

STA 303 / 1002

Note Title

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Generalized linear Models

Response variable: Y

Explanatory variables: X_1, \dots, X_p

Link function $g(\cdot)$

Model: $g(E(Y)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$

Link functions

① Identity

\Rightarrow STA 302 Regression model
analysis of variance models
Distribution: $y | X \sim \text{Normal}$

② Log link

$g(E(Y)) = \log(E(Y))$
Model: $\log(E(Y)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$
 \hookrightarrow log-linear model
 $E(Y)$ must be positive

Useful for count data, $Y|X \sim \text{Poisson}$
(Poisson regression is coming after
logistic)

③ Logit link

$$\mu = E(Y)$$

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

μ must be between 0 and 1

For $Y|X \sim \text{Bernoulli}(\pi)$

$$E(Y|X) = \pi$$

logit link: $g(\pi) = \text{log} \left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi} \right)$

log odds in favour of a success

Model: $\text{log} \left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$

This is the LOGISTIC REGRESSION MODEL

Note: Link function is a function of the η

and not a transformation of the data

Logistic Regression

$$\log\left(\frac{\pi}{1-\pi}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$$

Invert:

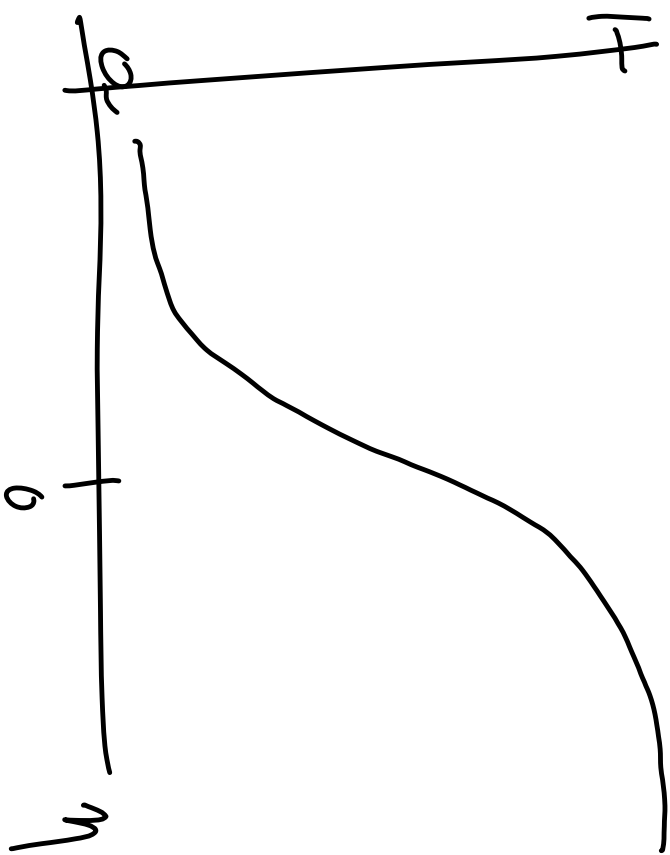
$$\pi = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_p X_p}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_p X_p}}$$

called the LOGISTIC FUNCTION

What does the logistic function look like?

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

S-shaped
Horizontal asymptote
at $y = 1$



Logistic Regression Model

$$E(Y_i | X_{i1}, \dots, X_{ip}) = \pi_i$$

$$\text{Var}(Y_i | X_{i1}, \dots, X_{ip}) = \pi_i (1 - \pi_i)$$

(variance is not constant)

$$\text{log} \left(\frac{\pi_i}{1 - \pi_i} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p X_{ip}$$

The model does not predict whether y is 0 or 1
Does predict the log-odds that response = 1

log-odds are $\in (-\infty, \infty)$ (good characteristic of a function)

As π_i increases, odds of success increase
(π_i is prob. of success) and log-odds increase

Method of estimation of coefficients (β 's):
Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Data: $y_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } i^{\text{th}} \text{ observation is in category of interest} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$$P(y_i = y_i) = \pi_i^{y_i} (1 - \pi_i)^{1 - y_i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

Assume the n observations are independent

$$P(y_1 = y_1, y_2 = y_2, \dots, y_n = y_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_i^{y_i} (1 - \pi_i)^{1 - y_i}$$

$$\pi_i = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p X_{ip})}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p X_{ip})}$$

Plus in observed data and think of joint probability as function of β 's \Rightarrow Likelihood function

$$L(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_p) = \prod_{i=1}^n \pi_i(\beta) y_i (1 - \pi_i(\beta))^{1-y_i}$$

Maximum likelihood estimates: (MLEs)
are values of β 's that maximize $L(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_p)$

Log-likelihood function

$$\pi_i = \frac{\exp(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip})}{1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip})}$$

$$\log L(\beta_0, \dots, \beta_p) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left[y_i (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip}) - y_i \log(1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip})) - (1 - y_i) \log(1 + \exp(\beta_0 + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip})) \right]$$

Find $\hat{\beta}_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_p$ by maximizing log-likelihood
 Need iterative numerical solution method
 such as Newton-Raphson method,

iteratively re-weighted least squares (what SAT does)

Resulting $\hat{\beta}_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_p$ are MLEs

Large-Sample Properties of MLEs

If correct model, and large enough sample size, (as $n \rightarrow \infty$)

- (1) MLEs are unbiased
- (2) MLEs have minimum variance

(3) MLTs are Normally distributed

(4) Formulas for standard errors of MLTs are well-known (estimates of $s.e.^2$) (and they are available as by-product of numerical maximization procedures)