Generalized linear model validation

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Outline

- Models so far
- Other GLMs
- Other useful models
- Some other approaches (tomorrow)

Generalised linear models so far

- Linear regression
- Binomial regression
- Poisson regression
- ▶ Negative-binomial regression (for fixed dispersion)

Other GLMS not covered so far

- Gamma regression
- Log-normal regression
- Inverse Gaussian regression
- ▶ Tweedie regression
- Multinomial regression
- Ordinal regression
- Conway-Maxwell-Poisson regression (not included here)

Other useful models

- beta regression
- beta-binomial regression (overdispersed binomial, not covered here)
- Zero-inflated models
- Hurdle models

Other useful methods

more tomorrow

GLMs for positive continuous data

Data bounded at zero $y_i>0$, and might or might not include zeros.

- Usually (right) skewed
- Variance increases with mean

E.g.,:

- Biomass
- Size measurements
- Nitrogen in soil

Options:

- Log-normal regression
- ► Inverse Gaussian GLM
- ► Gamma GLM
 - Tweedie GLMs

- ▶ Amount of rainfall
- Insurance claims

Our example data: soil nitrogen

Originally by Lane et al. (2002)

- ► Soil nitrogen in kilograms per hectare
- Nitrogen fertilizer dose in kilograms per hectare

Fert	Source	SoilN		
0	0	4.53		
0	0	5.46		
0	0	4.77		
48	0	6.17		
48	0	9.30		
48	0	8.29		
96	0	11.30		
96	0	16.58		

Log-normal regression

Connected to the normal distribution, in the sense:

$$\begin{aligned} \log(y)_i &\sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \sigma^2) \\ y_i &\sim \mathcal{L}ognormal(\mu_i, \sigma^2) \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

- So, easy to fit!
- I don't generally recommend response transformations
- \blacktriangleright Two parameters: μ_i and σ^2
- $\mathbb{E}(y_i|x_i) = \exp(\mu_i + \frac{\sigma^2}{2})$
- $ightharpoonup ext{var}(y_i|x_i) = \{\exp(\sigma^2) 1\} \exp(2\mu_i + \sigma^2)$

We are not modeling the mean but the location parameter μ_i

Log-normal regression in R

```
model1 <- lm(log(SoilN)~Fert, data = nitrogen)
fitted <- exp(predict(model1)) #We need to backtransform ours
cbind(est=coef(model1), confint(model1))</pre>
```

est 2.5 % 97.5 %

```
## Fert 0.007234334 0.005914211 0.008554456
```

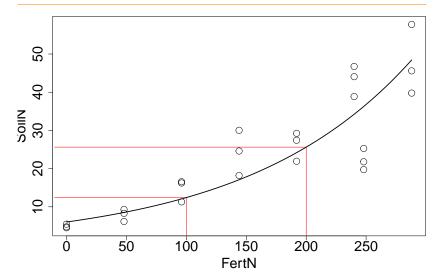
(Intercept) 1.796792406 1.553746377 2.039838436

- Soil nitrogen increases with supplied nitrogen
- $\log(2)/0.007234334 \approx 95$

##

▶ Soil nitrogen doubles for almost every 100 kg/hectare fertilizer

Log-normal regression: results



Inverse Gaussian GLM

- Sharper peak and heavier tails than log-normal
- Often used in presence of extreme events

$$\begin{split} \frac{1}{\mathbb{E}(y_i|\mathbf{x}_i)^2} &= \alpha + \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta} \\ \mathbb{E}(y_i|\mathbf{x}_i) &= \frac{1}{(\alpha + \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^2} \end{split} \tag{2}$$

- \blacktriangleright parameters: location μ_i and dispersion ϕ
- canonical link: squared inverse
- alternatively inverse, log-link

