# Logistic Regression (Part III)

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# Variations of logistic regression

# Logistic regression

• In logistic regression, we use the logit:

$$logit(p) = x^{\top}\beta = \eta$$

which results in

$$p = \left[1 + \exp\left(-\eta\right)\right]^{-1} = F\left(\eta\right)$$

- Technically, F can be any *monotonic* function that maps  $\eta$  to [0,1] (e.g., any CDF will work)
- $F^{-1}$  is called the link function

# The probit model

• The probit model uses  $F(\eta) = \Phi(\eta)$  (i.e., the CDF of a standard normal distribution)

$$P\left(Y=1|x\right) = \Phi\left(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \cdots\right) = \Phi\left(x^{\top}\beta\right)$$

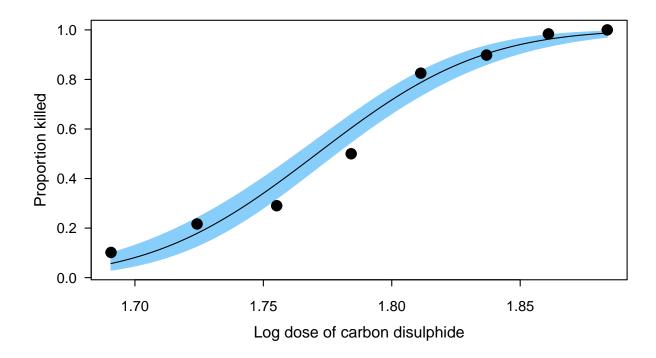
•  $F^{-1} = \Phi^{-1}$  is called the probit link, which yields

$$\operatorname{probit}\left(p\right) = \Phi^{-1}\left(p\right) = x^{\top}\beta$$

- The term probit is short for **prob**ability unit
- Proposed in Bliss (1934) for analyzing data such as the percentage of a pest killed by a pesticide

#### Dobson's beetle data

The data give the number of flour beetles killed after five hour exposure to the insecticide carbon disulphide at eight different concentrations.



#### Other link functions

Common link function for binary regression include:

- Logit (most common and the default an most software)
- Probit (next most common)
- Log-log
- Complimentary log-log

• Cauchit

# Application to wcgs data set

Comparing coefficients from different link functions:

```
wcgs <- na.omit(subset(faraway::wcgs, select = -c(typechd, timechd, behave)))
# Fit binary GLMs with different link functions
fit.logit <- glm(chd ~ ., data = wcgs, family = binomial(link = "logit"))
fit.probit <- glm(chd ~ ., data = wcgs, family = binomial(link = "probit"))
fit.cloglog <- glm(chd ~ ., data = wcgs, family = binomial(link = "cloglog"))
fit.cauchit <- glm(chd ~ ., data = wcgs, family = binomial(link = "cauchit"))

# Compare coefficients
coefs <- cbind(
   "logit" = coef(fit.logit),
   "probit" = coef(fit.probit),
   "cloglog" = coef(fit.cloglog),
   "cauchit" = coef(fit.cauchit)
)
round(coefs, digits = 3)</pre>
```

```
logit probit cloglog cauchit
(Intercept) -12.246 -6.452 -11.377 -24.086
age
             0.062 0.031
                         0.057
                                  0.115
height
             0.007 0.003 0.007
                                  0.053
                                0.003
weight
             0.009 0.005 0.007
sdp
             0.018 0.010 0.017 0.042
            -0.001 -0.001 -0.001 -0.001
dbp
chol
             0.011 0.006 0.010 0.020
cigs
             0.021 0.011 0.019 0.043
            -0.658 -0.341 -0.604 -1.320
dibepB
             0.211 0.101 0.206 0.711
arcuspresent
```

