Logistic regression

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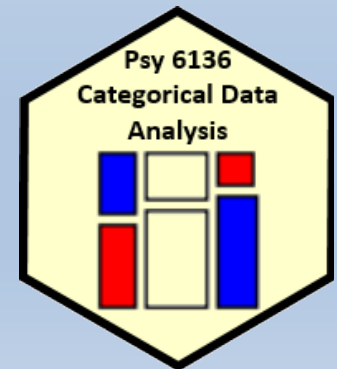
Today's topics

- Model-based methods: Overview
- Logistic regression: one predictor, multiple predictors, fitting
- Visualizing logistic regression
- Effect plots
- Case study: Racial profiling
- Model diagnostics

Model-based methods: Overview

Structure

- Explicitly assume some probability distribution for the data, e.g., binomial, Poisson, ...
- Distinguish between the systematic component— explained by the model— and a random component, which is not
- Allow a compact summary of the data in terms of a (hopefully) small number of parameters

Advantages

- Inferences: hypothesis tests *and* confidence intervals
- Can test individual model terms (`anova()`)
- Methods for model selection: adjust balance between goodness-of-fit and parsimony
- Predicted values give model-smoothed summaries for plotting
- $\implies$ Interpret the fitted model graphically

Modeling approaches: Overview

Association models

- Loglinear models

(contingency table form)

[Admit][Gender Dept]

[Admit Dept][Gender Dept]

[AdmitDept][AdmitGender][GenderDept]

- Poisson GLMs

(Frequency data frame)

Freq ~ Admit + Gender * Dept

Freq ~ Admit*Dept + Gender*Dept

Freq ~ Admit*(Dept + Gender) +
        Gender*Dept

- Ordinal variables

Freq ~ right + left + Diag(right, left)

Freq ~ right + left + Symm(right, left)

Response models

- Binary response
- Categorical predictors: logit models

logit(Admit) ~ 1

logit(Admit) ~ Dept

logit(Admit) ~ Dept + Gender

- Continuous/mixed predictors
- Logistic regression models

Pr(Admit) ~ Dept + Gender + Age + **GRE**

- Polytomous response
- Ordinal: proportional odds model

Improve ~ Age + Sex + Treatment

- General multinomial model

WomenWork ~ Kids + HusbandIncome

loglm() vs. glm()

With **loglm()** you can only test overall fit (**anova()**) or difference between models (**Lrstats()**)

```
> berk.mod1 <- loglm(~ Dept * (Gender + Admit), data=UCBAdmissions)
> berk.mod2 <- loglm(~(Admit + Dept + Gender)^2, data=UCBAdmissions)

> anova(berk.mod2)
Call:
loglm(formula = ~(Admit + Dept + Gender)^2, data = UCBAdmissions)

Statistics:
                   X^2 df P(> X^2)
Likelihood Ratio 20.20  5 0.001144
Pearson          18.82  5 0.00207
```

What we can say:
Even the model with all pairwise associations fits poorly ☹

Comparing models with **anova()** and **LRstats()**

```
> anova(berk.mod1, berk.mod2, test="Chisq")
LR tests for hierarchical log-linear models

Model 1:
 ~Dept * (Gender + Admit)
Model 2:
 ~(Admit + Dept + Gender)^2

          Deviance df Delta(Dev) Delta(df) P(> Delta(Dev)
Model 1      21.74  6
Model 2      20.20  5      1.531         1        0.21593
Saturated     0.00  0     20.204         5        0.00114

> LRstats(berk.mod1, berk.mod2)
Likelihood summary table:
          AIC BIC LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
berk.mod1 217 238    21.7  6     0.0014 **
berk.mod2 217 240    20.2  5     0.0011 **
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Q: What can we say from this?

loglm() vs. glm()

With `glm()` you can test individual terms using `anova()` or `car::Anova()`

```
> berkeley <- as.data.frame(UCBAdmissions)
> berk.glm2 <- glm(Freq ~ (Dept+Gender+Admit)^2, data=berkeley,
                family="poisson")
> anova(berk.glm2, test="Chisq")
Analysis of Deviance Table

Model: poisson, link: log
Response: Freq

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

            Df Deviance Resid. Df Resid. Dev Pr(>Chi)
NULL                         23      2650
Dept         5      160      18      2491   <2e-16 ***
Gender       1      163      17      2328   <2e-16 ***
Admit        1      230      16      2098   <2e-16 ***
Dept:Gender  5     1221      11       877   <2e-16 ***
Dept:Admit   5      855       6        22   <2e-16 ***
Gender:Admit 1        2       5        20     0.22
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Q: Can someone help interpret the term for Gender:Admit ?

Dropping & adding terms

A useful strategy for model-building is to start with some model, and consider
- The effect of dropping high-order terms, one at a time
- The effect of adding terms w/in the scope of a larger model, one at a time
- MASS:dropterm() and MASS::addterm() do this for both glm() and loglm() models

```
> MASS::dropterm(berk.glm2, test="Chisq")
Single term deletions

Model:
Freq ~ (Dept + Gender + Admit)^2
             Df Deviance     AIC     LRT Pr(Chi)
<none>              20.20  217.26
Dept:Gender   5  1148.90 1335.96 1128.70  <2e-16 ***
Dept:Admit    5   783.61  970.67  763.40  <2e-16 ***
Gender:Admit  1    21.74  216.80    1.53  0.2159
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```
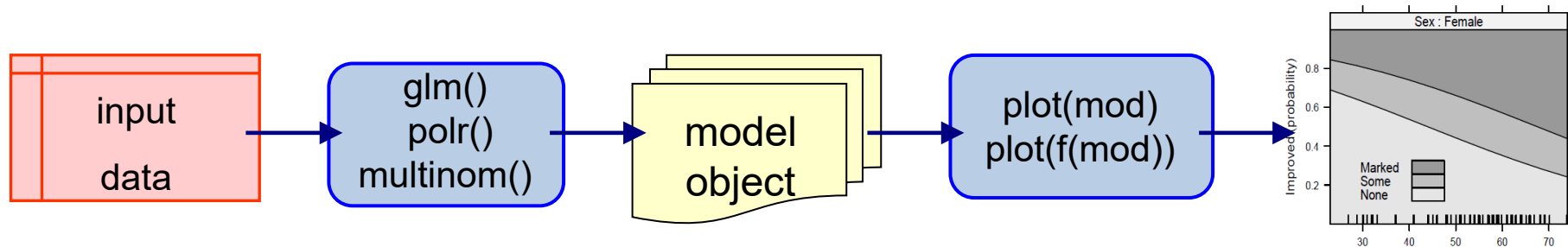
Fitting & graphing models: Overview

Object-oriented approach in R:

- Fit model $(obj <- glm(...)) \rightarrow$ a model object
- `print(obj)` and `summary(obj)` $\rightarrow$ numerical results
- `anova(obj)` and `Anova(obj)` $\rightarrow$ tests for model terms
- `update(obj)`, `add1(obj)`, `drop1(obj)` for model selection

Plot methods:

- `plot(obj)` often gives diagnostic plots
- Other plot methods:
  - Mosaic plots: `mosaic(obj)` for `"loglm"` and `"glm"` objects
  - Effect plots: `plot(Effect(obj))` for nearly all linear models
  - Influence plots (car): `influencePlot(obj)` for `"glm"` objects

Logistic regression

Response variable

- Binary response: success/failure, vote: yes/no
- Binomial data: x successes in n trials (grouped data)

glm(success ~ …, family=binomial)
glm(cbind(Nsuccess, Nfail) ~ …, family=binomial)

Explanatory variables

- Quantitative regressors: age, dose
- Transformed regressors: $\sqrt{age}$, log(dose)
- Polynomial regressors: age^2, age^3, $\cdots$ (or better: splines)
- Categorical predictors: treatment, sex (dummy variables, contrasts)
- Interaction regessors: treatment $\times$ age, sex $\times$ age

This is exactly the same as in classical ANOVA, regression models

Logistic regression: Extensions

Response variable

- Binary response: success/failure, vote: yes/no
- Binomial data: x successes in n trials (grouped data)
- Ordinal response: none < some < severe depression
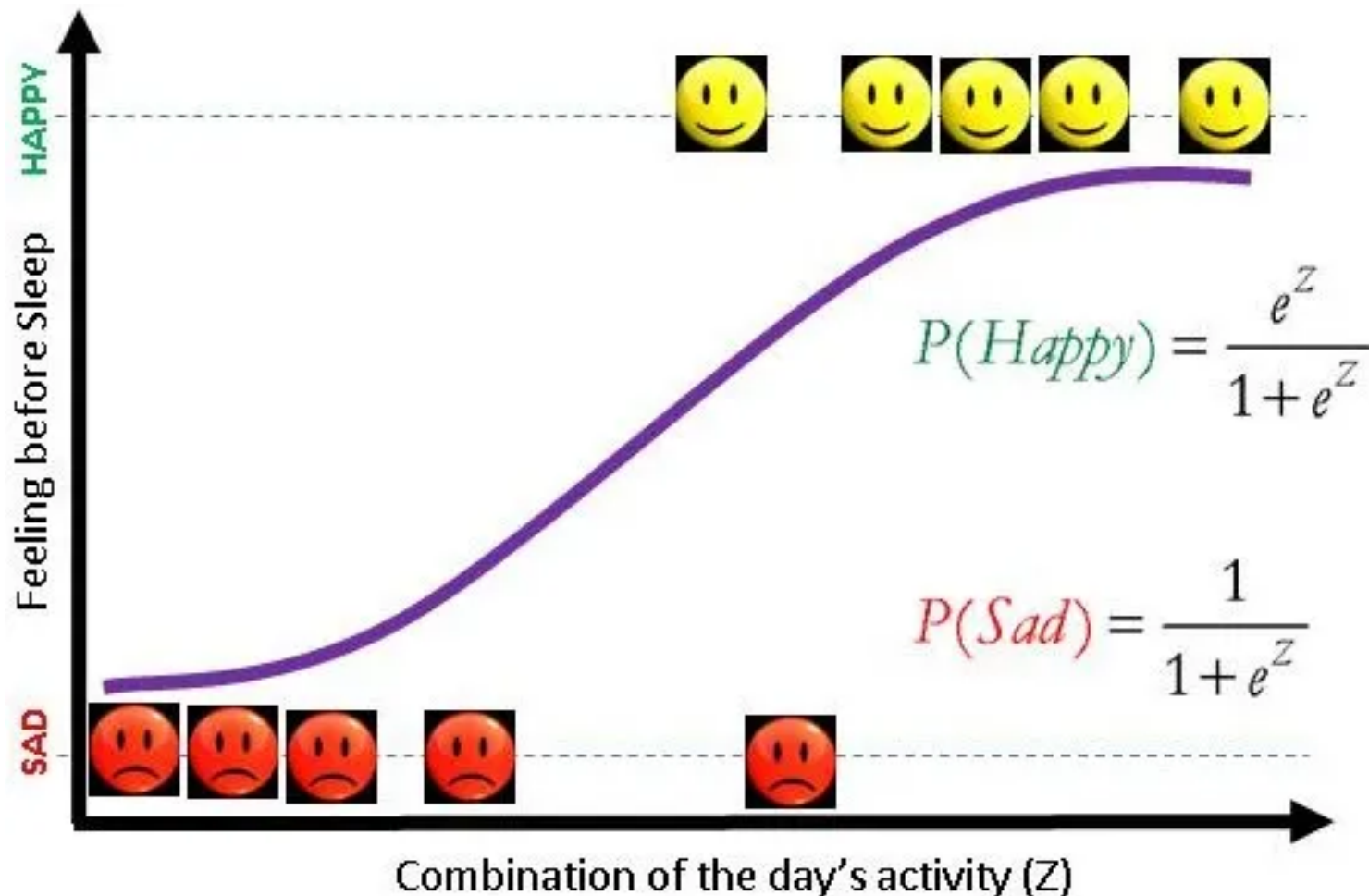- Polytomous response: vote Liberal, Tory, NDP, Green

Extensions of the framework for logistic regression allow us to handle more than two discrete outcomes. Explanatory variable remain the same

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Logistic regression examples

$$P(Happy) = \frac{e^z}{1+e^z}$$

$$P(Sad) = \frac{1}{1+e^z}$$

Combination of the day's activity (Z)

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Survival in the Donner Party

Data on the Donner Party records the fate of 90 people who set out to CA in 1846. They were trapped in an early winter storm near Reno, NV. Only 48 survived.
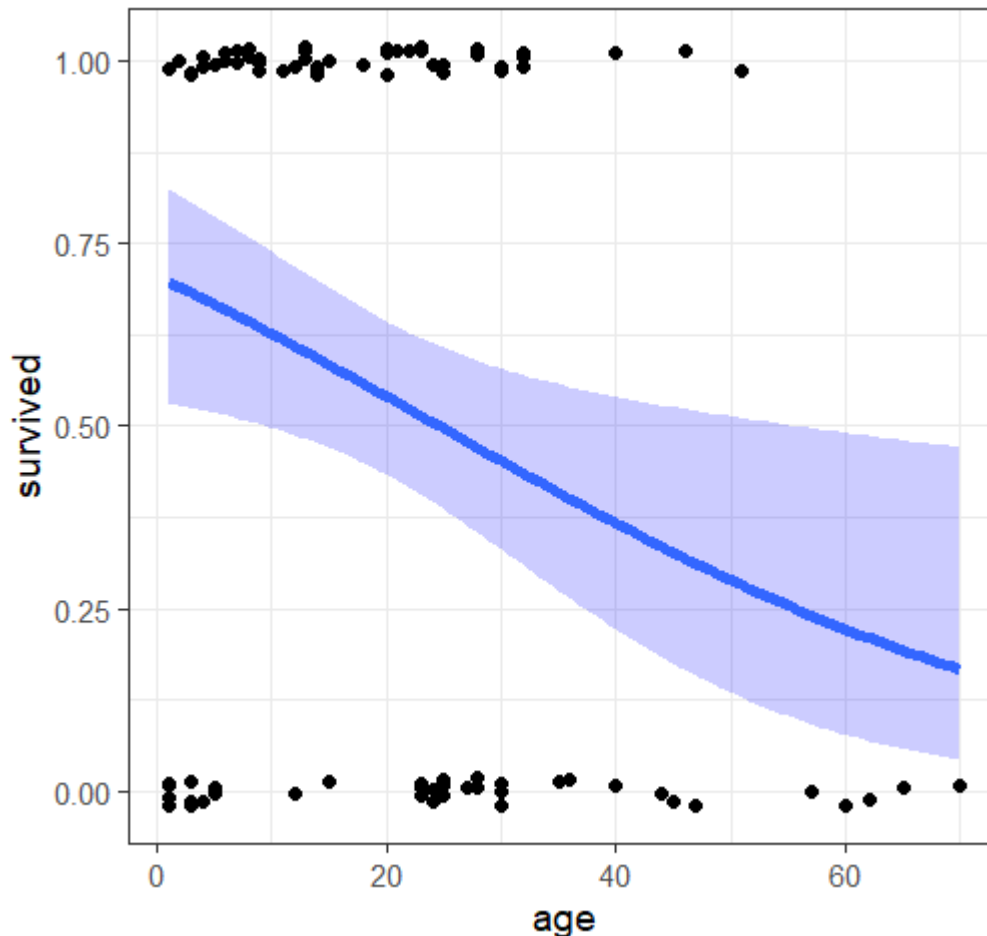
Who survived? Why?

Logistic regression can model the probability of the binary (0/1) outcome of survival

The model is linear in log-odds, but non-linear on the probability scale.

A quantitative predictor like age gives predicted probabilities (& CI)

Other predictors – sex, family, … can give a more detailed understanding

Survival in the Donner Party

- Binary response: `survived`
- Categorical predictors: `sex`, `family`
- Quantitative predictor: `age`

- Q: Is the effect of age linear?
- Q: Are there interactions among predictors?
- This is a generalized pairs plot, with different plots for each pair
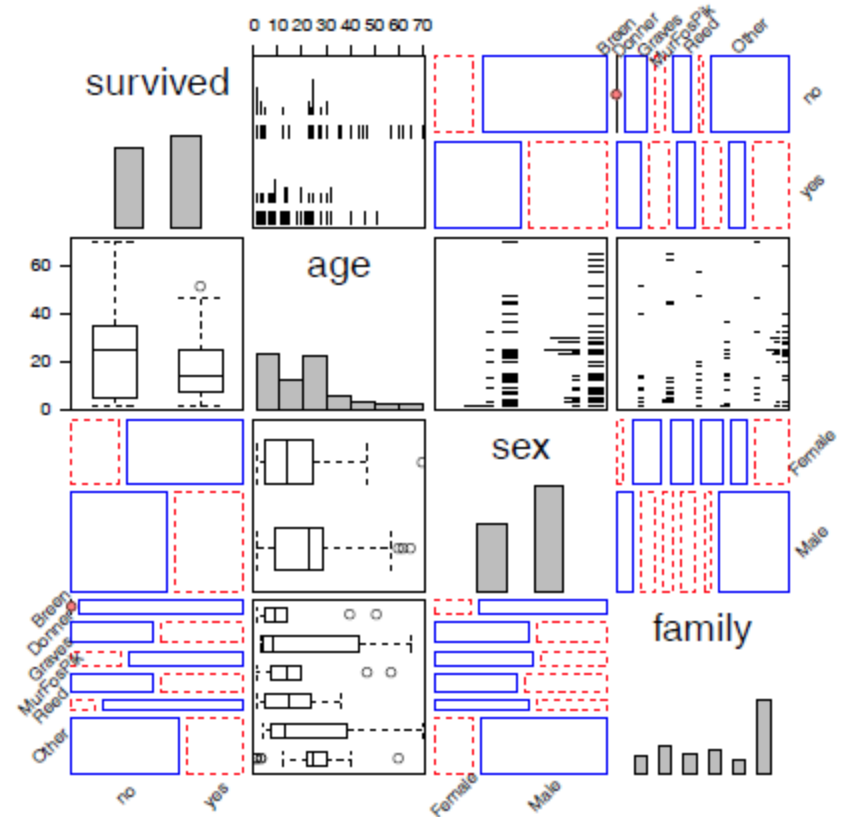
Some possible models:

