

STAT021 Statistical Methods II

Lecture 16 MLR Categorical Predictors

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Review

Multiple linear regression

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_K X_K + \epsilon$$
, where $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$

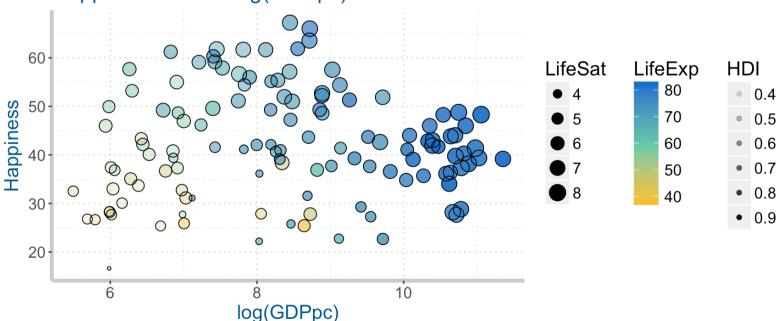
- MLR analysis of variance (ANOVA)
 - F test and R^2
- ▶ Three tests
 - t test for the slopes
 - *F* test for the MLR model
 - t test for the correlations
- Nested *F* test for a subset of predictors
- ightharpoonup Adjusted R^2 for model comparison

Happy Planet Index

head(HappyPlanet, 3)

```
##
         Country Happiness
                                 GDPpc LifeExp LifeSat
                                                              HDI
     Philippines
                  59.17430
                             1678.8520
                                          70.4 6.40000 0.6682183
## 2
          Rwanda
                  28.34747
                              398.2085
                                          43.9 4.43995 0.4832405
## 3
                                          72.7 5.70000 0.8283505
         Hungary
                  37.63759 13842.6055
```

Happiness versus log(GDPpc)



Happy Planet Index

Happy Planet Index

```
##
              Country Happiness GDPpc LifeExp LifeSat
                                                   HDI HDI2
                                                               HDI4
## 1
           Philippines
                                      70.4
                          59.2 1679
                                             6.40 0.668 Low
                                                            Medium
                          28.3 398 43.9 4.44 0.483 Low
## 2
               Rwanda
                                                                TIOW
## 3
              Hungary 37.6 13843 72.7 5.70 0.828 High VeryHigh
               Cyprus 46.0 31387 78.6
## 4
                                             6.90 0.850 High VeryHigh
## 5 Trinidad and Tobago
                          51.9 16530 69.9
                                             6.86 0.772 High
                                                               High
## 6
                          51.1 2312
                                      71.0
                                             6.55 0.679 Low
                                                             Medium
             Paraguay
```

- The cut() function categorizes a quantitative variable based on the provided cutoffs. Each interval is a category and is left-open and right-closed by default.
- To make the intervals left-closed and right-open, add right=TRUE.

Categorical predictors and interactions

Response variable

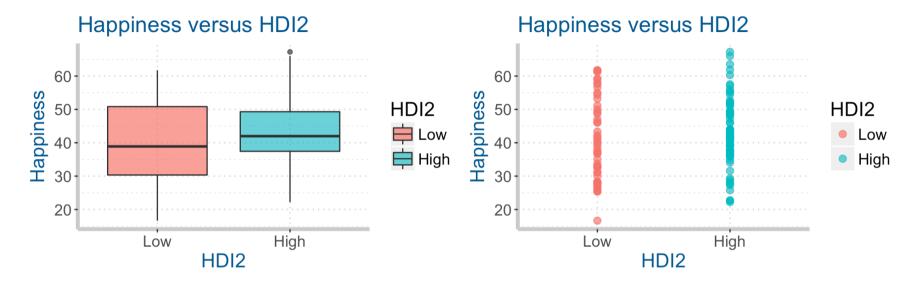
Happiness

Explanatory variables

- ▶ log(GDPpc)
- ▶ *HDI2*, two categories, or
- ▶ *HDI4*, four categories

Relationships to consider:

- ▶ Happiness ~ HDI2
- ► Happiness ~ HDI4
- ► Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + HDI2
- ► Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + HDI4



To evaluate the relationship between a quantitative variable and a binary variable, what method should be used?

