

# Discrete Response Model

## Lecture 2

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# Binomial Logistic Regression Model

# The Logit Transformation

- The  $\log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1-\pi_i}\right)$  transformation is often referred to as the logit transformation:

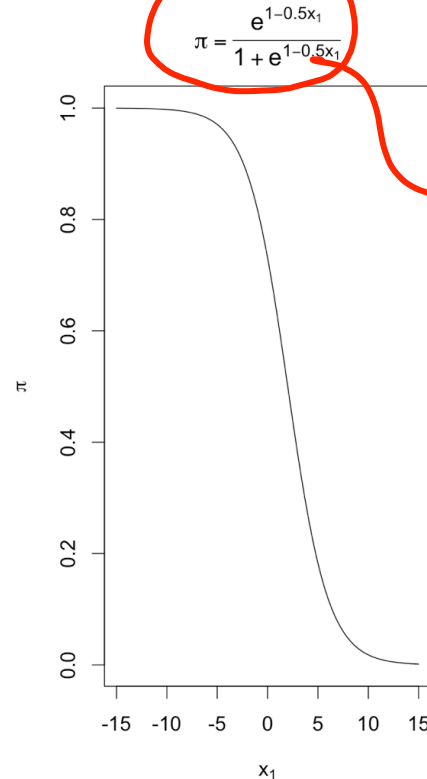
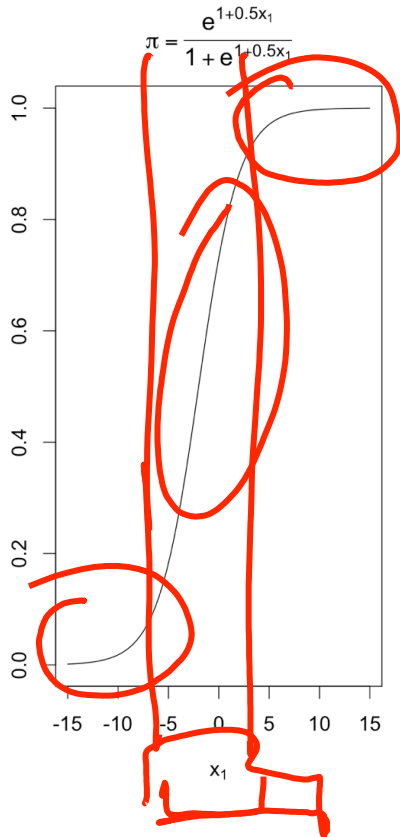
$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip}$$

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This part of the model is often referred to as the linear predictor.

# Visualizing the Logistic Curve

When there is only one explanatory variable,  $\beta_0 = 1$ , and  $\beta_1 = 0.5$  (or -0.5), a plot of  $\pi$  vs.  $x$  looks like the following:



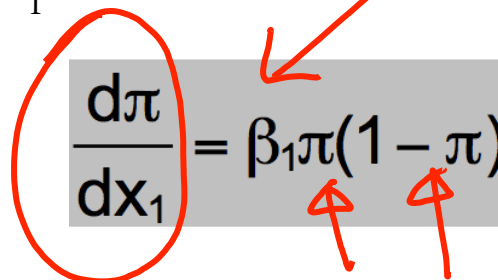
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par(mfrow = c(1,2))

beta0<-1
beta1<-0.5
curve(expr = exp(beta0+beta1*x)/(1+exp(beta0+beta1*x)),
      xlim = c(-15, 15), col = "black", main = expression(pi
== frac(e^{1+0.5*x[1]}, 1+e^{1+0.5*x[1]})), xlab =
expression(x[1]), ylab = expression(pi))

beta0<-1
beta1<- -0.5
curve(expr = exp(beta0+beta1*x)/(1+exp(beta0+beta1*x)),
      xlim = c(-15, 15), col = "black", main = expression(pi
== frac(e^{1-0.5*x[1]}, 1+e^{1-0.5*x[1]})), xlab =
expression(x[1]), ylab = expression(pi))
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# Observations:

- $0 < \pi < 1$ .
- When  $\beta_1 > 0$ , there is a positive relationship between  $x_1$  and  $\pi$ .  
When  $\beta_1 < 0$ , there is a negative relationship between  $x_1$  and  $\pi$ .
- The shape of the curve is somewhat similar to the letter s.
- Above  $\pi = 0.5$  is a mirror image of below  $\pi = 0.5$ .
- The slope of the curve is dependent on the value of  $x_1$ . This is an important property worth remembering when interpreting the coefficients of a logistic regression model.
  - We can show this mathematically by taking the derivative with respect to  $x_1$ :


$$\frac{d\pi}{dx_1} = \beta_1 \pi (1 - \pi)$$

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