Inference in generalized bilinear models

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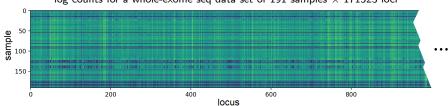
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Background

Modern high-throughput sequencing yields large matrices of counts.

- Copy ratio estimation in cancer genomics
 - whole-exome or whole-genome sequencing data
- Copy number variation in genetics
 - whole-exome or whole-genome sequencing data
- Gene expression analysis in biology/medicine
 - RNA-seg data for transcript abundance

log counts for a whole-exome seq data set of 191 samples \times 171523 loci



Background

- Latent factor models are widely used to discover and adjust for hidden variation in these applications and many others.
- Estimation and inference in latent factor models is challenging.
- Consequently, most methods do not fully account for uncertainty in the latent factors, which can lead to miscalibrated inferences such as overconfident p-values.

This talk

- Generalized bilinear models (GBMs) are a flexible extension of generalized linear models (GLMs) to include latent factors as well as row covariates, column covariates, and interactions.
- We propose fast and accurate methods for GBM estimation and inference (i.e., uncertainty quantification).
- We introduce *delta propagation*, a novel technique for propagating uncertainty among model components using the delta method.
- We present simulation studies assessing performance.
- We apply GBMs to copy ratio estimation and RNA-seq analysis.

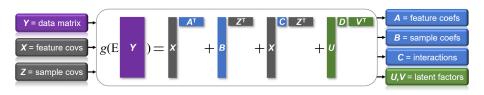
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Generalized bilinear models (GBMs)



ullet Suppose the data matrix $oldsymbol{Y}=(Y_{ij})\in\mathbb{R}^{I imes J}$ satisfies

$$g(\mathbf{E}(\boldsymbol{Y})) = XA^{\mathsf{T}} + BZ^{\mathsf{T}} + XCZ^{\mathsf{T}} + UDV^{\mathsf{T}}$$

where the link function g is applied element-wise.

- We refer to this as a generalized bilinear model (Choulakian, 1996).
- The "bilinear" part UDV^{T} is a low-rank matrix that captures latent effects due, for example, to unobserved covariates such as batch.

Identifiability of GBMs

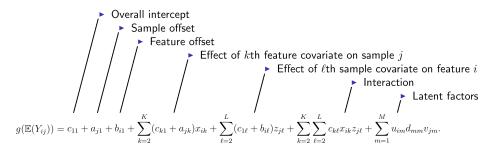
- For reliable results, it is important to ensure that the parameters are uniquely determined by the data distribution.
- We prove that identifiability holds under the following constraints:
 - $ightharpoonup X^{\mathsf{T}}X$ and $Z^{\mathsf{T}}Z$ are invertible,
 - $X^{T}B = 0$, $Z^{T}A = 0$, $X^{T}U = 0$, and $Z^{T}V = 0$,
 - V $U^{\mathsf{T}}U = I$ and $V^{\mathsf{T}}V = I$,
 - ▶ D is a diagonal matrix such that $d_{11} > d_{22} > \cdots > d_{MM} > 0$, and
 - lacktriangle the first nonzero entry of each column of U is positive.
- More precisely, the function

$$\eta(A, B, C, D, U, V) = XA^{\mathsf{T}} + BZ^{\mathsf{T}} + XCZ^{\mathsf{T}} + UDV^{\mathsf{T}}$$

is one-to-one on the set of parameters satisfying these constraints.

