

## Supplementary Material for "Bayesian nonparametric method for genetic dissection of brain activation region" by Jin, Kang and Yu

## 1 DERIVATION OF POSTERIOR COMPUTATION

## 1.1 Bayesian Level Set Methods with Spike-and-Slab Prior

Let  $\mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{y}_1, \dots, \mathbf{y}_n)^T$  be the signal matrix. Let  $\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 = (\sigma_1^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2)$  and  $\boldsymbol{\tau}^2 = (\tau_1^2, \dots, \tau_m^2)$ . The joint posterior distribution is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2, \boldsymbol{\eta}, \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^2, \tau_{\nu}^2, w \mid \mathbf{Y})$$

$$\propto \pi(\mathbf{Y}|\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\mu}|\boldsymbol{\eta}, \tau^2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta}|\boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\gamma}|w) \pi(\boldsymbol{\tau}^2) \pi(\tau_{\mu}^2) \pi(w)$$

The full conditional posterior distributions of all the parameters in the Metropolis-Hasting (RMMALA) within Gibbs sampling are derived as follows.

First, we derive the RMMALA algorithm to update  $\beta$  given all other parameters. The log full conditional density of  $\beta$  is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\beta}|\bullet) \propto \pi(\mathbf{Y}|\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2)\pi(\boldsymbol{\beta})$$

$$\propto \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left[\sum_{i=1}^{q} \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2}(\mathbf{y}_i - \mu_i \mathbf{H}_{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\beta}))^T(\mathbf{y}_i - \mu_i \mathbf{H}_{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\beta})) + \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\beta}\right]\right\}$$

Then log full conditional distribution of  $\beta$  is given by

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \log[\pi(\boldsymbol{\beta} \mid \bullet)] = C - \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{q} \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \left( y_{ij} - \mu_i H_{\epsilon} \left[ \sum_{l=1}^{L} \beta_l \psi_{l,j} \right] \right)^2 + \sum_{l=1}^{L} \frac{\beta_l^2}{\lambda_l} \right],$$

and

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \beta_{l}} = \sum_{i=1}^{q} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \frac{\mu_{i}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \psi_{l,j} H_{\epsilon}^{(1)} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \left( y_{ij} - \mu_{i} H_{\epsilon} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \right) - \frac{\beta_{l}}{\lambda_{l}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^{2} \mathcal{L}}{\partial \beta_{l}^{2}} = \sum_{i=1}^{q} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \left\{ \frac{\mu_{i}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \psi_{l,j}^{2} H_{\epsilon}^{(2)} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \left( y_{ij} - \mu_{i} H_{\epsilon} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \right) - \frac{\mu_{i}^{2}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \psi_{l,j}^{2} H_{\epsilon}^{2(1)} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \right\} - \frac{1}{\lambda_{l}}$$

$$\frac{\partial^{2} \mathcal{L}}{\partial \beta_{l} \partial \beta_{k}} = \sum_{i=1}^{q} \sum_{j=1}^{p} \left\{ \frac{\mu_{i}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \psi_{l,j} \psi_{k,j} \mu H_{\epsilon}^{(2)} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \left( y_{ij} - \mu_{i} H_{\epsilon} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \right) - \frac{\mu_{i}^{2}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \psi_{l,j} \psi_{k,j} H_{\epsilon}^{2(1)} \left[ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta} \right] \right\}, \quad l \neq k$$

