

Problem Set 3

Applied Stats II

Due: March 26, 2023

Instructions

- Please show your work! You may lose points by simply writing in the answer. If the problem requires you to execute commands in R, please include the code you used to get your answers. Please also include the .R file that contains your code. If you are not sure if work needs to be shown for a particular problem, please ask.
- Your homework should be submitted electronically on GitHub in .pdf form.
- This problem set is due before 23:59 on Sunday March 26, 2023. No late assignments will be accepted.

Question 1

We are interested in how governments' management of public resources impacts economic prosperity. Our data come from Alvarez, Cheibub, Limongi, and Przeworski (1996) and is labelled `gdpChange.csv` on GitHub. The dataset covers 135 countries observed between 1950 or the year of independence or the first year for which data on economic growth are available ("entry year"), and 1990 or the last year for which data on economic growth are available ("exit year"). The unit of analysis is a particular country during a particular year, for a total $> 3,500$ observations.

- Response variable:
 - `GDPWdiff`: Difference in GDP between year t and $t-1$. Possible categories include: "positive", "negative", or "no change"
- Explanatory variables:
 - `REG`: 1=Democracy; 0=Non-Democracy
 - `OIL`: 1=if the average ratio of fuel exports to total exports in 1984-86 exceeded 50%; 0= otherwise

Please answer the following questions:

1. Construct and interpret an unordered multinomial logit with `GDPWdiff` as the output and "no change" as the reference category, including the estimated cutoff points and coefficients.
2. Construct and interpret an ordered multinomial logit with `GDPWdiff` as the outcome variable, including the estimated cutoff points and coefficients.

MY ANSWER FOR QUESTION 1

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2 # Question 1
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5 # Part 1
6 # Required to construct and interpret an unordered multinomial model
7 # Given — the response variable GDPWdiff is difference between year t and
8 #   t-1
9 # possible catagories "pos" and "neg"
10 # and "no change" for the reference category
11
12 # expanding on this and to make the variables categorical let:
13 # no change = 0
14 # pos = 1
15 # neg = 2
16
17 # note that within() evaluates the expression and creates a copy of the
18 #   original data frame ps3Data
19 ps3Data <- within(ps3Data, {
20   # this initializes the variable
21   GDPWdiff.cat <- NA
22   # for the neg value
23   GDPWdiff.cat[GDPWdiff < 0] <- "neg"
24   # for the no change value
25   GDPWdiff.cat[GDPWdiff == 0] <- "no change"
26   # for the pos value
27   GDPWdiff.cat[GDPWdiff > 0] <- "pos"
28 }
29
30 # check that everything looks okay
31 print(head(ps3Data, n=5))
32
33 # X COUNTRY CTYNAME YEAR GDPW OIL REG EDT GDPWlag GDPWdiff GDPWdiffflag
34 #   GDPWdiffflag2 GDPWdiff.cat
35 # 1 1 1 Algeria 1965 6620 1 0 1.45 6502 118
36 #   419 1071 pos
37 # 2 2 1 Algeria 1966 6612 1 0 1.56 6620 -8
38 #   118 419 neg
39 # 3 3 1 Algeria 1967 6982 1 0 1.675 6612 370
40 #   -8 118 pos

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36 # 4 4      1 Algeria 1968 7848  1  0 1.805      6982      866
    370      -8      pos
37 # 5 5      1 Algeria 1969 8378  1  0  1.95      7848      530
    866      370      pos
38
39 # the next step is to turn the data into factors or convert numeric to a
    factor
40 # can use either as.factor() or factor() which is wrapper for factor but
    allows quick return if the input factor
41 # is already a factor
42 ps3Data$GDPWdiff.cat <- factor(ps3Data$GDPWdiff.cat, levels = c("no
    change", "pos", "neg"))
43 # ps3Data$GDPWdiff.cat <- as.factor(ps3Data$GDPWdiff.cat)
44
45 # check that everything looks okay
46 print(summary(ps3Data$GDPWdiff.cat))
47
48 # no change      pos      neg
49 #          16      2600      1105
50
51 # REG and OIL should also be factors
52 ps3Data$REG <- as.factor(ps3Data$REG)
53 ps3Data$OIL <- as.factor(ps3Data$OIL)
54
55 # the next step is to address the reference category and create the p
    regression model
56 # the relevel() function doesn't affect the original dataset
57 # lm(x ~ y + relevel(b, ref = "3")) ... just working out how to implement
    it
58 ps3Data$GDPWdiff2 <- relevel(ps3Data$GDPWdiff.cat, ref = "no change")
59
60 # returns the following
61 # weights:  12 (6 variable)
62 # initial  value 4087.936326
63 # iter   10 value 2340.076844
64 # final   value 2339.385155
65 # converged
66
67 ps3Multinomial <- multinom(ps3Data$GDPWdiff2 ~ REG + OIL, data = ps3Data)
68
69 # check that everything looks okay
70 print(summary(ps3Multinomial))
71
72 # returns the following
73 # Call:
74 # multinom(formula = ps3Data$GDPWdiff2 ~ REG + OIL, data = ps3Data)
75
76 # Coefficients:
77 #      (Intercept)      REG1      OIL1
78 # pos    4.533759  1.769007  4.576321
79 # neg    3.805370  1.379282  4.783968

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80
81 # Std. Errors:
82 #           (Intercept)      REG1      OIL1
83 # pos      0.2692006  0.7670366  6.885097
84 # neg      0.2706832  0.7686958  6.885366
85
86 # Residual Deviance: 4678.77
87 # AIC: 4690.77
88
89 ### Add this stargazer table to the TeXShop / latex document file
90 stargazer(ps3Multinomial, title = "unordered multinomial logit")
91
92
93 ##### now we can visualize the data with a jitter plot
94 ggplot(ps3Data, aes(x = OIL, y = GDPWdiff.cat)) +
95   geom_jitter(alpha = .5, color="purple") +
96   theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1, vjust = 1)) +
97   theme(legend.position="bottom")
98
99
100 ggplot(ps3Data, aes(x = REG, y = GDPWdiff.cat)) +
101   geom_jitter(alpha = .5, color="purple") +
102   theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 45, hjust = 1, vjust = 1)) +
103   theme(legend.position="bottom")
104
105
106 ### get the P-values and the estimated cutoff points and the coefficients
107
108 # Interpretation
109 ## I got a little bit confused here. Referencing the lecture slides (Week
110   8: Multinomial Logit Regression)
111 ## and Slide 11. replicating exp(coef(multinom_model) [,c(1:5)])
112 ## to exp(coef(ps3Multinomial) [,c(1:3)]) this was giving some unusual
113   values
114 ## removing the exp or exponent and the indexing was not returning unusal
115   values
116 # coef(ps3Multinomial) ??
117
118 ps3table <- coef(summary(ps3Multinomial))
119 ps3table
120
121 # this returns
122 #           (Intercept)      REG1      OIL1
123 # pos      4.533759  1.769007  4.576321
124 # neg      3.805370  1.379282  4.783968
125
126 ##### Interpretations continued
127 ##### REG1 'pos'
128 # for REG1 'pos' = for a unit change in REG going from 0 to 1, non
129   democracy to a democracy, the log-odds are that there will

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127 # be a pos change in the GDP from one year to the next increase by
    (1.769007) when all other variables in the multinom_model are
128 # held constant and the ref category is "no change"
129
130 ##### REG1 'neg'
131 # for REG1 'neg' = for a unit change in REG1 going from 0 to 1, non
    democracy to a democracy, the log-odds are that there
132 # will be a neg change in the GDP from one year to the next increase by
    (1.379282) when all other variables in the multinom_model
133 # are held constant and the ref category is "no change"
134
135 ##### OIL1 'pos'
136 # OIL1 'pos' when there is a unit change in the OIL variable, where it
    increases from 0 to 1
137 # this indicates that the average ratio of fuel exports to total exports
    in 1984–86 exceeded by 50%
138 # the log-odds here means that there will be a pos difference in the
    total GDP in a COUNTRY from one year to the next year
139 # and this results in an increase of (4.576321) and the other variables in
    the model are held constant
140
141
142 ##### OIL 'neg'
143 # for OIL 'neg' when there is a unit change in the OIL variable from
    going from 0 to 1, then the average ratio of fuel exports
144 # to total exports in 1984–86 exceeded by 50%, while the log-odds results
    in a neg difference in the total GDP of a country
145 # from one year to the next and increases by (4.783968) while all all
    other variables are held constant
146
147
148 ##### Ordered multinomial logit – Q1 – Part 2
149 # running the ordered logit
150 # referencing lecture slide 45
151 # Hess=TRUE to have the model return the observed information matrix from
    optimization (called the Hessian)
152 # which is used to get standard errors.
153 # ref. https://stats.oarc.ucla.edu/r/dae/ordinal-logistic-regression/
154
155 ps3_ordered_multi <- polr(GDPWdiff2 ~ REG + OIL, data = ps3Data, Hess = T
    )
156
157 ## referencing lecture slide 46
158 test <- exp(cbind(OR = coef(ps3_ordered_multi), confint(ps3_ordered_multi
    ))) # odds ratio
159 test
160 ##### This returns
161 # OR          2.5 %          97.5 %
162 # REG1 0.7000737 0.6042257 0.8102918
163 # OIL1 1.2593051 1.0029960 1.5754005
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166
167 summary(ps3_ordered_multi)
168
169 ## this returns
170
171 #Coefficients:
172 #      Value Std.      Error      t value
173 #REG1  -0.3566    0.07485    -4.764
174 #OIL1   0.2306    0.11510     2.003
175
176 #Intercepts:
177 #      Value      Std. Error t value
178 #no change | pos  -5.5846    0.2534   -22.0376
179 #pos | neg        0.7491    0.0479    15.6475
180
181 #Residual Deviance: 4692.109
182 #AIC: 4700.109

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Question 2

Consider the data set `MexicoMuniData.csv`, which includes municipal-level information from Mexico. The outcome of interest is the number of times the winning PAN presidential candidate in 2006 (`PAN.visits.06`) visited a district leading up to the 2009 federal elections, which is a count. Our main predictor of interest is whether the district was highly contested, or whether it was not (the PAN or their opponents have electoral security) in the previous federal elections during 2000 (`competitive.district`), which is binary (1=close/swing district, 0="safe seat"). We also include `marginality.06` (a measure of poverty) and `PAN.governor.06` (a dummy for whether the state has a PAN-affiliated governor) as additional control variables.

- Run a Poisson regression because the outcome is a count variable. Is there evidence that PAN presidential candidates visit swing districts more? Provide a test statistic and p-value.
- Interpret the `marginality.06` and `PAN.governor.06` coefficients.
- Provide the estimated mean number of visits from the winning PAN presidential candidate for a hypothetical district that was competitive (`competitive.district=1`), had an average poverty level (`marginality.06 = 0`), and a PAN governor (`PAN.governor.06=1`).

MY ANSWER FOR QUESTION 2

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5 # Question 2

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8 # import the data MexicaMuniData.csv
9 mexData <- read.csv("/Users/marklikeman/desktop/ASDS-2023/applied-stats
  -2-2023/problemset03/MexicoMuniData.csv",
10                      stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
11
12 # inspecting the data
13 head(mexData, n=5)
14 tail(mexData)
15 str(mexData)
16 summary(mexData)
17 stargazer(mexData, title = "MexicoMuniData")
18
19 # a quick look at the loaded data
20 # MunicipCode pan.vote.09 marginality.06 PAN.governor.06 PAN.visits.06
  competitive.district
21 # 1    1001      0.283      -1.831      0      5
22      1
23 # 2    1002      0.352      -0.620      0      0
24      1
25 # 3    1003      0.359      -0.875      0      0
26      1
27 # 4    1004      0.238      -0.747      0      0
28      1
29 # 5    1005      0.378      -1.234      0      0
30      1
31
32 ##### looking at the question 2 details the variables outcome Pan.visits
  .06 looks to be of interest here
33 ##### the main predictor of interest is whether the district was highly
  contested, plus measure of property
34 ##### and PAN.governor.06 ...
35 ##### PAN.governor.06 and competitive.district are the binary variables,
  (1 = close/swing district, 0 = 'safe seat')
36
37
38 # note that within() evaluates the expression and creates a copy of the
  original dataset
39 mexData <- within(mexData, {
40   PAN.governor.06 <- as.logical(PAN.governor.06) # binary
41   competitive.district <- as.logical(competitive.district)} # binary
42 )
43
44 ##### Part a
45 ## running the poisson regression
46 pm <- glm(PAN.visits.06 ~ competitive.district + marginality.06 + PAN.
  governor.06, data = mexData, family = poisson)
47 summary(pm)
48
49 ## this returns

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45 #####
46 #####
47 # Deviance Residuals:
48 # Min      1Q   Median      3Q      Max
49 # -2.2309  -0.3748  -0.1804  -0.0804   15.2669
50
51 # Coefficients:
52 #              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
53 # (Intercept)    -3.81023    0.22209  -17.156  <2e-16 ***
54 # competitive.districtTRUE -0.08135    0.17069   -0.477    0.6336
55 # marginality.06    -2.08014    0.11734  -17.728  <2e-16 ***
56 # PAN.governor.06TRUE -0.31158    0.16673   -1.869    0.0617 .
57
58 # Signif. codes:  0      ***      0.001      **      0.01      *      0.05      .
59 #                   0.1          1
60 # (Dispersion parameter for poisson family taken to be 1)
61
62 # Null deviance: 1473.87  on 2406  degrees of freedom
63 # Residual deviance:  991.25  on 2403  degrees of freedom
64 # AIC: 1299.2
65
66 # Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 7
67 #####
68
69
70 # looking at the poisson model it appears to be the case that when
71 #   changing from a safe swing seat , this decreases
72 # the log-odds that there will be a PAN presidential candidates visit
73 #   while holding all the other visits contant
74
75 ### for the TeXShop template
76 stargazer(pm, title = "Poisson Model")
77
78 #### visualizing the data
79 ggplot(data = NULL, aes(x = pm$fitted.values, y = mexData$PAN.visits.06))
80   +
81   geom_jitter(alpha = 0.5) +
82   geom_abline(color = "purple") +
83   theme(legend.position="bottom")
84
85
86
87 ##### Part b
88
89 #### the coef marginality.06 is -> marginality.06    -2.08014
90 #### this indicates that for a unit one increase in a measure of property ,
91     the log-odds of a PAN presidential candidates visit

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91 #### will decrease by factor 2.080 which indicates that poorer districts
    have a low probability of getting a visit from
92 #### a AN presidential candidate
93
94
95 ##### Part c
96
97
98 ##### referring to the ouput from poisson regression above
99
100 # Coefficients:
101 #               Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
102 # (Intercept)    -3.81023    0.22209  -17.156  <2e-16 ***
103 # competitive.districtTRUE -0.08135    0.17069   -0.477    0.6336
104 # marginality.06    -2.08014    0.11734  -17.728  <2e-16 ***
105 # PAN.governor.06TRUE  -0.31158    0.16673   -1.869    0.0617 .
106
107 ##### this used to estimate the mean
108
109 # (intercept*1) + (competitive.districtTRUE*1) + (marginality.06*0) + (
    PAN.governor.06TRUE*1)
110 part_c <- exp((-3.81023*1) + (-0.08135*1) + (2.08014*0) + (-0.31158*1))
111 part_c
112 ## this gives
113 ## 0.01494827
114
115 ## interpretation
116 # the estimated mean for the amount of times that a PAN presidential
    candidate winning in 2006 is 0.01494827

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