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# Clustering high dimensional mixed data to uncover sub-phenotypes: joint analysis of phenotypic and genotypic data. 

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Supplementary material.

## 1 Complete list of variables collected

| Apo A-1 (g/L) | Apo B (g/L) | Body Mass Index (kg/m2) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Cholesterol $(\mathrm{mmol} / \mathrm{L})$ | Diastolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg) | Glucose (mmol/L) |
| plasma.C14.0 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C16.0 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C16.1 $\left(^{*}\right)$ |
| plasma.C18.0 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C18.1 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.c18.2 $\left(^{*}\right)$ |
| plasma.C18.3.n.6 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C18.3.n.3 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C18.4 $\left(^{*}\right)$ |
| plasma.C20.1 $\left(*^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C20.3 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C20.4.n.6 $\left(^{*}\right)$ |
| plasma.C20.4.n.3 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C20.5 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C22.4 $\left(^{*}\right)$ |
| plasma.C22.5 $\left(*^{*}\right)$ | plasma.C22.6 $\left(^{*}\right)$ | Systolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg) |
| Triglycerides (mmol/L) | Waist $(\mathrm{cm})$ |  |

Table 1: Complete list of the 26 continuous phenotypic variables collected. Units are detailed in parentheses, where $\left(^{*}\right)$ denotes percentage of the total quantified fatty acids.

| $A B C A 1$ rs363717 | $A B C A 1$ rs2066881 | $A B C A 1$ rs2230808 | $A B C A 1$ rs2297404 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $A B C A 1$ rs4149313 | $A B C A 1$ rs1929842 | $A B C A 1$ rs2515616 | $A B C A 1$ rs2791952 |
| $A B C A 1$ rs2472510 | $A B C A 12$ rs17430358 | $A B C A 12 \mathrm{rs} 10932587$ | $A B C A 12$ rs2970968 |
| ABCC8 rs1799859 | ABCC8 rs2073583 | ABCC8 rs916829 | ABCC9 rs829060 |
| $A B C D 1$ rs5987140 | $A B C D 1$ rs6643643 | ABCD2 rs7968837 | $A B C D 2$ rs10877201 |
| ABCD2 rs4072006 | ABCD2 rs6581228 | ABCG4 rs3802885 | ABCG5 rs6720173 |
| ABCG5 rs4148189 | ABCG5 rs4245786 | $A B C G 5 \mathrm{rs} 11887534$ | ABCG8 rs6709904 |
| ABCG8 rs4148217 | ABCG8 rs6544718 | ACACA rs725038 | ACACA rs17138899 |
| $A C A C B$ rs2300453 | $A C A C B$ rs4766587 | $A C A C B$ rs2284689 | $A C A C B$ rs2075263 |
| $A C A D L$ rs16844213 | ACADM rs12032051 | ACADM rs8763 | ACADS rs3999408 |
| $A C A D S$ rs695950 | ACAT1 rs2280332 | ACAT2 rs2146162 | ADIPOQ rs266729 |
| ADIPOQ rs17366568 | ADIPOQ rs2241766 | ACSL1 rs 4862417 | ACSL1 rs9997745 |
| ACSM2A rs1133607 | ACSM2B rs16970280 | ACSM2B rs7499304 | ADD1 rs12503220 |
| ADD1 rs6600769 | $A D D 1$ rs4961 | $A D D 1$ rs17777371 | ADD1 rs17834108 |

ADD1 rs4963
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AGER rs2070600
AGT rs3889728
APOA2 rs5085
APOA4 rs5092
APOA5 rs3135506
APOBEC1 rs2302515
APOC3 rs4520
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C3 rs344548
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FOXO1 rs7981045
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GCK rs12673242
GHRL rs696217
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GCK rs2908290

GHRL rs35683
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IGF1R rs7166565
IGF2 rs3741211
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GNB3 rs5440
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VLDLR rs2242104

Table 2: Complete list of the 712 categorical genotypic SNP variables analysed (and the associated genes). The first 371 SNP variables (by row) are binary variables and the remaining 341 SNP variables are nominal with 3 levels.

## 2 Mixture of Factor Analysers for Mixed Data, with Variable Selection - a Simulation Study

### 2.1 Motivation

In order to assess the performance of the mixture of factor analysers for mixed data (MFAMD) model with incorporated variable selection algorithm, and to assess the likelihood approximation and associated BIC-MCMC model selection criterion, a simulation study was conducted. Mixed type data were simulated from an MFA-MD model as detailed below. A range of MFA-MD models with varying values of $G$ and $Q$ was then fitted to the simulated data and the results analysed.

