

Chapter 5 Categorical Data Analysis

5.1 Describing Categorical Data



Objectives

- Examine the distribution of categorical variables.
- Do preliminary examinations of associations between variables.

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Examining Categorical Variables

By examining the distributions of categorical variables, you can do the following:

- determine the frequencies of data values.
- recognize possible associations among variables

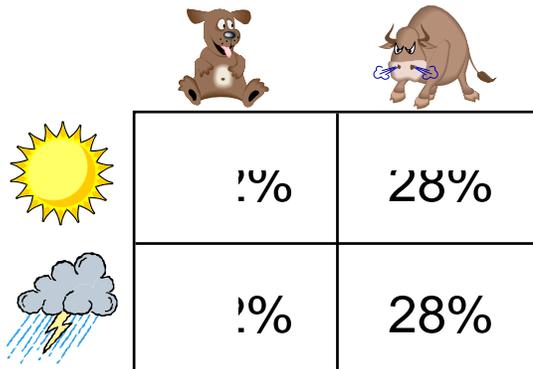
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Categorical Variables Association

- An association exists between two categorical variables if the distribution of one variable changes when the level (or value) of the other variable changes.
- If there is no association, the distribution of the first variable is the same regardless of the level of the other variable.

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No Association

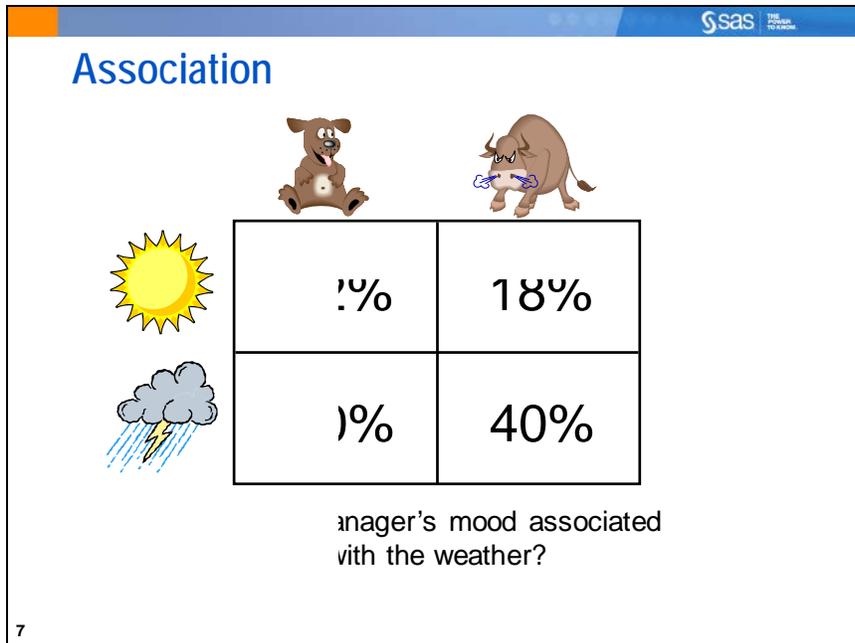


| | | |
|---|--|--|
|  |  12% |  28% |
|  | 12% | 28% |

manager's mood associated with the weather?

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There appears to be no association between your manager's mood and the weather here because the row percentages are the *same* in each column.



There appears to be an association here because the row percentages are *different* in each column.



Frequency Tables

A frequency table shows the number of observations that occur in certain categories or intervals. A one-way frequency table examines one variable.

| Income | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|--------|-----------|---------|----------------------|--------------------|
| High | 155 | 36 | 155 | 36 |
| Low | 132 | 31 | 287 | 67 |
| Medium | 144 | 33 | 431 | 100 |

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Typically, there are four types of frequency measures included in a frequency table:

| | |
|----------------------|---|
| Frequency | is the number of times the value appears in the data set. |
| Percent | represents the percentage of the data that has this value. |
| Cumulative Frequency | accumulates the frequency of each of the values by adding the second frequency to the first, and so on. |
| Cumulative Percent | accumulates the percentage by adding the second percentage to the first, and so on. |



Crosstabulation Tables

A *crosstabulation* table shows the number of observations for each combination of the row and column variables.

| | column 1 | column 2 | ... | column c |
|--------------|--------------------|--------------------|-----|--------------------|
| row 1 | cell ₁₁ | cell ₁₂ | ... | cell _{1c} |
| row 2 | cell ₂₁ | cell ₂₂ | ... | cell _{2c} |
| ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| row r | cell _{r1} | cell _{r2} | ... | cell _{rc} |

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By default, a crosstabulation table has four measures in each cell:

| | |
|-----------|---|
| Frequency | Number of observations falling into a category formed by the row variable value and the column variable value |
| Percent | Number of observations in each cell as a percentage of the total number of observations |
| Row Pct | Number of observations in each cell as a percentage of the total number of observations in that row |
| Col Pct | Number of observations in each cell as a percentage of the total number of observations in that column |



The FREQ Procedure

General form of the FREQ procedure:

```
PROC FREQ DATA=SAS-data-set;  
    TABLES table-requests </ options>;  
RUN;
```

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Selected FREQ procedure statement:

TABLES requests tables and specifies options for producing tests. The general form of a table request is *variable1*variable2*...*, where any number of these requests can be made in a single TABLES statement. For two-way crosstabulation tables, the first variable represents the rows and the second variable represents the columns.



PROC FREQ can generate large volumes of output as the number of variables or the number of variable levels (or both) increases.



Titanic Example

On the 10th of April, 1912, the RMS Titanic set out on its maiden voyage across the Atlantic Ocean carrying 2,223 passengers. On the 14th of April, it hit an iceberg and sank. There were 1,517 fatalities. Identifying information was not available for all passengers.



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Example: The data are stored in the `sasuser.Titanic` data set.

These are the variables in the data set:

- | | |
|-----------------|--|
| Survival | survival status (1= Survived , 0= Died) |
| Age | age of passenger in years |
| Gender | gender of passenger (male , female) |
| Class | ticket class (1 , 2 , 3) |
| Fare | ticket fare (This variable is misleading because it is shown as the cumulative total for a purchase for each person in a party.) |



This is a publically available data set.

5.01 Multiple Answer Poll

Which of the following would likely not be considered categorical in the data?

- a. **Gender**
- b. **Fare**
- c. **Survival**
- d. **Age**
- e. **Class**



Examining Distributions

Example: Invoke PROC FREQ and create one-way frequency tables for the variables **Gender**, **Class**, and **Survival** and create two-way frequency tables for the variables **Survival** by **Gender**, and **Survival** by **Class**. For the continuous variable, **Age**, create histograms for each level of **Survival**. Use a CLASS statement in PROC UNIVARIATE.

Use the FORMAT procedure to format the values of **Survival**.

```
/*st105d01.sas*/
title;
proc format;
  value survfmt 1="Survived"
                0="Died"
                ;
run;

proc freq data=sasuser.Titanic;
  tables Survived Gender Class
          Gender*Survived Class*Survived /
          plots(only)=freqplot(scale=percent);
  format Survived survfmt.;
run;

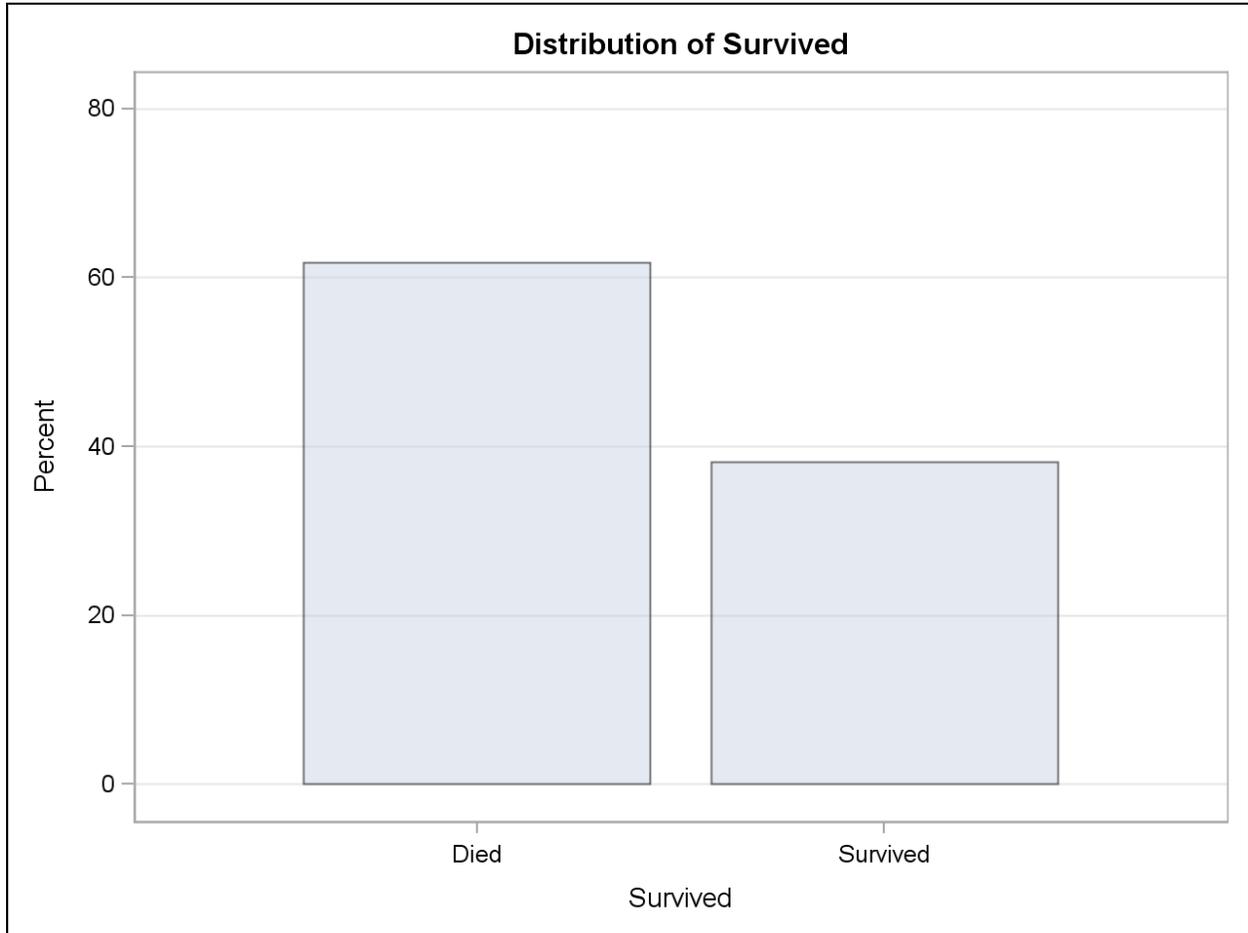
proc univariate data=sasuser.Titanic noprint;
  class Survived;
  var Age;
  histogram Age;
  inset mean std median min max / format=5.2 position=ne;
  format Survived survfmt.;
run;
```

Selected TABLES statement PLOTS option and suboptions:

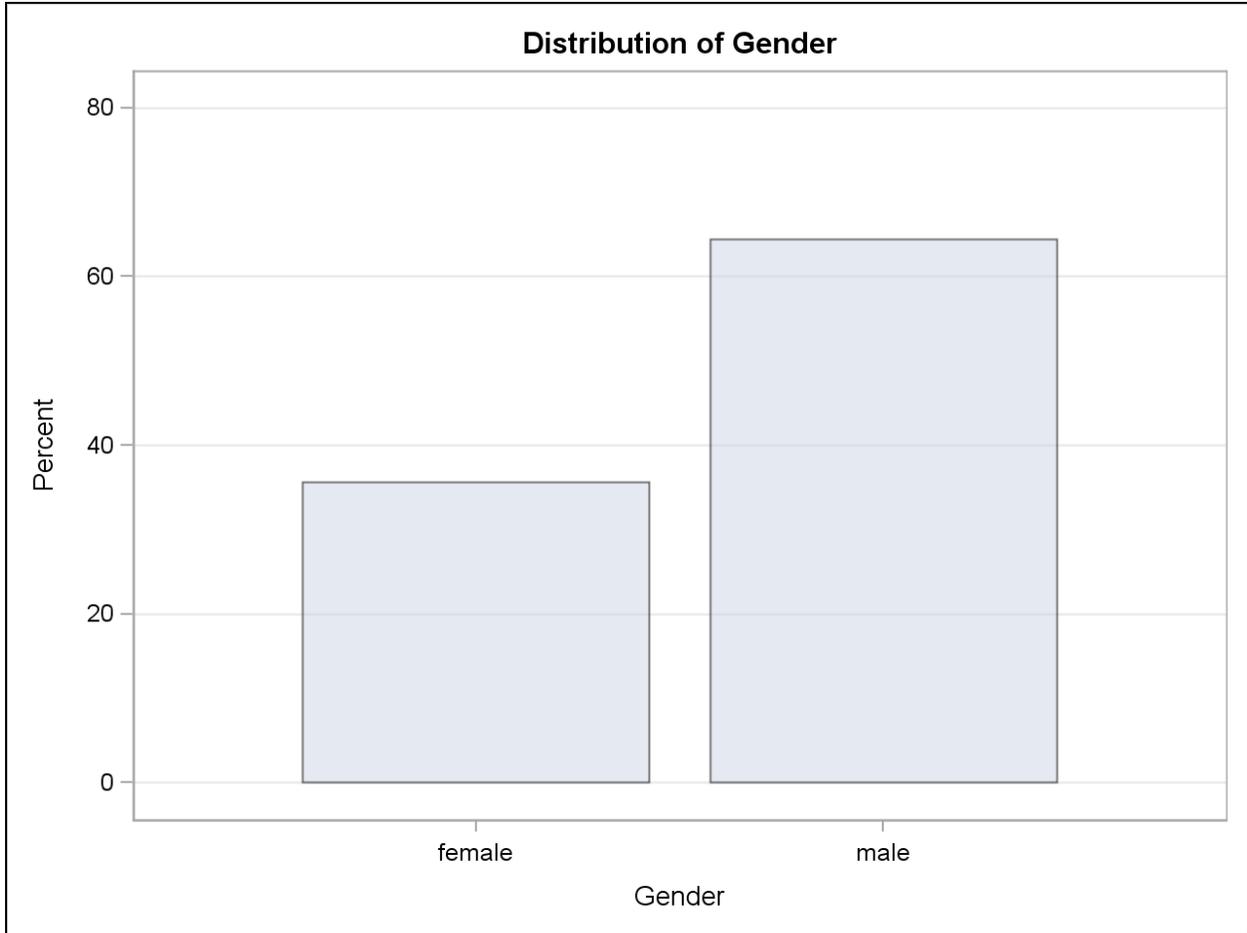
- FREQPLOT(<suboptions>)** requests a frequency plot. Frequency plots are available for frequency and crosstabulation tables. For multiway tables, PROC FREQ provides a two-way frequency plot for each stratum.
- (SCALE=)** specifies the scale of the frequencies to display. The default is **SCALE=FREQ**, which displays unscaled frequencies. **SCALE=PERCENT** displays percentages (relative frequencies).

PROC FREQ Output

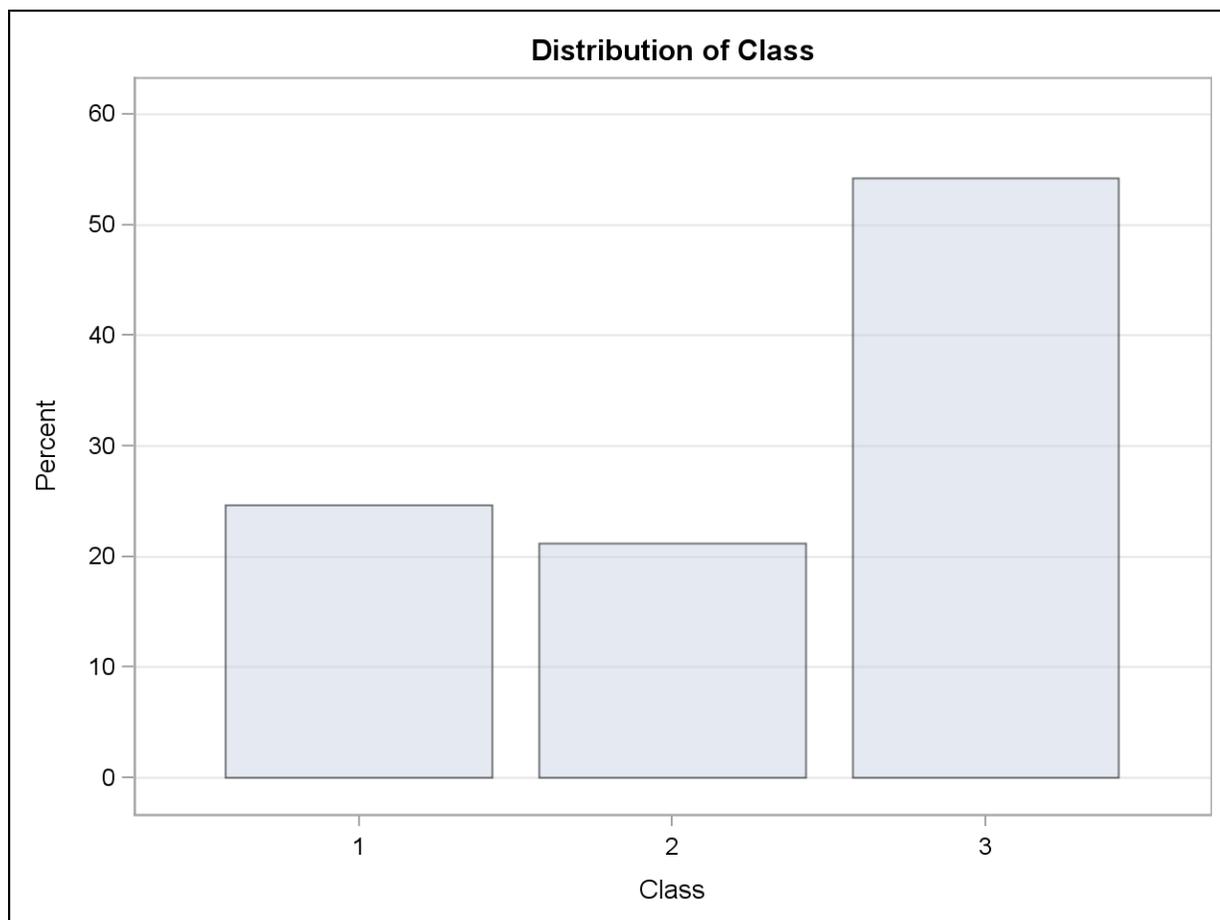
| | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Died | 809 | 61.80 | 809 | 61.80 |
| Survived | 500 | 38.20 | 1309 | 100.00 |



| Gender | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|--------|-----------|---------|----------------------|--------------------|
| female | 466 | 35.60 | 466 | 35.60 |
| male | 843 | 64.40 | 1309 | 100.00 |



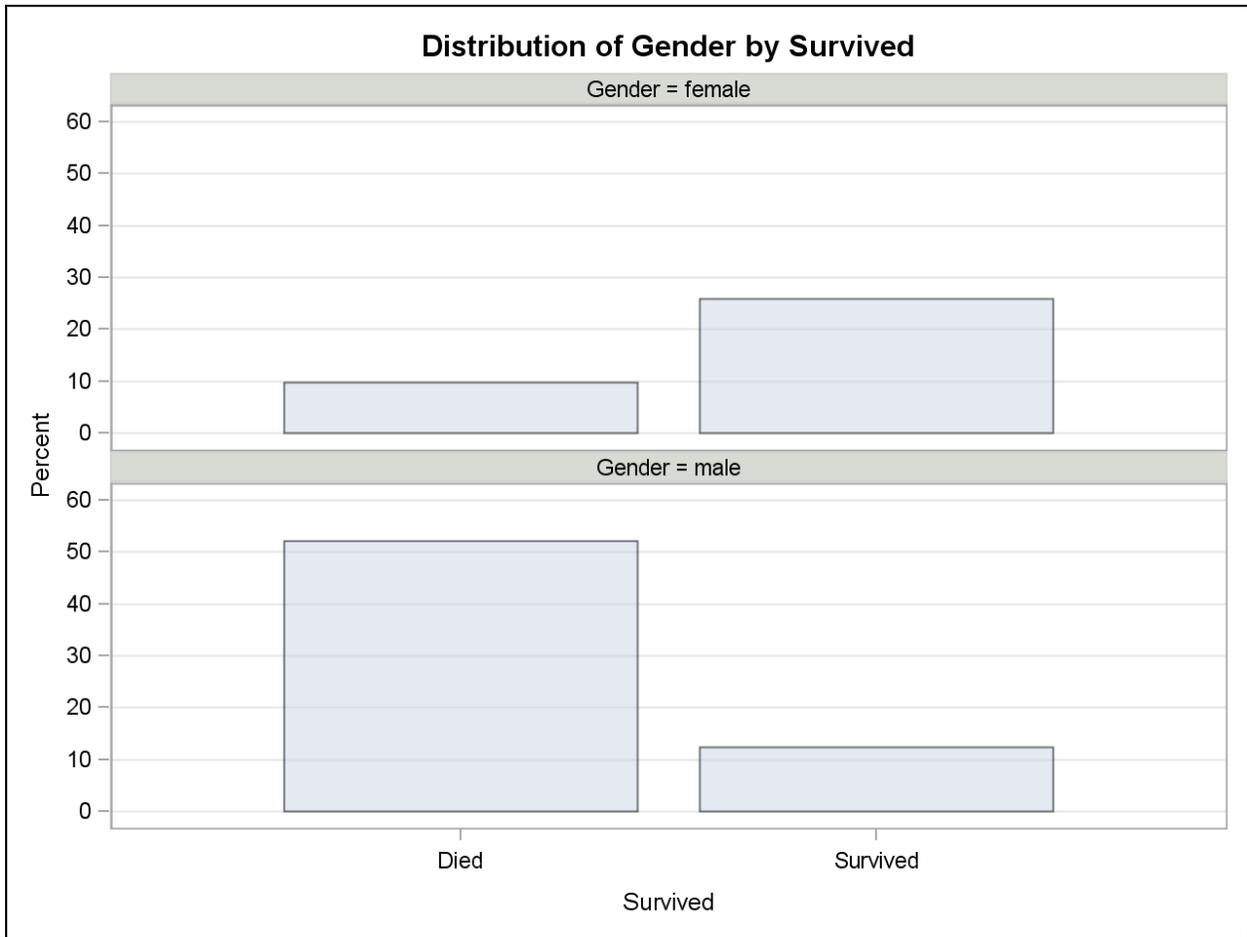
| Class | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|-------|-----------|---------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | 323 | 24.68 | 323 | 24.68 |
| 2 | 277 | 21.16 | 600 | 45.84 |
| 3 | 709 | 54.16 | 1309 | 100.00 |



There seem to be no unusual data values that could be due to coding errors for any of the categorical variables.

