

Sensitivity/Specificity Analyses - Canine Leishmaniosis

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Exploratory Analyses

##		DPP	
##	PCR	Negative	Positive
##	Negative	743	16
##	Positive	1	11

Models

Angela's paper (Toepp et al., 2019, <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pntd.0007058>) uses logistic regression, with age, sex, and variables that have to do with diagnostic tests as explanatory variables. They are something like this:

Model A 1: $\text{logit}(\pi_k) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{Age}_k + \beta_2 \text{Sex}_k + \beta_3 Y_k$, where Y_k is diagnostically positive (as defined in Model 1 below), but for the mom and π_k is the probability of disease for individual k

Model A 2: $\text{logit}(\pi_k) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{Age}_k + \beta_2 \text{Sex}_k + \beta_3 T_{1k} + \beta_4 T_{2k}$, where T_{jk} is the result for Test j (as defined in Model 1 below), but for the mom and π_k is the probability of disease for individual k

Note, these models were fit with a log link function, presumably so that relative risks could be recovered?

We plan to evaluate similar models for our data and to then incorporate sensitivity and specificity of the tests into these models. Then we will compare the model performance to that of other methods. Hopefully we will see an improvement/some details that we miss when we do not include the sensitivity and specificity for the tests.

In all these models, we will assume that the observations are independent.

Model 1:

Data Model

$$Y_k | T_{1k}, T_{2k} \sim \text{Bernoulli}(P(T_{1k} = 1) \cup P(T_{2k} = 1))$$

where $P(T_{1k} = 1) \cup P(T_{2k} = 1) = P(T_{1k} = 1) + P(T_{2k} = 1) - P(T_{1k} = 1) \times P(T_{2k} = 1)$ since we are assuming that the test outcomes are independent.

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Process Model

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$$\text{logit}(P(D_k)) \sim \text{Normal}(\text{logit}(\pi) + \mathbf{x}_k^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + \epsilon_k, \delta^2)$$

where π is the population prevalence of disease, $\mathbf{x}_k^T = (1, \text{Age}_k, \text{Sex}_k)$, and ϵ_k is a random individual effect.

Prior Model

Prevalence:

Fix prevalence at 0.075.

Other parameters:

$$\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \text{Normal}(\mathbf{0}, \text{precision} = 5 \times 10^{-3} * I)$$

There are individual level random effects ϵ_k , $k = 1, \dots, K$, and they are assumed to be independent.

OpenBUGS Model 1 Implementation

OpenBUGS Model 1 Disease State Prediction

```
## Set up storage for model results
# pred_df_m1 <- data.frame(obs=1:nind,
#                           pi.D=rep(NA,nind), ## average estimate
#                           SD=rep(NA,nind),
#                           LB=rep(NA,nind), ## 2.5th percentile
#                           UB=rep(NA,nind), ## 97.5th percentile
#                           model_assignment=rep(NA,nind),
#                           Clinical_status=ss_data2$ClinicalStatus,
#                           Diagnostic_status=ss_data2$Diagnostically_positive)
#
# ## Calculate probabilities of compartment membership for each posterior draw
# pred_df_m1$pi.D <- apply(model2_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model2_df))], 2, mean)
# pred_df_m1$SD <- apply(model2_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model2_df))], 2, sd)
# pred_df_m1$LB <- apply(model2_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model2_df))], 2, quantile, probs=0.025)
# pred_df_m1$UB <- apply(model2_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model2_df))], 2, quantile, probs=0.975)
```

Model 2:

The data outcome we are using is “diagnostically positive”, meaning that an individual tests positive on at least one diagnostic test. This is what we have used in our other papers and seems to be popular in the literature (add some references to this). In this model, we assume that the two diagnostic tests are independent, and that there is some imprecision in the test results, so we include sensitivity and specificity for each test in the model.