```
glm(survived ~ age, data=Donner, family=binomial)
glm(survived ~ age + sex + family, data=Donner, family=binomial)
glm(survived ~ age * sex, data=Donner, family=binomial)
```

Challenger: A dataviz disaster

- The space shuttle *Challenger* exploded 73 sec. after takeoff on January 28, 1986, killing all 7 crew
  - Subsequent investigation revealed the proximal cause: Low temperature → failures of the rubber O-rings joining rocket stages
  - The anterior cause was a failure of data analysis & visualization
- Data: 24 previous flights: temperature, # of "incidents"
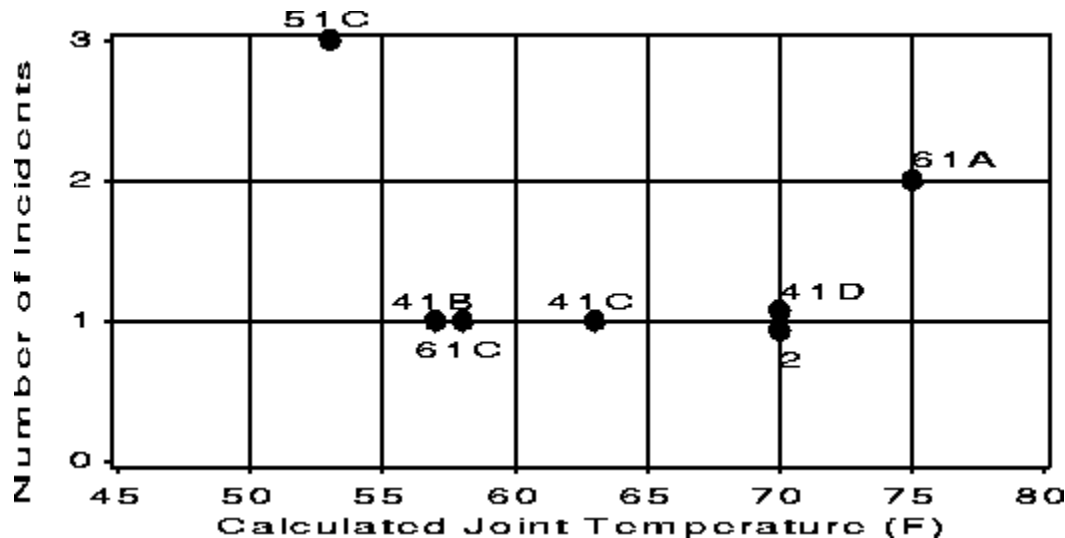
Morton-Thiokol engineers prepared this bad graph

But, they also excluded all flights where there was no damage

Challenger: A better graph

This graph plots the number of failures out of 6 O-rings in all previous flights, including those with 0 failures
- It fits a simple quadratic regression, nFailures ~ poly(Temperature, 2)
- It should have been a warning that failures increase as temperature gets lower
- But it doesn't take into account that nFailures ~ Bin(p, n=6)
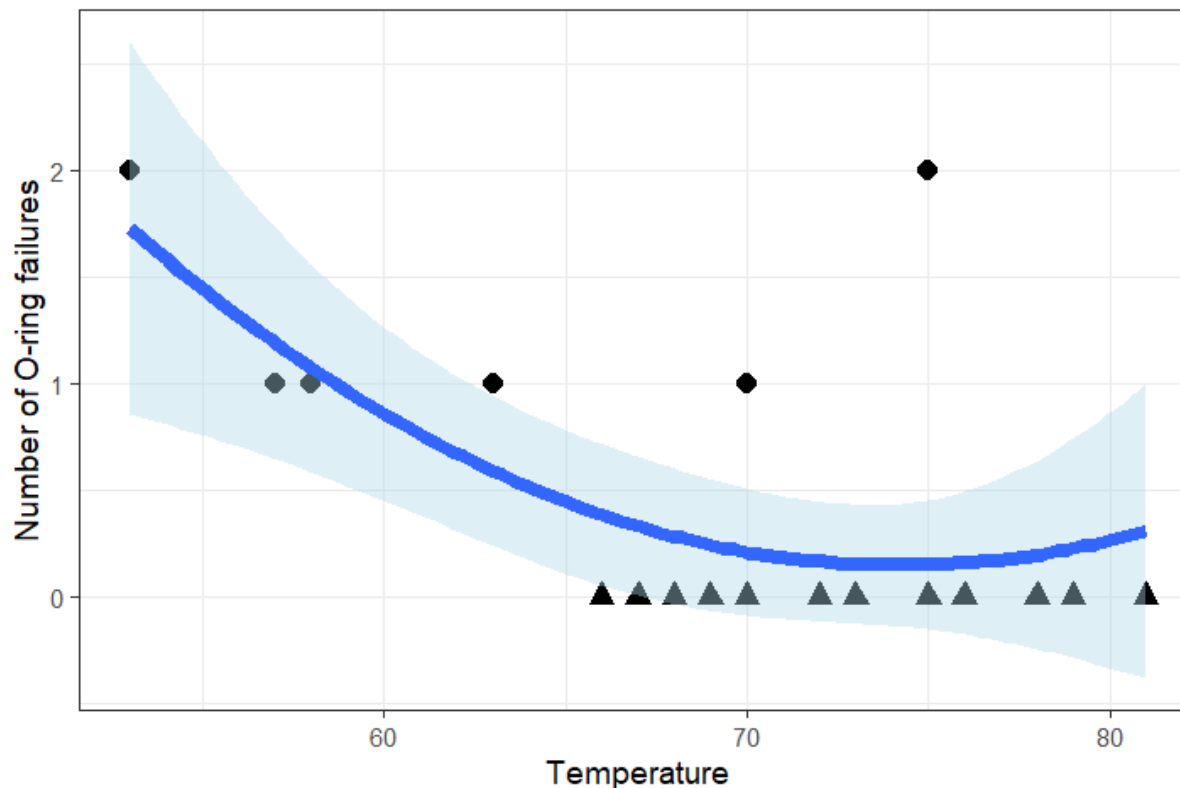
Challenger: A better analysis
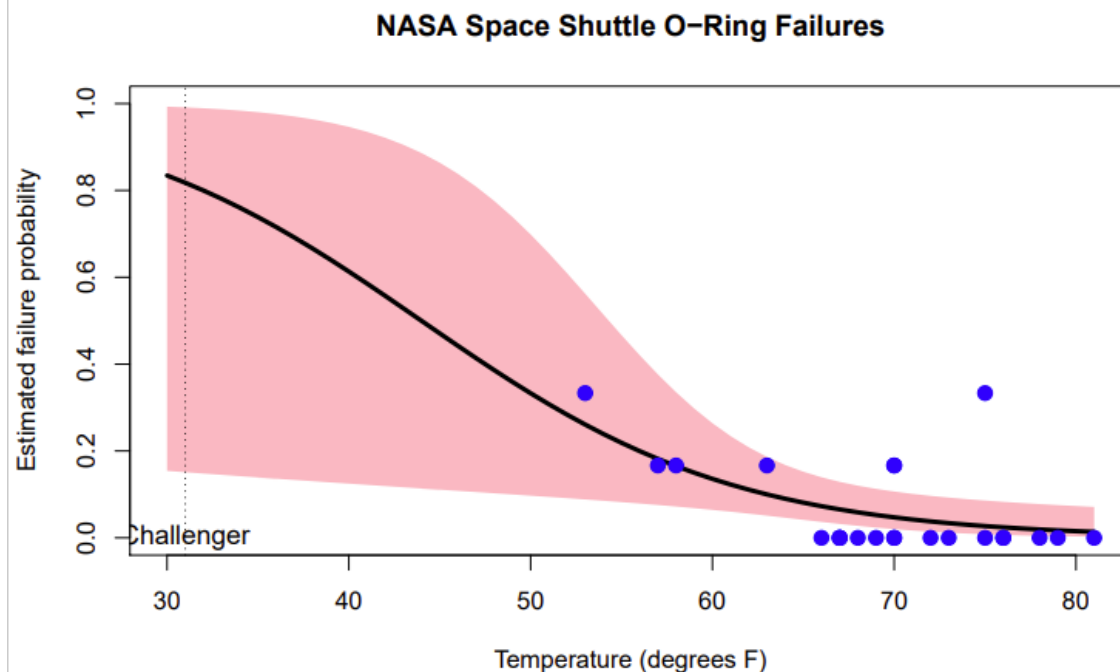
Logistic regression treats the # failures as a binomial outcome with n = 6 trials
The model provides
- Predicted probabilities outside the range of the data
- Confidence intervals, to judge model uncertainty

NASA Space Shuttle O−Ring Failures

When the challenger was launched, the temp was 31° F

The CI band is very wide, but the predicted value is uncomfortably high

This analysis & graph might have saved lives!

Example: Arthritis treatment
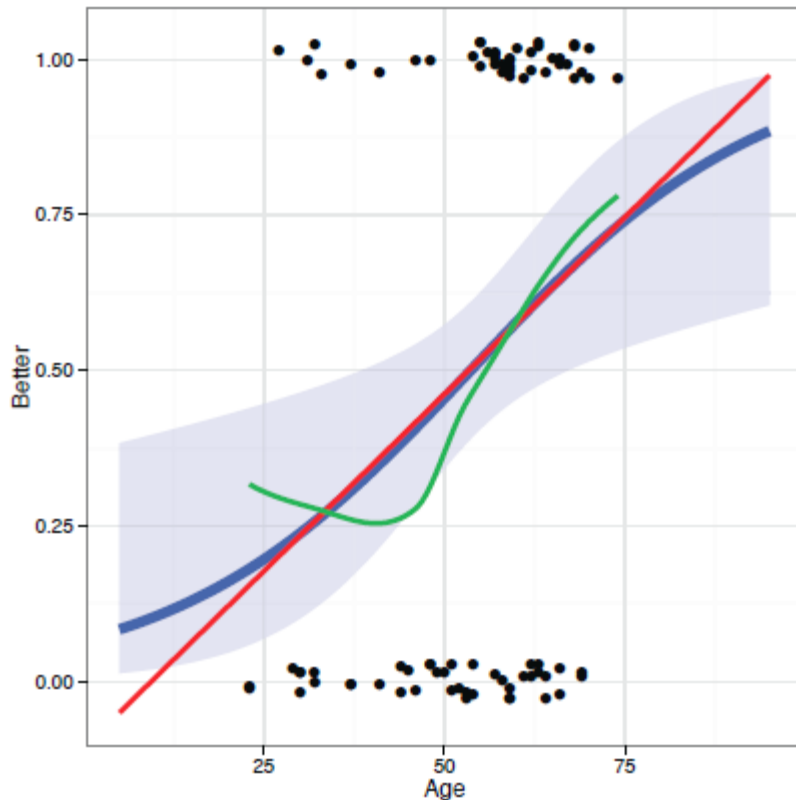
- The response variable, `Improved` is ordinal: `"None"` < `"Some"` < `"Marked"`
- A binary logistic model can consider just `Better = (Improved>"None")`
- Other important predictors: Sex, Treatment

- Main Q: how does treatment affect outcome?
- How does this vary with Age and Sex?
- This plot shows the binary observations, with several model-based smoothings

Example: Berkeley admissions

Model: logit(Admit) = Dept Gender
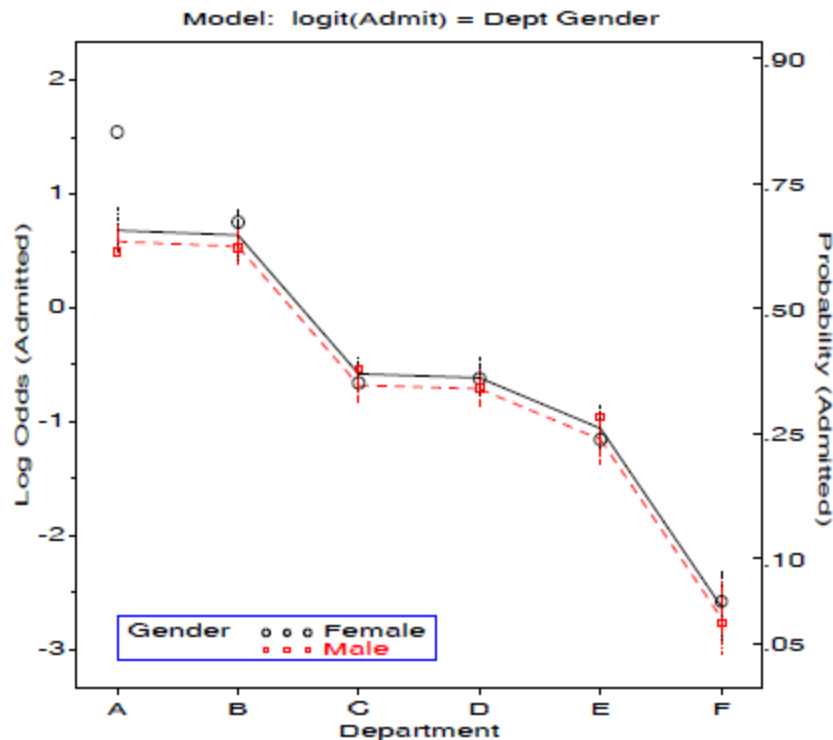
- Admit/Reject can be considered a binomial response for each Dept and Gender
- Logistic regression here is analogous to an ANOVA model, but for log odds(Admit)
- (With categorical predictors, these are often called logit models)

- Every such model has an equivalent loglinear model form.
- This plot shows fitted logits for the main effects model, Dept + Gender

The Logistic Regression Model
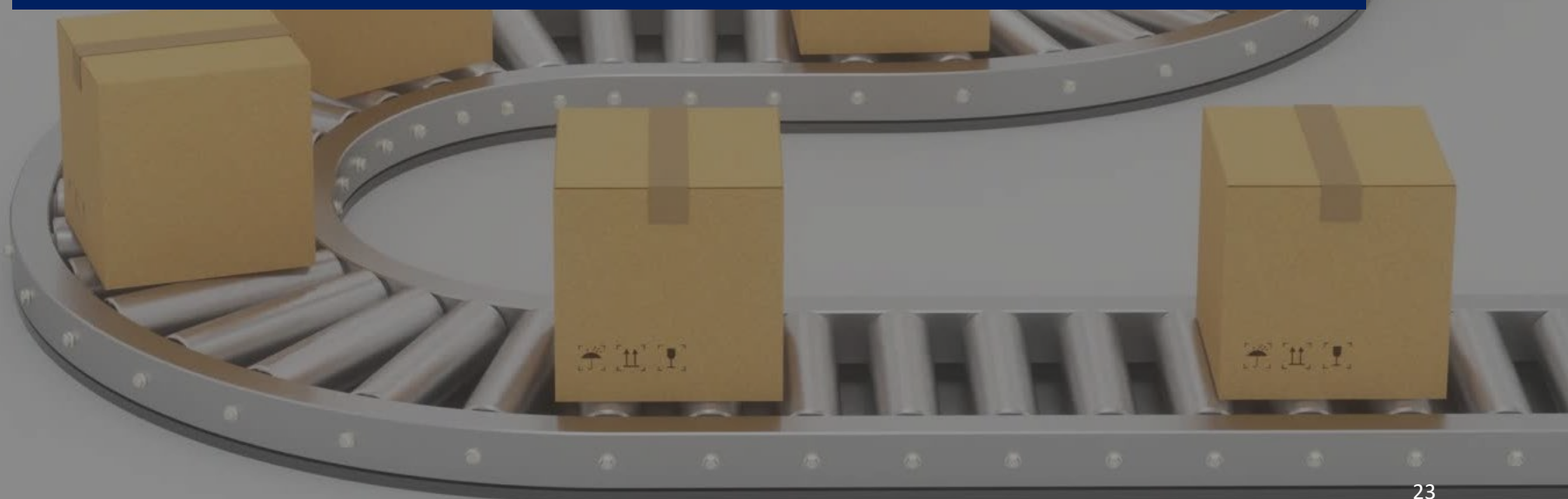
Binary response: What's wrong with OLS?

- For a binary response, $Y \in (0, 1)$, want to predict $\pi = \Pr(Y = 1 \mid x)$
- A linear probability model uses classical linear regression (OLS)
- Problems:
  - Gives predicted values and CIs outside $0 \leq \pi \leq 1$
  - Homogeneity of variance is violated: $\mathcal{V}(\hat{\pi}) = \hat{\pi}(1 - \hat{\pi}) \neq$ constant
  - Inferences, hypothesis tests are wrong!
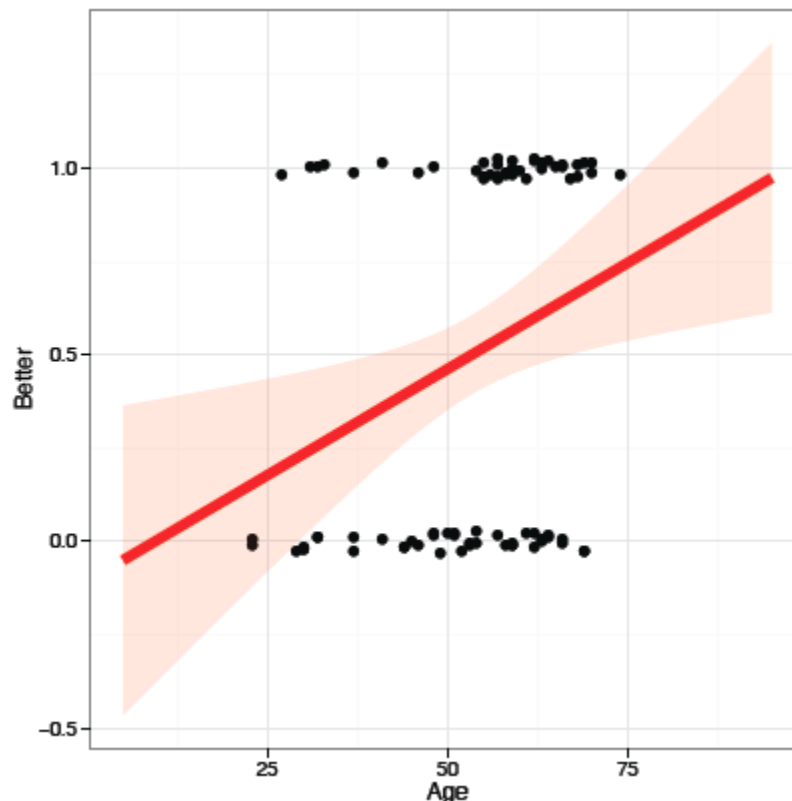
Linear regression vs Logistic regression

OLS regression:
- Assume $y|x \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

Logistic regression:
- Assume $Pr(y=1|x) \sim binomial(p)$
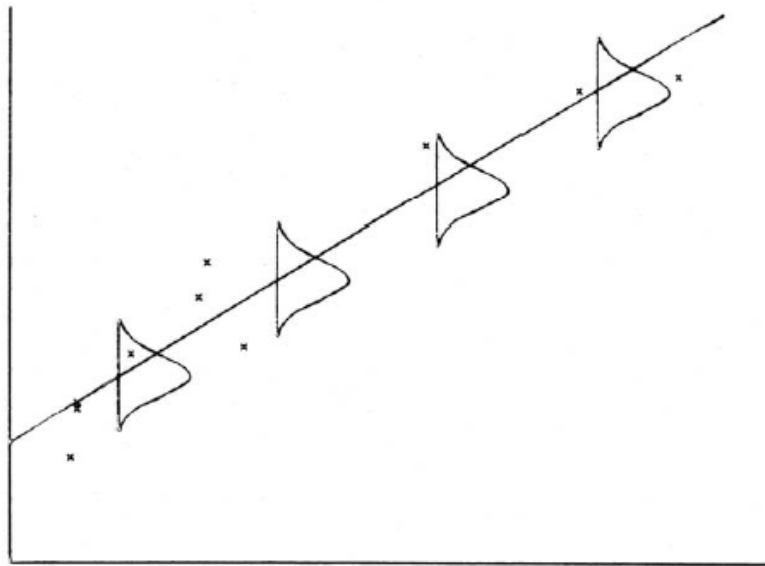
**Fig. 2.1.** Graphical representation of a simple linear normal regression.
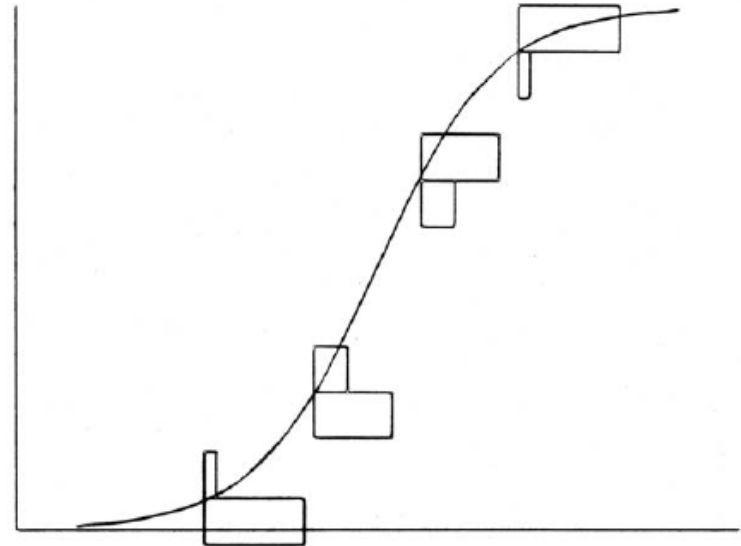
Fig. 2.2. Graphical representation of a simple linear logistic regression.

y linear with x
constant residual variance

$y \sim logit(x)$
non-constant residual variance $\sim p(1-p)$

Logistic regression

- Logistic regression avoids these problems
- Models $\text{logit}(\pi_i) \equiv \log[\pi/(1-\pi)]$
- logit is interpretable as "log odds" that $Y = 1$

- A related probit model gives very similar results, but is less interpretable
- For $0.2 \leq \pi \leq 0.8$ fitted values are close to those from linear regression.
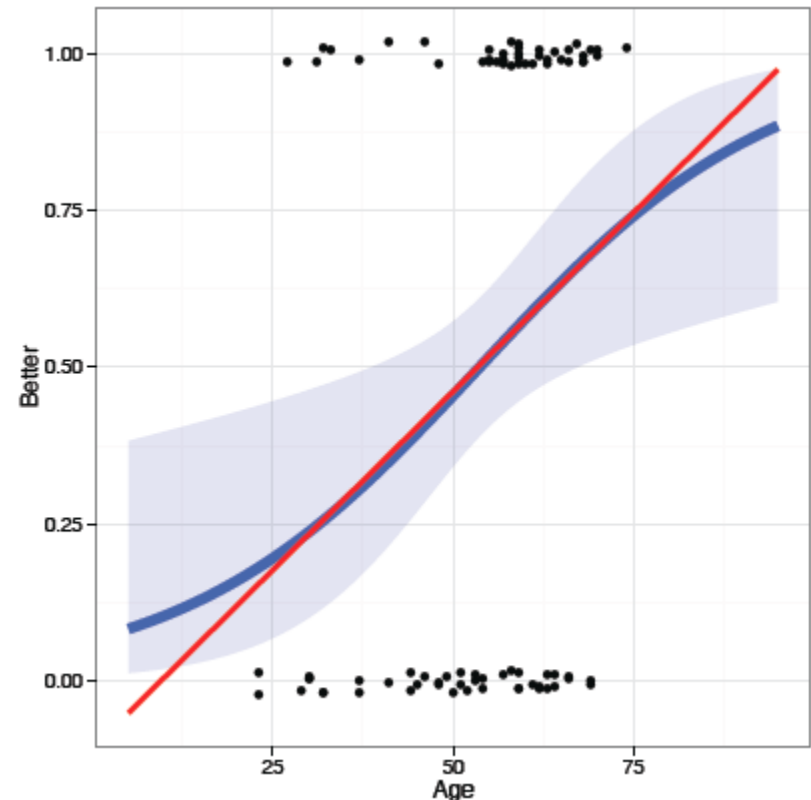
Logistic regression: One predictor

For a single quantitative predictor, x, the simple linear logistic regression model posits a linear relation between the **log odds** (or **logit**) of $\Pr(Y = 1)$ and x,

$$\text{logit}[\pi(x)] \equiv \log\left(\frac{\pi(x)}{1 - \pi(x)}\right) = \alpha + \beta x \ .$$

- When $\beta > 0$, $\pi(x)$ and the log odds increase as x increases; when $\beta < 0$ they decrease with x.
- This model can also be expressed as a model for the probabilities $\pi(x)$

$$\pi(x) = \text{logit}^{-1}[\pi(x)] = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-(\alpha + \beta x)]}$$

Thinking logistically:
- Model is for the log odds of the marked response, Y = 1
- Can always back transform with logit^{-1} to get probability of Y = 1

Logistic regression: One predictor

The coefficients, α, β of this model have simple interpretations in terms of odds & log odds

$$\text{logit}[\pi(x)] \equiv \log\left(\frac{\pi(x)}{1-\pi(x)}\right) = \alpha + \beta x \qquad \text{odds}(Y=1) \equiv \frac{\pi(x)}{1-\pi(x)} = \exp(\alpha + \beta x) = e^{\alpha}(e^{\beta})^x$$

β is the change in log odds for a unit increase in x
$\rightarrow$The odds of Y=1 are multiplied by e^{β} for each unit increase in x
α is the log odds when x=0
$\rightarrow$The odds of Y=1 when x=0 is e^{α}
In R, use `exp(coef(model))` to get these values

Another interpretation: In terms of probability, the slope of the logistic regression curve is $\beta\pi(1-\pi)$
This has the maximum value $\beta/4$ when $\pi = \frac{1}{2}$

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Logistic regression: Multiple predictors

- For a binary response, $Y \in (0, 1)$, let $\boldsymbol{x}$ be a vector of p regressors, and π_i be the probability, $\Pr(Y = 1 \mid \boldsymbol{x})$.

- The logistic regression model is a linear model for the *log odds*, or *logit* that $Y = 1$, given the values in $\boldsymbol{x}$,

$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) \equiv \log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i}\right) = \alpha + \boldsymbol{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \boldsymbol{\beta}$$
$$= \alpha + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \cdots + \beta_p x_{ip}$$

- An equivalent (non-linear) form of the model may be specified for the probability, π_i, itself,

$$\pi_i = \left\{1 + \exp(-[\alpha + \boldsymbol{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \boldsymbol{\beta}])\right\}^{-1}$$

- The logistic model is also a *multiplicative* model for the odds of "success,"

$$\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i} = \exp(\alpha + \boldsymbol{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \exp(\alpha) \exp(\boldsymbol{x}_i^\mathsf{T} \boldsymbol{\beta})$$

Increasing x_{ij} by 1 increases $\text{logit}(\pi_i)$ by β_j, and multiplies the odds by e^{β_j}.

Fitting the logistic regression model

Logistic regression models are the special case of generalized linear models, fit in R using **glm(..., family=binomial)**
For this example, we define **Better** as any improvement at all

