

Inference with logistic regression

Last time: comparing deviances

Full model: $\log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{GRE}_i$

Reduced model: $\log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i}\right) = \beta_0$

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = 0 \quad H_A : \beta_1 \neq 0$$

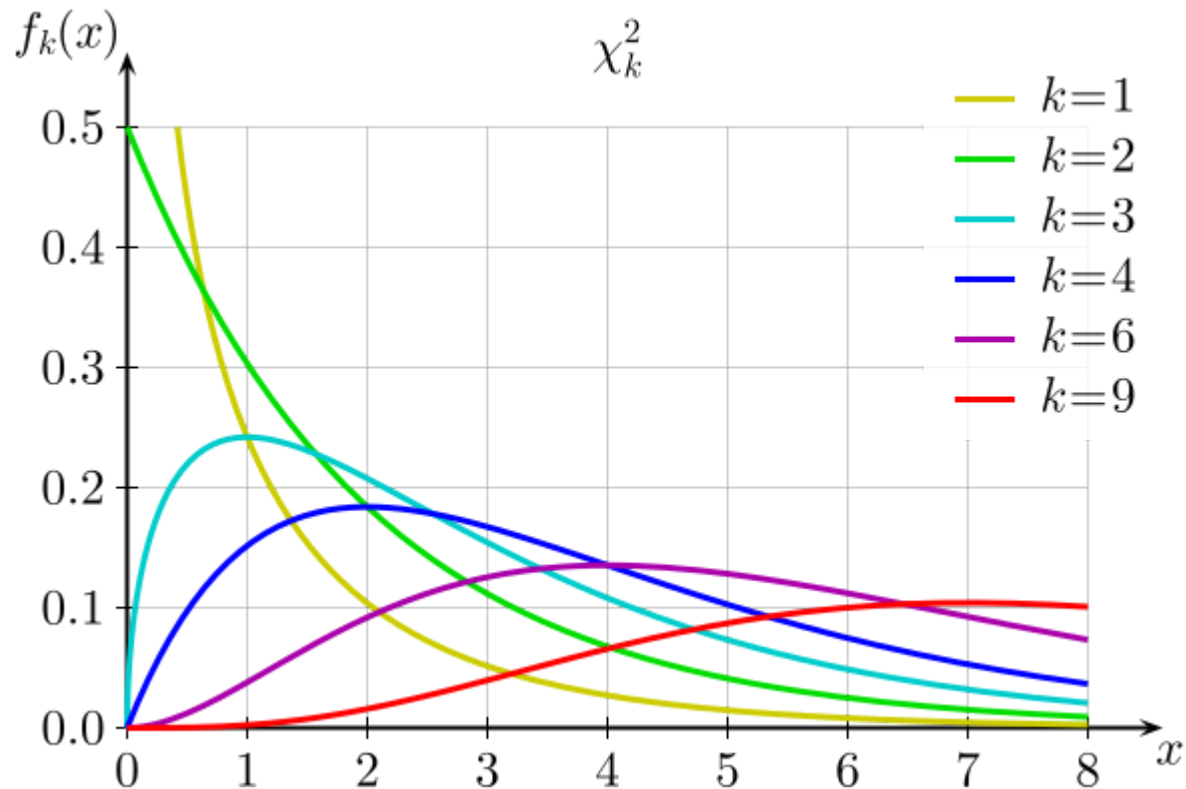
drop-in-deviance: G = deviance for reduced model - deviance for full model = 13.92

If H_0 is true, how unusual is $G = 13.92$?

χ^2 distribution

Under H_0 , $G \sim \chi^2_{df_{\text{reduced}} - df_{\text{full}}}$

χ^2_k distribution: parameterized by degrees of freedom k



Computing a p-value

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 $\sim \chi_1^2$

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pchisq(13.92, df = 1, lower.tail=FALSE)
```

```
## [1] 0.0001907579
```

Concept check

Our p-value is 0.0002. What is the most appropriate conclusion? Go to <https://pollev.com/ciaranevans637> to respond.

(A) We reject the null hypothesis, since $p < 0.05$.

(B) We fail to reject the null hypothesis, since $p < 0.05$.

(C) The data provide strong evidence of a relationship between GRE score and the probability of admission to graduate school.

(D) The data do not provide strong evidence of a relationship between GRE score and the probability of admission to graduate school.

Likelihood ratio test for nested models

Likelihood ratio test: strengths and weaknesses

Alternative: Wald tests for single parameters

$$\log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{GRE}_i$$

Hypotheses:

Test statistic:

$$z =$$

Example

$$\log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{GRE}_i$$

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = 0 \quad H_A : \beta_1 \neq 0$$

```
...  
##               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)  
## (Intercept) -2.901344    0.606038  -4.787 1.69e-06 ***  
## gre          0.003582    0.000986   3.633 0.00028 ***  
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1  
...  
  
Z =
```

Wald tests vs. likelihood ratio tests

Wald test

- + like t-tests
- + test a single parameter
- + some example hypotheses:
 - + $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ vs.
 $H_A : \beta_1 \neq 0$
 - + $H_0 : \beta_1 = 1$ vs.
 $H_A : \beta_1 > 1$

Likelihood ratio test

- + like nested F-tests
- + test one or more parameters
- + some example hypotheses:
 - + $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ vs.
 $H_A : \beta_1 \neq 0$

p-values are different, because test statistics and distributions are different

Class activity

https://sta214-f22.github.io/class_activities/ca_lecture_8.html

Class activity

Y_i = dengue status (0 = no, 1 = yes)

$$Y_i \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi_i) \quad \log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 WBC_i$$

Researchers want to test whether there is any relationship between WBC and dengue status. What are H_0 and H_A ?

Class activity

```
...  
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)  
## (Intercept)  1.73743    0.08499   20.44  <2e-16 ***  
## WBC          -0.36085    0.01243  -29.03  <2e-16 ***  
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1  
##  
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)  
##  
##      Null deviance: 6955.8  on 5719  degrees of freedom  
## Residual deviance: 5529.8  on 5718  degrees of freedom  
...
```

Wald test:

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Likelihood ratio test:

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Researchers want to test whether patients with lower WBC are more likely to have dengue. What are H_0 and H_A ?

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Test: