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Lecture 5:
Logistic Regression
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LOGISTIC REGRESSION

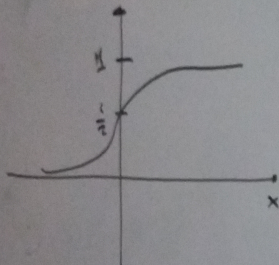
$$\sigma(x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}}$$

$$\beta^T \underline{x} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$$

$\underline{x} = (1, x_1, \dots, x_p)$

$$P(Y=1|\underline{x}) = \sigma(\beta^T \underline{x}) = \frac{e^{\beta^T \underline{x}}}{1 + e^{\beta^T \underline{x}}}$$

$$P(Y=-1|\underline{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta^T \underline{x}}}$$



- medicine
- sociology
- marketing ..

$$-\ell(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(1 + e^{-y_i \beta^T x_i})$$

$$S = \{(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n\}$$

$$x \in D^+(\beta) = \{x \mid \beta^T x > 0\} \Rightarrow \hat{P}(y|x) = 1$$

$$x \in D^-(\beta) = \{x \mid \beta^T x < 0\} \Rightarrow \hat{P}(y|x) = -1$$

- Discriminative v.s. Generative
- Odds, Odds Ratio, Logit function, Logistic function
- Logistic regression
 - definition
 - likelihood function: perfect linear classifier as special case
 - maximum likelihood estimate
 - best prediction and linear perceptron
- Accuracy, Precision, Sensitivity, Specificity



The setting: Y is a binary r.v.. x is its covariant, predictor or explanatory variable. x can be continuous, categorical.

We cannot model the association of Y to x by a direct linear regression,

$$Y = \alpha + \beta x + e$$

where e is, e.g., $\mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$.

$Y =$ *Bacterial Meningitis or Acute Viral Meningitis.*
 $x =$ *cerebrospinal fluid total protein count.*



Let $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^p$, $y_i \in \mathcal{Y} = \{+1, -1\}$ ¹, $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_p)^T$, a vector. Y is r.v. with two values, -1 and 1 .

We consider the problem of modelling the probability

$$P(Y = 1 \mid \mathbf{X}).$$

The model will be called *logistic regression*.

¹We could use $\mathcal{Y} = \{+1, 0\}$

Let $\mathbf{x}_i \in \mathcal{X} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^p$, $y_i \in \mathcal{Y} = \{+1, -1\}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$ be n pairs of *examples* of a binary target concept. Then

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_n, y_n)\}$$

is the training set.

Training logistic regression using \mathcal{S} , prediction of Y using $\mathbf{x} \leftrightarrow \mathbf{X}$ and logistic regression.

$$P(Y = 1 \mid \mathbf{X})$$

We need some additional concepts.

Modelling of

$$P(Y = 1 | \mathbf{X})$$

This is known as the **discriminative approach** to supervised classification (with binary alternatives).

- The **generative approach**: Model $P(\mathbf{X} | Y = 1)$ and $P(Y = 1)$ and use Bayes' formula to find $P(Y = 1 | \mathbf{X})$.
- The discriminative approach models $P(\mathbf{X} | Y = 1)$ and $P(Y = 1)$ and implicitly. There is an Appendix showing how a certain generative model of binary classification can be transformed to a logistic regression.



- Generative: Class \rightarrow Data
- Discriminative: Data \rightarrow Class



- *Odds, Odds Ratio*
- *Logit function*
- *Logistic function a.k.a Sigmoid function*

The **odds** of a statement (event e.t.c) A is calculated as the probability $p(A)$ of observing A divided by the probability of not observing A :

$$\text{odds of } A = \frac{p(A)}{1 - p(A)}$$

E.g., in humans an average of 51 boys are born in every 1000 births, the odds of a randomly chosen delivery being boy are:

$$\text{odds of a boy} = \frac{0.51}{0.49} = 1.04$$

The odds of a certain thing happening are infinite.

