

Logistic Regression

BIOE 210

Binary Classification



Problems to using a linear model

1. Classification is discrete
2. Bounds

Solution: Logistic Regression

We predict $P(y=1)$, but probabilities $[0, 1]$

$$\text{odds}(y) = \frac{P(y=1)}{P(y=0)}$$

$$P(y=1) + P(y=0) = 1 \Rightarrow P(y=0) = 1 - P(y=1)$$

$$\text{odds}(y) = \frac{P(y=1)}{1 - P(y=1)} \in [0, \infty)$$

$$P(y=1) = \frac{\text{odds}(y)}{1 + \text{odds}(y)} \in [0, 1]$$

$$\log(\text{odds}(y)) \in (-\infty, \infty)$$

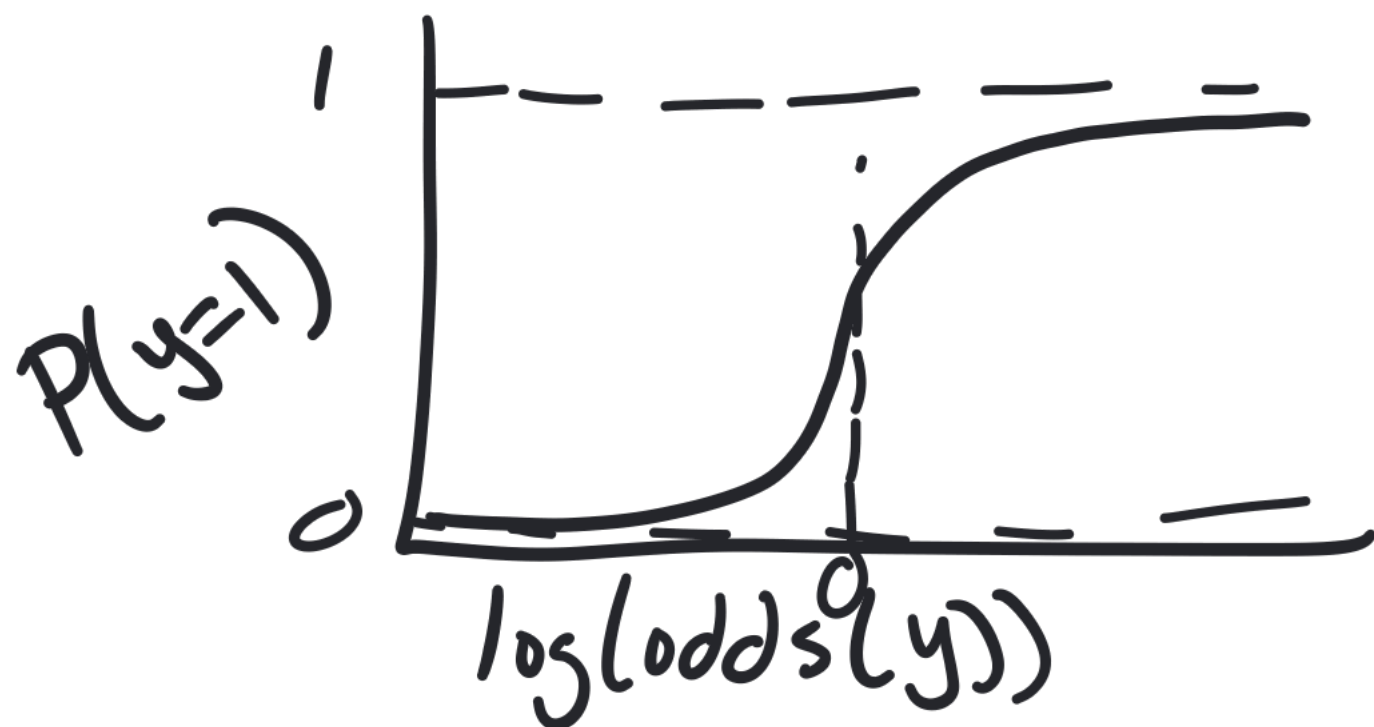
Logistic Regression

$$\log(\text{odds}(y)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_n x_n$$

$$\text{odds}(y) = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_n x_n} \equiv e^t$$

$$P(y=1) = \frac{\text{odds}(y)}{1 + \text{odds}(y)} = \frac{e^t}{1 + e^t} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-t}}$$

$$\underline{x} \rightarrow \begin{array}{c} \text{Linear} \\ \text{model} \\ \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots \end{array} \rightarrow t \rightarrow \underbrace{\frac{1}{1 + e^{-t}}}_{\text{Link function}} \rightarrow P(y=1)$$



Huntingtin (*HTT*)