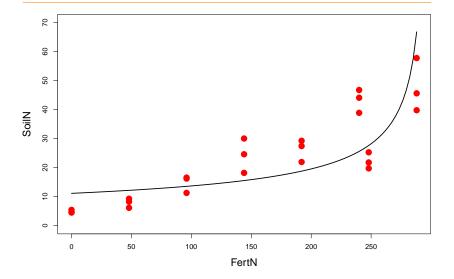
$$\operatorname{var}(y_i|\mathbf{x}_i) = \frac{\mu_i^3}{\phi}$$

Inverse Gaussian GLM in R

```
model2 <- glm(SoilN~Fert, data = nitrogen, family = "inverse.gaussian")
summary(model2)
## Call:
## glm(formula = SoilN ~ Fert, family = "inverse.gaussian", data = nitrogen)
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 8.039e-03 1.728e-03 4.652 0.000123 ***
## Fert
              -2.714e-05 6.202e-06 -4.375 0.000241 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for inverse.gaussian family taken to be 0.01367622)
      Null deviance: 0.72554 on 23 degrees of freedom
##
## Residual deviance: 0.37002 on 22 degrees of freedom
## ATC: 185.12
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

Interpretation is -very- difficult with inverse-type link functions

Inverse Gaussian GLM: results



Gamma GLM

summary(model3)

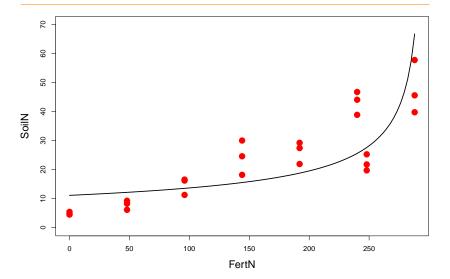
ATC: 185.12

(negative) Inverse link is canonical

model3 <- glm(SoilN-Fert, data = nitrogen, family = "inverse.gaussian")

- provide starting positive values mustart
- Log-link is more stable

Gamma GLM: results



Tweedie distributions

Many of the distributions so far are special forms of the $\underline{\text{Tweedie}}$ $\underline{\text{family}}$ of distributions:

$$\mathrm{var}(y_i|\mathbf{x}_i) = \mu_i^\xi \phi$$

- Normal distribution $\xi = 0$
- Poisson distribution $\xi = 1$

- ightharpoonup Gamma distribution $\xi=2$
- Inverse Gaussian distribution $\xi = 3$

With Tweedie we can:

- Analyse positive continuous data (with zeros!)
- Counts

Tweedie GLM in R: finding £

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Tweedie GLM in R: finding ξ

```
out.est <- tweedie::tweedie.profile(SoilN ~ Fert, xi.vec = se
```

2.01 2.06 2.11 2.16 2.21 2.26 2.31 2.36 2.41 2.46 2.51 2.5

```
out.est2 <- tweedie::tweedie.profile(SoilN ~ Fert, xi.vec =
```

3.022245 3.032245 3.042245 3.052245 3.062245 3.072245 3.08 ##

plot(out.est2, xlab = expression(xi), ylab="Log-likelihood",
shline(y-out.est2*xi max.esl = "mod")

Tweedie GLM in R: fitting

##

```
model4 <- glm(SoilN-Fert, data = nitrogen, family = statmod::tweedie(var.power = out.est2$xi.max))
summary(model4)</pre>
```

```
## Call:
## glm(formula = SoilN ~ Fert, family = statmod::tweedie(var.power = out.est2$xi.max),
      data = nitrogen)
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 2.175e-03 6.002e-04 3.624 0.00150 **
              -7.467e-06 2.113e-06 -3.535 0.00186 **
## Fert
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for Tweedie family taken to be 0.004092795)
##
      Null deviance: 0.20212 on 23 degrees of freedom
  Residual deviance: 0.12582 on 22 degrees of freedom
## ATC: NA
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

Conclusion

- They can be relatively similar, but link function matters.
- Mind the tail behavior

Tweedie for flexible modeling of positive data (potentially with zeros)

GLMs for categorical data

Binomial models assume **dichotomy**. Alternative: **polychotomy**, multiple groups.

