

Brief description of MCMC for reparameterized model

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Let $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\beta, \mu, \rho, p_{init})$ and $\boldsymbol{\eta} = f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = (\log(R_0), \log(\mu), \text{logit}(\rho), \text{logit}(p_{init})) = (\eta_1, \eta_2, \eta_3, \eta_4)$. For each parameter in turn, we propose a new value on the estimation scale (the scale corresponding to $\boldsymbol{\eta}$) from a normal distribution centered at the current value with tuning parameter $\sigma_i, i = 1, \dots, 4$. We then accept the proposed parameter value with probability,

$$a_{\boldsymbol{\eta}_{cur} \rightarrow \boldsymbol{\eta}_{new}} = \min \left\{ 1, \frac{\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{new} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) q(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{cur} | \boldsymbol{\eta}_{new})}{\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{cur} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) q(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{new} | \boldsymbol{\eta}_{cur})} \right\} = \left\{ 1, \frac{\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{new} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})}{\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{cur} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y})} \right\}$$

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{new} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) &\propto \pi(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} | \boldsymbol{\eta}_{new}) \times \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{new}) \\ &= \pi(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_{new}) |J| \times \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{new}) \\ \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{cur} | \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}) &\propto \pi(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} | \boldsymbol{\theta}_{cur}) |J| \times \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}_{cur}) \end{aligned}$$

where J is the Jacobian matrix of the inverse tranformation, $\boldsymbol{\theta} = f^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\eta})$, and $\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}) = \pi(\eta_1)\pi(\eta_2)\pi(\eta_3)\pi(\eta_4)$ is the prior probability of $\boldsymbol{\eta}$. As, $f^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\eta}) = \left(\frac{\mu}{N} e^{R_0}, e^\mu, \frac{e^\rho}{1+e^\rho}, \frac{e^{p_{init}}}{1+e^{p_{init}}} \right)$ the Jacobian is

$$J = \left(\frac{\partial f^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\eta}_i)}{\partial \boldsymbol{\eta}_j} \right)_{i,j=1,\dots,4} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\mu}{N} e^{R_0} & \frac{1}{N} e^{R_0} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & e^\mu & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \frac{e^\rho}{(1+e^\rho)^2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \frac{e^{p_{init}}}{(1+e^{p_{init}})^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

with determinant equal to the product of the diagonal terms.