# Logistic regression models for binary data

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# Logistic regression

Model for binary (0/1) data or binomial data (number of 1's out of n trials).

$$\begin{aligned} Y_i|X_i \sim \mathsf{Binomial}(n_i, p_i) \\ logit(p_i) = log\left(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \dots \beta_p X_{p,i} \end{aligned}$$

- Bandom component = Bernoulli or binomial distribution.
- Systematic component: logit(p<sub>i</sub>) or log(odds) = linear combination of predictors

Remember, for binary data, 
$$E[Y_i|X_i] = p_i$$
  
 $\Rightarrow logit(p_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + ... \beta_p X_{p,i}$ 

$$\Rightarrow p_i = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \dots \beta_p X_{p,i})}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \dots \beta_p X_{p,i})}$$
 (can use plogis function in R)

### Outline

- Logistic regression
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- Comparing Models and Assessing Fit
  - Likelihood Ratio tests, AIC
  - Goodness-of-fit testing

  - Residual plots
- Plotting/visualizing model fit
  - Logit scale versus probability scale
  - Confidence intervals on probability scale
- Bayesian formulation (practice!)

# Logistic regression

$$Y_i|X_i \sim \text{Binomial}(n_i, p_i)$$
  
 $logit(p_i) = log\left(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \dots \beta_p X_{p,i}$ 

 $\frac{p}{1}$  is referred to as the odds.

The link function,  $\log \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$ , is referred to as logit.

Thus, we can describe our model in the following ways:

- We are modeling  $\log \left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$  as a linear function of  $X_1, \dots, X_p$ .
- We are modeling the logit of p as a linear function of X<sub>1</sub>,..., X<sub>n</sub>.
- We are modeling the log odds of p as a linear function of  $X_1, \ldots, X_p$ .

Odds = 
$$\frac{p}{1-p}$$

If the probability of winning a bet is = 2/3, what are the odds of winning?

odds = 
$$\frac{p}{1-p}$$
 = (2/3  $\div$  1/3) = 2 (or "2 to 1").

Table 6.1. Various probabilities, odds and log odds. The table shows how log odds

are calc	ulated from	m probal	pilities.		-				
P <sub>i</sub>	0.001	0.1	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.9	0.999
$1 - P_i$	0.999	0.9	0.7	0.6	0.5	0.4	0.3	0.1	0.001
0,	0.001	0.11	0.43	0.67	1.	1.5	2.33	9	999
$Ln(O_0)$	-6.91	-2.20	-0.85	-0.41	0	0.41	0.85	2.20	6.91

{From Zuur et al. 2007. Analyzing Ecological data}

Odds can vary between 0 and  $\infty,$  so log(odds) can live on  $-\infty$  to  $\infty.$ 

# Odds Ratios: $exp(\beta)$

Consider a continuous predictor, X:

$$logit(p_i) = log(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$$

 $\beta_1$  gives the change in log odds per unit change in X.

- Odds when  $X_i = a$  is given by  $\frac{p_i}{1-p_i} = \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 a)$
- Odds when  $X_j = a+1$  is given by  $\frac{p_i}{1-p_j} = \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1(a+1))$

Consider the ratio of these odds:

$$\frac{\frac{\rho_j}{1-\rho_j}}{\frac{\rho_j}{1-\rho_j}} = \frac{\exp(\beta_0+\beta_1(a+1))}{\exp(\beta_0+\beta_1a)} = \frac{e^{\beta_0}e^{\beta_1a}e^{\beta_1}}{e^{\beta_0}e^{\beta_1a}} = \exp(\beta_1)$$

So,  $\exp(\beta_1)$ , gives the odds ratio for two observation that differ by 1 unit of X

### Odds Ratios: $exp(\beta)$

Consider a regression coefficient for a categorical variable:

$$logit(p_i) = log(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 I(group == B)_i$$

 $I(group == B)_i = 1$  if observation i is from Group B and 0 if Group A

- Odds for group B =  $\frac{p_B}{1-p_B}$  =  $\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1)$
- Odds for group A =  $\frac{p_A}{1-p_A}$  = exp( $\beta_0$ )

Consider the ratio of these odds:

$$\frac{\frac{PB}{1-PB}}{\frac{PB}{1-PB}} = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1)}{\exp(\beta_0)} = \frac{e^{\beta_0}e^{\beta_1}}{e^{\beta_0}} = \exp(\beta_1)$$

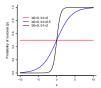
So,  $\exp(\beta_1)$  gives an odds ratio (or ratio of odds) for Group B relative to group A.