The posterior probability $p(H | E)$ of H given the evidence E :

$$\text{posterior odds of H} = \frac{p(H|E)}{1 - p(H|E)}$$

If there are only two alternative hypotheses, H and $\text{not-}H$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{posterior odds of H} &= \frac{p(H|E)}{p(\text{not-}H|E)} \\ &= \frac{p(E|H)}{p(E | \text{not-}H)} \frac{p(H)}{p(\text{not-}H)}. \end{aligned}$$

by Bayes formula

$$= \text{likelihood ratio} \times \text{prior odds}$$

The **odds ratio** ψ is the ratio of odds from two different conditions or populations.

$$\psi = \frac{\text{odds of } A_1}{\text{odds of } A_2} = \frac{\frac{p(A_1)}{1-p(A_1)}}{\frac{p(A_2)}{1-p(A_2)}}$$



Consider r.v. Y with values $0, 1$, $0 < p < 1$ and

$$f(y) = \begin{matrix} y = 1 & y = 0 \\ p & 1 - p \end{matrix}$$

$$Y \sim \text{Be}(p) = \text{Bin}(1, p).$$



Bernoulli Distribution again

$$f(y) \begin{array}{cc} y = 1 & y = 0 \\ p & 1 - p \end{array}$$

We write this as

$$f(y) = p^y (1 - p)^{1-y}$$

and

$$= e^{\ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)y + \ln(1-p)}$$



The function $\text{logit}(p)$

The logarithmic odds of success is called the logit of p

$$\text{logit}(p) = \ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$$

$$f(y) = e^{\ln\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)y + \ln(1-p)} = e^{\text{logit}(p)y + \ln(1-p)}$$



The function $\text{logit}(p)$ and its inverse

$$\text{logit}(p) = \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$$

If $\theta = \text{logit}(p)$, then the inverse function is

$$p = \text{logit}^{-1}(\theta) = \frac{e^\theta}{1 + e^\theta}$$



The logit(p) and its inverse

$$\text{logit}(p) = \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right), \quad 0 < p < 1$$

$$p = \text{logit}^{-1}(\theta) = \frac{e^\theta}{1+e^\theta} = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\theta}}$$

The function

$$\sigma(\theta) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-\theta}}, \quad -\infty < \theta < \infty,$$

is called the **logistic function** or **sigmoid**.

Note that $\sigma(0) = \frac{1}{2}$.



Logistic function a.k.a. sigmoid

In biology the logistic function refers to change in size of a species population. In artificial neural networks it is a network output function (sigmoid). In statistics it is the 'canonical link function' for the Bernoulli distribution (c.f. above).



The logit(p) and the logistic function

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The logit function

$$\theta = \text{logit}(p) = \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right), \quad 0 < p < 1$$

and the logistic function

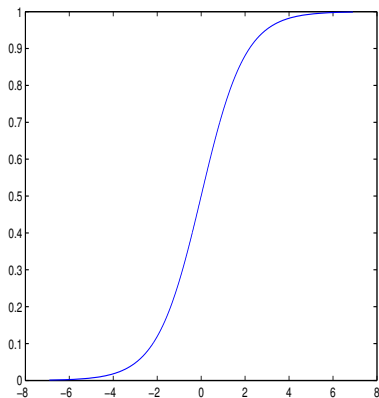
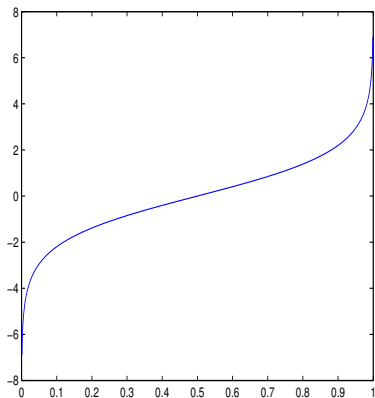
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are inverse functions to each other.



