Comparing proportions & odds

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Announcements

- Lab 06 due Tuesday, Oct 22 at 11:59p
- Reading 07 for Wednesday
- Project Proposal due Wed, Oct 30 at 11:59p
- Datathon November 2 3



Packages

```
library(tidyverse)
library(knitr)
library(broom)
library(fivethirtyeight)
```



Modeling Binary Outcomes



FiveThirtyEight March Madness

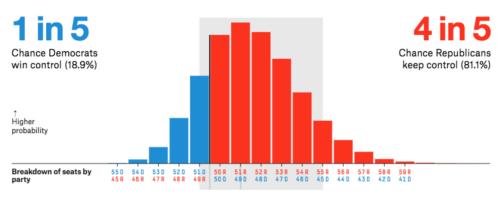
2018 March Madness Predictions

Live Win Probabilities are "derived using logistic regression analysis, which lets us plug the current state of a game into a model to produce the probability that either team will win the game."

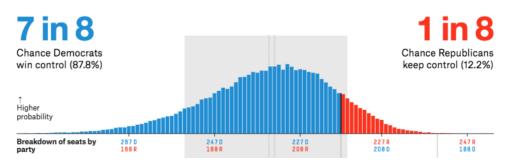
-"How Our March Madness Predictions Work"



2018 Election Forecasts



FiveThirtyEight.com Senate forecast



FiveThirtyEight.com House forecast



Our models are probabilistic in nature; we do a lot of thinking about these probabilities, and the goal is to develop **probabilistic estimates** that hold up well under real-world conditions.

-"How FiveThirtyEight's House, Senate, and Governor Models Work"



Is it rude to recline your seat on a plane?

Source: <u>41 Percent of Fliers Think You're Rude If You Recline Your Seat</u>



Response Variable, Y

- *Y* is a binary response variable
 - 1: yes
 - 0: no
- \blacksquare Mean(Y) = p
 - lacktriangleq p is the proportion of "yes" responses in the population
- Variance(Y) = p(1-p)



Sampling Distribution of Sample Proportion

- \hat{p} : average of binary responses in the sample
 - Called the sample proportion
 - This is the statistic, i.e. the estimate of *p*
- Given \hat{p} is the sample proportion based on a sample of size n from a population with population proportion p:

$$\hat{p} \sim N\left(p, \frac{p(1-p)}{n}\right)$$

...assuming n is "large" (more than 5 "yes" and 5 "no")



Confidence Interval for a Single Proportion

• Approximate C% confidence interval for p is

$$\hat{p} \pm z^* SE(\hat{p})$$

$$=\hat{p} \pm z^* \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}(1-\hat{p})}{n}}$$

where z^* is the critical value calculated from the N(0,1) distribution

```
# Critical value for 90% CI
qnorm(0.95)
```

[1] 1.644854



Opinions about reclining: 90% CI

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crit.val <- qnorm(0.95)</pre>
```

We are 90% confident that the interval 0.384 to 0.44 contains the true proportion of fliers who think reclining your seat on a plane is rude.



Sampling Distribution for Difference in Two Proportions

■ Let \hat{p}_1 and \hat{p}_2 be sample proportions from independent random samples of size n_1 and n_2 , respectively:

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \sim N\left(p_1 - p_2, \frac{p_1(1 - p_1)}{n_1} + \frac{p_2(1 - p_2)}{n_2}\right)$$

... assuming n_1 and n_2 are "large" (at least 5 "yes" and "no" in each sample)



Confidence Interval for Difference in Proportions

■ Approximate C% confidence interval for $p_1 - p_2$ is

$$(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) \pm z^* \times SE(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2)$$

$$= (\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) \pm z^* \times \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(1 - \hat{p}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(1 - \hat{p}_2)}{n_2}}$$

where z^* is the critical value calculated from the N(0,1) distribution



Opinions about reclining by age

