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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Logistic regression in JAGS

```
model{

  for(i in 1:N){
    Observation[i] ~ dbern(prob[i])
    logit(prob[i]) <- intercept + beta1[Category[i]] +
    ↪  beta2*Covariate[i]
  }

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    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)

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  }

  se <- 0.9
  sp <- 0.95

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    obs_prob[i] <- prob[i]*se[Test[i]] + (1-prob[i])*(1-sp[Test[i]])
    logit(prob[i]) <- intercept + beta1[Category[i]] +
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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
## regression_precision 0.82378   1.9883  3.4298  2.0639
## intercept             4.5933   5.0318  5.5065  5.0325
## group_effect[1]            0        0       0       0
## group_effect[2]       -1.016 -0.36824 0.28762 -0.3724
## deviance               40.18   42.714  48.733  43.421
## resid.sum.sq          8.7293   9.4157  12.172  9.8156
##
##                            SD Mode     MCerr MC%ofSD SSeff
## regression_precision 0.69459   -- 0.0054581     0.8 16195
## intercept            0.23283   -- 0.0016463     0.7 20000
## group_effect[1]            0    0        --      --    --
## group_effect[2]        0.329   -- 0.0023084     0.7 20313
## deviance              2.6729   --  0.021196     0.8 15903
## resid.sum.sq          1.2513   -- 0.0097806     0.8 16369
##
##                           AC.10   psrf
## regression_precision -0.0063353 1.0003
## intercept             -0.012011 1.0002
## group_effect[1]              --     --
## group_effect[2]      -0.0029796      1
## deviance              0.0083727 1.0007
```

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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  - I will send a reminder email later today with (the same) survey link
- 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!

Practical session 7

Points to consider

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