

# Logistic Regression

The question is how should we model the relationship between

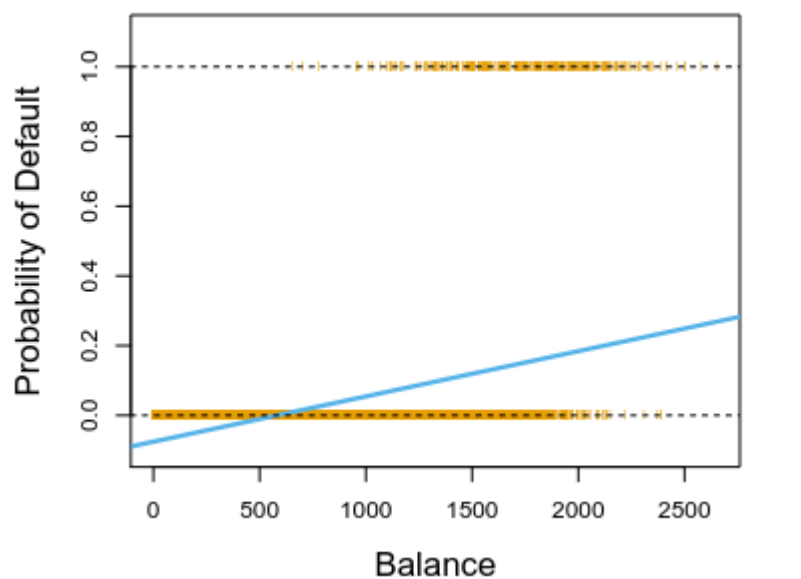
$$P(X) = \Pr(Y = 1|X)$$

- Using 1 and 0 for the [Response](#)

Using Linear Regression model to represent these probabilities

$$p(X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

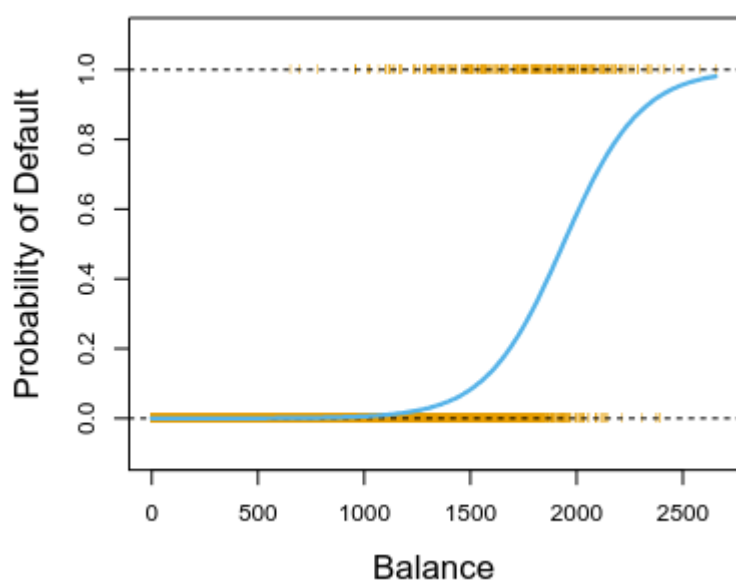
- If we fit the line to predict the **Probability**



- Notice that the Balance Lower than 500 our prediction for the probability is **negative**

To avoid this problem we model  $p(X)$  to only fall between 1 and 0 for all values  $X$  **Logistic Function** which is a [Sigmoid Function](#)

$$p(X) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}$$



- Any output of the **Logistic Function** Falls between 1 or 0

$$\frac{p(X)}{1 - p(X)} = \frac{\frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}}{1 - \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}} = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}} \times \frac{1}{\frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}} = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}} \times 1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}$$

$$\text{odds} = \frac{p(X)}{1 - p(X)} = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}$$

- the **quantity**  $p(X)/[1 - p(X)]$  is called the *odds* can only take values between 0 to  $\infty$
- Values close to 0 indicates low probability
- Values close to  $\infty$  indicate higher probability
- if  $p(X) = 0.5$  the odds = 1 equal chance
- if  $p(X) = 0.8$  the odds = 4 4x success chances

## Probabilities vs Odds

- The odds are the **ratio** of something happening *divided by* something not happening
- The probability is the **ratio** of something happening *divided by* to everything could happen

$$\text{Probability} = \frac{\text{Number of favorable outcomes}}{\text{Total number of possible outcomes}}$$

$$\text{Odds} = \frac{\text{Probability of even occurs}}{\text{Probability event does not occur}} = \frac{p}{1 - p}$$

## Odds in logistic regression

Taking logarithm of both sides : log odds or logit

$$\log \left( \frac{p(X)}{1 - p(X)} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

- the log of odds gives us a **Linear equation** which is easy to model and **interpret**  
*Why we use the odds?*
- **Probabilities** lives in the interval  $[0, 1]$
- Linear combinations like  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 X$  lives on  $(-\infty, +\infty)$
- The **odds** solves that by being in  $(0, +\infty)$

In the **Linear Regression**  $\beta_1$  gives the average change in  $Y$  associated with one unit increase in  $X$

In the **Logistic Regression**  $\beta_1$  does not correspond directly to the change in  $p(X)$ , if  $\beta_1$  is positive increasing one unit in  $X$  will increase the **Probability**  $p(X)$  but the increase depends on the current value of  $p(X)$

$$\beta_1 > 0 \rightarrow \text{One unit increase } X \rightarrow \text{Increase } p(X)$$

$$\beta_1 < 0 \rightarrow \text{One unit increase } X \rightarrow \text{Decrease } p(X)$$

- The amount "Degree" of increase in the **Probability**  $p(X)$  depends on the current value of  $X$

## Estimating The Regression Coefficients