

# **BWH - Biostatistics**

Intermediate Biostatistics for Medical Researchers

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**Introduction to Logistic Regression**

Thus far we have looked at regression models in which the response variable is *quantitative* and the explanatory variables are a mixture of quantitative and qualitative.

Now we look at models in which the response variable is *qualitative* and binary and the explanatory variables are, again, a mixture of quantitative and qualitative.

In this context, the response variable,  $Y$  might be (i) whether or not a patient survives a procedure, (ii) Whether an infant is low birth-weight or not, or (iii) whether or not a patient can return home or go on to long-term care following rehabilitation.

When the response variable is qualitative with just two categories a frequently used technique is called **logistic regression**.

# Uses for Logistic Regression

Logistic regression can be used:

- to create a prediction rule for assigning individuals to one of two groups.
- and to identify 'risk' factors that affect the likelihood of an outcome.
- to remove the effect of confounding variables in observational studies in which the response is binary.
- to create *propensity scores*. These scores are used in observational studies as estimates of the probabilities that each participant would choose/receive the experimental treatment.

## The Burn data

SOURCE: Hosmer, D.W., Lemeshow, S. and Sturdivant, R.X. (2013) Applied Logistic Regression: Third Edition. These data are copyrighted by John Wiley & Sons Inc.

Hospital Discharge Status	0 = Alive 1 = Dead	Death
Age at admission	Years	Age
Gender	0 = Female 1 = Male	Gender
Race	0 = Non-White 1 = White	Race
Total burn surface area	0 - 100%	TBSA
Burn involved inhalation injury	1 = Yes 0 = No	INH
Flame involved in burn injury	1 = Yes 0 = No	Flame

## head(burn)

	Death	Age	Gender	Race	TBSA	INH_INJ	Flame
1	0	26.6	1	1	25.3	0	1
2	0	2.00	0	0	5.00	0	0
3	0	22.0	0	0	2.00	0	0
4	0	37.3	1	1	2.00	0	0
5	0	52.1	1	1	6.00	0	1
6	0	50.2	1	1	7.00	0	0

## tail(burn)

	Death	Age	Gender	Race	TBSA	INH_INJ	Flame
1	1	83.7	0	1	50.5	0	0
2	1	34.2	1	1	91.0	1	1
3	1	59.0	1	1	37.5	1	1
4	1	85.5	1	1	4.60	1	1
5	1	46.8	1	0	47.0	1	1
6	1	40.8	1	1	1.20	1	1



In this case we shall construct models that relate whether or not a person will die to (i) Flame, (ii) TBSA, and (iii) Flame and TBSA, and finally, to all the available predictors.

In this case, the response variable (Y) can take two values (1 or 0)

Why does linear regression not work in this case?

```
model <- lm(Death ~ TBSA, burn)
model
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = Death ~ TBSA, data = burn)
```

