

Logistic regression



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Today's topics

- Model-based methods: Overview
- Logistic regression: one predictor, multiple predictors, fitting
- Visualizing logistic regression
- Effect plots
- Case study: Racial profiling
- Model diagnostics

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Model-based methods: Overview

Structure

- Explicitly assume some probability distribution for the data, e.g., binomial, Poisson, ...
- Distinguish between the **systematic** component— explained by the model— and a **random** component, which is not
- Allow a compact summary of the data in terms of a (hopefully) small number of parameters

Advantages

- Inferences: hypothesis tests *and* confidence intervals
- Can test **individual** model terms (`anova()`)
- Methods for model selection: adjust balance between goodness-of-fit and parsimony
- Predicted values give **model-smoothed** summaries for plotting
- \Rightarrow Interpret the fitted model graphically

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Modeling approaches: Overview

Association models

- Loglinear models
(contingency table form)
[Admit][Gender Dept]
[Admit Dept][Gender Dept]
[AdmitDept][AdmitGender][GenderDept]
- Poisson GLMs
(Frequency data frame)
 $\text{Freq} \sim \text{Admit} + \text{Gender} * \text{Dept}$
 $\text{Freq} \sim \text{Admit} * \text{Dept} + \text{Gender} * \text{Dept}$
 $\text{Freq} \sim \text{Admit} * (\text{Dept} + \text{Gender}) + \text{Gender} * \text{Dept}$
- Ordinal variables
 $\text{Freq} \sim \text{right} + \text{left} + \text{Diag}(\text{right}, \text{left})$
 $\text{Freq} \sim \text{right} + \text{left} + \text{Symm}(\text{right}, \text{left})$

Response models

- Binary response
- Categorical predictors: logit models
 $\text{logit}(\text{Admit}) \sim 1$
 $\text{logit}(\text{Admit}) \sim \text{Dept}$
 $\text{logit}(\text{Admit}) \sim \text{Dept} + \text{Gender}$
- Continuous/mixed predictors
- Logistic regression models
 $\text{Pr}(\text{Admit}) \sim \text{Dept} + \text{Gender} + \text{Age} + \text{GRE}$
- Polytomous response
- Ordinal: proportional odds model
 $\text{Improve} \sim \text{Age} + \text{Sex} + \text{Treatment}$
- General multinomial model
 $\text{WomenWork} \sim \text{Kids} + \text{HusbandIncome}$

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loglm() vs. glm()

With **loglm()** you can only test overall fit (**anova()**) or difference between models (**Lrstats()**)

```
> berk.mod1 <- loglm(~ Dept * (Gender + Admit), data=UCBAdmissions)
> berk.mod2 <- loglm(~(Admit + Dept + Gender)^2, data=UCBAdmissions)

> anova(berk.mod2)
Call:
loglm(formula = ~(Admit + Dept + Gender)^2, data = UCBAdmissions)

Statistics:
              X^2 df P(> X^2)
Likelihood Ratio 20.20  5 0.001144
Pearson          18.82  5 0.00207
```

What we can say:

Even the model with all pairwise associations fits poorly 😞

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Comparing models with **anova()** and **Lrstats()**

```
> anova(berk.mod1, berk.mod2, test="Chisq")
LR tests for hierarchical log-linear models

Model 1:
~Dept * (Gender + Admit)
Model 2:
~(Admit + Dept + Gender)^2

              Deviance df Delta(Dev) Delta(df) P(> Delta(Dev))
Model 1          21.74  6
Model 2          20.20  5      1.531         1      0.21593
Saturated         0.00  0      20.204         5      0.00114

> Lrstats(berk.mod1, berk.mod2)
Likelihood summary table:
              AIC BIC LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
berk.mod1 217 238      21.7  6      0.0014 **
berk.mod2 217 240      20.2  5      0.0011 **
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Q: What can we say from this?

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loglm() vs. glm()

With **glm()** you can test **individual terms** using **anova()** or **car::Anova()**

```
> berkeley <- as.data.frame(UCBAdmissions)
> berk.glm2 <- glm(Freq ~ (Dept+Gender+Admit)^2, data=berkeley,
+                 family="poisson")
> anova(berk.glm2, test="Chisq")
Analysis of Deviance Table

Model: poisson, link: log
Response: Freq

Terms added sequentially (first to last)

              Df Deviance Resid. Df Resid. Dev Pr(>Chi)
NULL              23      2650
Dept              5       160      18      2491 <2e-16 ***
Gender            1       163      17      2328 <2e-16 ***
Admit             1       230      16      2098 <2e-16 ***
Dept:Gender       5      1221      11       877 <2e-16 ***
Dept:Admit       5       855       6        22 <2e-16 ***
Gender:Admit     1        2        5         20  0.22
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Q: Can someone help interpret the term for Gender:Admit ?

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Dropping & adding terms

A useful strategy for model-building is to start with some model, and consider

- The effect of dropping high-order terms, one at a time
- The effect of adding terms w/in the scope of a larger model, one at a time
- MASS::dropterm() and MASS::addterm() do this for both glm() and loglm() models

```
> MASS::dropterm(berk.glm2, test="Chisq")
Single term deletions

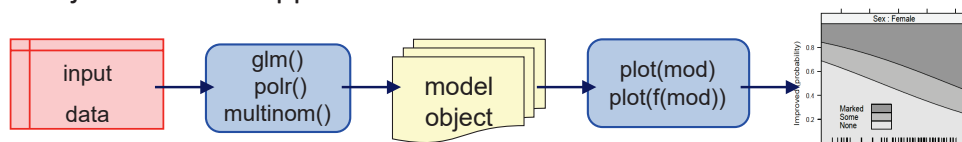
Model:
Freq ~ (Dept + Gender + Admit)^2

              Df Deviance      AIC      LRT Pr(>Chi)
<none>              20.20  217.26
Dept:Gender      5  1148.90 1335.96 1128.70 <2e-16 ***
Dept:Admit       5   783.61  970.67  763.40 <2e-16 ***
Gender:Admit     1    21.74  216.80    1.53  0.2159
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

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Fitting & graphing models: Overview

Object-oriented approach in R:



- Fit model (`obj <- glm(...)`) → a model object
- `print(obj)` and `summary(obj)` → numerical results
- `anova(obj)` and `Anova(obj)` → tests for model terms
- `update(obj)`, `add1(obj)`, `drop1(obj)` for model selection

Plot methods:

- `plot(obj)` often gives diagnostic plots
- Other plot methods:
 - Mosaic plots: `mosaic(obj)` for "loglm" and "glm" objects
 - Effect plots: `plot(Effect(obj))` for nearly all linear models
 - Influence plots (`car`): `influencePlot(obj)` for "glm" objects

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Logistic regression

Response variable

- Binary response: success/failure, vote: yes/no
- Binomial data: x successes in n trials (grouped data)

