Supplementary materials for Partitioned conditional generalized linear models for categorical responses

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1 Examples of (r, F, Z) specification

$Multinomial logit modelP(Y = j) = \frac{\exp(\alpha_j + x^T \delta_j)}{1 + \sum_{k=1}^{J-1} \exp(\alpha_k + x^T \delta_k)}$	(reference, logistic, complete)
$Adjacent \ logit \ model \\ \log\left\{\frac{P(Y=j)}{P(Y=j+1)}\right\} = \alpha_j + x^T \delta_j$	(adjacent, logistic, complete)
Proportional odds logit model $\log\left\{\frac{P(Y \le j)}{1 - P(Y \le j)}\right\} = \alpha_j + x^T \delta$	(cumulative, logistic, proportional)
$Proportional hazard model(Grouped Cox Model)log {-log P(Y > j Y \ge j)} = \alpha_j + x^T \delta$	(sequential, Gompertz, proportional)

Table 1: (r, F, Z) specification of four generalized linear models for categorical responses

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2 **Proof of Proposition 1**

The cardinal of vertex v is denoted by |v|. For each vertex $v \in \mathcal{V}^*$, \mathcal{M}^v denotes the associated GLM and \mathcal{M}_v the PCGLM associated with the subtree rooted at vertex v. Finally $|\mathcal{M}|$ denotes the number of independent regression equations of \mathcal{M} . Here we reason recursively on k, the cardinal of \mathcal{V}^* .

- Initialisation: For k = 1, the 1-PCGLM of any subset v of $\{1, \ldots, J\}$ is a simple GLM for categorical responses with |v| 1 regression equations and so the desired result.
- Recursion: For k < J 1, let us assume, considering any subset v of $\{1, \ldots, J\}$, that all the *m*-PCGLMs of v, such that $m \leq k$, contain exactly |v| 1 independent regression equations.

Let \mathcal{M} be a (k + 1)-PCGLM of $\{1, \ldots, J\}$. Noting r the root vertex, we obtain the following decomposition:

$$|\mathcal{M}| = |\mathcal{M}^r| + \sum_{v \in Ch(r) \cap \mathcal{V}^*} |\mathcal{M}_v|$$

Since the root model \mathcal{M}^r is a 1-PCGLM of the root's children, then $|\mathcal{M}^r| = |Ch(r)| - 1$. 1. Since each model \mathcal{M}_v is a *m*-PCGLM of *v* such that $m \leq k$, we can use the recursive assumption and obtain $|\mathcal{M}_v| = |v| - 1$. Therefore, the number of independent equations of \mathcal{M} is

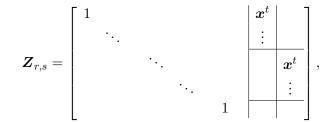
$$\begin{split} |\mathcal{M}| &= |Ch(r)| - 1 + \sum_{v \in Ch(r) \cap \mathcal{V}^*} (|v| - 1) \\ &= |Ch(r)| - 1 + \sum_{v \in Ch(r)} (|v| - 1) \\ &= -1 + \sum_{v \in Ch(r)} |v| \\ &= J - 1. \end{split}$$

3 Indistinguishability procedure

3.1 Indistinguishability procedure with (r, F, Z) specification

Here we express the indistinguishability procedure in terms of canonical models by simply changing the design matrix. In fact, the hypothesis $H_{(3;r,s)}$ corresponds to the canonical

(reference, logistic, $\boldsymbol{Z}_{r,s}$) model with



the design matrix with r repetitions of x^t for the first block and s - r repetitions of x^t for the second block. The indistinguishability procedure, specified in terms of the (r, F, Z) triplet, can be seen as a design matrix selection procedure.

3.2 Indistinguishability procedure with PCGLM specification

Here we express the indistinguishability procedure in terms of PCGLM by simply changing the partition tree. In fact any canonical (reference, logistic, Z) model with a blockstructured design matrix Z is equivalent to a PCGLM of depth 2 with the canonical (reference, logistic, complete) model for the root and minimal response models for other nonterminal vertices. Let us describe this result in details using the block-structured design matrix $Z_{r,s}$.