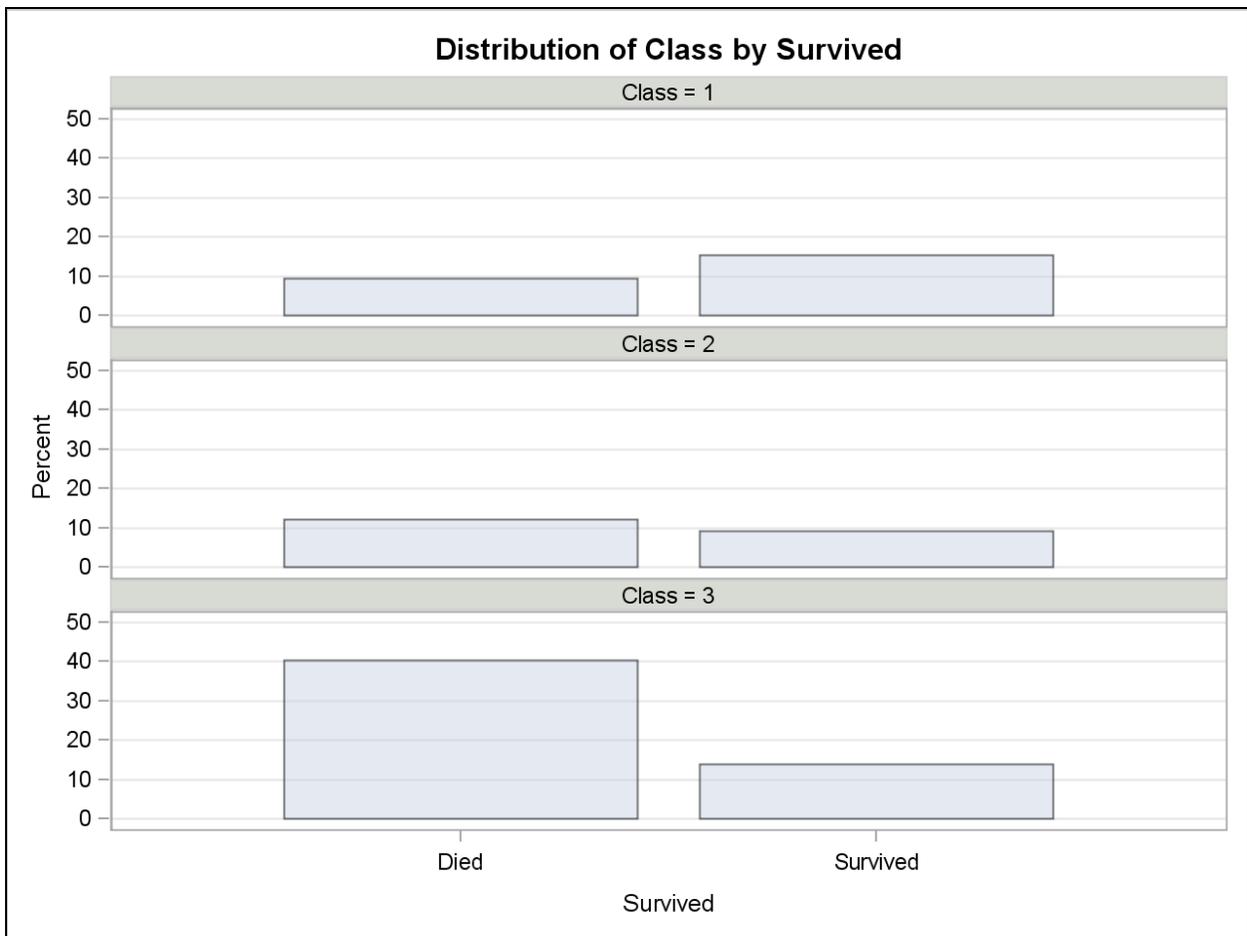
The requested two-way frequency tables follow. You can get a preliminary idea whether there are associations between the outcome variable, **Survival**, and the predictor variables, **Gender** and **Class**, by examining the distribution of **Survival** at each value of the predictors.

| Table of Gender by Survived | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Gender | Survived | | |
| Frequency | | | |
| Percent | | | |
| Row Pct | | | |
| Col Pct | Died | Survived | Total |
| female | 127 | 339 | 466 |
| | 9.70 | 25.90 | 35.60 |
| | 27.25 | 72.75 | |
| | 15.70 | 67.80 | |
| male | 682 | 161 | 843 |
| | 52.10 | 12.30 | 64.40 |
| | 80.90 | 19.10 | |
| | 84.30 | 32.20 | |
| Total | 809 | 500 | 1309 |
| | 61.80 | 38.20 | 100.00 |



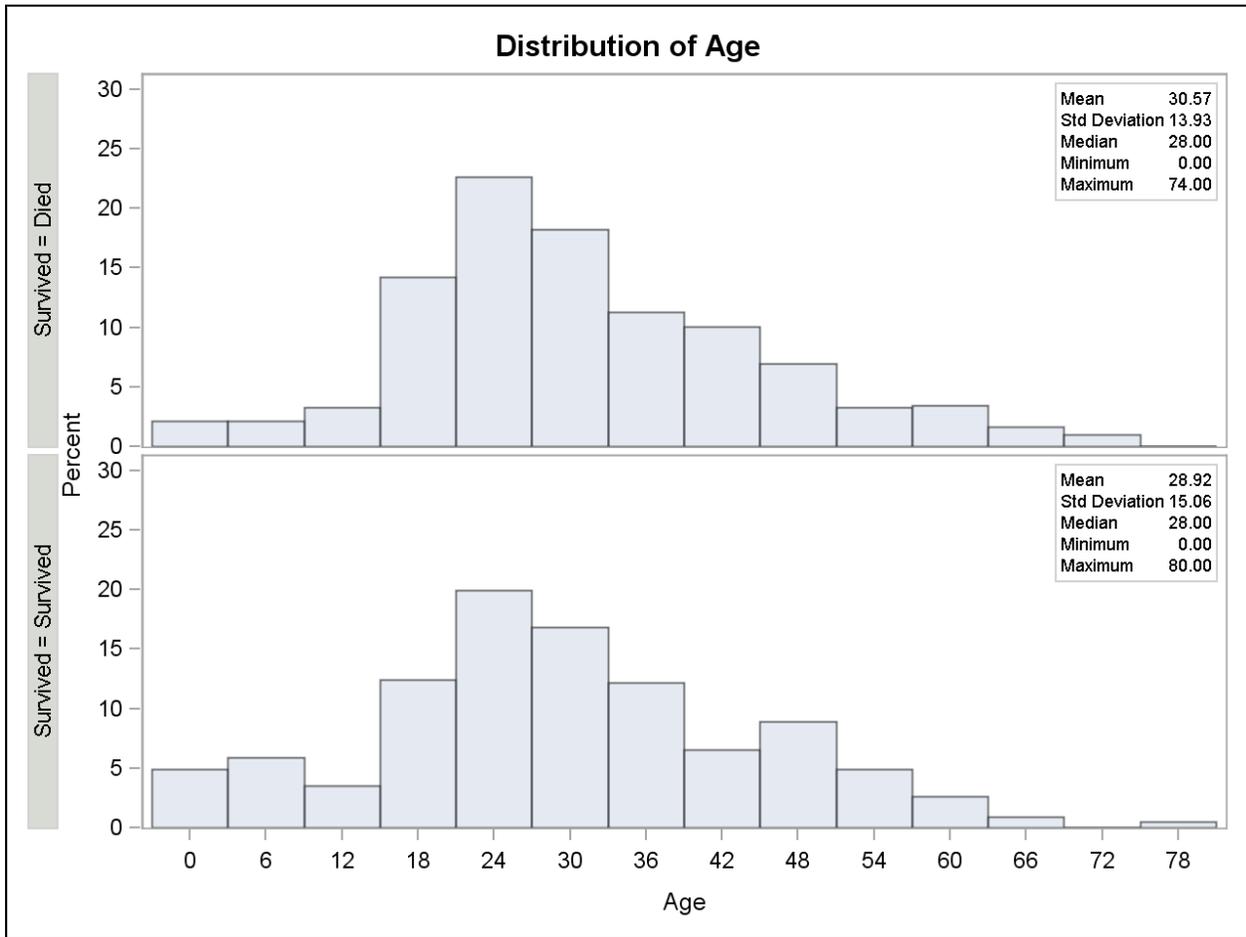
By examining the row percentages, you see that **Survival** is associated with **Gender**.

| Table of Class by Survived | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| Class | Survived | | |
| Frequency | | | |
| Percent | | | |
| Row Pct | | | |
| Col Pct | Died | Survived | Total |
| 1 | 123 9.40 38.08 15.20 | 200 15.28 61.92 40.00 | 323 24.68 |
| 2 | 158 12.07 57.04 19.53 | 119 9.09 42.96 23.80 | 277 21.16 |
| 3 | 528 40.34 74.47 65.27 | 181 13.83 25.53 36.20 | 709 54.16 |
| Total | 809 61.80 | 500 38.20 | 1309 100.00 |



There also seems to be an association between **Survival** and **Class**, with a far greater chance of surviving in higher classes.

The plot below shows the distribution of the continuous variable, **Age**, by survival status.



The distribution of **Age** appears to have no obvious outliers or strange shape for either group.

5.2 Tests of Association

Objectives

- Perform a chi-square test for association.
- Examine the strength of the association.
- Calculate exact p -values.
- Perform a Mantel-Haenszel chi-square test.

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Overview

| Type of Predictors \ Type of Response | Categorical | Continuous | Continuous and Categorical |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Continuous | Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) | Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) Regression | Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA) |
| Categorical | Contingency Table Analysis or Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression |

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Introduction

| Table of Gender by Survival | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|--------|
| Gender | Purchase | | |
| Row Pct | Died | Survived | Total |
| female | 27.75% | 72.25% | N=466 |
| male | 80.90% | 19.10% | N=843 |
| Total | N=809 | N=500 | N=1309 |

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There appears to be an association between **Gender** and **Survival** because the row probabilities are different in each column. To test for this association, you assess whether the difference between the probabilities of females surviving (72.25%) and males surviving (19.10%) is greater than would be expected by chance.

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Null Hypothesis

- There is no association between **Gender** and **Survival**.
- The probability of surviving the Titanic crash was the same whether you were male or female.

Alternative Hypothesis

- There *is* an association between **Gender** and **Survival**.
- The probability of surviving the Titanic crash was not the same for males and females.

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Chi-Square Test

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observed frequencies = expected frequencies

ASSOCIATION

observed frequencies \neq expected frequencies

 The expected frequencies are calculated by the formula: $(\text{row total} * \text{column total}) / \text{sample size}$.

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A commonly used test that examines whether there is an association between two categorical variables is the Pearson chi-square test. The chi-square test measures the difference between the observed cell frequencies and the cell frequencies that are expected if there is no association between the variables. If you have a significant chi-square statistic, there is strong evidence that an association exists between your variables.

 Under the null hypothesis of no association between Row and Column variable, the “expected” percentage in any R*C cell will be equal to the percent in that cell’s row (R / T) times the percent in the cell’s column (C / T). The expected count is then only that expected percentage times the total sample size. The expected count $= (R/T) * (C/T) * T = (R*C)/T$.

Chi-Square Tests

Chi-square tests and the corresponding p -values

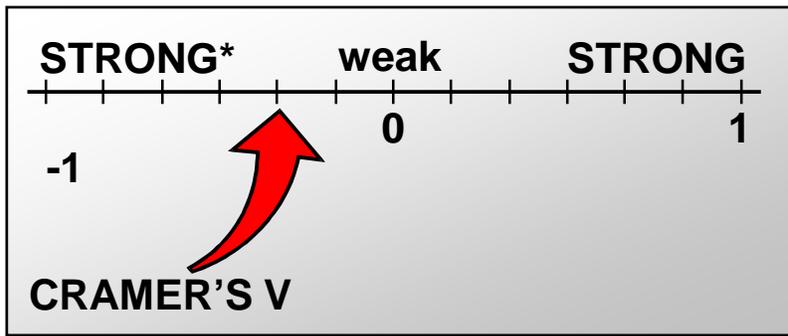
- determine whether an association exists
- do not measure the strength of an association
- depend on and reflect the sample size.

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{i=1}^R \sum_{j=1}^C \frac{(Obs_{ij} - Exp_{ij})^2}{Exp_{ij}}$$

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The p -value for the chi-square test only indicates how confident you can be that the null hypothesis of no association is false. It does not tell you the magnitude of an association. The value of the chi-square statistic also does not tell you the magnitude of the association. If you double the size of your sample by duplicating each observation, you double the value of the chi-square statistic, even though the strength of the association does not change.

Measures of Association



* Cramer's V is always nonnegative for tables larger than 2*2.

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One measure of the strength of the association between two nominal variables is Cramer's V statistic. It has a range of -1 to 1 for 2-by-2 tables and 0 to 1 for larger tables. Values farther from 0 indicate stronger association. Cramer's V statistic is derived from the Pearson chi-square statistic.

Odds Ratios

An *odds ratio* indicates how much more likely, with respect to odds, a certain event occurs in one group relative to its occurrence in another group.

Example: How do the odds of males surviving compare to those of females?

$$\text{Odds} = \frac{P_{\text{event}}}{1 - P_{\text{event}}}$$

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The odds ratio can be used as a measure of the strength of association for 2 * 2 tables. Do not mistake odds for probability. Odds are calculated from probabilities as shown in the next slides.

Probability versus Odds of an Outcome

| | Outcome | | Total |
|---------|---------|----|-------|
| | Yes | No | |
| Group A | 60 | 20 | 80 |
| Group B | 90 | 10 | 100 |
| Total | 150 | 30 | 180 |

$$\frac{\text{Total Yes outcomes in Group B}}{\text{Total outcomes in Group B}}$$

$$\text{Probability of a Yes in Group B} = 90 \div 100 = 0.9$$

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There is a 90% probability of having the outcome in group B. What is the probability of having the outcome in group A?

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Probability versus Odds of an Outcome

| | Outcome | | Total |
|---------|---------|----|-------|
| | Yes | No | |
| Group A | 60 | 20 | 80 |
| Group B | 90 | 10 | 100 |
| Total | 150 | 30 | 180 |

$$\frac{\text{Probability of Yes in Group B}}{0.90}$$

 \div

$$\frac{\text{Probability of No in Group B}}{0.10}$$

Odds of Yes in Group B = $0.90 \div 0.10 = 9$

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The odds of an outcome are the ratio of the expected probability that the outcome will occur to the expected probability that the outcome will *not* occur. The odds for group B are 9, which indicate that you expect nine times as many occurrences as non-occurrences in group B.

What are the odds of having the outcome in group A?

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Odds Ratio

| | Outcome | | Total |
|---------|---------|----|-------|
| | Yes | No | |
| Group A | 60 | 20 | 80 |
| Group B | 90 | 10 | 100 |
| Total | 150 | 30 | 180 |

$$\frac{\text{Odds of Yes in Group A}}{3}$$

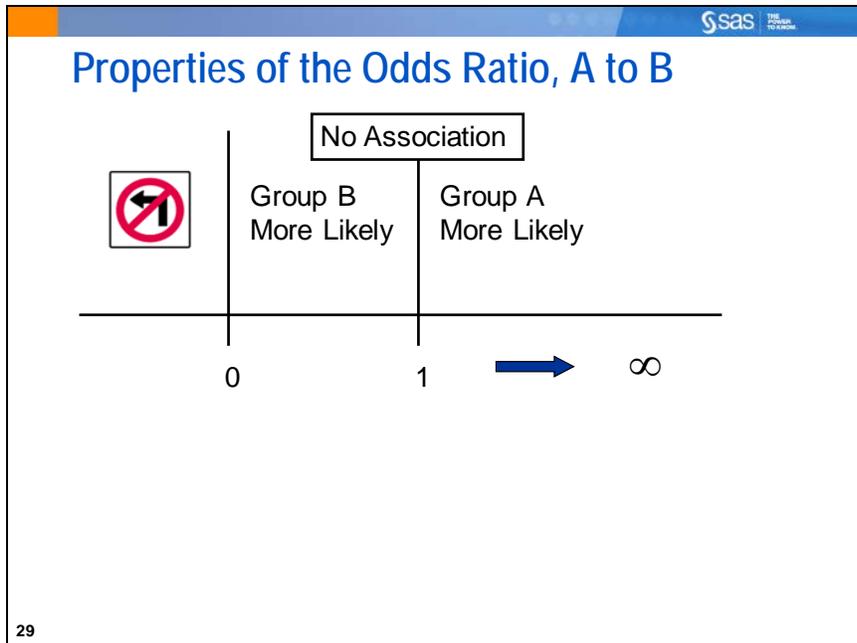
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$$\frac{\text{Odds of Yes in Group B}}{9}$$

Odds Ratio, A to B = $3 \div 9 = 0.3333$

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The odds ratio of group A to group B equals 1/3, or 0.3333, which indicates that the odds of getting the outcome in group A are one third those in group B. If you were interested in the odds ratio of group B to group A, you would simply take the inverse of 1/3 to arrive at 3.



The odds ratio shows the strength of the association between the predictor variable and the outcome variable. If the odds ratio is 1, then there is no association between the predictor variable and the outcome. If the odds ratio is greater than 1, then group A, the numerator group, is more likely to have the outcome. If the odds ratio is less than 1, then group B, the denominator group, is more likely to have the outcome.



Chi-Square Test

Example: Use the FREQ procedure to test for an association between the variables **Gender** and **Survived**. Also generate the expected cell frequencies and the cell's contribution to the total chi-square statistic.

```
/*st105d02.sas*/  
ods graphics off;  
proc freq data=sasuser.Titanic;  
  tables (Gender Class)*Survived  
    / chisq expected cellchi2 nocol nopercen  
      relrisk;  
  format Survived survfmt.;  
  title1 'Associations with Survival';  
run;  
ods graphics on;
```

Selected TABLES statement options:

- | | |
|-----------|--|
| CHISQ | produces the chi-square test of association and the measures of association based on the chi-square statistic. |
| EXPECTED | prints the expected cell frequencies under the hypothesis of no association. |
| CELLCHI2 | prints each cell's contribution to the total chi-square statistic. |
| NOCOL | suppresses printing the column percentages. |
| NOPERCENT | suppresses printing the cell percentages. |
| RELRIK | prints a table with risk ratios (probability ratios) and odds ratios. |

The frequency table is shown below.

| Table of Gender by Survived | | | |
|-----------------------------|----------|----------|-------|
| Gender | Survived | | |
| Frequency | | | |
| Expected | | | |
| Cell Chi-Square | | | |
| Row Pct | Died | Survived | Total |
| female | 127 | 339 | 466 |
| | 288 | 178 | |
| | 90.005 | 145.63 | |
| | 27.25 | 72.75 | |
| male | 682 | 161 | 843 |
| | 521 | 322 | |
| | 49.753 | 80.501 | |
| | 80.90 | 19.10 | |
| Total | 809 | 500 | 1309 |

It appears that the cell for **Survived=1 (Survived)** and **Gender=female** contributes the most to the chi-square statistic. The Cell Chi-Square value is 145.63.



The cell chi-square is calculated using the formula
 $(\text{observed frequency} - \text{expected frequency})^2 / \text{expected frequency}$.

The overall chi-square statistic is calculated by adding the cell chi-square values over all rows and columns: $\sum \sum ((\text{observed}_{rc} - \text{expected}_{rc})^2 / \text{expected}_{rc})$.

Below is the table that shows the chi-square test and Cramer's V.

| Statistic | DF | Value | Prob |
|------------------------------------|----|----------|--------|
| Chi-Square | 1 | 365.8869 | <.0001 |
| Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square | 1 | 372.9213 | <.0001 |
| Continuity Adj. Chi-Square | 1 | 363.6179 | <.0001 |
| Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square | 1 | 365.6074 | <.0001 |
| Phi Coefficient | | -0.5287 | |
| Contingency Coefficient | | 0.4674 | |
| Cramer's V | | -0.5287 | |

Because the p -value for the chi-square statistic is <.0001, which is below .05, you reject the null hypothesis at the 0.05 level and conclude that there is evidence of an association between **Gender** and **Survived**. Cramer's V of -0.5287 indicates that the association detected with the chi-square test is relatively strong.

| Fisher's Exact Test | |
|---------------------------------|-----------|
| Cell (1,1) Frequency (F) | 127 |
| Left-sided Pr <= F | 7.351E-83 |
| Right-sided Pr >= F | 1.0000 |
| Table Probability (P) | 6.705E-83 |
| Two-sided Pr <= P | 7.918E-83 |

Exact tests are often useful where asymptotic distributional assumptions are not met. The usual guidelines for the asymptotic chi-square test are generally 20-25 total observations for a 2×2 table, with 80% of the table cells having counts greater than 5. Fisher's Exact Test is provided by PROC FREQ when tests of association are requested for 2×2 tables. Otherwise, the exact test must be requested using an EXACT statement. The two-sided p -value of 7.918×10^{-83} is exceedingly small and statistically significant.

| Estimates of the Relative Risk (Row1/Row2) | | | |
|--|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| Type of Study | Value | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Case-Control (Odds Ratio) | 0.0884 | 0.0677 | 0.1155 |
| Cohort (Col1 Risk) | 0.3369 | 0.2894 | 0.3921 |
| Cohort (Col2 Risk) | 3.8090 | 3.2797 | 4.4239 |

The Relative Risk table shows another measure of strength of association.

The odds ratio is shown in the first row of the table, along with the 95% confidence limits. The odds ratio can be interpreted as the odds of a top row (**female**, in this case) value to be in the left column (**Died**), compared with the same odds in the bottom row (**male**). The value of 0.0884 says that a female has about 9% of the odds of dying, compared with a male. This is equivalent to saying that a male has about 9% of the odds of surviving, compared with a female.

Cohort estimates for each column are interpreted as probability ratios, rather than odds ratios. You get a choice of assessing probabilities of the left column (Col1) or the right column (Col2). For example, the Col1 risk shows the ratio of the probabilities of females to males being in the left column ($27.25/80.90=0.3369$).

It is often easier to report odds ratios by first transforming the decimal value to a percent difference value. The formula for doing that is $(OR-1) * 100$. In the example, you have $(0.0884-1)*100=-91.16\%$. In other words, males have 91.16 percent lower odds of surviving compared with females.

The 95% odds ratio confidence interval goes from 0.0677 to 0.1155. That interval does not include 1. This confirms the statistically significant (at $\alpha=0.05$) result of the Pearson chi-square test of association. A confidence interval that included the value 1 (equality of odds) would be a non-significant result.

| Table of Class by Survived | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Class | Survived | | |
| | Died | Survived | Total |
| Frequency | | | |
| Expected | | | |
| Cell Chi-Square | | | |
| Row Pct | | | |
| 1 | 123 | 200 | 323 |
| | 199.62 | 123.38 | |
| | 29.411 | 47.587 | |
| | 38.08 | 61.92 | |
| 2 | 158 | 119 | 277 |
| | 171.19 | 105.81 | |
| | 1.0169 | 1.6453 | |
| | 57.04 | 42.96 | |
| 3 | 528 | 181 | 709 |
| | 438.18 | 270.82 | |
| | 18.411 | 29.788 | |
| | 74.47 | 25.53 | |
| Total | 809 | 500 | 1309 |

Statistics for Table of Class by Survived

| Statistic | DF | Value | Prob |
|------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------|
| Chi-Square | 2 | 127.8592 | <.0001 |
| Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square | 2 | 127.7655 | <.0001 |
| Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square | 1 | 127.7093 | <.0001 |
| Phi Coefficient | | 0.3125 | |
| Contingency Coefficient | | 0.2983 | |
| Cramer's V | | 0.3125 | |

Sample Size=1309

There also seems to be an association between **Class** and **Survival** (Chi-Square(2 df)=127.8592, $p<.0001$). Cramer's V for that association is 0.3125.



Mantel-Haenszel chi-square is a test of an ordinal association between **Class** and **Survival**.

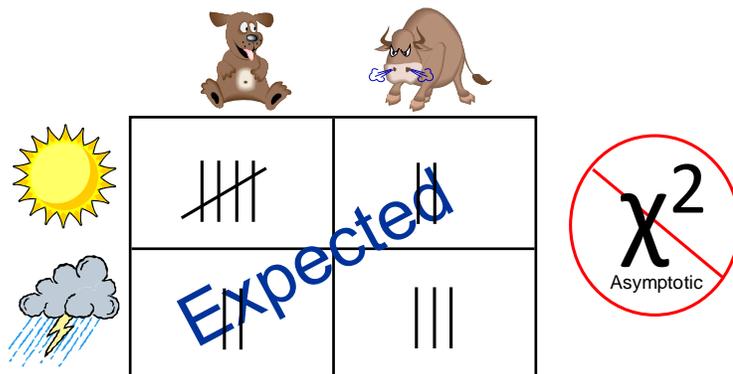
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What tends to happen when sample size decreases?

- a. The chi-square value increases.
- b. The p -value increases.
- c. Cramer's V increases.
- d. The Odds Ratio increases.
- e. The width of the CI for the Odds Ratio increases.

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When Not to Use the Asymptotic χ^2



**When more than 20% of cells have
expected counts less than five**

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There are times when the chi-square test might not be appropriate. In fact, when more than 20% of the cells have expected cell frequencies of less than 5, the chi-square test might not be valid. This is because the p -values are based on the assumption that the test statistic follows a particular distribution when the sample size is sufficiently large. Therefore, when the sample sizes are small, the asymptotic (large sample) p -values might not be valid.

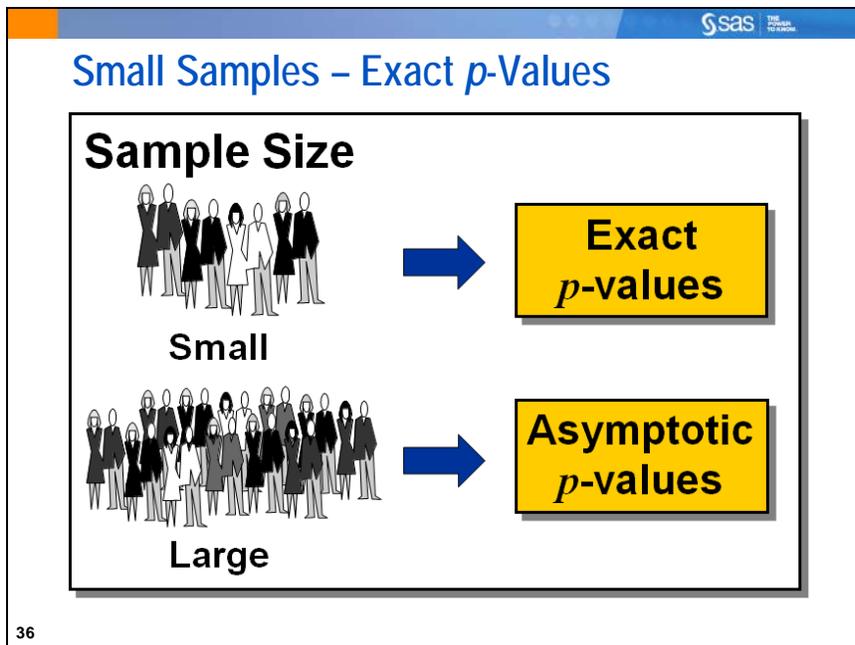
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Observed versus Expected Values

| Table of Row by Column | | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|-------------|-------|
| Row | Column | | | |
| Frequency | | | | |
| Expected | 1 | 2 | 3 | Total |
| 1 | 1 3.4286 | 5 4.5714 | 8 6 | 14 |
| 2 | 5 4.4082 | 6 5.8776 | 7 7.7143 | 18 |
| 3 | 6 4.1633 | 5 5.551 | 6 7.2857 | 17 |
| Total | 12 | 16 | 21 | 49 |

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The criterion for the chi-square test is based on the expected values, not the observed values. In the slide above, 1 out of 9, or 11% of the cells, has an *observed* count less than 5. However, 4 out of 9, or 44%, of the cells have *expected* counts less than 5. Therefore, the chi-square test might not be valid.



The EXACT statement provides exact p -values for many tests in the FREQ procedure. Exact p -values are useful when the sample size is small. In this case, the asymptotic p -values might not be useful.

However, large data sets (in terms of sample size, number of rows, and number of columns) can require a prohibitive amount of time and memory for computing exact p -values. For large data sets, consider whether exact p -values are needed or whether asymptotic p -values might be quite close to the exact p -values.



