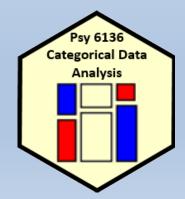


Logistic regression: Extensions



Michael Friendly

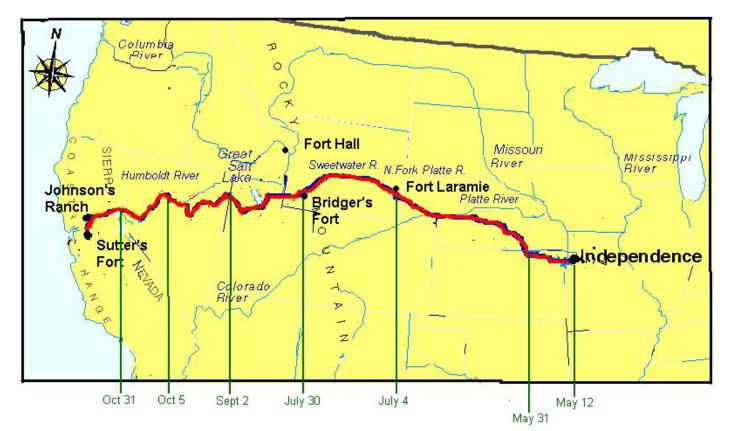
Psych 6136 http://friendly.github.io/psy6136



Donner party: A graphic tale of survival & influence

History:

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

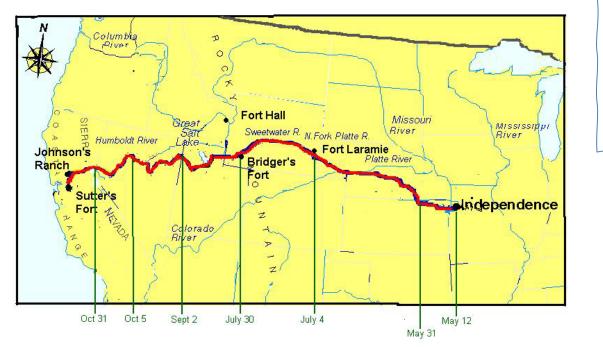


TRAIL OF THE DONNER PARTY

Donner party: A graphic tale of survival & influence

History:

- "Hastings cutoff": an untried route through Salt Lake desert (90 people)
- Worst recorded winter: Oct 31 blizzard; stranded at Truckee Lake (nr Reno)
 - Rescue parties sent out ("Dire necessity", "Forelorn hope", ...)
 - Relief parties from CA: 42 survivors (Mar—Apr 1847)



TRAIL OF THE DONNER PARTY

Who lived? Who died?

Can we explain w/ logistic regression?

Donner party: Data

> car::some(Donner, 8)

	family	age	sex	survived	death
Breen, Peter	Breen	3	Male	yes	<na></na>
Donner, Jacob	Donner	65	Male	no	1846-12-21
Foster, Jeremiah	MurFosPik	1	Male	no	1847-03-13
Graves, Nancy	Graves	9	Female	yes	<na></na>
McCutchen, Harriet	McCutchen	1	Female	no	1847-02-02
Reed, James	Reed	46	Male	yes	<na></na>
Reinhardt, Joseph	Other	30	Male	no	1846-12-21
Wolfinger, Doris	FosdWolf	20	Female	yes	<na></na>

I recoded some families

> xtabs(~fa fam	ım)				
Breen	Donner	Other	Graves	MurFosPik	Reed
9	14	38	10	12	7

The age-old question

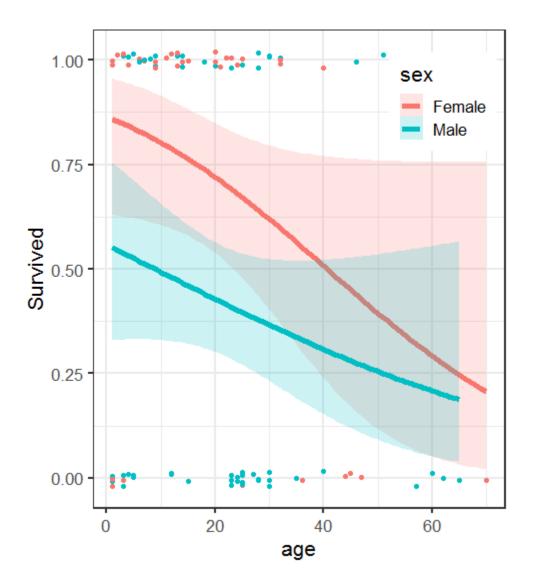




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Exploratory plots

Before fitting models, it is useful to explore the data with conditional ggplots



Survival decreases with age for both men and women

Women more likely to survive, particularly the young

Conf. bands show the data is thin at older ages

Using ggplot

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

To this we can add conditional logistic fits using stat_smooth (method="glm") This is plotted on the probability scale, but reflects a linear relation with log odds.