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	TBSA
-0.009719	0.011792

Death = -0.00972 + 0.01179TBSA

When TBSA = 50%

Predicted Death = 0.5798

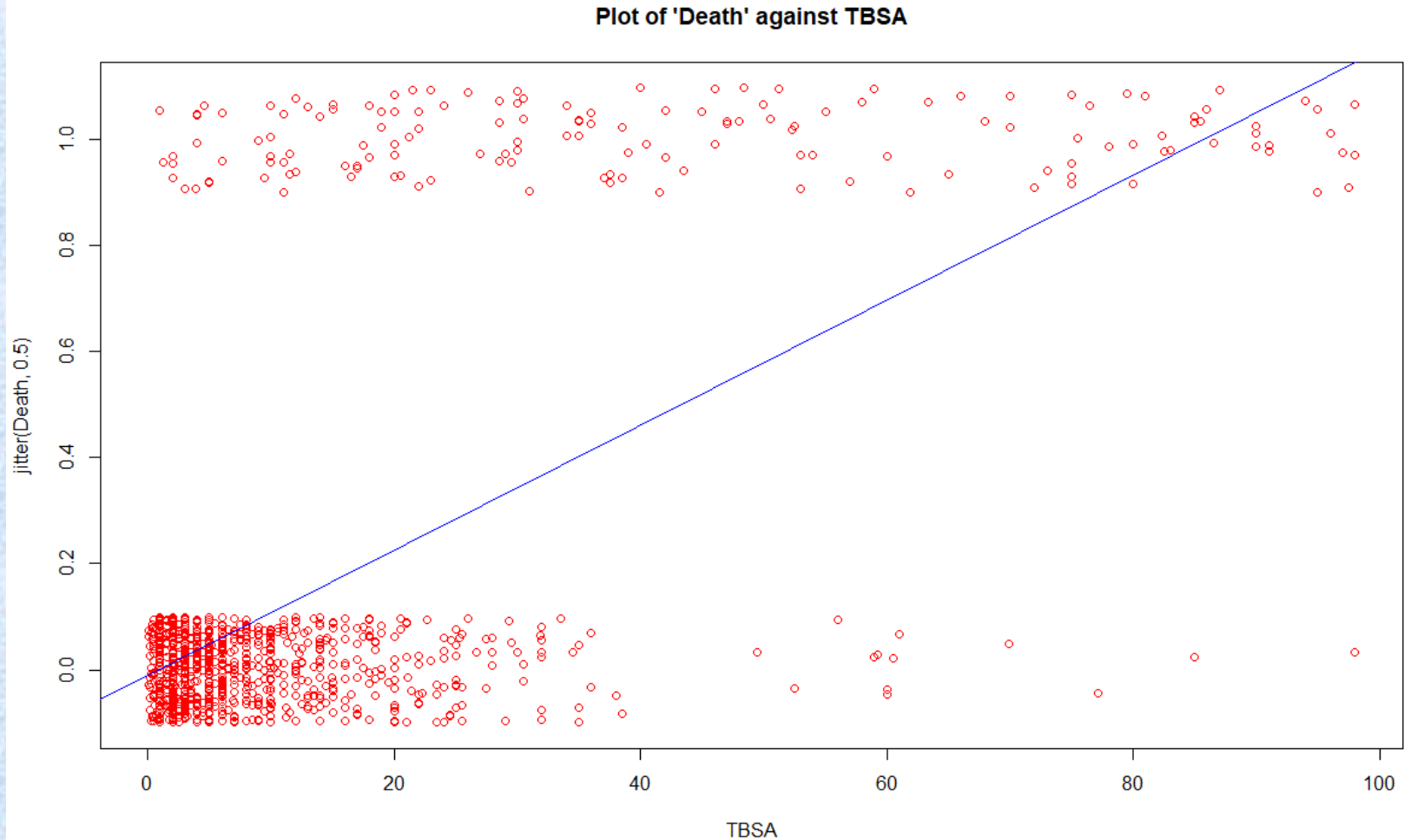
When TBSA = 0.1%

Predicted Death = -0.0085

When TBSA = 99%

Predicted Death = 1.157

```
plot(jitter(Death, 0.5) ~ TBSA, data = burn,  
     col = "red",  
     main = "Plot of 'Death' against TBSA")  
abline(model, col = "blue")
```



## Some Preliminary Analyses

```
tally(~Death, data = burn)
```

```
Death
  0    1
850 150
```

```
tally(Death ~ Gender, data = burn)
```

```
      Gender
Death  0    1
  0 246 604
  1  49 101
```

```
tally(Death ~ Gender, data = burn,
      format = "percent")
```

```
      Gender
Death  0          1
  0 83.38983 85.67376
  1 16.61017 14.32624
```

	Female	Male	All
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No	246	604	850
Death			
Yes	49 (16.6%)	101 (14.3%)	150 (15%)
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All	295	705	1000



Race		Non-White	White	All
Death	No	356	494	850
	Yes	55 (13.4%)	95 (16.1%)	150 (15%)
	All	411	589	1000
INH_INJ		No	Yes	All
Death	No	800	50	850
	Yes	78 (8.9%)	72 (59.0%)	150 (15%)
	All	878	122	1000
Flame		No	Yes	All
Death	No	451	399	850
	Yes	20 (4.2%)	130 (24.6%)	150 (15%)
	All	471	529	1000

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Death	No	451	399	850
	Yes	20 (4.2%)	130 (24.6%)	150 (15%)
	All	471	529	1000

$$\hat{p}_N = \frac{20}{471} = 0.04246$$

$$\hat{p}_Y = \frac{130}{529} = 0.24575$$

$$\hat{O}_N = \frac{20}{451} = 0.04435 \quad \hat{O}_Y = \frac{130}{399} = 0.32581$$

$$\widehat{OR} = 0.32581/0.04435 = 7.346.$$

Where a flame is involved, the burn victim's odds of death is 7.3 times the odds when a flame is not involved.

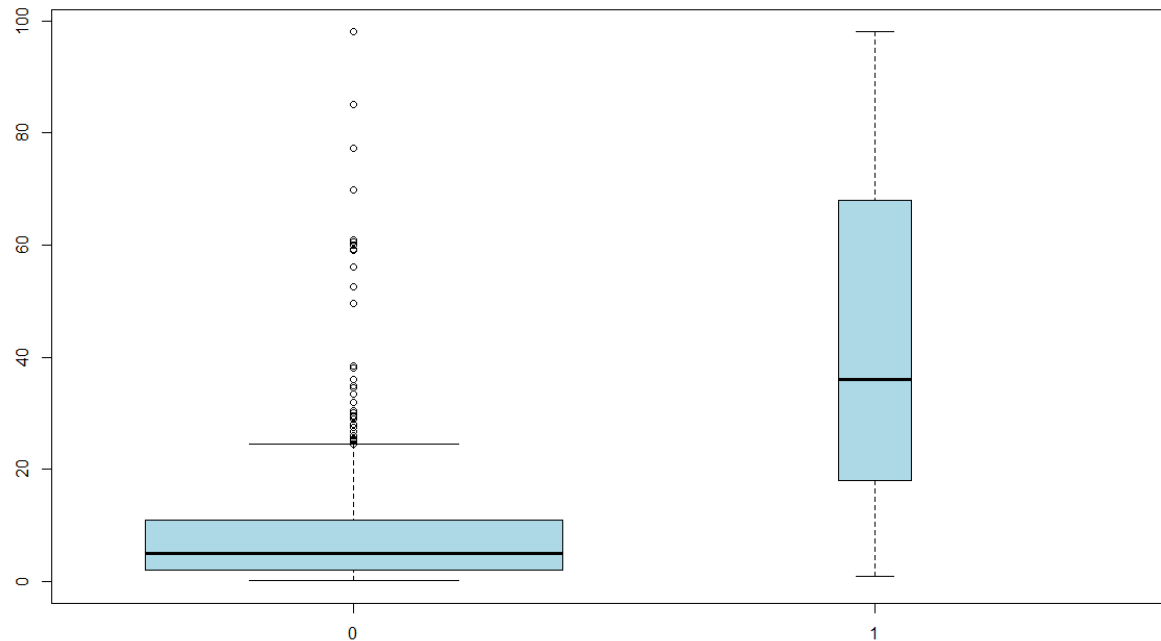
```
mean(TBSA ~ Death, data = burn)
```

0	1
8.504588	42.106000

```
median(TBSA ~ Death, data = burn)
```

0	1
5	36

```
proportion <- tally(~Death, data = burn)/1000  
boxplot(TBSA ~ Death, data = burn,  
width = proportion,  
col = "lightblue")
```



# **1. Descriptive Aspects of Logistic Regression**

## The Simple Logistic Regression Model

**Logistic** regression models enable us to predict not  $Y$  but rather, the quantity  $p = P(Y = 1)$ , the probability that a person will take the value  $Y = 1$ , as a function of the  $X$  variable(s). The simple logistic regression model is

$$P(Y = 1) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}$$

Here,  $e = 2.718\dots$  is the base of natural logarithms.

