

Collapsibility and Suppression for Log-Linear Models

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1. Contour Plot & Raindrop Plot

1.1 Odds Ratios in $2 \times 2 \times K$ Table

- **$2 \times 2 \times K$ Table** $\{p_{ijk}, i=1,2, j=1,2, k=1,2,K, K\}$

p_{111}	p_{121}	p_{112}	p_{122}	Λ	Λ	p_{11K}	p_{12K}
p_{211}	p_{221}	p_{212}	p_{222}			p_{21K}	p_{22K}
Λ							
p_{11+}	p_{12+}	p_{21+}	p_{22+}				
p_{1+K}	p_{2+K}	p_{1+K}	p_{2+K}				

- **Define odds** p_k, q_k **and** p_c, q_c **for** $k=1,2,K, K$

$$p_k = \frac{p_{11k}}{p_{+1k}}, \quad q_k = \frac{p_{12k}}{p_{+2k}} \quad p_c = \frac{p_{11+}}{p_{+1+}}, \quad q_c = \frac{p_{12+}}{p_{+2+}}$$

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- **Odds Ratios for k th table**

$$\theta_k = \frac{p_k/(1-p_k)}{q_k/(1-q_k)} = \frac{p_{11k} p_{22k}}{p_{12k} p_{21k}}, \quad k=1,2,K, K$$

- **Odds Ratio for a collapsed table**

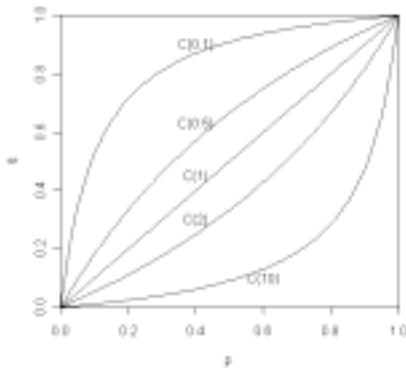
$$\theta_c = \frac{p_c/(1-p_c)}{q_c/(1-q_c)} = \frac{p_{11+} p_{22+}}{p_{12+} p_{21+}}$$

1.2 Contour Plot

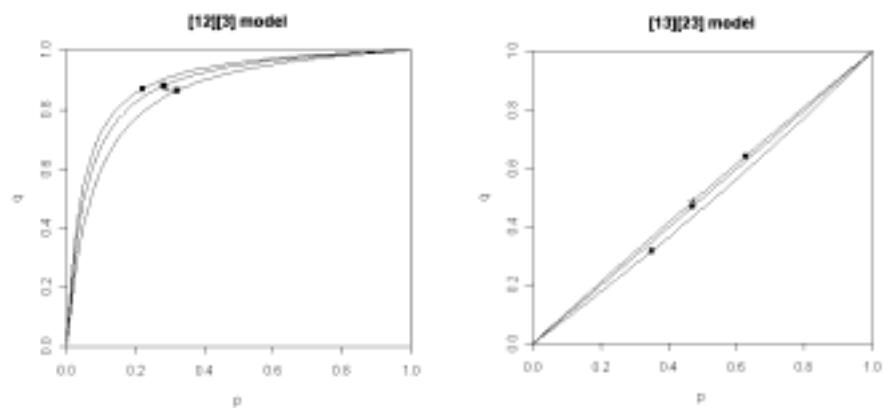
- Doi, Nakamura, and Yamamoto (2001)

$$C(\theta) = \{(p, q) \in (0,1)^2 : \frac{p/(1-p)}{q/(1-q)} = \theta\}, \theta > 0,$$

Shapes of $C(\theta)$ for $\theta = 0.1, 0.5, 1, 2, \text{ and } 10$



An Example : Contour plots for $2 \times 2 \times 3$ tables



1.3 Raindrop Plot

- Barrowman & Myers (2003)

Conditional Likelihood for Odds Ratio(θ)

$$L(\theta) = \binom{x_{1+}}{x_{11}} \binom{x_{2+}}{x_{21}} e^{(\theta)x_{11}} / S(\theta)$$

