

# Problem Set 2

## Applied Stats II

Due: February 19, 2023

### Instructions

- This problem set is due before 23:59 on Sunday February 19, 2023. No late assignments will be accepted.

Code in `PS2_ImeldaFinn.R`

We're interested in what types of international environmental agreements or policies people support (Bechtel and Scheve 2013). So, we asked 8,500 individuals whether they support a given policy, and for each participant, we vary the (1) number of countries that participate in the international agreement and (2) sanctions for not following the agreement.

- observational study of 8,500 observations
- Response variable:
  - **choice**: 1 if the individual agreed with the policy; 0 if the individual did not support the policy
- Explanatory variables:
  - **countries**: Number of participating countries [20 of 192; 80 of 192; 160 of 192]
  - **sanctions**: Sanctions for missing emission reduction targets [None, 5%, 15%, and 20% of the monthly household costs given 2% GDP growth]

Read in the data and modified **choice** variable:

```
1 load(url("https://github.com/ASDS-TCD/StatsII_Spring2023/blob/main/
  datasets/climateSupport.RData?raw=true"))
2 # choice = 1,2
3 # countries = 1, 2, 3
4 # sanctions = 1, 2, 3, 4
5
6 # get a version of the dataset with the response variable coded as
7 # True = supported
```

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8 # False = not supported
9 cs <- climateSupport
10 cs$choice <- as.logical(as.numeric(cs$choice)-1)
11
12 summary(cs)
13 ...
14
15      choice      countries      sanctions
16 Mode :logical  20 of 192 :2865  None:2119
17 FALSE:4264    80 of 192 :2795  5% :2133
18 TRUE :4236    160 of 192:2840  15% :2111
19                                     20% :2137
20

```

1. Remember, we are interested in predicting the likelihood of an individual supporting a policy based on the number of countries participating and the possible sanctions for non-compliance.

Fit an additive model.

```
1 mod
```

(a) Summary output,

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1
2 Call:
3 glm(formula = choice ~ ., family = binomial(link = "logit"),
4     data = cs)
5
6 Deviance Residuals:
7      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
8 -1.4259  -1.1480  -0.9444   1.1505   1.4298
9
10 Coefficients:
11             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
12 (Intercept) -0.005665   0.021971  -0.258  0.796517
13 countries.L  0.458452   0.038101  12.033 < 2e-16 ***
14 countries.Q -0.009950   0.038056  -0.261  0.793741
15 sanctions.L -0.276332   0.043925  -6.291  3.15e-10 ***
16 sanctions.Q -0.181086   0.043963  -4.119  3.80e-05 ***
17 sanctions.C  0.150207   0.043992   3.414  0.000639 ***
18
19 Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
20
21 (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
22
23 Null deviance: 11783  on 8499  degrees of freedom
24 Residual deviance: 11568  on 8494  degrees of freedom
25 AIC: 11580
26
27 Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 4
28

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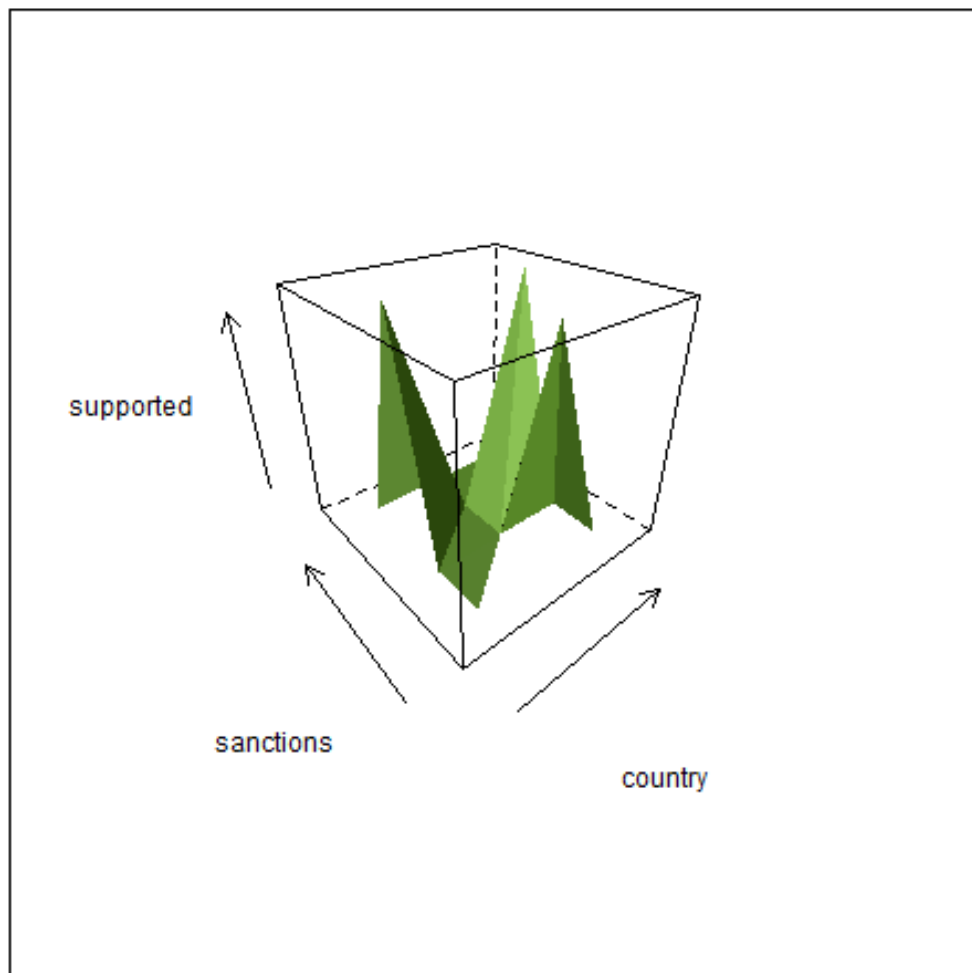


Figure 1: plot of additive (glm) model

(b) The global null hypothesis and  $p$ -value.

$H_0$ : the explanatory variables have no effect on the likelihood of an individual supporting a policy

$H_a$ : one or more of the explanatory variables have some effect on the likelihood of an individual supporting a policy

$\alpha = 0.05$

The data was modelled with no explanatory variables ( $choice \sim 1$ ). The comparison of the two models is shown in 1