The quantity

$$e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}$$

must always be positive and can vary from 0 up to infinity. As a consequence

$$P(Y = 1) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}$$

must always lie between 0 and 1.



In simple linear regression (and multiple linear regression), statistical software uses the procedure called least squares to obtain, from the data, the 'best' values for the regression coefficients.

In the context of logistic regression, the software uses, not least squares, but a procedure called Maximum Likelihood Estimation to find the 'best' values for  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  from our data. The method seeks to find the values

$$b_0 = \hat{\beta}_0 \text{ and } b_1 = \hat{\beta}_1$$

which are 'most likely' to have generated the sample of zeros or ones.

There are three ways to write the fitted model:

$$1. \widehat{P(Y = 1)} = \hat{p} = \frac{e^{b_0 + b_1 X}}{1 + e^{b_0 + b_1 X}}$$

This is an expression for the predicted probability that  $Y = 1$ .

$$2. \frac{\hat{p}}{1 - \hat{p}} = \hat{O} = e^{b_0 + b_1 X} = \text{Exp}(b_0 + b_1 X)$$

This is an expression for the predicted odds that  $Y = 1$ .

$$3. \hat{L} = \ln\left(\frac{\hat{p}}{1 - \hat{p}}\right) = b_0 + b_1 X$$

This is an expression for the predicted log odds that  $Y = 1$ .

## Logistic Regression when X is also 0/1

Here is the 'coefficients' output for a logistic regression when Flame is the explanatory variable.

```
model <- glm(Death ~ Flame,  
  family = binomial,  
  data = burn)  
model
```

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	Flame
- 3.116	1.994

$$P(\widehat{Y} = 1) = \hat{p} = \frac{e^{-3.116 + 1.994\text{Flame}}}{1 + e^{-3.116 + 1.994\text{Flame}}}$$

$$\hat{O} = e^{-3.116 + 1.994\text{Flame}}$$

$$\hat{L} = -3.116 + 1.994 \text{ Flame}$$

$$\text{"No Flame"} \quad P(\widehat{Y} = 1) = \frac{e^{-3.116 + 1.994(0)}}{1 + e^{-3.116 + 1.994(0)}} = 0.04245$$

$$\text{"Flame"} \quad P(\widehat{Y} = 1) = \frac{e^{-3.116 + 1.994(1)}}{1 + e^{-3.116 + 1.994(1)}} = 0.24575$$

These are the sample proportions we found earlier.

$$\text{"No Flame"} \quad \hat{O} = e^{-3.116 + 1.994(0)} = 0.04435$$

$$\text{"Flame"} \quad \hat{O} = e^{-3.116 + 1.994(1)} = 0.32581$$

These are the sample odds we found earlier.

When we have a 0/1 variable as the only explanatory variable, logistic regression returns predictions equal to the sample proportions and odds.

## An important result!

X is a variable that takes values 0 or 1

The odds that  $Y = 1 = e^{b_0 + b_1 X}$

The odds ratio,  $\widehat{OR} = \frac{\text{odds that } Y=1 \text{ when } X=1}{\text{odds that } Y=1 \text{ when } X=0}$

$$= \frac{e^{b_0 + b_1(1)}}{e^{b_0 + b_1(0)}}$$

$$= e^{b_0 + b_1 - b_0} = e^{b_1}$$

For our example  $\widehat{OR} = e^{b_1} = e^{1.994} = 7.346$



## Logistic Regression When the Explanatory Variable is Quantitative (TBSA)

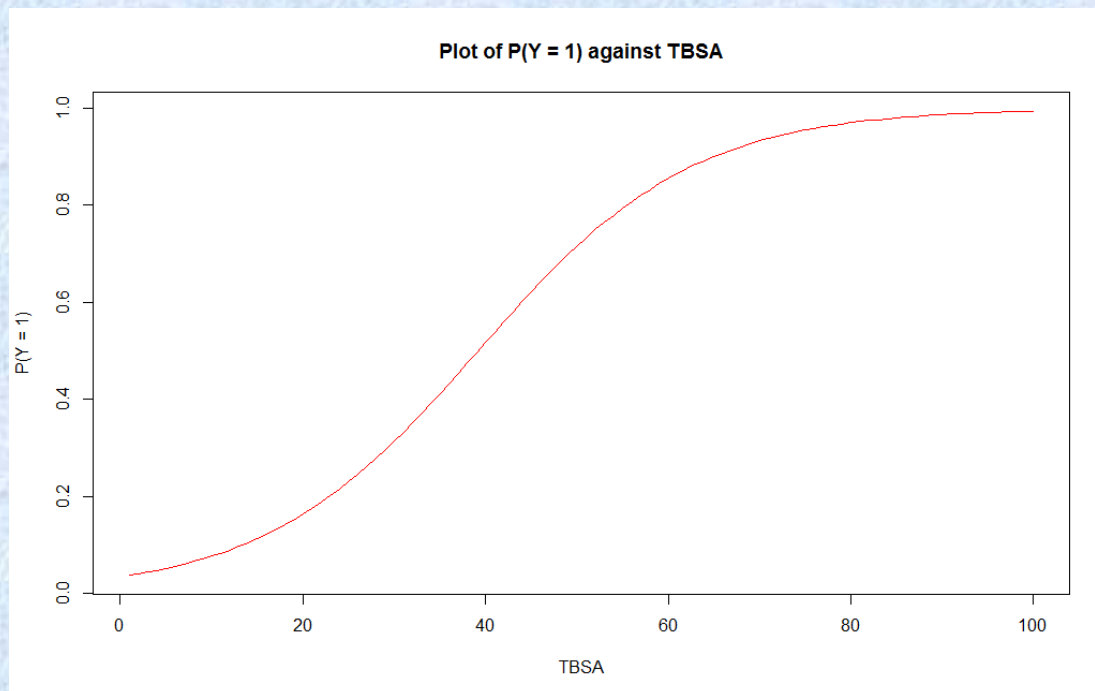
```
model <- glm(Death ~ TBSA, binomial, burn)
model
```