Interpretation of GBM parameters

- For interpretability, we also assume that in X and Z, the first column is all ones and the rest of the columns have mean zero.
- ullet Then, the parameters for entry (i,j) can be interpreted as follows:



Outcome distributions

- We consider discrete exponential dispersion families (EDFs).
- ullet Specifically, we suppose $Y_{ij} \sim f(y \mid heta_{ij}, r_{ij})$ where

$$f(y \mid \theta, r) = \exp(\theta y - r\kappa(\theta))h(y, r).$$

• For any discrete EDF,

$$\mu = E(Y) = r\kappa'(\theta)$$
$$\sigma^2 = Var(Y) = r\kappa''(\theta).$$

- For sequencing data, we focus on negative binomial outcomes, which is a special case of discrete EDF.
- We parametrize the dispersions as $1/r_{ij} = \exp(s_i + t_j + \omega)$.

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Previous work

- There is an extensive literature on models involving an unknown low-rank matrix $UDV^{\rm T}$.
- We settle for covering only the most directly related previous work.

Previous work: Normal bilinear models without covariates

Consider the following special case:

$$Y_{ij} = c + a_i + b_j + \sum_{m=1}^{M} u_{im} d_m v_{jm} + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

where $\varepsilon_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{ij}^2)$.

- Principal components analysis (PCA) is equivalent to maximum likelihood estimation in this model with $\sigma_{ij}^2 = \sigma^2$.
- Estimation for this model:
 Gollob (1968), Mandel (1969), Gabriel (1978), Gabriel and Zamir (1979).
- Hypothesis testing for which factors to include:
 Gollob (1968), Mandel (1969), Freeman (1973), Gauch (1988, 2006).
- Confidence regions for parameters:
 Goodman and Haberman (1990), Chadoeuf and Denis (1991), Dorkenoo and Mathieu (1993), Denis and Gower (1996).

Previous work: Normal bilinear models with covariates

Consider the following special case:

$$Y = XA^{\mathsf{T}} + BZ^{\mathsf{T}} + XCZ^{\mathsf{T}} + UDV^{\mathsf{T}} + \varepsilon$$

where ε is a matrix of residuals with $\varepsilon_{ij} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_{ij}^2)$.

- Work on this model was inspired by Tukey (1962), who suggested combining regression with factor analysis.
- Estimation for this model, assuming $\sigma_{ij}^2 = \sigma^2$: Gabriel (1978), Takane and Shibayama (1991).
- Hypothesis testing and confidence regions, assuming $\sigma_{ij}^2 = \sigma^2$: Perry and Pillai (2013) show how to perform inference for univariate linear projections of A and B.

Previous work: Going beyond normal outcomes

- In many applications, it is unreasonable to assume normal outcomes.
- A classical approach is to transform the data and then assume a normal outcome model.
- However, there is unlikely to be a transformation that simultaneously achieves (a) approximate normality, (b) common variance, and (c) additive effects.
- More principled approach: Extend the generalized linear model (GLM) framework to handle latent factors, as suggested by Gower (1989).

Previous work: GBMs without covariates

Consider the following special case:

$$g(E(Y_{ij})) = c + a_i + b_j + \sum_{m=1}^{M} u_{im} d_m v_{jm}.$$

- This allows non-normal outcomes, but does not include covariates.
- Estimation for this model:
 Goodman (1979, 1981, 1986, 1991), Van Eeuwijk (1995).
- Hypothesis testing for which factors to include: Van Eeuwijk (1995).

Previous work: GBMs with covariates

• Now consider the general case:

$$g(\mathbf{E}(\boldsymbol{Y})) = XA^{\mathsf{T}} + BZ^{\mathsf{T}} + XCZ^{\mathsf{T}} + UDV^{\mathsf{T}}.$$

- Previous authors have considered models of this form:
 Choulakian (1996), Gabriel (1998), de Falguerolles (2000), Townes (2019).
- Townes (2019) develops a fast estimation algorithm using diagonal approximations to Fisher scoring updates for ℓ_2 -penalized estimation.
- Limitations of previous work:
 - uncertainty quantification is not addressed,
 - ▶ a single common dispersion parameter is assumed, and
 - identifiability constraints are not explicitly enforced during estimation.

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Estimation algorithm

- We provide an algorithm for maximum a posteriori GBM estimation that extends previous work by:
 - estimating row- and column-specific dispersion parameters,
 - improving numerical stability, and
 - explicitly enforcing identifiability constraints during estimation.
- Basic idea: Iteratively cycle through the components of the model, updating each in turn using an optimization-projection step.
- "Optimization-projection" = unconstrained optimization step and a likelihood-preserving projection onto the constrained parameter space.

Estimation: Challenges (1/2)

- Estimating the dispersions is tricky due to nonobvious biases, arithmetic underflow/overflow, and occasional lack of convergence.
- ② Standard GLM methods are inapplicable. Even without $UDV^{\rm T}$, vectorization of the linear terms is computationally prohibitive.
- ① Optimizing $UDV^{\rm T}$ is challenging due to the dependencies among U, D, and V and the orthonormality contraints $U^{\rm T}U={\rm I}$ and $V^{\rm T}V={\rm I}$.
- $\begin{tabular}{ll} \hline \bullet & The singular value decomposition (SVD) doesn't help estimate \\ UDV^{\rm T} & since it implicitly assumes every entry has the same variance. \\ \hline \end{tabular}$

Estimation: Challenges (2/2)

- Omputational efficiency is needed to handle large high-throughput sequencing datasets.
- A good initialization procedure is crucial for numerical stability.
- Even with a good initialization, optimization methods occasionally diverge. In a large GBM, there are so many parameters that even occasional divergences lead to failure with high probability.
- It is not obvious how to enforce the identifiability constraints without compromising the algorithm convergence properties.

Estimation: Solutions to challenges

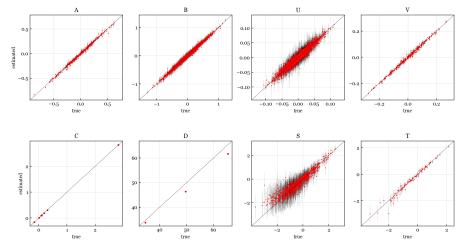
- We provide an algorithm that deals with each of these challenges.
- Some key aspects:
 - Exploit the GBM structure to derive fast Fisher scoring updates.
 - ▶ Initialize using least squares for A, B, and C, with $UDV^{\mathsf{T}} = 0$.
 - Use bounded, regularized Fisher scoring steps for numerical stability.
 - ▶ Derive likelihood-preserving projections to enforce constraints.
 - \blacktriangleright Relax dependencies and constraints by optimizing UD and VD rather than U and V.

Estimation: Simulation study

- We assess estimation performance in simulations with known true parameters.
- In each simulation run:
 - covariates are generated using a copula model with Normal, Gamma, or Binary marginals,
 - ▶ true parameters are generated using a Normal or Gamma scheme, and
 - outcomes are generated using the log link and a NB (negative binomial),
 LNP (log-normal Poisson), Poisson, or Geometric distribution.
- We abbreviate each combination of outcome/covariate/parameter scheme, e.g., NB/Binary/Normal.

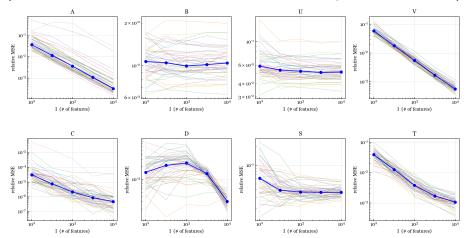
Estimation: Typical example

Scatterplots of estimated versus true parameters for a typical simulated data matrix (NB/Normal, 1000 rows, 100 cols, 4 feature covs, 2 samples covs, and 3 factors)



Estimation: Error tends to zero with increasing data

Relative mean-squared error between estimated and true parameter values (50 runs of NB/Normal/Normal, 100 cols, 4 feature covs, 2 samples covs, and 3 factors)



Estimation: Theoretical computational complexity is linear

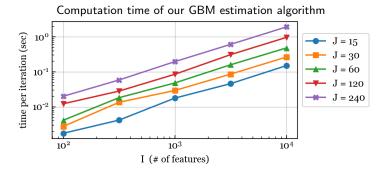
Computation time complexity of each update in the estimation algorithm

Operation	Time complexity
Computing η	$O(IJ \max\{K, L, M\})$
Updating A	$O(IJK^2)$
Updating B	$O(IJL^2)$
Updating C	$O(IJ\max\{K^2,L^2\})$
Updating D , U , and V	$O(IJM^2)$
Updating S and T	O(IJ)
Total per iteration	$O(IJ\max\{K^2,L^2,M^2\})$

Notation:

- I = # of rows
- $ightharpoonup J=\# ext{ of columns}$
- ightharpoonup K=# of feature covariates
- ightharpoonup L = # of sample covariates
- ▶ M = # of latent factors

Estimation: Computation time is linear in size of matrix



- Computation time grows linearly with I (# rows) and J (# cols).
- Each dot is the average over 10 runs of the NB/Normal/Normal scheme with 4 feature covs, 2 samples covs, and 3 factors.
- The empirical results agree with the theory.

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Inference (uncertainty quantification)

- Most latent factor methods do not fully account for uncertainty.
- To remove batch effects in gene expression, several methods estimate $UDV^{\rm T}$ and then treat V as known, handling uncertainty only in U.

 Leek and Storey (2007, 2008), Sun et al. (2012), Risso et al. (2014)
- ullet CNV detection methods often fit UDV^{T} and just subtract it off. Fromer et al. (2012), Krumm et al. (2012), Jiang et al. (2015)
- Bayesian inference provides full uncertainty quantification, but MCMC is slow in large parameter spaces with strong dependencies.
- Variational Bayes is faster, but relies on factorized approximations that tend to underestimate uncertainty.
 - Stegle et al. (2010), Buettner et al. (2017), Babadi et al. (2018)

Inference: Novel method – "delta propagation"

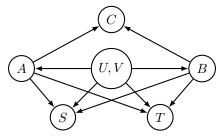
- We provide a fast, accurate method for GBM uncertainty quantification.
- In particular, we introduce delta propagation, a general technique for propagating uncertainty among model components using the delta method.
- Delta propagation can be done analytically using closed-form expressions involving the gradient and the Fisher information.

Inference: Delta propagation method

- In fixed-dimension parametric models, the asymptotic covariance of the MLE is equal to the inverse of the Fisher information matrix.
- However, inverting the full Fisher info is intractable in large GBMs.
- Inverting the Fisher info for each component (e.g., F_a^{-1} for A) is fast, but underestimates uncertainty since it treats all else as known.
 - Thus, it can be thought of as the conditional uncertainty.
- Delta propagation is a general technique for approximating the additional variance due to uncertainty in the other components.
- Basic idea: Write the estimator for each component as a function of the other components, and propagate the variance of the other components through this function using a 1st order Taylor approx.

Inference: Outline of GBM inference algorithm

Diagram of uncertainty propagation scheme for GBM inference



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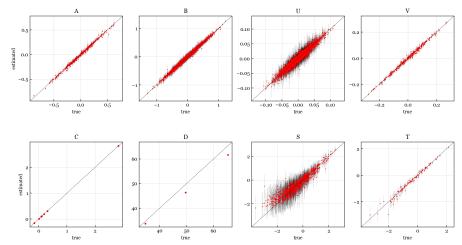
- Compute conditional uncertainty for each parameter matrix/vector.
- $oldsymbol{\circ}$ Compute joint uncertainty in (U,V) accounting for constraints.
- Propagate uncertainty between components using delta propagation.
- Ompute approximate standard errors.

