

Categorical outcomes: logistic regression

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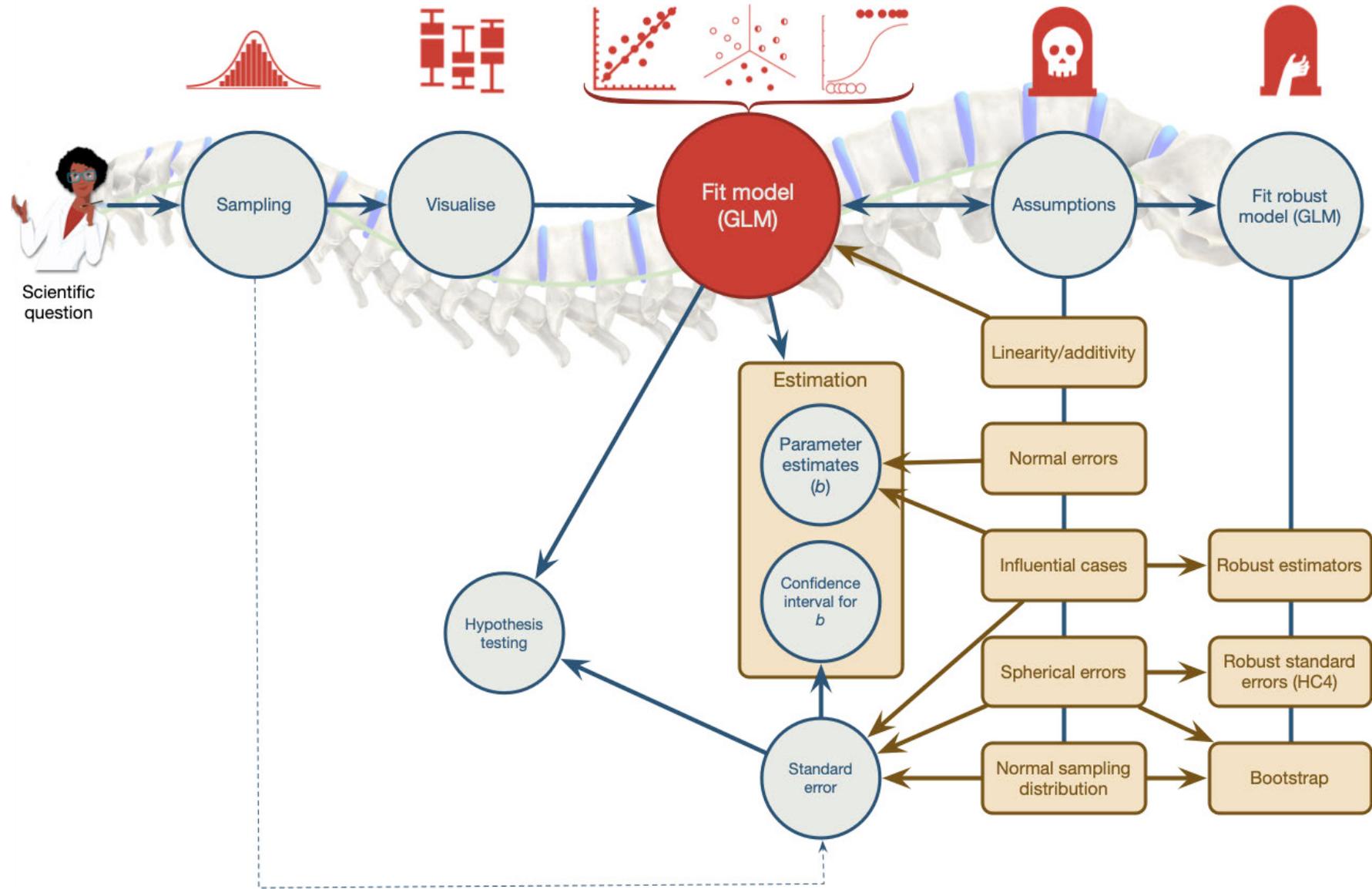
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A festive example

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- Predictors
 - **treat**: Christmas pudding, Mulled wine
- Outcome
 - **delivered**: Did the presents get delivered?



The data in

Table 1: Santa's data



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7	Ramsey the Surprised	Pudding	Delivered
8	Bindlestiff the Surprised	Mulled wine	Not delivered
9	Lardy the Strong	Pudding	Delivered
10	Theo the Small	Pudding	Delivered

If it were a standard linear model

$$\text{delivered}_i = \hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_1 \text{treat}_i + e_i$$

Assumption of linearity

- Violated with categorical outcomes
- We can't fit this model

Group	Treat
Christmas pudding	0
Mulled wine	1

But it's not a standard linear model



We predict the probability of the outcome occurring

$$P(Y) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_1 X_i + e_i)}}$$

$$P(\text{delivery}) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\hat{b}_0 + \hat{b}_1 \text{treat}_i + e_i)}}$$

Note the equation contains the linear model

Or ...

