Who survived the Titanic disaster? Exploring data with Multinomial Logistic Regression

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Abstract

Below paper was prepared for the needs of the final project for Advanced Econometrics at the University of Warsaw. By using Multinomial Logit Model on the data of Titanic survivors we wanted to verify whether the socio-economic status or paying higher fare impacted passenger's probability of survival. The data is originally available on the Kaggle competition website "Titanic: Machine Learning from Disaster" and contains data for 1.309 passengers indicating whether they survive, what was their material status, what gender they were, what age they were etc. As our explanatory variables are individual specific (they do not change across alternatives) we decided to use Multinomial Logit Model. In this paper, dependent variable Survival was explained with different independent variables that were selected using multinomial logit model and verified by statistical tests. The econometric model was built in R with the use of mlogit, survival, stargazer packages. The end result is a final model with significant variables that best explains survival rate.

Keywords: Titanic, Survival Rate, Multinomial Logit Model, Kaggle Titanic Dataset, Data pre-processing.

1. Introduction

The sinking of the Titanic is one of the most infamous shipwrecks in history. On April 15, 1912, during her maiden voyage, the widely considered "unsinkable" RMS Titanic sank after colliding with an iceberg. Unfortunately, there were not enough lifeboats for everyone onboard, resulting in the death of 1502 out of 2224 passengers and crew. While there was some element of luck involved in surviving, it seems some groups of people were more likely to survive than others. Therefore this topic seems interesting for further investigation to see which variables influenced survival rate the most.

We will verify the following hypothesis using multinomial logit model:

Hypothesis 1:

H0: Having a seat in higher class significantly increases the chance of passenger to survive.

H1: Having a seat in higher class did not increases the chance of passenger to survive.

Hypothesis 2:

H0: Paying a higher fare/having a family member on board increases the chance of passenger to survive.

H1: Paying a higher fare/having a family member on board does not increase the chance of passenger survival.

2. Literature review

The Titanic disaster resulting in the sinking of the British passenger ship with the loss of 722 passengers and crew occurred in the North Atlantic on April 15, 1912. Although it has been many years since this maritime disaster took place, research on understanding what impacts individual's survival or death has been attracting researchers' attention. It appears that this is somewhat of a common problem to work on especially that data set is publicly available. Many researchers were exploring this data with different predictive models. For example scientists from Kansas State University applied CART methodology as well as bagging and random forests that provide quite good prediction accuracy at the level of 77%¹. Using Logistic Regression also provides satisfactory results, accuracy i.e. almost of about 95%² which was obtained by researchers from University of San Francisco. They concluded that the model predicted better with binary dependent variables which means the variable has a binary value as its output. Applying other methods, like random forest model predicts even better than previous models giving 93% of accuracy³.

3.Dataset and preprocessing

3.1.Dataset

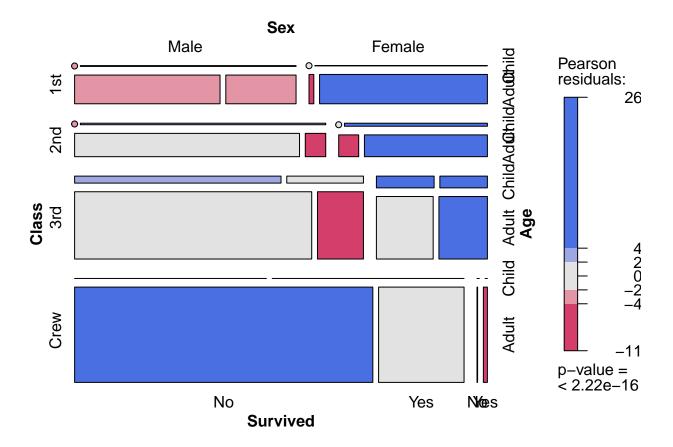
The Titanic passenger data consists of a training set, a test set and a gender_submission set all are .csv files. The training set includes the response variable Survived and 11 other descriptive variables pertaining to 891 passengers. The test set does not include the response variable, but does contain the 11 other variables for 418 passengers. Additionally, gender submission includes only response variables for test set, that's why we started our data preprocessing by merging them.

