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Exercise 1 answers

1. **Which of the following best describes the behavior of the function $y = \alpha e^{\beta x}$ if $\beta > 0$?**
 - a) The function decreases as x increases
 - b) The function increases at a constant rate
 - c) The function increases at an accelerating rate**
 - d) The function remains unchanged regardless of x
2. **Which of the following statements is true about the logarithmic model?**
 - a) It grows at a constant rate
 - b) It has a horizontal asymptote
 - c) It increases rapidly at first and then slows down**
 - d) It represents exponential decay
3. **If a process follows a logarithmic model, how does its rate of change behave?**
 - a) The rate of change remains constant
 - b) The rate of change increases exponentially
 - c) The rate of change slows down over time**
 - d) The rate of change is unpredictable
4. **In the power law model $y = \alpha x^\beta$, what does the exponent β determine?**
 - a) The slope of the linear relationship
 - b) How fast y increases or decreases when x changes**
 - c) The starting value of y
 - d) The rate of exponential decay
5. **A power law model is particularly useful for describing:**
 - a) Linear relationships
 - b) Growth that slows down over time
 - c) Relationships with scale-invariance properties**
 - d) Situations where changes are unpredictable
6. **A population of bacteria follows an exponential growth model given by $P = P_0 e^{0.3t}$, where $P_0=100$. What is the population after 5 hours? At what point in time the population of bacteria will be doubled?**
 - a) 100, 3 hours
 - b) 134, 2,30 hours
 - c) 448, 2 hours and 18 min**
 - d) 600, 3 hours

Explanation : $P = 100e^{0.3*5} = 100e^{1.5} = 100*4.4817 \approx 448$; So, after 5 hours, the population is approximately **448**.

Doubled means $P = 2 \cdot P_0 = 200$, Using the formula: $200 = 100e^{0.3*t} \Rightarrow 2 = e^{0.3*t}$ Take natural logarithm:

$\ln(2)=0.3t \Rightarrow t=\ln(2)/0.3 \approx 2.3103$ hours $t \approx 0.30.6931 \approx 2.31$ hours Convert 0.3103 hours to minutes: $0.3103*60 \approx 18.6$ minutes So, the population doubles in approximately **2 hours and 18 minutes.**

7. **What is the primary purpose of Logit and Probit models in statistical analysis?**
 - a) To predict continuous outcomes
 - b) To model relationships between categorical independent variables
 - c) To estimate the probability of a binary dependent variable**
 - d) To compute linear regression coefficients
8. **What is the key difference between Logit and Probit models?**
 - a) Logit assumes a normal distribution, while Probit assumes a logistic distribution
 - b) Probit assumes a normal distribution, while Logit assumes a logistic distribution**
 - c) Logit is used for categorical data, while Probit is used for numerical data
 - d) There is no difference; both models yield identical results
9. **In the Logit model, what transformation is applied to the probability of success?**
 - a) Square root transformation
 - b) Logarithmic transformation
 - c) Log-odds**
 - d) Exponential transformation
10. **Which of the following is a key assumption of the Probit model?**
 - a) The errors follow a logistic distribution
 - b) The independent variables must be categorical
 - c) The errors follow a normal distribution**
 - d) The dependent variable must be normally distributed
11. **What is the range of predicted probabilities in both Logit and Probit models?**
 - a) $-\infty$ to $+\infty$
 - b) 0 to 1**
 - c) -1 to 1
 - d) Depends on the independent variables
12. **If the estimated Logit model is: $\ln\left(\frac{P}{1-P}\right) = -2 + 1.5X$, What is the probability of success (P) when X=2?**
 - a) 0.50
 - b) 0.73**
 - c) 0.27
 - d) 0.90

Explanation : $\ln\left(\frac{P}{1-P}\right) = -2 + 1.5(2) = 1$ take exponential of both side $p/(p-1) = e^1 = 2.718$

$$P = 2.71(1-P) ; \text{ then } P \approx 0.731$$

13. **If a Probit model estimates: $P(Y=1)=\Phi(-1+0.8X)$, What is the probability of success when X=2 using the standard normal CDF (Φ)?**
 - a) 0.40
 - b) 0.50

- c) 0.73
- d) 0.80

Explanation: $P(Y=1) = \Phi(-1 + 0.8 \cdot 2) = P(Y=1) = \Phi(0.6) = 0.73$

14. If the coefficient of an independent variable in a Logit model is negative, what does it imply?
 - a) The probability of success increases as the independent variable increases
 - b) The probability of success decreases as the independent variable increases
 - c) The independent variable has no effect on the outcome
 - d) The variable is not statistically significant
15. If a Probit model produces a coefficient of 2.5 for an independent variable, how should it be interpreted?
 - a) A one-unit increase in the independent variable increases the probability by 2.5
 - b) A one-unit increase in the independent variable increases the Z-score by 2.5
 - c) A one-unit increase in the independent variable decreases the probability by 2.5
 - d) The coefficient does not affect probability predictions

Exercise 2 answers

1. The appropriate model is the **logarithmic model**.
2. The assumed functional form of the relationship between **GDP** and **FDI** is:

$$\begin{aligned} GDP &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \ln(FDI) \\ GDP &= 1.203 + 0.743 \ln(FDI) \end{aligned}$$

3. Predict the GDP when FDI = 10

We plug into the model: $GDP = 1.203 + 0.743 \cdot \ln(10) \approx 2.913$

4. Interpret the results (coefficients)

Intercept (1.203): is the initial value of GDP; or the value of GDP when the value FDI = 1 unit.

