# Parametric models and logistic regression

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## Warmup activity

Work on the activity (handout) with a neighbor, then we will discuss as a class.

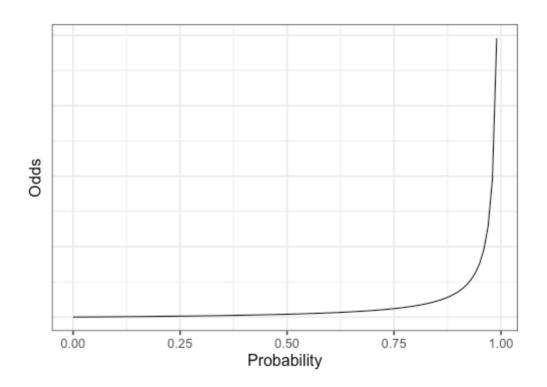
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If  $\pi=0.2$ , calculate the odds.

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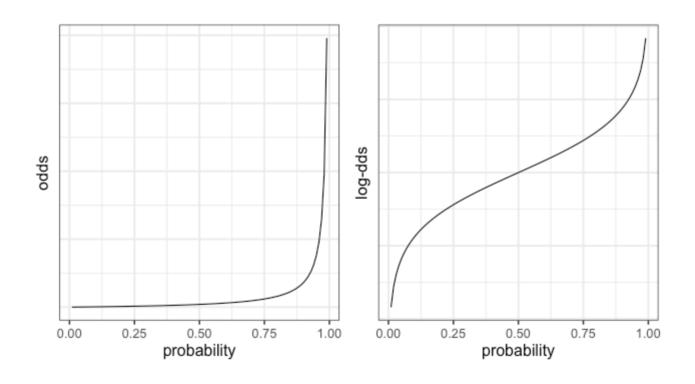
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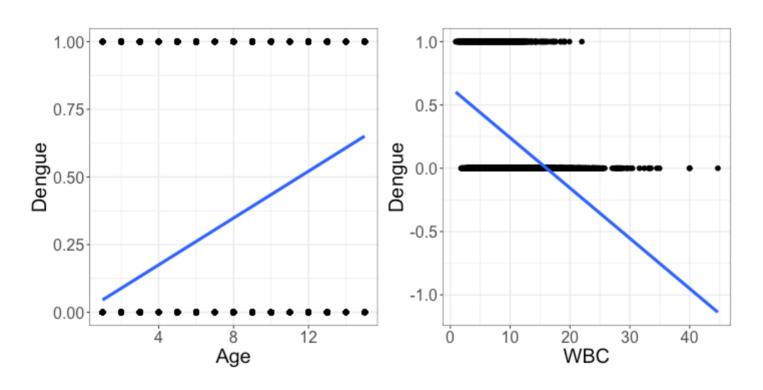
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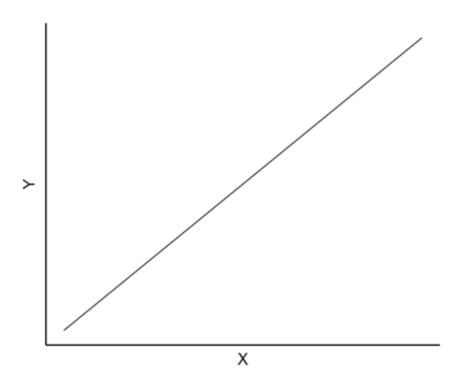


#### Last time

#### Don't fit linear regression with a binary response

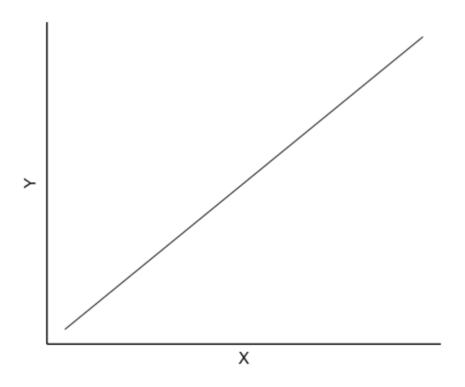


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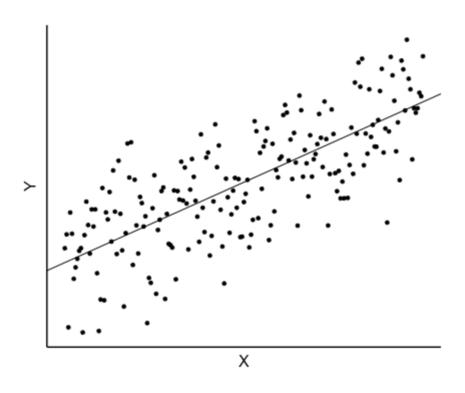
Will all of the observations fall exactly on the line?

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Given a value of X, how do I know where the values of Y are likely to be?

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What do we often assume about the distribution of  $\varepsilon$ ?

#### Parametric modeling

A regression model is an example of a more general process called **parametric modeling** 

- **Step 1:** Choose a reasonable distribution for  $Y_i$
- **Step 2:** Build a model for the parameters of interest
- Step 3: Fit the model

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- ➡ We don't know, so we will estimate from the sample
- lacktriangle We assume the probability  $Y_i=1$  depends on  $Age_i$

How should I describe the distribution of  $Y_i$ ?

#### Bernoulli distribution

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A **random variable** is an event that has a set of possible outcomes, but we don't know which one will occur

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- ullet Our goal is to use the observed data to estimate  $\pi_i = P(Y_i = 1)$

## Second attempt at a model

$$Y_i \sim Bernoulli(\pi_i) \quad \pi_i = P(Y_i = 1|Age_i) \ \ \pi_i = eta_0 + eta_1 Age_i$$

Are there still any potential issues with this approach?

# Fixing the issues

## Logistic regression model

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Why is there no noise term  $\varepsilon_i$  in the logistic regression model? Discuss for 1--2 minutes with your neighbor, then we will discuss as a class.

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## Coefficients:

## Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)

## (Intercept) -2.454345   0.075068  -32.70   <2e-16 ***

## Age     0.217312   0.008826   24.62   <2e-16 ***
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## **Class activity**

- Work with a neighbor on the class activity (handout)
- I will collect your work at the end of class

For next time, read sections 6.4 and 6.6 in the textbook