

Separable covariance arrays via the Tucker product - Final

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International Trade Data set

Yearly change in log trade value (in 2000 dollars): $\mathbf{Y} = \{y_{i,j,k,t}\}$

- ▶ $i \in \{1, \dots, 30\}$ indexes the exporting nation
- ▶ $j \in \{1, \dots, 30\}$ indexes the importing nation
- ▶ $k \in \{1, \dots, 6\}$ indexes the commodity type
- ▶ $t \in \{1, \dots, 10\}$ indexes the year

Interested in modeling the mean $M_{ijk} = \mu_{i,j,k}$ across t measurements

What can we do?

International Trade data set

Interested in the model

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{M} \circ \mathbf{1}_n + \mathbf{E}$$

- iid error model: $\epsilon_{i,j,k,l} \sim \text{normal}(0, \sigma^2)$
- multivariate error model: $\epsilon_{i,j,k} \sim \text{multivariate normal}(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$
- matrix-variate error model: $\epsilon_{i,j} \sim \text{matrix normal}(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2)$

But all four dimensions are correlated!

$$\mathbf{E} \sim ???$$

Definition outline

- ▶ Vectorize
- ▶ Inner Product
- ▶ Matricization
- ▶ Array-matrix Product

Definition - k -mode product of an array

Suppose $\mathbf{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times m_2 \times m_3}$ and $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times m_1}$, the **1-mode** product is

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{Y} \times_1 \mathbf{A} \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} = \mathbf{AY}_{(1)}$$

Array-matrix multiplication: $\mathbf{Y} \times_1 \mathbf{A}$

1. Matricization: $\mathbf{Y}_{(1)} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times m_2 m_3}$
2. Multiply: $\mathbf{AY}_{(1)}$
3. Reform: $\mathbf{Y} \times_1 \mathbf{A} = \text{array}(\text{vec}(\mathbf{AY}_{(1)}), m_1, m_2, m_3)$

Remember this picture?



We managed to find the [Array Normal Model](#)

$$\mathbf{Y} \sim \text{array normal}(\mathbf{M}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_K)$$

Array normal model¹

Array normal model, $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times m_2 \times m_3}$:

$$\mathbf{Z} = \{z_{i,j,k}\} \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{normal}(0, 1)$$

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{M} + \mathbf{Z} \times \{\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C}\}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} \text{array normal}(\mathbf{M}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1 = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{A}^T, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2 = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{B}^T, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3 = \mathbf{C}\mathbf{C}^T)$$

$$\sim \text{array normal}(\mathbf{M}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3)$$

¹Adapted from Hoff's slides

Probability density function

Multivariate normal

$$(2\pi)^{-p/2} |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{-1/2} \exp(-(\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{y} - \boldsymbol{\mu})/2)$$

Array normal: Note that $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3\}$

$$(2\pi)^{-m/2} \left(\prod_{k=1}^3 |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k|^{-m/(2m_k)} \right) \exp(-\|(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{M}) \times \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1/2}\|^2/2)$$

where $m = m_1 m_2 m_3$

Estimation: Frequentist

- ▶ $\hat{\mathbf{M}} = \bar{\mathbf{Y}} = \sum \mathbf{Y}_i / n$
- ▶ Let $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{Y} - \bar{\mathbf{Y}} \circ \mathbf{1}_n$ and repeat the following for $k = 1, 2, 3$
 - ▶ Compute $\tilde{\mathbf{E}} = \mathbf{E} \times \{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1^{-1/2}, \mathbf{I}_{m_k}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3^{-1/2}, \mathbf{I}_n\}$ and $\mathbf{S}_k = \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{(k)} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{(k)}^T$
 - ▶ $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k = \mathbf{S}_k / n_k$ where $n_k = n \times \prod_{j \neq k} m_j$

Analogy for univariate case $\sigma^2 = \sum (y - \bar{y})^2 / n$

Estimation: Bayesian

Assume the following prior:

- $\mathbf{M}|\boldsymbol{\Sigma} \sim \text{anorm}(\mathbf{M}_0, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3 / \kappa_0)$
- $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k \sim \text{inverse-Wishart}(\mathbf{S}_{0k}^{-1}, v_{0k})$

After A LOT of calculation, the posteriors are

- $\mathbf{M}|\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \sim \text{anorm}([\kappa_0 \mathbf{M}_0 + n \bar{\mathbf{Y}}] / [\kappa_0 + n], \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3 / [\kappa_0 + n])$
- $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k|\mathbf{Y}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_{-k} \sim \text{inverse-Wishart}([\mathbf{S}_{0k} + \mathbf{S}_k + \mathbf{R}_{(k)} \mathbf{R}_{(k)}^T]^{-1}, v_{0k} + n_k)$

where $\mathbf{R} = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa_0 n}{\kappa_0 + n}} (\bar{\mathbf{Y}} - \mathbf{M}_0) \times \{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1^{-1/2}, \mathbf{I}_{m_k}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3^{-1/2}\}$

Finally!!! We model this data set!

