

Solution to HW9

Problem 6.16

- (a) Denote $Y = 1, 2, 3, 4$ for 4 categories of the cholesterol level, $x = 1/0$ for treatment and control, mid-point $y_0 = 1.7, 3.75, 4.5, 5.3$ for baseline cholesterol level. We consider the following cumulative logit model for $\tau_j(x, y_0) = P(Y \leq j)$:

$$\text{logit}(\tau_j(x, y_0)) = \alpha_j + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 y_0, \quad j = 1, 2, 3.$$

The SAS program and part of the output:

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data prob6_16;
  input ldl0 c1-c4 t1-t4;
  datalines;
  1.7 18 8 0 0 21 4 2 0
  3.75 16 30 13 2 17 25 6 0
  4.5 0 14 28 7 11 35 36 6
  5.3 0 2 15 22 1 5 14 12
;
data prob6_16; set prob6_16;
  array temp1 {4} c1-c4;
  array temp2 {4} t1-t4;
  do trt=0 to 1;
    do y=1 to 4;
      if trt=0 then
        count=temp1(y);
      else
        count=temp2(y);
      output;
    end;
  end;
  drop c1-c4 t1-t4;
run;

title "Problem 6.16(a)";
proc logistic;
  freq count;
  model y = trt ldl0 / aggregate scale=none;
run;
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Score Test for the Proportional Odds Assumption		
Chi-Square	DF	Pr > ChiSq
10.3917	4	0.0343

Deviance and Pearson Goodness-of-Fit Statistics				
Criterion	Value	DF	Value/DF	Pr > ChiSq
Deviance	37.0189	19	1.9484	0.0079
Pearson	41.4759	19	2.1829	0.0021

Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates					
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	Wald Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept 1	1	4.3071	0.5389	63.8825	<.0001
Intercept 2	1	6.5405	0.5927	121.7646	<.0001
Intercept 3	1	8.7275	0.6493	180.6736	<.0001
trt	1	0.7767	0.2086	13.8669	0.0002
ldl0	1	-1.6029	0.1368	137.3653	<.0001

Odds Ratio Estimates			
Effect	Point Estimate	95% Wald Confidence Limits	
trt	2.174	1.445	3.272
ldl0	0.201	0.154	0.263

Based on the output, we know that the treatment has a significant effect in reducing cholesterol level: the odds that patients receiving the treatment have better (lower) cholesterol level is 2.17 times the odds that patients receiving the control have better cholesterol level given that they had the same baseline cholesterol level (P-value=0.0002).

- (b) Denote D_1, D_2, D_3 three dummy variables for the first three categories for the baseline cholesterol level. Consider the following cumulative logit model for $\tau_j(x, D's) = P(Y \leq j)$:

$$\text{logit}(\tau_j(x, D's)) = \alpha_j + \beta_1 x + \beta_2 D_1 + \beta_3 + D_2 \beta_4 D_3, \quad j = 1, 2, 3.$$

The SAS program and part of the output:

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title "Problem 6.16(b)";
proc logistic;
  class ldl0 / param=ref;
  freq count;
  model y = trt ldl0 / aggregate scale=none;
run;
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Score Test for the Proportional Odds Assumption

      Chi-Square      DF      Pr > ChiSq
      0.8827          8          0.9989

Deviance and Pearson Goodness-of-Fit Statistics

Criterion      Value      DF      Value/DF      Pr > ChiSq
Deviance      14.4679      17      0.8511      0.6338
Pearson       11.6904      17      0.6877      0.8185

Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates

Parameter      DF      Estimate      Standard      Wald      Pr > ChiSq
                  Error      Chi-Square
Intercept 1      1      -4.9700      0.3721      178.4240      <.0001
Intercept 2      1      -2.6791      0.3158      71.9755      <.0001
Intercept 3      1      -0.2062      0.2516      0.6716      0.4125
trt              1      0.7924      0.2097      14.2765      0.0002
ldl0             1.7      1      5.6437      0.4661      146.6434      <.0001
ldl0             3.75     1      3.7689      0.3603      109.4417      <.0001
ldl0             4.5      1      1.9467      0.3150      38.2025      <.0001

Odds Ratio Estimates

      Effect      Point      95% Wald
                  Estimate      Confidence Limits
      trt          2.209      1.464      3.332

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Based on the output, we know that the treatment has a significant effect in reducing cholesterol level: the odds that patients receiving the treatment have better cholesterol level is 2.21

times the odds that patients receiving the control have better cholesterol level given that they had the same baseline cholesterol level (P-value=0.0002).

