

Generalized Linear Models

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In **linear regression**: continuous response $Y \in \mathbb{R}$ with $\hat{y} = f(x) = \beta_0 + \beta^\top x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, Gaussian error.

Idea: Apply linear regression on "smartly" transformed variable of interest.

In this way we can work with, for example, binary or counts responses.

The **link function** g is a strictly monotonic transformation of the conditional mean of Y given X :

$$\mu(x) = \mathbb{E}[Y \mid X = x]$$

$$g[\mu(x)] = \beta_0 + \beta^\top x$$

$$Y \in \{0, 1\},$$

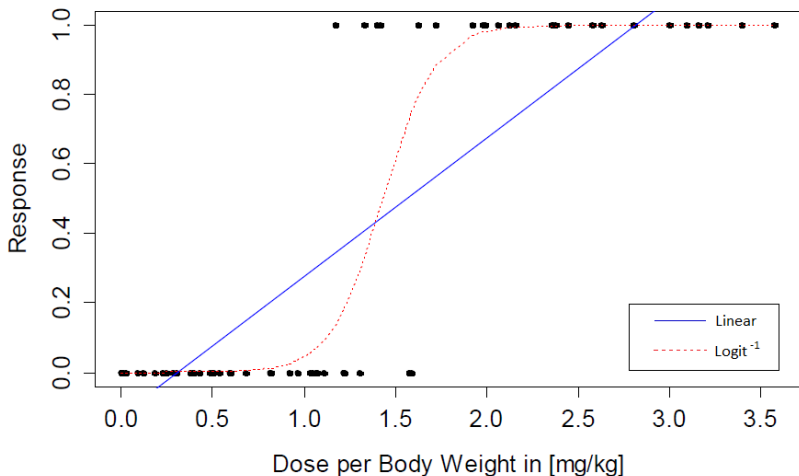
$$\begin{aligned}\mu(x) &= \mathbb{E}[Y | X = x] \\ &= 1 \cdot \mathbb{P}(Y = 1 | X = x) + 0 \cdot \mathbb{P}(Y = 0 | X = x) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(Y = 1 | X = x)\end{aligned}$$

Take $g(\mu) = \text{logit}(\mu) = \log\left(\frac{\mu}{1-\mu}\right)$

$$\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = g[\mu(x)] = \log \left[\frac{\mathbb{P}(Y = 1 | X = x)}{\mathbb{P}(Y = 0 | X = x)} \right]$$

$$\mu(x) = \mathbb{P}(Y = 1 | X = x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}}$$

Effect of Medication vs. Dose



$Y \in \mathbb{N} \subset [0, +\infty[$, Assume that $(Y \mid X = x) \sim Poi(\lambda(x))$.

$$\mu(x) = \mathbb{E}[Y \mid X = x] = \lambda(x)$$

Take $g(\mu) = \log(\mu)$

$$\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = g[\mu(x)] = \log(\mu(x)) = \log(\lambda(x))$$

$$\lambda(x) = e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}$$

Problem in chapter: Minimize negative log-likelihood with a penalty.

$$\underset{\beta_0, \beta}{\text{minimize}} \left\{ -\frac{1}{N} \mathcal{L}(\beta_0, \beta; \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}) + \lambda \|\beta\| \right\}$$

Where the type of norm is specified in the problem.

We now show that linear regression is an example of GLM.

Assume $(Y \mid X = x) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu(x), \sigma^2)$. Then we have:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\beta_0, \beta; \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}) \propto \prod_{i=1}^N e^{-\frac{(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta x_i)^2}{2\sigma^2}}$$

$$\mathcal{L}(\beta_0, \beta; \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}) = -\sum_{i=1}^N \frac{(y_i - \beta_0 - \beta x_i)^2}{2\sigma^2} + c = -\frac{\|\mathbf{y} - \beta_0 - \beta \mathbf{X}\|_2^2}{2\sigma^2} + c$$

Binary $Y \in \{0, 1\}$: assume Bernoulli distributed with parameter $\mu(x) = P(Y = 1 \mid X = x)$; Corresponding likelihood:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\beta_0, \beta; \mathbf{x}) = \prod_{i=1}^N \underbrace{\mathbb{P}(Y = 1 \mid X = x_i)^{y_i} \mathbb{P}(Y = 0 \mid X = x_i)^{1-y_i}}_{p(x_i)}$$

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Using the Ansatz $p(x) = \mathbb{P}(Y = 1 \mid X = x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}}$ we get:

$$\underbrace{-\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top x_i) - \log(1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x_i}) + \lambda \|\beta\|}_{\text{minimize}}$$

