

# **ST3241 Categorical Data Analysis Review II**

## Introduction

- We have discussed methods for analyzing associations in two-way and three-way tables.
- Now we will use models as the basis of such analysis.
- Models can handle more complicated situations than discussed so far.
- We can also estimate the parameters, which describe the effects in a more informative way.

## Generalized Linear Model

### Components of a GLM

- **Random component:** Identifies the response variable  $Y$  and assumes a probability distribution (Binomial, Poisson, or Multinomial) for it
- **Systematic component:** Specifies the explanatory variables  $x_1, \dots, x_p$  used as predictors in the model through a linear combination  $\eta = \alpha + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k$ .
- **Link:** Describes the functional relation between the systematic component and expected value of the random component:  
 $g(\mu) = \eta$

### Some Popular Link Functions

- Identity Link  $g(\mu) = \mu$
- Log link  $g(\mu) = \log(\mu)$
- Logit link  $g(\mu) = \log\left[\frac{\mu}{1-\mu}\right]$
- Canonical link: the link function that uses the natural parameter as  $g(\mu)$  in the GLM

## Linear Probability Model

- To model the effect of  $X$ , use ordinary linear regression, by which the expected value of  $Y$  is a linear function of  $X$ .
- The model

$$\pi(x) = \alpha + \beta x$$

is called a linear probability model.

- Probabilities fall between 0 and 1 but for large or small values of  $x$ , the model may predict  $\pi(x) < 0$  or  $\pi(x) > 1$ .
- This model is valid only for a finite range of  $x$  values

## Logistic Regression Model

- A simple logistic regression model:  $\log\left(\frac{\pi(x)}{1-\pi(x)}\right) = \alpha + \beta x$
- That is,  $\pi(x) = F_0(\alpha + \beta x)$ ,  $F_0(x) = \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$  where  $F_0(x)$  is the cdf of the logistic distribution. Its pdf is  $F_0(x)(1 - F_0(x))$ .
- The associated GLM is called the *logistic regression function*.
- Logistic regression models are often referred as *logit* models as the link in this GLM is the *logit* link:  $\text{logit}(\pi) = F_0^{-1}(\pi)$

## Parameters

- The parameter  $\beta$  determines the rate of increase or decrease of the curve.
- When  $\beta > 0$ ,  $\pi(x)$  increases with  $x$ .
- When  $\beta < 0$ ,  $\pi(x)$  decreases as  $x$  increases.
- The magnitude of  $\beta$  determines how fast the curve increases or decreases.
- As  $|\beta|$  increases, the curve has a steeper rate of change.

## Alternative Binary Links

- In general, a class of models for binary responses can be written as

$$\pi(x) = F(\alpha + \beta x)$$

where  $F$  is a cdf for some distribution.

- It is equivalent to use the link function  $g(\pi) = F^{-1}(\pi)$ .
- The probit link:  $g(\pi) = \Phi^{-1}(\pi)$  where  $\Phi(x)$  is the cdf of  $N(0, 1)$



## Poisson Regression

- Random component: a Poisson distribution assumed
- Systematic component:  $\eta = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \cdots + \beta_p x_p$
- Log-link:  $g(\mu) = \log(\mu)$

## Exponential Family

- The random variable  $Y$  has a distribution in the exponential family, if its *p.d.f* (or *p.m.f.*) can be written as

$$f(y; \theta, \phi) = \exp\left\{\frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{a(\phi)} + c(y, \phi)\right\}$$

for some specific function  $a(\phi)$ ,  $b(\theta)$  and  $c(y, \phi)$ .

- The parameter  $\theta$  is called the *natural parameter* and  $\phi$  is called the *dispersion* (or *scale*) *parameter*.

### Examples

- $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ : the canonical link:  $g(\mu) = \mu$ .
- $\text{Binomial}(n, p)$ : the canonical link  $g(\pi) = \log\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right)$ .
- $\text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ : the canonical link  $g(\lambda) = \log(\lambda)$ .

## Mean and Variances

- $E(Y) = b'(\theta)$ .
- $var(Y) = b''(\theta)a(\phi)$ .

