

NCSU ST 503 Discussion 12

Problem 2.5 Faraway, Julian J. Extending the Linear Model with R:
Generalized Linear, Mixed Effects and Nonparametric Regression Models
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2.5 spector data analysis

We investigate the efficacy of a new method for teaching economics. The data has the following variables;

- grade 1 = exam grades improved, 0 = not improved
- psi 1 = student exposed to PSI (a new teach method), 0 = not exposed
- tuce a measure of ability when entering the class
- gpa grade point average

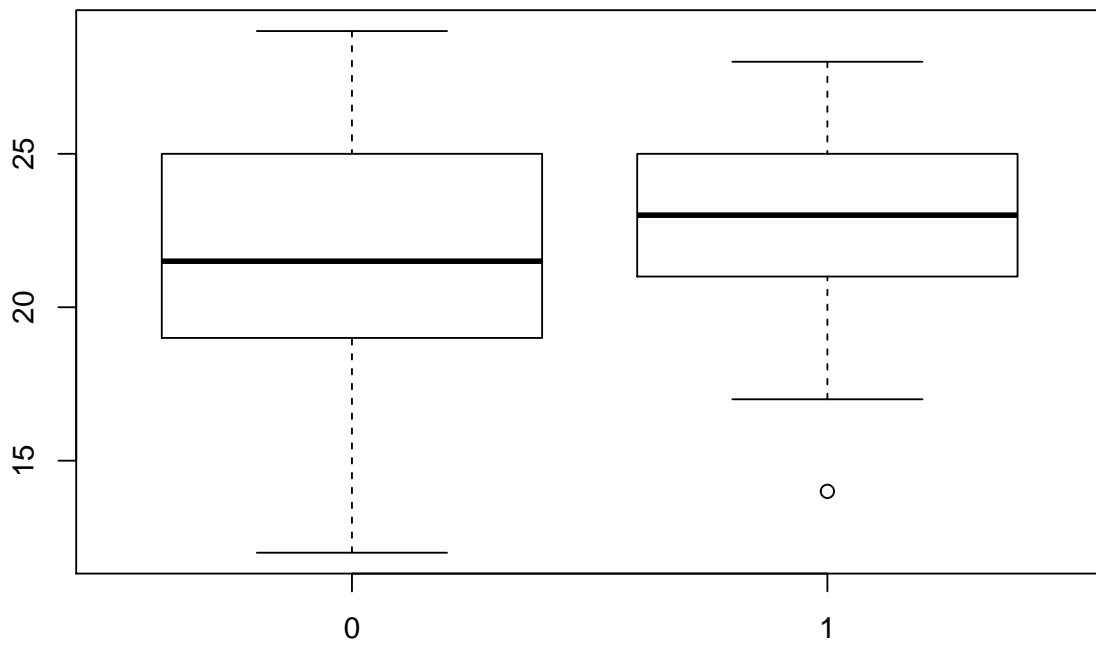
The data originates from

Spector, L. and Mazzeo, M. (1980), "Probit Analysis and Economic Education", Journal of Economic Education, 11, 37 - 44.

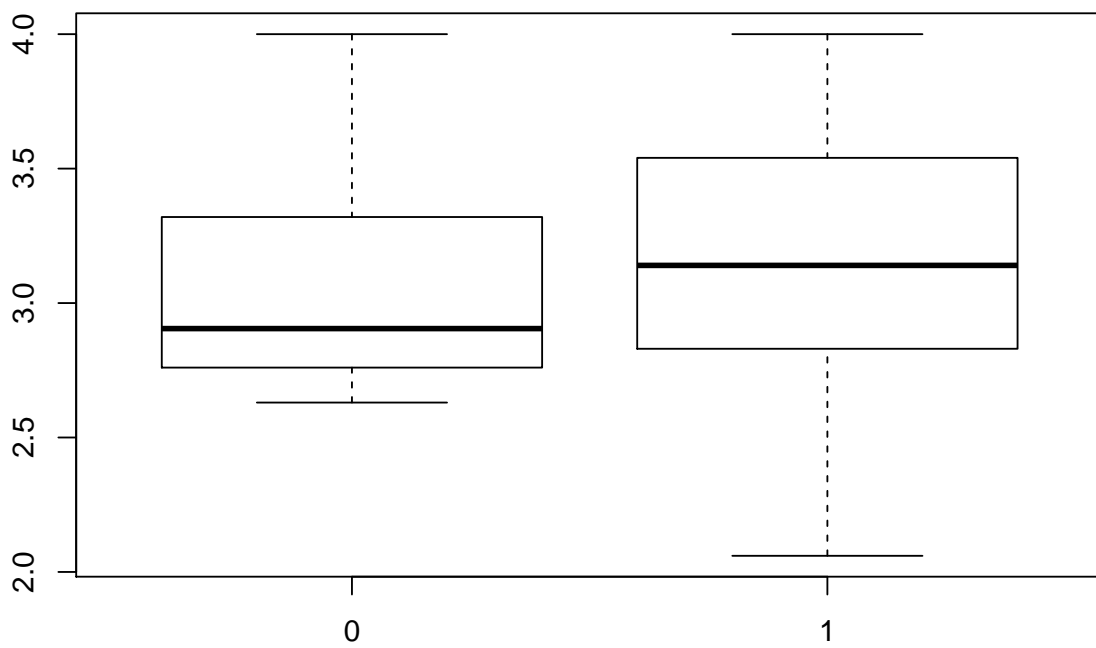
We will fit a logistic model with response *grade* and predictors *psi*, *tuce*, *gpa*

