

# Introduction to R

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## filter() and select()

```
> subframe <- select(result, measurement, first_pulse, s  
> subframe <- filter(result, response_time < 5000) %>%  
+   select(measurement, first_pulse, subject)
```

## group\_by(), mutate() and summarize()

```
> sumframe <- group_by(result, subject) %>%  
+   summarise(right.perc = sum(accuracy == 1)/n(),  
+             mean.resp.time = mean(response_time, na.rm = T))  
> head(sumframe)
```

Source: local data frame [6 x 3]

	subject	right.perc	mean.resp.time
1	00436_39	0.6388889	7974.889
2	02411_39	0.7500000	7048.104
3	02544_39	0.6354167	9079.635
4	03858_39	0.7552083	9031.745
5	04517_39	0.7916667	8727.469
6	09458_39	0.7083333	7214.573

- creating a plot with ggplot involves
  - create a ggplot object (`ggplot()`)
  - mapping qualities of the plot to variables `aes()`
  - add layers consisting of a geometry `geom_specify()` and a statistic (every geom owns a default statistic, so at this time we do not care about statistics in ggplot)

## Example

```
> p <- ggplot(mtcars, aes(wt, mpg))  
> p + geom_point()
```

# Exercises

1. load the data and run the lines in the r file to create a new variable containing the sex of the person in the video (result\$video, result\$video.sex)
2. use dplyr to summarize your data per time point and per person: calculate the 1. proportion of right answers and 2. the mean response time per person and time point using group\_by() and summarize()
3. now visualize the proportion dependent on time: use ggplot() and geom\_boxplot() map time to x and the proportion to y using aes() inside of ggplot()
4. repeat the exercise, but this time group additional by the sex of the person in the video
5. visualize for each of the trials (1-48) the mean time and the percentage of right answers use facet\_wrap to plot separate plots for each time point



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# Choosing the appropriate method

It is essential, therefore, that you can answer the following questions:

- Which of your variables is the response variable?
- Which are the explanatory variables?
- Are the explanatory variables continuous or categorical, or a mixture of both?
- What kind of response variable do you have: is it a continuous measurement, a count, a proportion, a time at death, or a category?

# Choosing the appropriate method

Explanatory Variables are	
all continuous	Regression
all categorical	Analysis of variance (ANOVA)
both continuous and categorical	Analysis of covariance (ANCOVA)

# Choosing the appropriate method

Response Variables	
(a) Continuous	Normal regression, ANOVA or ANCOVA
(b) Proportion	Logistic regression
(c) Count	Log-linear models
(d) Binary	Binary logistic analysis
(e) Time at death	Survival analysis

The best model is the model that produces the least unexplained variation (the minimal residual deviance), subject to the constraint that all the parameters in the model should be statistically significant (or there are other reasons to keep them).

# Choosing the appropriate method

- It is very important to understand that there is not one model;
- there will be a large number of different, more or less plausible models that might be fitted to any given set of data.

# Maximum Likelihood

We define best in terms of maximum likelihood.

- given the data,
- and given our choice of model,
- what values of the parameters of that model make the observed data most likely?

We judge the model on the basis how likely the data would be if the model were correct.

# Ockham's Razor

The principle is attributed to William of Ockham, who insisted that, given a set of equally good explanations for a given phenomenon, the correct explanation is the simplest explanation. The most useful statement of the principle for scientists is when you have two competing theories which make exactly the same predictions, the one that is simpler is the better.

# Ockham's Razor

For statistical modelling, the principle of parsimony means that:

- models should have as few parameters as possible;
- linear models should be preferred to non-linear models;
- experiments relying on few assumptions should be preferred to those relying on many;
- models should be pared down until they are minimal adequate;
- simple explanations should be preferred to complex explanations.

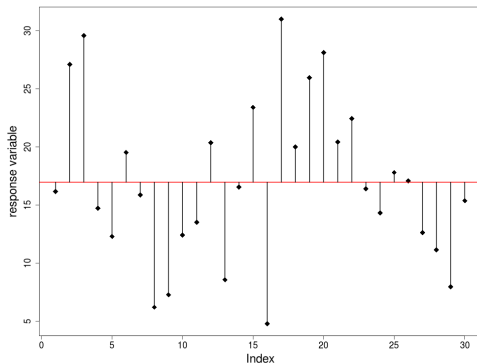


# Models

Fitting models to data is the central function of R. There are no fixed rules and no absolutes. The object is to determine a minimal adequate model from a large set of potential models.

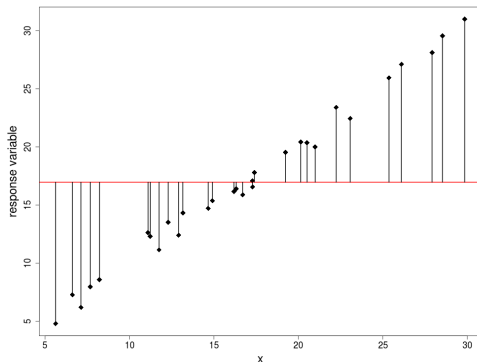
- first we look at the null model

# The Null model



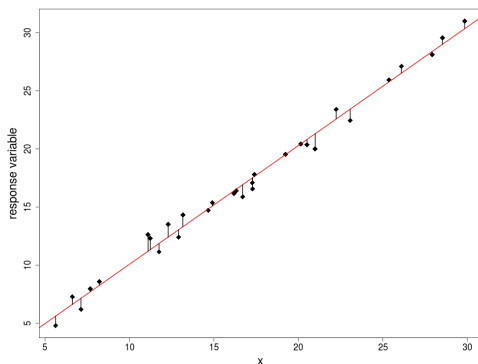
- Just one parameter, the overall mean  $\bar{y}$
- Fit: none;  
 $SSE = SSY$
- Degrees of freedom:  
 $n - 1$
- Explanatory power of the model: none

# Adding Information



- model with  $0 \leq p' \leq p$  parameters
- Fit: less than the maximal model, but not significantly so
- Degrees of freedom:  $n - p' - 1$
- Explanatory power of the model:  $r^2 = \frac{SSR}{SSY}$

# Adding Information



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# How to choose...

- models are representations of reality that should be both accurate and convenient
- it is impossible to maximize a model's realism, generality and holism simultaneously
- the principle of parsimony is a vital tool in helping to choose one model over another
- only include an explanatory variable in a model if it significantly improved the fit of the model (or if there other strong reasons)
- the fact that we went to the trouble of measuring something does not mean we have to have it in our model

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# ANOVA

- a technique we use when all explanatory variables are categorical (factor)
- if there is one factor with three or more levels we use one-way ANOVA (only two levels: t-test should be preferred, would give exactly the same answer since with 2 levels  $F = t^2$ )
- for more factors there is two-way, three-way anova
- central idea is to compare two or more means by comparing variances

# The Garden Data

A data frame with 14 observations on 2 variables.

```
ozone:  atmospheric ozone concentration
garden: garden id
```

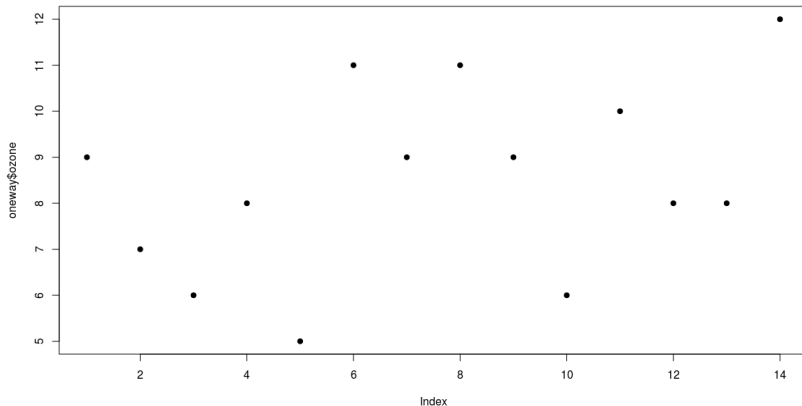
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
ozone	9	7	6	8	5	11	9	11	9	6	10	8	8	12
garden	a	a	a	b	a	b	b	b	b	a	b	a	a	b

From: Michaël Crawley, The R-Book



# Total Sum of Squares

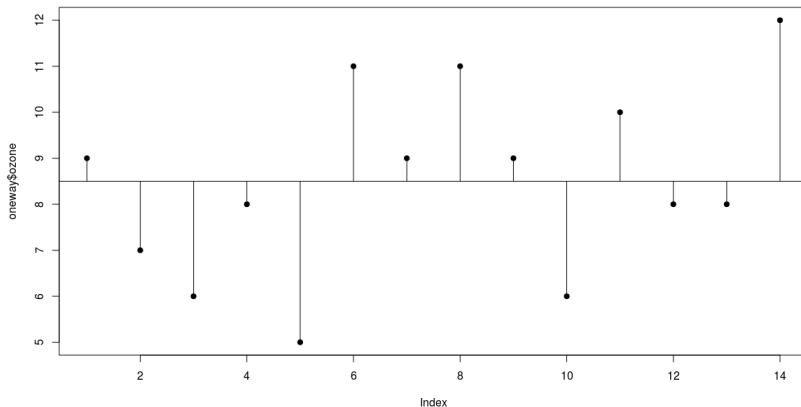
- we plot the values in order they are measured



# Total Sum of Squares

- there is a lot of scatter, indicating that the variance in ozone is large
- to get a feel for the overall variance we plot the overall mean (8.5) and indicate each of the residuals by a vertical line

