

# Nuisance Parameter

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## 1 Conditional distribution with Regression Model

The nuisance parameters are not only in the distribution, but also in the regression model, like conditional logistic regression model.

Consider a statistical model with  $\xi = (\psi, \lambda)$ , in which  $\psi$  is the parameter of interest and  $\lambda$  is a nuisance parameter. conditional likelihood uses

$$\ln(\psi) = \log P(\mathbf{Y}|s, \psi)$$

as a ‘pseudo’ likelihood function to carry out inference about  $\psi$ .

Identify  $s$  using  $P(Y|s, \psi)$  without loss of information about  $\psi$ . Generally it is difficult to find such  $s$  without additional conditions. Assume that there exists such a statistics  $s_\lambda(\psi)$  such that  $s_\lambda(\psi_0)$  is sufficient for  $\lambda$  and complete for each value  $\psi_0$  of  $\psi$ . There are two scenarios: 1)  $s_\lambda(\psi)$  is independent of  $\psi$ . 2)  $s_\lambda(\psi)$  does depend on  $\psi$ .

For 1), we can use the conditional distribution of  $P(Y|s_\lambda, \xi)$ , which is independent of  $\lambda$ . Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathbf{Y}; \xi) &= P(\mathbf{Y}|s, \psi)P(s, \xi) \\ \log_c(\psi) &= \log P(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda, \psi) = \log P(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) - \log P(s_\lambda, \xi) \end{aligned}$$

can be used as the pseudo-likelihood for  $\psi$ .

### 1.1 Sufficient statistics of nuisance parameter w distribution free of interest parameter

In this case, we don’t need to worry about the different values for interested parameters in the denominator. In the denominator, the sufficient statistics for nuisance parameters are fixed, and we can remove them. Only if there are interested parameters, and those values are different, we could not remove them.

Assume that  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  are independent and  $y_i$  follows a Poisson distribution with mean  $\exp(\lambda + \psi x_i)$ , where  $x_i$  is a covariate of interest. Suppose that  $\lambda$  is the nuisance parameter and  $\psi$  is the parameter of interest. The joint distribution of  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is given by

$$\exp \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i(\lambda + \psi x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda + \psi x_i) + c \right)$$

Thus,  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$  is the sufficient and complete statistics for  $\lambda$ . Since  $S_n$  follows a poisson distribution with mean  $\sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda + \psi x_i)$ , the log-likelihood of conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{Y}$  given  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} \log p(\mathbf{Y}; \xi) &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i(\lambda + \psi x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda + \psi x_i) + c_1 \\ \log p(\mathbf{s}; \xi) &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda + \psi x_i) \right) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda + \psi x_i) + c_2 \\ \log_{cp}(\psi) &= \log p(\mathbf{Y}; \xi) - \log p(\mathbf{s}; \xi) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i(\psi x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\psi x_i) \right) \end{aligned}$$

which is independent of  $\lambda$ .

### 1.1.1 Negative Binomial distribution - conditional probability free of nuisance parameters

Suppose that  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  are independently and identically distributed with density function

$$P(y) = \frac{\Gamma(\psi + y)}{\Gamma(y + 1)\Gamma(\psi)} \frac{\lambda^y \psi^\psi}{(\lambda + \psi)^{y+\psi}}, y = 0, 1, \dots$$

Find a conditional likelihood score function  $U_\psi(\xi)$  for  $\psi$ .

Write the distribution in exponential family

$$P(y) = \exp \left[ \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(\psi + y)}{\Gamma(y + 1)\Gamma(\psi)} \right) + y \log \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \psi} + \psi \log \frac{\psi}{\lambda + \psi} \right]$$

In which,

$$\begin{aligned} \theta &= \log \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \psi} \\ b(\theta) &= -\psi \log \frac{\psi}{\lambda + \psi} = -\psi \log(1 - \exp \theta) \end{aligned}$$

We can find the distribution from MGF or KGF function

$$\begin{aligned} M_y(t) &= \exp\{\phi[b(\theta + t/\phi) - b(\theta)]\} \\ K_y(t) &= \log M_y(t) = \phi[b(\theta + t/\phi) - b(\theta)], \quad \phi = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} K_y(t) &= -\psi \log(1 - \exp(\theta + t)) + \psi \log(1 - \exp \theta) \\ &= \log \left( \frac{1 - e(\theta)}{1 - e(\theta)e(t)} \right)^\psi \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$M_y(t) = \left( \frac{1 - e(\theta)}{1 - e(\theta)e(t)} \right)^\psi$$

which is the MGF for negative binomial distribution. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i &\sim NB \left( n\psi, \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \psi} \right) \\ P(S = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i) &= \exp \left[ \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(n\psi + s)}{\Gamma(s + 1)\Gamma(n\psi)} \right) + s \log \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \psi} + n\psi \log \frac{\psi}{\lambda + \psi} \right] \end{aligned}$$

where  $s$  is a sufficient statistics for  $\lambda$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} l_c(\psi) &= \log P_y(y|\lambda, \psi) - \log P_s(S) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(\psi + y_i)}{\Gamma(y_i + 1)\Gamma(\psi)} \right) + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \psi} + n\psi \log \frac{\psi}{\lambda + \psi} \\ &\quad - \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(n\psi + s)}{\Gamma(s + 1)\Gamma(n\psi)} \right) - s \log \frac{\lambda}{\lambda + \psi} - n\psi \log \frac{\psi}{\lambda + \psi} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(\psi + y_i)}{\Gamma(y_i + 1)\Gamma(\psi)} \right) - \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(n\psi + s)}{\Gamma(s + 1)\Gamma(n\psi)} \right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(\psi + y_i)}{\Gamma(y_i + 1)\Gamma(\psi)} \right) - \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(n\psi + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{\Gamma(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i + 1)\Gamma(n\psi)} \right) \end{aligned}$$