From a sample of the RMS Titanic data, we can see the various features present for each passenger on the ship: "Survived": Outcome of survival (0 = No; 1 = Yes) "Pclass": Socio-economic class (1 = Upper class; 2 = Middle class; 3 = Lower class) "Name": Name of passenger "Sex": Sex of the passenger "Age": Age of the passenger (Some entries contain NaN) "SibSp": Number of siblings and spouses of the passenger aboard "Parch": Number of parents and children of the passenger aboard "Ticket": Ticket number of the passenger "Fare": Fare paid by the passenger "Cabin": Cabin number of the passenger (Some entries contain NaN) "Embarked": Port of embarkation of the passenger (C = Cherbourg; Q = Queenstown; S = Southampton)

 $^{^{1}}$ Whitley M., "Using statistical learning to predict survival of passengers on the RMS Titanic" K-State Research Exchange, (1), 2015, pp. 32

²Kshirsagar V., Phalke N., "Titanic Survival Analysis using Logistic Regression" International Research Journal of Engineering and Technology (IRJET), (2), 2019, pp. 90

³Donges N., "Predicting the Survival of Titanic Passengers" towardsdatascience.com, (3), 2018



3.2. Preprocessing

As previously mentioned we started our data preprocessing with merging respectively datasets to get complete data for further transformations.

```
##
     PassengerId Survived Pclass
## 1
                         0
                                3
                1
                2
## 2
                         1
                                1
                3
## 3
                                3
                         1
## 4
                4
                         1
                                1
## 5
                5
                                3
                         0
                                 3
##
  6
                         0
                                                               Sex Age SibSp Parch
##
                                                       Name
## 1
                                   Braund, Mr. Owen Harris
                                                                    22
                                                                                  0
                                                              male
## 2 Cumings, Mrs. John Bradley (Florence Briggs Thayer) female
                                                                                  0
## 3
                                    Heikkinen, Miss. Laina female
                                                                                  0
## 4
            Futrelle, Mrs. Jacques Heath (Lily May Peel) female
                                                                                  0
                                  Allen, Mr. William Henry
## 5
                                                                                  0
                                                                     35
                                                                            0
                                                              male
## 6
                                          Moran, Mr. James
                                                              male
                          Fare Cabin Embarked
##
               Ticket
## 1
            A/5 21171
                       7.2500
                                             S
                                             С
##
             PC 17599 71.2833
                                 C85
## 3 STON/02. 3101282
                       7.9250
                                             S
                                             S
## 4
                113803 53.1000
                                C123
## 5
               373450 8.0500
                                             S
## 6
               330877 8.4583
                                             Q
```

```
##
     PassengerId
                        Survived
                                            Pclass
                                                             Name
                            :0.0000
##
    Min.
                     Min.
                                       Min.
                                               :1.000
                                                         Length: 1309
                1
##
    1st Qu.: 328
                     1st Qu.:0.0000
                                       1st Qu.:2.000
                                                         Class : character
    Median: 655
                     Median :0.0000
                                       Median :3.000
##
                                                         Mode
                                                                :character
##
    Mean
            : 655
                     Mean
                            :0.3774
                                       Mean
                                               :2.295
##
    3rd Qu.: 982
                     3rd Qu.:1.0000
                                       3rd Qu.:3.000
##
    Max.
            :1309
                     Max.
                            :1.0000
                                       Max.
                                               :3.000
##
##
        Sex
                                               SibSp
                                                                  Parch
                               Age
##
    Length: 1309
                         Min.
                                 : 0.17
                                           Min.
                                                   :0.0000
                                                             Min.
                                                                     :0.000
##
    Class :character
                         1st Qu.:21.00
                                           1st Qu.:0.0000
                                                              1st Qu.:0.000
                         Median :28.00
##
    Mode
          :character
                                           Median :0.0000
                                                             Median :0.000
##
                         Mean
                                 :29.88
                                                   :0.4989
                                                                     :0.385
                                           Mean
                                                             Mean
                                                              3rd Qu.:0.000
##
                         3rd Qu.:39.00
                                           3rd Qu.:1.0000
##
                                 :80.00
                                                   :8.0000
                         Max.
                                           Max.
                                                             Max.
                                                                     :9.000
##
                         NA's
                                 :263
##
       Ticket
                               Fare
                                                Cabin
                                                                    Embarked
    Length: 1309
                                 : 0.000
                                             Length: 1309
                                                                  Length: 1309
##
                         Min.
##
    Class : character
                         1st Qu.: 7.896
                                             Class : character
                                                                  Class : character
##
    Mode :character
                         Median: 14.454
                                             Mode :character
                                                                  Mode
                                                                       :character
##
                         Mean
                                 : 33.295
##
                         3rd Qu.: 31.275
##
                                 :512.329
                         Max.
##
                         NA's
```

