

CSSS/POLS 510 MLE Lab

Lab 4. Quantities of Interest (QoI) and Binary Model

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Agenda

1. Review HW1 and Pre-view HW2
2. Last lab review
3. Quantities of Interest
4. Binary model (*if time allows*)

1. Review HW1: Sanity checks!

```
dbinom(x=16, size=30, prob=0.49)
```

```
## [1] 0.1293457
```

```
set.seed(12345)
```

```
sims <- 100      # 100 simulations
```

```
nmen <- rep(NA,sims)
```

```
for (i in 1:sims) {  
  nmen[i] <- sum(sample(c(0,1),  
                        30,  
                        replace = TRUE,  
                        prob = c(0.51, 0.49) ))  
}
```

```
sum(nmen==16)/length(nmen) # sum of trials with 16 males
```

```
## [1] 0.16
```

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```

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## [1] 0.1293457
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```
sims <- 1000      # 1000 simulations
```

```
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```

```
for (i in 1:sims) {
```

```
  nmen[i] <- sum(sample(c(0,1),  
                        30,  
                        replace = TRUE,  
                        prob = c(0.51, 0.49) ))
```

```
}
```

```
sum(nmen==16)/length(nmen) # sum of trials with 16 males
```

```
## [1] 0.131
```

1. Review HW1: Sanity checks!

```
dbinom(x=16, size=30, prob=0.49)
```

```
## [1] 0.1293457
```

```
set.seed(12345)
```

```
sims <- 10000      # 10000 simulations
```

```
nmen <- rep(NA,sims)
```

```
for (i in 1:sims) {
```

```
  nmen[i] <- sum(sample(c(0,1),  
                        30,  
                        replace = TRUE,  
                        prob = c(0.51, 0.49) ))
```

```
}
```

```
sum(nmen==16)/length(nmen) # sum of trials with 16 males
```

```
## [1] 0.1285
```

1. Review HW1: Sanity checks!

```
dbinom(x=16, size=30, prob=0.49)
```

```
## [1] 0.1293457
```

```
set.seed(12345)
```

```
sims <- 100000      # 100000 simulations
```

```
nmen <- rep(NA,sims)
```

```
for (i in 1:sims) {
```

```
  nmen[i] <- sum(sample(c(0,1),  
                        30,  
                        replace = TRUE,  
                        prob = c(0.51, 0.49) ))
```

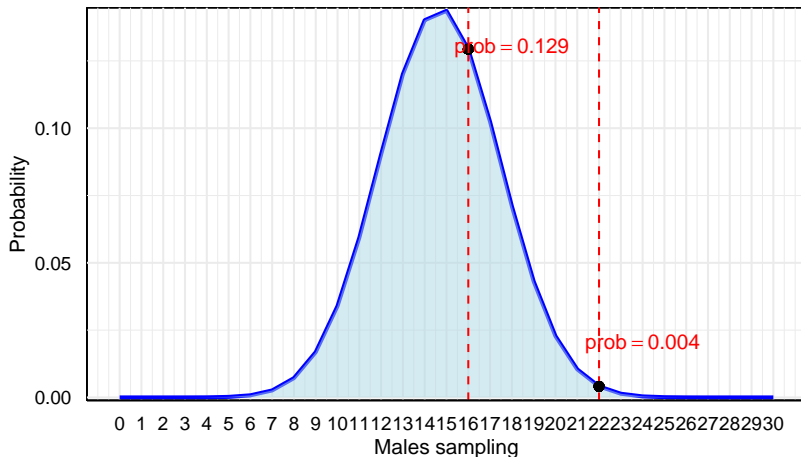
```
}
```

```
sum(nmen==16)/length(nmen) # sum of trials with 16 males
```

```
## [1] 0.1294
```

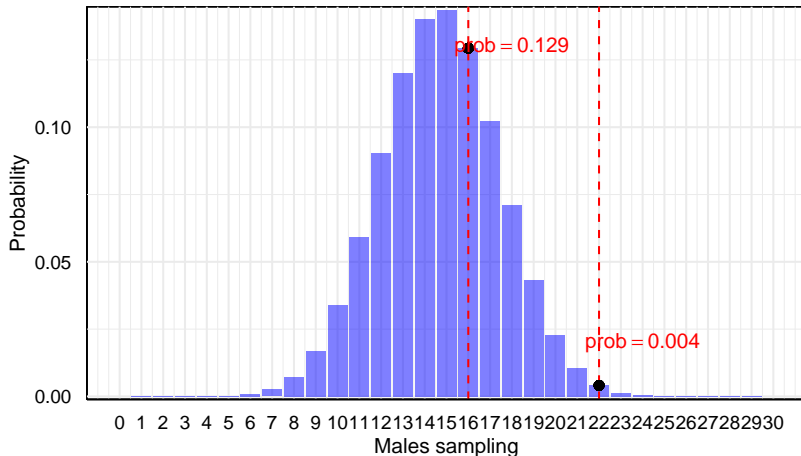
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Q1 – Binomial distribution



