

Supplementary materials for “Data transforming augmentation for heteroscedastic models”

A. Iterative algorithms for univariate linear mixed models in Section 3.1

A.1. DTA-based iterative algorithms

To sample the full posterior $p(A, \boldsymbol{\beta} | y^{\text{obs}}) \propto L(A, \boldsymbol{\beta}; y^{\text{obs}}) I_{A>0}$, Kelly (2014) proposes the following DTA-based Gibbs-type algorithm that iteratively samples $[y^{\text{aug}} | y^{\text{obs}}, A, \boldsymbol{\beta}]$ and $[A, \boldsymbol{\beta} | y^{\text{aug}}]$. These two conditional distributions can be directly sampled from standard family distributions:

$$\begin{aligned}
 [y_i^{\text{aug}} | y_i^{\text{obs}}, A, \boldsymbol{\beta}] &\sim N_1 \left((1 - w_i B_i) y_i^{\text{obs}} + w_i B_i x_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}, w_i V_{\min} + w_i^2 V_i (1 - B_i) \right), \\
 [A | y^{\text{aug}}] &\sim \text{IG} \left((k - m - 2)/2, (y^{\text{aug}} - X \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})^\top (y^{\text{aug}} - X \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) / 2 \right) \text{ for } A > V_{\min}, \quad (20) \\
 [\boldsymbol{\beta} | A, y^{\text{aug}}] &\sim N_m \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}, (A + V_{\min})(X^\top X)^{-1} \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

where $w_i = 1 - V_{\min}/V_i$, $B_i = V_i/(V_i + A)$, $y^{\text{aug}} = (y_1^{\text{aug}}, \dots, y_k^{\text{aug}})^\top$, $\text{IG}(a, b)$ denotes the inverse-Gamma distribution with shape parameter a and scale parameter b , X is a k by m matrix whose row vector is \boldsymbol{x}_i^\top , and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (X^\top X)^{-1} X^\top y^{\text{aug}}$. The second step in (20) can be achieved by repeatedly sampling A from the inverse-Gamma distribution until $A > V_{\min}$ or by an inverse CDF sampling method if its cumulative distribution function and quantile function are available; also see Appendix of Everson and Morris (2000).

Kelly (2014) also derives the corresponding DTA-based EM algorithm for the posterior modes (or maximum likelihood estimates) of A and $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ by constructing the following

Q function in the E-step: Since $[y_i^{\text{aug}} | A, \boldsymbol{\beta}] \sim N_1(\mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}, A + V_{\min})$ under DTA,

$$\begin{aligned} Q(A, \boldsymbol{\beta} | A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) &= \sum_{i=1}^k E(\log(f(y_i^{\text{aug}} | A, \boldsymbol{\beta})) | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*), \\ &= -\frac{k}{2} \log(A + V_{\min}) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k E((y_i^{\text{aug}} - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta})^2 | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)}{2(A + V_{\min})}, \end{aligned}$$

where A^* and $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ are the values that have maximized the Q function in the previous iteration. The conditional expectation in the second equality can be computed by

$$E((y_i^{\text{aug}} - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta})^2 | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) = (E(y_i^{\text{aug}} | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta})^2 + \text{Var}(y_i^{\text{aug}} | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*),$$

where the conditional mean and variance on the right-hand side, i.e., $E(y_i^{\text{aug}} | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)$ and $\text{Var}(y_i^{\text{aug}} | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)$, are specified in (20). Maximizing this Q function with respect to $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ and A results in the following M-step with closed-form updates for $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ and A :

$$\text{Step 1: } \boldsymbol{\beta}' \leftarrow (X^\top X)^{-1} X^\top E(y^{\text{aug}} | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*),$$

$$\text{Step 2: } A' \leftarrow \max \left\{ \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k E((y_i^{\text{aug}} - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}')^2 | y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - V_{\min}, 0 \right\},$$

$$\text{Step 3: } (\boldsymbol{\beta}^*, A^*) \leftarrow (\boldsymbol{\beta}', A').$$

