KDExp: Kernel Density Estimation Prior Distribution for Exposure Uncertainty Propagation

Statistical Model

$$Y_{i}|\mu_{i}, \boldsymbol{\zeta} \stackrel{\mathrm{ind}}{\sim} f\left(y|\mu_{i}, \boldsymbol{\zeta}\right), \ i = 1, \dots, n,$$
$$g\left(\mu_{i}\right) = O_{i} + \mathbf{x}_{i}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} + z_{i} \boldsymbol{\theta}$$

Likelihood Options

- Gaussian likelihood with identity link function: $Y_i | \beta, \theta, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2 \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} N\left(\mathbf{x}_i^T \beta + z_i \theta, \sigma_{\epsilon}^2\right)$
- Bernoulli likelihood with logit link function: $Y_i | \beta, \theta \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Bernoulli}(p_i)$; logit $(p_i) = \mathbf{x}_i^{\text{T}} \beta + \mathbf{z}_i \theta$
- Negative binomial likelihood with logit link function: $Y_i|\beta, \theta \stackrel{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Negative Binomial}(r, p_i)$; logit $(p_i) = O_i + \mathbf{x}_i^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{z}_i \boldsymbol{\theta}$

Kernel Density Estimation Prior Distributions

• UKDE:

$$f(\mathbf{z}_i) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi h_i^2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2h_i^2} \left(\mathbf{z}_i - \mathbf{z}_{ij}^*\right)^2\right\}, \ i = 1, ..., n$$

• MKDE:

$$f(\mathbf{z}) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \frac{1}{\sqrt{(2\pi)^{n} |H|}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}_{.j}^{*} \right)^{\mathrm{T}} H^{-1} \left(\mathbf{z} - \mathbf{z}_{.j}^{*} \right) \right\}$$

Prior Information

 $\beta_j, \theta \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N\left(0, \sigma_r^2\right), \ j = 1, ..., p;$

- p: Length of \mathbf{x}_i vector (same for all i);
- Default setting: $\sigma_r^2 = 10,000$.

 $\sigma_{\epsilon}^2 \sim \text{Inverse Gamma}\left(a_{\sigma_{\epsilon}^2}, b_{\sigma_{\epsilon}^2}\right);$

• Default setting: $a_{\sigma^2_{\theta}}=0.01,\,b_{\sigma^2_{\theta}}=0.01.$

 $r \sim \text{Discrete Uniform}\left[a_r, b_r\right];$

• Default setting: $a_r = 1$, $b_r = 100$.

Default Initial Values

- $\beta_j = \theta = 0$ for all j;
- $\sigma_{\epsilon}^2 = \text{variance}(\boldsymbol{Y});$
- r = 100.

Likelihood Indicator

- likelihood_indicator = 0: Bernoulli;
- likelihood_indicator = 1: Gaussian;