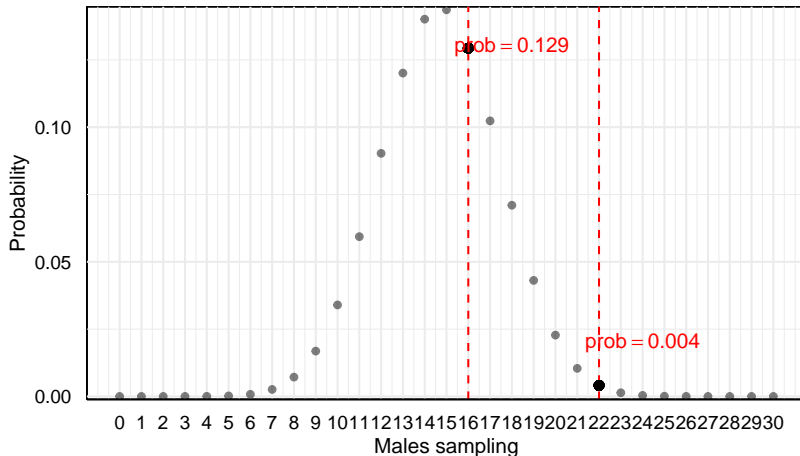
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1. Review HW1: summary

- ▶ When displaying PMFs, provide visuals with a discrete sample space.
- ▶ **Sanity checks:**
 - ▶ Use R built-in or packages programs/functions to **double-check**.
 - ▶ Increase simulations/sample **size**.
 - ▶ Convergence in probability ($N \rightarrow \infty$)

1. HW2 Question

Problem 1:

$$f_{\text{Bern}}(y \mid \pi) = \pi^y (1 - \pi)^{1-y}$$

$$\Pr(y \mid \pi) = \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_i^{y_i} (1 - \pi_i)^{1-y_i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L(\pi \mid y) &= k(y) \Pr(y \mid \pi) \\ &= k(y) \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_i^{y_i} (1 - \pi_i)^{1-y_i} \end{aligned}$$

1. HW2 Question

Problem 2:

$$L(\lambda \mid y) = k(y)\Pr(y \mid \lambda) = k(y) \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{\exp(-\lambda_i) \lambda_i^{y_i}}{y_i!}$$

Question: why λ_i on the right hand side rather than just using λ ?

2. Last lab review: Least Squares

- ▶ Linear homoskedastic:

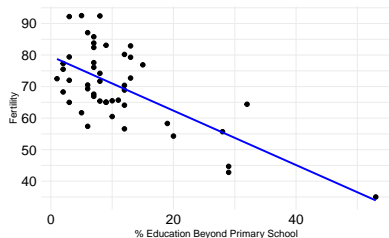
$$Y_i = x_i\beta + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

- ▶ Estimating the slope:

$$\hat{\beta}_j = \frac{\text{Cov}(X_j, Y)}{\text{Var}(X_j)}$$

- ▶ Matrix Algebra:

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$$



2. Last lab review: Least Squares

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i \quad (1)$$

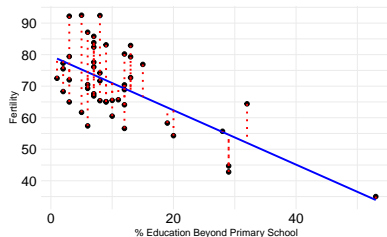
$$\hat{e}_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i \quad (2)$$

$$\sum \hat{e}_i^2 = \sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \quad (3)$$

$$\sum \hat{e}_i^2 = \sum (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)^2 \quad (4)$$

Note: (3) and (4) are equivalent, and provide the *Residual Sum of Squares* (RSS) or *Sum of Squared Residuals* (SSR).

Choosing the best combination of $\hat{\beta}_j$ that minimizes the SSR provide the best fit for the model.



