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1 Introduction

This is an introduction section. Some characters need to be typset carefully, for example %, # and \$.

2 Model

2.1 Conceptual basis

The conceptual idea behind the model is that the polygenic score of an offspring is expected be similar the parent value, but regress towards the mean with expectation regression coefficient r. There will also be random variation around that expected value such that the variance of the offspring's polygenic score is the variance of the parent's generation scaled by r_s .

The analogy of polygenic scores is used because polygenic scores are theorized to be normally distributed by the central limit theorem - as they are the sum of many (*poly*) genes, which are largely independent and whose effect can have any distribution, e.g., Bernoulli, Uniform, Normal, etc.

2.2 Initial conditions and transitions

The Markov chain exists in discrete time $\{0, 1, 2, ...\}$, representing generations; and continuous space \mathbb{R} , representing polygenic scores.

Let all Z be independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) as $\mathcal{N}(0,1)$.

Define the initial condition such that $X_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_0^2)$:

$$X_0 = \sigma_0 Z$$

Define the one-step relationship between past and present states:

$$X_n = \tilde{\mu}_n + \epsilon$$

Such that:

$$\tilde{\mu}_n = rX_{n-1}, \qquad \epsilon = \tilde{\sigma}_n Z, \qquad \tilde{\sigma}_n = r_s \sigma_{n-1}$$

Rewriting the one-step relationship with these quantities we have:

$$X_n = rX_{n-1} + r_s\sigma_{n-1}Z$$

2.3 The random state for any generation n.

It can be shown by induction and the theorem of the sum of independent normal distributions that $X_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_n^2)$:

$$X_n = \sigma_n Z$$

Additionally, for n > 0 and Z_a , Z_b independent standard normal random variables:

$$X_n = r\sigma_{n-1}Z_a + r_s\sigma_{n-1}Z_b$$

2.4 The variance for any generation n.

It follows immediately that σ_n^2 has the following one-step relationship:

$$\sigma_n^2=\sigma_{n-1}^2(r^2+r_s^2)$$

By induction, σ_n^2 can also be stated in terms of the initial variance:

$$\sigma_n^2 = \sigma_0^2 (r^2 + r_s^2)^n$$

3 Properties

3.1 Variance of ϵ

$$\tilde{\sigma}_n = r_s (r^2 + r_s^2)^{\frac{n-1}{2}} \sigma_0$$

3.2 The conditional expectation for any generation n

$$E(X_n|X_0) = r^n X_0$$

3.3 Other Properties

$$X_n|X_{n-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\tilde{\mu}_n, \tilde{\sigma}_n^2)$$

$$Cov(X_n, X_{n-1}) = r\sigma_{n-1}^2$$

$$Corr(X_n, X_{n-1}) = r \frac{\sigma_{n-1}}{\sigma_n}$$

4 Stable population variance

Let a stable population variance be defined as follows:

$$\sigma_n^2 = \sigma_{n-1}^2$$

The following are a few important properties that occur under stable population variance:

$$r^2 + r_s^2 = 1$$

$$Corr(X_n, X_{n-1}) = r$$

For an aribrary state i:

$$\sigma_i^2 = \sigma_0^2$$

5 Transition kernel

Let A be a subset of the state space:

$$A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

5.1 State to set

Then the transition kernel $P(A, x_{n-1})$ gives the one-step probability of reaching the set A from the state x_{n-1} .

$$P(A, x_{n-1}) = \int_{x_n \in A} f(x_n | x_{n-1}) f(x_{n-1}) dx_n$$

Where $f(x_n|x_{n-1})$ is the conditional probability density function (pdf) of $X_n|X_{n-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(\tilde{\mu}_n, \tilde{\sigma}_n^2)$, and $f(x_{n-1})$ is the pdf of $X_{n-1} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{n-1}^2)$.

5.2 Set to set

A similar transition kernel P(A, B) can be used to obtain the one-step probability of reaching the set A from the set B.

$$B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

$$P(A,B) = \int_{x_{n-1} \in B} P(A, x_{n-1}) dx_{n-1}$$

5.3 Probability attributable

Define the probability that a current state X_n in set A resulted from or is 'attributable' to a previous state or parent score X_{n-1} in set B.

$$P_{\alpha}(A,B) = \frac{P(A,B)}{P(A,\mathbb{R})}$$

By the law of total probability, $P(A, \mathbb{R})$ is the marginal probability that the state X_n is in the space A, which is given by P(A):

$$P(A) = \int_{x_n \in A} f(x_n) \, dx_n$$

Therefore:

$$P_{\alpha}(A,B) = \frac{P(A,B)}{P(A)}$$

5.4 Probability destined

Define the probability that a previous state X_{n-1} in set B will result in or is 'destined' for a current state or offspring score X_n in set A.