Multinomial

Gives the number of successes for a set of outcomes (instead of either success or fail)



Figure 1: We roll a dice many times, and count the number of times it hits each side. If we only throw the dice once, the throw follows a categorical distribution.

Multinomial logistic regression

The model we assume is:

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{pr}(y_{ij}) &= \pi_{ij} = \frac{\exp(\eta_{ij})}{1 + \exp(\eta_{ij})} \\ \log(\frac{\pi_{ij}}{1 - \pi_{ij}}) &= \eta_{ij} = \mathbf{x}_{ij} \boldsymbol{\beta}_j \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

- E.g., probability of observing species at a site.
- We could fit multiple binomial models
 - Gets a bit messy: $y_{i1}|N_i \sim \mathcal{B}in(\pi_{i1}; N_i)$
 - $y_{i2}|N_i y_{i1} \sim \mathcal{B}in(\pi_{ii}; N_i y_{i1})$
- Equivalent to using a Poisson regression with fixed total

Cumulative link models

Add order to the probabilities

Ordinal: proportional odds

More commonly, the categories are ordered.

$$\operatorname{pr}(y_i \leq j) = \sum_{k=1}^j \operatorname{pr}(y_k) = \frac{\exp(\theta_j + \boldsymbol{\beta}^\top \mathbf{x}_i)}{1 + \exp(\theta_j + \boldsymbol{\beta}^\top \mathbf{x}_i)} \tag{4}$$

E.g., cover classes

Referred to as "proportional odds" because:

$$\frac{\pi_{ij}/(1-\pi_{ij})}{\pi_{i+1j}/(1-\pi_{i+1j})} = \exp\{\beta(\mathbf{x}_{ij} - \mathbf{x}_{i+1j})\}$$
 (5)

the log-odds is proportional to the difference in the covariates.

Ordinal example: vegetation data

data <- cbind(y=as.factor(dune\$Bracruta), dune.env)</pre>

data(dune,dune.env,package="vegan")

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```
(model5 <- MASS::polr(y~A1, data = data))</pre>
## Call:
## MASS::polr(formula = y ~ A1, data = data)
##
## Coefficients:
##
          Δ1
## 0.07104338
##
  Intercepts:
                 2|3 3|4
##
         012
                                         416
## -0.7704179 0.7426109 0.9615655 2.5585698
##
## Residual Deviance: 57.48771
```

0.04925726 0.2317706 0.08630192

0.05212735 0.2613202 0.10465704

6

Example: vegetation data

```
predict(model5,type="probs")
```

0

12 0.2346085 0.3472870

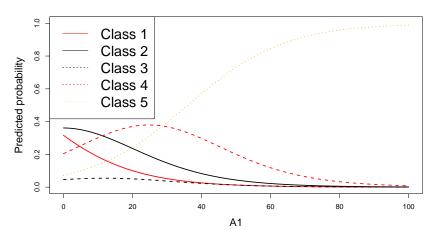
0.2750122 0.3576581

##

1

