Common distributions with typical uses and canonical link functions

| Distribution | Support of distribution | Typical uses | Link name | Link function, $\mathbf{X} oldsymbol{eta} = g(\mu)$ | Mean function |
|---------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Normal | real: $(-\infty, +\infty)$ | Linear-response data | Identity | $\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta}=\mu$ | $\mu = \mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta}$ |
| Exponential Gamma | real: $(0,+\infty)$ | Exponential- response data, scale | Negative inverse | $\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta} = -\mu^{-1}$ | $\mu = -(\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta})^{-1}$ |
| Inverse Gaussian | real: $(0,+\infty)$ | parameters | Inverse squared | $\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta}=\mu^{-2}$ | $\mu = (\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta})^{-1/2}$ |
| Poisson | integer: $0,1,2,\ldots$ | count of occurrences in fixed amount of time/space | Log | $\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta} = \ln(\mu)$ | $\mu = \exp(\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta})$ |
| Bernoulli | integer: $\{0,1\}$ | outcome of single yes/no occurrence | | $\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{eta} = \ln\!\left(rac{\mu}{1-\mu} ight)$ | |
| Binomial | integer: $0,1,\ldots,N$ | count of # of "yes" occurrences out of N yes/no occurrences | Logit | $\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \ln\left(\frac{\mu}{n-\mu}\right)$ | |
| Categorical | integer: $[0, K)$ K-vector of integer: $[0, 1]$, where exactly one element in the vector has the value 1 | outcome of single <i>K</i> -way occurrence | | $\mathbf{X}oldsymbol{eta}=\ln\!\left(rac{\mu}{1-\mu} ight)$ | $\mu = \frac{\exp(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})}{1 + \exp(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})} = \frac{1}{1 + \exp(-\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})}$ |
| Multinomial | \emph{K} -vector of integer: $[0,N]$ | count of occurrences of different types (1,, K) out of N total K-way occurrences | | | |

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Generalized_linear_model#Link_function

Interpreting Logistic Regression Models

- we want to create a spam filter based on 3921 observations/emails
- simple model, one predictor: 'to_multiple'

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Call:
glm(formula = spam \sim to_multiple, family = binomial, data = email)
Deviance Residuals:
           1Q Median 3Q
  Min
-0.477 -0.477 -0.477 -0.477 2.809
Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
              -2.11609 0.05618 -37.665 < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
to_multipleyes -1.80918   0.29685   -6.095   1.1e-09 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
   Null deviance: 2437.2 on 3920 degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 2372.0 on 3919 degrees of freedom
AIC: 2376
Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
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