

Logistic Regression

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Problem 33-1

Suppose you are again given the following dataset:

$data = [(1, 0.2), (2, 0.25), (3, 0.5)]$

Fit a logistic regression model $y = \frac{1}{1 + e^{a+bx}}$ by hand.

1. Re-express the model in the form $a + bx = \text{some function of } y$ (i.e. isolate $a + bx$ in the logistic regression model). Hint: your function of y will involve \ln .
2. Set up a system of equations and turn the system into a matrix equation.
3. Find the best approximation to the solution of that matrix equation by using the pseudoinverse.
4. Substituting your solution for the coefficients of the model, and plot the model along with the 3 given data points on the same graph to ensure that the model fits the data points well.

Solution

Step 1:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{1}{1 + e^{a+bx}} &= y \\ 1 + e^{a+bx} &= \frac{1}{y} \\ e^{a+bx} &= \frac{1}{y} - 1 \\ a + bx &= \ln\left(\frac{1}{y} - 1\right)\end{aligned}$$

Step 2:

Plugging in all the given values, we get...

$$\ln(4) = a + (1)b$$

$$\ln(3) = a + 2b$$

$$\ln(1) = a + 3b$$

We turn this into a matrix equation...

$$\begin{bmatrix} \ln(4) \\ \ln(3) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix}$$

Step 3:

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \ln(4) \\ \ln(3) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ln(4) \\ \ln(3) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 14 \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 14 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ln(4) \\ \ln(3) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 6 \\ 6 & 14 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \ln(4) + \ln(3) \\ \ln(4) + 2\ln(3) \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} 2.2146 \\ -0.69315 \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Step 4: $y = 2.2146 - 0.69315x$:

