

Three imputation methods for multiple linear regression

[van Buuren 2018, ch 3.21+3.22]

NA = missing value (shorthand)

Notation: now we work with the imputation model

and assume that $Y = X\phi + \varepsilon$, $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$

but NA's are only in Y , and write

$$y = \begin{bmatrix} y_{obs} \\ y_{mis} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \leftarrow n_1 \times 1 \\ \leftarrow n_0 \times 1 \end{matrix} \quad \text{end} \quad \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{obs} \\ \Sigma_{mis} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} n_1 \times q \\ n_0 \times q \end{matrix}$$

↑ no missing here -
only labelled
based on NA's in y

NB: book use β , but this is imp end not

analysis model, so we use ϕ to emphasize this!

Aim: Construct imputation(s) for y_m .

This will use ϕ as a "helper".

\hat{y}_m = imputed value

In LS we looked at two solutions using the MLR

1) Predict $\hat{y}_{m1} = X_{mis} \hat{\phi}$ $\hat{\phi} = (X_{obs}^T X_{obs})^{-1} X_{obs}^T y_{obs}$ [one value]

2) Predict + noise $\hat{y}_{m2} = X_{mis} \hat{\phi} + \hat{\varepsilon}$, $\hat{\varepsilon} \sim N(0, \hat{\sigma}^2)$
↑ drawn from

$$\text{where } \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-q} (y_{obs} - X_{obs} \hat{\phi})^T (y_{obs} - X_{obs} \hat{\phi})$$

Now we add a Bayesian solution!



With method 2, we
may potentially draw
many imputed datasets
(e.g. m)

Bayesian (multiple) imputation in MLR

$$\text{Likelihood: } p(y | x, \phi, \sigma^2) \propto (\sigma^2)^{-n/2} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y - X\phi)^T(y - X\phi)\right)$$

"then posterior derived analytically"

$$\text{Conjugate prior: } p(\phi, \sigma^2) = p(\phi | \sigma^2) \cdot p(\sigma^2)$$

$$p(\phi | \sigma^2) \sim N(\mu_0, \sigma^2 \Lambda_0^{-1})$$

$$p(\sigma^2) \sim \text{inverse-gamma}$$

Bayesian
wisdom!
 Λ_0 is precision matrix
inverse of covariance mat

$$\text{Posterior: } p(\phi, \sigma^2 | y, X) \propto \overset{\text{likelihood}}{p(y | X, \phi, \sigma^2)} \cdot \overset{\text{prior}}{p(\phi | \sigma^2) p(\sigma^2)}$$

Some rearrangement:

$$E(\phi, \sigma^2 | y, X): \text{ the } \phi \text{ part: } \mu_N = (\underbrace{X^T X + \Lambda_0}_{\Lambda_N})^{-1} (X^T X \hat{\phi} + \underbrace{\Lambda_0 \mu_0}_{\text{ls est.}})$$

$\begin{matrix} \swarrow & \downarrow \\ [\mu_N] & \text{var}(\phi, \sigma^2 | y, X) = \sigma^2 \Lambda_N^{-1} \end{matrix}$

How to use this in Bayesian imputation?

Similar to 2) above, but replace $\hat{\phi}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2$ with draws from the posterior $\Rightarrow \dot{\phi}, \dot{\sigma}^2$ so that

$$y_{m0} = X_{m0} \dot{\phi} + \dot{\epsilon} \quad \text{end} \quad \dot{\epsilon} \sim N(0, \dot{\sigma}^2)$$

The frequentist interpretation is that the parameter uncertainty is now also taken into account. As for 2) we may draw many (m) imputed data sets.

See van Buuren (2018) Algo 3.1 for how this is implemented in nice R package (function `mim`)