

Day 1 - unassessed quiz

Modern Statistics & Machine Learning for Population Health in Africa

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Recap

Stan model architecture

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data{ }
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parameters{ }
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model{ }
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generated quantities{ }
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Bayesian hierarchical model

Predictors of anaemia in in Kenyan schoolchildren¹

- $n = 1523$ schoolchildren in $n_s = 30$ primary schools in western Kenya
- set of $K = 5$ predictors (age, sex, parasitic worm infections, nutritional status and socio-economic status)

$$\text{Anaemic}_{ij} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi_{ij})$$

$$\text{logit}(\pi_{ij}) \sim (\alpha_0 + \alpha_j) + \mathbf{X}_{ij}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1),$$

$$\alpha_j \sim \text{Normal}(\alpha_0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\alpha_0 \sim \text{Normal}(0, 2^2)$$

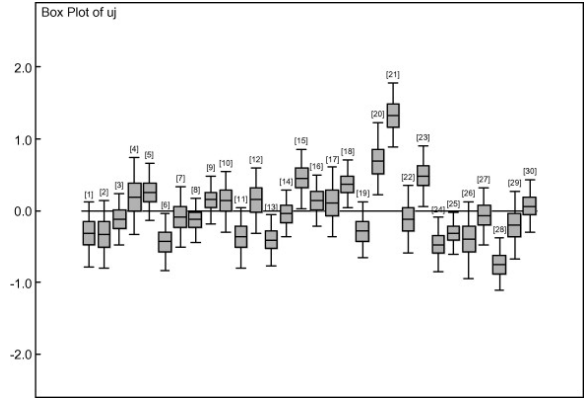
$$\sigma \sim \text{Half-Cauchy}(0, 1),$$

where $i = 1, \dots, n$ denotes the individual pupil $j = 1, \dots, n_s$ denotes the school, $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times K}$ is a design matrix of covariates and $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^K$ is a vector of coefficients corresponding to the K predictors.

¹Koukounari A, Estambale BB, Njagi JK, Cundill B, Ajanga A, Crudder C, Otido J, Jukes MC, Clarke SE, Brooker S. Relationships between anaemia and parasitic infections in Kenyan schoolchildren: a Bayesian hierarchical modelling approach. Int J Parasitol. 2008 Dec;38(14):1663-71. doi: 10.1016/j.ijpara.2008.05.013. Epub 2008 Jun 12. PMID: 18621051; PMCID: PMC2649416.

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Quiz 1 (unassessed): In groups of three, complete the google form at <https://forms.gle/ayxaunjowiRsbkTz6>



You can refer to the lecture notes/tutorials/practical labs from today, but should **not** use any generative AI tools.