

2006 Fall Part 2

Note that all x_i 's are $1 \times k$ vector in Part 2.

1. Logit model

Y_i has a binary distribution.

$$\Pr(y_i = 1|x_i) = \frac{\exp(x_i\beta)}{1 + \exp(x_i\beta)}$$

so the log likelihood function is

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L} = \sum_{i=1}^n \log f(y_i|x_i) &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log \frac{\exp(x_i\beta)}{1 + \exp(x_i\beta)} + \sum_{i=1}^n (1 - y_i) \log \frac{1}{1 + \exp(x_i\beta)} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_i \beta - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \log[1 + \exp(x_i\beta)] - \sum_{i=1}^n (1 - y_i) \log[1 + \exp(x_i\beta)] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_i \beta - \sum_{i=1}^n \log[1 + \exp(x_i\beta)] \end{aligned}$$

FOC is

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \beta} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i' y_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\exp(x_i\beta)}{1 + \exp(x_i\beta)} x_i' = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i' \left[y_i - \frac{\exp(x_i\beta)}{1 + \exp(x_i\beta)} \right] = 0$$

Since

$$\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial \beta^2} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{[\exp(x_i\beta)]^2}{[1 + \exp(x_i\beta)]^2} x_i' x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\exp(x_i\beta)}{1 + \exp(x_i\beta)} x_i' x_i = - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\exp(x_i\beta)}{[1 + \exp(x_i\beta)]^2} x_i' x_i$$

Fisher Information is

$$i(\beta) = \frac{1}{n} I(\beta) = E \left(\frac{\exp(x_i\beta)}{[1 + \exp(x_i\beta)]^2} x_i' x_i \right)$$

With this, consider the test of nonlinear hypothesis $\gamma(\beta) = 0^{p \times 1}$. Denote simply MLE of β by $\hat{\beta}$ and restricted MLE by $\tilde{\beta}$.

For Wald,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n} (\hat{\beta} - \beta) &\xrightarrow{d} N(0, i(\beta)^{-1}) \\ \sqrt{n} (\gamma(\hat{\beta}) - \gamma(\beta)) &\xrightarrow{d} N \left(0, \frac{\partial \gamma(\beta)}{\partial \beta'} i(\beta)^{-1} \frac{\partial \gamma(\beta)'}{\partial \beta} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Under H_0 , $\gamma(\beta) = 0$, and $\hat{\beta} \xrightarrow{p} \beta$, so

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n} \gamma(\hat{\beta}) &\xrightarrow{d} N \left(0, \frac{\partial \gamma(\beta)}{\partial \beta'} i(\beta)^{-1} \frac{\partial \gamma(\beta)'}{\partial \beta} \right) \\ n \gamma(\hat{\beta})' \left[\frac{\partial \gamma(\hat{\beta})}{\partial \beta'} i(\hat{\beta})^{-1} \frac{\partial \gamma(\hat{\beta})'}{\partial \beta} \right]^{-1} \gamma(\hat{\beta}) &\xrightarrow{d} \chi_p^2 \end{aligned}$$

For LM, according to LLN and the definition of Fisher Information,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\beta)}{\partial \beta} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, i(\beta))$$

Under H_0 , $\tilde{\beta} \xrightarrow{p} \beta$, and thus

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\beta})}{\partial \beta} &\xrightarrow{d} N(0, i(\beta)) \\ \frac{1}{n} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\beta})}{\partial \beta} i(\tilde{\beta})^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\beta})}{\partial \beta} &\xrightarrow{d} \chi_p^2 \\ -\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\beta})}{\partial \beta} \left[\frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\beta})}{\partial \beta \partial \beta'} \right]^{-1} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\beta})}{\partial \beta} &\xrightarrow{d} \chi_p^2 \end{aligned}$$

For LR,

$$2 \left[\mathcal{L}(\hat{\beta}) - \mathcal{L}(\tilde{\beta}) \right] \xrightarrow{d} \chi_p^2$$

2. NLS model (a)

It's neither unbiased nor consistent.