## Maximum Likelihood Estimates

- ML estimates of  $\beta_j$ 's are obtained by solving the likelihood equations using numerical methods.
- The ML estimates  $\hat{\beta}_j$ 's are approximately normally distributed.
- Thus, a confidence interval for a model parameter  $\beta_j$  equals

$$\hat{\beta}_j \pm z_{\alpha/2} ASE$$

where ASE is the asymptotic standard error of  $\hat{\beta}_j$ .

## Testing For Significance

- To test:  $H_0 : \beta_j = 0$ .
- $z$ -test: under  $H_0$ ,  $Z = \hat{\beta}_j / ASE \sim N(0, 1)$  approximately
- Wald-type test: under  $H_0$ ,  $Z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$  approximately
- The **likelihood-ratio** test statistic equals

$$-2 \log(L_0/L_1) = -2[\log L_0 - \log L_1] = -2[l_0 - l_1] \sim \chi_1^2 \quad \text{approximately}$$

under  $H_0$  where  $L_0$  and  $L_1$  are the maximized likelihood functions under  $H_0$  and  $H_1$  respectively

- The score test uses the size of the derivative of the log-likelihood function evaluated at  $\beta_j = 0$ .

## Model Residuals

- Raw residual:  $r_i = y_i - \hat{\mu}_i = \text{Observed} - \text{fitted}$ .
- Pearson residual =  $\frac{\text{Observed} - \text{fitted}}{\sqrt{\text{var}(\text{observed})}} = \frac{y_i - \hat{\mu}_i}{\sqrt{\text{var}(y_i)}}$ .
- Adjusted residuals: the Pearson residuals divided by its estimated standard error.

## A Simple Logistic Regression Model

- For a binary response variable  $Y$  and an explanatory variable  $X$ , let  $\pi(x) = P(Y = 1|X = x) = 1 - P(Y = 0|X = x)$ .
- The logistic regression model is

$$\pi(x) = \frac{\exp(\alpha + \beta x)}{1 + \exp(\alpha + \beta x)}$$

- Equivalently, the log odds, called the *logit*, has the linear relationship

$$\text{logit}[\pi(x)] = \log \frac{\pi(x)}{1 - \pi(x)} = \alpha + \beta x$$

- This equates the logit link function to the linear predictor.



### Interpretation of Parameters

- The parameter  $\beta$  determines the rate of increase or decrease of the S-shaped curve.
- The sign of  $\beta$  indicates whether the curve ascends or descends.
- The rate of change increases as  $|\beta|$  increases.
- When the model holds with  $\beta = 0$ , then  $\pi(x)$  is identical at all  $x$ , so the curve becomes a horizontal straight line, and  $Y$  is then independent of  $X$ .

### Linear Approximation Interpretations

- The slope approaches 0 as the probability approaches 1.0 or 0.
- The steepest slope of the curve occurs at  $x$  for which  $\pi(x) = 0.5$ ; that  $x$  value is  $x = -\alpha/\beta$ .
- This value of  $x$  is sometimes called the *median effective level* and is denoted by  $EL_{50}$ .
- It represents the level at which each outcome has a 50% chance.

## Odds Ratio Interpretation

- The odds of a success (i.e.  $Y = 1$ ) at  $X = x$  is:

$$\frac{\pi(x)}{1 - \pi(x)} = \exp(\alpha + \beta x) = e^\alpha (e^\beta)^x$$

- The odds of a success at  $X = x + 1$  is:

$$\frac{\pi(x + 1)}{1 - \pi(x + 1)} = \exp(\alpha + \beta(x + 1)) = e^\alpha (e^\beta)^{x+1}$$

- Therefore, the odds ratio:

$$OR = \frac{\pi(x + 1)/(1 - \pi(x + 1))}{\pi(x)/(1 - \pi(x))} = e^\beta$$

- Therefore,  $\beta$  can be considered as a log odds ratio for one unit width increase.

