

Dorazio and Royle's Multispecies Model- Mixed Notation

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1 Model as described in the text

For $j = 1, \dots, J$ sites, $i = 1, \dots, N$ ‘actual’ species (out of a total of Ω species), and for $k = 1, \dots, K$ revisits at each site

$$\begin{aligned} y_{ij} &\sim \text{Binom}(K, p_i Z_{ij}) \\ Z_{ij} &\sim \text{Bern}(\Psi_i w_i) \\ W_i &\sim \text{Bern}(\lambda) \\ \text{logit}(\Psi_i) &= u_i + \alpha \\ \text{logit}(p_i) &= v_i + \beta \\ \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} &\sim N\left(\mathbf{0}, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_u^2 & \rho\sigma_u\sigma_v \\ \rho\sigma_u\sigma_v & \sigma_v^2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \end{aligned}$$

where y_{ij} is the number of times that species i is seen at site j during K visits, Z_{ij} is an indicator of presence or absence of species i at site j , and p_i is the detection probability for species i . W_i is an indicator of whether a species exists or not in the population; $\sum_{i=1}^{\Omega} W_i = N$ is the species richness; Ψ_i is the presence probability for species i ; and λ is the probability of a species being real. α and β represent the average occupancy and detection probabilities, respectively, for the population; u_i and v_i are the species-specific variances around those averages.

Note: in the code, they specify the multivariate distribution slightly differently:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{u} \\ \mathbf{v} \end{pmatrix} \sim N\left(\begin{bmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_u^2 & \rho\sigma_u\sigma_v \\ \rho\sigma_u\sigma_v & \sigma_v^2 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

The priors are essentially:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{logit}^{-1}(\alpha) &\sim U(0, 1) \\ \text{logit}^{-1}(\beta) &\sim U(0, 1) \\ \lambda &\sim U(0, 1) \\ \rho &\sim U(-1, 1) \\ \sigma_u^2 &\sim 1/\text{Gamma}(0.1, 0.1) \\ \sigma_v^2 &\sim 1/\text{Gamma}(0.1, 0.1) \end{aligned}$$

2 Model as written in WinBUGS

2.1 Interlude

When they code the model, they use the marginal and conditional distributions for \mathbf{u} and \mathbf{v} , respectively:

$$\begin{aligned}[u, v] &= [v|u][u] \\ [v|u] &= N\left(\beta + \rho\left(\frac{\sigma_v}{\sigma_u}\right)(\Psi_i - \alpha), (1 - \rho^2)\sigma_v^2\right) \\ [u] &= N(\alpha, \sigma_u^2)\end{aligned}$$

(***** The code has Ψ_i in the equation, but it should be v_i , right?)

2.2 BUGS model

For $j = 1, \dots, J$ sites, $i = 1, \dots, N$ ‘actual’ species (out of a total of Ω species), and for $k = 1, \dots, K$ revisits at each site:

$$\begin{aligned}y_{ij} &\sim \text{Binom}(K, p_i Z_{ij}) \\ Z_{ij} &\sim \text{Bern}(\Psi_i w_i) \\ W_i &\sim \text{Bern}(\lambda) \\ \text{logit}(\Psi_i) &\sim N(\alpha, \sigma_u^2) \\ \text{logit}(p_i) &\sim N\left(\beta + \rho\left(\frac{\sigma_v}{\sigma_u}\right)(\Psi_i - \alpha), (1 - \rho^2)\sigma_v^2\right)\end{aligned}$$

Priors:

$$\begin{aligned}\lambda &\sim U(0, 1) \\ \text{mean.psi} &\sim U(0, 1) \\ \alpha &= \text{logit}(\text{mean.psi}) \\ \text{mean.p} &\sim U(0, 1) \\ \beta &= \text{logit}(\text{mean.p}) \\ \sigma_u^2 &\sim 1/\text{Gamma}(0.1, 0.1) \\ \sigma_v^2 &\sim 1/\text{Gamma}(0.1, 0.1) \\ \rho &\sim U(-1, 1)\end{aligned}$$