$$P(\widehat{Y} = 1) = \hat{p} = \frac{e^{-3.34511 + 0.08537TBSA}}{1 + e^{-3.34511 + 0.08537TBSA}}$$

TBSA	$P(\widehat{Y} = 1)$
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1%	0.036978
20%	0.162777
50%	0.715732
80%	0.970243
99%	0.993979

```
x <- seq(1, 100)
z <- exp(-3.34511 + 0.08537*x)
y <- z/(1 + z)
plot(y ~ x, col = "red", type = "l",
     main = "Plot of P(Y = 1) against TBSA",
     xlab = "TBSA",
     ylab = "P(Y = 1)")
```

(The notation `type = "l"` connects the dots and omits the symbols.)



$$\hat{O} = \text{odds that } Y=1 = e^{-3.34511 - 0.08537\text{TBSA}}$$

The predicted odds that a patient with TBSA of 20% will die is

$$e^{-3.34511 - 0.08537(20)} = 0.162777$$

The predicted odds that a patient with TBSA of 80% will die is

$$e^{-3.34511 - 0.08537(80)} = 0.970243$$

Earlier, we noted that when X is a 0/1 variable

$$\widehat{OR} = \frac{\text{odds that } Y=1 \text{ when } X=1}{\text{odds that } Y=1 \text{ when } X=0} = e^{b_1}$$

Does  $e^{b_1}$  have any similar interpretation when X is quantitative?

Yes!

$$e^{b_1} = \frac{\text{odds that } Y=1 \text{ for } X}{\text{odds that } Y=1 \text{ for } X - 1}$$

For our example,  $b_1 = 0.08537$

$$\text{So } e^{b_1} = e^{-0.08537} = 1.08912$$

For each additional 1% in TBSA, the predicted odds of dying change by a factor of 1.09.

In logistic regression where  $X$  is quantitative,  $e^{b_1}$  is the factor by which the odds of  $Y = 1$  change as  $X$  increases by one unit. In other words,  $e^{b_1}$  is the odds (that  $Y = 1$ ) ratio associated with being  $X$  as opposed to  $X - 1$ .

The odds of a patient with a TBSA of 21 dying is 1.08912 times the corresponding odds for a patient with a TBSA of 20.

The odds of a patient with a TBSA of 81 dying is 1.08912 times the corresponding odds for a patient with a TBSA of 80.

$$\frac{\text{Odds of dying with TBSA of 36}}{\text{Odds of dying with TBSA of 26}} =$$

$$\frac{\text{Odds of dying with TBSA of 26}}{\text{Odds of dying with TBSA of 36}} =$$



## Classification Tables

The following code will assign a 1 if  $P(Y = 1) > 0.5$  and a 0 if  $P(Y = 1) < 0.5$  to preddeath.

```
model <- glm(Death ~ TBSA, binomial,
             burn)
fit <- fitted(model)
# gives predicted probabilities

preddeath <- rep(0, 1000)
preddeath[fit >= 0.5] <- 1

tally(preddeath ~ burn$Death,
      format = "percent")
```

```
      burn$Death
preddeath 0      1
0 98.470588 54.666667
1  1.529412 45.333333
```

		Actual Death		
		No	Yes	All
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Predicted	No	837 (98.5%)	82	919
Death	Yes	13	68 (45.3%)	81
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	All	850	150	1000

Death:  $p > 0.5$

		Predicted		Death	All
		No		Yes	
Death?	No	837	(98.5%)	13	850
	Yes	82		68 (45.3%)	150
	All	919		81	1000

Death:  $p > 0.4$

		Predicted		Death	All
		No		Yes	
Death?	No	829	(97.5%)	21	850
	Yes	71		79 (52.7.3%)	150
	All	900		100	1000