2. Last lab review: MLE

- ▶ How do we estimate the MLE?
 1. Define a probability model (PDF): $Y_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma^2)$.
 2. Derive the log-likelihood function.
 3. Reduce to sufficient statistics and substitute systematic component.
 4. Use `optim()` or any other function to find the maxima.

2. Normal homoskedastic

Two **different** notations for the **same** model.

LS notation:

$$\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \quad (\textit{stochastic})$$

$$Y_i = x_i\beta \quad (\textit{systematic})$$

$$Y_i = x_i\beta + \varepsilon \quad (\textit{stochastic} + \textit{systematic})$$

MLE notation:

$$Y_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma^2) \quad (\textit{stochastic})$$

$$\mu_i = x_i\beta \quad (\textit{systematic})$$

$$Y_i \sim N(x_i\beta, \sigma^2) \quad (\textit{stochastic} + \textit{systematic})$$

3. MLE general notation

Stochastic component:

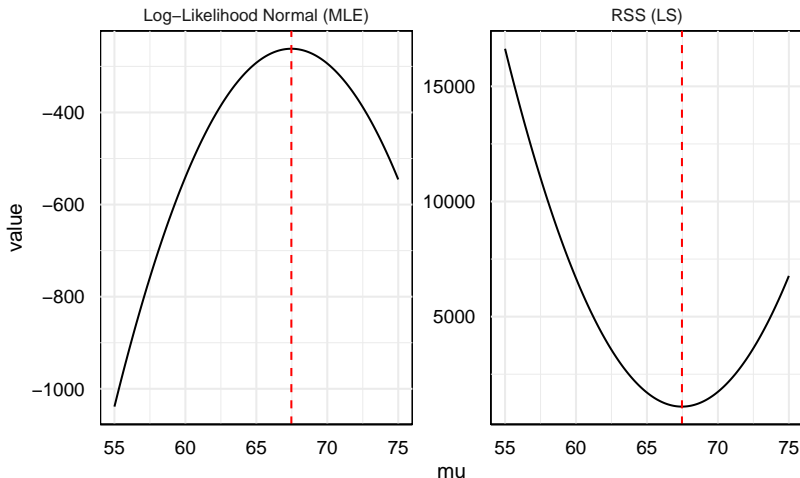
$$Y_i \sim f(\theta_i, \alpha) \quad (\text{stochastic})$$

$$\theta_i = g(\mathbf{x}_i\beta) \quad (\text{systematic})$$

where

- ▶ Y_i is a random outcome variable.
- ▶ $f(\cdot)$ is a probability density function.
- ▶ θ_i is a systematic feature of the PDF that varies over i .
- ▶ α is an ancillary parameter (feature of f that we treat as constant).
- ▶ $g(\cdot)$ functional form for reparametrization of the data model.
- ▶ \mathbf{x}_i explanatory variables vector.
- ▶ β vector of effect parameters.

2. Last lab review: MLE - Homoskedastic normal



2. Heteroskedastic normal

- ▶ Steps

- ▶ The full R code can be found [here from Chris' website](#)

- 2.1 Generate Data

- 2.2 Fit OLS - `lm()`

- 2.3 Fit MLE - `optim()`

- 2.4 Calculate quantities of interest

- ▶ Use `predict()`

- ▶ Use simulation

2. Heteroskedastic normal

Stochastic component:

$$y_i \sim f_{\mathcal{N}}(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$$

Systematic components:

$$\mu_i = \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$\sigma_i^2 = \exp(\mathbf{z}_i \boldsymbol{\gamma})$$

In our lab example, we simulate those, where $\mathbf{x}_i = \mathbf{z}_i = \mathbf{w}_i$.

We estimate **6 parameters**:

$$\mu_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 w_1 + \beta_2 w_2$$

$$= 0 + 5w_1 + 15w_2$$

$$\sigma_i^2 = \exp(\gamma_0 + \gamma_1 w_1 + \gamma_2 w_2)$$

$$= \exp(1 + 0w_1 + 3w_2)$$

2.1 Generating heteroskedastic normal data

```
rm(list=ls())           # Clear memory
set.seed(123456)        # For reproducible random numbers
library(MASS)           # Load packages
library(simcf)
library(tidyverse)

n <- 1500                # Generate 1500 observations

w0 <- rep(1, n)          # Create the constant
w1 <- runif(n)           # Create two covariates
w2 <- runif(n)

x <- cbind(w0, w1, w2)   # Create a matrix of the covariates
z <- x                   # i.e., same covariates affect mu and sigma

beta <- c(0, 5, 15)      # Set a parameter vector for the mean
                        # One for constant, one for covariate 1,
                        # one for covariate 2.

gamma <- c(1, 0, 3)       # Set a parameter vector for the variance
                        # Gamma estimate for covariate 2 is set to be 3,
                        # which creates heteroskedasticity
```