Inference: Simulation study

- Next, to assess the accuracy of standard errors produced by our algorithm, we consider the coverage of Wald-type confidence intervals.
- Ideally, a 95% confidence interval would contain the true parameter 95% of the time.
- However, even when the model is correct, this is not guaranteed since intervals are usually based on an approximation to the distribution of an estimator.
- We generate covariates, true parameters, and outcomes using the same simulation scheme as before.

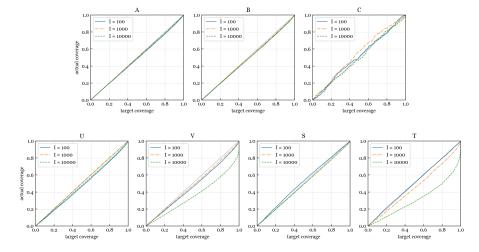
Inference: Typical example

Scatterplots of estimated versus true parameters for a typical simulated data matrix (NB/Normal, 1000 rows, 100 cols, 4 feature covs, 2 samples covs, and 3 factors)



Inference: Coverage is good for most params of interest

Coverage of confidence intervals for the entries of each parameter matrix/vector (50 runs of NB/Normal/Normal, 100 cols, 4 feature covs, 2 samples covs, and 3 factors)



Inference: Theoretical computational complexity

Computation time complexity of the inference algorithm

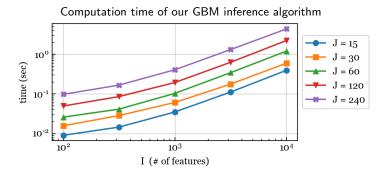
Operation	Time complexity
Preprocessing	$O(IJ \max\{K, L, M\})$
Conditional uncertainty for each component	$O(IJ\max\{K^2,L^2,M^2\})$
Joint uncertainty in (U,V)	$O(IJ^2M^3)$
Propagate uncertainty between components	$O(IJ\max\{K^3, L^3, M^3\})$
Compute approximate standard errors	O(IJ)
Total	$O(IJ\max\{K^3, L^3, JM^3\})$

Notation:

- ▶ I = # of rows
- ▶ J = # of columns
- ightharpoonup K = # of feature covariates
- L = # of sample covariates
- ightharpoonup M=# of latent factors

We have experimented extensively but have not found a faster alternative that provides well-calibrated standard errors.

Inference: Empirical assessment of computation time



- Theory indicates that computation time is linear in I (# rows) and quadratic in J (# cols).
- Thus, as I increases, the curves should become linear in I.
- Each dot is the average over 10 runs of the NB/Normal/Normal scheme with 4 feature covs, 2 samples covs, and 3 factors.

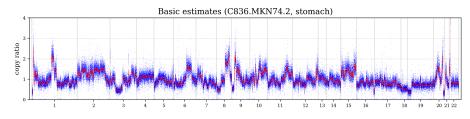
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Application: Copy ratio estimation in cancer genomics

- We apply the GBM to estimate copy ratios for sequencing data.
- Copy ratio estimation is an essential step in detecting somatic copy number alterations (SCNAs), that is, duplications or deletions of segments of the genome.
- The input data is a matrix of counts where entry (i, j) is the number of reads from sample j that map to target region i of the genome.
- Goal: Estimate the copy ratio of each region, that is, the relative concentration of copies of that region in the original DNA sample.
- We illustrate on the 326 whole-exome sequencing samples from the Cancer Cell Line Encyclopedia (CCLE) (Ghandi et al., 2019).

Copy ratio estimation: Example from CCLE data

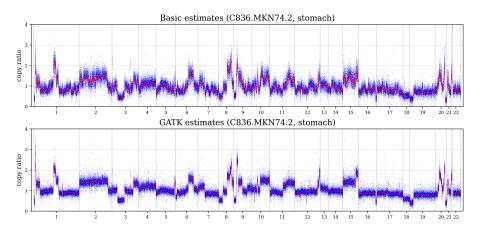


- x-axis = genomic position, blue = CR estimate, red = moving avg.
- As a baseline, we show basic row- and column- normalized estimates.
- Specifically, $ho_{ij}^{\mathrm{basic}} = \widetilde{Y}_{ij}/(\alpha_i\beta_j)$ where $\widetilde{Y}_{ij} = Y_{ij} + 0.125$, $\alpha_i = \frac{1}{J}\sum_{j=1}^J \widetilde{Y}_{ij}$, and $\beta_j = \frac{1}{I}\sum_{i=1}^I \widetilde{Y}_{ij}/\alpha_i$.
- These basic estimates are very noisy and are contaminated by significant technical biases.