# Multiple predictors

For multiple predictor models,

 $\exp(\beta_i)$  gives the odds ratio for observations where  $X_i$  differs by 1 unit, while holding everything else constant!

$$logit(p_i) = log(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$$



The slope coefficient  $\beta_1$  controls how quickly we transition from 0 to 1.

$$logit(p_i) = log(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$$

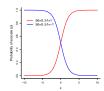


 $\beta_0$ :

- Controls the height of the curve when X = 0.
- Gives the log odds of detection when all predictor variables = 0  $E[Y_i|X_i=0] = \frac{\exp(\beta_0)}{E(y_i|X_i=0)}$  (equals 1/2 if  $\beta_0=0$ ).

$$E[Y_i|X_i=0] = \frac{exp(\beta_0)}{4\pi exp(\beta_0)}$$
 (equals 1/2 if  $\beta_0=0$ ).

$$logit(p_i) = log(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$$

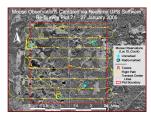


The sign of  $\beta_1$  determines if p increases or decreases as we increase X.

# Sightability Surveys: Minnesota Moose

124 'trials', 2005-2007  $n_0 = 65 \text{ missed}$ groups

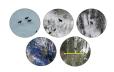
 $n_1 = 59$  observed groups



- Binary observations, Y<sub>i</sub> = 0 (missed) or 1 (seen).
- Covariates thought to influence detection.

### Covariates

- Visual obstruction
- Survey year (may be due to different observers)



 $Y_i|X_i \sim Bernouli(p_i)$ 

$$logit(p_i) = log\left(\frac{p_i}{1 - p_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 voc_i$$

### Assumptions:

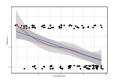
- · observations are independent
- log odds is a linear function of voc
- mean and variance depend on voc

$$E[Y_i|X_i] = p_i; var[Y_i|X_i] = p_i(1 - p_i)$$
 with:

 $p_i = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 voc_i)}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 voc_i)}$ 

### Visual Obstruction

```
ggplot(exp.m, aes(voc,observed))+theme_bv()+
geom_point(position - position_jitter(w - 2, h - 0.05), size-3) +
geom_smooth(colour="red") + +geom_smooth(method="lm")+
xlab("Visual Obstruction") +
ylab("Detection - 1")
```

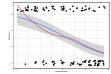


1m would eventually predict p<sub>i</sub> ≥ 1 and p<sub>i</sub> ≤ 0
 would assume constant variance when var(p<sub>i</sub>) = p<sub>i</sub>(1 - p<sub>i</sub>)

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

mod1<-qlm(observed~voc, data=exp.m, family=binomial())

```
ggplot(exp.m, aes(voc,observed))* theme_bw() *
geom_point(position - position_jitter(w - 2, h - 0.05), size-3) *
xlab("visual Obstruction") * geom_smooth(sea-F, colour="red") *
stat_smooth(method="qlm", method.args - list(family = "binomial"))
vlab("betection = 1")
```



```
exp.mSyear<-as.factor(exp.mSyear)
mod2<-glm(observed-voc+year, data-exp.m, family-binomial())
summary(mod2)
```

```
Call:
gim(formula - observed - voc + year, family - binomial(), data - exp.m)
Deviance Residuals:
Kin 10 Median 30 Max
-1.951 -0.411 -0.4561 0.1453 1.8680
```

```
Signif. codes: 0' \cdot \cdot \cdot \cdot' 0.001' \cdot \cdot \cdot' 0.01' \cdot \cdot' 0.05' \cdot \cdot' 0.1'' 1 (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
```

```
Null deviance: 171.61 on 123 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 142.23 on 120 degrees of freedom
AIC: 150.23
```

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4

mod1\$coef

```
(Intercept) voc
1.75993309 -0.03479153
```

Regression coefficient for voc (visual obstruction) = -0.039.

