

Econometrics Assignment 3a

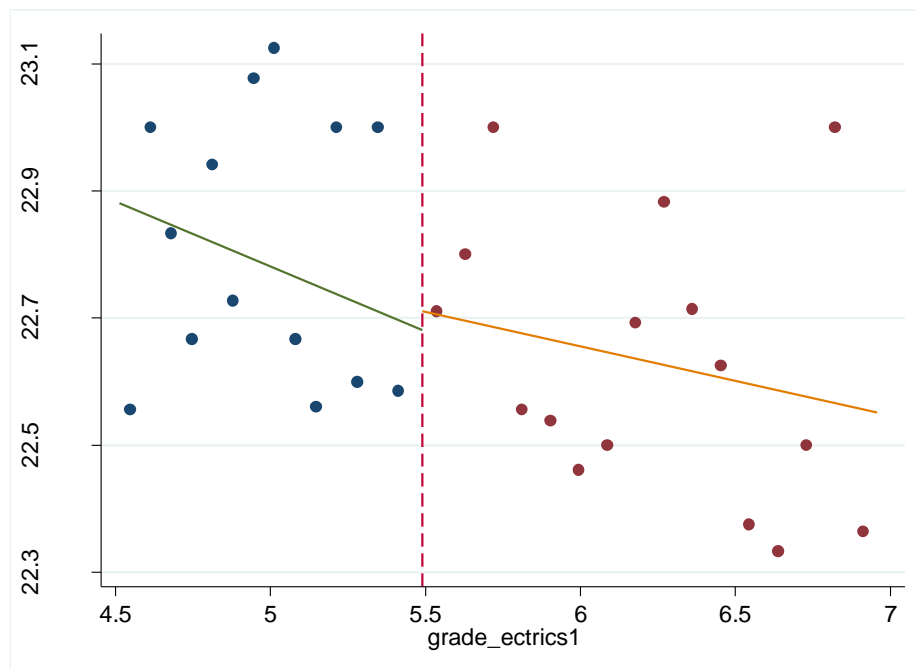
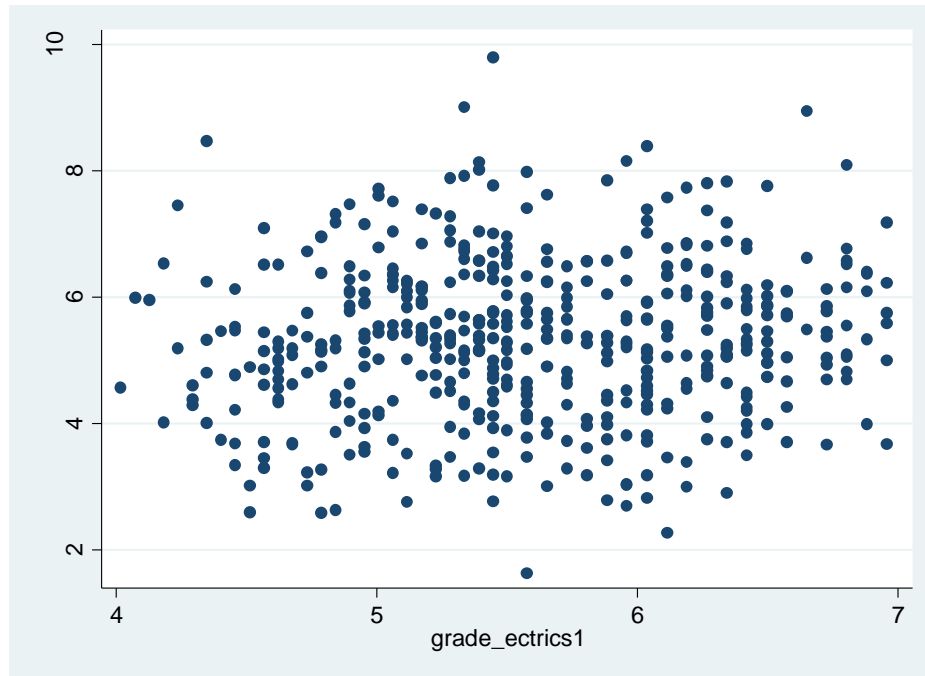
