Assignment II

Logistic regression

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Exercise 2:1

This report analyses the data on periodontitis from a group of adult patients at a large dental clinic. The goal is to understand the influence of the parameter estimates between logistic regression models of the probability for periodontitis in the population as a function of dental floss use and the probability for using dental floss as a function of periodontitis status.

Table 1: Regular Use of Dental Floss and Periodontitis

	Periodontitis	No Periodontitis	Total
Used Dental Floss	22	75	148
Not Used Dental Floss	265	97	413
Total	170	340	510

Question 1: Logistic regression model of the probability for periodontitis

The logistic regression model of the probability for periodontitis in the population as a function of dental floss use is defined as:

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

where:

- x = 1 if dental floss is regularly used, x = 0 otherwise.
- $p_x = P(\text{periodontitis} \mid x)$, the probability of periodontitis given x.
- β_0 : The log-odds of periodontitis when x = 0 (no floss use).
- β_1 : The change in log-odds of periodontitis when x changes from 0 to 1 (effect of using floss).

Approach:

Fit the logistic regression model to the data and interpret the parameter estimates.

Estimate Parameters:

1. Fit the logistic regression model:

The summary of the logistic regression model coefficients is presented below:

Table 2: Summary of Logistic Regression Model Coefficients

	Term	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	P-value
(Intercept) floss	(Intercept)	-0.5825176	0.1026175	-5.676593	0.0000000
	floss	-0.6439281	0.2632835	-2.445759	0.0144548

2. Expected Estimates of the parameters:

2.1. Intercept (β_0) :

- β_0 represents the log-odds of periodontitis when x=0 (no dental floss use): $\beta_0 = \log\left(\frac{p_0}{1-p_0}\right)$ where: $p_0 = \frac{\text{Periodontitis (No Floss)}}{\text{Total (No Floss)}} = \frac{148}{413} \approx 0.3585$
- Hence: $\beta_0 \approx \log\left(\frac{0.3585}{1 0.3585}\right) = \log(0.558) \approx -0.583$

2.2. Slope (β_1) :

- β_1 represents the change in log-odds when x=1 (dental floss is used): $\beta_1 = \log\left(\frac{p_1}{1-p_1}\right) \log\left(\frac{p_0}{1-p_0}\right)$ where: $p_1 = \frac{\text{Periodontitis (Floss)}}{\text{Total (Floss)}} = \frac{22}{97} \approx 0.2268$
- Hence: $\beta_1 \approx \log\left(\frac{0.2268}{1 0.2268}\right) \log\left(\frac{0.3585}{1 0.3585}\right) \approx \log(0.293) \log(0.558) = -1.229 + 0.583 = -0.646$

The final logistic regression equation: $logit(p_x) = -0.583 - 0.646x$

Interpret Parameters:

- 1. $\beta_0 = -0.583$:
 - The log-odds of periodontitis for individuals who do not use dental floss is approximately -0.583. The corresponding probability of periodontitis is: $p_0 = \frac{e^{-0.583}}{1+e^{-0.583}} \approx 0.358$
- 2. $\beta_1 = -0.646$:
 - The log-odds of periodontitis decreases by 0.646 when individuals use dental floss regularly.
 - This corresponds to an odds ratio of: Odds Ratio = $e^{\beta_1} = e^{-0.646} \approx 0.524$

Individuals who use dental floss regularly have approximately 52.4% lower odds of developing periodontitis compared to those who do not.

Conclusion:

- The logistic regression model provides interpretable estimates of the effect of dental floss use on periodontitis.
- Regular dental floss use is associated with a significant reduction in the odds of periodontitis.
- The logistic regression model is appropriate because the data is binary (periodontitis: yes/no) and the explanatory variable (dental floss use) is categorical.

Question 2: Logistic regression model of the probability for using dental floss
Approach:
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Observation:
Question 3:
Approach:
R Output:
Observation:

Exercise 2:2

Approach:

Code:

Table 3: Original Data Table

log.dose.	Tumor	No.tumor	Total
-7.60	1	17	18
-6.22	2	17	19
-4.60	4	24	28
-3.00	9	23	32
-1.39	12	16	28
0.92	32	8	40

Output:

 ${\bf Observation:}$