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2 *Title: LOANAPP_monica.do
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5 *Assignment 4 Part 2
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8 cap log close
9 clear
10 set more off
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15 *2. In 1975, the U.S. passed the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act. This law requires
16 *all mortgage lenders to release annual data on all mortgage applications. One
17 *goal of the act is to identify discriminatory lending--cases where banks do not
18 *lend to individuals based on race or gender. The data set LOANAPP.dta contains a
19 *random sample of loan applications from HDMA data. The variables are defined as
20 *follows:
21
22 ** approve is a dummy variable equal to one if the loan application is approved
23 ** black, hispan, and male are dummy variables equal to one if the borrower is
24 *black, hispanic or male respectively
25 ** apr is the annual-percent rate on the loan (i.e. the interest rate)
26 ** term measures the length of time over which the loan will be paid off
27 ** bankruptcy is a dummy variable equal to one if the individual has ever declared
28 *bankruptcy
29 ** gdlin is a variable equal to one if the borrower's credit history meets the lender's
30 *typical guidelines
31 ** hh_expenditures is a measure of household expenditures as a share of annual income
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33 *a) Estimate a linear probability model that relates loan approval rates to the
34 *applicant's demographic characteristics (black, hispan, male), the loan
35 *characteristics (apr, term), and the applicant's credit worthiness (bankruptcy,
36 *gdlin, hh_expenditures). Interpret the coefficients on black, hispan and male.
37 *Although we are interested in the relationship between demographics and loan
38 *approval,
39 *why is it important to control for loan characteristics and credit worthiness?
40 use "/Users/monicaelgawly/Downloads/LOANAPP.dta"
41 reg approve black hispan male apr term bankruptcy gdlin hh_expenditures, r
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45 *b) Find the predicted values based on the regression in part a. Summarize the
46 *distribution
47 * of the predicted values. How does the average predicted approval rate compare to the
48 * average actual approval rate? Do you notice anything unusual about the predicted
49 * values?
50 * Explain what you see.
51 predict y2_approvate
52 sum y2, detail
53 *(where xb should be assumed)
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55 *=====
56 *c) Repeat the regression in part a using only the regressors that are individually
57 * statistically significant at the 10% level using t-tests. Do your results change
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58 \* substantially? Are your results sensitive to dropping these controls? What might  
this  
59 \* tell you about OVB?  
60 reg approve black hispan gdlin, r  
61 \*=====

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63 \*d) Estimate the relationship in part c using a probit model. What is the difference  
64 \*in the probability of approval between black and nonblack applicants who meet the  
65 \*borrowing guidelines (gdlin = 1)? How about the difference between hispanic and  
66 \*non-hispanic borrowers? Do the results differ much from the linear probability model?  
67  
68 probit approve black hispan gdlin, r  
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74 \*e) Repeat part d using a logit model instead of a probit model. Do your results  
change?  
75 logit approve black hispan gdlin, r  
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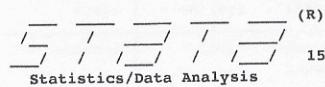
79 \*f) Based on your work in parts a through e, comment on the disadvantages and  
80 \*advantages of using the linear probability model vs. probit/logit to estimate models  
81 \*with binary dependent variables.  
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86 \*g) Based on your work in parts a through e, what do you conclude about discrimination  
87 \*by lenders? *The predicted probability of loan approval is consistently seven to  
88 eight point eight percent lower for black and Hispanic applicants. The results are  
89 consistent regardless of model used. The regressors accounting for gender,  
90 clear APR of the loan, length of loan term, status of bankruptcy and  
91 extent of a household's expenditures were found to be insignificant markers  
in deciding whether someone receives a loan. Meeting guidelines was the  
predominant factor and discrimination has a significant enough likelihood  
that its claim should not be dismissed.*

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1. Unicode is supported; see [help unicode advice](#).