```
glm(success ~ ..., family=binomial)
```

```
glm(cbind(Nsuccess, Nfail) ~ ..., family=binomial)
```

Explanatory variables

- Quantitative regressors: age, dose
- Transformed regressors: $\sqrt{\text{age}}$, $\log(\text{dose})$
- Polynomial regressors: age^2 , age^3 , ... (or better: splines)
- Categorical predictors: treatment, sex (dummy variables, contrasts)
- Interaction regressors: $\text{treatment} \times \text{age}$, $\text{sex} \times \text{age}$

This is exactly the same as in classical ANOVA, regression models

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Logistic regression: Extensions

Response variable

- Binary response: success/failure, vote: yes/no
- Binomial data: x successes in n trials (grouped data)
- Ordinal response: none < some < severe depression
- Polytomous response: vote Liberal, Tory, NDP, Green

Extensions of the framework for logistic regression allow us to handle more than two discrete outcomes. Explanatory variable remain the same

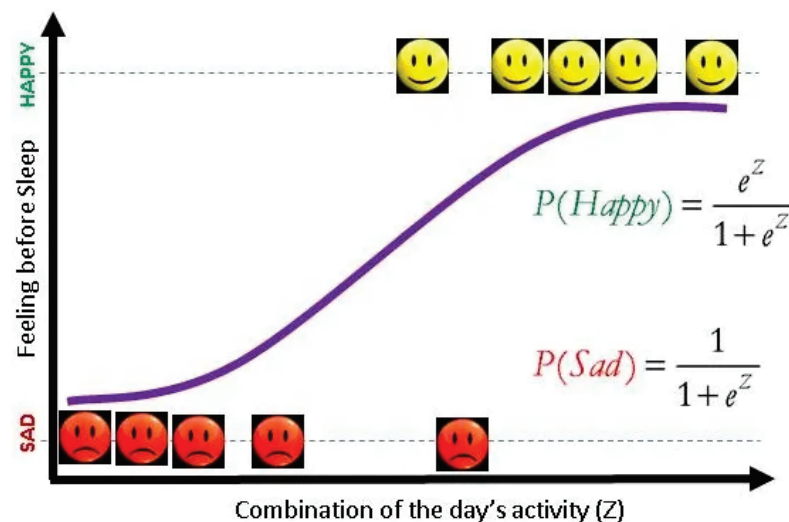
Explanatory variables

- Quantitative regressors: age, dose
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- Polynomial regressors: age^2 , age^3 , ... (or better: splines)
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Logistic regression examples

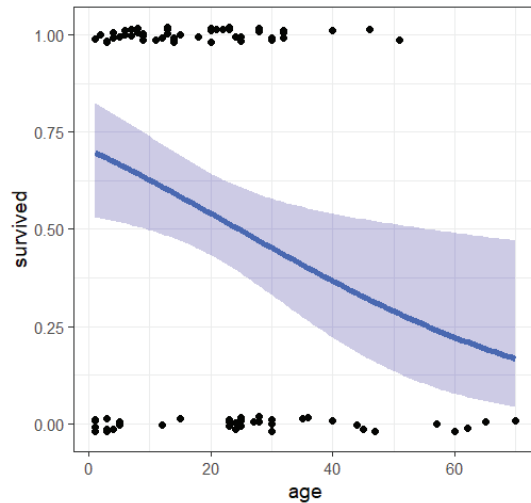


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Survival in the Donner Party

Data on the Donner Party records the fate of 90 people who set out to CA in 1846. They were trapped in an early winter storm near Reno, NV. Only 48 survived.



Who survived? Why?

Logistic regression can model the probability of the **binary** (0/1) outcome of survival

The model is **linear in log-odds**, but non-linear on the probability scale.

A quantitative predictor like age gives predicted probabilities (& CI)

Other predictors – sex, family, ... can give a more detailed understanding

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Survival in the Donner Party

- Binary response: **survived**

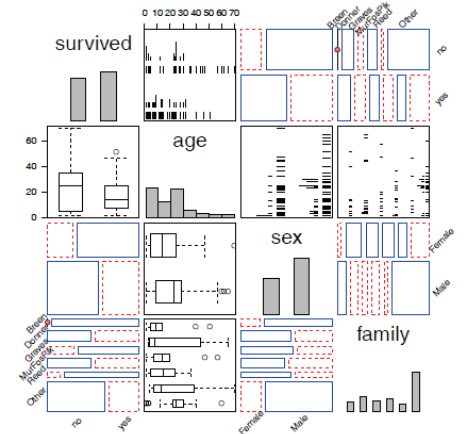
- Categorical predictors: **sex**, **family**

- Quantitative predictor: **age**

- Q: Is the effect of age linear?

- Q: Are there interactions among predictors?

- This is a **generalized pairs plot**, with different plots for each pair



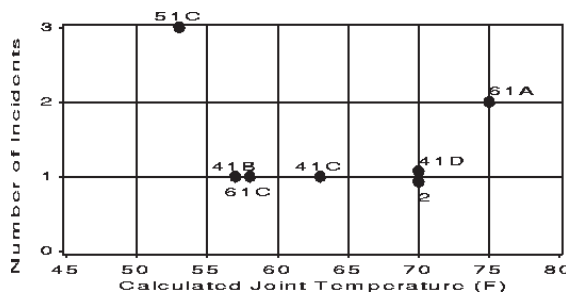
Some possible models:

```
glm(survived ~ age, data=Donner, family=binomial)
glm(survived ~ age + sex + family, data=Donner, family=binomial)
glm(survived ~ age * sex, data=Donner, family=binomial)
```

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Challenger: A dataviz disaster

- The space shuttle *Challenger* exploded 73 sec. after takeoff on January 28, 1986, killing all 7 crew
 - Subsequent investigation revealed the **proximal cause**: Low temperature → failures of the rubber O-rings joining rocket stages
 - The **anterior cause** was a failure of data analysis & visualization
- Data: 24 previous flights: temperature, # of “incidents”



Morton-Thiokol engineers prepared this bad graph

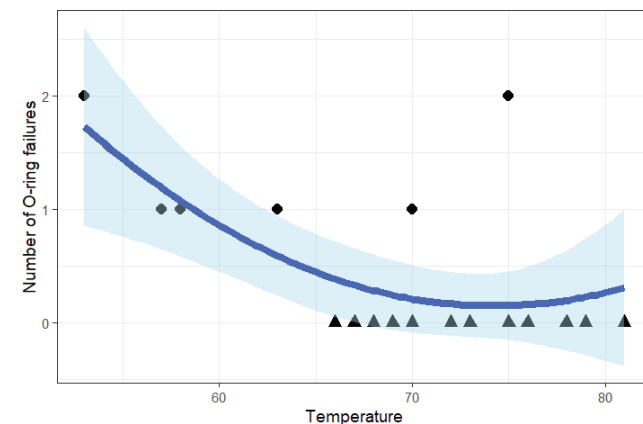
But, they also excluded all flights where there was no damage

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Challenger: A better graph

This graph plots the number of failures out of 6 O-rings in all previous flights, including those with 0 failures

- It fits a simple quadratic regression, $n\text{Failures} \sim \text{poly}(\text{Temperature}, 2)$
- It should have been a warning that failures increase as temperature gets lower
- But it doesn't take into account that $n\text{Failures} \sim \text{Bin}(p, n=6)$



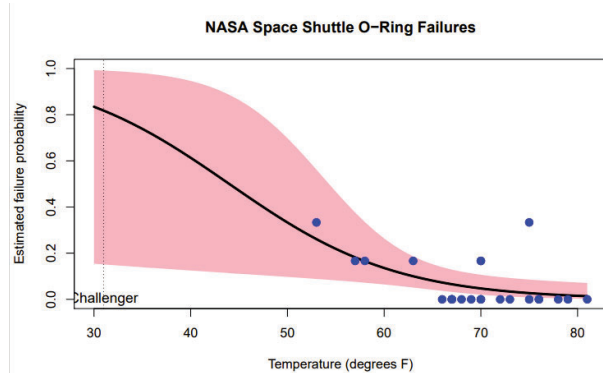
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Challenger: A better analysis

Logistic regression treats the # failures as a **binomial outcome with $n = 6$ trials**

The model provides

- Predicted probabilities outside the range of the data
- Confidence intervals, to judge model uncertainty



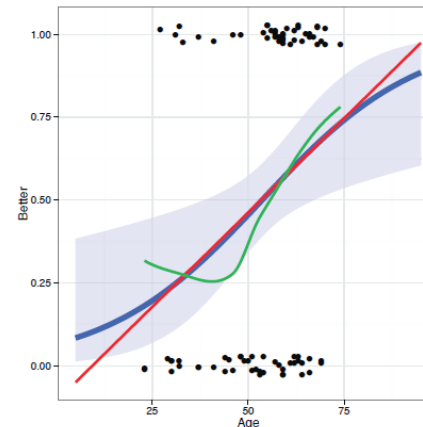
When the challenger was launched, the temp was 31° F

The CI band is very wide, but the predicted value is uncomfortably high

This analysis & graph might have saved lives!

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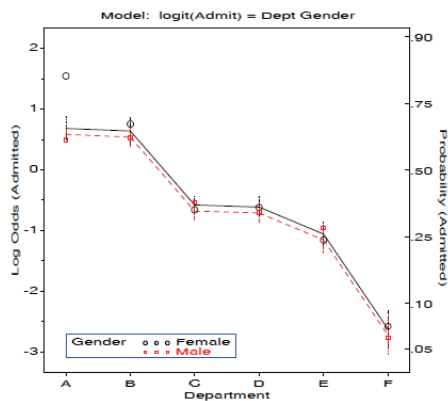
Example: Arthritis treatment



- The response variable, **Improved** is **ordinal**: "None" < "Some" < "Marked"
- A binary logistic model can consider just **Better** = (**Improved** > "None")
- Other important predictors: Sex, Treatment
- Main Q: how does treatment affect outcome?
- How does this vary with Age and Sex?
- This plot shows the binary observations, with several model-based smoothings

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Example: Berkeley admissions



- Admit/Reject can be considered a **binomial response** for each Dept and Gender
- Logistic regression here is analogous to an ANOVA model, but for log odds(Admit)
- (With categorical predictors, these are often called **logit** models)
- Every such model has an equivalent **loglinear** model form.
- This plot shows fitted logits for the main effects model, Dept + Gender

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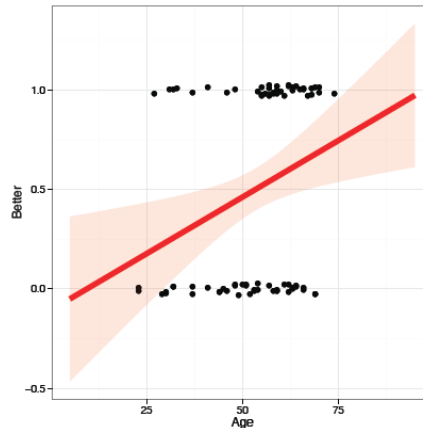
The Logistic Regression Model



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Binary response: What's wrong with OLS?

- For a binary response, $Y \in (0, 1)$, want to predict $\pi = \Pr(Y = 1 | x)$
- A **linear probability model** uses classical linear regression (OLS)
- Problems:
 - Gives predicted values and CIs outside $0 \leq \pi \leq 1$
 - Homogeneity of variance is violated: $V(\hat{\pi}) = \hat{\pi}(1 - \hat{\pi}) \neq \text{constant}$
 - Inferences, hypothesis tests are wrong!



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Linear regression vs Logistic regression

OLS regression:

- Assume $y|x \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

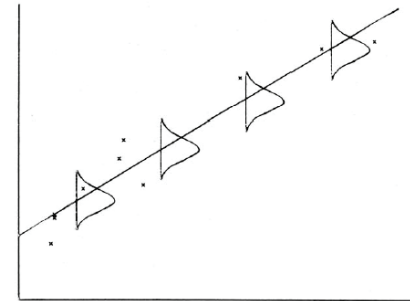


Fig. 2.1. Graphical representation of a simple linear normal regression.

y linear with x
constant residual variance

Logistic regression:

- Assume $\Pr(y=1|x) \sim \text{binomial}(p)$

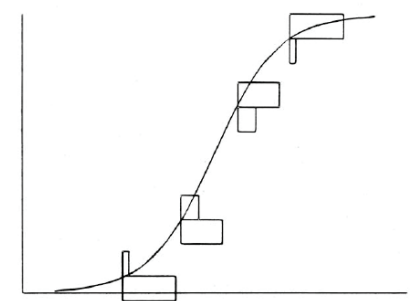


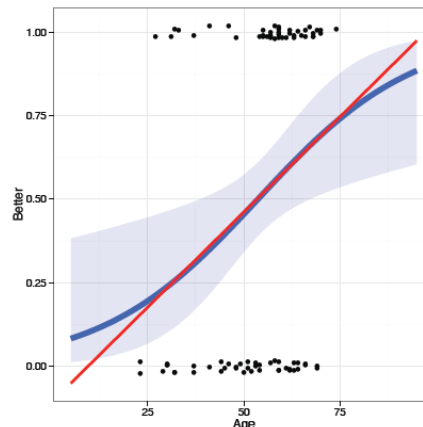
Fig. 2.2. Graphical representation of a simple linear logistic regression.

y ~ logit(x)
non-constant residual variance $\sim p(1-p)$

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Logistic regression

- Logistic regression avoids these problems
- Models $\text{logit}(\pi_i) \equiv \log[\pi/(1 - \pi)]$
- logit is interpretable as “log odds” that $Y = 1$
- A related **probit** model gives very similar results, but is less interpretable
- For $0.2 \leq \pi \leq 0.8$ fitted values are close to those from linear regression.



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Logistic regression: One predictor

For a single quantitative predictor, x , the simple **linear logistic regression model** posits a linear relation between the **log odds** (or **logit**) of $\Pr(Y = 1)$ and x ,

$$\text{logit}[\pi(x)] \equiv \log\left(\frac{\pi(x)}{1 - \pi(x)}\right) = \alpha + \beta x.$$

- When $\beta > 0$, $\pi(x)$ and the log odds increase as x increases; when $\beta < 0$ they decrease with x .
- This model can also be expressed as a model for the probabilities $\pi(x)$

$$\pi(x) = \text{logit}^{-1}[\pi(x)] = \frac{1}{1 + \exp[-(\alpha + \beta x)]}$$

Thinking logistically:

- Model is for the **log odds** of the marked response, $Y = 1$
- Can always back transform with logit^{-1} to get **probability** of $Y = 1$

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Logistic regression: One predictor

The coefficients, α , β of this model have simple interpretations in terms of odds & log odds

$$\text{logit}[\pi(x)] \equiv \log\left(\frac{\pi(x)}{1-\pi(x)}\right) = \alpha + \beta x \quad \text{odds}(Y=1) \equiv \frac{\pi(x)}{1-\pi(x)} = \exp(\alpha + \beta x) = e^\alpha (e^\beta)^x$$

β is the change in log odds for a **unit increase** in x
→ The odds of $Y=1$ are multiplied by e^β for each unit increase in x
 α is the log odds **when $x=0$**
→ The odds of $Y=1$ when $x=0$ is e^α
In R, use **`exp(coef(model))`** to get these values

Another interpretation: In terms of probability, the **slope** of the logistic regression curve is $\beta\pi(1-\pi)$
This has the **maximum** value $\beta/4$ when $\pi = 1/2$

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Logistic regression: Multiple predictors

- For a binary response, $Y \in (0, 1)$, let \mathbf{x} be a vector of p regressors, and π_i be the probability, $\Pr(Y = 1 | \mathbf{x})$.
- The logistic regression model is a linear model for the **log odds**, or **logit** that $Y = 1$, given the values in \mathbf{x} ,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{logit}(\pi_i) \equiv \log\left(\frac{\pi_i}{1-\pi_i}\right) &= \alpha + \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta} \\ &= \alpha + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip} \end{aligned}$$

- An equivalent (non-linear) form of the model may be specified for the probability, π_i , itself,

$$\pi_i = \{1 + \exp(-[\alpha + \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}])\}^{-1}$$

- The logistic model is also a **multiplicative** model for the odds of “success,”

$$\frac{\pi_i}{1-\pi_i} = \exp(\alpha + \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta}) = \exp(\alpha) \exp(\mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})$$

Increasing x_{ij} by 1 increases $\text{logit}(\pi_i)$ by β_j , and multiplies the odds by e^{β_j} .

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Fitting the logistic regression model

Logistic regression models are the special case of generalized linear models, fit in R using **`glm(..., family=binomial)`**
For this example, we define **Better** as any improvement at all

```
> data(Arthritis, package="vcd")
> Arthritis$Better <- as.numeric(Arthritis$Improved > "None")
```

Fit and print:

```
> (arth.logistic <- glm(Better ~ Age, data=Arthritis, family=binomial))

Call:  glm(formula = Better ~ Age, family = binomial, data = Arthritis)

Coefficients:
(Intercept)      Age 
 -2.6421      0.0492 

Degrees of Freedom: 83 Total (i.e. Null);  82 Residual
Null Deviance:      116 
Residual Deviance: 109   AIC: 113
```

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The `summary()` method gives details and tests of coefficients

```
> summary(arth.logistic)

Call:
glm(formula = Better ~ Age, family = binomial, data = Arthritis)

Deviance Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max 
-1.5106  -1.1277   0.0794   1.0677   1.7611 

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)  -2.6421     1.0732  -2.46   0.014 *
Age           0.0492     0.0194   2.54   0.011 *
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

    Null deviance: 116.45  on 83  degrees of freedom    G² for H₀: β_Age = 0
Residual deviance: 109.16  on 82  degrees of freedom    G² for H₁: β_Age ≠ 0
```

How much better is this than the null model? $\Delta G^2_{(1)} = 116.45 - 109.16 = 7.29$

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Interpreting coefficients