Exact p -Values for Pearson Chi-Square

Observed Table

| | | |
|----------|----------|---|
| <u>0</u> | <u>3</u> | 3 |
| <u>2</u> | <u>2</u> | 4 |
| 2 | 5 | 7 |

Expected Table

| | | |
|------|------|---|
| .86 | 2.14 | 3 |
| 1.14 | 2.86 | 4 |
| 2 | 5 | 7 |

A p -value gives the probability of the value of the χ^2 value being as extreme or more extreme than the one observed, just by chance.

Could the underlined sample values occur just by chance?

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Consider the table at left above. With such a small sample size, the asymptotic p -values would not be valid, because the accuracy of those p -values depends on large enough expected values in all cells.

Exact p -values reflect the probability of observing a table with at least as much evidence of an association as the one actually observed, given there is no association between the variables.



Recall that expected count within each cell is calculated by $\text{expected count} = (R \cdot C) / T$.

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A key assumption behind the computation of exact p -values is that the column totals and row totals are fixed. There are only three possible tables, including the observed table, given the fixed marginal totals.

Possible Table 2 is most like the Expected Table of the previous slide. So, the probability (0.571) that its cell values would occur in a table, given these row and column total values, is greatest of any possible table that could occur by chance.

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The exact p -value is the sum of probabilities of all tables with χ^2 values as great or greater than that of the Observed Table:

$p\text{-value}=0.286+0.143=0.429$

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To compute an exact p -value for this example, examine the chi-square value for each table and the probability that the table should occur by chance if the null hypothesis of no association were true. (The probabilities add up to 1.)

Remember the definition of a p -value. It is the probability, if the null hypothesis is true, that you would obtain a sample statistic **as great as or greater than** the one you observed just by chance.

In this example, this means the probability of obtaining a table with a χ^2 value as great as or greater than the 2.100 for the Observed Table. The probability associated with every table with a χ^2 value of 2.100 or higher would be summed to compute the two-sided exact p -value.

The exact p -value would be 0.286 (Observed Table)+0.143 (Possible Table 3)=0.429. This means you have a 42.9% chance of obtaining a table with at least as much of an association as the observed table simply by random chance.



Fisher's Exact p -Values for the Pearson Chi-Square Test

Example: Invoke PROC FREQ and produce exact p -values for the Pearson chi-square test.
Use the `sasuser.exact` data set, which has the data from the previous example.

```
/*st105d03.sas*/
ods graphics off;
proc freq data=sasuser.exact;
  tables A*B / chisq expected cellchi2 nocol nopercnt;
  title "Exact P-Values";
run;
ods graphics on;
```

The frequency table is shown below.

| Table of A by B | | | | |
|-----------------|--------|--------|-------|--|
| A | B | | | |
| Frequency | | | | |
| Expected | | | | |
| Cell Chi-Square | | | | |
| Row Pct | 1 | 2 | Total | |
| 1 | 0 | 3 | 3 | |
| | 0.8571 | 2.1429 | | |
| | 0.8571 | 0.3429 | | |
| | 0.00 | 100.00 | | |
| 2 | 2 | 2 | 4 | |
| | 1.1429 | 2.8571 | | |
| | 0.6429 | 0.2571 | | |
| | 50.00 | 50.00 | | |
| Total | 2 | 5 | 7 | |

| Statistic | DF | Value | Prob |
|---|----|---------|--------|
| Chi-Square | 1 | 2.1000 | 0.1473 |
| Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square | 1 | 2.8306 | 0.0925 |
| Continuity Adj. Chi-Square | 1 | 0.3646 | 0.5460 |
| Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square | 1 | 1.8000 | 0.1797 |
| Phi Coefficient | | -0.5477 | |
| Contingency Coefficient | | 0.4804 | |
| Cramer's V | | -0.5477 | |
| WARNING: 100% of the cells have expected counts less than 5. Chi-Square may not be a valid test. | | | |

The warning tells you that you should not trust the reported p -value in this table.

| Fisher's Exact Test | |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Cell (1,1) Frequency (F) | 0 |
| Left-sided Pr \leq F | 0.2857 |
| Right-sided Pr \geq F | 1.0000 |
| Table Probability (P) | 0.2857 |
| Two-sided Pr \leq P | 0.4286 |

The Two-sided Pr \leq P value is the one you will report. Notice the difference between the exact p -value (0.4286) and the asymptotic p -value (0.1473) in the Pearson chi-square test table. The exact p -values are larger. Exact tests tend to be more conservative than asymptotic tests.

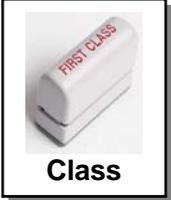


For tables larger than 2*2, an EXACT statement must be submitted to obtain exact p -values. For large tables, this can take a long time and use a great deal of computational resources.

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Association among Ordinal Variables

Is



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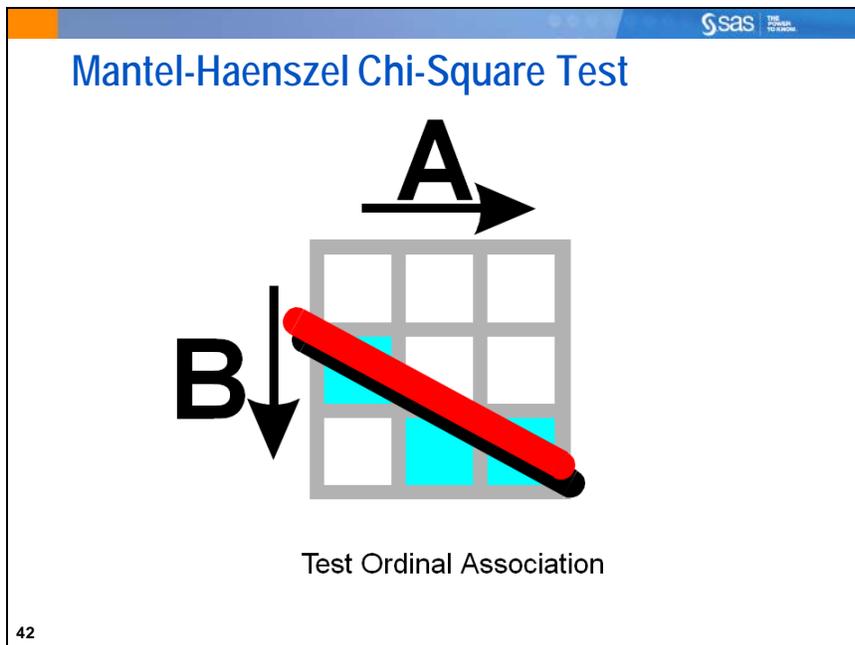


Survived

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You already saw that **Survived** and **Class** have a significant general association. Another question that you can ask is whether **Survived** and **Class** have a significant ordinal association. The appropriate test for ordinal associations is the Mantel-Haenszel chi-square test.



The diagram illustrates the Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square Test. It features a 3x3 grid with a red diagonal line running from the top-left to the bottom-right. The grid is labeled 'A' with a right-pointing arrow above it and 'B' with a downward-pointing arrow to its left. Three cells are highlighted in cyan: the middle-left cell, the middle-right cell, and the bottom-right cell. Below the grid, the text 'Test Ordinal Association' is displayed. The SAS logo is in the top right corner of the slide, and the number '42' is in the bottom left corner.

The Mantel-Haenszel chi-square test is particularly sensitive to ordinal associations. An *ordinal association* implies that as one variable increases, the other variable tends to increase, or decrease. For the test results to be meaningful when there are variables with more than two levels, the levels must be in a logical order.

Null hypothesis: There is no ordinal association between the row and column variables.

Alternative hypothesis: There is an ordinal association between the row and column variables.

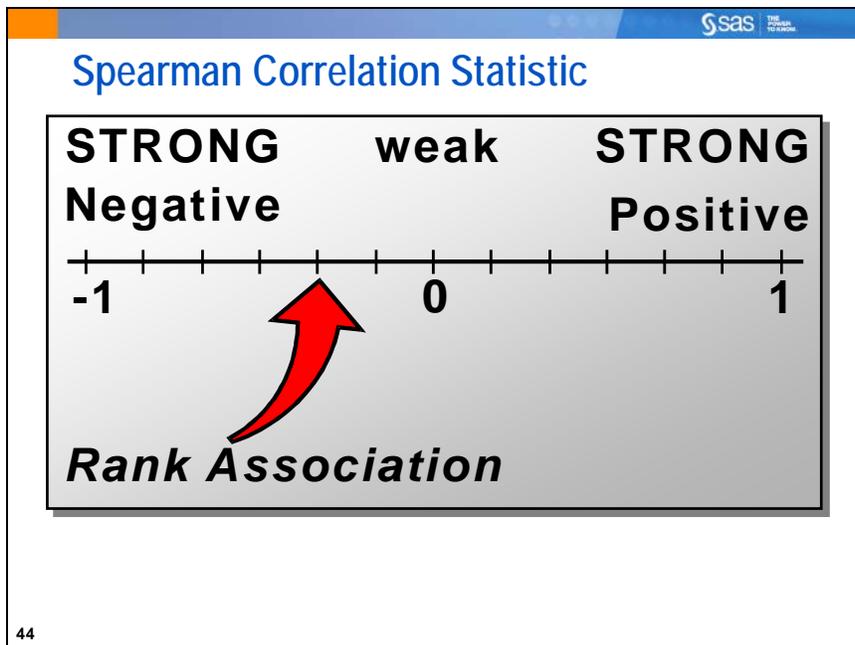
Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square Test

- Determines whether an ordinal association exists
- Does not measure the strength of the ordinal association
- Depends on and reflects the sample size

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The Mantel-Haenszel chi-square statistic is more powerful than the general association chi-square statistic for detecting an ordinal association. The reasons are that

- all of the Mantel-Haenszel statistic's power is concentrated toward that objective
- the power of the general association statistic is dispersed over a greater number of alternatives.



To measure the strength of the ordinal association, you can use the Spearman correlation statistic. This statistic

- has a range between -1 and 1
- has values close to 1 if there is a relatively high degree of positive correlation
- has values close to -1 if there is a relatively high degree of negative correlation
- is appropriate only if both variables are ordinal scaled and the values are in a logical order.



Spearman versus Pearson

- The Spearman correlation uses ranks of the data.
- The Pearson correlation uses the observed values when the variable is numeric.

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The Spearman statistic can be interpreted as the Pearson correlation between the ranks on variable X and the ranks on variable Y.

For character values, SAS assigns, by default, a 1 to column 1, a 2 to column 2, and so on. You can change the default with the SCORES= option in the TABLES statement.



Detecting Ordinal Associations

Example: Use PROC FREQ to test whether an ordinal association exists between **Survived** and **Class**.

```
/*st105d04.sas*/
ods graphics off;
proc freq data=sasuser.Titanic;
  tables Class*Survived / chisq measures cl;
  format Survived survfmt.;
  title1 'Ordinal Association between CLASS and SURVIVAL?';
run;
ods graphics on;
```

Selected TABLES statement options:

- CHISQ** produces the Pearson chi-square, the likelihood-ratio chi-square, and the Mantel-Haenszel chi-square. It also produces measures of association based on chi-square such as the phi coefficient, the contingency coefficient, and Cramer's V.
- MEASURES** produces the Spearman correlation statistic along with other measures of association.
- CL** produces confidence bounds for the MEASURES statistics.

The crosstabulation is shown below.

| Table of Class by Survived | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------|-------|----------|--------|
| Class | Survived | | | |
| | Frequency | | | |
| | Percent | | | |
| | Row Pct | | | |
| | Col Pct | Died | Survived | Total |
| 1 | | 123 | 200 | 323 |
| | | 9.40 | 15.28 | 24.68 |
| | | 38.08 | 61.92 | |
| | | 15.20 | 40.00 | |
| 2 | | 158 | 119 | 277 |
| | | 12.07 | 9.09 | 21.16 |
| | | 57.04 | 42.96 | |
| | | 19.53 | 23.80 | |
| 3 | | 528 | 181 | 709 |
| | | 40.34 | 13.83 | 54.16 |
| | | 74.47 | 25.53 | |
| | | 65.27 | 36.20 | |
| Total | | 809 | 500 | 1309 |
| | | 61.80 | 38.20 | 100.00 |

The results of the Mantel-Haenszel chi-square test are shown below.

| Statistic | DF | Value | Prob |
|-----------------------------|----|----------|--------|
| Chi-Square | 2 | 127.8592 | <.0001 |
| Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square | 2 | 127.7655 | <.0001 |
| Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square | 1 | 127.7093 | <.0001 |
| Phi Coefficient | | 0.3125 | |
| Contingency Coefficient | | 0.2983 | |
| Cramer's V | | 0.3125 | |

Because the p -value of the Mantel-Haenszel chi-square is <.0001, you can conclude at the 0.05 significance level that there is evidence of an ordinal association between **Survived** and **Class**.

The Spearman correlation statistic and the 95% confidence bounds are shown below.

| Statistic | Value | ASE | 95% | |
|-----------------------------------|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|
| | | | Confidence Limits | |
| Gamma | -0.5067 | 0.0375 | -0.5801 | -0.4332 |
| Kendall's Tau-b | -0.2948 | 0.0253 | -0.3444 | -0.2451 |
| Stuart's Tau-c | -0.3141 | 0.0274 | -0.3677 | -0.2604 |
| Somers' D C R | -0.2613 | 0.0226 | -0.3056 | -0.2170 |
| Somers' D R C | -0.3326 | 0.0286 | -0.3887 | -0.2765 |
| Pearson Correlation | -0.3125 | 0.0267 | -0.3647 | -0.2602 |
| Spearman Correlation | -0.3097 | 0.0266 | -0.3619 | -0.2576 |
| Lambda Asymmetric C R | 0.1540 | 0.0331 | 0.0892 | 0.2188 |
| Lambda Asymmetric R C | 0.0317 | 0.0320 | 0.0000 | 0.0944 |
| Lambda Symmetric | 0.0873 | 0.0292 | 0.0301 | 0.1445 |
| Uncertainty Coefficient C R | 0.0734 | 0.0127 | 0.0485 | 0.0983 |
| Uncertainty Coefficient R C | 0.0485 | 0.0084 | 0.0320 | 0.0650 |
| Uncertainty Coefficient Symmetric | 0.0584 | 0.0101 | 0.0386 | 0.0782 |

The Spearman Correlation (-0.3097) indicates that there is a moderate, negative ordinal relationship between **Class** and **Survived** (that is, as **Class** levels increase, **Survived** tends to decrease).

The ASE is the asymptotic standard error (0.0266), which is an appropriate measure of the standard error for larger samples.

Because the 95% confidence interval (-0.3619, -0.2576) for the Spearman correlation statistic does not contain 0, the relationship is significant at the 0.05 significance level.

The confidence bounds are valid only if your sample size is large. A general guideline is to have a sample size of at least 25 for each degree of freedom in the Pearson chi-square statistic.



Exercises

1. Performing Tests and Measures of Association

An insurance company wants to relate the safety of vehicles to several other variables. A score is given to each vehicle model, using the frequency of insurance claims as a basis. The data are in the **sasuser.safety** data set.

The variables in the data set are as follows:

| | |
|---------------|---|
| Unsafe | dichotomized safety score (1=Below Average, 0=Average or Above) |
| Type | type of car (Large, Medium, Small, Sport/Utility, Sports) |
| Region | manufacturing region (Asia, N America) |
| Weight | weight in 1000s of pounds |
| Size | trichotomized version of Type (1=Small or Sports, 2=Medium, 3=Large or Sport/Utility). |

a. Invoke the **FREQ** procedure and create one-way frequency tables for the categorical variables.

1) What is the measurement scale of each variable?

| <u>Variable</u> | <u>Measurement Scale</u> |
|-----------------|--------------------------|
| Unsafe | _____ |
| Type | _____ |
| Region | _____ |
| Weight | _____ |
| Size | _____ |

2) What is the proportion of cars made in North America?

3) For the variables **Unsafe**, **Size**, **Region**, and **Type**, are there any unusual data values that warrant further investigation?

- b. Use PROC FREQ to examine the crosstabulation of the variables **Region** by **Unsafe**. Generate a temporary format to clearly identify the values of **Unsafe**. Along with the default output, generate the expected frequencies, the chi-square test of association, and the odds ratio.

Use the following code for the format:

```
proc format;
  value safefmt 0='Average or Above'
                1='Below Average';
run;
```

- 1) For the cars made in Asia, what percentage had a below-average safety score?
 - 2) For the cars with an average or above safety score, what percentage was made in North America?
 - 3) Do you see a statistically significant (at the 0.05 level) association between **Region** and **Unsafe**?
 - 4) What does the odds ratio compare and what does this one say about the difference in odds between Asian and North American cars?
- c. Use the variable named **Size**. Examine the ordinal association between **Size** and **Unsafe**. Use PROC FREQ.
- 1) What statistic should you use to detect an ordinal association between **Size** and **Unsafe**?
 - 2) Do you reject or fail to reject the null hypothesis at the 0.05 level?
 - 3) What is the strength of the ordinal association between **Size** and **Unsafe**?
 - 4) What is the 95% confidence interval around that statistic?

5.03 Multiple Answer Poll

A researcher wants to measure the strength of an association between two binary variables. Which statistic(s) can he use?

- a. Hansel and Gretel Correlation
- b. Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square
- c. Pearson Chi-Square
- d. Odds Ratio
- e. Spearman Correlation

5.3 Introduction to Logistic Regression

Objectives

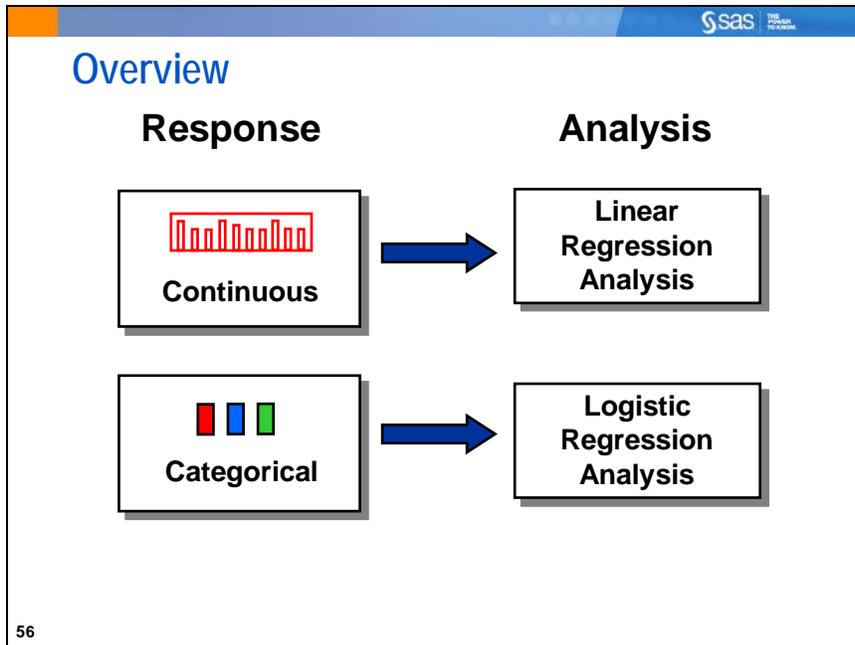
- Define the concepts of logistic regression.
- Fit a binary logistic regression model using the LOGISTIC procedure.
- Describe the standard output from the LOGISTIC procedure with one continuous predictor variable.
- Read and interpret odds ratio tables and plots.

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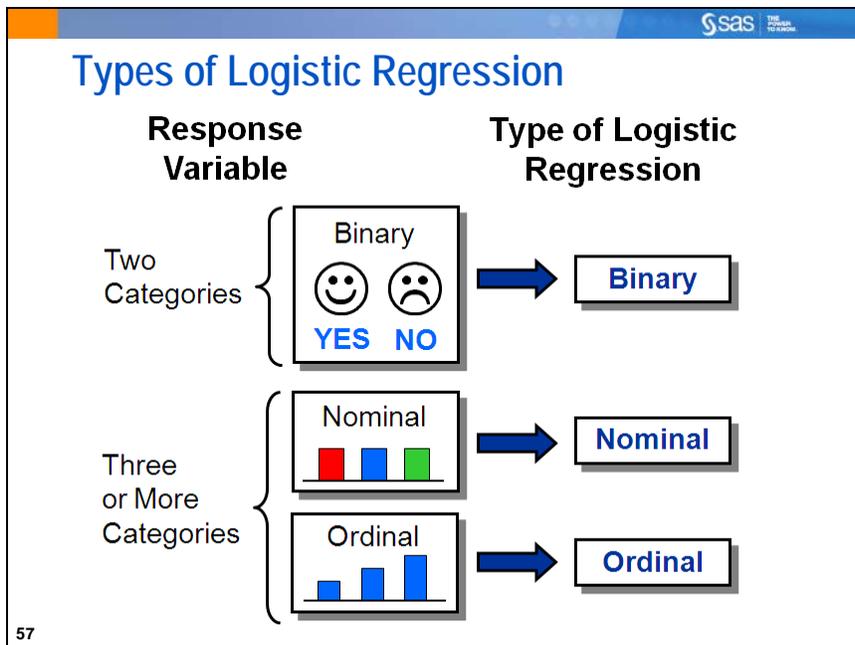
Overview

| Type of Predictors \ Type of Response | Categorical | Continuous | Continuous and Categorical |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Continuous | Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) | Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) Regression | Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA) |
| Categorical | Contingency Table Analysis or Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression |

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Regression analysis enables you to characterize the relationship between a response variable and one or more predictor variables. In linear regression, the response variable is continuous. In *logistic regression*, the response variable is categorical.



If the response variable is dichotomous (two categories), the appropriate logistic regression model is binary logistic regression.

If you have more than two categories (levels) within the response variable, then there are two possible logistic regression models:

1. If the response variable is nominal, you fit a nominal logistic regression model.
2. If the response variable is ordinal, you fit an ordinal logistic regression model.

Why Not Ordinary Least Squares Regression?

$$OLS \text{ Regression: } Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \varepsilon_i$$

- If the response variable is categorical, then how do you code the response numerically?
- If the response is coded (1=Yes and 0=No) and your regression equation predicts 0.5 or 1.1 or -0.4, what does that mean practically?
- If there are only two (or a few) possible response levels, is it reasonable to assume constant variance and normality?

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You might be tempted to analyze a regression model with a binary response variable using PROC REG. However, there are problems with that. Besides the arbitrary nature of the coding, there is the problem that the predicted values will take on values that have no intrinsic meaning, with regard to your response variable. There is also the mathematical inconvenience of not being able to assume normality and constant variance when the response variable has only two values.



What about a Linear Probability Model?

Linear Probability Model: $p_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1i}$

- Probabilities are bounded, but linear functions can take on any value. (Once again, how do you interpret a predicted value of -0.4 or 1.1?)
- Given the bounded nature of probabilities, can you assume a linear relationship between X and p throughout the possible range of X ?
- Can you assume a random error with constant variance?
- What is the observed probability for an observation?

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Instead of modeling the zeros and ones directly, another way of thinking about modeling a binary variable is to model the probability of either the zero or the one. If you can model the probability of the one (called p), then you also modeled the probability of the zero, which would be $(1-p)$. Probabilities are truly continuous and so this line of thinking might sound compelling at first.

One problem is that the predicted values from a linear model can assume, theoretically, any value. However, probabilities are by definition bounded between 0 and 1.

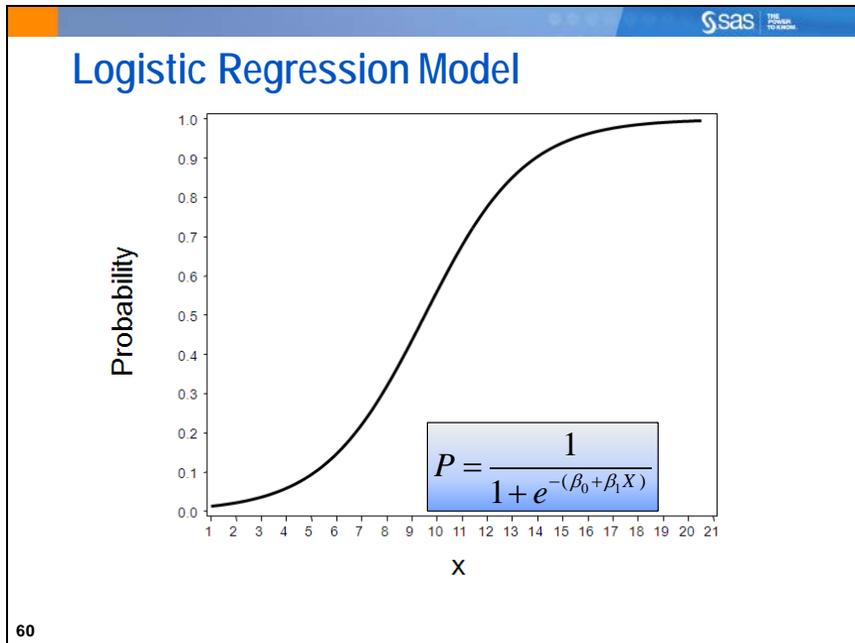
Another problem is that the relationship between the probability of the outcome and a predictor variable is usually nonlinear rather than linear. In fact, the relationship often resembles an S-shaped curve (a “sigmoidal” relationship).

Probabilities do not have a random normal error associated with them, but rather a binomial error of $p*(1-p)$. That error is greatest at probabilities close to 0.5 and lowest near 0 and 1.



As mentioned above, probabilities have a binomial error of the form $p*(1-p) = (p-p^2)$. Taking the derivative of this expression with respect to p yields the expression $1-2*p$. Setting the derivative equal to zero and solving for p returns a value of 0.5. This binomial error equation is a downward facing parabola, which means that the greatest value is at 0.5 and lowest values are near 0 and 1.

Finally, there is no such thing as an “observed probability” and therefore least squares methods cannot be used. The response variable is always either 0 or 1 and therefore the probability of the event is either 0% or 100%. This is another reason why it is untenable to assume a normal distribution of error.



This plot shows a model of the relationship between a continuous predictor and the probability of an event or outcome. The linear model clearly does not fit if this is the true relationship between X and the probability. In order to model this relationship directly, you must use a nonlinear function. One such function is displayed. The S-shape of the function is known as a *sigmoid*.

The rate of change parameter of this function (β_1) determines the rate of increase or decrease of the curve. When the parameter value is greater than 0, the probability of the outcome increases as the predictor variable values increase. When the parameter is less than 0, the probability decreases as the predictor variable values increase. As the absolute value of the parameter increases, the curve has a steeper rate of change. When the parameter value is equal to 0, the curve can be represented by a straight, horizontal line that shows an equal probability of the event for everyone.

The β values for this model cannot be computed in PROC REG because this is not a linear model.



Logit Transformation

Logistic regression models transformed probabilities, called *logits**,

$$\text{logit}(p_i) = \ln \left(\frac{p_i}{(1-p_i)} \right)$$

where

- i indexes all cases (observations)
- p_i is the probability that the event (for example, a sale) occurs in the i^{th} case
- \ln is the natural log (to the base e).

* The logit is the natural log of the odds.

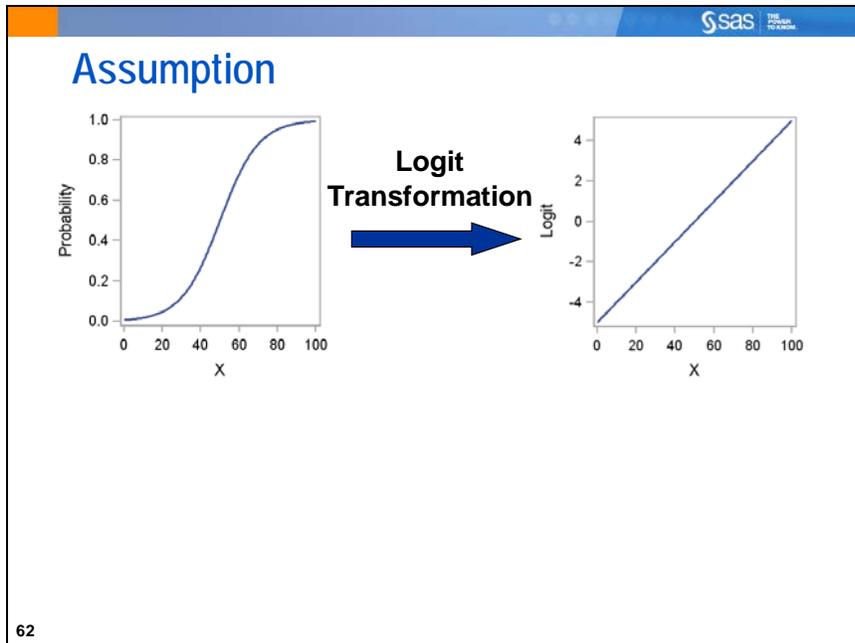
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A logistic regression model applies a logit transformation to the probabilities. Two of the problems that you saw with modeling the probability directly were that probabilities were bounded between 0 and 1, and that there was not likely a straight line relationship between predictors and probabilities.

First, deal with the problem of restricted range of the probability. What about the range of a logit? As p approaches its maximum value of 1, the value $\ln(p/(1-p))$ goes to infinity. As p approaches its minimum value of 0, $p/(1-p)$ approaches 0. The natural log of something approaching 0 is something that goes to negative infinity. So, the logit has no upper or lower bounds.

If you can model the logit, then simple algebra enables you to model the odds or the probability. The logit transformation ensures that the model generates estimated probabilities between 0 and 1.

The logit is the natural log of the odds. The odds and odds ratios were discussed in a previous section. This relationship between the odds and the logit will become important later in this section.



 Assumption in logistic regression: The logit has a linear relationship with the predictor variables.

If the hypothesized nature of the direct relationship between X and p are correct, then the logit has a linear relationship with X through the parameters. In other words, a linear function of X , additive in relation to the parameters, can be used to model the logit. In that way, you can indirectly model the probability.

To verify this assumption, it would be useful to plot the logits by the predictor variable. (Logit plots are illustrated in a later section.)

Logistic Regression Model

$$\text{logit}(p_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{ki}$$

where

logit (p_i)= logit of the probability of the event

β_0 = intercept of the regression equation

β_k = parameter estimate of the k^{th} predictor variable

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For a binary response variable, the linear logistic model with one predictor variable has the form above.

Unlike linear regression, the logit is not normally distributed and the variance is not constant. Therefore, logistic regression requires a more computationally complex estimation method, named the *Method of Maximum Likelihood*, to estimate the parameters. This method finds the values of the parameters that make the observed data most likely. This is accomplished by maximizing the *likelihood function* that expresses the probability of the observed data as a function of the unknown parameters.

5.04 Multiple Choice Poll

What are the upper and lower bounds for a logit?

- Lower=0, Upper=1
- Lower=0, No upper bound
- No lower bound, No upper bound
- No lower bound, Upper=1

$$\text{logit}(p_i) = \ln\left(\frac{p_i}{(1-p_i)}\right)$$

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LOGISTIC Procedure

General form of the LOGISTIC procedure:

```

PROC LOGISTIC DATA=SAS-data-set <options>;
CLASS variables </ options>;
MODEL response=predictors </ options>;
UNITS independent1=list ... </ options>;
ODDSRATIO <'label'> variable </ options>;
OUTPUT OUT=SAS-data-set keyword=name
           </ options>;
RUN;

```

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Selected LOGISTIC procedure statements:

- CLASS** names the classification variables to be used in the analysis. The CLASS statement must precede the MODEL statement. By default, these variables will be analyzed using effects coding parameterization. This can be changed with the PARAM= option.
- MODEL** specifies the response variable and the predictor variables.
- OUTPUT** creates an output data set containing all the variables from the input data set and any requested statistics.
- UNITS** enables you to obtain an odds ratio estimate for a specified change in a predictor variable. The unit of change can be a number, standard deviation (SD), or a number times the standard deviation (for example, 2*SD).
- ODDSRATIO** produces odds ratios for variables even when the variables are involved in interactions with other covariates, and for classification variables that use any parameterization. You can specify several ODDSRATIO statements.



Simple Logistic Regression Model

Example: Fit a binary logistic regression model in PROC LOGISTIC. Select **Survived** as the outcome variable and **Age** as the predictor variable. Use the EVENT= option to model the probability of surviving and request profile likelihood confidence intervals around the estimated odds ratios.

```
/*st105d05.sas*/
proc logistic data=sasuser.Titanic alpha=.05
              plots(only)=(effect oddsratio);
  model Survived(event='1')=Age / clodds=pl;
  title1 'LOGISTIC MODEL (1):Survived=Age';
run;
```

Selected PLOTS options:

- EFFECT** requests a plot of the predicted probability on the Y axis by the predictor on the X axis. If there is more than one predictor variable in the model, the partial effect plot can be requested using the option ($X=<variable>$).
- ODDSRATIO** requests a plot of the odds ratios, along with its (1-ALPHA) confidence limits. The width of the confidence limits can be changed from the default of 95% using an ALPHA= option in the PROC LOGISTIC statement. The chosen alpha level applies to all confidence intervals produced in all tables and plots in that run of PROC LOGISTIC.

Selected MODEL statement options:

- (EVENT=) specifies the event category for the binary response model. PROC LOGISTIC models the probability of the event category. You can specify the value (formatted if a format is applied) of the event category in quotation marks or you can specify one of the following keywords. The default is EVENT=FIRST.
- FIRST** designates the first ordered category as the event.
- LAST** designates the last ordered category as the event.
- CLODDS=PL** requests profile likelihood confidence intervals for the odds ratios of all predictor variables, which are desirable for small sample sizes. The CLODDS= option also enables production of the ODDSRATIO plot.

SAS Output

| Model Information | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Data Set | SASUSER.TITANIC |
| Response Variable | Survived |
| Number of Response Levels | 2 |
| Model | binary logit |
| Optimization Technique | Fisher's scoring |

The Model Information table describes the data set, the response variable, the number of response levels, the type of model, the algorithm used to obtain the parameter estimates, and the number of observations read and used.

The Optimization Technique is the iterative numerical technique that PROC LOGISTIC uses to estimate the model parameters.

The model is assumed to be “binary logit” when there are exactly two response levels.

| | |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Number of Observations Read | 1309 |
| Number of Observations Used | 1046 |

The Number of Observations Used is the count of all observations that are nonmissing for all variables specified in the MODEL statement. The ages of 263 of these 1309 passengers cannot be determined and cannot be used to estimate the model.

| Response Profile | | |
|------------------|----------|-----------------|
| Ordered Value | Survived | Total Frequency |
| 1 | 0 | 619 |
| 2 | 1 | 427 |

The Response Profile table shows the response variable values listed according to their ordered values. By default, PROC LOGISTIC orders the response variable alphanumerically so that it bases the logistic regression model on the probability of the smallest value. Because you used the EVENT=option in this example, the model is based on the probability of surviving (**Survived=1**). The Response Profile table also shows frequencies of response values.

Probability modeled is Survived=1.

It is advisable to check that the modeled response level is the one that you intended.

Note: 263 observations were deleted due to missing values for the response or explanatory variables.

| Model Convergence Status |
|---|
| Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied. |

The Model Convergence Status simply informs you that the convergence criterion was met. There are a number of options to control the convergence criterion.

The optimization technique does not always converge to a maximum likelihood solution. When this is the case, the output after this point cannot be trusted. Always check to see that the Convergence criterion is satisfied.

| Model Fit Statistics | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Criterion | Intercept Only | Intercept and Covariates |
| AIC | 1416.620 | 1415.301 |
| SC | 1421.573 | 1425.207 |
| -2 Log L | 1414.620 | 1411.301 |

The Model Fit Statistics provides three tests:

- AIC is Akaike's 'A' information criterion.
- SC is the Schwarz criterion.
- -2 Log L is -2 times the natural log of the likelihood.

-2 Log L, AIC, and SC are goodness-of-fit measures that you can use to compare one model to another. *These statistics measure relative fit among models, but they do not measure absolute fit of any single model.* Smaller values for all of these measures indicate better fit. However, -2 Log L can be reduced by simply adding more regression parameters to the model. Therefore, it is not used to compare the fit of models that use different numbers of parameters. AIC adjusts for the number of predictor variables, and SCs adjust for the number of predictor variables and the number of observations. SC uses a bigger penalty for extra variables and therefore favors more parsimonious models.

| Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0 | | | |
|--|------------|----|------------|
| Test | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| Likelihood Ratio | 3.3191 | 1 | 0.0685 |
| Score | 3.3041 | 1 | 0.0691 |
| Wald | 3.2932 | 1 | 0.0696 |

The Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0 table provides three statistics to test the null hypothesis that all regression coefficients of the model are 0.

A significant p -value for these tests provides evidence that at least one of the regression coefficients for an explanatory variable is significantly different from 0. In this way, they are similar to the overall F test in linear regression. The Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square is calculated as the difference between the -2 Log L value of the baseline model (Intercept Only) and the -2 Log L value of the hypothesized model (Intercept and Covariates). The statistic is a distributed asymptotically chi-square with degrees of freedom equal to the difference in number of parameters between the hypothesized model and the baseline model. The Score and Wald tests are also used to test whether all the regression coefficients are 0. The likelihood ratio test is the most reliable, especially for small sample sizes (Agresti 1996). All three tests are asymptotically equivalent and often give very similar values.



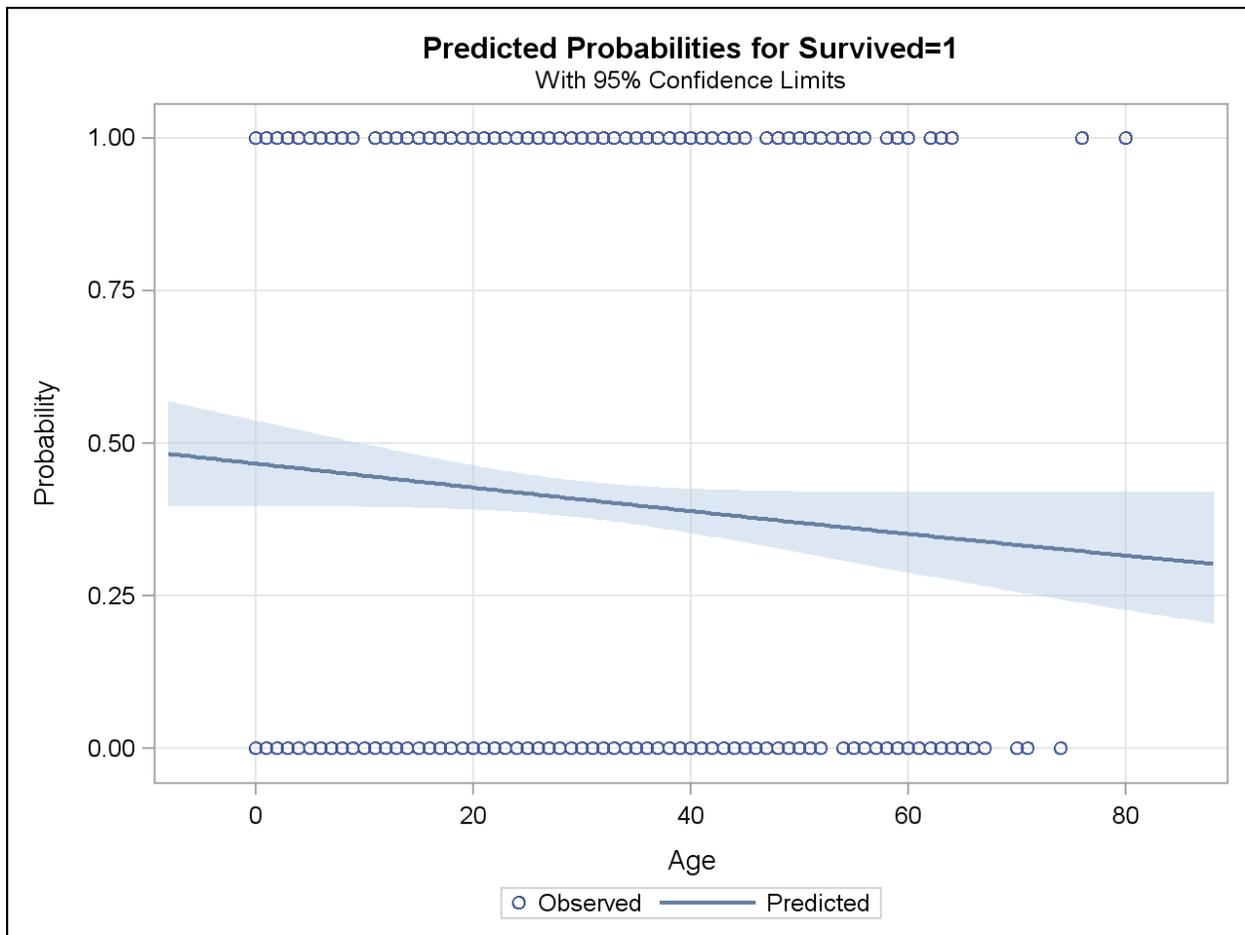
Wald statistics (p -values and confidence limits) require fewer computations to perform and are therefore the default for most output in PROC LOGISTIC.

| Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates | | | | | |
|--|----|----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Parameter | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Intercept | 1 | -0.1335 | 0.1448 | 0.8501 | 0.3565 |
| Age | 1 | -0.00800 | 0.00441 | 3.2932 | 0.0696 |

The Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates table lists the estimated model parameters, their standard errors, Wald Chi-Square values, and p -values.

The parameter estimates are the estimated coefficients of the fitted logistic regression model. The logistic regression equation is $\text{logit}(\hat{p}) = -0.1335 + (-0.00800) * \text{Age}$ for this example.

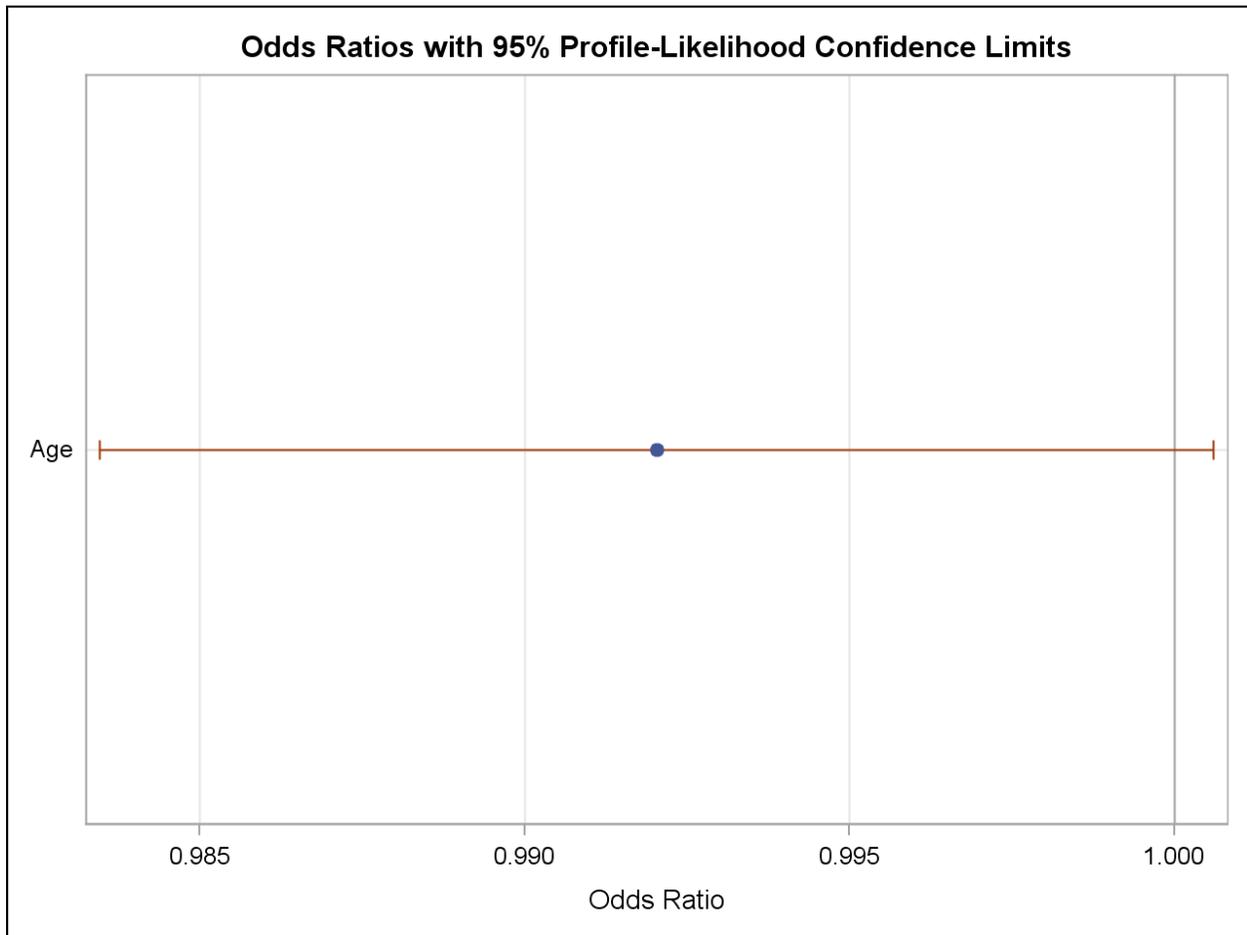
The Wald chi-square and its associated p -value tests whether the parameter estimate is significantly different from 0. For this example, the p -values for the variable **Age** is not significant at the 0.05 significance level ($p=0.0696$). It cannot be concluded that **Age** is not important in a multivariate model.



The estimated model is displayed on the probability scale in the Effect plot. The observed values are plotted at probabilities 1.00 and 0.00.

| Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses | | | |
|---|--------|-----------|-------|
| Percent Concordant | 51.3 | Somers' D | 0.050 |
| Percent Discordant | 46.4 | Gamma | 0.051 |
| Percent Tied | 2.3 | Tau-a | 0.024 |
| Pairs | 264313 | c | 0.525 |

| Profile Likelihood Confidence Interval for Odds Ratios | | | | |
|--|--------|----------|-----------------------|-------|
| Effect | Unit | Estimate | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Age | 1.0000 | 0.992 | 0.983 | 1.001 |



The above tables and plots are described in detail in the next slides.

Odds Ratio Calculation from the Current Logistic Regression Model

Logistic regression model:

$$\text{logit}(\hat{p}) = \log(\text{odds}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * (\text{Age})$$

Odds ratio (1-year difference in Age):

$$\text{odds}_{\text{older}} = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 * (\text{Age} + 1)}$$

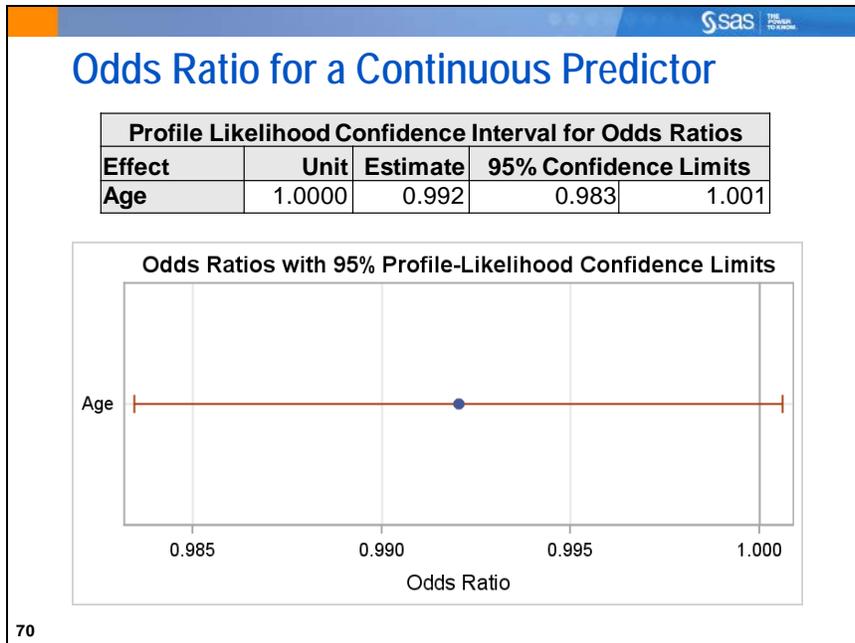
$$\text{odds}_{\text{younger}} = e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 * (\text{Age})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Odds Ratio} &= \frac{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 * (\text{Age} + 1)}}{e^{\beta_0 + \beta_1 * (\text{Age})}} = e^{\beta_1} \\ &= e^{(-.008)} = 0.992 \end{aligned}$$

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The odds ratio for a continuous predictor calculates the estimated relative odds for subjects that are one unit apart on the continuous measure. For example, in the Titanic example, **Age** is the continuous measure. If you remember, the logit is the natural log of the odds. Because you can calculate an estimated logit from the logistic model, the odds can be calculated by simply exponentiating that value. An odds ratio for a one-unit difference is then the ratio of the exponentiated predicted logits for two people who are one unit apart.

The odds ratio for age indicates that the odds of surviving decrease by 0.8% for each year older.



The 95% confidence limits indicate that you are 95% confident that the true odds ratio is between 0.983 and 1.001. Because the 95% confidence interval includes 1.000, the odds ratio is not significant at the .05 alpha level.



If you want a different significance level for the confidence intervals, you can use the ALPHA= option in the MODEL statement. The value must be between 0 and 1. The default value of .05 results in the calculation of a 95% confidence interval.

The profile likelihood confidence intervals are different from the Wald-based confidence intervals. This difference is because the Wald confidence intervals use a normal error approximation, whereas the profile likelihood confidence intervals are based on the value of the log-likelihood. These likelihood-ratio confidence intervals require a much greater number of computations, but are generally preferred to the Wald confidence intervals, especially for sample sizes less than 50 (Allison 1999).

The Odds Ratio plot displays the results of the Odds Ratio table graphically. A reference line shows the null hypothesis. When the confidence interval crosses the reference line, the effect of the variable is not significant.

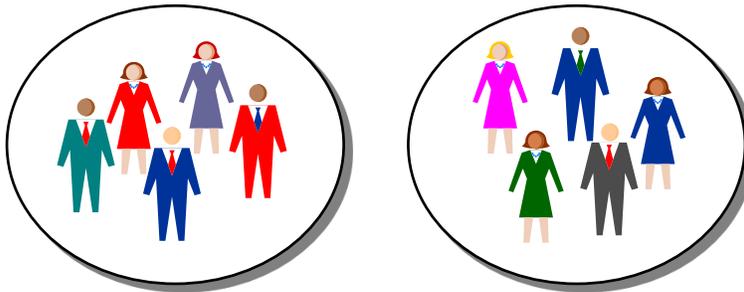
Model Assessment: Comparing Pairs

- Counting concordant, discordant, and tied pairs is a way to assess how well the model predicts its own data and therefore how well the model fits.
- In general, you want a high percentage of concordant pairs and low percentages of discordant and tied pairs.

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Comparing Pairs

To find concordant, discordant, and tied pairs, compare everyone who had the outcome of interest against everyone who did not.



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Concordant Pair

Compare a 20-year-old who survived with a 30-year-old who did not.

| | |
|---|---|
| Died, Age 30 | Survived, Age 20 |
|  |  |
| $P(\text{Survived}) = .4077$ | $P(\text{Survived}) = .4272$ |

The actual sorting agrees with the model.
This is a **concordant** pair.

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For all pairs of observations with different values of the response variable, a pair is *concordant* if the observation with the outcome has a **higher** predicted outcome probability (based on the model) than the observation without the outcome.



Discordant Pair

Compare a 45-year-old who survived with a 35-year-old who did not.

| | |
|---|---|
| Died, Age 35 | Survived, Age 45 |
|  |  |
| $P(\text{Survived}) = .3981$ | $P(\text{Survived}) = .3791$ |

The actual sorting disagrees with the model.
This is a **discordant** pair.

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A pair is *discordant* if the observation with the outcome has a **lower** predicted outcome probability than the observation without the outcome.

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Tied Pair

Compare two 50-year-olds. One survived and the other did not.

 $P(\text{Survived}) = .3697$

 $P(\text{Survived}) = .3697$

The model cannot distinguish between the two.
This is a **tied** pair.

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A pair is *tied* if it is neither concordant nor discordant. (The probabilities are the same.)



Model: Concordant, Discordant, and Tied Pairs

| Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses | | | |
|---|--------|-----------|-------|
| Percent Concordant | 51.3 | Somers' D | 0.050 |
| Percent Discordant | 46.4 | Gamma | 0.051 |
| Percent Tied | 2.3 | Tau-a | 0.024 |
| Pairs | 264313 | c | 0.525 |

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The Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses table lists several measures of association to help you assess the predictive ability of the logistic model.

The number of pairs used to calculate the values of this table is equal to the product of the counts of observations with positive responses and negative responses. In this example, that value is $427 * 619 = 264,313$.

You can use these percentages as goodness-of-fit measures to compare one model to another. In general, higher percentages of concordant pairs and lower percentages of discordant pairs indicate a more desirable model.

The four rank correlation indices (Somers's D, Gamma, Tau-a, and c) are computed from the numbers of concordant, discordant, and tied pairs of observations. In general, a model with higher values for these indices has better predictive ability than a model with lower values for these indices.

The c (concordance) statistic estimates the probability of an observation with the outcome having a higher predicted probability than an observation without the outcome. It is calculated as the percent concordant plus one half the percent tied. The range of possible values is 0.500 (no better predictive power than flipping a fair coin) to 1.000 (perfect prediction). The value of 0.525 shows a very weak ability of **Age** to discriminate between those who survived and those who did not.



Exercises

2. Performing a Logistic Regression Analysis

Fit a simple logistic regression model using `sasuser.safety` with **Unsafe** as the outcome variable and **Weight** as the predictor variable. Use the `EVENT=` option to model the probability of below-average safety scores. Request Profile Likelihood confidence limits and an odds ratio plot along with an effect plot.

- a. Do you reject or fail to reject the global null hypothesis that all regression coefficients of the model are 0?
- b. Write the logistic regression equation.
- c. Interpret the odds ratio for **Weight**.

5.4 Logistic Regression with Categorical Predictors

Objectives

- State how a logistic model with categorical predictors does and does not differ from one with continuous predictors.
- Describe what a CLASS statement does.
- Define the standard output from the LOGISTIC procedure with categorical predictor variables.

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Overview

| Type of Response \ Type of Predictors | Categorical | Continuous | Continuous and Categorical |
|---------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------|
| Continuous | Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) | Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) Regression | Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA) |
| Categorical | Contingency Table Analysis or Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression |

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What Does a CLASS Statement Actually Do?

- The CLASS statement creates a set of “design variables” representing the information in the categorical variables.
 - Character variables cannot be used, as is, in a model.
 - The design variables are the ones actually used in model calculations.
 - There are several “parameterizations” available in PROC LOGISTIC.

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The CLASS statement creates a set of “design variables” representing the information contained in any categorical variables. These design variables are incorporated into the model calculations rather than the original categorical variables. Character variables cannot be used, as is, in the model. SAS cannot use a variable with values such as ‘yes’ or ‘no’ adequately in the determination of a model.

Even if categorical variables are represented by numbers such as 1, 2, 3, the CLASS statement tells SAS to set up design variables to represent the categories. This is necessary because the numeric values that are assigned to the levels of the categorical variable are generally arbitrary and might not truly reflect distances between levels.



Effect (Default) Coding: Three Levels

Design Variables

| <u>CLASS</u> | <u>Value</u> | <u>Label</u> | <u>1</u> | <u>2</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|----------|----------|
| IncLevel | 1 | Low Income | 1 | 0 |
| | 2 | Medium Income | 0 | 1 |
| | 3 | High Income | -1 | -1 |

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For *effect coding* (also called *deviation from the mean coding*), the number of design variables created is the number of levels of the CLASS variable minus 1. For example, because the variable **IncLevel** has three levels, two design variables were created. For the last level of the CLASS variable (**High Income**), all the design variables have a value of -1 . Parameter estimates of the CLASS main effects using this coding scheme estimate the **difference** between the effect of each level and the average effect over all levels.

Effect Coding: An Example

$$\text{logit}(p) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * D_{\text{Low income}} + \beta_2 * D_{\text{Medium income}}$$

β_0 = the average value of the logit across all categories

β_1 = the difference between the logit for Low income and the average logit

β_2 = the difference between the logit for Medium income and the average logit

| Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates | | | | | |
|--|----|----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Parameter | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Intercept | 1 | -0.5363 | 0.1015 | 27.9143 | <.0001 |
| IncLevel 1 | 1 | -0.2259 | 0.1481 | 2.3247 | 0.1273 |
| IncLevel 2 | 1 | -0.2200 | 0.1447 | 2.3111 | 0.1285 |

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If you use Effect Coding for a CLASS variable, then the parameter estimates and p -values reflect differences from the mean logit value over all levels. So, for **IncLevel**, the Estimate shows the estimated difference in logit values between **IncLevel**=1 (Low Income) and the average logit across all income levels.

Reference Cell Coding: Three Levels

| CLASS | Value | Label | Design Variables | |
|----------|-------|---------------|------------------|----------|
| | | | <u>1</u> | <u>2</u> |
| IncLevel | 1 | Low Income | 1 | 0 |
| | 2 | Medium Income | 0 | 1 |
| | 3 | High Income | 0 | 0 |

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For *reference cell coding*, parameter estimates of the CLASS main effects estimate the difference between the effect of each level and the last level, called the *reference level*. For example, the effect for the level **Low** estimates the logit difference between **Low** and **High**. You can choose the reference level in the CLASS statement.


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Reference Cell Coding: An Example

$\text{logit}(p) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 * D_{\text{Low income}} + \beta_2 * D_{\text{Medium income}}$

β_0 = the value of the logit when income is High
 β_1 = the difference between the logits for Low and High income
 β_2 = the difference between the logits for Medium and High income

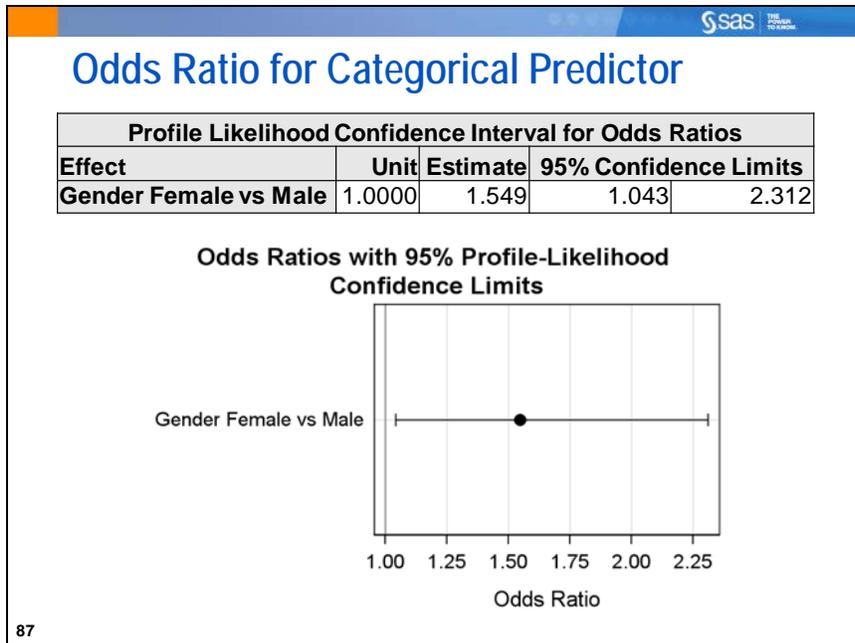
| Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates | | | | | | |
|--|---|----|----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Parameter | | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Intercept | | 1 | -0.0904 | 0.1608 | 0.3159 | 0.5741 |
| IncLevel 1 | 1 | 1 | -0.6717 | 0.2465 | 7.4242 | 0.0064 |
| IncLevel 2 | 2 | 1 | -0.6659 | 0.2404 | 7.6722 | 0.0056 |

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Notice the difference between this table and the previous parameter estimates table. Because you used Reference Cell Coding, instead of Effect Coding, the meanings of the parameter estimates and p -values are different. Now, the parameter estimate and p -value for **IncLevel=1** reflect the difference between **IncLevel=1** and **IncLevel=3** (the reference level).



It is important to know what type of parameterization you are using in order to interpret and report the results of this table.



Odds ratios for categorical predictors are reported for bi-group comparisons in PROC LOGISTIC, no matter which parameterization is chosen. Thus, even if Effect Coding is selected for the **Gender** variable, the odds ratio tables display odds comparisons between females and males (and not females versus the average of both).

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5.05 Multiple Choice Poll

In the Analysis of Maximum Likelihood table, using effect coding, what is the estimated logit for someone at **IncLevel=2**?

- a. -.5363
- b. -.6717
- c. -.6659
- d. -.7563
- e. Cannot tell from the information provided

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Multiple Logistic Regression



$$\text{logit}(p) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{\text{female}} + \beta_2 X_{\text{first class}} + \beta_3 X_{\text{second class}} + \beta_4 X_{\text{Age}}$$

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Each design variable is assigned its own beta value. The number of parameters in the logistic model take into account the intercept, the number of continuous predictors, and the number of design variables assigned to CLASS variables.



Multiple Logistic Regression with Categorical Predictors

Example: Fit a binary logistic regression model in PROC LOGISTIC. Select **Survived** as the outcome variable and **Age**, **Gender**, and **Class** as the predictor variables. Specify reference cell coding and specify **male** as the reference group for **Gender** and **3** as the reference level for **Class**. Also use the EVENT= option to model the probability of surviving and request profile likelihood confidence intervals around the estimated odds ratios.

```
/*st105d06.sas*/
proc logistic data=sasuser.Titanic plots(only)=(effect oddsratio);
  class Gender(ref='male') Class(ref='3') / param=ref;
  model Survived(event='1')=Age Gender Class / clodds=pl;
  units age=10;
  title1 'LOGISTIC MODEL (2):Survived=Age Gender Class';
run;
```

Selected PROC LOGISTIC statement:

UNITS enables you to specify units of change for the continuous explanatory variables so that customized odds ratios can be estimated.

Selected CLASS statement options:

(REF='level') specifies the event category chosen as the reference level when using Reference or Effect parameterization. You can specify the value (formatted if a format is applied) of the reference category in quotation marks or you can specify one of the following keywords. The default is REF=LAST.

FIRST designates the first ordered category as the reference level.

LAST designates the last ordered category as the reference level.

PARAM= specifies the parameterization. This value can be specified for each CLASS variable by typing it within parentheses after the variable name, or for all CLASS variables, by typing it after the options slash (/) at the end of the list of CLASS variables.



If there are numerous levels in the CLASS variable, you might want to use subject-matter knowledge to reduce the number of levels. This is especially important when the levels have few or no observations.

| Model Information | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Data Set | SASUSER.TITANIC |
| Response Variable | Survived |
| Number of Response Levels | 2 |
| Model | binary logit |
| Optimization Technique | Fisher's scoring |

| | |
|-----------------------------|------|
| Number of Observations Read | 1309 |
| Number of Observations Used | 1046 |

| Response Profile | | |
|------------------|----------|-----------------|
| Ordered Value | Survived | Total Frequency |
| 1 | 0 | 619 |
| 2 | 1 | 427 |

Probability modeled is Survived=1.

| Class Level Information | | | |
|-------------------------|--------|------------------|---|
| Class | Value | Design Variables | |
| Gender | female | 1 | |
| | male | 0 | |
| Class | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| | 3 | 0 | 0 |

The Class Level Information table includes the predictor variable in the CLASS statement. Because you used the PARAM=REF and REF='male' options, this table reflects your choice of **Gender='male'** as the reference level. The design variable is 1 when **Gender='female'** and 0 when **Gender='male'**. The reference level for **Class** is 3, so there are two design variables, each coded 0 for observations where **Class=3**.

| Model Convergence Status |
|---|
| Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied. |

| Model Fit Statistics | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Criterion | Intercept Only | Intercept and Covariates |
| AIC | 1416.620 | 992.315 |
| SC | 1421.573 | 1017.079 |
| -2 Log L | 1414.620 | 982.315 |

The SC value in the **Age** only model was 1425.207. Here it is 1017.079. Recalling that smaller values imply better fit, you can conclude that this model is better fitting.

| Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0 | | | |
|--|------------|----|------------|
| Test | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| Likelihood Ratio | 432.3052 | 4 | <.0001 |
| Score | 386.1522 | 4 | <.0001 |
| Wald | 277.3202 | 4 | <.0001 |

This model is statistically significant, indicating at least one of the predictors in the model is useful in predicting survival.

| Type 3 Analysis of Effects | | | |
|----------------------------|----|-----------------|------------|
| Effect | DF | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Age | 1 | 29.6314 | <.0001 |
| Gender | 1 | 226.2235 | <.0001 |
| Class | 2 | 103.3575 | <.0001 |

The Type 3 Analysis of Effects table is generated when a predictor variable is used in the CLASS statement. This analysis is similar to the individual tests in the GLM procedure parameter estimates table. Just as in PROC GLM and PROC REG, these are adjusted effects.

All effects, including the **Age** effect, which was not statistically significant in the univariate model, are statistically significant.

| Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates | | | | | | |
|--|--------|----|----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Parameter | | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Intercept | | 1 | -1.2628 | 0.2030 | 38.7108 | <.0001 |
| Age | | 1 | -0.0345 | 0.00633 | 29.6314 | <.0001 |
| Gender | female | 1 | 2.4976 | 0.1661 | 226.2235 | <.0001 |
| Class | 1 | 1 | 2.2907 | 0.2258 | 102.8824 | <.0001 |
| Class | 2 | 1 | 1.0093 | 0.1984 | 25.8849 | <.0001 |

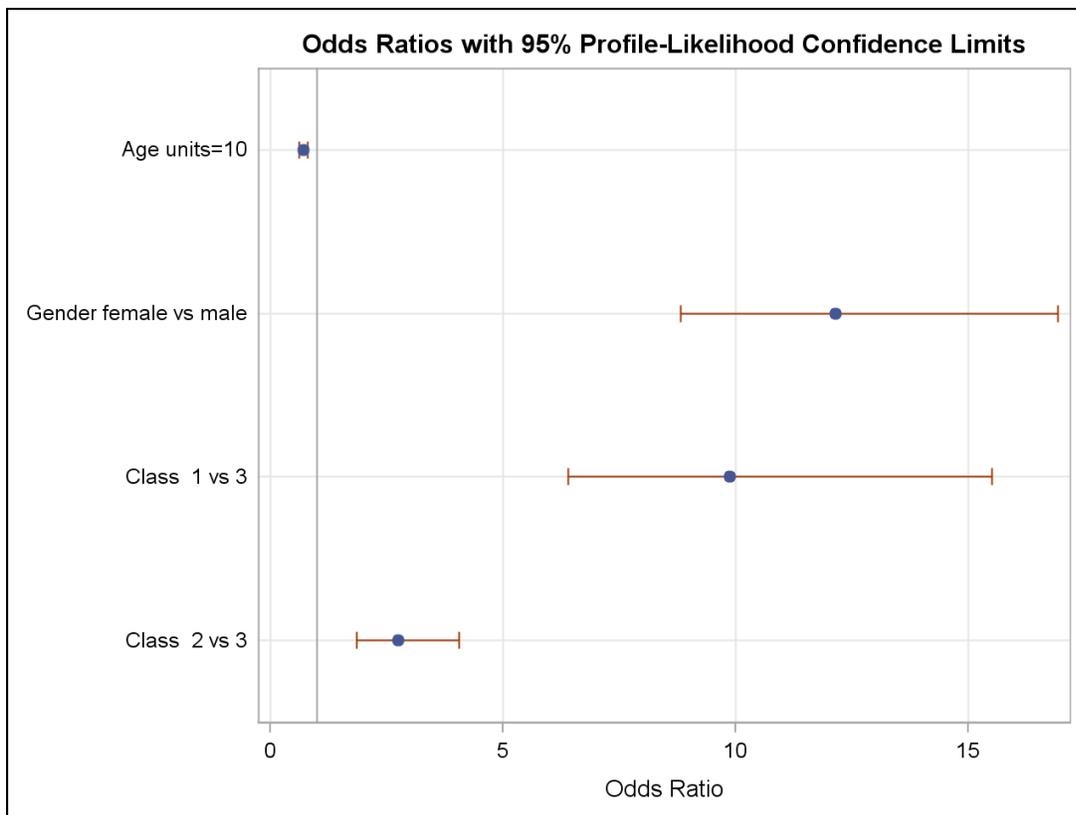
For CLASS variables, effects are displayed for each of the design variables. Because reference cell coding was used, each effect is measured against the reference level. For example, the estimate for **Gender | female** shows the difference in logits between females and males. **Class | 1** shows the logit difference between first-class passengers and third-class passengers and **Class | 2** shows the difference in logits between second class and third class. All of these contrasts are statistically significant.

| Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses | | | |
|---|--------|------------------|-------|
| Percent Concordant | 83.8 | Somers' D | 0.680 |
| Percent Discordant | 15.8 | Gamma | 0.683 |
| Percent Tied | 0.4 | Tau-a | 0.329 |
| Pairs | 264313 | c | 0.840 |

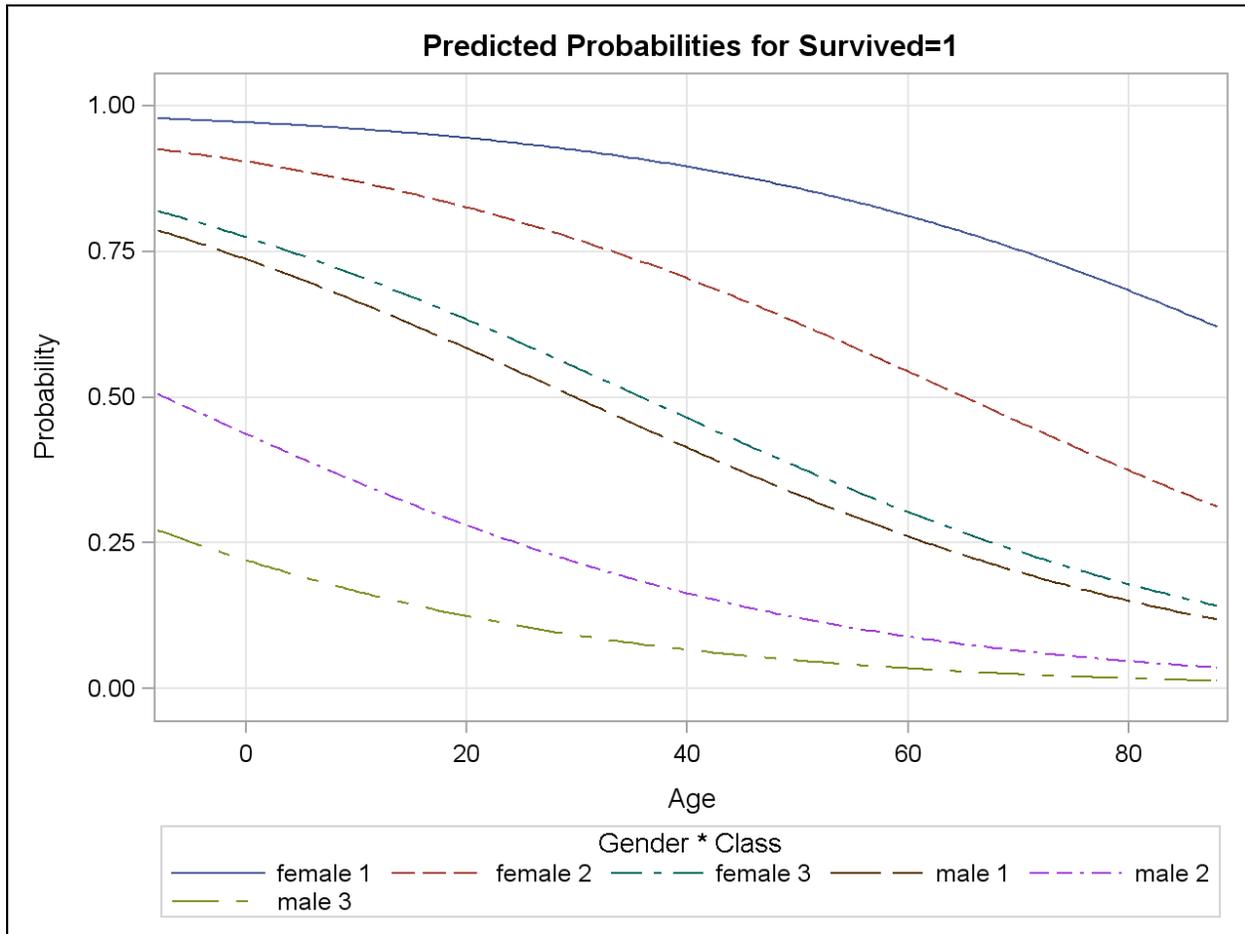
The c (Concordance) statistic value is 0.840 for this model, indicating that 84% of the positive and negative response pairs are correctly sorted using **Age**, **Gender**, and **Class**.

| Profile Likelihood Confidence Interval for Odds Ratios | | | | |
|--|---------|----------|-----------------------|--------|
| Effect | Unit | Estimate | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Age | 10.0000 | 0.708 | 0.625 | 0.801 |
| Gender female vs male | 1.0000 | 12.153 | 8.823 | 16.925 |
| Class 1 vs 3 | 1.0000 | 9.882 | 6.395 | 15.513 |
| Class 2 vs 3 | 1.0000 | 2.744 | 1.863 | 4.059 |

The odds ratios show that, adjusting for the other predictor variables, females had 12.153 times the male odds of surviving. First-class passengers had nearly 10 times the odds (9.882) of third-class passengers and second-class passengers had 174.4% greater odds than third-class passengers. The UNITS statement applies to the odds ratio table requested by the CLODDS=PL option. The table shows that a 10-year-old age is associated with a 29.2% decrease in survival odds. The ODDSRATIO plot displays these values graphically.



Finally, the Effects plot shows the probability of survival across all combinations of categories and levels of all three predictor variables.



This plot is obtained by applying the parameter estimates from the logistic model to values of the predictors and then converting the predictions to the probability scale.

The plot indicates that at every age, all classes of women are predicted to survive at a greater rate than all classes of men. Holding **Age** and **Gender** constant, the descending order of predicted survival probabilities are first class, second class, and third class.



Exercises

3. Performing a Multiple Logistic Regression Analysis Including Categorical Variables

Fit a logistic regression model using `sasuser.safety` with **Unsafe** as the outcome variable and **Weight**, **Region**, and **Size** as the predictor variables. Request reference cell coding with **Asia** as the reference level for **Region** and **3** (large cars) as the reference level for **Size**. Use the `EVENT=` option to model the probability of below-average safety scores. Request Profile Likelihood confidence limits and an odds ratio plot along with an effect plot.

- a. Do you reject or fail to reject the null hypothesis that all regression coefficients of the model are 0?
- b. If you do reject the global null hypothesis, then which predictors significantly predict safety outcome?
- c. Interpret the odds ratio for significant predictors.

5.06 Multiple Choice Poll

A variable coded 1, 2, 3, and 4 is parameterized with effect coding, with 2 as the reference level. The parameter estimate for level 1 tells you which of the following?

- a. The difference in the logit between level 1 and level 2
- b. The odds ratio between level 1 and level 2
- c. The difference in the logit between level 1 and the average of all levels
- d. The odds ratio between level 1 and the average of all levels
- e. Both a and b
- f. Both c and d

5.5 Stepwise Selection with Interactions

Objectives

- Fit a multiple logistic regression model with main effects and interactions using the backward elimination method.
- Explain interactions using graphs.

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Overview

| Type of Predictors \ Type of Response | Categorical | Continuous | Continuous and Categorical |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------|
| Continuous | Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) | Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) Regression | Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA) |
| Categorical | Contingency Table Analysis or Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression | Logistic Regression |

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Stepwise Methods – Default Selection Criteria

| | PROC REG | | PROC LOGISTIC | |
|----------|----------|--------|---------------|--------|
| | SLENTRY | SLSTAY | SLENTRY | SLSTAY |
| FORWARD | 0.50 | ----- | 0.05 | |
| BACKWARD | ----- | 0.10 | | 0.05 |
| STEPWISE | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.05 | 0.05 |

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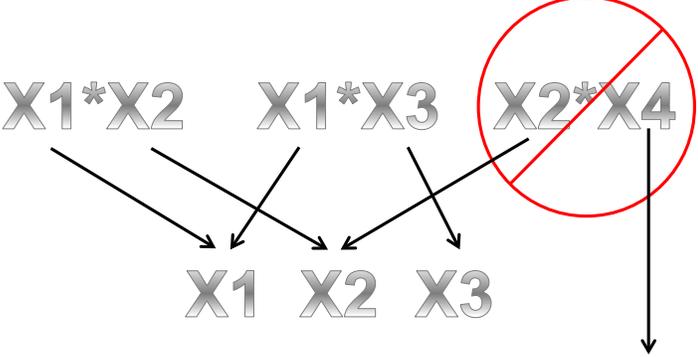
If you are doing exploratory analysis and want to find a best subset model, PROC LOGISTIC provides the three stepwise methods that are available in PROC REG. However, the default selection criteria are not the same as in PROC REG. Remember that you can always change the selection criteria using the SLENTRY= and SLSTAY= options in the MODEL statement.

If you have a large number of variables, you might first need to try a variable reduction method such as variable clustering.



Stepwise Hierarchy Rules

By default, at each step model hierarchy is retained. This means that higher level effects cannot be in a model when any of its lower level composite effects are not present.



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Model hierarchy refers to the requirement that, for any term to be in the model, all effects contained in the term must be present in the model. For example, in order for the interaction $X2*X4$ to enter the model, the main effects $X2$ and $X4$ must be in the model. Likewise, neither effect $X2$ nor $X4$ can leave the model while the interaction $X2*X4$ is in the model.

When you use the backward elimination method with interactions in the model, PROC LOGISTIC begins by fitting the full model with all the main effects and interactions. PROC LOGISTIC then eliminates the nonsignificant interactions one at a time, starting with the least significant interaction (the one with the largest p -value). Next, PROC LOGISTIC eliminates the nonsignificant main effects not involved in any significant interactions. The final model should consist of only significant interactions, the main effects involved in those interactions, and any other significant main effects.



For a more customized analysis, the `HIERARCHY=` option specifies whether the hierarchy is maintained and whether a single effect or multiple effects are allowed to enter or leave the model in one step for forward, backward, and stepwise selection.

The default is `HIERARCHY=SINGLE`. You can change this option by inserting the `HIERARCHY=` option in the `MODEL` statement. See the *SAS/STAT[®] 9.3 User's Guide* in the SAS online documentation for more information about using this option. In the LOGISTIC procedure, `HIERARCHY=SINGLE` is the default, meaning that SAS will not remove a main effect before first removing all interactions involving that main effect.



Logistic Regression: Backward Elimination with Interactions

Example: Fit a multiple logistic regression model using the backward elimination method. The full model should include all the main effects and two-way interactions.

```

/*st105d07.sas*/ /*Part A*/
proc logistic data=sasuser.Titanic plots(only)=(effect oddsratio);
  class Gender(ref='male') Class(ref='3') / param=ref;
  model Survived(event='1')=Age|Gender|Class @2 /
    selection=backward clodds=pl slstay=0.01;
  units age=10;
  title1 'LOGISTIC MODEL (3): Backward Elimination '
        'Survived=Age|Gender|Class';
run;

```

-  The bar notation with the @2 constructs a model with all the main effects and the two-factor interactions. If you increase it to @3, then you construct a model with all of the main effects, the two-factor interactions, and the three-factor interaction. However, the three-factor interaction might be more difficult to interpret.
-  A more conservative significance level criterion was used because the sample size was relatively large and the interactions were not hypothesized a priori. Under these circumstances, there is an elevated risk of creating a model with effects that are significant only by chance. Lowering the significance criteria provides some protection.

Selected MODEL statement option:

SELECTION= specifies the method to select the variables in the model. **BACKWARD** requests backward elimination, **FORWARD** requests forward selection, **NONE** fits the complete model specified in the MODEL statement, **STEPWISE** requests stepwise selection, and **SCORE** requests best subset selection. The default is **NONE**.

| Model Information | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Data Set | SASUSER.TITANIC |
| Response Variable | Survived |
| Number of Response Levels | 2 |
| Model | binary logit |
| Optimization Technique | Fisher's scoring |

| | |
|------------------------------------|------|
| Number of Observations Read | 1309 |
| Number of Observations Used | 1046 |

| Response Profile | | |
|------------------|----------|-----------------|
| Ordered Value | Survived | Total Frequency |
| 1 | 0 | 619 |
| 2 | 1 | 427 |

Probability modeled is Survived=1.

Note: 263 observations were deleted due to missing values for the response or explanatory variables.

All information to this point is the same as that from the previous model.

Backward Elimination Procedure

| Class Level Information | | | |
|-------------------------|--------|------------------|---|
| Class | Value | Design Variables | |
| Gender | female | 1 | |
| | male | 0 | |
| Class | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| | 3 | 0 | 0 |

The Model Fit Statistics and Testing Global Null Hypothesis tables at Step 0 are presented.

Step 0. The following effects were entered:

Intercept Age Gender Age*Gender Class Age*Class Gender*Class

| Model Convergence Status |
|---|
| Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied. |

| Model Fit Statistics | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Criterion | Intercept Only | Intercept and Covariates |
| AIC | 1416.620 | 937.714 |
| SC | 1421.573 | 987.241 |
| -2 Log L | 1414.620 | 917.714 |

Step 1. Effect Age*Gender is removed:

| Model Convergence Status | |
|---|--|
| Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied. | |

| Model Fit Statistics | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Criterion | Intercept Only | Intercept and Covariates |
| AIC | 1416.620 | 940.064 |
| SC | 1421.573 | 984.638 |
| -2 Log L | 1414.620 | 922.064 |

| Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0 | | | |
|--|------------|----|------------|
| Test | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| Likelihood Ratio | 492.5567 | 8 | <.0001 |
| Score | 424.3790 | 8 | <.0001 |
| Wald | 221.7387 | 8 | <.0001 |

| Residual Chi-Square Test | | |
|--------------------------|----|------------|
| Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| 4.3665 | 1 | 0.0367 |

Step 2. Effect Age*Class is removed:

| Model Convergence Status | |
|---|--|
| Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied. | |

| Model Fit Statistics | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Criterion | Intercept Only | Intercept and Covariates |
| AIC | 1416.620 | 945.832 |
| SC | 1421.573 | 980.501 |
| -2 Log L | 1414.620 | 931.832 |

| Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0 | | | |
|--|------------|----|------------|
| Test | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| Likelihood Ratio | 482.7886 | 6 | <.0001 |
| Score | 422.4668 | 6 | <.0001 |
| Wald | 237.1963 | 6 | <.0001 |

| Residual Chi-Square Test | | |
|--------------------------|----|------------|
| Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| 13.2931 | 3 | 0.0040 |



No (additional) effects met the 0.01 significance level for removal from the model.

The procedure stops after the two interactions involving **Age** are removed.

| Summary of Backward Elimination | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|----|-----------|-----------------|------------|
| Step | Effect Removed | DF | Number In | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| 1 | Age*Gender | 1 | 5 | 4.3264 | 0.0375 |
| 2 | Age*Class | 2 | 4 | 8.8477 | 0.0120 |

The p -values associated with the two removed effects were below 0.05 and would therefore be retained, if the default SLSTAY criterion were used.

| Type 3 Analysis of Effects | | | |
|----------------------------|----|-----------------|------------|
| Effect | DF | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Age | 1 | 32.5663 | <.0001 |
| Gender | 1 | 40.0553 | <.0001 |
| Class | 2 | 44.4898 | <.0001 |
| Gender*Class | 2 | 43.9289 | <.0001 |

| Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates | | | | | | |
|--|----------|----|----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Parameter | | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Intercept | | 1 | -0.6552 | 0.2113 | 9.6165 | 0.0019 |
| Age | | 1 | -0.0385 | 0.00674 | 32.5663 | <.0001 |
| Gender | female | 1 | 1.3970 | 0.2207 | 40.0553 | <.0001 |
| Class | 1 | 1 | 1.5770 | 0.2525 | 38.9980 | <.0001 |
| Class | 2 | 1 | -0.0242 | 0.2720 | 0.0079 | 0.9292 |
| Gender*Class | female 1 | 1 | 2.4894 | 0.5403 | 21.2279 | <.0001 |
| Gender*Class | female 2 | 1 | 2.5599 | 0.4562 | 31.4930 | <.0001 |

Notice that when a CLASS statement is used containing multiple variables, new rows are added to the parameter estimates table. These represent design variables that SAS creates in order to test the interactions.

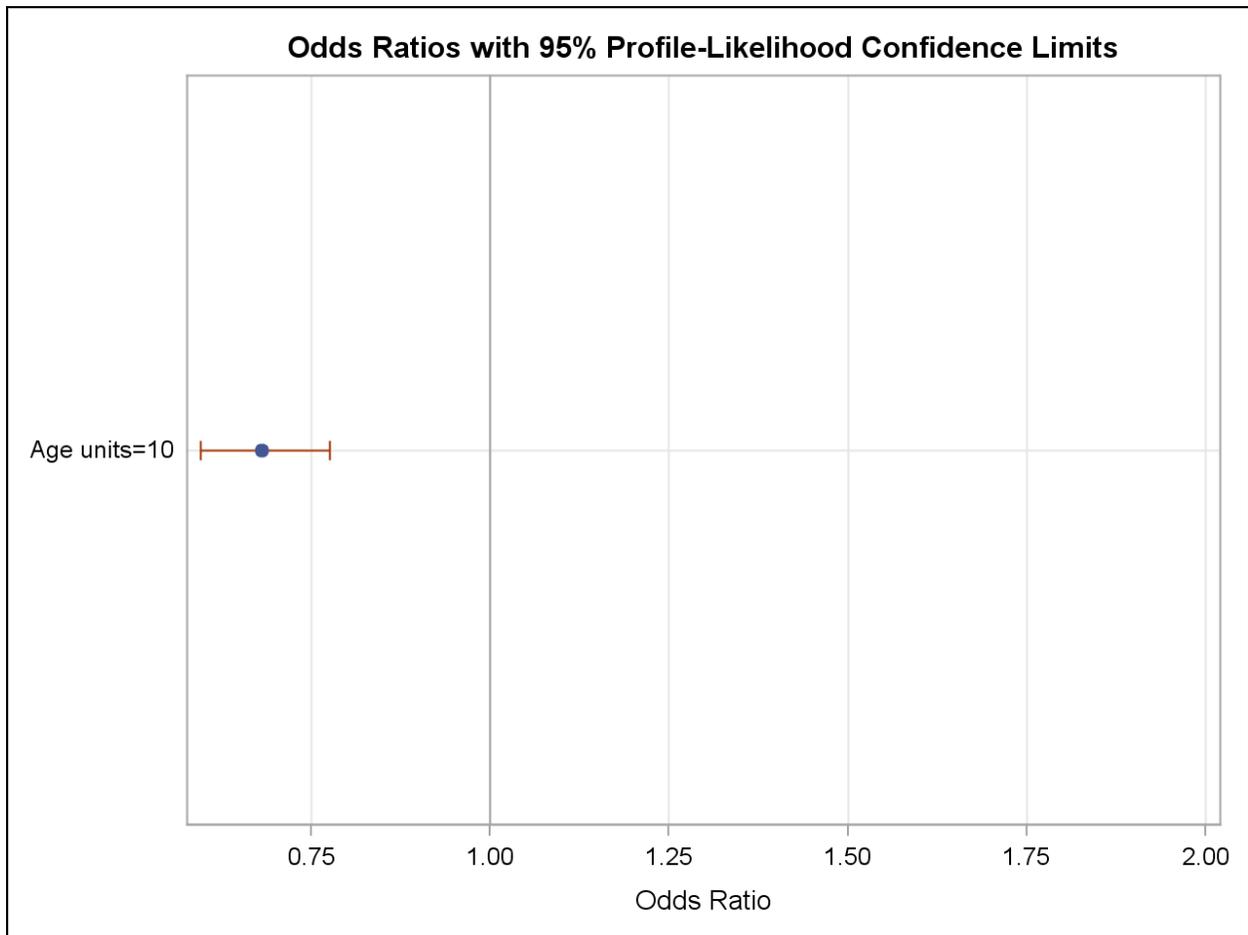
As described in the ANOVA chapter, an interaction between two variables means that the effect of one variable is different at different values of the other variable. This makes the model more complex to interpret.

| Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses | | | |
|---|--------|-----------|-------|
| Percent Concordant | 85.0 | Somers' D | 0.703 |
| Percent Discordant | 14.7 | Gamma | 0.706 |
| Percent Tied | 0.4 | Tau-a | 0.340 |
| Pairs | 264313 | c | 0.852 |

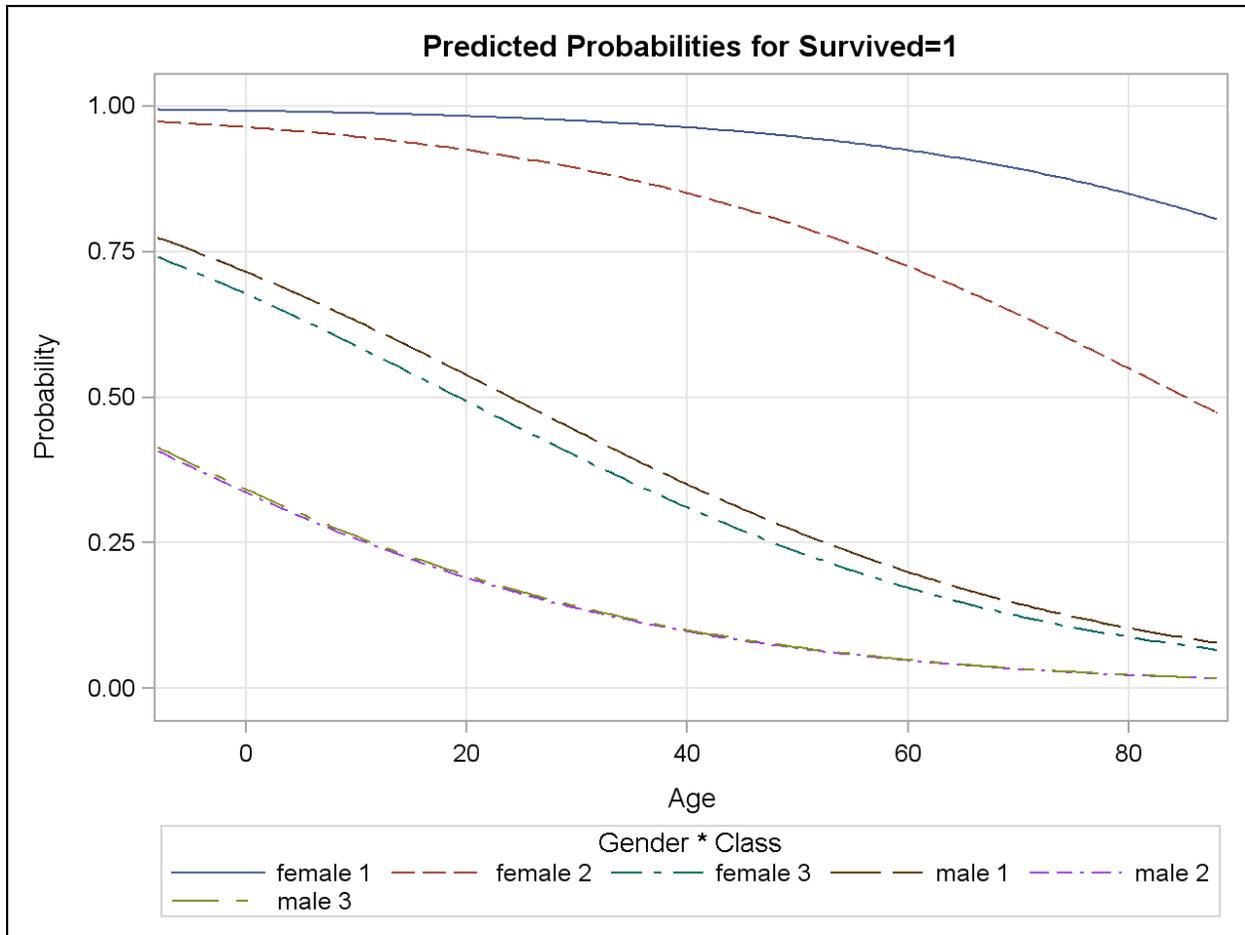
The c value is a slight improvement over the previous model ($c=0.840$) that only included the main effects.

Odds ratios are not calculated for effects involved in interactions. Any single odds ratio for **Class** or for **Gender** would be misleading because the effects vary for each at different levels of the other variable.

| Profile Likelihood Confidence Interval for Odds Ratios | | | | |
|--|---------|----------|-----------------------|-------|
| Effect | Unit | Estimate | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Age | 10.0000 | 0.681 | 0.595 | 0.775 |



The odds ratio for **Age** in this model changed only slightly with the addition of the interaction term.



The effect plot shows the interaction. **Male** second class is closer to **male** third class (they have almost identical probabilities at every age) than **male** first class. **Female** second class is much closer to **female** first class than to **female** third class.

In order to estimate and plot odds ratios for the effects involved in an interaction, an ODDS RATIO statement can be used. An EFFECTSPLOT statement can help display the interaction, as well.

```

/*st105d07.sas*/ /*Part B*/

proc logistic data=sasuser.Titanic
      plots(only)=oddsratio(range=clip);
  class Gender(ref='male') Class(ref='3') / param=ref;
  model Survived(event='1')=Age Gender|Class;
  units age=10;
  oddsratio Gender / at (Class=ALL) cl=pl;
  oddsratio Class / at (Gender=ALL) cl=pl;
  oddsratio Age / cl=pl;
  title1 'LOGISTIC MODEL (3.1): Survived=Age Gender|Class';
run;

```

Selected PROC LOGISTIC statement PLOTS option:

RANGE= with suboptions (*<min><,max>*) | **CLIP**, specifies the range of the displayed odds ratio axis. The RANGE=CLIP option has the same effect as specifying the minimum odds ratio as *min* and the maximum odds ratio as *max*. By default, all odds ratio confidence intervals are displayed. This option is helpful when one or more odds ratio confidence intervals are so large that the smaller ones become difficult to see on the scale required to show the larger ones.

Selected statement:

ODDSRATIO produces odds ratios for a variable even when the variable is involved in interactions with other covariates, and for classification variables that use any parameterization. You can also specify variables on which constructed effects are based, in addition to the names of COLLECTION or MULTIMEMBER effects.

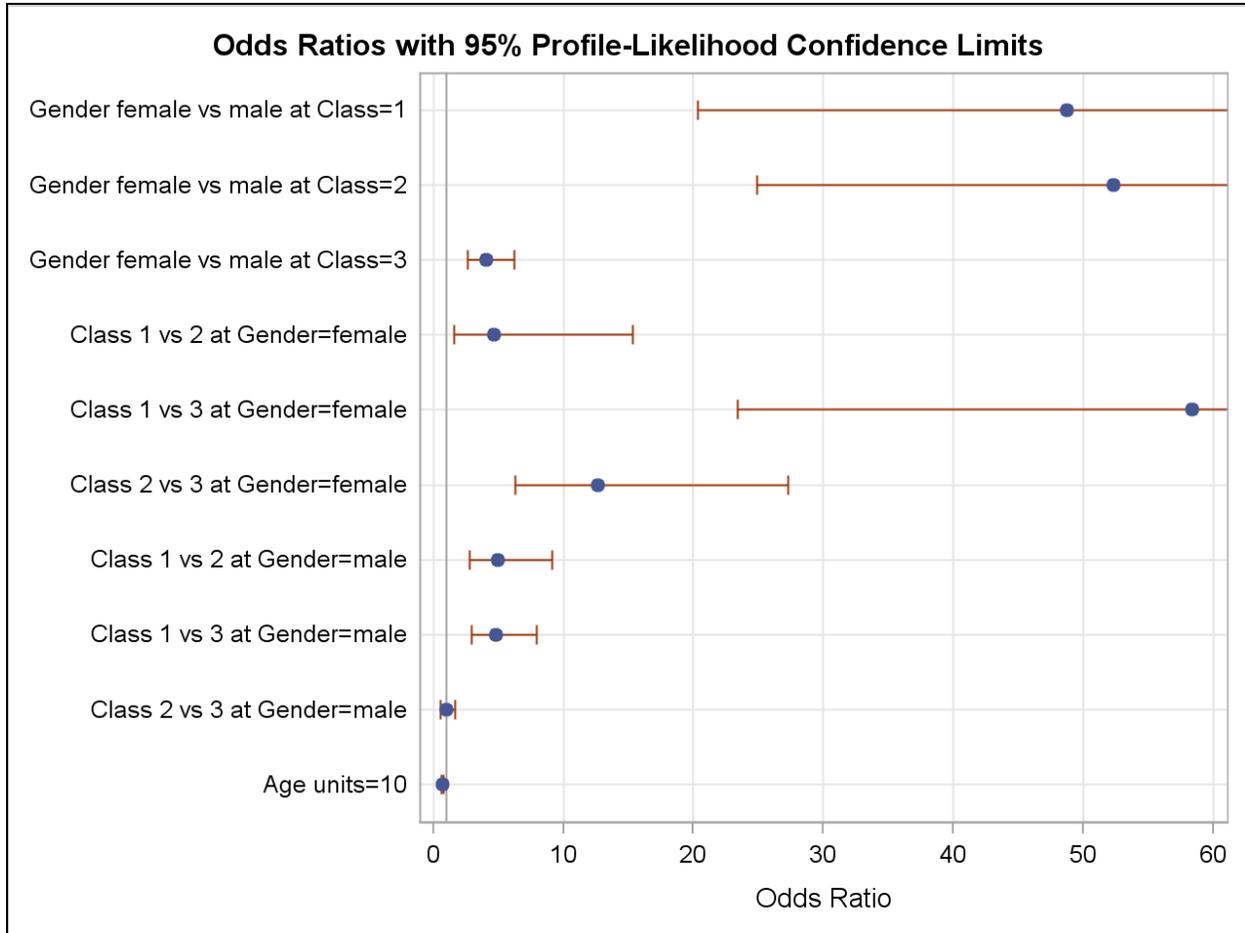
Selected options for the ODDSRATIO statement:

AT specifies fixed levels of the interacting covariates. If a specified covariate does not interact with the variable, then its AT list is ignored. For continuous interacting covariates, you can specify one or more numbers in the value-list. For classification covariates, you can specify one or more formatted levels of the covariate enclosed in single quotation marks (for example, A='cat' 'dog'), you can specify the keyword REF to select the reference-level, or you can specify the keyword ALL to select all levels of the classification variable. By default, continuous covariates are set to their means, while CLASS covariates are set to ALL.

Partial PROC LOGISTIC Output

| Profile Likelihood Confidence Interval for Odds Ratios | | | |
|--|----------|-----------------------|---------|
| Label | Estimate | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Gender female vs male at Class=1 | 48.735 | 20.313 | 145.458 |
| Gender female vs male at Class=2 | 52.295 | 24.869 | 119.543 |
| Gender female vs male at Class=3 | 4.043 | 2.630 | 6.253 |
| Class 1 vs 2 at Gender=female | 4.621 | 1.590 | 15.350 |
| Class 1 vs 3 at Gender=female | 58.349 | 23.371 | 179.396 |
| Class 2 vs 3 at Gender=female | 12.626 | 6.330 | 27.317 |
| Class 1 vs 2 at Gender=male | 4.959 | 2.778 | 9.106 |
| Class 1 vs 3 at Gender=male | 4.841 | 2.960 | 7.978 |

| Profile Likelihood Confidence Interval for Odds Ratios | | | |
|--|----------|-----------------------|-------|
| Label | Estimate | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Class 2 vs 3 at Gender=male | 0.976 | 0.564 | 1.645 |
| Age units=10 | 0.681 | 0.595 | 0.775 |



Notice the effect of the RANGE=CLIP suboption. The Odds Ratio axis is clipped just beyond the odds ratio estimate of Class 1 versus 3 at **Gender=female**. The upper bound of the associated 95% confidence interval is 179.396. Even with the range clipped, the **Age** confidence interval is barely discernible.

From this plot it is clear that the gender effect is different at different classes. (There is a stark difference in first and second classes, but not nearly as much in third class.) The class differences are also evidently different at each gender. For example, the odds ratio comparing first and third classes for females is far greater than the odds ratio comparing those same classes for males.



Exercises

4. Performing Backward Elimination

Using the `sasuser.safety` data set, run PROC LOGISTIC and use backward elimination. Start with a model using *only main effects*.

Use **Unsafe** as the outcome variable and **Weight**, **Size**, and **Region** as the predictor variables. Use the `EVENT=` option to model the probability of below-average safety scores.

Use the `SIZEFMT` format for the variable **Size**.

Specify **Region** and **Size** as classification variables using reference cell coding and specify **Asia** as the reference level for **Region** and **Small** as the reference level for **Size**.

Use a `UNITS` statement with -1 as the units for weight, so that you can see the odds ratio for lighter cars over heavier cars. Request any relevant plots.

- a. Which terms appear in the final model?
- b. Do you think this is a better model than the one fit with only **Region**?

 The variable **Size** is coded (1, 2, 3), but the applied format requires that the formatted value be used in the `CLASS` statement for the `REF=` category.

```
value sizefmt 1='Small'  
              2='Medium'  
              3='Large';
```

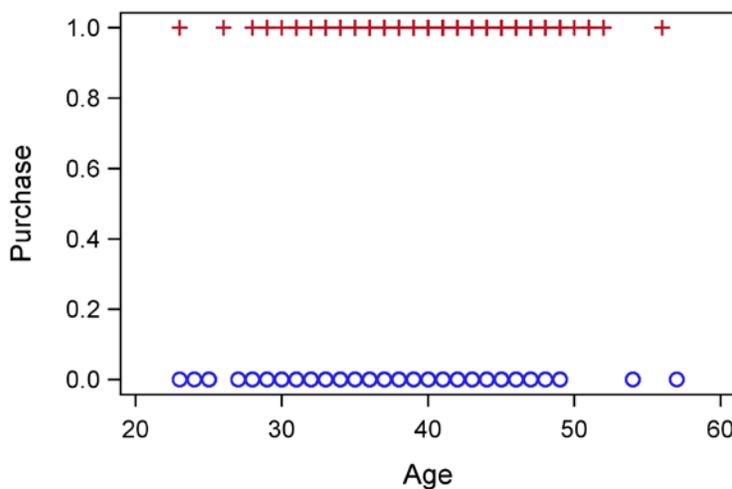
5.6 Logit Plots (Self-Study)

Objectives

- Explain the concept of logit plots.
- Plot estimated logits for continuous and ordinal variables.