## Confidence Interval For Effects

- For a simple logistic regression model:

$$\text{logit}[\pi(x)] = \alpha + \beta x$$

a large sample 95% confidence interval is

$$\hat{\beta} \pm z_{\alpha/2}(ASE)$$

- Exponentiating the endpoints of this interval yields one for  $e^{\beta}$  the odds ratio for a 1-unit increase in  $X$ .

## Tests of Significance

- To test  $H_0 : \beta = 0$ .
- $z$ -test: Under  $H_0$ ,  $z = \hat{\beta}/ASE \sim N(0, 1)$  approximately
- Wald-type test: Under  $H_0$ ,  $z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$
- **likelihood ratio test**:  $T^2$  = residual deviance under  $H_0$  - residual deviance under  $H_1$ . Under  $H_0$ ,  $T^2 \sim \chi_1^2$  approximately

### Estimates of Probability

- The estimated probability that  $Y = 1$  at  $X = x$  is

$$\hat{\pi}(x) = \frac{\exp(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x)}{1 + \exp(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x)}$$

- The large sample standard error of the estimated logit is:

$$Var(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x) = Var(\hat{\alpha}) + x^2 Var(\hat{\beta}) + 2xCov(\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta})$$

- A 95% confidence interval for the true logit is then

$$(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x) \pm 1.96 \times \sqrt{Var(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x)}$$

- Substituting each endpoint into the inverse transformation

$\pi(x) = \exp(\text{logit})/[1 + \exp(\text{logit})]$  gives a corresponding interval for  $\pi(x)$ .

## Model Checking

- Use the residual deviance
- Use the Pearson  $\chi^2$ -test or the Likelihood ratio test based on the fitted values

## Likelihood Ratio Tests for Goodness of Fit

- Let  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  be two competing models.
- Let  $L_0$  and  $L_1$  be the maximized log-likelihoods under the models  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  respectively.
- Similarly, let  $L_S$  denote the maximized log likelihood of the saturated model.
- Then the deviances for the models  $M_0$  and  $M_1$  are  $G^2(M_0) = -2(L_0 - L_S)$  and  $G^2(M_1) = -2(L_1 - L_S)$ .



## Likelihood Ratio Tests for Goodness of Fit

- Denote the likelihood ratio statistic for testing  $M_0$ , given that  $M_1$  holds, by  $G^2(M_0|M_1)$ .
- Then

$$\begin{aligned} G^2(M_0|M_1) &= -2(L_0 - L_1) = -2(L_0 - L_S) - [-2(L_1 - L_S)] \\ &= G^2(M_0) - G^2(M_1) \end{aligned}$$

- This statistic is large when  $M_0$  fits poorly compared to  $M_1$ .
- It has a large sample chi-squared distribution with d.f. equal to the difference between the residual *d.f.* values for the two models.

## Residuals

- Let  $y_i$  denote the number of successes for  $n_i$  trials at the  $i$ -th setting of the explanatory variables.
- Let  $\hat{\pi}_i$  denote the predicted probability of success for the model fit.
- Then the Pearson residual for the setting  $i$  is:

$$e_i = \frac{y_i - n_i \hat{\pi}_i}{\sqrt{n_i \hat{\pi}_i (1 - \hat{\pi}_i)}}$$

- The Pearson statistic for testing the model fit satisfies

$$\chi^2 = \sum e_i^2$$

## Qualitative Predictors

- Suppose the binary response  $Y$  has two binary predictors  $X$  and  $Z$ .
- For the  $2 \times 2 \times 2$  contingency table, the model:  
 $\text{logit}(\pi) = \alpha + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 z$  has separate main effects for the two predictors and no interaction effect.
- The variables  $X$  and  $Z$  in this model are *dummy variables* that indicates categories for the predictors.

## Coefficient Interpretations

- At a fixed level  $z$  of  $Z$ , the effect on the logit of changing from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 1$  is

$$[\alpha + \beta_1 \times 1 + \beta_2 z] - [\alpha + \beta_1 \times 0 + \beta_2 z] = \beta_1$$

- It equals the log odds ratio between  $X$  and  $Y$  at  $Z = z$ .
- Thus  $\exp(\beta_1)$  describes the conditional odds ratio between  $X$  and  $Y$ .
- The lack of interaction term in this model implies that the model satisfies the *homogeneous association*.

