

# Special Modelling Methods for Non-Ordinary Responses

**STAT-EASE 360**

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## About Stat-Ease



- Stat-Ease was founded in 1985 by Pat Whitcomb.
- Headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota USA.
- Owned by Constellation Software, Inc. in Toronto, Canada.
- Developers and publishers of the following leading software packages for design and analysis of experiments:
  - Design-Expert® (DX)
  - Stat-Ease®360 (SE360)
- We also provide DOE training as well.

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## Our Software – Going Forward



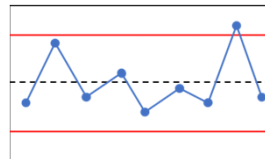
- Over the years, Stat-Ease has received steady requests for more advanced DOE tools.
- We've also received demand for tools that are adjacent to "old school" DOE, such as design and analysis of computer experiments, Gage R&R (measurement systems analysis), more computing capabilities, statistical process control, and many more.
- In the interest of keeping Design-Expert as simple and accessible as possible, we have historically tabled these types of requests.
- The demand was simply too great!

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- Stat-Ease 360 (SE360) was released **October 4, 2021**.
- It contains a **full copy** of Design-Expert software.
- The first release of SE360 **also** contains some of our most highly-requested advanced DOE features:
  - Space-filling designs
  - **Gaussian process models for zero-error data**
  - Python scripting
  - Advanced classification tools for logistic regression
  - **Coming soon:** Report generator, Excel import/export, and more!

- Going forward, Design-Expert will continue to be targeted towards engineers, formulators, and others working in R&D. Remember, SE360 contains **all of DX**.
- Going forward, easy-to-use and bread-and-butter techniques will go into both DX and SE360.
- Highly-advanced, non-DOE, and highly technical & computational features will only go into SE360. Some ideas we have for the future:
  - Measurement Systems Analysis
  - Multivariate Analysis
  - Advanced Scripting/Computing
  - Reliability Analysis



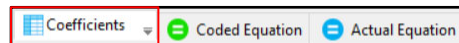
## Preview of Today's Webinar



- In many industrial experiments, **ordinary least squares (OLS)** regression is an adequate modelling tool for the collected experimental data. The standard assumption is that:

$$y_i \sim \text{Normal}(x_i^T \beta, \sigma^2)$$

- This means that at each combination of factor settings, we expect the response to be **bell-shaped** with constant variability.
- This model is usual written as:  $y = x^T \beta$
- Ordinary least squares finds the “best”  $\beta$  for the given experimental design  $x$  and measured responses  $y$ . These estimates of  $\beta$  are found on the ANOVA in the **Coefficients** tab.



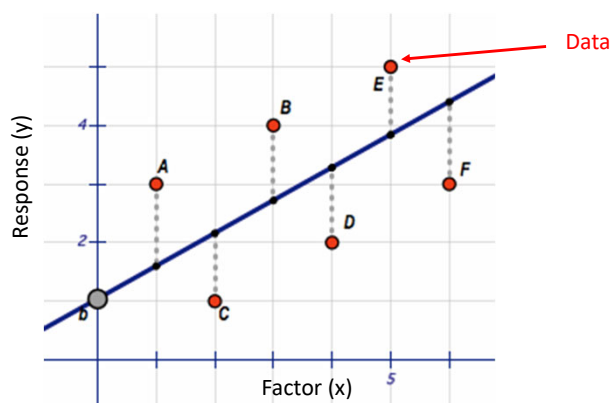
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Here is an illustration of how OLS works. The red points are the data.



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## Preview of Today's Webinar



- In some situations, however, OLS should **not** be used.
- Remember that OLS requires
  - Continuous data
  - Bell-shaped error with constant variance
- We'll cover the following **alternative modelling methods** today:
  - Logistic Regression – 0/1 data (pass/fail)
  - Poisson Regression – count data
  - Gaussian Process Models – simulation data (no error)
- These are only 3 common scenarios where OLS doesn't work – there are many more!

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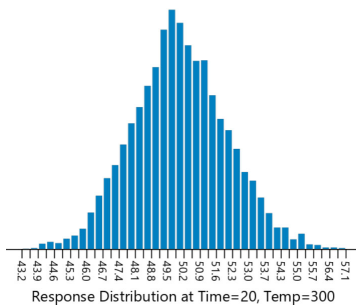
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## Logistic Regression



- As mentioned on the previous slides, in many cases the response(s) of interest in an industrial experiment are **continuous** and can be analyzed using OLS.
- A continuous response is one that can (theoretically) take any value in some feasible range:



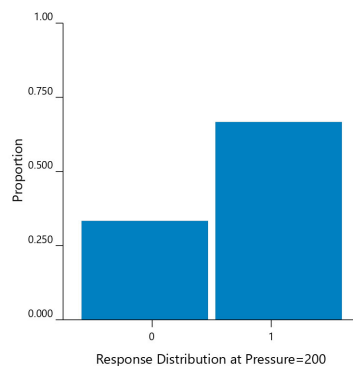
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## Logistic Regression



- However, in other cases, at least one response may be a **binary response**. This is a response that can take one of two outcomes:



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## Logistic Regression



- Some common examples of binary responses:
  - **Quality Engineering:** {Pass, Fail}
  - **Pharma:** {Survived, Didn't Survive}
  - **Medical:** {Disease Present, Disease Absent}
  - **Marketing:** {Clicked on Ad, Didn't Click on Ad}
  - **Food:** {Dough Rises, Dough Doesn't Rise}
  - ...
- Experiments may include both continuous and binary responses.
- A binary response is often considered a **categorical** response.