Since the data can have missing fields, incomplete fields, or fields containing hidden or useless information, a crucial step is to remove them in order not to complicate the further analysis. Variables Fare, Age and Embarked will not be used, so we decided to remove them. Especially embarked variable will not be used as is not individual specific.

Our second hypothesis has to verify whether having a family on board has increased the chance of passenger to survive, therefore a new variable Family has been created as a sum of already existing variables SibSp - number of siblings and spouses of the passenger aboard and Parch- number of parents and children of the passenger aboard.

```
##
     PassengerId Survived Pclass
## 1
                                  3
                1
                         No
                2
## 2
                        Yes
                                  1
                3
                                  3
## 3
                        Yes
## 4
                4
                        Yes
                                  1
## 5
                5
                         No
                                  3
##
  7
                7
                                  1
                         No
##
                                                                  Sex Age SibSp Parch
## 1
                                    Braund, Mr. Owen Harris
                                                                male
                                                                       22
                                                                               1
                                                                                     0
## 2 Cumings, Mrs. John Bradley (Florence Briggs Thayer) female
                                                                       38
                                                                                     0
                                                                               1
## 3
                                                                       26
                                                                               0
                                                                                     0
                                     Heikkinen, Miss. Laina female
## 4
             Futrelle, Mrs. Jacques Heath (Lily May Peel) female
                                                                       35
                                                                               1
                                                                                     0
## 5
                                   Allen, Mr. William Henry
                                                                               0
                                                                                     0
                                                                       35
                                                                male
  7
                                    McCarthy, Mr. Timothy J
                                                                               0
                                                                                     0
##
                                                                male
                                                                       54
##
                           Fare Cabin Embarked Family
                Ticket
## 1
             A/5 21171
                        7.2500
                                               S
                                               C
## 2
              PC 17599 71.2833
                                   C85
                                                       1
## 3 STON/02. 3101282 7.9250
                                               S
                                                       0
                                               S
                                                       1
## 4
                113803 53.1000
                                 C123
```

```
## 5 373450 8.0500 S 0
## 7 17463 51.8625 E46 S 0
```

4. Application of Econometric Models

Exploring and Test Multinom Models

Generating 4 models using multinom function.

Formulas for models,

 $\begin{array}{l} model1 <- Survived \sim Sex + Pclass + Age + Family + Fare + Farepp + Embarked + SibSp + Parch \ model2 <- Survived \sim Sex + Pclass + Age + Family + Embarked + SibSp + Parch \ model3 <- Survived \sim Sex + Pclass + Age + Family + SibSp + Parch \ model4 <- Survived \sim Sex + Pclass + Age + Family - \\ \end{array}$

```
## # weights: 13 (12 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 418.303559
## iter 20 value 391.968038
## iter 20 value 391.968037
## iter 20 value 391.968037
## final value 391.968037
## converged
## # weights: 11 (10 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 429.162839
## final value 392.309873
## converged
## # weights: 9 (8 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 392.953976
## final value 392.735365
## converged
## # weights: 7 (6 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 393.518417
## final value 393.495630
## converged
```