```
1 null_mod <- glm(choice ~ 1, family = binomial(link="logit"), data = cs)
```

A test was run to compare the deviances of the two models.

```
1 anova_null <- anova(null_mod, mod, test = "LRT")
```

The results are shown in 2. The  $\chi^2$  statistic =  $11783 - 11568 = 215.15$ . The associated p-value with 5 degrees of freedom is  $2.2 \times 10^{-16}$ .

As the p-value is below  $\alpha$  we reject the null hypothesis. The evidence does not support the assumption that none of the explanatory variables have any effect on our response variable **choice**. We expect that one or more of our explanatory variables will have a statistically significant effect on the probability of a policy being supported.

Table 1:

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>	
	choice	
	<i>logistic</i>	
	(1)	(2)
countries: 80 of 192	0.458*** (0.038)	
countries: 160 of 192	−0.010 (0.038)	
sanctions: 5%	−0.276*** (0.044)	
sanctions: 5%	−0.181*** (0.044)	
sanctions: 5%	0.150*** (0.044)	
Constant	−0.006 (0.022)	−0.007 (0.022)
Observations	8,500	8,500
Log Likelihood	−5,784.130	−5,891.705
Akaike Inf. Crit.	11,580.260	11,785.410
<i>Note:</i>	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01	

Table 2:

Statistic	N	Mean	St. Dev.	Min	Max
Resid. Df	2	8,496.500	3.536	8,494	8,499
Resid. Dev	2	11,675.830	152.134	11,568.260	11,783.410
Df	1	5.000		5	5
Deviance	1	215.150		215.150	215.150
Pr(>Chi)	1	0.000		0	0

(c) Please describe the results and provide a conclusion.

When 20 out of 192 countries are included and there are no sanctions (base case), then the expected odds of a participant agreeing with a policy are  $e^{-0.005665} = 0.994351$

A one unit increase in  $X_k$  increases the odds of supporting a policy by a multiplicative factor of  $e^{\beta_k}$

When 20 out of 192 countries are included and there are sanctions of 5%, the logodds change by  $e^{-0.276332} = 0.758561$  compared to the base

$$\text{logit}(p) = -0.005665 + -0.276332$$

When 80 out of 192 countries are included and there are no sanctions, the logodds change by  $e^{-0.458453} = 0.632261$  compared to the base

$$\text{logit}(p) = -0.005665 - 0.458453$$

When 80 out of 192 countries are included and there are sanctions of 5%, then:

$$\begin{aligned}\text{logit}(p) &= -0.005665 + -0.276332 - 0.458453 = \\ e^{\text{logit}(p)} &= 0.4768993\end{aligned}$$

