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## INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

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# Logistic regression

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INVESTMENTS IN EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT

# Recup

- Linear model
  - Constant variance
  - Normality
  - independence
- Generalised linear models
  - Linear predictor
  - Link function
  - Distribution of errors (Gamma, Poisson, binomial)

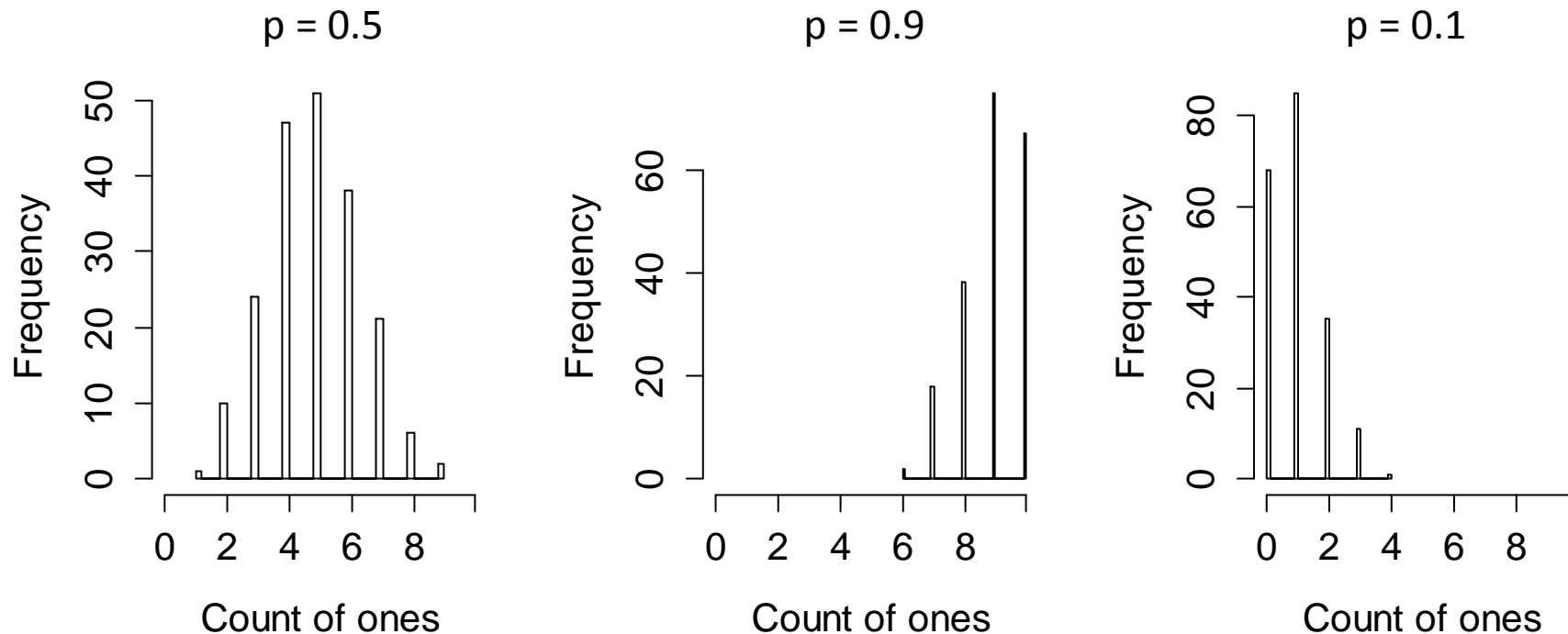
# Logistic regression

- GLM with binomial error distribution
- Presence-absence data
- Proportional data

# Binomial distribution

- A sequence of independent Bernoulli trials (like tossing a coin).
- A two-parameter distribution: the number of trials,  $N$ , and the probability of success,  $p$ , in any given trial.
- Mean is given by  $N \times p$
- Variance by  $N \times p \times (1 - p)$
- Assumption: probability of success does not change from trial to trial.

# Binomial error distribution



- All examples are from samples with  $N = 10$
- Each sampling has 200 runs
- In R you can explore this using `rbinom()` function

# Presence-absence data

- binary (0 or 1) responses such as presence versus absence of an organism, alive versus dead, male versus female and so on.
- Binary data can only take two possible values - zero or one - and can therefore not be normally distributed.
- Special version of the binomial distribution known as the Bernoulli distribution where the number of trials is one ( $n = 1$ ).

