# Lecture 4: Logistic Regression (II. Inference and Prediction with More Examples)

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### Example 1: Mice exposed to cigarette smoke

Table 1: Number of mice developing lung tumors when exposed or not exposed to cigarette smoke.

Group	Tumor present	Tumor absent	Total	$\widehat{p}_i = y_i / n_i$
Exposed	21	2	23	21/23
Non-exposed	19	13	32	19/32

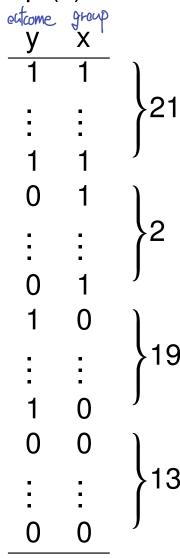
- Model:  $logit(p) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$ , where  $X = \begin{cases} 1 & exposed \\ 0 & non-exposed \end{cases}$
- We designate group 1 as the exposed group (X = 1) and group 0 (X = 0) as the non-exposed group. This model says
  - $logit(p_1) = \beta_0 + \beta_1$ ,  $logit(p_0) = \beta_0$
  - $\beta_0$ : log odds of developing lung tumors in the non-exposed group
  - $\beta_1 + \beta_0$ : log odds of developing lung tumors in the exposed group

Taking the difference in log odds gives us log odds ratio...

- $\beta_1 = \operatorname{logit}(p_1) \operatorname{logit}(p_0) = \operatorname{log}(\frac{p_1}{1-p_1} / \frac{p_0}{1-p_0})$ : log odds ratio of developing lung tumors under exposure vs. non-exposure  $e^{\beta_1}$  of
- Testing difference in p  $H_0: p_1 = p_0$  is equivalent to test  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$

## Ways to represent smoked mice data I (*Treat data as Bernoulli*)

• I. List the outcome (y) and group (x) for the entire 55 mice.(long)



You can read in the data, or, copy/paste the following code. The code will create the data table. Model estimation follows.

```
. clear
 set obs 55 rows
 generate outcome = 0
 replace outcome = 1 in 1/21
 replace outcome = 1 in 24/42
 generate exposed = 0
 replace exposed = 1 in 1/23
 logistic outcome exposed coef
Logistic regression
                                          Number of obs
                                                                  55
                                         LR chi2(1)
                                                             7.63
                                          Prob > chi2
                                                           0.0057
Log\ likelihood = -28.409968
                                          Pseudo R2
                                                               0.1185
    outcome | Coef. Std. Err. z
                                         P>|z| [95% Conf. Interval]
    exposed | 1.971886 .8229056 2.40
                                          0.017 .3590202 3.584751
     cons | .3794896 .359937
                                1.05
                                          0.292
                                                  -.325974 1.084953
```

Note: output coefficients ( $\beta$ , log odds ratio) are provided here, not ORs

### Inference of smoked mice data

- The estimated log odds in the non-exposed group  $\hat{\beta}_0 = 0.3795$ ,  $\log(\frac{\hat{p}_0}{1-\hat{p}_0}) = 0.3795$ ,  $\hat{p}_0 = \exp(0.3795)/(1+\exp(0.3795)) = 19/32 = 0.5938$
- The estimated log odds in the exposed group  $\log(\frac{\hat{p}_1}{1-\hat{p}_1}) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 = 0.3795 + 1.9718 = 2.3514,$   $\hat{p}_1 = \exp(2.3514)/(1 + \exp(2.3514)) = 21/23 = 0.9130$
- Comparing exposed versus non-exposed group:
  - Method 1: Test log odds ratio being zero  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$ . Take the difference of log odds,  $\hat{\beta}_1 = 1.9719$  is the log odds ratio comparing exposed versus non-exposed group.
  - Method 2: Test odds ratio being 1. Test  $H_0 : \exp(\beta_1) = 1$ .