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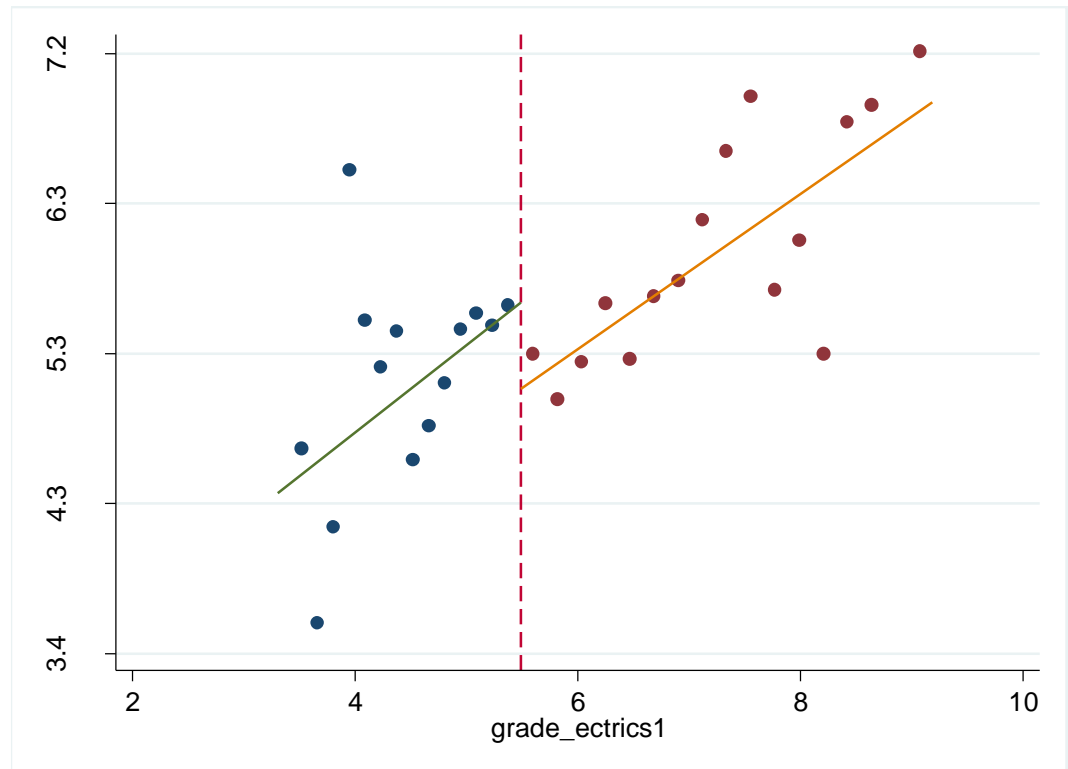
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III.

