

Bayesian modeling of inseparable space-time variation in disease risk

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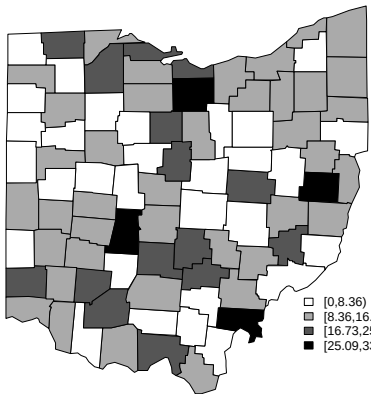
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Motivation

Ohio Lung Cancer Example

Lung Cancer Mortality Rates 1972



The Model

Stage 1

Address the situation where the disease variation cannot be separated into temporal and spatial main effects and spatio-temporal interactions become an important feature.

$$\eta_{it} = \mu + \alpha_t + \gamma_t + \theta_i + \phi_i + \delta_{it}$$

- μ - overall risk level
- α_t - temporally structured effect of time t
- γ_t - independent effect of time t
- θ_i - spatially structured effect of county i
- ϕ_i - independent effect of county i
- δ_{it} - space $\times$ time interaction

The Model

Stage 2 - Independent Priors

Prior for γ :

$$\begin{aligned} p(\gamma|\lambda_\gamma) &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\gamma}{2} \sum_{t=1}^T \gamma_t^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\gamma}{2} \gamma^T K_\gamma \gamma\right) \end{aligned}$$

where $K_\gamma = I_{T \times T}$.

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Where,

$$K_\alpha = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & & & \\ -1 & 2 & 1 & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ & & & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

and has rank $T-1$.

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Stage 2 - First Order Random Walk

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we have that

$$\alpha_t|\alpha_{-t}, \lambda_\alpha \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\frac{1}{2}(\alpha_{t-1} + \alpha_{t+1}), 1/(2\lambda_\alpha)\right)$$

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Where our precision matrix has elements:

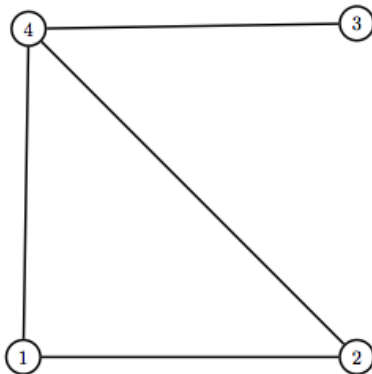
$$K_{\theta,ij} = \begin{cases} n_i & i = j \\ -1 & i \sim j \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

and has rank $n - 1$.

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Stage 2 - ICAR Prior

An example $K_{\theta} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & -1 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & -1 & -1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}$



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The Model

Stage 2 - iid prior for δ

Type I Independent - Independent multivariate gaussian prior

$$\begin{aligned} p(\delta|\lambda_\delta) &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^T (\delta_{it})^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \delta^T K_\delta \delta\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where $K_\delta = K_\gamma \otimes K_\phi = I_{nT \times nT}$.

The Model

Stage 2 - Random Walk prior for δ

Type II Temporal trends differ by area - first order random walk prior

$$\begin{aligned} p(\delta|\lambda_\delta) &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} (\delta_{it} - \delta_{i,t-1})^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \delta^T K_\delta \delta\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where $K_\delta = K_\alpha \otimes K_\phi$ (rank $n(T-1)$).

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Stage 2 - ICAR prior for δ

Type III Spatial trends differ over time - Intrinsic autoregression prior

$$\begin{aligned} p(\delta|\lambda_\delta) &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \sum_{i \sim j} \sum_{t=1}^T (\delta_{it} - \delta_{jt})^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \delta^T K_\delta \delta\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where $K_\delta = K_\gamma \otimes K_\theta$ (rank $(n-1)T$).

The Model

Stage 2 - Space-Time prior for δ

Type IV Spatio-temporal interaction - conditional depends on first and second order neighbors

$$\begin{aligned} p(\delta|\lambda_\delta) &\propto \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \sum_{i \sim j} \sum_{t=2}^T (\delta_{it} - \delta_{jt} - \delta_{i,t-1} + \delta_{j,t-1})^2\right) \\ &= \exp\left(-\frac{\lambda_\delta}{2} \delta^T K_\delta \delta\right) \end{aligned}$$

Where $K_\delta = K_\alpha \otimes K_\theta$ (rank $(n-1)(T-1)$).

