# Fitting CoDa using the Logistic Gaussian distribution with Dirichlet covariance structure

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### --- 0. Loading libraries --- ####
library(INLA)
library(dplyr)
library(ggplot2)
```

# An introduction to the Logistic Normal Dirichlet Regression

As defined in Martínez-Minaya and Rue (2023),  $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{S}^D$  follows a logistic-normal distribution with Dirichlet covariance  $\mathcal{LND}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$  if and only if  $alr(\mathbf{y}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , and:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \Sigma_{dd} & = & \sigma_d^2 + \gamma \,, \ d = 1, \dots, D-1 \\ \Sigma_{dk} & = & \gamma \,, d \neq k \end{array}$$

where  $\sigma_d^2 + \gamma$  represents the variance of each log-ratio and  $\gamma$  is the covariance between log-ratios. From now on we will refer to  $\mathcal{ND}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$  as the multivariate normal with Dirichlet covariance structure.

Let  $\boldsymbol{y}$  be a multivariate random variable such as  $\boldsymbol{y} \sim \mathcal{LND}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , which by definition is equivalent to  $alr(\boldsymbol{y}) \sim \mathcal{ND}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ . Because of its easy interpretability in terms of log-ratios with the reference category, we focus on modelling  $alr(\boldsymbol{y})$  as a  $\mathcal{ND}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ .

# Simulated example I (Type II)

The model with which we are going to operate in this example presents the following structure:

$$alr(\boldsymbol{Y}) \sim \mathcal{ND}((\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(D)}), \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$$
 (1)

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(d)} = \boldsymbol{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}^{(d)}, \qquad (2)$$

Note that this is the second structure presented in Martínez-Minaya and Rue (2023), where we are working under the assumption that covariates have different effect in each linear predictor. In particular, we consider D=3, and the reference category is the third one. So, we are dealing with two alr-coordinates. Also, we just generate a covariate x scaled to have mean 0 and standard deviation 1.

$$alr(\mathbf{Y}) \sim \mathcal{ND}((\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(1)}, \boldsymbol{\mu}^{(2)}), \boldsymbol{\Sigma}),$$
 (3)

$$\mu^{(1)} = \beta_0^{(1)} + \beta_1^{(1)} x,$$

$$\boldsymbol{\mu}^{(2)} = \beta_1^{(2)} + \beta_1^{(2)} \boldsymbol{x} \,. \tag{4}$$

#### Data simulation

```
set.seed(201803)
inla.seed = sample.int(n=1E6, size=1)
options(width=70, digits=3)
```

## Defining hyperparameters and dimensionality of the response

We start defining the hyperparameters of the likelihood:  $\sigma_1^2 = 0.5$ ,  $\sigma_2^2 = 0.4$  and  $\gamma = 0.1$ , and computing the correlation matrix of the *alr*-coordinates.

```
### --- 1. Simulation --- ####
# Parameters for the simulation
D <- 3
N <- 1000
sigma2 \leftarrow c(0.5, 0.4)
cov_param <- 0.1
sigma_diag <- sqrt(sigma2 + cov_param)</pre>
hypers_lik <- data.frame(hypers = c(sigma2, cov_param),
                          name1 = c("sigma2.1", "sigma2.2", "gamma"))
# We create the correlation parameters based on the previous idea
# We are going to have ((D-1)^2 - (D-1))/2 rhos
rho <- diag(1/sigma_diag) %*% matrix(cov_param, D-1, D-1) %*% diag(1/sigma_diag)
diag(rho) <- 1</pre>
rho
##
         [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 1.000 0.183
## [2,] 0.183 1.000
```

#### Simulating a covariate

We define the covariate x and also, the corresponding betas, constructing the corresponding linear predictor.

```
x = runif(N)-0.5
# - mean 0 to not affect intercept
betas = matrix(c(-1, 3, -1, 5), nrow = D-1, byrow = TRUE)
X <- data.frame(1, x) %>% as.matrix(.)
lin.pred <- X %*% t(betas)</pre>
```

### alr-coordinates

We construct the alr-coordinates

#### Data in the simplex

We move back to the Simplex using the alr-inverse, in particular, we use the function alrInv form the R-package compositions.