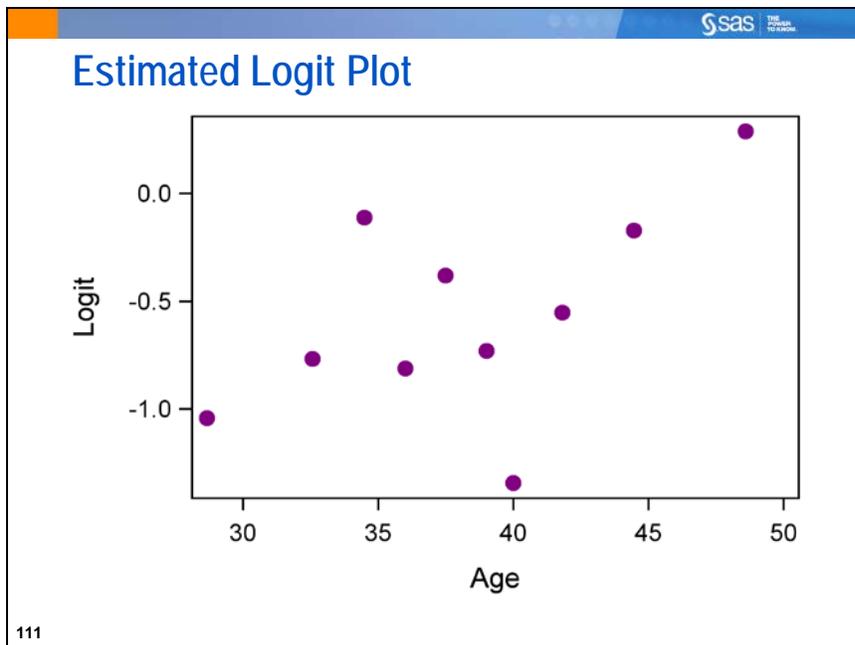
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Scatter Plot of Binary Response Data



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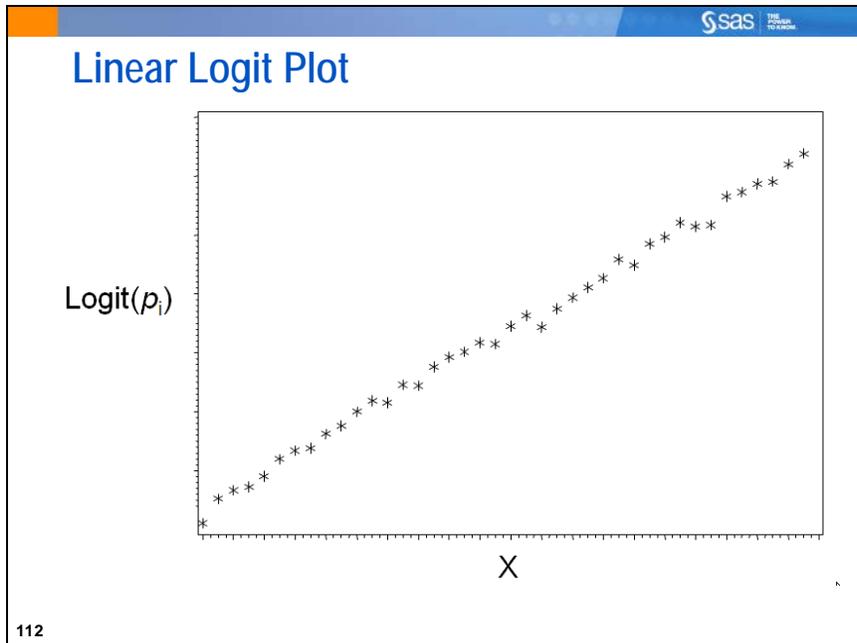
For continuous data, a recommended step before building a regression model is to analyze the bivariate relationships between the regressors and the response variables. The goal is not only to detect outliers, but also to analyze the shape of the relationships to determine whether there might be some nonlinear trend that should be modeled in the analysis. For binary response variables, a scatter plot contributes little to these ends.



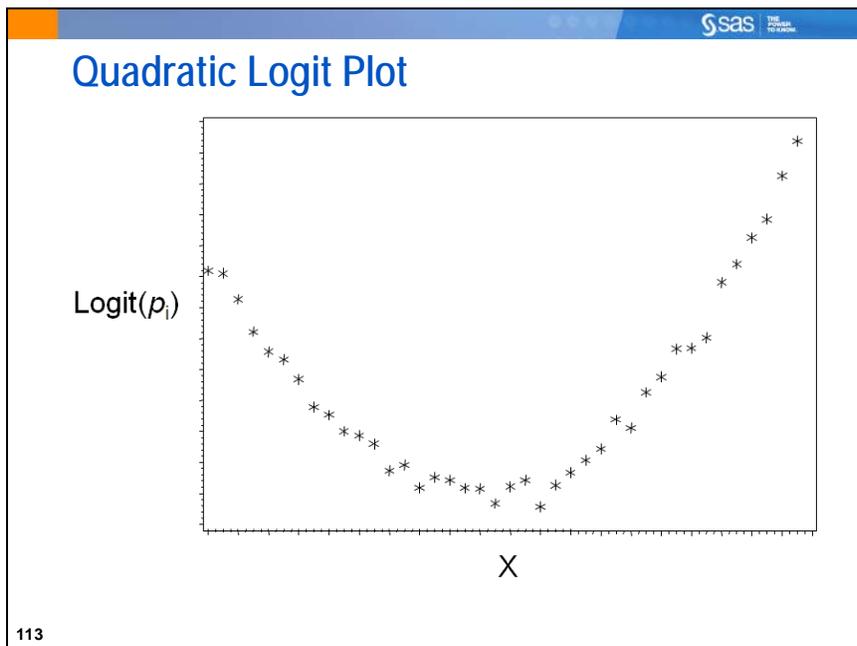
The logistic model asserts a linear relationship with the logit (not with the actual binary values). However, a logit for one observation will be infinite in either the positive or negative direction ($\ln(p/(1-p)) = \ln(1/0)$ or $\ln(0/1)$). A recommendation, however, is to group the data into approximately equally sized bins, based on the values of the predictor variable. The bin size should be adequate in number of observations to reduce the sample variability of the logits. You can then assume that the average probability within each bin is approximately the value of the proportion in the bin with the event. The estimated logit is then approximately equal to $\ln(\text{proportion}/(1-\text{proportion}))$.



If the predictor variable is a nominal variable, then there is no need to create a logit plot.



If the standard logistic regression model adequately fits the data, the logit plots should be fairly linear. The above graph shows a predictor variable that meets the assumption of linearity in the logit.



The logit plot can also show serious nonlinearities between the outcome variable and the predictor variable. The above graph reveals a quadratic relationship between the outcome and predictor variables. Adding a polynomial term or binning the predictor variable into three groups (two dummy variables would model the quadratic relationship) and treating it as a classification variable can improve the model fit.


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Estimated Logits

$$\ln \left(\frac{E_i + 1}{C_i - E_i + 1} \right)$$

where

E_i = number of events in bin

C_i = number of cases in bin

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A common approach when computing logits is to take the log of the odds. The path from the definition of a logit to the formula above is shown below. C represents the total number in the bin and E represents the total number of positive events in the bin.

$$\left(\frac{P_i}{1 - P_i} \right) = \left(\frac{\frac{E_i}{C_i}}{\left(\frac{C_i - E_i}{C_i} \right)} \right) = \left(\frac{E_i}{C_i - E_i} \right)$$

The logit is undefined for any bin in which the outcome rate is 100% or 0%. To eliminate this problem and reduce the variability of the logits, a common recommendation is to add a small constant to the numerator and denominator of the formula that computes the logit (Santner and Duffy 1989).



Plotting Estimated Logits

Example: Plot the estimated logits of the outcome variable **Survived** versus the predictor variable **Class**. To construct the estimated logits, the number of passengers who survived and the total number of customers by each level of **Class** must be computed.

```

/*st105d08.sas*/ /*Part A*/
proc means data=sasuser.Titanic noprint nway;
  class Class;
  var Survived;
  output out=bins sum(Survived)=NEvent n(Survived)=NCases;
run;

data bins;
  set bins;
  Logit=log((NEvent+1)/(NCases-NEvent+1));
run;

proc sgplot data=bins;
  reg Y=Logit X=Class /
    markerattrs=(symbol=asterisk color=blue size=15);
  pbspline Y=Logit X=Class / nomarkers;
  xaxis integer;
  title "Estimated Logit Plot of Passenger Class";
run;
quit;

```

Selected PROC MEANS statement option:

NWAY causes the output data set to have only one observation for each level of the class variable.

Selected PROC SGPLOT statements:

REG creates a fitted regression line or curve.

PBSPLINE creates a fitted penalized B-spline curve.

Selected options for REG or PBSPLINE statements:

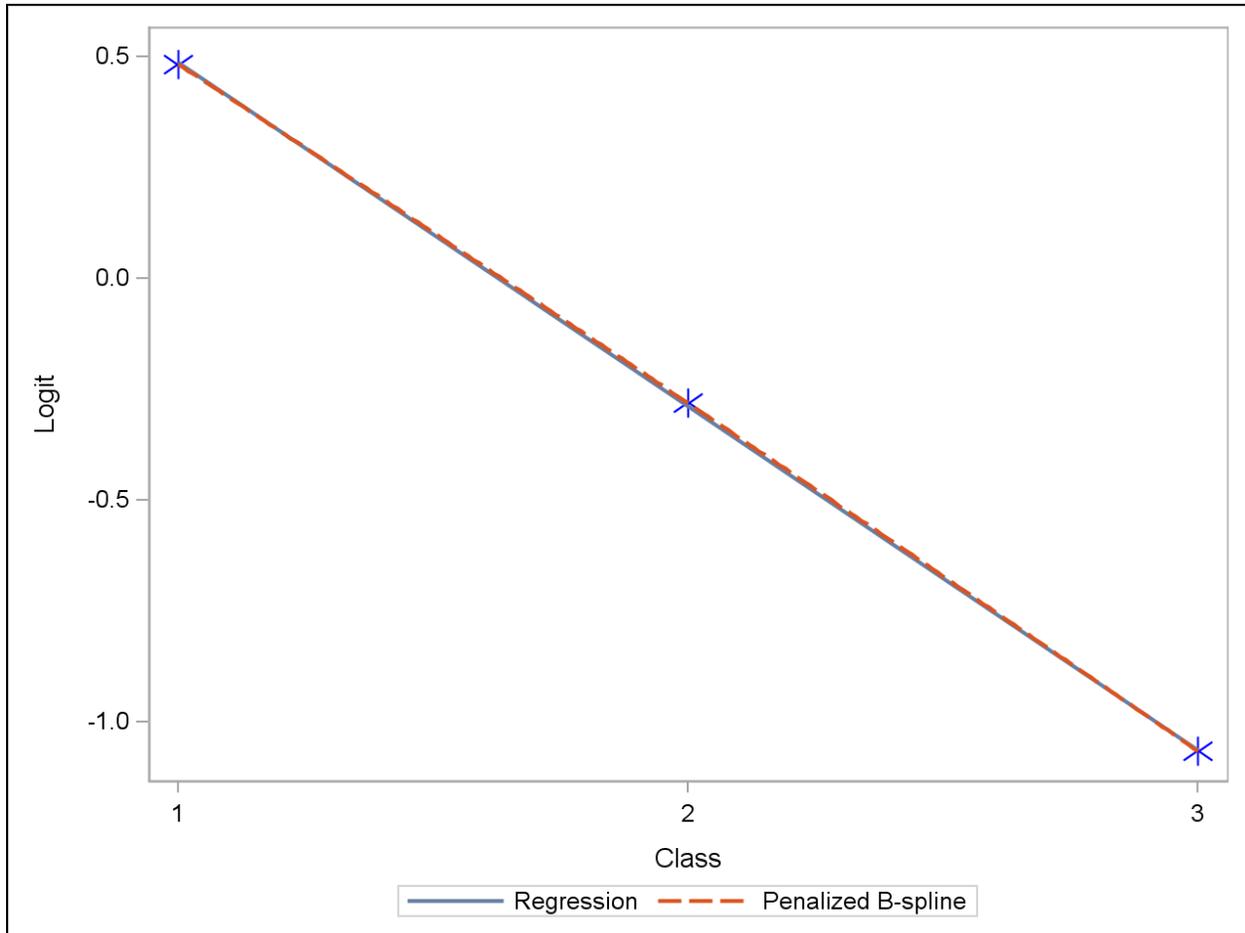
MARKERATTRS controls the display of the marker values for data points on the plot. **SIZE** is measured in pixels.

NOMARKERS removes the scatter markers from the plot.

PROC MEANS creates a data set that contains a separate value for the requested statistics for each level of the CLASS variable. Because **Survived** is coded 0/1, **SUM(Survived)** returns the value for the count of ones within each level of **CLASS**. **N(Survived)** returns the number of nonmissing values of **Survived**, which is the total effective sample size within each level.

The logit is created in the DATA step, using the formula seen in the slide shown previously. In this case, **C** is represented by **NCases** and **E** is represented by **NEvent**.

PROC SGPLOT shows the data, a regression line, and a penalized B-spline curve. The regression line and the curve can be compared to each other to assess the linearity of the relationship between the logit and the predictor. If the curve approximates the regression line, this gives evidence of linearity.



The logit plot for this ordinal variable is almost perfectly linear.



When a linear pattern is detected in a logit plot for an ordinal variable, the variable can be removed from the CLASS statement, implying that it would be considered the same as a continuous variable. The statistical advantage of doing so would be to increase model power, due to obtaining almost the same information using fewer degrees of freedom. However, theoretical justifications should always supersede such data-driven considerations.

Example: Plot the estimated logits of the outcome variable **Survived** versus the predictor variable **Age**. Because **Age** is a continuous variable, bin the observations into 50 groups to ensure that an adequate number of observations are used to compute the estimated logit.

```

/*st105d08.sas*/ /*Part B*/
proc rank data=sasuser.Titanic groups=50 out=Ranks;
  var Age;
  ranks Rank;
run;

proc means data=Ranks noprint nway;
  class Rank;
  var Survived Age;
  output out=Bins sum(Survived)=NEvent n(Survived)=NCases
    mean(Age)=Age;
run;

data bins;
  set bins;
  Logit=log((NEvent+1)/(NCases-NEvent+1));
run;

proc sgplot data=bins;
  reg Y=Logit X=Age /
    markerattrs=(symbol=asterisk color=blue size=15);
  pbspline Y=Logit X=Age / nomarkers;
  title "Estimated Logit Plot of Passenger's Age";
run;
quit;

```

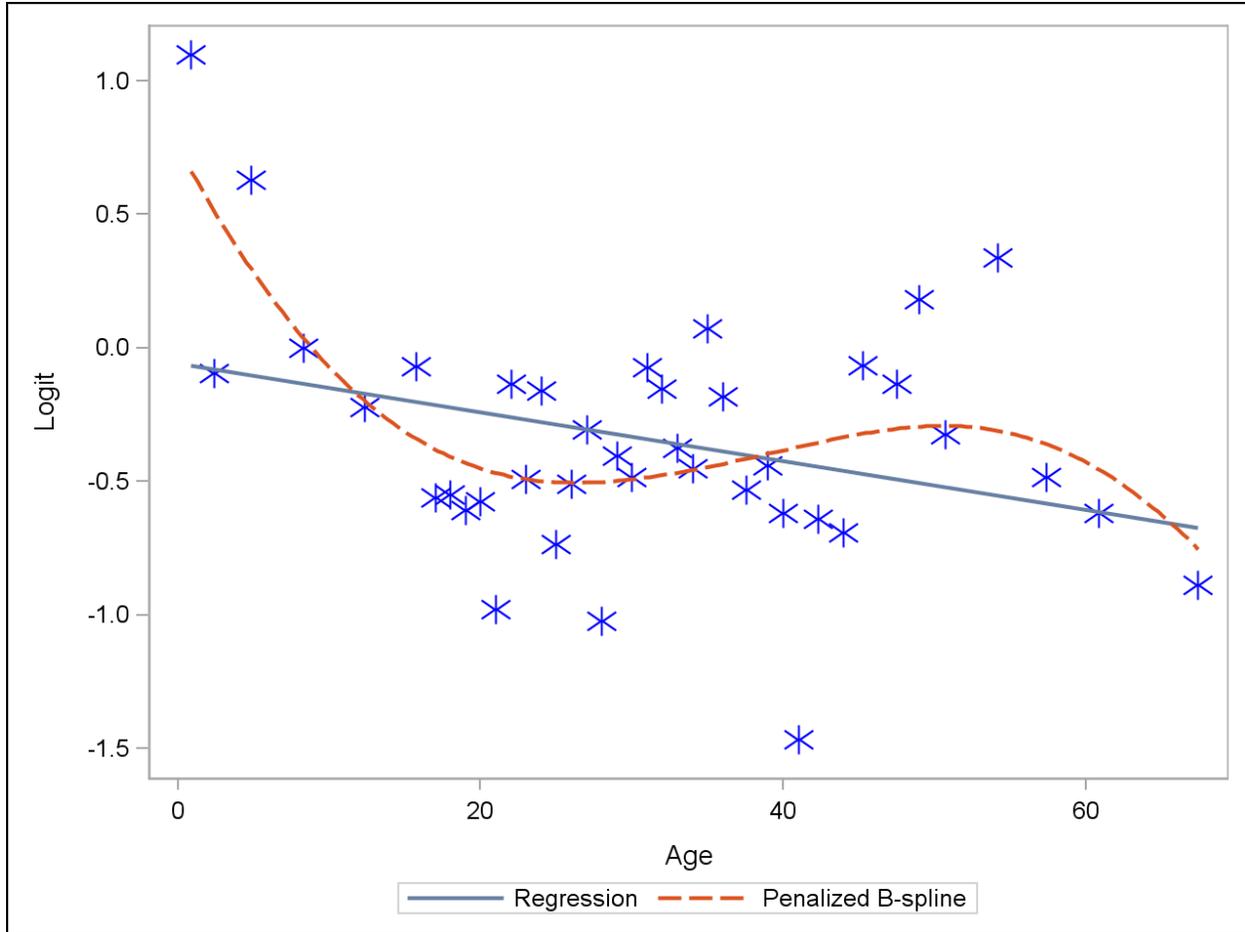
Selected PROC RANK statement option:

GROUPS=*n* bins the variables into *n* groups.

Selected RANK procedure statement:

RANKS names the group indicators in the OUT= data set. If the RANKS statement is omitted, then the group indicators replace the VAR variables in the OUT= data set.

In the case of **Age**, you do not have a made-to-order bin variable, so you must create one. You can use the RANK procedure for this purpose. You have 1309 observations. It is recommended that you have approximately 20 to 30 observations per bin. At approximately 26 per bin, you could create 1309/26~50 bins. That will be the option value of GROUPS=.



The estimated logit plot shows a deviation from linearity. One possibility is to add a quadratic (squared) or cubic (cubed) term for **Age**.

The estimated logit plot is a univariate plot and therefore can be misleading in the presence of interactions and partial associations. (Association between the response variable and the predictor variable changes with the addition of another predictor variable in the model.) If an interaction is suspected, a model with the interaction term and main effects should be evaluated before any variable is eliminated. Estimated logit plots should never be used to eliminate variables from consideration for a multiple logistic regression model.

5.7 Solutions

Solutions to Exercises

1. Performing Tests and Measures of Association

An insurance company wants to relate the safety of vehicles to several other variables. A score is given to each vehicle model, using the frequency of insurance claims as a basis. The data are in the `sasuser.safety` data set.

- a. Invoke the `FREQ` procedure and create one-way frequency tables for the categorical variables.

```
/*st105s01.sas*/ /*Part A*/
ods graphics off;
proc freq data=sasuser.safety;
  tables Unsafe Type Region Size;
  title "Safety Data Frequencies";
run;
ods graphics on;
```

| | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|----------|-----------|---------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 0 | 66 | 68.75 | 66 | 68.75 |
| 1 | 30 | 31.25 | 96 | 100.00 |

| Type | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|----------------------|-----------|---------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Large | 16 | 16.67 | 16 | 16.67 |
| Medium | 29 | 30.21 | 45 | 46.88 |
| Small | 20 | 20.83 | 65 | 67.71 |
| Sport/Utility | 16 | 16.67 | 81 | 84.38 |
| Sports | 15 | 15.63 | 96 | 100.00 |

| Region | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|------------------|-----------|---------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| Asia | 35 | 36.46 | 35 | 36.46 |
| N America | 61 | 63.54 | 96 | 100.00 |

| Size | Frequency | Percent | Cumulative Frequency | Cumulative Percent |
|----------|-----------|---------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 35 | 36.46 | 35 | 36.46 |
| 2 | 29 | 30.21 | 64 | 66.67 |
| 3 | 32 | 33.33 | 96 | 100.00 |

1) What is the measurement scale of each variable?

| <u>Variable</u> | <u>Measurement Scale</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Unsafe | Nominal, Ordinal, Binary |
| Type | Nominal |
| Region | Nominal |
| Weight | Ratio (Continuous) |
| Size | Ordinal |

2) What is the proportion of cars made in North America?

63.54 %

3) For the variables **Unsafe**, **Size**, **Region**, and **Type**, are there any unusual data values that warrant further investigation?

No.

- b. Use PROC FREQ to examine the crosstabulation of the variables **Region** by **Unsafe**. Generate a temporary format to clearly identify the values of **Unsafe**. Along with the default output, generate the expected frequencies, the chi-square test of association and the odds ratio.

```
/*st105s01.sas*/ /*Part B*/  
proc format;  
  value safefmt 0='Average or Above'  
               1='Below Average';  
run;  
  
proc freq data=sasuser.safety;  
  tables Region*Unsafe / expected chisq relrisk;  
  format Unsafe safefmt.;  
  title "Association between Unsafe and Region";  
run;
```

| Table of Region by Unsafe | | | |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------|--------|
| Region | Unsafe | | |
| Frequency | | | |
| Expected | | | |
| Percent | | | |
| Row Pct | | | |
| Col Pct | Average or Above | Below Average | Total |
| Asia | 20 | 15 | 35 |
| | 24.063 | 10.938 | |
| | 20.83 | 15.63 | 36.46 |
| | 57.14 | 42.86 | |
| | 30.30 | 50.00 | |
| N America | 46 | 15 | 61 |
| | 41.938 | 19.063 | |
| | 47.92 | 15.63 | 63.54 |
| | 75.41 | 24.59 | |
| | 69.70 | 50.00 | |
| Total | 66 | 30 | 96 |
| | 68.75 | 31.25 | 100.00 |

Statistics for Table of Region by Unsafe

| Statistic | DF | Value | Prob |
|-----------------------------|----|---------|--------|
| Chi-Square | 1 | 3.4541 | 0.0631 |
| Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square | 1 | 3.3949 | 0.0654 |
| Continuity Adj. Chi-Square | 1 | 2.6562 | 0.1031 |
| Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square | 1 | 3.4181 | 0.0645 |
| Phi Coefficient | | -0.1897 | |
| Contingency Coefficient | | 0.1864 | |
| Cramer's V | | -0.1897 | |

| Fisher's Exact Test | |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Cell (1,1) Frequency (F) | 20 |
| Left-sided Pr <= F | 0.0525 |
| Right-sided Pr >= F | 0.9809 |
| | |
| Table Probability (P) | 0.0334 |
| Two-sided Pr <= P | 0.0718 |

| Estimates of the Relative Risk (Row1/Row2) | | | |
|--|--------|-----------------------|--------|
| Type of Study | Value | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Case-Control (Odds Ratio) | 0.4348 | 0.1790 | 1.0562 |
| Cohort (Col1 Risk) | 0.7578 | 0.5499 | 1.0443 |
| Cohort (Col2 Risk) | 1.7429 | 0.9733 | 3.1210 |

- 1) For the cars made in Asia, what percentage had a below-average safety score?

Region is a row variable, so look at the Row Pct value in the Below Average cell of the Asia row. That value is 42.86.

- 2) For the cars with an average or above safety score, what percentage was made in North America?

The Col Pct value for the cell for North America in the column for Average or Above is 69.70.

- 3) Do you see a statistically significant (at the 0.05 level) association between **Region** and **Unsafe**?

The association is not statistically significant at the 0.05 alpha level. The p -value is 0.0631.

- 4) What does the odds ratio compare and what does this one say about the difference in odds between Asian and North American cars?

The odds ratio compares the odds of below average safety for North America versus Asia. The odds ratio of 0.4348 means that cars made in North America have 56.52 percent lower odds for being unsafe than cars made in Asia.



Recall that odds ratios given in the Estimates of Relative Risk table are calculated comparing row1/row2 for column1. In this problem, this comparison is **Asia** to **N America** whose outcome is **Average or Above** in safety. The value 0.4348 is interpreted as the odds of having an **Average or Above** car made in **Asia** is 0.4348 times the odds for American-made cars. If you wished to compare **N America** to **Asia**, still using **Average or Above** for safety, the odds ratio would be the inverse of 0.4348, or approximately 2.3. This is interpreted as cars made in North America have 2.3 times the odds for being safe than cars made in Asia. This single inversion would also create the odds ratio for comparing **Asia** to **N America** but **Below Average** in safety. If you wished to compare **N America** to **Asia** using **Below Average** in safety, you would invert your odds ratio twice returning to the value 0.4348.