# Total Sum of Squares



# Total Sum of Squares

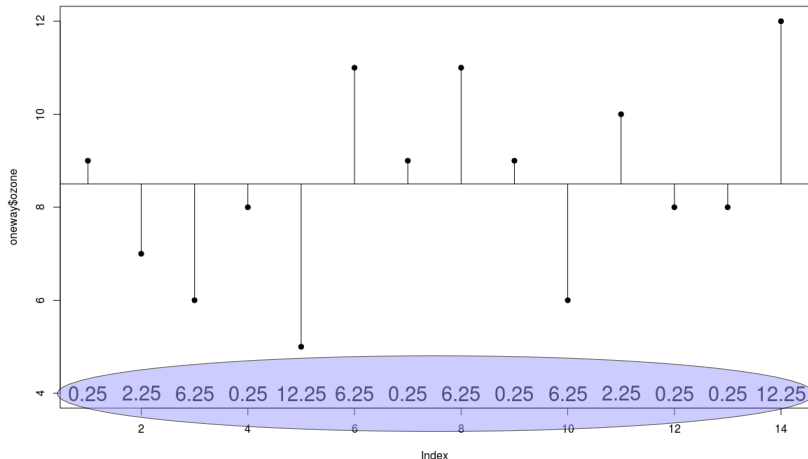
- we refer to this overall variation as the total sum of squares, SSY or TSS

$$SSY = \sum (y - \bar{y})^2$$

# Total Sum of Squares

- in this case

$$SSY = 55.5$$

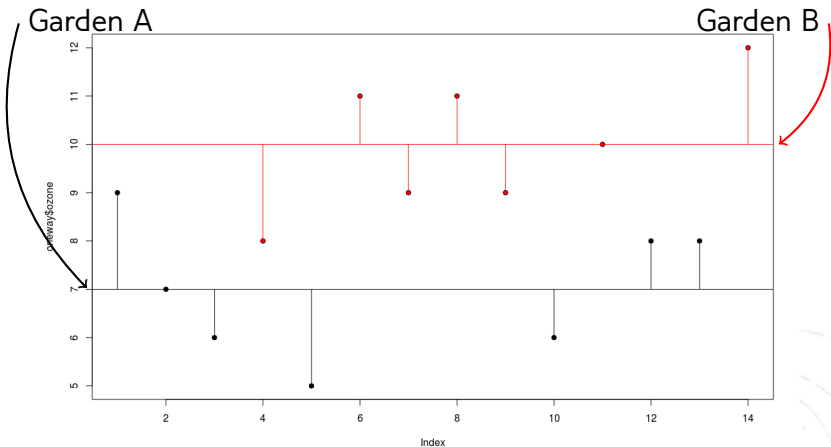


# Group Means

- now instead of fitting the overall mean, let us fit the individual garden means

garden	a	b
mean	7	10

# Group Means



# Group Means

- now we see that the mean ozone concentration is substantially higher in garden B
- the aim of ANOVA is to determine
  - whether it is significantly higher or
  - whether this kind of difference could come by chance alone



# Error Sum of Squares

When the means are significantly different then the sum of squares computed from the individual garden means will be smaller than the sum of squares computed from the overall mean.

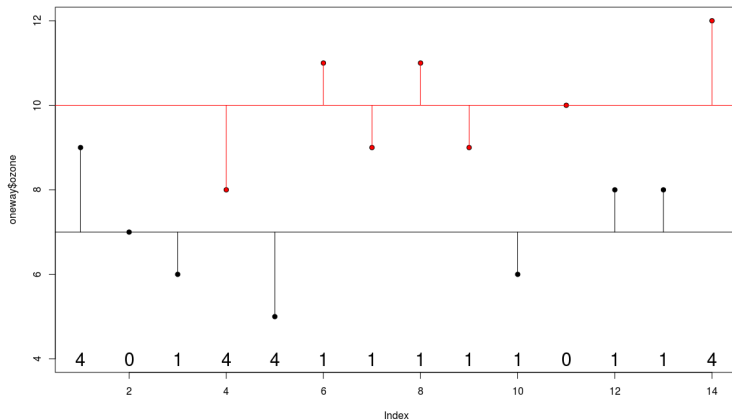
- we define the new sum of squares as the error sum of squares (error in the sense of 'residual')

$$SSE = \sum (y_{\text{gardenA}} - \bar{y}_{\text{gardenA}})^2 + \sum (y_{\text{gardenB}} - \bar{y}_{\text{gardenB}})^2$$

# Total Sum of Squares

- in this case

$$SSE = 24.0$$



# Treatment Sum of Squares

- then the component of the variation that is explained by the difference of the means is called the treatment sum of squares  $SSA$
- analysis of variance is based on the notion that we break down the total sum of squares into useful and informative components

$$SSY = SSE + SSA$$

where

- $SSA$  = explained variation
- $SSE$  = unexplained variation

# ANOVA table

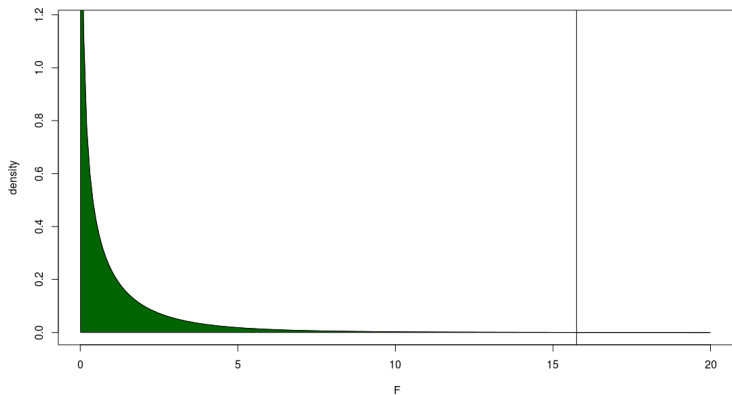
Source	Sum of squares	Degrees of freedom	Mean square	F ratio
Garden	31.5	1	31.5	15.75
Error	24.0	12	$s^2 = 2.0$	
Total	55.5	13		

# ANOVA

- now we need to test whether an F ratio of 15.75 is large or small
- we can use a table or software package
- I use here software to calculate the cumulative probability

```
> 1 - pf(15.75,1,12)  
[1] 0.001864103
```

# ANOVA



# ANOVA in R

- in R we use the `lm()` or the `aov()` command and
- the formula syntax `a ~ b`
- we assign this to an variable

# ANOVA in R

```
mm <- lm(ozone ~ garden, data=oneway)  
mm
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = ozone ~ garden, data = oneway)
```

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	gardenb
7	3



# ANOVA in R

```
> summary(mm)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = ozone ~ garden, data = oneway)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2	-1	0	1	2

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	7.0000	0.5345	13.096	1.82e-08 ***
gardenb	3.0000	0.7559	3.969	0.00186 **

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.414 on 12 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.5676, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5315

F-statistic: 15.75 on 1 and 12 DF, p-value: 0.001864

# ANOVA in R

```
> anova(mm)
```

```
Analysis of Variance Table
```

```
Response: ozone
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
garden	1	31.5	31.5	15.75	0.001864 **
Residuals	12	24.0	2.0		

```
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```

```
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

# ANOVA in R I

```
> m2 <- aov(ozone ~ garden, data=oneway)
```

```
> m2
```

```
Call:
```

```
  aov(formula = ozone ~ garden, data = oneway)
```

```
Terms:
```

	garden	Residuals
Sum of Squares	31.5	24.0
Deg. of Freedom	1	12

```
Residual standard error: 1.414214
```

```
Estimated effects may be unbalanced
```

```
> summary(m2)
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
garden	1	31.5	31.5	15.75	0.00186 **
Residuals	12	24.0	2.0		

```
---
```

# ANOVA in R II

```
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
> summary.lm(m2)
```

Call:

```
aov(formula = ozone ~ garden, data = oneway)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2	-1	0	1	2

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	
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---

```
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```

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# ANOVA in R III

F-statistic: 15.75 on 1 and 12 DF, p-value: 0.001864

```
> summary(m2)
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
garden	1	31.5	31.5	15.75	0.00186 **
Residuals	12	24.0	2.0		

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

# ANOVA Assumptions

## Central Assumptions

- independent, normal distributed errors
- equality of variances (homogeneity)

# Welch ANOVA I

- generalization of the Welch t-test
- tests whether the means of the outcome variables are different across the factor levels
- assumes sufficiently large sample (greater than 10 times the number of groups in the calculation, groups of size one are to be excluded)
- sensitive to the existence of outliers (only few are allowed)
- the r command is `oneway.test()`
- non-parametric alternative `kruskal.test()`

## Exercises

1. Look at the help of the TukeyHSD function. What is its purpose?
2. Execute the code of the example near the end of the help page, interpret the results!
3. install and load the granovaGG package (a package for visualization of ANOVAs), load the arousal data frame and use the stack() command to bring the data in the long form. Do a anova analysis. Is there a difference at least 2 of the groups? If indicated do a post-hoc test.
4. Visualize your results



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```
> require(granovaGG)
> data(arousal)
> datalong <- stack(arousal)
> m1 <- aov(values ~ ind, data = datalong)
> summary(m1)
```

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
ind	3	273.4	91.13	10.51	4.17e-05 ***
Residuals	36	312.3	8.68		

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

# Exercises - Solutions II

```
> TukeyHSD(m1)
Tukey multiple comparisons of means
 95% family-wise confidence level
```

