Envelope method with ignorable missing data

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Regression with multiple responses

Linear regression model can be written as:

$$\mathbf{Y}_{1\times r} = \mathbf{X}_{1\times p} \boldsymbol{\beta}_{p\times r} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_{1\times r},$$

where the error vector $\varepsilon_{1\times r}\in\mathbb{R}^r$ is normally distributed with mean $\mathbf{0}$ and unknown parameter Σ . When $\Sigma>0$, the model has a total number of pr+r(r+1)/2 unknown parameters.

• Suppose we observe the data set $((\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{y}_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_n, \mathbf{y}_n))$, we can write them as a matrix form:

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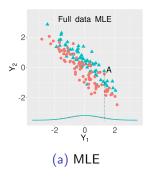
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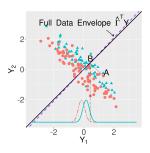
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Remark

The estimator of $oldsymbol{eta}$ does not depend on $oldsymbol{\Sigma}$ at all.

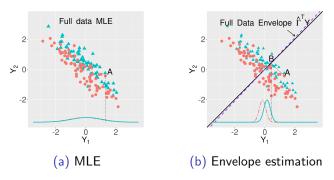
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• Suppose we want to test whether $\beta_1 = 0$. Using the standard method, we get p-value= 0.37; Using envelope estimation, the p-value is less than 0.001.

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• This implies the impact of \mathbf{X} on \mathbf{Y} is concentrated only in $\mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{E}}\mathbf{Y}$. We refer to $\mathbf{P}_{\mathcal{E}}\mathbf{Y}$ and $\mathbf{Q}_{\mathcal{E}}\mathbf{Y}$ as material and immaterial part of \mathbf{Y} .

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$$\mathcal{E}_{oldsymbol{\Sigma}}(\mathcal{B}) = \oplus_{q=1}^q \mathsf{P}_i \mathcal{B}$$

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Estimation of the parameters can be carried out by maximum likelihood, and u can be selected by AIC, BIC or other methods.

ullet The estimated envelope $\hat{\mathcal{E}}_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{B})$ can be represented as

$$\hat{\mathcal{E}}_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{B}) = \arg\min_{\delta} (\log |\mathbf{P}_{\delta}\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{P}_{\delta}|_{0} + \log |\mathbf{Q}_{\delta}\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{Y}}\mathbf{Q}_{\delta}|_{0}),$$

where where $|\cdot|_0$ means the product of the non-zero eigenvalues and δ is a u-dim subspace of \mathbb{R}^r . $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{Y}|\mathbf{X}}$ and $\mathbf{S}_{\mathbf{Y}}$ are the sample version of $\mathbf{\Sigma}$ and $\mathrm{Var}(\mathbf{Y})$.

- $\hat{\mathcal{E}}_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{B})$ can be estimated through a 1-D algorithm proposed by Cook and Zhang (2016).
- Let $\hat{\Gamma}$ denote the basis of $\hat{\mathcal{E}}_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{B})$, then estimators of regression parameters are
 - $\hat{eta}_{env} = \mathbf{P}_{\hat{\Gamma}} \hat{eta}_{std}$, which is \sqrt{n} -consistent and asymptotically normal.
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Efficiency gain

Proposition 2. (Cook et al., 2010)

$$\operatorname{avar}\{\sqrt{n}\mathrm{vec}(\hat{\beta}_{env})\} \leq \operatorname{avar}\{\sqrt{n}\mathrm{vec}(\hat{\beta}_{std})\}$$

where $avar(\cdot)$ stands for the asymptotic covariance and $vec(\cdot)$ stands for the vectorization of a matrix.

Remarks

- Envelope estimators are never worse than standard estimators in the sense of asymptotic variance.
- Envelope methods will provide the most gain in efficiency when $\hat{\mathcal{E}}_{\Sigma}(\mathcal{B})$ can be constructed from eigenspaces of Σ with relatively small eigenvalues.