The score function

$$\begin{aligned} U_\psi(\xi) &= \partial_\psi \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(\psi + y_i)}{\Gamma(y_i + 1)\Gamma(\psi)} \right) - \log \left( \frac{\Gamma(n\psi + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{\Gamma(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i + 1)\Gamma(n\psi)} \right) \right] \\ &= \partial_\psi \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n \log \Gamma(\psi + y_i) - \log \Gamma(y_i + 1) - \log \Gamma(\psi) - \log \Gamma(n\psi + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i) - \log \Gamma(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i + 1) - \log \Gamma(n\psi) \right] \\ &= \frac{\Gamma'(\psi + y_i)}{\Gamma(\psi + y_i)} - \frac{n\Gamma'(\psi)}{\Gamma(\psi)} - \frac{n\Gamma'(n\psi + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i)}{\Gamma(n\psi + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i)} - \frac{n\Gamma'(n\psi)}{\Gamma(n\psi)} \end{aligned}$$

## 1.2 Sufficient statistics with distribution not free of interest parameter

The second scenario, the conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{Y}$  given  $\mathbf{s}_\lambda(\psi)$  is not well defined. Since  $\mathbf{s}_\lambda(\psi)$  depends on  $\psi$ , it is difficult to calculate the conditional distribution of  $\mathbf{Y}$  given  $\mathbf{s}_\lambda(\psi)$ . However, for a fixed  $\psi_0$ , we may use

$$l_c(\xi, \psi_0) = \log P(\mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{s}_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) = \log P(\mathbf{Y} | \xi) - \log P(\mathbf{s}_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) \quad (1)$$

We can see that  $P(\mathbf{Y}|\xi)$  is now conditional on  $\xi$ , because it is basically the same. And the conditional score statistics

$$U_\psi(\xi) = \frac{\partial l_c(\xi, \psi_0)}{\partial \psi} \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi}$$

It can be shown that

$$\begin{aligned} U_\psi(\xi) &= \frac{\partial \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi)}{\partial \psi} - \frac{\partial \log p(\mathbf{s}; \xi)}{\partial \psi} \\ U_\psi(\xi) &= \partial_\psi \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) - E[\partial_\psi \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) | s_\lambda(\psi)] \end{aligned}$$

We can get conditional score statistics in an alternative way, which is  $\frac{\partial \log E[p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi, \mathbf{s})|\mathbf{s}]}{\partial \psi}$ .  
Proof

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) &= p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi) \\ \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) &= \log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) + \log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi) \\ E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) | s_\lambda]) &= E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) + E(\partial_\psi [\log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) \\ E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

integral and expectation can switch, distribution integral with no  $\psi$

$$\begin{aligned} E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) | s_\lambda]) &= \partial_\psi \log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) \\ E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) | s_\lambda]) &= E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda, \xi) | s_\lambda]) + E(\partial_\psi [\log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) \end{aligned}$$

## 2 Practice

### 2.1 Pair of variables

Suppose that  $X_i, Y_i$  are independent random variables with an exponential distribution, with  $E(X_i) = 1/(\psi\lambda_i)$  and  $E(Y_i) = 1/\lambda_i$ , for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . The parameters of interest is  $\psi$ , the  $\lambda_i$  is being unknown nuisance parameters.

- (a) Write log-likelihood function  $\ln(\psi, \lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$  based on  $(X_i, Y_i), i = 1, \dots, n$ . Derive the score function (only depends on  $\psi$ ) that the maximum likelihood estimator for  $\psi$  based on  $\ln$ , and denote the score equation by  $S_n(\psi) = 0$ .

### 2.2 Exercise

Consider pairs of independent random variables  $(y_{i1}, y_{i2}), i = 1, \dots, n$  such that both  $y_{i1}$  and  $y_{i2}$  follow a  $N(\mu_i, \psi)$  distribution. Let  $\psi$  be the parameter of interest and the  $\mu_i$  are nuisance parameters.

- (a) Show that the maximum likelihood estimate of  $\psi$  is inconsistent.