The Coefficient 0.743:

This means that a **1% increase in FDI** leads to an **approximate increase in GDP by 0.743/FDI units**.

In other words, **GDP increases with diminishing effect as FDI rises**.

5. How does GDP growth respond to an increase in FDI from 15 to 25 and from 25 to 35?

$$GDP_{15} = 1.203 + 0.743 \cdot \ln(15) = 3.215$$

$$GDP_{25} = 1.203 + 0.743 \cdot \ln(25) \approx 3.594$$

$$GDP_{35} = 1.203 + 0.743 \cdot \ln(35) \approx 3.844$$

$$\Delta GDP_{15 \rightarrow 25} = 3.594 - 3.215 = 0.379$$

$$\Delta GDP_{25 \rightarrow 35} = 3.844 - 3.594 = 0.250$$

- The GDP increases more when FDI increases from 15 to 25 ($\Delta GDP = 0.379$) compared to when FDI increases from 25 to 35 ($\Delta GDP = 0.250$). This supports the theory: **as FDI increases, its marginal contribution to GDP diminishes.**

Exercise 3 answers

1. The relationship described — *slow growth at first, then faster acceleration* — so, the appropriate model to test this relationship is **Exponential Growth model**:
2. The model that shows the relationship between the two variables is $Innov = \beta_0 e^{\beta_1 R&D}$

based on the table: $Innov = 1.752 e^{0.312 R&D}$

This model indicates that innovation grows **exponentially** as R&D expenditure increases.

3. The Innovation value when R&D expenditure is 4 units

Plug into the model: $Innov = 1.752 e^{0.312 \cdot 4} \approx 20.085$

4. Interpret the results (coefficients)

- **$\beta_0 = 1.752$:** is the initial value of Innovation, or it indicates the value of innovation when R&D = 0.
- **$\beta_1 = 0.312$:** is the growth rate, 0.312 indicates a positive exponential growth rate, 1-unit increase in R&D leads to a 32.2% increase in Innovation by a factor of:

5. How does innovation respond to an increase in R&D from 2 to 4 and from 4 to 6?

From R&D = 2 to 4:

$$Innov = 1.752 e^{0.312 \cdot 2} \approx 10.77$$

$$Innov = 1.752 e^{0.312 \cdot 4} \approx 20.085$$

$$\Delta Innovation_{2 \rightarrow 4} = 20.09 - 10.77 = 9.32$$

From R&D = 4 to 6:

$$Innov = 1.752 e^{0.312 \cdot 4} \approx 20.085$$

$$Innov = 1.752 e^{0.312 \cdot 6} \approx 37.51$$

$$\Delta Innovation_{4 \rightarrow 6} = 37.51 - 20.058 = 917.43$$

Exercise 4 answers

1. Perform the model that represents the relationship and convert it into linear form

Power Law Model Form: $EG = \beta_0 Energ^{\beta_1}$

Convert into linear form using logarithms:

$$\ln(EG) = \ln(\beta_0) + \beta_1 \cdot \ln(Energ)$$

So, the regression model becomes:

$$\ln(EG) = C(1) + C(2) \cdot \ln(Energ)$$

From the table:

- $C(1)=\ln(\beta_0) = 1.2456$ so, $\beta_0=3.475$
- $C(2)=\beta_1= 0.8723$

Thus, the Power law model is: $EG = 3.475Energ^{0.872}$

2. The estimated power law exponent is: $\beta_1= 0.8723$; it shows how fast economic growth responds to changes in energy consumption.
3. Is the relationship statistically significant? Let's look at the **t-statistics** and **p-values**:
 - Coefficient C(2) has a P-value = 0.0000 → **significant at all common levels (1%, 5%, 10%)**. So, the relationship is **statistically significant**.
4. What is the economic interpretation of the elasticity coefficient?

The coefficient $\beta_0=3.475$, is the initial value of economic growth;

The coefficient $\beta_1=0.8723$ indicates that, **1% increase** in energy consumption leads to an approximate **0.87% increase** in economic growth, **on average**. Since the coefficient is **less than 1**, this suggests the energy consumption and economic growth grow at rate **less than proportionally**, **energy consumption increase faster than economic growth**.

5. How well does the model fit the data?

From the table: $R^2=0.8794$; this means: About **87.94%** of the variation in economic growth is explained by variations in energy consumption. This is a **very good fit**, indicating a **strong explanatory power** of the model.

Exercise 5 answers

1. This is a **logistic regression model** (logit), appropriate for binary outcomes like **default = 1** or **no default = 0**. The model is:

$$\ln P/(1-P) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{Income} + \beta_2 \cdot \text{DTI} + \beta_3 \cdot \text{Credit Score} + \beta_4 \cdot \text{Loan Amount}$$

2. The logit regression, based on the table

$$\ln P/(1-P) = -3.2154 - 0.0028 \text{Income} + 0.0735 \text{DTI} - 0.0146 \text{Credit Score} + 0.0012 \cdot \text{Loan Amount}$$

3. Interpretation of each coefficient

All coefficients represent the effect on the **log-odds** of default. Here's the sign and interpretation:

- **Income (-0.0028):** translate this into odds, we exponentiate the coefficient: $e^{-0.0028} \approx 0.9972$; **odds=0.9972-1=0.002796 = - 0.2796%** This means 1 unit increase in income decreases the probability of default by 0.2796%.
- **Debt-to-Income Ratio (0.0735):** let's translate this into odds, we exponentiate the coefficient: $e^{0.0735} \approx 1.07627$; **odds = 1.07627 - 1 = 0.007627 = 0.7627%**. This means 1 unit increase in debt-to-income ratio increases the probability of default by 0.7627%.
- **Credit Score (-0.0146):** let's translate this into odds, we exponentiate the coefficient: $e^{-0.0146} \approx 0.9855$; **odds = 0.9855 - 1 = 0.0145 = 1.45%**. This means 1 unit increase in credit score decreases the probability of default by 1.45%.
- **Loan Amount (0.0012):** let's translate this into odds, we exponentiate the coefficient: $e^{0.0012} \approx 1$; **odds = 1.0012 - 1 = 0.0012 = 0.12%**. This means 1 unit increase in Loan amount increases the probability of default by 0.12%.

4. Estimate the probability of default for a borrower : Income = 50,000, DTI = 40, Credit Score = 650, Loan Amount = 15,000, **Plug into the logit equation**

$$\hat{P} = \frac{e^{-3.2154 - 0.0028(50) + 0.0735(40) - 0.0146(650) + 0.0012(15)}}{1 + e^{-3.2154 - 0.0028(50) + 0.0735(40) - 0.0146(650) + 0.0012(15)}} \approx 0.0000508 \approx 0$$

Interpretation: With this data, the model sees the borrower as **very low risk** — the probability that this borrower defaults is close to zero.

5. Impact of increasing credit score from 650 to 700 Recalculate logit using Credit Score = 700:

- Old credit score term: $-0.0146 \cdot 650 = -9.49$
- New credit score term: $-0.0146 \cdot 700 = -10.22$

The probability becomes slightly **lower**, making the default probability **even smaller**. The absolute change in probability is very small because we were already near 0. **Increasing credit score reduces the risk of default**

6. Recommendations to reduce loan default risk

Based on the regression results:

1. **Favor borrowers with higher income**
2. A high DTI significantly increases default risk. Discard the applicant with high **DTI limits** or require financial counseling for high-DTI borrowers.
3. **Be cautious with large loan amounts**
Though the effect is smaller, larger loans increase risk. Introduce tighter controls on large loan approvals or require stronger credit profiles.

Exercise 6 answers

1. Since the dependent variable is binary (adopt or not adopt) and the error term is **normally distributed**, the appropriate model is a **Probit regression model**.

The Model is:

$$P(\text{adoption}) = \Phi(\beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{Income} + \beta_2 \cdot \text{Education} + \beta_3 \cdot \text{Awareness} + \beta_4 \cdot \text{Costs})$$

$$P(\text{adoption}) = \Phi(-2.5 + 0.05\text{Income} + 0.01\text{Education} + 0.2\text{Awareness} + 0.15\text{Costs})$$

2. Interpretation of coefficients:
 - **Intercept (-2.5):** is the probability of adoption when all other variables are 0.
 - **Income (0.05):** Higher income **increases** the probability of adoption.
 - **Education (0.10):** More years of education **increase** the probability of adoption.
 - **Awareness (0.20):** Greater environmental awareness **significantly increases** the probability.
 - **Costs (0.15):** **Higher electricity costs increase** the probability of adoption renewable energy
3. Key determinants of adoption: is **Awareness and costs**
4. Does higher household income increase adoption likelihood? **Yes.** The coefficient for income is positive and statistically significant (0.05, $p = 0.012$), indicating that higher income **increases** the probability of adoption.
5. Do rising electricity costs encourage or discourage adoption? **Encourage.** The coefficient is **positive** (0.15) and significant, meaning that higher electricity costs **increase** the probability of adoption —
6. Calculate the probability of adoption for given household: **Income = \$70,000, Education = 10 years, Awareness = 5, Electricity Costs = \$140**

$$P = \Phi(-2.5 + 0.05 \cdot 70 + 0.10 \cdot 10 + 0.20 \cdot 5 + 0.15 \cdot 140) = \Phi(24) \approx 1$$

This gives a **very high probability of adoption**, This household has a near-zero probability of adopting renewable energy.

7. Strongest influence & policy suggestion:
 - **Awareness (coefficient = 0.20)** has the **strongest positive effect**.

Recommendation:

- **Invest in awareness campaigns and educational programs** about environmental impact and renewable energy benefits.