Copy ratio estimation using a panel of normals

- Leading methods employ a panel of normals (PoN) to estimate technical biases using PCA.
- Cancer samples are then de-noised by adjusting out the top PCs that were estimated from the PoN.
- GATK's CreateReadCountPanelOfNormals and DenoiseReadCounts tools provide CR estimates using this approach.
- For reproducibility purposes, we use a pseudo-PoN from CCLE:
 - ▶ Split the 326 CCLE samples into training and testing sets of equal size.
 - ▶ On the training samples, segment the basic CR estimates and subtract off the segment means (in log space).
 - ▶ Run CreateReadCountPanelOfNormals on the adjusted training data.
 - ▶ Run DenoiseReadCounts on the test data using the resulting PoN file.

Copy ratio estimation: Example from CCLE data

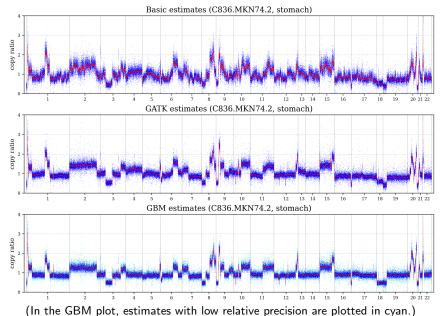


- GATK results on an illustrative sample, using a PoN with 5 factors.
- The GATK estimates are less noisy and are more locally constant.

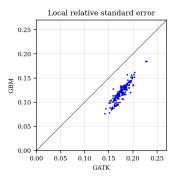
Copy ratio estimation with the GBM

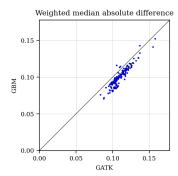
- ullet For comparison, we run a negative binomial GBM on the adjusted (pseudo-normal) training samples to estimate latent factors U.
- ullet Then we run a GBM on the test samples, using a feature covariate matrix X that includes this estimated U matrix.
- We use $\log(\mathtt{length}_i)$, \mathtt{gc}_i , and $(\mathtt{gc}_i \overline{\mathtt{gc}})^2$ as region covariates, no sample covariates, and 5 latent factors.
- Model dimensions:
 - ▶ On training set: I = 180,495, J = 163, K = 4, L = 1, and M = 5.
 - On the test set: I = 180,495, J = 163, K = 9, L = 1, and M = 0.

Copy ratio estimation: Example from CCLE data



Copy ratio estimation: Performance on CCLE test set





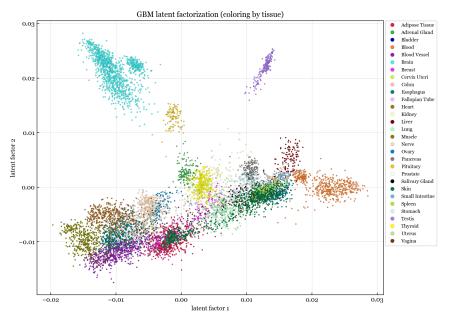
- We compare the GBM and GATK using two performance metrics:
 - Local RSE quantifies the variability of log CR estimates around a weighted moving average, accounting for the precision of each estimate.
 - Weighted MAD quantifies the typical magnitude of the slope of a weighted moving average.
- The performance gains appear to be due to using (a) model-based uncertainty and (b) a robust probabilistic model for count data.