## TBSA + Flame

```
model 2 <- glm(Death ~ TBSA + Flame,  
               binomial, burn)
```

model 2

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	TBSA	Flame
-4.10581	0.07812	1.26716

$$P(\widehat{Y} = 1) = \hat{p} = \frac{e^{-4.105814 + 0.078119\text{TBSA} + 1.267158\text{Flame}}}{1 + e^{-4.105814 + 0.078119\text{TBSA} + 1.267158\text{Flame}}}$$

$$b_1 = 0.07812 \quad e^{b_1} = e^{0.07812} = 1.0813$$

Adj\_OR for TBSA = 1.0813

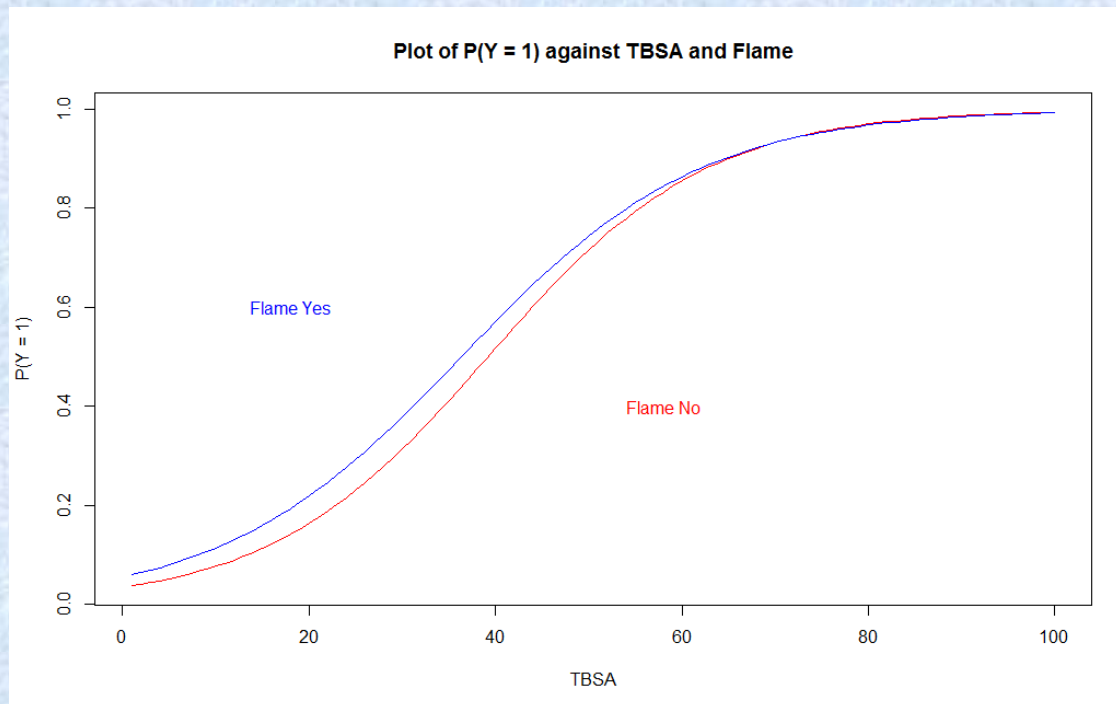
$$b_2 = 1.26716 \quad e^{b_2} = e^{1.26716} = 3.5508$$

Adj\_OR for Flame = 3.5508

```

x <- seq(1, 100)
z1 <- exp(- 4. 105814 + 0. 078119*x)
y1 <- z1/(z1 + z2)
z2 <- exp(- 2. 838664 + 0. 078119*x)
y2 <- z2/(1 + z2)
plot(y ~ x, col = "red", type = "l",
      main = "Plot of P(Y = 1) against TBSA and Flame",
      xlab = "TBSA",
      ylab = "P(Y = 1) ")
lines(x, y2, col = "blue")
text(18, 0. 6, "Flame Yes", col = "blue")
text(58, 0. 4, "Flame No", col = "red")

```



For the burn data, this is the ‘best’ model

```
model 11 <- glm(Death ~ Age + Race + TBSA + INH_INJ +  
Age: INH_INJ, binomial, burn)
```

## Classification Table

		Actual Death		
		No	Yes	All
Predicted Death?	No	824 (96.9%)	47	871
	Yes	26	103 (68.7%)	129
	All	850	150	1000

sensitivity =  $P(\hat{Y} = 1 \mid Y = 1) = 0.687$   
= proportion of deaths that are correctly  
identified as deaths.

specificity =  $P(\hat{Y} = 0 \mid Y = 0) = 0.969$   
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burnss

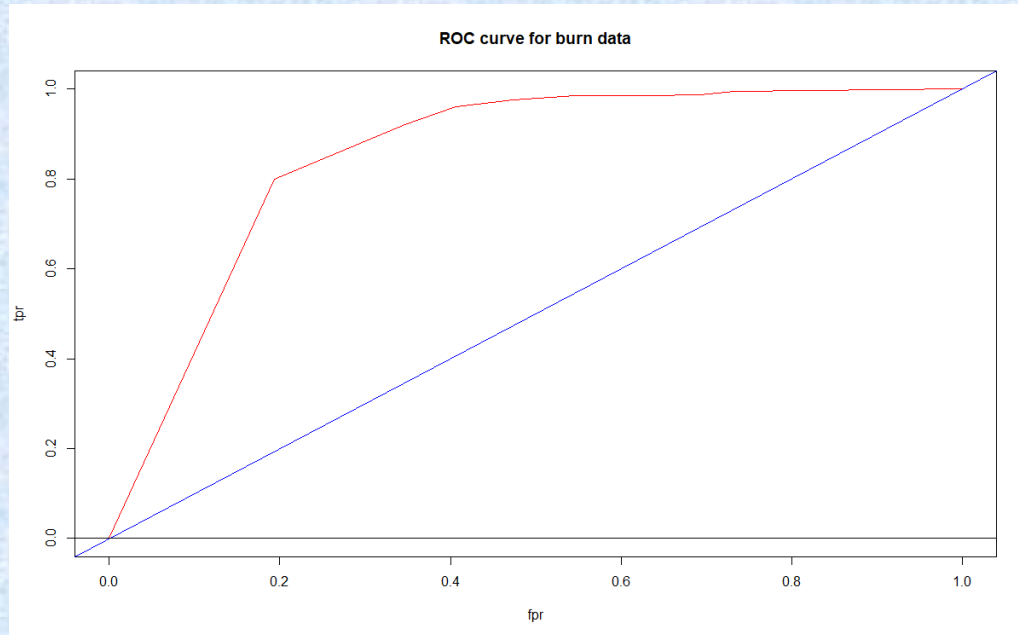
		tpr	fpr
	threshhol d	sensi ti vi ty	speci fi ci ty
1	0	0	1. 00
2	0. 100	0. 799	0. 807
3	0. 200	0. 921	0. 653
4	0. 300	0. 960	0. 593
5	0. 400	0. 975	0. 527
6	0. 500	0. 985	0. 453
7	0. 600	0. 985	0. 423
8	0. 700	0. 985	0. 367
9	0. 800	0. 987	0. 307
10	0. 900	0. 995	0. 267
11	1. 00	1. 00	0