Performing statistical significance

```
## (Intercept) Sexmale Pclass2 Pclass3 SibSp Parch Family EmbarkedQ EmbarkedS Age
## ------
      -17.535 -4.497 -8.092 -1.831 0.431 -2.936 -0.623
                                -0.878 -4.859
## -----
##
## (Intercept) Sexmale Pclass2 Pclass3 SibSp Parch Family Age
## -----
      -17.700 -5.084 -8.879 -1.888 0.475 -2.978 -4.964
 ______
## (Intercept) Sexmale Pclass2 Pclass3 Family Age
      -17.817 -5.045 -8.845 -2.934 -4.870
## 10.718
Performing 2-tailed z test
##
## (Intercept) Sexmale Pclass2 Pclass3 SibSp Parch Family EmbarkedQ EmbarkedS Fare
## -----
        0 0.0001 0 0.072 0.721 0.012 0.580
                               0.477 0.834 0.00000 0.786
## (Intercept) Sexmale Pclass2 Pclass3 SibSp Parch Family EmbarkedQ EmbarkedS Age
## -----
        0 0.00001
              0 0.067 0.667 0.003 0.533
                               0.380 0.00000
## (Intercept) Sexmale Pclass2 Pclass3 SibSp Parch Family Age
 ______
         0.00000
              0 0.059 0.635 0.003 0.00000
## (Intercept) Sexmale Pclass2 Pclass3 Family Age
## -----
       0 0.00000 0 0.003 0.00000
## -----
 ______
              Dependent variable:
         _____
##
##
                Survived
          (1) (2) (3) (4)
 ______
## Sexmale
         -3.686*** -3.693*** -3.691*** -3.703***
```

```
##
                    (0.211) (0.211)
                                       (0.209)
                                                 (0.208)
##
## Pclass2
                   -1.150*** -1.241*** -1.322*** -1.306***
##
                    (0.301)
                              (0.276)
                                       (0.260)
## Pclass3
                   -2.089*** -2.202*** -2.285*** -2.271***
                    (0.311)
                            (0.272)
                                       (0.257)
                                                (0.257)
##
## SibSp
                    -0.172*
                             -0.175*
                                       -0.179*
##
                    (0.095)
                             (0.095)
                                       (0.095)
##
                                        0.044
## Parch
                     0.034
                              0.040
                    (0.095)
                              (0.092)
                                       (0.092)
##
                   -0.138** -0.135*** -0.135*** -0.199***
## Family
##
                    (0.055)
                              (0.046)
                                       (0.045)
                                                 (0.068)
##
## EmbarkedQ
                    -0.275
                              -0.308
##
                    (0.496)
                             (0.494)
##
## EmbarkedS
                    -0.175
                             -0.212
##
                    (0.247)
                              (0.242)
##
                     0.001
## Fare
##
                    (0.004)
## Age
                   -0.036*** -0.036*** -0.037*** -0.036***
                    (0.007)
                              (0.007) (0.007)
##
                                                (0.007)
##
## Farepp
                     0.001
##
                    (0.005)
##
                   4.371*** 4.544*** 4.447*** 4.411***
##
                    (0.476)
                              (0.429)
                                       (0.414)
                                                 (0.412)
## Akaike Inf. Crit. 805.936 802.620 799.471
## Note:
                              *p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01
```