```
> coef(arth.logistic)
(Intercept)    Age
-2.64207    0.04925
```

```
> exp(coef(arth.logistic))
(Intercept)    Age
0.07121    1.05048
> exp(10*coef(arth.logistic)[2])
Age
1.636
```

Interpretations:

- log odds(Better) increase by $\beta = 0.0492$ for each year of age
- odds(Better) multiplied by $e^\beta = 1.05$ for each year of age— a 5% increase
- over 10 years, odds(Better) are multiplied by $\exp(10 \times 0.0492) = 1.64$, a 64% increase.
- Pr(Better) increases by $\beta/4 = 0.0123$ for each year (near $\pi = \frac{1}{2}$)

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Multiple predictors

The main interest here is the effect of Treatment. Sex and Age are **control variables**. Fit the **main effects** model (no interactions):

$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \alpha + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \beta_3 x_{i3}$$

where x_1 is Age and x_2 and x_3 are the factors representing Sex and Treatment, respectively. R uses dummy (0/1) variables for factors.

$$x_2 = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if Female} \\ 1 & \text{if Male} \end{cases} \quad x_3 = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if Placebo} \\ 1 & \text{if Treatment} \end{cases}$$

- α doesn't have a sensible interpretation here. Why?
- β_1 : increment in log odds(Better) for each year of age.
- β_2 : difference in log odds for male as compared to female.
- β_3 : difference in log odds for treated vs. the placebo group

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Multiple predictors: Fitting

Fit the main effects model. Use I(Age - 50) to center Age, making α interpretable

```
arth.logistic2 <- glm(Better ~ I(Age - 50) + Sex + Treatment,
  data=Arthritis, family=binomial)
```

lmtest::coeftest() gives just the tests of coefficients provided by summary()

```
> lmtest::coeftest(arth.logistic2)
```

z test of coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)
(Intercept)	-0.5781	0.3674	-1.57	0.116
I(Age - 50)	0.0487	0.0207	2.36	0.018 *
SexMale	-1.4878	0.5948	-2.50	0.012 *
TreatmentTreated	1.7598	0.5365	3.28	0.001 **

broom::glance() gives model fit statistics

```
> broom::glance(arth.logistic2)
# A tibble: 1 x 8
  null.deviance df.null logLik    AIC    BIC deviance df.residual nobs
  <dbl>      <int>  <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>  <dbl>      <int>  <int>
1    116.         83  -46.0  100.  110.   92.1         80    84
```

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Interpreting coefficients

```
> cbind(coef=coef(arth.logistic2),
  OddsRatio=exp(coef(arth.logistic2)),
  exp(confint(arth.logistic2)))
      coef OddsRatio 2.5 % 97.5 %
(Intercept) -0.5781    0.561 0.2647  1.132
I(Age - 50)  0.0487    1.050 1.0100  1.096
SexMale     -1.4878    0.226 0.0652  0.689
TreatmentTreated 1.7598    5.811 2.1187 17.727
```

- $\alpha = -0.578$: At age 50, females given placebo have odds(Better) of $e^{-0.578} = 0.56$.
- $\beta_1 = 0.0487$: Each year of age multiplies odds(Better) by $e^{0.0487} = 1.05$, a 5% increase.
- $\beta_2 = -1.49$: Males $e^{-1.49} = 0.26 \times$ less likely to show improvement as females. (Or, females $e^{1.49} = 4.437 \times$ more likely than males.)
- $\beta_3 = 1.76$: Treated $e^{1.76} = 5.81 \times$ more likely Better than Placebo

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Hypothesis testing: Questions

- **Overall test:** How does my model, $\text{logit}(\pi) = \alpha + \mathbf{x}^T \beta$ compare with the null model, $\text{logit}(\pi) = \alpha$?

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_p = 0$$

- **One predictor:** Does x_k significantly improve my model? Can it be dropped?

$$H_0 : \beta_k = 0 \quad \text{given other predictors retained}$$

- **Lack of fit:** How does my model compare with a perfect model (saturated model)?

For ANOVA, regression, these tests are carried out using F -tests and t -tests. In logistic regression (fit by maximum likelihood) we use

- F -tests \rightarrow likelihood ratio G^2 tests
- t -tests \rightarrow Wald z or χ^2 tests

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Maximum likelihood estimation

In classical linear models using `lm()`, we fit using ordinary least squares. All `glm()` models use maximum likelihood estimation—better properties

- Likelihood, $\mathcal{L} = \Pr(\text{data} | \text{model})$, as function of model parameters
- For case i ,

$$\mathcal{L}_i = \begin{cases} p_i & \text{if } Y = 1 \\ 1 - p_i & \text{if } Y = 0 \end{cases} = p_i^{Y_i} (1 - p_i^{1-Y_i}) \quad \text{where} \quad p_i = 1 / (1 + \exp(\mathbf{x}_i \beta))$$

- Under independence, joint likelihood is the product over all cases

$$\mathcal{L} = \prod_i^n p_i^{Y_i} (1 - p_i^{1-Y_i})$$

- \Rightarrow Find estimates $\hat{\beta}$ that maximize $\log \mathcal{L}$. Iterative, but this solves the “estimating equations”

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}^T \hat{\mathbf{p}}$$

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Overall model tests

Likelihood ratio test (G^2)

- Compare nested models, similar to F tests in OLS
- Let L_1 = maximized value for our model

$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \beta_0 + \mathbf{x}_i^T \beta \quad \text{w/ } k \text{ predictors}$$

- Let L_0 = maximized likelihood for the null model

$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \beta_0 \quad \text{under } H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_k$$

- Likelihood ratio test statistic:

$$G^2 = -2 \log \left(\frac{L_0}{L_1} \right) = 2(\log L_1 - \log L_0) \sim \chi_k^2$$

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Wald tests & confidence intervals

- Analogous to t -tests in OLS

- Test $H_0: \beta_i = 0$

$$z = \frac{b_i}{s(b_i)} \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) \quad \text{or} \quad z^2 \sim \chi_1^2$$

- Confidence interval

$$b_i \pm z_{1-\alpha/2} s(b_i)$$

```
> r1 <- lmtest::coefest(arth.logistic2)
> r2 <- confint(arth.logistic2)
Waiting for profiling to be done...
> cbind(r1, r2)
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-0.578	0.367	-1.6	0.116	-1.33	0.124
I(Age - 50)	0.049	0.021	2.4	0.018	0.01	0.092
SexMale	-1.488	0.595	-2.5	0.012	-2.73	-0.372
TreatmentTreated	1.760	0.536	3.3	0.001	0.75	2.875

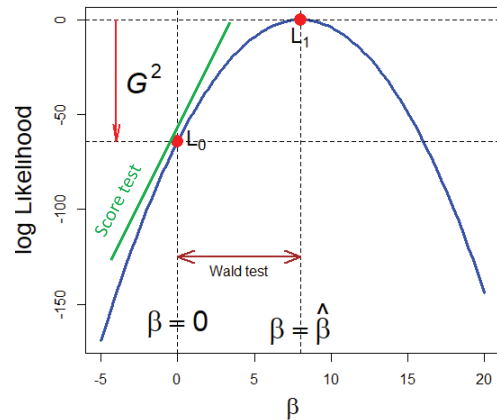
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LR, Wald & Score tests

Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0

Test	Chi-Square	DF	Pr > ChiSq
Likelihood Ratio	24.3859	3	<.0001
Score	22.0051	3	<.0001
Wald	17.5147	3	0.0006

$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$



Different ways to measure departure from $H_0: \beta = 0$

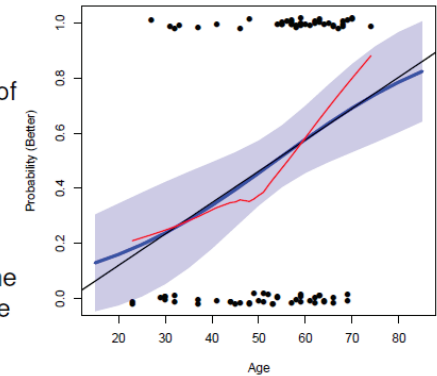
- LR test: diff^{ce} in log L
- Wald test: $(\beta - \beta_0)^2$
- Score test: slope at $\beta = 0$

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Plotting logistic regression data

Plotting a binary response together with a fitted logistic model can be difficult because the 0/1 response leads to much overplotting.

