

# Chapter 10. Random Effects : Generalized Linear Mixed Models

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## 10.1 Random effects model (Conditional model)

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- Example : Consider  $i$  represents the  $i$ th subject and  $j$  represents the  $j$ th treatment. Then there may be covariances between the measurements within the sample subject.

Subject	Treatment				Average
	None	Tablet	Capsule	Coated	
1	44.5	7.3	3.4	12.4	16.9
2	33.0	21.0	23.1	25.4	25.6
3	19.1	5.0	11.8	22.0	14.5
4	9.4	4.6	4.6	5.8	6.1
5	71.3	23.3	25.6	68.2	47.1
6	51.2	38.0	36.0	52.6	44.5
Average	38.1	16.5	17.4	31.1	25.8
Var	505.10	177.44	167.38	588.74	

- Two-Way model :  $y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + \epsilon_{ij}$  where  $\epsilon_{ij}$ 's are independent.

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- Fixed effect vs random effect :

- 1 Fixed effect model (misleading) :  $\mu, \alpha_i, \beta_j$  are constants to be estimated.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(y_{i1}, y_{i2}) &= \text{Cov}(\mu + \alpha_i + \beta_1 + \epsilon_{i1}, \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_2 + \epsilon_{i2}) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

- 2 Random effect model :  $\mu, \beta_j$  are constants to be estimated.  $\alpha_i$ 's are random components from  $N(0, \sigma_\alpha^2)$  and  $\sigma_\alpha^2$  needs to be estimated.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Cov}(y_{i1}, y_{i2}) &= \text{Cov}(\mu + \alpha_i + \beta_1 + \epsilon_{i1}, \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_2 + \epsilon_{i2}) \\ &= \text{Cov}(\alpha_i + \epsilon_{i1}, \alpha_i + \epsilon_{i2}) = \sigma_\alpha^2\end{aligned}$$

We reduced the number of parameters to be estimated, but we need to consider the covariance in comparing  $\bar{y}_i$ 's.

- Generalized linear mixed model :

$\alpha_i$  : random effect for subject  $i$ ,  $\beta_j$  : fixed effect for treatment  $j$ ,  $y_{ij}$  : observation  $j$  in subject  $i$ ,  $x_{ij}$  : the corresponding explanatory variable.

$$\text{logitPr}(y_{ij} = 1) = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + \beta x_{ij}$$

- Input Data : Question = 1 for "Pay Higher Tax", 0 for Cut living standards, Y = 1 for "Yes", 0 for "No"

```
> dat[c(1:2,453:456,717:720,931:934,2287:2288),]
  person question y
1       1         1 1
2       1         0 1
453     227         1 1
454     227         0 1
455     228         1 1
456     228         0 0
717     359         1 1
718     359         0 0
719     360         1 0
720     360         0 1
931     466         1 0
932     466         0 1
933     467         1 0
934     467         0 0
2287   1144         1 0
2288   1144         0 0
```

- Summarized Data

Table 10.1. Opinions Relating to Environment

Pay Higher Taxes	Cut Living Standards		Total
	Yes	No	
Yes	227	132	359
No	107	678	785
Total	334	810	1144

- Ignoring the subject effect (misleading)
  - Odds ratio under independence :  $(359/785)/(334/810) = 1.11$
  - Marginal model under independence :

$$\begin{aligned}\text{logit}P(Y_1 = 1) &= \mu + \beta \\ \text{logit}P(Y_2 = 1) &= \mu\end{aligned}$$

- Considering the subject effect (fixed effect model) : We have too many parameters to be estimated.
- Considering the subject effect (random effect model) : OR can be obtained from the following conditional model as  $\exp(0.21)$  which is equal to  $132/107$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\text{logit}P(Y_{i1} = 1) &= \mu + \alpha_i + \beta \\ \text{logit}P(Y_{i2} = 1) &= \mu + \alpha_i\end{aligned}$$

where  $\alpha_i \sim N(0, \sigma_\alpha^2)$ .

```
> dat=read.table("opinions.dat", header=T)
> res=glm(y~question, family=binomial,data=dat)
> summary(res)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = y ~ question, family = binomial, data = dat)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.868	-0.868	-0.831	1.522	1.569

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-0.886	0.065	-13.62	<2e-16 ***
question	0.103	0.091	1.14	0.26

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 2806.4 on 2287 degrees of freedom  
 Residual deviance: 2805.1 on 2286 degrees of freedom  
 AIC: 2809

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

```
> exp(res$coefficients[2])
```

```
question
      1.11
      .
```

# R Code : Considering the subject effect (random effect model)

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```
> library(lme4)
> res=glmer(y~(1|person) + question, family=binomial, nAGQ=50, data=dat)
> summary(res)
Generalized linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood (Adaptive Gauss-Hermite Quadrature, nAGQ = 50) ['glmerMod']
Family: binomial (logit)
Formula: y ~ (1 | person) + question
Data: dat

            AIC      BIC   logLik deviance df.resid
      2527      2544   -1260     2521     2285

Scaled residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-0.887 -0.269 -0.242  0.465  1.252

Random effects:
 Groups Name      Variance Std.Dev.
 person (Intercept) 8.14     2.85
Number of obs: 2288, groups: person, 1144

Fixed effects:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)   -1.834      0.162   -11.30  <2e-16 ***
question        0.210      0.130    1.61    0.11
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Correlation of Fixed Effects:
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# Example :

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- Example (Agresti, Table 9.1, 3rd Ed) : Under three situations, 1850 subjects choose "Y" or "N" to the legalized abortion; 1 for Yes, 0 for N.; 1 for Female, 0 for Male

