# Lecture 5: Logistic regression & NFL kickers

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#### Preamble:

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```

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## Warm-Ups 1/2

- ▶ Identify the longest field goal kicked by each kicker
- ▶ Identify the rate of successful field goals in each season

## Warm ups 3/4

- Surfaces with Grass == FALSE occur on turf. What is the rate of field goals made on each surface?
- ► Identify the rate of successful field goals kicked between 48 and 52 yards

# Review: multivariate linear regression

#### Model:

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * x_{i1} + \beta_2 * x_{i2} + \ldots + \beta_{p-1} * x_{i,p-1} + \epsilon_i$$

#### Assumptions:

- $ightharpoonup \epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$
- $ightharpoonup \epsilon_i, \epsilon_{i'}$  independent for all i, i'
- Linear relationship between y and x

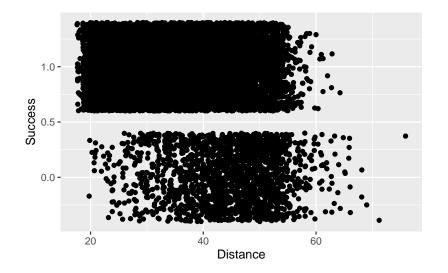
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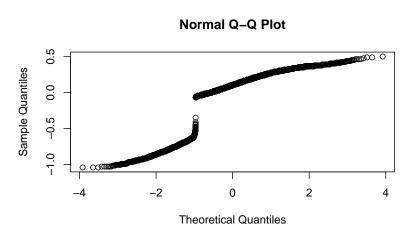
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```
fit_0 <- lm(Success ~ Distance, data = nfl_kick)
ggplot(data = nfl_kick, aes(Distance, Success)) +
  geom_jitter()</pre>
```



#### Example: NFL kickers

```
fit_0 <- lm(Success ~ Distance, data = nfl_kick)
qqnorm(fit_0$resid)</pre>
```



What are the problems?

## Logistic regression model

Model: 
$$log(\frac{P(y=1)}{1-P(y=1)}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * x_1 + \beta_2 * x_2 + \ldots + \beta_{p-1} * x_{p-1}$$

#### Comments:

- ► Dependent variable: log-odds
  - What are odds?
- ► Model checks more complex
- Uses z test statistics for parameters

# Logistic regression model

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Extract probabilities:

► 
$$P(y = 1)$$
:

# Estimated logistic regression model

Estimated model:

$$log(\frac{P(y=1)}{1-P(y=1)}) = \hat{\beta_0} + \hat{\beta_1} * x_1 + \hat{\beta_2} * x_2 + \dots + \hat{\beta_{p-1}} * x_{p-1}$$

Slope interpretation:

- $\triangleright$   $\hat{\beta}_1$ :
- $ightharpoonup e^{\hat{eta}_1}$ :

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#### tidy(fit\_1)

Estimate the probability of a successful 50-yard field goal:

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Estimate the probability of a successful 51-yard field goal:

Use your answers on the previous slides to estimate the odds of a 51-yard field goal relative to the odds of a 50-yard field goal. Where else do you see this number?

#### Model checking

- ▶ Model checking for logistic regression relies on assessment of fit
  - Are the predicted probabilities accurate?
  - Ex: 48 to 52 yard field goals

```
long_FG <- filter(nfl_kick, Distance >= 48, Distance <= 52)
long_FG %>%
summarise(ave_success = mean(Success))
```

```
## ave_success
## 1 0.6510989
```

# Categorical predictors

Estimated model

### Categorical predictors

#### tidy(fit\_2)

Slope interpretation:  $e^{\hat{\beta}_1}$ 

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