# Proportional data

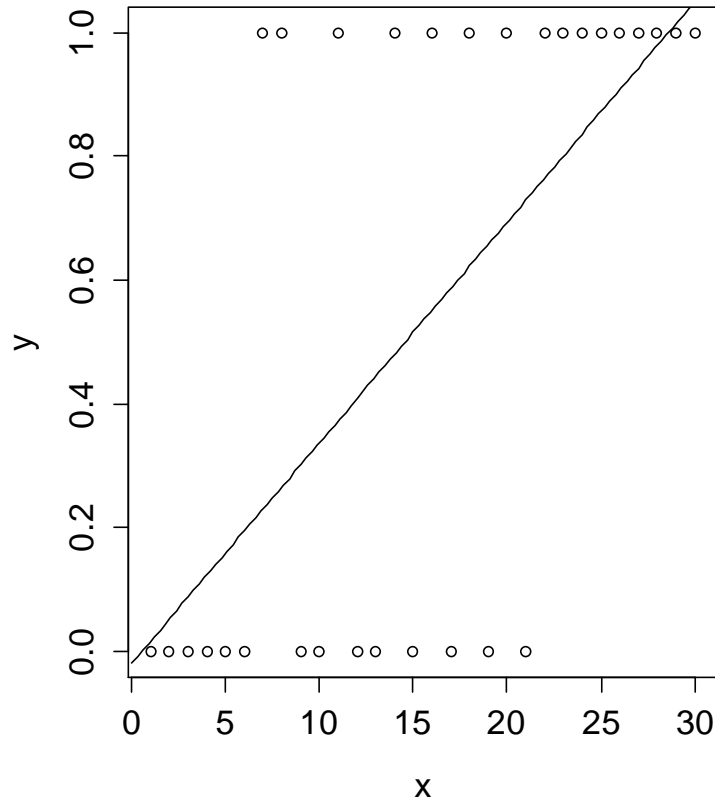
- For example we sample  $N$  animals for presence-absence of some disease, or we sample  $N$  trees whether they are dead or alive
- We have proportion of animals with disease or proportion of dead trees
- binomial distribution



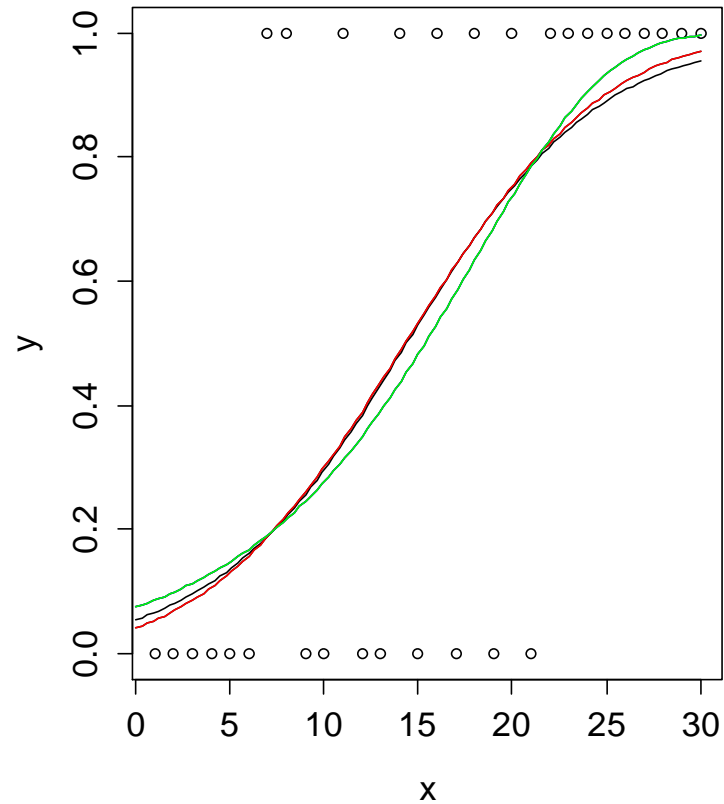
# Link functions

- logit:  $g(p) = \log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right)$
- probit:  $g(p) = \Phi^{-1}(p)$ , where  $\Phi$  is the cumulative density function of the standard normal distribution
- cloglog – complementary log-log:  
$$g(p) = \log(-\log(1 - p))$$
- Sigmoidal shape curves bounded between 0 and 1
- Different links have slightly different shapes
- Cloglog could be a good choice when there is considerably more zeros than ones or vice versa.

# Link functions – example



Linear regression



GLM

Logit – black curve

Probit – red curve

Cloglog – green curve

# Inverse link – antilogit

- $\log\left(\frac{p}{1-p}\right) = A + B \cdot x$
- If you want to make predictions on probability scale, you have to use inverse link – in case to logit it is antilogit
- $\left(\text{logit}^{-1} = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\text{linear predictor})}}\right)$

# Overdispersion

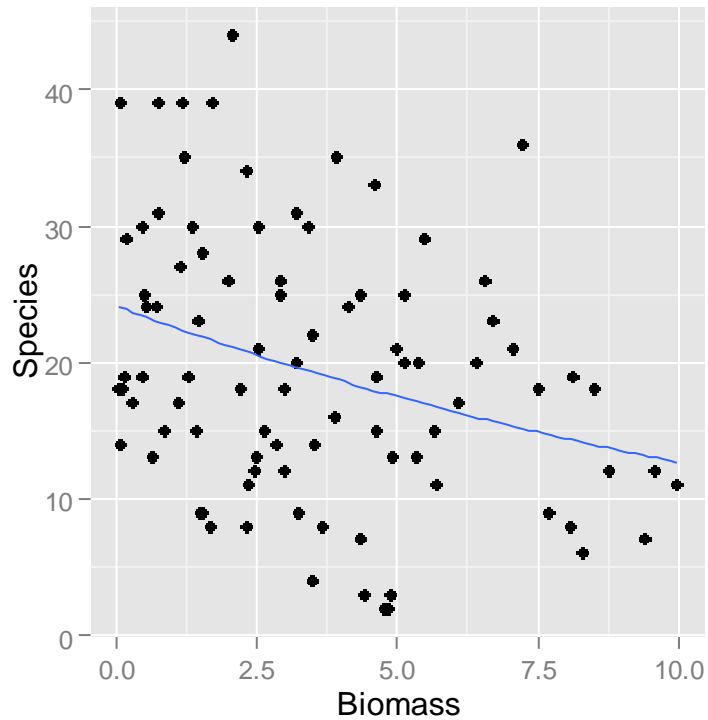
- In binomial distribution, mean is given by  $N \times p$ , variance by  $N \times p \times (1 - p)$ ,
- for binary data mean is given by  $p$  and variance by  $p \times (1-p)$
- Overdispersion – when the variance is higher than expected
- (underdispersion – variance is lower than expected)
- Causes of overdispersion:
  - Important covariates or interactions are missing, outliers, wrong link function, non-linear effect entered as linear effect, ...
  - When we can not find any of previous causes, it is real overdispersion – the variance is really larger than expected

# Overdispersion - solution

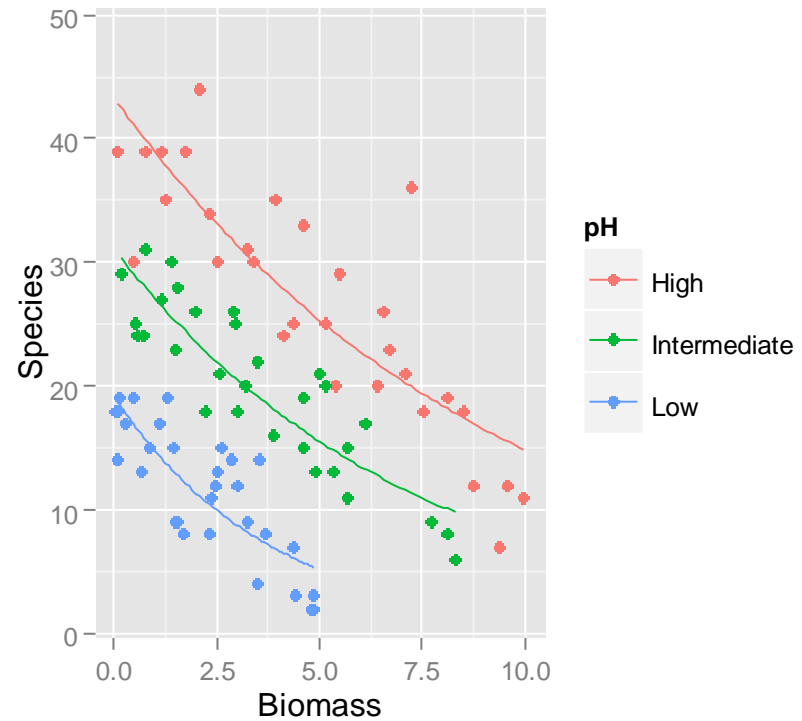
- We can detect overdispersion by comparing residual deviance with residual degrees of freedom – they should be approximately equal
- Quasi-binomial distribution
- Dispersion parameter  $\phi$