#### Prediction in Stata

One may make prediction of probability of outcome,  $\hat{p}$ . After logistic function, by default the probability will be predicted or use the option pr.

```
. predict phat
(option pr assumed; Pr(outcome))
```

. list in 20/28, clean

	outcome	exposed	phat
20.	1	1	.9130435
21.	1	1	.9130435
22.	0	1	.9130435
23.	0	1	.9130435
24.	1	0	.59375
25.	1	0	.59375
26.	1	0	.59375
27.	1	0	.59375
28.	1	0	.59375

### Estimates and se's for linear predictors

The linear predictor (the linear combination of predictors) equals  $\beta_0 + \sum_k \beta_k X_k$  for k covariates (k = 1 in our model) and it predicts log odds for different samples.

```
. *create linear predictor (call it lp) and its standard error
```

- . predict lp., xb linear Predictor of Y
- . predict Ip\_se, stdp linear Predictor of s.e.
- . list in 20/28, clean

	outcome	exposed	phat	lр	lp_se
20.	1	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129
21.	1	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129
22.	0	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129
23.	0	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129
24.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937
25.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937
26.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937
27.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937
28.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937

### CI for estimated probabilities

Using the linear predictor, we can produce 'by hand' the probabilities and compute a confidence interval using the equation given in Lecture 3 Slide 11.

```
. gen lb = lp - invnormal(0.975)*lp se
 gen ub = lp + invnormal(0.975)*lp se
. gen plb = \exp(lb)/(1 + \exp(lb))
. gen pub = \exp(ub)/(1 + \exp(ub))
. list in 20/28, clean
       outcome evanced
                                 nhat
                                                       In ca
                                                                   n hat
```

	outcome	exposed	phat	lp	lp_se	p_hat	lb	ub	plb	pub
20.	1	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129	.9130435	.9009767	3.801774	.7111502	.9781567
21.	1	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129	.9130435	.9009767	3.801774	.7111502	.9781567
22.	0	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129	.9130435	.9009767	3.801774	.7111502	.9781567
23.	0	1	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129	.9130435	.9009767	3.801774	.7111502	.9781567
24.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937	.59375	325974	1.084953	.4192205	.7474302
25.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937	.59375	325974	1.084953	.4192205	.7474302
26.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937	.59375	325974	1.084953	.4192205	.7474302
27.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937	.59375	325974	1.084953	.4192205	.7474302
28.	1	0	.59375	.3794896	.359937	.59375	325974	1.084953	.4192205	.7474302

. generate p hat =  $\exp(|p|)/(1 + \exp(|p|))$ 

## Inference of smoke exposed mice data

 We can test whether odds ratio is 1 to examine the difference in tumor development risk comparing smoke exposed and non-exposed group.

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$
 vs.  $H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0$   
z-statistic =  $\hat{\beta}_1/\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1) = 2.40$ , p-value = 0.017  
 $H_0$  is rejected at the  $\alpha = 0.05$  level. There is strong evidence that the probabilities of tumor development are different in those two groups.

 OR=7.18. The relative odds of tumor development for smoke exposed group is high.

## Ways to represent smoke exposed mice data II (*Treat data as Bernoulli*)

II. Collapse by outcome-treatment combination (Collapsed)

У	X	count
1	1	21
0	1	2
1	0	19
0	0	13

Here y as the response indicator, x is the treatment variable.

#### Bernoulli outcome data form

The following code will type in the Bernoulli data into a 2x2 table.

```
clear
input outcome exposure count
1 1 *21 Repeated counts
0 1 2
1 0 19
0 0 13
end input
```

To perform logistic regression with binomial data, use the frequency weight [fweight=count].

outcome	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
exposure	1.971886	.8229056	2.40	0.017	.3590202	3.584751
_cons	.3794896	.359937	1.05	0.292	325974	1.084953

Similar as before, we can do prediction after running regression, for each observed case (observed linear predictor values):

```
. predict phat
. predict lp, xb
. predict lp_se, stdp
. generate p_hat = exp(lp)/(1+exp(lp))
. gen lb = lp - invnormal(0.975)*lp_se
. gen ub = lp + invnormal(0.975)*lp_se
. gen plb = exp(lb)/(1+exp(lb))
. gen pub = exp(ub)/(1+exp(ub))
```

. list

	outcome	exposure	count	phat	lp	lp_se	p_hat	lb	ub	plb	pub   
1.	1	1	21	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129	.9130435	.9009767	3.801774	.7111502	.9781567
2.	0	1	2	.9130435	2.351375	.7400129	.9130435	.9009767	3.801774	.7111502	.9781567
3.	1	0	19	.59375	.3794896	.359937	.59375	325974	1.084953	.4192205	.7474302
4.	0	0	13	.59375	.3794896	.359937	.59375	325974	1.084953	.4192205	.7474302