Below are box plots of the variables *tuce*, *gpa* by the category *psi*. We expect that the *tuce* and *gpa* are equally distributed among the *psi* class. We also display a pivot of the grade by *psi*. The association between *psi* and grade is not perfect and we anticipate that the *tuce* and *gpa* predictors will help explain the relationship between *psi* and grade..

tuce



gpa



	0	1
0	15	6

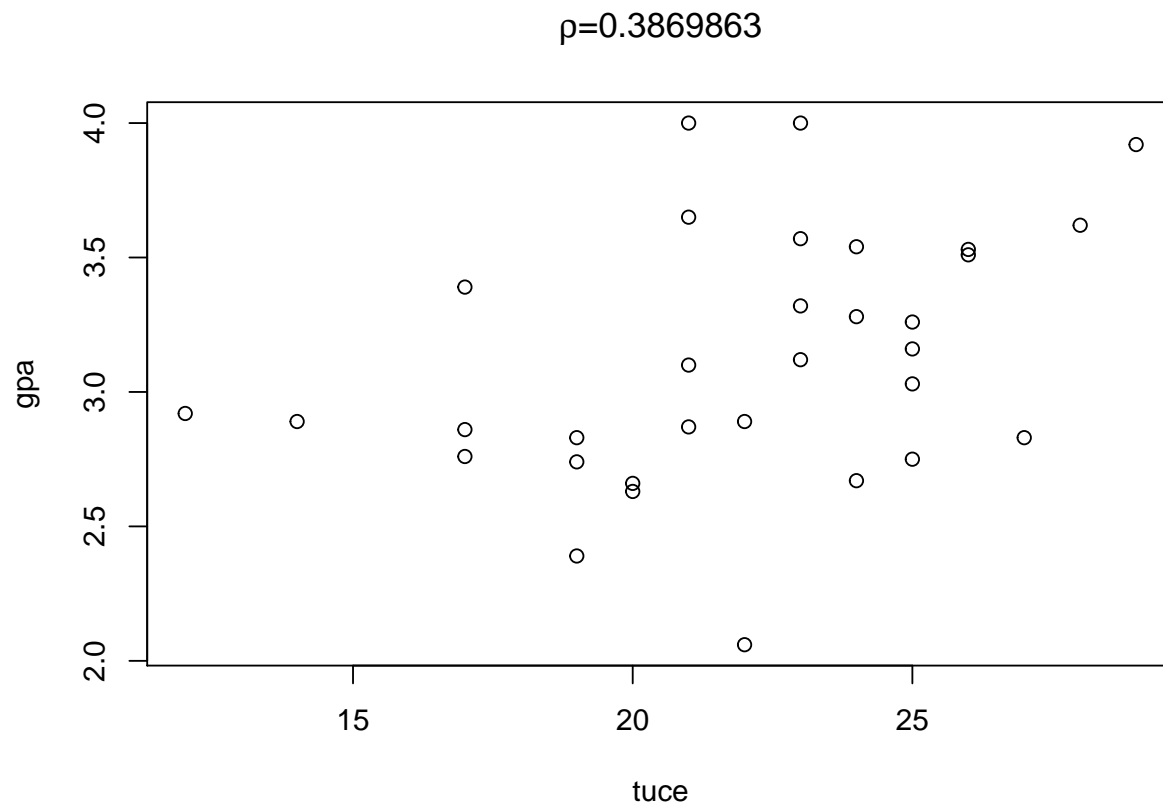
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Table: pivot showing improved or not by the psi variable

We observe that the levels of *tuce* and *gpa* for the students exposed to the new method are systematically higher than those for students not exposed to the new teaching method. This may affect our conclusions. We might look into the possibility of weighting to alleviate any bias from the design.