```
> data(Arthritis, package="vcd")
> Arthritis$Better <- as.numeric(Arthritis$Improved > "None")
```

Fit and print:

```
> (arth.logistic <- glm(Better ~ Age, data=Arthritis, family=binomial))

Call:  glm(formula = Better ~ Age, family = binomial, data = Arthritis)

Coefficients:
(Intercept)          Age
    -2.6421       0.0492

Degrees of Freedom: 83 Total (i.e. Null);  82 Residual
Null Deviance:        116
Residual Deviance: 109    AIC: 113
```

The summary() method gives details and tests of coefficients

```
> summary(arth.logistic)

Call:
glm(formula = Better ~ Age, family = binomial, data = Arthritis)

Deviance Residuals:
    Min        1Q     Median        3Q        Max
-1.5106   -1.1277    0.0794    1.0677    1.7611

Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)   -2.6421     1.0732    -2.46    0.014 *
Age            0.0492     0.0194     2.54    0.011 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

    Null deviance: 116.45  on 83  degrees of freedom      G² for H₀: β_Age = 0
Residual deviance: 109.16  on 82  degrees of freedom      G² for H₁: β_Age ≠ 0
```

How much better is this than the null model? $\Delta G^2_{(1)} = 116.45 - 109.16 = 7.29$

Interpreting coefficients

```
> coef(arth.logistic)
(Intercept)        Age
  -2.64207     0.04925
```

```
> exp(coef(arth.logistic))
(Intercept)        Age
   0.07121     1.05048
> exp(10*coef(arth.logistic)[2])
  Age
1.636
```

Interpretations:

- log odds(Better) increase by $\beta = 0.0492$ for each year of age
- odds(Better) multiplied by $e^{\beta} = 1.05$ for each year of age— a 5% increase
- over 10 years, odds(Better) are multiplied by $\exp(10 \times 0.0492) = 1.64$, a 64% increase.
- Pr(Better) increases by $\beta/4 = 0.0123$ for each year (near $\pi = \frac{1}{2}$)

Multiple predictors

The main interest here is the effect of Treatment. Sex and Age are control variables. Fit the main effects model (no interactions):

$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \alpha + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \beta_2 x_{i2}$$

where x_1 is Age and x_2 and x_3 are the factors representing Sex and $Treatment$, respectively. R uses dummy (0/1) variables for factors.

$$x_2 = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if Female} \\ 1 & \text{if Male} \end{cases} \qquad x_3 = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if Placebo} \\ 1 & \text{if Treatment} \end{cases}$$

- α doesn't have a sensible interpretation here. Why?
- β_1: increment in log odds(Better) for each year of age.
- β_2: difference in log odds for male as compared to female.
- β_3: difference in log odds for treated vs. the placebo group

Multiple predictors: Fitting

Fit the main effects model. Use I(Age – 50) to center Age, making α interpretable

```
arth.logistic2 <- glm(Better ~ I(Age - 50) + Sex + Treatment,
                      data=Arthritis, family=binomial)
```

lmtest::coeftest() gives just the tests of coefficients provided by summary()

```
> lmtest::coeftest(arth.logistic2)

z test of coefficients:

                 Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)       -0.5781     0.3674   -1.57    0.116
I(Age - 50)        0.0487     0.0207    2.36    0.018 *
SexMale           -1.4878     0.5948   -2.50    0.012 *
TreatmentTreated   1.7598     0.5365    3.28    0.001 **
```

broom::glance() gives model fit statistics

```
> broom::glance(arth.logistic2)
# A tibble: 1 x 8
  null.deviance df.null logLik   AIC   BIC deviance df.residual  nobs
          <dbl>   <int>  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>    <dbl>       <int> <int>
1          116.      83  -46.0  100.  110.     92.1          80    84
```

Interpreting coefficients

