

1. Interpretação do Modelo

- C5** In Problem 2 in Chapter 4, we added the return on the firm's stock, ros , to a model explaining CEO salary; ros turned out to be insignificant. Now, define a dummy variable, $rosneg$, which is equal to one if $ros < 0$ and equal to zero if $ros \geq 0$. Use CEOSAL1.RAW to estimate the model

$$\log(\text{salary}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(\text{sales}) + \beta_2 \text{roe} + \beta_3 \text{rosneg} + u.$$

Discuss the interpretation and statistical significance of $\hat{\beta}_3$.

- C8** Use the data in LOANAPP.RAW for this exercise. The binary variable to be explained is $approve$, which is equal to one if a mortgage loan to an individual was approved. The key explanatory variable is $white$, a dummy variable equal to one if the applicant was white. The other applicants in the data set are black and Hispanic.

To test for discrimination in the mortgage loan market, a linear probability model can be used:

$$approve = \beta_0 + \beta_1 white + \text{other factors}.$$

- (i) If there is discrimination against minorities, and the appropriate factors have been controlled for, what is the sign of β_1 ?
- (ii) Regress $approve$ on $white$ and report the results in the usual form. Interpret the coefficient on $white$. Is it statistically significant? Is it practically large?
- (iii) As controls, add the variables $hrat$, $obrat$, $loanprc$, $unem$, $male$, $married$, dep , sch , $cosign$, $chist$, $pubrec$, $mortlat1$, $mortlat2$, and vr . What happens to the coefficient on $white$? Is there still evidence of discrimination against nonwhites?
- (iv) Now, allow the effect of race to interact with the variable measuring other obligations as a percentage of income ($obrat$). Is the interaction term significant?

2. Problemas de Especificação e Variável Proxy

Nota: Problema C1 se refere ao problema C5 acima

- C1**
- (i) Apply RESET from equation (9.3) to the model estimated in Computer Exercise C5 in Chapter 7. Is there evidence of functional form misspecification in the equation?
 - (ii) Compute a heteroskedasticity-robust form of RESET. Does your conclusion from part (i) change?
- C2** Use the data set WAGE2.RAW for this exercise.
- (i) Use the variable KWW (the “knowledge of the world of work” test score) as a proxy for ability in place of IQ in Example 9.3. What is the estimated return to education in this case?
 - (ii) Now, use IQ and KWW together as proxy variables. What happens to the estimated return to education?
 - (iii) In part (ii), are IQ and KWW individually significant? Are they jointly significant?

3. OLS e PROBIT

C1 Use the data in PNTSPRD.RAW for this exercise.

- (i) The variable *favwin* is a binary variable if the team favored by the Las Vegas point spread wins. A linear probability model to estimate the probability that the favored team wins is

$$P(\text{favwin} = 1 | \text{spread}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{spread}.$$

Explain why, if the spread incorporates all relevant information, we expect $\beta_0 = .5$.

- (ii) Estimate the model from part (i) by OLS. Test $H_0: \beta_0 = .5$ against a two-sided alternative. Use both the usual and heteroskedasticity-robust standard errors.
- (iii) Is *spread* statistically significant? What is the estimated probability that the favored team wins when *spread* = 10?
- (iv) Now, estimate a probit model for $P(\text{favwin} = 1 | \text{spread})$. Interpret and test the null hypothesis that the intercept is zero. [Hint: Remember that $\Phi(0) = .5$.]
- (v) Use the probit model to estimate the probability that the favored team wins when *spread* = 10. Compare this with the LPM estimate from part (iii).
- (vi) Add the variables *favhome*, *fav25*, and *und25* to the probit model and test joint significance of these variables using the likelihood ratio test. (How many *df* are in the chi-square distribution?) Interpret this result, focusing on the question of whether the spread incorporates all observable information prior to a game.

4. PROBIT e LOGIT

C2 Use the data in LOANAPP.RAW for this exercise; see also Computer Exercise C8 in Chapter 7.

- (i) Estimate a probit model of *approve* on *white*. Find the estimated probability of loan approval for both whites and nonwhites. How do these compare with the linear probability estimates?
- (ii) Now, add the variables *hrat*, *obrat*, *loanprc*, *unem*, *male*, *married*, *dep*, *sch*, *cosign*, *chist*, *pubrec*, *mortlat1*, *mortlat2*, and *vr* to the probit model. Is there statistically significant evidence of discrimination against nonwhites?
- (iii) Estimate the model from part (ii) by logit. Compare the coefficient on *white* to the probit estimate.
- (iv) Use equation (17.17) to estimate the sizes of the discrimination effects for probit and logit.