

# STAT 770 Nov. 9 Lecture 20

## Loglinear Models via Poisson Regression

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

- (1) Poisson logLik vs Multinomial logLik (Secs 1.2.5, 9.6.8)
- (2) Alternative Side Conditions in Poisson Regression
- (3) Transforming Parameters to change Side Conditions

## logLik for Poisson versus Multinomial

General setting: data  $\{Y_a\}_{a=1}^M$ ,  $M$  fixed,  $\sum_a \pi_a(\beta) \equiv 1$ , either

- $\{Y_a\}_{a=1}^M \sim \text{Multinom}(n, \{\pi_a(\beta)\}_{a=1}^M)$ ,  $n$  nonrandom, or
- $Y_a \sim \text{indep. Poisson}(n_0 \pi_a)$ ,  $n = \sum_{a=1}^M Y_a$  random

If  $n$  random, then distribution of  $\{Y_a\}_{a=1}^M$  given  $n$  Multinom

logLik for Multinomial:  $\log L_M(\beta) = \sum_{a=1}^M Y_a \log(\pi_a(\beta))$

logLik for Poisson:  $\log L_P(\beta, n_0) = (n \log n_0 - n) + \sum_{a=1}^M Y_a \log \pi_a(\beta)$

**Simplification:** Likelihood factors, with conditional likelihood free of  $\beta$ : so inference for  $\beta$  is asymptotically indep. of  $n/n_0$  (for large  $n_0$ ) with Observed Info  $J = - \sum_{a=1}^M Y_a \nabla_{\beta}^{\otimes 2} \log \pi_a(\beta)$

## Loglinear Models are Multinomial GLMs

Now  $a \leftrightarrow (i, j, k)$  or other multi-index, e.g.  $i \leq I, j \leq J, k \leq K$

model  $(\mathbf{XZ}, \mathbf{W})$ :  $\beta = \left( \lambda_0, \{\lambda_i^X\}_{i=2}^I, \{\lambda_j^Z\}_{j=2}^J, \{\lambda_k^W\}_{k=2}^K, \{\lambda_{ij}^{XZ}\}_{i,j \geq 2} \right)$

In the next slides, we will discuss choices for explicit **side-conditions** by which  $\lambda_1^X, \lambda_1^Z, \lambda_1^W, \lambda_{1z}^{XZ}, \lambda_{x1}^{XZ}$  are determined from  $\beta$

$$\log \pi_a = \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{k=1}^K I_{[a=(ijk)]} \left\{ \lambda_0 + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Z + \lambda_k^W + \lambda_{ij}^{XZ} \right\}$$

Note one condition determining  $\lambda_0$  always is  $\sum_a \pi_a = 1$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \log L(\beta) &= \sum_{i=1}^I \sum_{j=1}^J \sum_{k=1}^K Y_{ijk} \left\{ \lambda_0 + \lambda_i^X + \lambda_j^Z + \lambda_k^W + \lambda_{ij}^{XZ} \right\} \\ &= n \lambda_0 + \sum_i Y_{i++} \lambda_i^X + \sum_j Y_{+j+} \lambda_j^Z + \sum_k Y_{++k} \lambda_k^W + \sum_{i,j} Y_{ij+} \lambda_{ij}^{XZ} \end{aligned}$$

## Poisson Regression

Previous slides say that loglinear models can be fit using Poisson log-link regression, and the coefficient MLEs are the same with same distributional properties !

Fitting using `glm` with factor regressors and default “contrasts” gives the estimates for loglinear parameters satisfying side-condition that level-1 coefficients are 0.

Contrasts will be discussed further in R scripts ...

