

STAT 151A Lecture 36

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Remark 0.1 (Logistic Regression: Final Thoughts)

How to solve for $\hat{\beta}$ numerically?

Goal: want $\hat{\beta}_n$ that maximizes $l(\beta)$, equivalently want $\hat{\beta}_n$ such that

$$\frac{\partial l(\hat{\beta}_n)}{\partial \beta} = 0$$

Strategy: Newton-Raphson Method:

- (1) Start with a guess for $\hat{\beta}_n \rightarrow$ call it $\beta_{(0)}$
- (2) Find tangent line to $l'(\beta)$ at $\beta_{(0)}$
- (3) Find the value $\beta_{(1)}$ where tangent line intersects 0
- (4) Repeat until convergence

Another way to think about this: repeated Taylor expansions

Why not do gradient descent?

Slower \rightarrow main advantage is that you don't need a second derivative \rightarrow tangent line requires it
Since 2nd derivative is easy to do here, we use Newton-Raphson

In math: tangent line for step 2:

$$l'(\hat{\beta}_n) = l'(\beta_{(0)}) + (\hat{\beta}_n - \beta_{(0)})l''(\beta_{(0)}) + \text{tiny error}$$

Being more picky about vectors vs scalars, write as:

$$\nabla l(\hat{\beta}_n) \approx \nabla l(\beta_{(0)}) - (\hat{\beta}_n - \hat{\beta}_{(0)})I(\beta_{(0)})$$

Rearrange in terms of $\hat{\beta}_n$

$$\hat{\beta}_n \approx \beta_{(0)} + [I_n(\beta_{(0)})]^{-1} \nabla l(\beta_{(0)}) \Rightarrow \text{set } \beta_{(1)} \text{ equal to this and iterate until } \beta_{(k+1)} \approx \beta_{(k)} \text{ ie} \\ [I_n(\beta_{(k)})]^{-1} \nabla l(\beta_{(k)}) \approx 0$$

Plug in $I_n(\beta_{(k)}) = (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{V}_{(k)} \mathbf{X})$, $\mathbf{V} = \text{diag}(\pi_i(1 - \pi_i))$

$$\nabla l(\beta_{(k)}) = \mathbf{X}^\top y - \mathbf{X}^\top \hat{\pi}_{(k)}$$

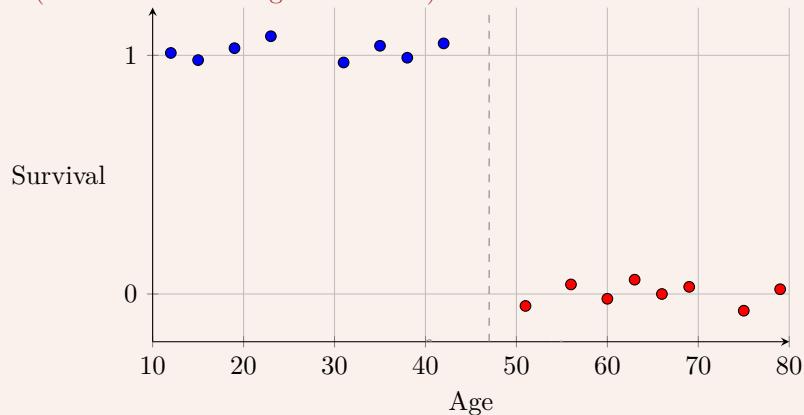
So at convergence, we've solved $(\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{V}_{(k)} \mathbf{X})^{-1} [\mathbf{X}^\top y - \mathbf{X}^\top \hat{\pi}_{(k)}] \approx \vec{0}$

Iterable weighted least squares

$$\text{Our update: } \hat{\beta}_{(1)} = \hat{\beta}_{(0)} + (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{V} \mathbf{X})^{-1} [\mathbf{X}^\top y - \mathbf{X}^\top \hat{\pi}]$$

Let $y^* = \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} + \mathbf{V}^{-1}(y - \hat{\pi})$, then it turns out $\hat{\beta}_{(1)} = (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{V} \mathbf{X}) \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{V} y^*$

Example 0.2 (Possible dataset: Age vs survival)



Logistic regression doesn't usually allow this $\hat{\pi} = \frac{1}{1+\exp(-\mathbf{x}\hat{\beta})}$

$\hat{\beta}$ will not converge will try to set it infinitely large \rightarrow R: "Warning: fitted probabilities of 0 and 1 occurred"

Also "separable" and will lead $\hat{\beta}$ to diverge

Remark 0.3 (Residuals for Logistic Regression)

Recall residual deviance: a bit like ErrSS

$D = -2 \sum [y_i \log \hat{\pi}_i + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - \hat{\pi}_i)]$ comes from log-likelihood

Different versions:

- (1) Deviance residuals: $d_i = \pm \sqrt{-2(y_i \log \hat{\pi}_i + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - \hat{\pi}_i))}, \pm$ determined $\text{sgn}(y_i - \hat{\pi}_i)$
- (2) Response residual: $y_i - \hat{\pi}_i$
- (3) Can also standardize either deviance or response residuals
 - (a) Pearson Residuals: $\frac{y_i - \hat{\pi}_i}{\sqrt{\hat{\pi}_i(1 - \hat{\pi}_i)}}$
 - (b) Standardized Pearson Residuals: $\frac{y_i - \hat{\pi}_i}{\sqrt{\hat{\pi}_i(1 - \hat{\pi}_i)}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - h_{ii}}}, \mathbb{H} = \mathbf{X}\mathbf{V}^{1/2}(\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{V} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{V}^{1/2} \mathbf{X}^\top$
 - (c) Standardized Deviance Residual: $\frac{d_i}{\sqrt{1 - h_{ii}}}$