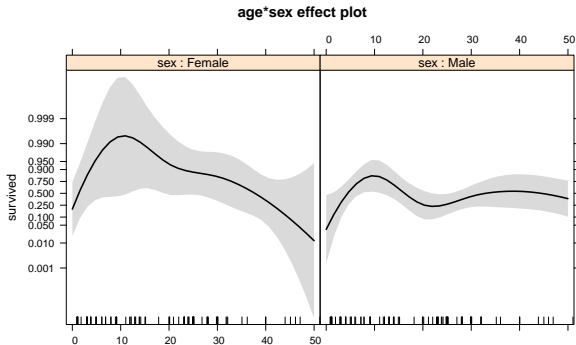
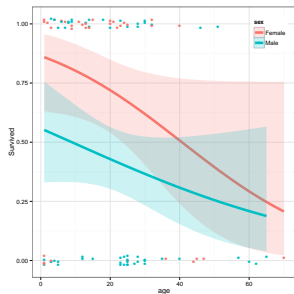


Logistic Regression II

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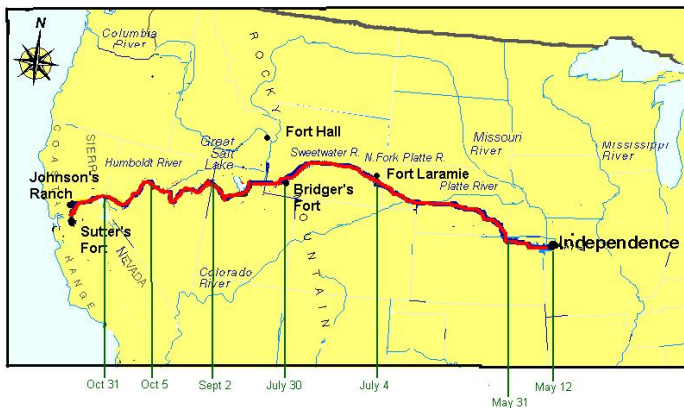


Donner Party: A graphic tale of survival & influence

History:

- Apr–May, 1846: Donner/Reed families set out from Springfield, IL to CA
- Jul: Bridger's Fort, WY, 87 people, 23 wagons

TRAIL OF THE DONNER PARTY

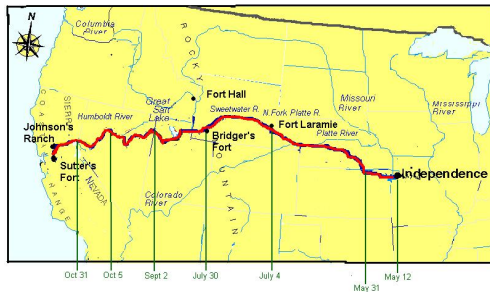


Donner Party: A graphic tale of survival & influence

History:

- “Hasting’s Cutoff”, untried route through Salt Lake Desert, Wasatch Mtns. (90 people)
- Worst recorded winter: Oct 31 blizzard— Missed by 1 day, stranded at “Truckee Lake” (now Donner’s Lake, Reno)
 - Rescue parties sent out (“Dire necessity”, “Forelorn hope”, ...)
 - Relief parties from CA: 42 survivors (Mar–Apr, ’47)

TRAIL OF THE DONNER PARTY



Donner Party: Data

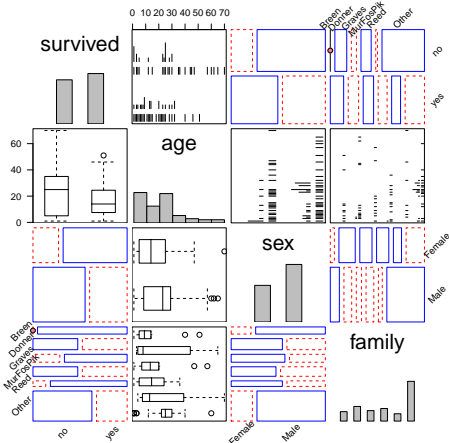
```
data("Donner", package="vcdExtra")
Donner$survived <- factor(Donner$survived, labels=c("no", "yes"))
```

```
library(car)
some(Donner, 12)
```

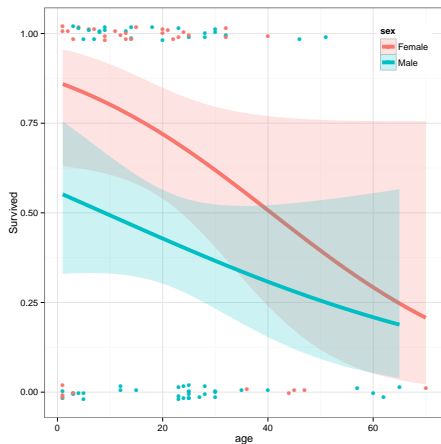
| ## | | family | age | sex | survived | death |
|----|--------------------|-----------|-----|--------|----------|------------|
| ## | Breen, Peter | Breen | 3 | Male | yes | <NA> |
| ## | Donner, George | Donner | 62 | Male | no | 1847-03-18 |
| ## | Donner, Jacob | Donner | 65 | Male | no | 1846-12-21 |
| ## | Foster, Jeremiah | MurFosPik | 1 | Male | no | 1847-03-13 |
| ## | Graves, Jonathan | Graves | 7 | Male | yes | <NA> |
| ## | Graves, Mary Ann | Graves | 20 | Female | yes | <NA> |
| ## | Graves, Nancy | Graves | 9 | Female | yes | <NA> |
| ## | McCutchen, Harriet | McCutchen | 1 | Female | no | 1847-02-02 |
| ## | Reed, James | Reed | 46 | Male | yes | <NA> |
| ## | Reed, Thomas Keyes | Reed | 4 | Male | yes | <NA> |
| ## | Reinhardt, Joseph | Other | 30 | Male | no | 1846-12-21 |
| ## | Wolfinger, Doris | FosdWolf | 20 | Female | yes | <NA> |

Overview: a `gpairs()` plot

- Binary response: `survived`
- Categorical predictors: `sex`, `family`
- Quantitative predictor: `age`
- Q: Is the effect of age linear?
- Q: Are there interactions among predictors?
- This is a **generalized pairs plot**, with different plots for each pair



Exploratory plots



- Survival decreases with age for both men and women
- Women more likely to survive, particularly the young
- Data is thin at older ages

Using ggplot2

Basic plot: survived vs. age, colored by sex, with jittered points

```
gg <- ggplot(Donner,
             aes(age, as.numeric(survived=="yes"), color = sex)) +
  ylab("Survived") +
  geom_point(position = position_jitter(height = 0.02, width = 0))
```

