Binomial Generalized Linear Models

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Binomial GLM

Example: Passing the exam

We want to measure the impact of **watching tv-shows** on the probability of **passing the statistics exam**.

- exam: passing the exam (1 = "passed", 0 = "failed")
- tv_shows: watching tv-shows regularly (1 = "yes", 0 = "no")

head(dat)

```
## tv_shows exam
## 1 1 1 1
## 2 1 1 1
## 3 1 0
## 4 1 1
## 5 1 0
## 6 1 1
```

Example: Passing the exam

We can create the contingency table

```
xtabs(~exam + tv_shows, data = dat) |>
  addmargins()
```

```
## tv_shows
## exam 0 1 Sum
## 0 38 15 53
## 1 12 35 47
## Sum 50 50 100
```

Example: Passing the exam

Each cell probability π_{ij} is computed as π_{ij}/n

```
(xtabs(-exam + tv_shows, data = dat)/n) |>
  addmargins()
```

```
## tv_shows

## exam 0 1 Sum

## 0 0.38 0.15 0.53

## 1 0.12 0.35 0.47

## Sum 0.50 0.50 1.00
```

Example: Passing the exam - Odds

The most common way to analyze a 2x2 contingency table is using the **odds ratio** (OR). Firsly let's define *the odds of success* as:

$$odds = \frac{\pi}{1 - \pi}$$
$$\pi = \frac{odds}{odds + 1}$$

- ullet the **odds** are non-negative, ranging between 0 and $+\infty$
- an **odds** of e.g. 3 means that we expect 3 success for each failure

Example: Passing the exam - Odds

For the exam example:

```
odds <- function(p) p / (1 - p)
p11 <- mean(with(dat, exam[tv_shows == 1])) # passing exam / tv_shows
odds(p11)</pre>
```

```
## [1] 2.333333
```

Example: Passing the exam - Odds Ratio

The OR is a ratio of odds:

$$OR = \frac{\frac{\pi_1}{1 - \pi_1}}{\frac{\pi_2}{1 - \pi_2}}$$

- OR ranges between 0 and $+\infty$. When OR=1 the odds for the two conditions are equal
- An e.g. OR=3 means that being in the condition at the numerator increase 3 times the odds of success

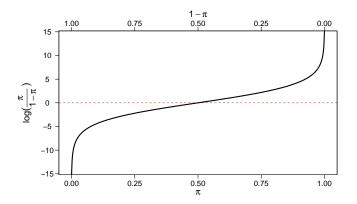
Example: Passing the exam - Odds Ratio

```
odds_ratio <- function(p1, p2) odds(p1) / odds(p2)
p11 <- mean(with(dat, exam[tv_shows == 1])) # passing exam / tv_shows
p10 <- mean(with(dat, exam[tv_shows == 0])) # passing exam / not tv_shows
odds_ratio(p11, p10)</pre>
```

```
## [1] 7.388889
```

Why using these measure?

The odds have an interesting property when taking the logarithm. We can express a probability π using a scale ranging $[-\infty, +\infty]$

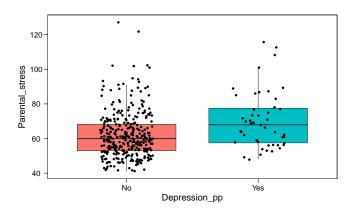


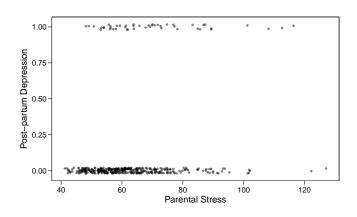
We considered a Study conducted by the University of Padua (TEDDY Child Study, 2020)¹. Within the study, researchers asked the participants (mothers of a young child) about the presence of post-partum depression and measured the parental stress using the PSI-Parenting Stress Index.