Exploring MLogit Data and Model

Generating data in mlogit.data format

```
## ~~~~~
## first 10 observations out of 2086
##
       Sex Pclass SibSp Parch Family Embarked Survived
                                                      Fare Age
                                                               Farepp chid
## 1
       male
                3
                     1
                                1
                                         S
                                              TRUE 7.2500 22 3.62500
                3
                                         S
## 2
       male
                           0
                                 1
                                              FALSE 7.2500 22 3.62500
                     1
## 3 female
                1
                           0
                                 1
                                         C FALSE 71.2833 38 35.64165
                     1
                                       C
## 4 female
                1
                     1
                           0
                                 1
                                              TRUE 71.2833 38 35.64165
```

```
## 5 female
                  3
                        0
                                               S
                                                    FALSE 7.9250 26 7.92500
## 6 female
                  3
                              0
                                     0
                                               S
                                                     TRUE 7.9250 26 7.92500
                                                                                  3
                        0
                                                                   35 26.55000
## 7 female
                                     1
                                               S
                                                    FALSE 53.1000
                                                                                  4
## 8 female
                              0
                                               S
                                                     TRUE 53.1000
                                     1
                                                                   35 26.55000
                                                                                  4
                  1
                        1
## 9
       male
                        0
                              0
                                     0
                                               S
                                                     TRUE
                                                           8.0500
                                                                   35
                                                                       8.05000
                                                                                  5
## 10
       male
                        0
                              0
                                     0
                                               S
                                                    FALSE
                                                          8.0500 35 8.05000
##
      alt
            idx
## 1
      No 1:No
## 2
     Yes 1:Yes
## 3
      No 2:No
## 4
     Yes 2:Yes
## 5
      No 3:No
## 6
    Yes 3:Yes
## 7
      No 4:No
## 8 Yes 4:Yes
## 9
      No 5:No
## 10 Yes 5:Yes
##
## ~~~ indexes ~~~~
##
      chid alt
## 1
         1 No
## 2
         1 Yes
         2 No
## 3
## 4
         2 Yes
## 5
         3 No
## 6
         3 Yes
## 7
         4 No
## 8
         4 Yes
## 9
         5 No
         5 Yes
## 10
## indexes: 1, 2
Running the model on mlogit data
##
## Call:
## mlogit(formula = Survived ~ 0 | Sex + Family + Pclass + Age,
                                                                     data = mldf, method = "nr")
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept):Yes
                        Sexmale:Yes
                                          Family:Yes
                                                           Pclass2:Yes
##
          4.411308
                          -3.703381
                                           -0.199020
                                                             -1.306308
##
       Pclass3:Yes
                            Age:Yes
##
         -2.271218
                          -0.035976
Summary of the mlogit model
##
## Call:
## mlogit(formula = Survived ~ 0 | Sex + Family + Pclass + Age,
       data = mldf, method = "nr")
##
##
## Frequencies of alternatives:choice
```

##

No

Yes

```
## 0.60211 0.39789
##
## nr method
## 6 iterations, Oh:Om:Os
## g'(-H)^-1g = 1.91E-06
## successive function values within tolerance limits
## Coefficients :
##
                    Estimate Std. Error z-value Pr(>|z|)
## (Intercept):Yes 4.4113075 0.4115900 10.7177 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Sexmale:Yes
                  -3.7033811 0.2078565 -17.8170 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Family:Yes
                  -0.1990198 0.0678444
                                         -2.9335 0.003352 **
## Pclass2:Yes
                  -1.3063077 0.2589408
                                        -5.0448 4.54e-07 ***
## Pclass3:Yes
                  -2.2712179  0.2567849  -8.8448 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Age:Yes
                  -0.0359755 0.0073881 -4.8694 1.12e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Log-Likelihood: -393.5
## McFadden R^2: 0.4387
## Likelihood ratio test : chisq = 615.11 (p.value = < 2.22e-16)
```

5. Results & Findings

Part A

We compare the restricted model to the unrestricted model to obtain the joint significance test. Number of restrictions are 4. We compare the restricted model to the constant model using likelihood ratio test.

```
p-value = 2.2 e-16 and LR test = 615.11
Null hypothesis: Pclass = 0, Sex = 0, Family = 0 and Age = 0
```

The p-value is lower than the significance level of 0.05. Therefore, we have to reject the null hypothesis which states parameters are jointly insignificant. The parameters are jointly significant.

```
## # weights: 7 (6 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 393.518417
## final value 393.495630
## converged

## # weights: 2 (1 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## final value 701.049473
## converged

## Likelihood ratio test
##
## Model 1: Survived ~ Pclass + Sex + Family + Age
## Model 2: Survived ~ 1
## #Df LogLik Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
## 1 6 -393.50
```

```
## 2 1 -701.05 -5 615.11 < 2.2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Part B

The model is created with non linear relation (square of Fare) and interactions between Age:Pclass & Sex:Pclass. The Fare and Fare^2 both have a p-value < 0.05. Similarly, for Pclass2:Age, Sexmale:Pclass2 and Sexmale:Pclass3 have p-value < 0.05. This means, we reject the null hypothesis. The parameters add meaningful addition to model. Pclass:Age interaction is insignificant.

