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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models

Logistic regression in JAGS

```
model{
  for(i in 1:N){
    Observation[i] ~ dbern(prob[i])
    logit(prob[i]) <- intercept + beta1[Category[i]] +</pre>
    ⇔ beta2*Covariate[i]
  intercept ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
  beta1[1] <- 0
  for(c in 2:NC){
    beta1[c] ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
  beta2 ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
  #data# N, Observation, NC, Category, Covariate
  #monitor# intercept, beta1, beta2
  #inits# intercept, beta1, beta2
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model{
  for(i in 1:N){
    Observation[i] ~ dbern(obs_prob[i])
    obs_prob[i] <- prob[i]*se + (1-prob[i])*(1-sp)
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    ⇔ beta2*Covariate[i]
  se ~ dbeta(148.43, 16.49)T(1-sp, )
  sp ~ dbeta(240.03, 12.63)
  intercept ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
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    ⇔ beta2*Covariate[i]
  se <-0.9
  sp < -0.95
  intercept ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
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  for(i in 1:N){
    Observation[i] ~ dbern(obs_prob[i])
    obs_prob[i] <- prob[i]*se[Test[i]] + (1-prob[i])*(1-sp[Test[i]])</pre>
    logit(prob[i]) <- intercept + beta1[Category[i]] +</pre>
    ⇔ beta2*Covariate[i]
  #data# se, sp
  intercept ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
  beta1[1] <- 0
  for(c in 2:NC){
    beta1[c] ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
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  #data# N, Observation, NC, Category, Covariate, Test
  #monitor# intercept, beta1, beta2
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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
4.5648 5.0305 5.4925 5.0305
## intercept
## group_effect[1] 0
                             0 0
## group_effect[2] -1.0196 -0.36886 0.28571 -0.36997
## deviance
                40.187 42.691 48.54 43.374
## resid.sum.sq
                 8.7293 9.4177 12.168 9.8105
##
                      SD Mode MCerr MC%ofSD SSeff
##
## regression_precision 0.67957 -- 0.0054379
                                        0.8 15617
## intercept
           0.23253 -- 0.0016442 0.7 20000
## group_effect[1]
                       0 0
## group_effect[2] 0.32754 -- 0.0023161 0.7 20000
## deviance
                 2.6157 -- 0.021424
                                       0.8 14906
                 1.2268 -- 0.0098925
                                        0.8 15379
## resid.sum.sa
##
##
                      AC.10 psrf
## regression_precision -0.0041187 1.0002
                   0.0019516 0.99998
## intercept
## group_effect[1]
## group_effect[2] -0.0068824 0.99995
## deviance
                  0.0071447 1.0005
```

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!

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Points to consider

- 1. When is there a benefit to adding imperfect test characteristics?
- 2. When is there no real benefit?