## Side Conditions for Loglinear Model $(XZ, W)$

The usual set of **side conditions** (eg, given by Agresti) is:

$$\lambda_{+}^X = \lambda_{+}^Z = \lambda_{+}^W = \lambda_{x+}^{XZ} = \lambda_{+z}^{XZ} = 0, \quad \text{all } x, z$$

Use these conditions to solve for  $\lambda_1^X, \lambda_1^Z, \lambda_1^W, \lambda_{1z}^{XZ}, \lambda_{x1}^{XZ}$  linearly from  $\beta$  components for substitution into  $\log L(\beta)$  above

Simpler set of side conditions:  $\lambda_1^X = \lambda_1^Z = \lambda_1^W = \lambda_{1z}^{XZ} = \lambda_{x1}^{XZ} = 0$

Then  $\log L(\beta) = \sum_{a=1}^M Y_a \sum_{t=1}^p H_{a,t} \beta_t$  with **design matrix**

$$H = \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c} 1 & & \\ \vdots & \{I_{[i(a)=x]}\}_a, 1 < x \leq I & \{I_{[j(a)=z]}\}_a, 1 < z \leq J \\ 1 & & \end{array} \right. \\ \left. \{I_{[k(a)=w]}\}_a, 1 < w \leq K \mid \{I_{[i(a)=x, j(a)=z]}\}_a, 1 < x \leq I, 1 < z \leq J \right]$$

## Expression for $\log L$ Under Sum Side-Conditions

The design-matrix  $H$  has dimensions  $(IJK) \times (IJ + K - 1)$   
 $a \in \{1, \dots, IJK\}$ , and  $a \leftrightarrow (ijk)$  with  $i = i(a)$ ,  $j = j(a)$ ,  $k = k(a)$

Under sum side-conditions, it is clear that  $\log L(\beta)$  has an explicit but different representation in terms of  $\beta$  and  $H$ .

The coefficients  $\lambda_1^X$ ,  $\lambda_1^Z$ ,  $\lambda_1^W$ ,  $\lambda_{1z}^{XZ}$ ,  $\lambda_{x1}^{XZ}$  are in that case all linear combinations of  $\beta$  entries (eg  $\lambda_1^X = -\sum_{i=2}^J \lambda_i^X$ )

Also, the dummy-columns for factor-levels 1 are expressed as linear combinations of dummies for larger factor-level indices:  
e.g.,  $\{I_{[i(a)=1]}\}_a = \mathbf{1} - \sum_{x=2}^I \{I_{[i(a)=x]}\}_a$

## Example: (XZ, W) model with Binary Factors

In this case,  $I = J = K = 2$ , design matrix  $H$  is  $8 \times 5$

$$H = \left[ \mathbf{1} \mid \{I_{[i(a)=2]}\}_a \mid \{I_{[j(a)=2]}\}_a \mid \{I_{[k(a)=2]}\}_a \mid \{I_{[i(a)=j(a)=2]}\}_a \right]$$

Let  $\gamma_0, \gamma_i^X, \gamma_j^Z, \gamma_k^W, \gamma_{ij}^{XZ}$  be the coefficients for the loglinear model with level-1 coefficients  $\equiv 0$

$\lambda_0, \lambda_i^X, \lambda_j^Z, \lambda_k^W, \lambda_{ij}^{XZ}$  coefficients for model with sum-constraints

**Claim.** For each of these two sets of coefficients, the other can be defined uniquely such that for all sets of  $Y_{xzw}$  data

$$\sum_{x,z,w} \left( \lambda_0 + \lambda_x^X + \lambda_z^Z + \lambda_w^W + \lambda_{xz}^{XZ} \right) Y_{xzw} \equiv$$

$$\sum_{x,z,w} \left( \gamma_0 + \gamma_x^X + \gamma_z^Z + \gamma_w^W + \gamma_{xz}^{XZ} \right) Y_{xzw}$$

## Algebraic Proof of Claim in the Example

Starting from the sum involving the  $\lambda$ 's, express

$$\lambda_{xz}^{XZ} = (\lambda_{xz}^{XZ} - \lambda_{x1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{1z}^{XZ} + \lambda_{11}^{XZ}) + \lambda_{x1}^{XZ} + \lambda_{1z}^{XZ} - \lambda_{11}^{XZ}$$

$$\lambda_x^X = (\lambda_x^X - \lambda_1^X) + \lambda_1^X, \quad \lambda_{x1}^{XZ} = (\lambda_{x1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{11}^{XZ}) + \lambda_{11}^{XZ}$$