#### Application to wcgs data set

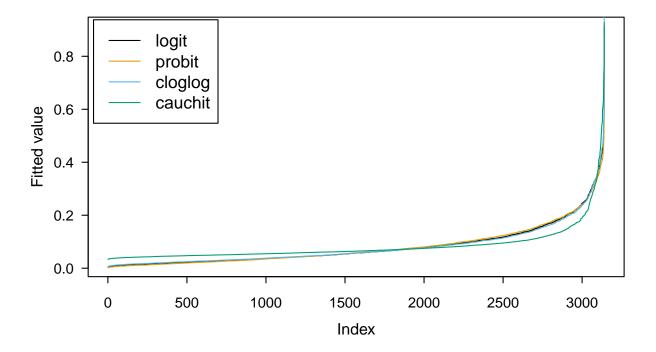
Comparing fitted values from different link functions:

```
# Compare fitted values (i.e., predicted probabilities)
preds <- cbind(
   "logit" = fitted(fit.logit),
   "probit" = fitted(fit.probit),
   "cloglog" = fitted(fit.cloglog),
   "cauchit" = fitted(fit.cauchit)
)
head(round(preds, digits = 3))</pre>
```

```
logit probit cloglog cauchit
1 0.071 0.072 0.072 0.076
2 0.073 0.074 0.075 0.084
3 0.010 0.006 0.011 0.038
4 0.010 0.006 0.012 0.039
5 0.169 0.167 0.168 0.150
6 0.034 0.033 0.035 0.051
```

# Application to wcgs data set

Comparing fitted values from different link functions:



#### As a latent variable model

- Logistic regression (and the other link functions) has an equivalent formulation as a latent variable model
- Consider a linear model with continuous outcome  $Y^\star = x^\top \beta + \epsilon$
- Imagine that we can only observe the binary variable

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Y^* > 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- Assuming  $\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0,1)$  leads to the usual logit model
- Assuming  $\epsilon \sim N\left(0,1\right)$  leads to the probit model
- And so on...

#### Application: surrogate residual

- There are several types of residuals defined for logistic regression (e.g., deviance residuals and Pearson residuals)
- The surrogate residual act like the usual residual from a normal linear model and has similar properties!

- See Liu and Zhang (2018), Greenwell et al. (2018), and Cheng et al. (2020) for details
- A novel R-squared measure based on the surrogate idea was proposed in Liu et al. (2022)
- For implementation, see R packages sure, SurrogateRsq, and PAsso

# Binomial data

# **O-rings** example

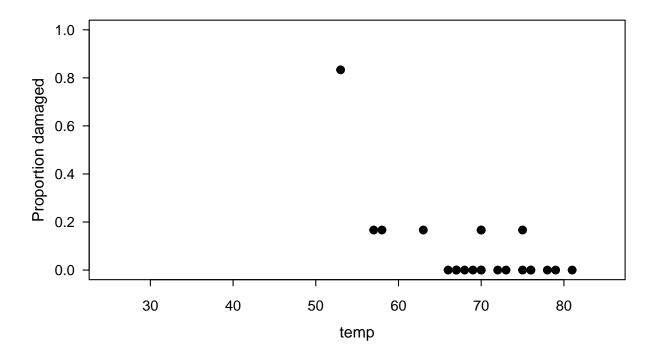
On January 28, 1986, the Space Shuttle Challenger broke apart 73 seconds into its flight, killing all seven crew members aboard. The crash was linked to the failure of O-ring seals in the rocket engines. Data was collected on the 23 previous shuttle missions. The launch temperature on the day of the crash was 31 °F.

```
head(orings <- faraway::orings)</pre>
```

```
temp damage
1
    53
              5
2
    57
              1
3
    58
              1
4
    63
              1
5
    66
              0
6
    67
              0
```

# **O-rings** example

```
plot(damage/6 ~ temp, data = orings, xlim = c(25, 85), pch = 19,
    ylim = c(0, 1), ylab = "Proportion damaged")
```