1 . log using "/Users/monicaelgawly/Downloads/metrics/do and log files/LOANAPP\_monic  
> a.log"

name: <unnamed>  
log: /Users/monicaelgawly/Downloads/metrics/do and log files/LOANAPP\_monic  
> a.log  
log type: text  
opened on: 19 Apr 2018, 01:36:19

2 . use "/Users/monicaelgawly/Downloads/LOANAPP.dta"

3 .

4 . reg approve black hispan male apr term bankruptcy gdlin hh\_expenditures, r  
  
Linear regression  
Number of obs = 1,968  
F(8, 1959) = 72.74  
Prob > F = 0.0000  
R-squared = 0.3802  
Root MSE = .25867

approve	Robust					
	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
black	-.0832246	.025738	-3.23	0.001	-.1337013	-.0327479
hispan	-.0814848	.0344091	-2.37	0.018	-.1489672	-.0140024
male	.0080667	.015247	0.53	0.597	-.0218352	.0379687
apr	.0000547	.0000335	1.63	0.103	-.000011	.0001204
term	-.0000194	.0000954	-0.20	0.839	-.0002064	.0001676
bankruptcy	-.0454592	.0324919	-1.40	0.162	-.1091815	.0182632

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gdlin	.6706584	.0363856	18.43	0.000	.5993	.7420169
hh_expenditures	-.0012052	.0010511	-1.15	0.252	-.0032666	.0008561
_cons	.2986692	.0539987	5.53	0.000	.1927682	.4045701

5 . predict approvate  
(option xb assumed; fitted values)  
(15 missing values generated)

6 . sort approvate

7 . sum approvate, detail

Fitted values			
	Percentiles	Smallest	
1%	.1501102	.1257839	
5%	.244849	.1283087	
10%	.84996	.1303715	Obs 1,968
25%	.931003	.1353147	Sum of Wgt. 1,968
50%	.9465646		Mean .8775407
			Largest Std. Dev. .202182
75%	.9545963	1.021383	
90%	.9628758	1.028688	Variance .0408776
95%	.9694582	1.029386	Skewness -2.866013
99%	.9852294	1.190825	Kurtosis 9.559944

8 . sum approve, detail

approve			
	Percentiles	Smallest	
1%	0	0	
5%	0	0	
10%	0	0	Obs 1,983
25%	1	0	Sum of Wgt. 1,983
50%	1		Mean .878467
			Largest Std. Dev. .3268281
75%	1	1	
90%	1	1	Variance .1068166
95%	1	1	Skewness -2.316584
99%	1	1	Kurtosis 6.366562

9 . reg approve black hispan gdlin, r

Linear regression  
Number of obs = 1,983  
F(3, 1979) = 183.37

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Prob > F	=	0.0000
R-squared	=	0.3777
Root MSE	=	.25801

approve	Robust					
	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
black	-.0879547	.0253942	-3.46	0.001	-.1377569	-.0381525
hispan	-.0851574	.0340472	-2.50	0.012	-.1519296	-.0183853
gdlin	.6892772	.033956	20.30	0.000	.6226839	.7558706
_cons	.2610012	.0341644	7.64	0.000	.1939992	.3280033

10 . reg approve black hispan, r

Linear regression	Number of obs	=	1,983
	F(2, 1980)	=	27.43
	Prob > F	=	0.0000
	R-squared	=	0.0495
	Root MSE	=	.3188

approve	Robust					
	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
black	-.2267144	.034107	-6.65	0.000	-.2936038	-.159825
hispan	-.1429999	.0408399	-3.50	0.000	-.2230935	-.0629062
_cons	.9087657	.0070367	129.15	0.000	.8949656	.9225657

11 . probit approve black hispan gdlin, r

Iteration 0:	log pseudolikelihood = -733.64726
Iteration 1:	log pseudolikelihood = -497.25269
Iteration 2:	log pseudolikelihood = -496.61183
Iteration 3:	log pseudolikelihood = -496.61158
Iteration 4:	log pseudolikelihood = -496.61158

