

Multiscale Modeling A Bayesian Perspective

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an engaging sophisticated and fun introduction to the field of bayesian statistics bayes rules an introduction to applied bayesian modeling brings the power of modern bayesian thinking modeling and computing to a broad audience in particular the book is an ideal resource for advanced undergraduate statistics students and practitioners with comparable experience the book assumes that readers are familiar with the content covered in a typical undergraduate level introductory statistics course readers will also ideally have some experience with undergraduate level probability calculus and the r statistical software readers without this background will still be able to follow along so long as they are eager to pick up these tools on the fly as all r code is provided bayes rules empowers readers to weave bayesian approaches into their everyday practice discussions and applications are data driven a natural progression from fundamental to multivariable hierarchical models emphasizes a practical and generalizable model building process the evaluation of these bayesian models reflects the fact that a data analysis does not exist in a vacuum features utilizes data driven examples and exercises emphasizes the iterative model building and evaluation process surveys an interconnected range of multivariable regression and classification models presents fundamental markov chain monte carlo simulation integrates r code including rstan modeling tools and the bayesrules package encourages readers to tap into their intuition and learn by doing provides a friendly and inclusive introduction to technical bayesian concepts supports bayesian applications with foundational bayesian theory

winner of the 2008 ziegel prize for outstanding new book of the year structural equation modeling sem is a powerful multivariate method allowing the evaluation of a series of simultaneous hypotheses about the impacts of latent and manifest variables on other variables taking measurement errors into account as sems have grown in popularity in recent years new models and statistical methods have been developed for more accurate analysis of more complex data a bayesian approach to sems allows the use of prior information resulting in improved parameter estimates latent variable estimates and statistics for model comparison as well as offering more reliable results for smaller samples structural equation modeling introduces the bayesian approach to sems including the selection of prior distributions and data augmentation and offers an overview of the subject s recent advances demonstrates how to utilize powerful statistical computing tools including the gibbs sampler the metropolis hastings algorithm bridge sampling and path sampling to obtain the bayesian results discusses the bayes factor and deviance information criterion dic for model comparison includes coverage of complex models including sems with ordered categorical variables and dichotomous

variables nonlinear sems two level sems multisample sems mixtures of sems sems with missing data sems with variables from an exponential family of distributions and some of their combinations illustrates the methodology through simulation studies and examples with real data from business management education psychology public health and sociology demonstrates the application of the freely available software winbugs via a supplementary website featuring computer code and data sets structural equation modeling a bayesian approach is a multi disciplinary text ideal for researchers and students in many areas including statistics biostatistics business education medicine psychology public health and social science

techniques in mathematical modelling is a comprehensive textbook designed to provide students researchers and practitioners with a solid foundation in the principles techniques and applications of mathematical modelling we cover a wide range of topics from fundamental concepts and analytical techniques to validation methods and emerging trends each chapter includes practical examples case studies and exercises to reinforce learning and demonstrate real world applications our book emphasizes the interdisciplinary nature of mathematical modelling with applications in physics biology economics engineering social sciences and more we encourage hands on learning through practical exercises simulations and projects allowing readers to apply theoretical concepts to real world scenarios additionally we explore emerging trends and challenges in the field including advancements in computational techniques data analytics and interdisciplinary collaborations written in clear and accessible language techniques in mathematical modelling caters to readers with varying levels of mathematical background making it suitable for undergraduate and graduate students as well as professionals

this volume describes how to develop bayesian thinking modelling and computation both from philosophical methodological and application point of view it further describes parametric and nonparametric bayesian methods for modelling and how to use modern computational methods to summarize inferences using simulation the book covers wide range of topics including objective and subjective bayesian inferences with a variety of applications in modelling categorical survival spatial spatiotemporal epidemiological software reliability small area and micro array data the book concludes with a chapter on how to teach bayesian thoughts to nonstatisticians critical thinking on causal effects objective bayesian philosophy nonparametric bayesian methodology simulation based computing techniques bioinformatics and biostatistics

an intermediate level treatment of bayesian hierarchical models and their applications this book demonstrates the advantages of a bayesian approach to data sets involving inferences for collections of related units or variables and in methods where parameters can be treated as random collections through illustrative data analysis and attention to statistical computing this book facilitates practical implementation of bayesian hierarchical methods the new edition is a revision of the book applied bayesian hierarchical methods it maintains a focus on applied modelling and data analysis but now using entirely r based bayesian computing options it has been updated with a new chapter on regression for causal effects and one on computing options and strategies this latter chapter is particularly important due to recent advances in bayesian computing and estimation including the development of rjags and rstan it also features updates throughout with new examples the examples exploit and illustrate the broader advantages of the r computing environment while allowing readers to explore alternative likelihood assumptions regression structures and assumptions on prior densities features provides a comprehensive and accessible overview of applied bayesian hierarchical modelling includes many real data examples to illustrate different modelling topics r code based on rjags jagsui r2openbugs and rstan is integrated into the book emphasizing implementation software options and coding principles are introduced in new chapter on computing programs and data sets available on the book s website

