



HIERARCHICAL AND MIXED EFFECTS MODELS

Crash course on GLMs

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Assumption of normality

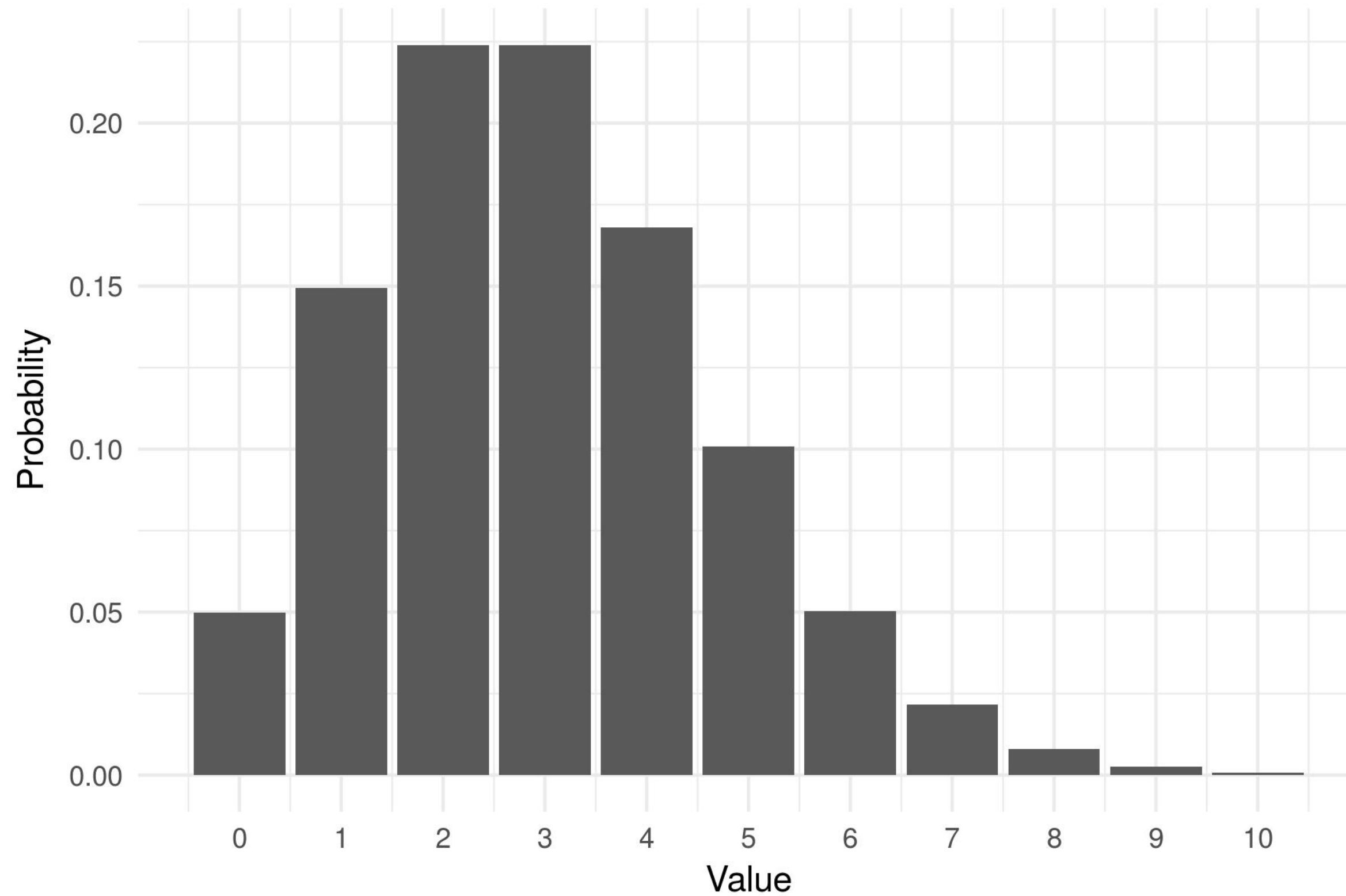
- Residuals are "normal"
- Transformation
- "The arcsine is asinine:...."
- Alternative distributions