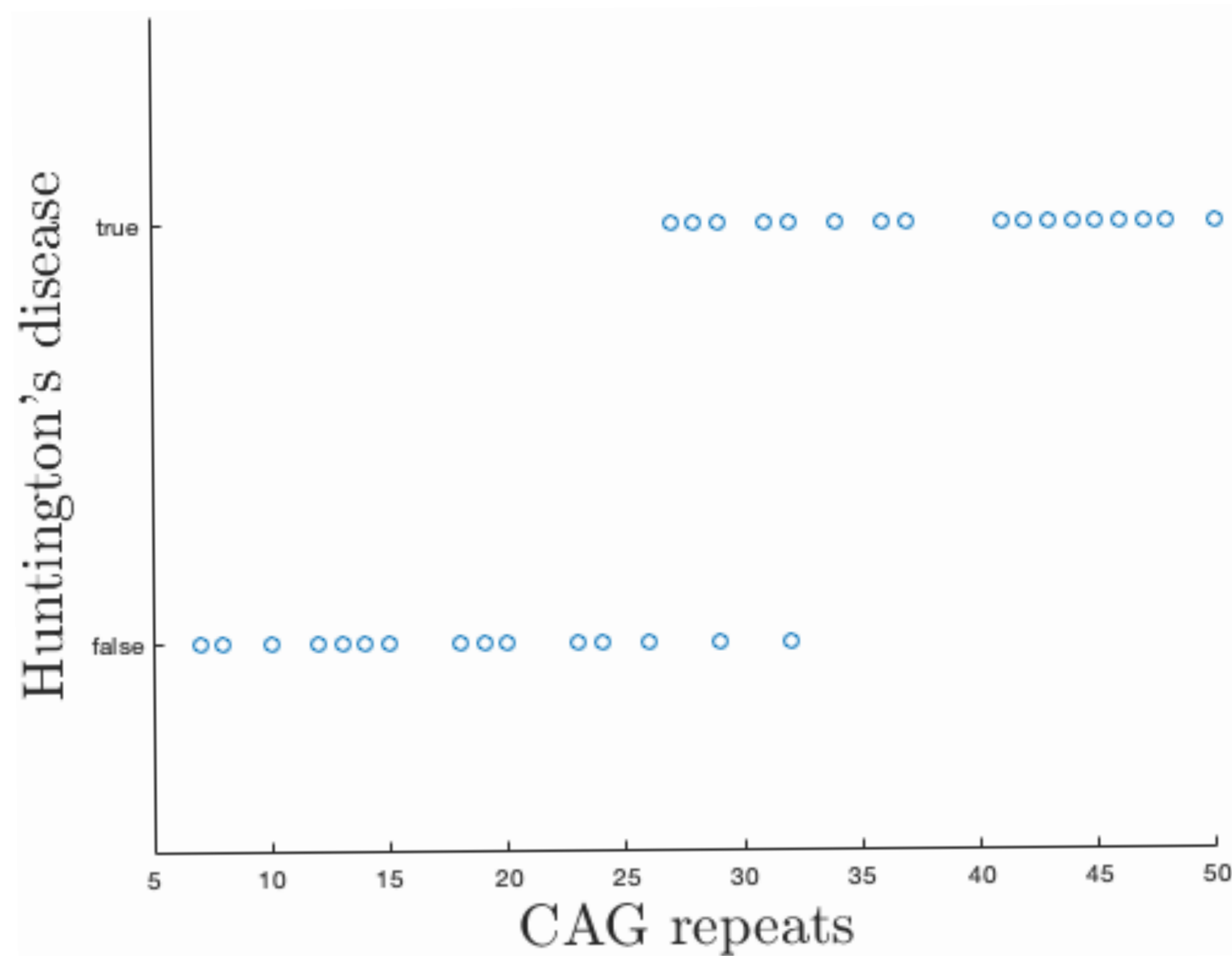
Leu Lys Ser Phe Gln Gln . . . Gln Gln Gln Gln Pro
ctc aag tcc ttc cag cag . . . cag cag caa cag ccg

| # of CAG Repeats | Disease Outcome |
|------------------|------------------------------------|
| < 28 | Not affected. |
| 28-35 | Increased risk. |
| 36-40 | Affected; some offspring affected. |
| > 40 | Affected; all offspring affected. |

Source: Walker FO. Huntington's disease. *The Lancet*. 2007; **369**, (9557), 218–228