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##
## Call:
## glm(formula = grade ~ ., family = binomial, data = df)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.9551  -0.6453  -0.2570   0.5888   2.0966
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept) -13.02135     4.93127  -2.641  0.00828 **
## psi          2.37869     1.06456   2.234  0.02545 *
## tuce         0.09516     0.14155   0.672  0.50143
## gpa          2.82611     1.26293   2.238  0.02524 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 41.183  on 31  degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 25.779  on 28  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 33.779
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5
```

We see that the *tuce* variable is not significant. We'll remove that variable from our model. The large s.e. suggests collinearity. A plot of *tuce* *gpa* confirms weak collinearity.

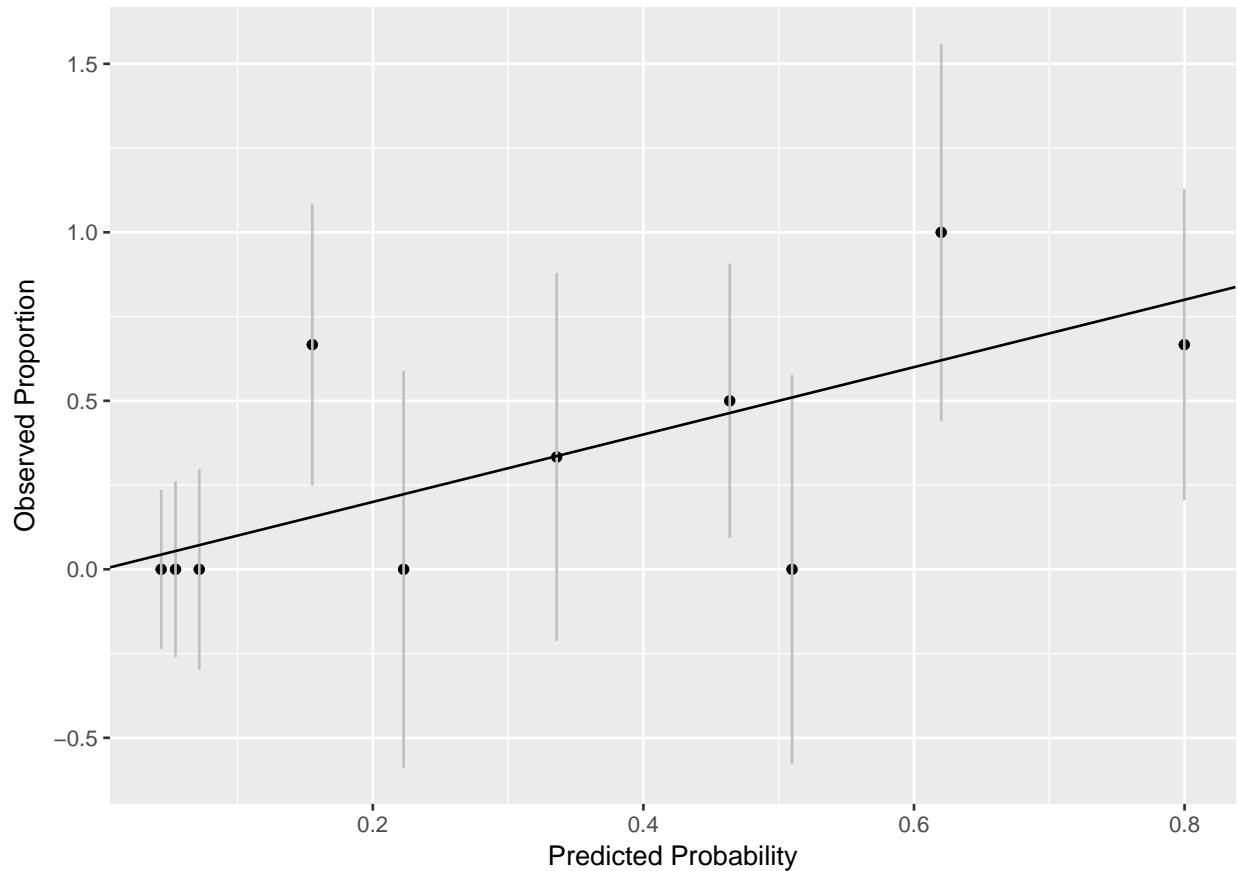


Refitting the model $grade \sim psi + gpa$

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##
