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# Conventional set-up for regression

Study of dependence of response  $Y$  on covariates  $x$

Set of units:  $\mathcal{U} = \{u, u', \dots\}$  subjects, patients, plots,

Covariate  $x(u), x(u'), \dots$  (non-random, vector-valued)

classification variables: sex, age, soil type,...

block factors: clinical centre, herd (veterinary applications)

treatment factor: medication used, variety planted,..

Response:  $Y(u)$ : yield, survival,... measured on the units

Sample: a finite non-random ordered subset  $U$  of the units:

Observation: (data)

$Y \equiv Y[U] = (Y(u_1), \dots, Y(u_n))$  on the sampled units

$X \equiv x[U] = (x(u_1), \dots, x(u_n))$  on the sampled units

Q1: How does the joint distribution of  $Y$  depend on  $x$ ?

Q2: What effect does treatment have on the response?

Q3: What is the conditional distribution of  $Y(u')$  given the data?



# Simplifying assumption I: Exchangeability

Exchangeability modulo covariates:

$x[U] = x[U']$  implies  $Y[U] \sim Y[U']$  for all  $U, U' \subset \mathcal{U}$

where  $X = x[U]$  is the covariate value for sample  $U$ .

Rationale:

Equivalent sets of units have the same distribution

Implications:

- (i) Treatment applied to  $u'$  has no effect on  $Y(u)$
- (ii) Variables other than  $x$  are irrelevant
- (iii) Relationships among units have no effect on distn



# Simplifying assumption II: Independence

Independence:  $Y(u_1), \dots$ , are independent  
(Response values for distinct units are independent)

Implications:

Relationships among units are irrelevant

... unless encoded in  $x$

Geographical proximity or genetic relationships

Independence assumption is overused and often taken for granted

Can be relaxed by introducing variance components...



# Standard Gaussian model

$U = \{u_1, \dots, u_n\}$  are the  $n$  sampled units in order

$Y = Y[U]$  is the response vector with  $n$  components

Covariate  $x(u) = (x_1(u), \dots, x_p(u))$  has  $p$  components

Covariate matrix  $X = x[U]$  is of order  $n \times p$

$$Y \sim N(\mu = X\beta, \sigma^2 I_n)$$

$$E(Y(u)) = \beta_1 x_1(u) + \dots + \beta_p x_p(u)$$

$$\text{cov}(Y(u), Y(u')) = \sigma^2 \delta_{u,u'}$$

Interpretation of  $\beta_p$ :

$\beta_p$  is the change in  $E(Y)$  per unit change in  $x_p$   
when  $x_1, \dots, x_{p-1}$  are held fixed

Limitations...



# Parameter estimation

Maximum likelihood: Probability density at  $y$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$  is

$$(2\pi)^{-n/2}\sigma^{-n} \exp(-(y - \mu)'(y - \mu)/(2\sigma^2))$$

Log likelihood is

$$-n \log \sigma - \sum (y_i - \mu_i)^2 / (2\sigma^2)$$

Max likelihood: Choose  $\hat{\beta}$  by minimizing  $(Y - X\beta)'(Y - X\beta)$

Gives  $X'(Y - X\hat{\beta}) = 0$  or  $X'X\hat{\beta} = X'Y$

or  $\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'Y$

or  $\hat{\mu} = X\hat{\beta} = X(X'X)^{-1}X'Y = PY, \quad P^2 = P$

$E(\hat{\beta}) = (X'X)^{-1}X'E(Y) = (X'X)^{-1}X'X\beta = \beta$

$\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}) = (X'X)^{-1}X' \text{cov}(Y)X(X'X)^{-1} = \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1}$

Estimate of variance

$$s^2 = (Y - \hat{\mu})'(Y - \hat{\mu})/(n - p)$$



## Example: vitiman C decay

Ascorbic acid concentration of snap beans

Temp °F	Weeks of storage				Total
	2	4	6	8	
0	45	47	46	46	184
10	45	43	41	37	166
20	34	28	21	16	99

(Each value is a sum for three packages)

Same data in spreadsheet format

Conc	time	temp
45	2	0
45	2	10
34	2	20
47	4	0
43	4	10
28	4	20
:	:	:



## Vitamin C (continued)

Units  $\mathcal{U}$ : packages of beans (an infinite set)

Sampled units  $U$ : 36 packages with values as given

Data:  $Y$  (vitamin C content of sampled packages)

$x_1$  storage temperature

$x_2$  storage time

Naive linear model

$$E(Y(u)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1(u) + \beta_2 x_2(u)$$

	Parameter	Estimate	s.e.
Fitted coefficients:	$\beta_0$	55.125	3.76
	time	-1.42	0.61
	temp	-1.06	0.17
	$\sigma$	4.75	1.12

Residual SS = 203.38 on 9 d.f.



# Model checks

Criticism: I:

Dependence on temperature is not linear:  
Plot the data or the residuals against temp

Remedy: include a different coefficient for each temperature

Modified linear model

$$E(Y(u)) = \beta_0 I_{x_1=0} + \beta_{10} I_{x_1=10} + \beta_{20} I_{x_1=20} + \beta_2 x_2(u)$$

Parameter	Estimate	s.e.
temp0	53.08	2.93
temp10	48.58	2.93
temp20	31.83	2.93
time	-1.42	0.46
$\sigma$	4.75	1.12

Residual SS = 103.33 on 8 d.f. (down from 203.38)



## Further model checks

Criticism II:

fitted value at time zero depends on the temperature

Remedy: Make the slope (decay rate) depend on temperature

Modified linear model

$$E(Y(u)) = \alpha + \beta_0 t I_{x_1=0} + \beta_{10} t I_{x_1=10} + \beta_{20} t I_{x_1=20}$$

	Parameter	Estimate	s.e.
	$\alpha$	44.50	1.28
Fitted coefficients:	$\beta_0$	0.27	0.28
	$\beta_{10}$	-0.72	0.28
	$\beta_{20}$	-3.80	0.28
	$\sigma$	3.25	0.81

Residual SS = 26.03 on 8 d.f. (down from 203 and 103)



## Further model checks

Criticism III:

the values cannot increase over time

Exponential decay more plausible than linear decay

Remedy: Use a non-linear (Gaussian generalized linear) model

Modified model (generalized linear)

$$\log E(Y(u)) = \alpha + \beta_0 t I_{x_1=0} + \beta_{10} t I_{x_1=10} + \beta_{20} t I_{x_1=20}$$

Parameter	Estimate	s.e.
$\alpha$	3.84	0.019
$\beta_0$	-0.001	0.004
$\beta_{10}$	-0.024	0.004
$\beta_{20}$	-0.133	0.006
$\sigma$	1.12	0.28

Residual SS = 9.00 on 8 d.f. (down from 203, 103 and 26)



# Model formulae

Building blocks for subspaces of  $\mathcal{R}^n$ :

constant vector 1: all components are equal

covariate vectors  $x_1, x_2, \dots$  in  $\mathcal{R}^n$

factors  $A, B, \dots$

A factor is a list of levels, e.g. row or column or temperature

A factor is also the subspace spanned by the levels

$$1 \subset A$$

$$\dim(A) = \text{number of levels}$$

Binary operators:

+ as in  $x_1 + x_2$  or  $A + x$  or  $A + B$  (vector span)

: or . or \*: Interaction, tensor product

$$x + x = x, \quad A : A = A, \quad A : (B + C) = A : B + A : C$$



# Model formulae for subspaces of $\mathcal{R}^n$

$$1 + x_1 + x_2: \quad \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1(u) + \beta_2 x_2(u)$$

$$A + x: \quad E(Y(u)) = \alpha_{A(u)} + \beta x(u)$$

$$A + B: \quad E(Y(u)) = \alpha_{A(u)} + \beta_{B(u)}$$

$$1 + A : x : E(Y(u)) = \alpha + \beta_{A(u)} X$$

$$A : B : E(Y(u)) = \beta_{A(u), B(u)}$$



# Factorial models

One factor  $A$ :

$$1, \quad A$$

Two factors  $A, B$ :

$$1, \quad , \quad A, \quad , \quad B, \quad , \quad A+B, \quad , \quad A*B$$

Three factors  $A, B, C$ :

$$\begin{aligned} &1, \quad , \quad A, B, C, \quad , \quad A+B[3], \quad A*B[3], \quad A+B+C, \\ &A*B+C[3], \quad A*B+A*C[3], \quad A*B+A*C+B*C, \quad A*B*C \end{aligned}$$

How many factorial models for  $k$  factors?