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Prior Model

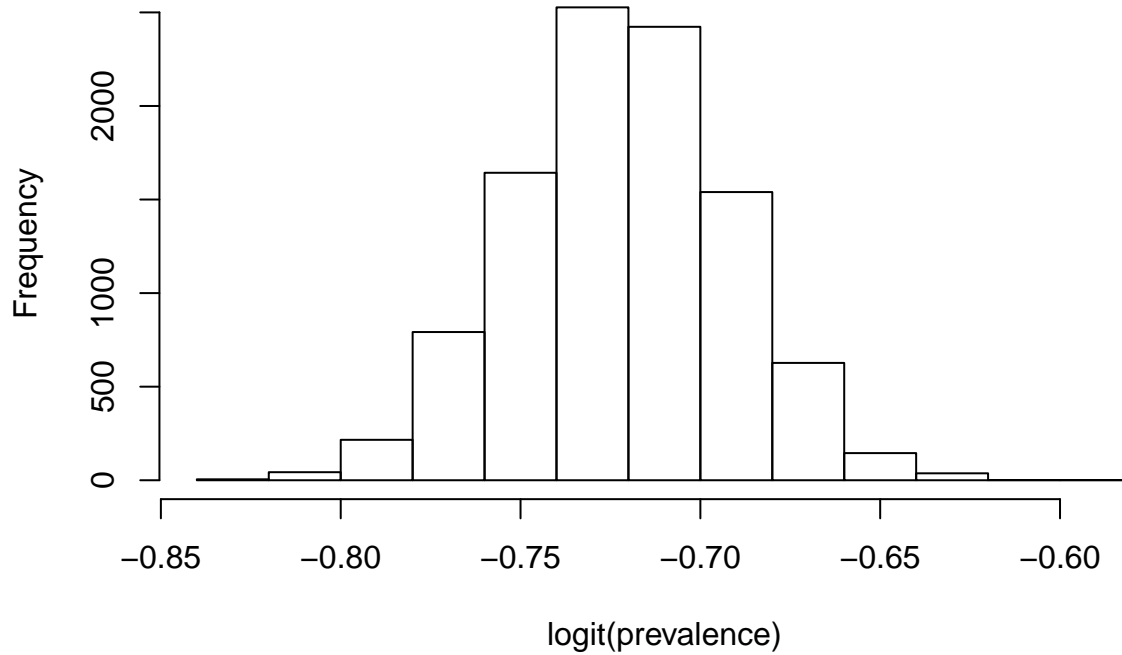
Prevalence:

$$\text{logit}(\pi) \sim \text{Normal}(\mu_\pi, \sigma_\pi^2)$$

We have a range for the prevalence of (0.05, 0.10). This corresponds to a range of (-0.7497, -0.6972) on the logit scale.

```
hist(rnorm(10000, mean = log(0.075)/(1-log(0.075)), sd = 0.03),
     main="Logit prevalence prior distribution histogram",
     xlab="logit(prevalence)")
```

Logit prevalence prior distribution histogram



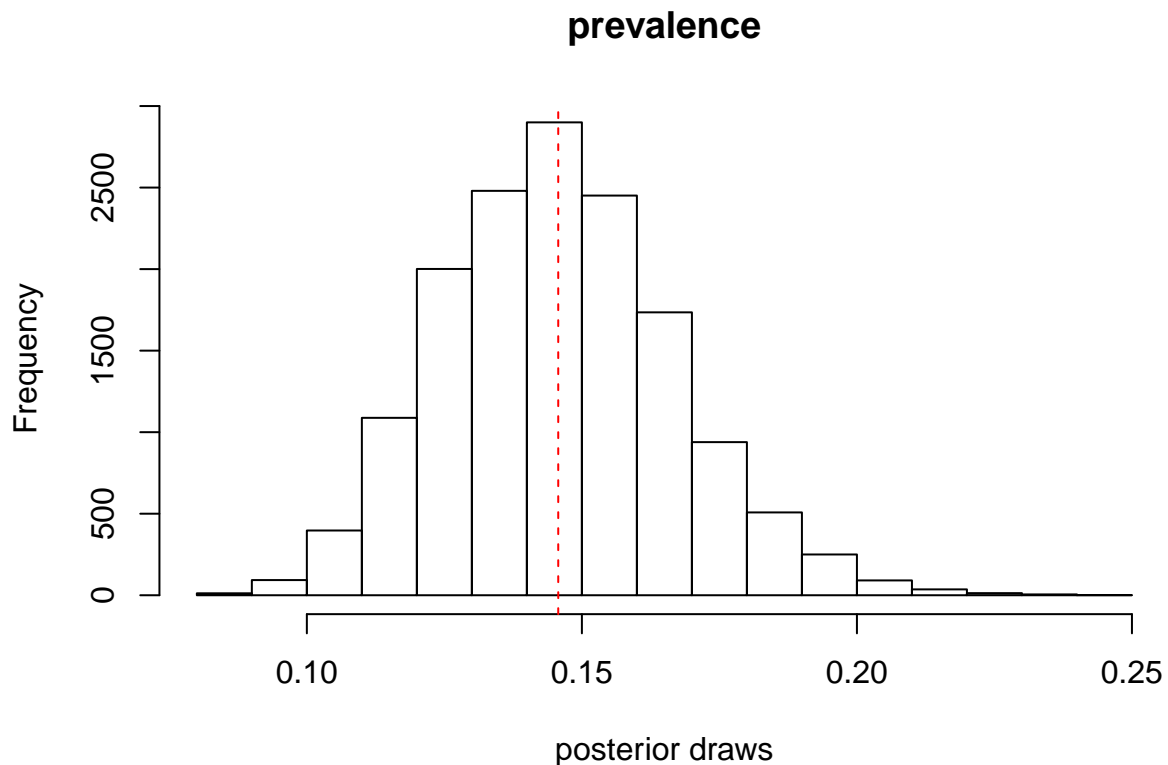
Other parameters:

$$\epsilon \sim \text{Normal}(\mathbf{0}, \text{precision} = 5 \times 10^{-3} * I)$$

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OpenBUGS Model 2 Implementation

```
## Graphical summaries of posterior distributions
hist(exp(model2_df$lp_i)/(1+exp(model2_df$lp_i)), main="prevalence", xlab="posterior draws")
abline(v=mean(exp(model2_df$lp_i)/(1+exp(model2_df$lp_i))), lty="dashed", col="red")
```



```
## Numeric summaries of posterior distributions
#boxplot(model2_df[,!(names(model2_df) %in% c("deviance"))])
```

Removing the age and sex parameters made the estimate for prevalence make a lot more sense. Is there are good reason for this? Now the mean prevalence is 0.1457 and the 95% credible interval is: (0.1076, 0.1908).

OpenBUGS Model 2 Disease State Prediction

```
## Set up storage for model results
pred_df_m2 <- data.frame(obs=1:nind,
  pi.D=rep(NA,nind), ## average estimate
  SD=rep(NA,nind),
  LB=rep(NA,nind), ## 2.5th percentile
  UB=rep(NA,nind), ## 97.5th percentile
  model_assignment=rep(NA,nind),
  Clinical_status=ss_data2$ClinicalStatus,
  Diagnostic_status=ss_data2$Diagnostically_positive)

## Calculate probabilities of compartment membership for each posterior draw
pred_df_m2$pi.D <- apply(model2_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model2_df))], 2, mean)
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pred_df_m2$LB <- apply(model2_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model2_df))], 2, quantile, probs=0.025)
pred_df_m2$UB <- apply(model2_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model2_df))], 2, quantile, probs=0.975)
```

```
summary(pred_df_m2)
```

```
##      obs      pi.D      SD      LB
##  Min.   : 1.0    Min.   :0.05816  Min.   :0.1844  Min.   :8.080e-16
## 1st Qu.:193.5  1st Qu.:0.06705  1st Qu.:0.2036  1st Qu.:3.575e-15
## Median :386.0  Median :0.06993  Median :0.2091  Median :5.424e-15
## Mean   :386.0  Mean   :0.09044  Mean   :0.2173  Mean   :1.835e-13
## 3rd Qu.:578.5  3rd Qu.:0.07300  3rd Qu.:0.2150  3rd Qu.:8.122e-15
## Max.   :771.0  Max.   :0.65411  Max.   :0.4507  Max.   :1.251e-11
##      UB      model_assignment Clinical_status Diagnostic_status
##  Min.   :0.8763  Mode:logical    A: 0          Negative:743
## 1st Qu.:0.9894  NA's:771        N:736        Positive: 28
## Median :0.9962                      S: 35
## Mean   :0.9912
## 3rd Qu.:0.9988
## Max.   :1.0000
```

```
## Apply a cut off of point estimate of 0.5; if pi.D > 0.5, classify as S (symptomatic), otherwise as N
## Summarize in a table (clinical status versus diagnostic status)
```

```
table(pred_df_m2[pred_df_m2$pi.D > 0.5,]$Clinical_status, pred_df_m2[pred_df_m2$pi.D > 0.5,]$Diagnostic_status)
```

```
##
##      Negative Positive
##  A          0         0
##  N          0         8
##  S          0        20
```

```
## Print summary table of clinical status versus diagnostic status from the original data
```

```
table(pred_df_m2$Clinical_status, pred_df_m2$Diagnostic_status)
```

```
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##      Negative Positive
##  A          0         0
##  N        728         8
##  S         15        20
```

