

Summary results using SMC to analyse MMS (2019) data

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The following table shows marginal and maximum likelihood values by domain. The marginal likelihoods for the Dirichlet RC model and Dirichlet RP model are based on simulations and their numerical standard errors (nse) are indicated.

Domain	Marginal likelihoods						Maximum likelihoods	
	max/min	uniform- P	Dir. RC	nse	Dir. RP	nse	RC model	RP model
1	-1060.42	-1017.68	-1008.16	0.0000	-975.68	0.013	-943.73	-948.56
2	-1060.54	-1071.98	-1048.06	0.0000	-1035.98	0.010	-999.85	-1011.28
3	-1060.13	-1046.77	-1032.16	0.0000	-1010.12	0.011	-973.88	-981.71
4	-1060.83	-1073.51	-1048.61	0.0000	-1035.46	0.010	-1001.87	-1008.53
5	-1060.42	-1051.42	-1033.71	0.0000	-1015.45	0.011	-978.80	-988.66
6	-1060.54	-1061.99	-1041.50	0.0000	-1025.27	0.009	-990.08	-998.31
7	-1060.83	-947.54	-947.48	0.0000	-914.36	0.019	-870.17	-883.16
8	-1061.11	-1096.79	-1061.28	0.0019	-1057.27	0.009	-1025.96	-1033.83
9	-1060.83	-936.00	-936.97	0.0000	-907.95	0.036	-856.52	-874.16
10	-1060.54	-950.19	-950.35	0.0000	-919.54	0.029	-873.12	-890.35
11	-1060.83	-1047.21	-1031.52	0.0000	-1007.11	0.010	-974.18	-980.99
12	-1061.11	-1055.28	-1036.39	0.0000	-1019.64	0.010	-982.78	-994.39
13	-1059.73	-1034.24	-1021.88	0.0000	-996.46	0.011	-960.73	-970.91
14	-1059.73	-1005.49	-1000.09	0.0000	-968.89	0.040	-929.07	-941.30
15	-1059.73	-961.47	-959.24	0.0000	-921.44	0.031	-884.49	-892.72
16	-1059.73	-955.33	-953.67	0.0000	-918.09	0.020	-878.69	-886.88
17	-1060.13	-893.97	-896.55	0.0000	-866.31	0.025	-809.80	-830.33
18	-1060.13	-975.62	-971.56	0.0000	-935.81	0.027	-898.22	-907.01
19	-1060.83	-977.17	-974.25	0.0000	-942.83	0.031	-897.26	-910.13
20	-1060.54	-1067.09	-1045.94	0.0000	-1024.44	0.009	-994.81	-1000.19
21	-1059.73	-769.25	-773.87	0.0000	-728.78	0.050	-678.67	-690.87
22	-1060.13	-957.56	-959.42	0.0000	-930.32	0.049	-876.97	-895.54
23	-1060.13	-1056.12	-1037.59	0.0000	-1028.45	0.013	-983.68	-1000.25
24	-1060.83	-999.61	-996.75	0.0000	-968.74	0.032	-920.57	-934.55
25	-1060.13	-992.79	-986.46	0.0000	-959.88	0.012	-917.77	-931.40
26	-1060.13	-944.06	-943.14	0.0000	-906.17	0.037	-863.46	-872.39
27	-1061.05	-1080.54	-1052.91	0.0001	-1049.35	0.012	-1009.15	-1020.70
28	-1060.13	-886.52	-890.82	0.0000	-851.63	0.024	-806.15	-818.73
29	-1060.13	-1080.73	-1053.85	0.0001	-1044.96	0.009	-1008.27	-1019.61
30	-1060.42	-907.52	-910.91	0.0000	-868.14	0.026	-826.35	-835.31
31	-1060.13	-940.44	-940.99	0.0000	-901.80	0.023	-861.28	-870.48
32	-1060.13	-1044.09	-1029.24	0.0000	-1015.42	0.013	-971.41	-983.63

The following table shows, by domain and for both the Dirichlet RC model and the Dirichlet RP model, a numerical estimate of the posterior mean of α , its numerical standard error and its relative numerical efficiency.