Sometimes we take $Y \in \{-1, 1\}$, which simplifies the minimization problem to:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \log \left(1 + e^{-y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top x_i)} \right) + \lambda \|\beta\|$$

or more generally:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \log \left(1 + e^{-y_i f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta)} \right) + \lambda \|\beta\|$$

Problem: We have $N = 11'314$ documents that we want to classify into two different Groups ($Y \in \{-1, +1\}$). The features are defined as the set of **trigrams** [with some restrictions]. Trigrams are a sequence of three consecutive characters (for example AAA, azA,...). Each document contains an average of 425 nonzero features.

$$p = 777'811 \cong 92^3$$

We want to perform ℓ_1 -regularized logistic regression.

Example: Document classification

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2	2	002	STX (start of text)	34	22	042	#34; "		66	42	102	#66; B		98	62	142	#98; b	
3	3	003	ETX (end of text)	35	23	043	#35; #		67	43	103	#67; C		99	63	143	#99; c	
4	4	004	EOT (end of transmission)	36	24	044	#36; \$		68	44	104	#68; D		100	64	144	#100; d	
5	5	005	ENQ (enquiry)	37	25	045	#37; %		69	45	105	#69; E		101	65	145	#101; e	
6	6	006	ACK (acknowledge)	38	26	046	#38; &		70	46	106	#70; F		102	66	146	#102; f	
7	7	007	BEL (bell)	39	27	047	#39; '		71	47	107	#71; G		103	67	147	#103; g	
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13	D	015	CR (carriage return)	45	2D	055	#45; -		77	4D	115	#77; M		109	6D	155	#109; m	
14	E	016	SO (shift out)	46	2E	056	#46; .		78	4E	116	#78; N		110	6E	156	#110; n	
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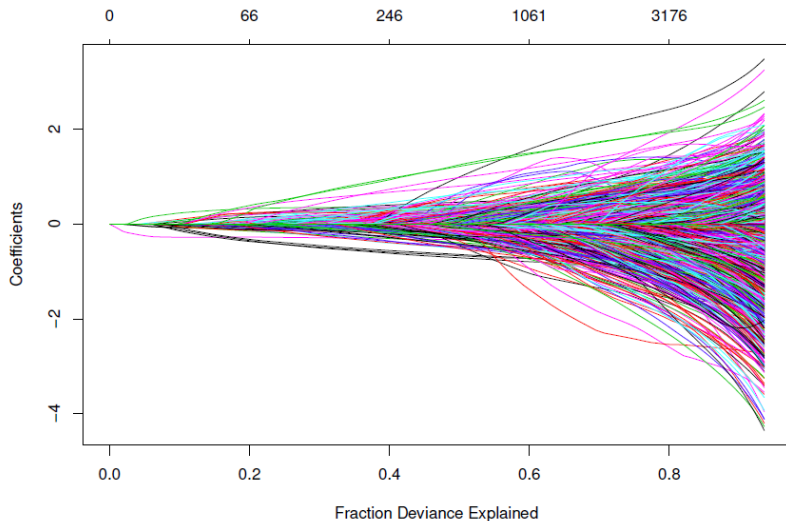
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The **fraction deviance explained** (D_λ^2) is then defined by:

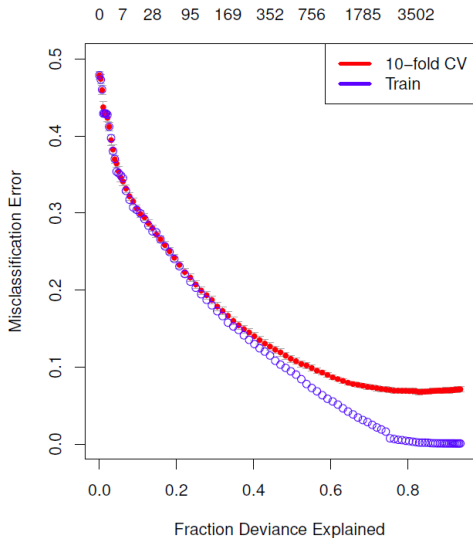
$$D_\lambda^2 = \frac{\text{Dev}_{\text{null}} - \text{Dev}_\lambda}{\text{Dev}_{\text{null}}}$$
$$R^2 = \frac{SS_{\text{tot}} - SS_{\text{res}}}{SS_{\text{tot}}}$$

Deviance: (Dev_λ) Minus twice the difference in log-likelihood of a saturated model with a model fit with parameter λ .