The joint density of  $y_{i1}, y_{i2}$

$$P(y_{i1}, y_{i2}) = \frac{1}{2\pi\psi} \exp\left(-\frac{(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2}{2\psi}\right)$$

$$P(y_1, y_2) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{(2\pi\psi)^n} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2}{2\psi}\right)$$

The log-likelihood function

$$\ln(y_1, y_2) = -n\log(2\pi) - n\log\psi - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2}{2\psi}$$

Obtain MLE of  $\mu_i, \psi$

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_{\mu_i} \ln &= -1/(2\psi) \sum_{i=1}^n -2(y_{i1} - \mu_i + y_{i2} - \mu_i) = 0, & \hat{\mu}_i \\ \mu_i &= 1/2(y_{i1} + y_{i2}) \\ \partial_{\psi} \ln &= -n/\psi + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n [(y_{i1} - \mu_1)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_2)^2]}{2\psi^2} = 0 \\ \hat{\psi} &= 1/2n \left( \sum_{i=1}^n [(y_{i1} - \mu_1)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_2)^2] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 \end{aligned}$$

As  $E(y_{i1} - y_{i2}) = 0, \text{Var}(y_{i1} - y_{i2}) = 2\psi$

$$\text{Var}(y_{i1} - y_{i2}) = E(y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 - [E(y_{i1} - y_{i2})]^2 = 2\psi, \quad E(y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 = 2\psi$$

By WLLN,

$$\hat{\psi} = \frac{1}{4n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1/4 E(y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 = \psi/2 \neq \psi$$

So MLE of  $\psi$  is not consistent.

- (b) Construct a consistent estimate for  $\psi$  based on the available information.

From part(a), we can construct  $\tilde{\psi} = 2\hat{\psi} = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2$ . By WLLN, the

$$\tilde{\psi} = \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{p} \psi$$

- (c) Assume that  $y_{i1}$  and  $y_{i2}$  follow a  $N(\mu_i, \psi_i)$  distribution for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , where  $\mu_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})$  and  $\psi_i = \exp(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1(x_i - \bar{x}))$ , in which  $x_i$  is a covariate of interest and  $\bar{x}$  is the mean of the  $x_i$ s. Derive the score test statistic for testing homogeneous variance.

The hypothesis are

$$H_0 : \alpha_1 = 0$$

$$H_1 : \alpha_1 \neq 0$$

The log-likelihood function

$$\begin{aligned} \xi &= (\beta_0, \beta_1, \alpha_0, \alpha_1)^T \\ \ln(y_1, y_2, \mu_i, \psi_i) &= -n \log(2\pi) - \sum_{i=1}^n \log \psi_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2}{2\psi_i} \\ \ln(y_1, y_2, \xi) &= -n \log(2\pi) - \sum_{i=1}^n (\alpha_0 + \alpha_1(x_i - \bar{x})) \\ &\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_{i1} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))^2 + (y_{i2} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))^2}{2\exp(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1(x_i - \bar{x}))}, \quad \sum x_i - \bar{x} = 0 \\ &= -n \log(2\pi) - n\alpha_0 - 1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_{i1} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))^2 + (y_{i2} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))^2}{\exp(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1(x_i - \bar{x}))} \end{aligned}$$

We will get the score function and Fisher information for  $\xi$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0} &= -n + 1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_{i1} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))^2 + (y_{i2} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))^2}{\exp(\alpha_0 + \alpha_1(x_i - \bar{x}))} \\ &= -n + 1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2] \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0^2} &= -1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2] \\ \frac{\partial \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_1} &= 1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2] (x_i - \bar{x}) \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_1^2} &= -1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2] (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \\ \frac{\partial \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_0} &= \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})) + (y_{i2} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))] \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_0^2} &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_1} = \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})) + (y_{i2} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))](x_i - \bar{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_1^2} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

Other derivatives

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0 \alpha_1} = -1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2](x_i - \bar{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0 \beta_0} = - \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2](x_i - \bar{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0 \beta_1} = - \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2](x_i - \bar{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_1 \beta_0} = - \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i) + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)](x_i - \bar{x})$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_1 \beta_1} = - \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \mu_i) + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)](x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_0 \beta_1} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})$$

Taking expectation as  $I(\xi) = -E(\partial^2 \xi)$

$$\begin{aligned}
E(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 &= \psi_i, & E(y_{i1}) &= E(y_{i2}) = \mu_i, & \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - n\bar{x} &= 0 \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0^2}\right] &= -1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [E(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + E(y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2] = -n \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_1^2}\right] &= - \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_0^2}\right] &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_1^2}\right] &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0 \alpha_1}\right] &= -1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} [E(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + E(y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2] E(x_i - \bar{x}) = 0 \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0 \beta_0}\right] &= 0, & E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_0 \beta_1}\right] &= 0 \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_1 \beta_0}\right] &= 0, & E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \alpha_1 \beta_1}\right] &= 0 \\
E\left[\frac{\partial^2 \ln(\xi)}{\partial \beta_0 \beta_1}\right] &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})
\end{aligned}$$

Then

$$I(\xi) = -E(\partial^2 \xi) = \begin{bmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x}) \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x}) & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Under null hypothesis, we have score test statistics follows a chi-square distribution

$$\frac{\partial \ln^T}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} I(\tilde{\xi})^{-1} \frac{\partial \ln}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} \sim \chi^2(1)$$

So we have  $\tilde{\psi} = \exp(\tilde{\alpha}_0)$ , then  $\tilde{\alpha}_0 = \ln(\tilde{\psi})$ .