Domain	Dirichlet RC posterior			Dirichlet RP posterior		
	Est. mean of α	nse	rne	Est. mean of α	nse	rne
1	11.81	0.037	0.39	20.51	0.128	0.23
2	29.67	0.119	0.41	35.42	0.338	0.12
3	17.30	0.044	0.76	21.81	0.147	0.24
4	30.78	0.131	0.37	31.05	0.310	0.12
5	19.40	0.053	0.66	26.45	0.144	0.33
6	23.94	0.068	0.71	27.95	0.197	0.20
7	6.37	0.016	0.41	13.86	0.096	0.17
8	58.01	0.317	0.25	47.95	0.488	0.11
9	5.54	0.015	0.40	11.01	0.133	0.07
10	6.55	0.019	0.33	15.36	0.136	0.11
11	17.35	0.052	0.54	25.59	0.123	0.39
12	20.84	0.071	0.44	27.33	0.221	0.15
13	14.33	0.032	0.88	22.46	0.129	0.26
14	9.18	0.029	0.38	17.91	0.132	0.15
15	7.04	0.018	0.46	16.85	0.146	0.10
16	7.00	0.017	0.48	12.73	0.094	0.17
17	4.05	0.010	0.41	6.71	0.057	0.14
18	7.76	0.022	0.41	17.60	0.105	0.24
19	6.74	0.017	0.47	12.13	0.103	0.13
20	25.87	0.111	0.36	28.61	0.172	0.26
21	2.53	0.003	1.25	6.16	0.068	0.07
22	5.51	0.014	0.47	9.20	0.104	0.07
23	20.95	0.070	0.47	25.77	0.286	0.09
24	7.69	0.024	0.38	11.00	0.104	0.10
25	9.36	0.023	0.54	13.38	0.105	0.17
26	5.71	0.014	0.54	6.98	0.099	0.05
27	36.86	0.161	0.36	27.65	0.372	0.08
28	4.45	0.009	0.56	9.44	0.171	0.03
29	38.77	0.153	0.49	34.18	0.287	0.16
30	4.58	0.011	0.50	10.36	0.085	0.12
31	5.74	0.014	0.51	13.59	0.097	0.15
32	17.06	0.050	0.55	16.03	0.207	0.07

The following table shows, by domain, the computation time, in seconds, required to compute the RP maximum likelihood, to simulate the posterior distribution of the Dirichlet RC model and to simulate the posterior distribution of the Dirichlet RP model and of intermediate hybrid models.

Domain	RP max. likelihood	DRC posterior	DRP posterior
1	0.15	0.20	332.18
2	0.29	0.16	318.13
3	0.14	0.18	321.45
4	0.34	0.15	316.96
5	0.15	0.16	316.54
6	0.24	0.16	317.15
7	0.11	0.20	321.19
8	0.40	0.16	314.09
9	0.24	0.22	323.31
10	0.23	0.21	329.75
11	0.12	0.17	333.94
12	0.25	0.16	324.07
13	0.39	0.18	332.35
14	0.31	0.19	334.72
15	0.20	0.20	336.32
16	0.24	0.21	332.27
17	0.37	0.23	336.03
18	0.42	0.23	329.58
19	0.25	0.19	334.69
20	0.30	0.17	321.41
21	0.19	0.23	335.47
22	0.26	0.20	326.19
23	0.14	0.19	320.38
24	0.38	0.20	325.69
25	0.43	0.20	324.99
26	0.23	0.19	325.86
27	0.16	0.15	321.02
28	0.61	0.20	329.11
29	0.19	0.17	322.74
30	0.51	0.21	333.13
31	0.34	0.21	330.60
32	0.74	0.16	325.99

The following table shows, by domain, information related to the numerical maximization of the RP likelihood over the probability simplex of dimension $n! - 1 = 119$. Column 2 gives the final value of the maximum likelihood. Columns 3 and 4 give the number of iterations, and the computational time, in seconds, required to meet the stopping criterion. Column 5 gives the maximum number of strictly positive preference probabilities over all solutions to the maximum likelihood program. Column 6 shows the difference between the maximum and minimum log likelihood gradient elements associated with strictly positive preference probabilities. Column 7 shows the gain in the value of the log likelihood at the last iteration.

Domain	Max. like.	Nb. of iterations	Time (s)	Nb. $\pi_i > 0$	score range	Δ like
1	-948.56	703	0.15	34	9.69e-05	8.190e-12
2	-1011.28	1144	0.29	38	9.25e-05	2.270e-12
3	-981.71	627	0.14	36	9.28e-05	7.050e-12
4	-1008.53	1660	0.34	34	7.50e-05	1.590e-12
5	-988.66	852	0.15	36	2.45e-05	4.090e-12
6	-998.31	939	0.24	41	8.63e-05	0.000e+00
7	-883.16	566	0.11	37	9.27e-05	5.700e-13
8	-1033.83	2216	0.40	33	8.15e-05	3.180e-12
9	-874.16	941	0.24	31	8.65e-05	4.500e-13
10	-890.35	887	0.23	44	9.37e-05	3.070e-12
11	-980.99	607	0.12	44	9.29e-05	2.285e-11
12	-994.39	1257	0.25	49	8.21e-05	3.520e-12
13	-970.91	1543	0.39	51	7.38e-05	2.270e-12
14	-941.30	1437	0.31	56	9.80e-05	1.250e-12
15	-892.72	811	0.20	53	7.61e-05	1.480e-12
16	-886.88	989	0.24	31	9.94e-05	7.390e-12
17	-830.33	1313	0.37	25	7.38e-05	1.319e-11
18	-907.01	1395	0.42	41	9.19e-05	6.250e-12
19	-910.13	1023	0.25	32	7.78e-05	1.432e-11
20	-1000.19	1216	0.30	45	9.39e-05	-1.100e-13
21	-690.87	1076	0.19	26	7.33e-05	2.126e-11
22	-895.54	1057	0.26	42	8.82e-05	9.210e-12
23	-1000.25	808	0.14	37	8.86e-05	8.640e-12
24	-934.55	1457	0.38	41	8.77e-05	5.700e-13
25	-931.40	1451	0.43	42	8.56e-05	5.460e-12
26	-872.39	890	0.23	22	9.02e-05	6.030e-12
27	-1020.70	673	0.16	33	9.81e-05	1.140e-12
28	-818.73	1815	0.61	39	7.63e-05	1.398e-11
29	-1019.61	1124	0.19	36	8.82e-05	3.400e-13
30	-835.31	2133	0.51	38	9.19e-05	1.478e-11
31	-870.48	1190	0.34	45	7.38e-05	3.206e-11
32	-983.63	2579	0.74	34	6.77e-05	1.360e-12