A.2. DA-based iterative algorithms

We treat the random effects $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)^\top$ as missing data, which is typical in fitting hierarchical or mixed-effects models via DA-based iterative algorithms (van Dyk, 2000). The resulting DA-based Gibbs algorithm iteratively samples

$$\begin{aligned} [\theta_i | y_i^{\text{obs}}, A, \boldsymbol{\beta}] &\sim N_1((1 - B_i)y_i^{\text{obs}} + B_i \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}, V_i(1 - B_i)), \\ [A | \boldsymbol{\theta}, y^{\text{obs}}] &\sim \text{IG}\left((k - m - 2)/2, (\boldsymbol{\theta} - X \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}})^\top (\boldsymbol{\theta} - X \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}})/2\right), \\ [\boldsymbol{\beta} | A, \boldsymbol{\theta}, y^{\text{obs}}] &\sim N_m\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}}, A(X^\top X)^{-1}\right), \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

where $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}} = (X^\top X)^{-1} X^\top \boldsymbol{\theta}$. Kelly (2014) also shows a DA-based EM algorithm that corresponds to the Gibbs sampler in (21). Its E-step computes the Q function as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} Q(A, \boldsymbol{\beta} \mid A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) &= \sum_{i=1}^k E(\log(f(\theta_i \mid A, \boldsymbol{\beta})) \mid y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) \\ &= -\frac{k}{2} \log(A) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^k E((\theta_i - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta})^2 \mid y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)}{2A}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$E((\theta_i - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta})^2 \mid y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) = (E(\theta_i \mid y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)^2 + \text{Var}(\theta_i \mid y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*). \quad (22)$$

The conditional mean and variance on the right-hand side of (22) are specified in (21). The resulting M-step sets $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ and A^* to the values that maximize this Q function and these values are also closed-form updates as follows:

$$\text{Step 1: } \boldsymbol{\beta}' \leftarrow (X^\top X)^{-1} X^\top E(\boldsymbol{\theta} \mid y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*),$$

$$\text{Step 2: } A' \leftarrow \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k E((\theta_i - \mathbf{x}_i^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}')^2 \mid y^{\text{obs}}, A^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*),$$

$$\text{Step 3: } (\boldsymbol{\beta}^*, A^*) \leftarrow (\boldsymbol{\beta}', A').$$

B. Iterative algorithms for multivariate linear mixed models in Section 3.2

B.1. DTA-based iterative algorithms

The joint posterior distribution $p(\mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{aug}})$ factors into the following two conditional distributions, $p(\mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{aug}}) = p_1(\mathbf{A}, \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{aug}}) p_2(\boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{y}^{\text{aug}})$, and these can be directly sampled via inverse-Wishart and multivariate Gaussian distributions in a homoscedastic case. A DTA-based Gibbs-type algorithm specified in (3) iteratively samples the following three

conditional distributions.

$$\begin{aligned}
[\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}_i^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta}] &\sim N_p((1 - W_i B_i) \mathbf{y}_i^{\text{obs}} + W_i B_i X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{V}_{\min} W_i^\top + W_i (1 - B_i) \mathbf{V}_i W_i^\top), \\
[\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{aug}}] &\sim \text{IW} \left(k - m - p - 1, \sum_{i=1}^k (\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} - X_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DTA}}) (\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} - X_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DTA}})^\top \right), \\
[\boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{y}^{\text{aug}}] &\sim N_{mp} \left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DTA}}, \left(\sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})^{-1} X_i \right)^{-1} \right),
\end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

where $B_i = \mathbf{V}_i (\mathbf{V}_i + \mathbf{A})^{-1}$, $\text{IW}(a, b)$ indicates the inverse-Wishart distribution with a degrees of freedom and scale matrix b , and

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DTA}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})^{-1} X_i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})^{-1} \mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}}.$$

To sample \mathbf{A} instead of $\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min}$ in the middle of (23), we repeatedly draw a random sample K from the inverse-Wishart distribution in (23) until $|K - \mathbf{V}_{\min}| > 0$, and then set \mathbf{A} to $K - \mathbf{V}_{\min}$.