```
y.simplex <- compositions::alrInv(alry)</pre>
  y.simplex <- as.numeric(t(y.simplex)) %>% matrix(., ncol = D, byrow = TRUE)
  colnames(y.simplex) <- paste0("y", 1:D)</pre>
  data <- data.frame(alry, y.simplex, x)</pre>
colnames(data)[1:(D-1)] <- c(paste0("alry.", 1:(D-1)))</pre>
data %>% head(.)
##
     alry.1 alry.2
                             у2
                      у1
                                    уЗ
## 1 -1.580 -1.46 0.143 0.1620 0.695 0.0265
## 2 -1.345 -3.18 0.200 0.0318 0.768 -0.3708
## 3 -1.735 -1.52 0.126 0.1567 0.717 0.0819
## 4 -1.012 -2.01 0.243 0.0898 0.667 -0.0377
## 5 -0.584 -1.53 0.314 0.1224 0.563 0.0775
## 6 -0.041 2.10 0.095 0.8060 0.099 0.3962
```

#### Plotting the simulated data

# Data preparation for fitting

#### Index for individual

```
data$id.z <- 1:dim(data)[1]</pre>
```

# Extending the dataset

We extent the data with alr-coordinates for introducing in inla.stack

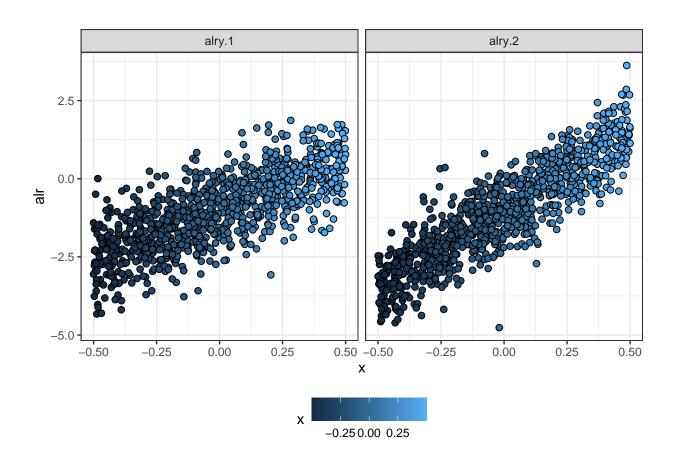


Figure 1: Simulated data using alr-coordinates in terms of **x** 

```
## # A tibble: 6 x 7
##
                              x id.z y.names y.resp
        у1
               у2
                      уЗ
##
     <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
                           <dbl> <int> <ord>
## 1 0.143 0.162 0.695
                          0.0265
                                    1 alry.1 -1.58
                                    2 alry.1 -1.35
## 2 0.200 0.0318 0.768
                        -0.371
                                    3 alry.1 -1.74
## 3 0.126 0.157 0.717
                          0.0819
## 4 0.243 0.0898 0.667
                         -0.0377
                                    4 alry.1 -1.01
## 5 0.314 0.122 0.563
                          0.0775
                                    5 alry.1
                                             -0.584
## 6 0.0950 0.806 0.0990 0.396
                                    6 alry.1 -0.0410
```

#### Response in R-INLA

We create a matrix with dimension  $(N \times (D-1)) \times (D-1)$  for including the multivariate response in R-INLA

```
names_y <- paste0("alry.", 1:(D-1))</pre>
1:length(names_y) %>%
  lapply(., function(i){
    data_ext %>%
      dplyr::filter(y.names == names_y[i]) -> data_comp_i
    y_alr <- matrix(ncol = names_y %>% length(.), nrow = dim(data_comp_i)[1])
    y_alr[, i] <- data_comp_i$y.resp</pre>
  }) -> y.resp
1:length(names y) %>%
  lapply(., function(i){
    y_aux <- data_ext %>%
      dplyr::select(y.resp, y.names) %>%
      dplyr::filter(y.names == names_y[i]) %>%
      dplyr::select(y.resp) %>%
      as.matrix(.)
    aux_vec \leftarrow rep(NA, (D-1))
    aux_vec[i] <- 1</pre>
    kronecker(aux_vec, y_aux)
  }) -> y_list
y_tot <- do.call(cbind, y_list)</pre>
y_tot %>% head(.)
```