The logit(p) and the logistic function

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- *A regression function*
- *log odds of $Y \leftarrow$ a regression function*
- *How to generate Y , logistic noise*



Let $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p)$ be $(p + 1) \times 1$ vector and $\mathbf{X} = (1, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$ be a $(p + 1) \times 1$ -vector of (predictor) variables. We set, as in multiple regression,

$$\beta^T \mathbf{X} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$$

Then

$$G(\mathbf{X}) = \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\beta^T \mathbf{X}}} = \frac{e^{\beta^T \mathbf{X}}}{1 + e^{\beta^T \mathbf{X}}}$$



The predictor variables (X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p) can be binary, ordinal, categorical or continuous. In the examples below they are mostly continuous.



$$G(\mathbf{X}) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}}$$

By construction $0 < G(\mathbf{X}) < 1$. Then logit is well defined and

$$\text{logit}(G(\mathbf{X})) = \ln \frac{G(\mathbf{X})}{1 - G(\mathbf{X})} = \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p.$$



Let now Y be a binary random variable such that

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with probability } G(\mathbf{X}) \\ -1 & \text{with probability } 1 - G(\mathbf{X}) \end{cases}$$

Definition

If the logit of $G(\mathbf{X})$ (or log odds of Y) is

$$\text{logit}(G(\mathbf{X})) = \ln \frac{G(\mathbf{X})}{1 - G(\mathbf{X})} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p,$$

then we say that Y follows a logistic regression w.r.t. the predictor variables $\mathbf{X} = (1, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$.

For fixed β we have the hyperplane

$$D(\beta) = \{\mathbf{X} \mid \beta^T \mathbf{X} = 0\}$$

For any $\mathbf{X} \in D(\beta)$, $G(\mathbf{X}) = \sigma(0) = \frac{1}{2}$ and

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & \text{with probability } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$



We might use (suggestion by Alan Turing for logarithm of posterior odds)

$$e(Y|\mathbf{X}) = 10 \log_{10} \frac{G(\mathbf{X})}{1 - G(\mathbf{X})}$$

and call it the evidence for Y given \mathbf{X} . Turing called this 'deciban'. The unit of evidence is then *decibel* (db). 1 db change in evidence is the smallest increment in of plausibility that is perceptible for our intuition.



Logistic regression

$$Y = \begin{cases} \text{success} & \text{with probability } G(\mathbf{X}) \\ \text{failure} & \text{with probability } 1 - G(\mathbf{X}) \end{cases}$$

$$\text{logit}(G(\mathbf{X})) = \ln \frac{G(\mathbf{X})}{1 - G(\mathbf{X})} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p.$$

is extensively applied in medical research, where 'success' may mean the occurrence of a disease or death due to a disease, and X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p are environmental and genetic riskfactors.

Woodward, M. : *Epidemiology: study design and data analysis*, 2013, CRC Press.



Suppose we have two populations, where $X_i = x_1$ in first population and $X_i = x_2$ in the second population, all other predictors are equal in the two populations. Then a medical geneticist finds it useful to calculate the logarithm of the odds ratio

$$\begin{aligned}\ln \psi &= \ln \frac{p_1}{1 - p_1} - \ln \frac{p_2}{1 - p_2} \\ &= \beta_i (x_1 - x_2)\end{aligned}$$

or

$$\psi = e^{\beta_i(x_1 - x_2)}$$



EGAT Study (from Woodward)

Smoker at entry	Cardiovascular death during follow-up		
	Yes	No	Total
Yes	31	1386	1417
No	15	1883	1898
Total	46	3269	3315



Logistic regression

$$\widehat{\text{logit}} = -4.8326 + 1.0324x$$

was fitted with $x = 1$ for smokers and $x = 0$ for non-smokers.
Then the odds ratio is

$$\psi = e^{\beta(x_1 - x_2)} = e^{1.3024(1-0)} = 2.808$$

The log odds for smokers is

$$-4.8326 + 1.0324 \times 1 = -3.8002$$

giving odds = 0.2224. For non-smokers the odds are 0.008.



The risk for cardiovascular death for smokers is

$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{-4.8326 + 1.0324 \times 1}} = 0.0219$$

For nonsmokers

$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{-4.8326 + 1.0324 \times 0}} = 0.0079$$



$$P(Y = 1 | \mathbf{X}) = G(\mathbf{X}) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) = \frac{e^{\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(Y = -1 | \mathbf{X}) &= 1 - G(\mathbf{X}) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}} = \frac{e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{1 + e^{\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence a unit change in X_i corresponds to e^{β_i} change in odds and β_i change in logodds.



