

Data Science - Regression Models - Quiz 4 - Coursera

Quiz 4

This is Quiz 4 from Coursera's Regression Models class within the Data Science Specialization. This publication is intended as a learning resource, all answers are documented and explained. Datasets are available in R packages.

1. Consider the space shuttle data `?shuttle` in the MASS library. Consider modeling the use of the autolander as the outcome (variable name `use`). Fit a logistic regression model with autolander (variable `auto`) `use` (labeled as "auto" 1) versus not (0) as predicted by wind sign (variable `wind`). Give the estimated odds ratio for autolander use comparing head winds, labeled as "head" in the variable `headwind` (numerator) to tail winds (denominator).

- **Answer:** 0.969

Explanation:

Fitting the model using a binomial distribution gives a beta coefficient of .031.

```
library(MASS)
data(shuttle)
head(shuttle)

##   stability error sign wind   magn vis   use
## 1      xstab   LX   pp head  Light  no auto
## 2      xstab   LX   pp head Medium no auto
## 3      xstab   LX   pp head Strong no auto
## 4      xstab   LX   pp tail  Light  no auto
## 5      xstab   LX   pp tail Medium no auto
## 6      xstab   LX   pp tail Strong no auto

#Checking out the data
unique(shuttle$use)

## [1] auto   noauto
## Levels: auto noauto

unique(shuttle$wind)

## [1] head tail
## Levels: head tail
```

```
#Creating 0,1 variable for auto/noauto factor
shuttle$use <- as.numeric(shuttle$use == "auto")

#generating model
mdl <- glm(factor(use)~factor(wind)-1,binomial,data = shuttle)

exp(mdl$coef[1])/exp(mdl$coef[2])

## factor(wind)head
##          0.9686888
```

2. Consider the previous problem. Give the estimated odds ratio for autolander use comparing head winds (numerator) to tail winds (denominator) adjusting for wind strength from the variable magn.

• **0.969**

Explanation:

The unadjusted beta values are higher. Weight is confounding significantly.

```
#Checking out the factor levels
unique(shuttle$magn)

## [1] Light Medium Strong Out
## Levels: Light Medium Out Strong

mdl2 <- glm(factor(use)~factor(wind)+factor(magn)-1,binomial,data = shuttle)
summary(mdl2)

##
## Call:
## glm(formula = factor(use) ~ factor(wind) + factor(magn) - 1,
##      family = binomial, data = shuttle)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min        1Q    Median        3Q        Max
## -1.349  -1.321   1.015   1.040   1.184
##
## Coefficients:
##
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
```

```
## factor(wind)head      3.635e-01  2.841e-01  1.280    0.201
## factor(wind)tail      3.955e-01  2.844e-01  1.391    0.164
## factor(magn)Medium -1.010e-15  3.599e-01  0.000    1.000
## factor(magn)Out      -3.795e-01  3.568e-01 -1.064    0.287
## factor(magn)Strong -6.441e-02  3.590e-01 -0.179    0.858
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 354.89  on 256  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 348.78  on 251  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 358.78
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4
exp(md12$coef[1])/exp(md12$coef[2])
## factor(wind)head
##      0.9684981
```

3. If you fit a logistic regression model to a binary variable, for example use of the autolander, then fit a logistic regression model for one minus the outcome (not using the autolander) what happens to the coefficients?

- **The coefficients reverse their signs.**

Explanation:

The sign of the coefficient flips. One minus a binary variable flips zeros with 1 and vice versa.

```
md13 <- glm(1-use~factor(wind)-1,binomial,data = shuttle)
md13$coef
## factor(wind)head factor(wind)tail
##      -0.2513144      -0.2831263
md1$coef
## factor(wind)head factor(wind)tail
##      0.2513144      0.2831263
```

4. Consider the insect spray data `InsectSprays`. Fit a Poisson model using spray as a factor level. Report the estimated relative rate comparing spray A (numerator) to spray B (denominator).

- **0.9457**

Explanation:

`Mtcars` reports the weight in units of 1000 lbs. Using `l(wt*.5)` doubles the weight coefficient from the previous model. This reflects a 2000 lbs (1 ton) increase holding the factor variable fixed.

```
data("InsectSprays")
mdl4 <- glm(count~spray-1,poisson,data = InsectSprays)
exp(mdl4$coef[1])/exp(mdl4$coef[2])
##      sprayA
## 0.9456522
```

5. Consider a Poisson glm with an offset, t . So, for example, a model of the form `glm(count ~ x + offset(t), family = poisson)` where x is a factor variable comparing a treatment (1) to a control (0) and t is the natural log of a monitoring time. What is impact of the coefficient for x if we fit the model `glm(count ~ x + offset(t2), family = poisson)` where $2 <- \log(10) + t$? In other words, what happens to the coefficients if we change the units of the offset variable. (Note, adding $\log(10)$ on the log scale is multiplying by 10 on the original scale.)

- **The coefficient estimate is unchanged**

Explanation:

Coefficient stays because poisson regression is modeling odds so the multiplicative offset will cancel out.

```
mdl5 <- glm(count~spray,poisson,offset = log(count+1),data = InsectSprays)
mdl6 <- glm(count~spray,poisson,offset = log(10)+log(count+1),data = InsectSprays)
mdl6$coef
##      (Intercept)      sprayB      sprayC      sprayD      sprayE
## -2.369276467    0.003512473 -0.325350713 -0.118451059 -0.184623054
##      sprayF
## 0.008422466
mdl5$coef
##      (Intercept)      sprayB      sprayC      sprayD      sprayE
```

```
## -0.066691374 0.003512473 -0.325350713 -0.118451059 -0.184623054
##          sprayF
## 0.008422466
```

6. Consider the data

```
x <- -5:5
y <- c(5.12, 3.93, 2.67, 1.87, 0.52, 0.08, 0.93, 2.05, 2.54, 3.87, 4.97)
```

Using a knot point at 0, fit a linear model that looks like a hockey stick with two lines meeting at $x=0$. Include an intercept term, x and the knot point term. What is the estimated slope of the line after 0?

• **1.013**

Explanation:

To give the coefficients R automatically subtracted the mean slope of the first line from that of the second, so we can simply add it back to get the true value.

```
x <- -5:5
y <- c(5.12, 3.93, 2.67, 1.87, 0.52, 0.08, 0.93, 2.05, 2.54, 3.87, 4.97)

k<-c(0)
split<-sapply(k,function(k) (x>k)*(x-k))
xmat<-cbind(1,x,split)
mdl7 <- lm(y~xmat-1)
yhat<-predict(mdl7)
mdl7$coef
##          xmat          xmatx          xmat
## -0.1825806 -1.0241584  2.0372258
mdl7$coef[3]+mdl7$coef[2]
##          xmat
## 1.013067
plot(x,y)
lines(x,yhat, col= "red", lwd =2)
```