We specify the corresponding DTA-based EM algorithm by constructing the Q function for the E-step, using the marginal distribution $[\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta}] \sim N_p(\mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})$:

$$\begin{aligned}
Q(\mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) &= \sum_{i=1}^k E \left(\log(f(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta})) \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^* \right) \\
&= -\frac{k}{2} \log(|\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min}|) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k E \left((\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^\top (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})^{-1} (\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}) \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^* \right).
\end{aligned} \tag{24}$$

The conditional expectation of a quadratic form in the second equality is equivalent to

$$\begin{aligned}
&E \left((\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^\top (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})^{-1} (\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}) \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^* \right) \\
&= \left(E(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta} \right)^\top (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})^{-1} \left(E(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta} \right) \\
&\quad + \text{trace} \left[(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{V}_{\min})^{-1} \text{Cov}(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) \right].
\end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

The conditional expectation and covariance of $\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}}$ on the right-hand side in (25), i.e., $E(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)$ and $\text{Cov}(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)$, are specified in (23).

The M-step updates \mathbf{A}^* and $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ by the values that maximize the Q function in (24),

which results in the following four steps for closed-form updates:

$$\text{Step 1: } \boldsymbol{\beta}' \leftarrow \left(\sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top X_i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top E(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*).$$

$$\text{Step 2: } \mathbf{A}_{\text{temp}} \leftarrow \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \left\{ \begin{aligned} & (E(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}') (E(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}')^\top \\ & + \text{Cov}(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{aug}} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) \end{aligned} \right\} - \mathbf{V}_{\text{min}}.$$

Step 3: $\mathbf{A}' \leftarrow \mathbf{A}_{\text{temp}}$ if $|\mathbf{A}_{\text{temp}}| > 0$ and $\mathbf{A}^* \leftarrow 0_p$ otherwise.

Step 4: $(\boldsymbol{\beta}^*, \mathbf{A}^*) \leftarrow (\boldsymbol{\beta}', \mathbf{A}')$.

The notation 0_p in Step 3 indicates a p by p matrix filled with zeros.

B.2. DA-based iterative algorithms

In a typical DA scheme, we treat the random effects, $\boldsymbol{\theta} \equiv \{\boldsymbol{\theta}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\theta}_k\}$, as missing data, and thus the augmented data in this case are $\mathbf{y}^{\text{aug}} = (\mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$. The full posterior density function of $[\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}]$ can be derived up to a constant multiplication, i.e.,

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\theta}, \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{A} \mid \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}) \propto \prod_{i=1}^k f(\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{obs}} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}_i) p(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{A}) I_{|\mathbf{A}|>0},$$

where $[\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{obs}} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}_i]$ and $[\boldsymbol{\theta}_i \mid \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta}]$ are defined in (11). Similarly to the DTA-based Gibbs sampler in (23), the DA-based one iteratively samples the following conditional distributions:

$$\begin{aligned} [\boldsymbol{\theta}_i \mid \mathbf{y}_i^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta}] &\sim N_p((1 - B_i)\mathbf{y}_i^{\text{obs}} + B_i X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}, (1 - B_i)\mathbf{V}_i), \\ [\mathbf{A} \mid \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}] &\sim \text{IW}\left(k - m - p - 1, \sum_{i=1}^k (\boldsymbol{\theta}_i - X_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}})(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i - X_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}})^\top\right), \\ [\boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\theta}, \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}] &\sim N_{mp}\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}}, \left(\sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top \mathbf{A}^{-1} X_i\right)^{-1}\right), \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

where $B_i = \mathbf{V}_i(\mathbf{V}_i + \mathbf{A})^{-1}$ and

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{\text{DA}} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top \mathbf{A}^{-1} X_i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top \mathbf{A}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\theta}_i.$$

