

Lesson 15: Other types of ~~categorical~~ regression

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Review: Generalized Linear Models (GLMs)

Generalized Linear Models

not be confused w/
linear reg
linear reg is a type
of GLM

Random component

- Identify the response variable Y
- Specify a suitable (presumably) distribution for it

Systematic component

- ★ same for every GLM
- Specify the explanatory variable(s) for the model

$$\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_k X_k$$

Link function

- Specify a functional form of $E(Y)$ that is related to the explanatory variables through a prediction equation in linear form

link fn
(determined by random)

we need to
link Y to
the linear sys comp

GLM: Random Component

- The random component specifies the response variable Y and selects a probability distribution for it
- Basically, we are just identifying the distribution for our outcome
 - If Y is **binary**: assumes a **binomial** distribution of Y
 - If Y is **count**: assumes **Poisson** or negative binomial distribution of Y
 - If Y is **continuous**: assume a **Normal** distribution of Y
↳ linear regression

GLM: Systematic Component

- The systematic component specifies the explanatory variables, which enter linearly as predictors

$$\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_k X_k$$

- Above equation includes:

- Centered variables ✓
- Interactions ✓
- Transformations of variables (like squares) ✓

categorical
numeric

- Systematic component is the **same** as what we learned in Linear Models

GLM: Link Function

- If $\mu = E(Y)$, then the link function specifies a function $g(\cdot)$ that relates μ to the linear predictors as:

$$[g(\mu) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_k X_k]$$

$$\text{logit}(\pi(x)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_k X_k$$

- $g(\mu)$ is the transformation we make to $E(Y)$ (aka μ) so that the linear predictors (right side of equation) can be linked to the outcome
- The link function connects the random component with the systematic component
- Can also think of this as:

$$\mu = g^{-1}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_k X_k)$$

$$\hat{\pi}(x) = \text{inverse logit of } \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots$$

- It's basically like saying $g(\mu)$ IS $\text{logit}(\mu)$ and thus

$$\text{logit}(\mu) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_k X_k$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\pi(x)$$

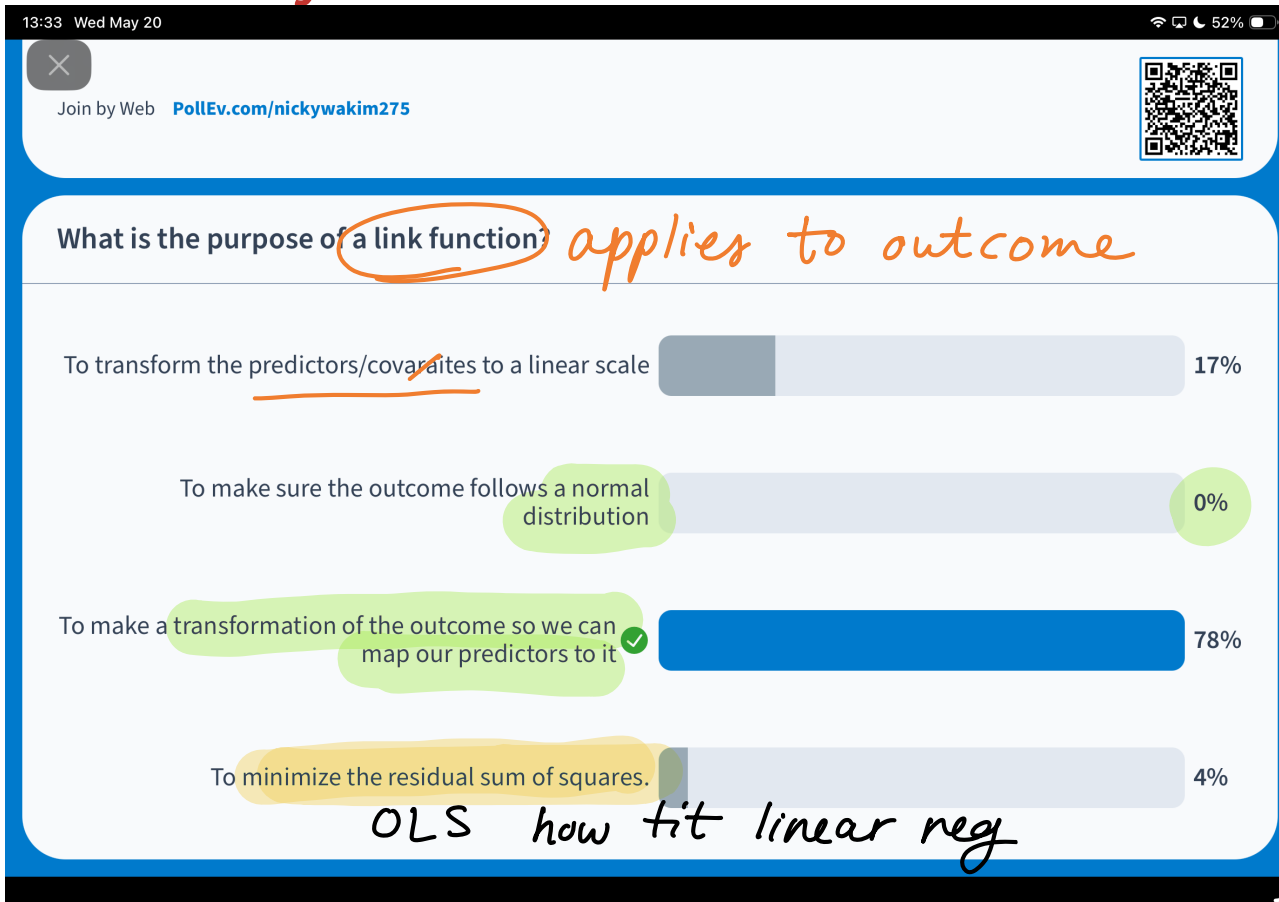
GLM: Link Function

possible link fn
determined by dist'n
of Y

Dist'n of Y	Typical uses	Link name	Link function	Common name
Normal	Linear-response data	Identity	$g(\mu) = \mu$	Linear regression
Bernoulli / Binomial	outcome of single yes/no occurrence	Logit	$g(\mu) = \text{logit}(\mu)$	Logistic regression
Poisson	count of occurrences in fixed amount of time/space	Log	$g(\mu) = \log(\mu)$	Poisson regression
Bernoulli / Binomial	outcome of single yes/no occurrence	Log	$g(\mu) = \log(\mu)$	Log-binomial regression
Multinomial	outcome of single occurrence with $K > 2$ options, <u>nominal</u>	Logit	$g(\mu) = \text{logit}(\mu)$	Multinomial logistic regression
Multinomial	outcome of single occurrence with $K > 2$ options, <u>ordinal</u>	Logit	$g(\mu) = \text{logit}(\mu)$	Ordinal logistic regression

