# Logistic Regression in R

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#### Format of the Online Workshop

- In this workshop, I will be using Google Slides and live coding in RStudio
  - I will be using the Rmd file, linear\_model\_code.Rmd, to teach the workshop.
- If you have an questions, please put them in the chat.
  - There are TAs monitoring the chat. They will respond to questions.
  - If necessary, I will be interrupted by a TA.

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# Data Description

#### Data we are working with

- Dataset contains 18729 samples of avocado prices and volume sold across U.S. cities
- The dataset set contains variables:
  - PriceCategory whether each average avocado sample is 'Expensive' or 'Cheap'
  - TotalVolume total volume sold
  - Type whether the avocado was organic or conventional
  - Year year in which the recording was made
  - Region region in the U.S. the recording was made
  - Month month in the recording was made

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- 3) Understand the effects of total volume, type and year on the probability that a sample is expensive or cheap

Linear Regression vs. Logistic

Regression

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- Goal 3: Understand the effects of total volume, type and year on the probability that a sample is expensive or cheap
  - After fitting, we can interpret the coefficients.
  - For example, holding all other variables fixed, the log odds changes by  $\beta_1$  when Explanatory Variable 1 increases by 1.

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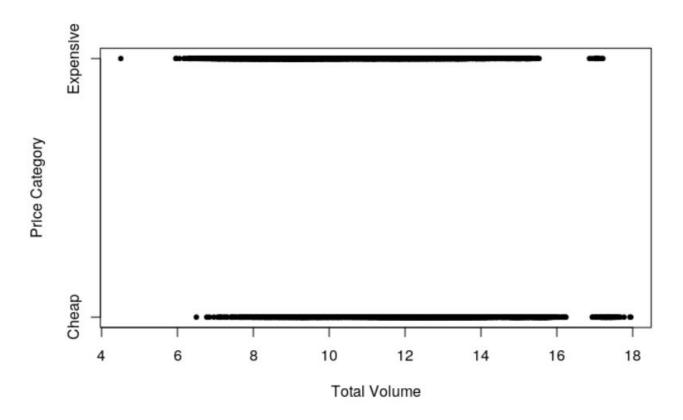
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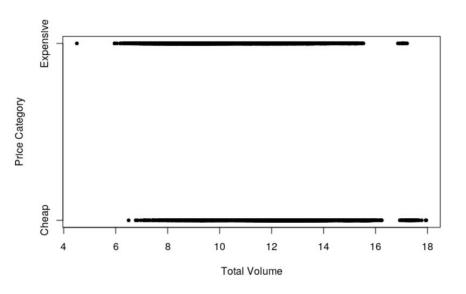
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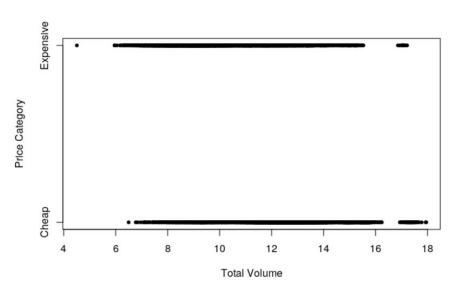
Logistic Model with Total Volume

# Scatter plot of Price Category vs. Total Volume



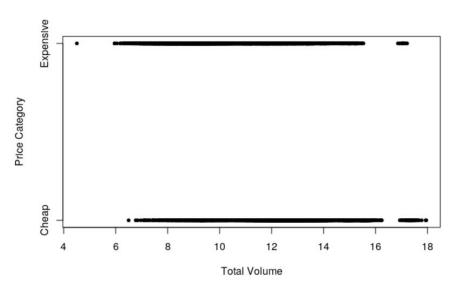


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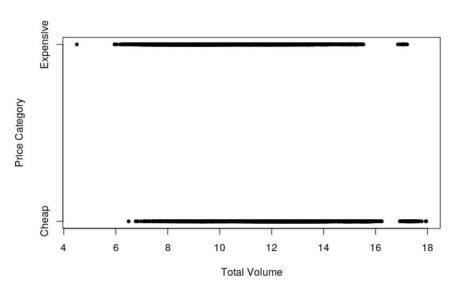