The corresponding DA-based EM algorithm adopts the following Q function for the E-step, using the distribution of missing data, $[\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta}] \sim N_p(\mathbf{X}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mathbf{A})$:

$$\begin{aligned} Q(\mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta} | \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) &= \sum_{i=1}^k E(\log(f(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta})) | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*), \\ &= -\frac{k}{2} \log(|\mathbf{A}|) - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^k E((\boldsymbol{\theta}_i - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^\top \mathbf{A}^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\theta}_i - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}) | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*). \end{aligned} \quad (27)$$

The conditional expectation of a quadratic form on the right-hand side in (27) can be computed by

$$\begin{aligned} &E((\boldsymbol{\theta}_i - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^\top \mathbf{A}^{-1} (\boldsymbol{\theta}_i - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}) | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) \\ &= (E(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^\top \mathbf{A}^{-1} (E(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}) \\ &\quad + \text{trace}[\mathbf{A}^{-1} \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*)]. \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

The conditional expectation and covariance of $\boldsymbol{\theta}_i$ given $\mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}, \boldsymbol{\beta}$ in (28) are specified in (26).

Like the M-step under DTA in (24), the M-step under DA updates \mathbf{A}^* and $\boldsymbol{\beta}^*$ by the values that maximize the Q function in (27) via the following three steps:

$$\text{Step 1: } \boldsymbol{\beta}' \leftarrow \left(\sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top X_i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^k X_i^\top E(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Step 2: } \mathbf{A}' \leftarrow \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \left\{ (E(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}') (E(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) - X_i \boldsymbol{\beta}')^\top \right. \\ \left. + \text{Cov}(\boldsymbol{\theta}_i | \mathbf{y}^{\text{obs}}, \mathbf{A}^*, \boldsymbol{\beta}^*) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Step 3: } (\boldsymbol{\beta}^*, \mathbf{A}^*) \leftarrow (\boldsymbol{\beta}', \mathbf{A}').$$

C. The DTA scheme for the Beta-Binomial model in Section 4

Given the homoscedastic augmented data y^{aug} , we reproduce the approximate marginal posterior density $p^*(\beta | y^{\text{aug}})$ from (17): With $g(l) = nk + c + l$,

$$p^*(\beta | y^{\text{aug}}) = \sum_{i=s_1}^{s_t} \sum_{j=f_1}^{f_t} \sum_{l=0}^{km_1+m_2} a_i b_j c_l^* B(g(l) - i - 1, i + 1) \frac{\beta^j}{(\beta + n_{\text{max}})^{g(l)-i-1}},$$

where s_1 denotes the number of groups with at least one success, s_t is the total number of successes ($s_t = \sum_{i=1}^k y_i^{\text{aug}}$), f_1 indicates the number of groups with at least one failure, and f_t is the total number of failures ($f_t = \sum_{i=1}^k (n - y_i^{\text{aug}})$). If we transform β into $B = \beta/(\beta + n_{\max})$, the corresponding density function with respect to B is as follows: With the Jacobean $J = n_{\max}/(1 - B)^2$,

$$p^*(B | y^{\text{aug}}) = \sum_{i=s_1}^{s_t} \sum_{j=f_1}^{f_t} \sum_{l=0}^{km_1+m_2} a_i b_j c_l^* B(g(l) - i - 1, i + 1) \frac{B^j (1 - B)^{g(l)-i-j-3}}{n_{\max}^{g(l)-i-j-1}}.$$

Thus, each mixture component is composed of the Beta($j + 1, g(l) - i - j - 2$) density function and the corresponding coefficient (that is proportional to its weight) equal to

$$a_i b_j c_l^* B(g(l) - i - 1, i + 1) B(j + 1, g(l) - i - j - 2) n_{\max}^{-(g(l)-i-j-1)}. \quad (29)$$

We can easily generate $B = \beta/(\beta + n_{\max})$ via a two-step procedure; (i) we randomly choose a combination of (i, j, l) according to its weight defined in (29), and (ii) given the selected values of (i, j, l) , we can generate B from the Beta($j + 1, g(l) - i - j - 2$) distribution. Finally, we set $\beta = n_{\max} B/(1 - B)$ that is a random number generated from $p^*(\beta | y^{\text{aug}})$.

