

Likelihood ratio tests

Last time

Data on the RMS *Titanic* disaster. We have data on 891 passengers on the ship, with the following variables:

- + Passenger: A unique ID number for each passenger.
- + Survived: An indicator for whether the passenger survived (1) or perished (0) during the disaster.
- + Pclass: Indicator for the class of the ticket held by this passengers; 1 = 1st class, 2 = 2nd class, 3 = 3rd class.
- + Sex: Binary Indicator for the biological sex of the passenger.
- + Age: Age of the passenger in years; Age is fractional if the passenger was less than 1 year old.
- + Fare: How much the ticket cost in US dollars.
- + + others

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Is there a relationship between passenger age and their probability of survival, after accounting for sex, passenger class, and the cost of their ticket?

$$\log\left(\frac{p_i}{1 - p_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Age_i + \beta_2 Sex_i + \beta_3 Age_i \cdot Sex_i + \beta_4 \log(Fare_i + 1)$$

What hypotheses should we test to investigate this research question?

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```
...  
## Coefficients:  
##           Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)  
## (Intercept)  -1.40695    0.44682  -3.149  0.00164 **  
## Age           0.01107    0.01107   1.000  0.31730  
## Sexmale      -1.27467    0.41654  -3.060  0.00221 **  
## log(Fare + 1) 0.69449    0.11065   6.276 3.47e-10 ***  
## Age:Sexmale  -0.03638    0.01378  -2.639  0.00831 **  
##  
## Null deviance: 964.52 on 713 degrees of freedom  
## Residual deviance: 697.21 on 709 degrees of freedom  
...
```

What information replaces R^2 and R^2_{adj} in the GLM output?

Deviance

Definition: The *deviance* of a fitted model with parameter estimates $\hat{\beta}$ is given by

$$2\ell(\text{saturated model}) - 2\ell(\hat{\beta})$$

Comparing deviances

```
m1 <- glm(Survived ~ Age*Sex + log(Fare + 1),  
          data = titanic, family = binomial)  
summary(m1)
```

...

```
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...

```
m2 <- glm(Survived ~ Sex + log(Fare + 1),  
          data = titanic, family = binomial)  
summary(m2)
```

...

```
##      Null deviance: 1186.66  on 890  degrees of freedom  
## Residual deviance:  868.97  on 888  degrees of freedom
```

...

Comparing deviances

Full model:

Hypotheses:

Reduced model:

Test statistic:

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Reduced model:

$$\log\left(\frac{p_i}{1 - p_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Sex_i + \beta_2 \log(Fare_i + 1)$$

$$G = 2\ell(\hat{\beta}) - 2\ell(\hat{\beta}^0)$$

Why is G always ≥ 0 ?

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$$G = 2\ell(\hat{\beta}) - 2\ell(\hat{\beta}^0) = 171.76$$

If the reduced model is correct, how unusual is $G = 171.76$?

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