



# Logistic Regression Basics

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Used when you have a **binary** response variable (a Classification task)

- Consider just a binary response
  - What is the mean of the response?

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- For a continuous  $x$ , we could consider a SLR model

$$E(Y|x) = P(Y = 1|x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

# Linear Regression Isn't Appropriate

- Consider data about heart disease

```
library(tidyverse)
heart_data <- read_csv("https://www4.stat.ncsu.edu/online/datasets/heart.csv") |>
  filter(RestingBP > 0) #remove one value
heart_data |> select(HeartDisease, everything()) #Cholesterol has many values set to 0 so we ignore that
```

```
## # A tibble: 917 × 12
##   HeartDisease   Age Sex   ChestPainType RestingBP Cholesterol FastingBS
##         <dbl> <dbl> <chr> <chr>          <dbl>        <dbl>      <dbl>
## 1             0    40 M     ATA             140          289         0
## 2             1    49 F     NAP             160          180         0
## 3             0    37 M     ATA             130          283         0
## 4             1    48 F     ASY             138          214         0
## 5             0    54 M     NAP             150          195         0
## # i 912 more rows
## # i 5 more variables: RestingECG <chr>, MaxHR <dbl>, ExerciseAngina <chr>,
## #   Oldpeak <dbl>, ST_Slope <chr>
```

# Potability Summary

- Summarize heart disease prevalence

```
heart_data |>
  group_by(HeartDisease) |>
  summarize(count = n())
```

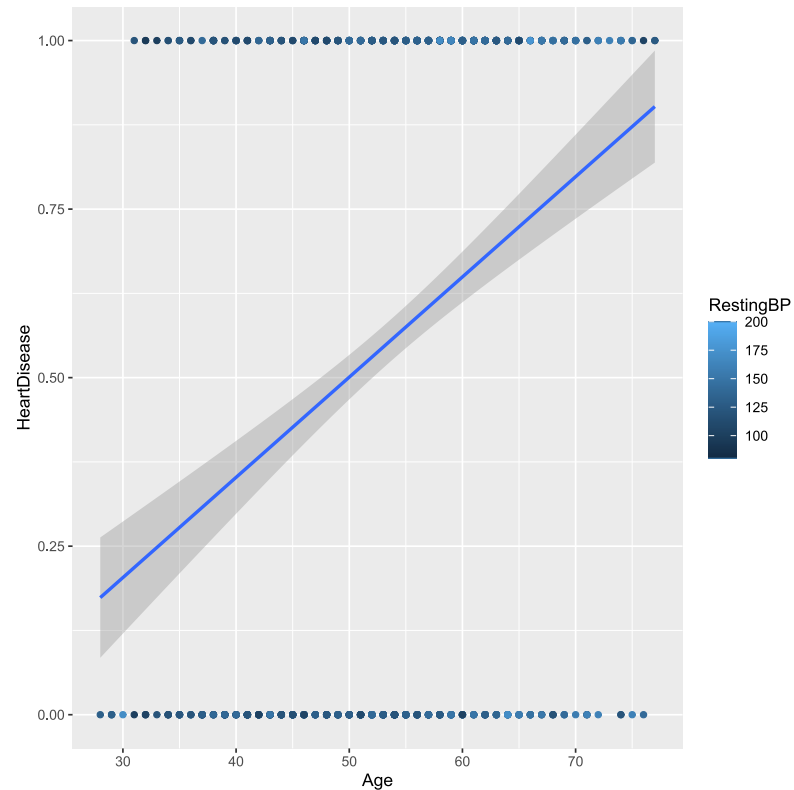
```
## # A tibble: 2 × 2
##   HeartDisease count
##         <dbl> <int>
## 1           0   410
## 2           1   507
```

```
heart_data |>
  group_by(HeartDisease) |>
  summarize(mean_Age = mean(Age),
            mean_RestingBP = mean(RestingBP))
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 × 3
##   HeartDisease mean_Age mean_RestingBP
##         <dbl>    <dbl>         <dbl>
## 1           0     50.6           130.
## 2           1     55.9           134.
```