```
## 2
      0.2652086 0.3558300
                          0.05000602 0.2386505 0.09030488
## 3
      0.2542818 0.3532918 0.05080543 0.2465371 0.09508384
## 4
      0.2556313 0.3536348
                          0.05070893 0.2455506 0.09447432
## 5
      0.2282902 0.3449388
                          0.05251291 0.2662255 0.10803261
## 6
      0.2542818 0.3532918
                          0.05080543 0.2465371 0.09508384
## 7
      0.2750122 0.3576581
                          0.04925726 0.2317706 0.08630192
## 8
      0.2556313 0.3536348
                          0.05070893 0.2455506 0.09447432
##
      0.2624490 0.3552399
                          0.05021166 0.2406205 0.09147894
                          0.04979663 0.2366821
      0.2679868 0.3563901
                                                0.08914442
      0.2652086 0.3558300
                          0.05000602 0.2386505 0.09030488
```

Ordinal example: vegetation data



Note that ordering has introduced some shapes.

Proportions: brief mentioning

Sometimes, mistakenly, logistic regression is referred to as "modeling proportions"

- Binomial responses are dichotomous (either 0 or 1)
- Proportions usually include 0 and/or 1, but also everything between

$$y_i \sim \mathcal{B}eta(\mu_i, \phi)$$
 (6)

- "beta regression", which is not a GLM
- various packages implement it
- Require data between 0 and 1 (i.e., without 0 or 1)

When there are zeros and/or ones..zero-inflated models or hurdle models (ZIB or ordered beta regression).

When there are more zeros than the selected distribution can generate.

- Can be accounted for with additional model terms (covariate)
- Alternatively:
 - Zero-inflated models
 - Hurdle models
 - Negative-binomial models: can handle excess zeros very well
- 1) Zero-inflated models: another process generates additional zeros (e.g., colonisation vs. abundance)
- e.g., Species abundance
- Hurdle models: only one of the two processes generates values below the hurdle

Zero-inflation (Poisson)

$$y_i \sim ZIP(\lambda_{ij}, \pi_i) \tag{7}$$

$$y_i|\nu_j \sim \begin{cases} pPois(\lambda_i) & \text{if } y_i > 0\\ p\exp(-\lambda_i) & \text{if } \nu_i = 1\\ 1-p & \text{if } \nu_i = 0 \end{cases} \tag{8}$$

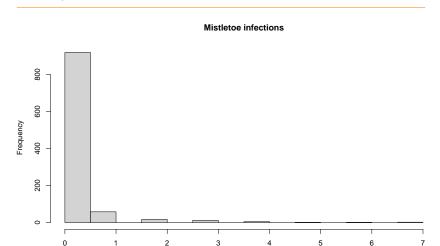
- \triangleright can choose to separately model p as a logistic regression
- quadratic mean-variance as in NB

Example: Cod parasite data

Mistletoe data covered in Zuur (2021)

- Count of mistoetoe infections in a tree stand
- DBH, tree infected or not, size of largest mistletoe

CI_stem	N12	No.of.mistletoes	Stand	ID	DBH	Distance.fror
5.343255	36	1	äobes	921	26	
4.771435	32	2	äobes	923	27	
5.856576	32	0	äobes	920	25	
5.093324	39	0	äobes	916	25	
6.452976	32	0	äobes	918	24	
5.598422	32	0	äobes	917	26	
5.301989	32	0	äobes	919	28	
6.384254	29	0	äobes	913	20	



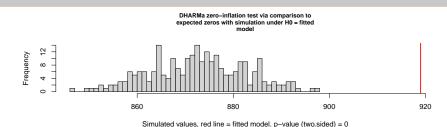
Count

Example: Mistletoe infections

```
model6 <- glm(No.of.mistletoes~DBH, family="poisson", data = data)</pre>
```

DHARMa::testZeroInflation(model6)

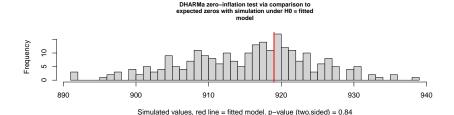
data: simulationOutput
ratioObsSim = 1.0525, p-value < 2.2e-16</pre>



```
##
   DHARMa zero-inflation test via comparison to expected zeros with
## simulation under HO = fitted model
##
```

Example: Mistletoe infections

```
model7 <- glmmTMB::glmmTMB(No.of.mistletoes-DBH,ziformula=-1, family="poisson", data = data)</pre>
```



```
##
## DHARMa zero-inflation test via comparison to expected zeros with
## simulation under H0 = fitted model
##
## data: simulationOutput
## ratioObsSim = 1.0035, p-value = 0.84
## alternative hypothesis: two.sided
```

Summary

- At least not mentioned: Generalized and Conway-Maxwell Poisson
- Ordered beta
- ► Truncation