R syntax for GLM

```
glm(y ~ x, family = "gaussian")
```

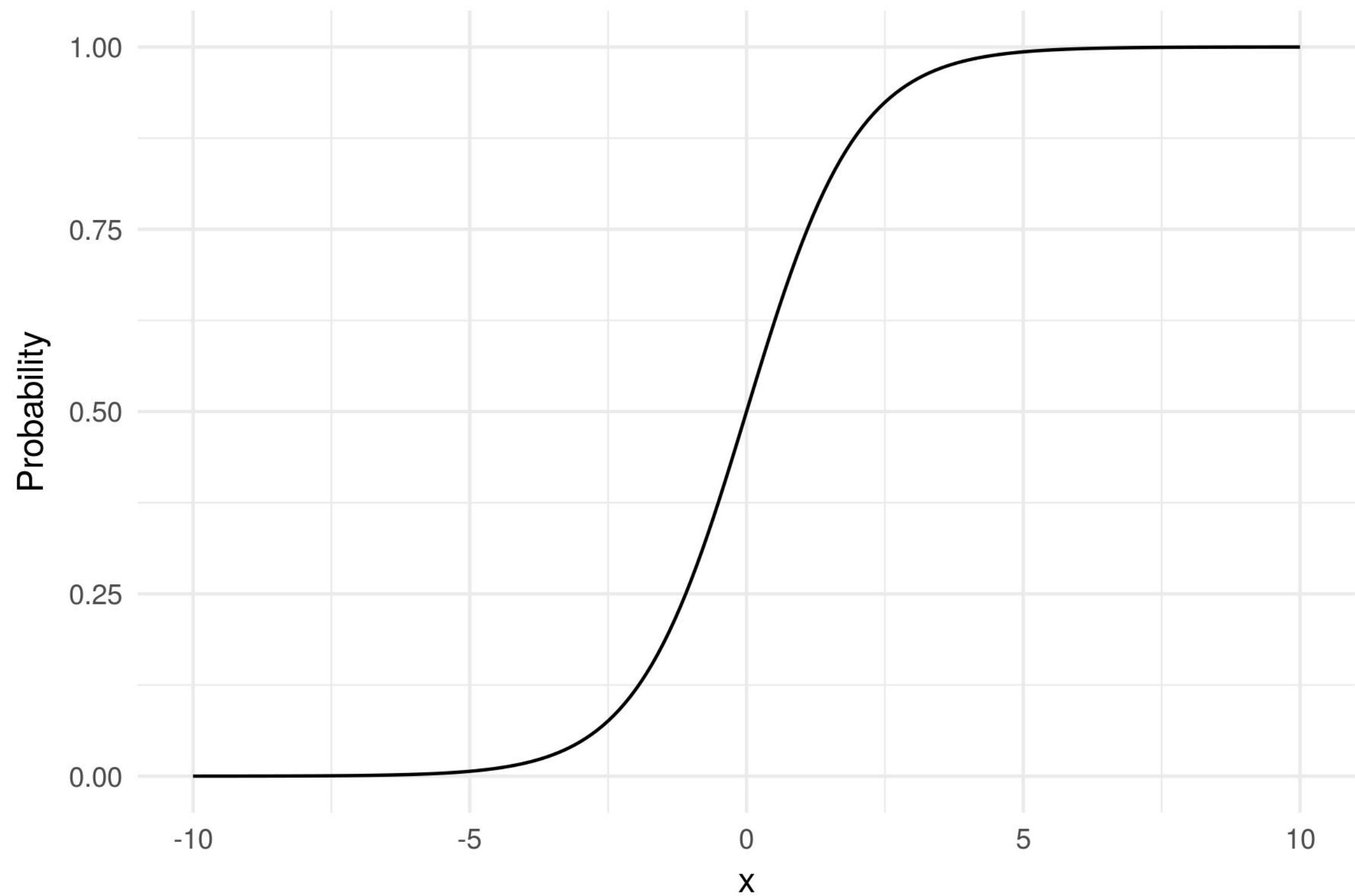
```
?family
```





Example with Poisson regression

```
glm( y ~ x, family = "poisson")
```





Example with logistic regression

```
# binary: y = 0 or 1
glm( y ~ x, family = "binomial")

# Wilkinson-Rogers: cbind(success, failure)
glm( cbind(success, failure) ~ x, family = "binomial")

# Weighted format: y = 0.3, weights = 10
glm( y ~ x, weights = weights, family = "binomial")
```



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Binomial data

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Examples of binomial data

- Coin/toss
- Yes/No
- Dead/alive
- Behavior
- Choice
- Study result



Binomial data with glmer

```
glmer( y ~ x + (1/ group), family = 'error term')
```



Dose-response case study

- Study had increasing dose
- Repeated in triplicate
- Requires `glmer()`, not `glm()`



Internet purchase

- "Purchases" or "Pass"
- "ranking" of product 0 to 20
- "friend recommendation"
- Tracked sales with 4 focal groups in different "cities"
- Do friend recommendations help?



Odds-ratio

- Regression coefficients hard to explain
- Odds-ratios sometimes easier
- If Group A has odds-ratio of 2.0 \times , 2:1 A will do something compared to the other group
- Extract by exponentiation logistic coefficients
- `exp(coef(modelOut))`



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Count data

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Examples of count data

- Events at a rate of time
- Events per area
- Differs from binomial because no explicit upper limit



Alternative to Chi-square test

- Chi-square test used to compare binned counts
- Poisson glm can be an alternative



R Syntax for Poisson regression with glmer

```
glm(y ~ x, family = 'poisson')
```

```
glmer(y ~ x + (1|group), family = 'poisson')
```



Marketing click through case study

- Redesigned website
- Clicks on different webpages
- Focus groups looked at old and new
- Marketer was using a linear mixed model
- Demonstrate how a generalized model



Chlamydia by age-group and county data

- [State of IL](#)
- By county and age group
- Important for public health
- Public policy application
- Marketing/drug research



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**Let's apply Poisson
regression!**