From part (a) which  $\psi$  is constant, we have  $\psi = \frac{1}{4n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2$  and then,

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\mu}_i &= 1/2(y_{i1} + y_{i2}) \\
\hat{\psi} &= \frac{1}{4n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2
\end{aligned}$$



then the score function under  $\tilde{\xi}$

$$\begin{aligned} i(\xi) &= \begin{bmatrix} \partial_{\alpha_0} l(\xi) & = -n + 1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1}[(y_{i1} - \mu_i)^2 + (y_{i2} - \mu_i)^2] = 0 \\ \partial_{\alpha_1} l(\xi) & = 1/2 \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1} 1/2 (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 (x_i - \bar{x}) = \frac{1}{4\tilde{\psi}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 (x_i - \bar{x}) \\ \partial_{\beta_0} l(\xi) & = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})) + (y_{i2} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))] = 0 \\ \partial_{\beta_1} l(\xi) & = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1} [(y_{i1} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})) + (y_{i2} - \beta_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}))](x_i - \bar{x}) = 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{4\tilde{\psi}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 (x_i - \bar{x}) \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Under null hypothesis,  $2 \sum_{i=1}^n \psi_i^{-1}(x_i - \bar{x}) = 0$ , then

$$I_n(\tilde{\xi}) = \begin{bmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The score test statistics

$$\begin{aligned} SCn &= \frac{\partial \ln^T}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} I_n(\tilde{\xi})^{-1} \frac{\partial \ln}{\partial \tilde{\xi}} = (0, \frac{1}{4\tilde{\psi}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 (x_i - \bar{x}), 0, 0) \\ &\quad \begin{bmatrix} n & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{\psi}^{-1} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \frac{1}{4\tilde{\psi}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 (x_i - \bar{x}) \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{\left[ \frac{1}{4\tilde{\psi}} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 (x_i - \bar{x}) \right]^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \end{aligned}$$

With  $\tilde{\psi} = \frac{1}{4n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2$ , we have

$$SCn = \frac{[n^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2 (x_i - \bar{x})]^2}{[\sum_{i=1}^n (y_{i1} - y_{i2})^2]^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \sim \chi^2(1)$$

We will reject the  $H_0$  if  $SCn > \chi^2(1, 1 - \alpha)$ .

### 2.3 e

Suppose that the vector  $Y = (Y_0; Y_1; Y_2)^T$  follows a multinomial distribution with total count  $m$  and probability vector  $(\gamma_0; \gamma_1; \gamma_2)^T$  with

$$\gamma_j = \binom{2}{j} \pi^j (1 - \pi)^{2-j} \theta^{-j(2-j)} / f(\pi, \theta), \quad j = 0, 1, 2$$

where

$$f(\pi, \theta) = \sum_{k=0}^2 \binom{2}{k} \pi^k (1-\pi)^{2-k} \theta^{-k(2-k)}$$

and  $0 \leq \pi \leq 1, \theta > 0$  are parameters. Furthermore, define  $\lambda = \log \frac{\pi}{1-\pi}$  and  $\psi = \log \theta$ .

- (a) Derive a sufficient statistic for  $\lambda$  assuming  $\psi = \psi_0$  is known. Derive a conditional likelihood for  $\psi$ .

Write the joint distribution of  $Y$

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y) &= \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} \gamma_1^{y_1} \gamma_2^{y_2} \gamma_0^{y_0} \\ &= \exp \left[ \log \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} + y_0 \log \gamma_0 + y_1 \log \gamma_1 + y_2 \log \gamma_2 \right] \end{aligned}$$

$$\gamma_0 = \binom{2}{0} \pi^0 (1-\pi)^2 \theta^0 / f(\pi, \theta) = (1-\pi)^2 / f(\pi, \theta)$$

$$\gamma_1 = \binom{2}{1} \pi^1 (1-\pi)^1 \theta^{-1} / f(\pi, \theta) = 2\pi(1-\pi)\theta^{-1} / f(\pi, \theta)$$

$$\gamma_2 = \binom{2}{2} \pi^2 (1-\pi)^0 \theta^0 / f(\pi, \theta) = \pi^2 / f(\pi, \theta)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log P(Y) &= \log \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} + y_0 [2 \log(1-\pi) - \log f(\pi, \theta)] \\ &\quad + y_1 [\log 2\pi(1-\pi) - \log \theta - \log f(\pi, \theta)] + y_2 [2 \log \pi - \log f(\pi, \theta)] \end{aligned}$$

$$f(\pi, \theta) = \binom{2}{0} \pi^0 (1-\pi)^2 \theta^0 + \binom{2}{1} \pi^1 (1-\pi)^1 \theta^{-1} + \binom{2}{2} \pi^2 (1-\pi)^0 \theta^0$$

$$\log f(\pi, \theta) = 2 \log(1-\pi) + \log 2\pi(1-\pi) - \log \theta + 2 \log \pi$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log P(Y) &= \log \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} + (2y_0 + y_1) \log(1-\pi) \\ &\quad - (y_0 + y_1 + y_2) \log f(\pi, \theta) + (y_1 + 2y_2) \log \pi + y_1 \log 2 - y_1 \log \theta \end{aligned}$$

