Supervised invariant coordinate selection

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Introduction

- Let x be a *p*-variate random variable with cumulative distribution *F_x*.
 We consider multivariate nonparametric/semiparametric models with few parameters of interest.
- Example 1: Dimension reduction. Find a projection matrix P such that you do not loose information if you transform $x \to z = Px$:
 - (i) $\mathbf{x} | \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}$ is not "interesting" (unsupervised)
 - (ii) $\mathbf{y} \perp (\mathbf{I}_p \mathbf{P}) \mathbf{x} \mid \mathbf{P} \mathbf{x}$ (supervised)
- Example 2: Independent components problem.

$$\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{z},$$

where z is a *p*-vector with independent components. This is a semiparametric model; note that parameter A is not well-defined.

Dimension reduction

• The dimension of \mathbf{x} is reduced using a $k \times p$ matrix \mathbf{B} .

Then

 $\mathbf{x} \ \rightarrow \ \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{x}$

or

$$\mathbf{x} \rightarrow \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{B}} \mathbf{x}$$
 where $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{B}} = \mathbf{B}' (\mathbf{B} \mathbf{B}')^{-1} \mathbf{B}$.

- The idea is that $k \ll p$ and that "no information is lost" in the transformation.
- Dimension reduction methods (unsupervised and supervised): PCA, ICA, SIR, SAVE, etc.

PCA, ICA, SIR

• Assume that $E(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{0}$. In PCA, one then finds the $p \times p$ transformation matrix Γ such that

$$\Gamma\Gamma' = \mathbf{I}_p$$
 and $\Gamma E(\mathbf{xx}')\Gamma' = \mathbf{\Lambda}$

where Λ is a diagonal matrix (with diagonal elements in a decreasing order). Decompose $\Gamma = (\Gamma'_1, \Gamma'_2)'$ and transform $\mathbf{z} = \Gamma_1 \mathbf{x}$.

• In the independent component analysis (ICA), FOBI finds transformation matrix Γ such that

$$\Gamma E(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}')\Gamma' = \mathbf{I}_p \quad \text{and} \quad \Gamma E(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}'E(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}')\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}')\Gamma' = \mathbf{\Lambda}$$

where the diagonal elements Λ are given in a specified order.

• The sliced inverse regression (SIR) uses a dependent variable y, and finds finds a transformation matrix Γ which satisfies

$$\Gamma E(\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}')\Gamma' = \mathbf{I}_p$$
 and $\Gamma E(E(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})E(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})')\Gamma' = \mathbf{\Lambda}$

where the diagonal elements ${f \Lambda}$ are given in a specified order.

Location and scatter functionals

• A location vector $\mathbf{T}(F)$ is a p-vector valued functional which is affine equivariant in the sense that

$$\mathbf{T}(F_{\mathbf{Ax}+\mathbf{b}}) = \mathbf{AT}(F_{\mathbf{x}}) + \mathbf{b}$$

for all nonsingular ${\bf A}$ and vector ${\bf b}$.

 A scatter matrix S(F) is a p × p matrix valued functional which is PDS and affine equivariant in the sense that

$$\mathbf{S}(F_{\mathbf{Ax+b}}) = \mathbf{AS}(F_{\mathbf{x}})\mathbf{A}'$$

for all nonsingular \mathbf{A} and vector \mathbf{b} .

- Examples: Mean vector, covariance matrix, M-functionals, S-functionals, and so on.
- A scatter matrix functional $\mathbf{S}(F)$ has the **independent property** if

 \mathbf{x} has independent components $\Rightarrow \mathbf{S}(F_{\mathbf{x}})$ is a diagonal matrix.

Invariant coordinate selection (ICS)

- Let S_1 and S_2 be two different scatter functionals.
- Define transformation matrix functional $\Gamma = \Gamma(F)$ (and an auxiliary diagonal matrix functional $\Lambda = \Lambda(F)$) as a solution of

 $\mathbf{\Gamma} \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{\Gamma}' = \mathbf{I}_p$ and $\mathbf{\Gamma} \mathbf{S}_2 \mathbf{\Gamma}' = \mathbf{\Lambda}$

where the elements of Λ are in a prespecified order.