## Call:
## glm(formula = grade ~ psi + gpa, family = binomial, data = df)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.8396  -0.6282  -0.3045   0.5629   2.0378
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept)  -11.602      4.213  -2.754  0.00589 **
## psi           2.338       1.041   2.246  0.02470 *
## gpa           3.063       1.223   2.505  0.01224 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##      Null deviance: 41.183  on 31  degrees of freedom
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## Residual deviance: 26.253  on 29  degrees of freedom
## AIC: 32.253
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 5
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We now visualize the binned response and prepare to calculate the The Hosmer-Lemeshow statistic.

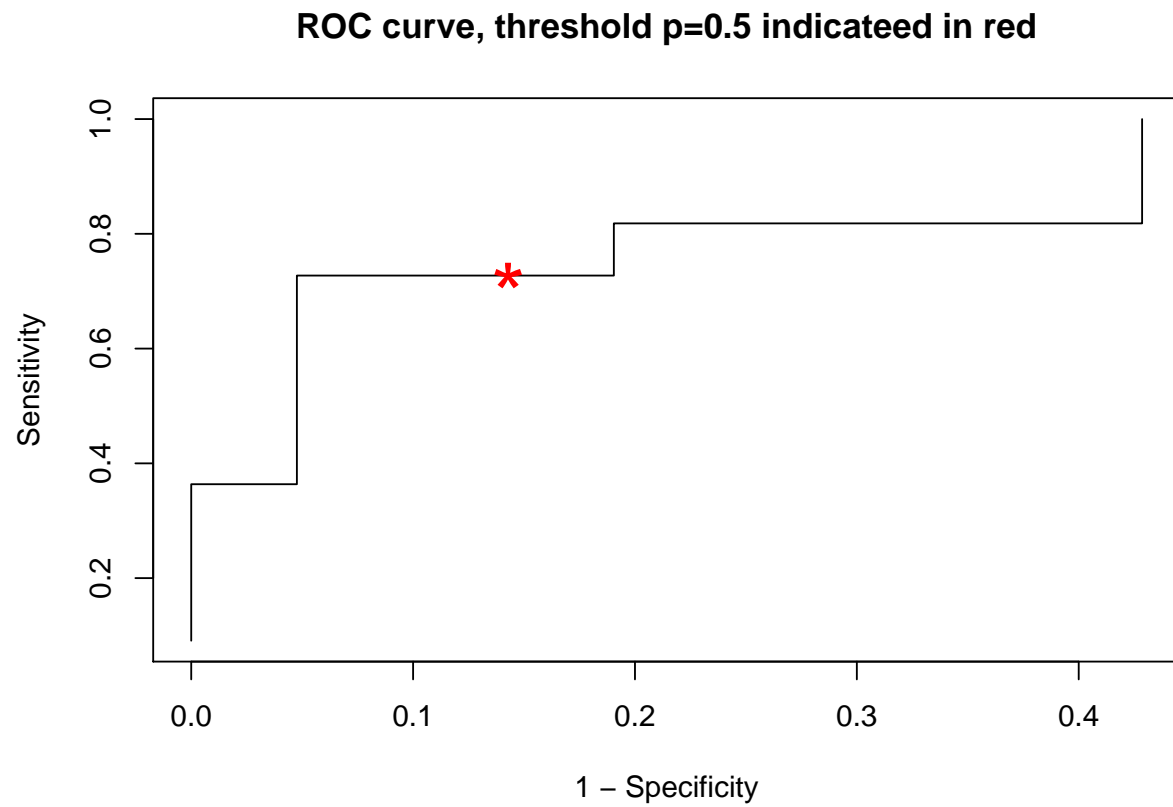


Hosmer.Lemeshow
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From the observed and predicted binned probabilities and the moderate value of the Hosmer Lemeshow statistic, we conclude that there is no evidence of a significant lack of fit.

Table 3: Training set accuracy

	FALSE	TRUE
0	18	3
1	3	8



We conclude that there is evidence that the new training method has a positive effect in grade outcome.