

Economics 311

Daily Problem(s) #13

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1. Show the slope $\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X}$ and the elasticity $\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X} \frac{X}{Y}$ for the given functional forms:

- $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$
- $\ln Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \ln X + \varepsilon$
- $\ln Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$

(Note: A helpful property of derivatives tells us that $\Delta \ln Y = \Delta Y / Y$)

2. Suppose that our model is $eval = \beta_0 + \beta_{female} female + \beta_1 beauty + \beta_{1,female} female \times beauty + \varepsilon$. The relevant regression output is

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. gen femalexbeauty=female*beauty
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. regress eval female beauty femalexbeauty
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	463
Model	10.3209875	3	3.44032917	F(3, 459)	=	11.97
Residual	131.917633	459	.28740225	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.0726
				Adj R-squared	=	0.0665
Total	142.23862	462	.307875801	Root MSE	=	.5361

eval	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
female	-.1950969	.0508873	-3.83	0.000	-.2950979 -.0950959
beauty	.2002743	.043333	4.62	0.000	.1151186 .28543
femalexbeauty	-.1126579	.063975	-1.76	0.079	-.2383781 .0130624
_cons	4.085949	.0329515	124.00	0.000	4.021195 4.150704

- What is the equation for males (where $female = 0$)?
- What is the equation for females (where $female = 1$)?
- What are the intercepts of the male and female equations?
- What are the slopes of the male and female equations?
- Test the hypothesis that the effect of *beauty* on *eval* is the same for males and females?