# Sorted L-One Penalized Estimation (SLOPE) 

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- groupSLOPE
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## Genetic variability

- About $99,9 \%$ of genetic information is the same for all people.
- A polymorphism is a difference in DNA structure, which is present in at least 1\% of population
- A Single Nucleotide Polymorphism(SNP) is a polymorphism with the difference in the single base:
- A typical SNP: a position in DNA in which
- $85 \%$ of population has Cytosine(C)
- $15 \%$ has a Thymine(T).
- There are usually two forms of a SNP at a given locus
- three genotypes: AA, Aa, aa.


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Call this index isu.
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## Transition curve (2)

## Phase Transition: ( $l_{1}, l_{0}$ ) equivalence

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In statistics this procedure is called LASSO (Tibshirani, 1996)

## Selection of the tuning parameter for LASSO

- General rule: the reduction of $\lambda_{L}$ results in identification of more elements from the true support (true discoveries) but at the same time it produces more falsely identified variables (false discoveries)
- The choice of $\lambda_{L}$ is challenging- e.g. crossvalidation typically leads to many false discoveries
- When $X^{T} X=I$ Lasso selects $X_{j}$ iff $\left|\hat{\beta}_{j}^{L S}\right|>\lambda$
- Selection $\lambda=\sigma \Phi^{-1}(1-\alpha /(2 p)) \approx \sigma \sqrt{2 \log p}$ corresponds to Bonferroni correction and controls FWER.

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Unit balls for different SLOPE sequences by D.Brzyski


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## FDR control with SLOPE

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$$

controls FDR at the level $q \frac{p_{0}}{p}$.

Asymptotic optimality, Su and Candès (Annals of Statistics, 2016)

Theorem
Let $X_{i j} \sim N(0,1 / \sqrt{n})$. Fix $0<q<1$ and choose
$\lambda=\sigma(1+\epsilon) \lambda^{B H}(q)$ for some arbitrary constant $0<\epsilon<1$.
Suppose $k / p \rightarrow 0$ and $\frac{k \log p}{n} \rightarrow 0$. Then

$$
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\inf _{\hat{\beta}} \sup _{\left\|\beta_{0}\right\| \leq k} P\left(\frac{\|\hat{\beta}-\beta\|^{2}}{2 \sigma^{2} k \log (p / k)}>1-\epsilon\right) \rightarrow 1
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## Limits on FDR control

- Bogdan, van den Berg, Su and Candes (2013, arxive)
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Thresholds, $q=0.2, p=5000$ (1)


Thresholds, $q=0.05, p=5000$ (2)


## FDR, $p=n=5000$, Gaussian design



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## geneSLOPE - application for full GWAS data

Brzyski, Peterson, Sobczyk, Bogdan, Candés, Sabatti (Genetics, 2017)


## Power



## Group SLOPE

Identification of groups of predictors (Brzyski, Gossmann, Su, Bogdan, arxiv 2016, under revision for JASA, ENAR Young Researcher Award for Damian Brzyski, March 2017):

$$
\begin{gathered}
{[[\beta]]_{I}:=\left(\left\|X_{l_{1}} \beta_{l_{1}}\right\|_{2}, \ldots,\left\|X_{I_{m}} \beta_{l_{m}}\right\|_{2}\right)^{\top} .} \\
\beta^{g S}:=\operatorname{argmin}_{b}\left\{\frac{1}{2}\|y-X b\|_{2}^{2}+\sigma J_{\lambda}\left(W[[b]]_{l}\right)\right\},
\end{gathered}
$$

where $W$ is a diagonal matrix with $W_{i, i}:=w_{i}$, for $i=1, \ldots, m$.

## Group FDR

$$
\begin{gathered}
R g:=\left|\left\{i:\left\|X_{l_{i}} \beta_{l_{i}}^{g S}\right\|_{2} \neq 0\right\}\right| \\
V g:=\left|\left\{i:\left\|X_{l_{i}} \beta_{l_{i}}\right\|_{2}=0,\left\|X_{l_{i}} \beta_{l_{i}}^{g S}\right\|_{2} \neq 0\right\}\right|
\end{gathered}
$$

We define the false discovery rate for groups (gFDR) as

$$
g F D R:=\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{V g}{\max \{R g, 1\}}\right]
$$

## gFDR control

Theorem
Let the design matrix $X$ satisfy $X_{l_{i}}^{\top} X_{l_{j}}=0$, for any $i \neq j$. Denote the number of zero coefficients in $[[\beta]]$, by $m_{0}$ and let $w_{1}, \ldots, w_{m}$ be positive numbers. Moreover, define the sequence of regularizing parameters $\lambda^{\max }=\left(\lambda_{1}^{\max }, \ldots, \lambda_{m}^{\max }\right)^{\top}$, with