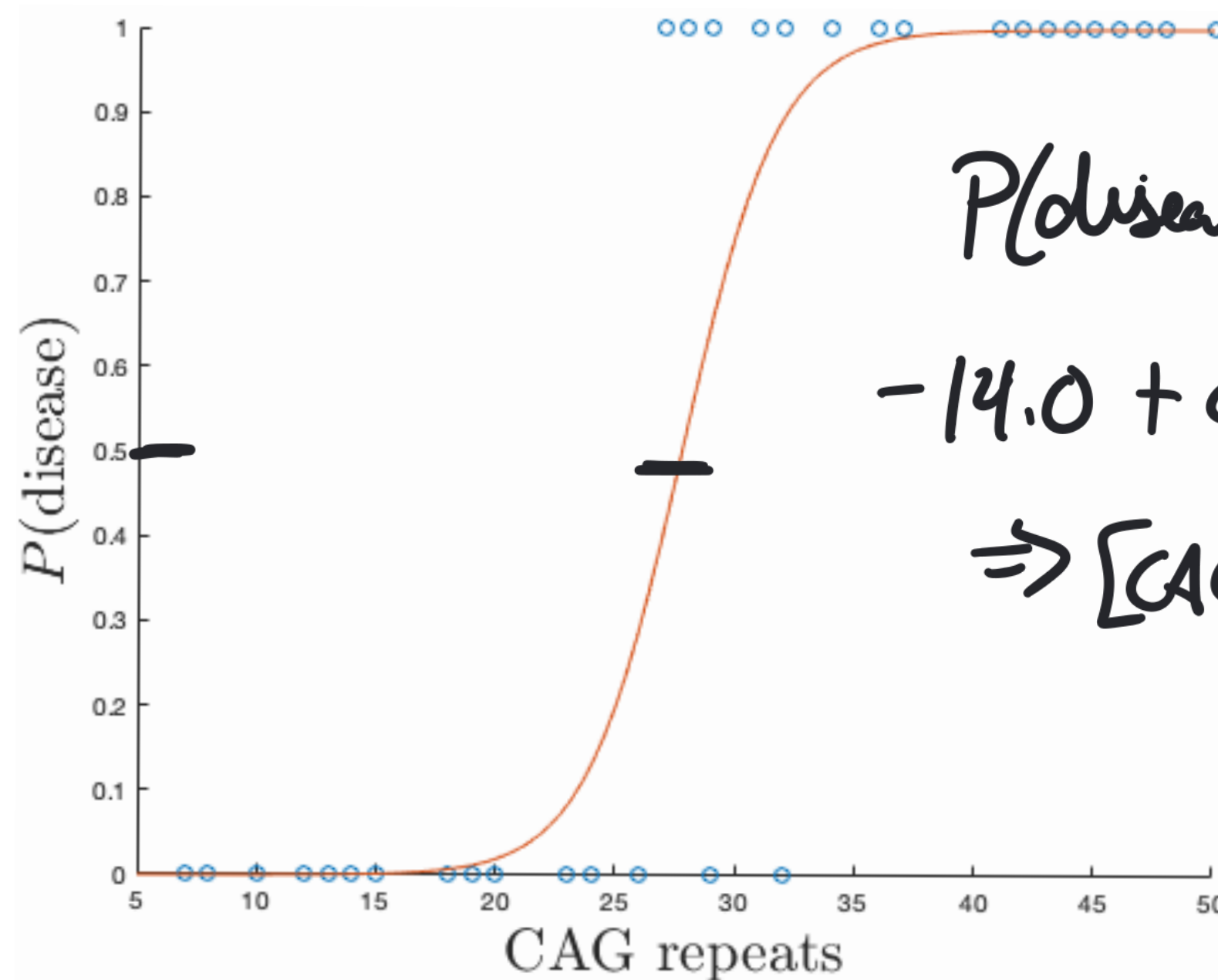
$$P(\text{disease}) = f(\text{CAGs})$$

$$\log(\text{odds}(\text{disease})) = \beta_0 + \beta_1[\text{CAGs}]$$



$$\begin{aligned}\log(\text{odds}(\text{disease})) &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 [\text{CAGs}] \\ &= -14.0 + 0.51 [\text{CAGs}]\end{aligned}$$

$$P(\text{disease}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-14.0 + 0.51 [\text{CAGs}]}}$$



$$\begin{aligned}P(\text{disease}) &= \frac{1}{2} \\ -14.0 + 0.51 [\text{CAGs}] &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow [\text{CAGs}] &= \frac{14.0}{0.51} \approx 28\end{aligned}$$

How do we interpret the β 's?

$$\text{odds ratio}(x_i) = \frac{\text{odds}(x_i+1)}{\text{odds}(x_i)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{odds ratio}([CAGs]) &= \frac{\text{odds}([CAGs]+1)}{\text{odds}([CAGs])} \\ &= \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1([CAGs]+1)}}{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1[CAGs]}} \\ &= \frac{\cancel{e^{\beta_0}} \cancel{e^{\beta_1[CAGs]}} e^{\beta_1}}{\cancel{e^{\beta_0}} + \cancel{e^{\beta_1[CAGs]}}} = e^{\beta_1}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{odds ratio}(x_i) = \frac{\text{odds}(x_i+1)}{\text{odds}(x_i)} = e^{\beta_i}$$