2.1 Generating heteroskedastic normal data

- Let's say we have one constant and two covariates, i.e. three β :

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 & x_{1,1} & x_{2,1} \\ x_0 & x_{1,2} & x_{2,2} \\ x_0 & x_{1,3} & x_{2,3} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_0 & x_{1,i} & x_{2,i} \end{bmatrix} \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2.1 Generating heteroskedastic normal data

- ▶ Matrix multiplication generates another matrix of systematic components easily:

$$\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 \cdot \beta_0 + x_{1,1} \cdot \beta_1 + x_{2,1} \cdot \beta_2 \\ x_0 \cdot \beta_0 + x_{1,2} \cdot \beta_1 + x_{2,2} \cdot \beta_2 \\ x_0 \cdot \beta_0 + x_{1,3} \cdot \beta_1 + x_{2,3} \cdot \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_0 \cdot \beta_0 + x_{1,i} \cdot \beta_1 + x_{2,i} \cdot \beta_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- ▶ Fast rule: a 4×3 matrix multiplied by a 3×1 one \rightarrow a 4×1 matrix

2.1 Generating heteroskedastic normal data

```
mu <- x %*% beta           # Create systematic component for the mean

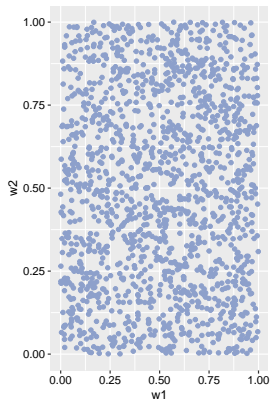
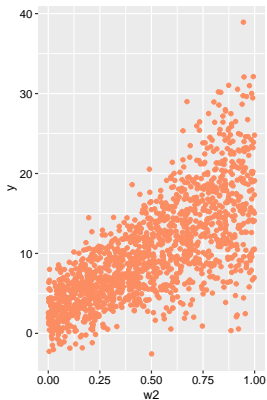
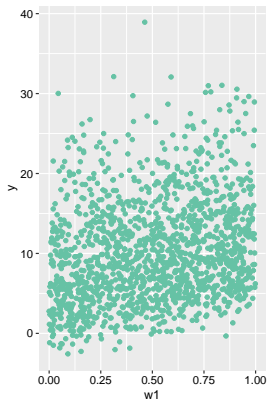
sigma2 <- exp(z %*% gamma) # Create systematic component for the variance
                             # Since ith row of sigma2 = exp(1 + 0 + w2_i * 3)
                             # i.e., it is a function of w2 (heteroskedastic)

y <- rnorm(n = n,           # Create the outcome variable
           mean = mu,       # Think about the stochastic component!
           sd = sqrt(sigma2)
           )

data <- cbind(y, w1, w2)    # Save the data to a data frame
data <- as.data.frame(data)
names(data) <- c("y", "w1", "w2")
```

The clearest way is to put the parameters in the correct matrix format. But `%*%` is smart enough to make a vector conformable when multiplied with a matrix.

2.1 Generating heteroskedastic normal data



2.2 Fit OLS - `lm()`

```
ls.result <- lm(y ~ w1 + w2, data = data) # Fit a linear model
                                           # using simulated data

ls.aic <- AIC(ls.result) # Calculate and print the AIC
                          # i.e. Akaike Information Criterion
                          # to assess goodness of fit; lower AIC is better
```

2.3 Log-likelihood for Heteroskedastic Normal

$$P(y_1 | \mu_1, \sigma_1^2) = (2\pi\sigma_1^2)^{-1/2} \exp \left[\frac{-(y_1 - \mu_1)^2}{2\sigma_1^2} \right] \quad [\text{Normal PDF for an observation}]$$

$$P(\mathbf{y} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) = \prod_{i=1}^n (2\pi\sigma_i^2)^{-1/2} \exp \left[\frac{-(y_i - \mu_i)^2}{2\sigma_i^2} \right] \quad [\text{Joint probability of Normal PDF}]$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 | \mathbf{y}) = k(\mathbf{y}) * P(\mathbf{y} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) \quad [\text{Likelihood function}]$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 | \mathbf{y}) \propto P(\mathbf{y} | \boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2) \quad [\text{Drop likelihood axiom*}]$$