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Poll Everywhere Question 1



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Linear regression

- **Outcome type:** continuous/numeric
& normally distributed

- **Example outcomes:**

- Height ✓
- IAT score ✓
- Heart rate ✓

$$Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

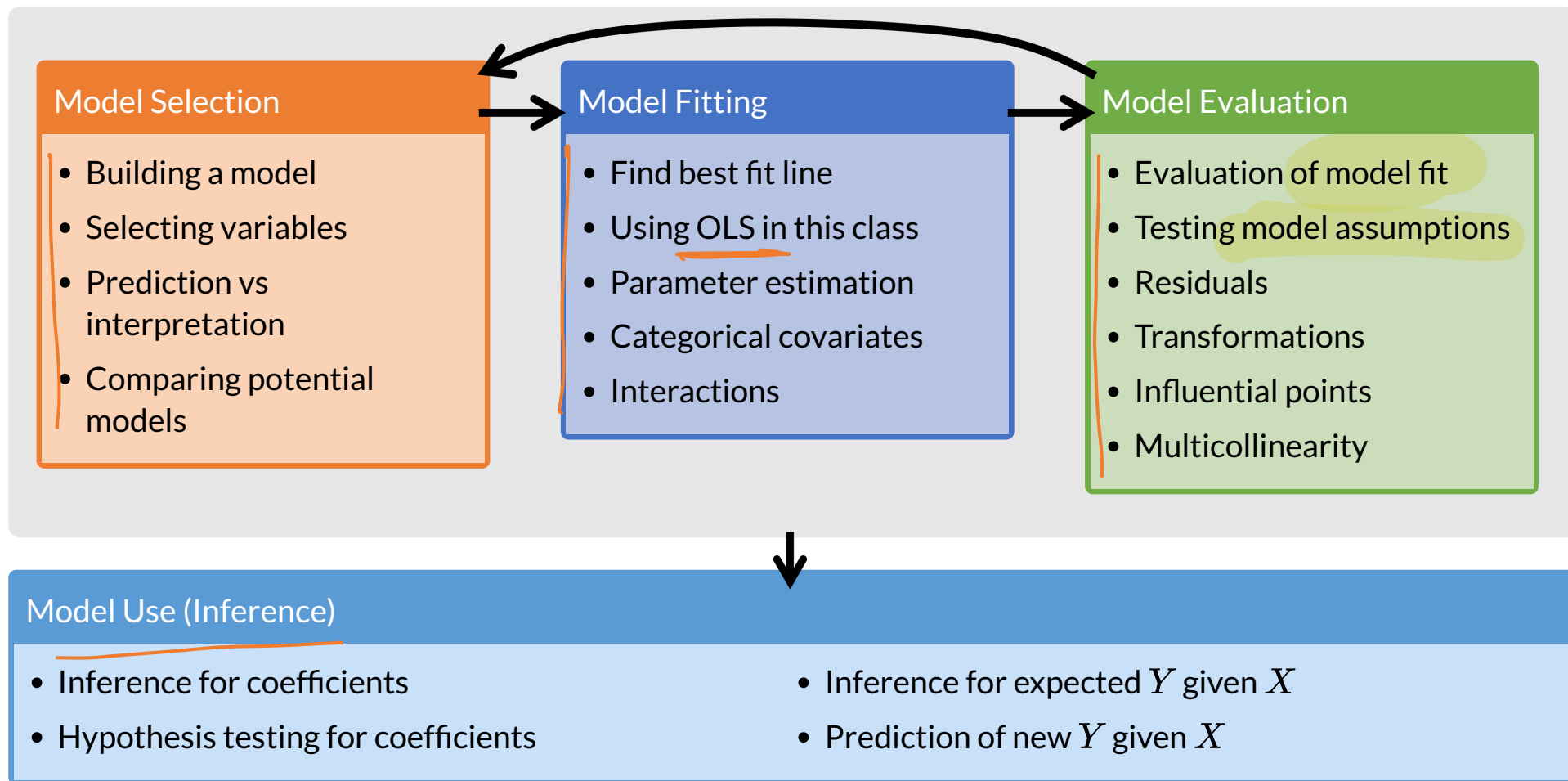
- **Population model**

$$\underline{E(Y | X)} = \underline{\mu} = \underline{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X}$$