```
> head(dat,6)
  person gender situation response
1      1      1          1          1
2      1      1          2          1
3      1      1          3          1
4      2      1          1          1
5      2      1          2          1
6      2      1          3          1
```

- Summarize data :

Gender	YYY	YYN	NYN	YYN	YNY	YNN	NNY	NNN
Male	342	26	6	21	11	32	19	356
Female	440	25	14	18	14	47	22	457

- Marginal probabilities :  $P(Y)$

Gender	1st Situation	2nd Situation	3rd Situation
Female	0.5072	0.4793	0.4725
Male	0.5055	0.4859	0.4649



- Ignoring the subject effect : Misleading
- Two right approaches
  - 1 Marginal model : GEE
  - 2 Conditional Model : mixed model

$$\text{logit}P(Y_{it} = 1) = \alpha_i + \beta_1 \text{Gender} + \beta_2 \text{Situation1} + \beta_3 \text{Situation2}$$

where  $\alpha_i \sim N(0, \sigma_\alpha^2)$ .

# R Code and Result : Analysis under independence

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```
> dat=read.table("abortion.dat", header=T)
> head(dat,3)
  person gender situation response
1      1      1         1         1
2      1      1         2         1
3      1      1         3         1
> dat$situation=factor(dat$situation,levels=c(3,1,2))
> res=glm(response~gender+situation, family=binomial,data=dat)
> summary(res)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = response ~ gender + situation, family = binomial,
    data = dat)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.189	-1.148	-1.125	1.207	1.231

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-0.125408	0.055601	-2.255	0.0241 *
gender	0.003582	0.054138	0.066	0.9472
situation1	0.149347	0.065825	2.269	0.0233 *
situation2	0.052018	0.065843	0.790	0.4295

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 7689.5 on 5549 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 7684.2 on 5546 degrees of freedom  
AIC: 7692.2

# R Code and Result : GEE(exchangeable)

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```
> res=gee(response~gender+situation,id=person,family=binomial,corstr="exchangeable",data=dat)
Beginning Cgee S-function, @(#) geeformula.q 4.13 98/01/27
running glm to get initial regression estimate
(Intercept)      gender      situation1      situation2
-0.125407576  0.003582051  0.149347113  0.052017989
> summary(res)
```

GEE: GENERALIZED LINEAR MODELS FOR DEPENDENT DATA  
gee S-function, version 4.13 modified 98/01/27 (1998)

Model:  
Link: Logit  
Variance to Mean Relation: Binomial  
Correlation Structure: Exchangeable

Call:  
gee(formula = response ~ gender + situation, id = person, data = dat,  
family = binomial, corstr = "exchangeable")

Summary of Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-0.5068644	-0.4825396	-0.4687095	0.5174604	0.5312905

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Naive S.E.	Naive z	Robust S.E.	Robust z
(Intercept)	-0.125325730	0.06782579	-1.84775925	0.06758212	-1.85442135
gender	0.003437873	0.08790630	0.03910838	0.08784072	0.03913758
situation1	0.149347107	0.02814374	5.30658404	0.02973865	5.02198729
situation2	0.052017986	0.02815145	1.84779075	0.02704703	1.92324179

Estimated Scale Parameter: 1.000721  
Number of Iterations: 2

working correlation

	[,1]	[,2]	[,3]
[1,]	1.00000000	0.8173308	0.8173308
[2,]	0.8173308	1.00000000	0.8173308
[3,]	0.8173308	0.8173308	1.00000000

```
> library(lme4)
> res=glmer(response~(1|person) + gender + situation, family=binomial, nAGQ=100, data=dat)
> summary(res)
Generalized linear mixed model fit by maximum likelihood (Adaptive Gauss-Hermite Quadrature, nAGQ = 100) ['glmerMod']
Family: binomial ( logit )
Formula: response ~ (1 | person) + gender + situation
Data: dat
```

	AIC	BIC	logLik	deviance	df.resid
	4588.5	4621.6	-2289.3	4578.5	5545

Scaled residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-1.7810	-0.1223	-0.1055	0.1396	1.7149

Random effects:

Groups	Name	Variance	Std.Dev.
person	(Intercept)	76.49	8.746

Number of obs: 5550, groups: person, 1850

Fixed effects:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-0.61936	0.37847	-1.636	0.102
gender	0.01261	0.49001	0.026	0.979
situation1	0.83478	0.16008	5.215	1.84e-07 ***
situation2	0.29245	0.15670	1.866	0.062 .

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Correlation of Fixed Effects:

	(Intr)	gender	sittn1
gender	-0.725		
situation1	-0.218	0.000	
situation2	-0.211	0.000	0.508