(c) SAS program and output for the CMH test:

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title "Problem 6.16(c)";
proc freq;
  weight count;
  tables ldl0*trt*y / cmh;
run;
*****
                        The FREQ Procedure

                Summary Statistics for trt by y
                Controlling for ldl0

        Cochran-Mantel-Haenszel Statistics (Based on Table Scores)

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Statistic	Alternative Hypothesis	DF	Value	Prob
1	Nonzero Correlation	1	15.4001	<.0001
2	Row Mean Scores Differ	1	15.4001	<.0001
3	General Association	3	15.4562	0.0015

Using score (1,2,3,4) for ending cholesterol level, the CMH test for conditional independence between the treatment and ending cholesterol level given the baseline cholesterol level produces $\chi^2 = 15.4001$, $df = 1$ and $P - value < 0.0001$. Treating the ending cholesterol level as nominal categorical variable, the CMH test for conditional independence between the treatment and ending cholesterol level given the baseline cholesterol level produces $\chi^2 = 15.4562$, $df = 3$ and $P - value < 0.0015$. Both tests indicate that we should reject the conditional independence between the treatment and ending cholesterol level giving baseline cholesterol level.

Problem 8.1

The McNemar test statistic is

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(16 - 37)^2}{16 + 37} = 8.32, \quad P - value = P(\chi_1^2 \geq 8.32) = 0.004.$$

Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis that the diabetes probabilities between MI cases and MI controls are the same. From the table, we know that MI cases have higher diabetes probability than MI controls.

Problem 8.2

(a) Here we can use the McNemar test to test this null hypothesis since we have matched data.

The McNemar test statistic is

$$\chi^2 = \frac{(125 - 2)^2}{125 + 2} = 119, \quad \text{P-value} = P(\chi_1^2 \geq 119) = 0.$$

Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis that the population proportions answering “yes” were the same for heaven and hell (almost at any level).

(b) The difference of sample proportions answering “yes” for heaven and hell is:

$$p_1 - p_2 = (833 + 125)/1120 - (833 + 2)/1120 = 0.855 - 0.746 = 0.11.$$

The estimated variance (and SE) of the above difference:

$$\widehat{\text{var}}(p_1 - p_2) = \frac{(125 + 2) - (125 - 2)^2/1120}{1120^2} = 9 \times 10^{-5}, \quad \widehat{\text{SE}}(p_1 - p_2) = 0.009.$$

So a 90% CI for the proportion difference is

$$0.11 \pm 1.645 \times 0.009 = [0.095, 0.125].$$

Problem 8.3

(a) Denote Y_{ij} the indicator variable for “yes” for either heaven or hell, x the indicator for heaven (1 for heaven, 0 for hell). The marginal model that will produce marginal odds-ratio is:

$$\text{logit}\{P(Y_{ij} = 1|x)\} = \alpha + x\beta.$$

The correlation among the repeated observations within the same subject can be taken into account using GEE. The SAS program and part of the output is:

```
data prob8_3;
  input heaven hell count;
  datalines;
    1 1 833
    1 0 125
    0 1 2
    0 0 160
  ;
title "recover individual data";
data newdata; set prob8_3;
  retain id;
  if _n_=1 then id=0;
  do i=1 to count;
    id = id+1;
    do x=0 to 1;
      if x=0 then
        y=hell;
      else
        y=heaven;
      output;
    end;
  end;
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run;
title "Problem 8.3(a)";
proc genmod data=newdata descending;
  class id;
  model y = x / dist=bin link=logit;
  repeated subject=id / type=un;
run;
*****
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Analysis Of GEE Parameter Estimates Empirical Standard Error Estimates						
Parameter	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Z	Pr > Z
Intercept	1.0749	0.0686	0.9405	1.2094	15.67	<.0001
x	0.7023	0.0621	0.5806	0.8240	11.31	<.0001

The odds-ratio estimate is $e^{0.7023} = 2.02$, indicating that the population odds of believing heaven is 2.02 times the population odds of believing hell. The P-value also indicates that these two population odds are not the same.

- (b) The conditional model that will produce subject-specific odds-ratio is

$$\text{logit}\{P(Y_{ij} = 1|\alpha_i, x)\} = \alpha_i + x\beta.$$

We use conditional logistic regression to fit the above model. The SAS program and part of the output is:

```
title "Problem 8.3(b)";
proc logistic data=newdata descending;
  model y = x;
  strata id;
run;
*****
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Analysis of Conditional Maximum Likelihood Estimates					
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	Wald Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
x	1	4.1352	0.7127	33.6606	<.0001
Odds Ratio Estimates					
Effect		Point Estimate	95% Wald Confidence Limits		
x		62.500	15.459 252.677		

The subject-specific odds-ratio estimate is $e^{4.1352} = 62.5$, indicating for each subject, the odds of of believing heaven is 62.5 times the odds of believing hell. The P-value also indicates that these two subject-specific odds are not the same.