$$m = y_0 + y_1 + y_2, \quad y_1 = m - y_0 - y_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log P(Y) &= \log \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} + (m + y_0 - y_2) \log(1-\pi) - m \log f(\pi, \theta) \\ &\quad + (m - y_0 + y_2) \log \pi + y_1 \log 2 - y_1 \log \theta \\ &= \log \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} + m \log \left[ \frac{e^\lambda}{1+e^\lambda} \frac{1}{1+e^\lambda} \frac{(1+e^\lambda)^2}{1+2e^{\lambda-\psi}+e^{2\lambda}} \right] \\ &\quad - (y_0 - y_2) \lambda + y_1 \log 2 - y_1 \psi \end{aligned}$$

If assume  $\psi = \psi_0$  is known, then a sufficient statistics is  $m, y_0 - y_2$ .

$$\log P(Y) = \log \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} + m \log \left[ \frac{e^\lambda}{1 + 2e^{\lambda-\psi} + e^{2\lambda}} \right] - (y_0 - y_2)\lambda + y_1 \log 2 - y_1 \psi$$

Let  $y_2 - y_0 = t$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) &= \sum_t \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} \left[ \frac{e^\lambda}{1 + 2e^{\lambda-\psi} + e^{2\lambda}} \right]^m \exp(\lambda t) 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1) \\ P(y_1|t) &= \frac{P(t, Y)}{P(t)} = \frac{\binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} \left[ \frac{e^\lambda}{1 + 2e^{\lambda-\psi} + e^{2\lambda}} \right]^m \exp(\lambda t) 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)}{\sum_t \binom{m}{y_0, y_1, y_2} \left[ \frac{e^\lambda}{1 + 2e^{\lambda-\psi} + e^{2\lambda}} \right]^m \exp(\lambda t) 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)} \\ &= \frac{\frac{1}{y_0! y_1! y_2!} 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)}{\sum_{y_2 - y_0 = t} \frac{1}{y_0! y_1! y_2!} 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)} \end{aligned}$$

The conditional distribution for  $\psi$

$$P(y_1, \psi|t) = \frac{\frac{1}{y_0! y_1! y_2!} 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)}{\sum_{y_2 - y_0 = t} \frac{1}{y_0! y_1! y_2!} 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)}$$

- (b) The data  $y_0 = 3; y_1 = 0; y_2 = 2$  were observed. Based on the conditional likelihood of Part (a), compute the exact one-sided p-value for testing  $H_0 : \theta = 1$  against  $H_0 : \theta > 1$  with  $\lambda$  unspecified.

The null hypothesis could be written as

$$H_0 : \psi = 0 \quad \text{vs.} \quad H_1 : \psi \neq 0$$

From  $y_0 = 3; y_1 = 0; y_2 = 2$ , we have  $t = y_2 - y_0 = -1, m = 5$ . There are possible 3 combinations that  $t=-1$  as below

$y_1$	$y_2$	$y_0$	$t$	case
0	2	3	-1	1
2	1	2	-1	2
4	0	1	-1	3

So under  $H_0$ , the conditional probability for  $y_1$  in the above 3 cases are

$$\begin{aligned} \text{denominator} &= \frac{1}{0!2!3!} 2^0 \exp(-\psi 0) + \frac{1}{1!2!2!} 2^2 \exp(-\psi 2) + \frac{1}{0!4!1!} 2^4 \exp(-\psi 4) \\ &= 2/3 \exp(-4\psi) + \exp(-2\psi) + 1/12 = 21/12 \\ P(y_1 = 0, \psi|t = -1) &= \frac{\frac{1}{0!2!3!} 2^0 \exp(0)}{\sum_{y_2 - y_0 = t} \frac{1}{y_0! y_1! y_2!} 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)} = \frac{1/12}{21/12} = 1/21 \\ P(y_1 = 2, \psi|t = -1) &= \frac{\frac{1}{1!2!2!} 2^2 \exp(0)}{\sum_{y_2 - y_0 = t} \frac{1}{y_0! y_1! y_2!} 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)} = \frac{1/12}{21/12} = 12/21 \\ P(y_1 = 4, \psi|t = -1) &= \frac{\frac{1}{0!4!1!} 2^4 \exp(0)}{\sum_{y_2 - y_0 = t} \frac{1}{y_0! y_1! y_2!} 2^{y_1} \exp(-\psi y_1)} = \frac{1/12}{21/12} = 8/21 \end{aligned}$$

We will reject  $H_0$  if  $P(y_1|t = -1) < 0.05$ . Under the current sample, one sided test p-value for  $P(y_1 = 0|t = -1) = 1/21 = 0.0476$ , that  $\psi \neq 0$ .

