

Exercise 1.

- a) **[Seen, 4 points]** Taylor expansion of the first derivative of the score function, gives

$$\frac{\partial \eta^T}{\partial \beta} u(\beta) + \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \eta^T}{\partial \beta} \frac{\partial^2 \ell_j}{\partial \eta_j^2} \frac{\partial \eta^T}{\partial \beta} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 \eta_j}{\partial \beta \partial \beta^T} u_j(\beta) \right\} (\hat{\beta} - \beta),$$

where $u(\beta) = \partial \ell / \partial \eta$ and ℓ is a log-likelihood function with parameter η . Suppose that $\ell_j(\eta_j) = \log f(y_j; \eta_j)$, where the density f is regular for maximum likelihood estimation.

It is convenient to replace the quantity in brace by its expectation, which leads to

$$\frac{\partial \eta^T}{\partial \beta} u(\beta) + \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \eta^T}{\partial \beta} \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \ell_j}{\partial \eta_j^2} \right) \frac{\partial \eta^T}{\partial \beta} + \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 \eta_j}{\partial \beta \partial \beta^T} \mathbb{E} \{ u_j(\beta) \} \right] (\hat{\beta} - \beta) = 0.$$

Then the equality simplifies to

$$X^T u(\beta) + \left[\sum_{j=1}^n X^T \mathbb{E} \left(\frac{\partial^2 \ell_j}{\partial \eta_j^2} \right) X \right] (\hat{\beta} - \beta) = 0.$$

with $X = \frac{\partial \eta^T}{\partial \beta}$, and which leads to

$$\hat{\beta} = \beta + \{X^T W X\}^{-1} X^T u(\beta) = \{X^T W X\}^{-1} X^T W z,$$

where $z = X\beta + W^{-1}u(\beta)$ and W is a diagonal matrix with terms $\mathbb{E} \left(-\frac{\partial^2 \ell_j}{\partial \eta_j^2} \right)$. Then we use this formula for setpwise optimization starting from a good β .

- b) **[Seen, 2 points]** We use profile log-likelihood for β_r , with fixed β_{-r} parameters. We know from the likelihood ratio statistics that

$$W(\beta_1) = 2 \left\{ \ell(\hat{\beta}_1) - \ell(\beta_1) \right\} \sim \chi_1^2.$$

Thus the set of plausible values with a $(1 - 2\alpha)$ level is

$$\left\{ \beta_1 : \ell(\beta_r) > \ell(\hat{\beta}) - \frac{1}{2} c_1(1 - 2\alpha) \right\},$$

where $c_1(1 - 2\alpha)$ is the $(1 - 2\alpha)$ quantile of the χ_1^2 distribution. We can then compute the corresponding confidence intervals, if we specify a value for α . In this case, testing can be done using the deviance statistics of nested models.

Also possible:

$$\hat{\beta}_r + 2V_{rr}^{1/2}, \quad \frac{\hat{\beta}_{r-\beta}}{V_{rr}^{1/2}} \sim N(0, 1).$$

c) **[Unseen, 4 points]** We suppose that

$$V \sim N\left(\frac{Uc}{K+c}, \sigma^2\right),$$

thus we have

$$\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial U} = \frac{c}{K+c}, \quad \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial K} = \frac{-cU}{(K+c)^2},$$

and

$$\ell_i(y_i; \eta_i) = -\log(\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(y_i - \eta_i)^2.$$

This leads to $W_{ii} = 1/\sigma^2$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, which means that W is proportional to the identity matrix. We can deduce that

$$z = X^T \begin{bmatrix} U \\ K \end{bmatrix} + \{Y - \eta(K, U)\},$$

with,

$$\hat{\beta} = \{X^T W X\}^{-1} X^T W z,$$

where X is a $2 \times n$ matrix with columns $\left[\frac{c_j}{K+c_j} \frac{-c_j U}{(K+c_j)^2} \right]^T$.

Bonus: mention the case where $U = 0$ then the observation matrix is singular ...

