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Classical (non-Bayesian) inference for a simple logistic regression model.

Recall the logistic regression likelihood function:

$$L(\alpha, \beta) \propto e^{\sum_{i=1}^n [y_i(\alpha + \beta x_i) - \ln(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})]}$$

Goal: Choose α and β that make our (x, y) data as likely as possible. That is, choose α and β that maximize $L(\alpha, \beta)$.

Note: The values of α and β that maximize $L(\alpha, \beta)$ are the same values that maximize $\ln(L(\alpha, \beta))$.

Aside Consider the task of finding the value x^* that maximizes the function $f(x)$.

We know x^* is the value that satisfies $\frac{d}{dx} f(x) |_{x=x^*} = 0$

Assuming a max,
(not min)

Now, we wish to find x^* that maximizes $\ln(f(x))$. We know x^* is the value that satisfies $\frac{d}{dx} \ln(f(x)) |_{x=x^*} = 0$

$$\text{However, } \frac{d}{dx} \ln(f(x)) = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} \quad x^* \text{ s.t. } f'(x) = 0 \quad \text{assume } f(x) \neq 0$$

To find the value of α and β that maximize $\ln(L(\alpha, \beta))$, we will use multivariate Newton-Raphson.
General multivariate Newton Raphson Method \rightarrow

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General Multivariate Newton-Raphson Method:

Let $\vec{\theta}$ be a vector of parameters, and let $l(\vec{\theta})$ denote the natural log of the likelihood function. Iterate through the $\vec{\theta}$ vectors using the following recursive relation:

$$\vec{\theta}_{(i+1)} = \vec{\theta}_{(i)} + \underbrace{\left(-\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \vec{\theta}^2} \right)_{\vec{\theta}_{(i)}}^{-1}}_{\text{matrix}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{\partial l}{\partial \vec{\theta}} \right)_{\vec{\theta}_{(i)}}}_{\text{vector}}$$

This will find the root of l'

If l were univariate, we would find the root of l' by iterating through:

$$\theta_{i+1} = \theta_i - \frac{l'(\theta_i)}{l''(\theta_i)}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \vec{\theta}^2} \bigg|_{\vec{\theta}_{(i)}} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_{[1]}^2} & \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_{[1]} \partial \theta_{[2]}} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_{[1]} \partial \theta_{[k]}} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_{[k]} \partial \theta_{[1]}} & \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_{[k]}^2} & \dots & \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_{[k]}^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \vec{\theta}} \bigg|_{\vec{\theta}_{(i)}} = \left\{ \frac{\partial l}{\partial \theta_{[1]}}, \frac{\partial l}{\partial \theta_{[2]}}, \dots, \frac{\partial l}{\partial \theta_{[k]}} \right\} \bigg|_{\vec{\theta}_{(i)}}$$

For our example, $\vec{\theta} = \{\alpha, \beta\}$. Therefore,

$$\vec{\theta}_{(i+1)} = \vec{\theta}_{(i)} - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha^2} & \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha \partial \beta} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \beta \partial \alpha} & \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \beta^2} \end{bmatrix}_{\vec{\theta}_{(i)}}^{-1} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial l}{\partial \alpha} \\ \frac{\partial l}{\partial \beta} \end{bmatrix}_{\vec{\theta}_{(i)}}$$

∂ = partial derivative

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Notice $\ln(L(\alpha, \beta)) = \sum [y_i(\alpha + \beta x_i) - \ln(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})]$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \alpha} = \sum \left[y_i - \frac{1}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}} \cdot e^{\alpha + \beta x_i} \right]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial l}{\partial \beta} &= \sum \left[y_i x_i - \frac{1}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}} \cdot e^{\alpha + \beta x_i} \cdot x_i \right] \\ &= \sum x_i \left[y_i - \frac{e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}} \right] \end{aligned}$$

derive
 $\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha^2}$ w/
respect
to α

$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha^2} = \sum \left[\frac{\begin{array}{cc} \text{bottom} & \begin{array}{c} \text{d of} \\ \text{top} \end{array} \\ (1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}) - (e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}) \\ \text{top} & \begin{array}{c} \text{d of} \\ \text{bottom} \end{array} \end{array}}{(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})} \right]$$

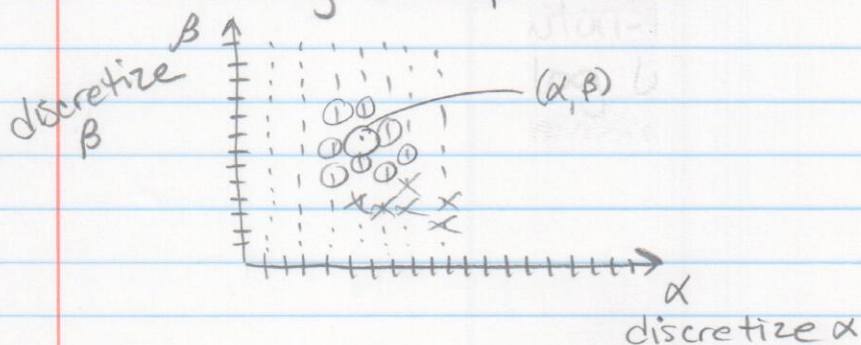
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$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha \partial \beta} = - \sum \left[\frac{(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}) x_i - (e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}) x_i}{(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \beta^2} = - \sum \left[\frac{(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}) x_i^2 - (e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}) x_i^2}{(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})(1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i})} \right]$$

HW 10 ① Use the Newton-Raphson method to maximize the log likelihood from last week's logistic regression model. Use the HW9 data.

② Find a radius of convergence for starting α and β values.



$$\text{Let } p_i = \frac{e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x_i}}$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \alpha} = -\sum (y_i - p_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \beta} = -\sum x_i (y_i - p_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha^2} = -\sum p_i (1 - p_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \beta^2} = -\sum x_i^2 p_i (1 - p_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha \partial \beta} = -\sum x_i p_i (1 - p_i) = \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \beta \partial \alpha}$$

R: invert matrix
"Solve"

$$m = c \left[\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha^2}, \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \alpha \partial \beta}, \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \beta \partial \alpha}, \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \beta^2} \right]$$

Solve(m)

$$M = \text{matrix}(c(a11, a12, a12, a22), ncol=2)$$

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Solve(M) %*% V