

## ANSWER SHEET 13

**Assignment 1.**

(i). We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(y; \pi) &= \binom{m}{y} \pi^y (1 - \pi)^{m-y} \\
 &= \exp \left[ \log \binom{m}{y} + y \log \left( \frac{\pi}{1 - \pi} \right) + m \log(1 - \pi) \right] \\
 &= \exp [y\phi + \gamma(\phi) + S(y)]
 \end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
 \phi &= \log \left( \frac{\pi}{1 - \pi} \right) \Leftrightarrow \pi = \frac{e^\phi}{1 + e^\phi}, \\
 \gamma(\phi) &= -m \log(1 - \pi) = -m \log \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^\phi} \right) = m \log(1 + e^\phi), \\
 S(y) &= \log \binom{m}{y}.
 \end{aligned}$$

(ii). From the course we have that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{E}(Y) &= \mu = \gamma'(\phi) = m \frac{e^\phi}{1 + e^\phi} = m\pi \\
 \text{Var}(Y) &= \gamma''(\phi) = \frac{me^\phi}{(1 + e^\phi)^2} = \frac{me^\phi}{1 + e^\phi} \frac{1}{1 + e^\phi} = \mu \left( 1 - \frac{\mu}{m} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

**Assignment 2.**

$$\mathbb{E}(Y) = P(X > 0) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - \exp(-\mu) = 1 - \exp\{-\exp(x^T \beta)\}.$$

**Assignment 3.** (i). Let  $\eta_j = x_j^T \beta$ . The log likelihood function as a function of  $(\eta_j)$  is

$$\ell_\eta(\eta) = \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \log \frac{\exp(\eta_j)}{1 + \exp(\eta_j)} + (1 - y_j) \log \frac{1}{1 + \exp(\eta_j)} = \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \eta_j - \log(1 + \exp(\eta_j))$$

and as a function of  $\beta$

$$\ell(\beta) = \sum_{j=1}^n y_j x_j^T \beta - \log[1 + \exp(x_j^T \beta)].$$

To obtain the likelihood equation we equate to zero the derivative of  $\ell$  with respect to  $\beta$  :

$$\frac{\partial \ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta_i} = \sum_{j=1}^n y_j X_{ji} - \pi_j X_{ji} = (y_j - \pi_j) X_{ji}.$$

The likelihood equation says that this should equal 0 for all  $i$ , which in matrix form can be written  $y^T X = \hat{\pi}^T X$ .

- (ii). To calculate the deviance we need to maximise with respect to  $(\eta_j)$  and with respect to  $\beta$  and compare the optimal objective value. Notice that  $\ell_\eta$  is decreasing in  $\eta_j$  if  $y_j = 0$  and increasing if  $y_j = 1$ . Therefore the supremum is “attained” when  $\eta_j = -\infty$  if  $y_j = 0$  and  $\eta_j = \infty$  if  $y_j = 1$  with objective value zero.

The optimal value of  $\ell(\beta)$  is

$$\ell(\beta) = \sum_{j=1}^n y_j x_j^T \hat{\beta} - \log[1 + \exp(x_j^T \hat{\beta})] = y^T X \hat{\beta} + \sum_{j=1}^n \log(1 - \hat{\pi}_j).$$

The deviance is twice the negative of this expression, since the optimal value in the saturated model was shown to vanish.

- (iii). If we plug in  $\eta_j = \exp(x_j^T \beta)$  in the first expression of  $\ell_\eta$  we get

$$D = -2 \sum_{j=1}^n y_j \log \hat{\pi}_j + (1 - y_j) \log(1 - \hat{\pi}_j)$$

and this depends only on  $(\hat{\pi}_j)$ .

**Assignment 4.** The log-likelihood for a sample of size  $n$  for the saturated model is given by

$$\ell(\hat{\pi}_{max}, y) = \ell(\eta, y) = \sum_{i=1}^n \{y_i \log(\eta_i) - \eta_i - \log(y_i!)\}.$$

Thus we have  $\frac{\partial \ell}{\partial \eta_i} = \frac{y_i}{\eta_i} - 1$ , d'où  $\eta_i = y_i$ . Finally

$$\begin{aligned} D &= 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \{\log f(y_j; \hat{\eta}_{max}) - \log f(y_j; \hat{\eta})\} \\ &= 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \{y_j \log(y_j) - y_j - \log(y_j!) - y_j \log(\hat{\eta}_j) + \hat{\eta}_j + \log(y_j!)\} \\ &= 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ y_j \log \left( \frac{y_j}{\hat{\eta}_j} \right) - y_j + \hat{\eta}_j \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

