

Jackknife variance estimation corrections

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1 Motivation

Jackknife is one of sub-sampling technique to estimate the bias and variance of a statistics $S(X_1, \dots, X_n)$. Define $S_{(i)} = S(X_1, X_{(i-1)}, X_{(i+1)}, \dots, X_n)$, then the variance of S estimated by jackknife is

$$Var(S) = \frac{n-1}{n} \sum_i (S_{(i)} - S)^2$$

Where $S_{\cdot} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i S_{(i)}$. Note that $\tilde{Var}(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1})) = \sum_i (S_{(i)} - S_{\cdot})^2$ can be consider as a estimation for $Var(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1}))$. However, Efron in 1981 shown that the jackknife variance estimation is always overestimate the true variance.

$$E(\tilde{Var}(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1}))) \geq Var(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1}))$$

2 One solution

If we assume the S is a smooth functions of empirical CDF, especially a quadratic functions, then it can be shown the leading terms of $E(\tilde{Var}(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1}))) \geq Var(S(X_1, \dots, S_{n-1}))$ is a quadratic term in expectation. Therefore we could try to estimate the quadratic term and correct the bias for the jackknife variance estimation.

Define $Q_{ii'} \equiv nS - (n-1)(S_i - S_{i'}) + (n-2)S_{(ii')}$, then the correction will be

$$\hat{Var}^{corr}(S(X_1, \dots, X_n)) = \hat{Var}(S(X_1, \dots, X_n)) - \frac{1}{n(n-1)} \sum_{i < i'} (Q_{ii'} - \bar{Q})^2$$

where $\bar{Q} = \sum_{i < i'} (Q_{ii'}) / (n(n-1)/2)$

3 Simulation study

3.1 without correction

3.1.1 setup

- Independent
- Normal
- $p = 21$
- with interaction terms

3.1.2 simulation_result

	method	n	est_mean	est_var	var_jack
1:	EigenPrism	100	9.37	17.22	27.81
2:	EigenPrism	150	10.20	7.68	16.40
3:	EigenPrism	231	10.21	5.12	10.12
4:	EigenPrism	500	NaN	NA	NaN
5:	GCTA	100	8.78	17.70	38.81
6:	GCTA	150	9.58	10.20	19.54
7:	GCTA	231	9.69	5.07	9.30
8:	GCTA	500	10.07	2.25	2.85

3.1.3 setup

- Independent
- Normal
- $p = 22$
- with interaction terms

3.1.4 simulation_result

	method	n	est_mean	est_var	var_jack
1:	EigenPrism	100	9.76	20.26	28.53
2:	EigenPrism	253	10.77	5.61	9.08
3:	EigenPrism	500	NaN	NA	NaN
4:	EigenPrism	600	NaN	NA	NaN
5:	EigenPrism	700	NaN	NA	NaN
6:	GCTA	100	8.76	24.20	40.05
7:	GCTA	253	10.44	5.60	8.44
8:	GCTA	500	10.11	1.53	3.03
9:	GCTA	600	10.31	1.39	2.23
10:	GCTA	700	10.16	1.10	1.61

Note that based on the ideal situation the bias will reduced when sample size is large and distribution is normal.

3.2 correction

3.2.1 setup

- Independent
- Normal
- $p = 21$
- with interaction terms

3.2.2 simulation result

```
var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8                2                0.0123                10
structure decor x_dist
1:          I FALSE normal

      n  MSE  est est_jack  var v_jack v_jack_c  v_Eg v_jack_diff
1: 100 17.48  9.37   9.92 17.22  27.8   12.31 22.09   20.06
2: 231  5.11 10.21   10.47  5.12  10.1    2.12  7.81    6.12
3: 100 19.08  8.78   10.03 17.70  38.8   -3.48   NA   17.67
4: 231  5.13  9.69   10.28  5.07   9.3    2.92   NA    6.11

      method
1: EigenPrism
2: EigenPrism
3:      GCTA
4:      GCTA
```