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## Logistic Regression

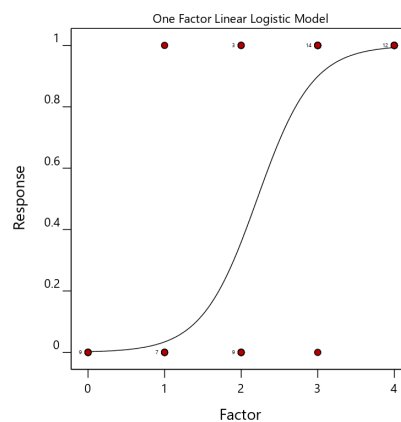


- Here is a one factor example:

<u>Factor</u>	<u>Reps</u>	<u># Success</u>
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0	9	0
1	8	1
2	12	3
3	15	14
4	12	12

A linear logistic model can be fit to this data (right).



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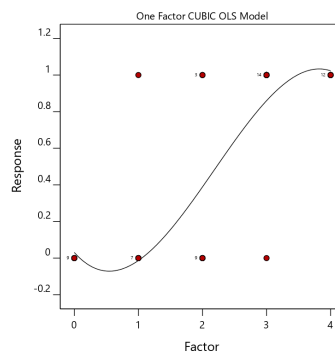
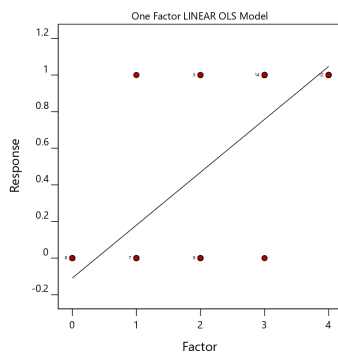
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## Logistic Regression



- What's the problem with using OLS?



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## Logistic Regression



- Logistic Regression overcomes the issues that OLS suffers from when analyzing **binary data**.

- The logistic model looks like:

$$p_i = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-x_i^T \beta}}$$

- $p_i$  is the **probability** of observing a '1' under factor settings  $x_i$ .
- Some **key** points:
  - Logistic regression models a 0/1 response. The predicted values must be between 0 and 1, and they represent a probability.
  - It's a very flexible model, and widely-used in industry.
  - Available in both Design-Expert and Stat-Ease® 360.

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## Logistic Regression



### Here is an example:

- An aircraft fastener manufacturer wanted to study the ability of a new **fastener** to withstand different loads.
- Two **factors** were varied: **Load** from 2000 psi to 4000 psi, and **Thickness** of the fastener from 1 to 5 (no units given).
- 8 fasteners were tested at 9 different load and factor combinations.
- The goal was to see how **Load** and **Thickness** affected the probability of a fastener failing.
- Each of the fasteners was an independent run – these were not batches of 8 used to calculate a proportion!
- **Demo Time**

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## Logistic Regression



### **Replicates vs Repeats**

- Logistic regression is used when each **independent** run of the experiment generates a 0 or 1 response.
- If you are measuring a **proportion** success/failure (like in a batch) under a single run, OLS can be used, possibly with the arcsine square root transform.

### **How many runs?**

- Sizing a design for binary data is trickier than for continuous data. There are more variables that affect the precision and power of the design under a logistic model. We've found that DOEs for binary data require 3-5x as many runs as for continuous data.
- **Free webinar:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=C\\_8geR7H1-0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C_8geR7H1-0)

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## Poisson Regression



- A **count response** is often measured in industrial experiments. Some examples:
  - The number of defects on a metallic surface
  - The number of hits on a webpage
  - Colony forming units for an antiseptic formulation
  - And many more....
- Notice that counts **must** take the values 0, 1, 2, 3, 4....
- In theory there is **no** upper limit... but practically there likely will be one.

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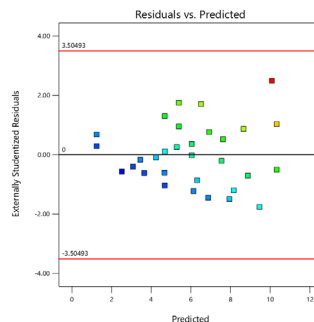
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## Poisson Regression



- Count data usually has the property that the variation of the data **increases** as expected counts go up. Count data tends not to be bell-shaped for processes where low counts are expected.
- OLS assumes bell-shaped data and constant variance throughout the design space. Therefore, it's not always the best option for modelling count data.