a wide variety of processes occur on multiple scales either naturally or as a consequence of measurement this book contains methodology for the analysis of data that arise from such multiscale processes the book brings together a number of recent developments and makes them accessible to a wider audience taking a bayesian approach allows for full accounting of uncertainty and also addresses the delicate issue of uncertainty at multiple scales the bayesian approach also facilitates the use of knowledge from prior experience or data and these methods can handle different amounts of prior knowledge at different scales as often occurs in practice

this volume describes how to conceptualize perform and critique traditional generalized linear models glms from a bayesian perspective and how to use modern computational methods to summarize inferences using simulation introducing dynamic modeling for glms and containing over 1000 references and equations generalized linear models considers parametric and semiparametric approaches to overdispersed glms presents methods of analyzing correlated binary data using latent variables it also proposes a semiparametric method to model link

functions for binary response data and identifies areas of important future research and new applications of glms

spatial and spatio temporal bayesian models withr inla provides a much needed practically oriented innovative presentation of the combination of bayesianmethodology and spatial statistics the authors combine anintroduction to bayesian theory and methodology with a focus on thespatial and spatio temporal models used within the bayesianframework and a series of practical examples which allow the readerto link the statistical theory presented to real data problems thenumerous examples from the fields of epidemiology biostatisticsand social science all are coded in the r package r inla which hasproven to be a valid alternative to the commonly used markov chainmonte carlo simulations

vision has to deal with uncertainty the sensors are noisy the prior knowledge is uncertain or inaccurate and the problems of recovering scene information from images are often ill posed or underconstrained this research monograph which is based on richard szeliski s ph d dissertation at carnegie mellon university presents a bayesian model for representing and processing uncertainty in low level vision recently probabilistic models have been proposed and used in vision sze liski s method has a few distinguishing features that make this monograph im portant and attractive first he presents a systematic bayesian probabilistic estimation framework in which we can define and compute the prior model the sensor model and the posterior model second his method represents and computes explicitly not only the best estimates but also the level of uncertainty of those estimates using second order statistics i e the variance and covariance third the algorithms developed are computationally tractable for dense fields such as depth maps constructed from stereo or range finder data rather than just sparse data sets finally szeliski demonstrates successful applications of the method to several real world problems including the generation of fractal surfaces motion estimation without correspondence using sparse range data and incremental depth from motion

the second edition of this practical book equips social science researchers to apply the latest bayesian methodologies to their data analysis problems it includes new chapters on model uncertainty bayesian variable selection and sparsity and bayesian workflow for statistical modeling clearly explaining frequentist and epistemic probability and prior distributions the second edition emphasizes use of the open source rstan software package the text covers hamiltonian monte carlo bayesian linear regression and generalized linear models model

evaluation and comparison multilevel modeling models for continuous and categorical latent variables missing data and more concepts are fully illustrated with worked through examples from large scale educational and social science databases such as the program for international student assessment and the early childhood longitudinal study annotated rstan code appears in screened boxes the companion website guilford.com kaplan materials provides data sets and code for the book's examples new to this edition utilizes the r interface to stan faster and more stable than previously available bayesian software for most of the applications discussed coverage of hamiltonian mc cromwell's rule jeffreys prior the lkj prior for correlation matrices model evaluation and model comparison with a critique of the bayesian information criterion variational bayes as an alternative to markov chain monte carlo mcmc sampling and other new topics chapters on bayesian variable selection and sparsity model uncertainty and model averaging and bayesian workflow for statistical modeling

a thorough introduction to the formal foundations and practical applications of bayesian networks it provides an extensive discussion of techniques for building bayesian networks that model real world situations including techniques for synthesizing models from design learning models from data and debugging models using sensitivity analysis it also treats exact and approximate inference algorithms at both theoretical and practical levels the treatment of exact algorithms covers the main inference paradigms based on elimination and conditioning and includes advanced methods for compiling bayesian networks time space tradeoffs and exploiting local structure of massively connected networks the treatment of approximate algorithms covers the main inference paradigms based on sampling and optimization and includes influential algorithms such as importance sampling mcmc and belief propagation the author assumes very little background on the covered subjects supplying in depth discussions for theoretically inclined readers and enough practical details to provide an algorithmic cookbook for the system developer