- Two-sample *t* test
- ANOVA
- ▶ Simple linear regression

Two-sample *t* test assuming equal variance

```
t.test(Happiness ~ HDI2, data=HappyPlanet, var.equal=T)
##
```

```
## Two Sample t-test
##

## data: Happiness by HDI2

## t = -1.0828, df = 122, p-value = 0.281

## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0

## 95 percent confidence interval:

## -6.190987 1.812985

## sample estimates:

## mean in group Low mean in group High

## 40.91051 43.09951
```

- $H_0: \mu_{Low} = \mu_{High}; t = -1.08, P = 0.281 > 0.05.$
- ▶ The mean happiness scores of the two HDI groups are not significantly different.

ANOVA

summary(aov(Happiness ~ HDI2, data=HappyPlanet))

- Model: $Y = \mu + \alpha_k + \epsilon$, where k = Low or High and $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$.
- $H_0: \alpha_{Low} = \alpha_{High} = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mu_{Low} = \mu_{High}$
- F = 1.172, P = 0.281.
- ▶ The mean happiness scores of the two HDI groups are not significantly different.
- If the categorical variable has two categories, the ANOVA *F* test is equivalent to a pooled two-sample *t* test.

Response: *Happiness* as *Y*

Explanatory: *HDI2* as *X*

- Model: $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$.
- X = 0 for Low and X = 1 for High
- \blacktriangleright Here, X is a **dummy variable**.

A **dummy variable** (also known as an indicator variable or binary variable) is one that takes the value 0 or 1 to indicate the absence or presence of some categorical effect that may affect the response value.

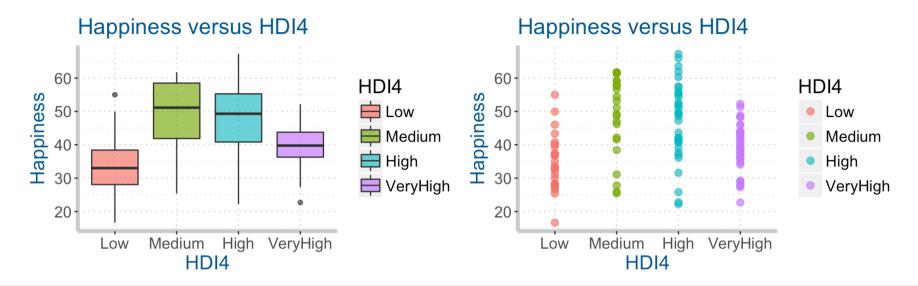
- Model: $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$.
- $\mu_Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$
 - X = 0, $\mu_Y = \beta_0$ for the *Low* group
 - X = 1, $\mu_Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1$ for the *High* group
 - β_0 is the mean of Y for the X = 0 group, which is usually called a reference/baseline category.
 - β_1 is the difference in *Y* between the two *X* groups.
 - To test $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$ is to test whether the two groups means are equal and whether there is a significant relationship between Y and X.

```
summary(aov(Happiness ~ HDI2, data=HappyPlanet))
                                                 \bar{y}_{Low} = 40.91, \bar{y}_{High} = 43.10
##
              Df Sum Sg Mean Sg F value Pr(>F)
## HDI2 1
                         143 1.172 0.281
                     143
                                                 F = 1.172, P = 0.281
## Residuals 122 14878 122
summary(m1 <- lm(Happiness ~ HDI2, data=HappyPlanet))</pre>
## Coefficients:
##
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                                      b_0 = 40.91, b_1 = 2.19
                           1.562 26.196 <2e-16 ***
## (Intercept) 40.911
                                                        (b_0 + b_1 = 43.10)
## HDI2High 2.189 2.022 1.083 0.281
##
## Residual standard error: 11.04 on 122 degrees of freedom F=1.172, P=0.281
## Multiple R-squared: 0.009519, Adjusted R-squared:
                                                      0.0014
## F-statistic: 1.172 on 1 and 122 DF, p-value: 0.281
```

HDI2High: the lm() function in R automatically assigns value 0 to the *Low* group (treats it as the baseline category) and value 1 to the *High* group.