- The log odds of being detected decreases by 0.039 per unit increase in visual obstruction
- The odds of being detected decreases by exp(0.039) = 0.96 per unit increase in visual obstruction

Intercept =  $2.12 = \log(\text{odds})$  when VOC = 0.

```
# p(Y-1/voc-0) - exp(coef(mod1)(1))/(1+exp(coef(mod1)(1)))
plogis (coef(mod1)(1))
(Intercept)
0.8532013
```

We see roughly 90% of moose if there is no visual obstruction.

```
coef(mod2)

(Intercept) voc year2006 year2007
2.45320264 -0.03739118 -0.45386154 -1.11188432
```

Year 2004:  $log(p_i/(1-p_i)) = 2.75 - 0.0422VOC$ 

Year 2005:  $log(p_i/(1-p_i)) = 2.75 - 0.0422VOC + 0.006879$ 

So, 0.006879 gives the difference in log odds between years 2005 and 2004 (if we hold VOC constant).

exp(0.006879) = 1.0069 = odds ratio (year 2005 to year 2004)

```
odds ratio = \frac{p_{2005}/(1-p_{2005})}{p_{2004}/(1-p_{2004})} = 1.0069
```

If confidence limits for  $\beta$  include 0 or confidence limits for  $exp(\beta)$  include 1, then we do not have enough evidence to say that years differ in their detection probabilities.

```
mod2Scoef

(Intercept) voc year2006 year2007
2.45320264 -0.03739118 -0.45386154 -1.11188432

sgrt(diag(vcov(mod2)))

(Intercept) voc year2006 year2007
0.622247867 0.008199483 0.516567443 0.508269279

exp(rep(0.006879, 2)+c(-1.96, 1.96)+0.53664) # exp(beta +/-1.965E)
```

[1] 0.3517145 2.8826021

95% Confidence interval for odds ratio = (0.35, 2.88) includes 1 (not statistically significant)

### Likelihood ratio tests

We can again use difference in deviences (equivalent to likelihood ratio tests) to compare full and reduced models.

voc is an important predictor, the importance of year is less clear.

### Confint

```
(ci.prof<-confint(mod2))
Waiting for profiling to be done...

(Intercept) 1.30341777 3.7586692
voc -0.0544813 -0.021268
year2006 -1.48479529 0.5516852
year2007 -2.14380706 -0.1382699
```

These are profile-likelihood based confidence intervals based on "inverting" the likelihood ratio test (see Maximum Likelihood notes).

```
exp(ci.prof[3,])

2.5 % 97.5 %
0.2265487 1.7361764
```

Profile-likelihood based intervals should have better statistical properties with small data sets (better coverage rates).