Probit regression	Number of obs	=	1,983
	Wald chi2(3)	=	393.24
	Prob > chi2	=	0.0000
Log pseudolikelihood = -496.61158	Pseudo R2	=	0.3231

approve	Robust					
	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]	
black	-.4917113	.1223809	-4.02	0.000	-.7315735	-.251849

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hispan	-.5026078	.1622975	-3.10	0.002	-.820705	-.1845105
gdlin	2.211937	.1195054	18.51	0.000	1.977711	2.446163
_cons	-.5779041	.1143003	-5.06	0.000	-.8019286	-.3538795

12 . predict racialcomponent, pr

13 . sum racialcomponent if black == 0

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
racialcomp-t	1,788	.899812	.1700964	.1399572	.9488741

14 . sum racialcomponent if black == 1

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
racialcomp-t	195	.68217	.3220565	.1423962	.8733399

15 . sum racialcomponent if black == 0 & gdlin == 1

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
racialcomp-t	1,671	.9444503	.0180236	.871062	.9488741

16 . sum racialcomponent if black == 1 & gdlin == 1

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
racialcomp-t	144	.8733399	0	.8733399	.8733399

17 . sum racialcomponent if hispan == 0 & gdlin == 1

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
racialcomp-t	1,720	.9425503	.0209267	.8733399	.9488741

18 . sum racialcomponent if hispan == 1 & gdlin == 1

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
racialcomp-t	95	.871062	0	.871062	.871062

19 . logit approve black hispan gdlin, r

Iteration 0:	log pseudolikelihood = -733.64726
Iteration 1:	log pseudolikelihood = -567.51525
Iteration 2:	log pseudolikelihood = -499.65477
Iteration 3:	log pseudolikelihood = -496.58832

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Iteration 4: log pseudolikelihood = -496.58333  
Iteration 5: log pseudolikelihood = -496.58333

Logistic regression  
Number of obs = 1,983  
Wald chi2(3) = 351.73  
Prob > chi2 = 0.0000  
Pseudo R2 = 0.3231

Log pseudolikelihood = -496.58333

approve	Robust				
	Coef.	Std. Err.	z	P> z	[95% Conf. Interval]
black	-.9585783	.232843	-4.12	0.000	-1.414942 -.5022144
hispan	-.9892	.3168287	-3.12	0.002	-1.610173 -.3682271
gdlin	3.820653	.2130302	17.93	0.000	3.403121 4.238184
_cons	-.9061003	.1959751	-4.62	0.000	-1.290204 -.5219963

20 .

$$\rightarrow \beta_1 = P(y=1 | X=0)$$

(2a.)

The linear probability model is the name for the mult regression model of Part II when the dependent variable is binary rather than continuous. This is true in our case as the question describes only one variable as dependent to the rest — approve.

P.425 in textbook \* The population coefficient  $\beta_1$  on a regressor  $X$  is the change in probability that  $y=1$  associated with a unit change in  $X$ .

Black: -.083 represents a probability of those of a black race have 8.3% less of a chance of being approved for a loan.  
(Refer to p.423)

Hispanic: -.081 represents a similar outcome for those of Hispanic origin have a more difficult time getting loan approval because of the color of their skin/nationality/race/etc.

Male: This is an interesting statistic. The coefficient .0081 tells us men have a .8% advantage in consideration for loan approval/credit Note that the p-value of .597 shows a failure to reject a null of insignificance. The data with regards to men may be disregarded, is statistically significant.

It is important to control for loan characteristics like a high enough income because in the case of race as Ch. II opens, it may not be the color of one's skin that may be correlated. It may be that white groups had a headstart in simply having higher incomes to begin with or familial connections to speed up the process — not the very color of one's skin was the reason. It is the necessity to control for correlation vs. causation. It is necessary for validity to our regression hypotheses, biases and conclusions.