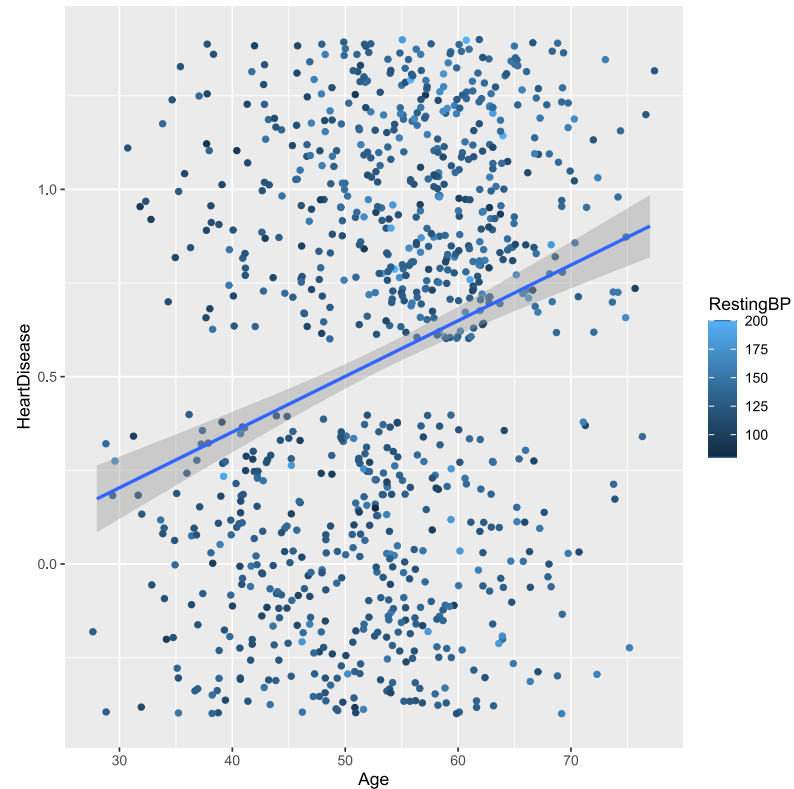
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  geom_point() +  
  geom_smooth(method = "lm")
```



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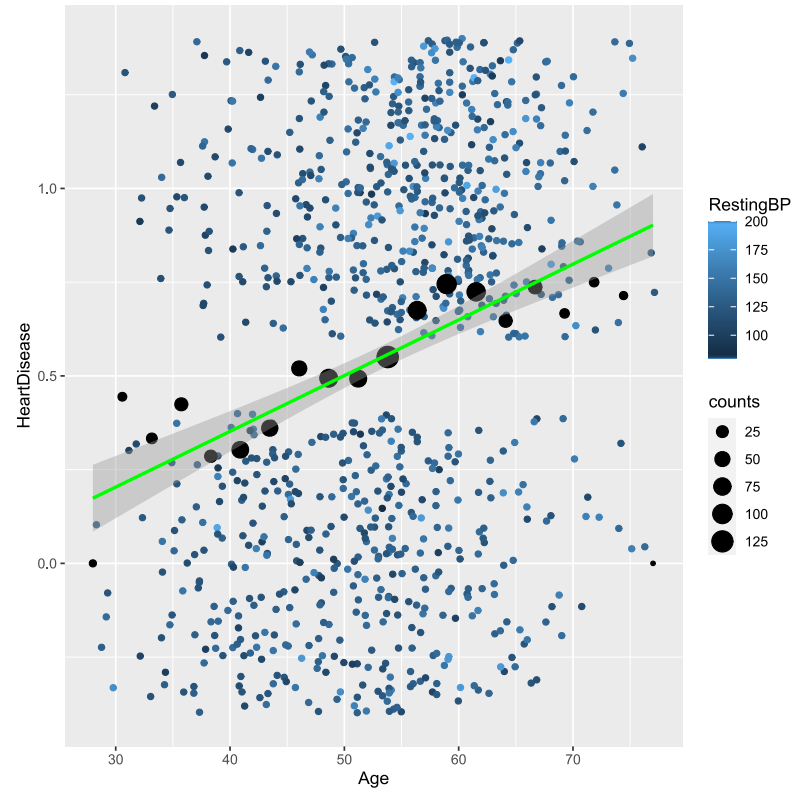
Obtain proportion with heart disease for different age groups

