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Logistic regression 2

Lecture 18

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Adding another predictor

- Just like with a linear regression model, we can add additional predictors to the model.
- Our interpretation of the coefficients in multiple logistic regression is similar to multiple linear regression, in the sense that each coefficient represents the predicted effect of one X on Y , holding the other X variables constant.

Adding another predictor

Let's add sexual orientation as a second predictor of gender, in addition to height:

```
model2 <- glm(male ~ height + orientation,  
              data=my.profiles, family=binomial)
```

The orientation variable has three categories:

```
table(my.profiles$orientation)
```

bisexual	gay	straight
2763	5568	51495

Call:

```
glm(formula = male ~ height + orientation, family = binomial,  
     data = my.profiles)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-3.620	-0.481	0.198	0.530	4.022

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)	
(Intercept)	-46.08076	0.37167	-124.0	<2e-16	***
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(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 80654 on 59825 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 43722 on 59822 degrees of freedom
AIC: 43730

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6

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- Among people with the same sexual orientation, each additional inch of height corresponds to an increase in 95% in predicted odds of being male (i.e., multiplied by $e^{0.67} = 1.95$).

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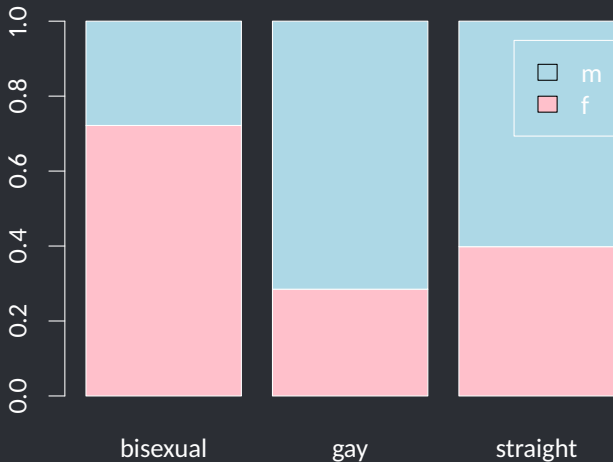
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- Among people of the same height, being straight increases the predicted odds of being male by 305% (i.e., multiplied by $e^{1.4} = 4.05$) compared to being bisexual.

Understanding what's going on

```
crosstabs <- table(my.profiles$sex, my.profiles$orientation)  
crosstabs
```

	bisexual	gay	straight
f	1994	1586	20509
m	769	3982	30986

