

• ESTIMATION

data (y_1, \dots, y_n) from $Y_i \sim \text{Ber}(\pi_i)$ with $\text{E}[\pi_i | \beta] = e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}$ $i=1, \dots, n$

distribution

$$p(y_1, \dots, y_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_i^{y_i} (1-\pi_i)^{1-y_i} \\ = \prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}} \right)^{y_i} \left(\frac{1}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}} \right)^{1-y_i}$$

likelihood

$$L(\beta) \propto \prod_{i=1}^n p(y_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_i^{y_i} (1-\pi_i)^{1-y_i} \quad \text{where } \pi_i = \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}$$

log-likelihood

$$\ell(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \{ y_i \log \pi_i + (1-y_i) \log (1-\pi_i) \}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \log \pi_i &= \log \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}} = \tilde{x}_i^T \beta - \log(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}) \\ \log(1-\pi_i) &= \log \frac{1}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}} = -\log(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\ell(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \{ y_i \tilde{x}_i^T \beta - \log(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}) - \log(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}) + y_i \log(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}) \} \\ = \sum_{i=1}^n \{ y_i \tilde{x}_i^T \beta - \log(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}) \}$$

score function

$$\ell_x(\beta) = \left\{ \frac{\partial \ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta_r} \right\}_{r=1, \dots, p} \quad \text{where} \quad \frac{\partial \ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta_r} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ y_i x_{ir} - \frac{1}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}} \cdot e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} \cdot x_{ir} \right\}$$

$$\ell_{xx}(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{x}_i \left(y_i - \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{x}_i (y_i - \pi_i) = X^T (y - \pi)$$

likelihood equation: $\ell_x(\beta) = 0 \Rightarrow X^T (y - \pi) = 0$ again they resemble the normal equations but they are not linear in β

Similarly to the Poisson case, we need to solve the equation numerically and we do not have a closed-form expression of the MLE $\hat{\beta}$.

Finally, the 2nd derivative is

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial^2 \ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta_r \partial \beta_s} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_s} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ y_i x_{ir} - \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}} x_{ir} \right\} \right) \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} x_{is} x_{ir} (1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}) - e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} x_{ir} \cdot e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} x_{is}}{(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta})^2} \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} x_{is} x_{ir} + e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} x_{ir} x_{is} - e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} x_{ir} x_{is}}{(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta})^2} \\ &= -\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta} x_{is} x_{ir}}{(1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta})^2} = -\sum_{i=1}^n x_{is} x_{ir} \pi_i (1-\pi_i) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 \ell(\beta)}{\partial \beta_r \partial \beta_s} &= -X^T U X \quad \text{with } U = \text{diag} \{ \pi_1(1-\pi_1), \dots, \pi_n(1-\pi_n) \} = U(\beta) \end{aligned}$$

observed information

$$j(\beta) = -\ell_{xx}(\beta) = X^T U X \quad \text{and} \quad j(\hat{\beta}) = X^T U(\hat{\beta}) X$$

• INFERENCE

Inference is analogous to the Poisson case.

• DISTRIBUTION OF THE MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD ESTIMATOR OF THE REGRESSION PARAMETERS

$$\hat{\beta} \sim N_p(\beta, j(\hat{\beta})^{-1})$$

the marginal distribution for the j -th element is $\hat{\beta}_j \sim N(\beta_j, [j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj})$ $j=1, \dots, p$

• CONFIDENCE INTERVAL FOR β_j

A pivotal quantity is $\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} \sim N(0, 1)$

a confidence interval with level $(1-\alpha)$ for β_j ($j=1, \dots, p$) can be obtained as

$$P\left(\frac{-z_{\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} < \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} < \frac{z_{1-\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} \right) = 1-\alpha$$

with the data:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta}_j - \sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}} \cdot \frac{z_{1-\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} < \beta_j < \hat{\beta}_j + \sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}} \cdot \frac{z_{1-\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} \\ \Rightarrow \beta_j \in \hat{\beta}_j \pm \frac{z_{1-\alpha/2}}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} \end{aligned}$$