From the first table, we can see that we identify all of the diagnostically positive individuals as having disease. We supplied diagnostic status, so the model is perfectly recovering the diagnostic status, but missing all those that are diagnostically negative but are symptomatic based on clinical status (15 - see second table). It seems like the sensitivity and specificity pieces are not making a difference right now..

Model 3:

The data outcome we are using is “diagnostically positive”, meaning that an individual tests positive on at least one diagnostic test. This is what we have used in our other papers and seems to be popular in the literature (add some references to this). In this model, we assume that the two diagnostic tests are independent, and that there is some imprecision in the test results, so we include sensitivity and specificity for each test in the model. We include Sex and Age as explanatory variables, which we didn’t do in Model 2.

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Other parameters:

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} \sim \text{Normal}(\boldsymbol{\mu}_\beta, \Sigma_\beta)$$

We will assume that the regression coefficients are independent, so Σ_β is a diagonal matrix.

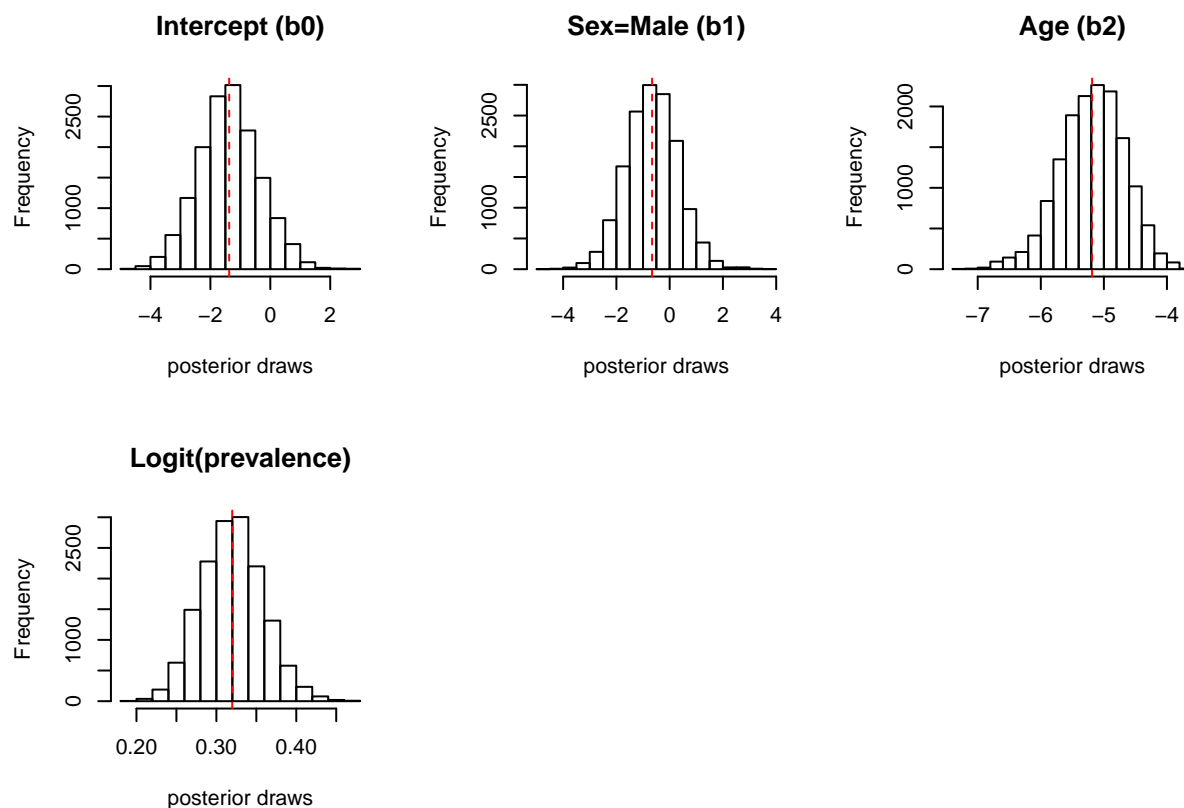
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OpenBUGS Model 3 Implementation

```
## Graphical summaries of posterior distributions
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
hist(model3_df$b0, main="Intercept (b0)", xlab="posterior draws")
abline(v=mean(model3_df$b0), lty="dashed", col="red")
hist(model3_df$b1, main="Sex=Male (b1)", xlab="posterior draws")
abline(v=mean(model3_df$b1), lty="dashed", col="red")
hist(model3_df$b2, main="Age (b2)", xlab="posterior draws")
abline(v=mean(model3_df$b2), lty="dashed", col="red")
hist(exp(model3_df$lpi)/(1+exp(model3_df$lpi)), main="Logit(prevalence)", xlab="posterior draws")
abline(v=mean(exp(model3_df$lpi)/(1+exp(model3_df$lpi))), lty="dashed", col="red")

## Numeric summaries of posterior distributions
#boxplot(model3_df[,!(names(model3_df) %in% c("deviance"))])
```