(a)



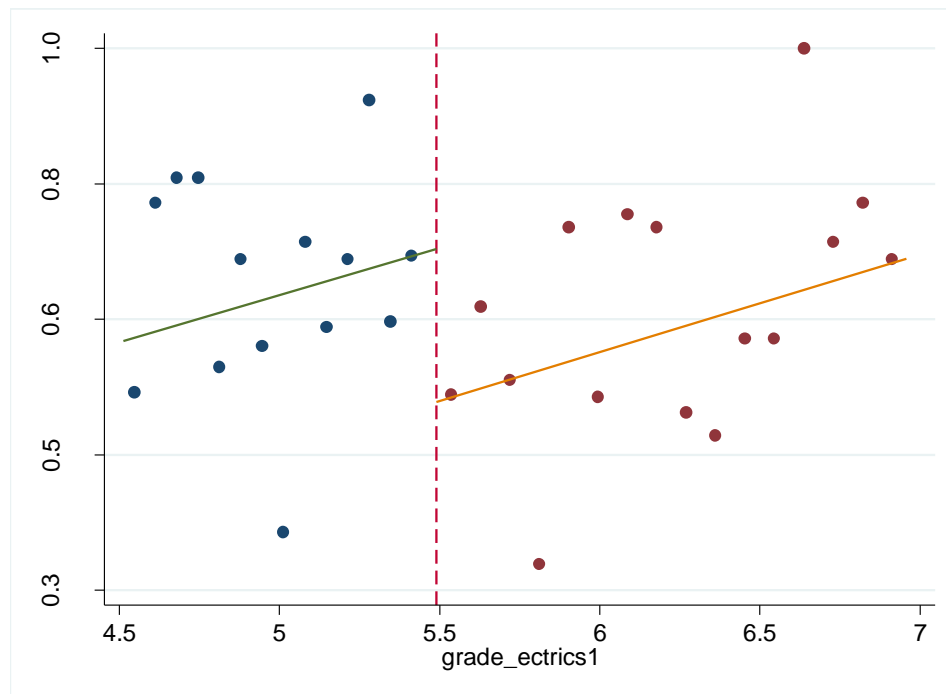
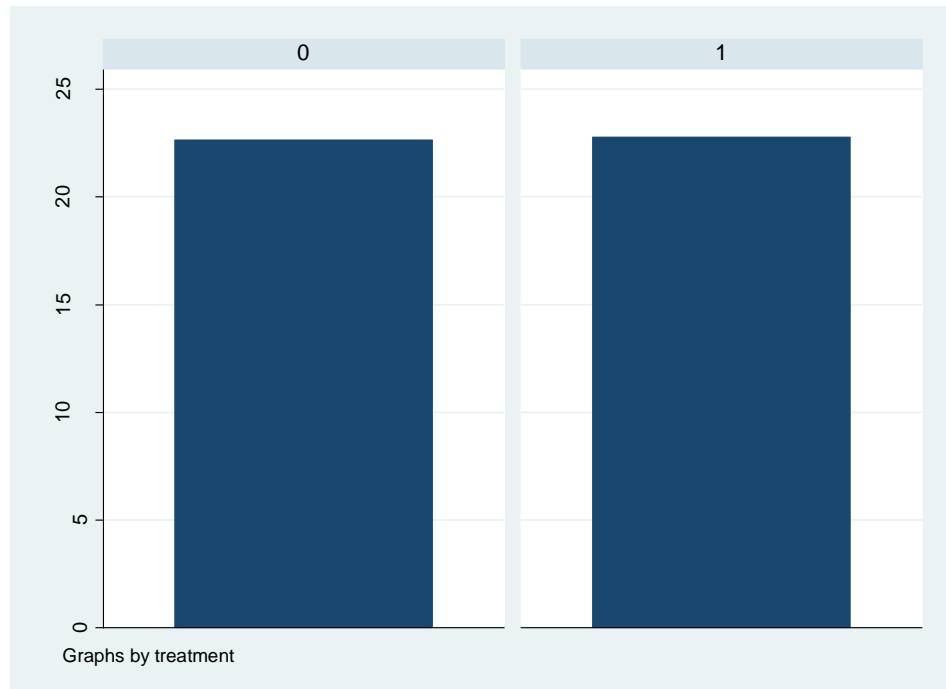


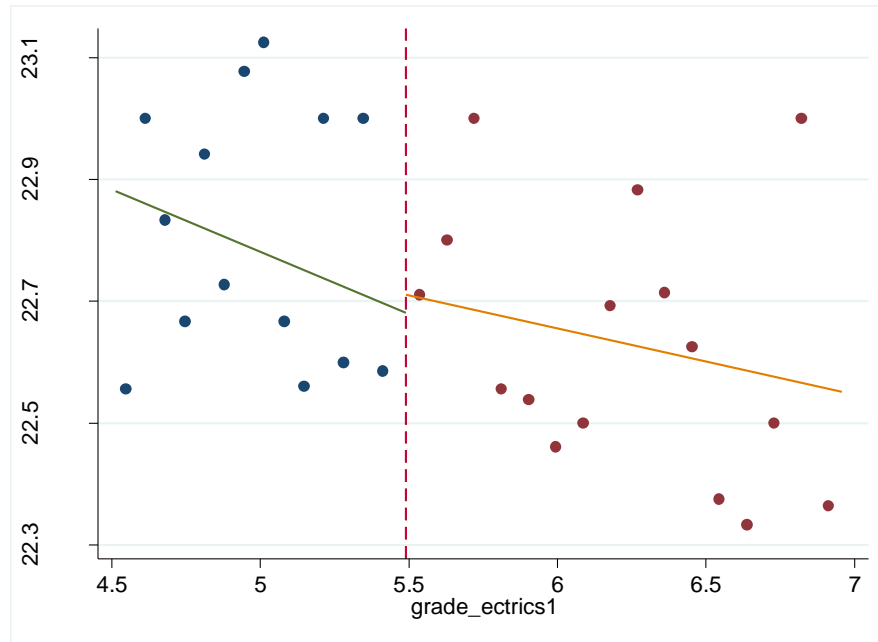
The relationship between the grades for Econometrics 1 and Econometrics 2 is positive, this can be seen by observing the positively sloped linear regression lines.