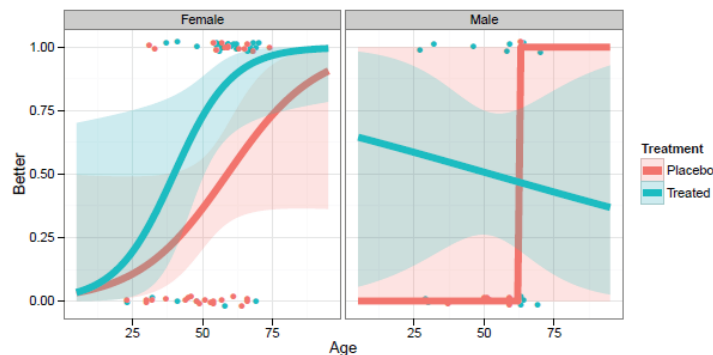
- Need to **jitter** the points
- Useful to show the fitted logistic curve
- Confidence band gives a sense of uncertainty
- Adding a non-parametric (loess) smooth shows possible nonlinearity
- NB: Can plot either on the **response** scale (probability) or the **link** scale (logit) where effects are linear



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Types of plots

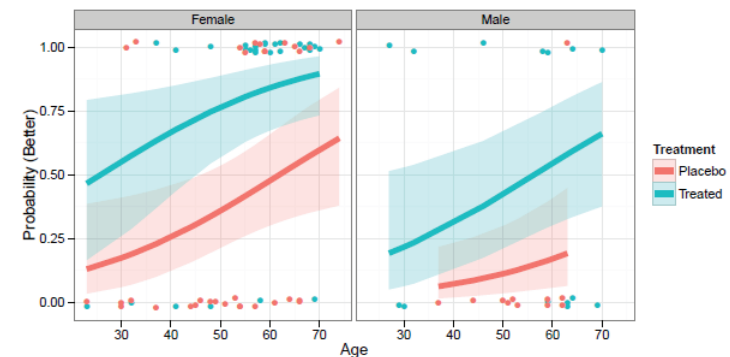
- **Conditional plots:** Stratified plot of Y or logit(Y) vs. one X, conditioned by other predictors--- only that **subset** is plotted for each panel



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Types of plots

- **Full-model plots:** Plot of **fitted response surface**, showing all effects; usually shown in several panels



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Types of plots

- **Effect plots:** plots of predicted effects for terms in the model, averaged over predictors not shown in a given plot

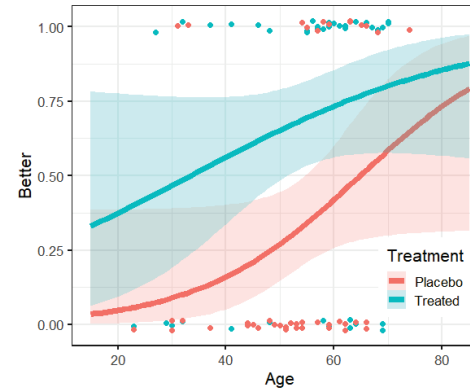


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Conditional plots with ggplot2

Plot Arthritis data by Treatment, ignoring Sex; overlay fitted logistic reg. lines

```
gg <- ggplot(Arthritis, aes(Age, Better, color=Treatment)) +
  xlim(15, 85) +
  geom_jitter(height = 0.02, width = 0, size=2) +
  stat_smooth(method = "glm", method.args=(family = "binomial"), alpha = 0.2,
    aes(fill=Treatment), size=2.5, fullrange=TRUE) +
  theme_bw(base_size = 16) + theme(legend.position = c(.85, .2))
gg # show the plot
```



geom_jitter() shows the observations more distinctly

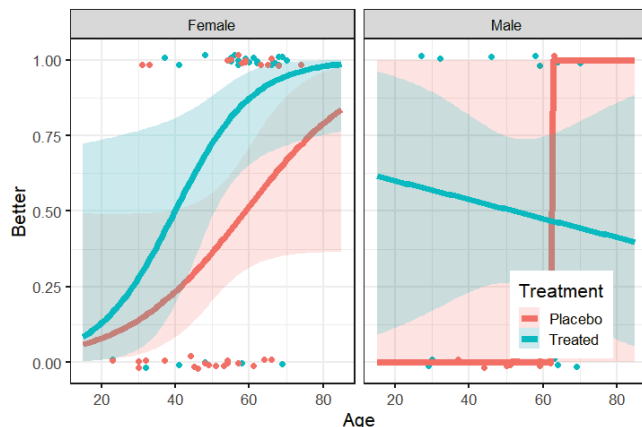
Fitted lines use method="glm", family=binomial

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Conditional plots with ggplot2

Can show the conditional plots for M & F, simply by faceting by Sex

```
gg + facet_wrap(~ Sex)
```



Only the data for each Sex is used in each plot

Plotting the data points shows that the data for males is too thin to give good estimates of separate regression

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Full-model plots

Full-model plots show the fitted values on the logit scale or on the response scale (probability), usually with confidence bands. This often requires a bit of custom programming.

Steps:

- Obtain fitted values with `predict(model, se.fit=TRUE)` — `type="link"` (logit) is the default
- Can use `type="response"` for probability scale
- Join this to your data (`cbind()`)
- Plot as you like: `plot()`, `ggplot()`, ...

```
> arth.fit2 <- cbind(Arthritis,
+   predict(arth.logistic2, se.fit = TRUE))
> head(arth.fit2[, -9], 4)
  ID Treatment Sex Age Improved Better  fit se.fit
1  57   Treated Male  27     Some      1 -1.43  0.758
2  46   Treated Male  29     None      0 -1.33  0.728
3  77   Treated Male  30     None      0 -1.28  0.713
4  17   Treated Male  32   Marked      1 -1.18  0.684
```

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Plotting with ggplot2

Plot the fitted log odds, confidence band and observations

```
arth.fit2 <- arth.fit2 |>
  mutate(obs = ifelse(Better==0, -4, 4)) # show obs at -4, 4

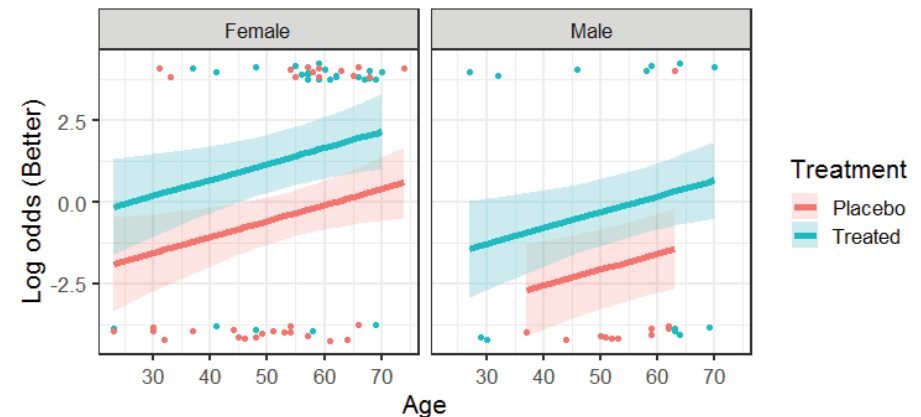
ggplot( arth.fit2, aes(x=Age, y=fit, color=Treatment)) +
  geom_line(size = 2) +
  geom_ribbon(aes(ymin = fit - 1.96 * se.fit,
                ymax = fit + 1.96 * se.fit,
                fill = Treatment), alpha = 0.2,
            color = "transparent") +
  labs(x = "Age", y = "Log odds (Better)") +
  geom_jitter(aes(y=obs), height=0.25, width=0) +
  facet_wrap(~ Sex) +
  theme_bw(base_size = 16)
```

Using `color=Treatment` gives separate points and lines for the two groups

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Full-model plot

Plotting on the logit scale shows the **additive** effects of age, treatment and sex
NB: easier to compare the treatment groups within the **same** panel



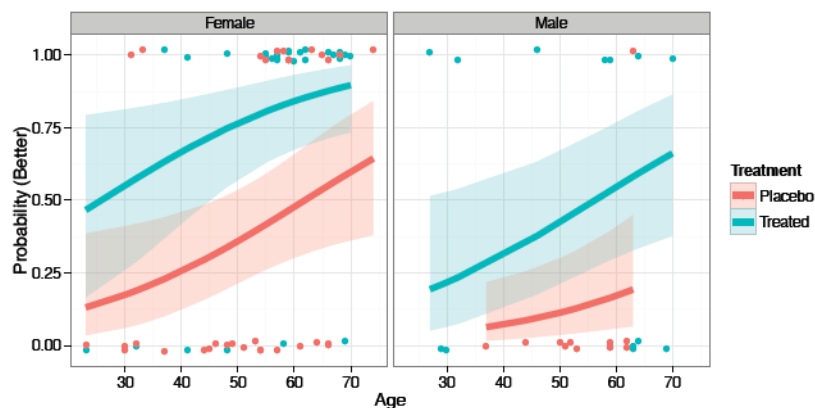
These plots show model uncertainty (confidence bands)
Jittered points show the data

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Full-model plot

Plotting on the probability scale may be simpler to interpret
Use `predict(... type = "response")` to get fitted probabilities

```
arth.fit2r <- cbind(Arthritis,
  predict(arth.logistic2, se.fit = TRUE, type="response"))
```



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Models with interactions

Is the linear effect of age the same for females, males?

