

# 1. Classification

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- Classifying is a process of assigning observation to categories
- In the classification problem we work with qualitative responses instead of quantitative sklearn, datasets, load\_boston sklearn, datasets, load\_iris
- Often we want to predict the probability that observation belongs to each of the categories
- Among classification techniques (classifier) we have
  - logistic regression
  - linear discriminant analysis (LDA)
  - quadratic — a — (QDA)
  - K-nearest neighbors
  - tree, random forests
  - SVM (Support Vector Machines)

## 2. Why not linear regression?

- there is a problem with converting a qualitative response variable with more than 2 classes into a qualitative response that can be used in linear regression
- there is a problem with obtaining reasonable estimates of  $\text{IP}(Y=1 | X)$

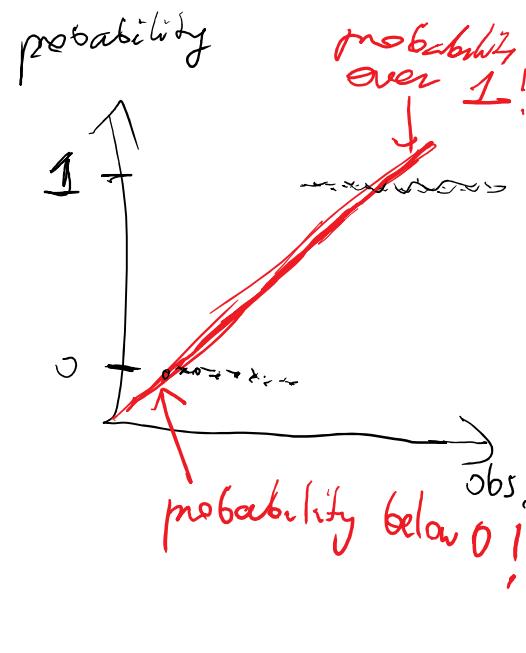
$$Y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if cat} \\ 1 & \text{if dog} \\ 2 & \text{if bird} \end{cases}$$

$$Y^{(1)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if not cat} \\ 1 & \text{if cat} \end{cases}$$

$$Y^{(2)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if not dog} \\ 1 & \text{if dog} \end{cases}$$

$$\cancel{Y^{(3)} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if not bird} \\ 1 & \text{if bird} \end{cases}}$$

not necessary



### 3. Logistic Regression - Model

binary classification  $\mathbb{R}^m \ni X \rightsquigarrow Y \in \overbrace{\{0, 1\}}^{\text{classes/categories}}$   
 (predictors) (responses)

Model

$$\begin{aligned} p(x) &= \mathbb{P}(Y=1 \mid X=x) \\ &= \varphi(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x) \\ &= \frac{1}{1+e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}} \\ &= \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x} + 1} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1] &\quad \varphi \uparrow \\ \varphi(-\infty) = 0, \varphi(\infty) = 1 &\\ \text{---} \uparrow \text{---} &\\ \varphi(x) &= \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}} = \frac{e^x}{e^x + 1} \\ (\text{logistic function/sigmoid}) & \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x} &= p(x) (1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}) \\ e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x} (1 - p(x)) &= p(x) \\ \frac{p(x)}{1 - p(x)} &= e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x} \end{aligned}$$

$$\log \left( \frac{p(x)}{1 - p(x)} \right) = \underbrace{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}_{\text{odds}}$$

*log odds (logit)*

Thus logistic regression has a logit (log odds) that is linear in  $X$ ,

#### 4. Logistic Regression - fitting

- to fit the model given by  $p(x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}$  we use maximum likelihood method:

$$\ell(\beta_0, \beta_1) := \prod_{i: y_i=1} p(x_i) \prod_{i: y_i=0} (1 - p(x_i)) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} p(x) = P(Y=1|x) \end{array} \right.$$

- the estimates of  $\beta_0, \beta_1$  are chosen to maximize this likelihood function  $\ell(\beta_0, \beta_1)$
- intuition: we try to  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1$  such that if we put them into  $p(x)$  we get number close to 1 for each observations such that  $Y=1$  and we get number close to 0 for all observations such that  $Y=0$ ,

## 5. Logistic Regression - multiple case

- $\log \left( \frac{p(x)}{1-p(x)} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$

where  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_p)$  - predictors.

- Hence  $p(x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p}}$

- We use maximum likelihood method to predict  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$ .

## 6. Logistic Regression - multinomial case

- we can extend two-classes (binary classification) logistic regression to the case of  $K > 2$  classes

- At first, we select a single class to be a baseline,  
e.g. let it be  $K$ th class.

- Then, we replace the model  $p(x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p}}$   
with the model

$$P(Y=j | X=x) = \frac{e^{\beta_{j0} + \beta_{j1}x_1 + \dots + \beta_{jp}x_p}}{1 + \sum_{l=1}^{K-1} e^{\beta_{l0} + \beta_{l1}x_1 + \dots + \beta_{lp}x_p}}$$

$$P(Y=K | X=x) = \frac{1}{1 + \sum_{l=1}^{K-1} e^{\beta_{l0} + \beta_{l1}x_1 + \dots + \beta_{lp}x_p}}$$

- Then

$$\log \left( \frac{P(Y=j | X=x)}{P(Y=K | X=x)} \right) = \beta_{j0} + \beta_{j1}x_1 + \dots + \beta_{jp}x_p$$

- choosing  $K$ th class as the baseline is not important in the sense that we can choose any other class as a baseline

## 7. Logistic Regression - softmax

- softmax is an alternative coding for multinomial logistic regression.
- Instead selecting baseline class, we treat all  $K$  classes symmetrically and we assume

$$P(Y=j | X=x) = \frac{e^{\beta_{j0} + \beta_{j1}x_1 + \dots + \beta_{jp}x_p}}{\sum_{l=1}^K e^{\beta_{l0} + \beta_{l1}x_1 + \dots + \beta_{lp}x_p}}$$

- Thus, we estimate coefficients for all  $K$  classes and we get

$$\log \left( \frac{P(Y=j | X=x)}{P(Y=j' | X=x)} \right) = (\beta_{j0} - \beta_{j'0}) + (\beta_{j1} - \beta_{j'1})x_1 + \dots + (\beta_{jp} - \beta_{j'p})x_p$$

## 8. Logistic Regression - remarks

- In a linear regression ( $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$ ) model  $\beta_1$  gives the average change in  $Y$  associated with increasing of  $X$  by one unit
- In a Logistic Regression model ( $\log\left(\frac{p(x)}{1-p(x)}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$ , where  $p(x) = P(Y=1 | X=x)$ ) increasing  $X$  by one unit changes the log odds ( $\log\left(\frac{p(x)}{1-p(x)}\right)$ ) by  $\beta_1$ .
- Logistic regression (for binary classification;  $p(x) = \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}{1 + e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x}}$ ) corresponds to neural net with one neuron and activation function  $\ell(x) = \frac{1}{1+e^{-x}}$  and cost function  $-l(\beta_0, \beta_1)$