```
flying %>%
  filter(age %in% c("18-29", "30-44")) %>%
  group_by(age, rude) %>%
  summarise(n = n()) %>%
  spread(rude, n) %>%
  kable(format="markdown")
```

age	0	1
18-29	78	94
30-44	143	79

Is there a significant difference in the proportion of 18-29 year olds versus 30-44 year olds who think reclining a seat on a plane is rude?



Opinions about reclining by age: 90% CI

age	n	p_hat
18-29	172	0.547
30-44	222	0.356

- 1. Calculate a 90% confidence interval for the difference in proportion of 18-29 year olds and 30-44 year olds who think reclining a seat on a plane is rude. Interpret the interval.
- 2. Based on the interval, is there evidence of a significant difference in proportions between the two groups?



What are some potential difficulties with reporting results using the difference in proportions? or proportions/percentages in general?



Odds

■ Given *p*, the population proportion of "yes" responses, the corresponding odds of a "yes" response is

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

- The sample odds are $\hat{\omega} = \frac{\hat{p}}{1-\hat{p}}$
- Ex.
 - proportion of fliers who think reclining is rude: 0.412.
 - odds a flier thinking reclining is rude: 0.701 to 1



Properties of the odds

- odds ≥ 0
- If $\hat{p} = 0.5$, then odds = 1
- If odds of "yes" = ω , then the odds of "no" = $\frac{1}{\omega}$
- If odds of "yes" = ω , then $\hat{p} = \frac{\omega}{(1+\omega)}$



Odds ratio

- Suppose we have two populations with proportions p_1 and p_2 and odds ω_1 and ω_2
- The odds ratio is $\phi = \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}$
 - Estimate: $\hat{\phi} = \frac{\hat{\omega}_1}{\hat{\omega}_2}$
- Good alternative to the difference in proportions
- Intepretation: The odds of "yes" in group 1 is ϕ times the odds of "yes" in group 2



Why use Odds Ratio?

- In practice, the odds ratio is more consistent across levels of confounding variables
- The odds ratio is more easily interpreted / understood
- The odds ratio can be easily extended to regression analysis



Sampling distribution of log(odds ratio)

■ Let $\hat{\omega}_1$ and $\hat{\omega}_2$ be sample odds from independent random samples of size n_1 and n_2 , respectively:

$$\log(\hat{\phi}) = \log\left(\frac{\hat{\omega}_1}{\hat{\omega}_2}\right) \approx N\left(\log\left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}\right), \frac{1}{n_1p_1(1-p_1)} + \frac{1}{n_2p_2(1-p_2)}\right)$$

... assuming n_1 and n_2 are "large" based on the thresholds for difference in proportions



Confidence Interval for Log Odds Ratio

• Approximate C% confidence interval for $\log(\phi)$ is

$$\log(\hat{\phi}) \pm z^* \times SE[\log(\hat{\phi})]$$

$$= \log(\hat{\phi}) \pm z^* \times \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1 \hat{p}_1 (1 - \hat{p}_1)} + \frac{1}{n_2 \hat{p}_2 (1 - \hat{p}_2)}}$$

where z^* is the critical value calculated from the N(0,1) distribution



Confidence Interval for Odds Ratio

Suppose LB and UB are the lower and upper bounds of the C% confidence interval for the log odds ratio, $\log(\phi)$

The C% confidence interval for the odds ratio, ϕ is

 $\exp\{LB\}$ to $\exp\{UB\}$



Opinions about reclining seat

- 1. Calculate a 90% confidence interval for the odds ratio of 18-29 versus 30-44 year olds who think reclining a seat on a plane is rude. Interpret the interval.
- 2. Based on the interval, is there evidence of a significant difference in the odds between the two groups?



Hypothesis Test for Odds Ratio

• We want to test whether two groups have equal odds, i.e. $\phi = \frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} = 1$

■ Null Hypothesis:
$$H_0: \log(\phi) = \log\left(\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2}\right) = 0$$

Test Statistic:

$$z = \frac{\log(\hat{\phi}) - 0}{SE_0[\log(\hat{\phi})]} = \frac{\log(\hat{\phi}) - 0}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1\hat{p}_c(1-\hat{p}_c)} + \frac{1}{n_2\hat{p}_c(1-\hat{p}_c)}}}$$

p-value: proportion of N(0,1) distribution as extreme or more extreme than the test statistic



Standard error $SE_0[\log(\hat{\phi})]$

- The null hypothesis is that odds ratio is 1, i.e. the proportions are equal
- To calculate standard error, we estimate $\hat{\pi}_c$, the sample proportion from the combined data

$$SE_0[\log(\hat{\phi})] = SE_0\left[\log\left(\frac{\hat{\omega}_1}{\hat{\omega}_2}\right)\right] = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1\hat{p}_c(1-\hat{p}_c)} + \frac{1}{n_2\hat{p}_c(1-\hat{p}_c)}}$$



Opinions about reclining seat

Do the odds of thinking it's rude to recline a seat on a plane differ between 18-29 and 30-44 year olds?

$$H_0: \log(\phi) = 0$$

$$H_a:\log(\phi)\neq 0$$

$$\hat{p}_c = 0.439$$

■ **18 - 29**:
$$n = 172$$
, $\hat{\omega} = 1.208$

30 - 44:
$$n = 222$$
, $\hat{\omega} = 0.553$

- 1. Calculate the test statistic.
- 2. Calculate p-value and make a conclusion.