- c. Use the variable named **Size**. Examine the ordinal association between **Size** and **Unsafe**. Use PROC FREQ.

```
/*st105s01.sas*/ /*Part C*/
proc freq data=sasuser.safety;
  tables Size*Unsafe / chisq measures cl;
  format Unsafe safefmt.;
  title "Association between Unsafe and Size";
run;
```

| Table of Size by Unsafe | | | |
|-------------------------|------------------|---------------|--------|
| Size | Unsafe | | |
| Frequency | | | |
| Percent | | | |
| Row Pct | | | |
| Col Pct | Average or Above | Below Average | Total |
| 1 | 12 | 23 | 35 |
| | 12.50 | 23.96 | 36.46 |
| | 34.29 | 65.71 | |
| | 18.18 | 76.67 | |
| 2 | 24 | 5 | 29 |
| | 25.00 | 5.21 | 30.21 |
| | 82.76 | 17.24 | |
| | 36.36 | 16.67 | |
| 3 | 30 | 2 | 32 |
| | 31.25 | 2.08 | 33.33 |
| | 93.75 | 6.25 | |
| | 45.45 | 6.67 | |
| Total | 66 | 30 | 96 |
| | 68.75 | 31.25 | 100.00 |

Statistics for Table of Size by Unsafe

| Statistic | DF | Value | Prob |
|------------------------------------|----|---------|--------|
| Chi-Square | 2 | 31.3081 | <.0001 |
| Likelihood Ratio Chi-Square | 2 | 32.6199 | <.0001 |
| Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square | 1 | 27.7098 | <.0001 |
| Phi Coefficient | | 0.5711 | |
| Contingency Coefficient | | 0.4959 | |
| Cramer's V | | 0.5711 | |

| Statistic | Value | ASE | 95% | |
|--|---------|--------|-------------------|---------|
| | | | Confidence Limits | |
| Gamma | -0.8268 | 0.0796 | -0.9829 | -0.6707 |
| Kendall's Tau-b | -0.5116 | 0.0726 | -0.6540 | -0.3693 |
| Stuart's Tau-c | -0.5469 | 0.0866 | -0.7166 | -0.3771 |
| Somers' D C R | -0.4114 | 0.0660 | -0.5408 | -0.2819 |
| Somers' D R C | -0.6364 | 0.0860 | -0.8049 | -0.4678 |
| Pearson Correlation | -0.5401 | 0.0764 | -0.6899 | -0.3903 |
| Spearman Correlation | -0.5425 | 0.0769 | -0.6932 | -0.3917 |
| Lambda Asymmetric C R | 0.3667 | 0.1569 | 0.0591 | 0.6743 |
| Lambda Asymmetric R C | 0.2951 | 0.0892 | 0.1203 | 0.4699 |
| Lambda Symmetric | 0.3187 | 0.0970 | 0.1286 | 0.5088 |
| Uncertainty Coefficient C R | 0.2735 | 0.0836 | 0.1096 | 0.4374 |
| Uncertainty Coefficient R C | 0.1551 | 0.0490 | 0.0590 | 0.2512 |
| Uncertainty Coefficient Symmetric | 0.1979 | 0.0615 | 0.0773 | 0.3186 |

- 1) What statistic should you use to detect an ordinal association between **Size** and **Unsafe**?

The Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square

- 2) Do you reject or fail to reject the null hypothesis at the 0.05 level?

Reject

- 3) What is the strength of the ordinal association between **Size** and **Unsafe**?

The Spearman correlation is -0.5425.

- 4) What is the 95% confidence interval around that statistic?

The CI is (-0.6932, -0.3917).

2. Performing a Logistic Regression Analysis

Fit a simple logistic regression model using **sasuser.safety** with **Unsafe** as the outcome variable and **Weight** as the predictor variable. Use the **EVENT=** option to model the probability of below-average safety scores. Request Profile Likelihood confidence limits and an odds ratio plot along with an effect plot.

```
/*st105s02.sas*/
proc logistic data=sasuser.safety plots(only)=(effect oddsratio);
  model Unsafe(event='1')=Weight / clodds=pl;
  title 'LOGISTIC MODEL (1):Unsafe=Weight';
run;
```

| Model Information | |
|---------------------------|------------------|
| Data Set | SASUSER.SAFETY |
| Response Variable | Unsafe |
| Number of Response Levels | 2 |
| Model | binary logit |
| Optimization Technique | Fisher's scoring |

| | |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Number of Observations Read | 96 |
| Number of Observations Used | 96 |

| Response Profile | | |
|------------------|--------|-----------------|
| Ordered Value | Unsafe | Total Frequency |
| 1 | 0 | 66 |
| 2 | 1 | 30 |

Probability modeled is Unsafe=1.

| Model Convergence Status |
|---|
| Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied. |

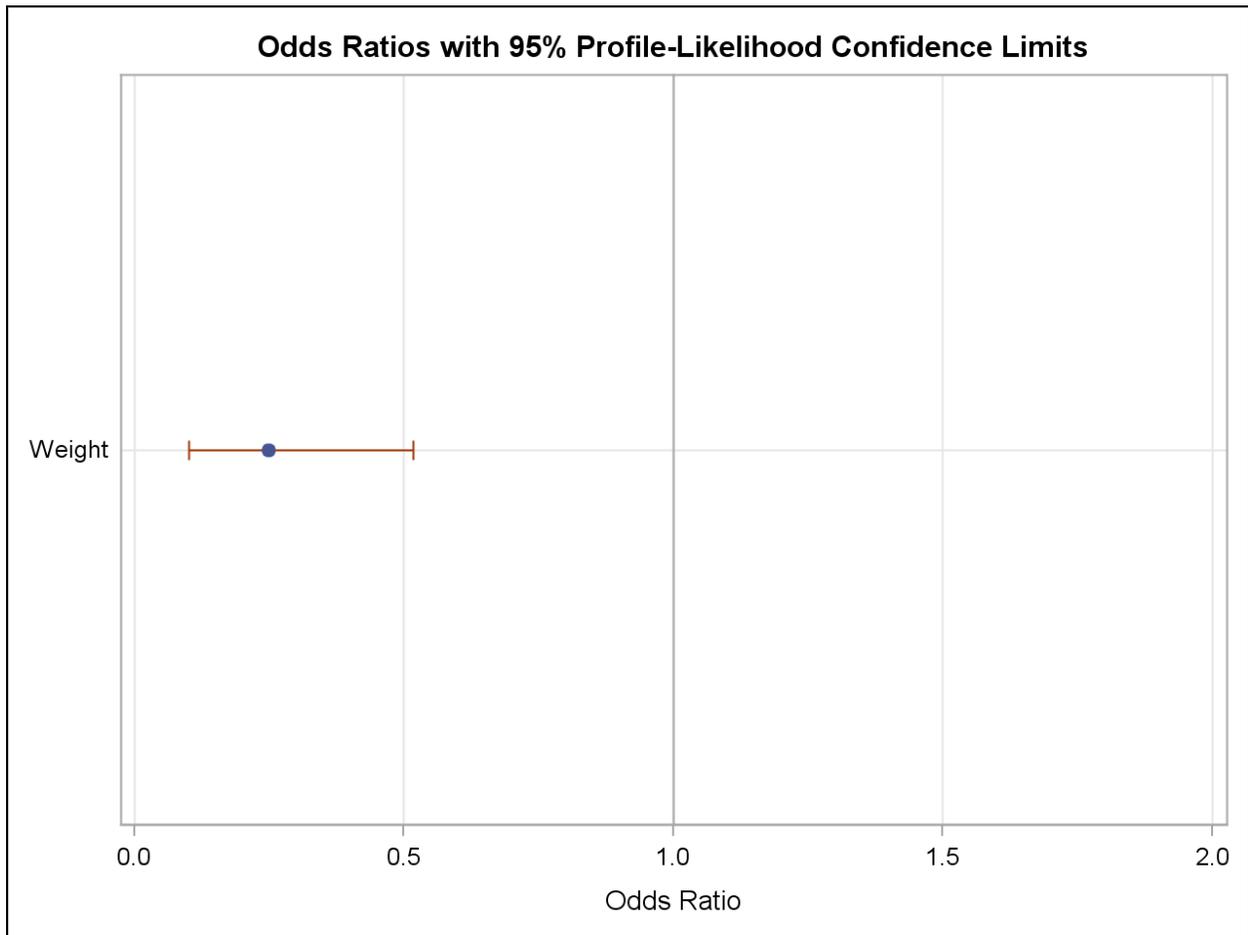
| Model Fit Statistics | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Criterion | Intercept Only | Intercept and Covariates |
| AIC | 121.249 | 106.764 |
| SC | 123.813 | 111.893 |
| -2 Log L | 119.249 | 102.764 |

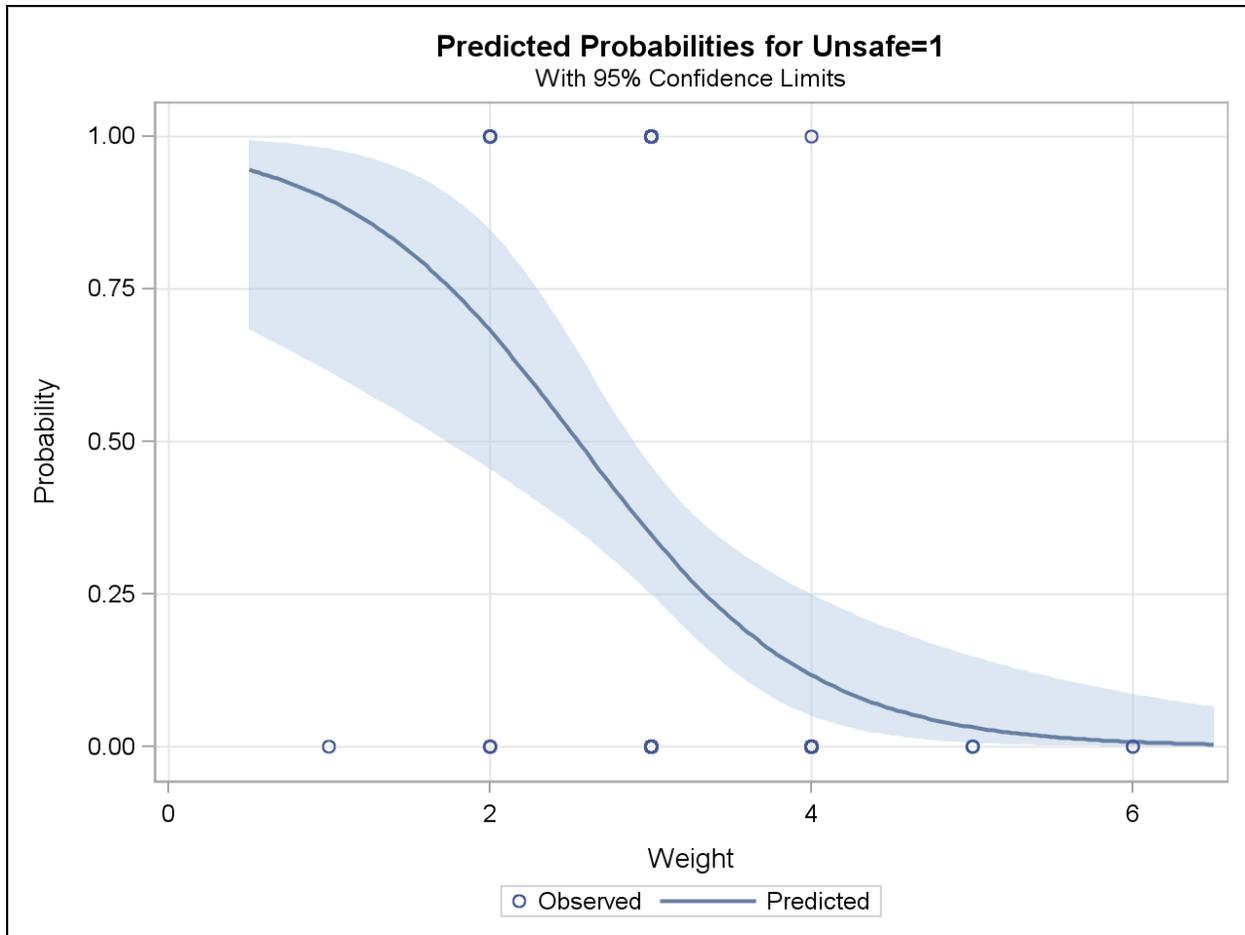
| Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0 | | | |
|--|------------|----|------------|
| Test | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| Likelihood Ratio | 16.4845 | 1 | <.0001 |
| Score | 13.7699 | 1 | 0.0002 |
| Wald | 11.5221 | 1 | 0.0007 |

| Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates | | | | | |
|--|----|----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Parameter | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Intercept | 1 | 3.5422 | 1.2601 | 7.9023 | 0.0049 |
| Weight | 1 | -1.3901 | 0.4095 | 11.5221 | 0.0007 |

| Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses | | | |
|---|------|-----------|-------|
| Percent Concordant | 55.2 | Somers' D | 0.474 |
| Percent Discordant | 7.7 | Gamma | 0.754 |
| Percent Tied | 37.1 | Tau-a | 0.206 |
| Pairs | 1980 | c | 0.737 |

| Profile Likelihood Confidence Interval for Odds Ratios | | | | |
|--|--------|----------|-----------------------|-------|
| Effect | Unit | Estimate | 95% Confidence Limits | |
| Weight | 1.0000 | 0.249 | 0.102 | 0.517 |





- a. Do you reject or fail to reject the global null hypothesis that all regression coefficients of the model are 0?

The p -value for the Likelihood Ratio test is $<.0001$ and therefore the global null hypothesis is rejected.

- b. Write the logistic regression equation.

The regression equation is as follows:

$$\text{Logit(Unsafe)} = 3.5422 + (-1.3901) * \text{Weight}.$$

- c. Interpret the odds ratio for **Weight**.

The odds ratio for Weight (0.249) says that the odds for being unsafe (having a below average safety rating) are 75.1% lower for each thousand pound increase in weight. The confidence interval (0.102 , 0.517) does not contain 1, indicating that that the odds ratio is statistically significant.

3. Performing a Multiple Logistic Regression Analysis Including Categorical Variables

Fit a logistic regression model using `sasuser.safety` with `Unsafe` as the outcome variable and `Weight`, `Region`, and `Size` as the predictor variables. Request reference cell coding with `Asia` as the reference level for `Region` and `3` (large cars) as the reference level for `Size`. Use the `EVENT=` option to model the probability of below-average safety scores. Request Profile Likelihood confidence limits and an odds ratio plot along with an effect plot.

```
/*st105s03.sas*/
proc logistic data=sasuser.safety plots(only)=(effect oddsratio);
  class Region (param=ref ref='Asia')
        Size (param=ref ref='3');
  model Unsafe(event='1')=Weight Region Size / clodds=pl;
  title1 'LOGISTIC MODEL (2):Unsafe=Weight Region Size';
run;
```

Partial PROC LOGISTIC Output

| Class Level Information | | | |
|-------------------------|-----------|------------------|---|
| Class | Value | Design Variables | |
| Region | Asia | 0 | |
| | N America | 1 | |
| Size | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| | 2 | 0 | 1 |
| | 3 | 0 | 0 |

| Model Convergence Status |
|---|
| Convergence criterion (GCONV=1E-8) satisfied. |

| Model Fit Statistics | | |
|----------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Criterion | Intercept Only | Intercept and Covariates |
| AIC | 121.249 | 94.004 |
| SC | 123.813 | 106.826 |
| -2 Log L | 119.249 | 84.004 |

| Testing Global Null Hypothesis: BETA=0 | | | |
|--|------------|----|------------|
| Test | Chi-Square | DF | Pr > ChiSq |
| Likelihood Ratio | 35.2441 | 4 | <.0001 |
| Score | 32.8219 | 4 | <.0001 |
| Wald | 23.9864 | 4 | <.0001 |

- a. Do you reject or fail to reject the null hypothesis that all regression coefficients of the model are 0?

You reject the null hypothesis with a $p < .0001$.

| Type 3 Analysis of Effects | | | |
|----------------------------|----|-----------------|------------|
| Effect | DF | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Weight | 1 | 2.1176 | 0.1456 |
| Region | 1 | 0.4506 | 0.5020 |
| Size | 2 | 15.3370 | 0.0005 |

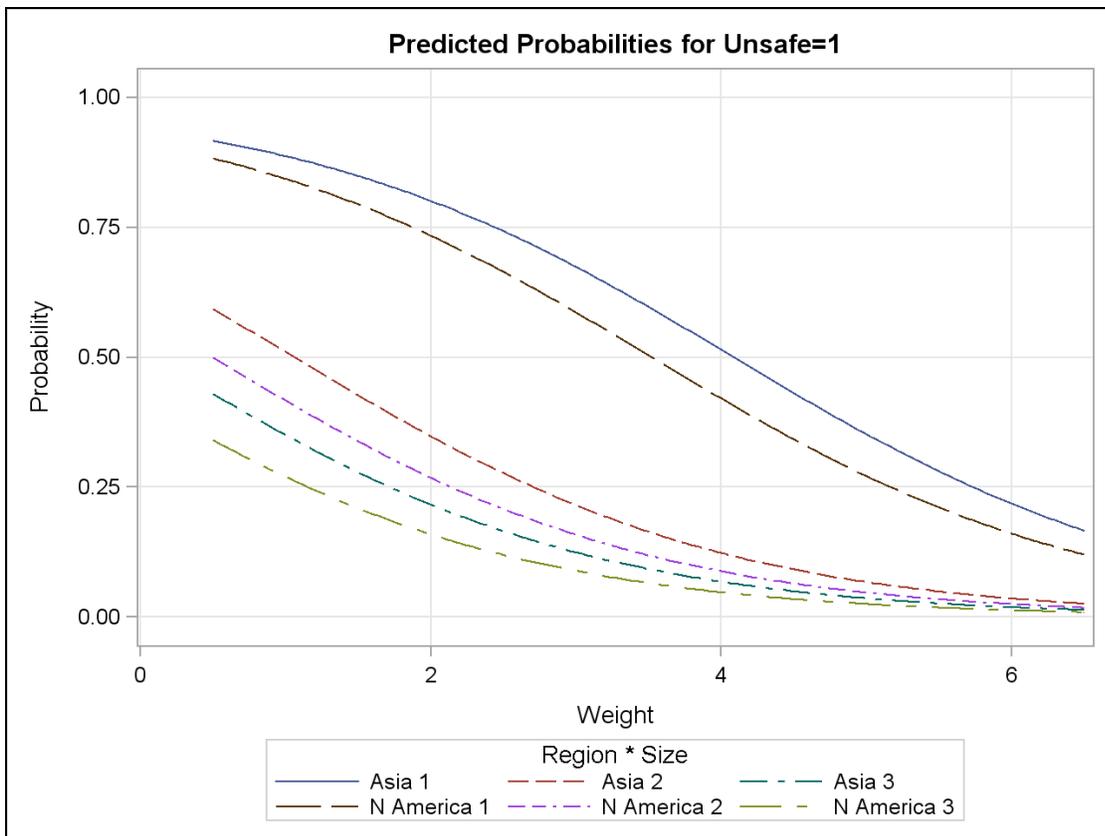
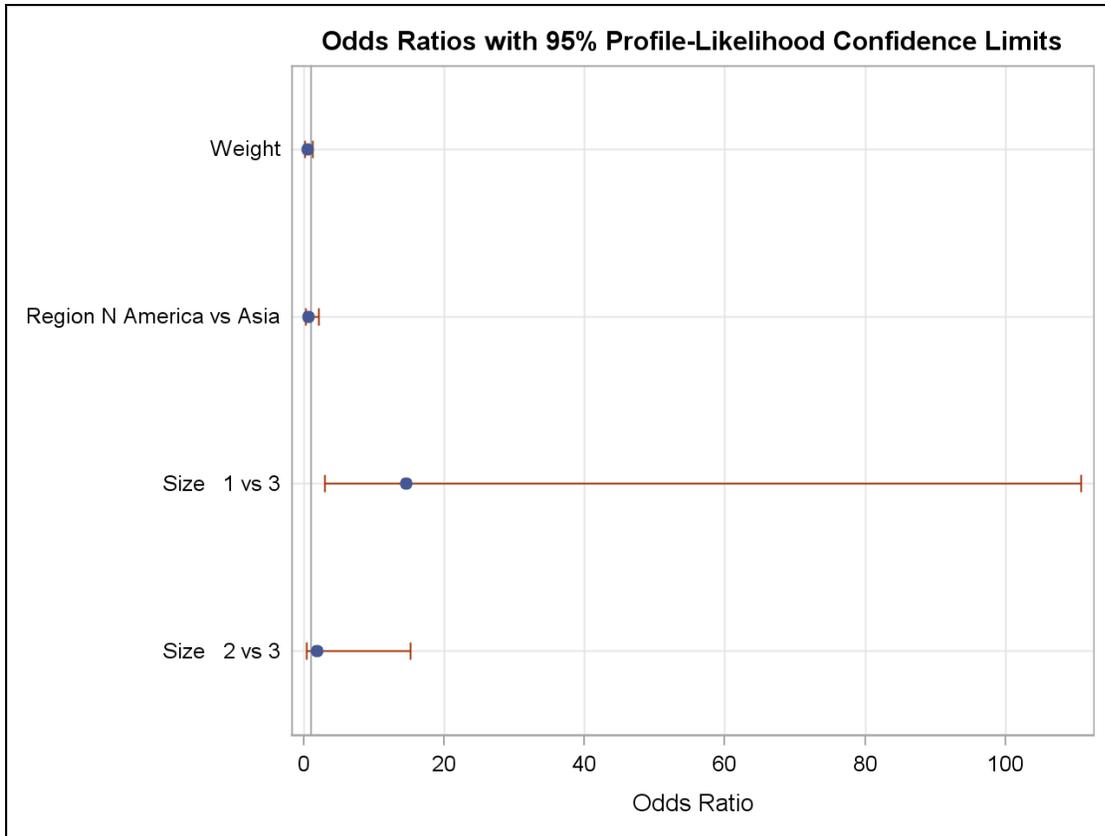
- b. If you do reject the global null hypothesis, then which predictors significantly predict safety outcome?

Only Size is significantly predictive of Unsafe.

| Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Estimates | | | | | | |
|--|-----------|----|----------|----------------|-----------------|------------|
| Parameter | | DF | Estimate | Standard Error | Wald Chi-Square | Pr > ChiSq |
| Intercept | | 1 | 0.0500 | 1.8008 | 0.0008 | 0.9778 |
| Weight | | 1 | -0.6678 | 0.4589 | 2.1176 | 0.1456 |
| Region | N America | 1 | -0.3775 | 0.5624 | 0.4506 | 0.5020 |
| Size | 1 | 1 | 2.6783 | 0.8810 | 9.2422 | 0.0024 |
| Size | 2 | 1 | 0.6582 | 0.9231 | 0.5085 | 0.4758 |

| Association of Predicted Probabilities and Observed Responses | | | |
|---|------|-----------|-------|
| Percent Concordant | 81.9 | Somers' D | 0.696 |
| Percent Discordant | 12.3 | Gamma | 0.739 |
| Percent Tied | 5.8 | Tau-a | 0.302 |
| Pairs | 1980 | c | 0.848 |

| Profile Likelihood Confidence Interval for Odds Ratios | | | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|-------|---------|
| Effect | Unit Estimate | 95% Confidence Limits | | |
| Weight | 1.0000 | 0.513 | 0.201 | 1.260 |
| Region N America vs Asia | 1.0000 | 0.686 | 0.225 | 2.081 |
| Size 1 vs 3 | 1.0000 | 14.560 | 3.018 | 110.732 |
| Size 2 vs 3 | 1.0000 | 1.931 | 0.343 | 15.182 |



- c. Interpret the odds ratio for significant predictors.

Only Size is significant. The design variables show that Size=1 (Small or Sports) cars have 14.560 times the odds of having a below-average safety rating compared to the reference category, 3 (Large or Sport/Utility). The 95% confidence interval (3.018, 110.732) does not contain 1, implying that the contrast is statistically significant at the 0.05 level. The contrast from the second design variable is 1.931 (Medium versus Sport/Utility), implying a trend toward greater odds of low safety for medium cars. However, the 95% confidence interval (0.343, 15.182) contains 1 and therefore the contrast is not statistically significant.

Solutions to Student Activities (Polls/Quizzes)



5.01 Multiple Answer Poll – Correct Answer

Which of the following would likely not be considered categorical in the data?

- a. Gender
- b. Fare
- c. Survival
- d. Age
- e. Class

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5.02 Multiple Answer Poll – Correct Answers

What tends to happen when sample size decreases?

- a. The chi-square value increases.
- b. The p -value increases.
- c. Cramer's V increases.
- d. The Odds Ratio increases.
- e. The width of the CI for the Odds Ratio increases.

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5.03 Multiple Answer Poll – Correct Answers

A researcher wants to measure the strength of an association between two binary variables. Which statistic(s) can he use?

- a. Hansel and Gretel Correlation
- b. Mantel-Haenszel Chi-Square
- c. Pearson Chi-Square
- d. Odds Ratio
- e. Spearman Correlation

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5.04 Multiple Choice Poll – Correct Answer

What are the upper and lower bounds for a logit?

- a. Lower=0, Upper=1
- b. Lower=0, No upper bound
- c. No lower bound, No upper bound
- d. No lower bound, Upper=1

$$\text{logit}(p_i) = \ln \left(\frac{p_i}{(1-p_i)} \right)$$

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5.05 Multiple Choice Poll – Correct Answer

In the Analysis of Maximum Likelihood table, using effect coding, what is the estimated logit for someone at **IncLevel=2**?

- a. -.5363
- b. -.6717
- c. -.6659
- d. -.7563
- e. Cannot tell from the information provided

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5.06 Multiple Choice Poll – Correct Answer

A variable coded 1, 2, 3, and 4 is parameterized with effect coding, with 2 as the reference level. The parameter estimate for level 1 tells you which of the following?

- a. The difference in the logit between level 1 and level 2
- b. The odds ratio between level 1 and level 2
- c. The difference in the logit between level 1 and the average of all levels
- d. The odds ratio between level 1 and the average of all levels
- e. Both a and b
- f. Both c and d

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