```
> cbind(coef=coef(arth.logistic2),
        OddsRatio=exp(coef(arth.logistic2)),
        exp(confint(arth.logistic2)))
                      coef    OddsRatio   2.5 %  97.5 %
(Intercept)        -0.5781      0.561 0.2647   1.132
I(Age - 50)         0.0487      1.050 1.0100   1.096
SexMale            -1.4878      0.226 0.0652   0.689
TreatmentTreated    1.7598      5.811 2.1187  17.727
```

- $\alpha = -0.578$: At age 50, females given placebo have odds(Better) of $e^{-0.578} = 0.56$.
- $\beta_1 = 0.0487$: Each year of age multiplies odds(Better) by $e^{0.0487} = 1.05$, a 5% increase.
- $\beta_2 = -1.49$: Males $e^{-1.49} = 0.26 \times$ less likely to show improvement as females. (Or, females $e^{1.49} = 4.437 \times$ more likely than males.)
- $\beta_3 = 1.76$: Treated $e^{1.76}=5.81 \times$ more likely Better than Placebo

Hypothesis testing: Questions

- **Overall test**: How does my model, $\text{logit}(\pi) = \alpha + \mathbf{x}^\top \boldsymbol{\beta}$ compare with the null model, $\text{logit}(\pi) = \alpha$?

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \cdots = \beta_p = 0$$

- **One predictor**: Does x_k significantly improve my model? Can it be dropped?

$$H_0 : \beta_k = 0 \quad \text{given other predictors retained}$$

- **Lack of fit**: How does my model compare with a perfect model (saturated model)?

For ANOVA, regression, these tests are carried out using F-tests and t-tests. In logistic regression (fit by maximum likelihood) we use

- F-tests $\rightarrow$ likelihood ratio G^2 tests
- t-tests $\rightarrow$ Wald z or χ^2 tests

Maximum likelihood estimation

In classical linear models using `lm()` , we fit using ordinary least squares.
All `glm()` models use maximum likelihood estimation– better properties

- Likelihood, $\mathcal{L} = \text{Pr}(\textit{data} \,|\, \textit{model})$, as function of model parameters
- For case i,

$$\mathcal{L}_i = \begin{cases} p_i & \text{if } Y = 1 \\ 1 - p_i & \text{if } Y = 0 \end{cases} = p_i^{Y_i}(1 - p_i^{Y_i}) \qquad \text{where} \qquad p_i = 1/(1 + \exp(\mathbf{x}_i\boldsymbol{\beta}))$$

- Under independence, joint likelihood is the product over all cases

$$\mathcal{L} = \prod_i^n p_i^{Y_i}(1 - p_i^{Y_i})$$

- $\implies$ Find estimates $\widehat{\beta}$ that maximize $\log \mathcal{L}$. Iterative, but this solves the "estimating equations"

$$\mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}^{\mathsf{T}}\widehat{\mathbf{p}}$$

Overall model tests

Likelihood ratio test (G^2)

- Compare nested models, similar to F tests in OLS
- Let L_1 = maximized value for our model

  $\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \beta_0 + \mathbf{x}^T_i \, \boldsymbol{\beta}$ w/ k predictors

- Let L_0 = maximized likelihood for the null model

  $\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \beta_0$ under $H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_k$

- Likelihood ratio test statistic:

$$G^2 = -2\log\left(\frac{L_0}{L_1}\right) = 2(\log L_1 - \log L_0) \sim \chi^2_k$$

Wald tests & confidence intervals

- Analogous to *t*-tests in OLS

- Test $H_0: \beta_i = 0$

$$z = \frac{b_i}{s(b_i)} \quad \sim \quad \mathcal{N}(0,1) \qquad \text{or} \qquad z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$$

- Confidence interval

$$b_i \pm z_{1-\alpha/2} \; s(b_i)$$

```
> r1 <- lmtest::coeftest(arth.logistic2)
> r2 <- confint(arth.logistic2)
Waiting for profiling to be done...
> cbind(r1, r2)
                 Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|) 2.5 % 97.5 %
(Intercept)        -0.578      0.367    -1.6    0.116 -1.33  0.124
I(Age - 50)         0.049      0.021     2.4    0.018  0.01  0.092
SexMale            -1.488      0.595    -2.5    0.012 -2.73 -0.372
TreatmentTreated    1.760      0.536     3.3    0.001  0.75  2.875
```

LR, Wald & Score tests

Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0

Test	Chi-Square	DF	Pr > ChiSq
Likelihood Ratio	24.3859	3	<.0001
Score	22.0051	3	<.0001
Wald	17.5147	3	0.0006

H0: $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$
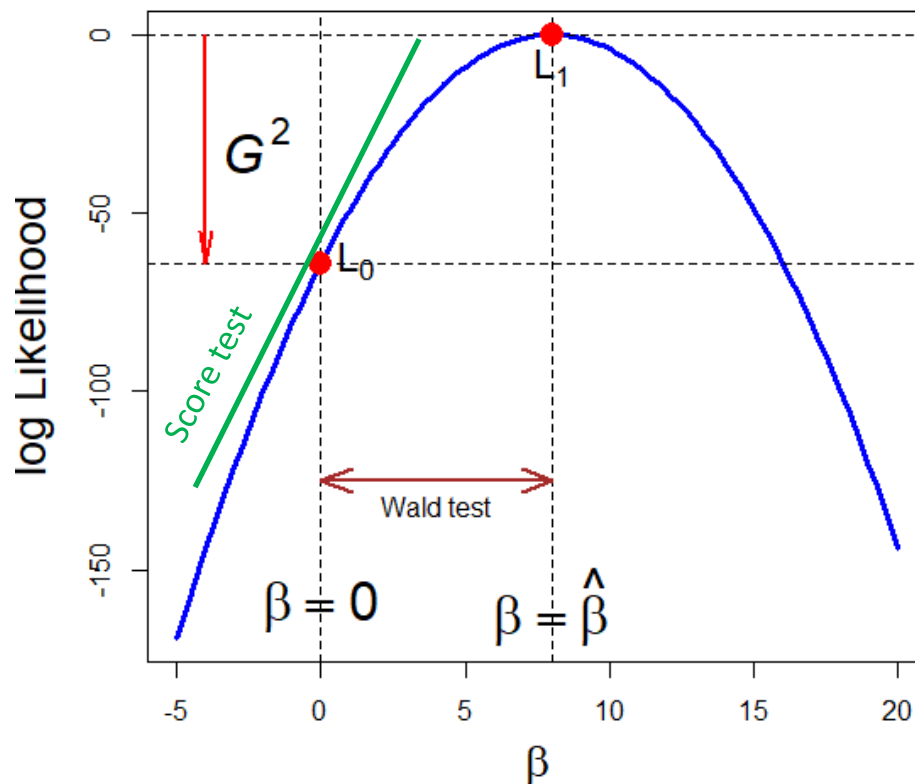
Different ways to measure departure from H_0: $\boldsymbol{\beta} = 0$

- LR test: diff[ce] in log L
- Wald test: $(\boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}_0)^2$
- Score test: slope at $\boldsymbol{\beta} = 0$

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Plotting logistic regression data

Plotting a binary response together with a fitted logistic model can be difficult because the 0/1 response leads to much overplottting.

- Need to jitter the points
- Useful to show the fitted logistic curve
- Confidence band gives a sense of uncertainty
- Adding a non-parametric (loess) smooth shows possible nonlinearity
- NB: Can plot either on the response scale (probability) or the link scale (logit) where effects are linear
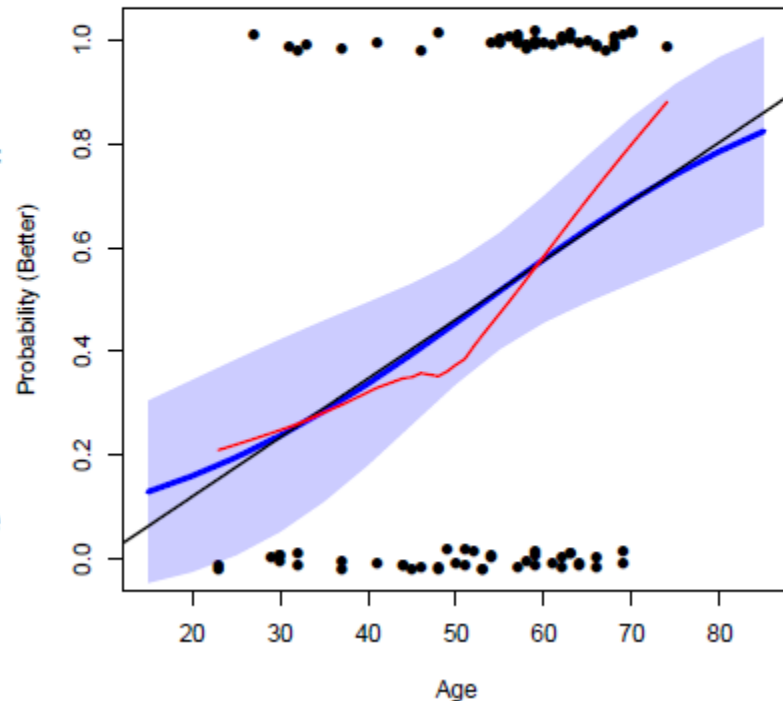
Types of plots

- Conditional plots: Stratified plot of Y or logit(Y) vs. one X, conditioned by other predictors--- only that subset is plotted for each panel
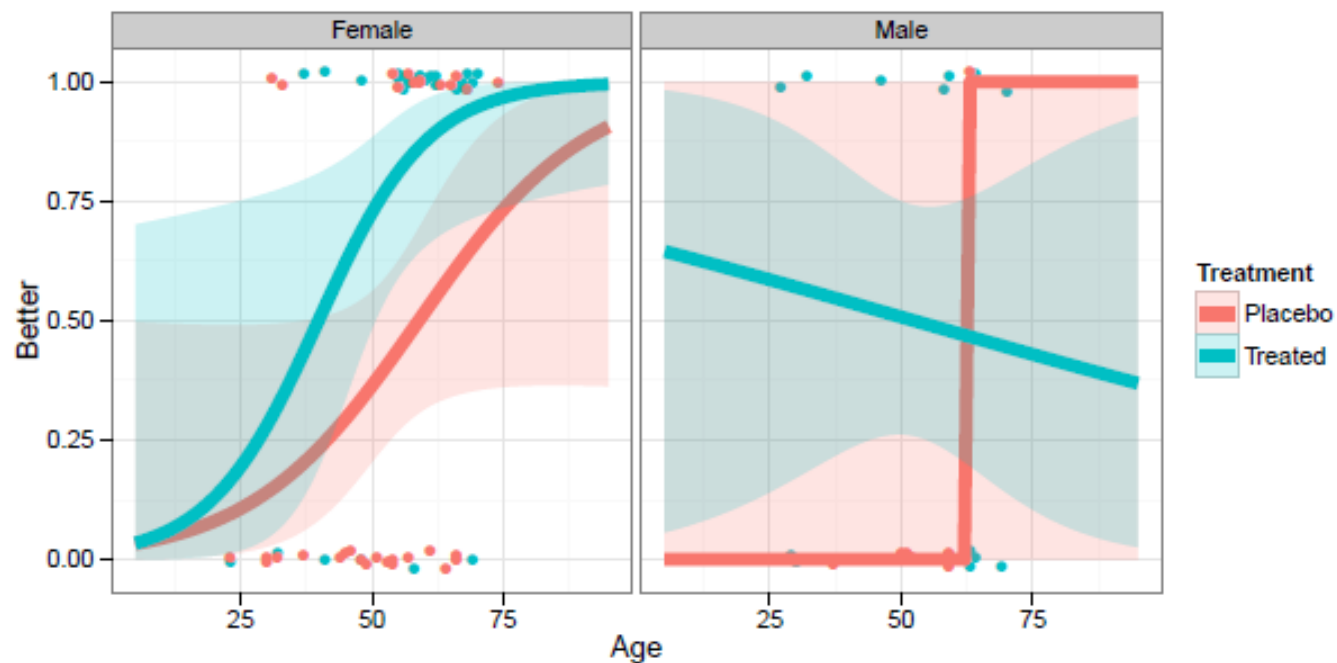
Types of plots

- Full-model plots: Plot of fitted response surface, showing all effects; usually shown in several panels
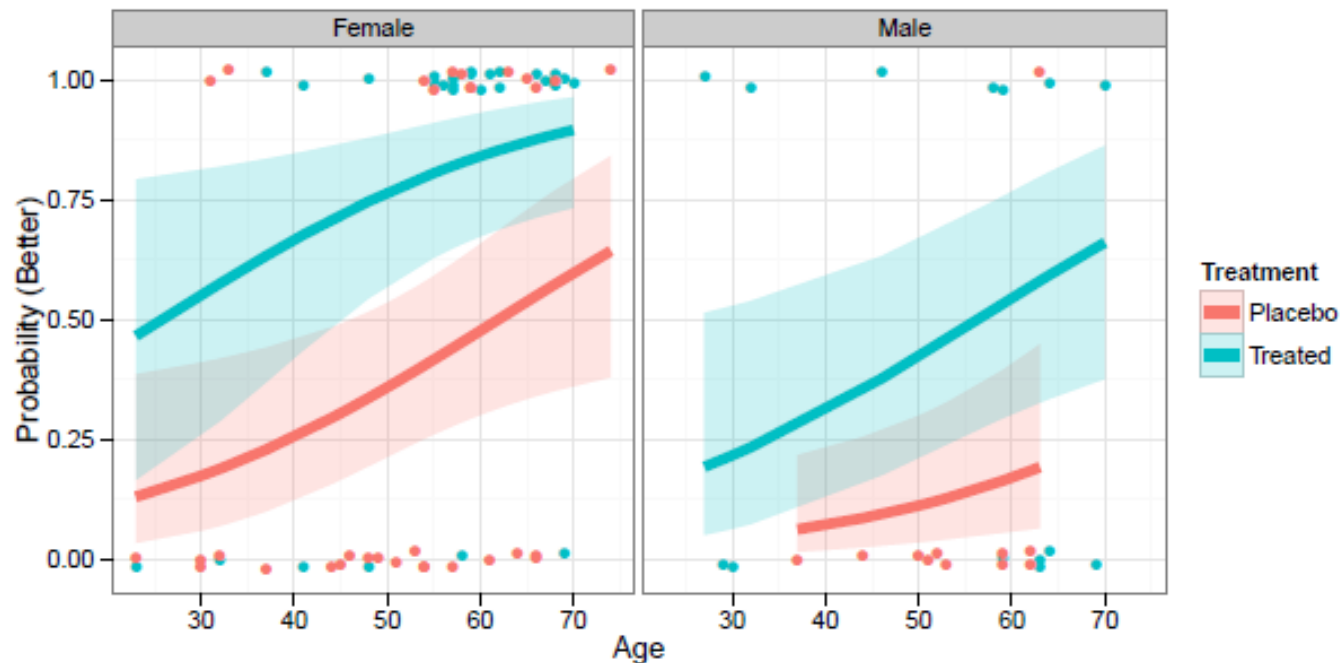
Types of plots

- Effect plots: plots of predicted effects for terms in the model, averaged over predictors not shown in a given plot
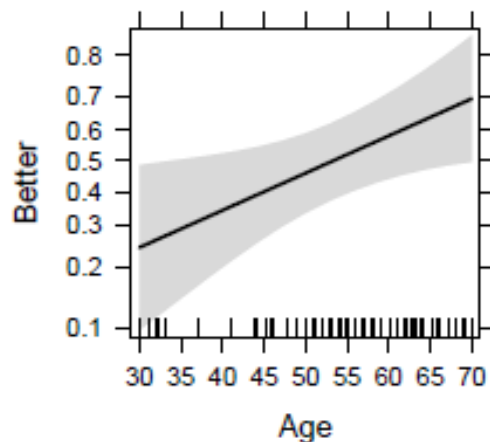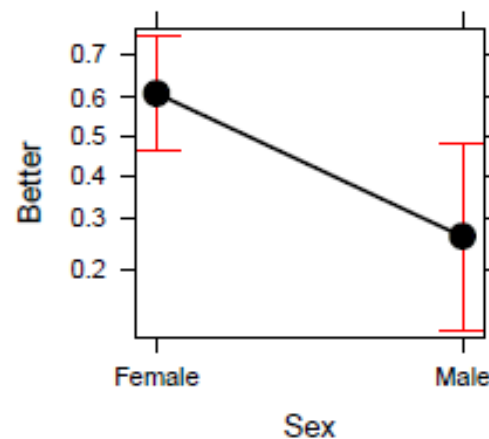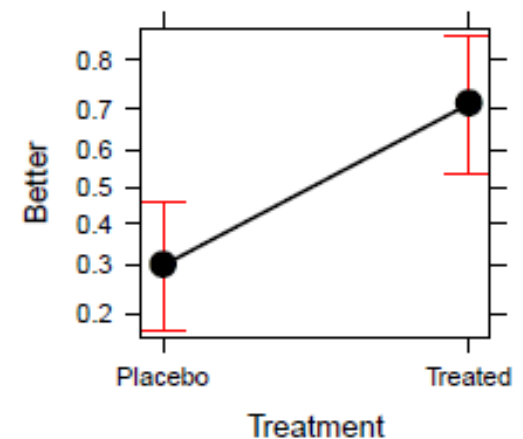
Conditional plots with ggplot2

Plot Arthritis data by Treatment, ignoring Sex; overlay fitted logistic reg. lines

