

# Generalized Linear Models

# The general linear model

- Forms the basis for most classical statistics

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p + \varepsilon_i$$
$$= \beta \mathbf{X} + \varepsilon_i \quad \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

# The Generalized Linear Model

Strategy - “Generalize” the general linear model to allow for

- non-normal distributions of errors
- certain non-linear relationships

$$Y_i = \beta \mathbf{X} + \varepsilon_i$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

$$Y_i = f(\beta \mathbf{X}) + \varepsilon_i$$

$\varepsilon_i \sim$  other pdf's

$$f^{-1}(Y_i) = \beta \mathbf{X}$$

Generalized Linear Model  
(GLM, or GLiM)

(Not to be confused with SAS's proc GLM)

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“Link” Function

- Maximum Likelihood Estimation of parameters
- Measure of fit is the “Deviance”

# The Generalized Linear Model

- For example
  - Count data

$$\ln(Y_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X \quad \varepsilon_i \sim \text{Poisson}$$


Log-linear Regression

# The Generalized Linear Model

- For example
  - Proportion data

Let response variable be  $p_i$

Logit(p)


$$\ln\left(\frac{p_i}{1-p_i}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

$\varepsilon_i \sim \text{Binomial}$

Logit Regression = Logistic Regression

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Let response variable be  $p_i$

$$\text{Inverse Normal CDF}(p_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$$

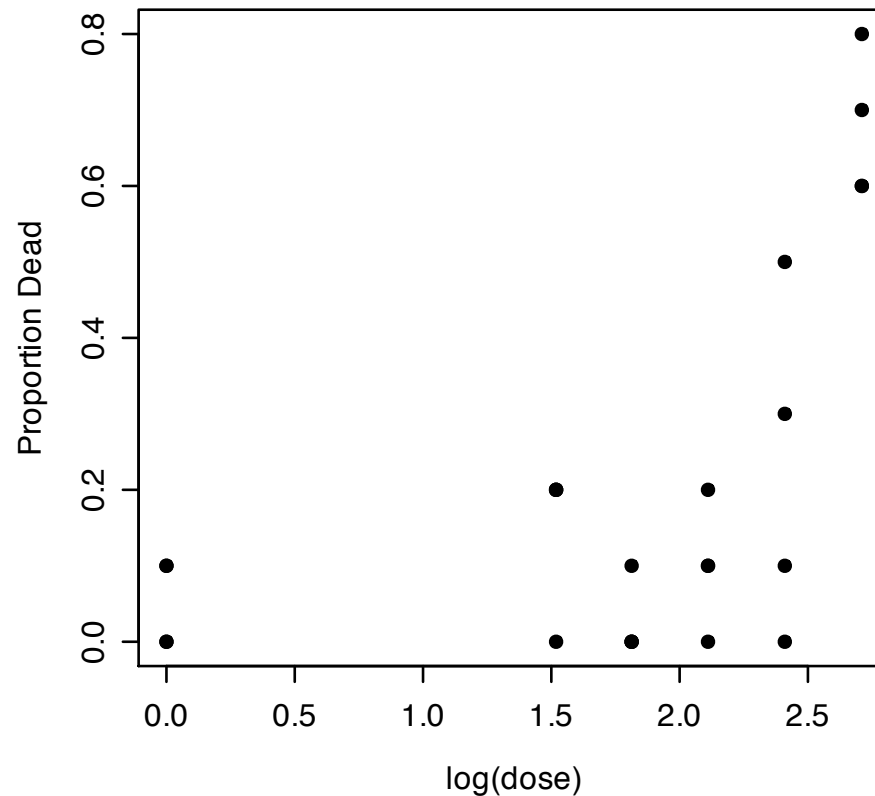
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probit(p)

Probit Regression

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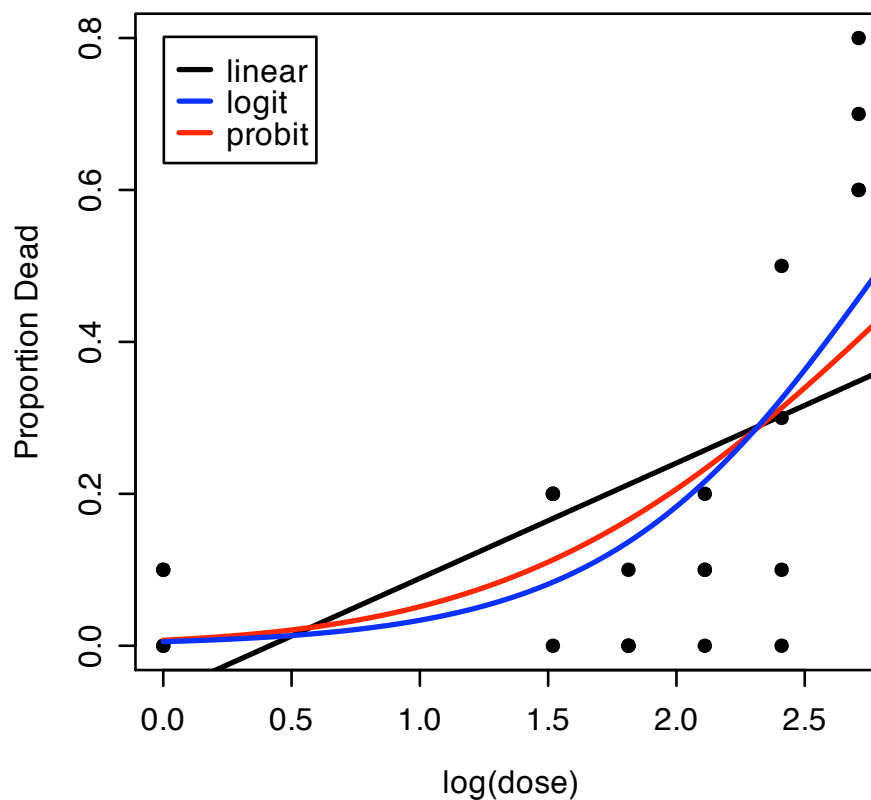
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Model



Error distribution and link function (Each distribution has a default link function)

# Default Link Functions

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binomial(link = "logit")
```

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poisson(link = "log")
```

```
gaussian(link = "identity")
```

# The Generalized Linear Model

R implements a stepwise procedure called glm

```
> out = glm(y~x, family = binomial(link = "logit"), data)
> summary(out)
> anova(out, test = "Chisq")
```

The comparison of Binomial and Poisson glm models is based on a likelihood ratio which is approximated by a  $\chi^2$  distribution rather than F

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Tobacco budworms (*Heliothis virescens*) were exposed to the pyrethroid *trans*-cypermethrin. Batches of 20 moths of each sex were exposed for 3 days and the number of dead were recorded.

	Dose					
Sex	1	2	4	8	16	32
M	1	4	9	13	18	20
F	0	2	6	10	12	16

From Collett (1991) as described in Venables, W. N., & B. D. Ripley. 2002. *Modern Applied Statistics with S*. Springer, New York.

- Demo