- We can test this by adding an **interaction** of Sex × Age
- **update()** makes it easy to add/subtract terms from a model
- **car::Anova()** gives partial tests of each term after all others

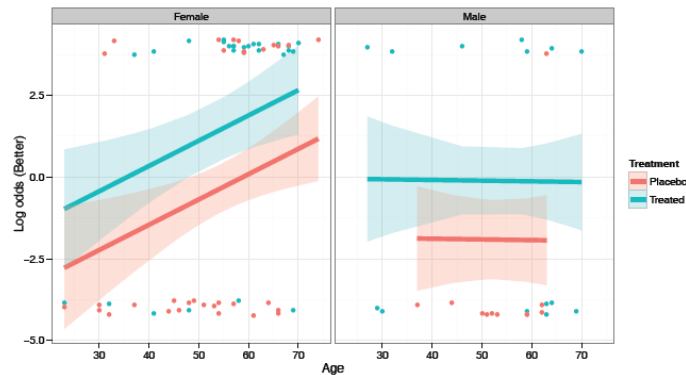
```
> arth.logistic4 <- update(arth.logistic2, . ~ . + I(Age-50):Sex)
> car::Anova(arth.logistic4)
Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)
```

```
Response: Better
      LR   Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
I(Age - 50)    6.16  1  0.01308 *
Sex            6.98  1  0.00823 **
Treatment     11.90  1  0.00056 ***
I(Age - 50):Sex  3.42  1  0.06430 .
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The interaction term Age:Sex is not quite significant, but plot the fitted model anyway

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Models with interactions



- Only the model changes
- `predict()` automatically incorporates the revised model terms
- Plotting steps remain the same
- This interpretation is quite different!

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Effect plots: Basic ideas

Show a given **marginal** effect, **controlling** / adjusting for other model effects

Data

	x1	x2	sex	x1:x2	y	yhat
1	1	1	F	1	4.73	4.46
2	2	1	M	0	6.10	5.55
3	3	1	F	-1	4.32	4.34
4	1	1	F	1	4.84	4.46
5	2	1	F	0	4.73	4.40
...
29	2	2	M	0	6.10	6.15
30	3	2	F	1	6.71	7.14

• Fit data: $X\hat{\beta} \Rightarrow \hat{y}$

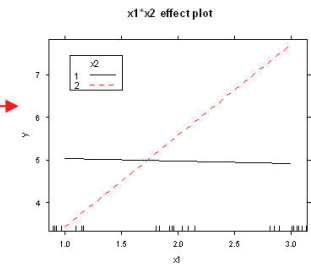
• Score data $X^* \hat{\beta} \Rightarrow \hat{y}^*$

- plot vars: vary over range
- control vars: fix at means

Score data

	x1	x2	sex	x1:x2	y	yhat*
31	1	1	0.5	1	NA	5.030
32	2	1	0.5	2	NA	4.971
33	3	1	0.5	3	NA	4.912
34	1	2	0.5	2	NA	3.437
35	2	2	0.5	4	NA	5.574
36	3	2	0.5	6	NA	7.710

plot vars control vars



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Effect plots: Details

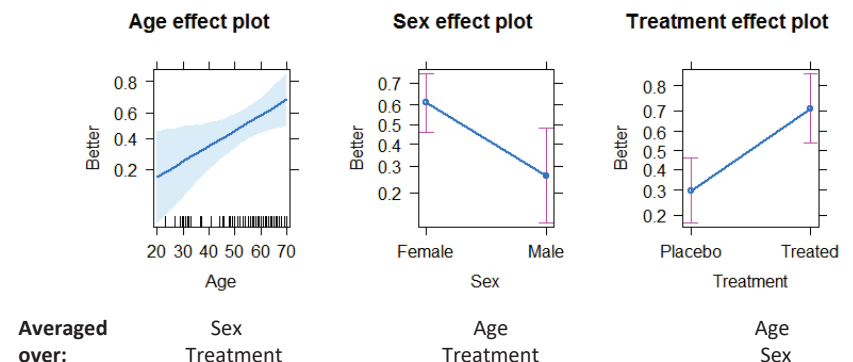
- For simple models, full model plots show the complete relation between response and *all predictors*.
- Fox(1987)— For complex models, often wish to plot a specific main effect or interaction (including lower-order relatives)— *controlling for other effects*
 - Fit full model to data with linear predictor (e.g., logit) $\eta = X\beta$ and link function $g(\mu) = \eta \rightarrow$ estimate b of β and covariance matrix $\widehat{V}(b)$ of b .
 - Construct “score data”
 - Vary each predictor in the term over its’ range
 - Fix other predictors at “typical” values (mean, median, proportion in the data)
 - \rightarrow “effect model matrix,” X^*
 - Use `predict()` on X^*
 - Calculate fitted effect values, $\hat{\eta}^* = X^*b$.
 - Standard errors are square roots of $\text{diag } X^* \widehat{V}(b) X^{*T}$
 - Plot $\hat{\eta}^*$, or values transformed back to scale of response, $g^{-1}(\hat{\eta}^*)$.
- *Note:* This provides a general means to visualize interactions in *all* linear and generalized linear models.

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Plotting main effects

`allEffects()` calculates effects for all high-order terms in the model
The response is plotted on the logit scale, but labeled with probabilities

```
library(effects)
arth.eff2 <- allEffects(arth.logistic2)
plot(arth.eff2, rows=1, cols=3, lwd=2)
```

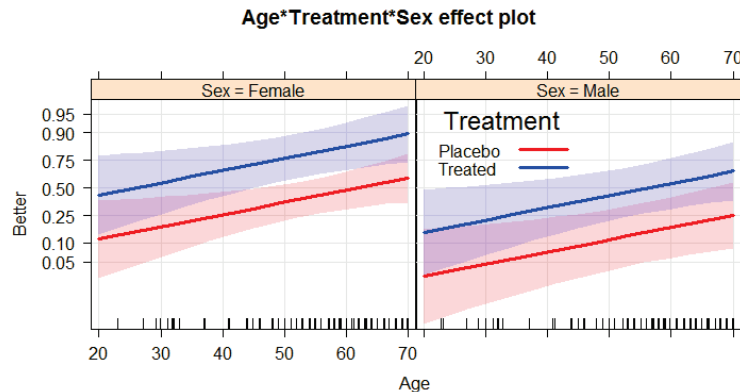


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Full-model plot

The full-model plot is simply the `Effect()` of the highest-order interaction of factors

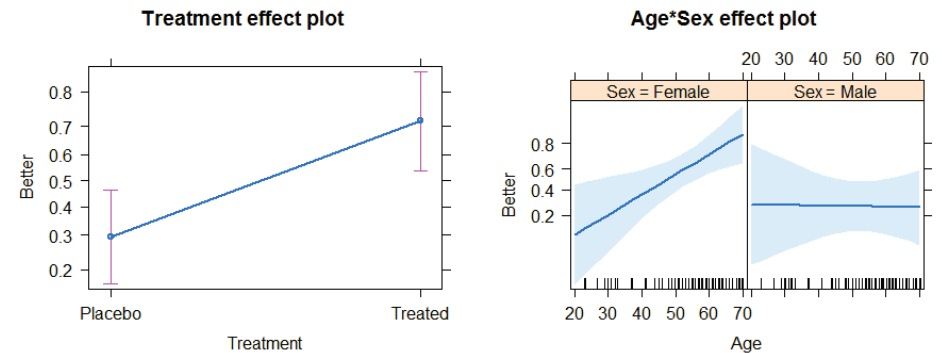
```
arth.full <- Effect(c("Age", "Treatment", "Sex"), arth.logistic2)
plot(arth.full, multiline=TRUE, ci.style="bands",
     colors = c("red", "blue"), lwd=3, . . .)
```



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Model with interaction of Age × Sex