Approximate $100 \cdot (1 - \gamma)\%$ confidence interval for θ

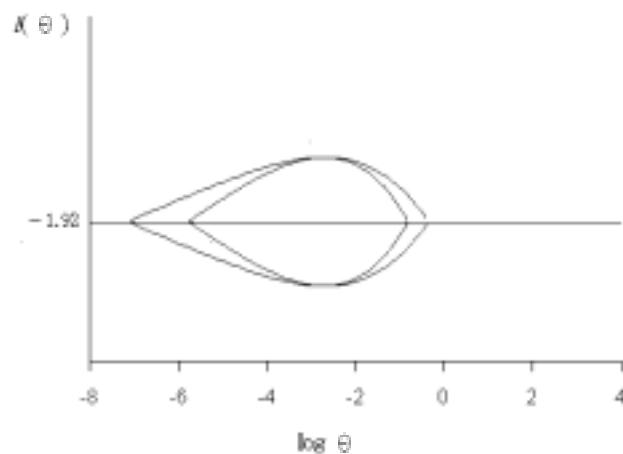
$$\{\theta : 2[\lambda(\theta^{MLE}) - \lambda(\theta)] \leq \chi^2_{1(1-\gamma)}\}$$

- Set $\lambda(\theta^{MLE}) = 0$

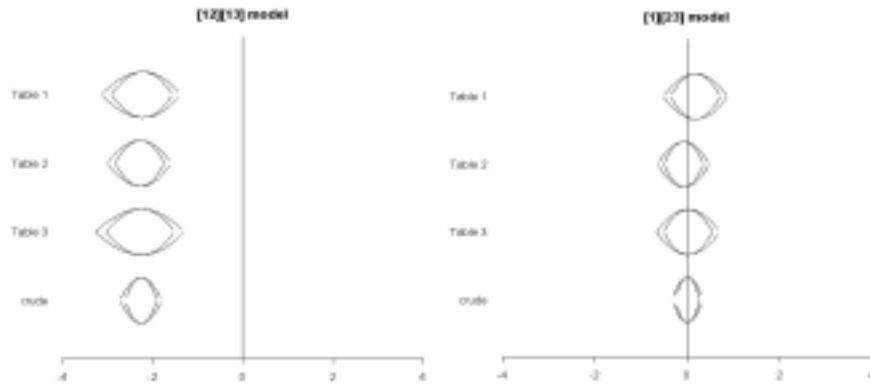
- 95% confidence interval for θ

$$\{\theta : \lambda(\theta) \geq -1.92\}$$

95 & 99% confidence interval for $\log(\theta)$ |



An Example : Raindrop plots for a $2 \times 2 \times 3$ table



2. Collapsibility

2.1 Three-dimensional log-linear models

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log m_{ijk} &= u + u_{1(i)} + u_{2(j)} + u_{3(k)} + u_{12(ij)} + u_{13(ik)} + u_{23(jk)} + u_{123(ijk)} && : \text{[123] model} \\
 \log m_{ijk} &= u + u_{1(i)} + u_{2(j)} + u_{3(k)} + u_{12(ij)} + u_{13(ik)} + u_{23(jk)} && : \text{[12][13][23] model} \\
 \log m_{ijk} &= u + u_{1(i)} + u_{2(j)} + u_{3(k)} + u_{12(ij)} + u_{13(ik)} && : \text{[12][13] model} \\
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 \log m_{ijk} &= u + u_{1(i)} + u_{2(j)} + u_{3(k)} + u_{13(ik)} && : \text{[13][2] model} \\
 \log m_{ijk} &= u + u_{1(i)} + u_{2(j)} + u_{3(k)} + u_{23(jk)} && : \text{[1][23] model} \\
 \log m_{ijk} &= u + u_{1(i)} + u_{2(j)} + u_{3(k)} && : \text{[1][2][3] model}
 \end{aligned}$$

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2.2 Odds Ratio of Log-Linear Model