It is common to construct what we call an ROC curve with this type of data. ROC stands for Receiver Operator Characteristic. The curve is simply a plot of the sensitivity values against  $1 - \text{specificity}$ . Sensitivity is the true positive rate (tpr) and  $1 - \text{specificity}$  is the false positive rate (fpr).

```
tpr <- burnss$sensitivity
fpr <- 1 - burnss$specificity

plot(tpr ~ fpr, type = "l", col = "red",
     main = "ROC curve for burn data")

abline(0, 1, col = "blue")
abline(h = 0, lty = 1)
```



The closer the plot is to the upper top left-hand corner the more accurate the procedure. The point that lies closest to the upper left-hand corner is usually chosen as the cutoff point that maximizes both sensitivity and specificity simultaneously. The blue line corresponds to a procedure that gives negative and positive results by chance alone; such a test has no inherent value.

The area under the ROC curve ( $c = 0.852$ ) has a nice interpretation. Suppose we randomly select one patient known to have died and randomly select one patient known to have survived. The area under the ROC curve ( $c = 0.852$ ) is the probability that the model correctly identifies the two patients.

The area under the blue line is 0.5.

There are several methods for computing the area under the curve ( $c = 0.852$ ). The code below will do the job.

```
t <- tpr; f <- fpr
k <- nrow(s) - 1
x <- numeric(k)
for (i in 1:k)
{
  x[i] <- .5*(t[i] + t[i+1])*(f[i + 1] - f[i])
}
Area <- sum(x)
Area
[1] 0.8520811
```

## **2. Inferential Aspects of Logistic Regression**



## Model

## Odds ratio

Population

$$P(Y = 1) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}}$$

$$OR = e^{\beta_1}$$

Sample

$$P(\widehat{Y} = 1) = \frac{e^{b_0 + b_1 X}}{1 + e^{b_0 + b_1 X}}$$

$$\widehat{OR} = e^{b_1}$$

For our example X is Flame or TBSA

- $b_0$  is an estimate for  $\beta_0$
- $b_1$  is an estimate for  $\beta_1$
- $\widehat{OR} = e^{b_1}$  is an estimate for  $OR = e^{\beta_1}$

# Inferential Tasks in Logistic Regression

1. Confidence interval for  $OR = e^{\beta_1}$  in the case of a single predictor and for  $adjOR_1, adjOR_2, \dots$  in the case of multiple predictors.

2. Test  $H_0: OR = e^{\beta_1} = 1$  against  $H_A: OR = e^{\beta_1} \neq 1$

3. With multiple predictors, we need methods that allow us to test for the benefit of adding a variable or a block of variables to an existing model.

In logistic regression inferences can be based on either of two processes:

1. For large  $n$ , in repeated samples, the distribution of  $b_1$  is approximately Normal with a mean of  $\beta_1$ .
2. Inferences can more reliably be based on the likelihood function—the probability of getting our sample.

## Using the Approximate Normality of $b_1, b_2, \dots$

```
model <- glm(Death ~ TBSA, data = burn,  
  family = binomial)  
model
```

```
(Intercept)      TBSA  
- 3.34511      0.08537
```

```
summary(model)
```

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-3.345107	0.175648	-19.04	<2e-16
TBSA	0.085367	0.006956	12.27	<2e-16

A 95% confidence interval for  $\beta_1$  is

$0.08537 \pm 1.96 \cdot 0.006956 \rightarrow 0.0717 \text{ to } 0.0990$

A 95% confidence interval for  $OR = e^{\beta_1}$  is

$e^{0.07174} \text{ to } e^{0.0990} \rightarrow 1.0743 \text{ to } 1.104$

```
confint.default(model)
```

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-3.68937118	-3.0008438
TBSA	0.07173324	0.0990003

The 95% confidence interval, 1.0743 to 1.104 is entirely above 1 and so we can reject the null hypothesis ( $H_0: OR = 1$ ) at the 5% level of significance. The data suggest that the  $OR > 1$ .

If you prefer to get a p-value, you can use the summary output again.

