

# ORDINAL LOGISTIC REGRESSION

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# INTRODUCTION

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# Logistic Regression

- What if there are more than two categories?
  - Ordinal Logistic Regression
  - Multinomial Logistic Regression
- When the outcomes are **ordered** we can generalize the binary logistic regression model.
- Examples:
  - Disagree, Neutral, Agree
  - Tropical Depression, Tropical Storm, Category 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 Hurricanes

# Ordinal Logistic Regression

- Models are used when the response variable is ordinal.
- Models can also be used when the continuous response variable has a **restricted range** and need to be split into categories.

# Logistic Models

- Binary Logistic Regression (probability that observation  $i$  has the event):

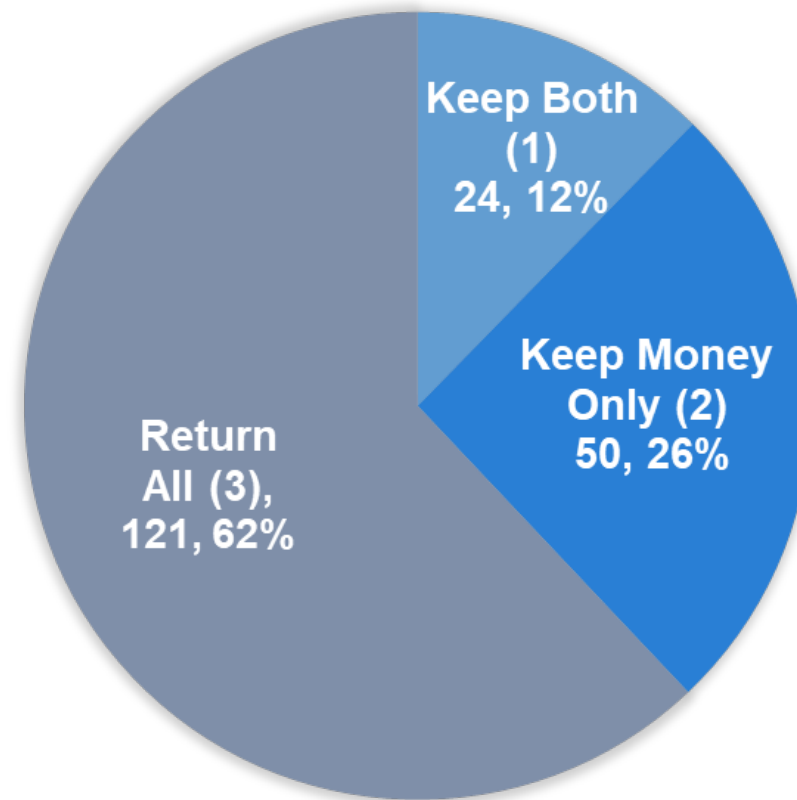
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- Students at UPenn.
- Predictors:
  - **male:** indicator for a male student
  - **business:** indicator for student enrolled in business school
  - **punish:** how often the student was punished as a child – low (1), moderate (2), high (3)
  - **explain:** indicator of whether explanation for punishment was given






# PROPORTIONAL ODDS MODEL

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## ***m-1* Binary Logistic Regressions!**

- Event now becomes outcome  $\leq j$  for categories  $j = 1, \dots, m$

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- Intercept changes, but **slope parameters stays the same** (called **proportional odds** assumption)!

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# Proportional Odds Model

```
train <- wallet
```

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train$punish <- factor(train$punish)
```

```
library(MASS)
```

```
clogit.model <- polr(factor(wallet) ~ male + business + punish + explain,  
                     method = "logistic", data = train)
```