- 1st group : Models including u_{12} term

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_k = \frac{p_{11}k}{p_{+1}k} = \frac{p_{11+}p_{++k}}{p_{+1+}p_{++k}} = \frac{p_{11+}}{p_{+1+}} = p_c \\ q_k = \frac{p_{12}k}{p_{+2}k} = \frac{p_{12+}p_{++k}}{p_{+2+}p_{++k}} = \frac{p_{12+}}{p_{+2+}} = q_c \\ p_k = \frac{p_{11+}p_{+1k}/p_{+1+}}{p_{+1+}p_{+1k}/p_{+1+}} = \frac{p_{11+}}{p_{+1+}} = p_c \\ q_k = \frac{p_{12+}p_{+2k}/p_{+2+}}{p_{+2+}p_{+2k}/p_{+2+}} = \frac{p_{12+}}{p_{+2+}} = q_c \\ p_k = \frac{p_{11+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}}{(p_{11+}p_{1+k}/p_{1++}) + (p_{21+}p_{2+k}/p_{2++})} \\ q_k = \frac{p_{12+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}}{(p_{12+}p_{1+k}/p_{1++}) + (p_{22+}p_{2+k}/p_{2++})} \end{array} \right\} \text{for [12][3] model}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_k = \frac{p_{11+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}}{p_{+1+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}} = p_c \\ q_k = \frac{p_{12+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}}{p_{+2+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}} = q_c \end{array} \right\} \text{for [12][23] model}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_k = \frac{p_{11+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}}{(p_{11+}p_{1+k}/p_{1++}) + (p_{21+}p_{2+k}/p_{2++})} \\ q_k = \frac{p_{12+}p_{+1k}/p_{1++}}{(p_{12+}p_{1+k}/p_{1++}) + (p_{22+}p_{2+k}/p_{2++})} \end{array} \right\} \text{for [12][13] model}$$

Odds ratios

- [12][3] & [12][23] model : $\theta_k = \theta_c$

- [12][13] model : $\theta_k = \frac{p_{11+}/p_{21+}}{p_{12+}/p_{22+}} = \theta_c$

$$\therefore \theta_k = \theta_c \text{ for all } k$$

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- 2nd group

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_k = \frac{p_{1++}p_{+1+}p_{++k}}{p_{+1+}p_{++k}} = p_{1++} \\ q_k = \frac{p_{1++}p_{+2+}p_{++k}}{p_{+2+}p_{++k}} = p_{1++} \end{array} \right\} \text{for [1][2][3] model}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_k = \frac{p_{1++}p_{+1k}}{p_{+++}p_{+1k}} = p_{1++} \\ q_k = \frac{p_{1++}p_{+2k}}{p_{+++}p_{+2k}} = p_{1++} \end{array} \right\} \text{for [1][23] model}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_k = \frac{p_{1+k}p_{+1+}}{p_{++k}p_{+1+}} = \frac{p_{1+k}}{p_{++k}} \\ q_k = \frac{p_{1+k}p_{+2+}}{p_{++k}p_{+2+}} = \frac{p_{1+k}}{p_{++k}} \end{array} \right\} \text{for [13][2] model}$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} p_k = \frac{p_{1+k}p_{+1k}/p_{++k}}{p_{++k}p_{+1k}/p_{++k}} = \frac{p_{1+k}}{p_{++k}} \\ q_k = \frac{p_{1+k}p_{+2k}/p_{++k}}{p_{++k}p_{+2k}/p_{++k}} = \frac{p_{1+k}}{p_{++k}} \end{array} \right\} \text{for [13][23] model}$$

Odds ratios $\theta_k = \theta_c = 1$ for all k

- **Other group**

- [12][13][23]model : $\theta_k = \text{constant}$ for all k

2.3 Definitions of Collapsibility

BFH(1975), Agresti(1984), Christensen(1990)

$$\theta_1 = \Lambda = \theta_k = \theta_c \neq 1$$

**Another Def. : Whittemore(1978),
Ducharme & Lepage(1986), Geng(1992)**

$$\theta_1 = \Lambda = \theta_k = \theta_c \neq 1 : \text{Strong Collapsibility}$$

Note :

$$\theta_1 = \Lambda = \theta_k = \theta_c : \text{Strict Collapsibility}$$

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2.4 Criteria of Collapsibility via Contour plot & Raindrop plot

1. [12][3], [12][13], [12][23] model :

$$\theta_1 = \Lambda = \theta_k = \theta_c \neq 1$$

=> Collapsible Models or
Strong Collapsible Models

2. [1][2][3], [1][23], [13][2], [13][23] model :

$$\theta_1 = \Lambda = \theta_k = \theta_c = 1$$

=> Non-Collapsible Models
(might say Strictly Collapsible Models)