Goodness to fit statistic that generalizes the residual sum of square for cases where model fitting is achieved by MLE.



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In order to calculate the coefficients, the package `glmnet` approximates the log-likelihood:

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \log \left(1 + e^{-y_i(\beta_0 + \beta^\top x_i)} \right)$$

in each step by a quadratic function, in order to reuse the method created to solve the "usual" ridge and lasso regression. More on that will be covered in future presentations.

Setting: $Y \in \{1, \dots, K\}$ for $K > 2$ classes. 2 ways for reduction to binary classification in general:

- OvO [**One versus One**]: all $\binom{K}{2}$ pairs of classes samples are used to fit $\binom{K}{2}$ binary classifiers, then the predicted class is the one which is predicted the most.
- OvA [**One versus All**]: treat all other classes as a single *negative* class.

Drawbacks:

- OvO: computationally exhaustive and cases where same amount of votes for more classes.
- OvA: imbalance amounts *positive* and *negative* observations.

Multiclass Logistic Regression approach:

$$\mathbb{P}(Y = k \mid X = x; \beta_0, \beta) = \frac{e^{\beta_{0k} + \beta_k^\top x}}{\sum_{l=1}^K e^{\beta_{0l} + \beta_l^\top x}}$$

Interesting property: invariance of this conditional probability under addition of $\gamma_0 + \gamma^\top x$ in all the exponents.

$$\log \mathbb{P}(Y = k \mid X = x; \beta_0, \beta) = \beta_{0k} + \beta_k^\top x - \log \left[\sum_{l=1}^K e^{\beta_{0l} + \beta_l^\top x} \right]$$

The log-likelihood is given by

$$\mathcal{L}(\beta_0, \beta; \mathbf{y}, \mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \log \mathbb{P}(Y = y_i \mid X = x_i; \beta_0, \beta)$$

Define **Indicator response** $\mathbf{R} = (r_{ik}) = (\mathbb{I}_{\{y_i=k\}}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times K}$.

Then we can rewrite log-likelihood as

$$\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{w}_i \left[\sum_{k=1}^K r_{ik} (\beta_{0k} + \beta_k^\top x_i) - \log \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K e^{\beta_{0k} + \beta_k^\top x_i} \right\} \right]$$

with resulting ℓ_1 -penalized negative log-likelihood

$$-\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N w_i \left[\sum_{k=1}^K r_{ik} (\beta_{0k} + \beta_k^\top x_i) - \log \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^K e^{\beta_{0k} + \beta_k^\top x_i} \right\} \right] + \lambda \sum_{k=1}^K \|\beta_k\|_1$$

Recall invariance under addition of linear term in exponents:

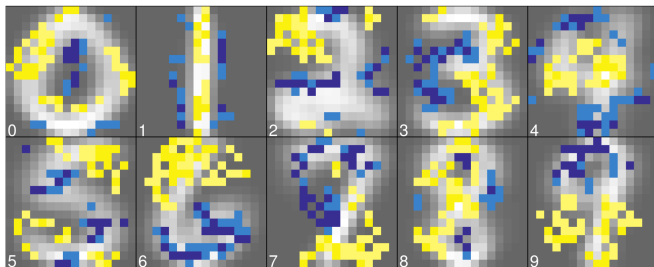
$\{\tilde{\beta}_{kj}\}_{k=1}^K$ and $\{\tilde{\beta}_{kj} + c_j\}_{k=1}^K$ produce same probabilities, $c_j \in \mathbb{R}$.

Use penalty $\sum_{k=1}^K \|\tilde{\beta}_k\|_1 = \sum_{k=1}^K \sum_{j=1}^p |\tilde{\beta}_{kj}| = \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^K |\tilde{\beta}_{kj}|$ to choose $\{c_j\}_{j=1}^p$.

For all candidates $\{\tilde{\beta}_{kj}\}_{k=1}^K$, optimal $c_j \in \mathbb{R}$ satisfies

$$c_j = \arg \min_{c \in \mathbb{R}} \sum_{k=1}^K |\tilde{\beta}_{kj} - c|, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$$

Solution: $c_j = \text{median}\{\tilde{\beta}_{1j}, \dots, \tilde{\beta}_{Kj}\}$, for $j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$.



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Problem: We have $N = 7'921$ gray-scale images of $p = 256$ pixels representing **handwritten digits** from 0 to 9 ($Y \in \{0, \dots, 9\}$).