$$P_{\delta}(A,B) = \frac{P(A,B)}{P(\mathbb{R},B)}$$

Because the integral over the entire support of a pdf equals 1, $P(\mathbb{R}, B)$ is the marginal probability that the state X_{n-1} is in the space B, which is given by P(B):

$$P(B) = \int_{x_n \in B} f(x_{n-1}) \, dx_{n-1}$$

Therefore:

$$P_{\delta}(A,B) = \frac{P(A,B)}{P(B)}$$

6 Linear regression

$$E(X_n|X_{n-1}) = rX_{n-1}$$

$$X_n = rX_{n-1} + \epsilon$$

This has the same form as the linear regression model where b can be estimated by minimising the sum of the squared errors.

$$E(Y|X) = bX$$

$$Y = bX + \epsilon$$

This means we can estimate r through the least-squares approach.

7 Reverse one-step transition

The parent's phenotypic score is also a random variable that is dependent on the offspring's phenotypic score.

$$X_{n-1} = \frac{1}{r}X_n + \frac{r_s}{r}\sigma_{n-1}Z$$

$$X_{n-1}|X_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\frac{1}{r}X_n, \frac{r_s^2}{r^2}\sigma_{n-1}^2)$$

Where the variance can be rewritten in terms of the nth generation's variance:

$$Var(X_{n-1}|X_n) = \frac{r_s^2}{r^2(r^2 + r_s^2)}\sigma_n^2$$

8 Eve's law

It is possible to compute $Var(X_n)$ through Eve's law:

$$Var(X_n) = E(Var(X_{n-1}|X_n)) + Var(E(X_n|X_{n-1}))$$

We have that:

$$X_n = rX_{n-1} + \tilde{\sigma}_n Z$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}_n = r_s \sigma_{n-1}$$

Therefore, each term in Eve's law is:

$$E(Var(X_n|X_{n-1})) = E(r_s^2 \sigma_{n-1}^2) = r_s^2 \sigma_{n-1}^2$$

$$Var(E(X_n|X_{n-1})) = Var(rX_{n-1}) = r^2\sigma_{n-1}^2$$

Combining these terms, we confirm the variance of X_n :

$$\mathrm{Var}(\mathbf{X_n}) = \sigma_{n-1}^2(r^2 + r_s^2)$$

9 Use cases

With the two parameters r and r_s , we can perfectly describe the variance of the offspring's generation relative to that of the parent's generation through the following relation:

$$\frac{\sigma_n^2}{\sigma_{n-1}^2} = r^2 + r_s^2$$

Simply knowing or having measured two of the three values: the ratio parent generation and offspring generation variance, the expectation regression coefficient (r), the standard deviation scaling coefficient (r_s) ; it is possible to obtain the third.

This can be useful, for example, to obtain the standard deviation of the offspring's polygenic score, after having measured the parent's polygenic score: $\tilde{\sigma}_n = r_s \sigma_{n-1}$.

Alternatively, after having only measured the $\frac{\sigma_n^2}{\sigma_{n-1}^2}$, which is 1 when there is stable population variance, and r, which can be obtained through ordinary least squares with the parent and offspring data or by the correlation coefficient between parent and offspring when there is stable population variance; the model can be constructed and applied.

Guinea Pigs' Tooth Growth

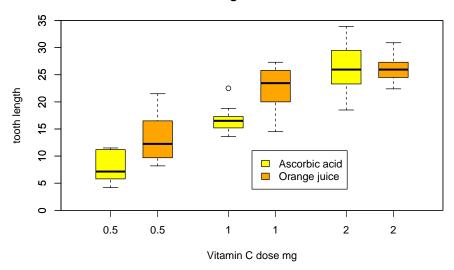


Figure 1: Guinea pig tooth growth and vitamin C dose

9.1 A plot

9.2 Lists

- Look before you leap
- Then go for it
- Enjoy the trip

This is a numbered list.

- 1. Frogs
- 2. Toads
 - (a) Lesser spotted
 - (b) Warty

9.3 Maths

This equation is part of the sentence: $x \wedge (y \vee z) = (x \wedge y) \vee (x \wedge z)$ but the next one is displayed separately.

$$\nabla^2 f(x,y) = \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial y^2}$$

9.4 Tables

A simple table

Vegetables Comments

Carrots Good early crop, then carrot fly.

French beans Excellent.

Table 1: Vegetable production

10 Conclusion

Figure 1 on page 6 illustrates the relationship between the amount of Vitamin C given and their tooth growth Lamport (1994).

Appendix

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References

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