# **O-rings** example

Expand binomial data into independent Bernoulli trials

```
tmp <- rep(orings$temp, each = 6)
dmg <- sapply(orings$damage, FUN = function(x) rep(c(0, 1), times = c(6 - x, x)))
orings2 <- data.frame("temp" = tmp, "damage" = as.vector(dmg))
head(orings2, n = 15)</pre>
```

```
temp damage
      53
1
               0
2
      53
                1
3
      53
                1
4
      53
                1
5
      53
                1
6
      53
                1
7
      57
               0
8
      57
               0
9
      57
               0
10
      57
               0
11
               0
      57
12
      57
                1
```

```
13 58 0
14 58 0
15 58 0
```

# **O-rings** example

Here we'll just fit a logistic regression to the expanded bernoulli version of the data

```
# Fit a logistic regression (LR) model using 0/1 version of the data
orings.lr <- glm(damage ~ temp, data = orings2,
                 family = binomial(link = "logit"))
summary(orings.lr)
Call:
glm(formula = damage ~ temp, family = binomial(link = "logit"),
    data = orings2)
Deviance Residuals:
              1Q
    Min
                 Median
                               3Q
                                        Max
-1.2646 -0.3395 -0.2472 -0.1299
                                     3.0216
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 11.66299
                       3.29616
                                 3.538 0.000403 ***
                       0.05318 -4.066 4.77e-05 ***
           -0.21623
temp
               0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 76.745 on 137 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 54.759 on 136 degrees of freedom
AIC: 58.759
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

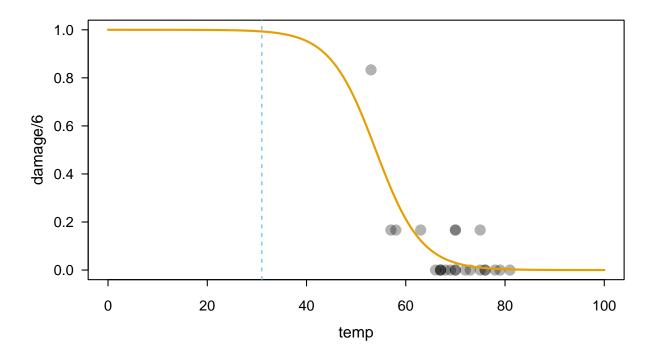
#### O-rings example

What's the estimated probability that an O-ring will be damaged at 31 °F? Give a point estimate as well as a 95% confidence interval.

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# O-rings example

[1] 0.8444824 0.9997329



# **O-rings** examples

More interesting question: at what temperature(s) can we expect the risk/probability of damage to exceed 0.8?

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This is a problem of inverse estimation, which is the purpose of the investr package!

```
# To install from CRAN, use
#
# > install.packages("investr")
#
# See ?investr::invest for details and examples
investr::invest(orings.lr, y0 = 0.8, interval = "Wald", lower = 40, upper = 60)
estimate lower upper se
```

```
47.525881 39.993462 55.058299 3.843141
```

# O-rings example

Here's an equivalent logistic regression model fit to the original binomial version of the data (need to provide number of successes and number of failures)

```
orings.lr2 <- glm(cbind(damage, 6 - damage) ~ temp, data = orings,
                  family = binomial(link = "logit"))
summary(orings.lr2)
Call:
glm(formula = cbind(damage, 6 - damage) ~ temp, family = binomial(link = "logit"),
    data = orings)
Deviance Residuals:
    Min
              1Q
                 Median
                               3Q
                                        Max
-0.9529 -0.7345 -0.4393 -0.2079
                                     1.9565
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
                       3.29626 3.538 0.000403 ***
(Intercept) 11.66299
temp
           -0.21623
                       0.05318 -4.066 4.78e-05 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
    Null deviance: 38.898 on 22 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 16.912 on 21 degrees of freedom
AIC: 33.675
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

# Overdispersion

#### Overdispersion

- Recall that for a Bernoulli random variable Y the mean and variance are given by  $E\left(Y\right)=p$  and  $V\left(Y\right)=p\left(1-p\right)$
- In other words, once the mean is specified by the logistic regression, the variance is determined at the same time!
- This is different from the case of linear regression models
- Sometimes the data suggest that the variance is consistently greater than p(1-p)

• Including a dispersion parameter can make the model more flexible:  $V(Y) = \sigma^2 p (1-p)$ 

# Overdispersion

- Over-dispersion is said to exist when there is more variability than expected under the response distribution; similar for underdispersion.
- For a correctly specified model, the Pearson chi-square statistic and the deviance, divided by their degrees of freedom, should be approximately equal to one. When their values are much larger than one, the assumption of binomial variability might not be valid and the data are said to exhibit overdispersion. Underdispersion, which results in the ratios being less than one, occurs less often in practice.