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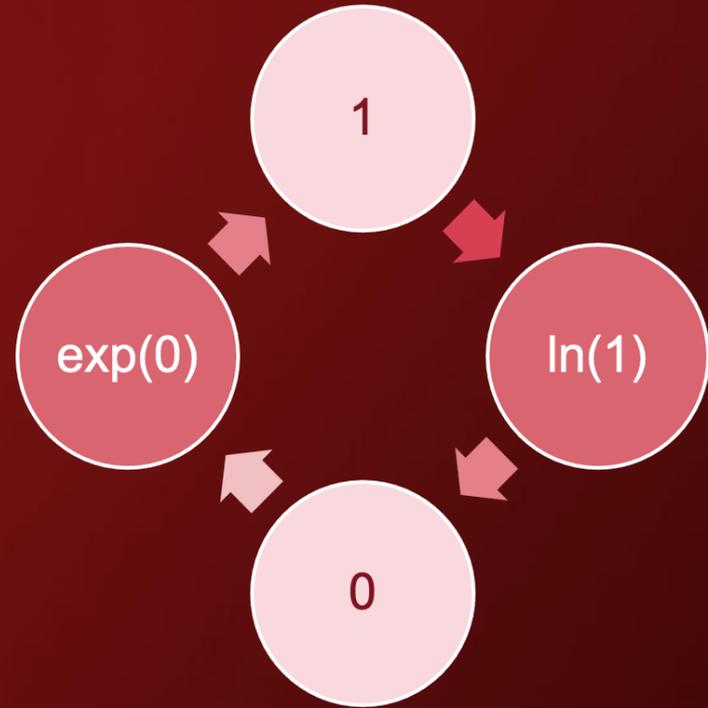
Outcome

- We predict the log odds of the outcome occurring

\hat{b}_0 and \hat{b}_1

- Note the the logistic regression equation is the same as the linear model, except we predict the log odds of the outcome
- \hat{b}_1 is the change in the log odds of the outcome associated with a unit change in the predictor

Logs and exponents



The odds ratio: $\exp(b)$

$$\exp(b) = \frac{\text{odds after a unit change in the predictor}}{\text{original odds}}$$

b_0

- Log odds of outcome when the predictors are 0
- Easier to interpret $\exp(b_0)$, the odds of outcome when predictor is 0

b_1

- Change in the log odds of outcome associated with a unit change in the predictor
- Easier to interpret $\exp(b_1)$, the odds ratio associated with a unit change in the predictor
- OR > 1: Predictor \uparrow , probability of outcome occurring \uparrow
- OR < 1: Predictor \uparrow , probability of outcome occurring \downarrow



Classification table

	Delivered	Not delivered	Total
Christmas pudding	150	28	178
Mulled wine	100	122	222
Total	250	150	400

$$\begin{aligned} \text{odds}_{\text{delivery}} &= \frac{\text{Number delivered}}{\text{Number not delivered}} \\ &= \frac{250}{150} \\ &= 1.67 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\text{odds ratio} &= \frac{\text{odds}_{\text{delivered after wine}}}{\text{odds}_{\text{delivered after pudding}}} \\ &= \frac{0.82}{5.36} \\ &= 0.15\end{aligned}$$

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Fitting the model

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santa_mod <- glm(delivered ~ treat, data = santa_tib, family = binomial())  
  
santa_mod %>%  
  parameters::parameters() %>%  
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Parameter	Coefficient	SE	95% CI	z	p
(Intercept)	1.68	0.21	[1.29, 2.10]	8.15	< .001
treatMulled wine	-1.88	0.25	[-2.37, -1.41]	-7.63	< .001

Odds ratios

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A festive example



Santa Claus wanted to test the effects of different types of treats and the quantity of them consumed on whether presents got delivered:

- Predictors
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 - **quantity**: 0, 1, 2, 3, or 4
- Outcome
 - **delivered**: Did the presents get delivered?

The data in

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4	Henri the Biddible	0	Pudding	Delivered
5	Ainsley the Eigen vector	0	Mulled wine	Delivered
6	Funnelcup the Iron maiden fan	1	Mulled wine	Delivered
7	Ramsey the Surprised	2	Pudding	Delivered
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9	Lardy the Strong	1	Pudding	Delivered
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Previous

1

2

3

4

5

...