- We consider RNA-seq data from the Genotype-Tissue Expression (GTEx) project (Melé et al., 2015).
- 8,551 samples from 30 tissues in the human body, from 544 subjects.
- We apply the GBM to find genes whose expression changes with age, adjusting for technical biases.

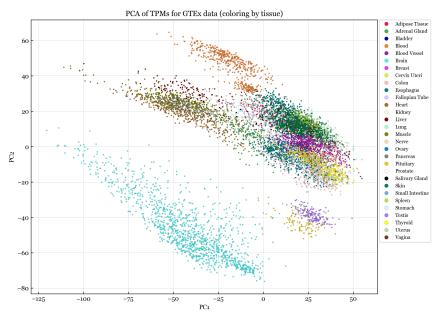
RNA-seq: Visualizing GTEx data using a GBM

- ullet Similar to PCA, we can use the GBM to visualize high-dimensional data by plotting the V matrix.
- First, we take a random subset of 5,000 genes and fit a negative binomial GBM with:
 - two latent factors,
 - no sample covariates, and
 - ▶ $\log(\mathrm{length}_i)$, gc_i , and $(\mathrm{gc}_i \overline{\mathrm{gc}})^2$ as gene covariates.
- Model dimensions: $I=5{,}000$, $J=8{,}551$, K=4, L=1, and M=2.

RNA-seq: Visualizing GTEx data using a GBM



RNA-seq: PCA of GTEx data using log-transformed TPMs

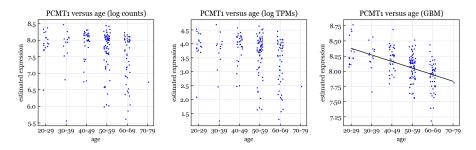


- To find aging-related genes, we add subject age as a sample covariate.
- We analyze each subtissue separately, due to the heterogeneity of tissues/subtissues.
- We used a random subset of 108 subjects during an exploratory model-building phase.
- The remaining 436 subjects were used during a testing phase with the selected model.

- For illustration, we present results for the "Heart Left Ventricle" subtissue (Heart-LV).
- We ran the GBM on the 176 Heart-LV samples in the test set, using:
 - ▶ the 19,853 genes with nonzero median across these samples,
 - ▶ gene covariates: $\log(\texttt{length}_i)$, \texttt{gc}_i , and $(\texttt{gc}_i \overline{\texttt{gc}})^2$,
 - ▶ sample covariates: smexncrt (exonic rate) and age (subject age),
 - 3 latent factors.
- This choice of subtissue and model was based on the exploratory phase.

- In this GBM, each gene has a coefficient describing how its expression changes with age.
- Using our GBM inference algorithm, we compute a p-value for each gene to test whether this coefficient is nonzero.
- 2,444 genes were significantly associated with age in Heart-LV, controlling Type I error at 0.05 using Bonferroni.
- For comparison, simple linear regression on the log-transformed TPMs yields only 1 significant gene.
- This indicates that the GBM has much greater power than a simple standard approach.

RNA-seq: Expression of the top aging-related gene



- The top GBM hit for Heart-LV is PCMT1 (p-value = 1.1×10^{-47}).
- PCMT1 is involved in the repair and degradation of damaged proteins, and is a well-known aging gene (Tacutu et al., 2018).
- GBM-estimated expression of PCMT1 exhibits a clear downward linear trend with age.
- The log TPMs for PCMT1 are noisier and the trend is much less clear.

RNA-seq: Top age-related GO terms (Biological Process)

- To test for enrichment of Gene Ontology (GO) term gene sets, we run DAVID on the top 1000 GBM hits for Heart-LV.
- These results are highly consistent with known aging biology (López-Otín et al., 2013).