```
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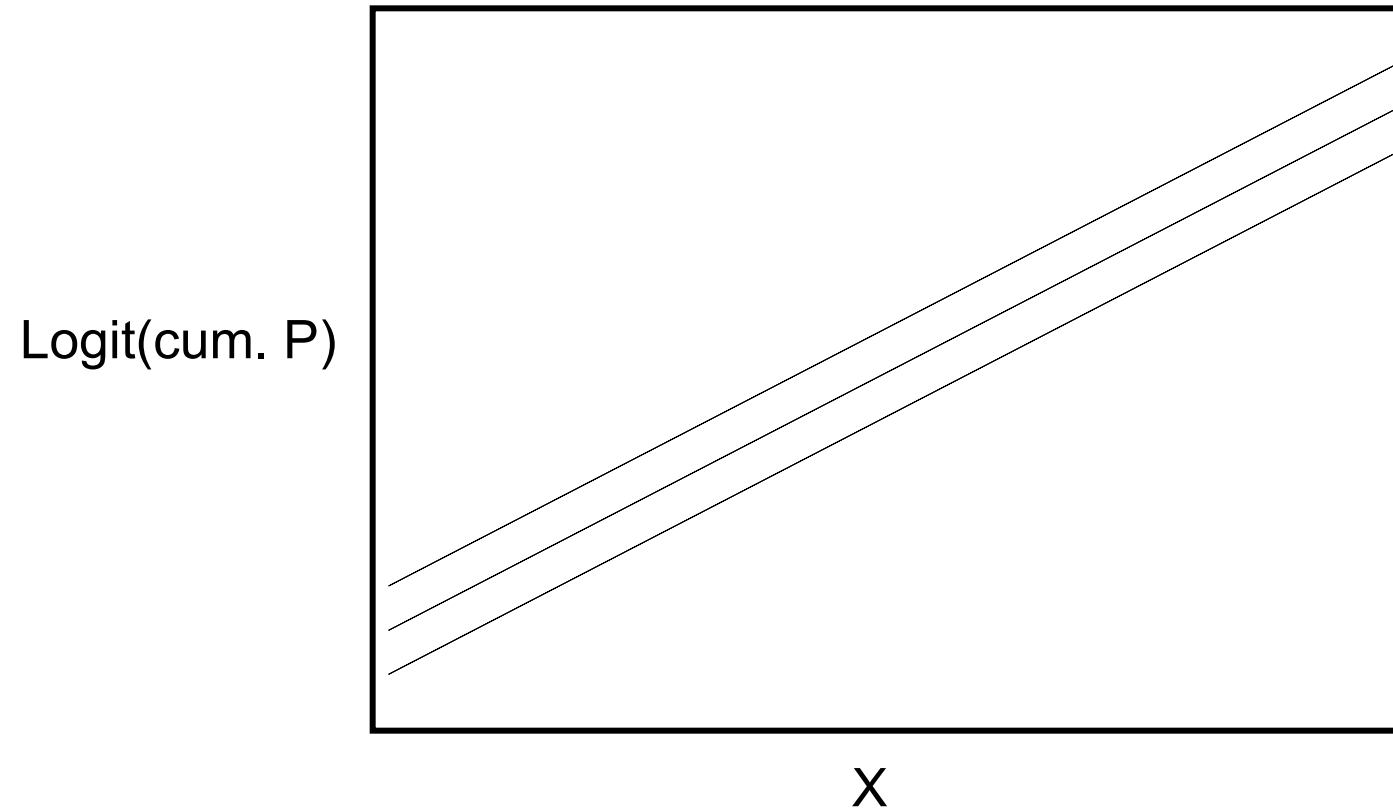
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# Testing Assumptions



HOW DO WE TEST IF SLOPES ARE THE SAME?

# Score Test (Brant Test) for Proportional Odds

- Need to test to see if the slopes are statistically different from each other in the proportional odds model.
  - Null: Proportional Odds Correct (Slopes Equal Across Models)
  - Alternative: Proportional Odds Incorrect (Slopes NOT Equal Across Models)

# Brant Test

```
library(brant)
brant(clogit.model)
```

```
-----
Test for      X2   df  probability
-----
Omnibus       5.46    5    0.36
male          0.51    1    0.47
business      0.58    1    0.45
punish2       0.99    1    0.32
punish3       2.81    1    0.09
explain       0.25    1    0.62
-----
```