- **Interpretations of coefficient β_1**

- The change in average Y for every 1 unit increase in X

Linear regression: Process for data analysis



Logistic regression

- **Outcome type:** binary, yes or no

- **Example outcomes:**

- Food insecurity *yes/no*
- Disease diagnosis for patient
- Fracture

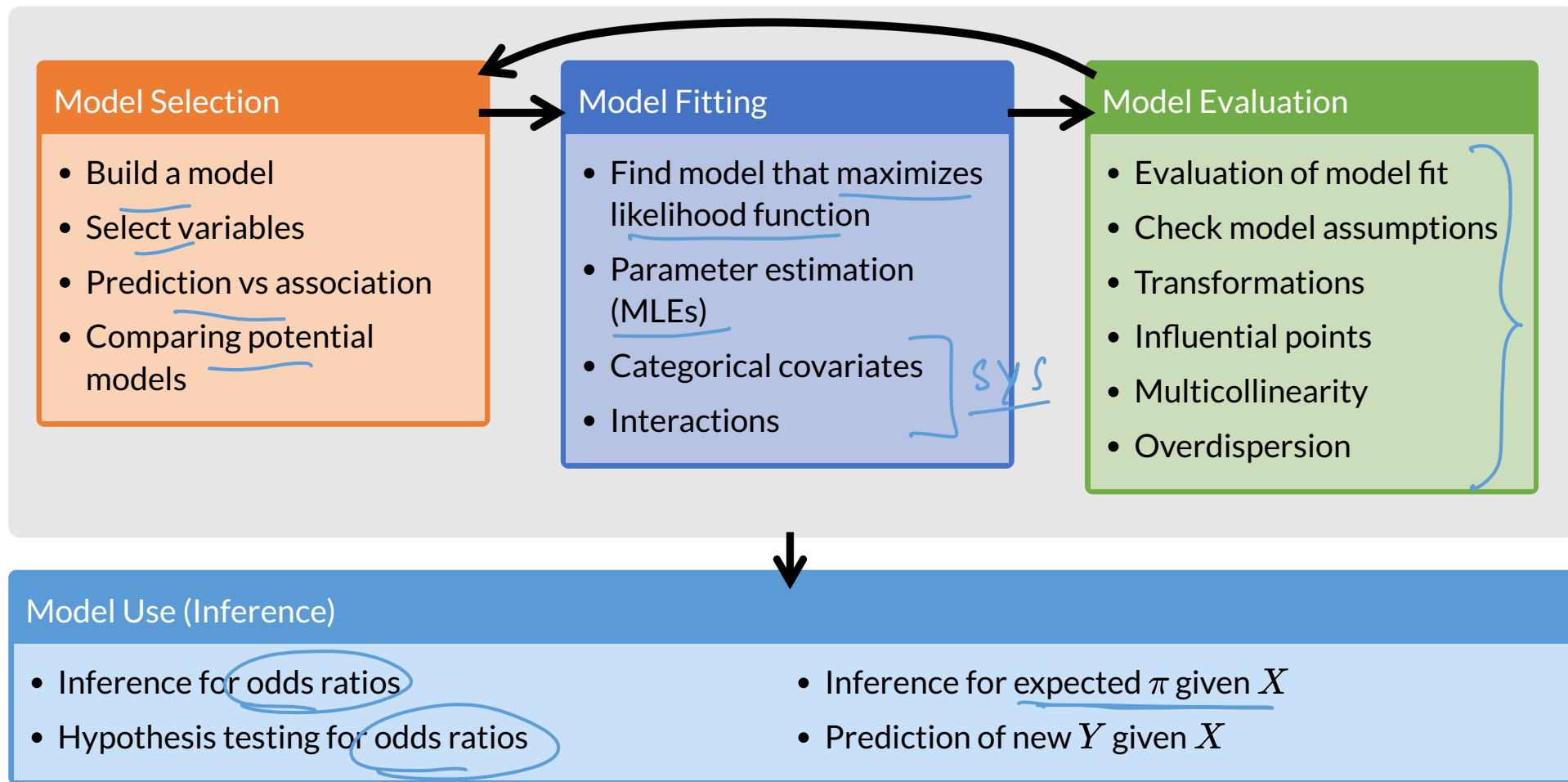
- **Population model**

$$\text{logit}(\mu) = \text{logit}(\pi(X)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

- **Interpretations**

- The log-odds ratio for every 1 unit increase in X
 - $\exp(\beta_1)$ is odds ratio for every 1 unit increase in X
- Handwritten notes:* β_1 (circled), X vs $X+1$ (underlined)

Logistic regression: Process for data analysis



Log-binomial Regression

- **Outcome type:** binary, yes or no

- **Example outcomes:**

- Food insecurity
- Disease diagnosis for patient
- Fracture

- **Population model**

$$\log(\mu) = \log(\pi(X)) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

- **Interpretations** *log-risk log-prev.*
 - We have log of probability on the left
 - So exponential of our coefficients will be **risk ratio**

*$\exp(\beta_1)$ is risk ratio
for every 1 unit
inc in X*

Poisson Regression

- **Outcome type:** Counts or rates

- **Example outcomes:**

- Number of children in household
- Number of hospital admissions
- Rate of incidence for COVID in US counties

→ group level of county-level data

- **Population model**

$$\log(\mu) = \log(\lambda) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

- **Interpretations**

- The count (or rate) ratio for every 1 unit increase in X

$$\text{Risk} = \text{prob} = \frac{\# \text{ outcome}}{\text{total \#}}$$

Multinomial logistic regression

- **Outcome type:** multi-level categorical, no inherent order

- **Example outcomes:**

- Blood type
- US region (from WBNS)
- Primary site of lung cancer (upper lobe, lower lobe, overlapped, etc.)