Free distributive lattice on  $k$  generators  $A_1, \dots, A_k$   
operators + and \* such that  $A + A = A$  and  $A * A = A$



# Factorial models: Latin square

## Time taken and saw used

Spc	Bark	Team Number					
		1	2	3	4	5	6
spruce	0	6.4, 6	10.9, 5	9.8, 4	7.5, 2	4.6, 1	4.1, 3
pine	0	6.8, 2	6.2, 3	7.9, 5	6.0, 1	4.0, 4	4.2, 6
larch	0	12.7, 5	13.4, 1	12.5, 2	7.3, 3	6.1, 6	7.4, 4
spruce	1	8.8, 3	10.2, 4	12.5, 1	8.6, 6	6.1, 5	5.6, 2
pine	1	7.4, 4	10.0, 2	8.3, 6	6.4, 5	4.3, 3	5.6, 1
larch	1	13.1, 1	12.0, 6	12.0, 3	11.3, 4	6.1, 2	9.7, 5

# Three species, spruce, pine and larch

# Bark present or not

# Six saws of three types 1&4, 2&5, 3&6



```

nobs <- 36
data <- matrix( c(
+ 6.4, 6, 10.9, 5, 9.8, 4, 7.5, 2, 4.6, 1, 4.1, 3,
+ 6.8, 2, 6.2, 3, 7.9, 5, 6.0, 1, 4.0, 4, 4.2, 6,
+ 12.7, 5, 13.4, 1, 12.5, 2, 7.3, 3, 6.1, 6, 7.4, 4,
+ 8.8, 3, 10.2, 4, 12.5, 1, 8.6, 6, 6.1, 5, 5.6, 2,
+ 7.4, 4, 10.0, 2, 8.3, 6, 6.4, 5, 4.3, 3, 5.6, 1,
+ 13.1, 1, 12.0, 6, 12.0, 3, 11.3, 4, 6.1, 2, 9.7, 5), nobs, 2, byrow=T)
y <- data[,1]                                # time taken to complete task
team <- gl(6, 1, nobs)                         # six teams, one per column
species <- gl(3, 6, nobs)                        # spruce pine and larch
bark <- gl(2, 18, nobs)                          # Bark present or not
row <- gl(6, 6, nobs)                            # equal to species*bark
saw <- as.factor(data[,2])                      # distinct saws (3 duplicate pairs)
stype <- as.factor(data[,2] - 3*(data[,2] > 3)) # saw type

# Gaussian factorial models
y <- log(data[,1])                             #transform to log scale
fit0 <- glm(y~row+team+saw, family=gaussian(link=identity))
fit1 <- glm(y~species:bark+team+saw, family=gaussian(link=identity))
fit2 <- glm(y~species+bark+team+saw, family=gaussian(link=identity))
summary(fit0)

```

### Dominance Residuals:

DEVIANCE RESIDUALS:

Deviance Residuals:

-0.15957 -0.06465

## Coefficients:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)



Conventional regression models  
An example  
Specification of subspaces

```
(Intercept) 2.125516 0.067189 31.635 < 2e-16 ***  
row2 -0.176319 0.058187 -3.030 0.006610 **  
row3 0.330140 0.058187 5.674 1.49e-05 ***  
row4 0.204383 0.058187 3.513 0.002191 **  
row5 -0.003565 0.058187 -0.061 0.951756  
row6 0.428042 0.058187 7.356 4.15e-07 ***  
team2 0.142463 0.058187 2.448 0.023699 *  
team3 0.156366 0.058187 2.687 0.014166 *  
team4 -0.139378 0.058187 -2.395 0.026508 *  
team5 -0.544639 0.058187 -9.360 9.50e-09 ***  
team6 -0.416409 0.058187 -7.156 6.23e-07 ***  
saw2 -0.073831 0.058187 -1.269 0.219065  
saw3 -0.232082 0.058187 -3.989 0.000723 ***  
saw4 -0.052558 0.058187 -0.903 0.377135  
saw5 0.033294 0.058187 0.572 0.573573  
saw6 -0.146930 0.058187 -2.525 0.020122 *  
---  
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 0.01015721)

Null deviance: 4.62947 on 35 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 0.20314 on 20 degrees of freedom  
AIC: -50.221

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2