3.2.3 setup

- Independent
- Chi
- $p = 21$
- with interaction terms

3.2.4 simulation result

```
var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8                2                0.0128                10
structure decor x_dist
1:          I FALSE   chi

      n  MSE  est est_jack  var v_jack v_jack_c  v_Eg v_jack_diff
1: 100 15.94 10.7   10.3 15.64  23.23   13.15 21.34   18.19
2: 231  6.28 10.5   10.4  6.07  10.01    3.29  8.34    6.65
3: 100 16.27 10.5   10.3 16.19  23.79    9.97   NA   16.88
4: 231  5.55 10.4   10.4  5.48   7.83    4.05   NA    5.94

      method
1: EigenPrism
2: EigenPrism
3:      GCTA
4:      GCTA
```

3.2.5 setup

- PCB
- $p = 21$
- with interaction terms
- with decorrelation

3.2.6 simulation result

```

var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8                2                0.622                11.2
structure decor x_dist
1:          un FALSE    1999

      n MSE est est_jack var v_jack v_jack_c v_Eg v_jack_diff      method
1: 100 206  21      NA 112   208   61.1   NA      134 EigenPrism
2: 100 153  18    23.4 108   236  -757.9   NA     -261      GCTA

```

4 Questions and other methods

4.1 Questions

- Running time is large $n * (n - 1)/2$
- Assumptions: quadratic form of S, $Var^n = \frac{n-1}{n} Var^{n-1}$?
- The coefficient about the correction

4.2 Other methods

5 Some modification based on previous simulation

5.1 Main effect only or larger n for combined effect

5.1.1 Normal main $n > p$

```

var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8                0                0                0
structure decor x_dist
1:          I FALSE normal

      n  MSE  est est_jack  var v_jack v_jack_c v_Eg v_jack_diff      method
1: 100 NaN NaN      NA  NA  NA      NA  NA      NA EigenPrism
2: 231 NaN NaN      NA  NA  NA      NA  NA      NA EigenPrism
3: 100 3.79 7.66    7.69 3.71  5.03 -18.546  NA     -6.76      GCTA
4: 231 1.11 7.89    7.91 1.10  1.55  -0.906  NA      0.32      GCTA

var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8                0                0                0
structure decor x_dist
1:          I FALSE normal

```

	n	MSE	est	est_jack	var	v_jack	v_jack_c	v_Eg	v_jack_diff	method
1:	100	NaN	NaN	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	EigenPrism
2:	231	NaN	NaN	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	EigenPrism
3:	50	NaN	NaN	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	EigenPrism
4:	100	3.78	7.66	7.66	3.70	4.88	3.18	NA	4.03	GCTA
5:	231	1.11	7.88	7.88	1.10	1.54	1.33	NA	1.43	GCTA
6:	50	9.22	7.55	7.42	9.11	16.10	-4.51	NA	5.80	GCTA

5.1.2 chi n > p

	var_main_effect	var_inter_effect	cov_main_inter_effect	var_total_effect
1:	8	0	0	0

structure decor x_dist

	structure	decor	x_dist
1:	I	FALSE	chi

	n	MSE	est	est_jack	var	v_jack	v_jack_c	v_Eg	v_jack_diff	method
1:	100	NaN	NaN	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	EigenPrism
2:	231	NaN	NaN	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	EigenPrism
3:	100	4.16	8.30	7.53	4.11	6.42	-14.494	NA	-4.038	GCTA
4:	231	1.27	7.89	7.78	1.27	2.10	-0.489	NA	0.806	GCTA

