

Andy's Modeling Updates

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- Discuss R Project workflow and data pre-processing script
- Andy's updates on modeling
- “Evaluating situational decomposition” qualms
- Discuss structure of report

R Projects

- “Sandbox” workspace for a specific project
- Main advantage is there is no need to change working directories or paths
- There is only 1 R project: code
- To open the project, double click `code.Rproj` (should open a new RStudio window)
- You must have open the `.Rproj` file before opening and running any `.R` or `.Rmd` file

Data pre-processing

- There is an R script in the code/ directory
- Judgment calls and decision rules

Section 1

Replicating Felson Study 1: Effect of intoxication on sexual intercourse

Judgment calls

Note: all of the code for these slides can be found in the accompanying `.Rmd` file

- Remove entries with all NA
- People who refused to respond were categorized in the reference category (no for sex, never for alcohol)

Total association with logistic regression

Table 1: Total association logistic regression odds ratios (Andy).

| Gender | Occasionally | Frequently | OR_diff |
|------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| all_gender | 4.4 | 8.8 | 4.3 |
| male | 4.0 | 8.1 | 4.2 |
| female | 4.9 | 9.3 | 4.4 |

Table 2: Total association logistic regression odds ratios (Felson et al.).

| Gender | Occasionally | Frequently | OR_diff |
|------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| all_gender | 4.0 | 8.5 | 4.5 |
| male | 3.6 | 8.7 | 5.1 |
| female | 4.4 | 7.7 | 3.3 |

Takeaways

- Pretty concordant with the paper

Spuriousness of intoxication on sober sex

Table 3: Our spuriousness values

| | Occasionally | Frequently |
|------------|--------------|------------|
| all_gender | 91.0 | 84.4 |
| males | 88.7 | 84.0 |
| females | 92.7 | 84.6 |

Table 4: Felson's spuriousness values

| | Occasionally | Frequently |
|------------|--------------|------------|
| all_gender | 95.7 | 91.6 |
| males | 95.3 | 91.2 |
| females | 97.3 | 93.6 |

Section 2

Replicating Felson Study 2: Effect of intoxication on contraceptive use

Data pre-processing

- Same R script: `data-preprocessing.R`
- Reduce cases down to respondents who have had sex ($n = 2565$)

Judgment Calls

- NAs in contraception use were not given benefit of the doubt

Total association using logistic regression

Table 5: Total association logistic regression odds ratios (Andy).

| Gender | Occasionally | Frequently | OR_diff |
|------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| all_gender | 1.00 | 1.40 | 0.40 |
| male | 0.97 | 1.36 | 0.39 |
| female | 1.02 | 1.57 | 0.55 |

Table 6: Total association logistic regression odds ratios (Felson et al.).

| Gender | Occasionally | Frequently | OR_diff |
|------------|--------------|------------|---------|
| all_gender | 1.05 | 1.38 | 0.33 |
| male | 1.00 | 1.40 | 0.40 |
| female | 1.07 | 1.51 | 0.44 |

Takeaways

- This seems pretty good
- Now let's discuss spuriousness

Spuriousness of intoxication on contraception use

Table 7: Our spuriousness values

| | Occasionally | Frequently |
|------------|--------------|------------|
| all_gender | -3129.5 | -3.3 |
| males | 646.4 | -27.9 |
| females | -460.2 | 36.1 |

Table 8: Felson's spuriousness values

| | Occasionally | Frequently |
|------------|--------------|------------|
| all_gender | NA | 46.9 |
| males | NA | 41.1 |
| females | NA | 68.3 |

Side note

- Both the coefficients from binary LR and multinomial LR are significant for frequent female drinkers only in Felson's study.
- This happens to be the only result with a reasonable spuriousness value!

Section 3

Critiquing situational decomposition

Questions from our proposal

- Does SD make sense?
- Under what assumptions would SD yield the correct result?
- Are these assumptions reasonable in this setting?
- Can we construct an example in which SD fails?

Issues with situational decomposition

- What happens when there is above 100% spuriousness?
- What happens when the coefficient is negative? (Felson seems to wave it away)

E-value

- Peng's causal notes discuss the E-value for logistic regression (section 17.4.2)

Next steps

- Andy
 - Write up today's results into a latex document called `final-report.tex` (formatted by TD)
 - Start preprocessing data for instrumental variables analysis
 - Look into doing IVLS with binary outcome (IV logistic regression)
- Tiffany
 - Look into a sensitivity analysis method (Rosenbaum has R packages)
 - Write up "Evaluating situational decomposition" after all the questions in the proposal (section 3.1) are discussed
- Andy and Tiffany
 - Come up with a mathematically driven causal inference model (multi-level treatments)
 - Decide which covariates should be adjusted for in IVLS or a re-do of Felson