```
## # weights: 12 (11 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 398.759983
## iter 20 value 373.133076
## final value 373.132688
## converged
##
##
                          Dependent variable:
##
##
                               Survived
##
                                -0.015***
## Fare
##
                                 (0.004)
##
                               0.00004***
## Fare2
                                (0.00001)
##
##
## Sexmale
                                -5.104***
##
                                (0.0001)
##
## Pclass2
                                0.357***
##
                                (0.0003)
##
                                -4.525***
## Pclass3
##
                                (0.0003)
##
## Age
                                -0.029***
##
                                 (0.006)
##
## Pclass2:Age
                                -0.064***
##
                                 (0.009)
##
##
  Pclass3:Age
                                  0.003
                                 (0.007)
##
##
## Sexmale:Pclass2
                                -0.799***
##
                                (0.0002)
##
## Sexmale:Pclass3
                                2.453 ***
                                (0.0001)
##
```

```
## ## Constant 5.900***

## (0.0002)

##

## -------

## Akaike Inf. Crit. 768.265

## -------

## Note: *p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01
```

Part C

Marginal effects are used to quantify the incremental risk associated with each factor. We start by creating a vector z which contains average characteristics.

The effect of Fare on Survival for each increment is by 0.3%. More the fare, more chances of survival.

The effect of Family size on Survival for each increment in Family members is by -0.7%. More the family, lesser the chances of survival.

The effect of Age on Survival for each increment in Age is by -0.4%. Older the person, lesser the chances of survival.

```
## ## ------
## No Yes
## ------
## 0.004 -0.004
```

Part D

The final model is (3) in the table which can be represented by the formula:

```
\label{eq:control_problem} \begin{split} \log(P(Survived=Yes)/P(Survived=No)) &= 4.411 + (-3.703 * Sexmale) + (-1.306 * Pclass2) + (-2.271 * Pclass3) + (-0.199 * Family) + (-0.036 * Age) \end{split}
```

```
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 378.827124
## final value 378.275558
## converged
##
##
                    Dependent variable:
##
                 _____
##
                         Survived
                 (1)
                         (2) (3)
## -----
                 -3.686*** -4.927*** -3.703***
## Sexmale
##
                 (0.211) (0.622) (0.208)
##
## Pclass2
                -1.150*** -1.382* -1.306***
                 (0.301) (0.731) (0.259)
##
## Pclass3
                 -2.089*** -3.834*** -2.271***
##
                 (0.311)
                         (0.635) (0.257)
##
## SibSp
                 -0.172*
##
                 (0.095)
##
                  0.034
## Parch
                 (0.095)
##
                -0.138** -0.189*** -0.199***
## Family
##
                 (0.055) (0.067) (0.068)
##
## EmbarkedQ
                 -0.275
##
                 (0.496)
##
## EmbarkedS
                 -0.175
##
                  (0.247)
##
## Fare
                  0.001
                  (0.004)
##
##
                 -0.036*** -0.040*** -0.036***
## Age
##
                 (0.007) (0.008) (0.007)
##
                  0.001
## Farepp
##
                  (0.005)
                          -0.322
## Sexmale:Pclass2
                          (0.798)
##
## Sexmale:Pclass3
                         2.166***
##
                          (0.667)
##
## Constant
                4.371*** 5.606*** 4.411***
##
                  (0.476) (0.703) (0.412)
```

weights: 9 (8 variable)

Part E

The linktest is used to check the appropriate form of the model. The motivation behind the link test is the idea that if a regression is specified appropriately you should not be able to find additional independent variables.

The condition for linktest is to have yhat as significant and yhat 2 as insgnificant. (Ho: The model has appropriate form)

In the below model, we have yhat as significant and yhat2 as insignificant. Therefore, we fail to reject the null hypothesis. The model has an an appropriate form.