# Overdispersion

- Nice example from yesterday



Residual deviance: 407.67  
on 88 degrees of freedom



Residual deviance: 83.20  
on 84 degrees of freedom

# Logistic regression in R

- Function `glm()` with parameters:
  - Formula (for linear predictor – the same as in `lm()`)
  - Family – binomial
  - Link function – one of logit, probit, cloglog

- Example:

```
glm(response ~ x + z, data = data,  
     family = binomial(link = "logit"))
```

- For presence-absence data, the response is vector of zeros and ones
- For proportional data, the response is a list of two vector
  - one with positive cases and one with negative

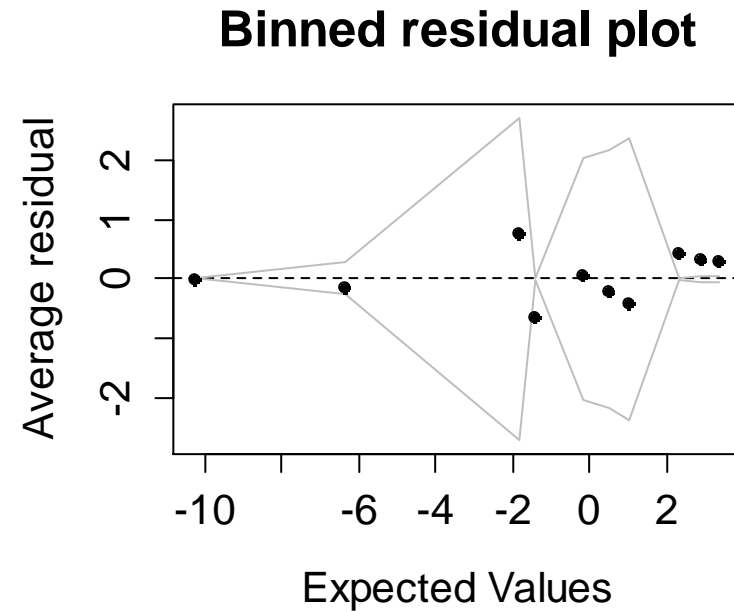
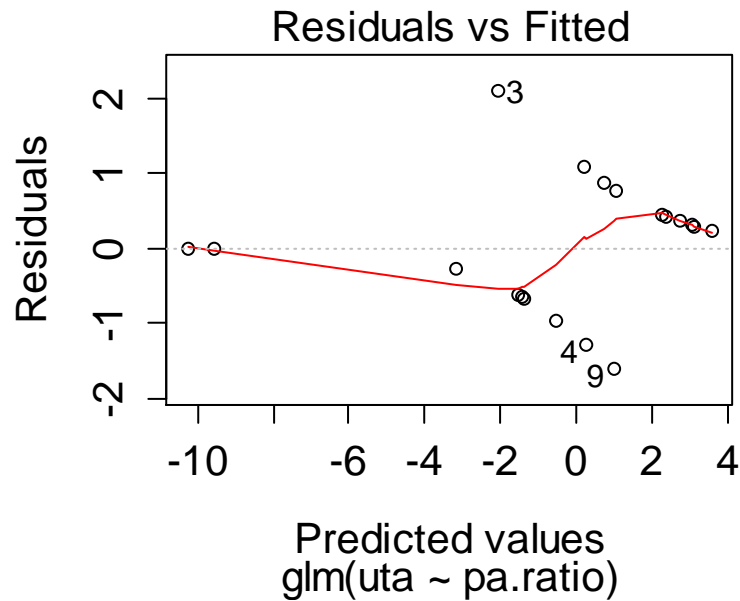
```
Response = cbind(positive_cases, negative_cases)
```

# Model checking

- Check for equality of residual deviance and residual degrees of freedom for proportional data.
- binned plot
  - plots of raw residuals from logistic regression are usually not useful – because data are discrete and so are residuals
  - Instead we can plot binned (grouped) residuals vs fitted values
  - There is a degree of arbitrariness in the size of bins
  - In R function `binnedplot` from `arm` package



# Model checking



- Lines in the binned residual plot are  $\pm 2$  standard-error bounds within which 95% of the binned residuals are expected to lie if the model is 'true'

# Exercices

- Presence-absence of lizards *Uta* in relation to perimeter-to-area ratio
- Proportional data – germination of *Orobanche* seed stimulated by extract of cucumber and bean