The observed relationship makes sense because people that perform relatively well on the first Econometrics course will generally be more capable in the field of econometrics.

The treatment effect is negative, the regression line jumps downwards from 5.62 to 5.08 at the cutoff point. Being treated leads to a $\sim 9.7\%$ fall in the grade for Econometrics 2.

(b)





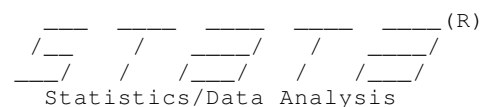
For the variable *white* there exists an apparent discontinuity, as the regression lines do not touch each other. This is an indication of selection into treatment that can violate the manipulation assumption and thus this is something we should worry about. For the variable *age* there is no such discontinuity, therefore we do not have to worry about bias caused due to manipulation.

(c) $Y_i = \alpha + \beta cy_i + \rho D_i + \varepsilon_i$

The estimated coefficient is statistically significantly different from zero at the 1% significance level. The effect is rather large, at a treatment effect of ~10,0%.

(d) Because intuitively the covariates should not affect random selection into treatment through manipulation. This can be checked by running falsification tests. There is no problem when leaving out covariates as long as they change continuously and smoothly.

(e) When running the naïve regression, *grade_etricks1* is not included in the regression. Using *treatment* as the only independent variable (apart from the covariates), we omit the variable *grade_etricks1* leading to omitted variable bias. The effect is now underestimated and not statistically significantly different from 0.



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1 . do "M:\Master\Methods Econometrics I\Do-file CA3a.do"
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2 . * Computer Assignment 3a
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3 . * I (a)
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4 . use "C:\Users\ul266283\Downloads\ca3a_2017(1).dta"
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5 .
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6 . * II (a, b & c)
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7 . sum age
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Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
age	541	22.67837	.7201298	21	26

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8 . histogram grade_ectrics2
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(bin=23, start=1.631716, width=.35514279)
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9 . sum grade_ectrics2 if grade_ectrics1~=.&grade_ectrics2~=.
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Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
grade_ectr~2	547	5.410306	1.277653	1.631716	9.8

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11 . * III
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12 . * (a)
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13 . graph twoway (scatter grade_ectrics2 grade_ectrics1) if grade_ectrics1>4&grade_ectrics1<7
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14 . graph twoway (scatter grade_ectrics2 grade_ectrics1) (lfit grade_ectrics2 grade_ectrics1 if g
> rade_ectrics1>4&grade_ectrics1<7
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15 .
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16 . sysdir set PLUS "C:\Users\ul266283"
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17 . sysdir set PERSONAL "C:\Users\ul266283"
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18 . ssc install cmogram
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checking cmogram consistency and verifying not already installed...
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all files already exist and are up to date.
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19 .
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20 . cmogram grade_ectrics2 grade_ectrics1, scatter lfit line(5.49) cutpoint(5.49)
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Plotting mean of grade_ectrics2, conditional on grade_ectrics1.

