

Appendix. Example R Code for Estimating Cohort Deviations

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# Age and period main effects.
# wtdata is a weighted survey design object; acc denotes age categories; pcc denotes
# period categories.

library(survey)
modelresult = svyglm(inlfc ~ acc * pcc, wtdata2, family =
quasibinomial)
r6 = modelresult$coefficients
r6se = summary(modelresult)$coef[, "Std. Error"]
r6p = summary(modelresult)$coef[, "Pr(>|t|)"]

# Compute transformation matrix T.
# A is the number of age categories; P is the number of time periods.

T = array(rep(0, A*P*(A-1)*(P-1)), dim=c(A*P, (A-1)*(P-1)))

ind1 = A*1:(P-1)
ind2 = (A*(P-1)+1):(A*P-1)
ind3 = A*P

ind = c(ind1, ind2, ind3)

newind = 1:(A*P)
newind = newind[-ind]

T[newind,] = diag((A-1)*(P-1))
T[ind1,] = -diag(P-1)[, rep(1:(P-1), each=A-1)]
T[ind2,] = -diag(A-1)[, rep(1:(A-1), P-1)]
T[ind3,] = rep(1, (A-1)*(P-1))

# Compute "full" interaction estimates.
# covn is the level of the covariate - 1. For example, for an educational attainment variable with
# three levels, covn = 3-1 = 2.

iatemp = vcov(modelresult)[(covn+A+P): length(r6), (covn+A+P):
length(r6)]
iavcov = T%*%iatemp%*%t(T)
df = modelresult$df.residual

iaesti = as.vector(T%*%r6[(covn+A+P): length(r6)])
iase = sqrt(diag(iavcov))
iap = pt(-abs(iaesti/iase), df)*2
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cindex = array(rep(0, A*P), dim = c(A, P))
for (j in 1:P){
  cindex[,j] = seq((A+j-1),j, -1)
}

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Step 3.1 inter-cohort average deviations

C is the number of cohorts. For birth cohorts, $C = A+P-1$.

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cint    = rep(NA, C)
cintse  = rep(NA, C)
cintt   = rep(NA, C)
cintp   = rep(NA, C)

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for (k in 1:C){
  O = sum(cindex == k)
  k1 = rep(1/O, O)
  k2 = rep(0, A*P)
  k2[cindex == k] = k1

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  contresti = k2*%iaesti           # point estimates in Step 3.1
  contrse = sqrt(t(k2)*%iavcov*%k2) # standard errors in Step 3.1
  t = contresti/contrse
  if (t > 0){
    p = 2*pt(t, df, lower.tail=F)
  } else {
    p = 2*pt(t, df, lower.tail=T)
  }

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  cint[k]    = contresti
  cintse[k]  = contrse
  cintt[k]   = t
  cintp[k]   = p
}

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Step 3.2 intra-cohort life-course changes

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cslope   = rep(NA, C)
cslopese = rep(NA, C)
cslopet  = rep(NA, C)
cslopep  = rep(NA, C)

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poly = 1
for (k in (poly+1):(C-poly)){
  o = sum(cindex == k)

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k1 = contr.poly(o)
k2 = rep(0, A*P)
k2[cindex == k] = k1[,poly]

contresti = k2%%iaesti # point estimates in Step 3.2
contrse = sqrt(t(k2)%%iavcov%%k2) # standard errors in Step 3.2
t = contresti/contrse
if (t > 0){
  p = 2*pt(t, df, lower.tail=F)
} else {
  p = 2*pt(t, df, lower.tail=T)
}

cslope[k] = contresti
cslopese[k] = contrse
cslopet[k] = t
cslopep[k] = p
}

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