# ANOVA function (car package)

# Or use Anova in car package

```
Anova(mod2)

Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)

Response: observed

LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
voc 25.9720 1 3.464e-07 ***
year 5.1558 2 0.07593 .--
Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

We can compare nested or non-nested models using the AIC function

# Hosmer-Lemeshow test (similar test)

Group Observations by deciles of their predicted values to form groups, then calculate the expected and observed number of successes and failures for each group:

Model Results						
	$G_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 , \tilde{\pi}_{\scriptscriptstyle \perp} \end{bmatrix}$	$G_2 = (\hat{\pi}_1, \hat{\pi}_2]$		$G_{\infty} = (\hat{\pi}_{\circ}, 1]$		
Ѕвосениен	$\sum_{i_1 \in G_i} \hat{\pi}_i$	$\sum_{i_1 \in \mathcal{C}_{i_1}} \hat{\pi}_i$		$\sum_{i_i \in G_{2n}} \hat{\pi}_i$		
Failures	$n_i = \sum_{i_1 \in G_i} \hat{\pi}_i$	$H_2 = \sum_{i_1 \in \mathcal{C}_2} \hat{\mathcal{R}}_i$		$H_{00} = \sum_{i,j \in G_{00}} \hat{\pi}_i$		

	a	burred Remits	
	$G_i = \begin{bmatrix} 0 , \hat{\pi}_{\scriptscriptstyle \perp} \end{bmatrix}$	$G_2 = (\hat{\pi}_1, \hat{\pi}_2]$	 $G_{\infty} = (\hat{\pi}_{\circ}, 1]$
Saccesses	$\sum_{i_i \in C_{i_j}} y_{i_i}$	$\sum_{i \in VG_2} y_i$	 $\sum_{y_i \in G_{k_i}} y_i$
Pailures	$B_i = \sum_{i_i \in G_i} y_i$	$n_2 - \sum_{i_i \in G_i} y_i$	 $B_{00} - \sum_{i_i \in G_{00}} y_i$

See: Goodness of fit with binary data here: http://www.unc. edu/courses/2010fall/ecol/563/001/docs/lectures/lecture21.htm Can adapt our general approach for testing goodness-of-fit using Pearson residuals (r<sub>i</sub>)

$$r_i = \frac{Y_i - E[Y_i|X_i]}{\sqrt{Var[Y_i|X_i]}}$$

- $E[Y_i|X_i] = p_i = \frac{exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + ... + \beta_k X_k)}{1 + exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + ... + \beta_k X_k)}$
- $Var[Y_i|X_i] = p_i(1 p_i)$

See textbook for an implementation of this test...

## Hosmer-Lemeshow Test

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n_g} \frac{(O_i - E_i)^2}{E_i} \sim \chi^2_{g-2}$$

where q = number of groups.

## Hosmer-Lemeshow test

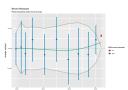
library (ResourceSelection) hoslem.test(exp.mSobserved, fitted(mod1), g-8)

Hosmer and Lemeshow goodness of fit (GOF) test

data: exp.m\$observed, fitted(mod1) X-squared = 3.2505, df = 6, p-value = 0.7768

# Binned residual plot

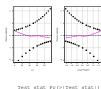
binplot <-performance::binned\_residuals(mod1) plot(binplot)



# Visualizing models

# Residual plots

residualPlots(mod1)



0.4071 VOC 0.6873

# Probability Scale

We can also summarize models by getting predicted values: P(detect animal|voc):

- $logit(p_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k$   $P(Y_i = 1 | X = x) = p_i = \frac{\rho^2 \rho^2 \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k}{1 + \rho^2 \rho^2 \beta_1 \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k}$  (inverse logit) Can use predict function with "type= response"
- Or plogis (predict (type="link")); plogis(u) = e<sup>u</sup>/<sub>1+e<sup>u</sup></sub>

# Supporting Theory

The estimates of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  are maximum likelihood estimates, found by maximizing:

$$L(\beta; y, x) = \prod_{i=1}^{n} p_i^{y_i} (1 - p_i)^{1 - y_i}, \text{ with}$$

$$p_i = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k}}{1 + \frac{1}{1 + \alpha_0 \beta_1 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k}{1 + \alpha_0 \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k}}$$

Remember, for large samples,  $\hat{\beta} \sim N(\beta, \Sigma)$ .

We can use this theory to conduct tests (t-statistics output by the summary function) and to get confidence intervals.

- logit(p) =  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + ... \beta_k x_k$  is more "Normal" than p
- Generate confidence intervals for logit(p), then back-transform to get confidence intervals for p
- Ensures the confidence intervals will live on the (0,1) scale
- Intervals will not be symmetric

### Confidence Intervals

In practice, we can use predict (model, newdata=, type="link", se=TRUE) to get predictions on logit scale.

Then use plogis(p.hat\$fit +/- 1.95\*p.hat\$se.fit) to transform the limits back to the probability scale.

### Confidence Intervals

#### Statistical Theory:

- $Var(ax + by) = a^2 var(x) + b^2 var(y) + 2abCov(x, y)$
- If x and y and normally distributed, ax + by will be normally distributed

### Let X = matrix of data

- Here, X has 2 columns (column of 1's, column with x)
- n rows (one for each observation).
- We can use model.matrix to see it

Let  $\beta = p \times 1$  vector of parameters

• Here, 
$$p = 2$$
,  $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1)$ 

We can generate  $logit(\hat{\rho}|X)$  and its SE using matrix multiplication:

- $logit(\hat{p}|X) = X\hat{\beta}$  (use %\*% in R to perform matrix multiplication)
- Variance/covariance of  $logit(\hat{p}|X) = X\Sigma_{\beta}X^{T}$

# A note on model visualization

Model 2: observed  $\sim$  voc + year is additive on the logit scale

- Differences in logit(p) among years will not depend on voc
- Differences in p, will however, depend on voc!

See: LogisticModelsFrequentist.html

- Can always create your own "effect" plots by calculating predicted values for different combinations of your predicted values (as in the in-class exercise)
- Can use the effects package to do something similar

# Effect plots on probability scale

### Use effects package:

- Fixes all continuous covariates (other than the one of interest) at their mean values
- Categorical predictors: averages predictions on link scale, weighted by proportion of data in each category

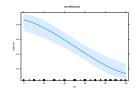
# Effect plots

```
plot(effect("year", mod2), type="response")
```

## Effect plots

### Use type="response" to plot on response scale

```
library(effects)
plot(effect("voc", mod2), type="response")
```



# Year Effects

```
effect("year", mod2)
```

```
year effect
year
2005 2006 2007
0.6107432 0.4991440 0.3404147
```

# Estimates of $P(Observed = 1 | year = year_i, voc = v\bar{o}c)$

### VOC Effect