Each one of the p features represents the intensity in a $[0, 1]$ -scale of the corresponding pixel (0 *black*, 1 *white*).

We can fit a 10-classes lasso multinomial model.

We can introduce sparsity via grouped-lasso penalty: consider the vector of class-coefficients for feature j

$$\beta_j = (\underbrace{\beta_{0j}}_{\text{digit 0}}, \dots, \underbrace{\beta_{9j}}_{\text{digit 9}}) \quad j \in \{1, \dots, p\}$$

Replace standard multinomial criterion with grouped-lasso one:

$$-\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \log \mathbb{P}(Y = y_i \mid X = x_i; \{\beta_j\}_{j=1}^p) + \lambda \sum_{j=1}^p \|\beta_j\|_2$$

Consequence: all coefficients of a particular feature are in or out of the model, i.e. the feature is in or out of the model.

Setting: Y non-negative and represents a count.

Approach: Poisson likelihood and log-linear model for mean

$$\log \mu(x) = \beta_0 + \beta^\top x$$

with resulting ℓ_1 -penalized negative log-likelihood

$$-\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \left\{ y_i (\beta_0 + \beta^\top x_i) - e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x_i} \right\} + \lambda \|\beta\|_1$$

we aim to minimize.

Typical situation: model rates [e.g. death rate] via Poisson model.
If observation windows have different lengths T_i , then

$$\mathbb{E}[y_i \mid X_i = x_i] = T_i \mu(x_i)$$

where $\mu(x_i)$ rate per unit time interval.

Example: 6 months vs yearly visit to doctor has $T = 1/2$.

New model form:

$$\log \mathbb{E}[Y \mid X = x, T] = \underbrace{\log T}_{\text{"offset"}} + \beta_0 + \beta^\top x$$

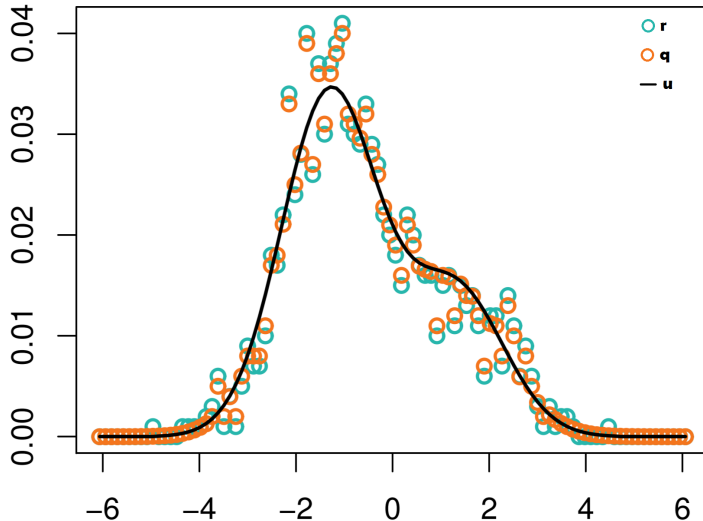
Problem: N count variables $\{y_k\}_{k=1}^N$ coming from a N -cell multinomial distribution.

$\mathbf{r} = \{r_k\}_{k=1}^N = \{y_k / \sum_{k=1}^N y_k\}_{k=1}^N$ vector of proportions.

Issue: \mathbf{r} could be sparse. Want to regularize it toward a more stable distribution $\mathbf{u} = \{u_k\}_{k=1}^N$.

$$\underset{\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^N, q_k \geq 0}{\text{minimize}} \quad \underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^N q_k \log \left(\frac{q_k}{u_k} \right)}_{\text{Kullback-Leibler divergence}} \quad \text{such that} \quad \|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}\|_{\infty} \leq \delta, \quad \sum_{k=1}^N q_k = 1$$

We want a distribution \mathbf{q} which is approximately equal to our observed proportions but at the same time as close as possible to a nominal distribution \mathbf{u} .



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Why this problems falls in Poisson model framework?

The previous minimization problem

$$\underset{\mathbf{q} \in \mathbb{R}^N, q_k \geq 0}{\text{minimize}} \sum_{k=1}^N q_k \log \left(\frac{q_k}{u_k} \right) \text{ such that } \|\mathbf{q} - \mathbf{r}\|_{\infty} \leq \delta, \sum_{k=1}^N q_k = 1$$

has Lagrange dual

$$\underset{\beta_0, \boldsymbol{\alpha}}{\text{maximize}} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^N r_k \left[\log u_k + \beta_0 + \alpha_k - u_k e^{\beta_0 + \alpha_k} \right] - \delta \|\boldsymbol{\alpha}\|_1 \right\}$$

This is equivalent to fitting a Poisson model with offset $\log u_k$, individual parameter α_k and design matrix $X = \mathbb{I}_{N \times N}$.