Model	H_0	Test statistic	P-value	Estimates
Pooled 2-sample t test	$\mu_1 = \mu_2$	t = -1.083	0.281	$\mu_{Low} = 40.91,$ $\mu_{High} = 43.10$
ANOVA F test	$\mu_1 = \mu_2$	F = 1.172	0.281	$\mu_{Low} = 40.91,$ $\mu_{High} = 43.10$
SLR t test for slope	$\beta_1 = 0$	t = -1.083	0.281	$b_0 = 40.91,$ $b_1 = 2.19$ $b_0 + b_1 = 43.10$
SLR F test for model	$\beta_1 = 0$	F = 1.172	0.281	$b_0 = 40.91,$ $b_1 = 2.19$ $b_0 + b_1 = 43.10$

These four tests are all equivalent to each other.



aggregate(Happiness ~ HDI4, data=HappyPlanet, FUN=mean)

```
## HDI4 Happiness
## 1 Low 34.31538
## 2 Medium 48.65263
## 3 High 47.15364
## 4 VeryHigh 39.46120
```

ANOVA

summary(aov(Happiness ~ HDI4, data=HappyPlanet))

- Model: $Y = \mu + \alpha_k + \epsilon$, where k = Low, Medium, High or VeryHigh and $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$.
- $H_0: \alpha_L = \alpha_M = \alpha_H = \alpha_V = 0 \text{ or } \mu_L = \mu_M = \mu_H = \mu_V$
- $F = 13.49, P = 1.21 \times 10^{-7} < 0.05.$
- At least one of the four HDI groups has significantly different mean from the others.

How should a linear regression model assume four different means?

- Create several dummy variables from one categorical variable.
- Set HDI4 = Low as the baseline category; X_M indicates the Medium group; X_H indicates the High group and X_V indicates the VeryHigh group.
- Model: $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_M X_M + \beta_H X_H + \beta_V X_V + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$.
- $X_M = 0, X_H = 0, X_V = 0 \iff HDI4 = Low$
- $X_M = 1, X_H = 0, X_V = 0 \iff HDI4 = Medium$
- $X_M = 0, X_H = 1, X_V = 0 \iff HDI4 = High$
- $X_M = 0, X_H = 0, X_V = 1 \iff HDI4 = VeryHigh$

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_M X_M + \beta_H X_H + \beta_V X_V + \epsilon$$
, where $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$

- $X_M = 0, X_H = 0, X_V = 0$, then $\mu_L = \beta_0$ β_0 is the mean of Y for the baseline (Low) group.
- $X_M = 1, X_H = 0, X_V = 0$, then $\mu_M = \beta_0 + \beta_M$ β_M is the difference in Y between the *Medium* group and the baseline (Low) group.
- $X_M = 0, X_H = 1, X_V = 0$, then $\mu_H = \beta_0 + \beta_H$ β_H is the difference in Y between the High group and the baseline (Low) group.
- $X_M = 0, X_H = 0, X_V = 1$, then $\mu_V = \beta_0 + \beta_V$ β_V is the difference in Y between the VeryHigh group and the baseline (Low) group.

```
summary(m2 <- lm(Happiness ~ HDI4, data=HappyPlanet))</pre>
```

```
## Coefficients:

## Estimate Std. Error t value \Pr(>|t|)

## (Intercept) 34.315 1.862 18.429 < 2e-16 ***

## HDI4Medium 14.337 2.745 5.222 7.53e-07 ***

## HDI4High 12.838 2.478 5.180 9.05e-07 ***

## HDI4VeryHigh 5.146 2.422 2.124 0.0357 *

## Residual standard error: 9.675 on 120 degrees of freedom

## Multiple R-squared: 0.2522, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2335
```