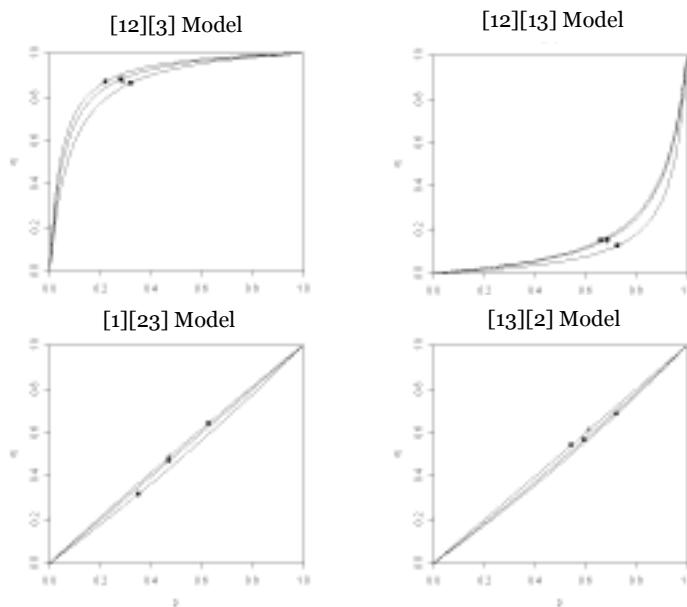
3. [12][13][23]

$$\theta_1 = \Lambda = \theta_k$$

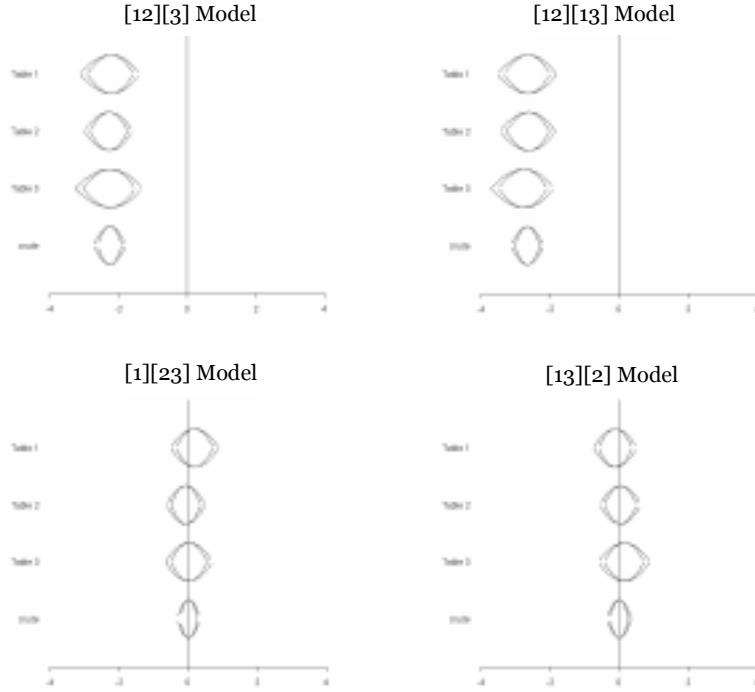
~~model~~ Collapsible Model

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- Contour plots for $2 \times 2 \times K$ tables ($K = 3$)



- Raindrop plots



3. Suppression

3.1 Suppression condition

for linear regression models for X_1 and X_2

$$SSR(X_2|X_1) > SSR(X_2)$$

$SSR(X_2)$: SSR on X_2 alone

$$\begin{aligned} H_0: Y_i &= \alpha + \varepsilon_i & (\beta_2 = 0) \\ H_1: Y_i &= \alpha + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \varepsilon_i \end{aligned}$$

$SSR(X_2|X_1)$: SSR on addition X_2 already contains X_1

$$\begin{aligned} H'_0: Y_i &= \alpha + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \varepsilon_i & (\beta_2 = 0) \\ H'_1: Y_i &= \alpha + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \varepsilon_i \end{aligned}$$

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3.2 Suppression in Logit Models

