

Lecture for STOR 556 3/19/19

Follow Chapter 8 (and a bit of Chapter 9) from the course text.

Definition of a GLM

Start with an exponential family

$$f(y; \theta, \phi) = \exp \left[\frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{a(\phi)} + c(y, \phi) \right]$$

y : observed value of a RV

θ : canonical parameters

ϕ : dispersion parameter (scale)

a, b, c : known functions. What these functions are defines the family.

Ex. 1 Normal

$$f(y; \mu, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \left[-\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{y-\mu}{\sigma} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \exp \left[-\frac{y^2}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{y\mu}{\sigma^2} - \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\sigma^2) \right]$$

Key term is $\frac{y\mu}{\sigma^2} = \frac{y\theta}{\phi}$ if we define $\theta = \mu$, $\phi = \sigma^2$

$$\text{Then } f(y; \theta, \phi) = \exp \left[\frac{y\theta - \theta^2/2}{\phi} - \frac{y^2}{2\phi} - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\phi) \right]$$

$$\text{so } a(\phi) = \phi, \quad b(\theta) = \frac{\theta^2}{2}, \quad c(y, \phi) = -\frac{y^2}{2\phi} - \frac{1}{2} \log(2\pi\phi)$$

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Ex 2 Poisson

$$f(y; \mu) = \frac{\mu^y e^{-\mu}}{y!}$$

$$f(y; \mu) = \frac{\mu^y e^{-\mu}}{y!} = \exp \left[y \log \mu - \mu - \log(y!) \right]$$

$$= \exp \left[y\theta - e^\theta - \log(y!) \right]$$

Here $\phi=1$, $\theta = \log \mu$, $b(\theta) = e^\theta$, $c(y, \phi) = -\log y!$

Ex 3 Binomial - treat n as known

$$f(y; \mu) = \binom{n}{y} \mu^y (1-\mu)^{n-y}$$

$$= \exp \left[y \log \frac{\mu}{1-\mu} + n \log(1-\mu) + \log \binom{n}{y} \right]$$

write $\theta = \log \frac{\mu}{1-\mu}$, $\mu = \frac{e^\theta}{1+e^\theta}$, $\log(1-\mu) = -\log(1+e^\theta)$

$$f(y; \theta) = \exp \left[y\theta - n \log(1+e^\theta) + \log \binom{n}{y} \right]$$

so $\phi=1$, $\theta = \log \frac{\mu}{1-\mu}$, $b(\theta) = +n \log(1+e^\theta)$, $c(y, \phi) = \log \binom{n}{y}$.

Ex 4 Gamma distribution (p. 175)

Usually written $\frac{\beta^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} y^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta y}$, Faraway writes this as

$$\frac{\nu^\nu}{\Gamma(\nu)} y^{\nu-1} e^{-\nu y}$$

The trouble is, if we just write $\theta = -\lambda$, so $-\lambda y = +y\theta$, there's no place for v to be recorded as a function of λ .

For now write $\lambda = \frac{v}{\mu}$ and recodes in terms of μ, v :

$$f(y; \mu, v) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(v)} \left(\frac{v}{\mu}\right)^v y^{v-1} e^{-\frac{yv}{\mu}}$$

$$\text{Define } \theta = -\frac{1}{\mu}, \phi = \frac{1}{v}$$

$$f(y; \theta, \mu) = \exp\left[\frac{y\theta}{\phi} - \frac{1}{\phi} \log\left(-\frac{1}{\theta}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{\phi} - 1\right) \log y - \frac{1}{\phi} \log \phi - \log \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\phi}\right)\right]$$

$$b(\theta) = \log\left(-\frac{1}{\theta}\right) = \log(-\theta) \quad (\text{Here } \theta < 0)$$

Ex 5 Inverse ~~Gamma~~ ^{Gaussian} IG(μ, λ) (p. 181)

$$f(y; \mu, \lambda) = \sqrt{\frac{\lambda}{2\pi y^3}} \cdot \exp\left[-\frac{\lambda(y-\mu)^2}{2\mu^2 y}\right], \quad y, \mu, \lambda > 0.$$

Exercise Show that this is a GLM and hence (using results below) derive the formulas at the bottom

of p. 181:

$$\text{Mean} = \mu, \quad \text{variance} = \frac{\mu^3}{\lambda}$$

← ** typo in book

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Mean and Variance

$$f(y; \theta, \phi) = \exp \left[\frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{a(\phi)} + c(y, \phi) \right].$$

Log likelihood for a single y (treat ϕ as known):

$$l(\theta) = \frac{y\theta - b(\theta)}{a(\phi)} + c(y, \phi)$$

$$l'(\theta) = \frac{y - b'(\theta)}{a(\phi)}$$

Likelihood theory implies $E(l'(\theta)) = \frac{Y - b'(\theta)}{a(\phi)} = 0$

Therefore, $EY = b'(\theta)$

Continue, $l''(\theta) = \frac{-b''(\theta)}{a(\phi)}$

Likelihood theory implies $-E(l''(\theta)) = E(l'(\theta))^2$

so $\frac{b''(\theta)}{a(\phi)} = E \left(\frac{Y - b'(\theta)}{a(\phi)} \right)^2$, $\text{var } Y = b''(\theta) a(\phi)$

Also write as $\text{var } Y = \frac{\phi b''(\theta)}{w}$ where $w = \frac{\phi}{a(\phi)}$ is a weight

Henceforth write $\mu = b'(\theta)$.