 $\bar{y}_L = b_0 = 34.3, \bar{y}_M = b_0 + b_1 = 48.7, \bar{y}_H = b_0 + b_2 = 47.2,$ $\bar{y}_V = b_0 + b_3 = 39.5$

F-statistic: 13.49 on 3 and 120 DF, p-value: 1.213e-07

- ► F = 13.49, $P = 1.21 \times 10^{-7}$ ⇒ equivalent to the ANOVA F test. The *HDI4* variable is highly significant in explaining *Happiness*.
- The *Medium*, the *High* and the *VeryHigh* group have significantly different *Happiness* score from the *Low* group.

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Categorical predictors

- ▶ To evaluate the relationship between a quantitative and a categorical variable, the ANOVA *F* test is equivalent to the linear regression *F* test. Both test whether the group means are the same.
- ▶ To include a categorical predictor in regression, we first transform the categorical variable with m categories to m-1 dummy variables and then fit a linear regression model for the response variable on these dummy variables.
 - The intercept b_0 is the mean of the baseline category.
 - The slope of each dummy variable is the difference in mean between the current category and the baseline category.
 - The *t* test for each slope indicates whether each category is significantly different from the baseline category.

Response: Happiness as Y; **Explanatory:** log(GDPpc) as X_1 and HDI2 as X_2 . **Model**: $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \epsilon$, where $\epsilon \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma)$. summary(m3 <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + HDI2, data=HappyPlanet))</pre> ## Coefficients: ## Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) ## (Intercept) 48.283 7.265 6.646 9.15e-10 *** ## $\log(\text{GDPpc})$ -1.076 1.035 -1.039 0.301 ## HDI2High 4.982 3.363 1.481 0.141 ## ---## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 ## ## Residual standard error: 11.04 on 121 degrees of freedom ## Multiple R-squared: 0.01828, Adjusted R-squared: 0.002051 ## F-statistic: 1.126 on 2 and 121 DF, p-value: 0.3276 $Happiness = 48.3 - 1.1 \times log(GDPpc) + 5.0 \times HDI2$

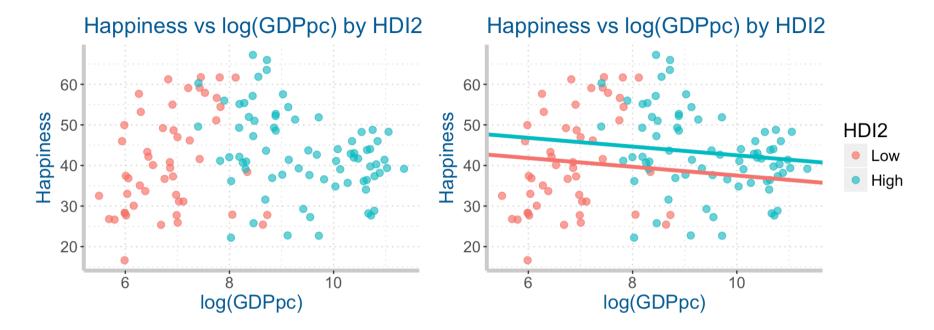
$$\widehat{Happiness} = 48.3 - 1.1 \times log(GDPpc) + 5.0 \times HDI2$$

Given that *HDI2* is held constant, *Happiness* decreases 1.1 units as *log(GDPpc)* increases 1 unit.

- When HDI2 = 0 (Low), $\widehat{Happiness} = 48.3 1.1 \times log(GDPpc)$
- When HDI2 = 1 (High), $\widehat{Happiness} = 48.3 - 1.1 \times log(GDPpc) + 5.0 = 53.3 - 1.1 \times log(GDPpc)$

Given that *log(GDPpc)* is held constant, *Happiness* increases 5.0 units as *HDI2* increases 1 unit.