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-3.345107	0.175648	-19.04	<2e-16
TBSA	0.085367	0.006956	12.27	<2e-16

$$Z = \frac{b_1 - 0}{SE(b_1)} = \frac{0.085367}{0.006956} = 12.27$$

$$p\text{-value} = 2 * P(Z > 12.27) = 0$$



```
model <- glm(Death ~ TBSA + Flame, data = burn,
  family = binomial)
summary(model)
```

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-4.105814	0.280726	-14.626	< 2e-16
TBSA	0.078119	0.006928	11.276	< 2e-16
Flame	1.267158	0.289756	4.373	1.22e-05

```
confint.default(model)
```

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-4.65602741	-3.55559976
TBSA	0.06454081	0.09169658
Flame	0.69924753	1.83506824

A 95% confidence interval for  $\text{adj\_OR}_{\text{TBSA}}$  is:

$e^{0.06454081}$  to  $e^{0.09169658} \rightarrow 1.067$  to  $1.096$

A 95% confidence interval for  $\text{adj\_OR}_{\text{Flame}}$  is:

$e^{0.69924753}$  to  $e^{1.83506824} \rightarrow 2.01$  to  $6.27$

In the case of multiple predictors, the Z-test can be used to test for the benefit of adding a new variable to an existing model.

Is it worth adding the variable Flame to a model predicting the probability of death from only TBSA?

Coefficients:

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The p-value is the probability of getting a sample slope for Flame at least as large as 1.267 (in either direction) if  $\beta_{\text{Flame}} = 0$  in a model with TBSA.

$$\text{p-value} = 2 * P(b_{\text{Flame}} > 1.267)$$

$$= 2 * P(Z > 4.373) = 0.0000122.$$

## Inferences using the Likelihood Function

In logistic regression we estimate the coefficients  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  using a method called Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE). A likelihood function expresses the probability of obtaining the observed sample as a function of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ . The method of MLE asks: what values for  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  make our sample most likely?

The simplest situation to illustrate MLE is for the null case where  $p = P(Y = 1)$  is independent of  $X$ . That is

$$p = P(Y = 1) = \frac{e^{\beta_0}}{1 + e^{\beta_0}}$$

$$1 - p = P(Y = 0) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta_0}}$$

Then, assuming independent observations

$$L(\beta_0) = \left( \frac{e^{\beta_0}}{1 + e^{\beta_0}} \right)^{150} \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{\beta_0}} \right)^{850} \quad \leftarrow \text{Likelihood}$$

$$L_0(\beta_0) = \log_e(L(\beta_0)) = 150*\beta_0 - 1000*\log_e(1 + e^{\beta_0})$$



Log Likelihood

We seek the value for  $\beta_0$  that maximizes  $L_0(\beta_0)$ :

$$\frac{dL_0}{d\beta_0} = 150 - 1000 \frac{e^{\beta_0}}{1 + e^{\beta_0}} = 0 \quad (\text{Calculus})$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = b_0 = -1.7346$$

$$e^{b_0} = e^{-1.7346} = 0.17647 = \frac{150}{850} = \hat{O}$$

$$P(\widehat{Y=1}) = \frac{e^{-1.7346}}{1 + e^{-1.7346}} = 0.15 = \frac{150}{1000} = \hat{p}$$



For confidence intervals for the population odds ratio(s) we can use the `confint` command. This yields the *profile-likelihood* intervals.

```
confint(model)
Waiting for profiling to be done...
              2.5 %      97.5 %
(Intercept) -4.69616358 -3.5907614
TBSA         0.06518979  0.0923746
Flame        0.71873320  1.8604831
```

A 95% confidence interval for  $\text{adj\_OR}_{\text{TBSA}}$  is:

$$e^{0.06518979} \text{ to } e^{0.0923746} \rightarrow 1.067 \text{ to } 1.097$$

(normal case, 1.067 to 1.096)

A 95% confidence interval for  $\text{adj\_OR}_{\text{Flame}}$  is:

$$e^{0.71873320} \text{ to } e^{1.8604831} \rightarrow 2.05 \text{ to } 6.42$$

(normal case, 2.01 to 6.27)



## The Deviance and the Drop-in-Deviance Test

In logistic regression the **deviance** plays roughly the same role as the residual sum of squares in linear regression.

The **deviance** associated with a logistic regression model is

$$D = -2 * \log_e(\text{likelihood of the fitted model})$$

For our null model

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Likelihood} = L(b_0) &= \left( \frac{e^{b_0}}{1 + e^{b_0}} \right)^{150} \left( \frac{1}{1 + e^{b_0}} \right)^{850} \\ &= (0.15^{150})(0.85^{850}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} D &= -2 * \log_e [(0.15^{150})(0.85^{850})] \\ &= -2 * [150 \log_e(0.15) + 850 \log_e(0.85)] \\ &= 845.42 \end{aligned}$$

Null deviance

```
model <- glm(Death ~ TBSA, binomial, burn)
summary(model)
```

Null deviance: **845.42** on 999 degrees of freedom  
 Residual deviance: 538.65 on 998 degrees of freedom

AIC: 542.65

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5

```
anova(model, test = "Chi sq")
```

	Df	Deviance	Resid.	Df	Resid. Dev	Pr(>Chi)
NULL				999	845.42	
TBSA	1	306.76		998	538.65	< 2.2e-16

Linear Regression

Logistic Regression

SS	df	Deviance	df	p-value
SSReg	1	306.76	1	0.0000
SSRes	n - 2	538.65	998	
SSTot	n - 1	<b>845.42</b>	999	

$$\sum (Y - \bar{Y})^2$$

null deviance

$$H_0: \beta_{TBSA} = 0 \quad H_A: \beta_{TBSA} \neq 0$$

$$p\text{-value} = P(\chi^2_1 > 306.76) = 0$$

The Drop-in-deviance Chi-Square test can be used to compare two models so long as one is *nested* within the other. Model 1 is nested within model 2 if the predictor variables in model 1 are a subset of those in Model 2.

Here are several examples.