Add conditional linear logistic regressions with
`stat_smooth(method="glm")`

```
gg + stat_smooth(method = "glm", family = binomial, formula = y ~ x,
                 alpha = 0.2, size=2, aes(fill = sex))
```

Questions

- Is the relation of survival to age well expressed as a linear logistic regression model?
 - Allow a quadratic or higher power, using `poly(age, 2)`, `poly(age, 3)`,

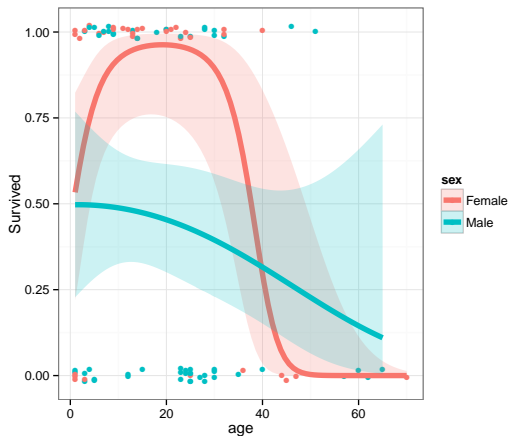
$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \alpha + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2$$

$$\text{logit}(\pi_i) = \alpha + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 x_i^2 + \beta_3 x_i^3$$

...

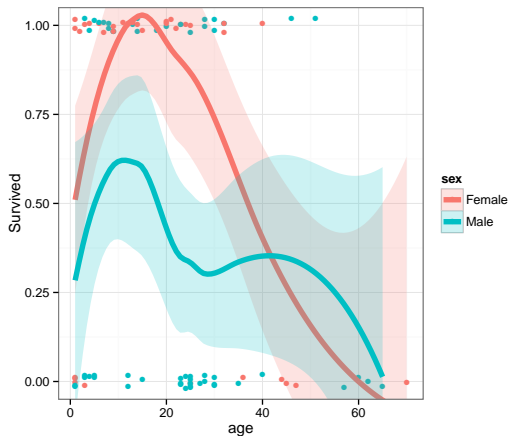
- Use *natural spline* functions, `ns(age, df)`
 - Use non-parametric smooths, `loess(age, span, degree)`
- Is the relation the same for men and women? i.e., do we need an interaction of age and sex?
 - Allow an interaction of `sex * age` or `sex * f(age)`
 - Test goodness-of-fit relative to the main effects model


```
gg + stat_smooth(method = "glm", family = binomial,  
                 formula = y ~ poly(x, 2),  
                 alpha = 0.2, size=2, aes(fill = sex))
```



Fit separate quadratics for males and females

```
gg + stat_smooth(method = "loess", span=0.9,  
                 alpha = 0.2, size=2,  
                 aes(fill = sex)) + coord_cartesian(ylim=c(-.05, 1.05))
```



Fit separate loess smooths for males and females

Fitting models

Models with linear effect of age:

```

donner.mod1 <- glm(survived ~ age + sex,
                   data=Donner, family=binomial)
donner.mod2 <- glm(survived ~ age * sex,
                   data=Donner, family=binomial)
Anova(donner.mod2)

## Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)
##
## Response: survived
##          LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
## age          5.52  1    0.0188 *
## sex          6.73  1    0.0095 **
## age:sex       0.40  1    0.5269
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

Fiting models

Models with quadratic effect of age:

```
donner.mod3 <- glm(survived ~ poly(age,2) + sex,
                   data=Donner, family=binomial)
donner.mod4 <- glm(survived ~ poly(age,2) * sex,
                   data=Donner, family=binomial)
```

```
Anova(donner.mod4)
```

```
## Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)
```

```
##
```

```
## Response: survived
```

```
##          LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
## poly(age, 2)      9.91  2      0.0070 **
## sex              8.09  1      0.0044 **
## poly(age, 2):sex  8.93  2      0.0115 *
```

```
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Comparing models

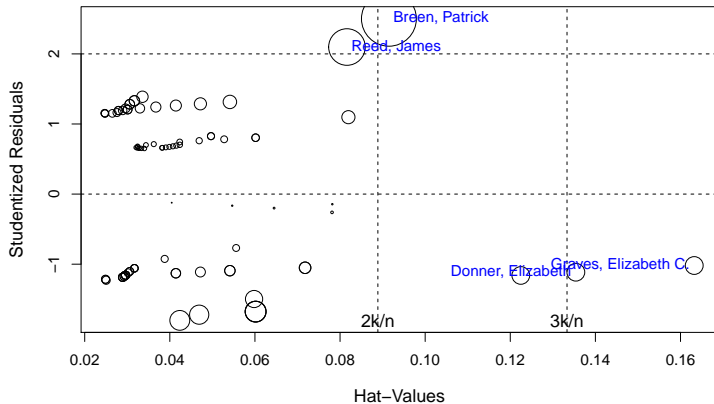
```
library(vcdExtra)
LRstats(donner.mod1, donner.mod2, donner.mod3, donner.mod4)

## Likelihood summary table:
##           AIC BIC LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)
## donner.mod1 117 125    111.1 87    0.042 *
## donner.mod2 119 129    110.7 86    0.038 *
## donner.mod3 115 125    106.7 86    0.064 .
## donner.mod4 110 125     97.8 84    0.144
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

| | linear | non-linear | $\Delta\chi^2$ | <i>p</i> -value |
|-----------------|---------|------------|----------------|-----------------|
| additive | 111.128 | 106.731 | 4.396 | 0.036 |
| non-additive | 110.727 | 97.799 | 12.928 | 0.000 |
| $\Delta\chi^2$ | 0.400 | 8.932 | | |
| <i>p</i> -value | 0.527 | 0.003 | | |

Who was influential?

```
library(car)
res <- influencePlot(donner.mod3, id.col="blue", scale=8, id.n=2)
```



Why are they influential?