```
## # weights: 9 (8 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 378.827124
## final value 378.275558
## converged
## # weights: 4 (3 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 378.950785
## final value 377.982713
## converged
## Call:
## multinom(formula = y ~ yhat + yhat2)
##
## Coefficients:
##
                   Values Std. Err.
## (Intercept) 0.06860774 0.13547628
## yhat
              1.00262896 0.05820039
## yhat2
              -0.02252481 0.02900746
##
## Residual Deviance: 755.9654
## AIC: 761.9654
##
   _____
##
                       Dependent variable:
##
##
                                У
##
##
  yhat
                            1.003***
##
                             (0.058)
##
                             -0.023
## yhat2
                             (0.029)
##
##
```

Hypothesis Testing

Hypothesis 1

H0: Having a seat in higher class insignificant to survive.

H1: Having a seat in higher class is significant to survive.

Result 1

The parameters Pclass2 and Pclass3 are significant as their p-value is < 0.05. Having a seat in class 2 and class 3 is significant to survival but as the coefficient is negative it decreases the probability of survival. The rate of survival is class 2 is more than in class 3. The rate of survival in class 1 is the most as pclass 2 = 0 and pclass 3 = 0.

Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis. Having a seat in higher class indeed increases the chance of passenger to survive.

Hypothesis 2

H0: Paying a higher fare/having a family member on board is insignificant to survive.

H1: Paying a higher fare/having a family member on board is significant survival.

Result 2

Fare is insignificant as the p-value is greater than 0.05. We fail to reject the null hypothesis. Paying a higher fare is insignificant to survival.

However, having a family member on board is significant as the p-value is less than 0.05. We reject the null hypothesis. Having a family member on board is significant for survival. As the coefficient is negative, it is in fact reducing the probability to survive significantly.

```
## # weights: 8 (7 variable)
## initial value 722.952509
## iter 10 value 393.222368
## final value 392.965611
## converged
##
##
##
                         Dependent variable:
##
##
                               Survived
##
## Pclass2
                               -1.173***
##
                                (0.290)
##
                               -2.109***
## Pclass3
##
                                (0.302)
```

```
##
                          -0.036***
## Age
##
                           (0.007)
##
## Sexmale
                          -3.697***
                           (0.208)
##
##
                          -0.219***
## Family
##
                           (0.071)
##
## Fare
                            0.002
                           (0.002)
##
##
                          4.232***
## Constant
##
                           (0.447)
##
##
## Akaike Inf. Crit.
                           799.931
*p<0.1; **p<0.05; ***p<0.01
```

Conclusions

In our analysis, we concluded that an econometric model can be useful in predicting what features increases survival rate during sinking of the Titanic in 1912. As we know from literature one of the reasons that the shipwreck lead to such loss of life is that were not enough lifeboats for the passengers and crew. Although there was some element of luck involved in surviving the sinking, some groups of people were more likely to survive than others, like younger passengers, the upper-class and those who had no family members on board which we confirmed with the results of the Multinomial Logit Model.

Appendix

```
knitr::opts_chunk$set(echo = FALSE,message = FALSE,warning = FALSE)
# Loading Libraries
library("vcd")
library("sandwich")
library("zoo")
library("lmtest")
library("MASS")
library("aod")
library("nnet")
library("Formula")
library("miscTools")
library("maxLik")
library("mlogit")
library("car")
library("survival")
library("AER")
library("stargazer")
mosaic(~Class+Sex+Age+Survived, data=Titanic, shade=TRUE, legend=TRUE)
```

