Stat 616 Generalized Linear Models, Homework 8

Spring 2019

Due: Thursday, April 4, 2019

1. Use your previous course material or online resource to review the Chi-Square test for

independence of 2 (or more) categorical variables. The test is also known as the "Chi-Square

test for contingency table."

From handout R08_PoissonLoglinear_2019.R.

2. Answer the 5 questions at the end of the handout. These questions apply to other software

users as well.

From Dobson & Barnett, An Introduction to Generalized Linear Models, p. 183.

3. Exercise 9.2

• In part (b), consider the main effects and the two-way interactions. Use variable selection

or test the significance of the interactions to drop the non-significant interactions from the

model. Note that the interaction between 2 categorical explanatory variables often involves

more than one slope parameter.

4. Exercise 9.3 (a, b).

5. Exercise 9.5

• Organize the dataset in a correct format for the software and the function.

• In part (a), you will separate the dataset into 3 subsets according the type of housing. Then

you will run the log-linear model for each of the sub-dataset.

• In part (b), to analyze three variables simultaneously, start with a model with all 2-way and

3-way interactions. (Note that, in this case, a model with all 2-way and 3-way interaction

terms is a saturated model.) Then use variable selection (AIC or other criteria) to choose

the predictors for the log-linear model.

6. Extra Credit: Exercise 9.3 (c).

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Before you start, read the manuscript *prop_odds.pdf*

(<u>http://www.stat.uchicago.edu/~pmcc/reports/prop_odds.pdf</u>, by Prof. Peter McCullagh,

Department of Statistics, University of Chicago). In particular, note that:

- (1) Equation 2 in the manuscript is the proportional odds model, which uses the same parameterization as in R function polr() and in STATA.
- (2) Figure 1 on p.3 of the manuscript illustrates how the explanatory variable and the linear component are related to the distribution of the latent variable (Z).
- (3) Another way to connect the explanatory variable and the linear component to the latent variable (Z) is to assume that for different x-values, the distribution of the latent variable remains the same, but the boundaries of the Z-intervals depend on the predictor and the linear component.

This is the end of HW 8.