

PyMC Pandas Example

This example project shows how to fit a fixed effects Poisson model with PyMC. It uses pandas Series and DataFrame objects to store data in a classy way.

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In [1]: import pylab as pl
import pymc as mc
import pandas
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1. Simulate Noisy Data

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In [2]: # simulate data with known distribution

N = 100
X = pandas.DataFrame({'constant': pl.ones(N), 'cov_1': pl.randn(N)})

beta_true = pandas.Series(dict(constant=100., cov_1=20.))
mu_true = pl.dot(X, beta_true)

Y = mc.rpoisson(mu_true)
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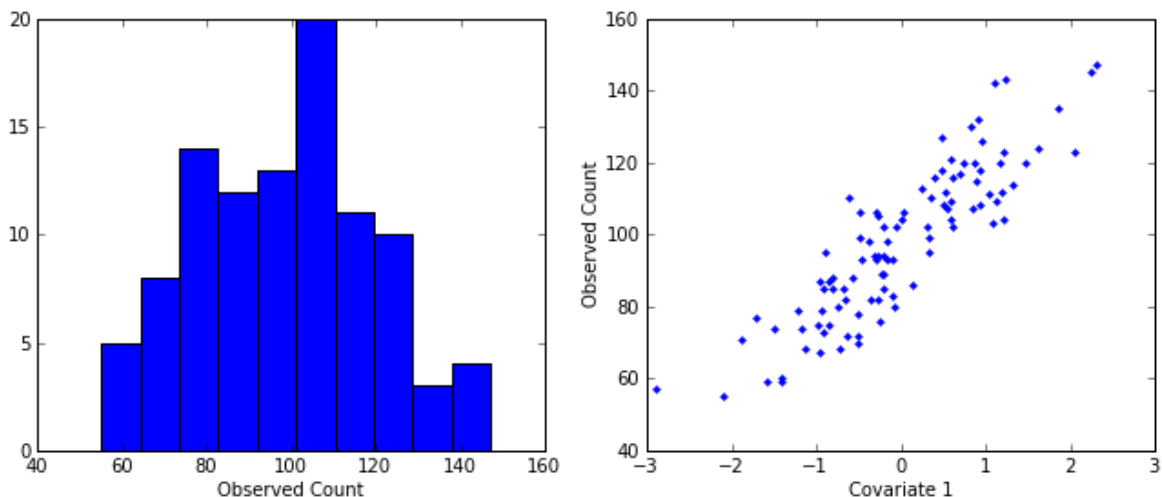
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In [3]: # explore the data a little bit graphically

pl.figure(figsize=(11,4.25))

pl.subplot(1,2,1)
pl.hist(Y)
pl.xlabel('Observed Count')

pl.subplot(1,2,2)
pl.plot(X['cov_1'], Y, '.')
pl.xlabel('Covariate 1')
pl.ylabel('Observed Count')
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Out[3]: <matplotlib.text.Text at 0xb8fddec>



2. Model data with PyMC

The following code creates a fixed effect Poisson model where the observed data stored in Y is explained by the covariate data in X, according to the formula:

$$Y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu_i),$$
$$\mu_i = X_i \cdot \beta.$$