```
idx <- which(rownames(Donner) %in% rownames(res))
# show data together with diagnostics
cbind(Donner[idx,2:4], res)
```

| ## | age | sex | survived | StudRes | Hat | CookD |
|-------------------------|-----|--------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| ## Breen, Patrick | 51 | Male | yes | 2.501 | 0.09148 | 0.32354 |
| ## Donner, Elizabeth | 45 | Female | no | -1.114 | 0.13541 | 0.03409 |
| ## Graves, Elizabeth C. | 47 | Female | no | -1.019 | 0.16322 | 0.03418 |
| ## Reed, James | 46 | Male | yes | 2.098 | 0.08162 | 0.14364 |

- Patrick Breen, James Reed: Older men who survived
- Elizabeth Donner, Elizabeth Graves: Older women who died
- Moral lessons of this story:
 - Don't try to cross the Donner Pass in late October; if you do, bring lots of food
 - Plots of fitted models show *only* what is included in the model
 - Discrete data often need smoothing (or non-linear terms) to see the pattern
 - Always examine model diagnostics — preferably graphic

Polytomous responses: Overview

When Response categories are:

Unordered

for example,

Ford
Smitherman
Pantelone

the analysis can use:

*Multinomial
logistic
regression*

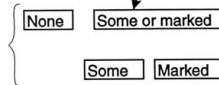
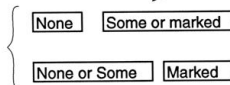
Ordered

No improvement
Some improvement
Marked improvement

*Proportional
odds model*

*Nested
dichotomies*

we model these logits:



Polytomous responses: Overview

- m categories $\rightarrow (m - 1)$ comparisons (logits)
 - One part of the model for each logit
 - Similar to ANOVA where an m -level factor $\rightarrow (m - 1)$ contrasts (df)
- **Response categories *unordered***, e.g., vote NDP, Liberal, Green, Tory
 - Multinomial logistic regression
 - Fits $m - 1$ logistic models for logits of category $i = 1, 2, \dots, m - 1$ vs. category m

NDP

Liberal

Green

Tory

Tory

Tory
 - e.g.,
 - This is the most general approach
 - R: `multinom()` function in `nnet`
 - Can also use nested dichotomies

Polytomous responses: Overview

- **Response categories *ordered***, e.g., None, Some, Marked improvement

- Proportional odds model

- Uses adjacent-category logits

| | |
|--------------|----------------|
| None | Some or Marked |
| None or Some | Marked |

- Assumes slopes are **equal** for all $m - 1$ logits; only intercepts vary
- R: `polr()` in **MASS**

- Nested dichotomies

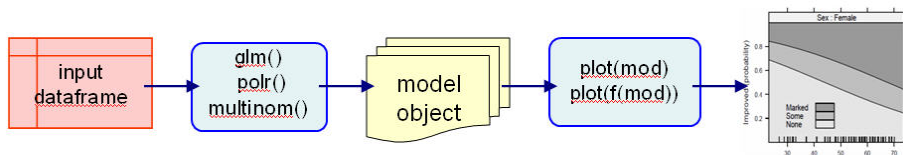
| | |
|------|----------------|
| None | Some or Marked |
| | Some Marked |

- Model each logit separately
- G^2 s are additive \rightarrow combined model

Fitting and graphing: Overview

R:

- Model objects contain all necessary information for plotting
- Basic diagnostic plots with `plot(model)`
- Fitted values with `predict()`; customize with `points()`, `lines()`, etc.
- Effect plots most general



Ordinal response: Proportional odds model

Arthritis treatment data:

| Sex | Treatment | Improvement | | | Total |
|-----|-----------|-------------|------|--------|-------|
| | | None | Some | Marked | |
| F | Active | 6 | 5 | 16 | 27 |
| F | Placebo | 19 | 7 | 6 | 32 |
| M | Active | 7 | 2 | 5 | 14 |
| M | Placebo | 10 | 0 | 1 | 11 |

- Model logits for adjacent category cutpoints:

$$\text{logit}(\theta_{ij1}) = \log \frac{\pi_{ij1}}{\pi_{ij2} + \pi_{ij3}} = \text{logit}(\text{None vs. [Some or Marked]})$$

$$\text{logit}(\theta_{ij2}) = \log \frac{\pi_{ij1} + \pi_{ij2}}{\pi_{ij3}} = \text{logit}(\text{[None or Some] vs. Marked})$$

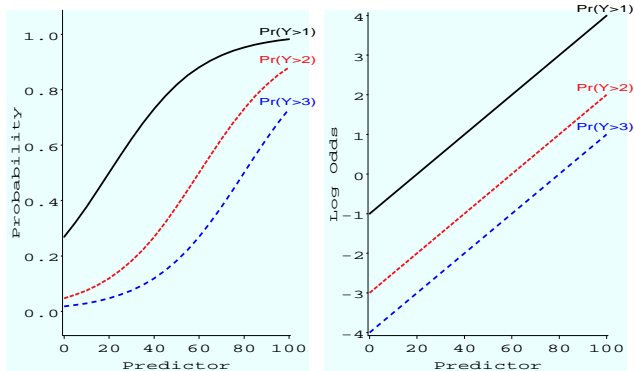
- Consider a logistic regression model for each logit:

$$\text{logit}(\theta_{ij1}) = \alpha_1 + \mathbf{x}'_{ij} \beta_1 \quad \text{None vs. Some/Marked}$$

$$\text{logit}(\theta_{ij2}) = \alpha_2 + \mathbf{x}'_{ij} \beta_2 \quad \text{None/Some vs. Marked}$$

- Proportional odds assumption: regression functions are parallel on the logit scale i.e., $\beta_1 = \beta_2$.

Proportional Odds Model



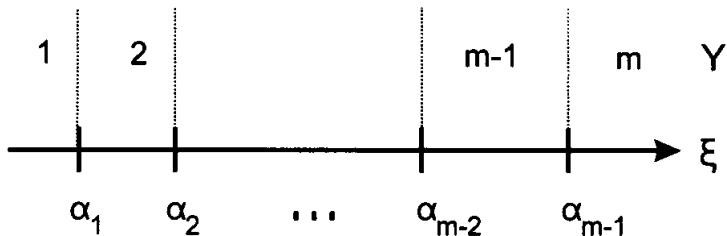
Proportional odds: Latent variable interpretation

A simple motivation for the proportional odds model:

- Imagine a continuous, but *unobserved* response, ξ , a linear function of predictors

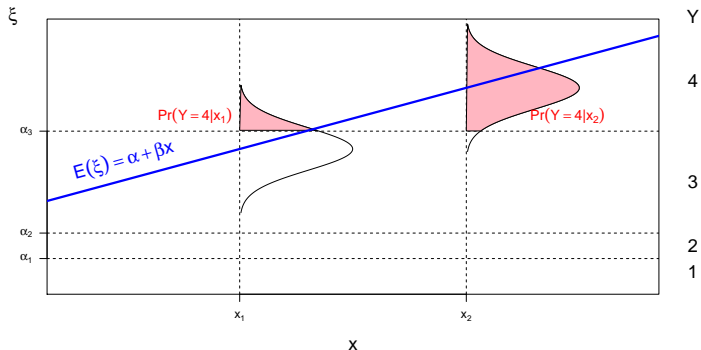
$$\xi_i = \beta^T \mathbf{x}_i + \epsilon_i$$

- The *observed* response, Y , is discrete, according to some *unknown* thresholds, $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \dots < \alpha_{m-1}$
- That is, the response, $Y = i$ if $\alpha_i \leq \xi_i < \alpha_{i+1}$
- Thus, intercepts in the proportional odds model \sim thresholds on ξ



Proportional odds: Latent variable interpretation

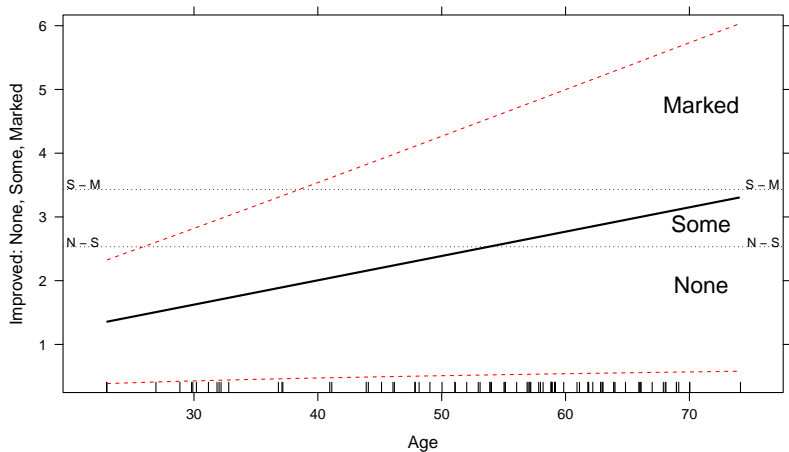
We can visualize the relation of the latent variable ξ to the observed response Y , for two values, x_1 and x_2 , of a single predictor, X as shown below:



Proportional odds: Latent variable interpretation

For the Arthritis data, the relation of improvement to age is shown below (using the `effects` package)

Arthritis data: Age effect, latent variable scale



Proportional odds models in R

- **Fitting:** `polr()` in `MASS` package

The response, Improved has been defined as an *ordered* factor

