

Problem 1

M3 has the 3way interaction term $time_j * I(center2) * I(treatment)$

LRT Test: comparing the full (M3) and reduced (M2) models in order to test the null hypothesis that the effect of treatment on changes over time in the subject-specific log odds of good respiratory status is the same in the two clinics.

using $\alpha = .05$

Full $-2 \log L = 567.7$

Reduced $-2 \log L = 570.4$

df $19 - 15 = 4$

critical value $\chi^2 = 9.488$

$\chi^2_{obs} = 570.4 - 567.7 = 2.7 < 9.488$

p-value = .609 $> \alpha$ Fail to reject H_0

Conclude there is not enough evidence to suggest that there is a statistically significant difference in the effect of treatment on changes over time in the subject-specific log odds of good respiratory status between the two clinics.

Problem 2

M2 has the 2way interaction term $time_j * I(treatment)$

LRT Test: comparing the full (M2) and reduced (M1) models in order to test the null hypothesis that treatment has no effect on changes over time in the subject-specific log odds of good respiratory status, adjusting for possible clinic effects.

using $\alpha = .05$

Full $-2 \log L = 591.3$ Reduced $-2 \log L = 570.4$

df $15 - 11 = 4$

critical value $\chi^2 = 9.488$

$\chi^2_{obs} = 591.3 - 570.4 = 20.9 > 9.488$

p-value = .0003 $< \alpha$ Reject H_0

Conclude there is evidence to suggest a statistically significant treatment effect on changes over time in the subject-specific log odds of good respiratory status, adjusting for possible clinic effects.

Problem 3

$\sigma^2 = 6.179$

attenuation factor = $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + 3\sigma^2/\pi^2}} = .589$

M2 and M4 Estimates			
Parameter	M2 Estimate	M4 Estimate	Observed Ratio M4/M2
int	-1.471	-.771	.524
t1	.367	.202	.550
t2	-.100	-.046	.460
t3	.555	.289	.521
t4	-.281	-.127	.452
c2	2.023	1.103	.545
t1c2	-.118	-.071	.602
t2c2	-.778	-.437	.562
t3c2	-.973	-.531	.546
t4c2	.295	.153	.519
t1trt	1.685	.892	.529
t2trt	2.598	1.389	.535
t3trt	2.198	1.195	.544
t4trt	1.489	.774	.520

Since the approximate marginal coefficients are smaller in magnitude than the conditional coefficients, there appears to be an attenuation effect. The observed ratios (shown in the table above) and the approximation formula are similar in magnitude.

Problem 4

Marginal probability of good respiratory status in clinic 1 at time 1 for a patient in the **placebo group**

Simulating ν and taking the sample mean to obtain:

$$\mu_{i1} = E(\nu_{i1}) = .355$$

Marginal probability of good respiratory status in clinic 1 at time 1 for a patient in the **active treatment group**

$$\mu_{i1} = E(\nu_{i1}) = .574$$

The fitted values from M4 for center1, time1 are:

Active Treatment .580

Placebo .361

The estimates from M2 are very similar to the fitted values from M4.

Problem 5

Simulating ν and taking the sample mean

$$Var(Y_{ij}) = E(\nu_{ij}(1 - \nu_{ij})) + var(\nu_{ij}) = \text{within} + \text{between}$$

$$\frac{\text{between}}{\text{total}} = \frac{var(\nu_{ij})}{\mu_{ij}(1 - \mu_{ij})}$$

Total Variance for Center1 time1 **Placebo**:

$$Var(Y_{i1}) = .355(1 - .355) = .229$$

within component=.123

between component = $.229 - .123 = .106$

$$\frac{\text{between}}{\text{total}} = .106 / .229 = .463$$

Total Variance for Center1 time1 **Active Treatment:**

$$Var(Y_{i1}) = .574(1 - .574) = .245$$

within component = .13

between component = $.245 - .13 = .115$

$$\frac{\text{between}}{\text{total}} = .115 / .245 = .469$$

Problem 6

Simulating $\nu_{i0} * \nu_{i1}$ and taking the sample mean

Using M2 to estimate $corr(Y_{i0}, Y_{i1})$ for a subject in the placebo group in clinic 1

$$Var(Y_{i0}) = .312 * (1 - .312) = .215$$

$$Cov(Y_{i0}, Y_{i1}) = E(\nu_{i0} * \nu_{i1}) - \mu_{i0}\mu_{i1} = .213 - (.312 * .355) = .102$$

$$corr(Y_{i0}, Y_{i1}) = \frac{Cov(Y_{i0}, Y_{i1})}{\sqrt{Var(Y_{i0}) * Var(Y_{i1})}} = .102 / (\sqrt{.215 * .229}) = .46$$

Using model M2, we obtain an estimate of $corr(Y_{i0}, Y_{i1}) = .46$ for a subject in the placebo group in clinic 1.