

Steps:

1. Read data (from simulation or file)
2. Add summary measures in wide form (lags, variance, mean, etc).
3. Wait / simulate the minimal number of measurements needed
4. Using all these measurements, we estimate the density for q_w given w -, (g given g -), and q_y given y -. (If a dist is binary, we don't have to estimate its distribution, but we still can use Oleg's package, for consistency. The same goes for if a variable is discrete.)
5. Now, using these densities, we generate a number of draws, using the scheme you sent earlier, in order to get the counterfactual distribution (j is time of intervention, τ is time of response) :

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result <- 0
B <- seq(100000)
for b in B
  sample a W(1) given C_w(1) from q_w
  sample an A(1) given C_a(1) from g_a
  sample a Y(1) given C_y(1)
  sample a W(2) given C_w(2) from q_w
  sample an A(2) given C_a(2) from g_a
  sample a Y(2) given C_y(2)
  .
  .
  .
  sample a W(j) given C_w(j) from q_w
  sample an A(j) = a (= specified, deterministic intervention)
  sample a Y(j) given C_y(j)
  .
  .
  .
  sample a W(tau) given C_w(tau) from q_w
  sample an A(tau) given C_a(tau) from g_a
  result += (sample a Y(tau) given C_y(tau)) / B
endfor
result
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which will give you the response for an *intervention a on time j for an outcome at time tau*.

6. Questions:
 - How do we deal with the initialization? Up to now I just expected that we'd skip the first Z measurements, where Z is the maximum

number of observations needed for each of the summary measures we include.

- In this scheme of drawing observations we are not including the $g_a^*(a(t)|c(a))/g_a(a(t)|c(a))$

Basic roadmap

1. create structure of package
2. set up automatic compiling and testing
3. Use packages:
 - ‘R.oxygen’
 - ‘R.utils’ (‘Arguments\$getNumeric’ and the likes, ‘throw’, use of ‘verbose’)

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## Example of verbose
## Argument 'verbose':
verbose <- Arguments$getVerbose(verbose)
verbose <- less(verbose, 10)
verbose && print(verbose, table(U))
verbose && enter(verbose, "Simulated copy number and expression data
for class 1")
verbose && str(verbose, V)
verbose && exit(verbose)
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4. Keep in mind that we’re interested in oos (online one-step) and otmle (online tmle) estimators
- 4a. new object S3 structure
- 4b. high-level description – flow of the application
 - (i) learning step
 - (ii) targeting step
- 4c. encoding of a generic time series vocabulary:
 - $(W(t), A(t), Y(t))$ is the t -th block
 - $W(t)$, $A(t)$ and $Y(t)$ are its nodes
 - $W(t)$ in WW and $Y(t)$ in YY , WW and YY possibly multi-dim
 - $A(t)$ is discrete/binary?
- 4d. simulation (i) characterization of data-generating distribution (ii) simulation under the data-generating distribution (iii) characterization of the parameter of interest - => providing intervention nodes, and the corresponding intervention distributions (iv) evaluation of the parameter of interest
- 4e. encoding of summary measures of the past of each $\{W,A,Y\}$ -node

4f. write functions implementing *online* (super-) learning - must rely on *online* “prediction” algorithms - think about H2O...

4g. Monte-Carlo procedures to derive - the estimates of the parameter from the estimated features - the efficient influence curve, used for targeting + CI (see draft)