STA 250 Homework 1

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Problem 2

(i)

$$Y_i | \beta \sim \text{Binomial}(m_i, \text{logit}^{-1}(x_i^T \beta)), \beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

So we have

$$p(y_i|\beta) = \binom{m_i}{y_i} \left(\frac{e^{x_i^T \beta}}{1 + e^{x_i^T \beta}}\right)^{y_i} \left(1 - \frac{e^{x_i^T \beta}}{1 + e^{x_i^T \beta}}\right)^{m_i - y_i}$$
$$= \binom{m_i}{y_i} \frac{e^{(x_i^T \beta)y_i}}{(1 + e^{x_i^T \beta})^{m_i}}$$

Then

$$p(\mathbf{y}|\beta) \propto \frac{\exp(\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i^T \beta) y_i)}{\prod_{i=1}^{n} (1 + e^{x_i^T \beta})^{m_i}}$$

and

$$p(\beta) \propto \exp[-\frac{1}{2}(\beta - \mu_0)^T \Sigma_0^{-1}(\beta - \mu_0)]$$

So the posterior is, up to proportionality

$$p(\beta|\mathbf{y}) \propto \frac{\exp[\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i^T \beta) y_i - \frac{1}{2} (\beta - \mu_0)^T \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\beta - \mu_0)]}{\prod_{i=1}^{n} (1 + e^{x_i^T \beta})^{m_i}}$$

We may take logarithm of the proportional posterior for calculation, which is

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i^T \beta) y_i - \frac{1}{2} (\beta - \mu_0)^T \Sigma_0^{-1} (\beta - \mu_0) - \sum_{i=1}^{n} m_i \log(1 + e^{x_i^T \beta})$$

(ii) In this problem, I used the Metropolis-Hastings-within-Gibbs to generate

the Markov chain for posterior distribution. The proposal distribution was

$$\beta_0^{(t)} \sim N(\beta_0^{(t-1)}, v)$$

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The algorithm was performed as the following:

- (1) set initial values $\beta_0^{(0)} = 0, \beta_1^{(0)} = 0, t = 1, v = 1.$ (2) let $\beta_0^{(t)} = \beta_0^{(t-1)}, \beta_1^{(t)} = \beta_1^{(t-1)}, \text{ sample } \beta_0^{(t)} \text{ from } N(\beta_0^{(t-1)}, v)$