```
Fit: aov(formula = values ~ ind, data = datalong)
```

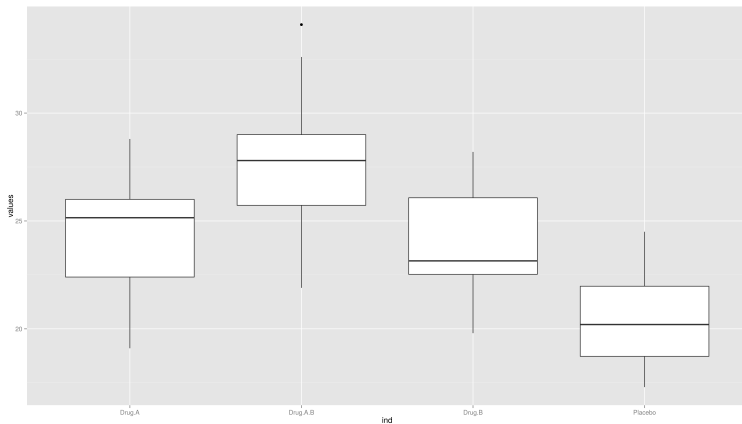
```
$ind
```

	diff	lwr	upr	p adj
Drug.A-B-Drug.A	3.54	-0.007542384	7.0875424	0.0506601
Drug.B-Drug.A	-0.45	-3.997542384	3.0975424	0.9860554
Placebo-Drug.A	-3.84	-7.387542384	-0.2924576	0.0296168
Drug.B-Drug.A.B	-3.99	-7.537542384	-0.4424576	0.0223986
Placebo-Drug.A.B	-7.38	-10.927542384	-3.8324576	0.0000137
Placebo-Drug.B	-3.39	-6.937542384	0.1575424	0.0654726

## 4. Visualize your results

```
> ggplot(datalong,aes(x=ind,y=values)) +
+   geom_boxplot()
```

# Exercises - Solutions III



# Exercises - Solutions IV

```
> granovagg.lw(datalong$values,group = datalong$ind)
```

By-group summary statistics for your input data (ordered by group means)

	group	group.mean	trimmed.mean	contrast	variance	standard.deviation
4	Placebo	20.43	20.30	-3.65	5.83	2.41
3	Drug.B	23.82	23.85	-0.26	7.50	2.74
1	Drug.A	24.27	24.45	0.19	7.89	2.81
2	Drug.A.B	27.81	27.52	3.73	13.49	3.67
group.size						
4		10				
3		10				
1		10				
2		10				

Below is a linear model summary of your input data

Call:

```
lm(formula = score ~ group, data = owp$data)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-5.910	-2.015	-0.075	1.885	6.290

# Exercises - Solutions V

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	24.2700	0.9314	26.057	< 2e-16 ***
groupDrug.A.B	3.5400	1.3172	2.688	0.01083 *
groupDrug.B	-0.4500	1.3172	-0.342	0.73461
groupPlacebo	-3.8400	1.3172	-2.915	0.00608 **

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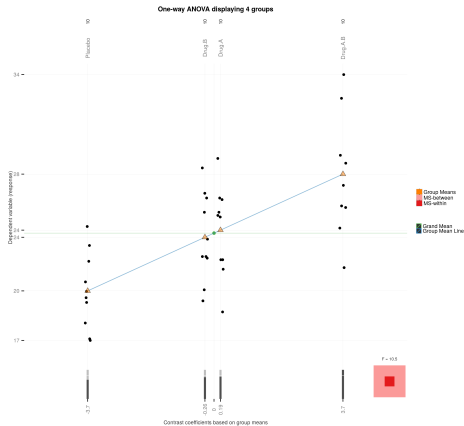
Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 2.945 on 36 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.4668, Adjusted R-squared: 0.4223

F-statistic: 10.5 on 3 and 36 DF, p-value: 4.173e-05

# Exercises - Solutions VI



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# The births data

A data frame with 500 observations on the following 8 variables.

id:	Identity number for mother and baby.
bweight:	Birth weight of baby.
lowbw:	Indicator for birth weight less than 2500 g.
gestwks:	Gestation period.
preterm:	Indicator for gestation period less than 37 weeks.
matage:	Maternal age.
hyp:	Indicator for maternal hypertension.
sex:	Sex of baby: Male, Female.

From: Michael Hills and Bianca De Stavola (2002). A Short Introduction to Stata 8 for Biostatistics, Timberlake Consultants Ltd URL: <http://www.timberlake.co.uk>



# Variables in Models

The response variable must be numeric. Main types are

- Metric (a measurement with units); the easiest case, we will begin with this
- Binary (two values code 0/1)
- Count (aggregated data)
- Failure (does the subject fail at end of follow up)

Explanatory variables can be

- Numeric
- Factor

# Metric Response, Numeric explanatory variable

Assuming that the relationship of `bweight` with `gestwks` is roughly linear we can find the linear effect on `bweight` of a unit increase in `gestwks` with

```
> m.1 <- lm(bweight ~ gestwks, data=births)
```

- `lm()` is the linear model function
- `bweight ~ gestwks` is the model formula
- `m` is a model object (containing all information about our model), there are certain functions to extract these information, e.g.:

```
> coef(m.1)
```

(Intercept)	gestwks
-4489.1398	196.9726

One extra week of gestation produces an extra 197g of baby.

# Extractor functions

```
> summary(m.1)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = bweight ~ gestwks, data = births)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1698.40	-280.14	-3.64	287.61	1382.24

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-4489.140	340.899	-13.17	<2e-16 ***
gestwks	196.973	8.788	22.41	<2e-16 ***

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Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 449.7 on 488 degrees of freedom  
(10 observations deleted due to missingness)

Multiple R-squared: 0.5073, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5062

F-statistic: 502.4 on 1 and 488 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

# Extractor functions

```
> coef(m.1)
(Intercept)      gestwks
-4489.1398      196.9726

> confint(m.1)
              2.5 %      97.5 %
(Intercept) -5158.9503 -3819.3293
gestwks      179.7054   214.2399
```

# Visualize Simple Linear Regression

- for visualization of simple linear regression ggplot can be easily used
- with `geom_smooth()` it provides a layer for smoothing

Exercise:

- create a scatter plot using ggplot the independent variable on the x-axis and the dependent variable on the y-axis
- add `geom_smooth()`
- what is the result?

# Visualize Simple Linear Regression

- the change the fitting method set the argument method of `geom_smooth()`
- in our case set method to “lm”

# Other Useful Functions

The model object is a list of different elements each of which can be accessed separately (see `str(m)` for the full list).

Other useful functions:

- `print(m)` simple display
- `plot(m)` produces various diagnostic plots based on residuals
- `fitted(m)` returns a vector of fitted values
- `resid(m)` returns a vector of residuals
- `predict(m, newdata)` predicts the response for new values of the explanatory variables
- `deviance(m)` residual sum of squares
- `df.residual(m)` for the residual degrees of freedom
- `vcov(m)` variance-covariance matrix

code file for examples

# Explanatory Variable is a Factor

The effect of hyp (2-level factor) on bweight is obtained with

```
> m.aov <- lm(bweight ~ hyp, data=births)
> coef(m.aov)
(Intercept)      hyphyper
  3198.9042    -430.6959
```

Omitting the intercept gives the mean bweight at the two levels of hyp

```
> m.aov2 <- lm(bweight ~ -1 + hyp, data=births)
> coef(m.aov2)
hypnormal  hyphyper
  3198.904   2768.208
```



# Explanatory Variable is a Factor

```
> summary(m.aov)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = bweight ~ hyp, data = births)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2570.9	-286.4	69.1	383.9	1667.8

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	3198.90	29.96	106.768	< 2e-16 ***
hyphyper	-430.70	78.95	-5.455	7.73e-08 ***

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 619.8 on 498 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.05638, Adjusted R-squared: 0.05449

F-statistic: 29.76 on 1 and 498 DF, p-value: 7.729e-08

# Exercise

1. What is the appropriate plot to visualize the effect of `hyp`?
2. What is the most common test to test these effect?

# A Multivariable Model

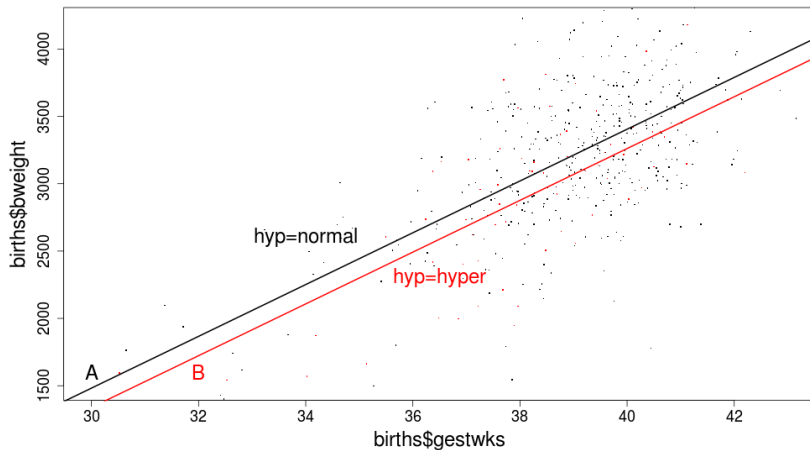
The joint effect of `hyp` and `gestwks` on `bweight` is obtained with

```
> m.3 <- lm(bweight ~ hyp + gestwks, data=births)
```

	Estimate
(Intercept)	-4285.002
hyphyper	-143.675 (level 2 vs. level 1)
gestwks	192.238 (increase per week)

The effect of `hyp` is attenuated (from  $-430.7$  to  $-143.7$ ). This suggests that much of the effect of hypertension on birth weight is mediated through a shorter gestation period.

# A Model With Both `gestwks` and `hyp`



The effect of `gestwks` is the slope of the lines A and B (assumed to be the same). The effect of `hyp` is the vertical distance between them.

# Interaction Models in `lm`

To specify an interaction term in `lm`, change the model formula from

Input

```
> m.3 <- lm(bweight ~ hyp + gestwks, data=births)
```

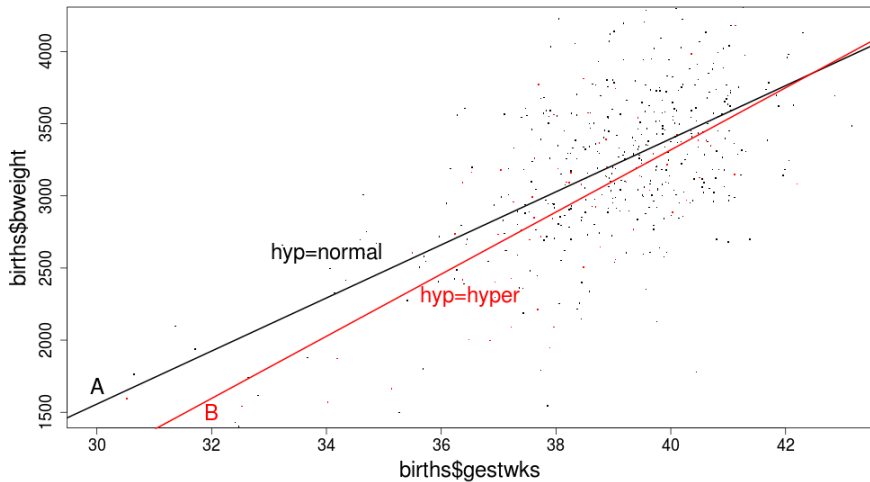
to

```
> m.5 <- lm(bweight ~ hyp + gestwks + hyp:gestwks, data=births)
```

or shorter

```
> m.5 <- lm(bweight ~ hyp * gestwks, data=births)
```

# Interaction Between gestwks and hyp



# Interactions Models in lm

## Output

	Estimate
(Intercept)	-3960.82
hyphyper	-1332.66 (level 2 vs level 1 - intercept)
gestwks	183.91
hyphyper:gestwks	31.39 (level 2 vs level 1 - slope)

Now the effect of hyp is more difficult to explain, because it is not constant. The effect of  $-1332$  is valid on a hypothetical gestational age of 0. Which doesn't make sense. You could scale the gestwks variable.

```
> births$gwsc <- births$gestwks-40  
> m <- lm(bweight ~ hyp * gwsc, data=births)
```

# Interactions Models in 1m

## Input/Output

	Estimate	
(Intercept)	3395.60329	
hyphyper	-77.25215	(level 2 vs level 1 - intercept)
gwsc	183.91048	
hyphyper:gwsc	31.38510	(level 2 vs level 1 - slope)



## How much is explained? - aov

In the Null-Model we have seen that  $SSE = SSY$  (the error sum of squares is equal to the total sum of squares in  $y$ ) and therefore the Null-Model explains nothing of the overall variance. So the fraction how much of the overall variance is explained by our model regarding to the overall variance is a first measure for the fit of the model...

- the simple model with one explanatory variable

```
> m <- lm(bweight ~ gestwks, data=births)
> anova(m)
```

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: bweight

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
gestwks	1	101603845	101603845	502.36	< 2.2e-16 ***
Residuals	488	98698698	202251		

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.'

# How much is explained? - aov

- in the second column of the summary we see the regression sum of squares (  $SSR$  ) in the first line and in the second line the error sum of squares (  $SSE$  ). So the total sum of squares (  $SSY$  - a measure for the overall variation) is the sum of both:

```
> sum(anova(m)$Sum)
[1] 200302543
```

- and the fraction is

```
> anova(m)$Sum[1]/sum(anova(m)$Sum)
[1] 0.5072519
```

# How much is explained? - aov

- this is r-squared

```
> summary(m)$r.squared  
[1] 0.5072519
```

- which you can extract from the summary of the model

```
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = bweight ~ gestwks, data = births)
```

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-1698.40	-280.14	-3.64	287.61	1382.24

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-4489.140	340.899	-13.17	<2e-16 ***
gestwks	196.973	8.788	22.41	<2e-16 ***

Residual standard error: 449.7 on 488 degrees of freedom  
(10 observations deleted due to missingness)

Multiple R-squared: 0.5073, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5062

F-statistic: 502.4 on 1 and 488 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

## Exercise

The dataset `teengamb` is part of the `faraway` package and concerns a study of teenage gambling in Britain. Fit a regression model with the expenditure on gambling as the response and the sex, status, income and verbal score as predictors. Present the output.

- (a) What percentage of variation in the response is explained by these predictors?
- (b) Which observation has the largest (positive) residual? Give the case number.
- (c) Compute the mean and median of the residuals.
- (d) Compute the correlation of the residuals with the fitted values.
- (e) Compute the correlation of the residuals with the income.
- (f) For all other predictors held constant, what would be the difference in predicted expenditure on gambling for a male compared to a female?

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# Beyond Linear Models

- linear models are central to the practice of statistics
- the standard linear model cannot handle non-normal responses, such as counts or proportions. This motivates the development of generalized linear models that can represent categorical, binary and other response types.

# Beyond Linear Models

- Some data has a grouped, nested or hierarchical structure. Repeated measures, longitudinal and multilevel data consist of several observations taken on the same individual or group. This induces a correlation structure in the error. mixed effect models allow the modeling of such data.
- non-parametric regression models: Methods such as additive models, trees and neural networks allow a more flexible regression modeling of the response that combine the predictors in a nonparametric manner.

# Generalized Linear Models

Linear modeling assumes constant variance and normally distributed errors. Certain kinds of respond variables lack these constraints. GLMs are excellent at dealing with it.

## Input/Output

```
> m1 <- lm(bweight ~ hyp, data=births)
> m2 <- glm(bweight ~ hyp, family=gaussian, data=births)
```

give the same answer. The model formula is the same for both, but for `glm()` it is necessary to specify the family of likelihoods which will be used to fit the model.

The `glm()` function allows us to fit other models including logistic regression and Poisson regression.



# Beyond Linear Models

- We begin with a binary response variable:

# Bernoulli model

- $f(y; p) = p^y(1 - p)^{1-y}$
- it is modelled with a logit as canonical link

$$\eta = \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$$

- i.e. our linear model looks like

$$\eta = \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \cdots + \beta_n x_n + \epsilon$$

with a binomial error structure

# Exercise

- We need data. So...
- The excel file data.xlsx contains the worksheets mother and child containing respective parts of the births data set. Use the `read_excel()` command to read both data sets and use `merge()` to join them
- Hints:
  - the `read_excel()` function is a part of the `readxl` package
  - check which columns are contained in both data frames and use them for merging

# Data Structure

The structure of the data should be of the following form:

## Input/Output

```
> str(births)
'data.frame': 500 obs. of 8 variables:
 $ id      : num  100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 ..
 $ preterm: chr   "normal" "normal" "normal" "normal" ...
 $ gestwks: num   39.8 39 38.1 39.5 39.5 ...
 $ hyp     : chr   "normal" "normal" "normal" "normal" ...
 $ matage  : num   33 32 33 38 40 29 32 40 41 39 ...
 $ bweight: num  3576 3784 2796 3226 3138 ...
 $ lowbw   : chr   "normal" "normal" "normal" "normal" ...
 $ sex     : chr   "F" "F" "F" "F" ...
```

Data from: Michael Hills and Bianca De Stavola (2002). A Short Introduction to Stata 8 for Biostatistics, Timberlake Consultants Ltd URL:  
<http://www.timberlake.co.uk>

# Binary Response Variable

Many statistical problems involve binary response variables. For example, we often classify individuals as:

- dead or alive,
- occupied or empty,
- healthy or diseased,
- wilted or turgid,
- male or female,
- literate or illiterate,
- mature or immature,
- solvent or insolvent, or
- employed or unemployed.

# Binary Response Variable

## Question

Which variable in the births data set is (most) suitable to use as binary response given this data set? Why?

# Binary Response Variable

In order to work with correct coded variables, we transform `hyp` and `lowbw` to categorical variables, and define normal as reference level for both of them

## Input/Output

```
> summary(births$hyp)
  Length      Class      Mode 
  500 character character 
> births$hyp <- factor(births$hyp, levels = c("normal", "hyper"))
> summary(births$hyp)
  normal  hyper 
   428     72 
> summary(births$lowbw)
  Length      Class      Mode 
  500 character character 
> births$lowbw <- factor(births$lowbw, levels = c("normal", "low"))
> summary(births$lowbw)
  normal    low 
   440     60
```

# Predicting Low Birth Weight

- Now we are more interested in predicting birth weight under 2500g (`lowbw`).
- This requires a model where the outcome is not metric, but binary.
- For a binary response we use a `glm()` with a binomial family.
- the binomial family uses a logit link as default



# Predicting Low Birth Weight

How it looks in R:

## Input/Output

```
> m <- glm(lowbw ~ hyp, family=binomial, data=births)
> summary(m)
Call:
glm(formula = lowbw ~ hyp, family = binomial, data = births)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.8067	-0.4430	-0.4430	-0.4430	2.1773

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-2.2721	0.1661	-13.682	< 2e-16 ***
hyphyper	1.3166	0.3111	4.232	2.32e-05 ***

---

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance:	366.92	on 499	degrees of freedom
Residual deviance:	350.84	on 498	degrees of freedom
AIC:	354.84		

# Predicting Low Birth Weight

What it looks like as a math formula:

$$\log \left( \frac{\text{Pr}(\text{lowbw})}{1 - \text{Pr}(\text{lowbw})} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{hyp} + \epsilon$$

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- While using a binomial family R uses a logit as link function.
- Therefore the returned estimates are log odds (Intercept) or log odds ratios (for the parameters).
- The `arm` package contains a function `invlogit()` which does invert the logit function.
- Alternatively you can use the formula

$$\text{logit}^{-1} = \frac{\exp(x)}{1 + \exp x}$$

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- Our example is a simple analysis of variance.
- Our model here is

$$\text{Pr}(\text{lowbw}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(-2.2721 + 1.3166 \cdot \text{hyp})$$

- We have two levels of our predictor variable `hyp`: normal and `hyp`.
- For the reference level normal `hyp = 0`
- in this case we get

$$\text{Pr}(\text{lowbw}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(-2.2721 + 1.3166 \cdot 0) = \text{logit}^{-1}(-2.2721)$$

which is a log odds as mentioned before, so

## Input/Output