#### Overdispersion

- Overall performance of the fitted model can be measured by several different goodness-of-fit tests. Two tests that require replicated data (multiple observations with the same values for all the predictors) are the Pearson chi-square goodness-of-fit test and the deviance goodness-of-fit test (analagous to the multiple linear regression lack-of-fit F-test).
- When fitting a model, there are several problems that can cause the goodness-of-fit statistics to exceed their degrees of freedom. Among these are such problems as outliers in the data, using the wrong link function, omitting important terms from the model, and needing to transform some predictors. These problems should be eliminated before proceeding to use the following methods to correct for overdispersion.
- A large difference between the Pearson statistic and the deviance provides some evidence that the data are too sparse to use either statistic.

#### **O-rings** example

You can check for overdispersion manually or by using performance:

```
performance::check_overdispersion(orings.lr2)
```

# Overdispersion test

```
dispersion ratio = 1.337
Pearson's Chi-Squared = 28.067
    p-value = 0.138
```

#### Overdispersion

Two common (but equivalent) ways to handle overdispersion in R:

- 1. Estimate the dispersion parameter  $\sigma^2$  and provide it to summary() to adjust the standard errors approriately
- 2. Use the quasibinomial() family

#### Overdispersion

Estimate the dispersion parameter  $\sigma^2$ ; analogous to MSE in linear regression

```
(sigma2 <- sum(residuals(orings.lr2, type = "pearson") ^ 2) / orings.lr2$df.residual)</pre>
[1] 1.336542
# Print model summary based on estimated dispersion parameter
summary(orings.lr2, dispersion = sigma2)
Call:
glm(formula = cbind(damage, 6 - damage) ~ temp, family = binomial(link = "logit"),
    data = orings)
Deviance Residuals:
    Min
              1Q
                 Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
-0.9529 -0.7345 -0.4393 -0.2079
                                    1.9565
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 11.66299
                        3.81077
                                 3.061 0.002209 **
                        0.06148 -3.517 0.000436 ***
temp
           -0.21623
Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1.336542)
    Null deviance: 38.898 on 22 degrees of freedom
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```

#### Overdispersion

Can use quasibinomial() family to account for over-dispersion automatically (notice the estimated coeficients don't change)

```
Call:
glm(formula = cbind(damage, 6 - damage) ~ temp, family = quasibinomial,
    data = orings)
Deviance Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                                       Max
                               3Q
-0.9529 -0.7345 -0.4393 -0.2079
                                    1.9565
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 11.66299
                       3.81077
                                 3.061 0.00594 **
           -0.21623
                       0.06148 -3.517 0.00205 **
temp
___
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for quasibinomial family taken to be 1.336542)
    Null deviance: 38.898 on 22 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 16.912 on 21 degrees of freedom
AIC: NA
```

#### Generalized additive models (GAMs)

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6

- logit  $(p) = \beta_0 + f_1(x_1) + f_2(x_2) + \dots + f_n(x_n)$ 
  - The  $f_i$  are referred to as *shape functions* or *term contributions* and are often modeled using *splines*
  - Can also include pairwise interactions of the form  $f_{ij}(x_i, x_j)$

- Easy to interpret (e.g., just plot the individual shape functions)!
  - Interaction effects can be understood with heat maps, etc.
- Modern GAMs, called GA2Ms, automatically include relevant pairwise interaction effects

### **Explainable boosting machines (EBMs)**

- $\bullet$  EBM .darkblue[GA2M] + .green[Boosting] + .tomato[Bagging]
- Python library: interpret

# Questions?