## Conditional Independence

- Conditional independence between  $X$  and  $Y$ , controlling for  $Z$  implies  $\beta_1 = 0$ .
- The simpler model  $\text{logit}(\pi) = \alpha + \beta_2 z$  then applies to the three way model.
- One can test whether  $\beta_1 = 0$  using a Wald statistic or a likelihood ratio statistic comparing the two models.

## ANOVA Type Representations

- A factor having two levels requires only a single dummy variable.
- A factor having  $I$  levels requires  $I - 1$  dummy variables.
- The model formula  $\text{logit}(\pi_{ik}) = \alpha + \beta_i^X + \beta_k^Z$  represents the effects of  $X$  through parameters  $\{\beta_i^X\}$  and the effects of  $Z$  through parameters  $\{\beta_k^Z\}$ .
- This model applies to any number of levels of  $X$  and  $Z$ .

## Notes

- Each factor has as many parameters as it has levels, but one is redundant.
- For instance, if  $X$  has  $I$  levels, it has  $I - 1$  non-redundant parameters.
- $\beta_i^X$  denotes the effects on the logit of being classified in level  $i$  of  $X$ .
- Conditional independence between  $X$  and  $Y$ , given  $Z$ , corresponds to  $\beta_1^X = \beta_2^X = \dots = \beta_I^X$

### Redundancy In Parameters

- To account for the redundancy in parameters, one can set the parameter for the last category to be zero.
- An analogous approach is to set the parameter for the first category to be zero.
- Alternatively, one can impose the restriction
$$\beta_1^X + \beta_2^X + \cdots + \beta_I^X = 0$$



### Logit Model for $2 \times 2 \times K$ Tables

- Consider  $X$  to be binary and  $Z$  is a control variable with  $K$  levels.
- In the model  $\text{logit}(\pi_{ik}) = \alpha + \beta_i^X + \beta_k^Z$  conditional independence exists between  $X$  and  $Y$  controlling for  $Z$ , if  $\beta_1^X = \beta_2^X$ .
- In such a case, common odds ratio  $\exp(\beta_1^X - \beta_2^X)$  for the  $K$  partial tables equal 1.
- The CMH statistic used earlier is the efficient score statistic for testing  $X - Y$  conditional independence in this model.
- The ML estimate of the common odds ratio  $\exp(\beta_1^X - \beta_2^X)$  is an alternative to the Mantel-Haenszel estimator.

## Multiple Logistic Regression

- Denote a set of  $k$  predictors for a binary response  $Y$  by  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$ .
- Model for the logit of the probability  $\pi$  that  $Y = 1$  generalizes to  $\text{logit}(\pi(x)) = \alpha + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k$
- The parameters  $\beta_i$  refers to the effect of  $X_i$  on the log odds that  $Y = 1$ , controlling for other  $X$ s.
- e.g.  $\exp(\beta_i)$  is the multiplicative effect on the odds of a 1-unit increase in  $X_i$ , at fixed levels of other  $X$ s.

### Model selection: Elimination

- To select a model, we can use a *backward elimination procedure*, starting with a complex model and successively taking out the terms.
- At each stage, we eliminate the term in the model that has the largest p-value when we test that its parameters equal to zero.
- We test only the highest order terms for each variable.
- It is inappropriate to remove a main effect term if the model contains higher-order interactions involving that term.

Log-linear regression model

### Two-way Tables

- Consider an  $I \times J$  contingency table that cross-classifies a sample of  $n$  subjects on two categorical responses.
- $Y_{ij}$ : observed cell frequency and  $\mu_{ij}$ : expected cell frequency of the  $(i, j)$ -th cell.
- The cell counts  $Y_{ij}$  are independent having Poisson( $\mu_{ij}$ ) distribution.
- Note that, if  $\pi_{ij}$  is the cell probability, then  $\mu_{ij} = n\pi_{ij}$ .

## Various Log-linear Models

- The independence model is

$$\log \mu_{ij} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y$$

for a row effect  $\lambda_i^X$  and a column effect  $\lambda_j^Y$ .

- The saturated model is

$$\log \mu_{ij} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \lambda_{ij}^{XY}$$

### In $I \times 2$ Table

- Response  $Y$  has only 2 levels.
- In row  $i$ , the logit for the probability  $\pi$  that  $Y = 1$  is:

$$\begin{aligned}\log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i}\right) &= \log\left(\frac{\mu_{i1}}{\mu_{i2}}\right) = \log \mu_{i1} - \log \mu_{i2} \\ &= (\lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_1^Y) - (\lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_2^Y) \\ &= \lambda_1^Y - \lambda_2^Y\end{aligned}$$

- logit for  $Y$  does not depend on the levels of  $X$ .

## Interpretation of Interaction

- Under the saturated model, there is a direct relationship between log odds ratios and  $\{\lambda_{ij}^{XY}\}$  association parameters.
- In a  $2 \times 2$  table,

$$\begin{aligned}\log \theta &= \log\left(\frac{\mu_{11}\mu_{22}}{\mu_{12}\mu_{21}}\right) \\ &= \lambda_{11}^{XY} + \lambda_{22}^{XY} - \lambda_{12}^{XY} - \lambda_{21}^{XY}\end{aligned}$$

- The saturated model has as many parameters as it has Poisson observations.
- Thus, it gives a perfect fit.
- The sample odds ratio is the same as the estimated odds ratio based on the fitted values

## Test of Independence

- In  $I \times J$  tables, only  $(I - 1)(J - 1)$  parameters are non-redundant.
- These *interaction* parameters in the saturated model are coefficients of cross products of  $(I - 1)$  dummy variables for  $X$  with  $(J - 1)$  dummy variables for  $Y$ .
- Tests of independence analyze whether these  $(I - 1)(J - 1)$  parameters equal 0, so they have residual *d.f.*  $= (I - 1)(J - 1)$ .
- The likelihood ratio test based on the residual deviances under the null and full models can be used.



### Three-way Tables

- The cell expected frequencies in the contingency table are denoted by  $\{\mu_{ijk}\}$ .
- Single factor terms  $\lambda_i^X, \lambda_j^Y, \lambda_k^Z$  represent marginal distributions.
- Two factor terms  $\lambda_{ij}^{XY}, \lambda_{ik}^{XZ}, \lambda_{jk}^{YZ}$  are related to partial associations between two variables conditional to the third variable.
- Three factor terms  $\lambda_{ijk}^{XYZ}$  are related to three-factor interactions.

## Various Log-linear Models for 3-way Tables

- The independence model  $(X, Y, Z)$ :

$$\log(\mu_{ijk}) = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \lambda_k^Z$$

- The partial association model  $(XZ, YZ)$ :

$$\log \mu_{ijk} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \lambda_k^Z + \lambda_{ik}^{XZ} + \lambda_{jk}^{YZ}$$

- The model permits association between  $X$  and  $Z$  controlling for  $Y$ .
- It also permits a  $Y - Z$  association, controlling for  $X$ .
- It specifies conditional independence between  $X$  and  $Y$ , controlling for  $Z$ .

## Various Log-linear Models

- The model  $(XY, XZ, YZ)$  permits all three pairs of variables to be conditionally dependent:

$$\log \mu_{ijk} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \lambda_k^Z + \lambda_{ij}^{XY} + \lambda_{ik}^{XZ} + \lambda_{jk}^{YZ}$$

- For this model, the conditional odds ratios between any two variables are identical at each level of the third variable.
- The saturated model  $(XYZ)$ :

$$\log \mu_{ijk} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \lambda_k^Z + \lambda_{ik}^{XZ} + \lambda_{jk}^{YZ} + \lambda_{ijk}^{XYZ}$$

- This model permits the odds ratio between any two variables to vary across levels of the third variable.
- It provides a perfect fit in a three-way table.

