



# 120 Years of Olympic History

Bayesian Statistics W19 Final Group Project

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# Background

Historical dataset on Summer and Winter Olympic Games  
(Athens 1896 to Rio 2016)

How does a US Olympian's age, sex, height, & weight  
affect their chances of winning a medal?





# 120 years of Olympic history: athletes and results

basic bio data on athletes and medal results from Athens 1896 to Rio 2016

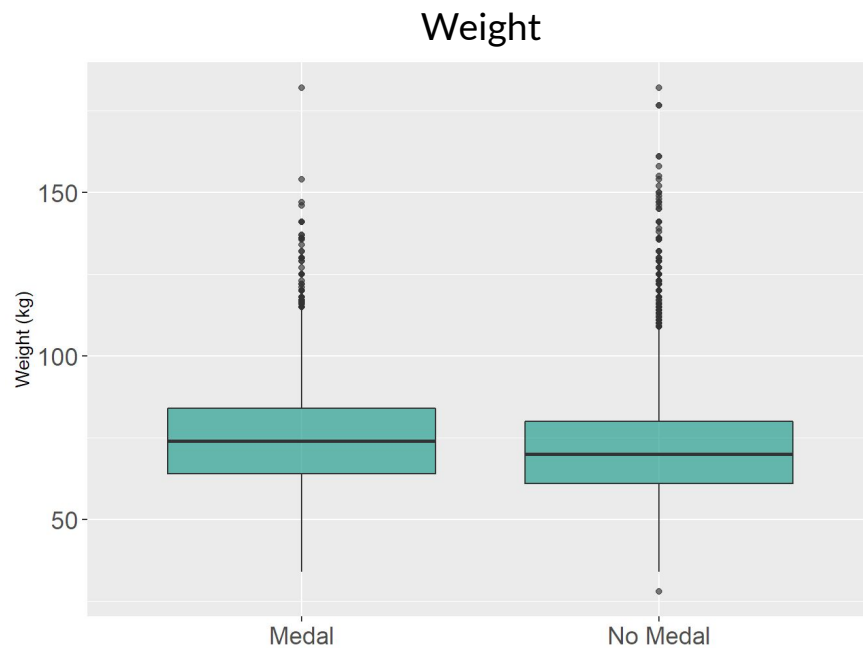
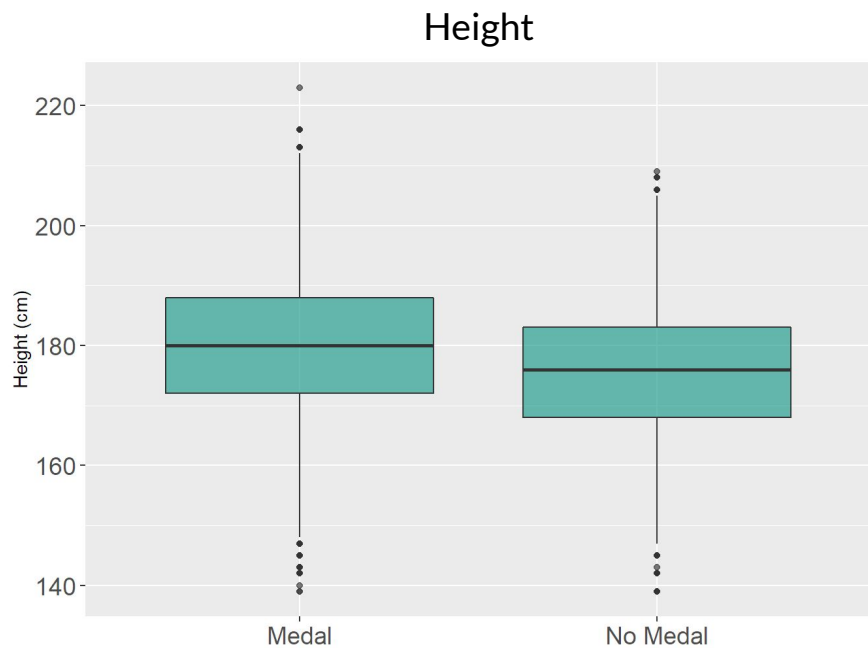


