol{m}, \sum_k W_{ijk} = s \mid Y_{ij} = 1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ij} = \boldsymbol{m}, \sum_k W_{ijk} = \sum_k m_k \mid Y_{ij} = 1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ij} = \boldsymbol{m} \mid \sum_k W_{ijk} = \sum_k m_k, Y_{ij} = 1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)$$

$$\times \mathbb{P}\left(\sum_k W_{ijk} = \sum_k m_k \mid Y_{ij} = 1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)$$

Furthermore,

$$
\pi\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk} \,\middle|\, Y_{ij}=1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)
$$

$$
= \pi\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk} \,\middle|\, \sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk} \geq 1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)
$$

$$
\sim \text{Poisson}\left(\xi_i \sum_{k:\, X_{ijk}=1} \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{ijk}'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right) \text{ truncated so that } \sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk} \geq 1
$$

and

$$
\pi\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ij} \,\middle|\, \sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk}, \ Y_{ij}=1, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \xi, \text{data}\right)
$$

$$
\sim \text{Multinomial}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{K} W_{ijk}; \ \frac{X_{ij1}\xi_i \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{ij1}'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}{\xi_i \sum_{k:\, X_{ijk}=1} \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{ijk}'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}, \ \ldots, \ \frac{X_{ijK}\xi_i \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{ijK}'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}{\xi_i \sum_{k:\, X_{ijk}=1} \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{ijk}'\boldsymbol{\beta}\right)}\right)
$$

Step 2. Define the following terms which will be of use in the following derivation. Denote

$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\widetilde{a}_h & a_h + \sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk} \\[2ex]
\widetilde{b}_h & b_h + \displaystyle\sum_{i,j,k:\, X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \\[3ex]
d_1 & p_h \exp\left\{-(\widetilde{b}_h - b_h)\right\} \\[2ex]
d_2 & (1-p_h)\, \dfrac{C(a_h, b_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)\, d\gamma}{C(\widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h)\, d\gamma} \\[3ex]
\widetilde{p}_h & \dfrac{d_1}{d_1 + d_2}
\end{array}
$$

Then

$$
\pi\left(\gamma_h \,|\, \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{(-h)}, \phi, \xi, \boldsymbol{W}, \text{data}\right)
$$

$$
\propto \pi\left(\boldsymbol{W} \,|\, \xi, \gamma, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)
$$

$$
= \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n}\prod_{j=1}^{n_i}\prod_{k:X_{ijk}=1} \pi\left(W_{ijk} \,|\, \xi_i, \gamma, \text{data}\right)\right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)
$$

$$
\propto \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n}\prod_{j=1}^{n_i}\prod_{k:X_{ijk}=1} \left[\exp\left(u_{ijkh}\log\gamma_h\right)\right]^{W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^{q} u_{ijk\ell}\log\gamma_\ell\right)\right\}\right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)
$$

$$
= \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n}\prod_{j=1}^{n_i}\prod_{k:X_{ijk}=1} \gamma_h^{u_{ijkh}W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{-\xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^{q} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right\}\right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)
$$

$$= \gamma_h^{\sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{ -\sum_{i,j,k: X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^{q} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\} \pi(\gamma_h)$$

$$= \gamma_h^{\sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{ -\sum_{i,j,k: X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^{q} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\}$$
$$\times \left[p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) + (1-p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma_h; a_h, b_h) \right]$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{ -\sum_{i,j,k: X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\}$$
$$+ (1-p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \gamma_h^{\sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{ -\sum_{i,j,k: X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^{q} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\} \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma_h; a_h, b_h)$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{ -\sum_{i,j,k: X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\}$$
$$+ (1-p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \frac{C(a_h, b_h)}{\int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h)\, d\gamma} \gamma_h^{a_h + \sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk} - 1}$$
$$\times \exp\left\{ -\gamma_h \left[b_h + \sum_{i,j,k: X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right] \right\}$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{ -(\widetilde{b}_h - b_h) \right\} + (1-p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \frac{C(a_h, b_h)}{\int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h)\, d\gamma} \gamma_h^{\widetilde{a}_h - 1} \exp\left\{ -\widetilde{b}_h \gamma_h \right\}$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{ -(\widetilde{b}_h - b_h) \right\} + (1-p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1)$$
$$\times \frac{C(a_h, b_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)\, d\gamma}{C(\widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h)\, d\gamma} \frac{C(\widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)}{\int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)\, d\gamma} \gamma_h^{\widetilde{a}_h - 1} \exp\left\{ -\widetilde{b}_h \gamma_h \right\}$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{ -(\widetilde{b}_h - b_h) \right\} + (1-p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1)$$
$$\times \frac{C(a_h, b_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)\, d\gamma}{C(\widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h)\, d\gamma} \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)$$

$$= d_1 I(\gamma_h = 1) + d_2 I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)$$

$$\propto \frac{d_1}{d_1 + d_2} I(\gamma_h = 1) + \frac{d_2}{d_1 + d_2} I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)$$

$$= \widetilde{p}_h I(\gamma_h = 1) + (1 - \widetilde{p}_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h)$$