# Ways to represent smoke exposed mice data III (*Treat data as Binomial*)

 III. Collapse by exposure group and summarize as responses in n trials

y = # of successesn = # of trialsx = exposure indicator

The following code will type in the data in binomial form.

```
clear
input y n x
21 23 1
19 32 0
end input
```

## We can perform logistic regression using blogit: for 'grouped number"

. blogit y n x

Logistic regression for grouped data	Number of obs	=	55
	LR chi2(1)	=	7.63
	Prob > chi2	=	0.0057
$Log\ likelihood = -28.409968$	Pseudo R2	=	0.1185

_outcome	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
x	1.971886	.8229056	2.40	0.017	.3590202	3.584751
_cons	.3794896	.359937	1.05	0.292	325974	1.084953

Note that the glm function could run the same regression, with slightly different output format.

### Generalized Linear Model – Binomial outcome form

```
outcome predicter
 . glm y x, family (binomial n) link (logit)
Iteration 0: \log likelihood = -3.2108785
Iteration 1: \log likelihood = -3.2106672
Iteration 2: \log likelihood = -3.2106671
Generalized linear models
                                             Number of obs =
Optimization : ML
                                             Residual df
                                             Scale parameter =
                                             (1/df) Deviance =
Deviance = 2.50027e-17
Pearson = 2.50027e-17
                                             (1/df) Pearson =
Variance function: V(u) = u*(1-u/n)
                                             [Binomial]
Link function : g(u) = \ln(u/(n-u))
                                             [Logit]
                                             AIC
                                                           = 5.210667
                                             BIC
Log likelihood = -3.210667147
                                                           = 2.50e-17
                       OIM
                  Coef. Std. Err. z P>|z| [95% Conf. Interval]
         x | 1.971886 .8229056 2.40 0.017 .3590202 3.584751
             .3794896 .359937 1.05
                                                    -.325974 1.084953
                                           0.292
      cons
```

#### Prediction

Similar as before, still we can make prediction and calculate CIs for the observations in the data.

```
. predict yhat
. predict lp, xb
. predict lp_se, stdp
. generate p_hat = exp(p)/(1+exp(p))
. gen lb = lp - invnormal(0.975)*lp_se
. gen ub = lp + invnormal(0.975)*lp se
. gen plb = \exp(lb)/(1 + \exp(lb))
. gen pub = \exp(ub)/(1 + \exp(ub))
. list
```

-	+   y	n	х	yhat	lp	 lp_se	p_hat	lb	ub	plb	   pub 
		23 32			2.351375 .3794896	.7400129 .359937	.9130435 .59375	.9009767 325974	3.801774 1.084953		.9781567   .7474302

# Example 2: Aircraft fasteners – a model with a continuous predictor

Table 2: This is a study on the compressive strength of an alloy fastener used in the construction of aircraft. This table displays the number of fasteners failing out of a number subjected to varying pressure loads.

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Predictor	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	_ '
Load (psi)	Sample size	Number failing	prop of tailing
2500	50	10	y/n
2700	70	17	
2900	100	30	·
3100	60	21	
3300	40	18	
3500	85	43	
3700	90	54	
3900	50	33	
4100	80	60	
4300	65	51	

### Example 2: Aircraft fasteners

- Model:  $logit(p) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$ , where p is the probability of a fastener failing and X is the predictor variable: load.
- $\beta_0$  is the log odds of a fastener failing with load being zero, X = 0.
- $\bullet$   $\beta_1$  describes the increase in log-odds for a one unit increase in X.

$$\log \operatorname{it}(p_{x+1}) - \operatorname{logit}(p_x)$$

$$= \log \left(\frac{p_{x+1}}{1 - p_{x+1}} / \frac{p_x}{1 - p_x}\right)$$

$$= (\beta_0 + \beta_1(x+1)) - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x)$$

$$= \beta_1$$

Note that here  $p(\cdot)$  is a function, and p(x) is the probability when X takes the value x.

