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Exam 1 for Stat 7249 - Spring 2009
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Instructions

- budget your time wisely
- make sure to show your work for partial credit
- problems are worth 25 points each

1. Consider the inverse Gaussian density given below,

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} 0, & y \leq 0 \\ \left(\frac{\lambda}{2\pi y^3}\right)^{1/2} \exp\left\{-\frac{\lambda y - \theta y^2}{2y^3}\right\}, & y > 0. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Show that the density can be written in exponential dispersion form. Identify the components. Also, what is the canonical link and the variance function, $V(\mu)$ [where $\text{Var}(Y) = a(\phi)V(\mu)$]?
(b) Derive the cumulant generating function and use it to derive the first two cumulants.

$$(a) \quad f(y) = \exp\left\{ \left[-\frac{y}{2\mu^2} - \left(-\frac{1}{\mu}\right) \right] / (\lambda y) + \frac{1}{2} \log \lambda - \frac{1}{2} \log 2 y^2 - \frac{1}{2} \log y \right\}$$

$$\theta = -\frac{1}{2\mu^2}, \quad \mu = (-2\theta)^{-1/2}$$

$$b(\theta) = -(-2\theta)^{-1/2} = -\frac{1}{\mu}$$

$$\text{canonical link } \theta = -\frac{1}{2\mu^2}, \quad V(\mu) = \mu^3$$

(b) from class/hw
 $K_Y(t) = \frac{1}{a(\phi)} [b(\theta + a(\phi)t) - b(\theta)]$

$$E[Y] = K_Y'(t) |_{t=0} = b'(\theta) = (-2\theta)^{-3/2} = \mu$$

$$V_{\text{var}}(Y) = K_Y''(t) |_{t=0} = a(\phi) b''(\theta) = \frac{1}{\lambda} (-2\theta)^{-3/2} = \mu^3 / \lambda$$

2. In toxicological experiments in which the probability killed, $\pi(x)$ is modelled as a function of dose, $g(\pi(x)) = \alpha + \beta x$, the x value at which $\pi(x) = \frac{1}{2}$ is called the median lethal dose (denoted by LD50).

- (a) Derive the LD50 for the complementary log-log link.
(b) Show that for the probit and logit link, the LD50 = $-\alpha/\beta$.
(c) Let's now derive a confidence interval for the LD50 in the logit model. Suppose the sample is large enough such that the mle's $(\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta})$ are bivariate normal with covariance matrix Σ . Let $\theta = -\alpha/\beta$.
i. Derive the distribution of $\hat{\alpha} + \theta\hat{\beta}$.
ii. Use this to derive a confidence interval for θ (the LD50).

$$(a) \quad \frac{1}{2} = \pi(x) = 1 - e^{-e^{\alpha + \beta x}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \text{LD50} = \frac{\log \log 2 - \alpha}{\beta}$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{1}{2} = \pi(x) = \frac{e^{\alpha + \beta x}}{1 + e^{\alpha + \beta x}} \quad \log, +$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \text{LD50} = -\alpha/\beta$$

$$\frac{1}{2} = \pi(x) = \Phi(\alpha + \beta x) \quad \text{probit}$$

$$(c) \quad (i) \quad (\hat{\alpha} + \theta\hat{\beta}) \sim N\left(0, \underbrace{(1, \theta)}_{a(\theta)} \Sigma \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \theta \end{pmatrix}\right)$$

$$(ii) \quad P\left(\frac{(\hat{\alpha} + \theta\hat{\beta})^2}{\sigma^2(\theta)} < Z_{\alpha/2}^2\right) = \alpha$$

$$P\left(\frac{(\hat{\alpha} + \theta\hat{\beta})^2}{\text{Var}(\hat{\alpha} + \theta\hat{\beta})} < Z_{\alpha/2}^2\right) = \alpha$$

- quadratic in θ
- solve for θ to obtain exact confidence limits

3. Let $Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim \text{Ber}(\pi_i)$, where $\pi_i = \Phi(\beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p x_{ij}\beta_j)$. Define a latent variable $Z_i = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p x_{ij}\beta_j + \epsilon_i$, where $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$. The observed data is connected to this latent variable by $Y_i = I\{Z_i > c\}$.

- (a) Show that the variance (σ^2) and threshold (c) are not identified by the data Y .
- (b) Suggest a way to extend this formulation to correlated binary data. Will there be unidentified parameters here? Explain.

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\beta_0 + \sum x_{ij}\beta_j) &= \pi_i = P(Y_i=1) \\ &= P(Z_i > c) \\ &= P\left(Z_i^* > \frac{c - (\beta_0 + \sum x_{ij}\beta_j)}{\sigma}\right) \quad \text{where } Z_i^* \sim N(0,1) \\ &= 1 - \Phi\left(\frac{c - (\beta_0 + \sum x_{ij}\beta_j)}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= \Phi\left(\frac{\beta_0 + c + \sum x_{ij}\beta_j}{\sigma}\right) \\ &= \Phi\left(\beta_0^* + \sum x_{ij}\beta_j^*\right) \quad \text{where } \beta_0^* = \frac{\beta_0 + c}{\sigma} \\ & \quad \beta_j^* = \beta_j/\sigma \end{aligned}$$

(b) assume $Y_i = (Y_{i1}, \dots, Y_{iT}) \leftarrow$ correlated binary
 $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \Sigma)$ where $Y_{ij} = I\{Z_{ij} > c\}$
 and variances (diagonal) elements of Σ are not identified (usually assume a correlation matrix)
 - 'multivariate probit model'

4. Suppose Y_1, \dots, Y_n are independently distributed as Poisson random variables with mean $\mu_i, i = 1, \dots, n$. Suppose μ_i is linked to covariates using a log link: $\log(\mu_i) = \beta^T x_i$.

- (a) Derive the likelihood equations, the expected information matrix, and the deviance.
- (b) Derive the likelihood ratio test for comparing two nested models, denoted by A and B (A nested within B) with parameters p_A and p_B respectively (and thus, $p_A < p_B$).
- (c) Show that when the x_i vector contains an intercept (and the log link is used) that

$$D(y; \hat{\mu}_A) - D(y; \hat{\mu}_B) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_{iB} \log \frac{\mu_{iB}}{\mu_{iA}}$$

(a) see notes
 (b) see notes

$$\begin{aligned} (c) \quad D(y; \hat{\mu}_A) - D(y; \hat{\mu}_B) &= 2 \sum [y_i \log \frac{\hat{\mu}_{iB}}{\hat{\mu}_{iA}} - \hat{\mu}_{iB} + \hat{\mu}_{iA}] \\ &= 2 \sum y_i \log \frac{\hat{\mu}_{iB}}{\hat{\mu}_{iA}} - \sum \hat{\mu}_{iB} + \sum \hat{\mu}_{iA} \\ &= 2 \sum y_i \log \frac{\hat{\mu}_{iB}}{\hat{\mu}_{iA}} - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{p_B} \hat{\beta}_{jB} x_{ij} + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{p_A} \hat{\beta}_{jA} x_{ij} \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{p_B} \hat{\beta}_{jB} x_{ij} - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{p_A} \hat{\beta}_{jA} x_{ij} \\ &= 2 \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{p_B} \hat{\mu}_{iB} \log \frac{\hat{\mu}_{iB}}{\hat{\mu}_{iA}} - \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{p_A} \hat{\mu}_{iB} \log \frac{\hat{\mu}_{iB}}{\hat{\mu}_{iA}} \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$