- Γ and Λ give the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of $\mathbf{S}_1^{-1}\mathbf{S}_2$. If the eigenvalues are distinct then the eigenvectors are uniquely defined up to their signs.
- Invariant coordinate system (ICS): If the eigenvalues in Λ are distinct, then

 $\Gamma(F_{\mathbf{Ax}})\mathbf{Ax} = \Gamma(F_{\mathbf{x}})\mathbf{x}$, for all nonsingular \mathbf{A} .

• If S_1 and S_2 both have the independence property then Γx solves the ICA problem.

Figure 1: Iris data; original variables.



Figure 2: Iris data; principal components.



Figure 3: Iris data; invariant coordinates.



Figure 4: Dataset 2: Original variables.



Figure 5: Dataset 2: Principal components.



Figure 6: Dataset 2: Invariant coordinates.



Figure 7: Dataset 3: Original data.



Figure 8: Dataset 3: Principal components.



Figure 9: Dataset 3: Invariant coordinates (using Dümbgen and Huber).



Use of ICS

- Multivariate invariant/equivariant nonparametric tests and estimates based on transformation and retransformation:
 - 1. Transform $\mathbf{X} \to \mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{X}$
 - 2. Construct marginal rank tests (Puri-Sen) and corresponding estimates for transformed ${f Z}$
 - 3. Retransform estimates back to the original scale
- Optimal rank tests in the IC model in the spirit of Hallin-Paindaveine tests in the elliptical case
- Hunting for clusters and outliers (using coordinates with high/low kurtosis) a subset of invariant coordinates can be shown to correspond to Fisher's linear discriminant subspace (under regular assumptions)
- Reduction of dimension components with high/low kurtosis are often most interesting
- Independent component analysis (ICA): If the two scatter matrices have the independence property then $X \rightarrow BX$ transforms to independent components (if the IC model is true)
- R-packages ICS and ICSNP available.

Some asymptotics for ICS functionals

- Let Ŝ₁, Ŝ₂, Γ̂ and Â̂ be calculated from a random sample with corresponding population values I_p, Λ, I_p and Λ.
 Λ is a diagonal matrix with diagonal elements λ₁ ≥ ... ≥ λ_p > 0.
- Assume that $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1 \mathbf{I}_p) = O_p(1)$ and $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_2 \mathbf{\Lambda}) = O_p(1)$
- Then using $\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1\hat{\Gamma}' = \mathbf{I}_p$ and $\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\mathbf{S}}_2\hat{\Gamma}' = \hat{\Lambda}$ one can show that, if $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ for all $j \neq i$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{\Lambda}}_{ii} - \lambda_i) &= \sqrt{n}((\hat{\mathbf{S}}_2)_{ii} - \lambda_i) - \lambda_i \sqrt{n}((\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1)_{ii} - 1) + o_p(1), \\ \sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{\Gamma}}_{ii} - 1) &= -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{n}((\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1)_{ii} - 1) + o_p(1), \\ (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)\sqrt{n}\hat{\mathbf{\Gamma}}_{ij} &= \sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_2)_{ij} - \lambda_i \sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1)_{ij} + o_p(1). \end{aligned}$$

• Regular PCA using ${f S}$: Choose $\hat{f S}_1={f I}_p$ and $\hat{f S}_2=\hat{f S}$

Supervised location and scatter functionals

• A supervised location vector $T(F_{x,y})$ is a *p*-vector valued functional which is affine equivariant in the sense that

$$\mathbf{T}(F_{\mathbf{Ax}+\mathbf{b},\mathbf{y}}) = \mathbf{AT}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}) + \mathbf{b}$$

for all nonsingular ${\bf A}$ and vector ${\bf b}$.

• A supervised scatter matrix $S(F_{x,y})$ is a $p \times p$ matrix valued functional which is PDS and affine equivariant in the sense that

$$\mathbf{S}(F_{\mathbf{Ax}+\mathbf{b},\mathbf{y}}) = \mathbf{AS}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}})\mathbf{A}'$$

for all nonsingular \mathbf{A} and vector \mathbf{b} .

Supervised location functionals: Examples

Conditional and weighted mean vectors

- $\mathbf{T}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}) = E(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_0)$ for a fixed \mathbf{y}_0
- $\mathbf{T}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}) = E[w(\mathbf{y})E(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})]$
- $\mathbf{T}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}) = E_w(\mathbf{x}) = E(w(\mathbf{y})\mathbf{x})$

where the weight function satisfies $E(w(\mathbf{y})) = 1$.