```
data(Arthritis, package="vcd")
head(Arthritis$Improved)

## [1] Some    None    None    Marked Marked Marked
## Levels: None < Some < Marked
```

Fitting:

```
library(MASS)           # for polr()
library(car)            # for Anova()

arth.polr <- polr(Improved ~ Sex + Treatment + Age,
                  data=Arthritis)

summary(arth.polr)
Anova(arth.polr)        # Type II tests
```

The `summary()` function gives standard statistical results:

```
> summary(arth.polr)
```

```
Call:
polr(formula = Improved ~ Sex + Treatment + Age, data = Arthritis)
```

Coefficients:

| | Value | Std. Error | t value |
|------------------|----------|------------|---------|
| SexMale | -1.25168 | 0.54636 | -2.2909 |
| TreatmentTreated | 1.74529 | 0.47589 | 3.6674 |
| Age | 0.03816 | 0.01842 | 2.0722 |

Intercepts:

| | Value | Std. Error | t value |
|-------------|--------|------------|---------|
| None Some | 2.5319 | 1.0571 | 2.3952 |
| Some Marked | 3.4309 | 1.0912 | 3.1442 |

Residual Deviance: 145.4579

AIC: 155.4579

The `car::Anova()` function gives hypothesis tests for model terms:

```
> Anova(arth.polr)           # Type II tests
```

Anova Table (Type II tests)

Response: Improved

| | LR | Chisq | Df | Pr(>Chisq) | |
|-----------|---------|-------|-----------|------------|--|
| Sex | 5.6880 | 1 | 0.0170812 | * | |
| Treatment | 14.7095 | 1 | 0.0001254 | *** | |
| Age | 4.5715 | 1 | 0.0325081 | * | |

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- `anova()` gives Type I (sequential) tests — not usually useful
- Type II (partial) tests control for the effects of all other terms

Testing the proportional odds assumption

- The PO model is valid only when the slopes are equal for all predictors
- This can be tested by comparing this model to the **generalized logit** NPO model

$$\text{PO: } L_j = \alpha_j + \mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta} \quad j = 1, \dots, m-1 \quad (1)$$

$$\text{NPO: } L_j = \alpha_j + \mathbf{x}^T \boldsymbol{\beta}_j \quad j = 1, \dots, m-1 \quad (2)$$

- A likelihood ratio test requires fitting both models calculating $\Delta G^2 = G_{\text{NPO}}^2 - G_{\text{PO}}^2$ with p df.
- This can be done using **vglm()** in the **VGAM** package
- The **rms** package provides a visual assessment, plotting the conditional mean $E(X | Y)$ of a given predictor, X , at each level of the ordered response Y .
- If the response behaves ordinally in relation to X , these means should be strictly increasing or decreasing with Y .

Testing the proportional odds assumption

In **VGAM**, the PO model is fit using `family = cumulative(parallel=TRUE)`

```
library(VGAM)
arth.po <- vglm(Improved ~ Sex + Treatment + Age, data=Arthritis,
               family = cumulative(parallel=TRUE))
```

The more general NPO model can be fit using `parallel=FALSE`.

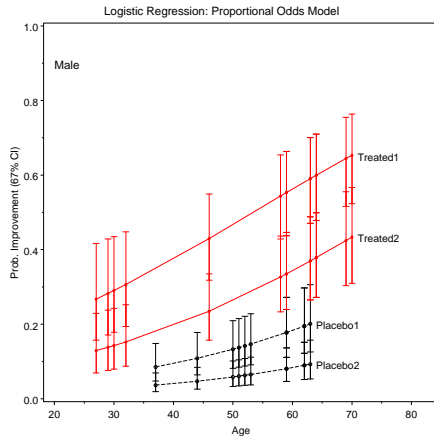
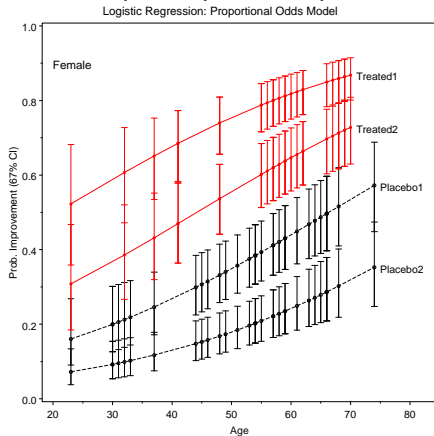
```
arth.npo <- vglm(Improved ~ Sex + Treatment + Age, data=Arthritis,
                 family = cumulative(parallel=FALSE))
```

The LR test says the PO model is OK:

```
VGAM::lrtest(arth.npo, arth.po)