### 2.2 Data Simulation

In order to simulate mixed type data, continuous data were first simulated from a mixture of $G=2$ Gaussian distributions:

$$
f\left(\underline{z}_{i}\right)=\sum_{g=1}^{G} \pi_{g} \mathrm{MVN}_{D}\left(\underline{\mu}_{g}, \Lambda_{g} \Lambda_{g}^{T}+\Psi\right)
$$

The matrices $\Lambda_{g}$ were filled in with values simulated from a standard Gaussian distribution. The diagonal entries of $\Psi$ corresponding to continuous variables were specified by taking the absolute value of Gaussian deviates with mean 1 and variance 1. The continuous data, which acts as the 'latent' continuous data of the MFA-MD model, were then transformed into 'observed' mixed type data using the criteria described in Section 3. A data set consisting of $N=500$ observations on $J=738$ variables was simulated. The variable types were divided as follows; 26 were continuous, 371 were binary and 341 were nominal. Thus the simulated data are similar in nature to the LIPGENE data set.

Two simulation settings were considered, both involving a mixture of two Gaussian distributions. The mixture components were well separated in the first simulation setting, but not well separated in the second. The degree of separation was achieved by specifying values for $\underline{\mu}_{1}$ and setting $\underline{\mu}_{2}$ equal to the negative of $\underline{\mu}_{1}$. Values for each entry of $\underline{\mu}_{1}$ were simulated from a Gaussian distribution with mean 3 and variance 1 for the well separated case but with mean 1.5 and variance 1 for the less well separated case. The mixing weights $\pi_{g}$ were set equal to 0.5 so that clusters were approximately equal in size. The dimension of the latent trait $Q$ was specified to be 2 .

In order to test the variable selection algorithm, 600 of the $J=738$ variables were selected at random and the columns of the data corresponding to these variables were replaced with standard Gaussian deviates so that they did not contain clustering information. The variable selection algorithm should identify these noise variables and remove them from the model. Further the BIC-MCMC criterion, involving the approximated likelihood function, should select the generating $G=Q=2$ model.

### 2.3 Results

A range of MFA-MD models, with $G=1, \ldots, 4$ and $Q=1, \ldots, 3$, were fitted to the simulated data sets. Each MCMC chain burned in for 5000 iterations, with a further

50,000 iterations, thinned every 50th. The thresholds for the variable selection algorithm $\varepsilon$ were set at 0.9 for continuous variables and 0.95 for categorical variables. The BICMCMC criterion was evaluated for each model and the model with the largest BIC-MCMC selected as optimal. Further, the set of retained variables in the optimal model and the set of known clustering variables were compared.

### 2.3.1 Simulation setting 1: Well Separated Mixture Components

Table 3 details the resulting BIC-MCMC values from fitting the MFA-MD models to the well separated simulated data. The true generating $G=2$ and $Q=2$ MFA-MD model has the largest BIC-MCMC value. The cluster memberships returned by the optimal MFA-MD model correspond exactly with the true component labels (Table 4). The variable selection algorithm correctly retained the 138 clustering variables, along with an additional 135 of the noise variables. Examination of the cluster means of the retained variables suggests that a less conservative threshold $\varepsilon$ would have removed the retained non-clustering variables.

### 2.3.2 Simulation setting 2: Less Well Separated Mixture Components

In the case of the less well separated components, the similar behaviour was observed. Table 5 details the BIC-MCMC values, and the true generating $G=Q=2$ model is selected as optimal. The resulting MFA-MD model clustered all the observations correctly, and retained 271 variables, of which 134 were non-clustering variables. One true clustering variable was also removed during the variable selection process.

The simulation study suggests that the approaches taken to variable selection and likelihood approximation, along with the BIC-MCMC model selection tool, perform well with the context of the MFA-MD model. Conservative values of the variable selection threshold $\varepsilon$ are recommended to ensure all clustering variables are retained.