This further implies that

$$\nabla_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^{q} \frac{\mu_{i}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \sum_{j=1}^{p} (y_{ij} - \mu_{i} H_{j}) H_{j}^{(1)} \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j} - \boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}}{\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{2}}\right)^{T} \left(Y_{q \times p} - \boldsymbol{\mu}_{q \times 1} H_{\epsilon}^{T} \left[\boldsymbol{\psi}_{j}^{T} \boldsymbol{\beta}\right]_{1 \times p}\right) diag(H_{p \times 1}^{(1)})_{p \times p} \boldsymbol{\psi}_{j} - \boldsymbol{\Lambda}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\beta},$$

$$\mathbf{G}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \{g_{l,k}(\boldsymbol{\beta})\}_{L \times L},$$

where

$$g_{l,l}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = -\mathrm{E}\left[\frac{\partial^2 g}{\partial \beta_l^2}\right] = \sum_{i=1}^q \sum_{j=1}^p \frac{\mu_i^2}{\sigma_i^2} \psi_{l,j}^2 H_{\epsilon}^{2(1)} \left[\boldsymbol{\psi}_j^{\mathrm{T}} \boldsymbol{\beta}\right] + \frac{1}{\lambda_l}$$

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Thus, the proposal distribution for  $\beta$  of the RMMALA is given by

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^* \sim N \left[ \boldsymbol{\beta} + \frac{\Delta^2}{2} \mathbf{G}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \nabla_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta}), \Delta^2 \mathbf{G}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \right],$$

Next, we derive the Gibbs sampler to update all other algorithms. The full conditional of  $\mu$  is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\mu} \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\mathbf{Y} \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{2}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\mu} \mid \boldsymbol{\eta}, \tau_{\mu}^{2})$$

$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{q} \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} (\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mu_{i} \mathbf{H}_{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\beta}))^{T} (\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mu_{i} \mathbf{H}_{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\beta})) + \sum_{i=1}^{q} \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}} (\mu_{i} - \mathbf{S}_{i} \boldsymbol{\eta})^{2} \right] \right\}$$

$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{q} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \sum_{j=1}^{p} H_{j}^{2} + \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}} \right) \mu_{i}^{2} - 2 \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{2}} \sum_{j=1}^{p} H_{j} y_{ij} + \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}} \sum_{k=1}^{m} S_{ik} \eta_{k} \right) \mu_{i} \right] \right\}$$

This implies that we can update each  $\mu_i$  by sampling from

$$[\mu_i \mid \bullet] \quad \sim \quad \mathbf{N} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^p H_j^2 + \frac{1}{\tau_\mu^2} \right)^{-1} \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^p H_j y_{ij} + \frac{1}{\tau_\mu^2} \sum_{k=1}^m S_{ik} \eta_k \right), \left( \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} \sum_{j=1}^p H_j^2 + \frac{1}{\tau_\mu^2} \right)^{-1} \right]$$

The full conditional of  $\sigma^2$  is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{2} \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\mathbf{Y} \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^{2}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\sigma}^{2})$$

$$\propto \prod_{i=1}^{q} \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{p}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma_{i}^{2}} (\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mu_{i} \mathbf{H})^{T} (\mathbf{y}_{i} - \mu_{i} \mathbf{H})\right\} \times \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{2a_{1}+2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{a_{2}}{\sigma_{i}^{2}}\right\}$$

$$\propto \prod_{i=1}^{q} \frac{1}{\sigma_{i}^{2a_{1}+p+2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{a_{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{p} (y_{ij} - \mu_{i} H_{j})^{2}/2}{\sigma_{i}^{2}}\right\}$$

This implies that we can update each  $\sigma_i^2$  by sampling from

$$[\sigma_i^2 \mid \bullet] \sim \text{IG}\left[a_1 + \frac{p}{2}, a_2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^p (y_{ij} - \mu_i H_j)^2\right]$$

The full conditional distribution of  $\eta$  is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\mu} \mid \boldsymbol{\eta}, \tau_{\mu}^{2}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^{2})$$

$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\tau_{\mu}^{2}} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta})^{T} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta}) - \frac{1}{2} \boldsymbol{\eta}^{T} \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1} \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\}$$

$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \boldsymbol{\eta}^{T} \left( \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}} \mathbf{S}^{T} \mathbf{S} + \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1} \right) \boldsymbol{\eta} - 2 \left( \frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}^{T} \mathbf{S}}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}} \right) \boldsymbol{\eta} \right] \right\}$$