```
Age_x <- seq(from = min(heart_data$Age), to = max(heart_data$Age), length = 20)
heart_data_grouped <- heart_data |>
  mutate(Age_groups = cut(Age, breaks = Age_x)) |>
  group_by(Age_groups) |>
  summarize(HeartDisease_mean = mean(HeartDisease), counts = n())
heart_data_grouped
```

```
## # A tibble: 20 × 3
##   Age_groups HeartDisease_mean counts
##   <fct>      <dbl>     <int>
## 1 (28,30.6]      0         4
## 2 (30.6,33.2]  0.444         9
## 3 (33.2,35.7]  0.333        18
## 4 (35.7,38.3]  0.424        33
## 5 (38.3,40.9]  0.286        28
## 6 (40.9,43.5]  0.303        66
## 7 (43.5,46.1]  0.361        61
## 8 (46.1,48.6]  0.52         50
## 9 (48.6,51.2]  0.494        81
## 10 (51.2,53.8] 0.493        69
## 11 (53.8,56.4] 0.550       129
## 12 (56.4,58.9] 0.675        80
## 13 (58.9,61.5] 0.745        98
## 14 (61.5,64.1] 0.724        87
## 15 (64.1,66.7] 0.647        34
## 16 (66.7,69.3] 0.737        38
## 17 (69.3,71.9] 0.667        12
```

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```
ggplot(data = heart_data, aes(x = Age, y = HeartDisease)) +  
  geom_jitter(aes(color = RestingBP)) +  
  geom_point(data = heart_data_grouped, aes(x = Age_x, y = HeartDisease_mean, size = counts)) +  
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", color = "Green")
```



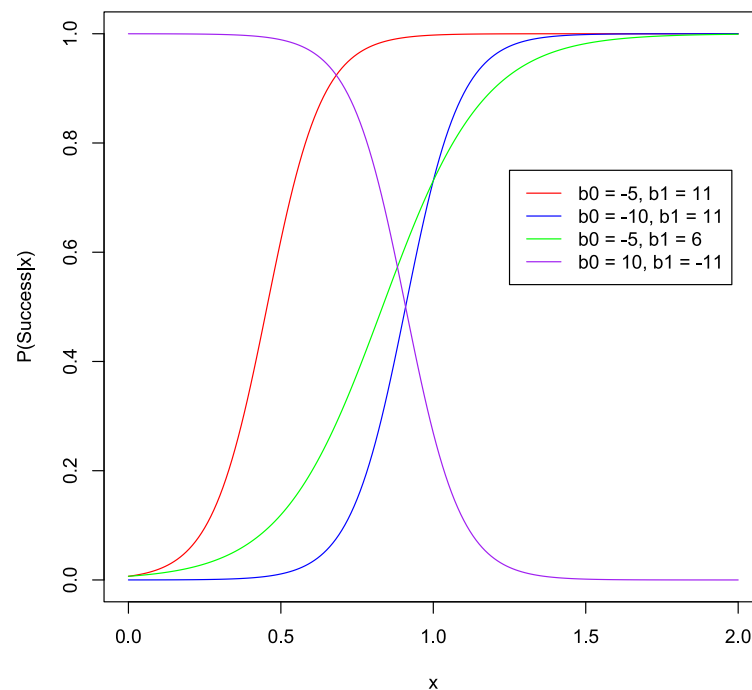
# Logistic Regression

- Response = success/failure, then modeling average number of successes for a given  $x$  is a probability!
  - predictions should never go below 0
  - predictions should never go above 1
- Basic Logistic Regression models success probability using the *logistic function*