2.3 Log-likelihood derivation for Heteroskedastic Normal

$$\log \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 | \mathbf{y}) = \log \left(\prod_{i=1}^n k(y_i) * (2\pi\sigma_i^2)^{-1/2} * \exp \left[\frac{-(y_i - \mu_i)^2}{2\sigma_i^2} \right] \right) \quad [\text{Converted to log likelihood}]$$

$$\log \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 | \mathbf{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left(k(y_i) * (2\pi\sigma_i^2)^{-1/2} * \exp \left[\frac{-(y_i - \mu_i)^2}{2\sigma_i^2} \right] \right) \quad [\text{Converted to log likelihood}]$$

$$\log \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\sigma}^2 | \mathbf{y}) \propto -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \sigma_i^2 - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \mu_i)^2}{\sigma_i^2} \quad [\text{simplify and drop constants}]$$

$$\log \mathcal{L}(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \boldsymbol{\gamma} | \mathbf{y}) \propto -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \mathbf{z}_i \boldsymbol{\gamma} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \mathbf{x}_i \boldsymbol{\beta})^2}{\exp(\mathbf{z}_i \boldsymbol{\gamma})} \quad [\text{Substitute in systematic components}]$$

2.3 Log-likelihood function

```
# A likelihood function for ML heteroskedastic Normal
llk.hetnormlin <- function(param, y, x, z) {
  # data input:
  x <- as.matrix(x) # x (some covariates) as a matrix
  z <- as.matrix(z) # z (some covariates) as a matrix

  # create intercept:
  os <- rep(1, nrow(x)) # Set the intercept as 1 (constant)
  x <- cbind(os, x) # Add intercept to covariates x
  z <- cbind(os, z) # Add intercept to covariates z

  # define number of parameters to estimate:
  b <- param[1 : ncol(x)] # Parameters for x
  g <- param[(ncol(x) + 1) : (ncol(x) + ncol(z))] # Parameters for z

  # define systematic components
  xb <- x %*% b # Systematic components for mean
  s2 <- exp(z %*% g) # Systematic components for variance

  # define log-likelihood function
  sum(0.5 * (log(s2) + (y - xb)^2 / s2)) # Likelihood we want to maximize
}
```

2.3 Fitting the model using ML - optim()

```
sum(0.5 * (log(s2) + (y - xb)^2 / s2))
```

Why the equation does not match?

$$\begin{aligned}\log \mathcal{L}(\beta, \gamma | \mathbf{y}) &\propto -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \mathbf{z}_i \gamma - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(y_i - \mathbf{x}_i \beta)^2}{\exp(\mathbf{z}_i \gamma)} \\ &\propto -1 \times \sum_{i=1}^n 0.5 \times \left(\log \mathbf{z}_i \gamma - \frac{(y_i - \mathbf{x}_i \beta)^2}{\exp(\mathbf{z}_i \gamma)} \right)\end{aligned}$$

Important: `optim()` is a minimizer by default, so you need to reverse the $+/-$ signs to find the maximum point

2.3 Fitting the model using ML - optim()

```
# Create input matrices
xcovariates <- cbind(w1, w2)
zcovariates <- cbind(w1, w2)

# Initial guesses of beta0, beta1, ..., gamma0, gamma1, ...
# We need one entry per parameter, in order!
# Note: also include beta and gamma estimates for constants
stval <- c(0, 0, 0, 0, 0, 0)

# Run ML, and get the output we need
hetnorm.result <- optim(stval,                # Initial guesses
                        llk.hetnormlin,       # Likelihood function
                        method = "BFGS",      # Gradient method
                        hessian = TRUE,        # Return Hessian matrix
                        y = y,                 # Outcome variable
                        x = xcovariates,       # Covariates x (w/o constant)
                        z = zcovariates        # Covariates z (w/o constant)
                        )
```