## Likelihood ratio test
##
## Model 1: Improved ~ Sex + Treatment + Age
## Model 2: Improved ~ Sex + Treatment + Age
##      #Df LogLik Df Chisq Pr(>Chisq)
## 1 160   -71.8
## 2 163   -72.7  3   1.88      0.6
```

Full-model plot of predicted probabilities:

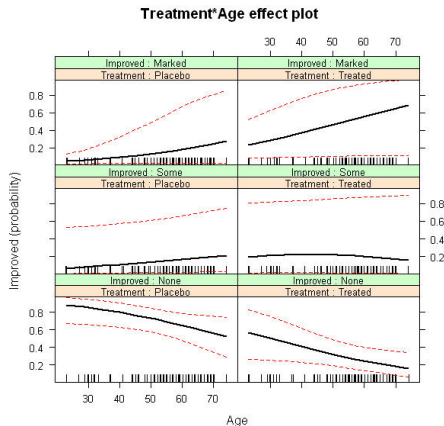


- Intercept1: [Marked , Some] vs. [None]
- Intercept2: [Marked] vs. [Some, None]
- On logit scale, these would be parallel lines
- Effects of age, treatment, sex similar to what we saw before

Proportional odds models in R: Plotting

- **Plotting:** `plot(effect())` in `effects` package

```
> library(effects)
> plot(effect("Treatment:Age", arth.polr))
```

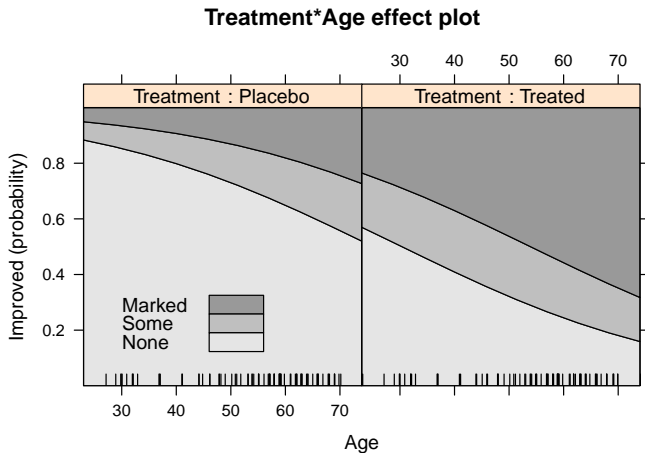


- The default plot shows all details
- But, is harder to compare across treatment and response levels

Proportional odds models in R: Plotting

Making visual comparisons easier:

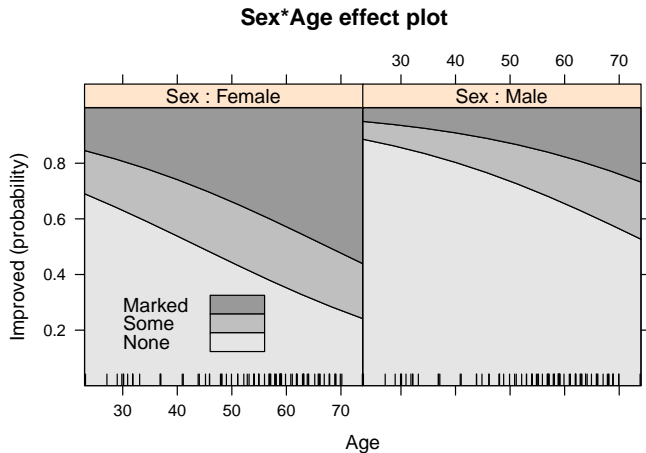
```
> plot(effect("Treatment:Age", arth.polr), style='stacked')
```



Proportional odds models in R: Plotting

Making visual comparisons easier:

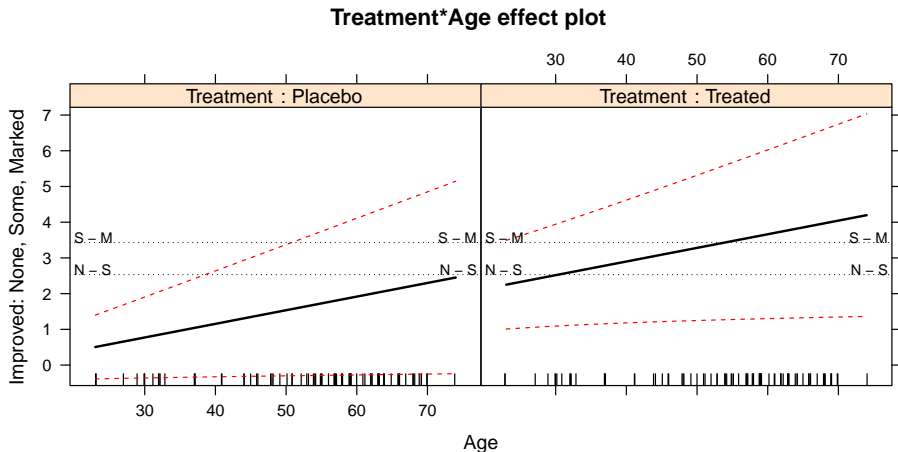
```
> plot(effect("Sex:Age", arth.polr), style='stacked')
```



Proportional odds models in R: Plotting

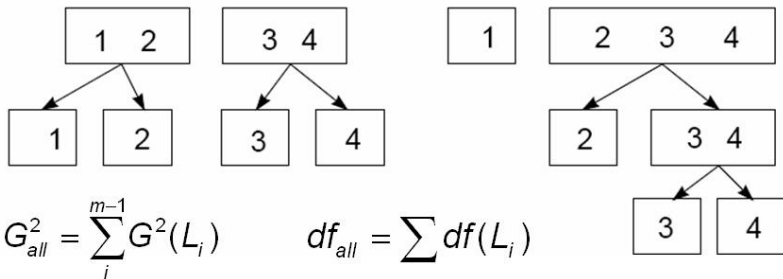
These plots are even simpler on the logit scale, using `latent=TRUE` to show the cutpoints between response categories

