## Statistical modeling

Descriptive analysis and basic statistics in biomedical studies using R and Markdown

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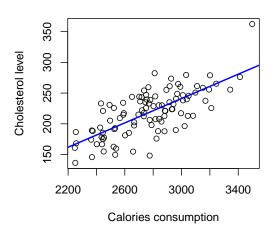
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Outcome	Method	Example
Continuous	Linear regression	Factors that affects cholesterol levels
Binary	Logistic regression	Factors that affects developing cancer
Time to event	Survival	Factor that affect time until developing cancer

Linear regression



### Linear model

$$Y = \alpha + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \ldots + \beta_n X_n + \epsilon$$

 $\alpha$  correspond to the mean level of Y in the population  $\beta_j$  indicates the change in Y when  $X_j$  changes in 1 unit (after keeping the rest of  $X_k$  fixed)

**Example:** Researchers are interested in knowing the factors that better explain air Ozone levels (variable Ozone in data frame airquality). They measure solar radiation (Solar.R), average wind (Wind) and temperature (Temp) in different months (Months) on 154 observations.

```
data(airquality)
head(airquality)
```

```
        Ozone
        Solar.R
        Wind
        Temp
        Month
        Day

        1
        41
        190
        7.4
        67
        5
        1

        2
        36
        118
        8.0
        72
        5
        2

        3
        12
        149
        12.6
        74
        5
        3

        4
        18
        313
        11.5
        62
        5
        4

        5
        NA
        NA
        14.3
        56
        5
        5

        6
        28
        NA
        14.9
        66
        5
        6
```

## Simple linear regression

### summary(mod)

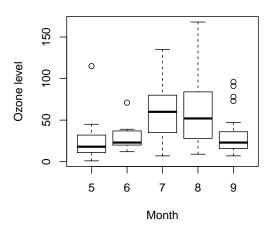
```
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Temp, data = airquality)
Residuals:
   Min
           10 Median
                           30
                                  Max
-40.729 -17.409 -0.587 11.306 118.271
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -146.9955 18.2872 -8.038 9.37e-13 ***
Temp
              2.4287 0.2331 10.418 < 2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 23.71 on 114 degrees of freedom
 (37 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.4877, Adjusted R-squared: 0.4832
F-statistic: 108.5 on 1 and 114 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

## Interpretation of categorical factors

as.factor(Month)9

7.833

```
mod.lin <- lm(Ozone ~ Month, data=airquality)</pre>
mod.lin
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Month, data = airquality)
Coefficients:
(Intercept)
                 Month
    15.657
                 3.678
mod.fac <- lm(Ozone ~ as.factor(Month), data=airquality)</pre>
mod.fac
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ as.factor(Month), data = airquality)
Coefficients:
     (Intercept) as.factor(Month)6 as.factor(Month)7 as.factor(Month)8
          23.615
                           5.829
                                            35.500
                                                             36.346
```

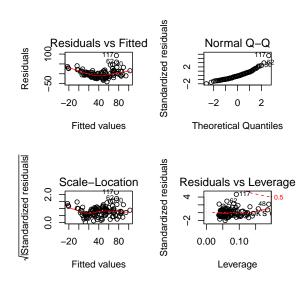


## Multiple linear regression

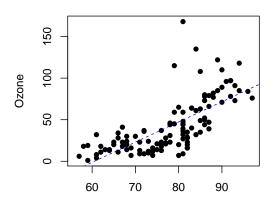
```
mod <- lm(Ozone ~ Solar.R + Wind +
                Temp + as.factor(Month), data=airquality)
mod
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Solar.R + Wind + Temp + as.factor(Month),
   data = airquality)
Coefficients:
     (Intercept)
                         Solar.R
                                             Wind
                                                              Temp
       -74 23481
                         0.05222
                                         -3.10872
                                                           1.87511
as.factor(Month)6 as.factor(Month)7 as.factor(Month)8 as.factor(Month)9
       -14.75895
                        -8.74861
                                         -4.19654
                                                         -15.96728
```

## Model validation

par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(mod)



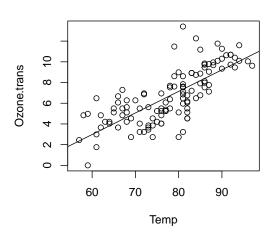
## Visualization



## Linear transformation

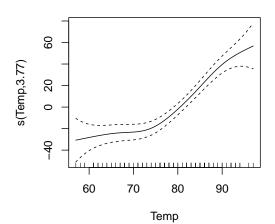
```
library(car)
trans <- powerTransform(mod)</pre>
trans
Estimated transformation parameters
     Y1
0.2206725
Ozone.trans <- bcPower(airquality$Ozone,
                            coef(trans, round=TRUE))
mod.trans <- lm(Ozone.trans ~ Temp, data=airquality)
mod.trans
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone.trans ~ Temp, data = airquality)
Coefficients:
(Intercept)
              Temp
   -9.5085 0.2081
```