Supervised scatter functionals: Examples

Conditional and weighted covariance matrices

- $\mathbf{S}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}) = Cov(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}_0)$ for a fixed \mathbf{y}_0
- $\mathbf{S}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}) = E[w(\mathbf{y})Cov(\mathbf{x}|\mathbf{y})]$
- $\mathbf{S}(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}}) = Cov_w(\mathbf{x}) = E[w(\mathbf{y})(\mathbf{x} E_w(\mathbf{x}))(\mathbf{x} E_w(\mathbf{x}))']$

where the weight function satisfies $E(w(\mathbf{y})) = 1$.

Supervised invariant coordinate selection (SICS)

- Let S_1 be a scatter functional and S_2 a supervised scatter functional. ($S_1 = Cov$ and $S_2 = Cov_w$, for example.)
- Define transformation matrix functional $\Gamma = \Gamma(F_{x,y})$ (and an auxiliary diagonal matrix functional $\Lambda = \Lambda(F_{x,y})$) as a solution of

 $\mathbf{\Gamma S}_1 \mathbf{\Gamma}' = \mathbf{I}_p$ and $\mathbf{\Gamma S}_2 \mathbf{\Gamma}' = \mathbf{\Lambda}$

where the elements of Λ are in a prespecified order.

• Invariant coordinate system (ICS): If the eigenvalues (listed in Λ) are distinct, then

 $\Gamma(F_{\mathbf{Ax},\mathbf{y}})\mathbf{Ax} = \Gamma(F_{\mathbf{x},\mathbf{y}})\mathbf{x}, \text{ for all nonsingular } \mathbf{A}.$

• In dimension reduction, one is interested in eigenvectors deviating from zero or deviating from one depending on the choice of S_1 and S_2 . (If $S_1 = Cov$ and $S_2 = Cov_w$, then eigenvectors corresponding to the eigenvalues deviating from one are of interest.)

An example: Australian athletes data

- The response variable is lean body mass (LBM).
- p = 10 explanatory variables: height, weight, red cell count, white cell count, hematocrit, hemoglobin, plasma ferritin concentration, body mass index, sum of skin folds, and percent body fat.
- Supervised ICS procedures were based on the regular covariance matrix $S_1(F)$ and (E1) $S_2(F_{\mathbf{x},y}) = Cov(\mathbf{x}|y > Q_2(F_y))$ (E2) $S_2(F_{\mathbf{x},y}) = Cov(\mathbf{x}|Q_1(F_y) < y < Q_3(F_y))$ (E3) $S_2(F_{\mathbf{x},y}) = Cov\left(\mathbf{x}_i - \mathbf{x}_j \mid |y_i - y_j| > F_{|y_i - y_j|}^{-1}(0.9)\right)$, where (\mathbf{x}_i, y_i) and (\mathbf{x}_j, y_j) are two independent copies from the distribution of (\mathbf{x}, y) .
- We consider k = 3 supervised invariant coordinates with eigenvalues differing most from one.

Figure 10: Reduced dimension variables vs LBM. (E1) first row, (E2) second row, and (E3) third row.



Asymptotics for supervised ICS functionals

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- Then using $\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1\hat{\Gamma}' = \mathbf{I}_p$ and $\hat{\Gamma}\hat{\mathbf{S}}_2\hat{\Gamma}' = \hat{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$ one can show that, if $\lambda_i \neq \lambda_j$ for all $j \neq i$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n}(\hat{\lambda}_i - \lambda_i) &= \sqrt{n}((\hat{\mathbf{S}}_2)_{ii} - \lambda_i) - \lambda_i \sqrt{n}((\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1)_{ii} - 1) + o_p(1), \\ \sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{\Gamma}}_{ii} - 1) &= -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{n}((\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1)_{ii} - 1) + o_p(1), \\ (\lambda_i - \lambda_j)\sqrt{n}\hat{\mathbf{\Gamma}}_{ij} &= \sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_2)_{ij} - \lambda_i \sqrt{n}(\hat{\mathbf{S}}_1)_{ij} + o_p(1). \end{aligned}$$

• Testing whether exactly p-k eigenvalues are one: Use the test statistic

$$n \cdot \sum_{i=k+1}^{p} (\hat{\lambda}_i - 1)^2.$$

• Testing whether exactly p - k eigenvalues are zero (as in SIR): Use the test statistic

$$n \cdot \sum_{i=k+1}^p \hat{\lambda}_i.$$

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