2.3 Fitting the model using ML - optim()

```
pe <- hetnorm.result$par # Point estimates  
round(pe, 3)
```

```
## [1] -0.167  5.007 15.698  0.910  0.224  2.994
```

```
vc <- solve(hetnorm.result$hessian) # Var-cov matrix (for computing s.e.)  
round(vc, 5)
```

```
##           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]      [,5]      [,6]  
## [1,]  0.02909 -0.03265 -0.02810  0.00059 -0.00087 -0.00032  
## [2,] -0.03265  0.06787 -0.00025 -0.00091  0.00099  0.00084  
## [3,] -0.02810 -0.00025  0.10331 -0.00056  0.00143 -0.00033  
## [4,]  0.00059 -0.00091 -0.00056  0.00920 -0.00832 -0.00749  
## [5,] -0.00087  0.00099  0.00143 -0.00832  0.01693 -0.00042  
## [6,] -0.00032  0.00084 -0.00033 -0.00749 -0.00042  0.01568
```

```
se <- sqrt(diag(vc)) # To compute standard errors (s.e.)  
                        # take the diagonal of the Hessian;  
                        # then take square root  
round(se, 3)
```

```
## [1] 0.171 0.261 0.321 0.096 0.130 0.125
```


2.3 Fitting the model using ML - optim()

```
mle.result <- cbind(pe[1:3], se[1:3])           # Report ML results
colnames(mle.result) <- c("Estimate", "Std.Error")
rownames(mle.result) <- c("(Intercept)", "w1", "w2")
round(mle.result, 3)
```

```
##              Estimate Std.Error
## (Intercept)   -0.167      0.171
## w1              5.007      0.261
## w2             15.698      0.321
```

```
round(coef(summary(ls.result))[, c(1, 2)], 3) # Compare with lm() results
```

```
##              Estimate Std. Error
## (Intercept)   -0.049      0.282
## w1              4.784      0.377
## w2             15.683      0.371
```

```
ll <- -hetnorm.result$value           # Report likelihood at maximum
                                       # No need to have negative sign
                                       # if optim is set as maximizer

ll
```

2.3 Fitting the model using ML - optim()

```
# AIC is 2 * number of parameters - 2 * ll (i.e. likelihood at maximum)  
hetnorm.aic <- 2 * length(stval) - 2 * ll
```

```
# Compare AIC from ML and from lm(); lower is better  
print(hetnorm.aic)
```

```
## [1] 5252.668
```

```
print(ls.aic)
```

```
## [1] 8545.903
```

3. Quantities of Interest

Motivation: We want to study how the change in a particular explanatory variable affects the outcome variable, *all else being equal*

3. Predict QoI

- ▶ Scenario 1: Vary covariate 1; hold covariate 2 constant
- 1. Create a data frame with a set of hypothetical scenarios for covariate 1, while keeping covariate 2 at its mean
 - ▶ What is the sensible range of some hypothetical scenarios for covariate 1? Consider the original range of w_1 .
- 2. Calculate the predicted values using the `predict()` function
 - ▶ Hint: you need at least the following arguments:
`predict(object = ... , newdata = ...)`
- 3. Plot the prediction intervals

3. Predict QoI

4. Similarly, calculate the confidence intervals using the `predict()` function
5. Plot the confidence intervals; compare them with the predictive intervals

3 Predict Qol: predicted and expected values

```
# First set hypothetical values
```

```
hyp_w1 <- seq(from = 0, to = 1, by = 0.05)
```

```
# Set up - create a new dataset
```

```
xhypo <-
```

```
  tibble(w1 = hyp_w1,      # Set up hypothetical values for w1  
         w2 = mean(w2)) # Set up mean for w2)
```

```
xhypo # Inspect
```

```
## # A tibble: 21 x 2
```

```
##       w1      w2
```

```
##    <dbl> <dbl>
```

```
##  1  0      0.491
```

```
##  2 0.05    0.491
```

```
##  3 0.1      0.491
```

```
##  4 0.15     0.491
```

```
##  5 0.2      0.491
```

```
##  6 0.25     0.491
```