(b)

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \dots + u_i$$

$$\text{approve} = \beta_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \text{black} + \hat{\beta}_2 \text{hispan} + \hat{\beta}_3 \hat{\text{male}} + \hat{\beta}_4 \hat{\text{apr}} + \hat{\beta}_5 \hat{\text{term}} + \hat{\beta}_6 \hat{\text{bankruptcy}} + \hat{\beta}_7 \hat{\text{gdpin}} + \hat{\beta}_8 \hat{\text{hh\_expenditures}}$$

$$\text{approve} = .30 - .083 \hat{\text{black}} - .081 \hat{\text{hispan}} + .008 \hat{\text{male}} + 0(\hat{\text{apr}}) + 0(\hat{\text{term}}) - .045 \hat{\text{bankruptcy}} + .671 \hat{\text{gdpin}} - .0012 \hat{\text{hh\_expenditures}}$$

Approval rates range from 12.5% to 119% utilizing the sort, sum and predict commands in Stata. Predict utilizes the data in Stata to give regression data points for the number corresponding to approve for

each person's characteristic age, term, status of bankruptcy and expenditures to give an estimate as to that person's chance at loan approval in relation to all others in the set.

\* The mean predicted approval rate vs actual mean approval rate



found under sum approve, detail  
mean .8775407 found under sum approve, detail  
.878467

\* There are 15 observations unaccounted for in the predicted results. Apparently this occurred because 15 people did not vouch information of being male or otherwise. Those 15 were not accounted in predicted values as they violated the need for all the other variables of the regression to be held constant.

\* This makes sense because the decision to not disclose this info means the functional form is incorrect potentially introducing bias into the prediction (Lc #19 slide #4)

c) If the regressor, the loan approval rate, is correlated with a variable that has been omitted from the analysis (the binary variables for black, hispan or gdlin) and that determines in part the dependent variable then the OLS estimator will have omitted variable bias.

Omitted variable bias occurs when two conditions are true:

- (1) When the omitted variable is correlated with the included regressor and
- (2) When the omitted variable is a determinant of the dependent variable.

If an omitted variable is in the present situation,  $u_i$  and  $X_i$  are correlated and the conditional mean of  $u_i$  given  $X_i$  is nonzero.

This correlation violates the 1<sup>st</sup> least squares assumption (OLS) and makes our estimator biased and inconsistent.

In reg approve black hispan gdlin, r the biggest difference is

P. 263 the change in F-statistic from 72.74 to 183.37. The F-test Statistic's

$\leq .05$  sig purpose is to test the null where all explanatory variables are found

$\leq .01$  sig insignificant, or in math, equivalent to zero. ↑F, the more difficult it is

$> .05$  not sig to say the explanatory variables are insignificant because it's more so the case that there's more evidence to reject the insignificance of the regressors.

The higher the F statistic  $SSR_R > SSR_U$ , we are more likely to reject the null hypothesis, in other words.

∴ Our results are better once dropping the other controls/regressors. This information tells us a good thing in that even if we include a regressor, if it's found to not impact the regression, the valid/significant regressors are not impacted much, if at all by the addition. Via p-values and the use of the F-statistic we can use our data without any concern for bias or inconsistency.

d) Utilizing the probit model, we expect the coefficients provided in regression form to be something we don't interpret. Utilizing probit, we say something is more or less likely to have an impact on loan approval rate compared to the utility of the coefficients in the LPM.

The probability of approval is found utilizing the predict and sum operations in STATA under use of probit.

In doing so, we type predict [new variable], pr. In my log I wrote predict racialcomponent, pr and then sum racialcomponent if black == 0 & gdlin == 1 as we're given  $gdlin = 1$  as our restriction & repeat the sum command in the circumstance that  $black == 1$  which again is the binary (dummy) variable we change.

Refer to  
Lec # 19  
Slide 3/28

\*  $P(gdlin = 1 | hispan, black = 0) = 94.45\%$  were approved of non-black sample  
 $P(gdlin = 1 | hispan, black = 1) = 87.33\%$  were approved of black sample.

Difference  $\Rightarrow$  There is 7.12% less likelihood for loan approval for black applicants.