### Data is in collapsed binomial form

- . use "Aircraft\_fastener.dta"
- . list

_			
	load	ntotal	nfail
1.	2500	50	10
2. 3.	2700   2900	70 100	17   30
4.	3100	60	21
5.	3300	40	18
6.	   3500	 85	 43
7.	3700	90	54
8.	3900	50	33
9.	4100	80	60
0.	4300	65	51
-	+		

### Inference of Aircraft fasteners data

- $\hat{\beta}_0 = -5.340$  with a 95% Cl of (-6.409, -4.270);  $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.00155$  with a 95% Cl of (0.00124, 0.00186).
- The model for the relationship between the estimated probability of a fastener failing,  $\hat{p}$ , and a load of x psi is

$$logit(\hat{p}) = -5.340 + 0.00155X$$

The fitted probability of a fastener failing at the  $i^{th}$  load of X = x is

$$\hat{p}_i = \frac{\exp(-5.340 + 0.00155x)}{1 + \exp(-5.340 + 0.00155x)}$$

#### Aircraft fasteners data: Predict a new observation

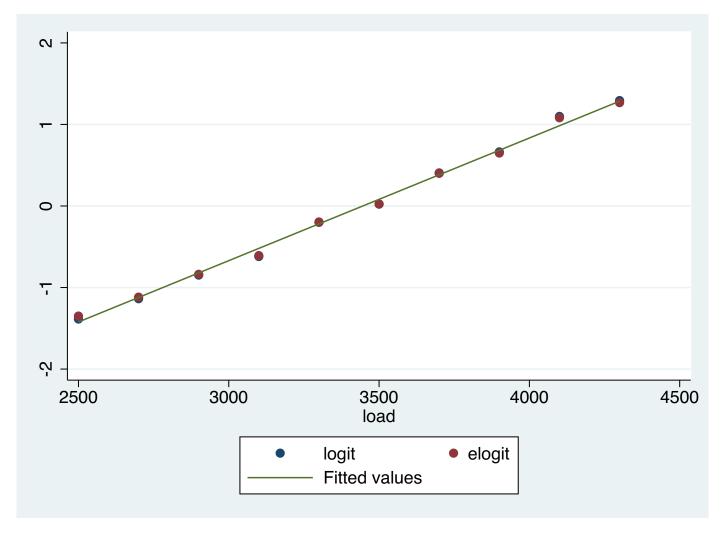
- Suppose we want to predict the probability of a fastener failing at a load of 2600 psi and also obtain the 95% CI for the predicted probability.
- Note psi value of 2600 is not in the dataset. We can use the function lincom, followed by probability calculation from log odds.

• At a load of 2600 psi,  $logit(\hat{p}) = -5.340 + 0.00155 \times 2600 = -1.314$  with 95% CI (-1.616, -1.012). Based on log odds, the corresponding  $\hat{p} = 0.212$  with a 95% CI of (0.166, 0.267). Not of, this is the CI of

## Plotting empirical logit

- In linear regressions, we often plot  $Y_i$  against  $\hat{Y}_i$  (i.e., a linear combination of  $X_i$ 's or  $X_i$  if only one predictor) to check model fit. Is there an equivalent plot for logistic models?
- Yes, one can plot the logistic transformation of the observed proportions  $\log(\frac{y_i}{n_i-y_i})$  against the fitted linear combination of  $X_i$ 's to get a visual impression of the adequacy of the model.
- Since the relationship between  $logit(p_i)$  and the values  $x_i$  is linear under the assumed logistic regression model, the model is acceptable if the observations follow the fitted straight line relationship.
- In practice, to avoid plotting observations of  $0/n_i$  or  $n_i/n_i$ , a pragmatic solution is to use the *empirical logit* of the observed proportion  $y_i/n_i$ , namely  $\log(\frac{y_i+0.5}{n_i-y_i+0.5})$  in constructing the plot.

```
gen logit = log(nfail/(ntotal-nfail))
gen elogit = log((nfail+0.5)/(ntotal-nfail+0.5))
twoway (scatter logit load) (scatter elogit load) (lfit elogit load)
```



Looks like a nice fit

# Example 3: Student Smoking – Multi-level categorical predictor

The table below classifies 5,375 high school students according to the smoking behavior of the student and the smoking behavior of the student's parents.

