

Problem set 5: Dummy variables

Data analysis part, ØKA201

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Exercise 1

Utilize the data set `advertising.gdt`, which you can find on Canvas. Y_i is the number of impressions, and X_i is the expenditure in the models below.

- a) Estimate Model 1: $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 X_i^2 + u_i$, and interpret the estimated slope coefficient.
- b) Estimate Model 2: $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 X_i^2 + u_i$.
- c) What is the effect of increasing expenditures with one million dollars on impressions if expenditures are 5,0 millions of dollars in Model 2?
- d) What is the effect of increasing expenditures with one million dollars on impressions if expenditures are 185 millions of dollars in Model 2?
- e) Estimate Model 3: $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 X_i^2 + \beta_3 X_i^3 + u_i$.
- f) What is the effect of increasing expenditures with one million dollars on impressions if expenditures are 5,0 millions of dollars in Model 3?
- g) What is the effect of increasing expenditures with one million dollars on impressions if expenditures are 185 millions of dollars in Model 3?
- h) Estimate Model 4: $\ln Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \ln X_i + u_i$
- i) Interpret the estimated slope coefficient in Model 4?
- j) Predict the number of impressions if expenditures are 150 million dollars in i) Model 1, ii) Model 2, iii) Model 3 and iv) Model 4.
- k) Which of the four models would you prefer to use?