n = 547

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Bin #1: [3.303360462188721,3.446239535013835] (n = 0) (mean = .)
Bin #2: [3.446239535013835,3.589118607838949] (n = 1) (mean = 4.701108455657959)
Bin #3: [3.589118607838949,3.731997680664063] (n = 2) (mean = 3.594998240470886)
Bin #4: [3.731997680664063,3.874876753489177] (n = 4) (mean = 4.202601790428162)
Bin #5: [3.874876753489177,4.017755826314291] (n = 2) (mean = 6.463948965072632)
Bin #6: [4.017755826314291,4.160634899139405] (n = 3) (mean = 5.509772459665935)
Bin #7: [4.160634899139405,4.303513971964518] (n = 7) (mean = 5.213524273463658)
Bin #8: [4.303513971964518,4.446393044789632] (n = 7) (mean = 5.439592906406948)
Bin #9: [4.446393044789632,4.589272117614746] (n = 20) (mean = 4.628305351734161)
Bin #10: [4.589272117614746,4.732151190439859] (n = 22) (mean = 4.839850100603971)
Bin #11: [4.732151190439859,4.875030263264973] (n = 17) (mean = 5.113263775320614)
Bin #12: [4.875030263264973,5.017909336090087] (n = 32) (mean = 5.452022477984428)
Bin #13: [5.017909336090087,5.160788408915201] (n = 25) (mean = 5.556419038772583)
Bin #14: [5.160788408915201,5.303667481740315] (n = 39) (mean = 5.476571810551179)
Bin #15: [5.303667481740315,5.44654655456543] (n = 58) (mean = 5.607839041742786)
Bin #1: [5.49,5.707277681687299] (n = 54) (mean = 5.301325334442987)
Bin #2: [5.707277681687299,5.924555363374598] (n = 38) (mean = 5.011795181977122)
Bin #3: [5.924555363374598,6.141833045061897] (n = 54) (mean = 5.246747396610402)
Bin #4: [6.141833045061897,6.359110726749196] (n = 44) (mean = 5.618155100128868)
Bin #5: [6.359110726749196,6.576388408436495] (n = 40) (mean = 5.266262167692185)
Bin #6: [6.576388408436495,6.793666090123794] (n = 12) (mean = 5.665901601314545)
Bin #7: [6.793666090123794,7.010943771811093] (n = 21) (mean = 5.76173126129877)
Bin #8: [7.010943771811093,7.228221453498392] (n = 18) (mean = 6.144279638926188)
Bin #9: [7.228221453498392,7.445499135185691] (n = 10) (mean = 6.58453803062439)
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Bin #10: (7.445499135185691,7.66277681687299] (n = 3) (mean = 6.928637981414795)
Bin #11: (7.66277681687299,7.880054498560289] (n = 5) (mean = 5.705449676513672)
Bin #12: (7.880054498560289,8.097332180247589] (n = 3) (mean = 6.018300533294678)
Bin #13: (8.097332180247589,8.314609861934889] (n = 2) (mean = 5.297590255737305)
Bin #14: (8.314609861934889,8.531887543622188] (n = 1) (mean = 6.76594352722168)
Bin #15: (8.531887543622188,8.749165225309488] (n = 1) (mean = 6.873388767242432)
Bin #16: (8.749165225309488,8.966442906996788] (n = 0) (mean = .)
Bin #17: (8.966442906996788,9.183720588684082] (n = 1) (mean = 7.213979721069336)

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22 . reg grade_ectrics2 grade_ectrics1 if grade_ectrics1<5.5
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	240
Model	13.7629648	1	13.7629648	F(1, 238)	=	8.42
Residual	389.10437	238	1.63489231	Prob > F	=	0.0041
				R-squared	=	0.0342
				Adj R-squared	=	0.0301
Total	402.867334	239	1.68563738	Root MSE	=	1.2786

grade_ectrics2	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
grade_ectrics1	.5521149	.1902909	2.90	0.004	.1772453	.9269846
_cons	2.591561	.9447063	2.74	0.007	.7305069	4.452615

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23 . display 2.591561 + 5.5*.5521149
5.6281929
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24 . reg grade_ectrics2 grade_ectrics1 if grade_ectrics1>=5.5
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	307
Model	30.6664982	1	30.6664982	F(1, 305)	=	20.58
Residual	454.425515	305	1.48991972	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.0632
				Adj R-squared	=	0.0601
Total	485.092013	306	1.58526802	Root MSE	=	1.2206

grade_ectrics2	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
grade_ectrics1	.4919093	.1084262	4.54	0.000	.2785511	.7052674
_cons	2.375611	.6876465	3.45	0.001	1.022479	3.728743