H0: Parallel Regression Assumption holds

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# Partial Proportional Odds

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library(VGAM)
```

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(Intercept):1	-2.6695	0.4466	-5.978	2.26e-09	***
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male	1.0707	0.3258	3.287	0.00101	**
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# INTERPRETATION

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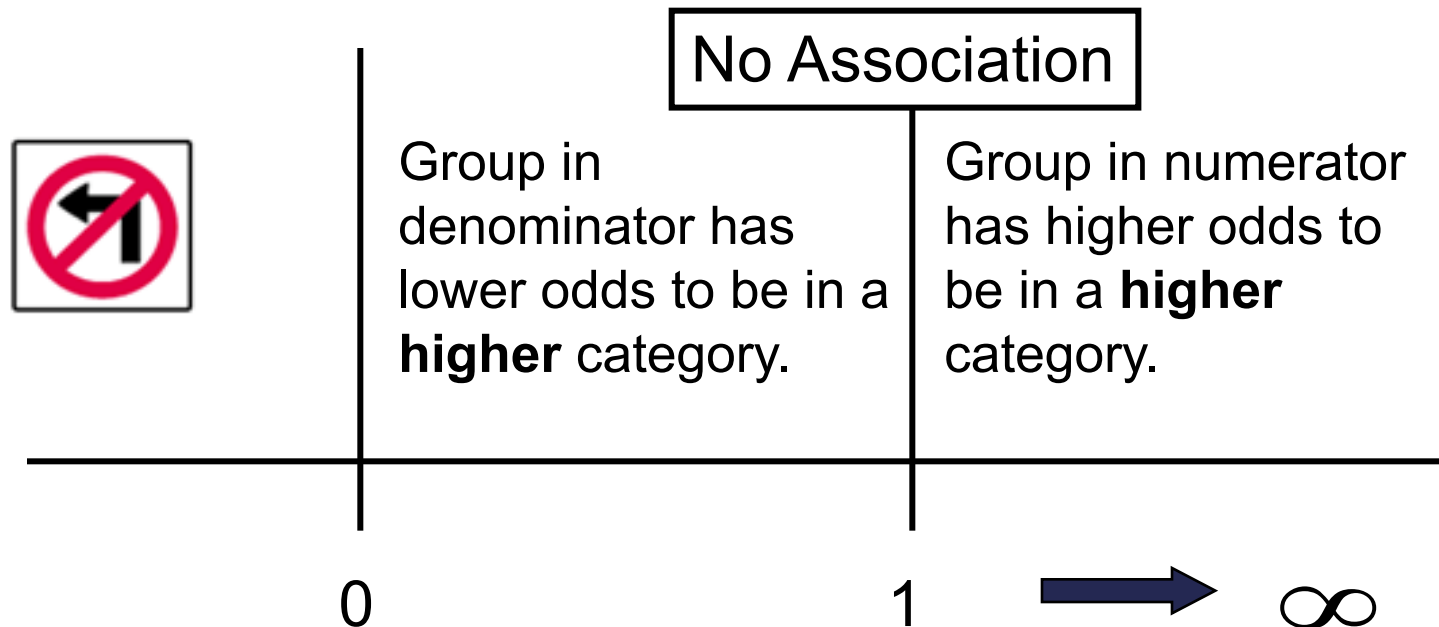
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- Business variable (coefficient =  $-0.7389$ ,  $100 * (e^{-0.7389} - 1) = -52.24 \%$  )
  - Business school students have **52.24% lower expected odds** of being in a **higher** ethical category as compared to students not in the business school.



# PREDICTIONS AND DIAGNOSTICS

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# Similarities

- Ordinal logistic regression has a lot of the same aspects/issues as a binary logistic regression:
  - Multicollinearity still exists.
  - Non-convergence problems still exist.
  - Confidence intervals need profile likelihoods.
  - Concordance, Discordance, Tied pairs still exist – so the c statistic still exists.
  - Generalized  $R^2$  remains the same.

# Differences

- Ordinal logistic regression has a few aspects/issues that differ from a binary logistic regression:
  - A lot of the diagnostics for binary regression cannot be calculated easily since there are actually **multiple** models – ROC curves for each model?
  - Diagnostics / Influence plots are not available – residuals for each model?
  - Predicted probabilities are for **each** category.

# Predicted Probabilities

```
pred_probs <- predict(clogit.model, newdata = train, type = "probs")
```

```
head(pred_probs)
```

	1	2	3
1	0.12562481	0.3341195	0.5402557
2	0.04778463	0.1813420	0.7708734
3	0.02609095	0.1108549	0.8630542
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5	0.07176375	0.2423258	0.6859105
6	0.02609095	0.1108549	0.8630542

# Confusion Matrix

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	0.0%	9.9%	90.1%

# Good Confusion Matrix

	Predicted		
Actual	1	2	3
	100%	0.0%	0.0%
	0.0%	100%	0.0%
	0.0%	0.0%	100%

# Confusion Matrix

- Weighted accuracy scores are common.

	Predicted		
Actual	1	0.5	0
	0.5	1	0.5
	0	0.5	1

# Notch Graph

- Some people use notch graphs to show the “accuracy” gains the further out the prediction is from the truth.