Table 3: The BIC-MCMC values for each of the MFA-MD models fitted to the well separated simulated data. The optimal model is shown in bold.

|  | $Q$ |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 |
| $G$ | 1 | -661361 | -662344 | -663317 |
|  | 2 | -592824 | -592371 | -605088 |
|  | 3 | -599299 | -599256 | -600558 |
|  | 4 | -605993 | -608576 | -608571 |

Table 4: A cross tabulation of cluster membership versus the true cluster labels for the simulated data set with well separated clusters.

|  | True Component 1 | True Component 2 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Cluster 1 | 242 | 0 |
| Cluster 2 | 0 | 258 |

Table 5: The BIC-MCMC values for each of the MFA-MD models fitted to the less well separated simulated data. The optimal model is shown in bold.

|  |  |  | 1 | 2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $G$ | 1 | -663809 | -664818 | -665927 |
|  | 2 | -595978 | -595751 | -596256 |
|  | 3 | -598852 | -600665 | -602721 |
|  | 4 | -604278 | -605234 | -606663 |

## 3 Derivation of the Full Conditional Posterior Distributions

### 3.1 Mixing Weights

A Dirichlet prior distribution is used for the mixing weights $\underline{\pi}$.

$$
\underline{\pi} \sim \operatorname{Dirichlet}(\underline{\alpha})
$$

This is a conjugate prior which leads to a Dirichlet full conditional posterior.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h(\underline{\pi} \mid \ldots) \propto \prod_{g=1}^{G} \pi_{g}^{\left(n_{g}+\alpha_{g}\right)-1} \\
& \quad \Rightarrow \underline{\pi} \mid \ldots \sim \operatorname{Dirichlet}\left(\underline{\delta}_{\pi}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

where $\underline{\delta}_{\pi}=\left(n_{1}+\alpha_{1}, \ldots, n_{G}+\alpha_{G}\right)$ and $n_{g}=\sum_{i=1}^{N} \ell_{i g}$.

### 3.2 Allocation Vectors

A priori the allocation vectors, $\underline{\ell}_{i}$ are assumed to be $\operatorname{Multinomial}(1, \underline{\pi})$ distributed. Thus the full conditional posterior is also multinomial.

$$
\begin{gathered}
h\left(\underline{\ell}_{i} \mid \ldots\right) \propto \prod_{g=1}^{G}\left\{\pi_{g}\left[\prod_{j=1}^{A} N\left(z_{i j} \mid \tilde{\hat{\lambda}}_{g j}^{T} \underline{\tilde{\theta}}_{i}, \psi_{j j}\right)\right]\left[\prod_{j=A+1}^{B} \prod_{k=1}^{K_{j}} N\left(z_{i j} \mid \tilde{\hat{\lambda}}_{g j}^{T} \underline{\tilde{\theta}}_{i}, 1\right)^{\mathbb{I}\left\{z_{i j}<0 \mid y_{i j}\right\}}\right]\right. \\
\left.\times\left[\prod_{j=A+B+1} \prod_{k=1}^{2} \prod_{s=0}^{2} N\left(z_{i j}^{k-1} \mid \tilde{\hat{\lambda}}_{g j}^{k-T^{T}} \tilde{\theta}_{i}, 1\right)^{\mathbb{I}\left(y_{i j}=s\right)}\right]\right\}^{\ell_{i g}} \\
\Rightarrow \underline{\ell_{i}} \mid \ldots \sim \operatorname{Multinomial}(\underline{p})
\end{gathered}
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
p_{g}= & \left\{\pi_{g}\left[\prod_{j=1}^{A} N\left(z_{i j} \mid \tilde{\hat{\lambda}}_{g j}^{T} \tilde{\underline{\theta}}_{i}, \psi_{j j}\right)\right]\left[\prod_{j=A+1}^{B} \prod_{k=1}^{K_{j}} N\left(z_{i j} \mid \tilde{\hat{\lambda}}_{g j}^{T} \tilde{\underline{\theta}}_{i}, 1\right)^{\mathbb{I}\left\{z_{i j}<0 \mid y_{i j}\right\}}\right]\right. \\
& \left.\times\left[\prod_{j=A+B+1}^{J} \prod_{k=1}^{2} \prod_{s=0}^{2} N\left(z_{i j}^{k-1} \mid \underline{\hat{\lambda}}_{g j}^{k-1^{T}} \tilde{\theta}_{i}, 1\right)^{\mathbb{I}\left(y_{i j}=s\right)}\right]\right\} \\
\times & \left\{\sum_{g=1}^{G} \pi_{g}\left[\prod_{j=1}^{A} N\left(z_{i j} \mid \tilde{\lambda}_{g j}^{T} \tilde{\theta}_{i}, \psi_{j j}\right)\right]\left[\prod_{j=A+1}^{B} \prod_{k=1}^{K_{j}} N\left(z_{i j} \mid \tilde{\lambda}_{g j}^{T} \tilde{\theta}_{i}, 1\right)^{\mathbb{I}\left\{z_{i j}<0 \mid y_{i j}\right\}}\right]\right. \\
& \left.\times\left[\prod_{j=A+B+1}^{J} \prod_{k=1}^{2} \prod_{s=0}^{2} N\left(z_{i j}^{k-1} \mid \tilde{\hat{X}}_{g j}^{k-1^{T}} \underline{\tilde{\theta}}_{i}, 1\right)^{\mathbb{I}\left(y_{i j}=s\right)}\right]\right\}^{-1}
\end{aligned}
$$

