

Brief review

Poisson models y - $P(y=y) = \frac{\mu^y e^{-\mu}}{y!}$

$$\mu = E(y) = \text{Var}(y) ?$$

Large sample inference

$$\hat{\mu} = \bar{y} \quad \text{s.e.}(\hat{\mu}) = \sqrt{\bar{y}/n}$$

Rates. often $\lambda = \mu/T \rightarrow$ persons
more relevant \rightarrow person
years

base inference on $\log r$
 \rightarrow for relative risk

$$\theta = \log(\mu_1/\mu_2) \quad \rightarrow R_1/R_2$$

observe counts y_1, y_2

$$\hat{\theta} = \log(y_1/y_2)$$

$$\text{s.e.}(\hat{\theta}) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{y_1} + \frac{1}{y_2}}$$

Conf. for $\hat{\theta} \rightarrow$ exponentiate to

get C.I. for $\mu_1/\mu_2 \rightarrow \frac{X T_2}{T_1} \rightarrow R_1/R_2$

Poisson Regression

$Y_i \rightarrow$ set of counts $i=1, \dots, n$

$K_i \rightarrow$ corresponding population size values - non-random

$X_i \rightarrow$ explanatory = ex. Y : shark attacks
- year K_i : Florida popⁿ

$$E(Y_i) = \mu_i \quad \lambda_i = \mu_i / K_i = \text{attack rate}$$

$$r_i = \hat{\lambda}_i = Y_i / K_i \rightarrow \text{raw or crude rate}$$

Want a regression type model

$$?? \quad r_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \underbrace{\epsilon_i}_{??}$$

$$\text{Var}(r_i) = \text{Var}(Y_i) / K_i^2 \rightarrow \text{not constant over } i$$

ϵ_i - "peculiar dist" over i

\rightarrow discrete with fractional + 2 - values

Need to work with $y_i \rightarrow \text{Poisson}(\mu_i)$

$$\Rightarrow ?? \rightarrow E(y_i) = k_i (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X)$$

so we turn to logarithms

work with $\log(\mu_i) = \eta_i$

$$\eta_i = \underbrace{\log k_i}_{\text{offset}} + \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$$

offset \rightarrow adjustment
for population size
- persons
- person-years

- $\log(\mu_i) = \eta_i =$ linear expression

\rightarrow log-linear model

\rightarrow extends multiple linear regression

$$\eta_i = \log k_i + \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 X_i^2$$

\rightarrow example of generalized linear model

- 1970's development

- include logistic regression ✓
+ more

GLIM - generalized linear
interactive modelling

→ in general, situation is

$Y \sim$ distribution
(Poisson,
Expon
Bernoulli...).

$\mu = E(Y)$ - function
called a link
function - g

$$g(\mu) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 \dots \in \mathbb{R}^p \times \mathbb{R}^p$$

→ estimation done by
maximum likelihood
→ iterative numerical
solutions

- no algebraic
expression for $\hat{\beta}$.

+ no simple exact procedures
→ asymptotic likelihood theory

Maximum likelihood for Poisson Regression $y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu_i)$

$$\text{likelihood} = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\mu_i^{y_i} e^{-\mu_i}}{y_i!}$$

independent

$$\text{log-lik} = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \mu_i - e^{\mu_i} - \log(y_i!)$$

$$\eta_i = \log \mu_i$$

η_i

what about β 's?

$$\mu_i = \text{offset} + \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} \dots \beta_k x_{ik}$$

use chain rule $\frac{\partial \cdot}{\partial \beta_j} = \frac{\partial \cdot}{\partial \mu} \times \frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \beta_j}$

$$\frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \beta_j} = (x_{ij})$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{log lik}}{\partial \mu_i} = (y_i - e^{\mu_i})$$

$X = (x_{ij})$ - n matrix $n \times k$ with
 $x_{0j} = 1$
for β_0

$$* \quad X^t \left(y - e^{\tilde{\beta}} \right) = 0 \quad \begin{matrix} y = (y_1) \\ \tilde{y} = (y_2) \\ \tilde{\beta} = (\beta_1) \\ \quad \quad (\beta_2) \end{matrix}$$

LHS \rightarrow score function

LHS = 0 \rightarrow max. lik. equations
 $- e^{\tilde{\beta}}$: non-linear

\rightarrow non-linear equation algorithm

- Newton-Raphson

- by re-arranging & slightly

can form iterative solution

as iterative weighted
 least-squares

\rightarrow do iterated weighted regression

$\rightarrow \hat{\beta}$ - as M.L.E.

- asymptotically unbiased
 - asymptotically normal.

- asymptotic variance

= I^{-1} \rightarrow inverse of
 Fisher information

$$J = E \left[\frac{\partial \log \eta(\beta)}{\partial \beta, \partial \beta'} \right] \quad (k+1) \times (k+1)$$

→ J LHS \rightarrow score function

$$\left[\frac{\partial \log \eta}{\partial \beta, \partial \beta'} \right] = X^T \left(\frac{\eta(\beta)}{e^{-\eta(\beta)}} \right) X$$

diag matrix
with
entries $e^{-\eta}$

$$I = (X^T V X) \quad \text{observed info}$$

$$J = E(I) = I \rightarrow \text{since log canonical link function for Poisson}$$

To make inference for β or individual β_j 's

have estimated variance.

$$\text{matrix for } \hat{\beta} : (\hat{J})^{-1} \quad \text{covariance}$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T \hat{V} X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

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↓
plug in
 $\beta \rightarrow \hat{\beta}$

→ in R → max. lik. for GLM is implemented in glm

- syntax like lm - regression
→ specify - family → poisson
- offset if necessary

→ familiar output - regression format

→ based on s.e. ($\hat{\beta}_j$):

$$\text{from } \sqrt{\text{diag}(\hat{\Sigma})^{-1}}$$

→ Test for $\beta_j = 0$

$$z = \hat{\beta}_j / \text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_j)$$