Given the random number from $p^*(\beta | y^{\text{aug}})$, we need to sample $p^*(\alpha | y^{\text{aug}}, \beta)$ that is proportional to $p^*(\alpha, \beta | y^{\text{aug}})$ in (16), i.e.,

$$p^*(\alpha | y^{\text{aug}}, \beta) \propto \sum_{i=s_1}^{s_t} \sum_{j=f_1}^{f_t} \sum_{l=0}^{km_1+m_2} a_i b_j c_l^* \frac{\alpha^i \beta^j}{(\alpha + \beta + n_{\max})^{g(l)}}.$$

Once we transform α to $A = \alpha/(\alpha + \beta + n_{\max})$, we obtain the following density function with the Jacobean $J = (\beta + n_{\max})/(1 - A)^2$:

$$\begin{aligned} p^*(A | y^{\text{aug}}, \beta) &\propto \sum_{i=s_1}^{s_t} \sum_{j=f_1}^{f_t} \sum_{l=0}^{km_1+m_2} a_i b_j c_l^* \frac{\beta^j}{(\beta + n_{\max})^{g(l)-i-1}} A^i (1 - A)^{g(l)-i-2} \\ &= \left(\sum_{j=f_1}^{f_t} b_j \beta^j \right) \left(\sum_{i=s_1}^{s_t} \sum_{l=0}^{km_1+m_2} a_i c_l^* \frac{1}{(\beta + n_{\max})^{g(l)-i-1}} A^i (1 - A)^{g(l)-i-2} \right) \quad (30) \\ &\propto \sum_{i=s_1}^{s_t} \sum_{l=0}^{km_1+m_2} a_i c_l^* \frac{1}{(\beta + n_{\max})^{l-i-1}} A^i (1 - A)^{g(l)-i-2}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, the density with respect to A is a mixture of the Beta($i + 1, g(l) - i - 1$) densities

with its coefficient (weight) equal to

$$a_i c_i^* \frac{B(i+1, g(l) - i - 1)}{(\beta + n_{\max})^{l-i-1}}. \quad (31)$$

Sampling α from $p^*(\alpha \mid y^{\text{aug}}, \beta)$ is a three-step procedure; (i) a combination of (i, l) is randomly selected according to its weight in (31), (ii) a value of A is randomly generated from the Beta($i+1, g(l) - i - 1$) distribution given the chosen values of (i, l) , and finally (iii) α is set to $(n_{\max} + \beta)A/(1 - A)$.

Therefore, the proposed augmentation scheme for heteroscedastic Binomial data results in a Gibbs-type algorithm that iterates for following five steps:

Step 1: Sample $\theta_i \sim \text{Beta}(y_i^{\text{obs}} + \alpha, n_i - y_i^{\text{obs}} + \beta)$ for $i = 1, \dots, k$.

Step 2: Sample $y_i^{\text{mis}} \sim \text{Bin}(n_{\max} - n_i, \theta_i)$ for $i = 1, \dots, k$.

Step 3: Set $y_i^{\text{aug}} = y_i^{\text{obs}} + y_i^{\text{mis}}$ for $i = 1, \dots, k$.

Step 4: Sample β from $p^*(\beta \mid y^{\text{aug}})$.

Step 5: Sample α from $p^*(\alpha \mid y^{\text{aug}}, \beta)$.

We note that Steps 1–3 are corresponding to the first two steps of (2), and Steps 4–5 are related to the last step of (2).

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