For any value of *log(GDPpc)*, the difference in mean *Happiness* between the *Low* and *High* group is 5.0.



$$\widehat{Happiness} = 48.3 - 1.1 \times log(GDPpc) + 5.0 \times HDI2$$

- \blacktriangleright *Happiness* = 48.3 1.1 × log(GDPpc) for the *Low* HDI group.
- $Happiness = 53.3 1.1 \times log(GDPpc)$ for the High HDI group.

summary(m3)

```
## Coefficients:

## Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

## (Intercept) 48.283 7.265 6.646 9.15e-10 ***

## log(GDPpc) -1.076 1.035 -1.039 0.301

## HDI2High 4.982 3.363 1.481 0.141

##

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```

- Individual *t* tests: When both *log(GDPpc)* and *HDI2* are included in the model, none of them is significant in explaining *Happiness*.
- \triangleright F test: The model is not significant in explaining Happiness.
- $R^2 = 0.018$. Only 1.8% of the variablity in *Happiness* is explained by the model.

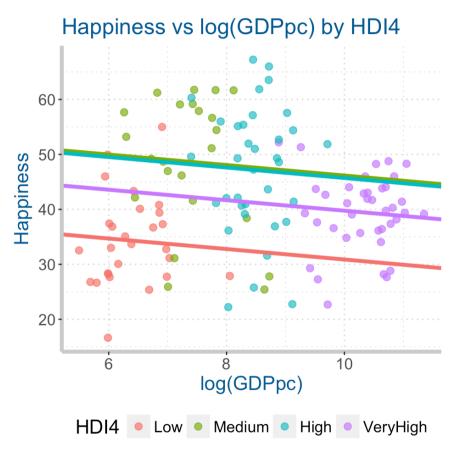
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 $Happiness = 40.4 - 1.0 \times log(GDPpc) + 15.3HDI_M + 14.8HDI_H + 8.9HDI_V$

$$\widehat{Happiness} = 40.4 - 1.0 \times log(GDPpc) + 15.3HDI_M + 14.8HDI_H + 8.9HDI_V$$

- Given that *HDI4* is held constant, *Happiness* decreases 1.0 unit as *log(GDPpc)* increases 1 unit.
- Given that *log(GDPpc)* is held constant,
 - the difference in mean *Happiness* between the *Medium* and *Low* group is 15.3.
 - the difference in mean *Happiness* between the *High* and *Low* group is 14.8.
 - the difference in mean Happiness between the VeryHigh and Low group is 8.9.

$$\widehat{Happiness} = 40.4 - 1.0 \times log(GDPpc) + 15.3HDI_M + 14.8HDI_H + 8.9HDI_V$$



$$HDI_M = HDI_H = HDI_V = 0$$

 $\widehat{Happiness} = 40.4 - 1.0 \times log(GDPpc)$ for the Low HDI group.

$$HDI_M=1$$
,

 $Happiness = 55.7 - 1.0 \times log(GDPpc)$ for the Medium HDI group.

$$HDI_H = 1$$
,

 $\widehat{Happiness} = 55.2 - 1.0 \times log(GDPpc)$ for the \widehat{High} HDI group.

$$HDI_V = 1$$
,

 $\widehat{Happiness} = 49.3 - 1.0 \times log(GDPpc)$ for the VeryHigh HDI group.

```
summary(m4 <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + HDI4, data=HappyPlanet))

## Coefficients:

## Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

## (Intercept) 40.4224 10.0109 4.038 9.59e-05 ***

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- F = 10.16, $P = 4.13 \times 10^{-7}$. The model including both log(GDPpc) and HDI4 is highly significant in explaining *Happiness*.
- $R^2 = 0.2546$. 25.46% of the variability is explained by the model.

```
summary(m4 <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + HDI4, data=HappyPlanet))

## Coefficients:

## Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

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```

- Given that *HDI4* is held constant in the model, *log(GDPpc)* is not significant in explaining *Happiness*.
- Ajusted for *log(GDPpc)*, the *Medium* and the *High* group has significantly different *Happiness* score from the *Low* group. But the difference between the *VeryHigh* and the *Low* group is not significant.
- Is HDI4 (the three dummy variables as a whole) significant in explaining Happiness?

Nested F test for the significance of HDI4 (three dummy variables)