## Interpreting Model Parameters

- Interpretation of loglinear model parameters refer to their highest order terms.
- Interpretations for the homogeneous association model use the two factor terms to describe associations.
- The two-factor parameters relate directly to conditional odds ratios:

$$\log \theta_{XY(k)} = \log\left(\frac{\mu_{11k}\mu_{22k}}{\mu_{12k}\mu_{21k}}\right) = \lambda_{11}^{XY} + \lambda_{22}^{XY} - \lambda_{12}^{XY} - \lambda_{21}^{XY}$$

which does not depend on  $k$ .

### Fitting Loglinear Models

- A log-linear model can be fitted to the two or three way table using R or SAS
- Fitted values can be obtained using the fitted equation
- Estimated odds ratios can be obtained using the fitted values or associated estimated parameters

## Chi-Square Goodness-of-Fit Tests

- Consider the null hypothesis that the expected frequencies for a three-way table satisfy a given loglinear model.
- The LR and Pearson Chi-square statistics based on the fitted values are:

$$G^2 = 2 \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{k=1}^K n_{ijk} \log\left(\frac{n_{ijk}}{\hat{\mu}_{ijk}}\right),$$

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{k=1}^K \frac{(n_{ijk} - \hat{\mu}_{ijk})^2}{\hat{\mu}_{ijk}}$$

- The degrees of freedom equals the number of cell counts minus the number of non-redundant parameters in the model.
- The saturated model has  $d.f. = 0$ .

## Residuals

- Cell residuals can be used to study the quality of the log-linear fit.
- They may indicate why a particular model does not fit well or highlight cells that display lack of fit.
- We may use *adjusted residuals* or *Pearson residuals*.
- When the model holds, the adjusted residuals have approximately standard normal distribution.
- So, absolute values of *adjusted residuals* larger than **2** when there are few cells and larger than **3** when there are many cells, indicate lack of fit.

### Tests About Partial Association

- Test about partial association by comparing different loglinear models.
- Likelihood ratio test or Pearson chi-squared test can be constructed based on the fitted values
- Likelihood ratio test can also be based on the residual deviance difference between two models



## Confidence Intervals For Odds Ratios

- ML estimators of parameters have large sample normal distributions.
- For models in which the highest order terms are two-factor associations, the estimates refer to the conditional log odds ratios.
- One can use the estimates along with their standard errors to construct confidence intervals for true log odds ratios and then exponentiate them to form intervals for odds ratios.

### Four-way Tables

- Basic concepts of three-way tables extend readily to multi-way tables.
- We consider a four-way table with variables  $W, X, Y$ , and  $Z$ .
- Interpretations are simplest when there are no three-factor interaction terms.
- The homogeneous association model is  $(WX, WY, WZ, XY, XZ, YZ)$ .
- Here each pair of variables is conditionally dependent, with the same odds ratios at each combination of levels of the other two variables.

### Four-way Tables

- An absence of a two factor term implies conditional independence for those variables.
- Model  $(WX, WY, WZ, XZ, YZ)$  does not contain an  $X - Y$  term, so it treats  $X$  and  $Y$  as conditionally independent at each combination of levels of  $W$  and  $Z$ .
- A model could contain any of the four possible three factor interaction terms:  $WXY, WXZ, WYZ, XYZ$ .
- The saturated model contains all these terms plus a four factor interaction term.

### Dissimilarity Index

- For a table of arbitrary dimension with cell counts  $\{n_i = np_i\}$  and fitted values  $\{\hat{\mu}_i = n\hat{\pi}_i\}$  one can summarize the closeness of the model fit to the sample data by the dissimilarity index

$$D = \sum |n_i - \hat{\mu}_i|/(2n) = \sum |p_i - \hat{\pi}_i|/2$$

- This index takes values between 0 and 1, with smaller values representing a better fit.
- It represents the proportion of sample cases that must move to different cells in order for the model to achieve a perfect fit.