**Assignment 5.** Write

$$\begin{aligned} (y - \hat{g})^T (y - \hat{g}) &= (g + \epsilon - Sg - S\epsilon)^T (g + \epsilon - Sg - S\epsilon) \\ &= \{(I - S)g + (I - S)\epsilon\}^T \{(I - S)g + (I - S)\epsilon\} \\ &= g^T (I - S)^T (I - S)g + 2g^T (I - S)^T (I - S)\epsilon + \epsilon^T (I - S)^T (I - S)\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

The first terms is deterministic, and the second has mean zero. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \{y_j - \hat{g}(t_j)\}^2 \right] &= g^T (I - S)^T (I - S)g + \mathbb{E}\{\epsilon^T \epsilon\} - 2 \mathbb{E}\{\epsilon^T S\epsilon\} + \mathbb{E}\{\epsilon^T S^T S\epsilon\} \\ &= g^T (I - S)^T (I - S)g + \sum_{i=1}^n \{\mathbb{E}(\epsilon_i^2) - 2s_{ii} \mathbb{E}(\epsilon_i^2) + s_{ii} \mathbb{E}(\epsilon_i^2)\} \quad (\text{as } \mathbb{E}(\epsilon_i \epsilon_j) = 0). \\ &= g^T (I - S)^T (I - S)g + \sigma^2(n - 2\nu_1 + \nu_2). \end{aligned}$$

( $s_{ij}$ ,  $ss_{ij}$  are the  $ij$ -th elements of  $S$  and  $S^T S$  respectively.)

$$\mathbb{E}(s^2) = \sigma^2 + \frac{g^T(I-S)^T(I-S)g}{n-2\nu_1+\nu_2}$$

so  $s^2$  can be considered an estimator of  $\sigma^2$ . It is unbiased if  $(I-S)g = 0$ ; equivalently,  $Sg = g$ .

### Assignment 6.

(i). Using integration by parts, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b g''(x)h''(x)dx &= \underbrace{g''(x)h'(x)}_{=0, \text{ car } g''(a)=g''(b)=0} \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b g'''(x)h'(x)dx \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} g'''(x_i^+) \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} h'(x)dx \\ &= - \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} g'''(x_i^+) \{h(x_{i+1}) - h(x_i)\} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Here, the second equality comes from the fact that  $g'''(x) = 0$  inside the intervals  $(a, x_1)$  and  $(x_n, b)$  and that  $g'''(x)$  equals to the constant  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_i^+} g'''(x) = g'''(x_i^+)$  inside the interval  $(x_i, x_{i+1})$ . To obtain the last equality finally, observe that  $\tilde{g}(x_i) = g(x_i) = z_i$  hence  $h(x_i) = 0$  for every  $i$ .

(ii). By direct computation we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \{\tilde{g}''(x)\}^2 dx &= \int_a^b \{g''(x) + h''(x)\}^2 dx \\ &= \int_a^b \{g''(x)\}^2 dx + 2 \int_a^b g''(x)h''(x)dx + \int_a^b \{h''(x)\}^2 dx \\ &= \int_a^b \{g''(x)\}^2 dx + \int_a^b \{h''(x)\}^2 dx \geq \int_a^b \{g''(x)\}^2 dx. \end{aligned}$$

where we have equality if and only if  $h''(x) \equiv 0$ , so we must have  $h(x) = kx + c$ . But since  $h(x_i) = 0$  for every  $i$ , it must be that  $h(x) \equiv 0$ . In particular we have equality if and only if  $\tilde{g} = g$ .

(iii). Let  $\tilde{f} \in C^2[a, b] \setminus N(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and let  $f \in N(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  the spline which is interpolating the points  $(x_i, \tilde{f}(x_i))$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . The existence of  $f$  is guaranteed by the theorems seen in class. By point (2)

$$\int_a^b \{\tilde{f}''(x)\}^2 dx > \int_a^b \{f''(x)\}^2 dx.$$

Moreover

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \tilde{f}(x_i))^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - f(x_i))^2.$$

Hence,  $L(\tilde{f}) > L(f)$  and we notice that if the minimum exists, it must belong to  $N(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ .

**Remark.** Using the properties of splines, it is possible to show that a minimum always exists and is unique. Hence the problem  $\min_{f \in C^2[a,b]} L(f)$  admits always a unique solution and this solution is a natural cubic spline.