	Student	smokes?	
Yes	No	Total number	How many parents smoke?
400	1380	1780	Both $X_2 = I_1 X_1 = Q$
416	1823	2239	One $X_1 = 1 \times 1 = 0$
188	1168	1356	Neither x, =\overline{\chi}, \times = \overline{\chi}

### Model for Student Smoking data

- Suppose we pick the baseline category to be "Neither" parent smokes. We will create two dummy variables  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .
- Model:  $logit(p) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2$ , where  $X_1 = \begin{cases} 1 & \textit{One parent} \\ 0 & \textit{otherwise} \end{cases}$ ,  $X_2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \textit{Both parent} \\ 0 & \textit{otherwise} \end{cases}$
- $\beta_0 = \log$  odds of student smoking given "Neither" parent smokes  $\beta_1 = \log$  odds ratio of student smoking comparing "One" vs. "Neither" group Baseline
  - $\beta_2 = \log \text{ odds}$  ratio of student smoking level "Both" vs. "Neither" group

- . use "Student\_Smoking.dta"
- . list

- I	   No	Total	Parents	 Yes
1.	1380	1780	Both	400
2.	1823	2239	One	416
3.	1168	1356	Neither	188

- Sometimes, you may have a variable that is a string (non-numeric)
  variable, such as Parents in this data. Stata cannot analyze a string
  variable. We need to create a factor variable for it to conduct analysis.
- Without or with labeling group.

```
. * egen group = group(Parents)
. * or
. egen group = group(Parents), label
```

. list

	+   No 	Total	Parents	Yes	group
1.	1380	1780	Both	400	Both
2.	1823	2239	One	416	One
3.	1168	1356	Neither	188	Neither

- Now group is a factor variable and you may include proup as a predictor variable in the regression
- You may run blogit Yes Total i.group. But you cannot choose which one category being the reference group.

#### Another way is to create dummy variables for all categories.

- . clear
- . use "Student\_Smoking.dta"
- . tabulate Parents, generate(g)

Parents	Freq.	Percent	Cum.
Both   Neither   One	 1 1 1	33.33 33.33 33.33	33.33 66.67 100.00
Total	3	100.00	

. list

<u>ا</u>	L				Both	Neither	One
	No	Total	Parents	Yes	g1	g2	<b>g</b> 3
1.	   1380	 1780	Both	400	1	0	0
2.	1823	2239	One	416	0	0	1
3.	1168	1356	Neither	188	0	1	0

We may run . blogit Yes Total g1 g3 to get the regression output. The dummy variable for the reference group (g2, Neither) is omitted in the predictor list to avoid collinearity. Note that g1=Both and g3=One.

But the variable names are confusing. Let's change the variable names to avoid confusion, using the rename function followed by *oldName* then *newName*.

- . rename g1 both\_parent
- . rename g3 one\_parent
- . rename g2 neither parent
- . rename Yes kid\_smoking
- . blogit kid\_smoking Total one\_parent both\_parent

#### Now finally the output:

_outcome	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
one_parent	.3490526	.095539	3.65	0.000	.1617995	.5363056
both_parent	.5882319	.0969533	6.07	0.000	.3982068	.7782569
_cons	-1.826606	.0785832	–23.24	0.000	–1.980626	-1.672586

- exp(.3490526) = 1.4177. Having one parent smoke, the odds of a student being a smoker increases by nearly 42% compared to no smoking parents
- exp(.5882319) = 1.801. Having both parents smoke increases the odds of a student being a smoker by about 80% compared to no smoking parents

One may also rename the variables to avoid confusion.

## Example 4: Toxicity of cypermethrin

Table 3: Toxicity of cypermethrin: Mortality/Disability of tobacco budworm moths 72 hours after exposure to cypermethrin

Sex of moth	Dose of	Number affected
	cypermethrin	out of 20
Male	1.0	1
	2.0	4
	4.0	9
	8.0	13
	16.0	18
	32.0	20
Female	1.0	0
	2.0	2
	4.0	6
	8.0	10
	16.0	12
	32.0	16

Note that the predictor dose doubles for each group/experiment. For non-additive increasing variables, skewed variables, variables vary on a relative scale, you may consider a log transformation.