**Example 1:** Is it worth adding the variable Flame to a model predicting  $P(Y = 1)$  from TBSA?

### 1. Z test

```
model 2 <- glm(Death ~ TBSA + Flame, binomial,
               burn)
summary(model 2)
```

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-4.105814	0.280726	-14.626	< 2e-16
TBSA	0.078119	0.006928	11.276	< 2e-16
Flame	1.267158	0.289756	4.373	1.22e-05

### 2. Drop-in-deviance Chi-Square test

```
model 1 <- glm(Death ~ TBSA, binomial, burn)
anova(model 1, model 2, test = "Chi sq")
```

Analysis of Deviance Table

	Model 1:	Death ~ TBSA		Model 2:	Death ~ TBSA + Flame	
	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)	
1	998	538.65				
2	997	516.68	1	21.978	2.758e-06	

**Example 2:** Our current model (2) predicts  $P(Y = 1)$  from TBSA and Flame. Is it worth adding the remaining four potential predictors Age, Gender, Race, and INH\_INJ?

```
model 3 <- glm(Death ~ TBSA + Flame + Age +  
               Gender + Race + INH_INJ, binomial, burn)
```

```
anova(model 2, model 3, test = "Chi sq")
```

Analysis of Deviance Table

Model 1: Death ~ TBSA + Flame

Model 2: Death ~ TBSA + Flame + Age + Gender + Race  
+ INH\_INJ

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
1	997	516.68			
2	993	336.46	4	180.21	< 2.2e-16 ***

## Building a Logistic Regression Model

```
model Age <- glm(Death ~ Age, binomial, burn)
AIC(model Age)
[1] 674.2585
```

```
model Gender <- glm(Death ~ Gender, binomial, burn)
AIC(model Gender)
[1] 848.5809
```

```
:      :      :      :      :      :      :      :      :
```

```
model flame <- glm(Death ~ Flame, binomial, burn)
AIC(model flame)
[1] 759.4591
```

	Variable	AIC
	-----	
	Age	674.3
	Gender	848.6
	Race	848.0
√	TBSA	542.7
	INH_INJ	695.5
	Flame	759.5

Now consider the performance (using AIC) of all pairs of variables including TBSA. ....



## The Complete Model

TBSA\_Group = 1 if TBSA  $\geq$  50

= 0 otherwise

Age\_Group = 1 if Age  $\geq$  32 [ = median Age]

= 0 otherwise

```
m <- glm(Death ~ Gender + Race + INH_INJ +  
  Flame + TBSA_Group + Age_Group, binomial, burn)  
options(digits = 2)
```

Here are the sample slopes:

```
b <- coef(m)
```

```
b  
(Intercept)  Gender    Race  INH_INJ  Flame  TBSA_Group  Age_Group  
      -4.51    -0.47  -0.18    1.76    1.04     3.13     2.44
```

Here are the sample adjusted odds ratios:

```
OR <- exp(b)
```

```
OR  
(Intercept)  Gender    Race  INH_INJ  Flame  TBSA_Group  Age_Group  
      0.011    0.626  0.836    5.805    2.838    22.872    11.444
```

Here are the 95% CI's for the  $\beta$ 's

```
c <- confint(m)
```

Waiting for profiling to be done...

```
c
```

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-5.40	-3.726
Gender	-0.95	0.019
Race	-0.65	0.301
INH_INJ	1.21	2.315
Flame	0.48	1.645
TBSA_Group	2.37	3.978
Age_Group	1.79	3.172

Here are the 95% CI's for the adjusted OR's

```
CI <- exp(c)
```

```
CI
```

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	0.0045	0.024
Gender	0.3869	1.019
Race	0.5196	1.351
INH_INJ	3.3562	10.128
Flame	1.6172	5.181
TBSA_Group	10.6780	53.436
Age_Group	6.0115	23.846

Null deviance: 845.42 on 999 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 504.49 on 993 degrees of freedom  
AIC: 518.5

$$D_0 - D_6 = 845.42 - 504.49 = 340.93$$

This value can be compared to the Chi-Square distribution with 6 degrees of freedom.

<b>Variable</b>	<b>Slope</b>	<b>Adj_OR</b>	<b>95% CI</b>
Gender	- 0.468	0.626	0.387 - 1.019
Race	- 0.179	0.836	0.520 - 1.351
INH_INJ	1.759	5.807	3.356 -10.128
Flame	1.043	2.838	1.617 - 5.181
TBSA_Group	3.130	22.874	10.678 - 53.436
Age_Group	2.438	11.450	6.012 - 23.846

# Conditions for Inference in Logistic Regression

## (a) Conditions we don't need

- No more condition that the Y values are approximately normal. Why not?
- No more condition that the standard deviation of the Ys not vary with the Xs.

## (b) Conditions we do need

- We assume a linear relationship between the X variables and **logit** of Y

$$L = \log_e\left(\frac{\hat{p}}{1 - \hat{p}}\right) = b_0 + b_1X_1 + b_2X_2 + \dots$$

It is hard to check unless n is very large.

- We assume that the observations represent a random sample from some well-defined population.

## Sample Size and Model Complexity in Logistic Regression

Here is a popular guideline for sample size in logistic regression

Suppose  $p_0$  is the proportion of 0's in our sample and  $p_1$  is the proportion of 1's.

Call  $p$  the smaller of  $p_0$  and  $p_1$ .

Call  $K$  the number of predictors (explanatory variables) in our model

Then the minimum sample size needed is

$$n = 10 \cdot K / p$$

For the burn data,  $p_0 = 0.85$  and  $p_1 = 0.15$ , so  $p = 0.15$ .

$$\text{With } K = 6, \quad n = 10 \cdot 6 / 0.15 = 400$$