```
gg <- ggplot(Arthritis, aes(Age, Better, color=Treatment)) +
  xlim(15, 85) +
  geom_jitter(height = 0.02, width = 0, size=2) +
  stat_smooth(method = "glm", method.args=(family = "binomial"), alpha = 0.2,
              aes(fill=Treatment), size=2.5, fullrange=TRUE) +
  theme_bw(base_size = 16) + theme(legend.position = c(.85, .2))
gg    # show the plot
```
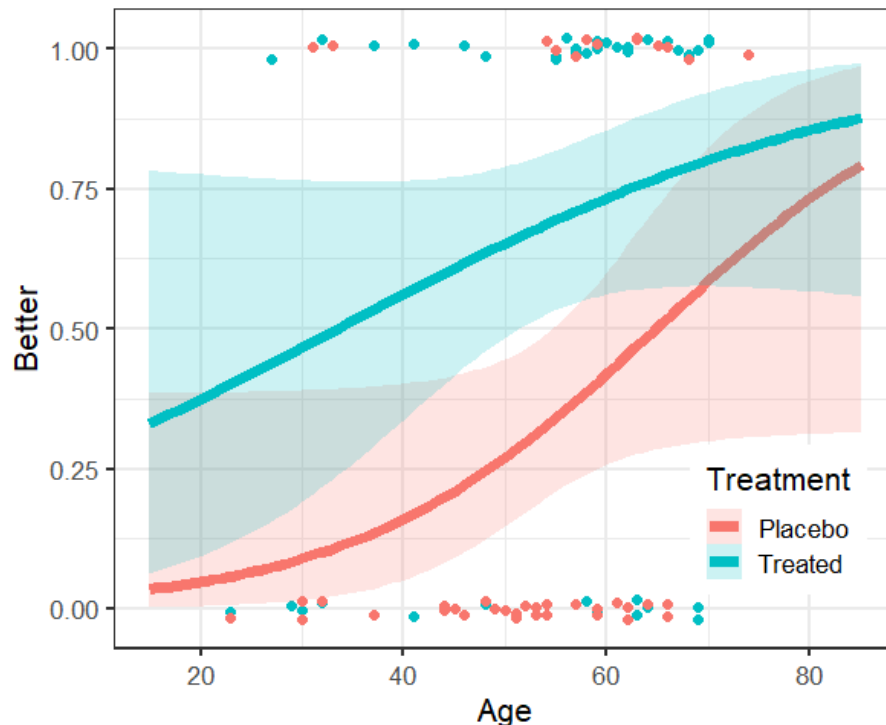

geom_jitter() shows the observations more distinctly

Fitted lines use method="glm", family=binomial

Conditional plots with ggplot2

Can show the conditional plots for M & F, simply by faceting by Sex

```
gg + facet_wrap(~ Sex)
```
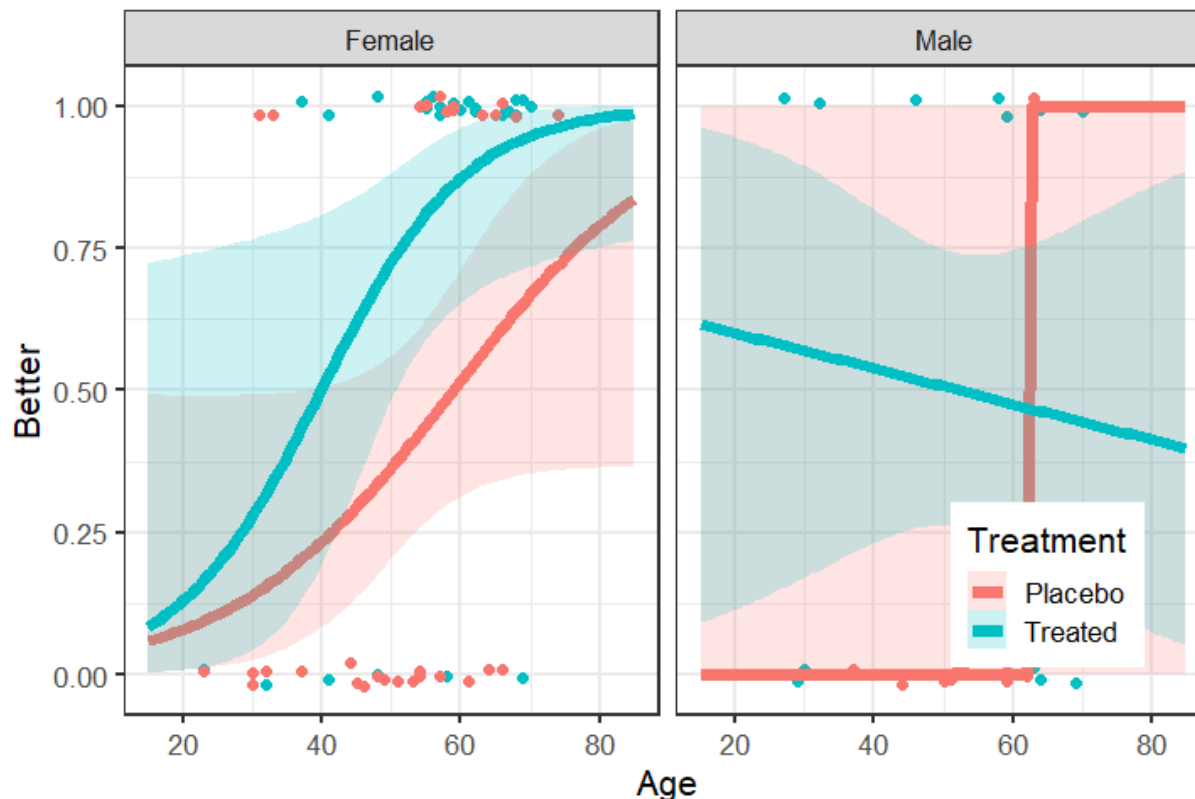

Only the data for each Sex is used in each plot

Plotting the data points shows that the data for males is too thin to give good estimates of separate regression

Full-model plots

Full-model plots show the fitted values on the logit scale or on the response scale (probability), usually with confidence bands. This often requires a bit of custom programming.

Steps:

- Obtain fitted values with `predict(model, se.fit=TRUE)` — `type="link"` (logit) is the default
- Can use `type="response"` for probability scale
- Join this to your data (`cbind()`)
- Plot as you like: `plot()`, `ggplot()`, ⋯

```
> arth.fit2 <- cbind(Arthritis,
+                    predict(arth.logistic2, se.fit = TRUE))
> head(arth.fit2[,-9], 4)
  ID Treatment  Sex Age Improved Better   fit se.fit
1 57   Treated Male  27     Some      1 -1.43  0.758
2 46   Treated Male  29     None      0 -1.33  0.728
3 77   Treated Male  30     None      0 -1.28  0.713
4 17   Treated Male  32   Marked      1 -1.18  0.684
```

Plotting with ggplot2

Plot the fitted log odds, confidence band and observations

```
arth.fit2 <- arth.fit2 |>
  mutate(obs = ifelse(Better==0, -4, 4))    # show obs at -4, 4

ggplot( arth.fit2, aes(x=Age, y=fit, color=Treatment)) +
  geom_line(size = 2) +
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = fit - 1.96 * se.fit,
                  ymax = fit + 1.96 * se.fit,
                  fill = Treatment), alpha = 0.2,
              color = "transparent") +
  labs(x = "Age", y = "Log odds (Better)") +
  geom_jitter(aes(y=obs), height=0.25, width=0) +
  facet_wrap(~ Sex) +
  theme_bw(base_size = 16)
```

Using color=Treatment gives separate points and lines for the two groups

Full-model plot

Plotting on the logit scale shows the additive effects of age, treatment and sex
NB: easier to compare the treatment groups within the same panel
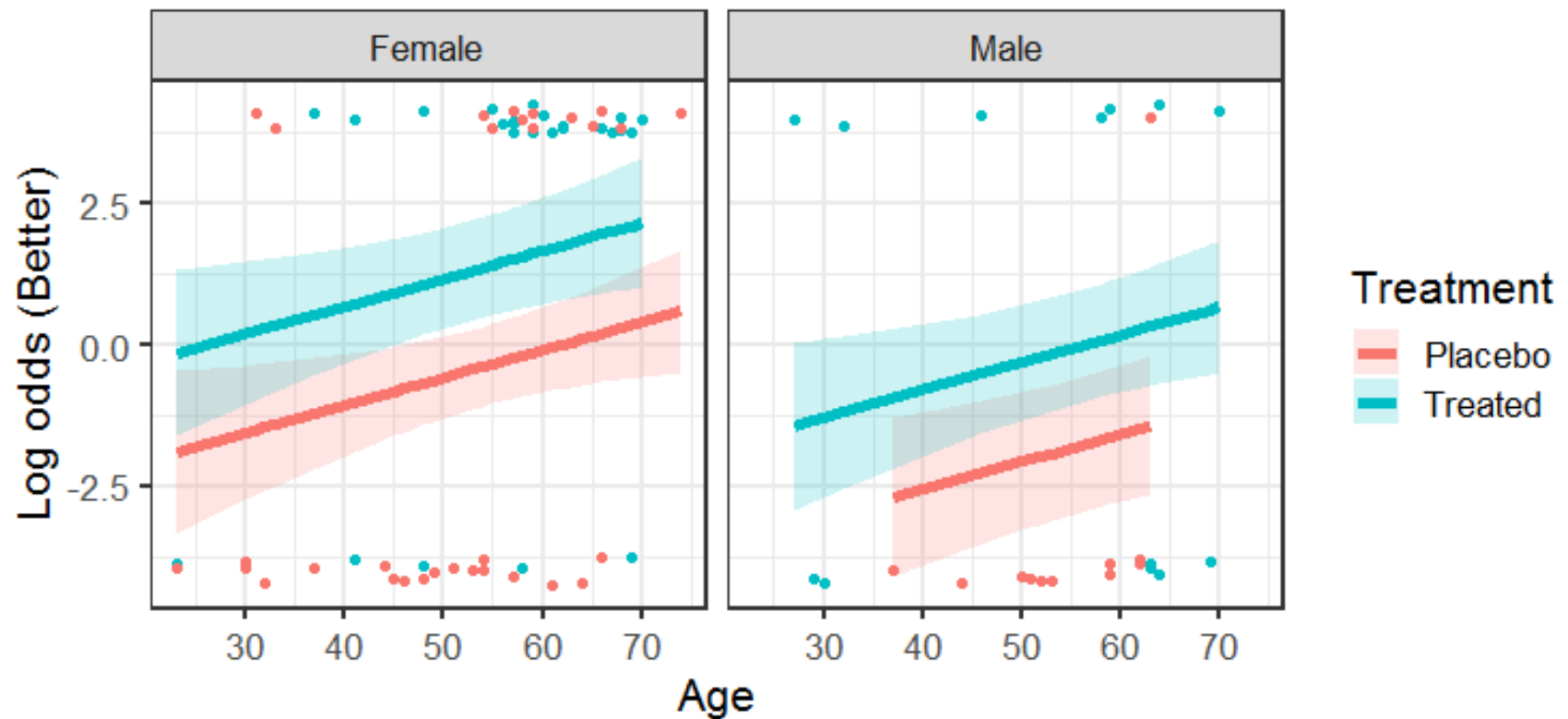
These plots show model uncertainty (confidence bands)
Jittered points show the data

Full-model plot

Plotting on the probability scale may be simpler to interpret
Use **predict(… type = "response")** to get fitted probabilities

```
arth.fit2r <- cbind(Arthritis,
                    predict(arth.logistic2, se.fit = TRUE, type="response"))
```
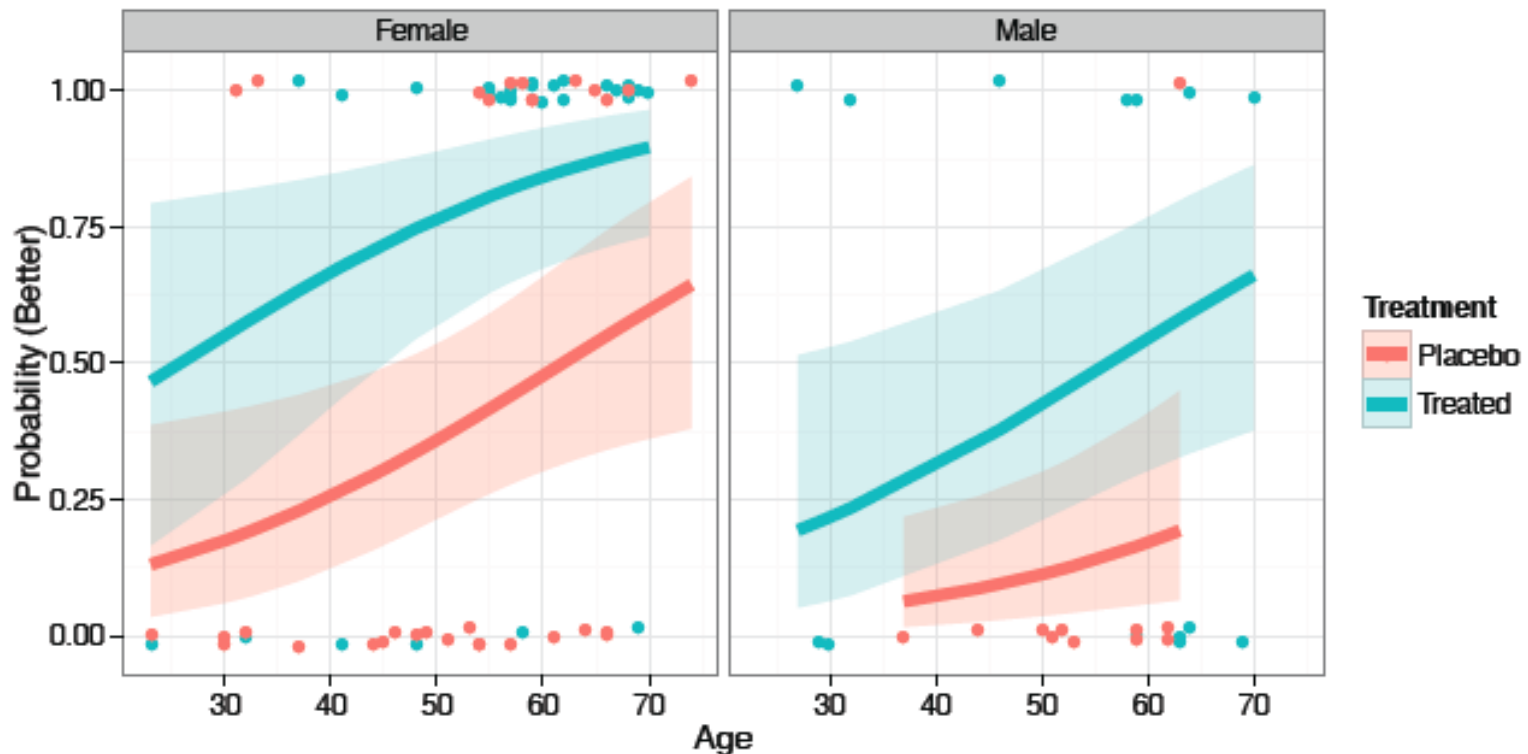
Models with interactions

Is the linear effect of age the same for females, males?

- We can test this by adding an interaction of Sex × Age
- **update()** makes it easy to add/subtract terms from a model
- **car::Anova()** gives partial tests of each term after all others

```
> arth.logistic4 <- update(arth.logistic2, . ~ . + I(Age-50):Sex)
> car::Anova(arth.logistic4)
Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)

Response: Better
                 LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
I(Age - 50)         6.16  1    0.01308 *
Sex                 6.98  1    0.00823 **
Treatment          11.90  1    0.00056 ***
I(Age - 50):Sex     3.42  1    0.06430 .
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The interaction term Age:Sex is not quite significant, but plot the fitted model anyway