Exercise 2.

a) **[Seen, 3 points]** The mean can be seen as a smooth function of the covariates, more precisely a polynomial function of degree p as well as a non parametric smooth component:

- y is the vector of observation,
- γ is the vectors of parameter $(\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_b, b_1, \dots, b_k)$,
- B is the matrix of covariates with $\{1, x, \dots, x^p, (x - \kappa_1)^p, \dots, (x - \kappa_k)^p\}$,
- α is a smoothing parameter,
- D is a diagonal matrix with p zeros and k times 1.

b) **[Seen, 2 points]** We take partial derivative with regard to γ in the previous equation and we get

$$2B^T(y - B\gamma) + 2\alpha D\gamma = 0.$$

This gives

$$\gamma_\alpha = (B^T B + \alpha D)^{-1} B^T y$$

and thus,

$$\hat{y} = B(B^T B + \alpha D)^{-1} B^T y = S_\alpha y.$$

c) **[Seen, 2 points]** Let M and N be $q \times q$ matrices, and suppose that $(N + \alpha M)^{-1}$ exists for some $\alpha > 0$. Let η be an eigenvalue of $(N + \alpha M)^{-1} N$. Then if N is invertible, then

$$\begin{aligned} (N + \alpha M)^{-1} A &= (N^{1/2} N^{1/2} + \alpha M)^{-1} A \\ &= N^{-1/2} (I + \alpha N^{-1/2} M N^{-1/2})^{-1} N^{-1/2} N \\ &= N^{-1/2} (I + \alpha N^{-1/2} M N^{-1/2})^{-1} N^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

which gives

$$\eta = \frac{1}{1 + \alpha \eta''},$$

where η'' is an eigenvalue of $N^{-1/2} M N^{-1/2}$.

d) [**Seen, 3 points**] With the result of the previous question, we have

$$\text{tr}(S_\alpha) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{1+\alpha\eta_j},$$

where η_j are the eigenvalues of $(B^T B)^{-1/2} D (B^T B)^{-1/2}$. We see that $\eta_1 = \dots = \eta_{p+1} = 0$ and we suppose $0 < \eta_{p+2} \leq \dots \leq \eta_{p+1+k}$. Thus we get

$$\text{tr}(S_\alpha) = p + 1 + \sum_{j=p+2}^n \frac{1}{1+\alpha\eta_j},$$

and thus

$$p + 1 \leq \text{tr}(S_\alpha) \leq p + 1 + K.$$

Monotony is straight forward. $\text{tr}(S_\alpha)$ can be seen as the equivalent degree of freedom. When $\alpha = 0$, then $\text{tr}(S_\alpha) = p + 1 + K$, which corresponds to the case with no smoothing, i.e. classical polynomial regression with function basis. When $\alpha = \infty$, then $\text{tr}(S_\alpha) = p + 1$ and we have a classical polynomial regression.

Exercise 3.

a) [**Seen, 3 points**] Suppose that Y has a continuous density; if not the argument below is the same, except that integral signs are replaced by summations.

Let $\Omega_\theta = \{\theta : b(\theta) < \infty\}$.

We have

$$M_Y(t) = \mathbb{E}\{\exp(tY)\} = \int e^{ty} \exp\left\{\frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{\phi} + c(y; \phi)\right\} dy = \int \exp\left\{\frac{y(\theta + t\phi) - b(\theta)}{\phi} + c(y; \phi)\right\} dy.$$

If $\theta + t\phi \in \Omega_\theta$, then

$$\int \exp\left\{\frac{y(\theta + t\phi) - b(\theta + t\phi)}{\phi} + c(y; \phi)\right\} dy = 1,$$

so

$$M_Y(t) = \mathbb{E}\{\exp(tY)\} = \exp\{[b(\theta + t\phi) - b(\theta)]/\phi\}.$$

Hence the cumulant-generating function of Y is

$$K_Y(t) = \log M_Y(t) = \{b(\theta + t\phi) - b(\theta)\}/\phi,$$

and differentiating twice with respect to t and setting $t = 0$ yields

$$K'_Y(t)|_{t=0} = b'(\theta), \quad K''_Y(t)|_{t=0} = \phi b''(\theta).$$

Since $b(\theta)$ is strictly convex on Ω_θ , $b'(\theta)$ is a monotonic increasing function of θ , so $b'^{-1}(\cdot)$ exists and is itself monotonic, so $V(\mu) = b''\{b'^{-1}(\mu)\}$ is well-defined.

b) [**Seen, 2 points**] The generalized linear model extends classical linear normal model to

- Y has density/mass function

$$f(y; \theta, \phi) = \exp\left\{\frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{\phi} + c(y; \phi)\right\}, \quad y \in \mathcal{Y}, \theta \in \Omega_\theta, \phi > 0, \quad (1)$$

where

- \mathcal{Y} is the support of Y ,
- Ω_θ is the parameter space of valid values for $\theta \equiv \theta(\eta)$, and
- the β dispersionparameter ϕ is often known;

- with the link function: $\eta = g(\mu) = \theta = b'^{-1}(\mu)$, where μ is the mean. The link function is monotonic, smooth and links $X^T\beta = g\{E(Y)\}$.
- and variance function: $\text{var}(Y) = \phi V(\mu)$,
- Only V and g appears in the algorithm.