This implies that we can update  $\eta$  by sampling

$$[\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \bullet] \sim \mathrm{N} \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^2} \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S} + \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1} \right)^{-1} \frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}^T \mathbf{S}}{\tau_{\mu}^2}, \left( \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^2} \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S} + \boldsymbol{\Gamma}^{-1} \right)^{-1} \right]$$

The full conditional distribution of  $\gamma$  is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\gamma} \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\gamma} \mid w)$$

$$\propto \prod_{k=1}^{m} \left[ \frac{\omega_{0,k}}{\omega_{0,k} + \omega_{1,k}} \delta_{\nu_0} + \frac{\omega_{1,k}}{\omega_{0,k} + \omega_{1,k}} \delta_1 \right],$$

where 
$$\omega_{0,k}=(1-w)\nu_0^{-1/2}\exp\left(-\frac{\eta_k^2}{2\nu_0\tau_k^2}\right)$$
 and  $\omega_{1,k}=w\exp\left(-\frac{\eta_k^2}{2\tau_k^2}\right)$ .

We can update each  $\gamma_k$  by sampling from

$$[\gamma_k \mid \bullet] \sim \frac{\omega_{0,k}}{\omega_{0,k} + \omega_{1,k}} \delta_{\nu_0} + \frac{\omega_{1,k}}{\omega_{0,k} + \omega_{1,k}} \delta_1.$$

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The full conditional of  $\tau^2$  is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\tau}^2 \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \boldsymbol{\gamma}, \boldsymbol{\tau}^2) \pi(\boldsymbol{\tau}^2)$$

$$\propto \prod_{k=1}^{m} \frac{1}{\tau_k} \exp\left\{-\frac{\eta_k^2}{2\tau_k^2 \gamma_k}\right\} \times \frac{1}{\tau_k^{2c_1+2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c_2}{\tau_k^2}\right\}$$

$$\propto \prod_{k=1}^{m} \frac{1}{\tau_k^{2c_1+3}} \exp\left\{-\frac{c_2 + \eta_k^2/2\gamma_k}{\tau_k^2}\right\}.$$

This implies that we can update each  $\tau_k^2$  by sampling

$$[\tau_k^2 \mid \bullet] \sim \operatorname{IG}\left[c_1 + \frac{1}{2}, c_2 + \frac{\eta_k^2}{2\gamma_k}\right].$$

The full conditional of w is given by

$$\pi(w \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\gamma|w)\pi(w)$$

$$\propto \prod_{k=1}^{m} [(1-w)I[\gamma_k = \nu_0] + wI[\gamma_k = 1]]$$

$$\propto w^{\sum_{k=1}^{m} I[\gamma_k = 1]} (1-w)^{\sum_{k=1}^{m} I[\gamma_k = \nu_0]}.$$

We update from

$$[w \mid \bullet] \sim \text{Beta}\left[1 + \sum_{k=1}^{m} I[\gamma_k = 1], 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{m} I[\gamma_k = \nu_0]\right].$$

The full conditional of  $\tau_{\mu}^2$  is given by

$$\pi(\tau_{\mu}^{2} \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\mu} \mid \boldsymbol{\eta}, \tau_{\mu}^{2}) \pi(\tau_{\mu})$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{q}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\tau_{\mu}^{2}} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta})^{T} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta})\right\} \times \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{2b_{1}+2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{b_{2}}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}}\right\}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{2b_{1}+q+2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{b_{2} + (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta})^{T} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta})/2}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}}\right\}.$$

Thus we sample from

$$[\tau_{\mu}^2 \mid \bullet] \sim \text{IG}\left[b_1 + \frac{q}{2}, b_2 + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^q (\mu_i - \mathbf{S}_i \boldsymbol{\eta})^T (\mu_i - \mathbf{S}_i \boldsymbol{\eta})}{2}\right].$$