GO term ID	Description	Count	p-value	Benjamini
GO:0098609	cell-cell adhesion	48	5.1e-12	1.5e-08
GO:0006418	tRNA aminoacylation for protein translation	16	1.4e-09	2.0e-06
GO:0006099	tricarboxylic acid cycle	12	3.7e-07	3.6e-04
GO:1904871	positive regulation of protein localization to Cajal body	7	1.1e-06	6.1e-04
GO:1904851	positive regulation of establishment of protein localization to telomere	7	1.1e-06	6.1e-04
GO:0006607	NLS-bearing protein import into nucleus	10	1.3e-06	6.2e-04
GO:0006914	autophagy	22	1.8e-05	7.6e-03
GO:0016192	vesicle-mediated transport	24	2.6e-05	8.3e-03
GO:0006511	ubiquitin-dependent protein catabolic process	24	2.6e-05	8.3e-03
GO:0006888	ER to Golgi vesicle-mediated transport	24	3.5e-05	1.0e-02
GO:0006886	intracellular protein transport	31	4.3e-05	1.1e-02
GO:1904874	positive regulation of telomerase RNA localization to Cajal body	7	8.3e-05	2.0e-02
GO:0006090	pyruvate metabolic process	8	9.6e-05	2.1e-02
GO:0070125	mitochondrial translational elongation	16	1.1e-04	2.2e-02
GO:0006446	regulation of translational initiation	10	1.5e-04	2.8e-02
GO:0043039	tRNA aminoacylation	5	1.6e-04	3.0e-02
GO:0018107	peptidyl-threonine phosphorylation	10	2.9e-04	4.9e-02
GO:0000462	maturation of SSU-rRNA from tricistronic rRNA transcript	9	3.3e-04	5.4e-02
GO:0006610	ribosomal protein import into nucleus	5	3.7e-04	5.6e-02
GO:0016236	macroautophagy	14	4.0e-04	5.9e-02

RNA-seq: Top age-related GO terms (Cellular Component)

GO term ID	Description	Count	p-value	Benjamini
GO:0016020	membrane	220	9.8e-21	3.7e-18
GO:0005739	mitochondrion	157	1.2e-20	3.7e-18
GO:0070062	extracellular exosome	242	4.3e-16	9.1e-14
GO:0005829	cytosol	282	1.0e-15	1.6e-13
GO:0005913	cell-cell adherens junction	57	9.5e-15	1.2e-12
GO:0005737	cytoplasm	380	2.3e-13	2.4e-11
GO:0043209	myelin sheath	36	4.7e-13	4.2e-11
GO:0005759	mitochondrial matrix	47	5.7e-09	4.5e-07
GO:0005654	nucleoplasm	217	1.1e-08	7.8e-07
GO:0000502	proteasome complex	18	1.4e-08	8.0e-07
GO:0005743	mitochondrial inner membrane	56	1.4e-08	8.0e-07
GO:0042645	mitochondrial nucleoid	14	3.5e-07	1.8e-05
GO:0014704	intercalated disc	14	8.5e-07	4.2e-05
GO:0005832	chaperonin-containing T-complex	7	2.5 e - 06	1.1e-04
GO:0005643	nuclear pore	16	5.2e-06	2.2e-04
GO:0043231	intracellular membrane-bounded organelle	55	2.7e-05	1.1e-03
GO:0002199	zona pellucida receptor complex	6	2.9 e - 05	1.1e-03
GO:0043034	costamere	8	5.4 e - 05	1.9e-03
GO:0043234	protein complex	42	7.8e-05	2.6e-03
GO:0045254	pyruvate dehydrogenase complex	5	1.5 e-04	4.6e-03

Conclusion

- GBMs provide a flexible framework for the analysis of matrix data.
- Delta propagation is a novel general technique for uncertainty quantification.
- Our algorithms enable accurate GBM estimation and inference in modern applications.
- Possible directions for future work:
 - extend to more general bilinear model structures,
 - seek theoretical guarantees for delta propagation, and
 - try applying delta propagation to other models.
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