

# STA 6384, Report 3.1

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**Problem: Use R to reproduce results in the seat-belt use data (Section 3.1.2, p. 70).**

## *Data Setup*

First, we construct the 2x2 contingency table from the source (Table 3.1). The table displays counts of fatal and nonfatal outcomes for children under 18, categorized by whether they were wearing a seat belt.

Table 1: Table 1: Injury Outcome by Seat-Belt Use

	Fatal	Nonfatal
No	54	10325
Yes	25	51790

## *Odds Ratio ( $\theta$ )*

The odds of a fatal outcome for a child not wearing a seat belt are compared to the odds of a fatal outcome for a child wearing one. The sample **odds ratio** ( $\theta$ ) is calculated as:

$$\hat{\theta} = \frac{n_{11}n_{22}}{n_{12}n_{21}}$$

The calculated sample odds ratio is **10.83**, which matches the value of **10.83** cited in the text. This indicates that the odds of a fatal injury were nearly 11 times higher for children who were not wearing a seat belt compared to those who were.

## *Confidence Interval for the Odds Ratio*

To determine the precision of this estimate, we calculate a 95% confidence interval. This is done by first finding the confidence interval for the **log odds ratio** and then exponentiating the endpoints.

1. **Log Odds Ratio and Standard Error:** The natural logarithm of the odds ratio and its standard error are calculated as follows:

$$\hat{\sigma}(\log \hat{\theta}) = \sqrt{\frac{\log(\hat{\theta})}{\frac{1}{n_{11}} + \frac{1}{n_{12}} + \frac{1}{n_{21}} + \frac{1}{n_{22}}}}$$

The resulting log odds ratio is **2.383** and its standard error is **0.242**. These values match the **2.383** and **0.242** reported in the text.

2. **95% Confidence Interval for Log Odds Ratio:** The 95% confidence interval is found using the formula  $\log(\hat{\theta}) \pm 1.96 \times \hat{\sigma}(\log \hat{\theta})$ .

The 95% confidence interval for the log odds ratio is **(1.908, 2.857)**. This aligns with the interval **(1.908, 2.857)** from the text.

3. **95% Confidence Interval for Odds Ratio:** Finally, we exponentiate the lower and upper bounds of the log odds ratio's confidence interval to transform it back to the odds ratio scale.

The 95% confidence interval for the true odds ratio is **(6.74, 17.42)**. This result successfully reproduces the interval of **(6.74, 17.42)** reported in the text. The interval does not include 1, confirming a statistically significant and strong association between not wearing a seat belt and an increased odds of a fatal injury.

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### Code Appendix

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# --- R Code for Reproduction ---

# 1. Create the 2x2 contingency table from the data
seatbelt_data <- matrix(c(54, 10325, 25, 51790), nrow = 2, byrow = TRUE,
                        dimnames = list(SeatBelt = c("No", "Yes"),
                                         Outcome = c("Fatal", "Nonfatal")))

# Display the table
# print(seatbelt_data)
# knitr::kable(seatbelt_data)

# 2. Extract individual cell counts from the matrix
n11 <- seatbelt_data[1, 1] # Outcome: Fatal, SeatBelt: No
n12 <- seatbelt_data[1, 2] # Outcome: Nonfatal, SeatBelt: No
n21 <- seatbelt_data[2, 1] # Outcome: Fatal, SeatBelt: Yes
n22 <- seatbelt_data[2, 2] # Outcome: Nonfatal, SeatBelt: Yes

# 3. Calculate the sample odds ratio (theta-hat)
# Formula: (n11 * n22) / (n12 * n21)
odds_ratio <- (n11 * n22) / (n12 * n21)
# print(paste("Sample Odds Ratio:", round(odds_ratio, 2)))

# 4. Calculate the natural log of the odds ratio
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log_odds_ratio <- log(odds_ratio)
# print(paste("Log Odds Ratio:", round(log_odds_ratio, 3)))

# 5. Calculate the standard error of the log odds ratio
# Formula: sqrt(1/n11 + 1/n12 + 1/n21 + 1/n22)
se_log_or <- sqrt(1/n11 + 1/n12 + 1/n21 + 1/n22)
# print(paste("Standard Error of Log Odds Ratio:", round(se_log_or, 3)))

# 6. Calculate the 95% confidence interval for the log odds ratio
# Formula: log(OR) +/- 1.96 * SE(log(OR))
z_value <- 1.96
log_ci_lower <- log_odds_ratio - z_value * se_log_or
log_ci_upper <- log_odds_ratio + z_value * se_log_or
# print(paste0("95% CI for Log Odds Ratio: (", round(log_ci_lower, 3), ", ", round(log_ci_upper, 3), ")"))

# 7. Exponentiate the log CI to get the 95% CI for the odds ratio
ci_lower <- exp(log_ci_lower)
ci_upper <- exp(log_ci_upper)
# print(paste0("95% CI for Odds Ratio: (", round(ci_lower, 2), ", ", round(ci_upper, 2), ")"))

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