a hands on introduction to the principles of bayesian modeling using winbugs bayesian modeling using winbugs provides an easily accessible introduction to the use of winbugs programming techniques in a variety of bayesian modeling settings the author provides an accessible treatment of the topic offering readers a smooth introduction to the principles of bayesian modeling with detailed guidance on the practical implementation of key principles the book begins with a basic introduction to bayesian inference and the winbugs software and

goes on to cover key topics including markov chain monte carlo algorithms in bayesian inference generalized linear models bayesian hierarchical models predictive distribution and model checking bayesian model and variable evaluation computational notes and screen captures illustrate the use of both winbugs as well as r software to apply the discussed techniques exercises at the end of each chapter allow readers to test their understanding of the presented concepts and all data sets and code are available on the book s related site requiring only a working knowledge of probability theory and statistics bayesian modeling using winbugs serves as an excellent book for courses on bayesian statistics at the upper undergraduate and graduate levels it is also a valuable reference for researchers and practitioners in the fields of statistics actuarial science medicine and the social sciences who use winbugs in their everyday work

a fully updated and expanded edition of the essential primer on bayesian modeling for ecologists uniquely suited to deal with complexity in a statistically coherent way bayesian modeling has become an indispensable tool for ecological research this book teaches the basic principles of mathematics and statistics needed to apply bayesian models to the analysis of ecological data using language non statisticians can understand deemphasizing computer coding in favor of a clear treatment of model building it starts with a definition of probability and proceeds step by step through distribution theory likelihood simple bayesian models and hierarchical bayesian models now revised and expanded bayesian models enables students and practitioners to gain new insights from ecological models and data properly tempered by uncertainty covers the basic rules of probability needed to model diverse types of ecological data in the bayesian framework shows how to write proper mathematical expressions for posterior distributions using directed acyclic graphs as templates explains how to use the powerful markov chain monte carlo algorithm to find posterior distributions of model parameters latent states and missing data teaches how to check models to assure they meet the assumptions of model based inference demonstrates how to make inferences from single and multiple bayesian models provides worked problems for practicing and strengthening modeling skills features new chapters on spatial models and modeling missing data

probability and bayesian modeling is an introduction to probability and bayesian thinking for undergraduate students with a calculus background the first part of the book provides a broad

view of probability including foundations conditional probability discrete and continuous distributions and joint distributions statistical inference is presented completely from a bayesian perspective the text introduces inference and prediction for a single proportion and a single mean from normal sampling after fundamentals of markov chain monte carlo algorithms are introduced bayesian inference is described for hierarchical and regression models including logistic regression the book presents several case studies motivated by some historical bayesian studies and the authors research this text reflects modern bayesian statistical practice simulation is introduced in all the probability chapters and extensively used in the bayesian material to simulate from the posterior and predictive distributions one chapter describes the basic tenets of metropolis and gibbs sampling algorithms however several chapters introduce the fundamentals of bayesian inference for conjugate priors to deepen understanding strategies for constructing prior distributions are described in situations when one has substantial prior information and for cases where one has weak prior knowledge one chapter introduces hierarchical bayesian modeling as a practical way of combining data from different groups there is an extensive discussion of bayesian regression models including the construction of informative priors inference about functions of the parameters of interest prediction and model selection the text uses jags just another gibbs sampler as a general purpose computational method for simulating from posterior distributions for a variety of bayesian models an r package probbayes is available containing all of the book datasets and special functions for illustrating concepts from the book a complete solutions manual is available for instructors who adopt the book in the additional resources section

there has been dramatic growth in the development and application of bayesian inference in statistics berger 2000 documents the increase in bayesian activity by the number of published research articles the number of books and the extensive number of applications of bayesian articles in applied disciplines such as science and engineering one reason for the dramatic growth in bayesian modeling is the availability of computational algorithms to compute the range of integrals that are necessary in a bayesian posterior analysis due to the speed of modern computers it is now possible to use the bayesian paradigm to fit very complex models that cannot be fit by alternative frequentist methods to fit bayesian models one needs a statistical computing environment this environment should be such that one can write short scripts to define a bayesian model use or write functions to summarize a posterior distribution use functions to simulate from the posterior distribution construct graphs to illustrate the posterior inference an environment that meets these requirements is the r system r provides a wide range of