Setting: Medical studies interested in time to death T of sick patients, usually characterized by the survivor function $S(t) := \mathbb{P}(T > t)$, the probability of surviving beyond a certain time t .

Some patients drop out the study or die because of unrelated causes: we call this situation a *censoring* time C .

$Y := \min(C, T)$ is the observed variable, together with an indicator $\delta := \mathbb{I}_{\{Y=T\}}$ of whether the patient died *correctly* (because of the studied illness).

Hazard function: *Instantaneous probability of death at time t , given survival up till t .*

$$h(t) = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\mathbb{P}(Y \in \{t, t + \delta\} \mid Y \geq t)}{\delta} = \frac{f(t)}{S(t)}$$

where $f(t)$ density of T .

Cox's model treats special cases of hazard functions:

$$h(t; x) = h_0(t)e^{\beta^\top x}$$

where x represents e.g. gene expressions and $h_0(t)$ is **baseline hazard**: hazard for one individual with $x = 0$.

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Denote by $R_i := \{j \mid y_j \geq y_i\}$ the **risk set** of subject i (individuals which are still in the study when subject i dies), then the partial likelihood of subject i is given by

$$\mathbb{P}(Y_i = y_i) = \frac{h(y_i; x_i)}{\sum_{j \in R_i} h(y_j; x_j)} = \frac{e^{\beta^\top x_i}}{\sum_{j \in R_i} e^{\beta^\top x_j}}$$

Note that baseline hazard h_0 has no effect here.

The log-Likelihood is

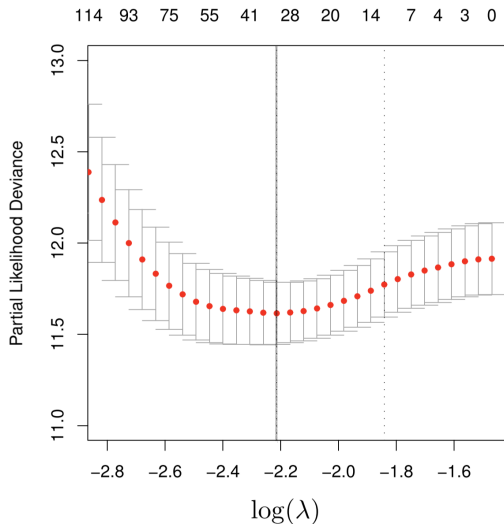
$$\mathcal{L}(\beta; \mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\delta}) = \sum_{\underbrace{i : \delta_i = 1}_{\text{died "correctly"}}} \log \left[\frac{e^{\beta^\top x_i}}{\sum_{j \in R_i} e^{\beta^\top x_j}} \right]$$

with corresponding ℓ_1 -penalized CPH problem:

$$\underset{\beta}{\text{minimize}} \left\{ - \sum_{i: \delta_i = 1} \log \left[\frac{e^{\beta^\top x_i}}{\sum_{j \in R_i} e^{\beta^\top x_j}} \right] + \lambda \|\beta\|_1 \right\}$$

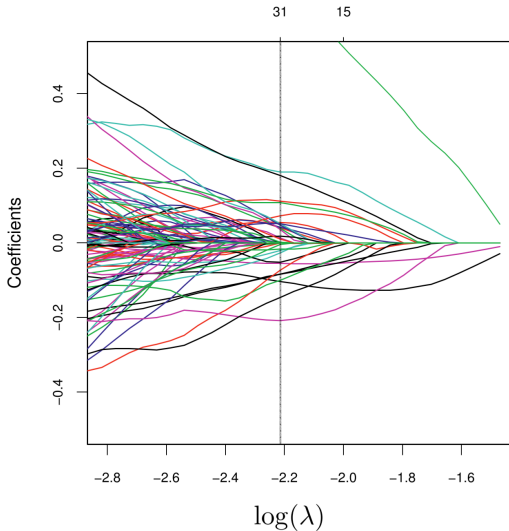
Problem: We want to estimate the survivor function S for $N = 240$ Lymphoma patients with $p = 7399$ variables measuring gene expressions. 102 of these samples are *right censored*, i.e. $Y = \min(T, C) = C$.