```
arth.eff4 <- allEffects(arth.logistic4)
plot(arth.eff4, lwd=2)
```



Only the high-order terms: Treatment & Age * Sex are shown & need to be interpreted
Q: How would you describe this?

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Race & Crime

Toronto Star investigation of racial disparities in treatment by Toronto Police Services

FOI request → > ½ M arrests, 1997—2002

Evidence for racial profiling?

Only look at discretionary charges:

Simple marijuana possession
Non-moving auto infractions

The image shows the front page of The Saturday Star newspaper from October 19, 2002. The main headline is 'Singed out' with a sub-headline 'Star analysis of police crime data shows justice is different for blacks and whites'. Other headlines include 'Chrétien expected to keep cabinet minister' and 'The photo that never was'. The page features a large photograph of a man in a pink shirt, identified as James Burke, who was arrested for drug possession. The article discusses racial disparities in police treatment and arrests.

Case study: Arrests for marijuana

- In Dec. 2002, the *Toronto Star* examined the issue of racial profiling, by analyzing a data base of 600,000+ arrest records from 1997-2002.
- They focused on a subset of arrests for which police action was discretionary, e.g., simple possession of small quantities of marijuana, where the police could:
 - Release the arrestee with a summons – like a parking ticket
 - Bring to police station, hold for bail, ... -- harsher treatment
- Response variable: released: “Yes”, “No”
 - Main predictor of interest: skin-colour of arrestee (black, white)
 - Other predictors: year, age, sex, ...

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Racial profiling: Presentation graphic

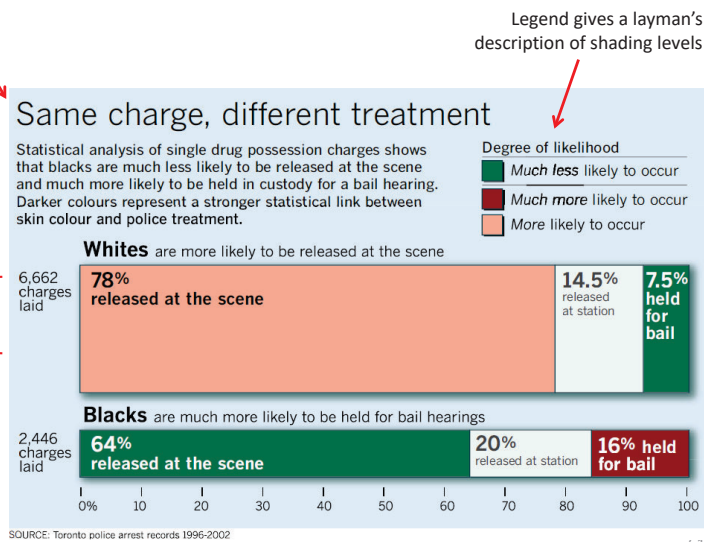
Together, we created this (nearly) self-explaining infographic

Title gives the main conclusion

Text description gives details

Bar width ~ charges
Divided by % release

numbers shown in the cells



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Arrests for marijuana: Data

Response variable: released

Control variables:

- year, age, sex
- employed, citizen: Yes, No
- checks: # of police databases (previous arrests, convictions, parole status) where the arrestee's name was found

```
> library(car) # for Anova()
> data(Arrests, package = "carData")
> some(Arrests)
```

	released	colour	year	age	sex	employed	citizen	checks
218	Yes	White	2000	24	Male	Yes	Yes	0
1301	No	Black	1999	17	Male	Yes	No	1
1495	Yes	White	1998	23	Male	Yes	Yes	0
1732	Yes	Black	2000	18	Male	Yes	Yes	2
1838	Yes	Black	1997	27	Male	No	Yes	5
2257	No	White	2001	19	Male	No	Yes	2
3100	No	Black	2000	19	Male	No	Yes	4
3843	Yes	White	1999	20	Male	Yes	Yes	0
4580	Yes	Black	1999	26	Male	Yes	Yes	1
4833	Yes	Black	1998	38	Male	Yes	Yes	0

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Arrests for marijuana: Model

year is numerical. But may be non-linear. Convert to a factor

Fit model with all main effects, but allow interactions of colour:year and colour:age

```
> Arrests$year <- as.factor(Arrests$year)
> arrests.mod <- glm(released ~ employed + citizen + checks +
+ colour*year + colour*age,
+ family=binomial, data=Arrests)
> Anova(arrests.mod)
```

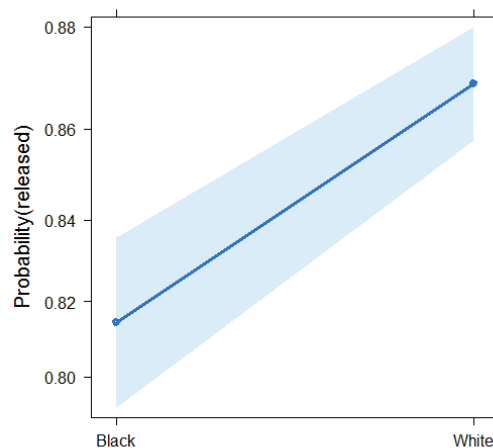
Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)

```
Response: released
      LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
employed  72.7  1  < 2e-16 ***
citizen   25.8  1  3.8e-07 ***
checks   205.2  1  < 2e-16 ***
colour    19.6  1  9.7e-06 ***
year       6.1  5  0.29785
age       0.5  1  0.49827
colour:year 21.7  5  0.00059 ***
colour:age  13.9  1  0.00019 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

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Effect plot: Skin colour

```
plot(Effect("colour", arrests.mod), lwd=3, ci.style="bands", ...)
```



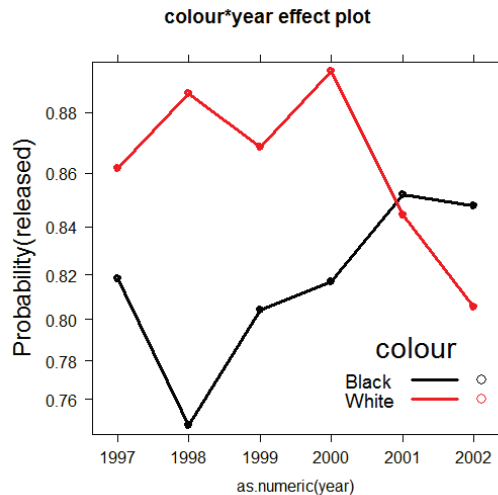
- Effect plot for colour shows average effect **controlling** (adjusting) for **all** other factors simultaneously
- (The *Star* analysis controlled for these one at a time.)
- Evidence for different treatment of blacks & whites
- Even Francis Nunziata could understand this.
- However, effect smaller than reported by the *Star*

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Effect plots: Interactions

The story turned out to be more nuanced than reported by the *Toronto Star*

```
plot(Effect(c("colour", "year"), arrests.mod), multiline=TRUE, ...)
```



Up to 2000, strong evidence for differential treatment of blacks & whites

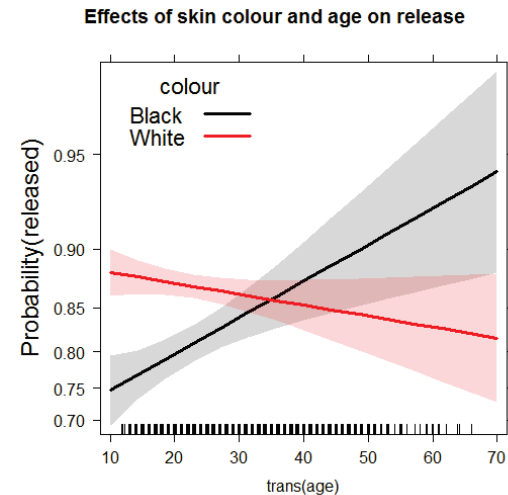
Also: evidence to support Police claim of effect of training to reduce racial effects in treatment

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Effect plots: Interactions

A more surprising finding ...

```
plot(Effect(c("colour", "year"), arrests.mod), multiline=TRUE, ...)
```



Opposite age effects for blacks & whites:

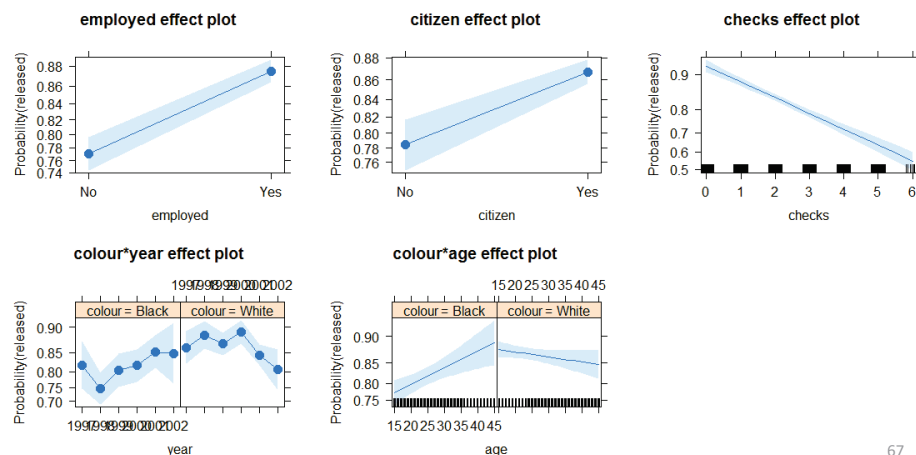
- Young blacks treated **more** harshly than young whites
- Older blacks treated **less** harshly than older whites