- We have additional restriction that the multiple group probabilities sum to 1

$$\pi_{y=1} + \pi_{y=2} + \pi_{y=3} = 1$$

$$\text{logit}(\pi) = \log\left(\frac{\pi_{\text{yes}}}{1 - \pi_{\text{yes}}}\right) = \log\left(\frac{\mu_{\text{yes}}}{\mu_{\text{No}}}\right)$$

3 cat in outcome

- **Population models**

$$\pi(\text{group 2})$$

$$\log\left(\frac{\mu_{\text{group 2}}}{\mu_{\text{group 1}}}\right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

$$\log\left(\frac{\mu_{\text{group 3}}}{\mu_{\text{group 1}}}\right) = \beta_2 + \beta_3 X$$

$$\log\left(\frac{\mu_{\text{grp 3}}}{\mu_{\text{grp 2}}}\right) = \beta_4 + \beta_5 X$$

- **Interpretations**

- Basically fitting two binary logistic regressions at same time!
- First equation: how a one unit change in X changes the log-odds of going from group 1 to group 2
- Second equation: how a one unit change in X changes the log-odds of going from group 1 to group 3

Ordinal logistic regression

- **Outcome type:** multi-level categorical, with inherent order

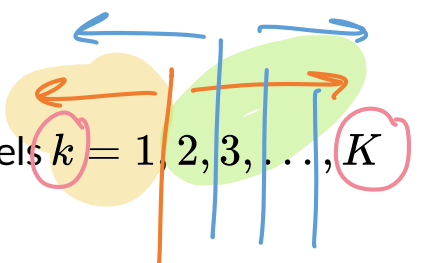
- **Example outcomes:**

- Satisfaction level (likert scale)
- Pain level
- Stages of cancer

$$P(Y \leq 1) + P(Y > 1) = 1$$

- When these variables are predictors, we are pretty lenient about treating them as continuous
 - We must be VERY STRICT when they are outcomes
 - They do not meet the assumptions we place on continuous outcomes in linear regression!!
- We have additional restriction that the multiple group probabilities sum to 1

- **Population models**, with levels $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, K$



The diagram shows a horizontal axis with vertical lines representing thresholds between levels. A yellow shaded region is on the left, and a green shaded region is on the right. Blue arrows point left and right above the green region. Orange arrows point left and right above the yellow region. The levels are labeled $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, K$ at the top, with $k=1$ and K circled in pink.

$$\text{logit}(P(Y \leq 1))$$

$$\log \left(\frac{P(Y \leq 1)}{P(Y > 1)} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

$$\log \left(\frac{P(Y \leq k)}{P(Y > k)} \right) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

- **Interpretations**

- Basically fitting K binary logistic regressions at same time!
- First equation: how a one unit change in X changes the log-odds of going from group 1 to any other group
- Second equation: how a one unit change in X changes the log-odds of going from group 1 or 2 to group 3 or above

Resources

Linear regression resources

- 512/612 class site!!
- [Online textbook by Dr. Nahhas](#)

Logistic regression resources

- [Online textbook by Dr. Nahhas](#)

Log-binomial Regression resources

- [Online textbook by Dr. Nahhas](#)
- [Article on logbin package](#) that is used to fit log-binomial regression

Ordinal logistic regression resources

- [Online textbook by Dr. Nahhas](#)
- [Online textbook by Dr. Werth with data and R script](#)

Poisson Regression resources

- [PennState 504 website](#)
- [Online textbook by Dr. Nahhas](#)
- [YouTube video on R tutorial for Poisson Regression](#)
 - Dr. Fogerty is a professor in Political Science, so just beware they may not have formal statistical training
- [Guided R tutorial page on Poisson regression](#)
- [Online textbook by Dr. Werth](#)
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Multinomial logistic regression resources

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Even more regressions...

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More regression resources

- Probit regression
- Complementary log-log
- Multinomial probit
- Ordered probit

General resources

- Dr. Fogerty's YouTube series
- Dr. Werth's Categorical Book
- Dr. Nahhas' Book
- The Epidemiologist R Handbook
 - Analysis AND R work