## 2.4 b

Consider the following

- (a) For an arbitrary model, consider the conditional score statistic

$$U_\psi(\xi) = \frac{\partial l_c(\xi, \psi_0)}{\partial \psi} \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi}$$

Show that the conditional score statistic for any model can be written as

$$U_\psi(\xi) = \partial_\psi \log p(Y|\xi) - E[\partial_\psi \log p(Y|\xi) | s_\lambda(\psi_0)] \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi}$$

The conditional score statistic is the derivative of the conditional distribution

$$\begin{aligned} U_\psi(\xi) &= \frac{\partial l_c(\xi, \psi_0)}{\partial \psi} \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi} \\ p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) &= p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi), \quad p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) = \frac{p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi)}{p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi)} \\ l_c(\xi, \psi_0) &= \log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) = \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) - \log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi) \end{aligned}$$

Then we need to prove

$$\begin{aligned} U_\psi(\xi) &= \frac{\partial l_c(\xi, \psi_0)}{\partial \psi} \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi} = \partial_\psi \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) - \partial_\psi \log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi) \\ \partial_\psi \log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi) &= E[\partial_\psi \log p(Y|\xi) | s_\lambda(\psi_0)] \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi} \end{aligned}$$

We can write

$$\begin{aligned} \log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) &= \log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) + \log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0)|\xi) \\ E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) | s_\lambda]) &= E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) + E(\partial_\psi [\log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) \end{aligned}$$

in which, the integral and expectation can switch, then we have

$$E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) = \partial_\psi E([\log p(\mathbf{Y}|s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi) | s_\lambda]) = \partial_\psi E([\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi)]) = 0$$

So,

$$E(\partial_\psi [\log p(\mathbf{Y}|\xi) | s_\lambda]) = \partial_\psi \log p(s_\lambda(\psi_0), \xi)$$

Then we show

$$U_\psi(\xi) = \partial_\psi \log p(Y|\xi) - E[\partial_\psi \log p(Y|\xi) | s_\lambda(\psi_0)] \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi}$$

- (b) Suppose that  $y_1, \dots, y_n$  are independent and  $y_i$  follows a Poisson distribution with mean  $\exp(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2})$ , where  $(x_{i1}, x_{i2})$  are covariates,  $\lambda = (\lambda_0, \lambda_1)$  is the nuisance parameter vector and  $\psi$  is the parameter of interest. Derive the conditional likelihood of  $\psi$  and show that this conditional likelihood is free of  $\lambda$ .

The joint distribution of  $(y_1, \dots, y_n)$  is given by

$$P(Y|\lambda, \psi) = \exp \left( \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \log y_i! \right)$$

Thus,  $S_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i$  is the sufficient and complete statistics for  $\lambda_0$ , and  $S_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_{i1}$  is the sufficient and complete statistics for  $\lambda_1$ .

The conditional distribution of  $\psi$  given  $S_0, S_1$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} p(\mathbf{Y}, \psi | S = (S_0, S_1)) &= \frac{\exp(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \log y_i!)}{\sum_{y' \in S} \exp(\sum_{i=1}^n y'_i (\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \log y'_i!)} \\ &= \frac{\exp(S_1 \lambda_0 + S_2 \lambda_1 + S_3 \psi) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \log y_i!}{\sum_{y' \in S} \exp(S'_1 \lambda_0 + S'_2 \lambda_1 + S'_3 \psi) - \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(\lambda_0 + \lambda_1 x_{i1} + \psi x_{i2}) - \log y'_i!} \\ &= \frac{\exp(S_3 \psi - \log y_i!)}{\sum_{y' \in S} \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!)}, \quad S_3 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_{i2}, S'_3 = \sum_{i=1}^n y'_i x_{i2} \end{aligned}$$

which is independent of  $\lambda$ .

- (c) Derive the conditional score statistic for part (b) and write out a Newton-Raphson algorithm for obtaining the conditional maximum likelihood estimate of  $\psi$  based on  $U_\psi(\xi)$ .

The log likelihood of the conditional distribution is

$$l_c(\psi) = S_3 \psi - \log y_i! - \log \left[ \sum_{y' \in S} \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!) \right], \quad S_3 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_{i2}, S'_3 = \sum_{i=1}^n y'_i x_{i2}$$

The score function and observed fisher information is

$$\begin{aligned} U_\psi(\xi) &= \frac{\partial l_c(\xi, \psi_0)}{\partial \psi} \Big|_{\psi_0=\psi} \\ &= \psi - \frac{\sum_{y' \in S} S'_3 \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!)}{\sum_{y' \in S} \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!)} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l_c(\xi, \psi_0)}{\partial \psi^2} &= \left[ \frac{\sum_{y' \in S} S'_3 \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!)}{\sum_{y' \in S} \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!)} \right]^2 - \frac{\sum_{y' \in S} S'^2_3 \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!)}{\sum_{y' \in S} \exp(S'_3 \psi - \log y'_i!)} \end{aligned}$$

The newton-Raphson algorithm

$$\psi^{k+1} = \psi^k - \left[ \frac{\partial^2 l_c(\psi^k)}{\partial \psi^2} \right]^{-1} U_\psi(\psi^k)$$

where  $\frac{\partial^2 l_c(\psi^k)}{\partial \psi^2}, U_\psi(\psi^k)$  are from above equations.

