

Some Applications of Marginally Interpretable Linear Transformation Models for Clustered Observations

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Abstract

Owing to their generality, transformation models can be used to set-up and compute many interesting regression models for discrete and continuous responses. This document focuses on the analysis of clustered observations. Marginal predictive distributions are defined by transformation models and their joint normal distribution depends on a structured covariance matrix. Applications with skewed, bounded, and survival continuous outcomes as well as binary and ordered categorical responses are presented. Data is analysed by a proof-of-concept implementation of parametric linear transformation models for clustered observations available in the **tram** add-on package to the R system for statistical computing.

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