### 3.3 Marginal Variance Parameters

An inverse gamma prior distributions is specified for the diagonal elements of $\Psi$ which correspond to continuous items $j$.

$$
\psi_{j j} \sim \mathcal{G}^{-1}\left(\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}\right)
$$

This is a conjugate prior and leads to an inverse gamma posterior distribution.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h\left(\psi_{d} \mid \ldots\right) \propto \prod_{i=1}^{N}\left[\mathrm{~N}\left(z_{i d} \mid \underline{\lambda}_{g d}^{T} \tilde{\theta}_{i}, \psi_{d}\right)\right]^{\ell_{i g}} \mathcal{G}^{-1}\left(\beta_{1}, \beta_{2}\right) \\
& \propto \psi_{d}^{-\frac{N}{2}} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{g=1}^{G} \sum_{i: \ell_{i g}=1} \psi_{d}^{-1}\left(z_{i d}-\underline{\lambda}_{g d}^{T} \tilde{\theta}_{i}\right)^{2}\right\} \psi_{d}^{-\beta_{1}-1} \exp \left(-\frac{\beta_{2}}{\psi_{d}}\right) \\
& \propto \psi_{d}^{-\beta_{1}-\frac{N}{2}-1} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2 \psi_{d}} \sum_{g=1}^{G} \sum_{i: \ell_{i g}=1}\left(z_{i d}-\underline{\lambda}_{g d}^{T} \tilde{\underline{\theta}}_{i}\right)^{2}-\frac{\beta_{2}}{\psi_{d}}\right\} \\
& \propto \psi_{d}^{-\beta_{1}-\frac{N}{2}-1} \exp \left\{\psi_{d}^{-1}\left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{g=1}^{G}\left(\underline{z}_{g d}-\tilde{\theta}_{g} \underline{\lambda}_{g d}\right)^{T}\left(\underline{z}_{g d}-\tilde{\theta}_{g} \underline{\lambda}_{g d}\right)+\beta_{2}\right]\right\} \\
& \quad \Rightarrow \psi_{d} \mid \ldots \sim \mathcal{G}^{-1}\left\{b_{1 j}, b_{2 j}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

where

$$
b_{1 j}=\beta_{1}+\frac{N}{2}
$$

and

$$
b_{2 j}=\left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{g=1}^{G}\left(\underline{z}_{g d}-\tilde{\theta}_{g} \underline{\lambda}_{g d}\right)^{T}\left(\underline{z}_{g d}-\tilde{\theta}_{g} \underline{\lambda}_{g d}\right)+\beta_{2}\right]
$$

### 3.4 Latent Traits

A priori the latent traits, $\underline{\theta}_{i}$, are assumed to be standard multivariate Gaussian distributed.

$$
\underline{\theta}_{i} \sim \operatorname{MVN}_{q}\left(\underline{\theta}_{i} \mid \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I}\right)
$$

The resulting full conditional posterior is also multivariate Gaussian.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h\left(\underline{\theta}_{i} \mid \ldots\right) \propto \prod_{d=1}^{D} \mathrm{~N}\left(z_{i d} \mid \underline{\underline{\lambda}}_{g d}^{T} \tilde{\theta}_{i}, 1\right) \operatorname{MVN}_{q}\left(\underline{0}, \mathbf{I}_{q}\right) \\
& \propto \propto \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{d=1}^{D}\left(z_{i d}-\tilde{\hat{\lambda}}_{g d}^{T} \tilde{\theta}_{i}\right)^{2}\right\} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \underline{\theta}_{i}^{T} \underline{\theta}_{i}\right\} \\
& \propto \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \underline{\theta}_{i}^{T}\left[\Lambda_{g}^{T} \Lambda_{g}+\mathbf{I}_{q}\right] \underline{\theta}_{i}+\left[\left(\underline{z}_{i}-\underline{\mu}_{g}\right)^{T} \Lambda_{g}\right] \underline{\theta}_{i}\right\} \\
& \Rightarrow \underline{\theta}_{i} \mid \ldots \sim \operatorname{MVN}_{q}\left\{\underline{\mu}_{\theta}, \Sigma_{\theta}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

where

$$
\underline{\mu_{\theta}}=\left[\Lambda_{g}^{T} \Lambda_{g}+\mathbf{I}_{q}\right]^{-1}\left[\Lambda_{g}^{T}\left(\underline{z}_{i}-\underline{\mu}_{g}\right)\right]
$$

and

$$
\Sigma_{\theta}=\left[\Lambda_{g}^{T} \Lambda_{g}+\mathbf{I}_{q}\right]^{-1}
$$