- (d) Now suppose that we only have two random variables  $y_1 \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu_1)$  and  $y_2 \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu_2)$ , where  $y_1$  and  $y_2$  are independent. We are interested in making inferences on the ratio  $\psi = \mu_1/\mu_2$ . Let  $\xi = (\psi, \lambda)$ , where  $\lambda$  represents the nuisance parameter.

- (i) Show that the log-likelihood function of  $\xi$  can be written as

$$l(\xi) = (y_1 + y_2)\lambda + y_1 \log(\psi) - \exp(\lambda)(1 + \psi)$$

where  $\lambda$  is a function of  $\mu_2$ . Explicitly state what  $\lambda$  is.

Write the joint distribution of  $y_1, y_2$

$$\begin{aligned} P(y_1, y_2) &= \frac{\mu_1^{y_1} e^{-\mu_1}}{y_1!} \frac{\mu_2^{y_2} e^{-\mu_2}}{y_2!} \\ \log P(y_1, y_2) &= y_1 \log \mu_1 - \mu_1 + y_2 \log \mu_2 - \mu_2 - \log y_1! - \log y_2! \\ &= y_1 \log \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2} + y_1 \log \mu_2 + y_2 \log \mu_2 - \mu_1 - \mu_2 - \log y_1! - \log y_2! \\ &= y_1 \log \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2} + (y_1 + y_2) \log \mu_2 - \mu_2(\mu_1/\mu_2 + 1) - \log y_1! - \log y_2! \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \psi &= \log \frac{\mu_1}{\mu_2} \\ \lambda &= \log \mu_2 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) Derive the conditional likelihood of  $\psi$  and write out a Newton-Raphson algorithm for obtaining the conditional maximum likelihood estimate of  $\psi$ .  
From part (a), we see  $y_1 + y_2$  is the sufficient statistics for  $\lambda$ , while  $y_1 + y_2 \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu_1 + \mu_2)$  then we have conditional distribution of  $\psi$  condition on  $S = y_1 + y_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned} Y(\psi|S = y_1 + y_2, \lambda) &= \frac{\exp[y_1\psi + (y_1 + y_2)\lambda - \exp(\lambda)(\psi + 1) - \log y_1! - \log y_2!]}{\exp[(y_1 + y_2)\log(\mu_1 + \mu_2) - (\mu_1 + \mu_2) - \log(y_1 + y_2)!]} \\ &= \frac{\exp[y_1\psi + S\lambda - \exp(\lambda)(\psi + 1) - \log y_1! - \log y_2!]}{\exp[S(\lambda + \log(\psi + 1)) - \exp(\lambda)(\psi + 1) - \log S!]} \\ &= \frac{\exp[y_1\psi - \log y_1! - \log y_2!]}{\exp[(y_1 + S - y_1)\log(\psi + 1) - \log S!]} \\ &= \binom{S}{y_1} \left( \frac{\psi}{1 + \psi} \right)^{y_1} \left( \frac{1}{1 + \psi} \right)^{S - y_1} \end{aligned}$$

The conditional distribution is a binomial,  $B(S, \psi/(1 + \psi))$ .

The score function and observed fisher information

$$\begin{aligned} \log Y(\psi|S, \lambda) &= y_1 \log \psi - S \log(1 + \psi) + \log \binom{S}{y_1} \\ \partial_\psi \log Y(\psi|S, \lambda) &= \frac{y_1}{\psi} - \frac{S}{1 + \psi} = 0, \quad \hat{\psi} = y_1/(S - y_1) \\ \partial_\psi^2 \log Y(\psi|S, \lambda) &= -\frac{y_1}{\psi^2} + \frac{S}{(1 + \psi)^2} \end{aligned}$$

The  $CMLE = \hat{\psi} = y_1/(S - y_1)$ . And the newton-Raphson equation

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^{k+1} &= \psi^k - \left[ \frac{\partial^2 l_c(\psi^k)}{\partial \psi^2} \right]^{-1} U_\psi(\psi^k) \\ &= \psi^k - \left[ -\frac{y_1}{\psi^2} + \frac{S}{(1 + \psi)^2} \right]^{-1} \left[ \frac{y_1}{\psi} - \frac{S}{1 + \psi} \right] \Big|_{\psi=\psi^k} \\ &= \psi^k + \frac{y_1/\psi^k - S/(1 + \psi^k)}{y_1/\psi^{k2} - S/(1 + \psi^k)^2} \end{aligned}$$

## 2.5 a

Suppose that  $y_1; \dots y_n$  are independent Bernoulli random variables, where  $y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi)$ , and we consider a logistic regression so that  $\text{logit}(\pi) = x'_i \beta$ , where  $\beta = (\beta_1; \dots \beta_p)$ . Our interest is inference on  $(\beta_1; \beta_2)$ , with all other parameters being treated as nuisance.

- (a) Derive the conditional likelihood of  $(\beta_1; \beta_2)$  and express it in the simplest possible form.