```
> summary(fit1)
```

Call:  
glm(formula = y ~ species:bark + team + saw, family = gaussian(link = identity))



Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.15957	-0.06465	0.01093	0.05275	0.11339

Coefficients: (1 not defined because of singularities)

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
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(Intercept)	2.55356	0.06719	38.006	< 2e-16 ***
team2	0.14246	0.05819	2.448	0.023699 *
team3	0.15637	0.05819	2.687	0.014166 *
team4	-0.13938	0.05819	-2.395	0.026508 *
team5	-0.54464	0.05819	-9.360	9.50e-09 ***
team6	-0.41641	0.05819	-7.156	6.23e-07 ***
saw2	-0.07383	0.05819	-1.269	0.219065
saw3	-0.23208	0.05819	-3.989	0.000723 ***
saw4	-0.05256	0.05819	-0.903	0.377135
saw5	0.03329	0.05819	0.572	0.573573
saw6	-0.14693	0.05819	-2.525	0.020122 *
species1:bark1	-0.42804	0.05819	-7.356	4.15e-07 ***
species2:bark1	-0.60436	0.05819	-10.387	1.67e-09 ***
species3:bark1	-0.09790	0.05819	-1.683	0.108011
species1:bark2	-0.22366	0.05819	-3.844	0.001013 **
species2:bark2	-0.43161	0.05819	-7.418	3.67e-07 ***
species3:bark2	NA	NA	NA	NA

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 0.01015721)

Null deviance: 4.62947 on 35 degrees of freedom

Residual deviance: 0.20314 on 20 degrees of freedom

AIC: -50.221



Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2

```
> summary(fit2)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = y ~ species + bark + team + saw, family = gaussian(link = identity))
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.15702	-0.06817	0.02109	0.06298	0.13119

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	2.14853	0.06251	34.369	< 2e-16 ***
species2	-0.19213	0.04093	-4.695	0.000111 ***
species3	0.27690	0.04093	6.766	8.46e-07 ***
bark2	0.15835	0.03342	4.739	9.94e-05 ***
team2	0.14246	0.05788	2.461	0.022150 *
team3	0.15637	0.05788	2.702	0.013029 *
team4	-0.13938	0.05788	-2.408	0.024856 *
team5	-0.54464	0.05788	-9.410	3.61e-09 ***
team6	-0.41641	0.05788	-7.195	3.28e-07 ***
saw2	-0.07383	0.05788	-1.276	0.215388
saw3	-0.23208	0.05788	-4.010	0.000589 ***
saw4	-0.05256	0.05788	-0.908	0.373665
saw5	0.03329	0.05788	0.575	0.570962
saw6	-0.14693	0.05788	-2.539	0.018714 *
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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for gaussian family taken to be 0.01004934)



```
Null deviance: 4.62947 on 35 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 0.22109 on 22 degrees of freedom
AIC: -51.175
```

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 2

```
> y <- data[,1]      # Analysis using untransformed times
> fit0 <- glm(y~row+team+saw, family=Gamma(link=log))
> fit1 <- glm(y~species:bark+team+saw, family=Gamma(link=log))
> fit2 <- glm(y~species+bark+team+saw, family=Gamma(link=log))
> summary(fit0)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = y ~ row + team + saw, family = Gamma(link = log))
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.16339	-0.06700	0.01043	0.05123	0.11060

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	2.126415	0.066290	32.078	< 2e-16 ***
row2	-0.178837	0.057408	-3.115	0.00545 **
row3	0.327836	0.057408	5.711	1.37e-05 ***
row4	0.204395	0.057408	3.560	0.00196 **
row5	-0.002404	0.057408	-0.042	0.96701
row6	0.427429	0.057408	7.445	3.47e-07 ***
team2	0.142779	0.057408	2.487	0.02183 *
team3	0.154695	0.057408	2.695	0.01394 *
team4	-0.136857	0.057408	-2.384	0.02715 *
team5	-0.544224	0.057408	-9.480	7.71e-09 ***
team6	-0.416289	0.057408	-7.251	5.14e-07 ***



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```
saw2      -0.069846  0.057408 -1.217  0.23790
saw3      -0.229767  0.057408 -4.002  0.00070 *** 
saw4      -0.051165  0.057408 -0.891  0.38339
saw5       0.037107  0.057408  0.646  0.52539
saw6     -0.144492  0.057408 -2.517  0.02048 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

(Dispersion parameter for Gamma family taken to be 0.009887184)