```
## [,1] [,2]

## [1,] -1.580 NA

## [2,] -1.345 NA

## [3,] -1.735 NA

## [4,] -1.012 NA

## [5,] -0.584 NA

## [6,] -0.041 NA
```

#### Covariates in R-INLA

Covariates are going to be included in the model as random effects with big variance. So, we need the values of the covariates, and also, an index indicating to which alr-coordinate it belongs.

```
length(variables)) %>%
 matrix(., ncol = length(variables), byrow = FALSE)
colnames(id.variables) <- id.names</pre>
variables
## [1] "intercept" "x"
id.variables %>% head(.)
##
        id.intercept id.x
## [1,]
                   1
                         1
## [2,]
                    1
                         1
## [3,]
                   1
                         1
## [4,]
                   1
                         1
## [5,]
                        1
## [6,]
                   1
                         1
inla.stack
We create an inla.stack for estimation
stk.est <- inla.stack(data</pre>
                               = list(resp = y_tot),
                               = list(1),
                       Α
                       effects = list(cbind(data_ext %>%
                                               dplyr::select(starts_with("x")),
                                             data ext %>%
                                               dplyr::select(starts with("id.z")),
```

id.variables <- rep(data\_ext\$y.names %>% as.factor(.) %>% as.numeric(.),

# Fitting the model

In this section, we fit a model (Type II in the manuscript), and we obtain the marginal posterior distribution of the parameters and hyperparameters

= 'est')

tag

id.variables,
intercept = 1)),

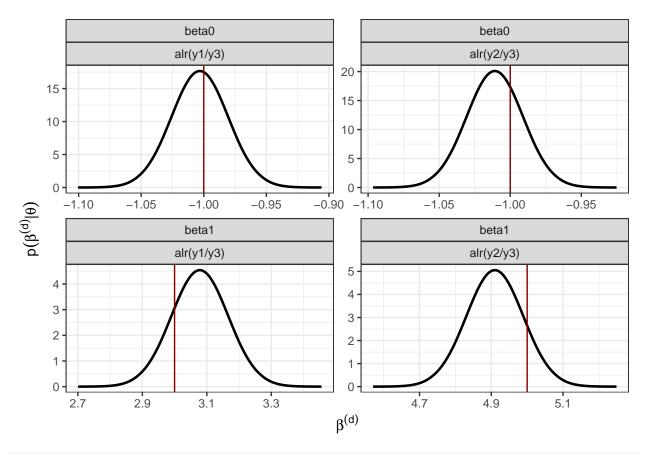
#### Fit in R-INLA

```
# Have different parameters for fixed effects, and do not include spatial random effects.
list_prior <- rep(list(list(prior = "pc.prec", param = c(1, 0.01))), D-1)

### Fitting the model
formula.typeII <- resp ~ -1 +
   f(id.intercept, intercept,
        model = "iid",
        initial = log(1/1000),
        fixed = TRUE) +
   f(id.x, x,
        model = "iid",
        initial = log(1/1000),
        fixed = TRUE) +
   f(id.z,
        model = "iid",</pre>
```

#### Marginal posterior distribution of the fixed effects