```
barplot(prop.table(crosstabs, 2), col=c("pink", "lightblue"),  
        legend=T)
```

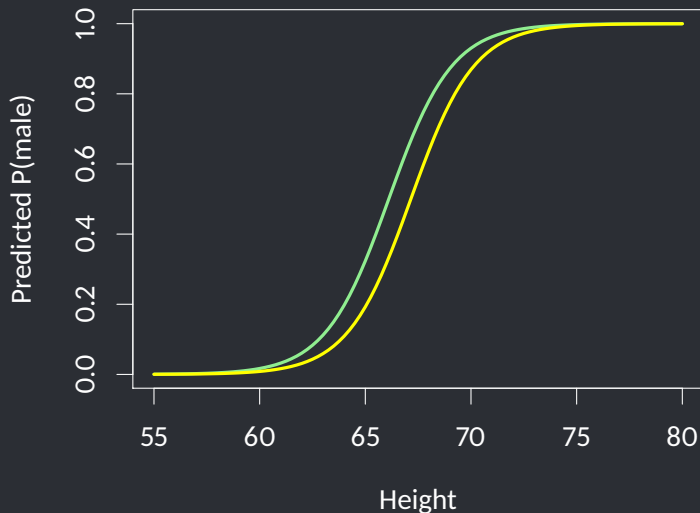


Converting back to probabilities

Because there is a nonlinear relationship between probability and odds, a particular percentage increase in odds does not correspond to a fixed change in probability. But it can be useful sometimes to compute some exemplar predicted probabilities to get a sense of the relationships:

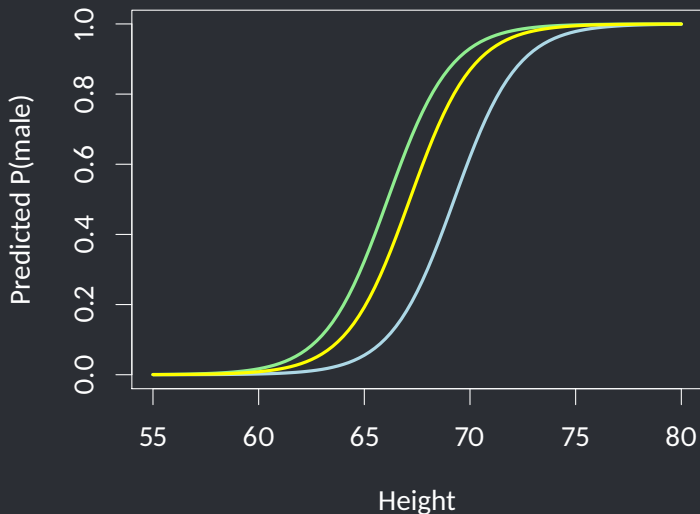
	Height			
	60"	64"	68"	72"
bisexual	0.002	0.029	0.302	0.861
gay	0.017	0.197	0.779	0.981
straight	0.008	0.109	0.637	0.962

We can also visualize this by plotting the three curves for straight (yellow), gay (green), and bisexual (blue) OkCupid users:



Where will the curve for bisexual OkCupid users be?

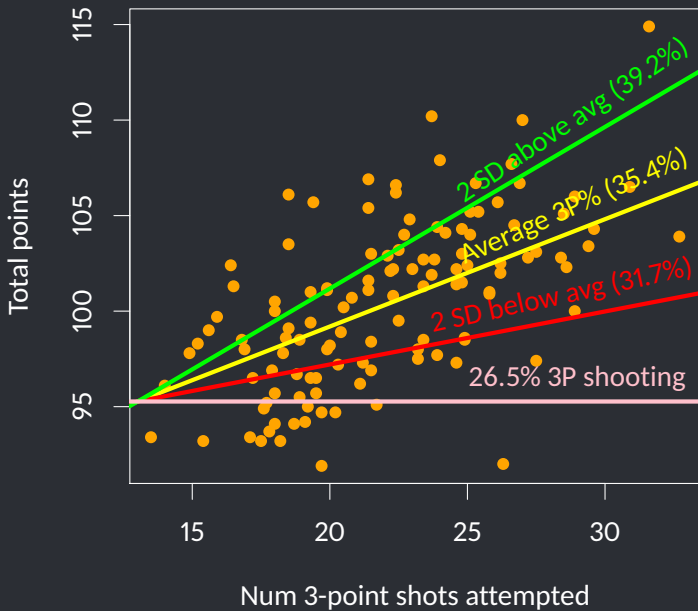
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What would interactions do?

- In linear regression, an interaction between two predictors X_1 and X_2 means that the **slope** of X_1 will depend on the **value** of X_2 .
- In other words, there will be differently-sloped regression lines predicting Y from X_1 depending on what the value of X_2 is.



What would interactions do?

- We can add interactions to logistic regression and the interpretation is the same: the effect of X_1 on the probability of being male depends on the value of X_2 .
- Let's try this out with $X_1 = \text{height}$ and $X_2 = \text{orientation}$.