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25 . display 2.375611 + 5.5*.4919093
5.0811122
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26 . display (5.6281929-5.0811122)/5.6281929
.09720362
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27 .
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28 . * (b)
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29 . gen treatment=(grade_ectrics1<5.5)
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30 . graph bar age if grade_ectrics1>=4.5&grade_ectrics1<=7, by(treatment)
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31 . cmogram white grade_ectrics1 if grade_ectrics1>=4.5&grade_ectrics1<=7, scatter lfit line(5.49
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Plotting mean of white, conditional on grade_ectrics1.

n = 463

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Bin #1: [4.51233720779419,4.579066446849279] (n = 9) (mean = .5555555555555556)
Bin #2: [4.579066446849279,4.645795685904368] (n = 10) (mean = .8)
Bin #3: [4.645795685904368,4.712524924959456] (n = 6) (mean = .8333333333333334)
Bin #4: [4.712524924959456,4.779254164014544] (n = 6) (mean = .8333333333333334)
Bin #5: [4.779254164014544,4.845983403069632] (n = 17) (mean = .5882352941176471)
Bin #6: [4.845983403069632,4.912712642124721] (n = 11) (mean = .7272727272727273)
Bin #7: [4.912712642124721,4.97944188117981] (n = 13) (mean = .6153846153846154)
Bin #8: [4.97944188117981,5.046171120234898] (n = 8) (mean = .375)
Bin #9: [5.046171120234898,5.112900359289986] (n = 12) (mean = .75)
Bin #10: [5.112900359289986,5.179629598345074] (n = 25) (mean = .64)
Bin #11: [5.179629598345074,5.246358837400162] (n = 11) (mean = .7272727272727273)
Bin #12: [5.246358837400162,5.313088076455251] (n = 15) (mean = .9333333333333334)
Bin #13: [5.313088076455251,5.379817315510339] (n = 17) (mean = .6470588235294118)
Bin #14: [5.379817315510339,5.44654655456543] (n = 41) (mean = .7317073170731707)
Bin #1: [5.49,5.58175871372223] (n = 38) (mean = .5526315789473685)
Bin #2: [5.58175871372223,5.67351742744446] (n = 15) (mean = .6666666666666666)
Bin #3: [5.67351742744446,5.765276141166689] (n = 14) (mean = .5714285714285714)
Bin #4: [5.765276141166689,5.857034854888918] (n = 9) (mean = .3333333333333333)
Bin #5: [5.857034854888918,5.948793568611148] (n = 13) (mean = .7692307692307693)
Bin #6: [5.948793568611148,6.040552282333377] (n = 40) (mean = .55)
Bin #7: [6.040552282333377,6.132310996055606] (n = 14) (mean = .7857142857142857)
Bin #8: [6.132310996055606,6.224069709777836] (n = 13) (mean = .7692307692307693)
Bin #9: [6.224069709777836,6.315828423500065] (n = 17) (mean = .5294117647058824)
Bin #10: [6.315828423500065,6.407587137222294] (n = 14) (mean = .5)
Bin #11: [6.407587137222294,6.499345850944524] (n = 32) (mean = .625)
Bin #12: [6.499345850944524,6.591104564666753] (n = 8) (mean = .625)
Bin #13: [6.591104564666753,6.682863278388982] (n = 3) (mean = 1)
Bin #14: [6.682863278388982,6.774621992111212] (n = 8) (mean = .75)
Bin #15: [6.774621992111212,6.866380705833441] (n = 10) (mean = .8)
Bin #16: [6.866380705833441,6.958139419555664] (n = 11) (mean = .7272727272727273)

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32 . cmogram age grade_ectrics1 if grade_ectrics1>=4.5&grade_ectrics1<=7, scatter lfit line(5.49)
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Plotting mean of age, conditional on grade_ectrics1.