5.1.3 Normal main n < p, p = 100

	var_main_effect	var_inter_effect	cov_main_inter_effect	var_total_effect
1:	8	0	0	0

structure decor x_dist

	structure	decor	x_dist
1:	I	FALSE	normal

	n	MSE	est	est_jack	var	v_jack	v_jack_c	v_Eg	v_jack_diff
1:	50	21.65	8.37	7.63	21.73	48.10	12.675	33.5	30.39
2:	50	25.58	8.02	8.52	25.84	74.13	-190.666	NA	-58.27
3:	100	7.12	7.96	7.06	7.19	15.11	1.977	11.7	8.54
4:	100	6.25	7.83	7.45	6.29	13.74	-0.966	NA	6.38
5:	200	NaN	NaN	NA	NA	NA	NA	NaN	NA
6:	200	2.45	7.88	7.59	2.46	4.64	-214.514	NA	-104.94

method

1:	EigenPrism
2:	GCTA
3:	EigenPrism
4:	GCTA
5:	EigenPrism
6:	GCTA

	var_main_effect	var_inter_effect	cov_main_inter_effect	var_total_effect
1:	8	0	0	0

structure decor x_dist

	structure	decor	x_dist
1:	I	FALSE	normal

	n	MSE	est	est_jack	var	v_jack	v_jack_c	v_Eg	v_jack_diff
1:	50	21.65	8.37	7.63	21.73	48.10	12.675	33.5	30.39
2:	50	25.58	8.02	8.49	25.84	73.09	-168.830	NA	-47.87
3:	100	7.12	7.96	7.06	7.19	15.11	1.977	11.7	8.54
4:	100	6.25	7.83	7.46	6.29	13.68	-0.742	NA	6.47
5:	200	NaN	NaN	NA	NA	NA	NA	NaN	NA
6:	200	2.48	7.89	7.95	2.49	3.92	1.373	NA	2.65

```

      method
1: EigenPrism
2:      GCTA
3: EigenPrism
4:      GCTA
5: EigenPrism
6:      GCTA

```

5.1.4 Chi combined effect $n < p$ $p = 25$

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      var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8              2              0.0332              10.1
      structure decor x_dist
1:          I FALSE      chi

      n  MSE  est est_jack  var v_jack v_jack_c v_Eg v_jack_diff
1: 100 17.29 10.24   10.58 17.43 24.07   14.52 22.02   19.30
2: 150 11.00 10.69   10.72 10.72 15.32    8.16 13.62   11.74
3: 325  4.15 10.69   11.00  3.80  7.34    2.46  5.94    4.90
4: 100 20.82  9.45    9.64 20.64 27.24   10.72   NA   18.98
5: 150 10.09 10.15   10.21 10.19 16.37    8.42   NA   12.39
6: 325  3.45 10.32   10.77  3.43  5.90    3.17   NA    4.54
      method
1: EigenPrism
2: EigenPrism
3: EigenPrism
4:      GCTA
5:      GCTA
6:      GCTA

```

5.1.5 PCB combined effec $n < p$ $p = 21$

```

      var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8              2              0.622              11.2
      structure decor x_dist
1:          un  TRUE  1999

      n  MSE  est est_jack  var v_jack v_jack_c v_Eg v_jack_diff  method
1: 100 14.6 11.4   9.92 14.7  34.1   16.9 18.6   25.5 EigenPrism
2: 100 14.0 11.2   11.58 14.1  38.1  -341.9  NA   -151.9      GCTA

```

5.1.6 PCB combined effec $n < p$ $p = 21$ with rank transformation

```

      var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8              2              0.207              10.4
      structure decor x_dist
1:          un  TRUE  1999

      n  MSE  est est_jack  var v_jack  v_jack_c v_Eg v_jack_diff
1: 100 12.9 11.52   10.4 11.8  16.9    7.63 18.5   12.3
2: 100 18.1  8.62   26.2 15.0 211.0 -26482.62  NA  -13135.8
      method
1: EigenPrism

```

2: GCTA

5.1.7 PCB combined effect $n < p$ $p = 21$ with rank transformation for all

```
var_main_effect var_inter_effect cov_main_inter_effect var_total_effect
1:              8                2                2.76                15.5
structure decor x_dist
1:      un TRUE 1999
      n MSE est est_jack var v_jack v_jack_c v_Eg v_jack_diff
1: 100 30.4 17.72    13.9 25.8 35.4    17 41.5    26.2
2: 100 174.2 4.93   -40.1 62.8 1651.2 -224762 NA -111555.4
      method
1: EigenPrism
2: GCTA
```