Session 7

Incorporating imperfect sensitivity and specificity into more complex models

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Fitting the models is technically quite straightforward

The real difficulty lies in the interpretation

• What exactly is the latent class?

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Logistic regression in JAGS

```
model{
  for(i in 1:N){
    Outcome[i] ~ dbern(prob[i])
    logit(prob[i]) <- intercept + beta1[Category[i]] +</pre>
    ⇔ beta2*Covariate[i]
  intercept ~ dnorm(0, 10^-6)
  beta1 ~ dnorm(0, 10^-6)
  beta2 ~ dnorm(0, 10^-6)
  #data# N, Outcome, Category, Covariate
  #monitor# intercept, beta1, beta2
  #inits# intercept, beta1, beta2
```

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model{
  for(i in 1:N){
    Outcome[i] ~ dbern(obs_prob[i])
    obs_prob[i] <- prob[i]*se + (1-prob[i])*(1-sp)
    logit(prob[i]) <- intercept + beta1[Category[i]] +</pre>
    ⇔ beta2*Covariate[i]
  se ~ dbeta(1,1)T(1-sp, )
  sp \sim dbeta(1,1)
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  for(i in 1:N){
    Outcome[i] ~ dbern(obs_prob[i])
    obs_prob[i] <- prob[i]*se[Test[i]] + (1-prob[i])*(1-sp[Test[i]])
    logit(prob[i]) <- intercept + beta1[Category[i]] +</pre>

→ beta2*Covariate[i]

  se[1] ~ dbeta(148.43, 16.49)T(1-sp[1], )
  sp[1] ~ dbeta(240.03, 12.63)
  se[2] ~ dbeta(183.59, 9.98)T(1-sp[2], )
  sp[2] ~ dbeta(199.22, 0.53)
  intercept ~ dnorm(0, 10^-6)
  beta1 ~ dnorm(0, 10^-6)
  beta2 ~ dnorm(0, 10^-6)
  #data# N, Outcome, Category, Covariate, Test
  #monitor# intercept, beta1, beta2, se, sp
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```

Other types of GL(M)M

You can use template.jags as inspiration:

```
template.jags(weight ~ group, family="gaussian", data=data,

file="linear_model.txt")

## Your model template was created at "linear_model.txt" - it is highly

advisable to examine the model syntax to be sure it is as intended

## You can then run the model using run.jags("linear_model.txt")

results <- run.jags("linear_model.txt")

## Loading required namespace: rjags

## module glm loaded

## module dic loaded
```

```
results
##
## JAGS model summary statistics from 20000 samples (chains = 2;
   adapt+burnin = 5000):
##
##
                    Lower95 Median Upper95 Mean
## regression_precision 0.82427 1.9869 3.4119 2.0603
            4.5606 5.0316 5.4943 5.0307
## intercept
## group_effect[1]
                                0
## group_effect[2] -1.0258 -0.36828 0.28205 -0.36871
## deviance
                  40.181 42.727 48.687 43.436
## resid.sum.sq
                    8.7293 9.4175 12.264
                                           9.8313
##
                         SD Mode MCerr MC%ofSD SSeff
##
## regression_precision 0.68727 -- 0.0053809
                                           0.8 16313
## intercept
            0.23498 -- 0.0016616 0.7 20000
## group_effect[1]
                         0 0
## group_effect[2] 0.33082 -- 0.0022963
                                           0.7 20756
## deviance
                   2.6983 -- 0.021922
                                           0.8 15150
                    1.2877 -- 0.010336
                                           0.8 15522
## resid.sum.sa
##
##
                        AC.10 psrf
## regression_precision 0.0082247 1.0001
## intercept
                     0.0063624 1.0001
## group_effect[1]
## group_effect[2] -0.0071836 0.99998
## deviance
                    -0.0069055 1.0003
```

Supported features:

- Gaussian, binomial, Poisson, negative binomial, ZIB, ZIP, ZINB
- Random intercepts

We can also add (currently manually):

- Random slopes
- Spline terms
- Interval censoring

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But does your data match your ambitions?

- All models can be specified
- Relatively few are identifiable

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- Remember to keep an eye on the COST action website:
 - http://harmony-net.eu
 - Physical training schools are being run in September and accepting sign-ups now!

Practical session 7

Points to consider

- 1. When is there a benefit of adding imperfect test information?
- 2. When is there no real benefit?