

Exercise 1 OLS estimate

Q1: Calculate the correlation between Y and X.

-0.179

Q2: Calculate the coefficients on this regression

The intercept is 22075.1066

The coefficient of age is -180.1765

Q3: Calculate the standard errors

1. Using the standard formulas of the OLS.

Standard error of intercept: 357.83

Standard error of coefficient of age is 6.97

2. Using bootstrap with 49 and 499 replications respectively. Comment on the difference between the two strategies.

Bootstrap with 49:

Standard error of intercept: 6.941

Standard error of coefficient of age: 0.135

Bootstrap with 499:

Standard error of intercept: 7.9674

Standard error of coefficient of age: 0.157

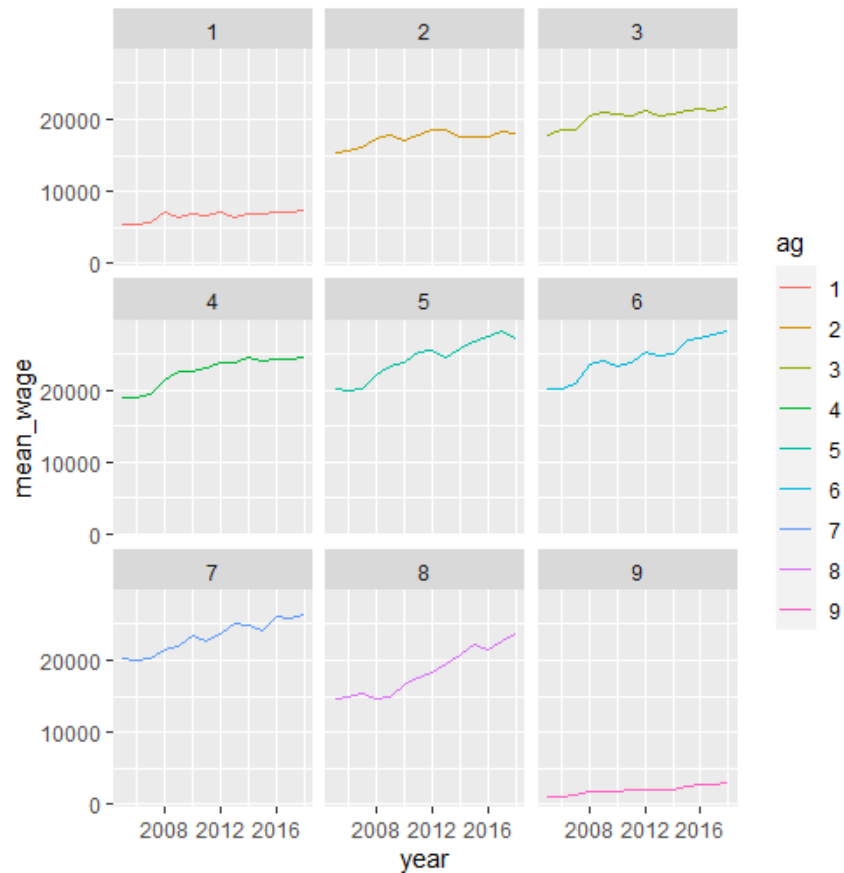
Bootstrap with 499 replications seems more accurate

Exercise 2 Detrend Data

Q1: Create a categorical variable ag, which bins the age variables into the following groups:

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> head(IND)
  v1      idind      idmen year empstat respondent profession gender age wage ag
1:  1 1120001004058010001 1200010040580100 2005 Inactive           1      Female 31 12334 3
2:  3 1120001006663010001 1200010066630100 2005 Employed           1      Male 32 50659 3
3:  4 1120001006663010002 1200010066630100 2005 Employed           0      Female 28 19231 2
4:  5 1120001008245010001 1200010082450100 2005 Retired           1      Female 90      0 9
5:  6 1120001008644010001 1200010086440100 2005 Employed           1      Male 37 31511 4
6:  7 1120001008644010002 1200010086440100 2005 Employed           0      Female 35 24873 3
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Q2: Plot the wage of each age group across years. Is there a trend?



There is a trend. The mean of wage increases over year.

Q3: After including a time fixed effect, how do the estimated coefficients change?

The estimated coefficient of age changes from -182.4896 to -186.8793

Exercise 3 Numerical Optimization

Q1: Exclude all individuals who are inactive.

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> head(mtcars)
  v1      idind      idmen year  empstat respondent profession gender age  wage
1:  1 1140001000124010001 1400010001240100 2007  unemployed          1      NA  Male  49    0
2:  2 1140001000124010002 1400010001240100 2007  Employed          0      52 Female  49 22744
3:  3 1140001001167010001 1400010011670100 2007  Employed          1      21  Male  40  1243
4:  4 1140001002054010001 1400010020540100 2007  Employed          1      22  Male  57    0
5:  5 1140001002054010002 1400010020540100 2007  unemployed          0      NA Female  54    0
6: 12 1140001005753010001 1400010057530100 2007    Retired          1      NA  Male  71    0

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Q2: Write a function that returns the likelihood of the probit of being employed.

the loglikelihood is -6582.155

Q3: Optimize the model and interpret the coefficients. You can use pre-programmed optimization packages.

The intercept is 3.8292; the coefficient of age is -0.0679. The coefficient -0.0679 means that an increase of age leads to a decrease in the probability of being employed.

Q4: Can you estimate the same model including wages as a determinant of labor market participation?

Explain.

We can't. The R turns a warning message that algorithm did not converge.

Exercise 4 Discrete choice

Q1: Exclude all individuals who are inactive.

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      v1      idind      idmen year empstat respondent profession gender age wage
1:  3 1120001006663010001 1200010066630100 2005 Employed      1      38  Male  32 50659
2:  4 1120001006663010002 1200010066630100 2005 Employed      0      45 Female  28 19231
3:  5 1120001008245010001 1200010082450100 2005  Retired      1      34  Female  90      0
4:  6 1120001008644010001 1200010086440100 2005 Employed      1      34  Male   37 31511
5:  7 1120001008644010002 1200010086440100 2005 Employed      0      42 Female  35 24873
6:  8 1120001010299010001 1200010102990100 2005 Employed      1      55 Female  41 30080
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Q2: Write and optimize the probit, logit, and the linear probability models.

See the code from line 204 to 269

Q3: Interpret and compare the estimated coefficients. How significant are they?

Probit: intercept: 3.57238; coefficient of age: -0.06359

Logit: intercept: 7.0307; coefficient of age: -0.1241

LPM: intercept: 1.5661; coefficient of age: -0.0201

For probit and logit coefficient, the negative sign means that an increase of age leads to a decrease in the probability of being employed. Their differences are not very large.

For LPM, the -0.0201 means that one unit increase of age leads to 0.0201 decrease of probability of being employed. Unlike probit and logit, the number of LPM coefficient -0.0201 has exact meaning.

For significance:

Probit: t-statistics: -260.078

Logit: t-statistics: -224.173

LPM: t-statistics: -358.72

All three are significant at 1% level.

Exercise 5 Marginal Effects

Q1: Compute the marginal effect of the previous probit and logit models.

Probit: -0.01569

Logit: -0.01224

Q2: Construct the standard errors of the marginal effects.

Probit: 0.000023164698

Logit: 0.00002717307