Lynn (2003)

- Suppression condition for logit models

$$L(X_2|X_1 Y) < L(X_2|Y)$$

- $L(X_2|Y)$: Log Likelihood ratio statistic to test

$$H_0: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega \quad (\omega_2 = 0)$$

$$H_1: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_2$$

- $L(X_2|X_1 Y)$

$$H'_0: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_1 \quad (\omega_2 = 0)$$

$$H'_1: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_1 + \omega_2$$

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3.3 Suppression in Log-Linear Models

- Log-linear model corresponding to logit model

$$H_0: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega \quad (\omega_2 = 0)$$

$$H_1: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} H_0: [1][23] & (u_{13} = 0) \\ H_1: [13][23] & \end{array}$$

$$H'_0: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_1 \quad (\omega_2 = 0)$$

$$H'_1: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_1 + \omega_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} H'_0: [12][23] & (u_{13} = 0) \\ H'_1: [12][23][13] & \end{array}$$

• Note

$$\begin{array}{l} Y \rightarrow V_1 \\ X_1 \rightarrow V_2 \\ X_2 \rightarrow V_3 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Therefore } L(X_2 | Y) &= G^2([1][23]) - G^2([13][23]) \\
&\equiv G^2(H_0 | H_1) \\
L(X_2 | X_1 Y) &= G^2([12][23]) - G^2([12][23][13]) \\
&\equiv G^2(H_0' | H_1')
\end{aligned}$$

Suppression condition for log-linear models

$$G^2(H_0' | H_1') < G^2(H_0 | H_1)$$

Note : Suppression condition for logit models

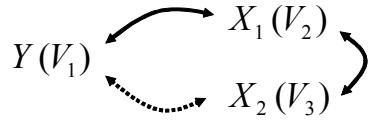
$$L(X_2 | X_1 Y) < L(X_2 | Y)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_0: Y_i = \alpha + \varepsilon_i \\ H_1: Y_i = \alpha + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \varepsilon_i \\ H_0': Y_i = \alpha + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \varepsilon_i \\ H_1': Y_i = \alpha + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \varepsilon_i \end{array} \right\} (\beta_2 = 0) \quad SSR(X_2 | X_1) > SSR(X_2)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_0: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega \\ H_1: \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_2 \\ H_0': \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_1 \\ H_1': \text{logit}(jk) = \omega + \omega_1 + \omega_2 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} (\omega_2 = 0) \\ (\omega_2 = 0) \end{array} L(X_2 | X_1 Y) < L(X_2 | Y)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_0: [1][23] \\ H_1: [13][23] \\ H_0': [12][23] \\ H_1': [12][23][13] \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} (u_{13} = 0) \\ (u_{13} = 0) \end{array} G^2(H_0' | H_1') < G^2(H_0 | H_1)$$

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- We find that this suppression condition is satisfied for all “collapsible models or strong collapsibility models”

=> [12][3], [12][13], and [12][23] models

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• Suppression condition for Collapsible models

Lynn (2003)

Model	[12][3] model	[12][13] model	[12][23] model
$H_0 : [Y][X_1 X_2]$	278.5630	420.0742	290.7003
$H_1 : [Y X_2][X_1 X_2]$	277.9259	174.4947	241.2220
$G^2(H_0 H_1)$	0.6371	245.5795	49.4783
$H_0' : [Y X_1][X_1 X_2]$	0.1397	205.1078	0.2050
$H_1' : [Y X_1][X_1 X_2][Y X_2]$	0.0616	0.0184	0.1765
$G^2(H_0' H_1')$	0.0781	205.0894	0.0285

- **Suppression condition for Non-collapsible models**

Model	[13][2] model	[1][23] model	[13][23] model
$H_0 : [Y][X_1 X_2]$	149.4669	0.6904	76.8049
$H_1 : [Y X_2][X_1 X_2]$	0.7189	0.5482	0.4143
$G^2(H_0 H_1)$	145.7480	0.1422	76.3906
$H_0' : [Y X_1][X_1 X_2]$	146.4669	0.6869	76.8039
$H_1' : [Y X_1][X_1 X_2][Y X_2]$	0.6208	0.5257	0.2209
$G^2(H_0' H_1')$	145.8461	0.1612	76.5830