40

Next

Extending the model

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Building the model

- Forced entry: all variables entered simultaneously.
- Hierarchical: variables entered in blocks.
 - Blocks should be based on past research, or theory being tested.
 - Good method.
- Stepwise: variables entered on the basis of statistical criteria (i.e., Relative contribution to predicting outcome).
 - Should be used only for exploratory analysis.



Things that can go wrong



Things we've met before

- Linearity (of the logit)
- Spherical residuals
 - Independent errors
- Multicollinearity

Unique problems

- Incomplete information
- Complete separation

Incomplete information

Empty cells

- We don't know how many presents are delivered after two puddings or not delivered after 5 wines
- Problem quickly escalates with continuous predictors
- Inflates standard errors



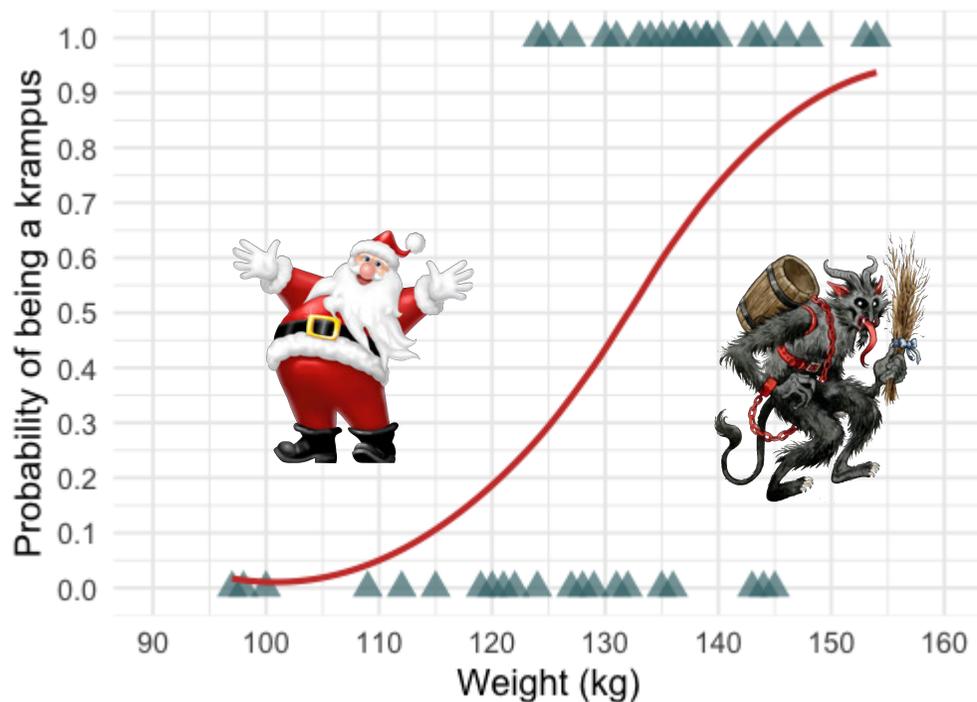
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Pudding	2	-	5
Pudding	3	37	6
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Mulled wine	0	27	3
Mulled wine	1	32	11
Mulled wine	2	24	36
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- Predicting whether someone is a krampus based on weight

