Generalised Linear Models - Introduction

Why Generalised Linear Models (GLMs)?

Linear models suppose that we have observations

$$Y \sim N(X\beta, \sigma^2 I).$$

Can we use linear models for genetic case-control study?

Table: Data: Type 2 Diabetes example

Sample id	Y_i	X_i
1	type 2 diabetes	CC
2	no type 2 diabetes	CC
3	no type 2 diabetes	CT
4	no type 2 diabetes	TT
2000	type 2 diabetes	CC

 Y_i : no type 2 diabetes ightarrow 0 type 2 diabetes ightarrow 1

 $\begin{array}{cccc} X_i & : & \mathsf{CC} & \to & 0 \\ & \mathsf{CT} & \to & 1 \\ & & \mathsf{TT} & \to & 2 \\ \end{array}$

GLMs allow for non-normal Y!



Generalised Linear Models - Outline

- Binomial regression
- Exponential families
- Generalised linear models (GLMs)
- Quasilikelihood and overdispersion