```
plot(Ozone.trans ~ Temp, data=airquality)
abline(mod.trans)
```



## **Splines**

```
library(mgcv)
mod.gam <- gam(Ozone ~ s(Temp), data=airquality)
plot(mod.gam, se=TRUE)</pre>
```



## Non-parametric test of linearity

```
mod.gam <- gam(Ozone ~ s(Temp), data=airquality)
summary(mod.gam)</pre>
```

```
Family: gaussian
Link function: identity
Formula:
Ozone ~ s(Temp)
Parametric coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 42.129 2.044 20.61 <2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Approximate significance of smooth terms:
         edf Ref.df F p-value
s(Temp) 3.771 4.689 30.75 <2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
R-sq.(adj) = 0.554 Deviance explained = 56.9%
GCV = 505.64 Scale est. = 484.84 n = 116
```

# Logistic regression

## Logistic Model

Y variable is binary (case/control, relapse/non-relapse, mortality, . . . ). In that case, the logit transformation guarantees linearity.

$$\log(p(Y = 1)/(1 - p(Y = 1))) = \alpha + \beta_1 X_1 + \ldots + \beta_k X_k$$

 $\exp(\beta_k)$  can be interpreted as the odds ratio (OR) of having/developing/being Y=1

**Example:** Reserchers are interested in determining whether a new treatment (varible rx) reduces mortality (variable fustat) in patients diagnosed with ovarian cancer. Data are available by typing:

```
data(ovarian, package="survival")
head(ovarian)
```

```
        futime fustat
        age resid.ds rx ecog.ps

        1
        59
        1
        72.3315
        2
        1
        1
        1

        2
        115
        1
        74.4932
        2
        1
        1
        1
        3

        3
        156
        1
        66.4658
        2
        1
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        1
        1
```

```
mod2 <- glm(fustat ~ rx, data=ovarian, family="binomial")
mod2</pre>
```

```
Call: glm(formula = fustat ~ rx, family = "binomial", data = ovarian)

Coefficients:
(Intercept) rx
0.7783 -0.6242

Degrees of Freedom: 25 Total (i.e. Null); 24 Residual
Null Deviance: 35.89
Residual Deviance: 35.27 AIC: 39.27
```

# mod2 <- glm(fustat ~ rx, data=ovarian, family="binomial") summary(mod2)</pre>

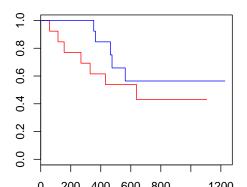
```
Call:
glm(formula = fustat ~ rx, family = "binomial", data = ovarian)
Deviance Residuals:
   Min
            1Q Median 3Q Max
-1.2435 -0.9854 -0.9854 1.1127 1.3824
Coefficients:
          Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 0.7783 1.2502 0.623 0.534
          -0.6242 0.7966 -0.784 0.433
rx
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
   Null deviance: 35.890 on 25 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 35.268 on 24 degrees of freedom
AIC: 39.268
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4
```

# Survival analysis

## Kaplan-Meier

Cox regression is a semi-parametric model. A non-parametric estimation of survival curve can also be computed using Kaplan-Meier estimator:

```
mod4 <- survfit(Surv(futime, fustat) ~ rx, data=ovarian)
plot(mod4, col=c("red", "blue"))</pre>
```



## Curves can be compared using log-rank rest

```
mod5 <- survdiff(Surv(futime, fustat) ~ rx, data=ovarian)
mod5</pre>
```

Or Gehan-Wilcoxon test that is designed to detect differences at the begining of the study follow-up.

```
mod6 <- survdiff(Surv(futime, fustat) ~ rx, data=ovarian,</pre>
                      rho=1)
mod6
Call:
survdiff(formula = Surv(futime, fustat) ~ rx, data = ovarian,
   rho = 1
     N Observed Expected (0-E)^2/E (0-E)^2/V
rx=1 13
          5.89
                  4.12
                          0.761
                                   1.68
rx=2 13
          3.50
                  5.27
                          0.595
                                   1.68
Chisq= 1.7 on 1 degrees of freedom, p= 0.194
```

# Model selection (general setting)

## Models can be compared using Likelihoo Ratio Test (LRT)

```
air.ok <- airquality[complete.cases(airquality),]
mod0 <- lm(Ozone ~ Wind, data=air.ok)
mod1 <- lm(Ozone ~ Wind + Solar.R, data=air.ok)
anova(mod0, mod1, test="F")</pre>
```