```
m0 <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc), data=HappyPlanet)
anova(m0, m4)
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: Happiness ~ log(GDPpc)
## Model 2: Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + HDI4
## Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)
## 1 122 15014
## 2 119 11197 3 3816.7 13.521 1.19e-07 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

- $H_0: \beta_M = \beta_H = \beta_V = 0; F = 13.5 \text{ and } P < 0.05.$
- Given that *log(GDPpc)* is included in the model, *HDI*4 is highly significant in explaining *Happiness*.

```
GLL <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc)+LifeExp+LifeSat, data=HappyPlanet)</pre>
GLL.HDI <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc)+LifeExp+LifeSat+HDI, data=HappyPlanet)</pre>
GLL.HDI2 <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc)+LifeExp+LifeSat+HDI2, data=HappyPlanet)
GLL.HDI4 <- lm(Happiness ~ log(GDPpc)+LifeExp+LifeSat+HDI4, data=HappyPlanet)
summary(GLL.HDI)
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 12.67493 3.26129 3.886 0.000168 ***
## log(GDPpc) -8.91513 0.94204 -9.464 3.49e-16 ***
## LifeExp 0.73834 0.08806 8.384 1.20e-13 ***
## LifeSat 7.55823 0.58596 12.899 < 2e-16 ***
## HDI
              14.09056 11.77288 1.197 0.233738
##
## Residual standard error: 5.412 on 119 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7679, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7601
## F-statistic: 98.46 on 4 and 119 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

• Given that log(GDPpc), LifeExp and LifeSat are included in the model, HDI is not significant in explaining Happiness.

summary(GLL.HDI2)

• Given that *log(GDPpc)*, *LifeExp* and *LifeSat* are included in the model, *HDI2* is not significant in explaining *Happiness*.

summary(GLL.HDI4)

```
## Coefficients:
##
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                         5.7324 - 0.320 0.7495
## (Intercept) -1.8346
## log(GDPpc) -5.5587 0.7829 -7.100 1.04e-10 ***
## LifeExp 0.7162
                         0.0730 9.810 < 2e-16 ***
## LifeSat 7.3325 0.5133 14.284 < 2e-16 ***
## HDI4Medium 3.2891
                         1.7291 1.902 0.0596.
## HDI4High
          2.4616 2.5077 0.982 0.3283
## HDI4VeryHigh -6.8255
                         3.6777 - 1.856 0.0660.
##
## Residual standard error: 4.589 on 117 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.836, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8276
## F-statistic: 99.38 on 6 and 117 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Given that log(GDPpc), LifeExp and LifeSat are held constant in the model, the *Happiness* value of the *Medium* and the *VeryHigh* group are **marginally** significantly different from the *Low* group.

anova(GLL, GLL.HDI4)

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + LifeExp + LifeSat
## Model 2: Happiness ~ log(GDPpc) + LifeExp + LifeSat + HDI4
## Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)
## 1 120 3527.5
## 2 117 2464.0 3 1063.6 16.834 3.717e-09 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

• Given that *log(GDPpc)*, *LifeExp* and *LifeSat* are included in the model, *HDI4* is highly significant in explaining *Happiness*.

	GLL	GLL.HDI	GLL.HDI2	GLL.HDI4
R^2	0.7652	0.7679	0.7670	0.8360
R_{adj}^2	0.7593	0.7601	0.7591	0.8276

Summary

- Linear regression of a quantitative response variable on a categorical variable is **equivalent** to the corresponding ANOVA model. Both models evaluate whether the several categories have the the same mean.
- To include a categorical variable with m categories in a linear regression model, it should be first transformed to m-1 **dummy variables**.
- The slope(s) of dummy variable(s) in a regression model measures the **difference** in mean response between the current category and the baseline category.
- Categorizing a quantitative variable sometimes allows more flexibility in model fitting and can explain more variability in the response variable.