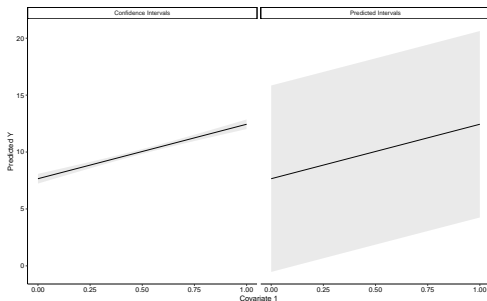
```
##  7 0.3      0.491
```

3 Predict Qol: combine into dataset

```
simPI.w1 <- simPI.w1 %>%  
  as_tibble() %>%           # Coerce it into a tibble  
  bind_cols(w1 = hyp_w1) # Combine hypo w1 with predicted y  
  
simCI.w1 <- simCI.w1 %>%  
  as_tibble() %>%  
  cbind(w1 = hyp_w1)  
  
# combine the two datasets, make other adjustments  
simALL.w1 <-  
  rbind(  
    simPI.w1 %>% mutate(type = "Predicted Intervals"),  
    simCI.w1 %>% mutate(type = "Confidence Intervals")  
  ) %>% as_tibble()
```

3. Predict QoI: visual display

Plot confidence intervals and predictive intervals side by side, here using `ggplot()`



3.2 Predict Qol

Scenario 2: Vary covariate 2; hold covariate 1 constant

```
w2range <- seq(from = 0, to = 1, by = 0.05) # Set up hypothetical values for w2
w1mean <- mean(w1) # Set up mean for w2
xhypo <- crossing(w1 = w1mean, # Create a new dataset
                 w2 = w2range) # crossing() is from tidyr package
# Calculate predicted values
simPI.w2 <- predict(ls.result, # A model object
                  newdata = xhypo, # New dataset
                  interval = "prediction", # What kind of intervals?
                  level = 0.95) # What levels of confidence?

simPI.w2 <- simPI.w2 %>%
  as_tibble() %>%
  bind_cols(w2 = w2range)
```

3.2 Simulating QoI using `simcf`

Motivation: Can we use simulation methods to produce the same prediction and confidence intervals? Recall the lecture: we can draw a bunch of $\tilde{\beta}$ from a multivariate normal distribution

Demonstration:

- ▶ Scenario 2: Vary covariate 2; hold covariate 1 constant
- 1. Create a data frame with a set of hypothetical scenarios for covariate 2 while keeping covariate 1 at its mean
- 2. Simulate the predicted values using `MASS` and `simcf`
- 3. Plot the results

3 Simulating Qol using simcf

In order to use `simcf` to generate quantities of interest, the following steps are needed:

1. Estimate: MLE $\hat{\beta}$ and its variance $\hat{V}(\hat{\beta})$
2. Simulate estimation uncertainty from a multivariate normal distribution:
Draw $\tilde{\beta} \sim MVN[\hat{\beta}, \hat{V}(\hat{\beta})]$
3. Create hypothetical scenarios of your substantive interest:
Choose values of X: X_c

3 Simulating Qol using simcf

4. Calculate expected values:

$$\tilde{\mu}_c = g(X_c, \tilde{\beta})$$

5. Simulate fundamental uncertainty:

$$\tilde{y}_c \sim f(\tilde{\mu}_c, \tilde{\alpha})$$

or

6. Compute EVs, First Differences or Relative Risks

$$\text{EV: } \mathbb{E}(y|X_{c1})$$

$$\text{FD: } \mathbb{E}(y|X_{c2}) - \mathbb{E}(y|X_{c1})$$

$$\text{RR: } \frac{\mathbb{E}(y|X_{c2})}{\mathbb{E}(y|X_{c1})}$$

3 Simulating Qol using simcf

In order to use `simcf` to generate quantities of interest, the following steps are needed:

1. Estimate: MLE $\hat{\beta}$ and its variance $\hat{V}(\hat{\beta})$
→ `optim()`, `glm()`
2. Simulate estimation uncertainty from a multivariate normal distribution:
Draw $\tilde{\beta} \sim MVN[\hat{\beta}, \hat{V}(\hat{\beta})]$
→ `MASS::mvrnorm()`
3. Create hypothetical scenarios of your substantive interest:
Choose values of X: X_c
→ `simcf::cfmake()`, `cfchange()` ...

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4. Calculate expected values:

$$\tilde{\mu}_c = g(X_c, \tilde{\beta})$$

5. Simulate fundamental uncertainty:

$$\tilde{y}_c \sim f(\tilde{\mu}_c, \tilde{\alpha})$$

→ `simcf::hetnormsimpv()` ...

or

6. Compute EVs, First Differences or Relative Risks

$$\text{EV: } \mathbb{E}(y|X_{c1})$$

→ `simcf::logitsimev()` ...

$$\text{FD: } \mathbb{E}(y|X_{c2}) - \mathbb{E}(y|X_{c1})$$

→ `simcf::logitsimfd()` ...

$$\text{RR: } \frac{\mathbb{E}(y|X_{c2})}{\mathbb{E}(y|X_{c1})}$$

→ `simcf::logitsimrr()` ...