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In [4]: # the simplest approach doesn't work with PyMC 2.1alpha, but it does with 2.2grad
print 'pymc version:', mc.__version__
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beta = mc.Uninformative('beta', value=[Y.mean(), 0.])
mu_pred = mc.Lambda('mu_pred', lambda beta=beta, X=X: pl.dot(X, beta))
Y_obs = mc.Poisson('Y_obs', mu=mu_pred, value=Y, observed=True)
```

pymc version: 2.2grad

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In [5]: m = mc.Model([beta, mu_pred, Y_obs])
%time mc.MCMC(m).sample(10000, 5000, 5, progress_bar=False)
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CPU times: user 1.49 s, sys: 0.02 s, total: 1.51 s
Wall time: 1.66 s

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In [6]: mc.Matplot.plot(beta, common_scale=False)
print '\ntrue value of beta\n', beta_true
print '\npredicted:'
print pandas.DataFrame({'mean':beta.stats()['mean'],
                        'lb':beta.stats()['95% HPD interval'][:,0],
                        'ub':beta.stats()['95% HPD interval'][:,1]},
                        columns=['mean', 'lb', 'ub'])
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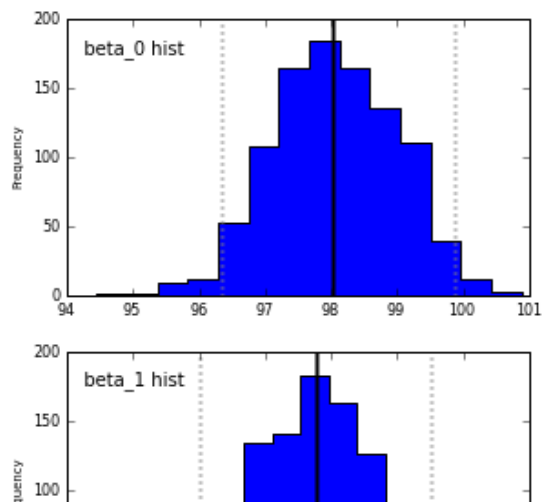
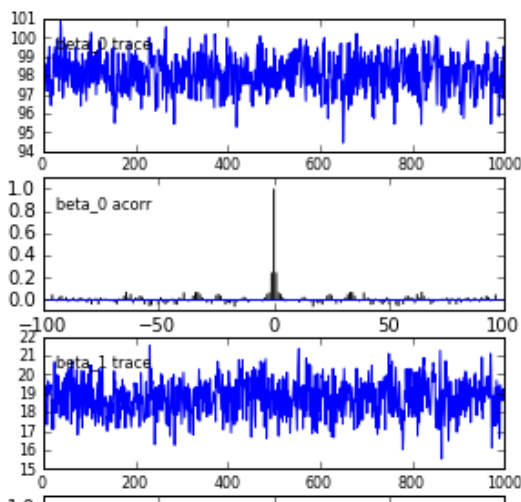
Plotting beta_0
Plotting beta_1

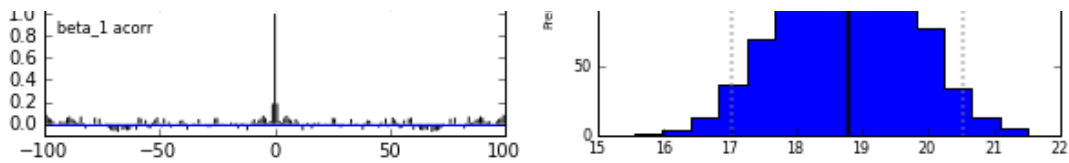
true value of beta

constant	100
cov_1	20.

predicted:

	mean	lb	ub
0	98.05	96.35	99.86
1	18.75	17.02	20.51





2a. TODO: Integrate PyMC and Pandas further

In [7]: *# making beta.value a pandas.Series would be slightly cooler than the above*

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@mc.stochastic
def beta(value=pandas.Series(dict(constant=Y.mean(), cov_1=0))):
    return 0.
mu_pred = mc.Lambda('mu_pred', lambda beta=beta, X=X: pl.dot(X, beta))
Y_obs = mc.Poisson('Y_obs', mu=mu_pred, value=Y, observed=True)
```

In [8]: beta.value

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Out[8]: constant    97.93
        cov_1       0.000
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In [9]: *# unfortunately the pandas.Series becomes a numpy.array during MCMC*

```
m = mc.Model([beta, mu_pred, Y_obs])
mc.MCMC(m).sample(10000, 5000, 5, progress_bar=False)
```

In [10]: beta.value *# in a pandas-centric version of PyMC, this would still be a pandas.Series*

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Out[10]: array([ 99.01304043,  19.70389835])
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