ie the odds reduce by 48.0%.

The predicted probabilities, and confidence intervals, are in Table 3

The estimates for  $\beta_k$  are all significant at  $p = 0.01$  except for ‘countries: 160 of 192’ (`countries.Q`), ie there is a predicted -0.1 change in *logit* going from 80 to 160 countries, but it is not statistically significant.

Table 3:

	countries	sanctions	fit	se.fit	residual.scale	UL	LL	PredictedProb
1	80 of 192	15%	0.483	0.013	1	0.625	0.612	0.618
2	160 of 192	15%	0.560	0.013	1	0.642	0.631	0.637
3	20 of 192	15%	0.400	0.013	1	0.605	0.593	0.599
4	80 of 192	None	0.516	0.013	1	0.632	0.620	0.626
5	160 of 192	None	0.593	0.013	1	0.650	0.638	0.644
6	20 of 192	None	0.432	0.013	1	0.613	0.600	0.606
7	80 of 192	5%	0.564	0.013	1	0.643	0.631	0.637
8	160 of 192	5%	0.638	0.012	1	0.660	0.649	0.654
9	20 of 192	5%	0.480	0.013	1	0.624	0.612	0.618
10	80 of 192	20%	0.440	0.013	1	0.614	0.602	0.608
11	160 of 192	20%	0.518	0.013	1	0.633	0.620	0.627
12	20 of 192	20%	0.360	0.012	1	0.595	0.583	0.589

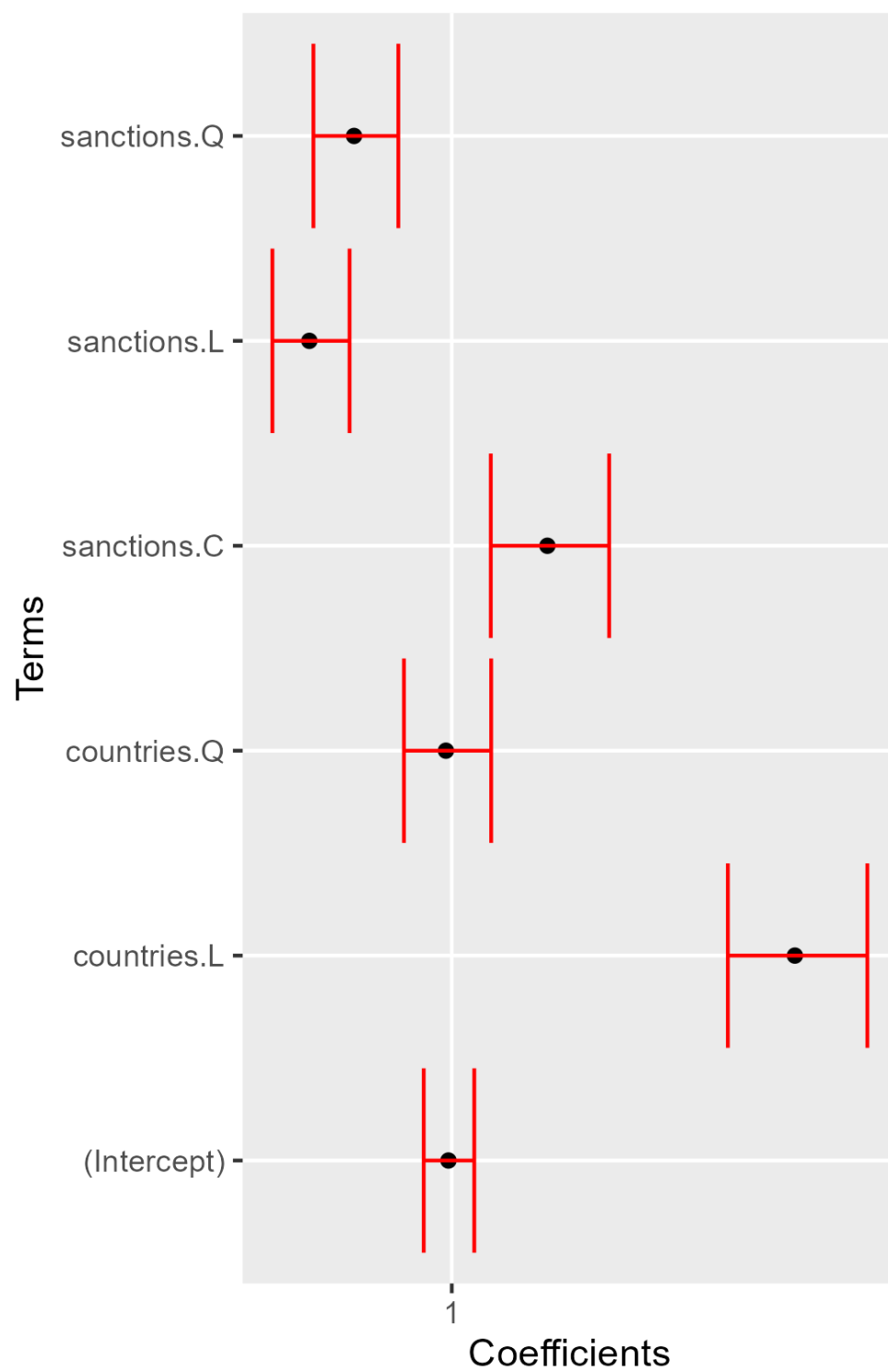


Figure 2: coefficients of additive model



It took 4 iterations to find the maximum likelihood estimates.

The log likelihood is -5,784.130

2. If any of the explanatory variables are significant in this model, then:

- (a) For the policy in which nearly all countries participate [160 of 192], how does increasing sanctions from 5% to 15% change the odds that an individual will support the policy? (Interpretation of a coefficient)
- (b) What is the estimated probability that an individual will support a policy if there are 80 of 192 countries participating with no sanctions?
- (c) Including an interaction term would potentially change the results in 2a and 2b. The values for the coefficients would potentially be different (eg  $\beta_k$ ) and we would have to include the constituent coefficient values in calculating the value of the logit.

- A model was run on the data, with an interaction between **countries** and **sanctions**, and an ANOVA/ $\chi^2$  test was run. The results are shown in Tables 4 and 5.

The test statistic of 6.2928, with 6 degrees of freedom, lead to a p-value of 0.3912. Therefore we cannot reject the null hypothesis that the two models are the same, ie we do not conclude that an interaction term is appropriate.