Models with interactions
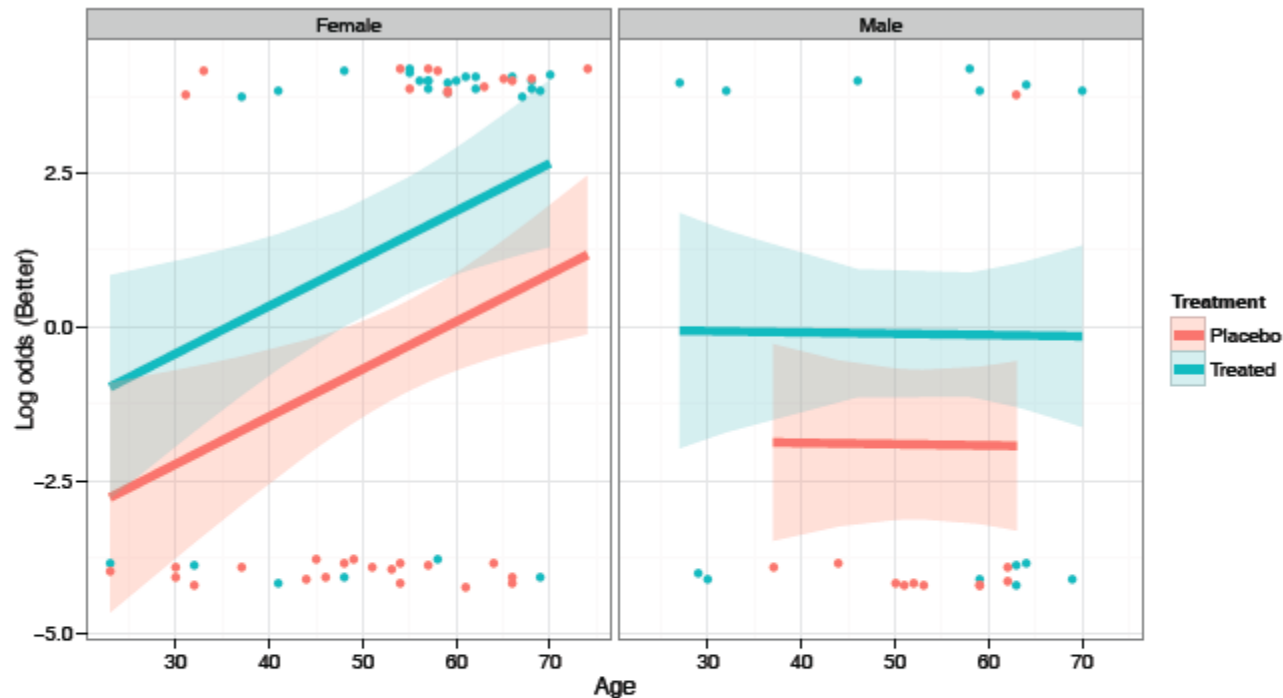
- Only the model changes
- `predict()` automatically incorporates the revised model terms
- Plotting steps remain the same
- This interpretation is quite different!

Effect plots: Basic ideas

Show a given marginal effect, controlling / adjusting for other model effects

Data

	x1	x2	sex	x1x2	y	yhat
1	1	1	F	1	4.73	4.46
2	2	1	M	0	6.10	5.55
3	3	1	F	-1	4.32	4.34
4	1	1	F	1	4.84	4.46
5	2	1	F	0	4.73	4.40
...	...	...	...	...	...	...
29	2	2	M	0	6.10	6.15
30	3	2	F	1	6.71	7.14

- Fit data: $\mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{y}}$

- Score data $\mathbf{X}^*\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \Rightarrow \hat{\mathbf{y}}^*$
  - plot vars: vary over range
  - control vars: fix at means

Score data

	x1	x2	sex	x1:x2	y	yhat*
31	1	1	0.5	1	NA	5.030
32	2	1	0.5	2	NA	4.971
33	3	1	0.5	3	NA	4.912
34	1	2	0.5	2	NA	3.437
35	2	2	0.5	4	NA	5.574
36	3	2	0.5	6	NA	7.710

plot vars   control vars

plot

x1*x2 effect plot

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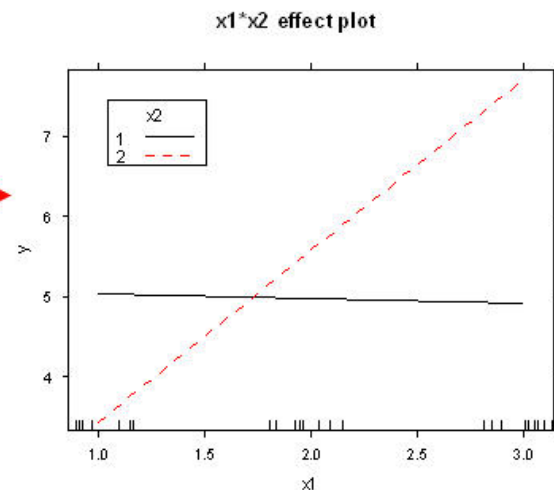
Effect plots: Details

- For simple models, full model plots show the complete relation between response and *all predictors*.
- Fox(1987)— For complex models, often wish to plot a specific main effect or interaction (including lower-order relatives)— *controlling for other effects*
  - Fit full model to data with linear predictor (e.g., logit) $\eta = X\beta$ and link function $g(\mu) = \eta \rightarrow$ estimate b of β and covariance matrix $\widehat{V(b)}$ of b.
  - Construct "score data"
    - Vary each predictor in the term over its' range
    - Fix other predictors at "typical" values (mean, median, proportion in the data)
    - $\rightarrow$ "effect model matrix," X^*
  - Use `predict()` on X^*
    - Calculate fitted effect values, $\hat{\eta}^* = X^* b$.
    - Standard errors are square roots of $\mathrm{diag}\ X^* \widehat{V(b)} X^{*\top}$
  - Plot $\hat{\eta}^*$, or values transformed back to scale of response, $g^{-1}(\hat{\eta}^*)$.
- *Note*: This provides a general means to visualize interactions in *all* linear and generalized linear models.

Plotting main effects

allEffects() calculates effects for all high-order terms in the model
The response is plotted on the logit scale, but labeled with probabilities

```
library(effects)
arth.eff2 <- allEffects(arth.logistic2)
plot(arth.eff2, rows=1, cols=3, lwd=2)
```
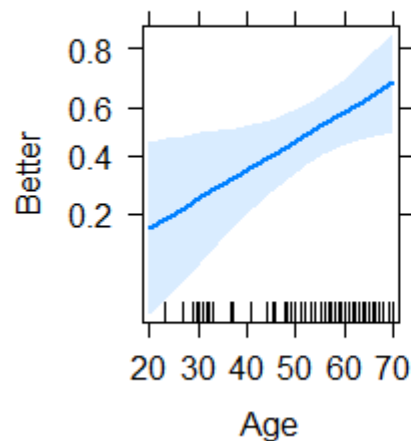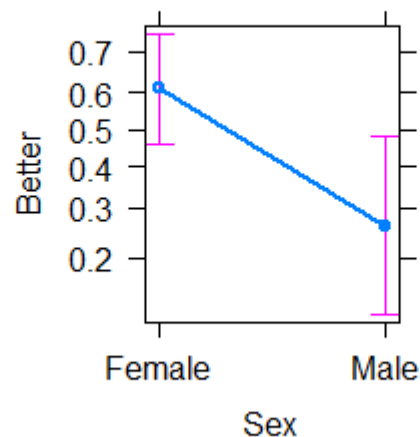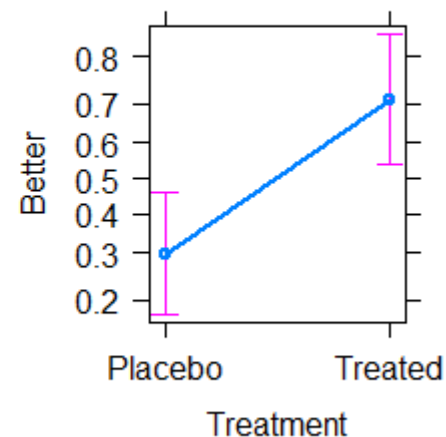

Averaged over:	Sex Treatment	Age Treatment	Age Sex

Full-model plot

The full-model plot is simply the `Effect()` of the highest-order interaction of factors

```
arth.full <- Effect(c("Age", "Treatment", "Sex"), arth.logistic2)
plot(arth.full, multiline=TRUE, ci.style="bands",
     colors = c("red", "blue"), lwd=3,  . . .)
```


Age*Treatment*Sex effect plot
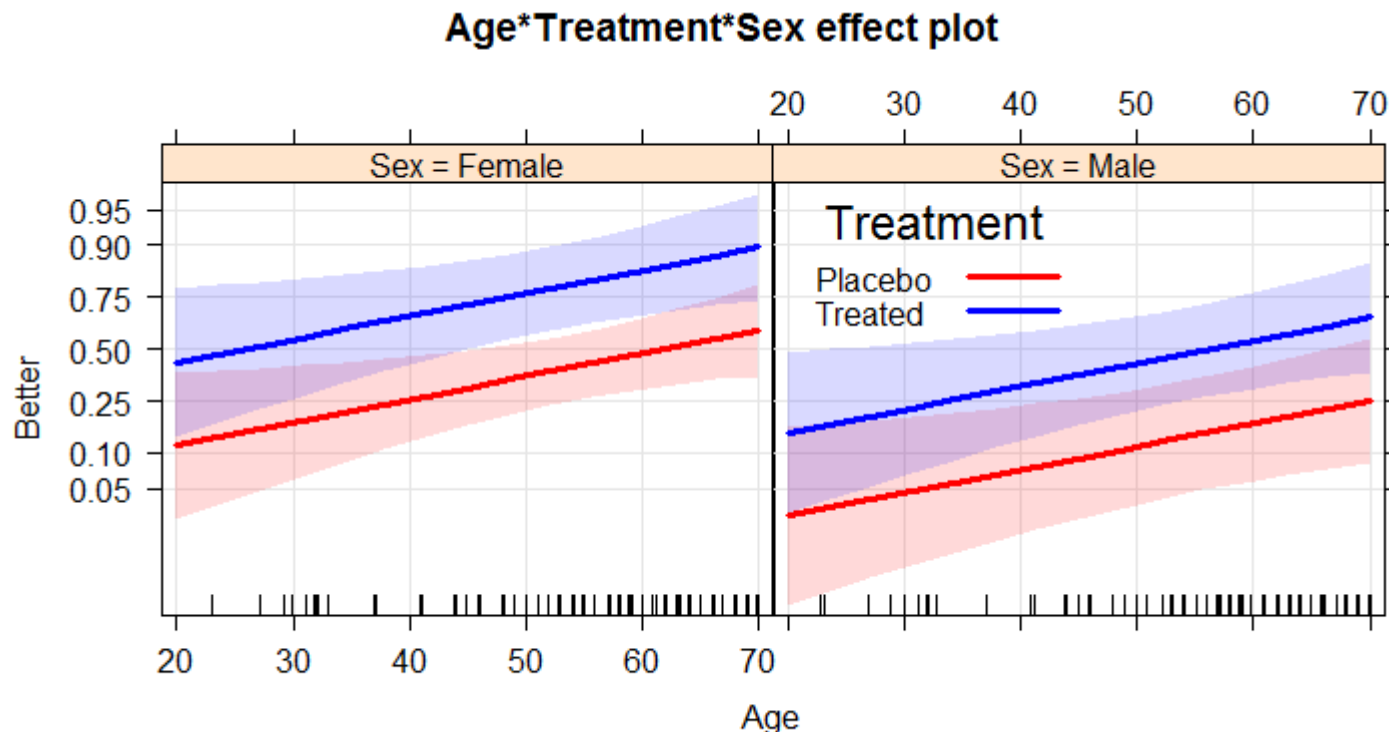
Model with interaction of Age × Sex

```
arth.eff4 <- allEffects(arth.logistic4)
plot(arth.eff4, lwd=2)
```
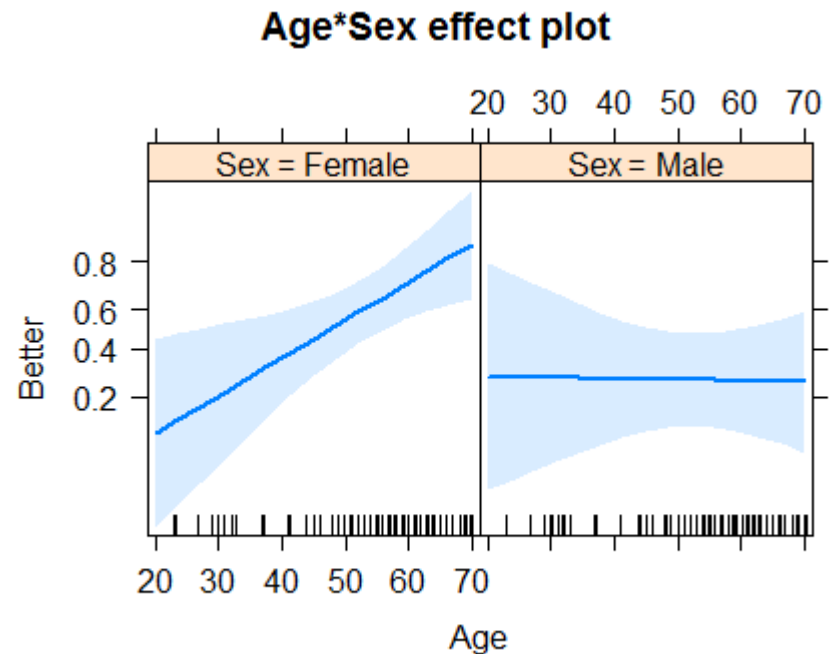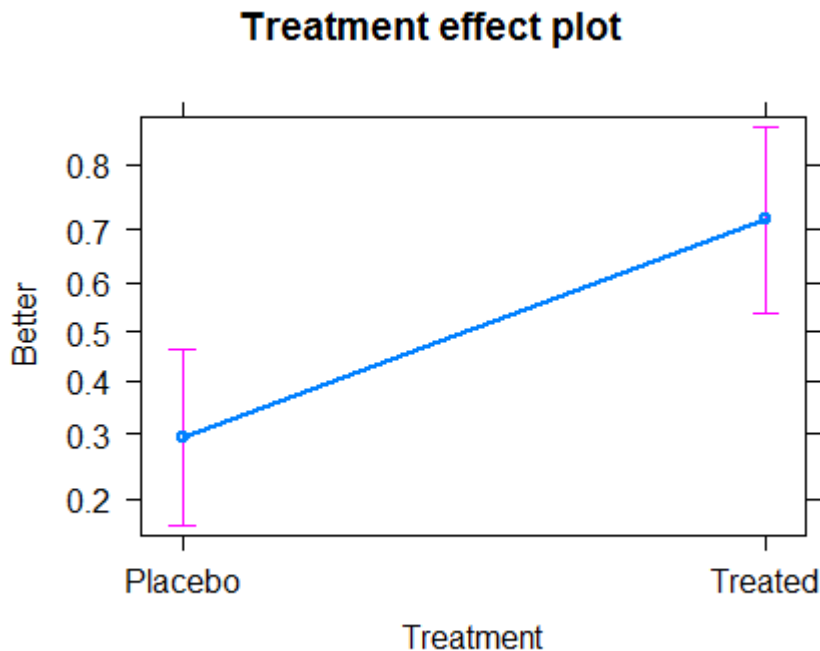

Only the high-order terms: Treatment & Age * Sex are shown & need to be interpreted
Q: How would you describe this?

Race & Crime

Toronto Star investigation of racial disparities in treatment by Toronto Police Services

FOI request → > ½ M arrests, 1997—2002

Evidence for racial profiling?

Only look at discretionary charges:

Simple marijuana possession
Non-moving auto infractions

Case study: Arrests for marijuana

- In Dec. 2002, the *Toronto Star* examined the issue of racial profiling, by analyzing a data base of 600,000+ arrest records from 1997-2002.