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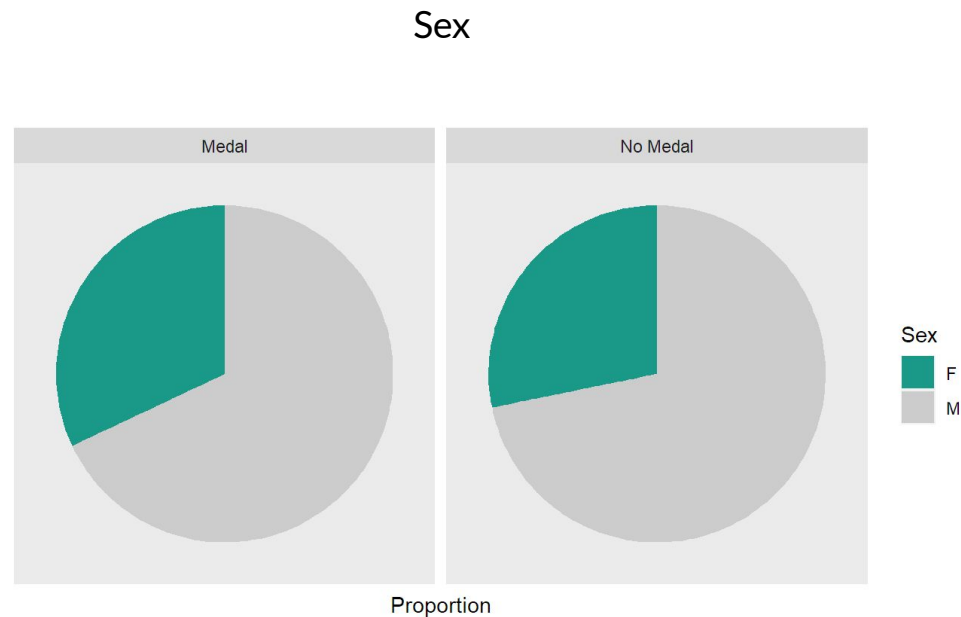
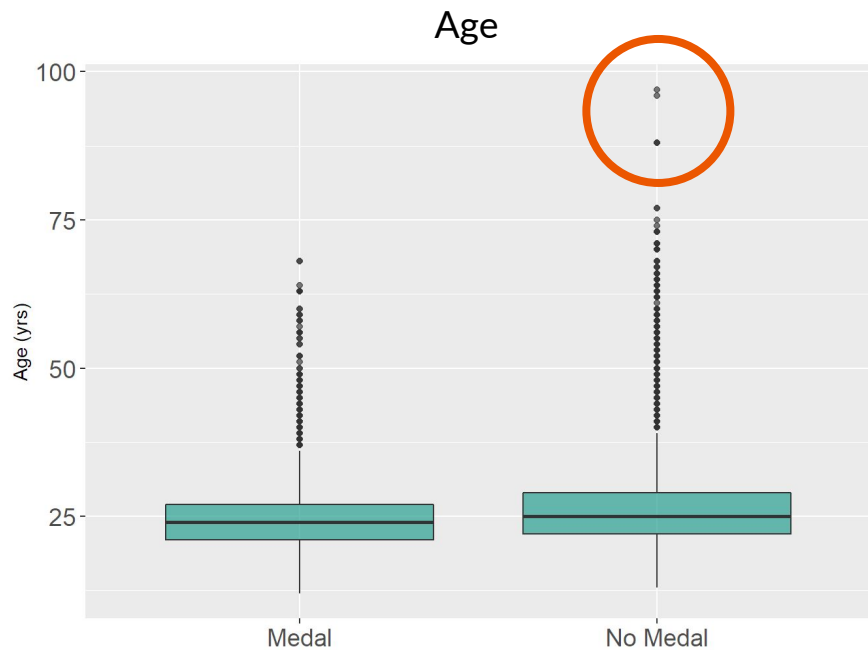
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ID	Name	Age (yr)
Sex (M/F)	Height (cm)	Weight (kg)
Team	NOC (Country Code)	Games (Summer/Winter)
Year	Season	City
Sport	Event	Medal

# Exploratory Data Analysis



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## Wait... A 90-Year-Old Olympian?

```
USA %>%  
  filter(Age > 90) %>%  
  select(Name, Age, Year, Sport)
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 4  
##   Name                Age  Year Sport  
##   <chr>              <dbl> <dbl> <chr>  
## 1 Winslow Homer      96   1932 Art Competitions  
## 2 John Quincy Adams Ward 97   1928 Art Competitions
```



# Fitting the Logistic Regression Model

$$\log\left(\frac{Y}{1-Y}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * Age + \beta_2 * I(Sex = M) \\ + \beta_3 * Height + \beta_4 * Weight$$

```
normalize <- function(vec)
  (vec - mean(vec, na.rm = T)) / sd(vec, na.rm = T)

USA_normalized <- USA %>%
  mutate(Age = normalize(Age),
         Height = normalize(Height),
         Weight = normalize(Weight))
```