ϵ is a r.v.,

$$\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1)$$

means that the cumulative distribution function (CDF) of the logistic distribution is the logistic function:

$$P(\epsilon \leq x) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} = \sigma(x)$$



A generative model

We need the following regression model

$$Y^* = \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} + \epsilon$$

where $\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$ and

$$\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1),$$

i.e. the variable Y^* can be written directly in terms of the linear predictor function and an additive random error variable. The logistic distribution (?) is the probability distribution the random error.



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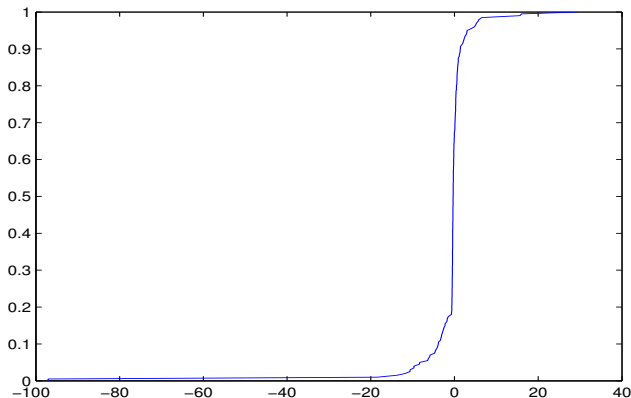
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I.e. $\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1)$, if the probability density function is

$$\frac{d}{dx}\sigma(x) = \frac{e^{-x}}{(1 + e^{-x})^2}.$$

Simulating $\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1)$

This is simple: simulate p_1, \dots, p_n from the uniform distribution on $(0, 1)$ and then do $\epsilon_i = \text{logit}(p_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$. In the figure we plot the empirical distribution function of ϵ_i for $n = 200$.



$\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1)$, what is $P(-\epsilon \leq x)$?

$$\begin{aligned} P(-\epsilon \leq x) &= P(\epsilon \geq -x) = 1 - P(\epsilon \leq -x) \\ &= 1 - \sigma(-x) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^x} = \frac{e^x}{1 + e^x} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \\ &= P(\epsilon \leq x). \end{aligned}$$

$\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1) \Leftrightarrow -\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1)$.



Take a continuous latent variable Y^* (latent= an unobserved random variable) that is given as follows:

$$Y^* = \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} + \epsilon$$

where $\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$ and

$$\epsilon \sim \text{Logistic}(0, 1).$$



Define the response Y as the indicator for whether the latent variable is positive:

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Y^* > 0 \text{ i.e. } -\varepsilon < \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \cdot \mathbf{X}, \\ -1 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Then Y follows a logistic regression w.r.t. \mathbf{X} . We need only to verify that

$$P(Y = 1 | \mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}}.$$



$$P(Y = 1 | \mathbf{X}) = P(Y^* > 0 | \mathbf{X}) \quad (1)$$

$$= P(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} + \varepsilon > 0) \quad (2)$$

$$= P(\varepsilon > -\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) \quad (3)$$

$$= P(-\varepsilon < \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) \quad (4)$$

$$= P(\varepsilon < \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) \quad (5)$$

$$= \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) \quad (6)$$

$$= \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}}} \quad (7)$$

where we used in (4) - (5) that the logistic distribution is symmetric (and continuous), as learned above,

$$\Pr(-\varepsilon \leq x) = \Pr(\varepsilon \leq x).$$



- *Simulated Data*
- *Some Probit Analysis*
- *Maximum Likelihood*



Simulate ϵ , compute $Y^* = \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \cdot \mathbf{X} + \epsilon$ with known $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ and levels of \mathbf{X} . Compute

$$Y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } Y^* > 0 \text{ i.e. } -\epsilon < \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \cdot \mathbf{X}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$



We have data

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(\mathbf{X}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{X}_n, y_n)\}$$

Next the labels are coded as $+1 \mapsto +1$, $-1 \mapsto 0$. The likelihood function is

$$L(\boldsymbol{\beta}) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^I G(\mathbf{X}_i)^{y_i} (1 - G(\mathbf{X}_i))^{1-y_i}.$$



Some simple manipulation gives that

$$-\ln L(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = -\sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i - \ln \left(1 + e^{\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i} \right) \right)$$

There is no closed form solution to the minimization of $-\ln L(\boldsymbol{\beta})$. The function is twice continuously differentiable, convex and even strictly convex if the data is not linearly separable (c.f., sf2935 Lecture 1). There are standard optimization algorithms for minimization of functions with these properties.



Model validation: the χ^2 -test

Let us look at following data on dose pesticide and death. We can write the data for males as

	Dose (μg)					
	1	2	4	8	16	32
Die	1	4	9	13	18	20
Survive	19	16	11	7	8	0

Using the ML-estimates $\hat{\alpha} = -1.9277$ and $\hat{\beta} = 0.2972$ we can calculate the probability of death for the dose $x = 1$ as

$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{1.9277 - 0.2972}} = 0.1638$$

and then the expected frequency of death at $x = 1$ is

$$20 \cdot 0.1638 = 3.275$$

In the same way we can calculate the probabilities of death and survival for the other doses x .



Model validation: the χ^2 -test

We use the chi-square goodness-of-fit test statistic Q

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{(\text{observed freq}_i - \text{expected freq}_i)^2}{\text{expected freq}_i} = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{(x_i - np_i)^2}{np_i}.$$

where r is the number of groups in the grouped data. It can be shown that Q is approximatively $\chi^2(r/2 - 2)$ - distributed (chi square with $r/2 - 2$ degrees of freedom) under the (null) hypothesis that the probabilities of death and survival are as given by the estimated model. The reduction with two degrees of freedom is for the fact that we have estimated two parameters.



Model validation: the χ^2 -test

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{(\text{observed freq}_i - \text{expected freq}_i)^2}{\text{expected freq}_i} = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{(x_i - np_i)^2}{np_i}.$$

E.g., $n_2 = 4$ and

$$n \cdot p_2 = 20 \cdot \hat{P}(Y = 1 \mid x = 2) = \frac{20}{1 + e^{-\hat{\alpha} - 2\hat{\beta}}}$$



We get

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^{12} \frac{(\text{observed freq}_i - \text{expected freq}_i)^2}{\text{expected freq}_i}$$
$$= \frac{(1 - 3.275)^2}{3.275} + \dots + \frac{(20 - 19.99)^2}{0.010} = 4.2479$$

The **p-value** is

$$P(Q \geq 4.24) = 0.3755$$

where Q is $\chi^2(6 - 2)$ - distributed. Hence we do not reject the logistic regression model².

²Here the expected frequency of 0 taken as 0.01 in the textbook cited.

- *Likelihood function rewritten*
- *Training: an algorithm for computing the Maximum Likelihood Estimate*
- *Linear Separability and Regularization*



- *Special case: $\beta^T \mathbf{X} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$.*
- *Likelihood*
- *Maximum Likelihood*



We consider the model:

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x.$$

$$P(Y = 1 | x) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x)}}$$



Notation:

$$P(Y = y | \mathbf{x}) = \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X})^y (1 - \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}))^{1-y}$$
$$= \begin{cases} \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) & \text{if } y = 1 \\ 1 - \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}) & \text{if } y = 0 \end{cases}$$



Data $(x_i, y_i)_{i=1}^n$, likelihood function with the notation above

$$\begin{aligned}L(\beta_0, \beta_1) &= P(Y = y_1 | x_1) \cdot P(Y = y_2 | x_2) \cdots P(Y = y_n | x_n) \\&= \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_1)^{y_1} (1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_1))^{1-y_1} \cdots \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_n)^{y_n} (1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_n))^{1-y_n} \\&= A \cdot B\end{aligned}$$

$$A = \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_1)^{y_1} \cdot \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_2)^{y_2} \cdots \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_n)^{y_n}$$

$$B = (1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_1))^{1-y_1} (1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_2))^{1-y_2} \cdots (1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{X}_n))^{1-y_n}$$



$$\begin{aligned}\ln L(\beta_0, \beta_1) &= \ln A + \ln B \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \ln \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{x}_i) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=1}^n (1 - y_i) \ln(1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{x}_i)) + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \ln \frac{\sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{x}_i)}{1 - \sigma(\beta^T \mathbf{x}_i)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\ln(1 - \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) &= \ln\left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)}}\right) \\ &= \ln\left(\frac{e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)}}{1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)}}\right) \\ &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}}\right) = \\ &= -\ln\left(e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}\right)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\ln \frac{\sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}_i)}{1 - \sigma(\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}_i)} \\ = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i\end{aligned}$$

