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])
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    ⇔ 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
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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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  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
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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)
  beta2 ~ dnorm(0, 0.01)
  #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
## Compiling rjags model...
## Calling the simulation using the rjags method...
## Note: the model did not require adaptation
## Burning in the model for 4000 iterations...
## Running the model for 10000 iterations...
## Simulation complete
## Calculating summary statistics...
## Note: The monitored variable 'group_effect[1]'
## appears to be non-stochastic; it will not be included
## in the convergence diagnostic
## Calculating the Gelman-Rubin statistic for 6
## variables....
## Finished running the gimulation
```

```
results
##
## JAGS model summary statistics from 20000 samples (chains = 2;
   adapt+burnin = 5000):
##
##
                   Lower95 Median Upper95 Mean
## regression_precision 0.877 1.9921 3.4796 2.0653
           4.5658 5.0327 5.4977 5.0329
## intercept
## group_effect[1]
                               0
## group_effect[2] -1.0436 -0.36951 0.26252 -0.37097
## deviance
                  40.184 42.735 48.629 43.426
## resid.sum.sq
                  8.7293 9.4237 12.237
                                         9.8261
##
                       SD Mode MCerr MC%ofSD SSeff
##
## regression_precision 0.68937 -- 0.0054399
                                         0.8 16059
## intercept
            0.2362 -- 0.001655
                                         0.7 20369
## group_effect[1]
                        0 0
## group_effect[2] 0.33136 -- 0.0023661
                                         0.7 19613
## deviance
                  2.658 -- 0.021438
                                         0.8 15372
                  1.2374 -- 0.0098384
                                         0.8 15817
## resid.sum.sa
##
##
                       AC.10 psrf
## regression_precision -0.010936
            0.0087506
## intercept
## group_effect[1]
## group_effect[2] 0.0052194
## deviance
                  -0.0010354
```

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?