

STAT 770 Nov. 4 Lecture 19B

Loglinear Models versus GLMs

Reading and Topics for this lecture: Chapter 9 Sections 1-3.

- (1) Definition, side-conditions
- (2) Interpretation of Parameters (Low-dim examples)
- (3) Interpretation as GLM

Loglinear Model with 2 Categorical Factors

Data: X_a, Z_a categorical factors, $a = 1, \dots, n$ indexes obs

Multinomial counts N_{xz} , cell probabilities π_{xz}

indexed by levels $x = 1, \dots, I$ for X , $z = 1, \dots, J$ for Z

Model: $\log \pi_{xz} = \lambda + \lambda_x^X + \lambda_z^Z + \lambda_{xz}^{XZ}$ **saturated**

Side-conditions: $\sum_{xz} p_{xz} = 1$, and for all x, z :

$$\sum_{i=1}^I \lambda_i^X = \sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_j^Z = \sum_{i=1}^I \lambda_{iz}^{XZ} = \sum_{j=1}^J \lambda_{xj}^{XZ} = 0$$

Parameter dimension: $1 + (I-1) + (J-1) + (I-1) \cdot (J-1) = I \cdot J$

Could exclude: λ^{XZ} , or λ^X, λ^{XZ} or λ^Z, λ^{XZ}

Interpretation of Model Coefficients

Consider the loglinear model from previous slide:

$$\log(p_x/p_{x'}) = \log\left(\frac{\sum_z p_{xz}}{\sum_z p_{x'z}}\right) = \lambda_x^X - \lambda_{x'}^X + \log\left(\frac{\sum_z \exp(\lambda_z^Z + \lambda_{zx}^{XZ})}{\sum_z \exp(\lambda_z^Z + \lambda_{zx'}^{XZ})}\right)$$

cancellation occurs in the last term only if λ^{XZ} is absent

the same issue mentioned in the last slide of Lec. 19A

Also:

$$\theta_{xz} \equiv \frac{p_{xz} p_{x+1,z+1}}{p_{x,z+1} p_{x+1,z}} = \exp\left(\lambda_{xz}^{XZ} + \lambda_{x+1,z+1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{x,z+1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{x+1,z}^{XZ}\right)$$

Loglinear Model with 3 Categorical Factors

Suppose the model is:

$$\log \pi_{xzw} = \lambda + \lambda_x^X + \lambda_z^Z + \lambda_w^W + \lambda_{xz}^{XZ} + \lambda_{xw}^{XW}$$

with side-conditions $0 = \lambda_{+}^X = \lambda_{+}^Z = \lambda_{+}^W = \lambda_{+z}^{XZ} = \lambda_{x+}^{XZ} \dots$ Now

$$\theta_{xz(w)} = \frac{p_{xzw} p_{x+1,z+1,w}}{p_{x,z+1,w} p_{x+1,zw}} = \exp \left(\lambda_{xz}^{XZ} + \lambda_{x+1,z+1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{x,z+1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{x+1,z}^{XZ} \right)$$

is the same for all w : the effect of having no 3-way interaction

R Software for Log-Linear Models

- (1). Direct specification using indices for factors and interactions – `loglin`
- (2). Reconstructing model as GLM – `glm`
would require re-interpreting GLM coeff's !
- (3). Fitting loglinear model but specifying in GLM syntax –
`loglm` in MASS

The difficulty in moving between model-specifications is the lack of side-conditions in logistic-regression interaction factors.

See Lec19BLogLin Script for further discussion!!

GLM Interpretation of Loglinear Model

logLik for loglinear 3-factor model is: $\sum_{x,z,w} N_{xzw} \log \pi_{xzw}$

log probabilities in (X, Z, W, XZ) canonical Poisson model of the same form without same side-conditions, uses dummy columns

$(I_{[X_i=x]}, 1 < x \leq I), (I_{[Z_i=z]}, 1 < z \leq J), \dots,$
 $(I_{[X_i=x, Z_i=z]}, 1 < x \leq I, 1 < z \leq J)$ with coeff's $\beta_x^X, \beta_z^Z, \beta_{xz}^{XZ}, \dots$

Poisson regression logLik has the **same** regression terms as log-linear, but coefficients become linearly (invertibly) transformed. Will describe the parameter transformation in detail next time.