- They focused on a subset of arrests for which police action was discretionary, e.g., simple possession of small quantities of marijuana, where the police could:
  - Release the arrestee with a summons – like a parking ticket
  - Bring to police station, hold for bail, … -- harsher treatment

- Response variable: released: "Yes", "No"
  - Main predictor of interest: skin-colour of arrestee (black, white)
  - Other predictors: year, age, sex, …
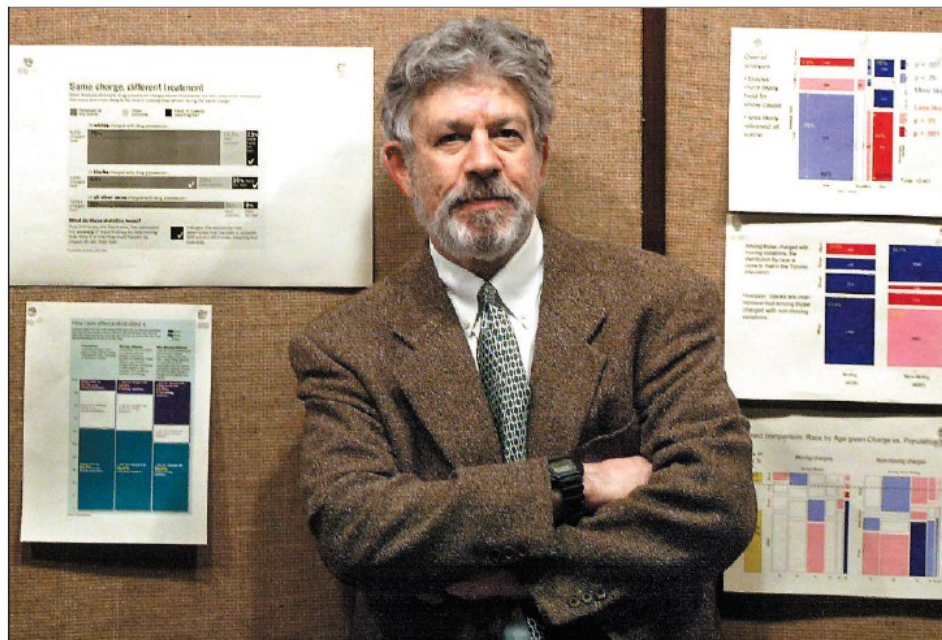
Toronto Star meets mosaic displays

How to communicate these results most effectively?

- What is the message? What features are directly comprehensible to the audience?

Graphic designer's early attempts

My early attempts

York University professor Michael Friendly's expert statistical analysis provided confirmation for the Toronto Star's series on racial profiling by city police.

Racial profiling: Presentation graphic

Together, we created this (nearly) self-explaining infographic

Title gives the main conclusion

Legend gives a layman's description of shading levels

Same charge, different treatment

Text description gives details

Statistical analysis of single drug possession charges shows that blacks are much less likely to be released at the scene and much more likely to be held in custody for a bail hearing. Darker colours represent a stronger statistical link between skin colour and police treatment.

Degree of likelihood

- Much *less* likely to occur
- Much *more* likely to occur
- *More* likely to occur

Whites are more likely to be released at the scene

Bar width ~ charges
Divided by % release

6,662 charges laid

78% released at the scene

14.5% released at station

7.5% held for bail

Blacks are much more likely to be held for bail hearings

numbers shown in the cells

2,446 charges laid

64% released at the scene

20% released at station

16% held for bail

0% 10 20 30 40 50 60 70 80 90 100

SOURCE: Toronto police arrest records 1996-2002

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Arrests for marijuana: Data

Response variable: released

Control variables:

- year, age, sex
- employed, citizen: Yes, No
- checks: # of police databases (previous arrests, convictions, parole status) where the arrestee's name was found

```
> library(car)         # for Anova()
> data(Arrests, package = "carData")
> some(Arrests)
     released colour year age  sex employed citizen checks
218       Yes  White 2000  24 Male      Yes     Yes      0
1301       No  Black 1999  17 Male      Yes      No      1
1495      Yes  White 1998  23 Male      Yes     Yes      0
1732      Yes  Black 2000  18 Male      Yes     Yes      2
1838      Yes  Black 1997  27 Male       No     Yes      5
2257       No  White 2001  19 Male       No     Yes      2
3100       No  Black 2000  19 Male       No     Yes      4
3843      Yes  White 1999  20 Male      Yes     Yes      0
4580      Yes  Black 1999  26 Male      Yes     Yes      1
4833      Yes  Black 1998  38 Male      Yes     Yes      0
```

Arrests for marijuana: Model

year is numerical. But may be non-linear. Convert to a factor
Fit model with all main effects, but allow interactions of colour:year and colour:age

```
> Arrests$year <- as.factor(Arrests$year)
> arrests.mod <- glm(released ~ employed + citizen + checks +
                     colour*year + colour*age,
                     family=binomial, data=Arrests)
> Anova(arrests.mod)

Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)

Response: released
            LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
employed        72.7  1    < 2e-16 ***
citizen         25.8  1    3.8e-07 ***
checks         205.2  1    < 2e-16 ***
colour          19.6  1    9.7e-06 ***
year             6.1  5    0.29785
age              0.5  1    0.49827
colour:year     21.7  5    0.00059 ***
colour:age      13.9  1    0.00019 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```
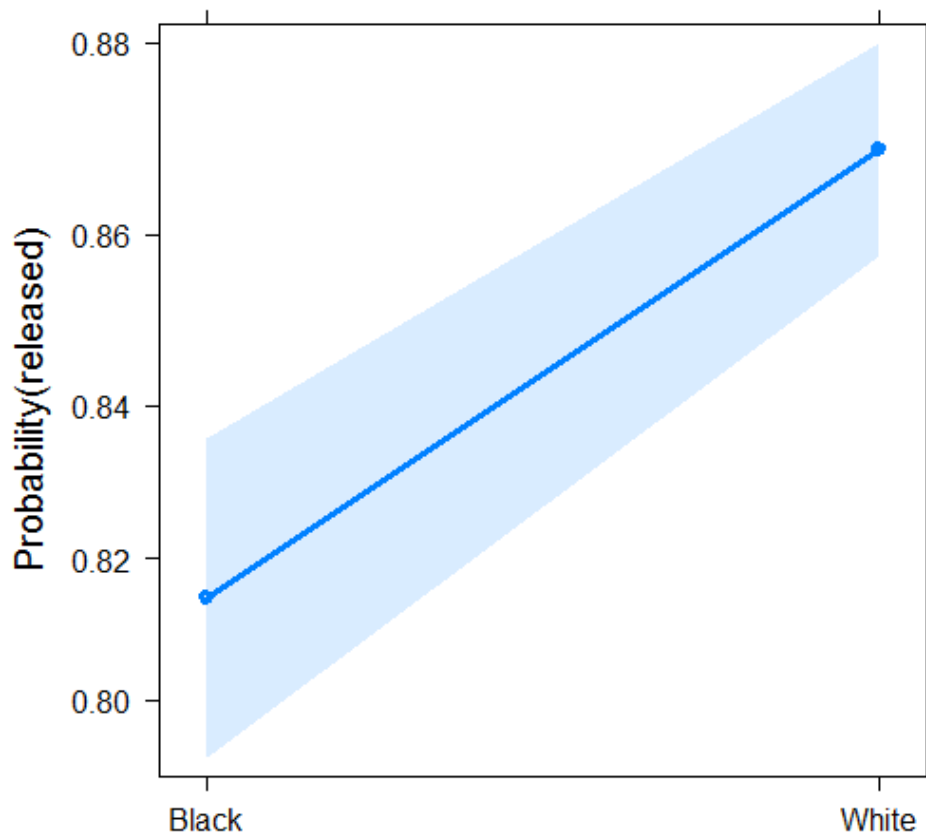
Effect plot: Skin colour

```
plot(Effect("colour", arrests.mod), lwd=3, ci.style="bands", ...)
```


- Effect plot for colour shows average effect controlling (adjusting) for all other factors simultaneously
- (The *Star* analysis controlled for these one at a time.)
- → Evidence for different treatment of blacks & whites
- Even Francis Nunziata could understand this.
- However, effect smaller than reported by the *Star*

Effect plots: Interactions

The story turned out to be more nuanced than reported by the *Toronto Star*

```
plot(Effect(c("colour","year"), arrests.mod), multiline=TRUE, ...)
```


colour*year effect plot
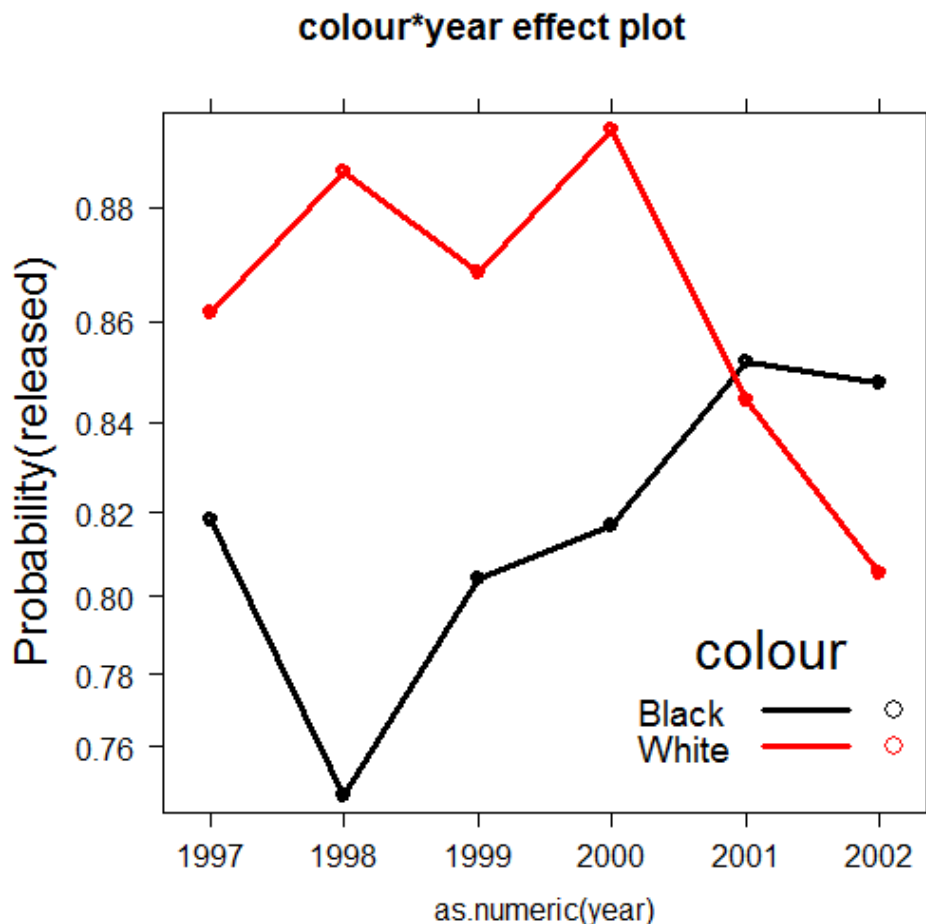
Up to 2000, strong evidence for differential treatment of blacks & whites
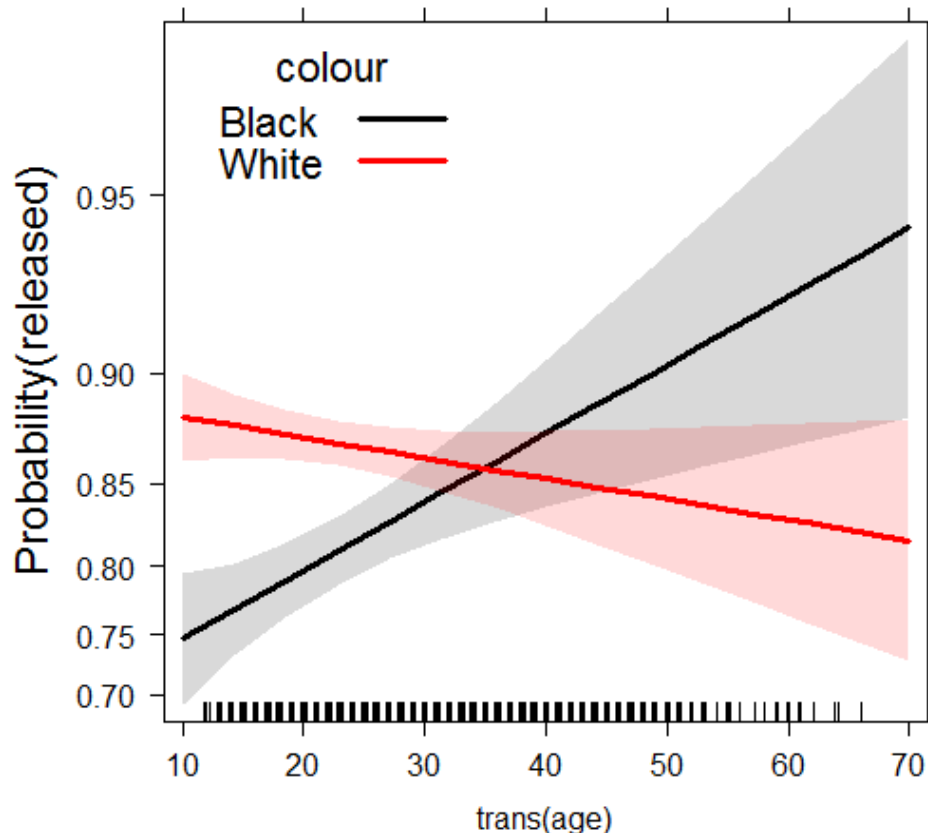
Also: evidence to support Police claim of effect of training to reduce racial effects in treatment

Effect plots: Interactions

A more surprising finding …

```
plot(Effect(c("colour","year"), arrests.mod), multiline=TRUE, ...)
```

Effects of skin colour and age on release
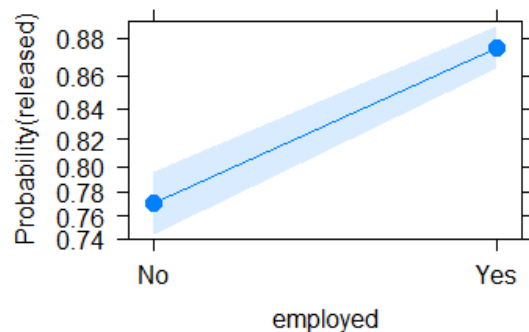

Opposite age effects for blacks & whites:

- Young blacks treated more harshly than young whites

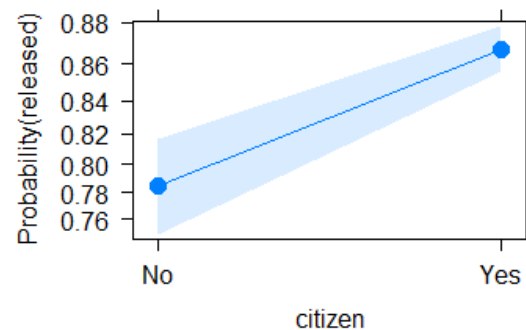- Older blacks treated less harshly than older whites

Effect plots: allEffects

All high-order terms can be viewed together using plot(allEffects(mod))

```
arrests.effects <- allEffects(arrests.mod,
xlevels=list(age=seq(15,45,5)))
plot(arrests.effects, ylab="Probability(released)", …)
```
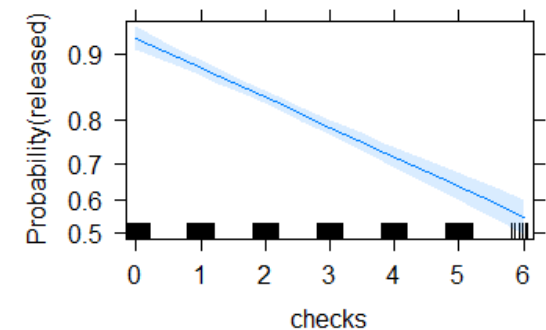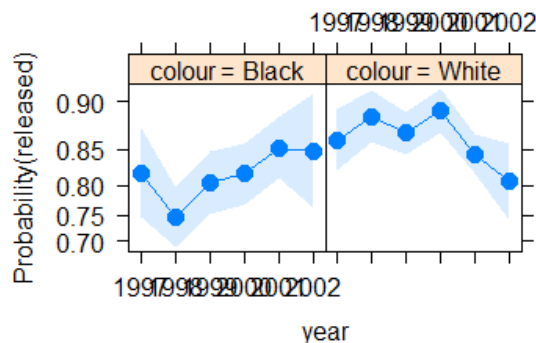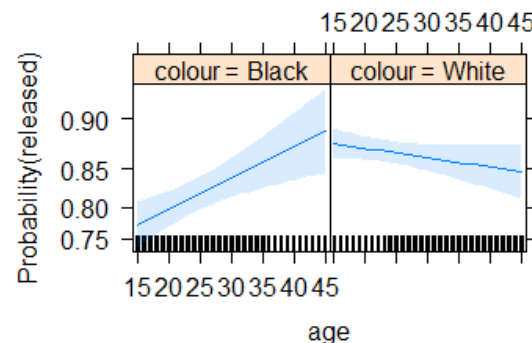
Model diagnostics

As in regression and ANOVA, the validity of a logistic regression model is threatened when:

- Important predictors have been omitted from the model
- Predictors assumed to be linear have non-linear effects on $\Pr(Y = 1)$
- Important interactions have been omitted
- A few "wild" observations have a large impact on the fitted model or coefficients

Model specification: Tools and techniques

- Use non-parametric smoothed curves to detect non-linearity
- Consider using polynomial terms $(X^2, X^3, \ldots)$ or regression splines (e.g., `ns(X, 3)`)
- Use `update(model, ...)` to test for interactions— formula: $. \sim .^2$

Diagnostic plots in R

In R, plotting a `glm` object gives the "regression quartet" – 4 basic diagnostic plots