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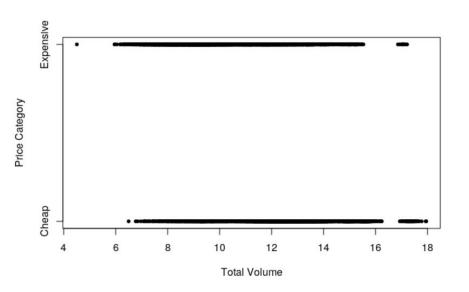


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#### Deviance

- For a linear model, deviance is sum of squares of the residuals
- Deviance is a more generalized "sum of squares of the residuals" for GLMs, like logistic models and Poisson models
  - Significant reduction of deviance is important
  - Deviance allows us to compare nested models

#### **Predict Function**

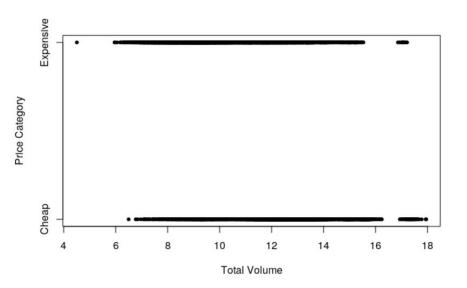
- We can use the "predict" to determine the probability of any dataset with the same terms as our model
- "predict" returns the predicted log-odds

$$\log \text{ odds} = \log \frac{P}{1 - P}$$

To get the probability, we need to simple transformation

$$P = \frac{e^{\log \text{ odds}}}{1 + e^{\log \text{ odds}}}$$

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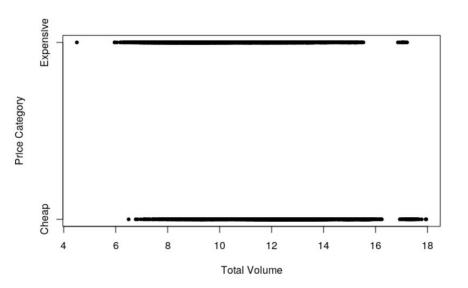


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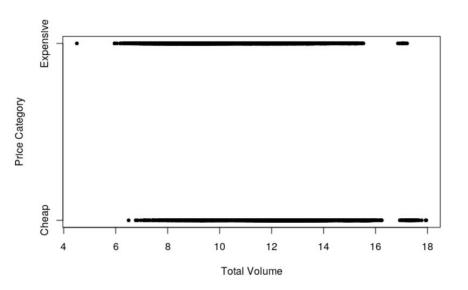


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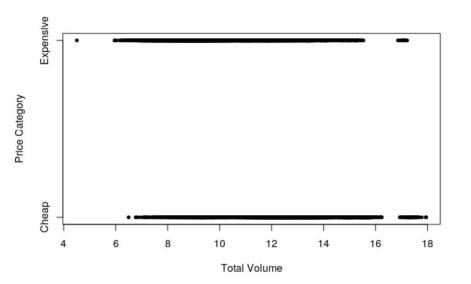


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    - Let's say we have two samples: one is expensive and the other is cheap.
    - The null model will assign both the same probability score so any threshold decision will make at least one error.

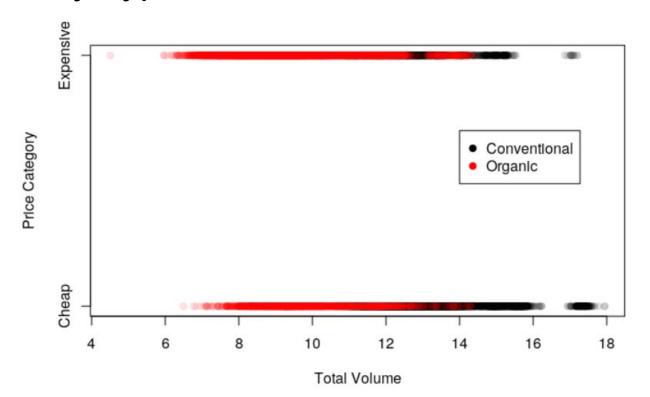
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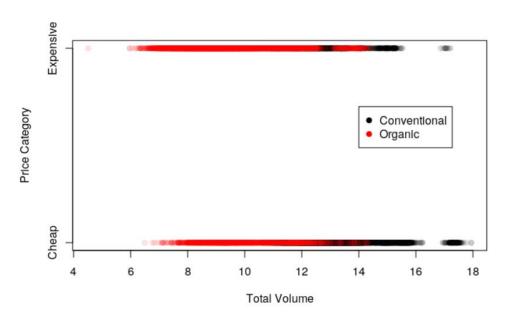
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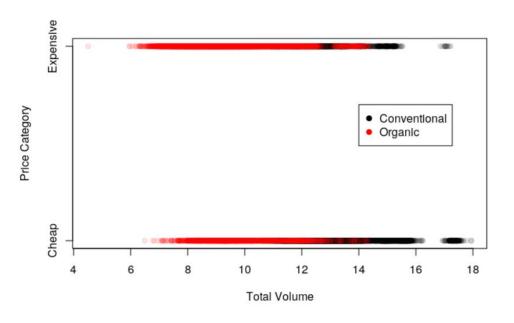
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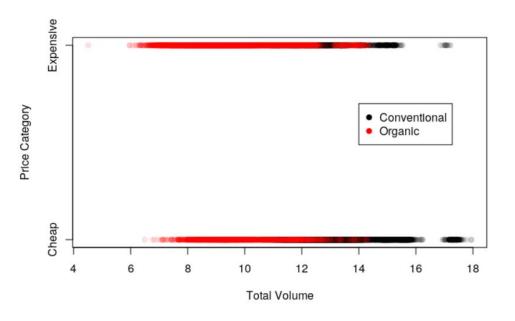


