

LOGISTIC REGRESSION
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Assignment 2
(20 points)

Q1 (2 points)

What is the primary difference in probabilities produced by a logit model compared to the probabilities produced by a complementary loglog model?

The following data and model relate to questions 2-8.

The following binary logistic regression output uses the **affairs** data set, with *affair* (1 = had affair; 0 = never had affair) as the response and predictors:

male : 1 = male; 0 = female

kids : 1 = children in family; 0 = no children in family.

and a 5-level categorical predictor, *religious*, which has been factored into indicator variables or levels

anti-religious: 1- anitreligious --- the reference.

notrel : 2- not religious

slghtrel : 3- slightly religious

smerel : 4- somewhat religious

vryrel : 5- very religious.

Logistic regression

Number of obs = 601

LR chi2 (6) = 34.36

Prob > chi2 = 0.0000

Log likelihood = -320.50848

Pseudo R2 = 0.0509

affair		Odds Ratio	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf.Interval]
male		1.2409	.2424715	1.10	0.269	.8460812 1.819958
kids		2.346751	.5681122	3.52	0.000	1.460172 3.771636
notrel		.470281	.1651811	-2.15	0.032	.2362555 .9361227
slghtrel		.6688562	.2381866	-1.13	0.259	.3328214 1.344171
smerel		.2633311	.0942904	-3.73	0.000	.1305312 .5312389
vryrel		.2792907	.1209288	-2.95	0.003	.119536 .6525508

Q2 (2 points)

How can the significance of a predictor be determined from the confidence intervals?

Q3 (2 points)

Interpret the odds ratio of *kids*.

Q4 (2 points)

What is the odds ratio of *vryrel* for having an affair. Interpret it in full.

Q5 (2 points)

What is the odds ratio of *vryrel* for not having an affair. Interpret it in full.

Q6 (2 points)

What is the value of the parameter estimate of *male* to the nearest hundredths?

Q7 (2 points)

If the model were re-estimated excluding the predictor *male*, what would you expect to happen to the odds ratio of *kids*. Why?

The following data and model relate to questions 8-9

Below is the **kyp** data set, which is from a study of kyphosis, a disease of the spine. The data comes from Bell et al (1989) as found in Hastie and Tibshirani (1990). *kyp* is the binary response with 1 indicating that the patient has kyphosis, 0 that they do not. Patients in the study underwent corrective spine surgery. Predictors include

start: continuous - indicating the first disk or vertebrae level of the surgery (1-18)

numb: continuous - indicating the number of disks involved in the surgery (2-14)

age : continuous - age in months

Logistic regression

Number of obs = 83

LR chi2(3) = 21.79

Prob > chi2 = 0.0001

Log likelihood = -32.508134

Pseudo R2 = 0.2510

kyp	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
start	-.1981754	.0657199	-3.02	0.003	-.3269841	-.0693667
numb	.2981585	.1778791	1.68	0.094	-.0504781	.6467951
age	.0059798	.0055195	1.08	0.279	-.0048383	.0167979
_cons	-1.213598	1.234168	-0.98	0.325	-3.632523	1.205327

Q8 (2 points)

Interpret the coefficient *start*.

Q9 (2 points)

What does the intercept, *_cons*, indicate?

Q10 (2 points) More Challenging

Given the table of counts below, with the response *y* on the vertical axis and predictor, *x*, on the horizontal. Calculate the logistic coefficient of *x*. Then prove using a logistic regression.

		x		Total
		0	1	
y	0	825	157	982
	1	431	82	513
Total		1,256	239	1,495