In summary:

$$\ln L(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) - \sum_{i=1}^n \ln(e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i})$$



$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_1} \ln L(\beta_0, \beta_1) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_1} \ln \left(e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i} \right) \\ & \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_1} \ln \left(e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i} \right) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i} x_i}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}} \\ &= P(Y = 1 \mid x_i) \cdot x_i. \end{aligned}$$



$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_1} \ln L(\beta_0, \beta_1) = 0$$

\Leftrightarrow

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i x_i - P(Y = 1 | x_i) \cdot x_i) = 0.$$

In the same manner we can also find

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_0} \ln L(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - P(Y = 1 | x_i)) = 0$$

These two equations have no closed form solution w.r.t. β_0 and β_1 .



Newton-Raphson for MLE: a one-parameter case

For one parameter θ , set $f(\theta) = \ln L(\theta)$. We are searching for the solution of

$$f'(\theta) = \frac{d}{d\theta} f(\theta) = 0.$$

Newton-Raphson method

$$\theta^{new} = \theta^{old} + \frac{f'(\theta^{old})}{f''(\theta^{old})},$$

where a good initial value is desired.



$$\begin{pmatrix} \beta_0^{new} \\ \beta_1^{new} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0^{old} \\ \beta_1^{old} \end{pmatrix} + H^{-1}(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_0} \ln L(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_1} \ln L(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

where $H^{-1}(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old})$ is the matrix inverse of the 2×2 matrix (next slide)

$$H(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta_0^2} \ln L(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta_0 \partial \beta_1} \ln L(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) \\ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \beta_0} \ln L(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) & \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta_1^2} \ln L(\beta_0^{old}, \beta_1^{old}) \end{pmatrix}$$
$$= \begin{pmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^n P(Y=1 | x_i)(1 - P(Y=1 | x_i)) & \sum_{i=1}^n P(Y=1 | x_i)(1 - P(Y=1 | x_i)) \\ \sum_{i=1}^n P(Y=1 | x_i)(1 - P(Y=1 | x_i)) \cdot x_i & \sum_{i=1}^n P(Y=1 | x_i)(1 - P(Y=1 | x_i)) x_i^2 \end{pmatrix}$$



The trick applied to rewriting the logistic probability

$$\sigma(t) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-t}}$$

Let us recode $y \in \{+1, -1\}$. Then we get

$$P(y | \mathbf{X}) = \sigma(y\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X})$$



Logistic Regression: a check

$$\sigma(t) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-t}}$$

$y \in \{+1, -1\}$.

$$P(+1 | \mathbf{X}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\beta^T \mathbf{X}}} = \sigma(+1\beta^T \mathbf{X}).$$

$$P(-1 | \mathbf{X}) = 1 - P(+1 | \mathbf{X}) = 1 - \frac{1}{1 + e^{-\beta^T \mathbf{X}}}$$

$$= \frac{1 - 1 + e^{-\beta^T \mathbf{X}}}{1 + e^{-\beta^T \mathbf{X}}}$$

$$= \frac{e^{-\beta^T \mathbf{X}}}{1 + e^{-\beta^T \mathbf{X}}} = \frac{1}{e^{\beta^T \mathbf{X}} + 1} = \sigma(-1\beta^T \mathbf{X}).$$



$$P(y | \mathbf{X}; \beta) = \sigma(y\beta^T \mathbf{X})$$

A training set

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(\mathbf{X}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{X}_n, y_n)\}$$

The likelihood function of β is

$$L(\beta) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n P(y_i | \mathbf{X}_i; \beta)$$



The negative log likelihood

$$\begin{aligned} -l(\beta) &\stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\ln L(\beta) = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n -\ln P(y_i | \mathbf{x}_i; \beta) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n -\ln \sigma(y_i \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n -\ln \left[\frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_i \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i}} \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left[1 + e^{-y_i \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i} \right] \end{aligned}$$



$$-l(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left[1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i} \right]$$