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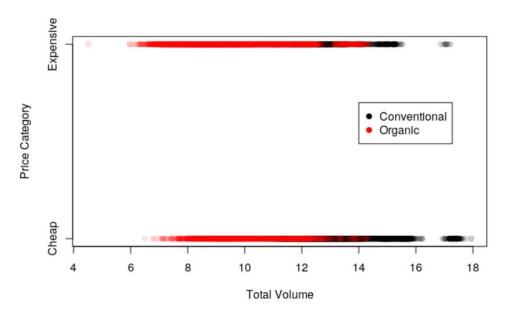


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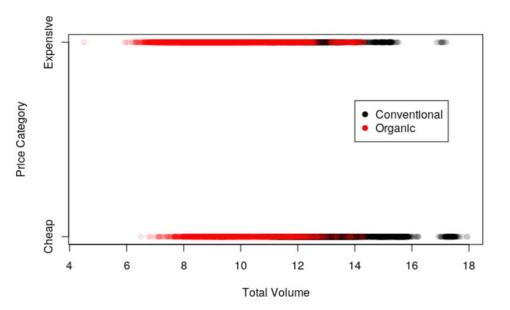
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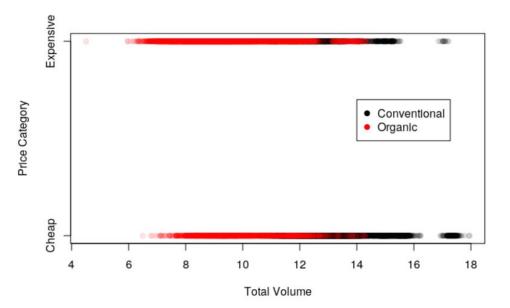
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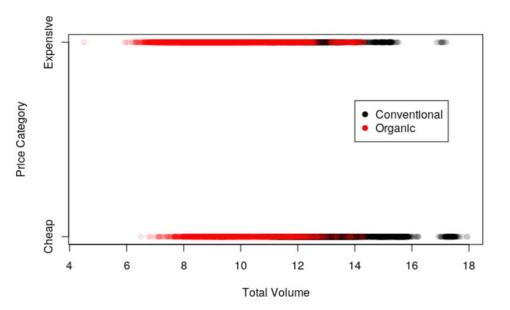


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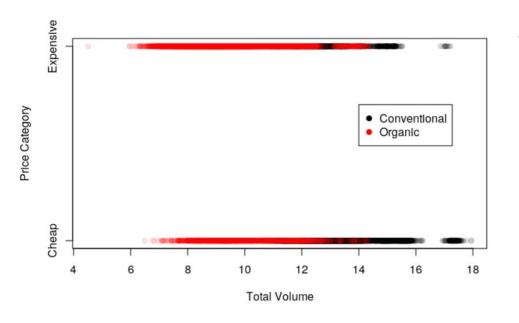