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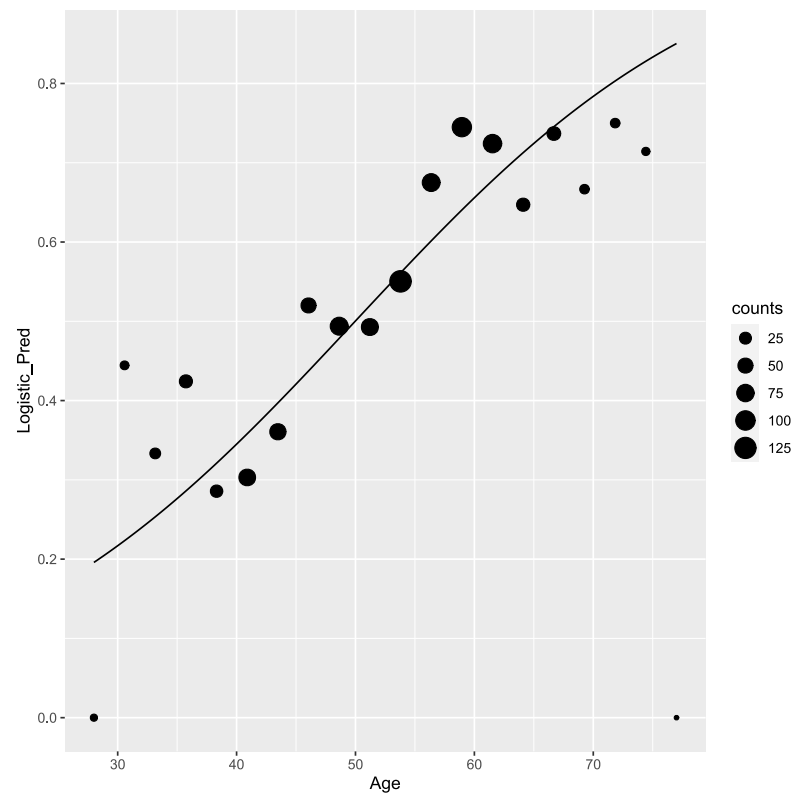
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- Coefficient interpretation changes greatly from linear regression model!
- $\beta_1$  represents a change in the log-odds of success

# Logistic Regression Fit

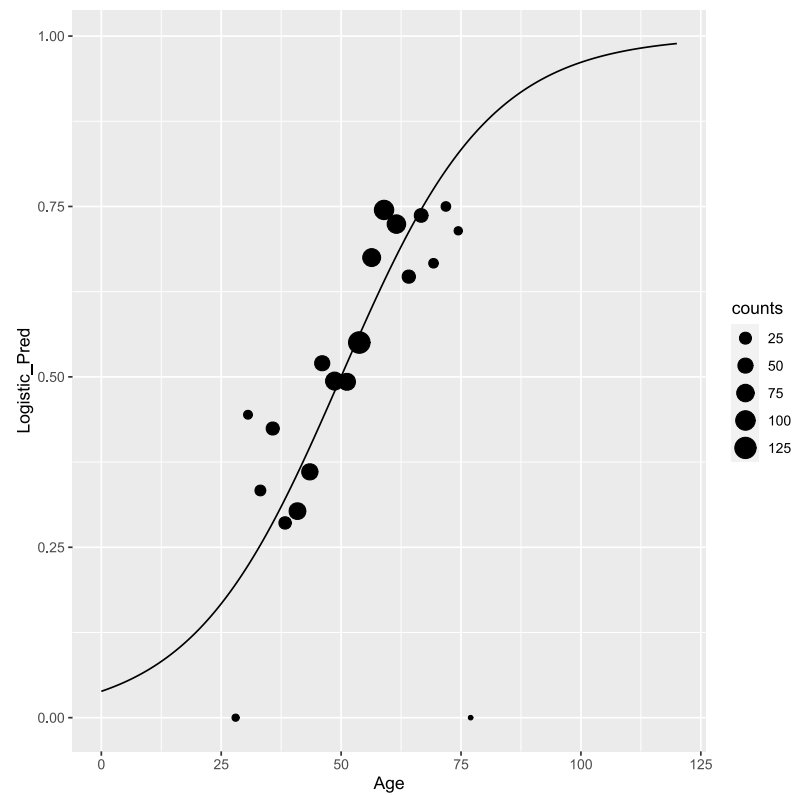
Using **Age** to predict **HeartDisease** via a logistic regression model:





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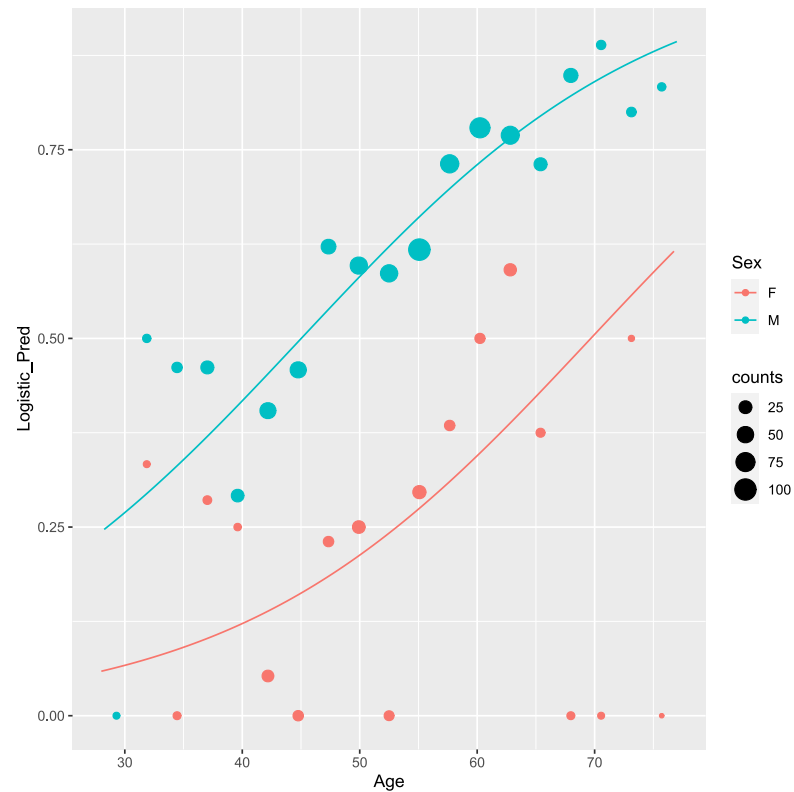
A sigmoid function that looks linear close up!



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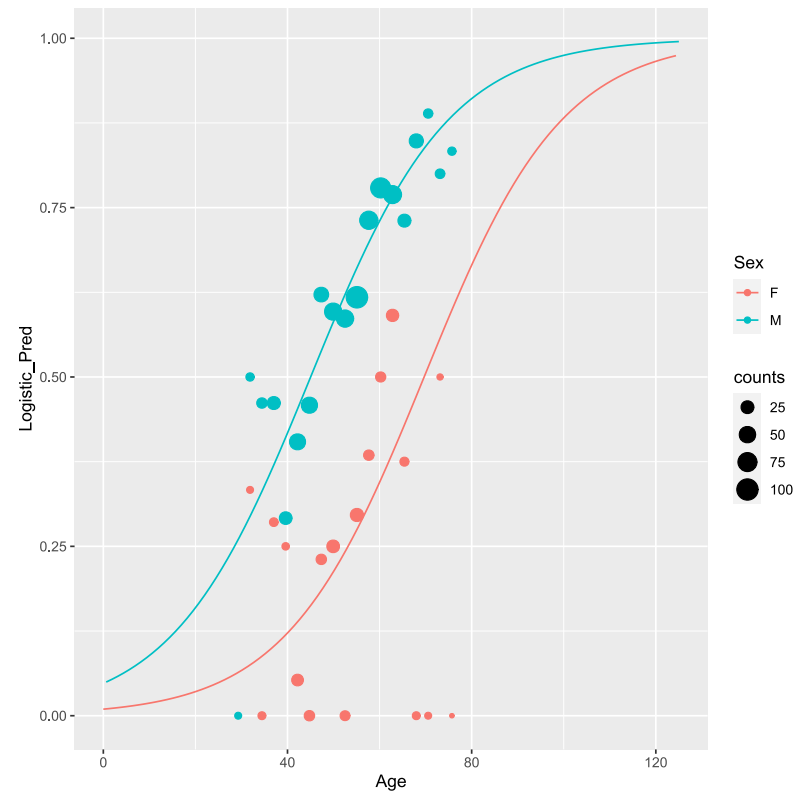
- Adding a dummy variable corresponding to a binary variable just changes the 'intercept'



