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Homework #3

- Let $grad$ be a dummy variable for whether a student-athlete at a large university graduates in five years. Let $hsGPA$ and SAT be high school grade point average and SAT score. Let $study$ be the number of hours spent per week in organized study hall. Suppose that, using data on 420 student-athletes, the following logit model is obtained:

$$P(grad = 1 | hsGPA, SAT, study) = \Lambda(-1.17 + .28 * hsGPA + .00075 * SAT + .015 * study)$$

, where $\Lambda(z) = \exp(z) / [1 + \exp(z)]$ is the logit function. Holding $hsGPA$ fixed at 3.0 and SAT fixed at 1,100, compute the estimated difference in the graduation probability for someone who spent 8 hours per week in study hall and someone who spent 4 hours per week.

- Introductory Wooldridge (International edition) chapter 17, C1.
- Introductory Wooldridge (International edition) chapter 17, C2 plus:
 - Calculate the share of correctly predicted for LPM/Logit/Probit models. Construct the prediction tables for all models. Comment.

Note: you need to estimate LPM as well for question (i) In addition:

In question (iv) compare the size of the discrimination effect for all three models: LPM, probit and logit.

(v) For each of the three models: find the maximum and the minimum values of the predicted probability of a loan approval. Compare the values across the three models, and comment.

- Advanced Wooldridge 15.3.
- Advanced Wooldridge 15.7.
- A latent variable y_i^* is generated by

$$y_i^* = x_i \beta + \epsilon_i$$

where ϵ_i is $N(0; \sigma_i^2)$ and $\sigma_i^2 = \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 x_i^2$. We observe $y_i = 1(y_i^* > 0)$ and x_i . Write down the log-likelihood function of the model, in terms of the parameters: γ_0, γ_1 and β .

7. Cameron and Trivedi Exercise 15-3.

Use data *fishing.dta* to replicate the results in the second column of Table 15.2 p. 493. Then use STATA command "sample" to draw a 50 % sub-sample (use "set seed" with the seed of your choice to draw your own sample), reestimate the model under column 2, and answer questions to exercise 15-3.

Hint: look-up the following commands in STATA: probit, logit, sample.