Let us recall that

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_0} \ln \left[1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i} \right] &= -y_i \frac{e^{-y_i (\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i)}}{1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i}} \\ &= -y_i \sigma(-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i) = -y_i (1 - P(y_i | \mathbf{X}; \boldsymbol{\beta})) \end{aligned}$$



$$-l(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left[1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i} \right]$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_k} \ln \left[1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i} \right] &= -y_i \mathbf{x}_i \frac{e^{-y_i (\boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i)}}{1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i}} \\ &= -y_i \mathbf{x}_i \sigma(-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i) = -y_i \mathbf{x}_i (1 - P(y_i | \mathbf{x}; \boldsymbol{\beta})) \end{aligned}$$



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Resembles strongly of the *perceptron algorithm*, with on-line updates driven by mistakes. The difference here is that the updates are made in proportion to the probability of making a mistake. We give no proof of convergence.



Assume that the training examples

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_n, y_n)\}$$

is linearly separable (c.f., Lecture I). In this case we know (previous lecture) that there are values of β such that

$$y_i \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i > 0$$

for all training examples. Then the likelihood function

$$L(\beta) = \prod_{i=1}^n \sigma(y_i \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y_i \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i}}$$

is strictly increasing as a function of $y_i \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i$. Hence we can scale up³ the parameters β and make them larger and larger. Thus the maximum likelihood estimated values increase to infinity for a perfect linear classifier.

³Scaling freedom of Lecture I

To avoid linear separability due to small training sets we minimize *the regularizer + the negative loglikelihood function* or

$$\frac{\lambda}{2} \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + \sum_{i=1}^n \ln \left[1 + e^{-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i} \right]$$

where λ is a parameter that measures the strength of regularization.



$$-l(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n -\ln \sigma(y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}_i)$$

Then we recall that $\mathbf{X} = (1, X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$. Thus

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} \mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^l y_i \mathbf{X}_i \sigma(-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}_i).$$

This follows by the preceding, or expressing the preceding in vector notation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} \mathbf{X}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{X}$$

Thus if we set the gradient $\frac{\partial}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} \mathbf{F}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \mathbf{0}$ (= a column vector of $p + 1$ zeros) we get

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i \mathbf{X}_i \sigma(-y_i \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}_i) = \mathbf{0}$$



The ML estimate $\hat{\beta}$ will satisfy

$$\mathbf{0} = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \sigma(-y_i \hat{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i) \mathbf{x}_i$$

\Leftrightarrow

$$\mathbf{0} = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i (1 - P(y_i \hat{\beta}^T \mathbf{x}_i)) \mathbf{x}_i$$



The section above is partially based on:

- *T.S. Jaakkola: course material for 6.867 Machine Learning, Fall 2006, MIT,*
<http://ocw.mit.edu.edu/>
- *T.S. Jaakkola & D. Haussler (1998): Exploiting generative models in discriminative classifiers.*
<http://www.cse.ucsc.edu/research/ml/publications.html>
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<http://people.csail.mit.edu/tommi/ml.html>



- *Prediction*
- *Prediction & Perceptron*
- *Crossvalidation*

When we insert $\hat{\beta}$ back to $P(y | \mathbf{X})$ we have

$$\hat{P}(y | \mathbf{X}) = \sigma(y\hat{\beta}^T \mathbf{X})$$

or

$$\hat{P}(Y = 1 | \mathbf{X}) = \sigma(\hat{\beta}^T \mathbf{X})$$



We can drop the notations \hat{P} and $\hat{\beta}$ for ease of writing. For given \mathbf{X} the task is to maximize $P(y | \mathbf{X}) = \sigma(y\beta^T \mathbf{X})$. There are only two values $y = \pm 1$ to choose among. There are two cases to consider.

1) $t = \beta^T \mathbf{X} > 0$. Then if $y = +1$, and $y^* = -1$

$$y^*t < 0 < yt \Rightarrow e^{y^*t} < e^{yt} \Rightarrow e^{-yt} < e^{-y^*t}$$

$$\Rightarrow 1 + e^{-yt} < 1 + e^{-y^*t} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + e^{-y^*t}} < \frac{1}{1 + e^{-yt}}$$

i.e.

$$P(y | \mathbf{X}) = \sigma(yt) > \sigma(y^*t) = P(y^* | \mathbf{X})$$



2) $t = \beta^T \mathbf{X} < 0$. If $y = +1$, and $y^* = -1$, then

$$yt < y^*t$$

and it follows in the same way as above that

$$P(y^* | \mathbf{X}) > P(y | \mathbf{X})$$

Hence: the maximum probability is assumed by y that has the same sign as $\beta^T \mathbf{X}$.