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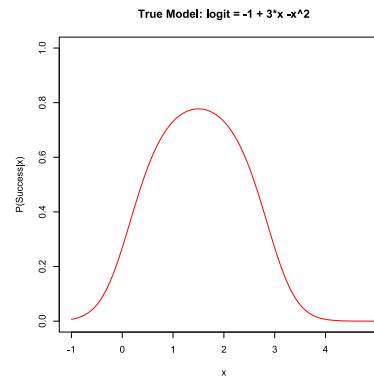
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- Not a constant shift



# Interaction Terms Can Be Included

- If we fit an interaction term with our dummy variable, we essentially fit two separate logistic regression models
- Can also include more than one numeric predictor
  - Difficult to visualize!
- Adding in polynomial terms increases flexibility as well!



# Selecting a Model

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- Log-loss: For each observation ( $y = 0$  or  $1$ ),  $-(y \log(\hat{p}) + (1 - y) \log(1 - \hat{p}))$

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- First, we'll do a training/test split via `initial_split()`
- Let's also create our CV splits on the training data

```
library(tidymodels)
set.seed(3557)
heart_data <- heart_data |> mutate(HeartDisease = factor(HeartDisease))
heart_split <- initial_split(heart_data, prop = 0.8)
heart_train <- training(heart_split)
heart_test <- testing(heart_split)
heart_CV_folds <- vfold_cv(heart_train, 10)
```

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- Next, we'll set up our recipes for the data, standardizing these numeric variables
  - Model 1: `Age` and `Sex` as predictors
  - Model 2: `Age`, `Sex`, `ChestPainType`, `RestingBP` and `RestingECG` as predictors
  - Model 3: `Age`, `Sex`, `ChestPainType`, `RestingBP`, `RestingECG`, `MaxHR`, and `ExerciseAngina`

```
LR1_rec <- recipe(HeartDisease ~ Age + Sex,  
                  data = heart_train) |>  
  step_normalize(Age) |>  
  step_dummy(Sex)  
LR2_rec <- recipe(HeartDisease ~ Age + Sex + ChestPainType + RestingBP + RestingECG,  
                  data = heart_train) |>  
  step_normalize(all_numeric(), -HeartDisease) |>  
  step_dummy(Sex, ChestPainType, RestingECG)  
LR3_rec <- recipe(HeartDisease ~ Age + Sex + ChestPainType + RestingBP + RestingECG + MaxHR + ExerciseAngina,  
                  data = heart_train) |>  
  step_normalize(all_numeric(), -HeartDisease) |>  
  step_dummy(Sex, ChestPainType, RestingECG, ExerciseAngina)  
LR3_rec |> prep(heart_train) |> bake(heart_train) |> colnames()
```

```
## [1] "Age" "RestingBP" "MaxHR"  
## [4] "HeartDisease" "Sex_M" "ChestPainType_ATA"  
## [7] "ChestPainType_NAP" "ChestPainType_TA" "RestingECG_Normal"  
## [10] "RestingECG_ST" "ExerciseAngina_Y"
```



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- Now set up our model type and engine

```
LR_spec <- logistic_reg() |>  
  set_engine("glm")
```

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- Create our workflows

```
LR1_wkf <- workflow() |>  
  add_recipe(LR1_rec) |>  
  add_model(LR_spec)  
LR2_wkf <- workflow() |>  
  add_recipe(LR2_rec) |>  
  add_model(LR_spec)  
LR3_wkf <- workflow() |>  
  add_recipe(LR3_rec) |>  
  add_model(LR_spec)
```

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- Fit to our CV folds!

```
LR1_fit <- LR1_wkf |>
  fit_resamples(heart_CV_folds, metrics = metric_set(accuracy, mn_log_loss))
LR2_fit <- LR2_wkf |>
  fit_resamples(heart_CV_folds, metrics = metric_set(accuracy, mn_log_loss))
LR3_fit <- LR3_wkf |>
  fit_resamples(heart_CV_folds, metrics = metric_set(accuracy, mn_log_loss))
```