### 3.5 Loadings Matrix and Mean

A multivariate Gaussian prior is specified for $\tilde{\tilde{\lambda}}_{g d}$.

$$
\underline{\underline{\tilde{\lambda}}}_{g d} \sim M V N(q+1)\left(\underline{\tilde{\hat{x}}}_{g d} \mid \underline{\mu}_{\lambda}, \Sigma_{\lambda}\right)
$$

This is a conjugate prior and so leads to a multivariate Gaussian full conditional posterior.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& h\left(\underline{\tilde{\lambda}}_{g d} \mid \ldots\right) \propto \prod_{i=1}^{N}\left[\mathrm{~N}\left(z_{i d} \mid \tilde{\hat{\lambda}}_{g d}^{T} \underline{\tilde{\theta}}_{i}, 1\right)\right]^{\ell_{i g}}\left[\operatorname{MVN}_{(q+1)}\left(\underline{\tilde{\hat{\lambda}}}_{g d} \mid \underline{\mu}_{\lambda}, \Sigma_{\lambda}\right)\right] \\
& \propto \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i: \ell_{i g}=1}\left(z_{i d}-\underline{\tilde{\tilde{n}}}_{g d}^{T} \tilde{\theta}_{i}\right)^{2}\right\} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\underline{\tilde{\hat{N}}}_{g d}-\underline{\mu}_{\lambda}\right)^{T} \Sigma_{\lambda}^{-1}\left(\underline{\tilde{\tilde{n}}}_{g d}-\underline{\mu}_{\lambda}\right)\right\} \\
& \propto \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2} \tilde{\hat{\tilde{N}}}_{g d}^{T}\left[\Sigma_{\lambda}^{-1}+\tilde{\Theta}_{g}^{T} \tilde{\Theta}_{g}\right] \tilde{\underline{\lambda}}_{g d}+\tilde{\underline{\tilde{\lambda}}}_{g j}^{T}\left[\tilde{\Theta}_{g}^{T} \underline{z}_{g d}+\Sigma_{\lambda}^{-1} \underline{\mu}_{\lambda}\right]\right\} \\
& \Rightarrow \quad \underline{\hat{\lambda}}_{g d} \mid \ldots \sim \operatorname{MVN}_{(q+1)}\left\{\underline{\zeta}_{\lambda}, \Omega_{\lambda}\right\}
\end{aligned}
$$

where $\underline{z}_{g d}=\left\{z_{i d}\right\}$ for all respondents $i$ in cluster $g, \tilde{\Theta}_{g}$ is a matrix, the rows of which are $\underline{\theta}_{i}$ for members of cluster $g$

$$
\underline{\zeta}_{\lambda}=\left[\Sigma_{\lambda}^{-1}+\tilde{\Theta}_{g}^{T} \tilde{\Theta}_{g}\right]^{-1}\left[\tilde{\Theta}_{g}^{T} \underline{z}_{g d}+\Sigma_{\lambda}^{-1} \underline{\mu}_{\lambda}\right]
$$

and

$$
\Omega_{\lambda}=\left[\Sigma_{\lambda}^{-1}+\tilde{\Theta}_{g}^{T} \tilde{\Theta}_{g}\right]^{-1}
$$

## 4 Evolution of the variable selection phase



Figure 1: The evolution of the number of variables retained by the model over the duration of the variable selection phase of the model fitting algorithm.

## 5 Bayesian residual and Bayesian latent residual plots



Figure 2: Density estimates of the Bayesian residuals for the waist circumference variable for 50 randomly selected volunteers. The standard Gaussian density curve is shown by the black dashed line.


Figure 3: Density estimates of the Bayesian latent residuals for the rsrs2071877 SNP on the $S L C 6 A 14$ gene, for 50 randomly selected volunteers. The standard Gaussian density curve is shown by the black dashed line.