c) [Unseen, 5 points] We have

$$\begin{aligned}\Pr(Z = z) &= \{(1 - \gamma)\pi + \gamma(1 - \pi)\}^z \{1 - (1 - \gamma)\pi - \gamma(1 - \pi)\}^{1-z} \\ &= \exp \left[z \log \left\{ \frac{\pi(1-2\gamma)+\gamma}{1-\pi(1-2\gamma)-\gamma} \right\} + \log \{1 - \pi(1 - 2\gamma) - \gamma\} \right].\end{aligned}$$

Thus we have a glm with $\theta = \log \left\{ \frac{\pi(1-2\gamma)+\gamma}{1-\pi(1-2\gamma)-\gamma} \right\}$. The corresponding link function is:

$$\begin{aligned}E(Z_j) &= E\{(1 - I_j)Y_k\} + E\{I_j(1 - Y_j)\} \\ &= (1 - \gamma)\pi + \gamma(1 - \pi) \\ &= \pi(1 - 2\gamma) + \gamma, \\ \mu &= \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta}(1 - 2\gamma) + \gamma.\end{aligned}$$

Also

$$\pi = \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta} = \frac{\mu-\gamma}{(1-2\gamma)}.$$

This leads to

$$\begin{aligned}\eta &= \log \left(\frac{\frac{\mu-\gamma}{(1-2\gamma)}}{1 - \frac{\mu-\gamma}{(1-2\gamma)}} \right) \\ &= \log \left(\frac{\mu-\gamma}{1-2\gamma-\mu+\gamma} \right) \\ &= \log \left(\frac{\mu-\gamma}{1-\gamma-\mu} \right).\end{aligned}$$

and we get the link function. The $b(\theta)$ function is

$$b(\theta) = \log \{1 - \pi(1 - 2\gamma) - \gamma\} = \log \{1 - \mu\}.$$

This gives,

$$b''(\theta) = \mu(1 - \mu)$$

and thus

$$V(\mu) = \left\{ \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta}(1 - 2\gamma) + \gamma \right\} \left\{ 1 - \frac{e^\eta}{1+e^\eta}(1 - 2\gamma) + \gamma \right\}$$

If $\gamma = 0.5$, $\mu = \gamma$ and then we cannot estimate π . To estimate γ , we can use a profile log-likelihood with a grid search.

Exercise 4.

a) [Seen, 3 points] We can formulate the mixed model as

$$y \mid b \sim \mathcal{N}_n(X\beta + Zb, \sigma^2 I_n), \quad b \sim \mathcal{N}_q\{0, \sigma^2 Q(\psi)\},$$

and then Y is normally distributed and

$$E(Y) = E_b E(y|b) = X\beta + E_b(Zb) = X\beta,$$

also,

$$\text{var}(Y) = E_b \text{var}(y|b) + \text{var} E_b(y|b) = \sigma^2 \{I_n + ZQ(\psi)Z^T\}$$

Thus we get that

$$y \sim \mathcal{N}_n[X\beta, \sigma^2 \{I_n + ZQ(\psi)Z^T\}].$$

We can use the following simpler notation

$$\{I_n + ZQ(\psi)Z^T\} = \Upsilon^{-1}(\psi),$$

with ψ denoting the vector of distinct variance ratios appearing in Υ^{-1} . The model with the previous notations is

$$y \sim \mathcal{N}_n(X\beta, \sigma^2 \Upsilon^{-1}(\psi)).$$

Then for known ψ the MLEs, classical results for weighted linear regression leads to

$$\hat{\beta}_\psi = (X^T \Upsilon X)^{-1} X^T \Upsilon y, \quad \hat{\sigma}_\psi^2 = n^{-1} (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi)^T \Upsilon (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi).$$

b) **[Seen/unseen, 5 points]** The likelihood of the model is

$$\ell(\beta, \sigma^2, \psi) \equiv -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)^T \Upsilon (y - X\beta) - \frac{n}{2} \log \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{2} \log |\Upsilon|,$$

