Let Y be the target variable describing the Covid contagion. Suppose to consider a binary explanatory variable  $X = \{1, 0\}$ , with value equal to 0 corresponding to "old people" and value equal to 1 corresponding to "young people".

Then:

if x = 1 ("old people")
ODDS(x = 1) = π1/(1 - π1);
if x = 0 ("young people")

$$ODDS(x=0)=\frac{\pi_0}{1-\pi_0}.$$

If we take the ratio between these two odds, we have:

$$ODDS - ratio = e^{\beta \cdot 1}/e^{\beta \cdot 0} = e^{\beta}.$$

lf:

- ODDS-ratio> c, where  $c = 1 \rightarrow$  the odds for the contagion of old people is c times larger than that associated to young people.
- ODDS-ratio < c, where c = 1, we compute 1/ODDS-ratio  $= d \rightarrow$  the odds for the contagion of young people is d times larger than that associated to old people.