```
effect("voc", mod2)

voc effect
voc 0 20 50 80 100
0.8684553 0.7575962 0.5044524 0.2490051 0.1356677
```

### P(Observed = 1 | VOC, year)?

Weighted mean (across categories, here = "year"), with weights given by the proportion of observations in each category.

### Confidence intervals

```
summary(effect("year", mod2))

year effect
year
2005 2006 2007
0.6107432 0.4991440 0.3404147

Lower 95 Percent Confidence Limits
year
2005 2006 2007
0.3340997 0.3285547 0.2088034

Upper 95 Percent Confidence Limits
year
2005 2006 2007
0.7624246 0.6699327 0.5023149
```

### VOC Effect

```
effect("voc", mod2)

voc effect
voc 0 20 50 80 100
0.8684553 0.7575962 0.5046524 0.2490051 0.1356677

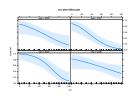
p.years<-table(exp.m8year)/nrow(exp.m)
newdata<-data.frame(expand.grid(year=c("2005", "2006", "2007"),
newdataSpred<-predict(mod2, newdata-newdata, type="link")
plogis(sum(newdataSpred[1:4]"p.years))
```

### Models with interactions

```
mod3<-qlm(observed-voc+year+voc:year, data-exp.m, family-binomial())
 summary (mod3)
qlm(formula = observed ~ voc + year + voc:year, family = binomial(),
   data = exp.m)
Deviance Residuals:
   Min
             1Q Median
-1.86221 -0.98652 -0.06984 0.86697 2.03839
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept) 4.23935 1.45979 2.904 0.00368 **
            -0.06661
                      0.02259 -2.949 0.00319 **
voc
vear2005
           -2.70469 1.68093 -1.609 0.10761
year2006
           -2.34628
                       1.70158 -1.379 0.16793
           -2.15134
                      1.65108 -1.303 0.19258
voc:vear2005 0.04437 0.02600 1.707 0.08789 .
voc:year2006 0.03127
                      0.02730 1.145 0.25212
voc:vear2007 0.01286
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
   Null deviance: 221.81 on 159 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 171.08 on 152 degrees of freedom
AIC: 187.08
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5
```

### Effect Plot

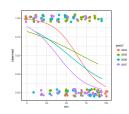




### applot2

ggplot(exp.m, aes(x-voc, y-observed, colour-year)) + theme\_bw()+
geom\_point(position = position\_jitter(w = 2, h = 0.05), size=3) +
stat\_smooth(method="glm", method.args = list(family = "binomial"),
se=FALSE)

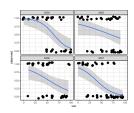
'geom smooth()' using formula 'v ~ x'



# ggplot2

ggplot(exp.m, aes(x-voc, y-observed)) + theme\_bw()+
geom\_point(position - position\_jitter(w - 2, h - 0.05), size-3) +
stat\_smooth(method="glm", method.args - list(family - "binomial"))+
facet\_wrap(-year)

'geom\_smooth()' using formula 'y  $\sim$  x'



### JAGS

Will use a similar structure as we used for count models:

- A linear predictor,  $\eta = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1$  ( $x_1 = \text{voc}$ )
- $p_i = g^{-1}(\eta) = \frac{e^{\eta_i}}{1 + e^{\eta_i}}$
- Y[i] ~ dbin(p[i],1)
- Require priors for  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ , e.g., N(0, 0.01)

Gelman's recommendations (see arxiv.org/pdf/0901.4011.pdf):

- scale continuous predictors so they have mean 0 and sd = 0.5
- using a non-informative Cauchy prior dt(0, pow(2.5,-2), 1)

In class exercise: adapt the JAGS code for fitting mod1 (voc only) to allow fitting of mod2 (voc + year).

### **ROC** curves

### ROC = Receiver operating characteristic curve

 Often used to evaluate and compare fit of binary regression models.

We could use a threshold, T, for  $\hat{p}_i$  and set  $\hat{Y}_i$  equal to 1 when  $\hat{p}_i \geq T$  and 0 otherwise. Then, compare  $\hat{Y}_i$  to  $Y_i$ .

- Results would depend on our chosen threshold, T.
- ROC curve: considers all possible thresholds and plots True Positive Rate,  $P(\hat{Y}_i = 1|Y_i = 1)$  versus False Positive Rate,  $P(\hat{Y}_i = 1|Y_i = 0)$
- AUC gives the area under the ROC curve (higher values suggest better predictive value)