For biasedness, consider $g(t) = t$, i.e., the linear model $y_i = x_i \beta_0 + \varepsilon_i$.

$$\hat{\beta} = \beta_0 + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i' x_i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i' \varepsilon_i$$

Here we have

$$E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta_0 + E \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i' x_i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i' \varepsilon_i \right]$$

whose second term is not equal to 0 with $E[x_i \varepsilon_i] = 0$ only.

To see inconsistency, consider $g(t) = t^2$ and x_i : scalar, i.e., $y_i = x_i^2 \beta_0^2 + \varepsilon_i$.

$$\hat{\beta}^2 = \beta_0^2 + \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^4 \right)^{-1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \varepsilon_i$$

Under proper assumptions, the second term converges to

$$[E(x_i^4)]^{-1} E(x_i^2 \varepsilon_i)$$

which is not equal to 0 as long as $E(x_i^2 \varepsilon_i) \neq 0$. So $\hat{\beta}^2 \xrightarrow{p} \beta_0^2$ is not true, and thus $\hat{\beta} \xrightarrow{p} \beta_0$ is not true, either.

(b)

It's not unbiased but consistent under the assumption that ε_i is stochastically independent of x_1, \dots, x_n .

For biasedness, consider $g(t) = t^{-1}$ and x_i : scalar.

$$\begin{aligned} y_i &= \frac{1}{x_i \beta_0} + \varepsilon_i \\ \frac{1}{\hat{\beta}} &= \frac{1}{\beta_0} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i^2} \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\varepsilon_i}{x_i} \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$E \left(\frac{1}{\hat{\beta}} \mid x \right) = \frac{1}{\beta_0}$$

But this doesn't mean $E(\widehat{\beta}|x) = \beta_0$. For example, if $f(z) = 1$ for $z \in (0, 1)$, $E(z) = 0.5$, but $E(z^{-1}) \neq 2$.

To see consistency,

$$\min \frac{1}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - g(x_i\beta)]^2$$

FOC is

$$-\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - g(x_i\beta)] g'(x_i\beta) x'_i = 0$$

LHS converges in probability to

$$E[y_i - g(x_i\beta)] g'(x_i\beta) x'_i$$

At $\beta = \beta_0$,

$$E([y_i - g(x_i\beta_0)] g'(x_i\beta_0) x'_i) = E[\varepsilon_i g'(x_i\beta_0) x'_i] = E[E(\varepsilon_i|x_i) g'(x_i\beta_0) x'_i] = 0$$

Only $\beta = \beta_0$ satisfies the above condition as long as $g(x_i\beta) \neq g(x_i\beta_0)$ for any $\beta \neq \beta_0$. Therefore $\widehat{\beta}$ converges in probability to β_0 .

(d)

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - g(x_i\widehat{\beta})] g'(x_i\widehat{\beta}) x'_i = 0$$

Applying mean value theorem around β_0 on LHS,

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - g(x_i\beta_0)] g'(x_i\beta_0) x'_i + \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - g(x_i\tilde{\beta})] g''(x_i\tilde{\beta}) x'_i x_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [g'(x_i\tilde{\beta})]^2 x'_i x_i \right) (\widehat{\beta} - \beta_0) = 0$$

where $\tilde{\beta}$ is between β_0 and $\widehat{\beta}$. So $\widehat{\beta} \xrightarrow{p} \beta_0$ and $\tilde{\beta} \xrightarrow{p} \beta_0$. Therefore,

$$\sqrt{n} (\widehat{\beta} - \beta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, B_0^{-1} \Omega_0 B_0^{-1})$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - g(x_i\tilde{\beta})] g''(x_i\tilde{\beta}) x'_i x_i - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [g'(x_i\tilde{\beta})]^2 x'_i x_i &\xrightarrow{p} B_0 \equiv E([g'(x_i\beta_0)]^2 x'_i x_i) \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i g'(x_i\beta_0) x'_i &\xrightarrow{d} N(0, \Omega_0) \\ \Omega_0 &= E(\varepsilon_i^2 [g'(x_i\beta_0)]^2 x'_i x_i) \end{aligned}$$