```
int.model <- glm(male ~ height * orientation, data=my.profiles, family=binomial)
summary(int.model)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = male ~ height * orientation, family = binomial,
     data = my.profiles)
```

Deviance Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-3.655	-0.470	0.194	0.521	4.064

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)	
(Intercept)	-35.3027	1.4050	-25.13	< 2e-16	***
height	0.5076	0.0206	24.67	< 2e-16	***
orientationgay	-6.2727	1.8365	-3.42	0.00064	***
orientationstraight	-10.2887	1.4596	-7.05	1.8e-12	***
height:orientationgay	0.1218	0.0271	4.49	7.1e-06	***
height:orientationstraight	0.1712	0.0214	8.01	1.2e-15	***

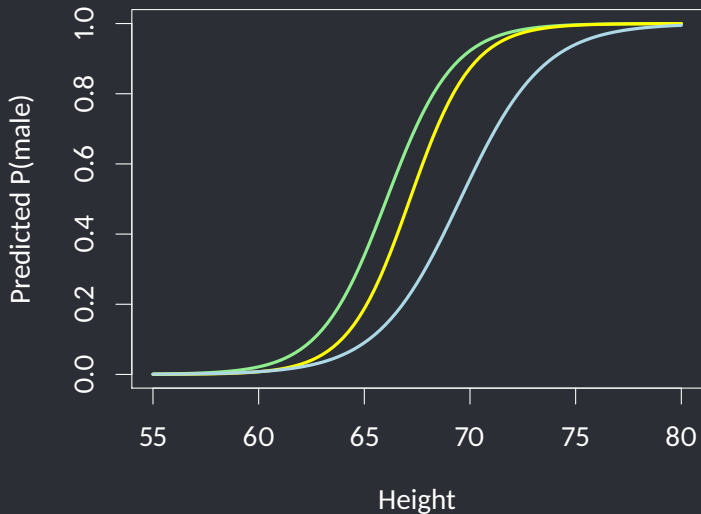
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The interaction model is:

$$\log \left(\frac{p}{1-p} \right) = -35.3 + 0.51 \cdot \text{height} - 6.27 \cdot \text{gay} - 10.29 \cdot \text{straight} \\ + 0.12 \cdot \text{height} \cdot \text{gay} + 0.17 \cdot \text{height} \cdot \text{straight}.$$

Let's graph the equation for gay (green), yellow (straight), and blue (bisexual) users:



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4. **Individual dummy variable coefficient** null hypothesis: $\beta_i = 0$ (there is no difference in predicted probability of being male between this level and the reference level, holding constant other predictors)

Likelihood ratio test

The **likelihood ratio test** lets us test a null hypothesis of the form:
Model A has no more predictive power than Model B.

We can use this to test null hypothesis that don't correspond to p -values that we can read off the regression output.

Example 1: Overall null hypothesis

We'll test the overall null hypothesis by comparing the model to a “null model” with no variables:

```
library(lmtest)
lrtest(model2)
```

Likelihood ratio test

Model 1: male ~ height + orientation

Model 2: male ~ 1

	#Df	LogLik	Df	Chisq	Pr(>Chisq)
1	4	-21861			
2	1	-40327	-3	36932	<2e-16 ***

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Example 2: Quantitative variable

We can test the significance of a quantitative variable (e.g., height) by reading the p -value for height off of the regression output:

```
summary(model2)

...

              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
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```

Example 3: Categorical variable

We'll test the significance of a categorical variable by comparing the model with orientation to the model without it:

```
model1 <- glm(male ~ height, data=my.profiles, family=binomial)
model2 <- glm(male ~ height + orientation, data=my.profiles, family=binomial)
lrtest(model1, model2)
```

Likelihood ratio test

Model 1: male ~ height

Model 2: male ~ height + orientation

	#Df	LogLik	Df	Chisq	Pr(>Chisq)
1	2	-22319			
2	4	-21861	2	915	<2e-16 ***

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Example 4: Individual dummy variable

We can test the significance of the difference between two levels of a categorical variable (e.g. the difference between bisexual and straight) reading the p -value for `height:orientationstraight` off of the regression output:

```
summary(model2)
```

```
...
```

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What else can we use logistic regression for?

- **Finance:** Predicting which customers are most likely to default on a loan
- **Advertising:** Predicting when a customer will respond positively to an advertising campaign
- **Marketing:** Predicting when a customer will purchase a product or sign up for a service