Version 2

Define the following terms which will be of use in the following derivation. Denote

$$\widetilde{a}_h \qquad a_h + \sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}$$

$$\widetilde{b}_h \qquad b_h + \sum_{\substack{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1,\\ u_{ijkh}=1}} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}$$

$$d_1 \qquad p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{ - \sum_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\}$$

$$d_2 \qquad (1 - p_h) \exp\left\{ - \sum_{\substack{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1,\\ u_{ijkh}=0}} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\} \frac{C(a_h, b_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; \widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h) d\gamma}{C(\widetilde{a}_h, \widetilde{b}_h) \int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h) d\gamma}$$

$$\widetilde{p}_h \qquad \frac{d_1}{d_1 + d_2}$$

Then

$$\pi\left(\gamma_h \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}_{(-h)}, \phi, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \boldsymbol{W}, \text{data}\right)$$

$$\propto \pi\left(\boldsymbol{W} \mid \boldsymbol{\xi}, \gamma, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)$$

$$= \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} \prod_{k:X_{ijk}=1} \pi\left(W_{ijk} \mid \boldsymbol{\xi}_i, \gamma, \text{data}\right) \right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)$$

$$\propto \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} \prod_{k:X_{ijk}=1} \left[\exp\left(u_{ijkh} \log \gamma_h\right) \right]^{W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{ -\xi_i \exp\left(\sum_{\ell=1}^q u_{ijk\ell} \log \gamma_\ell \right) \right\} \right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)$$

$$= \left(\prod_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} \prod_{k:X_{ijk}=1} \gamma_h^{u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{ -\xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^q \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\} \right) \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)$$

$$= \gamma_h^{\sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{ - \sum_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^q \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\} \pi\left(\gamma_h\right)$$

$$= \gamma_h^{\sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{ - \sum_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^q \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\}$$

$$\times \left[p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) + (1 - p_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma_h; a_h, b_h) \right]$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{ - \sum_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}} \right\}$$

$$+ (1-p_h)I(\gamma_h \neq 1)\gamma_h^{\sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{-\sum_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell=1}^{q} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right\} \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma_h; a_h, b_h)$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{-\sum_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right\}$$

$$+ (1-p_h)I(\gamma_h \neq 1)\gamma_h^{\sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk}}$$

$$\times \exp\left\{-\sum_{\substack{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1,\\ u_{ijkh}=0}} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right\} \exp\left\{-\gamma_h \sum_{\substack{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1,\\ u_{ijkh}=1}} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right\} \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}(\gamma_h; a_h, b_h)$$

$$= p_h I(\gamma_h = 1) \exp\left\{-\sum_{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right\}$$

$$+ (1-p_h)I(\gamma_h \neq 1) \exp\left\{-\sum_{\substack{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1,\\ u_{ijkh}=0}} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right\} \frac{C(a_h, b_h)}{\int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h)\, d\gamma}$$

$$\times \gamma_h^{\alpha_h + \sum_{i,j,k} u_{ijkh} W_{ijk} - 1} \exp\left\{-\gamma_h \left[b_h + \sum_{\substack{i,j,k:X_{ijk}=1,\\ u_{ijkh}=1}} \xi_i \prod_{\ell \neq h} \gamma_\ell^{u_{ijk\ell}}\right]\right\}$$

$$= d_1 I(\gamma_h = 1) + d_2 I(\gamma_h \neq 1)\, \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}\left(\gamma_h; \tilde{a}_h, \tilde{b}_h\right)$$

$$= \frac{d_1}{d_1 + d_2} I(\gamma_h = 1) + \frac{d_2}{d_1 + d_2} I(\gamma_h \neq 1)\, \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}\left(\gamma_h; \tilde{a}_h, \tilde{b}_h\right)$$

$$= \tilde{p}_h I(\gamma_h = 1) + (1 - \tilde{p}_h) I(\gamma_h \neq 1)\, \mathcal{G}_{\mathcal{A}_h}\left(\gamma_h; \tilde{a}_h, \tilde{b}_h\right)$$

Step 3.