```
> plot(effect("Treatment:Age", arth.polr, latent=TRUE))
```



Polytomous response: Nested dichotomies

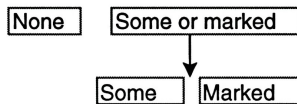
- m categories $\rightarrow (m - 1)$ comparisons (logits)
- If these are formulated as $(m - 1)$ **nested dichotomies**:
 - Each dichotomy can be fit using the familiar binary-response logistic model,
 - the $m - 1$ models will be statistically independent (G^2 statistics will be additive)
 - (Need some extra work to summarize these as a single, combined model)
- This allows the slopes to differ for each logit



Nested dichotomies: Examples

$m = 3$

Arthritis
treatment

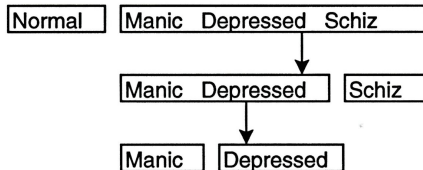


$$L_1 = \log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2 + \pi_3}$$

$$L_2 = \log \frac{\pi_2}{\pi_3}$$

$m = 4$

Psychiatric
diagnosis



$$L_1 = \log \frac{\pi_1}{\pi_2 + \pi_3 + \pi_4}$$

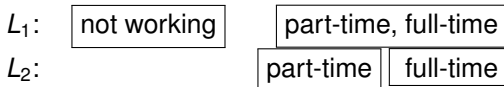
$$L_2 = \log \frac{\pi_4}{\pi_2 + \pi_3}$$

$$L_3 = \log \frac{\pi_2}{\pi_3}$$

Example: Women's Labour-Force Participation

Data: *Social Change in Canada Project*, York ISR, `car::Womenlf` data

- **Response:** not working outside the home (n=155), working part-time (n=42) or working full-time (n=66)
- Model as two nested dichotomies:
 - Working (n=106) vs. NotWorking (n=155)
 - Working full-time (n=66) vs. working part-time (n=42).



- **Predictors:**
 - Children? — 1 or more minor-aged children
 - Husband's Income — in \$1000s
 - Region of Canada (not considered here)

Nested dichotomies: Combined tests

- Nested dichotomies $\rightarrow \chi^2$ tests and df for the separate logits are **independent**
- \rightarrow add, to give tests for the full m -level response (**manually**)

Global tests of BETA=0

| Test | Response | ChiSq | DF | Prob ChiSq |
|------------------|------------|----------------|----------|------------------|
| Likelihood Ratio | working | 36.4184 | 2 | <.0001 |
| | fulltime | 39.8468 | 2 | <.0001 |
| | ALL | 76.2652 | 4 | <.0001 |

Wald tests for each coefficient:

Wald tests of maximum likelihood estimates

| Variable | Response | WaldChiSq | DF | Prob ChiSq |
|-----------|------------|----------------|----------|------------------|
| Intercept | working | 12.1164 | 1 | 0.0005 |
| | fulltime | 20.5536 | 1 | <.0001 |
| | ALL | 32.6700 | 2 | <.0001 |
| children | working | 29.0650 | 1 | <.0001 |
| | fulltime | 24.0134 | 1 | <.0001 |
| | ALL | 53.0784 | 2 | <.0001 |
| husinc | working | 4.5750 | 1 | 0.0324 |
| | fulltime | 7.5062 | 1 | 0.0061 |
| | ALL | 12.0813 | 2 | 0.0024 |

Nested dichotomies: recoding

In R, first create new variables, `working` and `fulltime`, using the `recode()` function in the `car`:

```
> library(car)      # for data and Anova()
> data(Women1f)
> Women1f <- within(Women1f, {
+   working <- recode(partic, " 'not.work' = 'no'; else = 'yes' ")
+   fulltime <- recode (partic,
+     " 'fulltime' = 'yes'; 'parttime' = 'no'; 'not.work' = NA"))})
> some(Women1f)
```

| | partic | hincome | children | region | fulltime | working |
|-----|----------|---------|----------|----------|----------|---------|
| 31 | not.work | 13 | present | Ontario | <NA> | no |
| 34 | not.work | 9 | absent | Ontario | <NA> | no |
| 55 | parttime | 9 | present | Atlantic | no | yes |
| 86 | fulltime | 27 | absent | BC | yes | yes |
| 96 | not.work | 17 | present | Ontario | <NA> | no |
| 141 | not.work | 14 | present | Ontario | <NA> | no |
| 180 | fulltime | 13 | absent | BC | yes | yes |
| 189 | fulltime | 9 | present | Atlantic | yes | yes |
| 234 | fulltime | 5 | absent | Quebec | yes | yes |
| 240 | not.work | 13 | present | Quebec | <NA> | no |

Nested dichotomies: fitting

Then, fit models for each dichotomy:

```
> contrasts(children)<- 'contr.treatment'  
> mod.working <- glm(working ~ hincome + children, family=binomial, data=dat)  
> mod.fulltime <- glm(fulltime ~ hincome + children, family=binomial, data=dat)
```

Some output from `summary(mod.working)`:

| Coefficients: | Estimate | Std. Error | z value | Pr(> z) | |
|-----------------|----------|------------|---------|----------|-----|
| (Intercept) | 1.33583 | 0.38376 | 3.481 | 0.0005 | *** |
| hincome | -0.04231 | 0.01978 | -2.139 | 0.0324 | * |
| childrenpresent | -1.57565 | 0.29226 | -5.391 | 7e-08 | *** |

Some output from `summary(mod.fulltime)`:

| Coefficients: | Estimate | Std. Error | z value | Pr(> z) | |
|-----------------|----------|------------|---------|----------|-----|
| (Intercept) | 3.47777 | 0.76711 | 4.534 | 5.80e-06 | *** |
| hincome | -0.10727 | 0.03915 | -2.740 | 0.00615 | ** |
| childrenpresent | -2.65146 | 0.54108 | -4.900 | 9.57e-07 | *** |

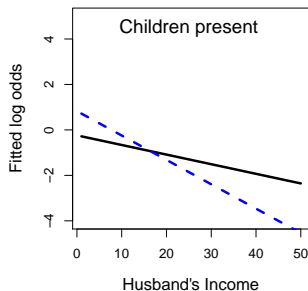
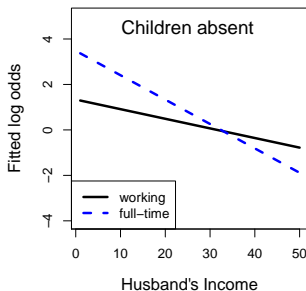
Nested dichotomies: interpretation

Write out the predictions for the two logits, and compare coefficients:

$$\log \left(\frac{\Pr(\text{working})}{\Pr(\text{not working})} \right) = 1.336 - 0.042 \text{ H\$} - 1.576 \text{ kids}$$

$$\log \left(\frac{\Pr(\text{fulltime})}{\Pr(\text{parttime})} \right) = 3.478 - 0.107 \text{ H\$} - 2.652 \text{ kids}$$

Better yet, plot the predicted log odds for these equations:



Nested dichotomies: plotting

For plotting, calculate the predicted probabilities (or logits) over a grid of combinations of the predictors in each sub-model, using the `predict()` function.

`type='response'` gives these on the probability scale, whereas `type='link'` (the default) gives these on the logit scale.

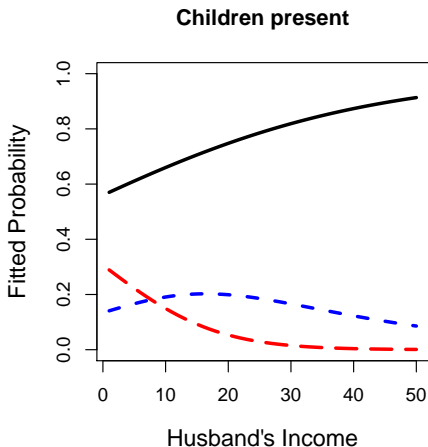
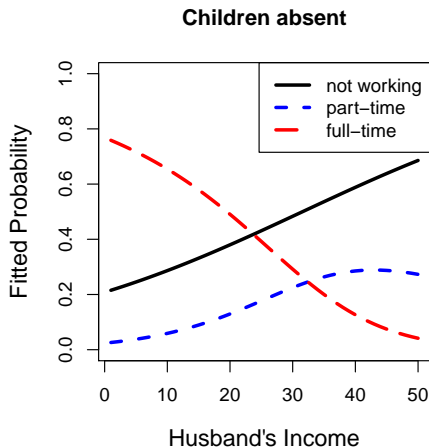
```
> pred <- expand.grid(hincome=1:45, children=c('absent', 'present'))  
> # get fitted values for both sub-models  
> p.work <- predict(mod.working, pred, type='response')  
> p.fulltime <- predict(mod.fulltime, pred, type='response')
```

The fitted value for the fulltime dichotomy is **conditional** on working outside the home; multiplying by the probability of working gives the **unconditional** probability.

```
> p.full <- p.work * p.fulltime  
> p.part <- p.work * (1 - p.fulltime)  
> p.not <- 1 - p.work
```

Nested dichotomies in R: plotting

The plot below was produced using the basic R functions `plot()`, `lines()` and `legend()`. See the file `wlf-nested.R` on the course web page for details.



Polytomous response: Generalized Logits

- Models the probabilities of the m response categories as $m - 1$ logits comparing each of the first $m - 1$ categories to the last (reference) category.
- Logits for any pair of categories can be calculated from the $m - 1$ fitted ones.
- With k predictors, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k , for $j = 1, 2, \dots, m - 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} L_{jm} \equiv \log \left(\frac{\pi_{ij}}{\pi_{im}} \right) &= \beta_{0j} + \beta_{1j} x_{i1} + \beta_{2j} x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_{kj} x_{ik} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\beta}_j^T \mathbf{x}_i \end{aligned}$$

- One set of fitted coefficients, β_j for each response category except the last.
- Each coefficient, β_{hj} , gives the effect on the log odds of a unit change in the predictor x_h that an observation belongs to category j vs. category m .
- Probabilities in response categories are calculated as:

$$\pi_{ij} = \frac{\exp(\boldsymbol{\beta}_j^T \mathbf{x}_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \exp(\boldsymbol{\beta}_j^T \mathbf{x}_i)}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m - 1; \quad \pi_{im} = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \pi_{ij}$$

Generalized logit models: Fitting

- In R, the generalized logit model can be fit using the `multinom()` function in the `nnet`
- For interpretation, it is useful to reorder the levels of `partic` so that `not.work` is the baseline level.

```
Women1f$partic <- ordered(Women1f$partic,
  levels=c('not.work', 'parttime', 'fulltime'))
library(nnet)
mod.multinom <- multinom(partic ~ hincome + children, data=Women1f)
summary(mod.multinom, Wald=TRUE)
Anova(mod.multinom)
```

The `Anova()` tests are similar to what we got from summing these tests from the two nested dichotomies:

Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)

Response: partic

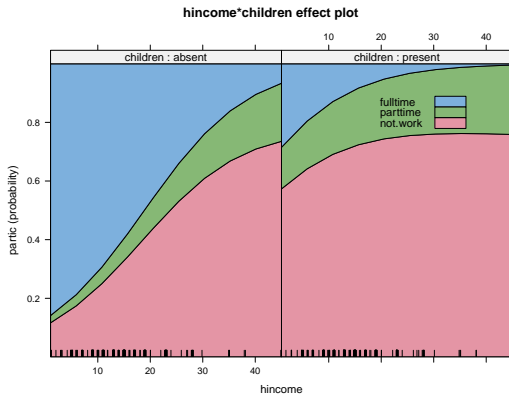
| | LR | Chisq | Df | Pr(>Chisq) |
|----------|----|-------|----|-------------|
| hincome | | 15.2 | 2 | 0.00051 *** |
| children | | 63.6 | 2 | 1.6e-14 *** |

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Generalized logit models: Plotting

- As before, it is much easier to interpret a model from a plot than from coefficients, but this is particularly true for polytomous response models
- `style="stacked"` shows cumulative probabilities

```
library(effects)  
plot(effect("hincome*children", mod.multinom), style="stacked")
```

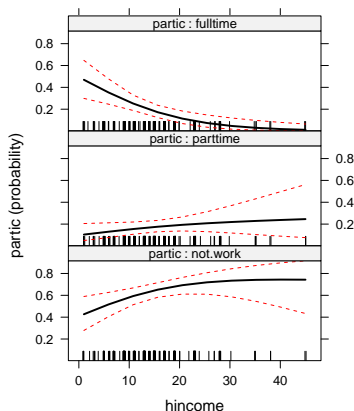


Generalized logit models: Plotting

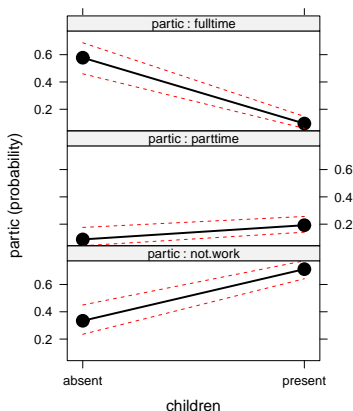
- You can also view the effects of husband's income and children separately in this main effects model with `plot(allEffects())`.