```
> invlogit(coef(m)[1])  
(Intercept)  
0.09345794
```

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- The result is the probability of low birth weight within the group of moms with normal blood pressure. We can check this by using table:

## Input/Output

```
> table(births$lowbw,births$hyp)
```

	normal	hyper
normal	388	52
low	40	20

```
> 40/(388+40)  
[1] 0.09345794
```

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- for the level hyp (i.e. hyp = 1) we get a difference of 1.3166 on the logit scale

$$\Pr(\text{lowbw}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(-2.2721 + 1.3166 \cdot 1)$$

- which turns out to be

## Input/Output

```
> invlogit(coef(m)[1]+coef(m)[2])  
(Intercept)  
0.2777778
```

- so the probability for low birth weight is 27.8% in for moms with high blood pressure

# Understanding the Coefficients

- in this simple case, the response variable gives the probability for low birth weight for each of the two groups of moms (with and without high blood pressure)
- you can get the result also using (a) a proportion test:

```
> prop.test(c(20,40),c(72,428))
```

```
2-sample test for equality of proportions with continuity
```

```
data:  c(20, 40) out of c(72, 428)
```

```
X-squared = 18.121, df = 1, p-value = 2.073e-05
```

```
alternative hypothesis: two.sided
```

```
95 percent confidence interval:
```

```
0.06913673 0.29950294
```

```
sample estimates:
```

```
prop 1      prop 2
```

```
0.27777778 0.09345794
```

# Understanding the Coefficients

- or (b) a  $\chi^2$ -test:

## Input/Output

```
> chisq.test(table(births$lowbw,births$hyp))
```

Pearson's Chi-squared test with Yates' continuity correction

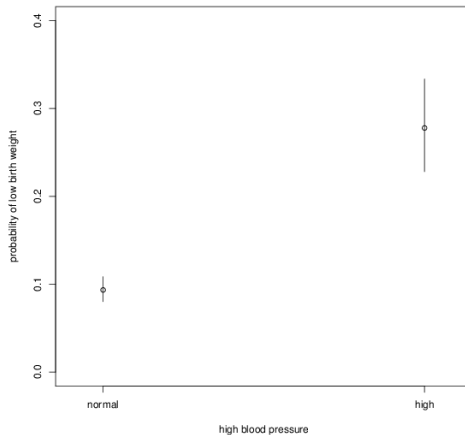
```
data:  table(births$lowbw, births$hyp)
```

```
X-squared = 18.121, df = 1, p-value = 2.073e-05
```



# Understanding the Coefficients

- a hand made plot

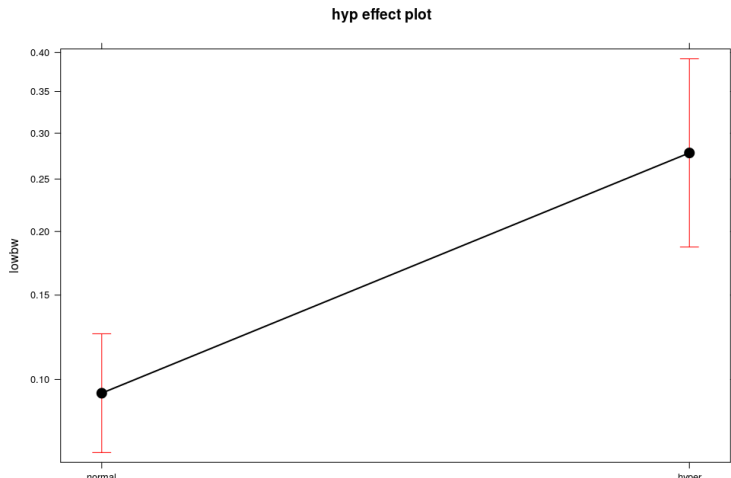


# Understanding the Coefficients

- and one effect plot (effects package)

Input

```
> plot(Effect("hyp",m))
```



# Understanding the Coefficients

- btw: `Effect()` gives you the probabilities without using a explicit transformation

## Input/Output

```
> Effect("hyp",m)
```

```
hyp effect
hyp
      normal      hyper
0.09345794 0.27777778
```

# Controlling

Controlling the effect of hyp on lowbw for sex

## Input/Output

```
> m2 <- glm(lowbw ~ hyp+sex, family=binomial, data=births)
```

	Estimate	StdErr	Pr(> z )	
(Intercept)	-2.5088	0.2331	< 2e-16 ***	
hyphyper	1.3625	0.3144	1.47e-05 ***	hyp controlled for
sexF	0.4473	0.2843	0.116	sex controlled for

When you control for a variable you are assuming that any interaction can be ignored.

# Interaction (effect modification)

- We add an interaction term to the model

## Input/Output

```
> m3 <- glm(lowbw ~ hyp + sex + hyp:sex,  
+           family=binomial, data=births) # or shorter  
> m3 <- glm(lowbw ~ hyp*sex, family=binomial,  
             data=births)
```

# Interaction (effect modification)

- we have four estimates now, and to get the effects in terms of probabilities we need to type

## Input/Output

```
> m3 <- glm(lowbw ~ hyp*sex, family=binomial, data=births)
> summary(m3)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = lowbw ~ hyp * sex, family = binomial, data = births)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.8090	-0.5074	-0.3749	-0.3749	2.3195

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-2.6198	0.2674	-9.796	< 2e-16 ***
hyphyper	1.6707	0.4326	3.862	0.000112 ***
sexF	0.6347	0.3421	1.855	0.063535 .
hyphyper:sexF	-0.6507	0.6366	-1.022	0.306694

---

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(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

# Interaction Coefficients

## Input/Output

```
> invlogit(coef(m3)[1])  
(Intercept)  
0.0678733  
> invlogit(coef(m3)[1] + coef(m3)[2])  
(Intercept)  
0.2790698  
> invlogit(coef(m3)[1] + coef(m3)[3])  
(Intercept)  
0.1207729  
> invlogit(coef(m3)[1] + coef(m3)[2] + coef(m3)[3] + coef(m3)[4])  
(Intercept)  
0.2758621
```

# Exercises

You can calculate the effects by hand and using the `invlogit()` function, but this becomes a little annoying, the `allEffects()` function provides a nicer way to do the same.

- now you have three models, use the `Effects()`, `allEffects()` and the `plot()` function to get the following information:
  1. the estimated probability for moms with hypertension to get a baby with low birth weight for all three models
  2. is there a difference in effects between boys and girls? Which model can answer this question?



# Testing for Interaction

- Do we need to keep the interaction term?

## Input/Output

```
> m2 <- glm(lowbw ~ hyp+sex, family=binomial,  
+           data=births)  
> m3 <- glm(lowbw ~ hyp*sex, family=binomial,  
+           data=births)  
> anova(m2,m3,test="Chisq")
```

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
1	497	348.34			
2	496	347.29	1	1.0561	0.3041

- The anova function conducts an analysis of variance – a test of significance between two nested models.
- The interaction term does not improve the fit - so we leave it out and keep the simpler model.

# Stratified Effects

- When there is a strong interaction it may be best to report stratified effects.
- Omitting the main effect of `hyp` in an interaction model gives us the effect of `hyp` within strata of `sex`.

# Stratified Effects

## Input/Output

```
> m4 <- glm(lowbw ~ sex + sex:hyp, family=binomial, data=birth)
> summary(m4)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = lowbw ~ sex + sex:hyp, family = binomial, data =
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.8090	-0.5074	-0.3749	-0.3749	2.3195

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )	
(Intercept)	-2.6198	0.2674	-9.796	< 2e-16	***
sexF	0.6347	0.3421	1.855	0.063535	.
sexM:hyphyper	1.6707	0.4326	3.862	0.000112	***
sexF:hyphyper	1.0200	0.4670	2.184	0.028952	*

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

# Stratified Effects

A slightly shorter way to define the same model:

## Input/Output

```
> m4 <- glm(lowbw ~ sex/hyp, family=binomial, data=births)
> m4
```

```
Call:  glm(formula = lowbw ~ sex/hyp, family = binomial, data
```

```
Coefficients:
```

(Intercept)	sexF	sexM:hyphyper	sexF:hyphyper
-2.6198	0.6347	1.6707	1.0200

```
Degrees of Freedom: 499 Total (i.e. Null); 496 Residual
```

```
Null Deviance: 366.9
```

```
Residual Deviance: 347.3 AIC: 355.3
```

# Exercise

- compare the effects in  $m_3$  and  $m_4$

# Understanding the Coefficients

```
> ftable(births$hyp,  
+        births$sex,  
+        births$lowbw)  
      normal low
```

normal	M	206	15
	F	182	25
hyper	M	31	12
	F	21	8

```
## male/normal bp  
> 15/(206+15)  
[1] 0.0678733  
## female/normal bp  
> 25/(25+182)  
[1] 0.1207729  
## male/high bp  
> 12/(12+31)  
[1] 0.2790698  
## female/high bp  
> 8/(8+21)  
[1] 0.2758621
```

# Simple Logistic Regression

- now we model the probability of low birth weight dependent on gestational age
- so the model in R is

## Input