Santa vs. krampus

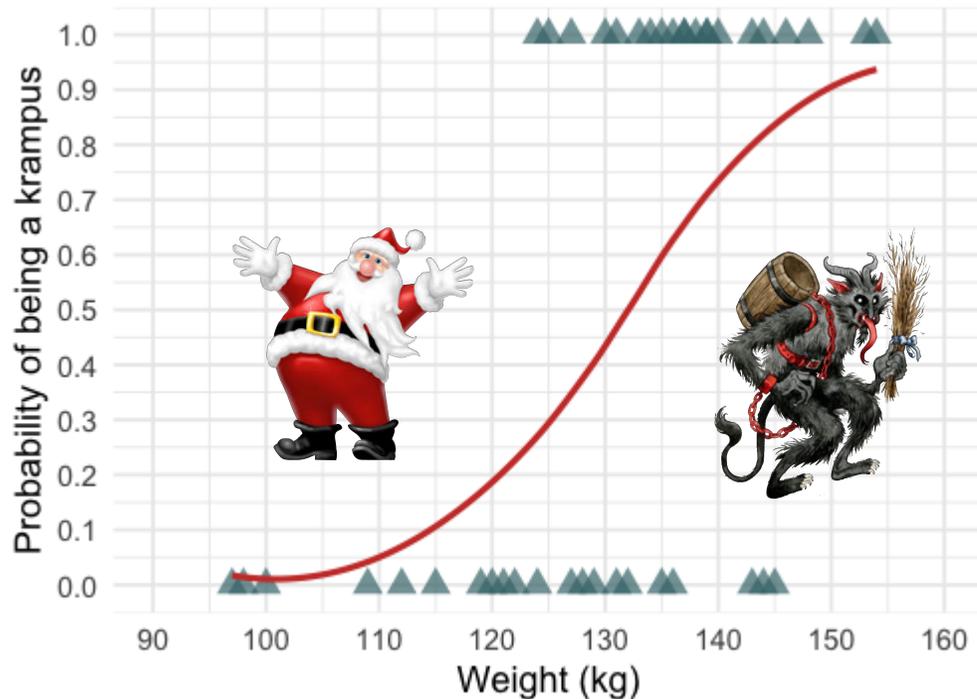


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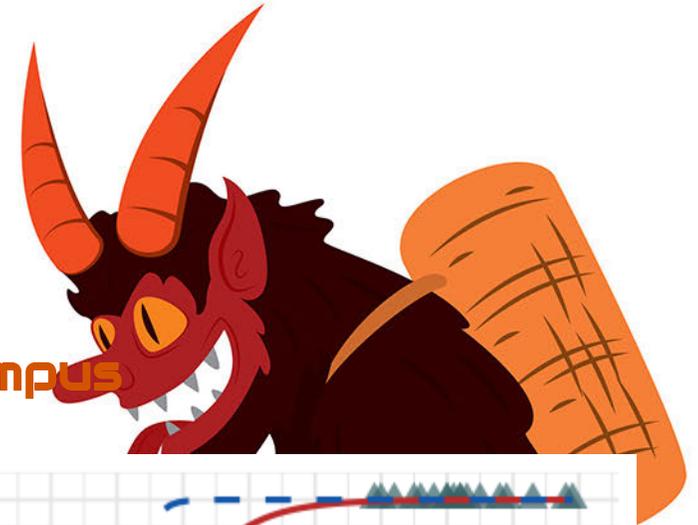
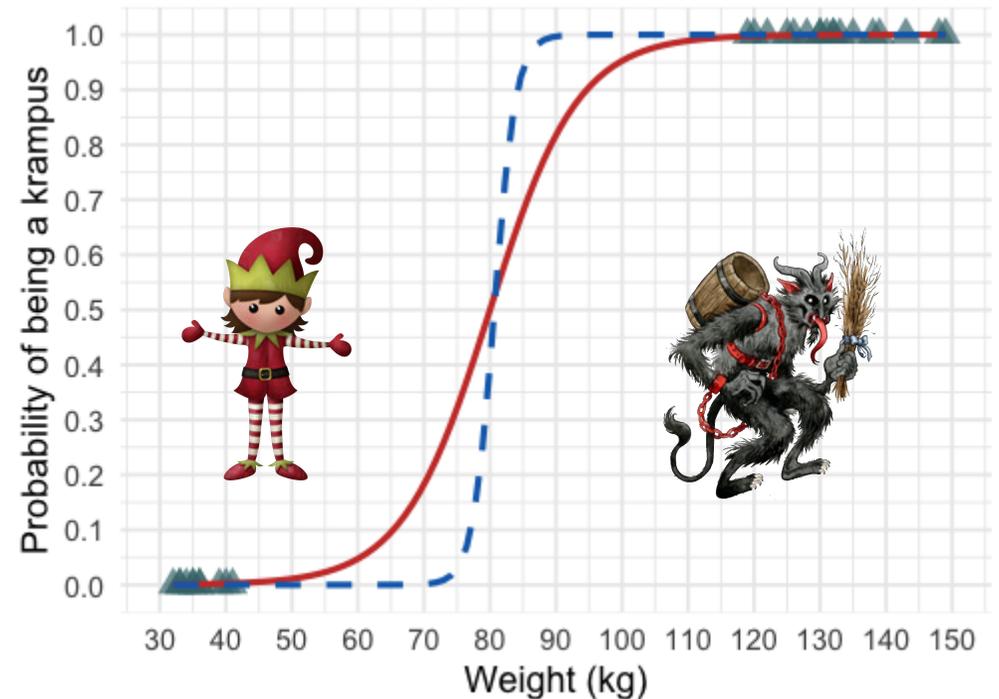
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Santa vs. krampus



Elves vs. krampus



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treatMulled wine	0.20	0.52	[-0.83, 1.22]	0.38	0.701
quantity	-0.08	0.17	[-0.41, 0.25]	-0.48	0.629
treatMulled wine:quantity	-1.03	0.23	[-1.49, -0.58]	-4.45	< .001





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