

3. (a) In case of generalized linear model  $g(\mu_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$ , find the inverse function  $g^{-1}$  (that is, solve what form the expected value  $\mu_i$  has), when the link function  $g$  is

i.  $\sqrt{\mu_i} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$ ,

**Solution:**

$$\sqrt{\mu_i} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i \implies \mu_i = (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)^2.$$

ii.  $\frac{1}{\mu_i^2} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$ ,

**Solution:**

$$\frac{1}{\mu_i^2} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i \implies \mu_i^2 = \frac{1}{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i} \implies \mu_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}}.$$

iii.  $\log\left(\frac{\mu_i}{1-\mu_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$ .

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \log\left(\frac{\mu_i}{1-\mu_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i &\implies \frac{\mu_i}{1-\mu_i} = \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) \\ &\implies \mu_i + \mu_i \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) = \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) \\ &\implies \mu_i = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)} \end{aligned}$$

(2 points)

- (b) Let us assume  $Y_i \sim IG(\mu_i, \phi)$ . Consider the model

$$\log(\mu_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(x_i).$$

Let the estimates of the parameters  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \phi$  be as  $\hat{\beta}_0 = 1, \hat{\beta}_1 = 0.5, \tilde{\phi} = 0.05$ .

- i. Calculate the maximum likelihood estimate for the expected value  $\mu_i$  when  $x_i = 5$ .

**Solution:**

The model  $\log(\mu_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(x_i)$  means that the expected value has the form

$$\mu_i = e^{[\beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(x_i)]} = e^{\beta_0} x_i^{\beta_1}.$$

Thus the maximum likelihood estimate of  $\mu_i$  is

$$\hat{\mu}_i = e^{\hat{\beta}_0} x_i^{\hat{\beta}_1} = e^1 \cdot 5^{0.5} = 6.078263.$$

- ii. Calculate the Pearson residual

$$o_i = \frac{y_i - \hat{\mu}_i}{\sqrt{\widehat{\text{Var}}(Y_i)}},$$

when  $x_i = 5$  and the observed value is  $y_i = 12$ .

**Solution:**

Under Inverse Gaussian distribution  $\text{Var}(Y_i) = \phi \mu_i^3$ . Hence

$$\widehat{\text{Var}}(Y_i) = \tilde{\phi} \hat{\mu}_i^3 = 0.05 \cdot 6.078263^3 = 11.22816,$$

and

$$o_i = \frac{y_i - \hat{\mu}_i}{\sqrt{\widehat{\text{Var}}(Y_i)}} = \frac{12 - 6.078263}{\sqrt{11.22816}} = 1.767237.$$

(2 points)

(c) In generalized linear models, the likelihood equations can be written in form

$$\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi)}{\partial \beta_j} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \mu_i)}{\text{Var}(Y_i)} \cdot x_{ij} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \eta_i} \right) = 0, \quad j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, p.$$

Consider now the simple Gamma model with

$$Y_i \sim \text{Gamma}(\mu_i, \phi),$$

$$\mu_i = \eta_i = \beta_0.$$

What kind of more simplified form the likelihood equations have in this case? That is, what form  $\frac{\partial l(\beta_0)}{\partial \beta_0}$  has in the simple Gamma model? By using the likelihood equations, find the maximum likelihood estimator  $\hat{\beta}_0$ .

(2 points)

**Solution:**

Since  $E(Y_i) = \mu_i = \beta_0$ ,  $\text{Var}(Y_i) = \phi \mu_i^2 = \phi \beta_0^2$ ,  $x_{i0} = 1$  and also  $\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \eta_i} = 1$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi)}{\partial \beta_0} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \mu_i)}{\text{Var}(Y_i)} x_{i0} \left( \frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \eta_i} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \mu_i)}{\phi \mu_i^2} \cdot 1 \cdot 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \beta_0)}{\phi \beta_0^2} = \frac{1}{\phi \beta_0^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0). \end{aligned}$$

Because  $Y_i > 0$ , also  $\mu_i = \beta_0 > 0$  and hence  $\frac{\partial l(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \phi)}{\partial \beta_0} = 0$  only if  $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0) = 0$ , i.e., only if

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right) - n\beta_0 = 0.$$

Hence it should hold for the solution  $\hat{\beta}_0$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right) - n\hat{\beta}_0 &= 0, \\ -n\hat{\beta}_0 &= - \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right), \\ \hat{\beta}_0 &= \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{n} = \bar{y}. \end{aligned}$$