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Proposal Title

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Abstract

This research looks to compare the performance of Spatial regressions using a predefined weights matrix and semi parametric regressions with a spatila smoother

1 Proposal Keywords

Spatial simulation, Spatial Regressions, GAMs, Tensor Products

2 Introduction

3 Background and Motivation

- Provide background information and context of the research problem.
- What is the research scope?
- What is the question or problem you are trying to answer or solve?
- Why is this important?
- How is it done today, and what are the current limitations and challenges?

4 Systematic Literature Review

- What is the state of the art in this area of research?
- Provide proper references.
- It is recommended that PRISMA guidelines be followed (<https://www.prisma-statement.org/>).

5 Aims and Objectives

- What are you trying to accomplish?
- How are you going to do the work?
- What is new in your approach? How is your approach going to be different from others?
- Why do you think it will be successful?
- Describe the novelty in your approach or how are you going to improve on current approaches.

6 Research Plan and Methodology

Starting for a simple regression of ordinary least squares (OLS) can be defined as follows:

$$y_i = \alpha + \sum_{i=1}^p x_i \beta_i + \epsilon \quad (1)$$

where y is our expicatory variable and x is the independent variables. If we wanted to study the corrolation that a location i has on its neighbors, the classic approach would be to define a relationship matrix W which details how each location relates to all other locations. This classic Spatial regressions are an extension of the normal regresion with with the addition of a spatially term, which can be defined as follows:

$$y = X\beta + \rho W X + \epsilon \quad (2)$$

expanding the matrixes we get the following:

$$y_{it} = \alpha + \sum_{i=1}^p x_{it} \beta_i + \rho \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij} x_{jt} + \epsilon \quad (3)$$

This spatial can be addapted spatially control for either your dependent term

$$y = \alpha + X\beta + \rho WY + \epsilon \quad (4)$$

Or even the error term

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \alpha + X\beta + u \\ u &= \gamma W u + \epsilon \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Continuing from the SDM we can express the model a non linear equation as follows:

$$y = \alpha + \sum_{i=1}^p x_{it}\beta_i + f(C_i) + \epsilon \quad (6)$$

where C is the centroid of the observations and $f(C)$ is a function given the centroid of the individuals.

The overall hypothesis is whether the semiparametric methode preforms better on average given that we do not have reason to believe what is W . We expect to find what are to mesure the effects of picking a wrong W and wheather we can miticate them with using a spetial smoother.

7 Prototype Design and Implementation

The Strategy for this resarch is to simulate data in the folowing format:

$$y \sim \alpha + \sum_{i=1}^p x_{it}\beta_i + \rho \sum_{j=1}^N w_{ij}x_{jt} + \epsilon \quad (7)$$

Where $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ and W is defined in multiple ways this could be show in the following examples:

8 Success and Impact

The SDM generaly carries the problem that is very influenced on how W is defined and there is now systematic methodology to pick an apropiet W . This task is mostly delegated to domain experties. Given that the semiparametric model proposed does not depend on W this research intends to look if this model has a better preformance than the SDM model. Preformance of this model is primarily defined as:

$$\frac{\sum_{n=1}^N (y_n - \hat{y}_{nSDM})^2}{N}; \quad \frac{(y - \hat{y}_{GAM})^2}{N} \quad (8)$$

where N is the number of simulations, y is the predetermine outcome variable that we picked before the simulations are run. In addition we would also use look at the performance of β which can be shown in the simal maner:

$$\frac{(\beta - \hat{\beta}_{SDM})^2}{N}; \quad \frac{(\beta - \hat{\beta}_{GAM})^2}{N} \quad (9)$$