ID	Parental.stress	Depression.pp
1	75	No
2	51	No
3	76	No
4	88	No
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376	67	No
377	71	No
378	63	No
379	70	No

 $^{^1\}mathsf{Thanks}$ to Prof. Paolo Girardi for the example, see $\mathsf{https:}//\mathsf{teddychild.dpss.psy.unipd.it}/ \ \ \mathsf{for} \ \mathsf{information}$

We want to see if the parental stress increase the probability of having post-partum depression:



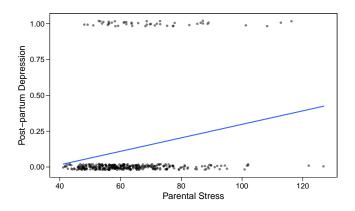


Let's start by fitting a linear model Depression_pp ~ Parental_stress. We consider "Yes" as 1 and "No" as 0.

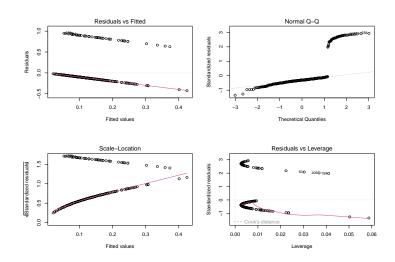
```
fit_lm <- lm(Depression_pp01 ~ Parental_stress, data = teddy)
summary(fit_lm)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Depression pp01 ~ Parental stress, data = teddy)
##
## Residuals:
       Min
                 10 Median
                                          Max
## -0 42473 -0 13768 -0 10003 -0 05768 0 94702
##
## Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -0.172900 0.077561 -2.229 0.026389 *
## Parental_stress 0.004706 0.001201 3.919 0.000105 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.3239 on 377 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.03915. Adjusted R-squared: 0.0366
## F-statistic: 15.36 on 1 and 377 DF, p-value: 0.0001054
```

Let's add the fitted line to our plot:



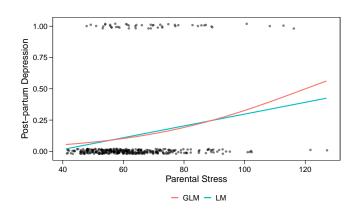
... and check the residuals, pretty bad right?



As for the exam example, we could compute a sort of contingency table despite the Parental_stress is a numerical variable by creating some discrete categories (just for exploratory analysis):

```
table(teddy$Depression pp, teddy$Parental stress c) |> table(teddy$Depression pp, teddy$Parental stress c) |>
    round(2)
                                                            prop.table(margin = 2) |>
                                                            round(2)
##
         < 40 40-60 60-80 80-100 > 100
                                                        ##
                164
                      136
                                                                 < 40 40-60 60-80 80-100 > 100
     Yes
                 15
                       21
                               7
                                                                       0.92 0.87
                                                                                     0.79 0.60
                                                             Yes
                                                                       0.08 0.13
                                                                                     0.21 0.40
```

Ideally, we could compute the increase in the odds of having the post-partum depression as the parental stress increase. In fact, as we are going to see, the Binomial GLM is able to estimate the non-linear increase in the probability.



Binomial GLM

- The **random component** of a Binomial GLM the binomial distribution with parameter π
- ullet The **systematic component** is a linear combination of predictors and coefficients eta X
- The **link function** is a function that map probabilities into the $[-\infty, +\infty]$ range.

Binomial GLM - Logit Link

The **logit** link is the most common link function when using a binomial GLM:

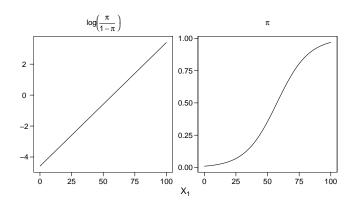
$$\log\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + ... \beta_p X_p$$

The inverse of the logit maps again the probability into the [0,1] range:

$$\pi = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots \beta_p X_p}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots \beta_p X_p}}$$

Binomial GLM - Logit Link

Thus with a single numerical predictor x the relationship between x and π in non-linear on the probability scale but linear on the logit scale.



Binomial GLM - Logit Link

The problem is that effects are non-linear, thus is more difficult to interpret and report model results

