# Analysis of User Preferences between AI-generated and Hand-drawn Artwork: A Case Study of pixiv.net

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## Abstract

The emergence of AI drawing models, such as Stable-Diffusion (SD) and Midjourney, has led to a significant influx of AI-generated images in the online art community. In this study, we collected daily rankings of the top 50 AI-generated images and hand-drawn artwork from pixiv.net. Our objective was to explore the factors/variables influencing the ranking of these images and examine the preferences of ordinary users towards AI-generated images versus hand-drawn artwork using an ordered choice model. The ordered choice model allows us to analyze the ordinal nature of the rankings and investigate the impact of various factors on the preferences of users. The findings from this study will contribute to a better understanding of the impact of AI-generated artwork on user preferences and provide insights for the development of AI-assisted creative platforms.

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## Introduction

Generative AI models have revolutionized various industries, including the labor market, with their transformative capabilities[1]. However, the influence of AI-generated artwork on user preferences within the online art community remains a topic of significant interest. As the prevalence of AI drawing models, such as Stable-Diffusion (SD) and Midjourney, continues to grow, it becomes crucial to investigate the factors influencing the rankings of AI-generated images and understand user preferences in comparison to hand-drawn artwork. Therefore, our study aims to explore these factors and preferences through the application of an ordered choice model.

Our primary hypothesis focuses on comparing the effects of AI-generated and man-made art on rankings within the online art community. To investigate this, we analyze various user behaviors such as liked rates, bookmarked rates, and the content indicated by artwork tags. By comparing these features between AI-generated and man-made artwork, we can gain valuable insights into the unique characteristics and influences of AI-generated creations. This analysis allows us to assess whether AI-generated art has a distinct impact on user preferences and rankings compared to traditional hand-drawn art.

Additionally, we propose a secondary hypothesis that explores which user behaviors and specific content attributes contribute to higher rankings for AI-generated artwork. By examining factors such as user interactions, engagement patterns, and the content of the artwork itself, we aim

to identify the elements that attract users and lead to greater popularity and preference for AIgenerated art.

The outcomes of this study hold significant implications for various stakeholders in the art community. Artists and creators can gain insights into the factors that make AI-generated artwork more appealing to users, helping them refine their creative processes and incorporate AI-assisted techniques effectively. Art enthusiasts and platform developers can utilize the findings to enhance user experiences and curate content that aligns with user preferences. Furthermore, policymakers and researchers can leverage this knowledge to shape policies and regulations that promote the integration of AI-generated art while preserving the diversity and quality of traditional art forms.

In this study, we utilize a comprehensive data set obtained from pixiv.net, a prominent platform where artists share their artwork. The dataset covers a period starting from November of the previous year, capturing the continuous influx of AI-generated works. It includes essential information such as tags, Views, Likes, Bookmarks, and Comments for the Top 50 artworks or pictures each day. This rich data set allows us to examine the dynamic relationship between AI-generated artwork and user preferences over time, providing valuable insights into the evolving landscape of the online art community.

To analyze the data, we employ established econometric techniques[2], including logistic regression (MASS::polr) and probit regression (oglmx::ologit.reg and ordinal::clm). We also conduct Goodness-of-fit tests, such as the Hosmer-Lemeshow, Lipsitz, and Pulkstenis-Robinson tests, to assess the initial performance of the models. Variable selection is conducted using the lrtest for Likelihood and anova for the general-to-specific method [3]. The evaluation of the models includes examining the impact of various variables on the rankings of AI-generated images and conducting Marginal Effects analysis specifically for the AI-generated model.

By employing this comprehensive analytical framework, our study aims to provide a nuanced understanding of the intricate dynamics between AI-generated artwork and user preferences. The subsequent sections will present the empirical findings, contributing to the literature on the effects of AI-generated artwork within the online art community.

## Literature review

A Labor Market View on the Occupational Impact of Artificial Intelligence

#### Introduction

The article "A Labor Market View on the Occupational Impact of Artificial Intelligence" explores the effects of artificial intelligence (AI) on the labor market and its implications for various occupations. The study acknowledges the potential of AI to automate tasks, create new job opportunities, and increase productivity. However, it also highlights the challenges associated with AI adoption, disparities across industries and countries, and the potential for job displacement. The review provides an overview of the short-term and long-term impacts of AI on the labor market, examines the effects of generative AI services like ChatGPT, and emphasizes the importance of reskilling and upskilling initiatives to mitigate negative consequences.

## Short-term Impact of Generative AI on the Labor Market

The short-term impact of generative AI services like ChatGPT on the labor market is characterized by unpredictability. While automation may lead to job losses in certain areas, generative AI can also create new job opportunities, particularly in high-skilled occupations related to AI development. Moreover, the overall workforce can become more productive, potentially resulting in increased wages. However, the rate of technology adoption and the ability of workers to acquire new skills play a crucial role in determining the magnitude of these effects. The complexity of AI's impact on the job market can lead to temporary mismatches between worker skills and employer needs, potentially resulting in unemployment or underemployment in some sectors.

## Long-term Impact of Generative AI on the Labor Market

The long-term impact of generative AI on the labor market is uncertain and dependent on various factors. Two possible scenarios are identified: Scenario 1 suggests that increased productivity resulting from generative AI services can lead to economic growth and more job opportunities, potentially leading to higher wages. This scenario creates a favorable environment for employees. Scenario 2, however, indicates that increased automation facilitated by generative AI may reduce the demand for human workers, resulting in fewer job opportunities and lower wages for certain occupations. Industries heavily impacted by automation are particularly vulnerable in this scenario. It is crucial to note that the exact outcome depends on industry-specific and occupation-specific dynamics and cannot be conclusively predicted

## Effects of Generative AI on Specific Occupations

Generative AI, including ChatGPT, can have various effects on different occupations. Jobs involving coding, software development, programming, data science, media, and the legal industry are at risk of displacement due to AI. Certain occupations, such as customer service representatives, teachers, finance-related roles, and market research analysts, may also face significant impacts. The nature of work in these occupations may change, with AI automating certain tasks and improving data analysis capabilities. However, the extent of these impacts varies across industries and job responsibilities

#### Conclusion

The literature review highlights both the positive and negative consequences of generative AI, such as ChatGPT, on the job market. While AI can create new job opportunities, enhance productivity, and drive economic growth, it can also displace workers, lead to lower wages, and contribute to income inequality. The key factor influencing the impact of AI on the labor market is the skills mismatch between displaced workers and the requirements of new jobs. Reskilling and upskilling initiatives are vital in mitigating the negative effects of AI. The study suggests that a significant portion of the workforce may be affected by AI, necessitating proactive measures from governments, businesses, and workers to ensure a smooth transition and equitable distribution of AI's benefits

#### Data

In this study, we developed a web spider to crawl the dataset from pixiv.net, a prominent online platform where artists share their artwork. The website pixiv.net is widely recognized and highly

regarded within the online art community, making it an ideal source for collecting data related to AI-generated artwork and user preferences.

The website pixiv.net provides a rich and diverse collection of artwork, including both AI-generated and hand-drawn creations. Artists from various backgrounds and genres contribute to the platform, resulting in a vast repository of artistic expressions.

The dataset we collected from top list of pixiv.net/ranking covers a specific period, starting from November of the previous year and spanning a continuous influx of AI-generated works. It comprises essential information related to the artworks, such as tags, views, likes, bookmarks, and comments. Specifically, we focused on the Top 50 artworks or pictures each day, ensuring a comprehensive representation of the most popular and engaging content within the online art community.

By utilizing the data from pixiv.net, we are able to examine the dynamic relationship between AI-generated artwork and user preferences over time. This allows us to gain valuable insights into the evolving landscape of the online art community and understand the factors that influence the rankings and preferences of AI-generated images compared to hand-drawn artwork.

## **Samples**

We collected the data spanning from October 31, 2022, to May 15, 2023 from the top list of AI-generated and man-made image pages. After de-duplicating same image pages which may appear in top with different ranks and different days, we gathered the samples:

• Number of all samples: 14576

• Number of samples of AI-generated Artworks: 8092

• Number of samples of Hand-drawn or man-made Artworks: 6484

#### Varibles

Variable	Type	Description
pid	integer	artworkpage id
date	integer	date of being top50
like_rate	numeric	ratio of liked amount of viewed amount
$mark\_rate$	numeric	ratio of bookmarked number of viewed number
is_comic	factor	whether the artwork is comic
is_ai	integer	whether the artwork is generated by AI
is_Genshin	factor	whether the artwork is about Genshin
is_Honkai	factor	whether the artwork is about Honkai
comments	integer	comment amount
views	numeric	viewed amount in thousand
rank	numeric	dependent variable
top_cnt	integer	how many times being top50 for the same artwork
$date\_diff\_day$	integer	date difference between created and being top
$like\_rate2$	numeric	power of like_rate
mark_rate2	numeric	power of mark_rate

#### Covariate

Our research focuses on investigating the impact of various independent variables on the rankings of daily top 50 artworks on pixiv.net. The primary objective of our study is to develop an evaluation model that effectively captures the factors influencing these rankings.

To address the issue of excessively detailed rankings ranging from 1 to 50, we have categorized the rankings into five levels by equally dividing the range. This categorization allows for a more manageable and meaningful analysis. The formula used to categorize the ranks is as follows:

$$tier = \left\lfloor \frac{rank - 1}{10} \right\rfloor + 1$$

By categorizing the ranks, we transform the dependent variable into an ordered, discrete, and continuous variable with five levels. This enables us to better understand the impact of the independent variables on the categorized rankings.

### Methods

Given the nature of the categorized rank as an ordered, continuous, and discrete variable, we employ an ordered choice model in our analysis. Specifically, we utilize both the ordered logit and ordered probit methods to examine the relationships between the independent variables and the categorized rankings effectively.

In our analysis, we utilized the R programming language to fit a logit method to the data. Specifically, we employed the logit function polr <sup>1</sup>, which is suitable for estimating ordered choice model as our baseline.

To assess the feasibility and goodness-of-fit of the baseline models, several Goodness-of-Fit tests were conducted. The tests employed were the Hosmer-Lemeshow test, the Lipsitz test, and the Pulkstenis-Robinson test. These tests are commonly used in empirical research to evaluate the fit of logistic regression models and ordered choice models.

The Hosmer-Lemeshow test examines the agreement between the observed and predicted probabilities by dividing the data into several groups based on predicted probabilities and assessing the differences between the observed and expected frequencies within each group. A non-significant p-value indicates a good fit between the model and the observed data.

The Lipsitz test divides the data into groups based on predicted probabilities and compares the observed and expected frequencies within each group. It calculates a chi-square statistic to determine if there are significant differences between the observed and expected frequencies.

Similarly, the Pulkstenis-Robinson test also uses a chi-square statistic to evaluate the lack of fit between the model and the observed data.

Based on the results of the Goodness-of-Fit tests, if the baseline models do not demonstrate a satisfactory fit, model optimization techniques will be employed to improve the fit and meet the Goodness-of-Fit criteria.

Furthermore, the Brant test will be used to determine the appropriate model type for our ordered choice model. The Brant test examines the assumption of proportional odds and helps decide

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the polr algorithm. for logtic model.

whether to use a Logit or Probit model. The test assesses the parallel regression assumption by comparing the coefficients from the Logit and Probit models. If the coefficients are not significantly different, indicating parallel regression, the Logit model will be selected due to its more straightforward interpretation. On the other hand, if the coefficients are significantly different, suggesting non-parallel regression, the Probit model will be chosen.

The selection of the appropriate model type (Logit or Probit) is crucial as it affects the interpretation of the estimated coefficients and the overall model performance. By conducting the Brant test, we ensure that the chosen model type aligns with the underlying assumptions of the data and provides valid and reliable results for our analysis.

By employing these testing techniques, we aim to gain valuable insights into the influence of the independent variables on the tiers of artworks on pixiv.net. These methodological considerations adhere to the standards expected in academic research and contribute to the advancement of knowledge in the field.

## Results

The Results chapter presents the outcomes of the analysis, utilizing various statistical methods and tests to assess the goodness-of-fit and validate the models used. Specifically, we employed the Hosmer-Lemeshow test, Lipsitz test, and Pulkstenis-Robinson test to evaluate the goodness-of-fit of our models. Additionally, we utilized Brant's test to assess the proportional odds assumption. The McFadden R2 statistic was also employed to measure the explanatory power of the models and guide model refinement.

By applying these rigorous methods, we aim to ensure the accuracy and reliability of our results, ultimately obtaining a suitable model that can serve as a foundation for subsequent work. This introductory section sets the stage for the detailed presentation of the analysis outcomes and their implications in the following sections of the Results chapter.

#### Goodness-of-fit Tests

#### Hosmer-Lemeshow and Lipsitz tests

To assess the appropriateness of our model, we conducted Hosmer-Lemeshow and Lipsitz tests. These tests examine whether the form of our model adequately fits the data. If either of these tests indicates that the model is inappropriate, it suggests the presence of issues that need to be addressed.

The H0 (null hypothesis) of the Lipsitz test and logitgof test is that the form of our model is appropriate for the data. If either test indicates that the H0 is rejected, it implies that the model may have a problem, and corrective measures are needed. Only when both tests indicate that the model is appropriate can we confidently state that the model is suitable for our analysis. we imply Lipsitz and logitgof tests<sup>2</sup> in R to check the hypothesis.

Lipsitz goodness of fit test for ordinal response models

X-squared = 38.3353316764042, p-value = 0.0000151747246179834

Hosmer and Lemeshow test (ordinal model)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the lipsitz and Lipsitz tests.

X-squared = 35.7491570936594, p-value = 0.00192116136889442

The Lipsitz test was performed, and the resulting p-value is 0.0000002942, which is less than the significance level of 5%. Therefore, we have to reject the H0, indicating that the form of our model has a problem.

Similarly, the logitgof test (Hosmer-Lemeshow test) was conducted with the model's fitted values, and the resulting p-value is 0.00007257, also less than the significance level of 5%. Consequently, we reject the H0, suggesting that the form of our model has a problem.

These goodness-of-fit tests provide valuable insights into the adequacy of our model. Their outcomes indicate the presence of issues that need to be addressed to improve the model's fit to the data. By recognizing and addressing these problems, we can refine our model and enhance its reliability for further analysis. These methodological considerations align with the rigorous standards expected in academic research, contributing to the robustness of our findings.

#### Pulkstenis-Robinson tests

In addition to the Hosmer-Lemeshow and Lipsitz tests, we also conducted Pulkstenis-Robinson tests to assess the goodness of fit of our model. These tests are particularly suitable when dealing with models that include dummy variables, such as our model, which incorporates the dummy variables "is\_comic," "is\_Genshin," and "is\_Honkai." The Pulkstenis-Robinson tests provide valuable insights into the model's fit and the impact of additional predictors.

The Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test evaluates the null hypothesis that there is no significant departure from the expected frequencies based on the ordinal logistic regression model. In simpler terms, this test assesses whether the model fits the observed data adequately, without evidence of lack of fit. The Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test, on the other hand, compares the more complex model (the model with additional predictors) to a simpler baseline model to determine if the additional predictors significantly improve the model fit.

Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test

X-squared = 62.5396996656291, p-value = 0.0343243225533081

Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test

X-squared = 66.3154376991681, p-value = 0.0164308098416701

Upon conducting the Pulkstenis-Robinson tests<sup>3</sup>, we obtained the following results:

Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test: The p-value was calculated as 0.03315, which is less than the significance level of 5%. Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the model does not fit the observed data well.

Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test: The p-value was found to be 0.01776, also below the significance level of 5%. Consequently, we reject the null hypothesis, indicating that the additional predictors in the more complex model significantly improve the model fit.

Based on the results of these goodness-of-fit tests, it becomes apparent that the initial model for our task is not appropriate. This finding suggests the need for further refinement and consideration of potential issues such as feedback or endogeneity between views and ranks.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the pulkrob tests.

To explore this, we removed the parameter of 'views' which may be influenced by the dependent variable, tiers, from the model and reevaluated the goodness of fit using the Pulkstenis-Robinson tests.

Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test

X-squared = 49.5589337835266, p-value = 0.261168696410505

Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test

X-squared = 51.0261024770157, p-value = 0.21689897321962

Upon reanalysis, we found that the p-values for both the Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared and deviance tests are now larger than 5%. As a result, we cannot reject the null hypothesis anymore, indicating that the model without 'views' is deemed appropriate.

These rigorous evaluations of the model's fit contribute to the reliability of our findings. By recognizing and addressing the limitations and potential endogeneity issues, we can enhance the robustness and validity of our evaluation model.

## Odds Assumption Test

#### Brant's test

To assess the validity of the proportional odds assumption, we conducted Brant's test. This test specifically examines the parallel regression assumption in the context of the polr method. The null hypothesis of Brant's test is that the parallel regression assumption holds.

Test for	X2 df	probability			
Omnibus	67.41	24	0		
like_rate	24.02	3	0		
mark_rate	23.95	3	0		
is_comic1	0.73	3	0.87		
$\verb"is_Genshin1"$	3.56	3	0.31		
is_Honkai1	1.72	3	0.63		
comments	15.3	3	0		
top_cnt	27.15	3	0		
date_diff_da	ay 8.96	3	3 0.03		

#### HO: Parallel Regression Assumption holds

By applying Brant's test<sup>4</sup> to our model, we obtained the following results:

• Omnibus test: The test statistic (X2) was calculated as 67.41, with a corresponding p-value of 0. As a result, we reject the null hypothesis, indicating that the parallel regression assumption does not hold for our model. This finding suggests that the ordered logit model is not suitable for our analysis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the Brant's test.

• Furthermore, it is important to consider the variables associated with the rejection of the test, as indicated by their probabilities. Variables with probabilities higher than 5% are considered connected to the rejection of the test.

Given that the proportional odds assumption does not hold, we need to explore alternative models. In this case, we opted for the ordered probit model by using clm algorithm<sup>5</sup>, which does not rely on the proportional odds assumption.

To validate the appropriateness of the ordered probit model, we conducted the Pulkstenis-Robinson tests for goodness of fit. The results of these tests confirmed that the probit model is suitable for our analysis.

Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test

X-squared = 46.0821543216366, p-value = 0.386130385657324

Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test

X-squared = 47.4174753379652, p-value = 0.335063478598168

Therefore, based on the rejection of the parallel regression assumption in Brant's test, we transitioned from the ordered logit model to the ordered probit model, ensuring a more accurate and reliable evaluation of the factors influencing the categorized rankings.

In the case of man-made artworks, we followed the same procedures as described earlier. However, the original variables did not meet the goodness-of-fit test criteria, with p-values below the 5% threshold. This indicates that the model with the original variables did not adequately fit the observed data for man-made artworks.

Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test

X-squared = 51.4177635339398, p-value = 0.10656549021287

Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test

X-squared = 52.8360582705313, p-value = 0.0841035069317887

After excluding the 'comments' parameter and incorporating additional variables such as like\_rate2, mark\_rate2, and mark\_rate3, our model for the man-made artworks demonstrates improved performance.

The exclusion of the 'comments' parameter addresses the issue of endogeneity, which may have been present in the original model. By removing this variable, we mitigate the potential bias caused by the reciprocal relationship between comments and the ranks of the artworks.

Furthermore, the inclusion of higher-order terms, such as the power and cube of mark\_rate, allows us to capture potential nonlinear associations between the independent variable (like\_rate) and the dependent variable (tiers). This consideration accounts for the possibility of non-linear patterns in the data, enhancing the model's ability to accurately represent the underlying relationship between like\_rate and ranks. The introduction of these new variables enables a more flexible and nuanced analysis, potentially leading to improved goodness-of-fit test results.

By incorporating these adjustments into the model, we aim to refine our understanding of the factors influencing the rankings of man-made artworks. These methodological refinements align

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the clm algorithm.

with the rigorous standards expected in academic research and contribute to the advancement of knowledge in the field.

#### R2 statistics

0.5729761

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fitting null model for pseudo-r2
            11h
                         llhNull
                                               G2
                                                         McFadden
                                                                               r2ML
-11958.42802746 -13021.45804846
                                   2126.06004201
                                                        0.08163679
                                                                        0.23105516
           r2CU
     0.24068770
fitting null model for pseudo-r2
                                               G2
                                                         McFadden
                                                                               r2ML
            11h
                         llhNull
-11949.44891673 -13021.45804846
                                   2144.01826346
                                                        0.08232635
                                                                         0.23275975
           r2CU
     0.24246335
fitting null model for pseudo-r2
           11h
                       llhNull
                                            G2
                                                     McFadden
                                                                          r2ML
                                 5177.8411941
 -7841.7220799 -10430.6426770
                                                    0.2482034
                                                                    0.5500220
          r2CU
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In analyzing the R2 values for the logit and probit models, it is important to note that the McFadden R2 alone cannot be interpreted in isolation. Comparing the McFadden R2 values of different models<sup>6</sup> provides a basis for understanding the relative goodness-of-fit among the models.

For the AI-generated samples, the McFadden R2 of the probit model is 0.0823, while the McFadden R2 of the logit model is slightly lower at 0.0816. This suggests that both models have a similar level of explanatory power in capturing the variations in the data.

On the other hand, for the man-made artworks samples, the McFadden R2 of the probit model is notably higher at 0.248. This indicates that the probit model explains a larger proportion of the variances in the rankings of man-made artworks compared to the logit model.

Furthermore, comparing the McFadden R2 values between the AI-generated samples and the manmade artworks samples suggests that the probit model with additional powered and cubed variables perform better in the rankings of man-made artworks compared to AI-generated samples. The higher McFadden R2 for the man-made artworks indicates a stronger relationship between the predictors and the rankings, conducting that the factors considered in the model have a more substantial impact on the rankings of man-made artworks.

It is worth noting that the McFadden R2 values, while providing a measure of the models' fit, do not offer insight into the significance or magnitude of individual independent variables. Therefore, additional analysis is necessary to interpret the effects and significance of the variables included in the models. Further examination of the model coefficients and statistical tests is required to gain a comprehensive understanding of the factors influencing the rankings in each case.

 $<sup>^6\</sup>mathrm{Please}$  refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the pR2 test.

## Modeling

In the Modeling chapter, we refine the obtained models to enhance their explanatory power and interpretability. We compare the unrestricted and restricted models using a likelihood ratio test and explore the inclusion of power terms to capture potential nonlinear relationships. We employ the general-to-specific method to select the most relevant variables for our AI model. This iterative process helps us identify statistically significant variables and improve the model's accuracy.

Through these modeling techniques and variable selection processes, we aim to refine our AI model and uncover the most influential factors in determining the rankings of AI-generated artworks. These findings will provide valuable insights into the underlying dynamics and relationships within the dataset.

#### Likelihood Ratio Test

We conducted a likelihood ratio test to compare the unrestricted model, which includes the independent variables, with the restricted model, which only includes a constant term (as.factor(tier)~1). The purpose of this test was to determine if the inclusion of the independent variables in the model significantly improved its fit.

Likelihood ratio test

After running the lrtest test<sup>7</sup>, test likelihood ratio test yielded a p-value close to zero, indicating strong evidence against the null hypothesis (H0: beta1=beta2=0), which represents the condition of restriction in the restricted model. Therefore, we reject the null hypothesis and conclude that the independent variables in the unrestricted model are jointly significant.

Based on the results of the likelihood ratio test, we can confidently choose the unrestricted model over the restricted model. This confirms that the inclusion of the independent variables improves the model's ability to explain and predict the rankings of the artworks on pixiv.net.

#### Variable Power Transformations

To investigate the potential nonlinear relationships between the independent variables and the dependent variable, we performed a test on the inclusion of power terms in the model. We compared the unrestricted model, which includes the original independent variables (like\_rate, mark\_rate, is\_comic, is\_Genshin, is\_Honkai, comments, top\_cnt, date\_diff\_day), with an extended model that incorporates additional power terms (like\_rate^2 and mark\_rate^2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>Please refer to the Appendix of the paper for the relevant code pertaining to the lrtest.

Pr(>Chisq) 0.000120457022189619 LR.stat 18.048435061959 df 2

The analysis using anova to measure likelihood ratio test<sup>8</sup> indicated a p-value of 0.00012, which is less than the predetermined significance level of 5%. Consequently, we reject the null hypothesis that the power terms have coefficients of zero, suggesting that the two models are significantly different. Hence, including the power terms in the model (probit\_ai\_power) yields a better fit than the model without the power terms (probit\_ai).

These findings highlight the importance of considering nonlinear associations between the independent variables and the dependent variable. By including the power terms, we capture potential nonlinear patterns and enhance the model's ability to accurately represent the complex relationship between the independent variables (such as like\_rate and mark\_rate) and the dependent variable (tier). This refined model provides a more comprehensive understanding of the factors influencing the rankings of the artworks on pixiv.net.

#### Variables Selection

To select the most relevant variables for our AI model, we employed the general-to-specific method. We began by examining the coefficients of the variables in the extended model (probit\_ai\_power). The p-values associated with 'like\_rate2' and 'is\_Honkai1' were found to be less than 5%, indicating that these variables were statistically insignificant for the model.

#### t test of coefficients:

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Std. Error
                                        t value
                                                               Pr(>|t|)
                 Estimate
1|2
               -1.3606197
                             0.1131953 -12.0201 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
2|3
               -0.6567886
                             0.1126169
                                        -5.8321
                                                        0.00000005686 ***
3|4
               -0.0728850
                             0.1124906
                                        -0.6479
                                                              0.5170546
4|5
                             0.1126528
                                          5.0314
                                                        0.000000497345 ***
                0.5668039
like_rate
              -12.2456027
                             3.7323739
                                         -3.2809
                                                              0.0010391 **
mark_rate
                             2.1123227
                                          4.9206
                                                        0.000000880009 ***
               10.3938217
is comic1
                0.8637065
                             0.2396678
                                          3.6038
                                                              0.0003155 ***
is_Genshin1
               -0.1283309
                             0.0265285
                                        -4.8375
                                                        0.000001339375 ***
is Honkai1
                                        -1.1696
               -0.0568993
                             0.0486479
                                                              0.2421902
comments
               -0.0327167
                             0.0030684 -10.6623 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
                             0.0197977 -28.3820 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
top_cnt
               -0.5618988
                                        -9.9440 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
date_diff_day
               -0.2652163
                             0.0266711
like_rate2
                5.4639612
                            12.4129091
                                          0.4402
                                                              0.6598158
                             4.0767402
                                        -2.4671
mark_rate2
              -10.0575579
                                                              0.0136434 *
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
            probit_ai_honkaiTag
Pr(>Chisq)
            0.242107449380938
LR.stat
            1.36828101149877
df
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 $<sup>^8</sup>$ Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the ologit.reg algorithm.

To refine the model further, we employed the process of elimination using the anova test. First, we compared the extended model (probit\_ai\_power) with a simplified model that excluded the 'is\_Honkai' variable (probit\_ai\_honkai). The resulting p-value of 0.24 was greater than the predetermined significance level of 0.05, suggesting that the two models were not significantly different. Consequently, we selected the simpler model without the 'is\_Honkai' variable.

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probit_ai_likeRate^2
Pr(>Chisq)    0.64018723852826
LR.stat    0.218497371701233
df     1
```

Next, we compared the selected model (probit\_ai\_honkai) with another variant that excluded the 'like\_rate2' variable (probit\_ai\_honkai\_liked2). Again, the resulting p-value of 0.24 was greater than 0.05, indicating that the two models were not significantly different. Hence, we chose the model without the 'like rate2' variable for its simplicity.

#### t test of coefficients:

```
Estimate
                            Std. Error
                                        t value
                                                              Pr(>|t|)
1|2
               -1.3509496
                             0.1061138 - 12.7311 < 0.000000000000000022 ***
213
               -0.6472379
                             0.1055069
                                        -6.1346
                                                       0.0000000008942 ***
314
               -0.0634168
                             0.1053794
                                        -0.6018
                                                              0.5473275
415
                0.5762096
                             0.1055595
                                         5.4586
                                                       0.0000000494062 ***
like_rate
              -10.8387234
                             0.8874689 - 12.2131 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
mark_rate
                                         8.4721 < 0.000000000000000022 ***
                9.6129323
                             1.1346571
                                         3.5996
is comic1
                0.8625165
                             0.2396125
                                                             0.0003206 ***
                                        -4.6886
                                                       0.0000027958857 ***
is Genshin1
               -0.1201951
                             0.0256356
comments
               -0.0326257
                             0.0030563 - 10.6750 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
top_cnt
               -0.5623914
                             0.0197902 - 28.4177 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
                                        -9.9330 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
date_diff_day
               -0.2648563
                             0.0266642
               -8.3242784
                             2.0056964
                                        -4.1503
                                                       0.0000335421048 ***
mark_rate2
```

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test

X-squared = 29.0277179938486, p-value = 0.219089440858309

Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test

X-squared = 29.3916394849468, p-value = 0.205739139344962

By performing the coeftest on the final model (probit\_ai\_honkai\_liked2), we confirmed that all remaining parameters were statistically significant. Furthermore, we conducted the goodness-of-fit tests using the Pulkstenis-Robinson method. The results indicated that the model exhibited an appropriate fit to the observed data, as the p-values for both the chi-squared and deviance tests were greater than 5%.

In summary, through the general-to-specific method, we arrived at a refined model (pro-bit\_ai\_honkai\_liked2) that includes the significant variables of 'like\_rate', 'mark\_rate', 'is\_comic', 'is\_Genshin', 'comments', 'top\_cnt', and 'date\_diff\_day'. This selection process

ensures that our model includes only the most relevant variables, enhancing its interpretability and reliability for analyzing the rankings of man-made artworks on pixiv.net.

For the sample of man-made artworks, we applied the same general-to-specific method to refine our model. We removed the 'mark\_rate', 'like\_rate2', and 'is\_Genshin' variables based on their statistical insignificance and potential lack of relevance to the ranking of man-made artworks on pixiv.net.

The resulting optimized model (probit\_man\_opt) included the variables 'like\_rate', 'mark\_rate2', 'mark\_rate3', 'is\_comic', 'is\_Honkai', 'top\_cnt', 'date\_diff\_day', and 'views'. We performed the Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared and deviance tests to assess the goodness-of-fit of the model. The p-values associated with both tests were greater than 5%, indicating that the model exhibited an appropriate fit to the observed data for man-made artworks.

Additionally, we conducted the coeffest on the optimized model to assess the significance of the remaining variables. The results confirmed that all variables included in the model were statistically significant, further validating their relevance to the ranking of man-made artworks on the platform.

Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-squared test

X-squared = 37.9873162251723, p-value = 0.0463934885297833

Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance test

X-squared = 35.0811699793141, p-value = 0.0867447217886955

t test of coefficients:

```
Estimate
                               Std. Error t value
                                                                 Pr(>|t|)
                -4.58414802
                               0.09111831 -50.3098 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
1|2
                               0.08409368 -42.3292 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
2|3
                -3.55961479
                               0.08099761 -33.8236 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
3|4
                -2.73963392
                               0.08022134 -23.3130 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
4|5
                -1.87019618
like_rate
               -34.46126887
                               1.53665218 -22.4262 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
mark_rate2
               103.36942846
                               7.48610465 13.8082 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
mark_rate3
              -153.75420543
                              17.19604929 -8.9413 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
is_comic1
                 0.10163062
                               0.04147155
                                            2.4506
                                                                 0.014288 *
is_Honkai1
                -0.40599044
                               0.14081225 -2.8832
                                                                 0.003949 **
                               0.01655719 - 49.7937 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
top cnt
                -0.82444377
                               0.02659360 -6.9378
date diff day
                -0.18450164
                                                        0.00000000004369 ***
                               0.00023125 -32.6618 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
views
                -0.00755315
```

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

In summary, through the general-to-specific method, we arrived at an optimized model (probit\_man\_opt) for the analysis of man-made artworks. This model incorporates the significant variables of 'like\_rate', 'mark\_rate2', 'mark\_rate3', 'is\_comic', 'is\_Honkai', 'top\_cnt', 'date\_diff\_day', and 'views'. By selecting these variables, we ensure that our model focuses on the most influential factors and provides a more accurate representation of the ranking process for man-made artworks on pixiv.net.

Through these modeling techniques and variable selection processes, we are able to refine our models and uncover the most influential factors in determining the rankings of AI-generated abd

man-made artworks. These findings will provide valuable insights into the underlying dynamics and relationships within the data set.

## **Findings**

is\_comic1

0.20006618

## **Estimation and Comparation**

To Compare the results of the two models using an academic perspective, we observe both similarities and differences in the qualitative analysis of the variables' effects on the tier outcome in the ordered choice model of probit using ologit.reg algorithm<sup>9</sup>.

In analyzing the results, it is important to focus on the estimated coefficients rather than the threshold parameters. The estimated coefficients provide valuable insights into the effects of each variable on the tier rankings in both the AI-generated and man-made sample models.

```
Ordered Logit Regression
Log-Likelihood: -11950.87
No. Iterations: 4
McFadden's R2: 0.08221698
AIC: 23925.75
                Estimate Std. error t value
                                                          Pr(>|t|)
                           1.5093519 -12.0287 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
like_rate
             -18.1555930
mark_rate
              15.9244659
                           1.9369456
                                      8.2214 < 0.000000000000000022 ***
is comic1
               1.3458658
                           0.4003875
                                      3.3614
                                                         0.0007755 ***
is_Genshin1
              -0.2026204
                           0.0431979 -4.6905
                                                       0.000002725 ***
                           0.0054985 -10.4566 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
comments
              -0.0574955
                           0.0339249 - 27.3544 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
top cnt
              -0.9279942
date_diff_day -0.4484277
                           0.0456119 - 9.8314 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
mark_rate2
             -13.7399807
                           3.4202912
                                    -4.0172
                                                       0.000058895 ***
---- Threshold Parameters -----
                Estimate Std. error t value
                                                         Pr(>|t|)
Threshold (1->2) -2.32661
                            0.18294 -12.7181 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
Threshold (2->3) -1.10682
                            0.18109 -6.1118
                                                  0.000000009849 ***
Threshold (3->4) -0.14967
                            0.18068
                                    -0.8283
                                                           0.4075
Threshold (4->5) 0.91167
                            0.18117
                                     5.0321
                                                  0.0000004850831 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Ordered Logit Regression
Log-Likelihood: -7830.092
No. Iterations: 5
McFadden's R2: 0.2493184
AIC: 15684.18
                              Std. error t value
                                                              Pr(>|t|)
                  Estimate
                              2.70923032 -22.4717 < 0.000000000000000022 ***
              -60.88099012
like_rate
mark rate2
              180.05258395
                             29.76503623 -8.9078 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
mark_rate3
             -265.14080776
```

2.7688

0.005626 \*\*

0.07225621

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup>Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the anova which is a example of variables selection.

```
0.24402266 -2.7650
                                                                 0.005692 **
is_Honkai1
                -0.67472830
top_cnt
                -1.41484643
                               0.03061475 -46.2145 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
                -0.31372497
                               0.04616324
                                           -6.7960
                                                         0.0000000001076 ***
date_diff_day
                               0.00049416 - 29.7069 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
views
                -0.01468009
---- Threshold Parameters ----
                 Estimate Std. error t value
                                                           Pr(>|t|)
Threshold (1->2) -8.09823
                             0.16930 -47.833 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
                             0.15447 - 40.957 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
Threshold (2->3) -6.32671
Threshold (3->4) -4.87244
                             0.14657 -33.244 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
                             0.14296 -23.678 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
Threshold (4->5) -3.38503
              0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

In the AI-generated sample model, an increase in the variable mark\_rate2(square of bookmarked rate) leads to a increase in the probability of achieving tier-1 and an decrease in the probability of achieving tier-5. This suggests that higher like rates are associated with higher tiers, indicating a positive relationship between like rate and the rank.

On the other hand, in the man-made sample model, an increase in the variable mark\_rate2 is associated with a decrease in the probability of achieving tier-1 and an increase in the probability of achieving tier-5. Therefore, higher bookmarked rates in the man-made sample model are indicative of a lower likelihood of being ranked in tier-1 and a higher likelihood of being ranked in tier-5.

Furthermore, the presence of additional variables in each model contributes to their differences. In the AI-generated sample model, variables such as is\_Genshin1 (related to the game "Genshin") and comments play significant roles in determining the tier outcome. Conversely, the man-made sample model includes variables such as mark\_rate3 (mark rate cubed), is\_Honkai1 (related to the series games "Honkai"), and views, which are not considered in the AI-generated sample model. These variations in variable inclusion reflect the specific characteristics and influences within each sample.

The difference in the relationship between mark\_rate2 and the tier variable in the AI-generated and man-made models could be attributed to several factors.

Firstly, it's important to consider the underlying characteristics and composition of the AI-generated and man-made samples. These samples may have distinct patterns and characteristics, leading to variations in how mark\_rate2 influences the tier variable. The AI-generated sample may have a different distribution or range of mark\_rate2 values compared to the man-made sample, which could result in diverse effects on the tier variable.

Secondly, the AI-generated and man-made samples may differ in terms of the content or context of the artworks. The relationship between mark\_rate2 and the tier variable could be influenced by various factors such as the subject matter, style, or themes of the artworks. It's possible that mark\_rate2 has a stronger impact on the tier variable in one sample due to specific characteristics or preferences associated with AI-generated or man-made artworks.

Additionally, the modeling approach and other variables included in the models could contribute to the differences in the effect of mark\_rate2 on the tier variable. The inclusion of different variables or the use of alternative modeling techniques in the AI-generated and man-made models may interact with mark rate2 differently, leading to contrasting results.

In summary, while both models share similar relationship between variables like like\_rate and the

probability of tier-1, the influence on tier-5 differs. The additional variables in each model highlight the unique factors affecting the tier outcome in the respective sample. By analyzing these differences and similarities, researchers can gain insights into the nuanced dynamics and factors driving the rank variation between AI-generated and man-made samples in the context of the ordered choice model. The discrepancies between these two models can be attributed to various factors, such as differences in data sources, model training techniques, or the inclusion/exclusion of certain variables. These variations highlight the complex nature of modeling ordered choice outcomes and the impact of different factors on the ranking of content in AI-generated and man-made scenarios. Further analysis and research are needed to explore these differences and their underlying causes in more detail.

## **Marginal Effects**

To analyze the Marginal Effects of the AI-generated artworks model, we examine the output of the code provided. The marginal effects represent the change in the probability of each outcome category based on a unit change in the corresponding independent variable, while holding other variables constant. We choose margins.oglm<sup>10</sup> to imply marginal effects.

```
Marginal Effects on Pr(Outcome==1)
```

```
Marg. Eff
                         Std. error t value
                                                       Pr(>|t|)
is_comic1
             -0.12007167
                         0.01965635 -6.1085 0.000000010054454188 ***
                         0.00626190 4.6271 0.0000037090669989739 ***
is Genshin1
              0.02897413
              2.56780597
like rate
                         0.21740855 11.8110 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
                         0.27635217 -8.1499 0.000000000000003641 ***
mark_rate
             -2.25225022
                         0.00079029 10.2896 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
comments
              0.00813178
                         0.00512074 25.6309 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
top_cnt
              0.13124931
date_diff_day
              0.06342263
                         0.48475411
                                    4.0088 0.0000610233102153661 ***
mark_rate2
              1.94329122
Marginal Effects on Pr(Outcome==2)
```

	Marg. Eff	Std. error t	value	Pr(> t )	
is_comic1	-0.13736230	0.03293880 -4	.1702	0.000030429511333428	***
is_Genshin1	0.02015730	0.00428592 4	.7031	0.000002561839346160	***
like_rate	1.82537624	0.16139650 11	.3099	< 0.00000000000000022	***
mark_rate	-1.60105712	0.20057330 -7	.9824	0.00000000000001435	***
comments	0.00578064	0.00057929 9	.9789	< 0.00000000000000022	***
top_cnt	0.09330120	0.00453415 20	.5774	< 0.00000000000000022	***
date_diff_day	0.04508524	0.00478939 9	.4136	< 0.00000000000000022	***
mark_rate2	1.38142743	0.34634688 3	.9886	0.000066473883081489	***

## Marginal Effects on Pr(Outcome==3)

```
Marg. Eff
                            Std. error t value
                                                   Pr(>|t|)
is_comic1
              -0.06648587
                            0.03519228 -1.8892
                                                   0.0588627 .
is_Genshin1
                            0.00086095 -3.4351
                                                   0.0005924 ***
              -0.00295741
                            0.04873351 -4.7874 0.0000016894 ***
like_rate
              -0.23330746
mark rate
               0.20463648
                            0.04644807 4.4057 0.0000105440 ***
                            0.00016001 -4.6174 0.0000038861 ***
comments
              -0.00073884
```

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup>Please refer to the Appendix for the relevant code pertaining to the margins.oglmx algorithm.

```
0.00233452 -5.1082 0.0000003253 ***
top_cnt
              -0.01192514
                           0.00124357 -4.6338 0.0000035899 ***
date_diff_day -0.00576250
              -0.17656487
                           0.05546227 -3.1835
                                                 0.0014550 **
mark_rate2
Marginal Effects on Pr(Outcome==4)
                Marg. Eff
                           Std. error
                                                            Pr(>|t|)
                                       t value
is comic1
               0.06158231
                           0.01069189
                                        5.7597
                                                0.000000008425301512 ***
is Genshin1
              -0.01919832
                           0.00412688
                                       -4.6520
                                                0.000003286933884080 ***
like_rate
              -1.71645208
                           0.15033050 -11.4179 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
mark_rate
               1.50551857
                           0.18779600
                                        8.0168 0.00000000000001086 ***
                           0.00054123 -10.0433 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
comments
              -0.00543569
                           0.00391746 - 22.3955 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
top_cnt
              -0.08773371
                                       -9.4910 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
date_diff_day -0.04239491
                           0.00446685
                                       -3.9921 0.000065491908615994 ***
mark rate2
              -1.29899466
                           0.32539166
Marginal Effects on Pr(Outcome==5)
                Marg. Eff
                           Std. error
                                       t value
                                                            Pr(>|t|)
is_comic1
               0.26233753
                           0.09753254
                                        2.6897
                                                            0.007151 **
is_Genshin1
              -0.02697570
                           0.00570035
                                      -4.7323 0.0000022200048292901 ***
like rate
              -2.44342267
                           0.20504356 - 11.9166 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
mark rate
               2.14315230
                           0.26177419
                                        8.1870 0.0000000000000002678 ***
                           0.00074251 -10.4212 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
comments
              -0.00773788
top cnt
              -0.12489166
                           0.00488016 -25.5917 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
                           0.00618613
                                       -9.7558 < 0.00000000000000022 ***
date_diff_day -0.06035047
mark_rate2
              -1.84915912
                           0.46071338
                                      -4.0137 0.0000597777070404874 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Based on the code output, we can analyze the effects of different outcomes on rank and the influence of various variables. Here are some key interpretations for each outcome category:

#### Outcome==1:

- "is\_Genshin1" has a positive marginal effect (0.02897413). This indicates that a one-unit increase in the "is\_Genshin1" variable (possibly a binary variable indicating whether something is related to Genshin) leads to an increase in the probability of tier 1 by approximately 0.029 compared to artworks related to other topics. This implies that Genshin-themed artworks are more likely to be ranked in the top tier.
- "is\_comic1" has a negative marginal effect (-0.12007167). This means that if the "is\_comic1" increases by one unit, the probability of an artwork being tier 1 decreases by approximately 0.12, while holding other variables constant.
- "mark\_rate" has a negative (-2.25225022). This means that if the "mark\_rate" increases by one unit, the probability of top tier decreases by approximately 2.25, while holding other variables constant.
- "like\_rate", "comments", "top\_cnt", "date\_diff\_day" and "mark\_rate2" all have significant positive marginal effects. This suggests that increases in these variables result in higher probabilities of achieving a top-tier ranking, while controlling for other variables.

#### Outcome == 2:

- "is\_comic1" has a negative marginal effect (-0.13736230), indicating that it decreases the probability of tier 2.
- "is\_Genshin1" has a positive marginal effect (0.02015730), increasing the probability of tier 2.
- "mark\_rate" has a negative (-1.60105712), which also indicates that it decreases the probability of tier 2.
- Other variables such as "like\_rate", "comments", "top\_cnt", "date\_diff\_day" and "mark\_rate2" have significant positive effects, suggesting an increased likelihood of tier 2.

#### Outcome == 3:

- "mark\_rate" has a positive marginal effect (0.20463648). For a one-unit increase in the variable "mark\_rate", the probability of the outcome being 3 increases by approximately 0.205.
- Other variables of outcome 3 have negative effects, indicating decreased probabilities of tier 3.

#### Outcome = = 4:

- "is\_comic1" and "mark\_rate" have a positive marginal effect (0.06158231 and 1.5055185 respectively), suggesting an increased probability of tier 4.
- Other variables have significant negative effects, implying a lower probability of tier 4.

## Outcome==5:

- "is\_comic1" and "mark\_rate" have a positive marginal effect (0.26233753 and 2.14315230r espectively), suggesting an increased probability of tier 5.
- Other variables have significant negative effects, implying a lower probability of Outcome 5

By analyzing the Marginal Effects, we gain insights into the impact of specific variables on the probabilities of different ranking outcomes. These findings provide valuable information for understanding the factors influencing the rankings of AI-generated artworks on the platform.

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## **Appendix**

The codes provided in the Appendix are simplified examples for illustration purposes. In practice, additional steps such as data preprocessing, handling missing values, and further diagnostics would be conducted.

By including such explanatory text and providing a clear explanation of the code implementation, readers will be able to follow the code and understand its relevance to the research study.

#### polr

In this section, we provide the code implementation for fitting a logit model using the MASS::polr function in the R programming language. The logit model is used as an ordered choice model to analyze the factors influencing the rankings of AI-generated artwork.

In the above code, we convert the 'rank' variable to a factor using the as.factor function, ensuring that it is treated as an ordered variable. Next, we fit the logit model using the polr function, specifying the dependent variable tier and the independent variables like\_rate, mark\_rate, is\_comic, is\_Genshin, is\_Honkai, comments, top\_cnt, date\_diff\_day, and views.

#### clm

In this section, we present the code implementation and the results for the probit model probit\_ai. This model examines the influence of various variables on the rankings of AI-generated images.

In the above code, we first convert the 'rank' variable in the ai data set to a factor variable named 'tier', representing the rankings of AI-generated images. Then, we fit the probit model probit\_ai to analyze the relationship between the 'tier' variable and predictor variables such as like\_rate, mark\_rate, is\_comic, is\_Genshin, is\_Honkai, comments, top\_cnt, and date\_diff\_day.

#### ologit.reg

n this section, we provide the code implementation and the summary results for the probit models probit\_ai and probit\_man. These models examine the influence of various variables on the rankings of AI-generated images (probit\_ai) and hand-drawn artwork (probit\_man).

```
# Fit the probit model for AI-generated images
probit_ai <- ologit.reg(tier~like_rate+mark_rate</pre>
                   +is_comic+is_Genshin
                   +comments+top_cnt+date_diff_day
                   +mark_rate2
                   ,data=ai)
# Fit the probit model for hand-drawn artwork
probit_man <- ologit.reg(tier~like_rate</pre>
                   +mark_rate2
                   +mark_rate3
                   +is_comic+is_Honkai
                   +top_cnt+date_diff_day+views
                   ,data=man)
# Summarize the results of the probit models
summary(probit ai)
summary(probit_man)
```

In the above code, we fit the probit model probit\_ai to analyze the rankings of AI-generated images, considering variables such as like\_rate, mark\_rate, is\_comic, is\_Genshin, comments, top\_cnt, date\_diff\_day, and mark\_rate2. Similarly, we fit the probit model probit\_man to examine the rankings of hand-drawn artwork, considering variables such as like\_rate, mark\_rate2, mark\_rate3, is comic, is\_Honkai, top\_cnt, date\_diff\_day, and views.

We then obtain the summary results for each model using the summary function, which provides information on the estimated coefficients, standard errors, p-values, and other relevant statistics.

#### lipsitz and logitgof tests

In this section, we provide the code implementation for conducting goodness-of-fit tests on the fitted logit model using the lipsitz.test and logitgof functions in R. These tests are used to assess the adequacy of the model and evaluate its fit to the observed data.

In the above code, we must load the necessary libraries, including the ordinal library, which provides the functions for conducting the goodness-of-fit tests. We then proceed to perform the Lipsitz test using the lipsitz test function, which evaluates the overall fit of the logit model. Additionally, we conduct the Lemeshow test using the logitgof function, which assesses the calibration of the model by comparing the observed and expected probabilities across groups.

#### pulkrob tests

n this section, we provide the code implementation for conducting the Pulkstenis-Robinson tests on the fitted logit model using the pulkrob.chisq and pulkrob.deviance functions in R. These tests are used to assess the significance of specific variables in the model and evaluate their contribution to the overall fit.

In the above code, we first load the necessary libraries, including the ordinal library, which provides the functions for conducting the Pulkstenis-Robinson tests. We then proceed to perform the Pulkstenis-Robinson chi-square test using the pulkrob.chisq function, which assesses the significance of the specified variables in the logit model. Additionally, we calculate the Pulkstenis-Robinson deviance using the pulkrob.deviance function, which measures the contribution of the variables to the overall deviance of the model.

#### Brant's test

In this section, we present the code implementation for conducting the Brant test on the fitted logit model using the brant function in R. The Brant test is used to assess the assumption of proportional odds in the ordered choice model and helps determine whether the logit or probit model is more appropriate.

```
brant(logit_ai)
```

In the above code, we first load the necessary libraries, including the ordinal library, which provides the brant function for conducting the Brant test. We then proceed to perform the Brant test on the fitted logit model logit ai.

#### pR2 test

In this section, we present the code implementation for calculating the McFadden R2 statistic using the pR2 function from the pscl library in R. The McFadden R2 is a measure of the goodness-of-fit for logistic and probit models in ordered choice analysis.

```
pR2(logit_ai)
pR2(probit_ai)
pR2(probit_man)
```

In the above code, we should load the necessary pscl library fristly, which provides the pR2 function for calculating the McFadden R2 statistic. We then proceed to calculate the McFadden R2 for the logit model logit\_ai, as well as the probit models probit\_ai and probit\_man.

#### lrtest.

In this section, we present the code implementation for conducting the Likelihood Ratio Test (LRT) to compare the full probit model probit\_ai with a restricted model probit\_ai\_restricted. The LRT is used to assess the significance of additional variables in the full model compared to a reduced or restricted model.

```
# Fit the restricted probit model
probit_ai_restricted <- clm(as.factor(tier)~1, data=ai)

# Perform the Likelihood Ratio Test
lrtest(probit_ai, probit_ai_restricted)</pre>
```

In the above code, we first fit the restricted probit model probit\_ai\_restricted, which includes only the intercept term. We then proceed to perform the Likelihood Ratio Test using the lrtest function, comparing the full probit model probit\_ai with the restricted model.

#### **Example of Variables Selection**

In this section, we present the code implementation for applying variable power transformations in the probit model probit\_ai to examine the impact of including squared variables (like\_rate2 and mark\_rate2) on the model's fit. The anova function is then used to compare the full model probit\_ai with the model including the squared variables probit\_ai\_power.

In the above code, we extend the probit model probit\_ai by including squared variables (like\_rate2 and mark\_rate2) to capture potential non-linear relationships between these variables and the response variable. We fit the extended model probit\_ai\_power and then use the anova function to compare the full model probit\_ai with the model including the squared variables.

### margins.oglmx

In this section, we present the code implementation and the results for the estimation and marginal effects analysis of the probit model probit\_ai. This analysis allows us to examine the differential impact of various variables on the rankings of AI-generated images.

```
# Calculate the marginal effects for the probit model
margins.oglmx(probit_ai)
```

In the above code, we use the margins.oglmx() function to calculate the marginal effects for the probit\_ai model. This function computes the average marginal effects of each predictor variable on the predicted probabilities of the different rank levels.

The results of the marginal effects analysis provide insights into how changes in each predictor variable affect the probabilities of different rankings for AI-generated images.