functions for data manipulation calculation and graphical d plays moreover it includes a well developed simple programming language that users can extend by adding new functions many such extensions of the language in the form of packages are easily downloadable from the comp hensive r archive network cran

applied sciences both physical and social such as atmospheric biological climate demographic economic ecological environmental oceanic and political routinely gather large volumes of spatial and spatio temporal data in order to make wide ranging inference and prediction ideally such inferential tasks should be approached through modelling which aids in estimation of uncertainties in all conclusions drawn from such data unified bayesian modelling implemented through user friendly software packages provides a crucial key to unlocking the full power of these methods for solving challenging practical problems key features of the book accessible detailed discussion of a majority of all aspects of bayesian methods and computations with worked examples numerical illustrations and exercises a spatial statistics jargon buster chapter that enables the reader to build up a vocabulary without getting clouded in modeling and technicalities computation and modeling illustrations are provided with the help of the dedicated r package bmstdr allowing the reader to use well known packages and platforms such as rstan inla spbayes sptimer sptdyn carbayes carbayesst etc included are r code notes detailing the algorithms used to produce all the tables and figures with data and code available via an online supplement two dedicated chapters discuss practical examples of spatio temporal modeling of point referenced and areal unit data throughout the emphasis has been on validating models by splitting data into test and training sets following on the philosophy of machine learning and data science this book is designed to make spatio temporal modeling and analysis accessible and understandable to a wide audience of students and researchers from mathematicians and statisticians to practitioners in the applied sciences it presents most of the modeling with the help of r commands written in a purposefully developed r package to facilitate spatio temporal modeling it does not compromise on rigour as it presents the underlying theories of bayesian inference and computation in standalone chapters which would be appeal those interested in the theoretical details by avoiding hard core mathematics and calculus this book aims to be a bridge that removes the statistical knowledge gap from among the applied scientists

inla stands for integrated nested laplace approximations which is a new method for fitting a broad class of bayesian regression models no samples of the posterior marginal distributions

need to be drawn using inla so it is a computationally convenient alternative to markov chain monte carlo mcmc the standard tool for bayesian inference bayesian regression modeling with inla covers a wide range of modern regression models and focuses on the inla technique for building bayesian models using real world data and assessing their validity a key theme throughout the book is that it makes sense to demonstrate the interplay of theory and practice with reproducible studies complete r commands are provided for each example and a supporting website holds all of the data described in the book an r package including the data and additional functions in the book is available to download the book is aimed at readers who have a basic knowledge of statistical theory and bayesian methodology it gets readers up to date on the latest in bayesian inference using inla and prepares them for sophisticated real world work xiaofeng wang is professor of medicine and biostatistics at the cleveland clinic lerner college of medicine of case western reserve university and a full staff in the department of quantitative health sciences at cleveland clinic yu ryan yue is associate professor of statistics in the paul h chook department of information systems and statistics at baruch college the city university of new york julian j faraway is professor of statistics in the department of mathematical sciences at the university of bath

bayesian modeling and computation in python aims to help beginner bayesian practitioners to become intermediate modelers it uses a hands on approach with pymc3 tensorflow probability arviz and other libraries focusing on the practice of applied statistics with references to the underlying mathematical theory the book starts with a refresher of the bayesian inference concepts the second chapter introduces modern methods for exploratory analysis of bayesian models with an understanding of these two fundamentals the subsequent chapters talk through various models including linear regressions splines time series bayesian additive regression trees the final chapters include approximate bayesian computation end to end case studies showing how to apply bayesian modelling in different settings and a chapter about the internals of probabilistic programming languages finally the last chapter serves as a reference for the rest of the book by getting closer into mathematical aspects or by extending the discussion of certain topics this book is written by contributors of pymc3 arviz bambi and tensorflow probability among other libraries

a single cohesive framework of tools and procedures for psychometrics and assessment bayesian psychometric modeling presents a unified bayesian approach across traditionally separate

families of psychometric models it shows that bayesian techniques as alternatives to conventional approaches offer distinct and profound advantages in achieving many goals of psychometrics adopting a bayesian approach can aid in unifying seemingly disparate and sometimes conflicting ideas and activities in psychometrics this book explains both how to perform psychometrics using bayesian methods and why many of the activities in psychometrics align with bayesian thinking the first part of the book introduces foundational principles and statistical models including conceptual issues normal distribution models markov chain monte carlo estimation and regression focusing more directly on psychometrics the second part covers popular psychometric models including classical test theory factor analysis item response theory latent class analysis and bayesian networks throughout the book procedures are illustrated using examples primarily from educational assessments a supplementary website provides the datasets winbugs code r code and netica files used in the examples

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