```
### Posterior distribution of the fixed effects
data fixed <- rbind(data.frame(inla.smarginal(model.typeII$marginals.random$id.x$index.1),
                               alr = "alr(y1/y3)",
                               var = "x",
                               param = "beta1",
                               real = betas[1,2]),
                    data.frame(inla.smarginal(model.typeII$marginals.random$id.x$index.2),
                               alr = "alr(y2/y3)",
                               var = "x",
                               param = "beta1",
                               real = betas[2,2]),
                    data.frame(inla.smarginal(model.typeII$marginals.random$id.intercept$index.1),
                               alr = "alr(y1/y3)",
                               var = "intercept",
                               param = "beta0",
                               real = betas[1,1]),
                    data.frame(inla.smarginal(model.typeII$marginals.random$id.intercept$index.2),
                               alr = "alr(y2/y3)",
                               var = "intercept",
                               param = "beta0",
                               real = betas[2,1])
p_fixed <- ggplot() +</pre>
  geom_line(data = data_fixed, aes(x = x, y = y), size = 0.9) +
  #qqtitle("Effect of the covariate bio12") +
 theme_bw() +
  geom_vline(data = data_fixed, aes(xintercept = real), col = "red4") +
 # scale_color_manual(values=c("#E75F00", "#56B4E9"))+
 theme(legend.position = "bottom") +
  facet_wrap(~param + alr, ncol = D-1, scales = "free") +
  xlab(expression(beta^(d))) +
  ylab(expression(p(beta^(d) *'|'* theta))) +
  theme(legend.title = element_blank())
#pdf("posterior_fixed.pdf", width = 6, height = 5)
p_fixed
```

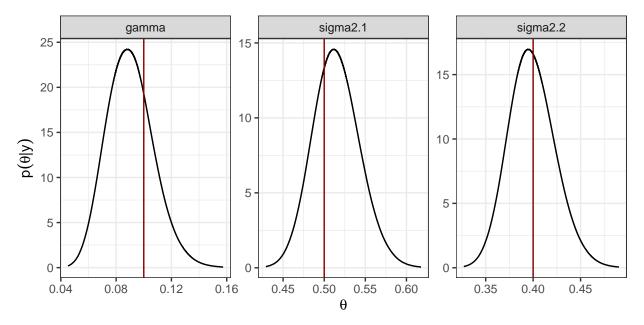


#### #dev.off()

## Marginal Posterior distribution of the hyperparameters

```
### Posterior distribution of the hyperparameters
prec <- list(sigma2.1 = model.typeII$marginals.hyperpar$`Precision for the Gaussian observations`,</pre>
             sigma2.2 = model.typeII$marginals.hyperpar$'Precision for the Gaussian observations[2]',
             gamma = model.typeII$marginals.hyper$`Precision for id.z`)
hyper <- lapply(1:length(prec),</pre>
                 function(x){
                   inla.smarginal(inla.tmarginal(prec[[x]], fun = function(y)(1/y))) %>%
                     data.frame(.)
                 })
names(hyper) <- names(prec)</pre>
hyper.df <- lapply(1:length(hyper),</pre>
                    function(x){
                      cbind(data.frame(hyper[[x]]), name1 = names(hyper)[x])
                    }) %>%
  do.call(rbind.data.frame, .)
hyper.df$name1 <- ordered(hyper.df$name1,
                           levels = c("sigma2.1", "sigma2.2",
                                       "gamma"))
p.hyper <- ggplot(hyper.df) +</pre>
```

```
geom_line(aes(x = x, y = y)) +
  geom_vline(data = hypers_lik, aes(xintercept = hypers), col = "red4") +
  facet_wrap(~ name1, scales = "free") +
  theme_bw() +
  xlab(expression(theta)) +
  ylab(expression(p(theta*'|'*y)))
#pdf("marginals_hyperpar.pdf", width = 6, height = 3)
print(p.hyper)
```



#dev.off()

# Predicting for a new observation

This section, is devoted to explain how to make predictions. We want to predict, for the values of the covariate x = -0.5, -0.2, 0.1, 0.4. In particular, we show how to compute the posterior preditive distribution for the mean of the alr-coordinates. Posteriorly, we move back to the Simplex.

## Preparing dataset for predictions

```
sim <- 1000
x.pred \leftarrow seq(-0.5, 0.5, 0.3)
n.pred <- length(x.pred)</pre>
cat("\n --
##
cat("Creating the data.frame for predictions \n")
## Creating the data.frame for predictions
data_pred <- data.frame(intercept = 1,</pre>
                          x = rep(x.pred, D-1))
```

id.z.pred <- rep((N + 1):(N + n.pred), D - 1) #random effect z to model the correlation

#### Preparing inla.stack for predictions

#### Prediction

# Extracting predictions using inla.posterior.sample