Want to model

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{M} \circ \mathbf{1}_n + \mathbf{E}$$

Understand correlation among exporters, importers and commodities of \mathbf{E}

Consider two models:

1. $\mathbf{Y} \sim \text{anorm}(\mathbf{M} \circ \mathbf{1}_n, \mathbf{I}_{m_1} \circ \mathbf{I}_{m_2} \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_4)$
2. $\mathbf{Y} \sim \text{anorm}(\mathbf{M} \circ \mathbf{1}_n, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_2 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_3 \circ \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_4)$

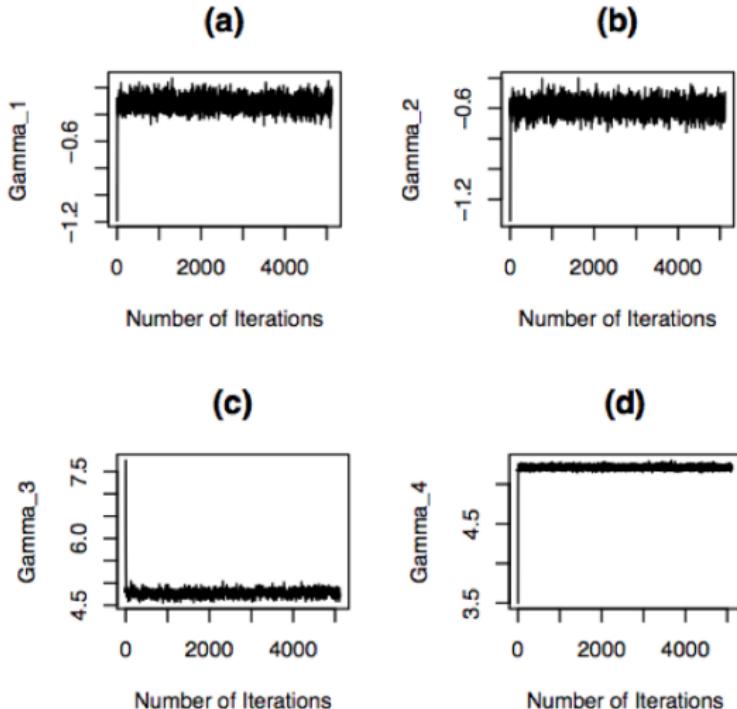
MCMC

- ▶ 205,000 iterations, 5,000 as **burn-in period**
- ▶ Parameter values are kept only every 40th iteration
- ▶ We have **5,000 samples**

But samples are **matrices**, how to **check for convergence?**

Jon Wakefield: Calculate a summary measure of the matrix, for instance, the determinant

Trace plots



Model Comparison

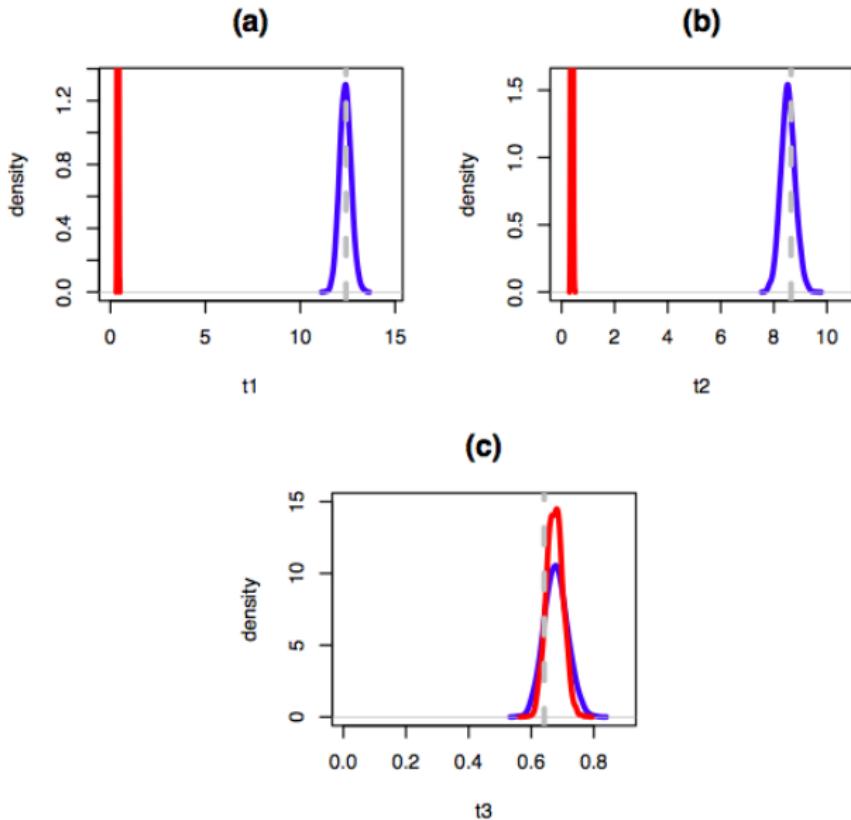
Posterior predictive evaluation:

$$t_1(\mathbf{Y}) = \log|\mathbf{I}/m_1| - \log|\tilde{\mathbf{S}}_1|$$

where $\mathbf{S}_1 = \mathbf{E}_{(1)}\mathbf{E}_{(1)}^T$ and $\tilde{\mathbf{S}}_1 = \mathbf{S}_1/\text{tr}(\mathbf{S}_1)$

Discrepancies between $t_1(\mathbf{Y})$ and $t_1(\tilde{\mathbf{Y}})$ indicates model does not capture some aspects of the data

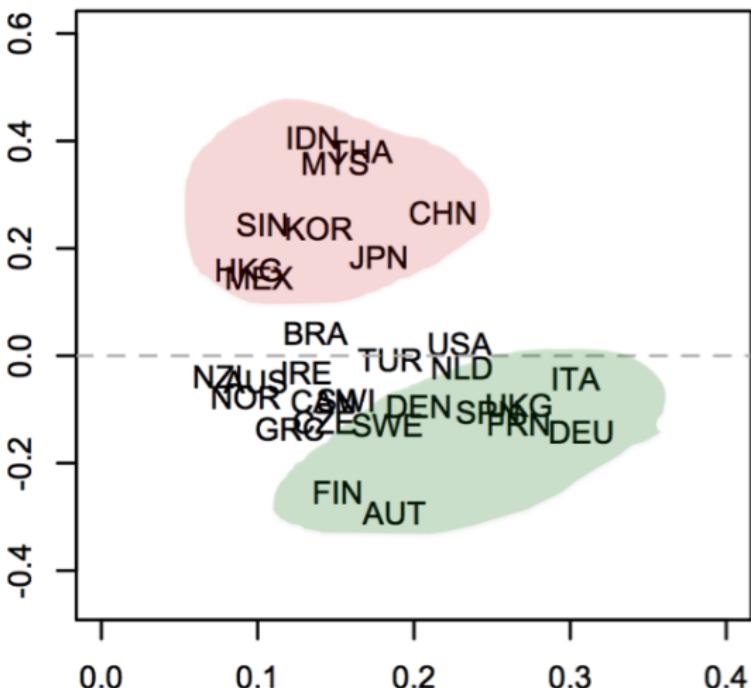
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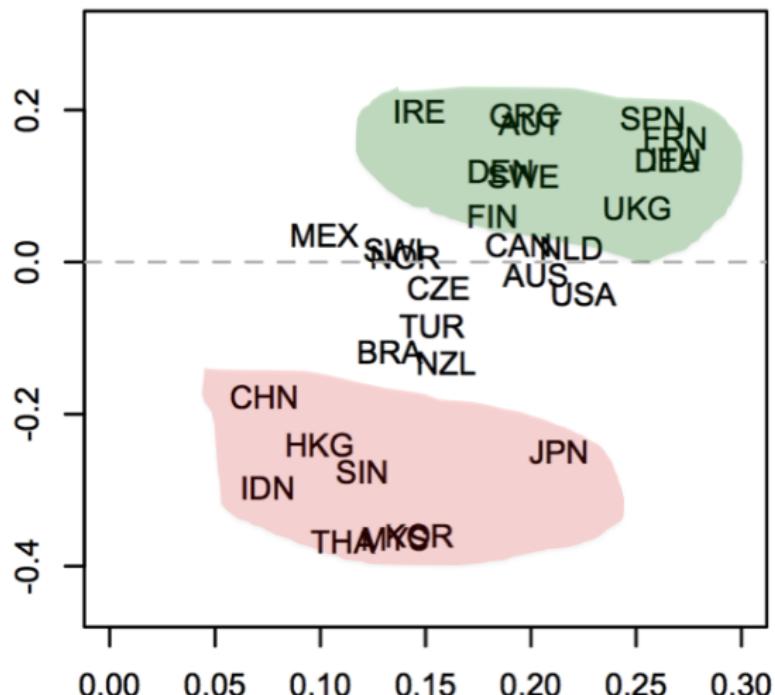
Understand Correlation

