

Generalized Linear Models(Lecture 5)

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Variance/Covariance “wrap up”

$$\beta^{(t+1)} = \beta^{(t)} + (I^{(t)})^{-1} * \mu^{(t)},$$

where I is variance/covariance matrix of estimate using Fischer scoring.

- Characterizing uncertainty
- Approximation to the likelihood or posterior surface
- Frequentist Method/Fisher Scoring
 - relying on large sample approximation to likelihood surface
 - relies on distributional assumptions
- Other options
 - more computationally intensive
 - hard to use w/black box
 - sampling based (Bayesian MCMC;Gibbs sampling)

Inference Miscellany

Setting:logistic regression and the model is:

$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \alpha + \beta x_i$$

In large sample and $x = x_k$, the SE for

$$\text{logit}(\hat{\pi}_k)$$

is described as:

$$\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x_k)}$$

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And the variance can be written as

$$\text{var}(\hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}x_k) = \text{var}(\hat{\alpha}) + x_k^2 \text{var}(\hat{\beta}) + 2x_k \text{cov}(\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta})$$

- Confidence Interval

95% C.I. for

$$\text{logit}(\hat{\pi}_k) = \text{logit}(\hat{\pi}_k) \pm 2 * SE(\text{logit}(\hat{\pi}_k))$$

If the C.I. is (a,b), 95% C.I. for

$$\hat{\pi}_k \in \left(\frac{e^a}{1 + e^a}, \frac{e^b}{1 + e^b} \right)$$

R function is

`predict(mymodel,type="response")`

Model Checking and Building

Checking: does the model fit data well?

- residual plots/analysis
- predicted v.s. observed
- instability in model estimate (large SEs?) colinearity?

Building: process by which you arrive at a “chosen” model

- systematic/pre-specified analysis plan
- covariate choices
 - selection criteria. e.g. AIC(Akaike information criterion), BIC(Bayesian information criterion), Likelihood-ratio test
 - describe/explain analysis
 - specify type 1 error
 - specify correction for multiple testing
 - specify validation SE
 - iterative/subject
 - use residual plots or other G.O.F measure to modify model
 - incorporate domain-specific knowledge, e.g. other covariates
 - vigilant about “garden of forking paths”
 - important to use validation samples
 - penalized regression (LASSO(least absolute shrinkage and selection operator, often used in Bioinformatics), GAMs,...)
 - ensemble of “reasonable” model

Poisson GLMs

$$y_i \sim \text{poisson}(\lambda_i)$$

$$\eta_i = X_i \beta$$

$$g(E(y_i)) = \log(\lambda_i) = \eta_i = X_i \beta$$

Loglink

- implies covariates have multiplicate effect.

$$\lambda_i = e^{\beta_0} * e^{\beta_1 x_1} * e^{\beta_2 x_2} * \dots$$

- relative risk/rate interpretation for e^{β_k}

$$\log \lambda_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \beta_2 x_{2i}$$

$$(\log \lambda_i \mid x_1 = k + 1, x_2 = j) = \beta_0 + \beta_1(k + 1) + \beta_2 j$$

$$(\log \lambda_i \mid x_1 = k, x_2 = j) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 k + \beta_2 j$$

$$\beta_1 = (\log \lambda_i \mid x_1 = k + 1, x_2 = j) - (\log \lambda_i \mid x_1 = k, x_2 = j) = \log\left(\frac{\lambda_i \mid x_1 = k + 1}{\lambda_i \mid x_1 = k}\right) = \log(RR)$$

$$RelativeRisk = e^{\beta_1}$$

Holding all other variables constant, the expected value of y change $[(e^{\beta} - 1) * 100]\%$, e.g. $(0.8 - 1) * 100 \rightarrow -20\%$ decrease; $(1.2 - 1) * 100 \rightarrow 20\%$ increase.

Exposure/Offset

outcome of interest e.g.1 rank of hospitalizations by county

y_i = # of times of outcome occurred

u_i = offset or exposure

e.g.2

y_i = # of case of flu in a population

u_i = Population

e.g.3

y_i = # of traffic accident at intersection i in one day

u_i = 1.average number of vichicles at intersection today. 2.average number of vichicles at intersection yesterday

$$y_i \sim poisson(\mu_i \lambda_i)$$

$$E(y_i) = \mu_i \lambda_i$$

$$\log(E(y_i)) = \log \mu_i + \log \lambda_i = \log \mu_i + X\beta$$

which $\log \mu_i$ is the offset and $X\beta$ is the linear predictor.

$$\log(\lambda_i) = \eta_i = x_i \beta$$

And in R

`glm(y ~ x1 + x2, offset = log(a), family = poisson, ...)` offset is not already on log scale.