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lambda_{i}^{\max }:=\max _{j=1, \ldots, m}\left\{\frac{1}{w_{j}} F_{\chi_{l_{j}}}^{-1}\left(1-\frac{q \cdot i}{m}\right)\right\} \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $F_{\chi_{I_{j}}}$ is a cumulative distribution function of $\chi$ distribution with $l_{j}$ degrees of freedom. Then any solution, $\beta^{\mathrm{ES}(g S)}$, to $g S L O P E$ generates the same vector $\left[\left[\beta^{g S}\right]\right]$, and it holds

$$
g F D R=\mathbb{E}\left[\frac{V g}{\max \{R g, 1\}}\right] \leq q \cdot \frac{m_{0}}{m}
$$

(a) equal sizes $\lambda^{\max }$

(c) different sizes $\lambda^{\text {mean }}$

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## Averaged $\lambda$

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lambda_{r}^{\text {mean }}:=\bar{F}^{-1}\left(1-\frac{q r}{m}\right) \quad \text { for } \quad \bar{F}(x):=\frac{1}{m} \sum_{i=1}^{m} F_{w_{i}^{-1} \chi_{i}}(x) \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $F_{w_{i}^{-1} \chi_{i}}$ is the cumulative distribution function of scaled chi distribution with $I_{i}$ degrees of freedom and scale $\mathcal{S}=w_{i}^{-1}$. Gossmann, Brzyski et al. (2017) - Proof of FDR control in case when averaging is with respect to the distribution generating groups of different sizes and the signal is randomly placed between groups.

Simulations under Gaussian design, $n=5000, m=1000$, $p=7917$




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Scenario 2: modeling dominance

$$
\begin{gather*}
\tilde{z}_{i j}=\left\{\begin{array}{rrr}
-1 & \text { for } a, A A, \\
1 & \text { for } a A
\end{array},\right.  \tag{5}\\
y=[X, Z]\left[\beta_{X}^{\prime}, \beta_{Z}^{\prime}\right]^{\prime}+\epsilon .
\end{gather*}
$$

## Simulation results for, aditive



FDR, dominance


Power, additive


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## Genes Influencing Level of Triglicerides

5 new discoveries with group SLOPE - recessive rare genetic variants. Discovery 5-37 rare homozygotes


## Logistic SLOPE (Michal Kos, Sangkyun Lee, M.Bogdan

I(b) - log-likelihood

$$
\min _{b}\left(-I(b)+\sum \lambda_{i}\left|b_{(i)}\right|\right)
$$

$\lambda_{i}=0.5 \Phi^{-1}\left(1-\frac{q i}{2 p}\right)$
Asymptotic FDR control when $X$ is a random design such that

- for all $i, j: x_{i j}$ are independent and $E x_{i j}=0$
- elements in each column of design matrix $X$ are i.i.d.
- $\mathbb{E}\left[X^{\top} X\right]=I\left(\Rightarrow \operatorname{var}\left(x_{i j}\right)=n^{-1}\right)$
- there exist constant $M$ that for all $i$ and $j$ :

$$
\frac{\left|x_{i j}\right|}{\sqrt{\operatorname{var}\left(x_{i j}\right)}}=x_{i j} \sqrt{n} \leqslant M
$$

- $p$ and $\beta$ are fixed, $n \rightarrow \infty$


## FDR



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## MSE



Portfolio Optimization, (Philipp Kremmer, Sangkyun Lee, M. Bogdan, Sandra Paterlini)

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R_{t \times k}=\left(R_{1}, \ldots, R_{k}\right) \text { - asset returns, } \\
& E(R)=\mu, R=F_{t \times r} B_{r \times k}, r \ll k
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{gather*}
\min _{w \in \mathbb{R}^{k}} \frac{\phi}{2} w^{\prime} \sum w-\mu^{\prime} w+J_{\lambda}(w)  \tag{6}\\
\text { s.t. } \sum_{i=1}^{k} w_{i}=1 \tag{7}
\end{gather*}
$$

## Evolution of Portfolio



## Other results/current work

1. Brzyski, Gossmann, Su, Bogdan - Group SLOPE, under revision for JASA
2. Lee, Brzyski, Bogdan - Ordered Dantzig Selector, AISTAT 2016
3. Kos, Lee, Bogdan - Logistic regression - asymptotic FDR control under random designs ( $p$ fixed, $n \rightarrow \infty$ ).
4. Lee, Sobczyk, Bogdan - Graphical models - FDR control at the block level
5. Kremmer, Lee, Bogdan, Paterlini - Portfolio optimization prediction under factorial (correlated) designs
