

5637: Applied Microeconometrics (P)

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Introduction

- ▶ Project title: "*Strategic Substitutions: Microeconometric Insights into the Effects of Firing a Head Coach in Danish Football*"
- ▶ Motivation: two tracks (corporate and own interest)
- ▶ Research Question: "*What is the causal effect of firing a head coach in football, on team performance?*"
- ▶ Data is used
- ▶ Existing literature

Empirical strategy I

Why can't we use OLS?

Endogeneity problem

Problems?

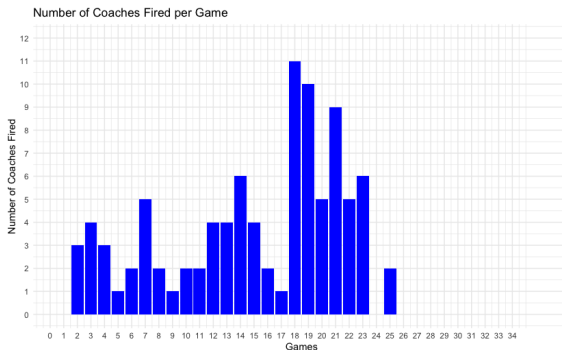


Figure: No clear cutoff

Empirical strategy II

- ▶ Solution: Matching
 - ▶ Average points last four games (short term)
 - ▶ Average points within season (long term)
 - ▶ Coach tenure (coach specific)
 - ▶ Rank (position in table last season)
 - ▶ Stadium size (proxy of budget)
- ▶ Model specification:

$$Y_{tsm} = \beta_{ts} + \sum_{j=-5, j \neq -2}^{j=5} \gamma_j \times 1(j = t)_{ts} + \sum_{j=-5, j \neq -2}^{j=5} \delta_j \times 1(j = t)_{ts} \times 1(\text{Treatment} = 1)_{ts} + \beta_m + X_{tsm} + \epsilon_{tsm}$$

- ▶ Why balanced panel?

Results

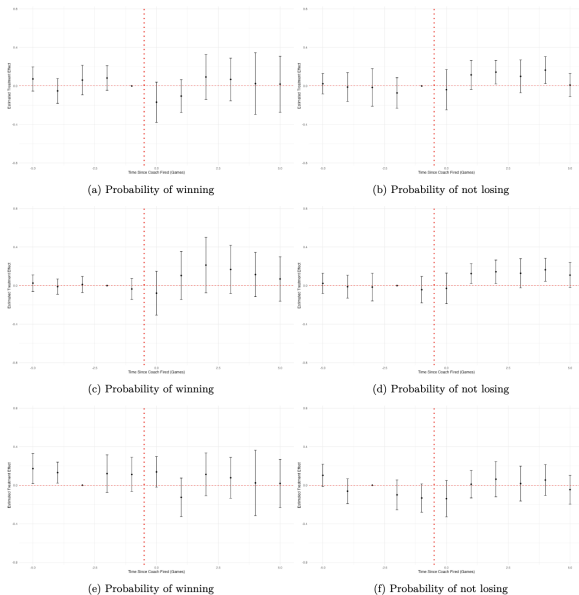


Figure 5.1: Matching results from matching 1

Conclusion

- ▶ Main finding is that it has causal effect on performance
- ▶ Mixed in terms of probability to win and probability not to lose