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Effect plots: allEffects

All high-order terms can be viewed together using `plot(allEffects(mod))`

```
arrests.effects <- allEffects(arrests.mod,
xlevels=list(age=seq(15, 45, 5)))
plot(arrests.effects, ylab="Probability(released)", ...)
```



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Model diagnostics

As in regression and ANOVA, the validity of a logistic regression model is threatened when:

- Important predictors have been omitted from the model
- Predictors assumed to be **linear** have **non-linear** effects on $\Pr(Y = 1)$
- Important **interactions** have been omitted
- A few "wild" observations have a large impact on the fitted model or coefficients

Model specification: Tools and techniques

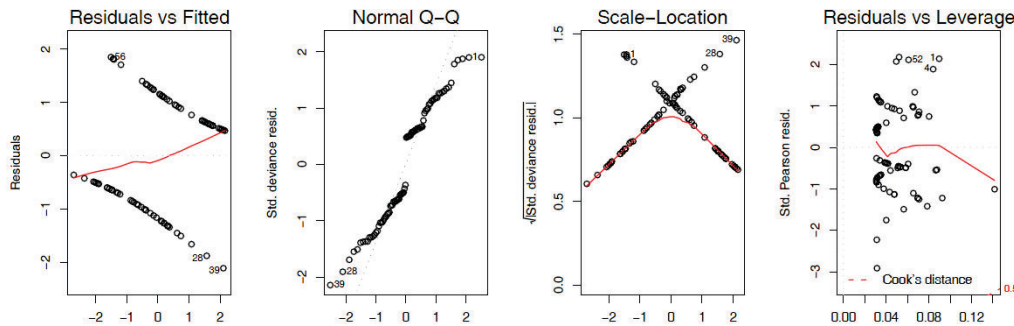
- Use non-parametric smoothed curves to detect non-linearity
- Consider using polynomial terms (X^2, X^3, \dots) or **regression splines** (e.g., `ns(X, 3)`)
- Use `update(model, ...)` to test for interactions— formula: $. \sim .^2$

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Diagnostic plots in R

In R, plotting a `glm` object gives the “regression quartet” – 4 basic diagnostic plots

```
arth.mod1 <- glm(Better ~ Age + Sex + Treatment, data=Arthritis,
  family='binomial')
plot(arth.mod1)
```



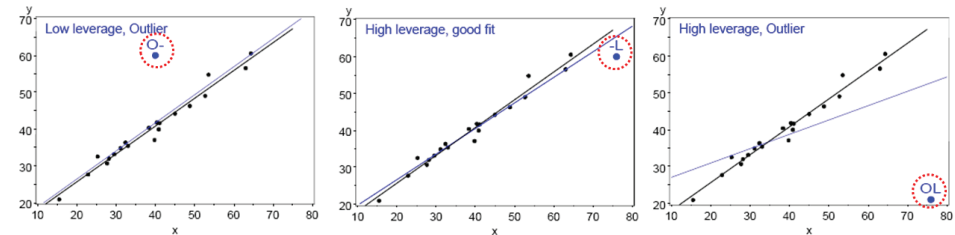
These plots often look peculiar for logistic regression models
Better versions are available in the `car` package

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Unusual data: Leverage & Influence

- “Unusual” observations can have dramatic effects on least-squares estimates in linear models
- Three archetypal cases:
 - Typical X (low leverage), bad fit -- Not much harm
 - Unusual X (high leverage), good fit -- Not much harm
 - Unusual X (high leverage), bad fit -- **BAD, BAD, BAD**
- Influential observations: unusual in *both* X & Y
- Heuristic formula:

$$\text{Influence} = \text{X leverage} \times \text{Y residual}$$



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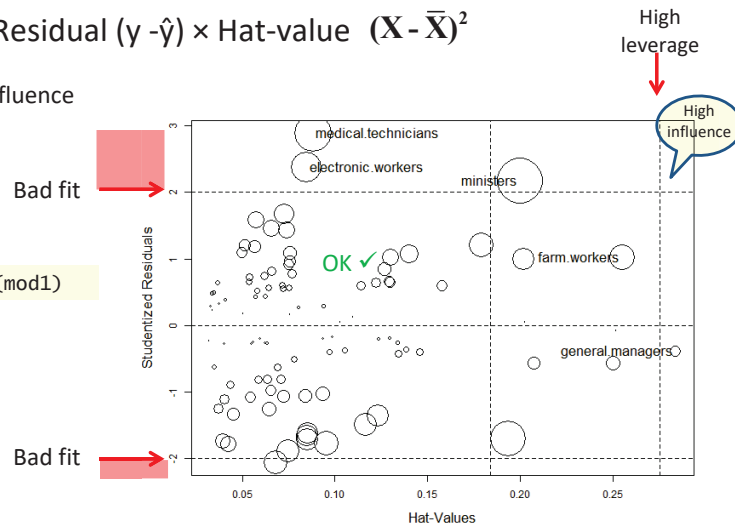
Influence plots

Influence (Cook's D) measures impact of individual obs. on coefficients, fitted values

$$\text{Influence} \sim \text{Residual} (y - \hat{y}) \times \text{Hat-value} (X - \bar{X})^2$$

Bubble size ~ influence

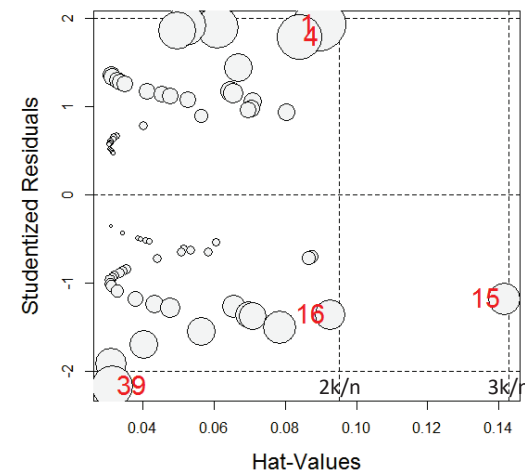
`influencePlot(mod1)`



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Influence plots in R

```
library(car)
influencePlot(arth.logistic2, ...)
```



X axis: Leverage (“hat values”)
notable values: $> 2k/n$, $3k/n$

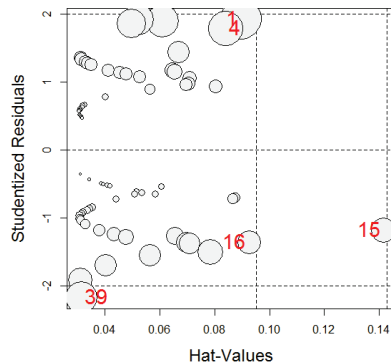
Y axis: Studentized residuals

Bubble size ~ Cook's D
(influence on coefficients)

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Which cases are influential?

	Treatment	Sex	Age	Better	StudRes	Hat	CookD
1	Treated	Male	27	1	1.92	0.0897	0.1128
4	Treated	Male	32	1	1.79	0.0840	0.0818
15	Treated	Female	23	0	-1.18	0.1416	0.0420
16	Treated	Female	32	0	-1.36	0.0926	0.0381
39	Treated	Female	69	0	-2.17	0.0314	0.0690



case 1: younger male: moderate Hat, better than predicted → large Cook D

case 15: very young treated female: large Hat; did not improve

case 39: older female: small Hat, but did not improve with treatment

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Looking ahead

- Logistic regression models need not always have linear effects– models **nonlinear** in Xs sometimes useful
- **Polytomous** outcomes can be handled as well
 - e.g., Improved = {"None", "Some", "Marked"}
- If ordinal,
 - the **proportional odds** model is a simple extension
 - **nested dichotomies** provides an alternative approach
- Otherwise, **multinomial logistic regression** is the way

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Summary

- loglm() provides only overall tests of model fit
- Model-based methods, glm(), provide hypothesis tests, CIs & tests for individual terms
- Logistic regression: A glm() for a binary response
 - linear model for the log odds $\Pr(Y=1)$
 - All similar to classical ANOVA, regression models
- Plotting
 - Conditional, full-model plots show data and fits
 - Effect plots show predicted effects averaged over others
- Model diagnostics
 - Influence plots are often informative

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