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- Collect our metrics and see which model did the best!

```
rbind(LR1_fit |> collect_metrics(),  
      LR2_fit |> collect_metrics(),  
      LR3_fit |> collect_metrics()) |>  
  mutate(Model = c("Model1", "Model1", "Model2", "Model2", "Model3", "Model3")) |>  
  select(Model, everything())
```

```
## # A tibble: 6 × 7  
##   Model .metric      .estimator  mean     n std_err .config  
##   <chr> <chr>      <chr>    <dbl> <int>   <dbl> <chr>  
## 1 Model1 accuracy    binary    0.689     10  0.0235 Preprocessor1_Model1  
## 2 Model1 mn_log_loss binary    0.606     10  0.0246 Preprocessor1_Model1  
## 3 Model2 accuracy    binary    0.768     10  0.0178 Preprocessor1_Model1  
## 4 Model2 mn_log_loss binary    0.499     10  0.0268 Preprocessor1_Model1  
## 5 Model3 accuracy    binary    0.783     10  0.0144 Preprocessor1_Model1  
## 6 Model3 mn_log_loss binary    0.456     10  0.0204 Preprocessor1_Model1
```

```
#compare to proportion of 1's in training data  
mean(heart_train$HeartDisease == "1")
```

```
## [1] 0.5607094
```

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- Find the confusion matrix for our best model on the training set

```
LR_train_fit <- LR3_wkf |>
  fit(heart_train)
conf_mat(heart_train |> mutate(estimate = LR_train_fit |> predict(heart_train) |> pull()), #data
         HeartDisease, #truth
         estimate) #estimate from model
```

```
##           Truth
## Prediction    0    1
##           0 242  69
##           1  80 342
```

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- Grab our 'best' model and test it on the test set

```
LR_train_fit |>
  last_fit(heart_split, metrics = metric_set(accuracy, mn_log_loss)) |>
  collect_metrics()
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 × 4
##   .metric      .estimator .estimate .config
##   <chr>       <chr>      <dbl> <chr>
## 1 accuracy    binary        0.810 Preprocessor1_Model1
## 2 mn_log_loss binary        0.409 Preprocessor1_Model1
```

```
conf_mat(heart_test |> mutate(estimate = LR_train_fit |> predict(heart_test) |> pull()), HeartDisease, estimate)
```

```
##           Truth
## Prediction  0  1
##           0 63 10
##           1 25 86
```

# Using `tidymodels` to Fit a Logistic Regression Model

- Suppose we like this model the best *overall*, we'd fit it to the entire data set

```
final_model <- LR3_wkf |>  
  fit(heart_data)  
  tidy(final_model)
```

```
## # A tibble: 11 × 5  
##   term                estimate std.error statistic  p.value  
##   <chr>              <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>  
## 1 (Intercept)      -0.468    0.281    -1.67  9.56e- 2  
## 2 Age               0.324    0.103     3.13  1.74e- 3  
## 3 RestingBP         0.0877   0.0931     0.942 3.46e- 1  
## 4 MaxHR            -0.363    0.105    -3.48  5.09e- 4  
## 5 Sex_M             1.34     0.230     5.84  5.27e- 9  
## 6 ChestPainType_ATA -2.31     0.274    -8.43  3.33e-17  
## 7 ChestPainType_NAP -1.51     0.215    -7.02  2.17e-12  
## 8 ChestPainType_TA  -0.937    0.360    -2.60  9.24e- 3  
## 9 RestingECG_Normal -0.113    0.233    -0.486 6.27e- 1  
## 10 RestingECG_ST    -0.0737   0.294    -0.250 8.02e- 1  
## 11 ExerciseAngina_Y 1.51     0.201     7.50  6.37e-14
```

# Recap

- Logistic regression often a reasonable model for a binary response
- Uses a sigmoid function to ensure valid predictions
- Can predict success or failure using estimated probabilities
  - Usually predict success if probability  $> 0.5$
  - Common metrics for classification are accuracy and log-loss