and so on. The terms in parentheses automatically are 0 for factor levels  $x, z$ , or  $w$  of 1. Collecting terms, we find with

$$\gamma_{xz}^{*XZ} = \lambda_{xz}^{XZ} - \lambda_{x1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{1z}^{XZ} + \lambda_{11}^{XZ}, \quad \gamma_w^{*W} = \lambda_w^W - \lambda_1^W$$

$$\gamma_x^{*X} = \lambda_x^X - \lambda_1^X + \lambda_{x1}^{XZ} - \lambda_{11}^{XZ}, \quad \gamma_z^{*Z} = \lambda_z^Z - \lambda_1^Z + \lambda_{1z}^{XZ} - \lambda_{11}^{XZ}$$

that the first blue line in the **Claim** is equal to



## Algebraic Proof, continued

the first blue line in the **Claim** is equal to:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{xz} Y_{xz+} \gamma_{xz}^{*XZ} + \sum_w Y_{++w} \gamma_w^{*W} + \sum_x Y_{x++} \gamma_x^{*X} + \sum_z Y_{+z+} \gamma_z^{*Z} \\ & + n \left( \lambda_0 + \lambda_1^X + \lambda_1^Z + \lambda_1^W + \lambda_{11}^{XZ} \right) \end{aligned}$$

It follows that the Claim holds if the  $\gamma$ 's are all replaced by  $\gamma^*$ 's, where  $\gamma_0^* = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1^X + \lambda_1^Z + \lambda_1^W + \lambda_{11}^{XZ}$

In the Example, the sum-constraints for binary factors imply

$$\lambda_x^X = (-1)^x \lambda_2^X, \lambda_z^Z = (-1)^z \lambda_2^Z, \lambda_w^W = (-1)^w \lambda_2^W, \lambda_{xz}^{XZ} = (-1)^{x+z} \lambda_{22}^{XZ}$$

$$\text{so } \gamma_0 = \lambda_0 + \lambda_{22}^{XZ} - \lambda_2^X - \lambda_2^Z - \lambda_2^W, \quad \text{and}$$

$$\gamma_{22}^{XZ} = 4\lambda_{22}^{XZ}, \gamma_2^W = 2\lambda_2^W, \gamma_2^X = 2(\lambda_2^X - \lambda_{22}^{XZ}), \gamma_2^Z = 2(\lambda_2^Z - \lambda_{22}^{XZ})$$

## Mapping Between Coefficient-sets in the Example

The mapping from  $\underline{\lambda} = (\lambda_0, \lambda_2^X, \lambda_2^Z, \lambda_2^W, \lambda_{22}^{XZ})$  to  $\underline{\gamma} = (\gamma_0, \gamma_2^X, \gamma_2^Z, \gamma_2^W, \gamma_{22}^{XZ})$  is linear and invertible,

$$\underline{\gamma} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & -1 & -1 & 1 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 & -2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix} \underline{\lambda} \equiv C \underline{\lambda}$$

and the constraint determining  $\lambda_0$  is unaffected by this mapping. Similarly:

$$\lambda_{xz}^{XZ} = \frac{(-1)^{x+z}}{4} \gamma_{22}^{XZ}, \quad \lambda_w^W = \frac{(-1)^w}{2} \gamma_2^W$$

$$\lambda_x^X = \frac{(-1)^x}{4} (2\gamma_2^X + \gamma_{22}^{XZ}), \quad \lambda_z^Z = \frac{(-1)^z}{4} (2\gamma_2^Z + \gamma_{22}^{XZ})$$

## R implementation

See topic (4) in `Lec19BLogLin.RLog` script for discussion of how to map between the two kinds of side-conditions.

- The constraints setting level-1 loglinear coefficients to 0 are equivalent to the same side-condition in Poisson regression, which gives variance-covariance for estimated coefficients
- The fitted loglinear coefficients using sum constraints can be found in the `loglm` fitted-model output list-component `$param`.
- Can transform between the two using the  $C$  matrix to obtain variance-covariance for fitted loglinear model coefficients with the sum-constraint side condition. This is an exercise in Delta method and the concepts of this Lecture, carried out next time.