

Modeling approach(es) for multivariate binary response

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 - ▶ Simulation-based validation

Objective

- ▶ The aim is to investigate the contribution of demographic, social and economic factors to improved water, sanitation and hygiene (WaSH) among the urban poor.

Data exploration

- ▶ WaSH variables (services) are binary (0 = unimproved and 1 = improved)
 - ▶ Each household was surveyed once per year
 - ▶ For some HH, the services have improved or unimproved for different years
- ▶ Aggregated by year, all HH have varying `wealth_index`

Simulations

Assumptions

- ▶ Each household has its own year effect on the intercepts (random-intercept)
 - ▶ These are correlated
- ▶ There is a single measured covariate (corresponding to wealth)

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- ▶ Observed values ($\{0, 1\}$) are drawn from binomial distribution with probability $\text{plogis}(y_{hts})$

Results

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