- ▶ Understand relationship among exporters, importers, and commodities, respectively
- ▶ Analyze posterior mean estimates of Σ_1 , Σ_2 , and Σ_3
- ▶ Plot **first two eigenvectors** of each estimate

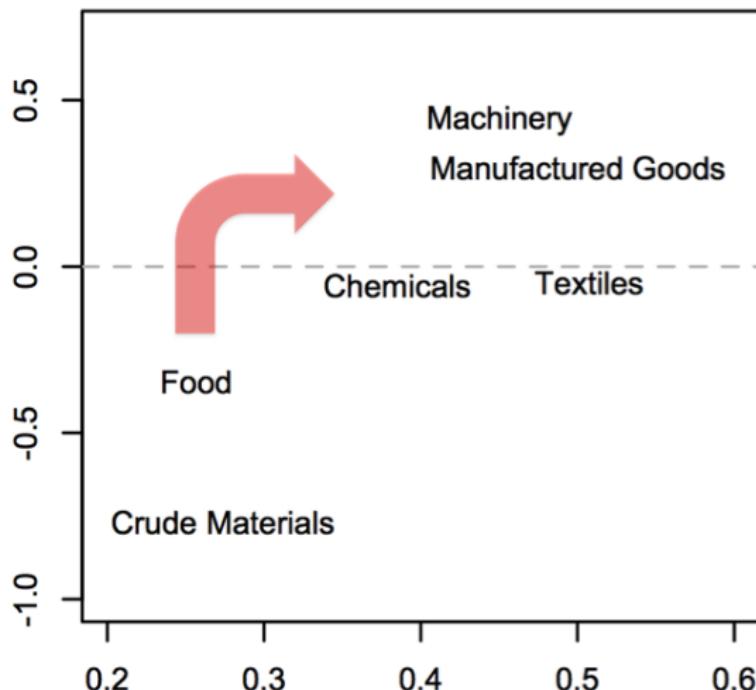
Exporter



Importer



Commodity



Discussion & Critique - 1

Estimation of parameters:

- ▶ Bayesian approach preferable
- ▶ MLE might not exist
- ▶ Estimation of high-dimensional parameters benefits from regularization

Discussion & Critique - 1 cont

Impose regularization on the inverse covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1}$

$$\ell(\mathbf{Y}|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \propto \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{n_k}{2} \log |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1}| - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \|(\mathbf{Y}_i - \bar{\mathbf{Y}}) \times \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1/2}\|^2 - \sum_{k=1}^K \lambda_k \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1}\|_1$$

As usual, $\hat{\mathbf{M}} = \bar{\mathbf{Y}}$

Closed form solution for $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} = \{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1^{-1}, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_K^{-1}\}$

DOES NOT EXIST!!!

Discussion & Critique -1 cont

How about an iterative approach? Given $\hat{\mathbf{M}} = \bar{\mathbf{Y}}$

$$\ell(\mathbf{Y}|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \propto_{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1}} \frac{n_k}{2} \log |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1}| - \frac{1}{2} \text{tr} \left(\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{(k)} \tilde{\mathbf{E}}_{(k)}^T \right) - \lambda_k \|\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k^{-1}\|_1$$

Block coordinate descent approach!

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Not quite true in array case

Some other types of array models are clearly needed!

Discussion & Critique - 2

Working towards **array *t*-distribution**

$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^p$ has **elliptical contoured distribution** with mean $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ and dispersion parameter $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$, call it $E_p(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, h(\cdot))$

$$f(\mathbf{x}) = c_n |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}|^{-1/2} h\left((\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\right)$$

Special Cases:

- ▶ **Multivariate normal distribution:** $h(\mathbf{z}) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{z})$
- ▶ **Multivariate *t*-distribution:** Under some transformation and rotation

Discussion & Critique - 2

$\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{m_1 \times \dots \times m_K}$ has array elliptical contoured distribution with mean \mathbf{M} and covariance matrices $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \{\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_1, \dots, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_K\}$,
 $E_{m_1, \dots, m_K}(\mathbf{M}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}, h(\cdot))$

$$f(\mathbf{X}) = c_n \prod_{k=1}^K |\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_k|^{-m/2m_k} h(\|(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{M}) \times \boldsymbol{\Sigma}^{-1/2}\|^2)$$

Special Cases:

- ▶ Array normal distribution: $h(\mathbf{Z}) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2}\mathbf{Z})$
- ▶ Array *t*-distribution: ???

Array t -distribution



Conclusion

- ▶ Construct the array normal distribution
- ▶ Model the International Trade Data Set

Questions?