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Week 10 Quiz

Question 1

1/1 point (graded)

When the dependent variable is Bernoulli, a logistic regression is useful because

- ☐ it insures the independence of the variables
- ☐ it reflects the nonlinearity assumption of the expected mean of Y
- ☒ it allows for bounding the expected mean of Y ✓
- ☐ all of the above

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Question 2

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We use maximum likelihood to fit a logistic regression because

- ☐ it insures the linearity of the model
- ☒ it returns the parameters values that are most likely to have generated the data ✓
- ☐ it guarantees the significance of all the parameters

☐ all of the above

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Question 3

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After fitting a logistic regression over the bids, the pricing should be such that

- ☒ it maximizes the expected profits given the estimated probabilities of accepting a bid ✓
- ☐ it reduces the variance of the projected bid acceptance probabilities
- ☐ it guarantees at least half of the probabilities of choosing the bids to be equal to 0.5
- ☐ all of the above

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Question 4

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How do we deal with having more than one independent variable that influence the pricing strategy

- ☐ we run a logistic regression for each variable with different intercepts

☒ we incorporate all of them in the linear utility of the same logistic regression ✓

☐ we run several logistic regressions each with only one variable and retain the one with the lowest BIC value

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Question 5

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Prospect theory states that the value function

☒ is judged relative to a reference point ✓

☐ increases for losses and decreases for gains

☐ all of the above

Explanation

The value function is reference dependent and increases for gains and decreases for losses with diminishing returns

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This part of the Quiz requires you to perform some calculations.

When you are asked to report a probability, you are expected to report a number between 0 and 1.

All your inputs should be rounded to the second decimal. For example:

- if you obtain 0.973 report 0.97
- if you obtain 0.975 report 0.98
- if you obtain 0.976 report 0.98

Question 6

1/1 point (graded)

Assume that the logit of the probability is $\ln(p(x)/(1-p(x))) = 1.10 + \ln(x)$.

Compute the probability of success of $x = 1$.

Your answer must be between 0 and 1 and rounded up to 2 decimals.

✓ Answer: 0.75

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Explanation

$\exp(1.1) / (1 + \exp(1.1)) = 0.75$

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Question 7

1/1 point (graded)

Prospect theory suggests that reference price effects are asymmetric, where losses loom larger than gains.

Consider two features 1 and 2 and assume that losses have a double effect on the utility than gains for both of them.

Let the reference value for the first feature be 5 and 4 for the second feature.

What is the probability of accepting product A that has a measure of $x_1 = 3$ for the first feature and a measure of $x_2 = 6$ for the second feature (assume a null intercept)?

Your answer must be between 0 and 1 and rounded up to 2 decimals.

✓ Answer: 0.12

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Explanation

The utility of A is $u = 2*(3-5) + (6-4) = -4 + 2 = -2$, because the first feature x_1 is below the reference point while the second feature x_2 is not. Applying the logit probability, we have:
 $p = \exp(-2) / (1 + \exp(-2)) = 0.12$

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A manager is interested in investigating new models in order to improve her pricing strategies. The analyst of the group suggests adding a non linearity to the model because it could allow to capture more variability of the data. After obtaining bids acceptance data from 1000 consumers, the analyst fits two models:

- Model 1: the logit of the probability is assumed to be linear. After maximizing the likelihood the analyst obtains the following expression for the logit of the probabilities $\ln(p(x)/(1-p(x))) = 8 - 4*x$.
- Model 2: the logit of the probability is assumed to be quadratic. After maximizing the likelihood the analyst obtains the following expression for the logit of the probabilities $\ln(p(x)/(1-p(x))) = 3 - 3*x + 0.5*x^2$

The maximum log-likelihood value of the first model is -500 and -498 for the second model.

Question 8

1/1 point (graded)

Compute the BIC value of model 1.

Round your solution to the second decimal.

✓ Answer: 1014

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Explanation

$$\text{BIC} = 2*500 + 2 * \ln(1000) = 1013.82$$

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Question 9

1/1 point (graded)

Compute the BIC value of model 2.

Round your solution to the second decimal.

✓ Answer: 1017

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Explanation

$$\text{BIC} = 2 \cdot 498 + 3 \cdot \ln(1000) = 1016.72$$

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Question 10

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Which of the two models (model 1 and model 2) is preferred

☐ the model with the hishest BIC value

☒ the model with the lowest BIC value ✓

☐ the model with the highest log-likelihood value

☐ the model with the lowest number of paramters because it is simpler

☐ the model with the highest number of paramters because it is more complex

Explanation

The BIC value balances between the fit of the data and the complexity of the model. A preferred model has a low BIC value compared to the other.

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