The following table specifies the implementation details for the SMC simulation methods. The first column gives l , the index of the target distribution. The second column gives λ_l , the index of the hybrid model whose posterior distribution is target distribution l . The third and fourth columns give $S_1^{(l)}$ and $\phi_1^{(l)}$, the number of repetitions and the autocorrelation parameter of the mutation stage update of each large block $\gamma_{[x....]}$. The fourth and fifth columns give $S_2^{(l)}$ and $\phi_2^{(l)}$, the number of repetitions and the autocorrelation parameter of the mutation stage update of each small block $\gamma_{[xy....]}$.

l	λ_l	$S_1^{(l)}$	$\phi_1^{(l)}$	$S_2^{(l)}$	$\phi_2^{(l)}$
1	0.01	3	0.0895	1	0.0308
2	0.02	3	0.1710	1	0.0606
3	0.03	3	0.2452	1	0.0895
4	0.04	3	0.3127	1	0.1175
5	0.05	3	0.3742	1	0.1447
6	0.06	3	0.4302	1	0.1710
7	0.07	3	0.4812	1	0.1965
8	0.08	3	0.5276	1	0.2212
9	0.09	3	0.5699	1	0.2452
10	0.10	3	0.6084	1	0.2684
11	0.11	1	0.6434	4	0.2909
12	0.13	1	0.6753	4	0.3127
13	0.15	1	0.7044	4	0.3339
14	0.18	1	0.7309	4	0.3544
15	0.21	1	0.7549	4	0.3742
16	0.25	1	0.7769	4	0.3935
17	0.30	1	0.7968	4	0.4121
18	0.35	1	0.8150	4	0.4302
19	0.40	1	0.8316	4	0.4477
20	0.45	1	0.8466	4	0.4647
21	0.50	1	0.8604	6	0.4812
22	0.55	1	0.8729	6	0.4972
23	0.60	1	0.8842	6	0.5126
24	0.65	1	0.8946	6	0.5276
25	0.70	1	0.9040	6	0.5422
26	0.75	1	0.9126	6	0.5563
27	0.80	1	0.9204	6	0.5699
28	0.85	1	0.9276	6	0.5831
29	0.90	1	0.9340	6	0.5960
30	0.95	1	0.9399	6	0.6084
31	0.99	1	0.9453	6	0.6204
32	1.00	1	0.9502	6	0.6321

The following table specifies some computations related to simulation. The first column gives the number of (x, A) pairs such that $N_A(x) > 0$, out of a possible 75. The second through fourth columns give the elements of the θ parameter of the initial importance Beta-prime distribution.

Domain	N_+	θ_1	θ_2	θ_3
1	75	37.01	33.44	10.37
2	75	33.12	15.49	12.93
3	75	37.91	21.21	9.22
4	75	33.43	15.87	13.69
5	75	37.31	21.38	10.57
6	75	36.86	18.04	11.06
7	75	38.11	56.55	9.30
8	75	10.80	235181.52	1219095.98
9	74	37.89	58.02	8.33
10	75	37.70	55.02	9.39
11	75	37.68	22.26	9.80
12	75	36.82	20.48	10.98
13	75	37.32	26.08	9.65
14	74	36.32	34.47	8.48
15	75	37.79	52.22	9.55
16	75	37.69	55.43	10.09
17	72	37.88	66.62	7.01
18	74	36.12	46.96	9.84
19	72	35.13	44.15	8.33
20	75	35.93	15.51	10.46
21	71	40.02	91.44	5.71
22	73	37.33	46.63	6.71
23	75	37.39	19.27	10.26
24	72	34.85	34.23	7.39
25	75	36.81	43.00	10.75
26	73	36.65	54.40	8.32
27	75	27.82	15.62	19.40
28	75	40.21	74.41	8.12
29	74	23.93	15.21	22.88
30	74	38.82	64.28	7.47
31	74	37.61	57.36	8.63
32	75	37.55	23.17	10.06