

# Log-linear models and conditional independence

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## Log-linear model and factorization

A joint probability vector for the model of conditional independence:  $X_2$  independent of  $X_3$  given  $X_1$ .

```
u1 <- 0.2
u2 <- -0.2
u3 <- 1.2
u12 <- 0.8
u13 <- 0.5
u23 <- 0
u123 <- 0
lam <- c(0, u1, u2, u12, u3, u13, 0, 0)

L <- matrix(c(1,1,0,1), 2, 2)
M <- L %x% L %x% L
p <- exp(M %*% lam)
p <- p/sum(p)
p
```

```
      [,1]
[1,] 0.03314280
[2,] 0.04048071
[3,] 0.02713503
[4,] 0.07376067
[5,] 0.11003799
[6,] 0.22158929
[7,] 0.09009148
[8,] 0.40376202
```

The contingency table

```
X <- expand.grid(X1 = c(0,1), X2 = c(0,1), X3 = c(0,1), stringsAsFactors = TRUE)
data3 <- data.frame(X, p)
data3
```

	X1	X2	X3	p
1	0	0	0	0.03314280
2	1	0	0	0.04048071
3	0	1	0	0.02713503
4	1	1	0	0.07376067
5	0	0	1	0.11003799
6	1	0	1	0.22158929
7	0	1	1	0.09009148
8	1	1	1	0.40376202

```
ftable(X1 + X2 ~ X3, xtabs(p ~. , data3))
```

	X1	0	1	
X2	0	1	0	1
X3				
0	0.03314280	0.02713503	0.04048071	0.07376067
1	0.11003799	0.09009148	0.22158929	0.40376202

The conditional odds-ratio are both 1

```
(0.05480844 * 0.14898478) / (0.18197043 * 0.04487335)
```

```
[1] 1
```

```
(0.06694318 * 0.24563438) / (0.13480701 * 0.12197842)
```

```
[1] 1
```

## An example

Some old data concerning breast cancer reported by Morrison n (1973). The three factors are

- $X_1$  diagnostic center
- $X_2$  nuclear grade
- $X_3$  survival after three years

Read the data

```
Freq <- c(35, 42, 59, 77, 47, 26, 112, 76)
df_bc <- data.frame(expand.grid(X1 = c("Boston", "Glamorgan"), X2 = c("malignant", "benign"))
df_bc
```

	X1	X2	X3	Freq
1	Boston	malignant	died	35
2	Glamorgan	malignant	died	42
3	Boston	benign	died	59
4	Glamorgan	benign	died	77
5	Boston	malignant	survived	47
6	Glamorgan	malignant	survived	26
7	Boston	benign	survived	112
8	Glamorgan	benign	survived	76

Fit a saturated model

```
m_sat <- glm(Freq ~ X1 * X2 * X3, family = poisson, data = df_bc)
m_sat
```

Call: `glm(formula = Freq ~ X1 * X2 * X3, family = poisson, data = df_bc)`

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	X1Glamorgan
3.55535	0.18232
X2benign	X3survived
0.52219	0.29480
X1Glamorgan:X2benign	X1Glamorgan:X3survived
0.08395	-0.77437
X2benign:X3survived	X1Glamorgan:X2benign:X3survived

0.34616

0.12034

Degrees of Freedom: 7 Total (i.e. Null); 0 Residual  
Null Deviance: 89.97  
Residual Deviance: -1.288e-14 AIC: 62.6

Fit a log-linear model

```
m_ci <- glm(Freq ~ X1 * X2 + X1 * X3, family = poisson, data = df_bc)
m_ci
```

Call: glm(formula = Freq ~ X1 \* X2 + X1 \* X3, family = poisson, data = df\_bc)

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	X1Glamorgan	X2benign
3.41662	0.18384	0.73494
X3survived	X1Glamorgan:X2benign	X1Glamorgan:X3survived
0.52561	0.07599	-0.67976

Degrees of Freedom: 7 Total (i.e. Null); 2 Residual  
Null Deviance: 89.97  
Residual Deviance: 4.072 AIC: 62.67

The likelihood ratio test is  $G_2^2 = 4.072$  that is not significant.

```
anova(m_ci, m_sat, test = "Chisq")
```

Analysis of Deviance Table

Model 1: Freq ~ X1 \* X2 + X1 \* X3  
Model 2: Freq ~ X1 \* X2 \* X3

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
1	2	4.0724			
2	0	0.0000	2	4.0724	0.1305

**Fitted counts**

```
m <- fitted(m_ci)
data_fit <- cbind(df_bc[, 1:3], m = m)
data_fit
```

	X1	X2	X3	m
1	Boston	malignant	died	30.46640
2	Glamorgan	malignant	died	36.61538
3	Boston	benign	died	63.53360
4	Glamorgan	benign	died	82.38462
5	Boston	malignant	survived	51.53360
6	Glamorgan	malignant	survived	31.38462
7	Boston	benign	survived	107.46640
8	Glamorgan	benign	survived	70.61538

```
m[1] * m[7] / (m[3]*m[5])
```

```
1
1
```

```
m[2] * m[8] / (m[4]*m[6])
```

```
2
1
```

## Using a significance test for the same conditional independence

Use the package **bnlearn** to test conditional independence

```
library(readr)
data_bc <- read_rds("data_bc.rds")

ci.test("X2", "X3", "X1", data = data_bc)
```

Mutual Information (disc.)

```
data:  X2 ~ X3 | X1
mi = 4.0724, df = 2, p-value = 0.1305
alternative hypothesis: true value is greater than 0
```