n = 462

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Bin #1: [4.51233720779419,4.579066446849279] (n = 9) (mean = 22.55555555555556)
Bin #2: [4.579066446849279,4.645795685904368] (n = 10) (mean = 23)
Bin #3: [4.645795685904368,4.712524924959456] (n = 6) (mean = 22.833333333333333)
Bin #4: [4.712524924959456,4.779254164014544] (n = 6) (mean = 22.666666666666667)
Bin #5: [4.779254164014544,4.845983403069632] (n = 17) (mean = 22.94117647058824)
Bin #6: [4.845983403069632,4.912712642124721] (n = 11) (mean = 22.72727272727273)
Bin #7: [4.912712642124721,4.97944188117981] (n = 13) (mean = 23.07692307692308)
Bin #8: [4.97944188117981,5.046171120234898] (n = 8) (mean = 23.125)
Bin #9: [5.046171120234898,5.112900359289986] (n = 12) (mean = 22.666666666666667)
Bin #10: [5.112900359289986,5.179629598345074] (n = 25) (mean = 22.56)
Bin #11: [5.179629598345074,5.246358837400162] (n = 11) (mean = 23)
Bin #12: [5.246358837400162,5.313088076455251] (n = 15) (mean = 22.6)
Bin #13: [5.313088076455251,5.379817315510339] (n = 17) (mean = 23)
Bin #14: [5.379817315510339,5.44654655456543] (n = 41) (mean = 22.58536585365854)
Bin #1: [5.49,5.58175871372223] (n = 38) (mean = 22.71052631578947)
Bin #2: [5.58175871372223,5.67351742744446] (n = 15) (mean = 22.8)
Bin #3: [5.67351742744446,5.765276141166689] (n = 14) (mean = 23)
Bin #4: [5.765276141166689,5.857034854888918] (n = 9) (mean = 22.55555555555556)
Bin #5: [5.857034854888918,5.948793568611148] (n = 13) (mean = 22.53846153846154)
Bin #6: [5.948793568611148,6.040552282333377] (n = 39) (mean = 22.46153846153846)
Bin #7: [6.040552282333377,6.132310996055606] (n = 14) (mean = 22.5)
Bin #8: [6.132310996055606,6.224069709777836] (n = 13) (mean = 22.69230769230769)
Bin #9: [6.224069709777836,6.315828423500065] (n = 17) (mean = 22.88235294117647)
Bin #10: [6.315828423500065,6.407587137222294] (n = 14) (mean = 22.71428571428572)
Bin #11: [6.407587137222294,6.499345850944524] (n = 32) (mean = 22.625)
Bin #12: [6.499345850944524,6.591104564666753] (n = 8) (mean = 22.375)
Bin #13: [6.591104564666753,6.682863278388982] (n = 3) (mean = 22.333333333333333)
Bin #14: [6.682863278388982,6.774621992111212] (n = 8) (mean = 22.5)
Bin #15: [6.774621992111212,6.866380705833441] (n = 10) (mean = 23)
Bin #16: [6.866380705833441,6.958139419555664] (n = 11) (mean = 22.36363636363636)

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grade_ectrics2	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
treatment	.5350275	.2045928	2.62	0.009	.1329727	.9370822
grade_ectrics1	.4992402	.1629908	3.06	0.002	.1789396	.8195408
_cons	2.303326	.9991973	2.31	0.022	.3397574	4.266894

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41 .
42 . * (e)
43 . reg grade_ectrics2 treatment age gender sped if grade_ectrics1>=4.5&grade_ectrics1<=7

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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	437
Model	2.19303472	4	.548258679	F(4, 432)	=	0.34
Residual	704.867295	432	1.63163726	Prob > F	=	0.8537
				R-squared	=	0.0031
				Adj R-squared	=	-0.0061
Total	707.060329	436	1.621698	Root MSE	=	1.2774

grade_ectr~2	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
treatment	-.0020276	.12472	-0.02	0.987	-.2471611	.2431058
age	.0131487	.0840184	0.16	0.876	-.151987	.1782844
gender	.1193672	.1236991	0.96	0.335	-.1237598	.3624942
sped	.1206229	.248305	0.49	0.627	-.3674133	.608659
_cons	4.996597	1.900404	2.63	0.009	1.26141	8.731785

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44 .
    end of do-file

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