
Do (wo)men talk too much in films?

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Abstract

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2 1 Introduction

3 2 Methods

4 We have chosen to focus on approaches using logistic regression, k-NN and LDA/QDA to classify
5 the lead actor's gender.

6 2.1 Logistic Regression

7 Logistic regression is a *general linear model* (GLM), i.e. the relationship between the data $X \in \mathcal{X} \subseteq$
8 \mathbb{R}^p and the outcome Y is on the form

$$E(Y|X) = g^{-1}(X \cdot \beta) \quad (1)$$

9 where $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and g is the link function. In the case of logistic regression, $Y|X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$
10 and the canonical link function is the logit link $g(x) = \log\left(\frac{x}{1-x}\right)$ with $g^{-1}(x) = \frac{\exp(x)}{1+\exp(x)}$. Since
11 $Y|X \sim \text{Ber}(p)$, we get $E(Y|X) = p = g^{-1}(X \cdot \beta)$. In other words, $P(Y = 1|X = x) = g^{-1}(x \cdot \beta)$,
12 which we can use to predict Y given data x .

13 2.2 k-Nearest Neighbors

14 2.3 LDA and QDA

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