$$\pi\left(\xi_i \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi, \boldsymbol{W}, \text{data}\right)$$

$$\propto \pi\left(\boldsymbol{W}_i \mid \xi_i, \beta, \text{data}\right) \pi\left(\xi_i \mid \phi, \text{data}\right)$$

$$= \left(\prod_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \pi\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ijk} \mid \xi_i, \beta, \text{data}\right)\right) \pi\left(\xi_i \mid \phi, \text{data}\right)$$

$$\propto \left(\prod_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \xi_i^{W_{ijk}} \exp\left\{-\xi_i \exp\left(\boldsymbol{u}_{ijk}' \boldsymbol{\beta}\right)\right\}\right) \xi_i^{\phi-1} \exp\left\{-\phi \xi_i\right\}$$

$$= \left(\xi_i^{\sum_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} W_{ijk}} \exp \left\{ - \xi_i \sum_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \exp\left(u'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \right\} \right) \xi_i^{\phi-1} \exp\left\{ -\phi\xi_i \right\}$$

$$= \xi_i^{\phi+\sum_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} W_{ijk}-1} \exp \left\{ -\xi_i \left[\phi + \sum_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \exp\left(u'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \right] \right\}$$

$$\sim \text{Gamma} \left(\xi_i; \quad \phi + \sum_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} W_{ijk}, \quad \sum_{j,k:X_{ijk}=1} \exp\left(u'_{ijk}\boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \right)$$

Step 4. Sampling ϕ can be achieved via the Metropolis algorithms. Let $\phi^{(s)}$ denote the value of ϕ for the sth scan of the MCMC algorithm, and let ϕ^* denote a proposed value of ϕ for the $(s+1)^{\text{th}}$ scan of the algorithm. We consider the following two proposal distributions where δ is a tuning parameter with value greater than 0.

(i) $J\left(\phi^* \mid \phi^{(s)} \right) \sim N\left(\phi^{(s)}, \delta^2 \right)$ truncated so that $\phi^* > 0$

(ii) $J\left(\phi^* \mid \phi^{(s)} \right) \sim \text{Uniform}\left(\max\left(0, \phi^{(s)} - \delta \right), \ \phi^{(s)} + \delta \right)$

Now,

$$\pi\left(\phi \mid W, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi\left(W, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \phi, \text{data} \right)}{\pi\left(W, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)}$$

$$= \pi\left(\boldsymbol{\xi} \mid \phi \right) \pi\left(\phi \right) \frac{\pi\left(W, \boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)}{\pi\left(W, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)}$$

$$= \left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \pi\left(\xi_i \mid \phi \right) \right) \pi\left(\phi \right) \frac{\pi\left(W, \boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)}{\pi\left(W, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)}$$

It follows that the acceptance ratio is given by $\min(r, 1)$ where

$$r = \frac{\pi\left(\phi^* \mid W, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)}{\pi\left(\phi^{(s)} \mid W, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\xi}, \text{data} \right)} = \frac{\left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \pi\left(\xi_i \mid \phi^* \right) \right) \pi\left(\phi^* \right)}{\left(\prod_{i=1}^{n} \pi\left(\xi_i \mid \phi^{(s)} \right) \right) \pi\left(\phi^{(s)} \right)}$$

2.3.1 Computational considerations

(i) **Sampling from a truncated gamma distribution**

Consider a set (a, b) and let X be a continuous random variable with support $\mathcal{A}$ such that $(a, b) \subset \mathcal{A}$. Define

F_X	the distribution function of X
$U\left(d_1, d_2 \right)$	a uniform random variable with support on (d_1, d_2)
V	a random variable defined by $V = F_X^{-1}\left(U\left(F_X(a), F_X(b) \right) \right)$

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Then

$$\mathbb{P}(V \leq v) = \mathbb{P}\left\{F_X^{-1}\big(U\big(F_X(a), F_X(b)\big)\big) \leq v\right\}$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left\{U\big(F_X(a), F_X(b)\big) \leq F_X(v)\right\}$$

$$= \begin{cases} 0, & v \leq F_X(a) \\ \dfrac{F_X(v) - F_X(a)}{F_X(b) - F_X(a)}, & F_X(a) < v < F_X(b) \\ 1, & F_X(b) \leq v \end{cases}$$

which is the distribution function of X truncated to (a, b). Thus by choosing F_X to be the distribution function of some desired gamma distribution, we may sample from the truncated gamma distribution by sampling $u = U\big(F_X(a), F_X(b)\big)$ and then calculating $F_X^{-1}(u)$.

(ii) **Sampling from a truncated Poisson distribution**

(iii) **Calculating** $\dfrac{d_1}{d_1 + d_2}$

(iv) **Sampling from acceptance ratio** r

$$\frac{C(a_h, b_h)}{\int_{\mathcal{A}_h} \mathcal{G}(\gamma; a_h, b_h) d\gamma} \gamma_h^{a_h - 1} \exp(-\gamma_h b_h)$$

3   Posterior inference