Methods in the literature



The Naive modal method:

Classical regression as if there was no measurement error

- The Naive proportional method: Classical regression weighted by the posterior probability
- The Weighting correction method (Bolck 2004, Bakk 2013): Classical regression weighted by the misclassification due to the assignment: P(assignment | true class)

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estimate parameters θ^X_G concerning X_i
estimate parameters θ^Y_G concerning Y^{ext} based on those of step 1

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Accounting for misclassification in latent class models

Evaluation of the methods with simulations

Simultaneous generation of the total information (Exposure and External outcome)



e.g., BMI trajectory, Physical Activity in young adulthood

Scenarios of Time-Varying Exposures

2 classes (probability 0.5); 2 sample sizes (N=200, 1000);
3 levels of separation (entropy=65%, 75%, 85%)



Scenarios of continuous cross-sectional external outcome

• 3 levels of distance between classes (mean difference = 0.5, 2 or 5)



Performances: bias in the external outcome model? N=200

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Performances: bias in the external outcome model? N=1000

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