```
plot(allEffects(mod.multinom), ask=FALSE)
```

hincome effect plot



children effect plot



Political knowledge & party choice in Britain

Example from Fox & Andersen (2006): Data from 1997 British Election Panel Survey (BEPS)

- **Response:** Party choice— Liberal democrat, Labour, Conservative
- **Predictors**
 - Europe: 11-point scale of attitude toward European integration (high=“Eurosceptic”)
 - Political knowledge: knowledge of party platforms on European integration (“low”=0–3=“high”)
 - Others: Age, Gender, perception of economic conditions, evaluation of party leaders (Blair, Hague, Kennedy)— 1:5 scale
- **Model:**
 - Main effects of Age, Gender, economic conditions (national, household)
 - Main effects of evaluation of party leaders
 - Interaction of attitude toward European integration with political knowledge

BEPS data: Fitting

Fit using `multinom()` in the `nnet` package

```
library(effects) # data, plots
library(car)     # for Anova()
library(nnet)    # for multinom()
multinom.mod <- multinom(vote ~ age + gender + economic.cond.national +
  economic.cond.household + Blair + Hague + Kennedy +
  Europe*political.knowledge, data=BEPS)
Anova(multinom.mod)
```

Anova Table (Type II tests)

Response: vote

| | LR | Chisq | Df | Pr(>Chisq) |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|---------|------------|
| age | 13.9 | 2 | 0.00097 | *** |
| gender | 0.5 | 2 | 0.79726 | |
| economic.cond.national | 30.6 | 2 | 2.3e-07 | *** |
| economic.cond.household | 5.7 | 2 | 0.05926 | . |
| Blair | 135.4 | 2 | < 2e-16 | *** |
| Hague | 166.8 | 2 | < 2e-16 | *** |
| Kennedy | 68.9 | 2 | 1.1e-15 | *** |
| Europe | 78.0 | 2 | < 2e-16 | *** |
| political.knowledge | 55.6 | 2 | 8.6e-13 | *** |
| Europe:political.knowledge | 50.8 | 2 | 9.3e-12 | *** |

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BEPS data: Interpretation?

How to understand the *nature* of these effects on party choice?

```
> summary(multinom.mod)
```

Call:

```
multinom(formula = vote ~ age + gender + economic.cond.national +  
          economic.cond.household + Blair + Hague + Kennedy + Europe *  
          political.knowledge, data = BEPS)
```

Coefficients:

| | (Intercept) | age | gendermale | economic.cond.national |
|------------------|-------------|----------|------------|------------------------|
| Labour | -0.8734 | -0.01980 | 0.1126 | 0.5220 |
| Liberal Democrat | -0.7185 | -0.01460 | 0.0914 | 0.1451 |

| | economic.cond.household | Blair | Hague | Kennedy | Europe |
|------------------|-------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-----------|
| Labour | 0.178632 | 0.8236 | -0.8684 | 0.2396 | -0.001706 |
| Liberal Democrat | 0.007725 | 0.2779 | -0.7808 | 0.6557 | 0.068412 |

| | political.knowledge | Europe:political.knowledge |
|------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Labour | 0.6583 | -0.1589 |
| Liberal Democrat | 1.1602 | -0.1829 |

Std. Errors:

| | (Intercept) | age | gendermale | economic.cond.national |
|------------------|-------------|----------|------------|------------------------|
| Labour | 0.6908 | 0.005364 | 0.1694 | 0.1065 |
| Liberal Democrat | 0.7344 | 0.005643 | 0.1780 | 0.1100 |

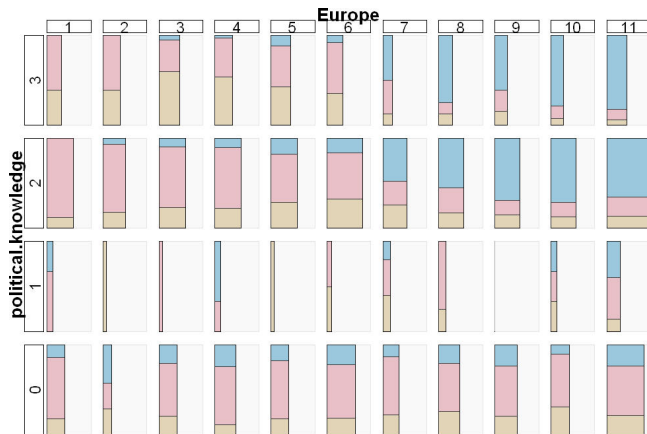
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Residual Deviance: 2233

AIC: 2277

BEPS data: Initial look, relative multiple barcharts

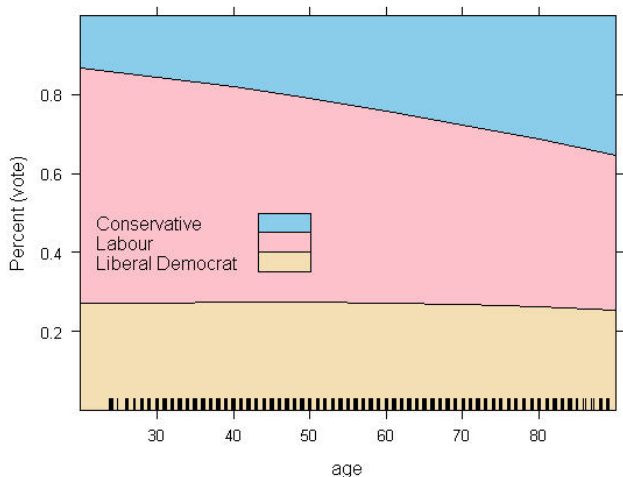
How does party choice— **Liberal democrat**, **Labour**, **Conservative** vary with political knowledge and Europe attitude (high=“Eurosceptic”)?



BEPS data: Effect plots to the rescue!

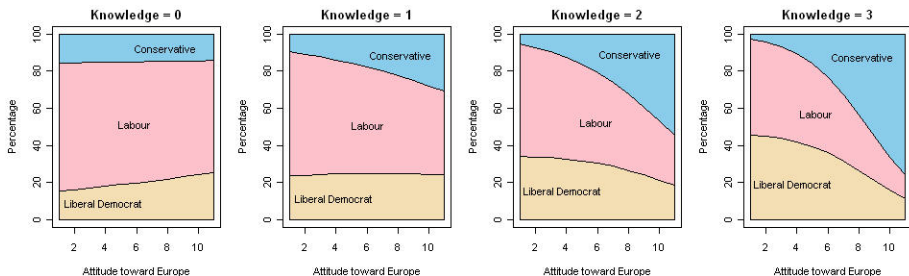
Age effect: Older more likely to vote Conservative

BEPS data: effect of Age



BEPS data: Effect plots to the rescue!

Attitude toward European integration \times political knowledge effect:



- Low knowledge: little relation between attitude and party choice
- As knowledge increases: more Eurosceptic views more likely to support Conservatives
- \Rightarrow detailed understanding of complex models depends strongly on visualization!

Summary

- **Polytomous responses**

- m response categories $\rightarrow (m - 1)$ comparisons (logits)
- Different models for *ordered* vs. *unordered* categories

- **Proportional odds model**

- Simplest approach for *ordered* categories: Same slopes for all logits
- Requires proportional odds assumption to be met
- R: `MASS::polr()`; `VGAM::vglm()`

- **Nested dichotomies**

- Applies to ordered or unordered categories
- Fit $m - 1$ *separate* independent models \rightarrow Additive χ^2 values
- R: only need `glm()`

- **Generalized (multinomial) logistic regression**

- Fit $m - 1$ logits as a *single* model
- Results usually comparable to nested dichotomies
- R: `nnet::multinom()`