

STATISTICS 538, Lecture #2

Logistic Regression

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Space shuttle data: on i -th launch, y_i out of $n_i = 6$ 'O-Rings' sustained some damage, $i = 1, \dots, n = 23$

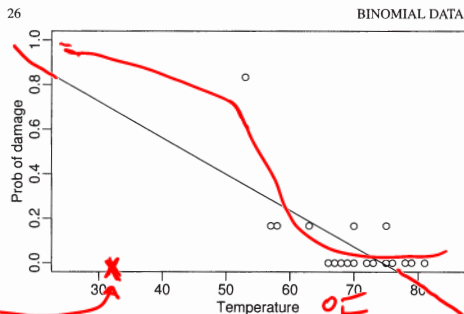


Figure 2.1 Damage to O-rings in 23 space shuttle missions as a function of launch temperature. Least squares fit line is shown.

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Two equivalent data representations: R happy with either!

'Bernoulli'		'Binomial' ^x		
OUTCOME	TEMP	'S'	'F'	TEMP
1	53	5	1	53
1	53	1	5	57
1	53		⋮	
1	53		⋮	
1	53		⋮	
0	53		⋮	

1	57			
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	⋮			

Logistic regression based on **logit** (actually **log-odds!**)

function: $\text{logit}(p) = \log\{p/(1-p)\} = \log p - \log(1-p)$

p maps $(0,1) \rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$

$(Y_i|X^{(i)}) \sim \text{Binomial}(n_i, p_i)$,

where

$$p_i = \text{logit}^{-1}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1^{(i)} + \dots + \beta_{q-1} X_{q-1}^{(i)}) \\ \equiv \text{expit}(\dots)$$

$$\text{logit} p_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1^{(i)} + \dots + \beta_{q-1} X_{q-1}^{(i)}$$

Note - completely specified - no variance to worry about.

Interpretation?

$(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{j-1}, X_{j+1}, \dots, X_{q-1})$

LM: β_j describes change in $E(Y|X)$ w.r.t. X_j , with X_{-j} held fixed.

Logistic regression?

$$\text{where } \text{expit}(z) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-z}}$$

Very natural if willing to think in terms of **odds**

e.g., Bernoulli data, X_j also binary:

odds = 3 \rightarrow prob = .75
prob = .6 \rightarrow odds = 1.5

odds-ratio

$$\frac{e^{\beta_j \times 1 + \text{stuff}} \text{Odds}(Y = 1 | X_j = 1, X_{-j})}{e^{\beta_j \times 0 + \text{stuff}} \text{Odds}(Y = 1 | X_j = 0, X_{-j})} = \exp(\beta_j),$$

provided X_j not involved in interactions...

Continuous X_j ?

$$\frac{\text{Odds}(Y=1 | x_j = a + \Delta, X_{-j})}{\text{Odds}(Y=1 | x_j = a, X_{-j})} = \exp(\Delta \beta_j)$$

This is the basis for interpreting logistic regression models, and explains the popularity of the logit function, rather than some other 'appropriate' function, for setting up a binary regression model.

\hookrightarrow invertible, map (0,1) \rightarrow (- ∞ , ∞)

Interpretation gets pushed a bit further, particularly in health sciences...

Mathematically, if p_a, p_b close to zero,

$$\frac{p_a/(1-p_a)}{p_b/(1-p_b)} \approx p_a/p_b$$

So if $Y=1$ is rare (i.e., "rare disease" assumption)

$$\text{Relative risk} = \frac{\Pr(Y=1 | X_j=1, X_{-j})}{\Pr(Y=1 | X_j=0, X_{-j})} \approx \frac{\text{Odds}(Y=1 | X_j=1, X_{-j})}{\text{Odds}(Y=1 | X_j=0, X_{-j})} = e^{\beta_j}$$

easier to think about

Mechanics of fitting:

simple as $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$ for LM?

Not quite ...

iteratively reweighted least squares

Newton-Raphson to get MLE $\hat{\beta}$ (more later...)

Usual ML asymptotics to get $\hat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta})$,

$\left[-e''(\hat{\beta}) \right]^{-1}$

hence standard errors and confidence intervals.

log-likelihood

$$l(\hat{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left\{ \binom{n_i}{y_i} \left[\text{expit}(x^{(i)} \hat{\beta}) \right]^{y_i} \left[1 - \text{expit}(x^{(i)} \hat{\beta}) \right]^{n_i - y_i} \right\}$$

= ... then $\hat{\beta}$ solves $l'(\hat{\beta}) = 0$

R syntax: `lm(y~x, ...)` \rightarrow `glm(y~x, family=binomial, ...)`

Shuttle data again

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> logitmod <- glm(cbind(damage, 6-damage) ~ temp, family=binomial, orings)
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> summary(logitmod)
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Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.953	-0.735	-0.439	-0.208	1.957

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)
(Intercept)	11.6630	3.2963	3.54	4e-04
temp	-0.2162	0.0532	-4.07	4.8e-05

Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 38.898 on 22 degrees of freedom

Residual deviance: 16.912 on 21 degrees of freedom

AIC: 33.67

Intercept only model

Fig 2.2 steep

data frame

Y

later

$\hat{\beta}$

odds of damage to an O-ring goes down by a factor of

$e^{-0.2162} \approx 0.81$ when temp goes up by 1°F

odds of damage $e^{2.162} \approx 8.7$ times higher when 10°F colder

Goodness-of-fit (GOF) - easier than for LM!

Recall data structure $Y_i \sim \text{Binomial}(n_i, p_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$.

Have (somehow) chosen regressors $(1, X_1, \dots, X_{q-1})$.

Do likelihood ratio test:

$$H_0: \text{logit } p_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1^{(i)} + \dots + \beta_{q-1} X_{q-1}^{(i)}$$

$H_1: p_1, \dots, p_n$ unknown parameters

saturated model

Recall in general for a pair of **nested** models with likelihood functions $L_S(\theta_S)$ and $L_L(\theta_L)$:

Look at $D = 2 \left\{ \log L_L(\hat{\theta}_L) - \log L_S(\hat{\theta}_S) \right\}$.

If the smaller model is correct then

$D \stackrel{\text{approx?}}{\sim}$

χ^2
 $q_L - q_S$ resp. # params

special case - larger model is the saturated model

- call D the deviance of the smaller model
- the smaller model fails GOF if D is too large

More on GOF

Shuttle data:

- no evidence of lack of fit for $\text{logit}p = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{TEMP}$
- evidence of lack of fit for $\text{logit}p = \beta_0$

$D = 16.9$ compared to χ^2_{23-2}

$D = 38.9$ compared to χ^2_{23-1}

Very important caveat: conditions for the χ^2 approximation to the sampling distribution of the the deviance to be good?

n_i 's not too small ($n_i \geq 5$ rule-of-thumb?)

$n_i = 1$ problematic (though procedure still gets used?)

Conceptual question: why can't the same approach to GOF work in the LM setting?