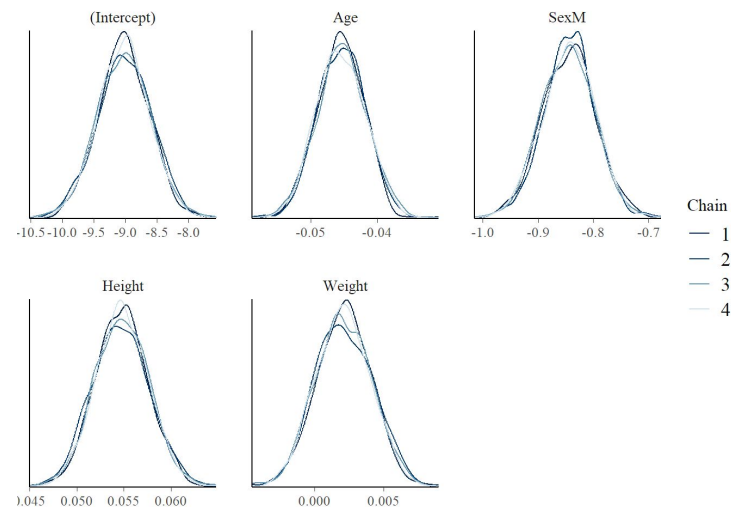
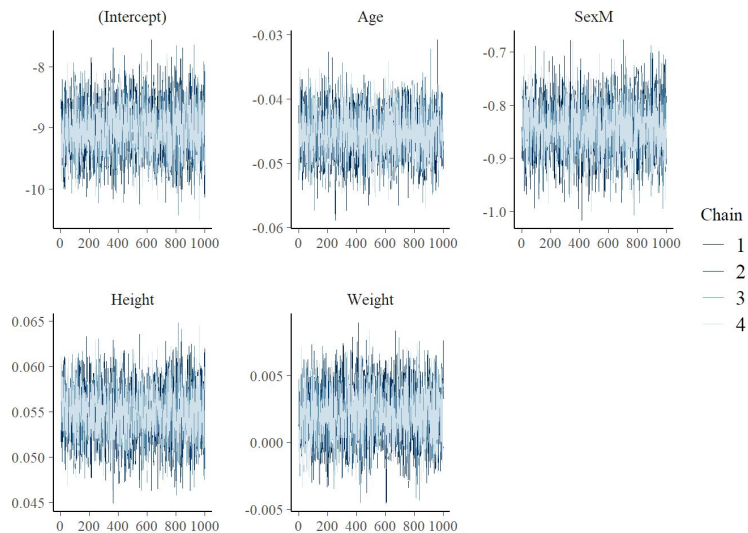
```
model <- stan_glm(
  Won_Medal ~ Age + Sex + Height + Weight,
  data = USA,
  family = binomial(link = "logit")
)

model_normalized <- stan_glm(
  Won_Medal ~ Age + Sex + Height + Weight,
  data = USA_normalized,
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)
```

```
coef(model)
```

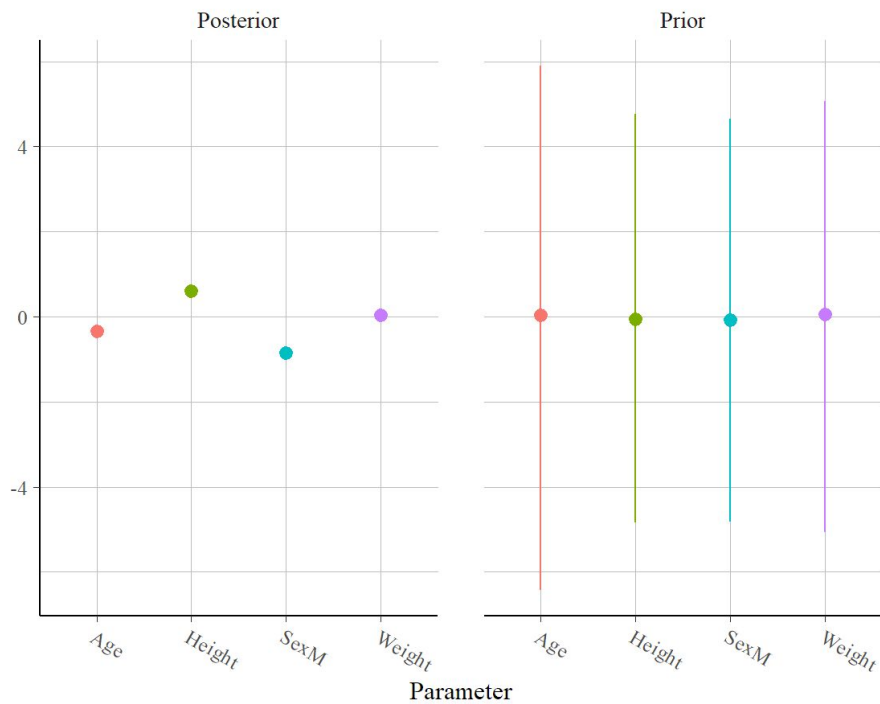
```
## (Intercept)      Age      SexM      Height      Weight
## -9.024852149 -0.045428742 -0.845416285  0.054764970  0.002027598
```

# Parameter Approximations





# Parameter Distribution Intervals



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# Could We Win a 🏅 Too?

```
pred <- function(Age, Sex, Height, Weight)
{
  y_dist <- posterior_predict(model, newdata = data.frame(Age, Sex, Height, Weight))

  mean(y_dist) ≥ 0.5
}
```



**Thank You!**