Proposition 1 The canonical model (reference, logistic, $Z_{r,s}$) is equivalent to the PCGLM specified in figure 1.

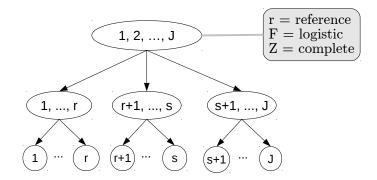


Figure 1: PCGLM specification of indistinguishability hypothesis $H_{(3,r,s)}$.

Proof: Assume that the distribution of Y is defined by the canonical (reference, logistic, $\mathbf{Z}_{r,s}$) model. We thus obtain

$$\frac{\pi_j}{\pi_J} = \begin{cases} \exp(\alpha_j + x^t \delta_1), & 1 \le j \le r, \\ \exp(\alpha_j + x^t \delta_2), & r < j \le s, \\ \exp(\alpha_j), & s < j \le J - 1. \end{cases}$$
(3.1)

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Let \mathfrak{T} denote the partition tree of figure 1 and Ω_1 , Ω_2 and Ω_3 the children of the \mathfrak{T} 's root. We thus obtain

$$\frac{\pi_{\Omega_1}}{\pi_{\Omega_3}} = \frac{\pi_1 + \ldots + \pi_r}{\pi_{s+1} + \ldots + \pi_J}.$$

Using (3.1), we obtain

$$\frac{\pi_{\Omega_1}}{\pi_{\Omega_3}} = \frac{\left\{\sum_{j=1}^r \exp(\alpha_j + x^t \delta_1)\right\} \pi_J}{\left\{1 + \sum_{j=s+1}^{J-1} \exp(\alpha_j)\right\} \pi_J},$$

and thus

$$\frac{\pi_{\Omega_1}}{\pi_{\Omega_3}} = \exp(\alpha_1' + x^t \delta_1'),$$

using the following parametrization

$$\begin{cases} \alpha_1' = \log \left\{ \frac{\sum_{j=1}^r \exp(\alpha_j)}{1 + \sum_{j=s+1}^{J-1} \exp(\alpha_j)} \right\},\\ \delta_1' = \delta_1. \end{cases}$$

Similarly, we obtain $\pi_{\Omega_2}/\pi_{\Omega_3} = \exp(\alpha'_2 + x^t \delta'_2)$ with the parametrization

$$\begin{cases} \alpha'_2 = \log \left\{ \frac{\sum_{j=r+1}^s \exp(\alpha_j)}{1 + \sum_{j=s+1}^{J-1} \exp(\alpha_j)} \right\},\\ \delta'_2 = \delta_2. \end{cases}$$

Therefore, the root model is exactly the canonical (reference, logistic, complete) model. We want to ensure that we have a minimal response model for each non-terminal vertex of the second level. For the non-terminal vertex $\Omega_1 = \{1, \ldots, r\}$, we have

$$\frac{\pi_j}{\pi_r} = \frac{\pi_j}{\pi_J} \frac{\pi_J}{\pi_r} = \exp(\alpha_j + x^t \delta_1) \exp(-\alpha_r - x^t \delta_1) = \exp(\alpha_j - \alpha_r).$$

for j < r. These r - 1 ratios do not depend on \boldsymbol{x} and therefore correspond exactly to the minimal response model. Similarly we have $\pi_j/\pi_s = \exp(\alpha_j - \alpha_s)$ for r < j < s and $\pi_j/\pi_J = \exp(\alpha_j)$ for s < j < J. Then, Y follows exactly the expected PCGLM. As the parametrization is invertible, we obtain the equivalence.

Using this proposition, the canonical (reference, logistic, $Z_{r,s}$) model is easily estimated. In fact, we need to transform the data, aggregating the response categories according to the partitioning sets $\Omega_1 = \{1, \ldots, r\}$, $\Omega_2 = \{r + 1, \ldots, s\}$ and $\Omega_3 = \{s + 1, \ldots, J\}$. We then simply need to estimate the canonical (reference, logistic, complete) model using this new dataset (and also the three minimal response models of vertices Ω_1 , Ω_2 and Ω_3).