```
# Loading Dataset
setwd(dirname(rstudioapi::getSourceEditorContext()$path))
dfx <- read.csv("train.csv")</pre>
df1 <- read.csv("test.csv")</pre>
df2 <- read.csv("gender submission.csv")</pre>
dfy <- merge(df1, df2)</pre>
df <- rbind(dfx, dfy)</pre>
head(df)
# EDA
summary(df)
# Processing & Cleaning Data set
fdf <- subset(df, df$Embarked != "")</pre>
fdf <- subset(fdf, fdf$Fare != "")</pre>
fdf <- subset(fdf, fdf$Age != "")</pre>
fdf$Family <- fdf$SibSp + fdf$Parch</pre>
fdf$Survived <- ifelse(fdf$Survived == 0, "No", "Yes")
fdf$Pclass <- as.factor(fdf$Pclass)</pre>
fdf$Embarked <- as.factor(fdf$Embarked)</pre>
fdf$Survived <- as.factor(fdf$Survived)</pre>
fdf$Sex <- as.factor(fdf$Sex)</pre>
head(fdf)
# Filtering Data
fdf <- fdf[,c("Sex", "Pclass", "SibSp", "Parch", "Family", "Embarked", "Survived", "Fare", "Age")]
fdf$Farepp <- fdf$Fare/(fdf$Family + 1)</pre>
# Modeling
model1 <- multinom(Survived ~ ., data = fdf)</pre>
model2 <- multinom(Survived ~ .-Fare - Farepp, data = fdf)</pre>
model3 <- multinom(Survived ~ .-Fare - Farepp-Embarked, fdf)</pre>
model4 <- multinom(Survived ~ .-Fare - Farepp-Embarked-SibSp-Parch, fdf)</pre>
#summary(model1); summary(model2); summary(model3); summary(model4)
# statistical significance
z1 <- summary(model1) $coefficients/summary(model1) $standard.errors
z2 <- summary(model2)$coefficients/summary(model2)$standard.errors
z3 <- summary(model3)$coefficients/summary(model3)$standard.errors
z4 <- summary(model4)$coefficients/summary(model4)$standard.errors
stargazer(z1,z2,z3,z4, type = "text")
# 2-tailed z test
p1 \leftarrow (1 - pnorm(abs(z1), 0, 1)) * 2
p2 \leftarrow (1 - pnorm(abs(z2), 0, 1)) * 2
p3 \leftarrow (1 - pnorm(abs(z3), 0, 1)) * 2
p4 \leftarrow (1 - pnorm(abs(z4), 0, 1)) * 2
stargazer(p1,p2,p3,p4, type = "text")
# Comparing all Models
stargazer(model1, model2, model3, model4, type = "text")
# Generating data in mlogit.data format
mldf <- mlogit.data(fdf, shape = "wide", choice= "Survived")</pre>
head(mldf)
# Running the model on mlogit data
model <- mlogit(Survived~ 0 | Sex + Family + Pclass + Age, data = mldf)
# Summary of the mlogit model
summary(model)
# General-to-specific method for variables selection
```

```
x <- multinom(Survived~ Pclass + Sex + Family + Age, data = fdf)
y <- multinom(Survived~1, data=fdf)
lrtest(x, y)
# One nonlinear relationship and interaction between variables
fdf$Fare2 <- fdf$Fare^2</pre>
fdf$Farepp2 <- fdf$Farepp^2</pre>
nlr_model <- multinom(Survived ~ Fare + Fare2 + Sex + Pclass + Age+ Age*Pclass
                      + Sex * Pclass, data = fdf)
stargazer(nlr_model, type = "text")
# Calculation and interpretation of marginal effects for the model
model <- mlogit(Survived~ 0| Fare + Family +Age, data = mldf)</pre>
z <- with(mldf, data.frame(Fare = tapply(Fare, index(model)$alt, mean), Family =
                             tapply(Family, index(model)$alt, mean),
                           Age = tapply(Age, index(model)$alt, mean)))
# Marginal effects for Fare
x <- effects(model, covariate = "Fare", data = z)</pre>
stargazer(x, type = "text")
# Marginal effects for Family
y <- effects(model, covariate = "Family", data = z)
stargazer(y, type = "text")
# Marginal effects for Age
z <- effects(model, covariate = "Age", data = z)</pre>
stargazer(z, type = "text")
*present models in one quality table
final <- multinom(Survived~ Sex + Family + Pclass + Age + Pclass*Sex, data = fdf)
stargazer(model1, final, model4, type="text")
# perform the linktest and interpret the result
linktest = function(model)
  y = as.numeric(fdf$Survived) -1
  yhat = log(model$fitted.values/(1-model$fitted.values))
 yhat2 = yhat^2
  # auxiliary regression
 aux.reg = multinom(y~yhat+yhat2)
  show(summary(aux.reg))
 return(aux.reg)
}
mylogit <- multinom(Survived~ Sex + Pclass + Age + Family + Sex*Pclass, data=fdf)
lt <- linktest(mylogit)</pre>
stargazer(lt, type="text")
# Hypothesis Testing
hypothesis <- multinom(Survived ~ Pclass + Age + Sex + Family + Fare, data = fdf)
stargazer(hypothesis, type = "text")
```