```
pred.values.mean <- mod.pred$summary.fitted.values$mean[inla.stack.index(stk, 'pred')$data] %>%
    matrix(., ncol = D - 1, byrow = FALSE)

post_sim_pred <- inla.posterior.sample(n = sim, result = mod.pred)
post_sim_predictor <- inla.posterior.sample.eval(fun = function(...){
    APredictor}, post_sim_pred, return.matrix = TRUE)
post_sim_idz <- inla.posterior.sample.eval(fun = function(...){
    id.z}, post_sim_pred, return.matrix = TRUE)

ind.pred <- inla.stack.index(stk, 'pred')$data
ind.idz <- inla.stack.index(stk, 'est')$data #This is the shared random effect
ind.idz <- ind.idz[1:(length(ind.idz)/(D - 1))]

post_sim_predictor[ind.pred, ] <- post_sim_predictor[ind.pred, ]-</pre>
```

```
kronecker(rep(1, D-1), post_sim_idz[-ind.idz,])
post_sim_pred_alr <- post_sim_predictor[ind.pred,]</pre>
#Computing mean and sd
pred_alr_summary <- t(apply(post_sim_pred_alr, 1, function(x){c(mean(x), sd(x))}))</pre>
pred_alr_summary <- data.frame(pred_alr_summary,</pre>
                               y.names = rep(names_y, rep(n.pred, D-1)),
                               x.pred = rep(x.pred, D-1))
colnames(pred_alr_summary)[1:2] <- c("mean", "sd")</pre>
pred_alr_summary
##
                        sd y.names x.pred
               mean
## fun[2001] -2.538 0.0487 alry.1
                                     -0.5
## fun[2002] -1.617 0.0286 alry.1
                                     -0.2
## fun[2003] -0.695 0.0247 alry.1
                                      0.1
## fun[2004] 0.227 0.0420 alry.1
                                      0.4
## fun[2005] -3.466 0.0450 alry.2
                                     -0.5
## fun[2006] -1.993 0.0261 alry.2
                                     -0.2
## fun[2007] -0.519 0.0222 alry.2
                                      0.1
## fun[2008] 0.954 0.0383 alry.2
                                      0.4
Predictions in the simplex
### Prediction in the simplex --- ####
apply(post_sim_predictor[ind.pred,], 2, function(x){
 alr pred <- matrix(x, ncol = D - 1)
  pred_simplex <- compositions::alrInv(alr_pred)</pre>
  as.numeric(t(pred_simplex)) #Byrows
}) -> post_sim_pred_simplex
#Computing credible intervals
pred_simplex_summary <- t(apply(post_sim_pred_simplex, 1, function(x){c(mean(x), sd(x))}))</pre>
pred_simplex_summary <- data.frame(pred_simplex_summary,</pre>
                                   y.names = rep(c("y1", "y2", "y3"), n.pred),
                                   x.pred = rep(x.pred, rep(D, n.pred)))
colnames(pred_simplex_summary)[1:2] <- c("mean", "sd")</pre>
pred_simplex_summary
##
                  sd y.names x.pred
        mean
## 1 0.0712 0.00322
                          у1
                               -0.5
## 2 0.0282 0.00122
                          у2
                               -0.5
## 3 0.9006 0.00352
                          yЗ
                               -0.5
                          у1
## 4 0.1488 0.00360
                               -0.2
## 5 0.1022 0.00239
                          y2
                              -0.2
## 6 0.7491 0.00392
                              -0.2
                          уЗ
## 7 0.2384 0.00467
                          y1
                               0.1
## 8 0.2841 0.00474
                          y2
                              0.1
## 9 0.4775 0.00421
                          yЗ
                              0.1
## 10 0.2588 0.00896
                               0.4
                          y1
## 11 0.5351 0.01040
                          y2
                                0.4
## 12 0.2062 0.00505
                              0.4
                          yЗ
```

# References

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