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Bivariate Probit

$$y_1^* = \gamma_1^T \beta_1 + \varepsilon_1 \quad y_1 = 1 \text{ if } y_1^* > 0, 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

$$y_2^* = \gamma_2^T \beta_2 + \varepsilon_2 \quad y_2 = 1 \text{ if } y_2^* > 0, 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \end{pmatrix} \mid \gamma_1, \gamma_2 \sim N \left(\begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right)$$

This model can be used in a couple of other situations.

e.g. LAZARTE ALCALA, 2011

Endogenous Regressor, Recursive

$$W^* = \gamma_1^T \beta_1 + \varepsilon_1 \quad W = 1 \text{ if } W^* > 0, 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

$$y^* = \gamma_2^T \beta_2 + \gamma W + \varepsilon_2 \quad y = 1 \text{ if } y^* > 0, 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

Endogenous Sampling

$$S^* = \gamma_1^T \beta_1 + \varepsilon_1 \quad S = 1 \text{ if } S^* > 0, 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

$$y^* = \gamma_2^T \beta_2 + \varepsilon_2 \quad y = 1 \text{ if } y^* > 0, 0 \text{ otherwise}$$

γ_1, γ_2 observed only when $S = 1$.

Bivariate Normal CDF

$$\text{Prob}(X_1 < \tau_1, X_2 < \tau_2) = \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_2} \int_{-\infty}^{\tau_1} \phi_2(z_1, z_2, \rho) dz_1 dz_2$$

$$\phi_2(\tau_1, \tau_2, \rho) = \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\tau_1^2 + \tau_2^2 - 2\tau_1\tau_2)/1-\rho^2}}{2\pi(1-\rho^2)^{1/2}}$$

$$\text{let } g_{i1} = 2g_{i1} - 1 \quad (-1, 1)$$

$$g_{i2} = 2g_{i2} - 1$$

$$z_{ij} = \tau_{ij}^T \beta_j \quad \text{and} \quad w_{ij} = g_{ij} z_{ij}$$

$$\text{and } \rho_i^* = g_{i1} g_{i2} \rho$$

The log-likelihood

$$\ln L = \sum_{i=1}^n \ln P_i$$

$$P_i = \text{Prob}(Y_1 = g_{i1}, Y_2 = g_{i2} | \tau_1, \tau_2)$$

$$= \Phi_2(w_{i1}, w_{i2}, \rho_i^*)$$

Φ_2 is Bivariate Normal CDF

ϕ_2 is " " " p.d.f.

The likelihood Equations

$$\frac{\partial \ln L}{\partial \beta_j} = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{\delta_{ij} g_{ij}}{\Phi_2} \right) \gamma_{ij} \quad j=1,2$$

$$\frac{\partial \ln L}{\partial \rho} = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{g_{i1} g_{i2} \phi_2}{\Phi_2}$$

$$g_{i1} = \phi(w_{i1}) \Phi \left[\frac{w_{i2} - \rho_i^* w_{i1}}{(1 - \rho_i^*)^{1/2}} \right]$$

$$g_{i2} = \phi(w_{i2}) \Phi \left[\frac{w_{i1} - \rho_i^* w_{i2}}{(1 - \rho_i^*)^{1/2}} \right]$$

Example:

HospVis_{it} = 1 if HospVis > 0, 0 oth.
 DocVis_{it} = 1 if DocVis > 0, 0 oth.

let $\gamma_1 = \gamma_2 = \text{const, Female, Age, Inc, Kids, Edec, Married.}$

Gender Econ Courses at Liberal Arts Colleges

$$G = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if there is a gender econ} \\ & \text{course} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$W = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{women's studies program} \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Prob}[G=1, W=1 \mid \gamma_G, \gamma_W]$$

$$= \Phi_2(\gamma_G^T \beta_G + \gamma_W, \gamma_W^T \beta_W, \rho)$$

γ_G & γ_W are sets of indep variables.

Burnett 1997

132 schools,
58 women's studies programs
31 gender econ courses.

Academic reputation appears in both γ_G & γ_W . To find its effect on the Prob of gender Econ Take some effect.

Using Conditional Prob.

$$E[G | \gamma_0, \gamma_w] = \text{Prob}[W=1] E[G | W=1, \gamma_0, \gamma_w] \\ + \text{Prob}[W=0] E[G | W=0, \gamma_0, \gamma_w]$$

$$= \Phi_2(\gamma_0^T \beta_0 + \gamma, \gamma_w^T \beta_w, \rho) \\ + \Phi_2(\gamma_0^T \beta_0, -\gamma_w^T \beta_w, -\rho)$$

Take the derivatives of this
w/ respect to α resp.

If the variable is binary
(e.g., W) then the derivatives
may not give such a good approx.
Use Finite difference

$$\text{Prob}[G=1 | W=1] - \text{Prob}[G=1 | W=0]$$