An R Example

Illustration of an example using R:

```
require(envlp)
set.seed(0411)
num = 200
env dim <- 5
p = 5
q = 20
sq_err_env <- NULL
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for (i in 1:10) {
  GAMMA \leftarrow matrix(runif(env dim * q), nrow = q)
  beta0 <- matrix(runif(p * q, -10, 10), nrow = p)
  beta <- beta0 %*% P(GAMMA)
  Omega <- 0.1 * diag(nrow(GAMMA))</pre>
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  Sigma_y <- P(GAMMA) %** Omega %** P(GAMMA) + Q(GAMMA) %** Omega0 %** Q(GAMMA)
  A \leftarrow matrix(runif(p ^ 2, -10, 10), nrow = p)
  mu_x < -runif(p, -10, 10)
  Sigma x <- A %*% t(A)
  X <- mvrnorm(num, mu_x, Sigma_x)</pre>
  Y \leftarrow X ** beta + mvrnorm(num, rep(0, g), Sigma v)
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Output: 0.007500058 14.07488

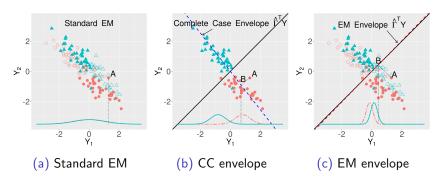
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- Complete case analysis will introduce bias even if data is ignorable missing.

Figure: Intuitive illustration of the envelope method in the presence of missing data. Hollow circle dots or triangles indicate one of the component of \mathbf{Y} is missing: the hollow triangle has Y_1 missing, and the hollow circle dot has Y_2 missing. The density curves of the two groups using different methods are shown at the bottom of each subfigure.



EM algorithm

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M-Step: The M-step computes $\theta^{(t+1)}$ by maximizing the expected log-likelihood obtained in the E-step:

$$Q(\theta^{(t+1)}|\theta_t) \geq Q(\theta|\theta_t),$$
 for all θ .

We iterate the E- and M-steps until convergence.

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Parameter updates

- Using the 1-D algorithm proposed by Cook and Zhang (2016) to estimate Γ_t based on θ_t .
- $$\begin{split} \bullet \ \ & \Sigma_{1,t+1} = \frac{1}{n} \textbf{\textit{P}}_{\Gamma_t} (\textbf{\textit{A}}_{1,t} \textbf{\textit{A}}_{2,t} \textbf{\textit{A}}_{3,t}^{-1} \textbf{\textit{A}}_{2,t}') \textbf{\textit{P}}_{\Gamma_t}; \\ & \rho_{t+1} = \arg\max_{\rho \in \Theta} \mathbb{E}(\log(f_{\scriptscriptstyle X}(\textbf{\textit{x}}_i|\rho))|\textbf{\textit{D}}_{obs}, \theta_t); \\ & \beta_{t+1} = \textbf{\textit{A}}_{3,t}^{-1} \textbf{\textit{A}}_{2,t}' \textbf{\textit{P}}_{\Sigma_{1,t+1}}; \\ & \Sigma_{t+1} = \Sigma_{1,t+1} + \frac{1}{n} \textbf{\textit{Q}}_{\Gamma_t} \textbf{\textit{A}}_{1,t} \textbf{\textit{Q}}_{\Gamma_t} \end{split}$$

Algorithm 0: The EM envelope algorithm

Data: n observations with MAR p predictors and q responses .

Result: Finding the estimator $\hat{\beta}_{em_env}$.

for
$$k = 1, 2, ..., q$$
 do

initialization:
$$\Sigma_t = I_q$$
, $\beta_t = 0$, $\rho_t = \rho_0$, $\theta_t = (\Sigma_t, \beta_t, \rho_t)$, $\Delta = 1$;

while
$$\Delta > \delta$$
 do

1. Calculate
$$\mathbf{A}_{1,t} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{A}_{i1,t}$$
, $\mathbf{A}_{2,t} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mathbf{A}_{i2,t}$,

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 based on $\mathbf{\theta}_t$;

2. Using 1-D algorithm to calculate Γ_t , then

$$\Sigma_{1,t+1} = \frac{1}{n} P_{\Gamma_t} (A_{1,t} - A_{2,t} A_{3,t}^{-1} A_{2,t}') P_{\Gamma_t};$$

3. Update: $\rho_{t+1} = \arg\max_{\rho \in \Theta} \mathbb{E}(\log(f_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}_i|\rho))|\mathbf{D}_{obs}, \theta_t)$,

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4. Set $\Delta = \|\beta_{t+1} - \beta_{t}\|_{1}, \ \theta_{t} = (\Sigma_{t+1}, \beta_{t+1}, \rho_{t+1});$

end

$$\mathrm{BIC}_k = -2Q(\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}|\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}) + pu\log n, \ \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_k = \boldsymbol{\beta}_{t+1}$$