We select λ_{\min} via CV using the deviance.



Source: Trevor Hastie, Robert Tibshirani, and Martin Wainwright. Statistical learning with sparsity: the Lasso and generalizations. CRC Press, 2015, page 45.

We use the ℓ_1 -penalized CPH problem to find $\hat{\beta}(\lambda_{\min})$



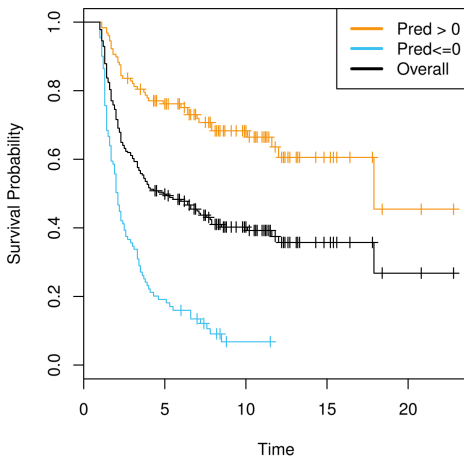
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We use the **Kaplan-Meier estimator** of survivor function $S(t)$: let $\hat{\eta}(x) := \hat{\beta}(\lambda_{\min})^\top x$, then

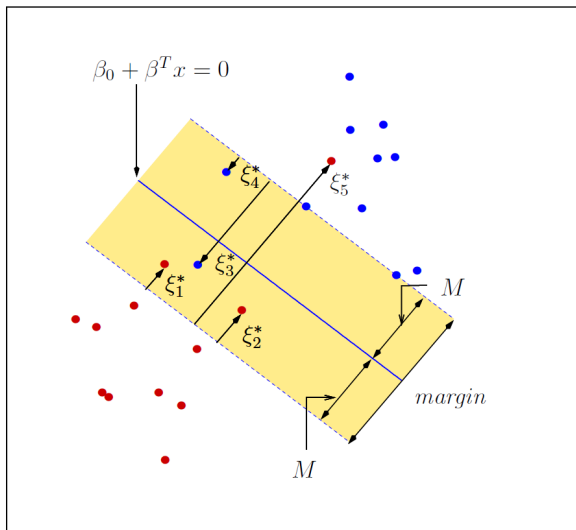
$$\hat{S}(t) = \prod_{i: y_i \leq t} \left(1 - \frac{e^{\hat{\eta}(x_i)}}{\sum_{j \in R_i} e^{\hat{\eta}(x_j)}} \right)$$

is an estimate of $S(t)$. We use these in the following plot.

We create two groups $\{i : \hat{\eta}(x_i) > 0\}$ and $\{i : \hat{\eta}(x_i) \leq 0\}$, then we compute the estimate using them and the overall set, resulting in three curves.



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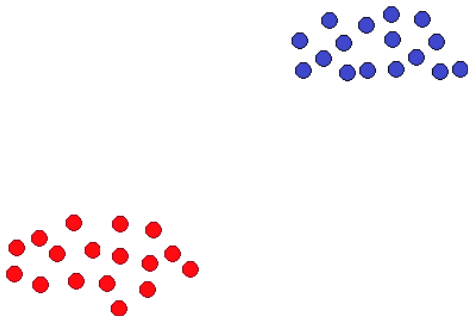
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$$\underset{\beta_0, \beta, \{\xi_i\}_1^N}{\text{maximize}} M \text{ subject to } y_i \underbrace{(\beta_0 + \beta^\top x_i)}_{f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta)} \geq M(1 - \xi_i) \forall i$$