4. Collapsibility & Suppression via Contour Plot & Raindrop Plot

4.1 Among three-dimensional log-linear models,

- Collapsible models over the third variables :

[12][13] model	Strong Collapsible Model
[12][23] model	
[12][3] model	
 - Non-Collapsible models over the third variables :

[1][2][3] model	Strictly Collapsible Model
[1][23] model	
[13][2] model	
[13][23] model	
- [12][13][23] model**

4.2 Suppression Conditions

- $SSR(X_2|X_1Y) > SSR(X_2|Y)$ for regression models

- $L(X_2|X_1Y) < L(X_2|Y)$ for logit models

$$\boxed{\bullet \quad G^2([12][23]\llbracket [12][23][13]) < G^2([1][23]\llbracket [13][23])}$$

for log-linear models

4.3 If for three-dimensional contingency table
with V_3 being **confounder**,

$$G^2([12][23]\llbracket [12][23][13]) < G^2([1][23]\llbracket [13][23]),$$

then we find that V_3 is a **suppressor**.

=> This condition is satisfied
under the $[12][3]$, $[12][13]$, $[12][23]$ models.

➔ The data including the suppressor variable V_3
might be collapsed over the variable V_3 .

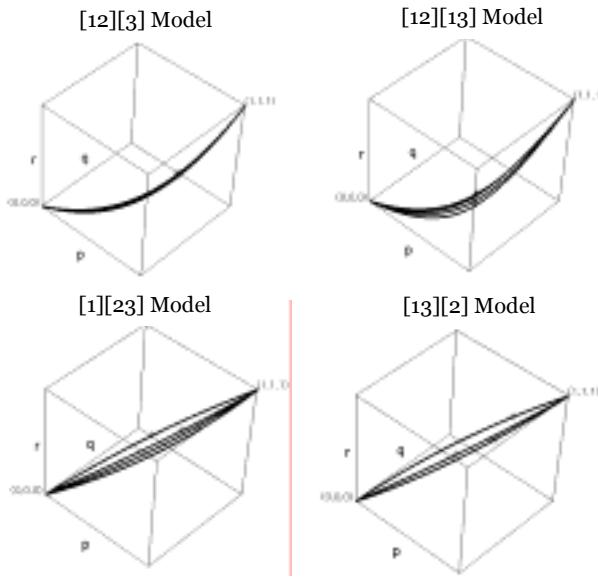
4.4 Three dimensional $2 \times 2 \times K$ contingency table can be applied to the contour plots and raindrop plots.

- If most of K contours corresponding to the odds ratios are shown to be convex or concave from origin $(0, 0)$ to $(1, 1)$ coordinate in a contour plot, then the table might be collapsed over third variable.
- If the rain-drops which represents confidence intervals of log-odds ratios do not contain “0” point, then one can say that data is collapsible.

⇒ **Suppression condition is satisfied.**
And the best fitted log-linear model is **collapsible over the third variable.**

5. Further Studies

- Contour plots for $2 \times 3 \times K$ tables ($K = 3$)



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- The contour method can be extended $2 \times 3 \times K$ categorical data with the shape of hexahedron with a unit length. In the case that most of K contours are far from the diagonal line from the origin to $(1, 1, 1)$ coordinate, then the table could be regarded as a collapsible data.

\Rightarrow Suppression condition is satisfied.

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- For $2 \times J \times K$ categorical data, the odds ratios can be generalized as follows, for $j = 2, 3, \dots, K, J, k = 1, 2, \dots, K, K$

$$\theta_{(j-1),jk} = \frac{p_{11k}/p_{21k}}{p_{1jk}/p_{2jk}} \quad \text{and} \quad \theta_{(j-1),jc} = \frac{p_{11+}/p_{21+}}{p_{1j+}/p_{2j+}}$$

- Collapsible model [12][3], [12][13], [12][23] models

$$\theta_{jk} = \theta_{jc} \neq 1 \quad \text{for all } j \text{ and } k$$

- Non-collapsible model [1][2][3], [1][23], [13][2], [13][23] models

$$\theta_{jk} = \theta_{jc} = 1 \quad \text{for all } j \text{ and } k$$

Thank you very much.

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