end

Find u such that BIC_k is minimum. The corresponding $\hat{\beta}_u$ is the EM envelope estimator.

EM envelope algorithm

Proposition 1.

Denote $\hat{\beta}_{env}$ as the estimator by EM envelope algorithm, and $\hat{\beta}_{std}$ as the estimator by standard EM algorithm. Then

$$\sqrt{n}(\operatorname{vec}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\textit{env}}) - \operatorname{vec}(\boldsymbol{\beta})) \xrightarrow{d} N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{V}_{\textit{env}}),$$
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where $\mathbf{V}_{\textit{env}} \leq \mathbf{V}_{\textit{std}}.$

Simulations

We run simulations to compare four different methods: standard complete case analysis, complete case envelope, standard EM, and EM envelope.

- Suppose $\mathbf{X}_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle X}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{\!\scriptscriptstyle X})$, $\mathbf{Y}_n \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{X}_n \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_\epsilon)$
- Generate n = 500 samples, each has q = 20 responses, and p = 5 covariates with envelope dimension u = 3.
- ullet Generate Γ , eta_0 , $\mu_{\scriptscriptstyle X}$, $\Sigma_{\scriptscriptstyle X}$ at random, and set $eta=eta_0 {\sf P}_\Gamma.$
- $\Sigma_{\epsilon} = \Gamma \Omega \Gamma' + \Gamma_0 \Omega_0 \Gamma'_0$. Fix $\Omega = 0.1 \mathbf{I}_q$. We run two simulations when setting $\Omega_0 = 1000 \mathbf{I}_q$ and $\Omega_0 = 10 \mathbf{I}_q$.

Results

Table: Summary of MSE when $\Omega_0=1000 extbf{\emph{I}}_q$

	Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}_{em_env}$	1.64e-05	3.58e-05	4.44e-05	1.03e-03	5.70e-05	8.66e-02
$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}_{ extsf{comp_env}}$	3.28e-04	8.16e-04	1.27e-03	1.47e-02	2.52e-03	4.33
$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}_{em_std}$	2.37e-02	4.41e-02	5.34e-02	5.47e-02	6.38e-02	0.12
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Table: Summary of MSE when $\Omega_0=10\emph{I}_q$

	Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
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$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}_{ extsf{comp_env}}$	1.69e-03	4.50e-03	6.16e-03	0.590	1.24e-02	3.95e + 02
$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}_{em_std}$	2.17e-04	4.52e-04	5.42e-04	5.62e-04	6.49e-04	1.34e-03
$\hat{eta}_{ extsf{comp_std}}$	1.14e-02	3.42e-02	5.06e-02	6.02	9.55e-02	4.60e+03

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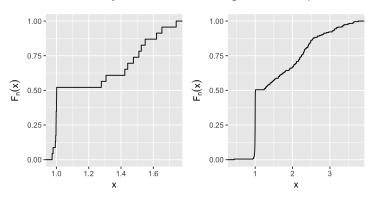
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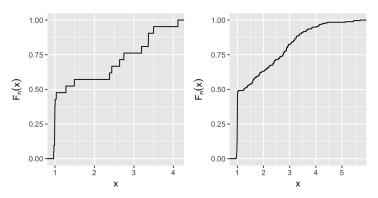
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- The estimated envelope dimension is u = 17.

Table: The point estimates, bootstrap standard errors, confidence intervals and p-values for biomarkers adjusted for the established biomarkers

	Our Method					Standard EM				
	$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}$	SÊ	2.5%	97.5%	p-value	$\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}$	SÊ	2.5%	97.5%	<i>p</i> —value
HS_CRP	-0.04	0.02	-0.07	-2e-3	0.05	-0.12	0.07	-0.28	0.02	0.10
NGAL	-0.01	0.03	-0.07	0.04	0.69	0.18	0.07	0.06	0.31	6e-3
ALDOSTERONE	0.06	0.02	0.02	0.09	2e-3	0.04	0.04	-0.04	0.13	0.31
C_PEPTIDE	-0.10	0.04	-0.17	-0.03	9e-3	0.21	0.12	-0.02	0.44	0.08

Figure: The Empirical Cumulative Distribution of ratio between standard error of EM OLS and EM envelope for the coefficient corresponds to ESRD (left) and for all coefficients (right), adjusting for established biomarkers.



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