mprobit postestimation — Postestimation tools for mprobit

Postestimation commands

The following postestimation commands are available after `mprobit`:

Command	Description
`contrast`	contrasts and ANOVA-style joint tests of parameters
`estat ic`	Akaike's, consistent Akaike's, corrected Akaike's, and Schwarz's Bayesian information criteria (AIC, CAIC, AICc, and BIC, respectively)
`estat summarize`	summary statistics for the estimation sample
`estat vce`	variance–covariance matrix of the estimators (VCE)
`estat` (svy)	postestimation statistics for survey data
`estimates`	cataloging estimation results
`etable`	table of estimation results
* `forecast`	dynamic forecasts and simulations
* `hausman`	Hausman's specification test
`lincom`	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for linear combinations of parameters
* `lrtest`	likelihood-ratio test
`margins`	marginal means, predictive margins, marginal effects, and average marginal effects
`marginsplot`	graph the results from margins (profile plots, interaction plots, etc.)
`nlcom`	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for nonlinear combinations of parameters
`predict`	probabilities, linear predictions and their SEs, etc.
`predictnl`	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for generalized predictions
`pwcompare`	pairwise comparisons of parameters
`suest`	seemingly unrelated estimation
`test`	Wald tests of simple and composite linear hypotheses
`testnl`	Wald tests of nonlinear hypotheses

*`forecast`, `hausman`, and `lrtest` are not appropriate with `svy` estimation results. `forecast` is also not appropriate with `mi` estimation results.

predict

Description for predict

`predict` creates a new variable containing predictions such as probabilities, linear predictions, and standard errors.

Menu for predict

Statistics > Postestimation

Syntax for predict

`predict` [*type*] { *stub** | *newvar* | *newvarlist* } [*if*] [*in*] [, *statistic* `outcome(`*outcome*`)`]

`predict` [*type*] *stub** [*if*] [*in*] , `scores`

statistic	Description
Main	
`pr`	predicted probabilities; the default
`xb`	linear prediction
`stdp`	standard error of the linear prediction

You specify one or k new variables with `pr`, where k is the number of outcomes. If you specify one new variable and you do not specify `outcome()`, then `outcome(#1)` is assumed.

You specify one new variable with `xb` and `stdp`. If you do not specify `outcome()`, then `outcome(#1)` is assumed.

These statistics are available both in and out of sample; type `predict ... if e(sample) ...` if wanted only for the estimation sample.

Options for predict

Main

`pr`, the default, computes the predicted probabilities for all outcomes or for a specific outcome. To compute probabilities for all outcomes, you specify k new variables, where k is the number of categories of the dependent variable. Alternatively, you can specify *stub**; in which case, `pr` will store predicted probabilities in variables *stub*1, *stub*2, ..., *stubk*. To compute the probability for a specific outcome, you specify one new variable and, optionally, the outcome value in option `outcome()`; if you omit `outcome()`, the first outcome value, `outcome(#1)`, is assumed.

Say that you fit a model by typing *estimation_cmd* `y x1 x2`, and `y` takes on four values. Then, you could type `predict p1 p2 p3 p4` to obtain all four predicted probabilities; alternatively, you could type `predict p*` to generate the four predicted probabilities. To compute specific probabilities one at a time, you can type `predict p1, outcome(#1)` (or simply `predict p1`), `predict p2, outcome(#2)`, and so on. See option `outcome()` for other ways to refer to outcome values.

`xb` calculates the linear prediction, $\mathbf{x}_i\boldsymbol{\alpha}_j$, for alternative j and individual i. The index, j, corresponds to the outcome specified in `outcome()`.

`stdp` calculates the standard error of the linear prediction.

`outcome(`*outcome*`)` specifies for which outcome the predicted probabilities are to be calculated. `outcome()` should contain either one value of the dependent variable or one of `#1`, `#2`, ..., with `#1` meaning the first category of the dependent variable, `#2` meaning the second category, etc. `outcome()` is not allowed with `scores`.

`scores` calculates equation-level score variables. The *j*th new variable will contain the scores for the *j*th fitted equation.

margins

Description for margins

`margins` estimates margins of response for probabilities and linear predictions.

Menu for margins

Statistics > Postestimation

Syntax for margins

`margins` [*marginlist*] [, *options*]

`margins` [*marginlist*] , `predict(`*statistic* ...`)` [`predict(`*statistic* ...`)` ...] [*options*]

statistic	Description
default	probabilities for each outcome
`pr`	probability for a specified outcome
`xb`	linear prediction for a specified outcome
`stdp`	not allowed with `margins`

`pr` and `xb` default to the first outcome.

Statistics not allowed with `margins` are functions of stochastic quantities other than `e(b)`.

For the full syntax, see [R] **margins**.

Remarks and examples

Once you have fit a multinomial probit model, you can use `predict` to obtain probabilities that an individual will choose each of the alternatives for the estimation sample, as well as other samples; see [U] **20 Estimation and postestimation commands** and [R] **predict**.

▷ Example 1

In example 1 of [R] **mprobit**, we fit the multinomial probit model to a dataset containing the type of health insurance available to 616 psychologically depressed subjects in the United States (Tarlov et al. 1989; Wells et al. 1989). We can obtain the predicted probabilities by typing

```
. use https://www.stata-press.com/data/r19/sysdsn1
(Health insurance data)
. mprobit insure age male nonwhite i.site
  (output omitted)
. predict p1-p3
(option pr assumed; predicted probabilities)
. list p1-p3 insure in 1/10
```

	p1	p2	p3	insure
1.	.5961306	.3741824	.029687	Indemnity
2.	.4719296	.4972289	.0308415	Prepaid
3.	.4896086	.4121961	.0981953	Indemnity
4.	.3730529	.5416623	.0852848	Prepaid
5.	.5063069	.4629773	.0307158	.
6.	.4768125	.4923548	.0308327	Prepaid
7.	.5035672	.4657016	.0307312	Prepaid
8.	.3326361	.5580404	.1093235	.
9.	.4758165	.4384811	.0857024	Uninsure
10.	.5734057	.3316601	.0949342	Prepaid

`insure` contains a missing value for observations 5 and 8. Because of that, those two observations were not used in the estimation. However, because none of the independent variables is missing, `predict` can still calculate the probabilities. Had we typed

```
. predict p1-p3 if e(sample)
```

`predict` would have filled in missing values for `p1`, `p2`, and `p3` for those observations because they were not used in the estimation.

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References

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Also see

[R] **mprobit** — Multinomial probit regression

[U] 20 Estimation and postestimation commands

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