```
> m5 <- glm(lowbw ~ gestwks, family=binomial, data=births)
```

- and as math formula

$$\log \left( \frac{\text{Pr}(\text{lowbw})}{1 - \text{Pr}(\text{lowbw})} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{gestwks} + \epsilon$$

# Simple Logistic Regression

- where the output look similar to the output above

## Input/Output

```
> summary(m5)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = lowbw ~ gestwks, family = binomial, data = births)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2.0873	-0.3623	-0.2223	-0.1369	2.9753

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	31.8477	4.0574	7.849	4.18e-15 ***
gestwks	-0.8965	0.1084	-8.272	< 2e-16 ***

---

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 360.38 on 489 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 205.75 on 488 degrees of freedom  
(10 observations deleted due to missingness)



# Understanding the Coefficients

- this relationship is described by

$$\text{Pr}(\text{lowbw}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(31.8477 + -0.8965 \cdot \text{gestwks})$$

- the intercept

## Input/Output

```
> invlogit(coef(m)[1])  
(Intercept)  
1
```

is interpretable as the probability for a low birth weight at a hypothetical gestational age of 0 (which makes no sense because it lies outside the range of gestational ages in our data)

- the parameter for `gestwks` describes how fast the probability decreases with increasing gestation age

# Understanding the Coefficients

$$\Pr(\text{lowbw}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(31.8477 + -0.8965 \cdot \text{gestwks})$$

- the coefficient for `gestwks` is best interpretable if we use it as argument to the exponential function

## Input/Output

```
> exp(coef(m5)[2])  
gestwks  
0.4080114
```

this way it is interpretable as odds ratio for low birth weight for a difference of 1 week of gestational age

# Exercise

1. here is a example for the `Effects()` command for regression

## Input/Output

```
> Effect("gestwks",m5)

    gestwks effect
gestwks
      25      30      35      40
0.99992022 0.99299324 0.61574996 0.01779725
> Effect("gestwks",m5,xlevels = list(gestwks = c(20,30,40)))

    gestwks effect
gestwks
      20      30      40
0.99999910 0.99299324 0.01779725
```

2. use the command to gain the estimated probability of low birth weight for a gestational age of 27 and 36 weeks

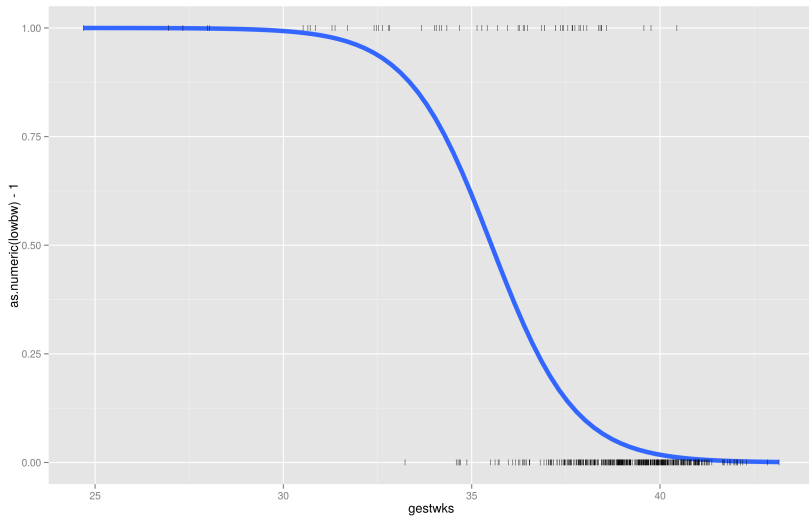
# ggplot() and glm()

- ggplot2 knows also glms
- unfortunately the y-variable needs to be coded in 0s and 1s, but we can do this on the fly with `as.numeric()`

## Input

```
> require(ggplot2)
> ggplot(births,aes(x = gestwks, y = as.numeric(lowbw)-1)) +
+   geom_smooth(method = "glm", family = "binomial",se = F,size = 2) +
+   geom_point(shape="|")  ## adds actual values
```

# ggplot() and glm()



# Exercise

Take the code producing the graph

1. try to change the axis titles (`xlab()` and `ylab()`)
2. add a title (`ggtitle()`)
3. change the colour of the function to black, set `se = T`
4. change the colour of the points to red for the low birth weight and green for the one with normal birth weight
5. change the position of the legend; place it somewhere near the upper right corner inside the plotting area (`legend.position`)

# The Challenger Disaster Example

In January 1986, the space shuttle Challenger exploded shortly after launch. An investigation was launched into the cause of the crash and attention focused on the rubber O-ring seals in the rocket boosters. At lower temperatures, rubber becomes more brittle and is a less effective sealant. At the time of the launch, the temperature was 31°F. Could the failure of the O-rings have been predicted? In the 23 previous shuttle missions for which data exists, some evidence of damage due to blow by and erosion was recorded on some O-rings. Each shuttle had two boosters, each with three O-rings. For each mission, we know the number of O-rings out of six showing some damage and the launch temperature.(faraway)

# The Challenger Disaster Example

- the data are given in the data frame `orings` in the `faraway` package
- after loading we have a look at the first six lines

```
> library(faraway)
> data(orings)
> head(orings)
```

	temp	damage
1	53	5
2	57	1
3	58	1
4	63	1
5	66	0
6	67	0

- we see that every shuttle mission has its own row (but not every O-ring)



# The Challenger Disaster Example

- that is not a problem: one way of defining a binary response variable in a glm is to form a two-column matrix with the first column representing the number of “successes”  $y$  and the second column the number of “failures”  $n-y$ .

```
> m <- glm(cbind(damage, 6-damage) ~ temp,  
+          family=binomial, orings)
```

- we see that every shuttle mission has its own row (but not every O-ring)

# The Challenger Disaster Example

- the output looks familiar:

```
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cbind(damage, 6 - damage) ~ temp,  
     family = binomial, data = orings)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.9529	-0.7345	-0.4393	-0.2079	1.9565

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	11.66299	3.29626	3.538	0.000403 ***
temp	-0.21623	0.05318	-4.066	4.78e-05 ***

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 38.898 on 22 degrees of freedom

Residual deviance: 16.912 on 21 degrees of freedom

AIC: 33.675

- remember, the response is a probability. Therefore our model describes the probability of a damaged O-ring depending on the temperature

# Understanding the Coefficients

- this relationship is described by

$$\text{Pr}(\text{damage}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(11.66299 + -0.21623 \cdot \text{temp})$$

- the intercept

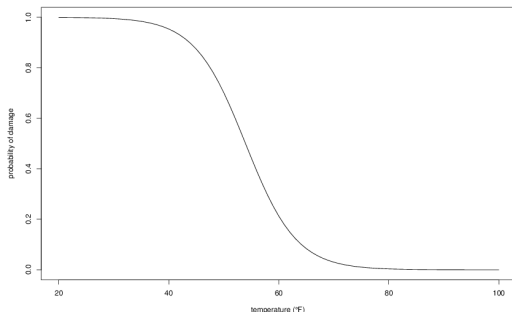
```
> invlogit(coef(m)[1])  
(Intercept)  
0.9999914
```

is interpretable as the probability for a damaged O-ring at a temperature of 0°F

- the parameter for temperature describes how fast the probability decreases with increasing temperature

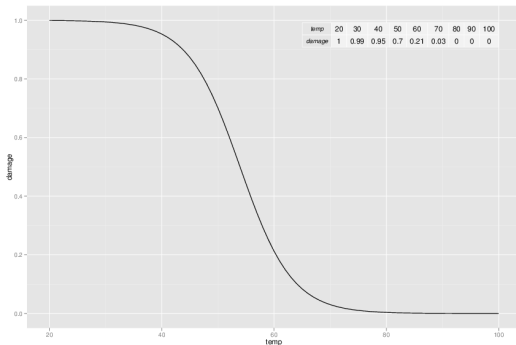
# Understanding the Coefficients

```
> tf <- 20:100  
> pd <- predict(m,newdata=list(temp=tf), type="response")  
> plot(tf,pd,type="l",  
+       xlab=expression(paste("temperature (",degree,"F)",sep=" ")),  
+       ylab="probability of damage")
```



# Understanding the Coefficients

and the same plot made with ggplot (incl. adding a table)



# Parasite Infection Example

- the binary response variable is parasite infection (infected or not)
- the explanatory variables are weight and age (continuous)
- and sex (categorical)
- we want to investigate if there is a different effect of age for each of the sexes on the outcome variable

```
> infection <- read.table("infection.txt",header=T)
> summary(infection)
```

infected		age		sex	
Min.	:0.000	Min.	: 2.00	Min.	:0.000
1st Qu.:	0.000	1st Qu.:	46.00	1st Qu.:	0.000
Median	:0.000	Median	: 84.50	Median	:1.000
Mean	:0.324	Mean	: 93.69	Mean	:0.514
3rd Qu.:	1.000	3rd Qu.:	139.25	3rd Qu.:	1.000
Max.	:1.000	Max.	:200.00	Max.	:1.000

# Parasite Infection Example

```
> m <- glm(infected~age*sex,family=binomial,  
+          data=infection)
```

```
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = infected ~ age * sex, family = binomial,  
     data = infection)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2.0411	-0.7307	-0.4363	0.6632	2.3215

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )	
(Intercept)	-3.000513	0.413639	-7.254	4.05e-13	***
age	0.015657	0.003176	4.929	8.25e-07	***
sex	0.116664	0.553956	0.211	0.8332	
age:sex	0.011050	0.004612	2.396	0.0166	*

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 629.85 on 499 degrees of freedom