The Model

Implementation Difficulties

Overall level can be absorbed by both θ and α in main effects model and interaction model I.

- recenter θ and α after each iteration to have mean zero
- omit μ and recenter θ or α

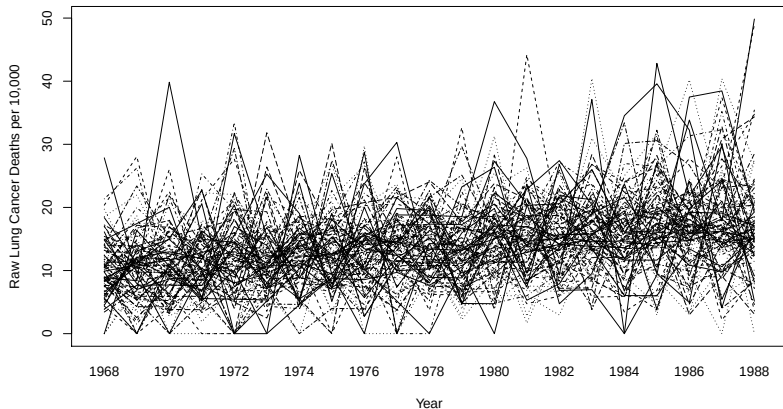
Additional constraints for interaction models II, III, and IV:

- II recenter δ_{it} row-wise (across time)
- III recenter δ_{it} column-wise (over space)
- IV recenter δ_{it} row-wise and column-wise

Example

Ohio Lung Cancer without smoothing

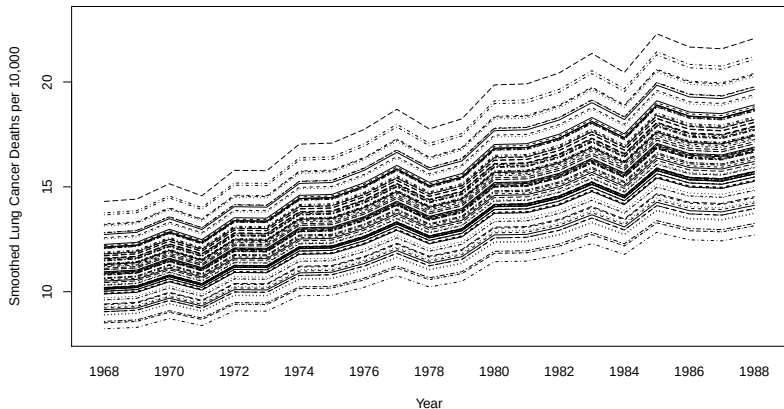
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Ohio Lung Cancer with main effects smoothing

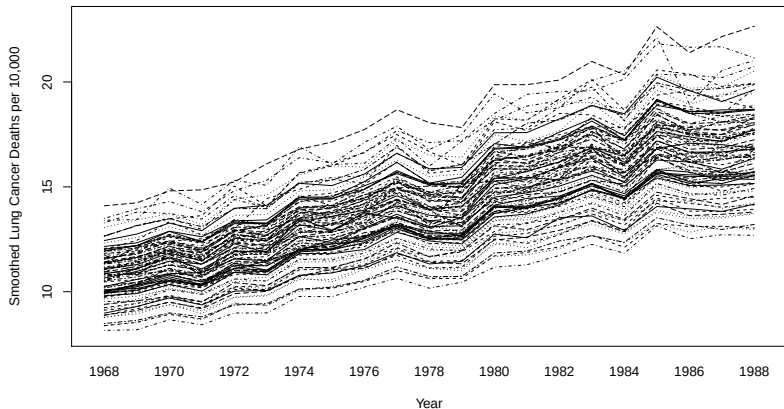
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Ohio Lung Cancer with main effects + space-time interaction smoothing

Ohio Lung cancer mortality by county 1968–1988 ages 55–64



What's next?

Currently coding all 5 models on a very small (5 nodes and 5 time points) graph with

- Winbugs
- INLA
- MCMC

To do

- 'tuning in an automated fashion' for univariate Metropolis updating
- block updating

The End

Questions?

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