\* Similar findings for Hispanic applicants:

$P(gdlin = 1 | black, hispan = 0) = 94.26\%$  were approved if not Hispanic

$P(gdlin = 1 | black, hispan = 1) = 87.11\%$  were approved from Hispanic sample.

∴ There is  $(94.26 - 87.11) 7.15\%$  less likelihood for loan approval among Hispanic applicants.

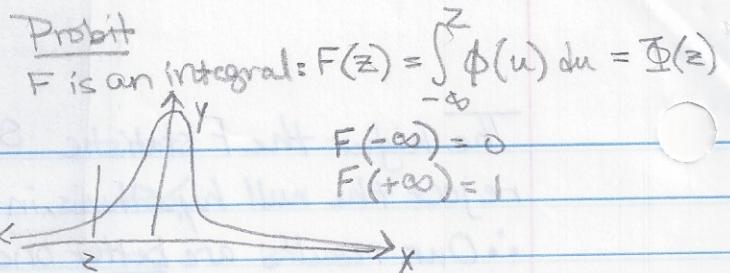
LPM predicts 8.8% less for black applicants and 8.5% less for Hispanic applicants. This difference of ~1 to 2% when it could could've been a 30% difference, as we're looking at 8.8% and 7.12% in the spectrum relative to 0 → 100%, is negligible. (Referring to reg approve black hispan gdlin, r for LPM.)

Logit linear combin of independent variables

$$(e) F(z) = \frac{\exp(z)}{1 + \exp(z)} = L(z)$$

$z \rightarrow -\infty$   $z \rightarrow +\infty$

num  $\rightarrow 0$   $F \rightarrow \frac{e^z}{e^z + 1} = 0$   
den  $\rightarrow 1$   $F \rightarrow 0$



Logit when linear combin is zero

$$= F(0) = \frac{e^0}{1 + e^0} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Phi(0) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \checkmark$$

\* helps with normal distribution assumptions

LC #20  
slide #4

\*  $P(Y_i = 1 | X) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X)}}$

\*  $P(Y_i = 1 | X) = \Phi(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X)$

### Logit

$$\text{Black}(0) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-[-.906 + (-.959)(0) + (-.9892)(0) + (3.821)(1)]}} = .9486$$

$$\text{Black}(1) = \frac{1}{1 + e^{-[-.906 + (-.959)(1) + (-.989)(0) + (3.821)(1)]}} = .876$$

Our logit probabilities match our linear probability model calculated as expected!

for

part(d) The mathematical, written answer to the probit probabilities is

$$\text{Black}(0) \Rightarrow \Phi[-.578 + (-.492)(0) + (-.5026)(0) + 2.212(1)] = \Phi(1.634)$$

where  $\Phi$  is the cumulative standard normal distribution.

so it's half SD it's  $\Rightarrow .9484$

$$\text{Black}(1) \Rightarrow \Phi[-.578 + (-.492)(1) + (-.5026)(0) + 2.212(1)] = \Phi(1.142)$$

Where the probability according to Appendix Table 1 is .8729.

Once again the probabilities are all the same as they are expected.

Logit:

$$\text{Hispanic}(0) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + e^{-[-.906 + (-.959)(0) + (-.9892)(0) + (3.821)(1)]}} = .94858$$

$$\text{Hispanic}(1) \Rightarrow \frac{1}{1 + e^{-[-.906 + (-.959)(0) + (-.9892)(1) + (3.821)(1)]}} = .87278$$

Probit:

$$\text{Hispanic}(0) \Rightarrow \Phi[-.578 + (-.492)(0) + (-.5026)(0) + 2.212(1)] = \Phi[1.634] \Rightarrow .9484$$

$$\text{Hispanic}(1) \Rightarrow \Phi[-.578 + (-.492)(0) + (-.5026)(1) + 2.212(1)] = \Phi[1.1314] \Rightarrow .8708$$

LC #20  
slide 4(f)

LPM, probit and logit all have the benefit of serving as a check to one another as they give accurate, consistent values to the probability of a regressor in relation to the dependent variable.