## Dissimilarity Index

- The dissimilarity index  $D$  estimates a corresponding index  $\Delta$  that describes model lack-of-fit in the population sampled.
- The value  $\Delta = 0$  occurs when the model holds perfectly.
- In that case  $D$  overestimates  $\Delta$ , substantially so for small samples, because of sampling variation.
- When the model does not hold, for sufficiently large  $n$ , the goodness-of-fit statistics  $G^2$  and  $\chi^2$  will be large, showing lack-of-fit.
- The estimator  $D$  then reveals whether the lack of fit suggested by those statistics is important in practical sense.
- $D < 0.03$  suggests that the sample data follow the model quite closely, even though the model is not *perfect*.

## Loglinear-Logit Connection

- Consider the loglinear model of homogeneous association in three-way tables

$$\log \mu_{ijk} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \lambda_k^Z + \lambda_{ij}^{XY} + \lambda_{ik}^{XZ} + \lambda_{jk}^{YZ}$$

- Suppose  $Y$  is binary, and we treat it as a response and  $X$  and  $Z$  as explanatory.
- Let  $\pi$  denote the probability that  $Y = 1$ , which depends on the levels of  $X$  and  $Z$ .

## Loglinear-Logit Connection

- The logit for  $Y$  is

$$\begin{aligned}\text{logit}(\pi_{ik}) &= (\lambda_1^Y - \lambda_2^Y) + (\lambda_{i1}^{XY} - \lambda_{i2}^{XY}) + (\lambda_{1k}^{YZ} - \lambda_{2k}^{YZ}) \\ &= \alpha + \beta_i^X + \beta_k^Z\end{aligned}$$

### Linear-by-Linear Association

- Consider a two-way table with two ordinal categorical variables  $X$ :  $I$  levels and  $Y$ :  $J$  levels
- Assign scores  $u_i$  to the  $I$  rows and  $v_j$  to the  $J$  columns.
- We must have  $u_1 \leq u_2 \leq \cdots \leq u_I$  and  $v_1 \leq v_2 \leq \cdots \leq v_J$  to reflect the category ordering.
- The linear-by-linear association model is

$$\log \mu_{ij} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \beta u_i v_j$$

- The independence model is the special case  $\beta = 0$ . The final term represents the deviation from independence.



## Interpretations

- The parameter  $\beta$  refers to the direction and strength of association.
- When  $\beta > 0$ , there is a tendency for  $Y$  to increase as  $X$  increases.
- When  $\beta < 0$ , there is a tendency for  $Y$  to decrease as  $X$  increases.
- When the data display a positive or negative trend, this model usually fits much better than the independence model.

## Describing Associations

- For the  $2 \times 2$  table using the cells intersecting rows  $a$  and  $c$  with columns  $b$  and  $d$ , the model has odds ratio equal to

$$\frac{\mu_{ab}\mu_{cd}}{\mu_{ad}\mu_{cb}} = \exp[\beta(u_c - u_a)(v_d - v_b)]$$

- The association is stronger as  $|\beta|$  increases.
- For given  $\beta$  pairs of categories that are farther apart have greater differences between their scores and odds ratios farther from 1.

### Further Comments

- In practice, the most common choice of scores is  $u_i = i$  and  $v_j = j$ , simply the row and column numbers.
- The odds ratios formed using adjacent rows and adjacent columns are called *local odds ratios*.
- For these unit spaced scores, the local odds ratios simplifies so that  $e^\beta$  is the common value of all the local odds ratios.
- Any set of equally-spaced row and column scores has the property of uniform local odds ratios.
- This special case of the model is called *uniform association*.

### Ordinal Tests of Independence

- The likelihood ratio test can be constructed based on the residual deviance difference of the two models
- The Wald's statistic provides an alternative to test this hypothesis.

## Detecting Ordinal Conditional Association

- A useful model

$$\log \mu_{ijk} = \lambda + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Y + \lambda_k^Z + \beta u_i v_j + \lambda_{ik}^{XZ} + \lambda_{jk}^{YZ}$$

The model is called a *homogeneous linear – by – linear association* model.

- The conditional independence model  $(XZ, YZ)$  is the special case of this model with  $\beta = 0$ .
- Unless this models fits very poorly, the tests comparing this model are more powerful than tests that ignore the ordering.