Ex1 $b(\theta) = \frac{\theta^2}{2}$ $b'(\theta) = \theta$ $b''(\theta) = 1$

so Mean = $\theta = \mu$, $\text{Var} = a(\phi) = \phi = \sigma^2$

Ex2 $b(\theta) = e^\theta$ $b'(\theta) = e^\theta = \mu$

$$b''(\theta) = e^\theta = \mu$$

$$\text{mean} = \mu \quad \text{var} = \mu$$

Ex3 $b(\theta) = -n \log(1 + e^\theta)$ $b'(\theta) = +n \frac{e^\theta}{1 + e^\theta} = n \left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{-\theta}} \right) = n\mu$

$$b'(\theta) = n \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^\theta} \right) \quad b''(\theta) = \frac{ne^\theta}{(1 + e^\theta)^2} = n \cdot \frac{e^\theta}{1 + e^\theta} \cdot \frac{1}{1 + e^\theta}$$

$$= n\mu(1 - \mu)$$

Ex4, Ex5, check for yourselves

Link Functions Observation y_i has mean $\mu_i = b'(\theta_i)$ which depends on covariate x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ip} .

Assume there is some function g for which

$$g(\mu_i) = \eta_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip}$$

g is called the link function.

g is arbitrary and in some models there are several standard link functions, e.g. for binomial regression, we can have logit link, probit link, complementary log-log link, and others.

However there is one natural link called the canonical link function and this is often taken as the default. This is when $g(\mu) = \theta$

Since $\mu(\theta) = b'(\theta)$, needs $g(b'(\theta)) = \theta$.

e.g. Normal: $\mu = \theta$ so $g(\mu) = \mu$

Poisson $\mu = e^\theta$ so $\theta = \log \mu$

Binomial $\theta = \log \frac{\mu}{1-\mu}$

Note in this case the mean is actually $\eta\mu$, not μ , but it doesn't matter because it makes no difference which one is expressed as a linear function of covariates.

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Gamma Literal application would lead to $\eta = -\frac{1}{\mu}$ but in practice we use $\eta = +\frac{1}{\mu}$ because that amounts to the same thing.

Fitting a GLM

Start by writing log likelihood where we assume $a_i(\phi) = \frac{\phi}{w_i}$

$$l(\beta; y_i) = \sum_i \frac{w_i}{\phi} \{y_i \theta_i - b(\theta_i)\} + c(y_i, \phi)$$

$$\text{Solve } \sum_i \frac{\partial l(\beta; y_i)}{\partial \beta_j} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial l}{\partial \beta_j} = \frac{1}{\phi} \sum_i w_i \left(y_i \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial \beta_j} - b'(\theta_i) \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial \beta_j} \right)$$

$$\text{Chain rule: } \frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \beta_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_j} \{b'(\theta_i)\} = b''(\theta_i) \frac{\partial \theta_i}{\partial \beta_j}$$

$$\text{so } \frac{\partial l}{\partial \beta_j} = \frac{1}{\phi} \sum_i \frac{y_i - b'(\theta_i)}{b''(\theta_i)/w_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \beta_j}$$

$$= \sum_i \frac{y_i - \mu_i}{V(\mu_i)} \cdot \frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \beta_j} = \sum_i \frac{y_i - \mu_i}{V(\mu_i)} \cdot \frac{\partial \mu_i}{\partial \beta_j}$$

where $V(\mu_i)$ is variance function

Algorithm (Faraway p.155)

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I'll denote the iteration number by k instead of i .

Start with $k=0$

Initial estimates $\hat{\beta}^{(0)}$ leads to $\hat{\eta}^{(0)}$ and hence $\hat{\mu}^{(0)}$.

1. Form "adjusted variable"
$$z^{(k)} = \hat{\eta}^{(k)} + (y - \hat{\mu}^{(k)}) \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mu} \Big|_{\hat{\eta}^{(k)}}$$

2. New weights
$$\frac{1}{w^{(k)}} = \left(\frac{\partial \eta}{\partial \mu} \Big|_{\hat{\eta}^{(k)}} \right)^2 V(\hat{\mu}^{(k)})$$

3. Regress $z^{(k)}$ on X with weights $w^{(k)}$
 \Rightarrow new estimates $\hat{\beta}^{(k+1)}$

4. Set $k=k+1$ and return to Step 1.

Bliss example (p.155) Retool binomial distribution

using defining y_i as the proportion of successes
in some i of size n_i

$$f(y_i; \mu_i) = \binom{n_i}{n_i y_i} \mu_i^{n_i y_i} (1 - \mu_i)^{n_i - n_i y_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \exp \left[n_i y_i \log \frac{\mu_i}{1 - \mu_i} + n_i \log (1 - \mu_i) + \log \binom{n_i}{n_i y_i} \right] \\ &= \exp \left[n_i y_i \alpha_i - n_i \log (1 + e^{\alpha_i}) \right] + \log \binom{n_i}{n_i y_i} \end{aligned}$$

$$\eta_i = \alpha_i = \log \frac{\mu_i}{1 - \mu_i} \quad \frac{\partial \eta_i}{\partial \mu_i} = \frac{1}{\mu_i (1 - \mu_i)} \quad V(\mu_i) = \frac{\mu_i (1 - \mu_i)}{n_i}$$

$$\frac{1}{w_i} = \left(\frac{\partial \eta_i}{\partial \mu_i} \right)^2 \cdot V(\mu_i) = \frac{1}{n_i \mu_i (1 - \mu_i)} \quad \text{so } w_i = n_i \mu_i (1 - \mu_i)$$