## 1.2 Bayesian Level Set Methods with Normal Prior (Non Sparse Prior)

We also consider a conjugate normal prior on  $\eta$  without imposing sparsity which leads to more efficient posterior computation. The model is represented as

$$\mathbf{y}_{i} \mid \boldsymbol{\beta}, \mu_{i}, \sigma_{i}^{2} \sim \mathrm{N}_{p} \left[ \mu_{i} \mathbf{H}_{\epsilon}(\boldsymbol{\beta}), \sigma_{i}^{2} \mathbf{I}_{p} \right], \; \boldsymbol{\beta} \sim \mathrm{N}_{L} \left[ \mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{L} \right],$$
$$\boldsymbol{\mu} \sim \mathrm{N}_{q} \left[ \mathbf{S}^{T} \boldsymbol{\eta}, \tau_{\mu}^{2} \mathbf{I}_{q} \right], \; \boldsymbol{\eta} \sim \mathrm{N}_{m} \left[ \mathbf{0}, \tau_{\eta}^{2} \mathbf{I}_{m} \right],$$
$$\sigma_{i}^{2} \sim \mathrm{IG}[a_{1}, a_{2}], \; \tau_{\mu}^{2} \sim \mathrm{IG}[b_{1}, b_{2}], \; \tau_{\eta}^{2} \sim \mathrm{IG}[d_{1}, d_{2}].$$

The posterior computation algorithm for updating all other parameters remain the same except for  $\eta$  and  $\tau_{\eta}^2$ , although we still use the Gibbs sampler to update these two parameters. We derive their full conditional distributions as follows.

The full conditional distribution of  $\eta$  is given by

$$\pi(\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\mu} \mid \boldsymbol{\eta}, \tau_{\mu}^{2}) \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \tau_{\eta}^{2})$$

$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\tau_{\mu}^{2}} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta})^{T} (\boldsymbol{\mu} - \mathbf{S}\boldsymbol{\eta}) - \frac{1}{2\tau_{\eta}^{2}} \boldsymbol{\eta}^{T} \boldsymbol{\eta} \right\}$$

$$\propto \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left[ \boldsymbol{\eta}^{T} \left( \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}} \mathbf{S}^{T} \mathbf{S} + \frac{1}{\tau_{\eta}^{2}} \mathbf{I}_{m} \right) \boldsymbol{\eta} - 2 \left( \frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}^{T} \mathbf{S}}{\tau_{\mu}^{2}} \right) \boldsymbol{\eta} \right] \right\}.$$

This implies that we can update  $\eta$  by sampling

$$[\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \bullet] \sim N \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^2} \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S} + \frac{1}{\tau_{\eta}^2} \mathbf{I}_m \right)^{-1} \frac{\boldsymbol{\mu}^T \mathbf{S}}{\tau_{\mu}^2}, \left( \frac{1}{\tau_{\mu}^2} \mathbf{S}^T \mathbf{S} + \frac{1}{\tau_{\eta}^2} \mathbf{I}_m \right)^{-1} \right].$$

The full conditional of  $\tau_{\eta}^2$  is given by

$$\pi(\tau_{\eta}^{2} \mid \bullet) \propto \pi(\boldsymbol{\eta} \mid \tau_{\eta}^{2}) \pi(\tau_{\eta}^{2})$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{\tau_{\eta}^{m}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\tau_{\eta}^{2}} \boldsymbol{\eta}^{T} \boldsymbol{\eta}\right\} \times \frac{1}{\tau_{\eta}^{2d_{1}+2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{d_{2}}{\tau_{\eta}^{2}}\right\}$$

$$\propto \frac{1}{\tau_{\eta}^{2d_{1}+m+2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{d_{2} + \boldsymbol{\eta}^{T} \boldsymbol{\eta}/2}{\tau_{\eta}^{2}}\right\}.$$

Thus we sample from

$$[\tau_{\eta}^2 \mid \bullet] \sim \operatorname{IG}\left[d_1 + \frac{m}{2}, d_2 + \frac{\sum_{k=1}^m \eta_k^2}{2}\right].$$

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