```
arth.mod1 <- glm(Better ~ Age + Sex + Treatment, data=Arthritis,
                 family='binomial')
plot(arth.mod1)
```
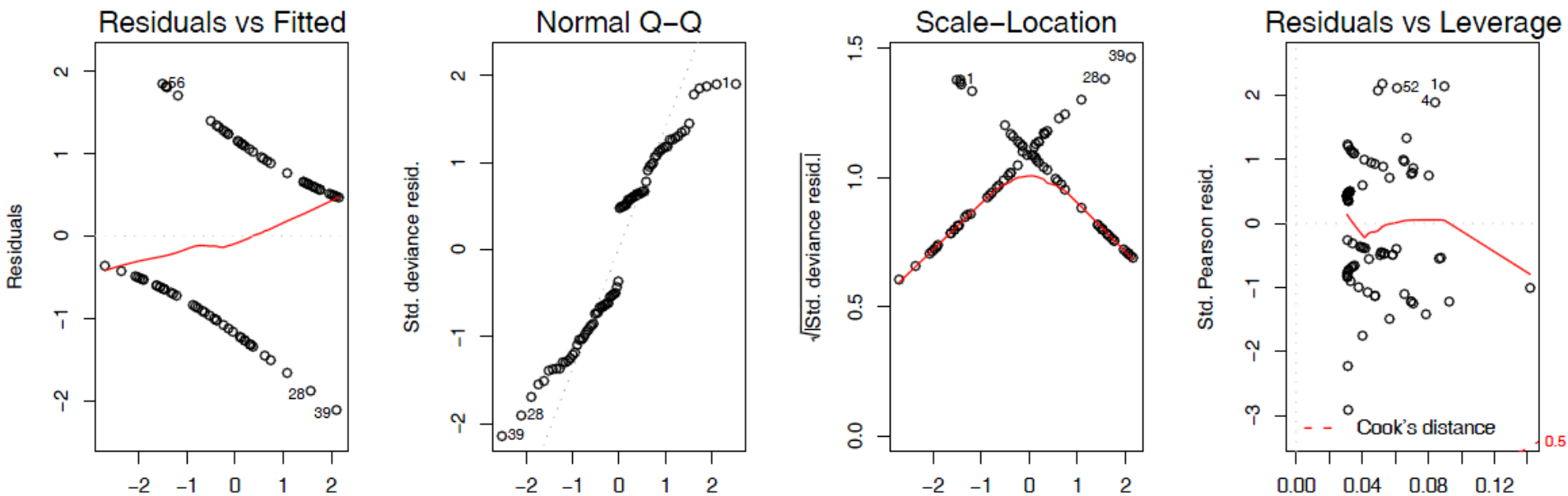

These plots often look peculiar for logistic regression models
Better versions are available in the car package

Unusual data: Leverage & Influence

- "Unusual" observations can have dramatic effects on least-squares estimates in linear models

- Three archetypal cases:
  - Typical X (low leverage), bad fit   -- Not much harm
  - Unusual X (high leverage), good fit   -- Not much harm
  - Unusual X (high leverage), bad fit   -- BAD, BAD, BAD

- Influential observations: unusual in *both* X & Y

- Heuristic formula:

  Influence = X leverage × Y residual
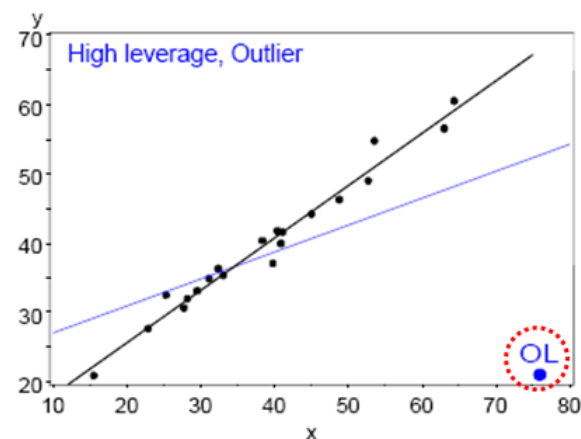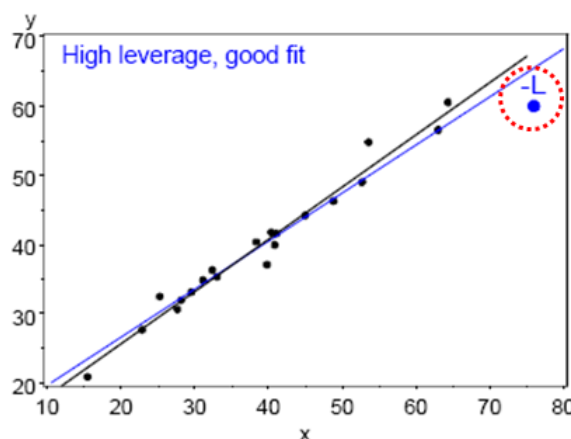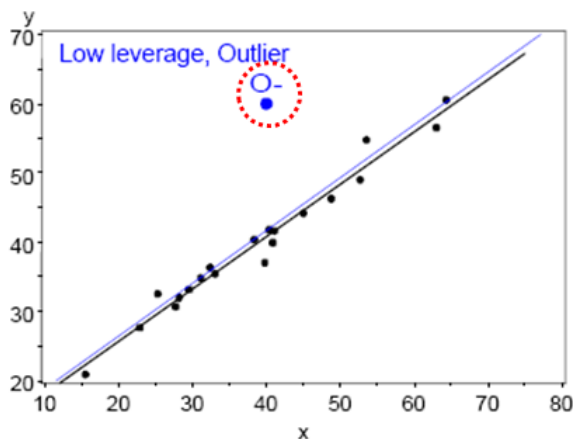
Influence plots

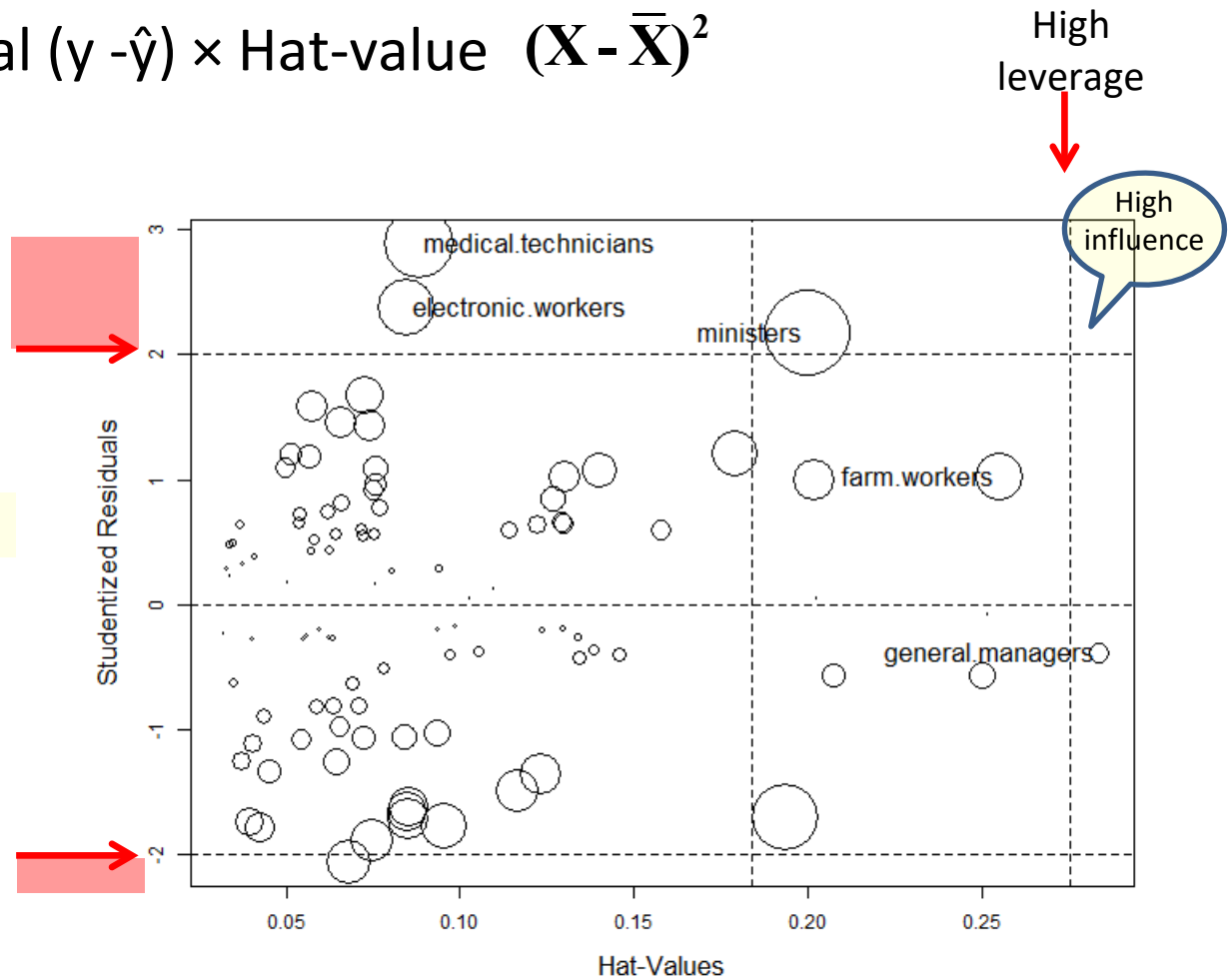Influence (Cook's D) measures impact of individual obs. on coefficients, fitted values

Influence ~ Residual (y -ŷ) × Hat-value $(X - \overline{X})^2$

High
leverage

Bubble size ~ influence

High
influence

Bad fit

```
influencePlot(mod1)
```
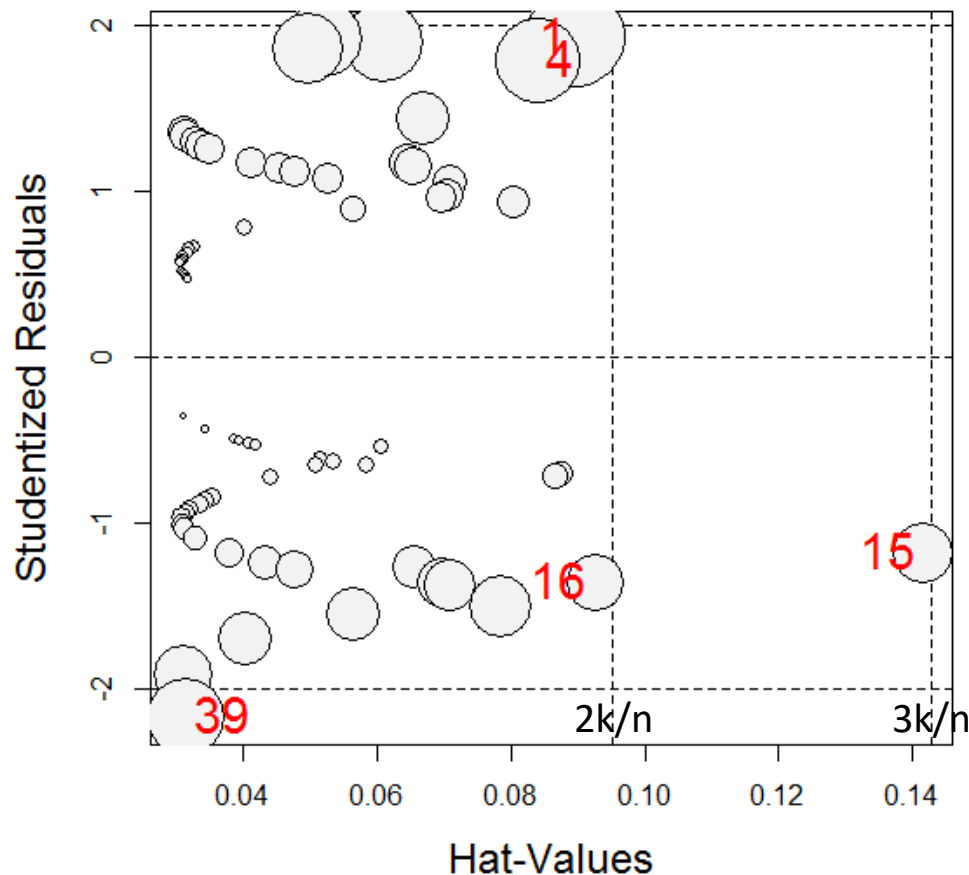
Bad fit

Influence plots in R

```
library(car)
influencePlot(arth.logistic2, …)
```


X axis: Leverage ("hat values")
notable values: > 2k/n, 3k/n

Y axis: Studentized residuals

Bubble size ~ Cook's D
(influence on coefficients)

Which cases are influential?

	Treatment	Sex	Age	Better	StudRes	Hat	CookD
1	Treated	Male	27	1	1.92	0.0897	0.1128
4	Treated	Male	32	1	1.79	0.0840	0.0818
15	Treated	Female	23	0	-1.18	0.1416	0.0420
16	Treated	Female	32	0	-1.36	0.0926	0.0381
39	Treated	Female	69	0	-2.17	0.0314	0.0690
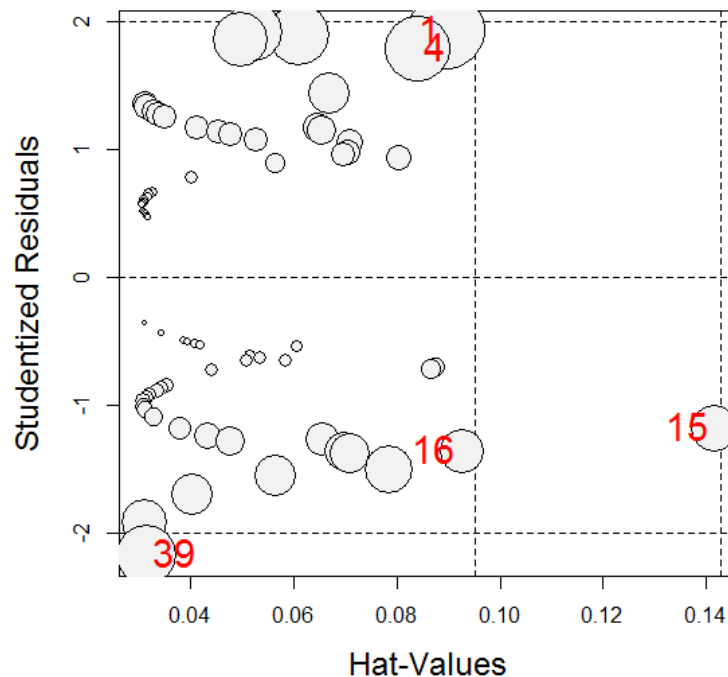
case 1: younger male: moderate Hat, better than predicted → large Cook D

case 39: older female: small Hat, but did not improve with treatment

Looking ahead

- Logistic regression models need not always have linear effects– models nonlinear in Xs sometimes useful

- Polytomous outcomes can be handled as well
  - e.g., Improved = {"None", "Some", "Marked"}

- If ordinal,
  - the proportional odds model is a simple extension
  - nested dichotomies provides an alternative approach

- Otherwise, multinomial logistic regression is the way

Summary

- loglm() provides only overall tests of model fit
- Model-based methods, glm(), provide hypothesis tests, CIs & tests for individual terms
- Logistic regression: A glm() for a binary response
  - linear model for the log odds $Pr(Y=1)$
  - All similar to classical ANOVA, regression models
- Plotting
  - Conditional, full-model plots show data and fits
  - Effect plots show predicted effects averaged over others
- Model diagnostics
  - Influence plots are often informative