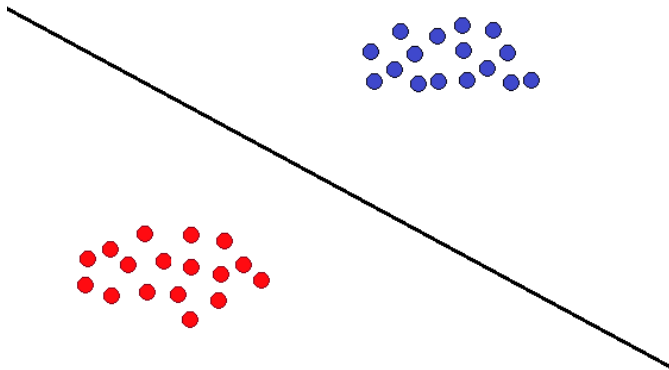
and

$$\xi_i \geq 0 \forall i, \sum_{i=1}^N \xi_i \leq C, \|\beta\|_2 = 1$$

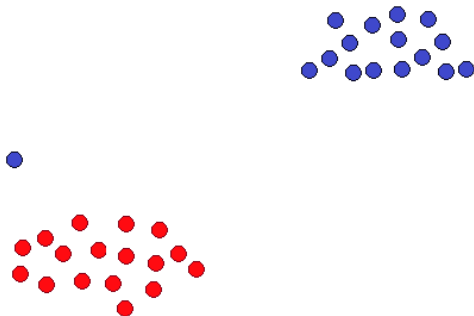
Clear separation, no need for tolerance



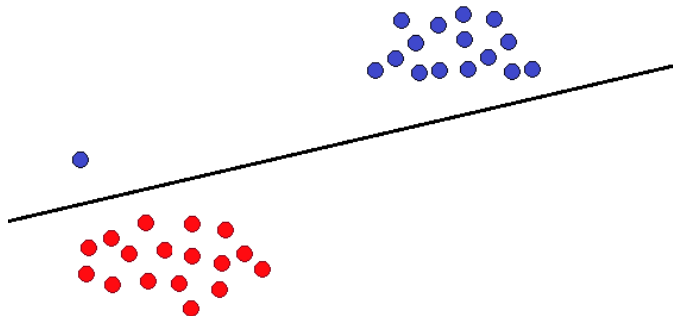
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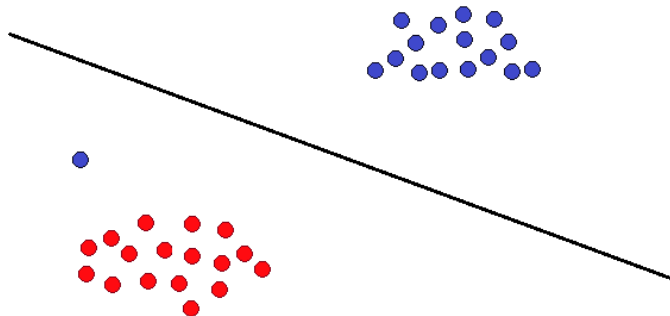
Outlier Case, still separable



Outlier Case, C small



Outlier Case, C Big



The constraint can be seen as:

$$\begin{cases} f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta) \geq +1, & \text{when } y_i = +1 \\ f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta) \leq -1, & \text{when } y_i = -1 \end{cases}$$

This can be rewritten as $y_i f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta) \geq 1$ or

$$0 \geq 1 - y_i f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta)$$

By writing the Lagrangian equivalent of the original minimization problem (SVM), we get:

$$\underset{\beta_0, \beta}{\text{minimize}} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N [1 - y_i f(x; \beta_0, \beta)]_+ + \lambda \|\beta\|_2^2 \right\}$$

Decreasing λ corresponds to decreasing C .

We now want to compare ridge penalized logistic regression:

$$\underset{\beta_0, \beta}{\text{minimize}} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{\log(1 + e^{-y_i f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta)})}_{\text{logistic loss}} + \lambda \|\beta\|_2^2 \right\}$$

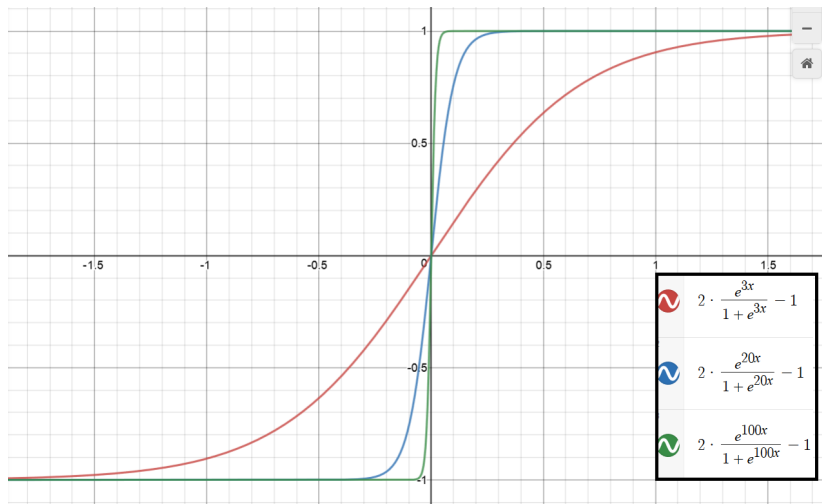
with the SVM problem:

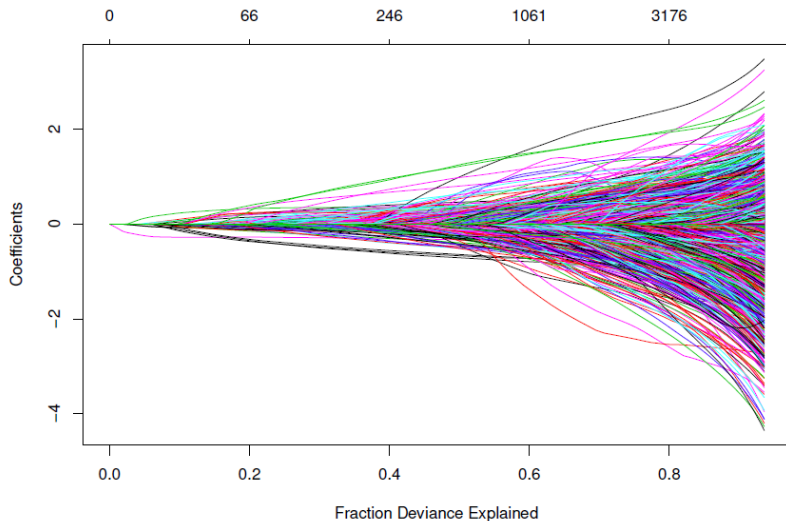
$$\underset{\beta_0, \beta}{\text{minimize}} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \underbrace{[1 - y_i f(x; \beta_0, \beta)]_+}_{\text{hinge loss}} + \lambda \|\beta\|_2^2 \right\}$$

Data is **separable**: there exists a hyperplane that separates the two cases. In this cases logistic regression has a problem:

$$\mathbb{P}(Y = 1 \mid X = x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}}$$

Problem: When $p \gg N$, the points are almost always separable.





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From logistic regression we can construct a **linear classifier** in order to compare it with SVM:

If $\mathbb{P}(Y = -1 \mid X = x_{\text{observed}}) > 0.5$ then $y_{\text{predicted}} = -1$ and vice versa.

This is linear, because :

$$\mathbb{P}(Y = -1 \mid X = x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x}} = \frac{1}{2} \iff e^{\beta_0 + \beta^\top x} = 1$$

$$\beta_0 + \beta^\top x = \log(1) = 0$$

Consider the Boundary $B = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^p | f(x) = 0\}$, where

$$f(x) = \beta_0 + \beta^\top x$$

Then the distance between the boundary and the point x_0 is

$$\text{dist}(x_0, B) = \inf_{z \in B} \|z - x_0\|_2 = \frac{|f(x_0)|}{\|\beta\|_2}$$

So we find that the optimal separating plane $f^*(x) = 0$ has margin

$$M_2^* = \max_{\beta_0, \beta} \left\{ \min_{i \in \{1, \dots, n\}} \frac{y_i f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta)}{\|\beta\|_2} \right\}$$

Consider the problem

$$\underset{\beta_0, \beta}{\text{minimize}} \left\{ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \log(1 + e^{-y_i f(x_i, \beta_0, \beta)}) + \lambda \|\beta\|_2^2 \right\}$$

Let $(\tilde{\beta}_0(\lambda), \tilde{\beta}(\lambda))$ be the solution, then

$$M_2^* = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \left\{ \min_{i \in \{1, \dots, N\}} \frac{y_i f(x_i, \tilde{\beta}_0(\lambda), \tilde{\beta}(\lambda))}{\|\tilde{\beta}(\lambda)\|_2} \right\}$$

So for $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ we have that the ℓ_2 -regularized logistic regression corresponds to the SVM solution.

In particular, if $(\check{\beta}_0, \check{\beta})$ solve the SVM problem for $C = 0$, then we have that:

$$\lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tilde{\beta}(\lambda)}{\|\tilde{\beta}(\lambda)\|_2} = \check{\beta}$$

Note that the division by the ℓ_2 norm of $\tilde{\beta}(\lambda)$ makes sure that the solution on the SVM problem does not blow up.

To summarize:

- As $\lambda \rightarrow 0$, logistic regression and SVM solutions coincide.
- SVM leads to a more stable numerical method for computing the solution in this region.
- Logistic regression is more useful in the sparser part of the solution path.



Source: <https://blog.phenoswitchbioscience.com/hubfs/question-mark-icon-pT5eMekqc.png?t=1530805015566>



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