```
1 int_mod <- glm(choice ~ countries + sanctions + countries *  
  sanctions ,  
2               family = binomial(link="logit"), data = cs)  
3  
4 anova_int <- anova(mod, int_mod, test= "LRT")
```

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Table 4:

	<i>Dependent variable:</i>	
	choice	
	<i>logistic</i>	
	(1)	(2)
countries: 80 of 192	0.458*** (0.038)	0.457*** (0.038)
countries: 160 of 192	−0.010 (0.038)	−0.011 (0.038)
sanctions: 5%	−0.276*** (0.044)	−0.274*** (0.044)
sanctions: 5%	−0.181*** (0.044)	−0.182*** (0.044)
sanctions: 5%	0.150*** (0.044)	0.153*** (0.044)
countries.L:sanctions.L		−0.002 (0.077)
countries.Q:sanctions.L		0.134* (0.076)
countries.L:sanctions.Q		−0.008 (0.076)
countries.Q:sanctions.Q		0.093 (0.076)
countries.L:sanctions.C		0.095 (0.076)
countries.Q:sanctions.C		0.010 (0.077)
Constant	−0.006 (0.022)	−0.004 (0.022)
Observations	10 8,500	8,500
Log Likelihood	−5,784.130	−5,780.983
Akaike Inf. Crit.	11,580.260	11,585.970
<i>Note:</i>	*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01	

Table 5: ANOVA additive vs Interactive

Statistic	N	Mean	St. Dev.	Min	Max
Resid. Df	2	8,491.000	4.243	8,488	8,494
Resid. Dev	2	11,565.110	4.450	11,561.970	11,568.260
Df	1	6.000		6	6
Deviance	1	6.293		6.293	6.293
Pr(>Chi)	1	0.391		0.391	0.391