LPM is easy to implement & interpret via coefficients. Yet if the functional form is incorrect we may introduce bias into the regression. Probit and Logit have straightforward calculations as long as we know the formula.

Yet interpretation takes an additional step compared to LPM. Probit and Logit help account for our applied assumption of a normal distribution maybe more so than in LPM. (homoskedasticity)

Assignment 4: Regression Models with Nonlinear Functions  
and Binary Dependent Variables

ECO 321

DUE: Thursday, April 19 in class

**Instructions:** You need to write a Stata do-file to answer these questions. Your do-file must produce a log file that contains your Stata output. You must submit your log file along with your answers to the assignment. Assignments that do not contain log files will be marked down.

1. In this question, we are interested in how education, experience, and race explain differences in wages across people. Use wage2.dta to answer this question.

a) Use the wage2.dta to estimate the following model where the return to education depends upon the amount of work experience (and visa versa):

$$\log(wage_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 edu_i + \beta_2 exper_i + \beta_3 (edu_i \times exper_i) + u_i$$

Show that the marginal effect of another year of education equals  $\hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_3 exper_i$ . Plug in the values of  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\beta}_3$  to get the general form for the marginal effect of education.

b) Test whether the return to education depends on the level of experience.

c) Now allow education, experience, job tenure, marriage status, race, and geographic location to determine wages by estimating the following model:

$$\log(wage_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 edu_i + \beta_2 exper_i + \beta_3 tenure_i + \beta_4 married_i + \beta_5 black_i + \beta_6 south_i + \beta_7 urban_i + u_i$$

✓ Report the results in standard form. Holding other factors fixed, what is the approximate difference in monthly salary between married people and nonmarried people? Is this difference statistically significant at the 5% level?

✓ d) Modify the model in part (c) by allowing  $\log(wage)$  to differ across four groups of people: married and black, married and nonblack, single and black, and single and nonblack. What is the estimated wage differential between married nonblack people and nonmarried nonblack people?

✓ e) On a graph with education on the x-axis and  $\log(wage)$  on the y-axis, draw the sample regression functions for the four groups of people: (1) married and black, (2) married and nonblack, (3) single and black, and (4) single and nonblack, holding constant experience, tenure, and geographic location (i.e., south and urban). You do not need to create this graph in Stata, but you will use the

✓ results from part (d) to draw the graph on paper.

2. In 1975, the U.S. passed the Home Mortgage Disclosure Act. This law requires all mortgage lenders to release annual data on all mortgage applications. One goal of the act is to identify discriminatory lending—cases where banks do not lend to individuals based on race or gender. The data set LOANAPP.dta contains a random sample of loan applications from HMDA data. The variables are defined as follows:

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- *gdlin* is a variable equal to one if the borrower's credit history meets the lender's typical guidelines
- *hh\_expenditures* is a measure of annual household expenditures as a share of annual income

a) Estimate a linear probability model that relates loan approval rates to the applicant's demographic characteristics (black, hispan, male), the loan characteristics (apr, term), and the applicant's credit worthiness (bankruptcy, gdlin, hh\_expenditures). Interpret the coefficients on black, hispan, and male. Although we are interested in the relationship between demographics and loan approval, why is it important to control for loan characteristics and credit worthiness?

b) Find the predicted values based on the regression in part (a). Summarize the distribution of the predicted values. How does the average predicted approval rate compare to the average actual approval rate? Do you notice anything unusual about the predicted values? Explain what you see.

c) Repeat the regression in part (a) using only the regressors that are individually statistically significant at the 10% level using t-tests. Do your results change substantially? Are your results sensitive to dropping these controls? What does this tell you about OVB?

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e) Repeat part (d) using a logit model instead of probit model. Do the results change?

f) Based on your work in parts (a) through (e), comment on the disadvantages and advantages of using the linear probability model vs. probit/logit to estimate models with binary dependent variables.

g) on back.

g) Based on your work in parts (a) through (e), what do you conclude about discrimination by lenders?