3 Simulating Qol: MASS package

```
# Draw parameters from the model predictive distribution  
# Note: mvnrm function is from MASS package  
  
sims <- 10000  
simparam <- mvnrm(n = sims,  
                  mu = pe,      # M.N.D. with population mean = pe (from ML);  
                  Sigma = vc)  # population var-covar matrix = vc (from ML)  
head(simparam)                # Inspect
```

```
##           [,1]      [,2]      [,3]      [,4]      [,5]      [,6]  
## [1,]  0.24211743  4.253787  15.94193  0.8538881  0.1676888  3.187143  
## [2,] -0.10028149  4.866367  15.88825  0.8131899  0.2369895  3.038976  
## [3,] -0.15729804  4.813402  15.81664  0.9172401  0.3016272  2.864065  
## [4,] -0.01521245  4.482252  16.12675  0.9590520  0.2337601  2.975280  
## [5,]  0.10941227  4.821406  15.16535  0.9812625  0.2492318  2.763246  
## [6,] -0.22838155  4.947090  15.62518  0.9596191  0.1447425  2.870572
```

3 Simulating QoI using simcf :S1

```
# Separate into the simulated betas and simulated gammas

# general code; don't be intimidated:
simbetas <- simparam[ , 1:(ncol(xcovariates) + 1)]
simgammas <- simparam[ , (ncol(simbetas) + 1):ncol(simparam)]

# Specify model formulas
formula <- as.formula(y ~ w1 + w2)
```


3 Simulating QoI using simcf : cfmake

```
# Create hypothetical scenarios for w2
hyp_w2 <- seq(from = 0, to = 1, by = 0.05)

xhypo <- cfMake(formula=formula,
                data=data,
                nscen = length(hyp_w2)) # number of scenarios
```

3 Simulating QoI using simcf : loop

```
# Use `cfChange` and loop function to loop through each hypothetical x values
for (i in 1:length(hyp_w2)) {
  xhypo <- cfChange(xhypo,
                    covname="w2",
                    x = hyp_w2[i],
                    scen = i)
}

## Only for the Heteroskedasti normal, repeat for "z" covaraite
zhypo <- cfMake(formula=formula,
                data=data,
                nscen = length(hyp_w2))

for (i in 1:length(hyp_w2)) {
  zhypo <- cfChange(zhypo, "w2", x = hyp_w2[i], scen = i)
}
```

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```
# Simulate predictive intervals for heteroskedastic linear models
# `hetnormsimpv()` is from simcf package
simRES.w2 <- hetnormsimpv(xhypo, simbetas,
                          zhypo, simgammas,
                          ci = 0.95,
                          constant = 1,
                          varconstant = 1)

simRES.w2 <- simRES.w2 %>%
  bind_rows() %>%
  bind_cols(w2 = hyp_w2)

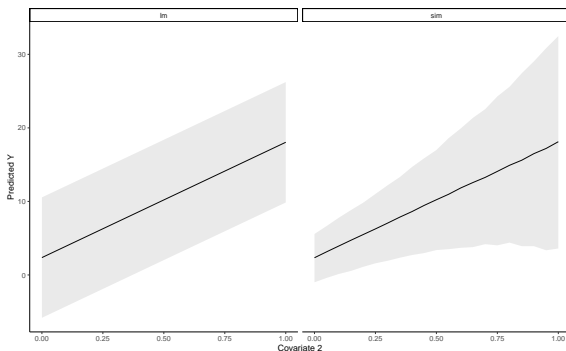
# Combine two dataframes
simPI.w2 <- simPI.w2 %>%
  rename(pe = fit, lower = lwr, upper = upr)

simALL.w2 <- bind_rows(
  simRES.w2 %>% mutate(method = "sim"),
  simPI.w2 %>% mutate(method = "lm")
)
```

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Plot the predictive intervals for hypothetical w2

```
ggplot(simALL.w2, aes(x = w2, y = pe, ymax = upper, ymin = lower)) +  
  geom_line() +  
  geom_ribbon(alpha = 0.1) +  
  labs(y = "Predicted Y", x = "Covariate 2") +  
  facet_grid(~ method)
```



4 Logit model: Voting example

Let's open RStudio and [\[nesLogitPlot.r\]](#)

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