Typical count data  
modelled using OLS



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## Poisson Regression

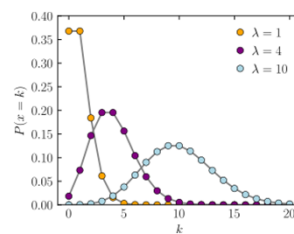


- Poisson regression assumes that each run has the following distribution:

$$y_i \sim \text{Poisson}(x_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta})$$

- The model takes the form:

$$y = \log(x^T \boldsymbol{\beta})$$



- Maximum likelihood is used to find the values of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ . These coefficients are reported on the ANOVA tab in Design-Expert and Stat-Ease 360.

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## Poisson Regression



### Here is an example:

- A mixture experiment was performed to formulate an antiseptic:

	Component	Name	Units	Type	Minimum	Maximum
	A	N-Propanol	wt %	Mixture	66	73
	B	Polawax	wt %	Mixture	4	8
	C	Anti Lipid	wt %	Mixture	3	7
	D	Zinc omadine	wt %	Mixture	1	3
	E	Thickening agent	wt %	Mixture	2	2
	F	Antioxidant	wt %	Mixture	4	4
	G	Buffer	wt %	Mixture	1	1
	H	Distilled water	wt %	Mixture	10	10
				Total =		100.00

- Demo Time: Antiseptic**

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## Poisson Regression



- Poisson regression is used when the response being analyzed is a count.
- OLS may work okay in certain situations for count data, but it's safer to use Poisson regression instead.
- Here is a webinar on the topic of count data and Poisson regression:  
[www.youtube.com/watch?v=FiazrjhIWkk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FiazrjhIWkk)

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## Gaussian Process Models



- This last case is somewhat specialized, so we won't spend too much time on it.
- **Simulation experiments** are heavily-used in certain industries (medical devices, aerospace, etc.).
- In a simulation experiment, a computer program simulates a response under specific factor settings. These simulations might be very time-intensive.
- Repeating a simulation under the same factor settings will produce an identical response – there is **no error**.
- OLS is not a great tool to analyze this type of data.

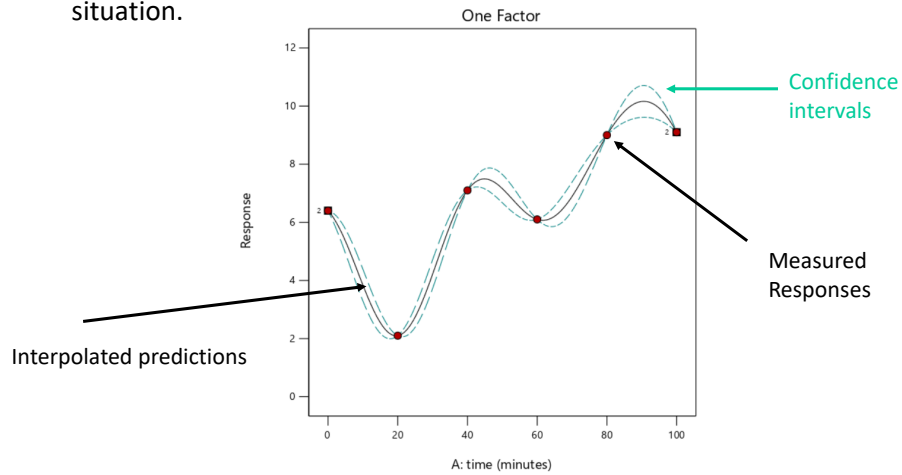
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## Gaussian Process Models



- Gaussian Process Models (GPMs) are one tool we can use in this situation.



## Gaussian Process Models



### Here is an example:

- A simulation was run to determine the expected throughput of a process based on a specified warm-up time:

Run	Time	Throughput
1	0	6.4
2	20	2.1
3	40	7.1
4	60	6.1
5	80	9
6	100	9.1

- The goal was to determine the time where the throughput would reach a **minimum** of 8.5.
- Demo Time: One Factor GPM**

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## Conclusion



Today we looked at three alternatives to ordinary least squares regression:

- **Logistic regression** for binary data
- **Poisson regression** for count data
- **Gaussian process models** for simulation and low-error data

These are just a handful of the alternatives to OLS that are out there. Here are a few more that you may run into:

- Quantile regression
- Penalized regression (e.g. LASSO)
- Weighted least squares regression
- And many more!

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## Conclusion



Here are some resources for further information:

- [Stat-Ease Academy](#)
- [Stat-Ease Live Public Workshops](#)
- [Official Stat-Ease YouTube Channel](#)
  - [Logistic Regression Webinar](#)
  - [Poisson Regression Webinar](#)
  - [GPM Webinar](#)
- [Case Studies and White Papers](#)

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