In the normal mixed model we take $\beta \equiv \lambda$ and note that if all the variance parameters are fixed, then $s_\psi = \hat{\beta}_\psi = (X^T \Upsilon X)^{-1} X^T \Upsilon y$ is sufficient for β ; its distribution is $\mathcal{N}_p\{\beta, \sigma^2 (X^T \Upsilon X)^{-1}\}$. Apart from constants, the logarithm of the required conditional density is therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \log f(y; \psi, \beta, \sigma^2) - \log f(\hat{\beta}_\psi; \psi, \beta, \sigma^2) &\equiv -\frac{n}{2} \log \sigma^2 + \frac{1}{2} \log |\Upsilon| - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)^T \Upsilon (y - X\beta) \\ &\quad + \frac{p}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \log |X^T \Upsilon X| + \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (\hat{\beta}_\psi - \beta)^T X^T \Upsilon X (\hat{\beta}_\psi - \beta), \end{aligned}$$

which reduces to the given form on writing $y - X\beta = (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi) + X(\hat{\beta}_\psi - \beta)$ in the first quadratic term and expanding out, noting that

$$\begin{aligned} (\hat{\beta}_\psi - \beta)^T X^T \Upsilon (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi) &= (\hat{\beta}_\psi - \beta)^T X^T \Upsilon \{y - X(X^T \Upsilon X)^{-1} X^T \Upsilon y\} \\ &= (\hat{\beta}_\psi - \beta)^T \{X^T \Upsilon y - X^T \Upsilon X (X^T \Upsilon X)^{-1} X^T \Upsilon y\} \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Using the previous calculation, we get

$$\log f(y; \psi, \beta, \sigma^2) - \log f(\hat{\beta}_\psi; \psi, \beta, \sigma^2) \equiv \frac{1}{2} \log |\Upsilon| - \frac{1}{2} \log |X^T \Upsilon X| - \frac{n-p}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi)^T \Upsilon (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi),$$

which proves that $\hat{\beta}_\psi$ is a sufficient statistic for β and that we have the desired decomposition of the likelihood. And thus, the difference equals

$$\log f(y | \hat{\beta}_\psi, \sigma^2, \psi) = \ell(\hat{\beta}_\psi, \sigma^2, \psi) + \frac{p}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2} \log |X^T \Upsilon X|$$

i.e.,

$$\frac{1}{2} \log |\Upsilon| - \frac{1}{2} \log |X^T \Upsilon X| - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi)^T \Upsilon (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi) - \frac{n-p}{2} \log \sigma^2,$$

which allows to obtain estimators from the desired expressions.

c) **[Seen/unseen, 2 points]** We suppose now that Z is absent. Then

$$\log f(y; \hat{\beta}_\psi, \sigma^2, \psi) = -\frac{1}{2} \log |X^T X| - \frac{n-p}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi)^T (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi),$$

and taking partial derivative with regard to σ^2 , we get

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{(y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi)^T (y - X\hat{\beta}_\psi)}{n-p},$$

which differs from the classical likelihood estimator and is unbiased.

Exercise 5.

- a) [**Seen, 3 points**] The Poisson model has no conditioning, so the log likelihood is

$$\begin{aligned}\ell_{\text{Pois}}(\mu_1, \dots, \mu_d) &= \sum_{i=1}^d y_i \log \mu_i - \mu_i - \log y_i! \\ &= m \log \left(\sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i \right) - \sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i - \log \left(\sum_{i=1}^d y_i \right)! + \log \frac{m!}{y_1! \dots y_d!} + \sum_{i=1}^d y_i \log \frac{\mu_i}{\sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i}, \\ &= \ell_{\text{Pois}}(m, \tau) + \ell_{\text{Multi}}(\beta, m, \pi_1, \dots, \pi_d)\end{aligned}$$

where $\pi_i = \frac{x_i^T \beta}{\sum_{i=1}^d x_i^T \beta}$, $i = 1, \dots, d$ and $\tau = \sum_{i=1}^d \mu_i$.

This result shows that we can fit a Poisson model with fixed sampling size of population to estimate the effect of the detergent.

- b) [**Unseen, 4 points**] In the model, we want to estimate the preference, i.e., the **Brand** with a Poisson model and use the simplification above because sampling size is fixed within categories. That means that such a factorisation is possible, and this can be done with the model

$$y \sim \gamma_{i,j,k} + \gamma_l,$$

where $i = \text{"low" or "High"}$, $j = \text{"B.User" or "Not.B.User"}$, $k = \text{"Soft", "Medium" or "Hard"}$ and $l = \text{"A" or "B"}$. This model is written

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y ~ vim B.User * Temp * Soft + Brand
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- c) [**Unseen, 3 points**] From the R output, we see that adding **B.User * Brand** significantly decreases the deviance, revealing an effect of the variable **B.User** on the preference of the brand. Similar but less obvious effect appear when adding a category for **Temp**. No significant improvement is gained by adding categories for **Soft**. Finally the deviance being around 8 for the third model is a quite good fit.