## Ex. Toxicity of cypermethrin to moths

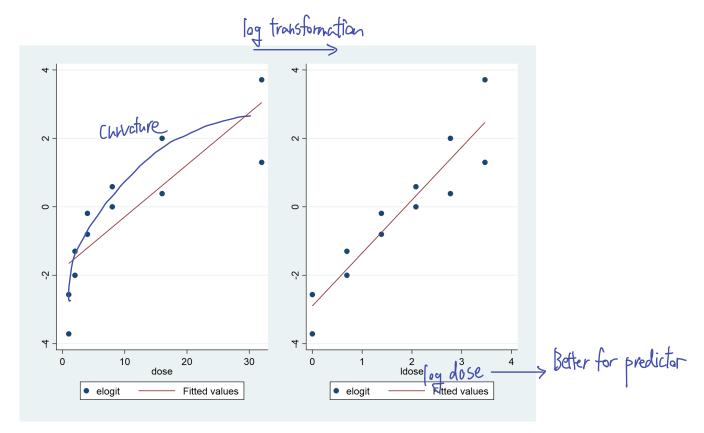
- . use "Budworm.dta"
- . list

_	+			
ı	sex	dose	У	n
1.	   1	1	1	20
2.	1	2	4	20
3.	1	4	9	20
4.	1	8	13	20
5.	1	16	18	20
6.	1	32	20	20
7.	2	1	0	20
8.	2	2	2	20
9.	2	4	6	20
10.	2	8	10	20
11.	2	16	12	20
12.	2	32	16	20
-	+			+

. gen female = sex-1

# Compare the empirical logit of dose or log(dose) as predictor

```
gen ldose = log(dose)
gen elogit = log((y+.5)/(n-y+.5))
graph twoway scatter elogit dose || Ifit elogit dose, name(g1) nodraw
graph twoway scatter elogit ldose || Ifit elogit ldose, name(g2) nodraw
graph combine g1 g2
```



## Example 4: Toxicity of cypermethrin – The log(dose) model

. blogit y n ldose sex

Logistic regression for grouped data	Number of obs	=	240
	LR chi2(2)	=	118.12
	Prob > chi2	=	0.0000
$Log\ likelihood = -106.62042$	Pseudo R2	=	0.3565

_outcome	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
dose	1.535336	.1891048	8.12	0.000	1.164698	1.905975
sex	-1.100743	.3558271	-3.09	0.002	-1.798152	403335
cons	-1.271669	.5752841	-2.21	0.027	-2.399205	1441325

How to interpret the  $\hat{\beta}_{\mathrm{ldose}}$ ?

Normally, we interpret it as when lose increases by 1 unit, the log odds ratio estimate is  $\hat{\beta}_{\text{ldose}} = 1.535$ .

What does it mean by 1dose+1?  $dose \Rightarrow dose \times e \approx 2.7 dose \Rightarrow \Delta = 1.7 dose \Rightarrow 1.0001$ 

 $\log(\text{dose}) + 1 = \log(\text{dose}) + \log e = \log(\text{dose} \times e)$ , where  $e \approx 2.7$ .

The odds ratio is exp(1.535) when dose increases by about 170%.

## Example 4: Toxicity of cypermethrin – The log(dose) model

. blogit y n ldose sex

_outcome	Coef.	Std. Err.	Z	P> z	[95% Conf.	Interval]
dose	1.535336	.1891048	8.12	0.000	1.164698	1.905975
sex	-1.100743	.3558271	-3.09	0.002	-1.798152	403335
_cons	-1.271669	.5752841	-2.21	0.027	-2.399205	1441325

Now if we <u>double</u> the <u>dose</u>,  $\log(2 \times dose) = \log(dose) + \log(2)$ .

When log(dose) increases by log(2), the log odds are

 $logit(\hat{p}_{new}) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1(ldose + log(2)) + \hat{\beta}_2 sex$ , and

 $logit(\hat{p}_{old}) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 ldose + \hat{\beta}_2 sex$ , respectively. The difference (i.e., log odds ratio) is  $logit(\hat{p}_{new}) - logit(\hat{p}_{old}) = log(2)\hat{\beta}_1$ .

The OR is  $\exp(\log(2)\hat{\beta}_1) = (\exp(\log(2)))^{\hat{\beta}_1} = 2^{\hat{\beta}_1}$ . how much the predictor increases by:

When interpreting the coefficient for log-transformed predictor X, calculate the odds ratio when the original predictor X increases by a factor (or %), i.e., when log X increases by certain units. Interpretation of model parameters should be on the original scale (dose).

## Summary

#### **Logistic Regression**

- We discussed logistic regression models for Bernoulli and Binomial outcomes with a single predictor, estimation and interpretations of coefficients, inference, and prediction
- Logistic regression models readily extend to continuous covariates, discrete covariates with more than two levels
- Next, we will discuss model fit, model comparisons in multiple logistic regression