```
Null deviance: 4.49901 on 35 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 0.20138 on 20 degrees of freedom
AIC: 96.644
```

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

```
> summary(fit1)
```

```
Call:
glm(formula = y ~ species:bark + team + saw, family = Gamma(link = log))
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.16339	-0.06700	0.01043	0.05123	0.11060

Coefficients: (1 not defined because of singularities)

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	2.55384	0.06629	38.526	< 2e-16 ***
team2	0.14278	0.05741	2.487	0.02183 *
team3	0.15470	0.05741	2.695	0.01394 *
team4	-0.13686	0.05741	-2.384	0.02715 *
team5	-0.54422	0.05741	-9.480	7.71e-09 ***



# Conventional regression models

## An example

### Specification of subspaces

team6	-0.41629	0.05741	-7.251	5.14e-07	***						
saw2	-0.06985	0.05741	-1.217	0.23790							
saw3	-0.22977	0.05741	-4.002	0.00070	***						
saw4	-0.05117	0.05741	-0.891	0.38339							
saw5	0.03711	0.05741	0.646	0.52539							
saw6	-0.14449	0.05741	-2.517	0.02048	*						
species1:bark1	-0.42743	0.05741	-7.445	3.47e-07	***						
species2:bark1	-0.60627	0.05741	-10.561	1.25e-09	***						
species3:bark1	-0.09959	0.05741	-1.735	0.09816	.						
species1:bark2	-0.22303	0.05741	-3.885	0.00092	***						
species2:bark2	-0.42983	0.05741	-7.487	3.19e-07	***						
species3:bark2	NA	NA	NA	NA							
---											
Signif. codes:	0	'***'	0.001	'**'	0.01	'*'	0.05	'.'	0.1	'	1

(Dispersion parameter for Gamma family taken to be 0.009887184)

Null deviance: 4.49901 on 35 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 0.20138 on 20 degrees of freedom  
AIC: 96.644

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

```
> summary(fit2)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = y ~ species + bark + team + saw, family = Gamma(link = log))
```

### Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.15888	-0.07031	0.02015	0.06182	0.12645



## Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	
(Intercept)	2.14989	0.06163	34.885	< 2e-16	***
species2	-0.19309	0.04035	-4.786	8.86e-05	***
species3	0.27565	0.04035	6.832	7.29e-07	***
bark2	0.16012	0.03294	4.861	7.39e-05	***
team2	0.14188	0.05706	2.487	0.020966	*
team3	0.15385	0.05706	2.696	0.013183	*
team4	-0.13860	0.05706	-2.429	0.023754	*
team5	-0.54390	0.05706	-9.533	2.86e-09	***
team6	-0.41771	0.05706	-7.321	2.49e-07	***
saw2	-0.07027	0.05706	-1.232	0.231132	
saw3	-0.22991	0.05706	-4.029	0.000561	***
saw4	-0.05239	0.05706	-0.918	0.368505	
saw5	0.03602	0.05706	0.631	0.534324	
saw6	-0.14348	0.05706	-2.515	0.019721	*

Signif. codes: 0 ‘\*\*\*’ 0.001 ‘\*\*’ 0.01 ‘\*’ 0.05 ‘.’ 0.1 ‘ ’ 1

(Dispersion parameter for Gamma family taken to be 0.009766541)

```
Null deviance: 4.49901 on 35 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 0.21901 on 22 degrees of freedom  
AIC: 95.668
```

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