• TEST ABOUT β_j

consider the test $\begin{cases} H_0: \beta_j = b_j \\ H_1: \beta_j \neq b_j \end{cases}$

We can use the test statistic

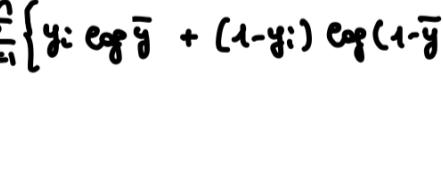
$$2\hat{\beta}_j = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - b_j}{\sqrt{[j(\hat{\beta})^{-1}]_{jj}}} \sim N(0, 1) \quad \text{under } H_0$$

the observed value of the test is $2\hat{\beta}_j$

if we use a fixed significance level α

$$\alpha = P_{H_0}(|2\hat{\beta}_j| > z_{1-\alpha/2})$$

\rightarrow reject region is $R_0 = (-\infty, -z_{1-\alpha/2}) \cup (z_{1-\alpha/2}, +\infty)$



if we use the observed significance level

$$\text{the p-value is } w_{\text{obs}} = P_{H_0}(|2\hat{\beta}_j| \geq |2\hat{\beta}_j|_{\text{obs}}) = 2(1 - \Phi(|2\hat{\beta}_j|_{\text{obs}}))$$



• TEST FOR COMPARING NESTED MODELS

(DUE about a subset of the parameters)

The proposed "full" model is

$Y_i \sim \text{Bern}(\pi_i)$ indep for $i=1, \dots, n$

$$\text{with } \pi_i = \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \beta}}$$

and specifically $\tilde{x}_i^T \beta = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip} + \beta_{p+1} x_{i,p+1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip}$

we want to test

$$\begin{cases} H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_p = 0 \\ H_1: H_0 \end{cases}$$

We use the previous test with $P_0=1$

$$\hat{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\beta}_p \end{bmatrix} \quad \hat{\beta}_1 = \beta^{(0)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_0}$$

as usual, we partition $\beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta^{(0)} \\ \beta^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \beta^{(0)} \in \mathbb{R}^{p_0}$

so the test can be reformulated as

$$\begin{cases} H_0: \beta^{(1)} = 0 \\ H_1: \beta^{(1)} \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Similarly to what we have seen with the Poisson regression, to perform this test we use the likelihood ratio test:

$$W = 2 \log \frac{\hat{L}(\text{model})}{\hat{L}(\text{restricted})} = 2 \{ \hat{\ell}(\text{model}) - \hat{\ell}(\text{restricted}) \} \sim \chi^2_{p-p_0} \quad \text{under } H_0$$

number of parameters we are testing

We estimate the full model (H_1), obtaining $\hat{\beta} = (\hat{\beta}^{(0)}, \hat{\beta}^{(1)})$

$$\hat{\ell}(\text{model}) = \ell(\hat{\beta}^{(0)}, \hat{\beta}^{(1)}) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^n (1-y_i) \log(1-\pi_i) \quad \text{with } \pi_i = \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \hat{\beta}}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \hat{\beta}}}$$

We estimate the restricted model (H_0), obtaining $\hat{\beta} = (\hat{\beta}^{(0)}, 0)$

$$\hat{\ell}(\text{restricted}) = \ell(\hat{\beta}^{(0)}, 0) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \pi_i + \sum_{i=1}^n (1-y_i) \log(1-\pi_i) \quad \text{with } \pi_i = \frac{e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \hat{\beta}^{(0)}}}{1+e^{\tilde{x}_i^T \hat{\beta}^{(0)}}}$$

The observed value of the test is w_{obs}

$$w_{\text{obs}} = 2 \{ \hat{\ell}(\text{model}) - \hat{\ell}(\text{restricted}) \} = 2 \{ \hat{\ell}(\hat{\beta}^{(0)}, \hat{\beta}^{(1)}) - \hat{\ell}(\hat{\beta}^{(0)}, 0) \}$$

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