Given $\hat{\beta}$, the best probability predictor of Y , denoted by \hat{Y} , for given \mathbf{X} is

$$\hat{Y} = \text{sign} \left(\hat{\beta}^T \mathbf{X} \right)$$

This is recognized as the input-output map of a perceptron, c.f., Lecture I. The training of logistic regression is not, however, done by the perceptron algorithm.



Model validation: Cross-validation

A way to check a model's suitability is to assess the model against a set of data (testing set) that was not used to create the model: this is called **cross-validation**. This is a **holdout** model assessment method.



We have a training set of l pairs $Y \in \{0, 1\}$ and the corresponding values of the predictors.

$$\mathcal{S} = \{(\mathbf{X}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{X}_n, y_n)\}$$

and use this to estimate β by $\hat{\beta} = \hat{\beta}(\mathcal{S})$, e.g., by ML.

We must have another set of data, testing set, of holdout samples

$$\mathcal{T} = \{(\mathbf{X}_1^t, y_1^t), \dots, (\mathbf{X}_m^t, y_m^t)\}$$

Having found $\hat{\beta}$ we should apply the optimal predictor $\hat{P}(y | \mathbf{X}_j^t)$ on \mathcal{T} , and compare the prediction to y_j^t for all j . Note that in this $\hat{\beta} = \hat{\beta}(\mathcal{S})$



Cross-validation: categories of error

- prediction of -1 when the holdout sample has a -1 (True Negatives, the number of which is TN)
- prediction of -1 when the holdout sample has a 1 (False Negatives, the number of which is FN)
- prediction of 1 when the holdout sample has a -1 (False Positives, the number of which is FP)
- prediction of 1 when the holdout sample has a 1 (True Positives, the number of which is TP)



Evaluation of logistic regression (and other) models

False Positives = FP , True Positives = TP
False Negatives = FN , True Negatives = TN

	$Y = +1$	$Y = -1$
$\hat{Y} = +1$	TP	FP
$\hat{Y} = -1$	FN	TN



In machine learning & medical research one often encounters one or several of the following criteria of evaluating a classifier:

- Accuracy = $\frac{TP+TN}{TP+FP+FN+TN}$ = fraction of observations with correct predicted classification
- Precision = PositivePredictiveValue = $\frac{TP}{TP+FP}$ = Fraction of predicted positives that are correct
- Recall = Sensitivity = $\frac{TP}{TP+FN}$ = fraction of observations that are actually 1 with a correct predicted classification
- Specificity = $\frac{TN}{TN+FP}$ = fraction of observations that are actually -1 with a correct predicted classification



The same as above: With the true generative model $\log(p/(1-p)) = -3.2 + 0.5x + \epsilon$, we simulate 2000 pairs of test data. We predict Y in the test set using $\hat{\alpha} = -3.21$, $\hat{\beta} = 0.503$ found from the training data. The results are:

- Accuracy = 0.8010
- Precision = 0.8275
- Recall = Sensitivity = 0.6979
- Specificity = 0.8835
- Negative Predictive value = 0.7851.



Let $N=TN+FP$, $P=FN+TP$.

- $FP/N = \text{type I error} = 0.1165 = 1 - \text{Specificity}$
- $TP/P = 1 - \text{type II error} = 0.6979 = \text{power} = \text{sensitivity} = \text{recall}$



Four possible outcomes to a hypothesis test:

		Truth	
		H_0 is true	H_0 is false
Decision based on sample	Reject H_0	Type I error (α)	Correct decision
	Do not reject H_0	Correct decision	Type II error (β)

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	Condition of null hypothesis	
Possible action	True	False
Fail to reject H_0	Correct $(1-\alpha)$	Type II error β
Reject H_0	Type I error α	Correct $(1-\beta)$