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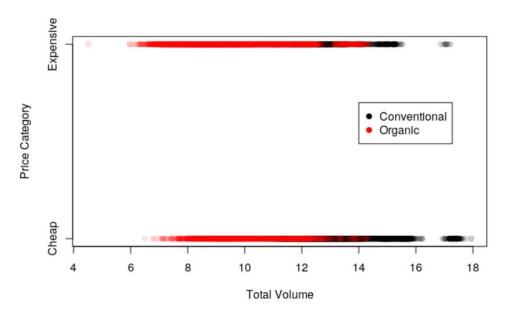
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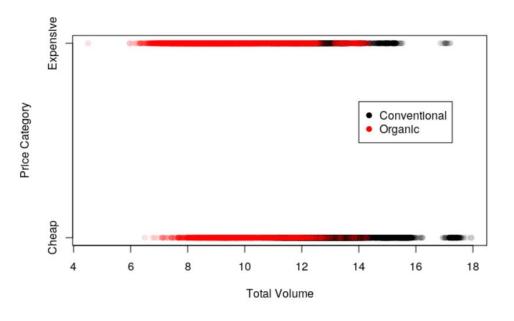


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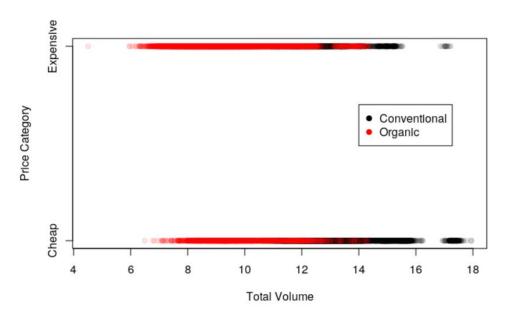
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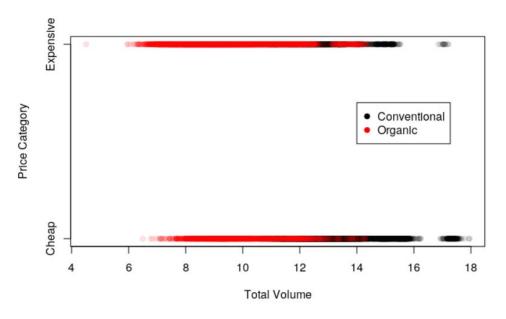
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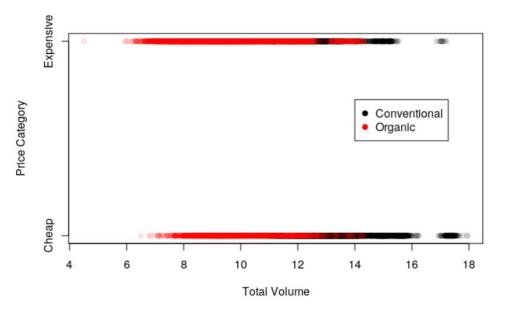
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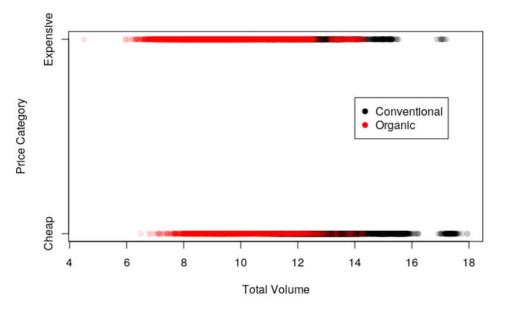
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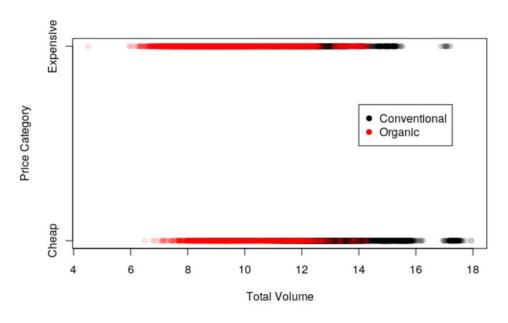
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- 5) Use ANOVA to compare this model to the null model and the model with total volume.

#### Conclusion and Next Steps

- We found reasonable logistic models of whether an avocado was cheap or expensive using total volume and type.
- Exercises will allow you to experiment further with year, volume and type.
- Going further, you might want to consider
  - Model selection for logistic regression
  - Goodness of fit measures: AIC, BIC
  - Statistical tests for goodness of fit
  - Comparing logistic models using ROC curves and AUC
  - Picking the best threshold value

#### **Exercises**

- 1. Open the file logistic\_model\_exercises.Rmd
- 2. Get cracking!