On this run, the mean prevalence is 0.32, which is outside the range that we have from the literature: (0.05, 0.10). Why is this so high? Should there be an intercept in this model? If we add in the estimate for the intercept and claim that this is the mean estimate for the disease prevalence (which I don't think makes any sense), the resulting estimate is: 0.142, which still seems to be too high, but not nearly as bad.

Options:

- (1) Simplify the model by fixing prevalence, and see what we get.
- (2) Change the prior on prevalence? Make it less vague?

OpenBUGS Model 3 Disease State Prediction

```
## Set up storage for model results
pred_df_m3 <- data.frame(obs=1:nind,
                        pi.D=rep(NA,nind), ## average estimate
                        SD=rep(NA,nind),
                        LB=rep(NA,nind), ## 2.5th percentile
                        UB=rep(NA,nind), ## 97.5th percentile
                        model_assignment=rep(NA,nind),
                        Clinical_status=ss_data2$ClinicalStatus,
                        Diagnostic_status=ss_data2$Diagnostically_positive)

## Calculate probabilities of compartment membership for each posterior draw
pred_df_m3$pi.D <- apply(model3_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model3_df))], 2, mean)
pred_df_m3$SD <- apply(model3_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model3_df))], 2, sd)
pred_df_m3$LB <- apply(model3_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model3_df))], 2, quantile, probs=0.025)
pred_df_m3$UB <- apply(model3_df[,grep("pi.D", names(model3_df))], 2, quantile, probs=0.975)

summary(pred_df_m3)
```

```
##      obs      pi.D      SD
## Min.   : 1.0   Min.   :0.0000000   Min.   :0.000000
## 1st Qu.:193.5 1st Qu.:0.0000092   1st Qu.:0.000709
## Median :386.0 Median :0.0001630   Median :0.006477
## Mean   :386.0 Mean   :0.0024453   Mean    :0.016204
## 3rd Qu.:578.5 3rd Qu.:0.0006376   3rd Qu.:0.015983
## Max.   :771.0 Max.   :0.4489169   Max.    :0.462152
##      LB      UB      model_assignment Clinical_status
## Min.   :0.000e+00   Min.   :0.0000000   Mode:logical   A: 0
## 1st Qu.:0.000e+00   1st Qu.:0.0000000   NA's:771       N:736
## Median :0.000e+00   Median :0.0000001               S: 35
## Mean   :4.377e-19   Mean    :0.0142204
## 3rd Qu.:0.000e+00   3rd Qu.:0.0000123
## Max.   :1.158e-16   Max.    :1.0000000
## Diagnostic_status
## Negative:743
## Positive: 28
##
##
##
##
```

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