```
Analysis of Variance Table

Model 1: Ozone ~ Wind

Model 2: Ozone ~ Wind + Solar.R

Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)

1 109 76108
2 108 67053 1 9054.9 14.585 0.000224 ***

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Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
mod0 <- glm(fustat ~ ecog.ps, data=ovarian, family="binomial")
mod1 <- glm(fustat ~ ecog.ps + rx, data=ovarian, family="binomia
anova(mod0, mod1, test="Chi")</pre>
```

#### Analysis of Deviance Table

```
Model 1: fustat ~ ecog.ps

Model 2: fustat ~ ecog.ps + rx

Resid. Df Resid. Dev Df Deviance Pr(>Chi)

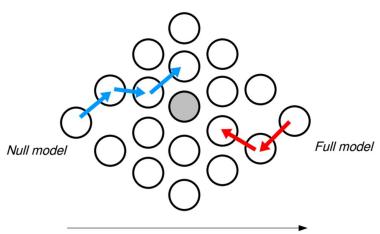
1 24 34.550

2 33.894 1 0.65586 0.418
```

## Stepwise selection

Real data problems normally consider several variables. Automatic LRTs should be used to select the best model:

### Candidate models:



Number of terms included in the formula

```
library(MASS)
modAll <- lm(Ozone ~ ., data=airquality)
modForw <- stepAIC(modAll, direction="forw", trace=0)
modForw</pre>
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Solar.R + Wind + Temp + Month + Day, data = airquality)

Coefficients:
(Intercept) Solar.R Wind Temp Month Day
-64.11632 0.05027 -3.31844 1.89579 -3.03996 0.27388
```

```
modAll <- lm(Ozone ~ ., data=airquality)
modBack <- stepAIC(modAll, direction="back", trace=0)
modBack</pre>
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Solar.R + Wind + Temp + Month, data = airquality)

Coefficients:
(Intercept) Solar.R Wind Temp Month
-58.0538 0.0496 -3.3165 1.8709 -2.9916
```

```
modAll <- lm(Ozone ~ ., data=airquality)
modBoth <- stepAIC(modAll, direction="both", trace=0)
modBoth</pre>
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Solar.R + Wind + Temp + Month, data = airquality)

Coefficients:
(Intercept) Solar.R Wind Temp Month
-58.0538 0.0496 -3.3165 1.8709 -2.9916
```

### summary(modBoth)

```
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Solar.R + Wind + Temp + Month, data = airquality)
Residuals:
   Min
           10 Median
                          30
                                 Max
-35.870 -13.968 -2.671 9.553 97.918
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -58.05384 22.97114 -2.527 0.0130 *
Solar.R
        0.04960 0.02346 2.114 0.0368 *
Wind
       -3.31651 0.64579 -5.136 1.29e-06 ***
Temp
          1.87087 0.27363 6.837 5.34e-10 ***
Month
         -2.99163 1.51592 -1.973 0.0510 .
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 20.9 on 106 degrees of freedom
 (42 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.6199, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6055
F-statistic: 43.21 on 4 and 106 DF. p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
modAll <- lm(Ozone ~ . - Month, data=airquality)
modBoth2 <- stepAIC(modAll, direction="both", trace=0)
modBoth2</pre>
```

### summary(modBoth2)

```
Call:
lm(formula = Ozone ~ Solar.R + Wind + Temp, data = airquality)
Residuals:
   Min
          1Q Median 3Q
                                 Max
-40.485 -14.219 -3.551 10.097 95.619
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -64.34208 23.05472 -2.791 0.00623 **
Solar.R 0.05982 0.02319 2.580 0.01124 *
Wind
        -3.33359 0.65441 -5.094 1.52e-06 ***
Temp
          1.65209 0.25353 6.516 2.42e-09 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 21.18 on 107 degrees of freedom
  (42 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.6059, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5948
F-statistic: 54.83 on 3 and 107 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

### Session info

### sessionInfo()

```
R version 3.4.1 (2017-06-30)
Platform: x86 64-w64-mingw32/x64 (64-bit)
Running under: Windows 10 x64 (build 16299)
Matrix products: default
locale:
[1] LC COLLATE=Spanish Spain.1252 LC CTYPE=Spanish Spain.1252
[3] LC MONETARY=Spanish Spain.1252 LC NUMERIC=C
[5] LC TIME=Spanish Spain.1252
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             graphics grDevices utils
                                           datasets methods
                                                             base
other attached packages:
[1] MASS 7.3-47
                   survival 2.41-3 mgcv 1.8-17
                                                   nlme 3.1-131
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                                          SparseM 1.77
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