## **Exponential background CML parameter estimate confidence intervals**

The demo script confint. R starts out by using optim() and an explicitly defined log-likelihood function to fit  $e^{c0+k*age}$  to CML incidence for ages >20 using Poisson regression. It then shows that the same results are obtained by either mle2() or by glm(), but slightly different results are obtained using the least squares functions nls() and lm(). This script also shows that when ages are centered about a median age of 55, the confidence interval of c0 (the log-space intercept) is shortened more so than that of k (the log-space slope).