

Epilepsy Clinical Trial

STAT 222
Week 5

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> install.packages("HSAUR2")
package 'HSAUR2' successfully unpacked and MD5 sums checked
> library(HSAUR2)
> data(epilepsy)
> dim(epilepsy)
[1] 236 6 > 236/4 [1] 59 > #patients
> library(lattice)
> dotplot(I(seizure.rate/base)~period|subject,data=epilepsy,subset=treatment=="Progabide")
> dotplot(I(seizure.rate/base)~period|subject,data=epilepsy,subset=treatment=="placebo")
> head(epilepsy)
  treatment base age seizure.rate period subject
1 placebo 11 31 5 1 1
110 placebo 11 31 3 2 1
112 placebo 11 31 3 3 1
114 placebo 11 31 3 4 1
2 placebo 11 30 3 1 2
210 placebo 11 30 5 2 2
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> itp<-interaction(epilepsy$treatment,epilepsy$period)
> tapply(epilepsy$seizure.rate,itp,mean) #get cell means
placebo.1 Progabide.1 placebo.2 Progabide.2 placebo.3 Progabide.3 placebo.4
9.357143 8.580645 8.285714 8.419355 8.785714 8.129032 7.964286
Progabide.4
6.709677
> # some small advantage for drug
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> #boxplots of log-seizure
> layout(matrix(1:2,nrow=1))
> ylim<-range(log(epilepsy$seizure.rate+1))
> boxplot(log(seizure.rate+1)~period,data=placebo,main="Placebo",ylab="Lognumberofseizures", xlab=
> boxplot(log(seizure.rate+1)~period,data=progabide, main="Progabide",ylab="Lognumberofseizures",
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> per<-rep(log(2),nrow(epilepsy)) # if don't do this offset Intercept doesn't match
> epilepsy_glm <- glm(seizure.rate ~ base + age + treatment + offset(per), data = epilepsy,
family = "poisson")
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> summary(epilepsy_glm)
Call:
glm(formula = seizure.rate ~ base + age + treatment + offset(per),
family = "poisson", data = epilepsy)
Deviance Residuals:
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-4.4360 -1.4034 -0.5029 0.4842 12.3223
Coefficients:
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Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) -0.1306156 0.1356191 -0.963 0.3355
base 0.0226517 0.0005093 44.476 < 2e-16 ***
age 0.0227401 0.0040240 5.651 1.59e-08 ***
treatmentProgabide -0.1527009 0.0478051 -3.194 0.0014 **
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Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
Null deviance: 2521.75 on 235 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 958.46 on 232 degrees of freedom
AIC: 1732.5
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# if don't use covariates, then can't find sig treatment effect
> epilepsy_glm2 <- glm(seizure.rate ~ treatment + offset(per), data = epilepsy, family = "poisson")
> summary(epilepsy_glm2)
Call: glm(formula = seizure.rate ~ treatment + offset(per), family = "poisson",
data = epilepsy)
Coefficients:
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Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 1.45841 0.03222 45.258 <2e-16 ***
treatmentProgabide -0.07717 0.04529 -1.704 0.0884 .
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see HSAUR chap for plots and code

glm model ignores indiv trajectories linked conditions on covariates

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> install.packages("gee")
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Generalized Estimating Eqs gee
Liang-Zeger

> library(gee)

> fm <- seizure.rate ~ base + age + trt + offset(per)
> epilepsy_gee1 <- gee(fm, data = epilepsy, family = "poisson",
+ id = subject, constr = "independence", scale.fix = TRUE,
+ scale.value = 1)

Beginning Cgee S-function, @(#) geeformula.q 4.13 98/01/27
running glm to get initial regression estimate

(Intercept)	base	age	treatmentProgabide
-0.13061561	0.02265174	0.02274013	-0.15270095

> summary(epilepsy_gee1)

GEE: GENERALIZED LINEAR MODELS FOR DEPENDENT DATA
gee S-function, version 4.13 modified 98/01/27 (1998)

Model:
Link: Logarithm
Variance to Mean Relation: Poisson
Correlation Structure: Independent

Call:
gee(formula = fm, id = subject, data = epilepsy, family = "poisson",
constr = "independence", scale.fix = TRUE, scale.value = 1)

Summary of Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-4.9195387	0.1808059	1.7073405	4.8850644	69.9658560

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Naive S.E.	Naive z	Robust S.E.	Robust z
(Intercept)	-0.13061561	0.1356191185	-0.9631062	0.365148155	-0.3577058
base	0.02265174	0.0005093011	44.4761250	0.001235664	18.3316325
age	0.02274013	0.0040239970	5.6511312	0.011580405	1.9636736
treatmentProgabide	-0.15270095	0.0478051054	-3.1942393	0.171108915	-0.8924196

"gee"

not sig

> epilepsy_lmer <- lmer(seizure.rate ~ base + age + treatment + offset(per) + (period|subject),
data = epilepsy, family = "poisson")

> summary(epilepsy_lmer)

Generalized linear mixed model fit by the Laplace approximation

Formula: seizure.rate ~ base + age + treatment + offset(per) + (period | subject)

Data: epilepsy

AIC BIC logLik deviance

505.5 554 -238.8 477.5

Random effects:

Groups	Name	Variance	Std.Dev.	Corr
subject	(Intercept)	0.27139	0.52095	
	period.L	0.11981	0.34613	0.034
	period.Q	0.14247	0.37746	-0.494 -0.593
	period.C	0.11981	0.34613	-0.274 -0.178 0.098

Number of obs: 236, groups: subject, 59

Fixed effects:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)
(Intercept)	-0.215683	0.373725	-0.577	0.5639
base	0.026197	0.002374	11.035	<2e-16 ***
age	0.016859	0.011476	1.469	0.1418
treatmentProgabide	-0.306282	0.140690	-2.177	0.0295 *

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

Correlation of Fixed Effects:

	(Intr)	base	age
base		-0.401	
age		-0.939	0.201
trtmntPrghbd		-0.304	-0.002 0.130

> exp(-.1527) > exp(-.3063)
[1] 0.8583872 [1] 0.7361657

Laird-Ware ALA p.349 "patient treated with progabide the expected decrease in seizures is approx 26% (exp(-.3069) ~ .74)"

CI by exp(logconfint())

ch12 (Laird uses diff model)
period effects, no covariates
same result as

try lmer
"poisson"
no time
trend, just
level effect
of treatment
(1/subject)