The joint distribution of  $y_1; \dots y_n$

$$\begin{aligned} p(Y) &= \prod_{i=0}^n p_i^{y_i} (1 - p_i)^{(1-y_i)} \\ \log p(Y) &= \sum_{i=0}^n y_i \log p_i + (1 - y_i) \log(1 - p_i) = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i \log \frac{p_i}{1 - p_i} + \log(1 - p_i) \\ \text{logit}(p_i) &= \log \frac{p_i}{1 - p_i} = x'_i \beta, \quad p_i = \frac{\exp(x'_i \beta)}{1 + \exp(x'_i \beta)} \\ \log p(Y) &= \sum_{i=0}^n y_i x'_i \beta - \log(1 + \exp(x'_i \beta)) \\ &= \sum_{i=0}^n y_i (x_{i1} \beta_1 + x_{i2} \beta_2 + x_{i3} \beta_3 + \dots x_{ip} \beta_p) - \log(1 + \exp(x'_i \beta)) \end{aligned}$$

We can see that  $\sum_{i=0}^n x_{i1} y_i$  is a sufficient and complete statistics for  $\beta_1$ . When only  $(\beta_1; \beta_2)$  are the interest, and all other parameters being treated as nuisance. Then  $s_j = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i x_{ij}$  is sufficient statistics for  $\beta_j$ . Let  $S = (s_3, s_4, \dots s_p)$

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\beta_1, \beta_2 | S) &= \frac{\exp[\sum_{i=0}^n (y_i x_{i1})\beta_1 + (y_i x_{i2})\beta_2 + \dots (y_i x_{ip})\beta_p - \log(1 + \exp(x_i' \beta))]}{\sum_{t \in S} \exp[(t_i x_{i1})\beta_1 + (t_i x_{i2})\beta_2 + \dots (t_i x_{ip})\beta_p - \log(1 + \exp(x_i^T \beta))]} \\
&= \frac{\exp(\sum_{i=0}^n (y_i x_{i1})\beta_1 + (y_i x_{i2})\beta_2)}{\sum_{t \in S} \exp((t_i x_{i1})\beta_1 + (t_i x_{i2})\beta_2)} \\
&= \frac{\exp(S_1 \beta_1 + S_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_{S'} \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)}, \quad S_j = \sum_{i=0}^n (y_i x_{ij}), S'_j = \sum_{i=0}^n (t_i x_{ij})
\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Derive the score equations for  $(\beta_1; \beta_2)$  based on the conditional likelihood derived in part (a).

The log conditional distribution is

$$\begin{aligned}
l_c(\beta_1, \beta_2 | S) &= \log p(Y, \xi) - \log p(s, \lambda, \psi_0) = \log P(\beta_1, \beta_2 | S) \\
l_c(\beta_1, \beta_2 | S) &= \log \frac{\exp(S_1 \beta_1 + S_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_{S'} \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)} = S_1 \beta_1 + S_2 \beta_2 - \log \sum_{S'} \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2) \\
\frac{\partial l_c}{\partial \beta_1} &= S_1 - \frac{\sum_{S'} S'_1 \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_{S'} \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)} \\
\frac{\partial l_c}{\partial \beta_2} &= S_2 - \frac{\sum_{S'} S'_2 \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_{S'} \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)}
\end{aligned}$$

The score equations are setting the score function to 0

$$SCn = 0 = \begin{bmatrix} S_1 - \frac{\sum_{S'} S'_1 \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_{S'} \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)} \\ S_2 - \frac{\sum_{S'} S'_2 \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_{S'} \exp(S'_1 \beta_1 + S'_2 \beta_2)} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (c) Derive the asymptotic covariance matrix of the conditional maximum likelihood estimates of  $(\beta_1; \beta_2)$ .

The Fisher information of  $(\beta_1; \beta_2)$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta_1^2} &= \left[ \frac{\sum_T T_1 \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_T \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)} \right]^2 - \frac{\sum_T T_1^2 \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_T \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)} \\
\frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta_2^2} &= \left[ \frac{\sum_T T_2 \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_T \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)} \right]^2 - \frac{\sum_T T_2^2 \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_T \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)} \\
\frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \beta_2} &= \frac{[\sum_T T_1 \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)] [\sum_T T_2 \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)]}{[\sum_T \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)]^2} - \frac{\sum_T T_1 T_2 \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)}{\sum_T \exp(T_1 \beta_1 + T_2 \beta_2)}
\end{aligned}$$



Thus the asymptotic covariance matrix  $Cov(\beta_1, \beta_2)$  is

$$Cov(\beta_1, \beta_2) = I(\beta_1, \beta_2)^{-1}$$

$$I(\beta_1, \beta_2) = -E \left[ \frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta^2} \right] = - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{I_n(\beta)}{n}$$

$$I_n(\beta) = - \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta_1 \beta_2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta_1 \beta_2} & \frac{\partial^2 l_c}{\partial \beta_2^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(d) Derive the conditional score test for testing  $H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$ .

$$SCn = \frac{\partial l_c}{\partial \tilde{\beta}}^T I_n(\tilde{\beta})^{-1} \frac{\partial l_c}{\partial \tilde{\beta}} \sim \chi^2(1)$$

SCn is estimated under  $H_0, \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$ . The SCn quadratic form is rank 1, so the degrees of freedom is 1.

We will reject  $H_0$  if  $SCn > \chi^2(1, \alpha)$ .