Residual deviance: 477.61 on 496 degrees of freedom

AIC: 485.61

# Parasite Infection Example

- so for male at a age of 0 there is a probability of

```
> invlogit(coef(m)[1])  
(Intercept)  
0.04740269
```

- for females is the probability at age 0

```
> invlogit(coef(m)[1]+coef(m)[3])  
(Intercept)  
0.05295775
```



# Parasite Infection Example

- so what about the slope?
- for males the underlying model is the following

$$\text{Pr}(\text{infection}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(-3.000513 + 0.015657 \cdot \text{age})$$

- for females the slope is almost twice as high

$$\text{Pr}(\text{infection}) = \text{logit}^{-1}(-2.883849 + 0.02670685 \cdot \text{age})$$

- we can compare them by looking at the age where the probability to be infected is 50%

# Parasite Infection Example

- this is the case when  $-3.000513 + 0.015657 \cdot \text{age} = 0$  respectively  $-2.883849 + 0.02670685 \cdot \text{age} = 0$ ; you can do it by hand or use R

```
> ## male  
> solve(0.015657,3.000513)  
[1] 191.6404  
> ## female  
> solve(0.02670685,2.883849,)  
[1] 107.9816
```

- `solve()` solves systems of linear equations in the form  $A \cdot x = b$ , where  $A$  is the matrix of coefficients and  $b$  are the (negative) intercepts, here we have the special case with just one equation

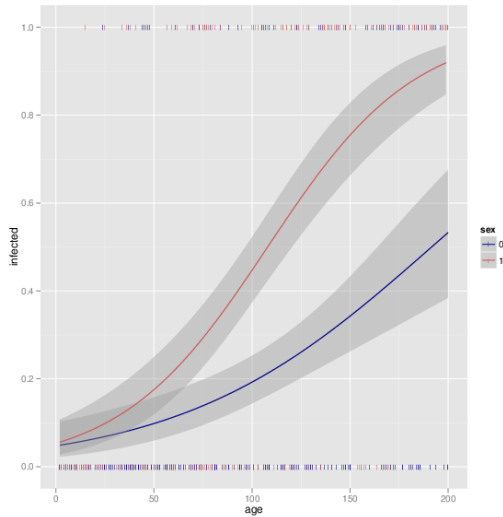
# Parasite Infection Example

- you can also use the `allEffects()` function (part of the `effects` package), which give you the probabilities for being infected on several ages for both sexes

```
> allEffects(m)
model: infected ~ age * sex
```

```
age*sex effect
      sex
age      0      1
  2  0.04883687 0.05570148
 24  0.06756215 0.09596497
 46  0.09276694 0.16038932
 68  0.12610300 0.25582483
 90  0.16918450 0.38219715
112  0.22322468 0.52680374
134  0.28853152 0.66704908
156  0.36399154 0.78286130
178  0.44679328 0.86645480
200  0.53265591 0.92110968
```

# Parasite Infection Example



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# Count Data

- a great deal of the data collected is in the form of counts
- for example:
  - number of individuals that died
  - number of firms going bankrupt, the number of days of frost,
  - the number of red blood cells on a microscope slide, and the
  - number of craters in a sector of lunar landscape
- with count data, the number 0 often appears as a value of the response (zero inflated data)

# Count Data

- we must consider a different cases in dealing with data on frequencies: cases
  - where we count how many times something happened, but we have no way of knowing how often it did not happen (e.g. lightning strikes, bankruptcies, deaths, births).
  - count data on proportions, where we know the number doing a particular thing, but also the number not doing that thing (e.g. the proportion dying, sex ratios at birth, proportions of different groups responding to a questionnaire)

# A Poisson Regression

- The following example has a count (the number of reported cancer cases per year per clinic) as the response variable
- and a single continuous explanatory variable (the distance from a nuclear plant to the clinic in km).
- The question is whether or not proximity to the reactor affects the number of cancer cases.

```
> cancer <- read.table("clusters.txt",header=T)
```

```
> head(cancer)
```

	Cancers	Distance
--	---------	----------

1	0	11.46952
---	---	----------

2	0	66.55395
---	---	----------

3	0	47.46230
---	---	----------

4	0	48.38129
---	---	----------

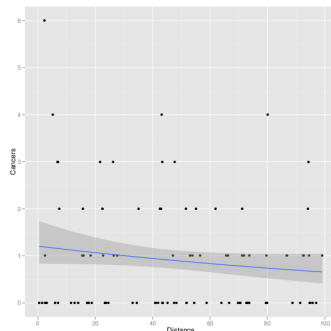
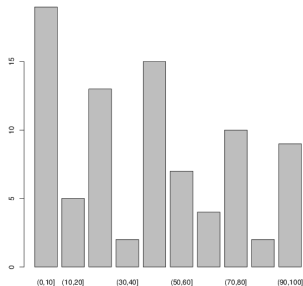
5	0	73.76534
---	---	----------

6	0	70.57555
---	---	----------



# Count Data

- look at a barplot (cut the Distance variable in ten classes) and a scatter plot



# Count Data

- There seems to be a downward trend in cancer cases with distance. But is the trend significant?

```
> m <- glm(Cancers~Distance,family=poisson,data=cancer)
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = Cancers ~ Distance, family = poisson,
     data = cancer)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.5504	-1.3491	-1.1553	0.3877	3.1304

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	0.186865	0.188728	0.990	0.3221
Distance	-0.006138	0.003667	-1.674	0.0941 .

(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 149.48 on 93 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 146.64 on 92 degrees of freedom  
AIC: 262.41

# Count Data

- The trend does not look to be significant, but look at the residual deviance:
- It is assumed that this is the same as the residual degrees of freedom (because the errors are supposed to be Poisson distributed)
- this indicates that we have overdispersion (extra, unexplained variation in the response).
- we compensate for the overdispersion by refitting the model using quasi-Poisson rather than Poisson errors

# Count Data

- the refitted model

```
> m <- glm(Cancers~Distance,family=quasipoisson,data=cancer)
```

```
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = Cancers ~ Distance,  
     family = quasipoisson, data = cancer)
```

Deviance Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-1.5504	-1.3491	-1.1553	0.3877	3.1304

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	0.186865	0.235364	0.794	0.429
Distance	-0.006138	0.004573	-1.342	0.183

(Dispersion parameter for quasipoisson family

taken to be 1.555271)

Null deviance: 149.48 on 93 degrees of freedom

Residual deviance: 146.64 on 92 degrees of freedom

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- the estimates remained the same, but the p-val's changed
- so there is no compelling evidence to support the existence of a trend in cancer incidence with distance from the nuclear plant (this is a completely made up example, neither considering varying population nor clinic density)

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- if you use glms with Poisson errors, the default link function is log
- so the parameter estimates and the predictions from the model (the 'linear predictor') are in logs, and need to be antilogged
- so we have the following formula for our model

$$\text{count} = \exp(0.186865 - 0.006138 \cdot \text{Distance})$$

- antilog the intercept:  

```
> exp(coef(m)[1])  
(Intercept)  
1.205464
```
- get 1.2 expected cases at a distance of zero

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- the slope for Distance is a bit easier to interpret than with a logit link

```
> exp(coef(m) [2])
```

```
Distance
```

```
0.9938805
```

means that for every additional km distance you get 0.006 less cancer cases (it is nicer to say for every 10 km the expected count of cancer cases decreases by 6%)

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- again, the effects package is very helpful to give an overview

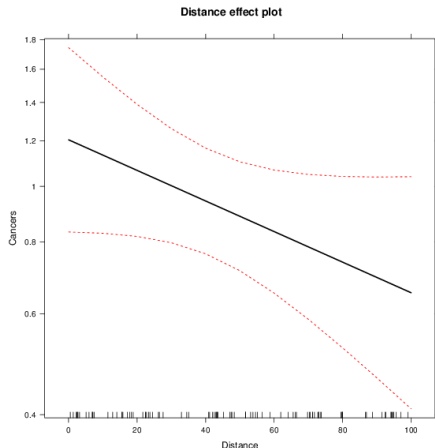
```
> allEffects(m,xlevels=list(Distance=seq(0,100,by=10))  
+ )  
model: Cancers ~ Distance
```

```
Distance effect  
Distance  
      0      10      20      30  
1.2054642 1.1336940 1.0661968 1.0027182  
      40      50      60      70  
0.9430189 0.8868740 0.8340718 0.7844133  
      80      90     100  
0.7377114 0.6937900 0.6524835
```

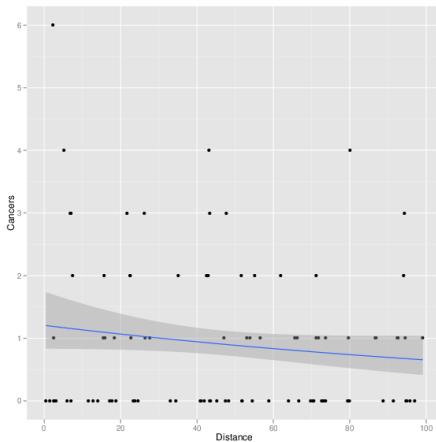


# Interpreting the Coefficients

- now the effect plot and the (non-significant) fitted line can be drawn



# Interpreting the Coefficients



# Anova with Count Data

- next example the response variable is a count of infected blood cells per  $\text{mm}^2$  on microscope slides prepared from randomly selected individuals
- explanatory variables are smoker (logical, yes or no)
- and body mass score (three levels, normal, overweight, obese)
- so we fit the following model (including the interaction term)

# Anova with Count Data

```
> m <- glm(cells~smoker*weight,family=poisson,data=cells)
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cells ~ smoker * weight, family = poisson, data = c
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2.6511	-1.1742	-0.9148	0.5533	3.6436

Coefficients:	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-0.8712	0.1302	-6.692	2.20e-11 ***
smokerTRUE	0.8224	0.1833	4.486	7.27e-06 ***
weightobese	0.4993	0.1671	2.987	0.002817 **
weightover	0.2618	0.1866	1.404	0.160465
smokerTRUE:weightobese	0.8063	0.2296	3.511	0.000446 ***
smokerTRUE:weightover	0.4935	0.2546	1.939	0.052548 .

(Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 1052.95 on 510 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 792.85 on 505 degrees of freedom  
AIC: 1318.5

# Anova with Count Data

- again we see overdispersion (residual deviance  $>$  degrees of freedom)
- we compensate by refitting the model using quasi-Poisson errors

# Anova with Count Data

```
> m <- glm(cells~smoker*weight,family=quasipoisson,data=cells)
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cells ~ smoker * weight, family = quasipoisson,
     data = cells)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-2.6511	-1.1742	-0.9148	0.5533	3.6436

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )	
(Intercept)	-0.8712	0.1760	-4.950	1.01e-06	***
smokerTRUE	0.8224	0.2479	3.318	0.000973	***
weightobese	0.4993	0.2260	2.209	0.027598	*
weightover	0.2618	0.2522	1.038	0.299723	
smokerTRUE:weightobese	0.8063	0.3105	2.597	0.009675	**
smokerTRUE:weightover	0.4935	0.3442	1.434	0.152226	

(Dispersion parameter for quasipoisson family taken to be 1.82792)

# Interpreting the Coefficients

- remember poisson has log as link so

```
> exp(coef(m)[1])  
(Intercept)  
0.4184397
```

is the expected count of infected blood cells for a normal weighted non-smoker

- all the other estimates are interpretable as factors (because of the log link!)
- so a smoker has

```
> exp(coef(m)[2])  
smokerTRUE  
2.276029
```

more than twice as many infected cells which is

```
> exp(coef(m)[1])*exp(coef(m)[2])  
(Intercept)  
0.952381
```

# Interpreting the Coefficients

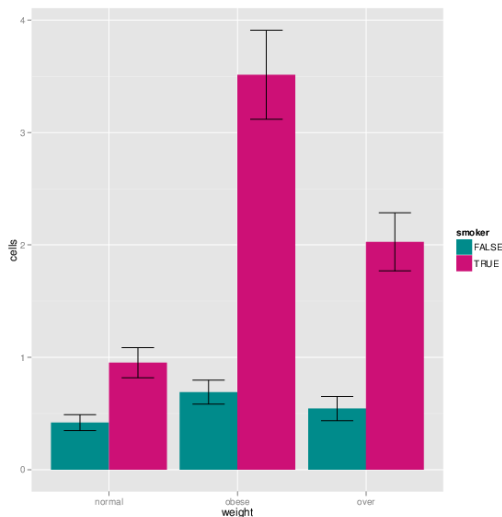
- unfortunately `effect()` does not work on our model object, so we use `tapply()` (for simple models a good alternative, as soon as I remove an interaction term, or nested effects this does not work anymore)

```
> with(cells,tapply(cells,list(smoker,weight),mean))  
          normal      obese      over  
FALSE 0.4184397 0.6893939 0.5436893  
TRUE  0.9523810 3.5142857 2.0270270
```



# Interpreting the Coefficients

- for visualization we use barplot with errorbars indicating the standard error



# Ancova with Count Data

- last example: analysis of covariance
- response is a count of the number of plant species on plots
- that have different biomass (a continuous explanatory variable) and
- different soil pH (a categorical variable with three levels: high, mid and low)

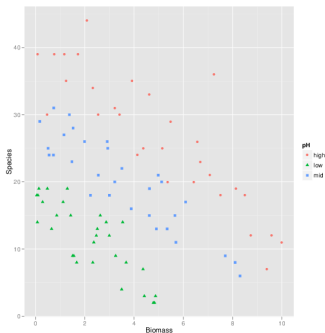
```
> species<-read.table("species.txt",header=T)
> head(species)
```

	pH	Biomass	Species
1	high	0.4692972	30
2	high	1.7308704	39
3	high	2.0897785	44
4	high	3.9257871	35
5	high	4.3667927	25
6	high	5.4819747	29

# Ancova with Count Data

- this time we begin with a scatter plot

```
p <- ggplot(species,aes(x=Biomass,y=Species,  
+                        shape=pH,colour=pH)) +  
  geom_point()
```



# Ancova with Count Data

- we see: number of species declines with Biomass
- soil pH has a big effect on Species
- Does the slope of the relationship between Species and Biomass depend on pH?

# Ancova with Count Data

- define the model and look at the summary

```
> m <- glm(Species~Biomass*pH,family=poisson,data=species)
> summary(m)
...
```

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )	
(Intercept)	3.76812	0.06153	61.240	< 2e-16	***
Biomass	-0.10713	0.01249	-8.577	< 2e-16	***
pHlow	-0.81557	0.10284	-7.931	2.18e-15	***
pHmid	-0.33146	0.09217	-3.596	0.000323	***
Biomass:pHlow	-0.15503	0.04003	-3.873	0.000108	***
Biomass:pHmid	-0.03189	0.02308	-1.382	0.166954	
...					

# Ancova with Count Data

- test for the need for different slopes by comparing this maximal model (with six parameters) with a simpler model with different intercepts but the same slope

```
> m2 <- glm(Species~Biomass+pH,  
+           family=poisson,data=species)  
> anova(m,m2,test="Chi")
```

Analysis of Deviance Table

Model 1: Species ~ Biomass \* pH

Model 2: Species ~ Biomass + pH

	Resid. Df	Resid. Dev	Df	Deviance	Pr(>Chi)
1	84	83.201			
2	86	99.242	-2	-16.04	0.0003288 ***

- AIC: m: 514.4; m2: 526.4

# Ancova with Count Data

- slopes are very significantly different  $p = 0.00033$  , so it is justified to retain the more complicated model
- finally, we have a look on the effects and then draw the fitted lines through the scatterplot using the plot object p from above

```
> allEffects(m,xlevels=list(Biomass=1:10))
```

```
model: Species ~ Biomass * pH
```

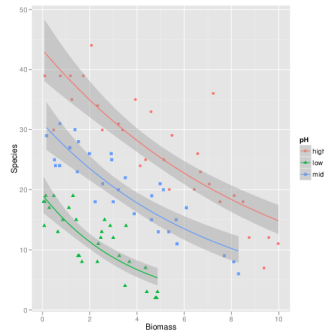
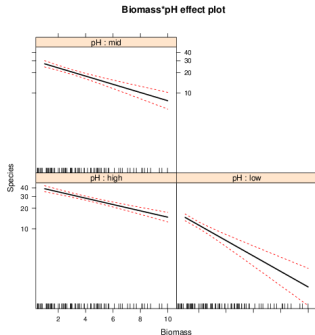
```
Biomass*pH effect
```

pH

Biomass	high	low	mid
1	38.89998	14.737487	27.048707
2	34.94810	11.338867	23.538030
3	31.39769	8.724005	20.483007
4	28.20797	6.712158	17.824498
5	25.34229	5.164264	15.511039
6	22.76775	3.973330	13.497847

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# Proportion Data

- For comparisons of one binomial proportion with a constant, use `binom.test()`
- For comparison of two samples of proportion data, use `prop.test()`
- The use of GLMs on proportion data is for complex models

# GLMs & Proportion Data

- uses also logit as link function and binomial error distribution
- if there is overdispersion use quasibinomial to compensate
- fitted values are counts
- we have seen one example so far: in the challenger example we have already used the responds variable in form of a proportion

# GLMs & Proportion Data

- we use an example concerning sex ratios in insects as response and
- population density as explanatory variable
- so load the data and fit the model

```
> numbers <- read.table("sexratio.txt", header=T)
```

```
> head(numbers)
```

	density	females	males
1	1	1	0
2	4	3	1
3	10	7	3
4	22	18	4
5	55	22	33
6	121	41	80

```
> m <- glm(cbind(males, females) ~ density,  
+          family=binomial, data=numbers)
```

# GLMs & Proportion Data

```
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cbind(males, females) ~ density, family = binomial,  
     data = numbers)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-3.4619	-1.2760	-0.9911	0.5742	1.8795

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	0.0807368	0.1550376	0.521	0.603
density	0.0035101	0.0005116	6.862	6.81e-12 ***

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

Null deviance: 71.159 on 7 degrees of freedom

Residual deviance: 22.091 on 6 degrees of freedom

AIC: 54.618

# GLMs & Proportion Data

- the residual deviance is larger than the residual degrees of freedom
- because it is something like a growth process we try a log transformation (before using quasibinomial family)

```
> m <- glm(cbind(males,females)~log(density),  
+          family=binomial,data=numbers)
```

```
> summary(m)
```

Call:

```
glm(formula = cbind(males, females) ~ log(density),  
     family = binomial, data = numbers)
```

Deviance Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.9697	-0.3411	0.1499	0.4019	1.0372

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z )
(Intercept)	-2.65927	0.48758	-5.454	4.92e-08 ***
log(density)	0.69410	0.09056	7.665	1.80e-14 ***

Null deviance: 71.1593 on 7 degrees of freedom  
Residual deviance: 5.6739 on 6 degrees of freedom  
AIC: 38.201

# GLMs & Proportion Data

- the transformation caused a welcome decrease in the residual deviance
- we conclude that the proportion of animals that are males increases significantly with increasing density, and
- that the logistic model is linearized by logarithmic transformation of the explanatory variable

# GLMs & Proportion Data

```
ggplot(numbers, aes(x=log(density),y=males/(males+female)  
  geom_point() +  
  geom_smooth(method=glm,family=binomial)
```