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)

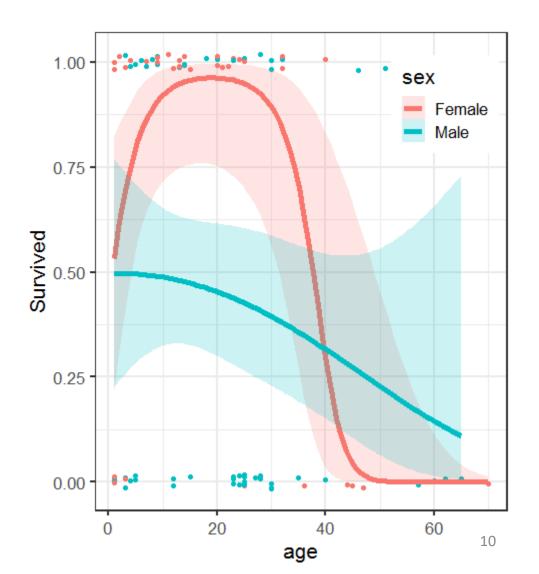
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- Use natural spline functions: ns(age, df) more flexible shape, with control of number of df
- Use non-parametric smooths: loess(age, span, degree)
- Is the relation the same for men & women?
 - Allow an interaction of sex * age or sex * f(age)
 - Test goodness of fit relative to the main effects model

Fit separate quadratics for M & F

This highlights the very high survival among young women (but not infants)

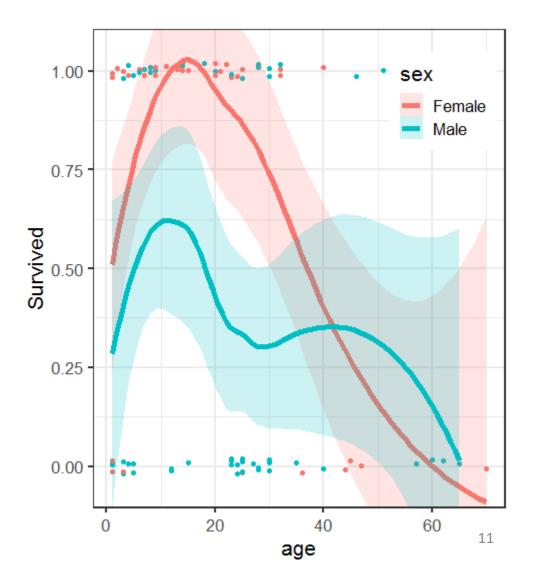
Using library(splines) and formula=**y** ~ **ns(x,2)** gives nearly identical results



Fit separate loess smooths for M & F. span controls how smooth

For males, the result is not as smooth as the poly(age,2) suggests

All fitted models give a smoothing of the binary outcome!



Fitting models

Models with linear effect of age, w/, w/o interaction age*sex

Fitting models

Models with quadratic effect of age:

Comparing models

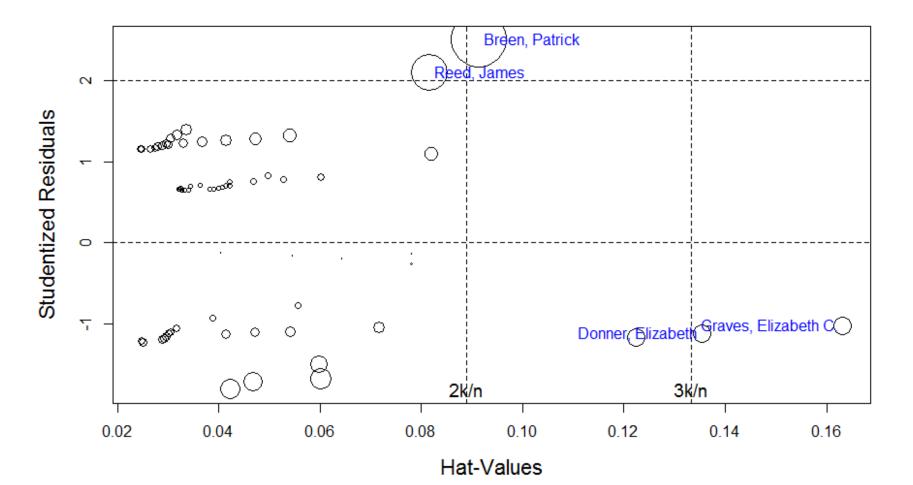
These models are only nested in pairs. We can compare them using AIC & $\Delta \chi^2$

> 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	\checkmark
$\Delta \chi^2$	0.400	8.932			
<i>p</i> -value	0.527	0.003			

Who was influential?

res <- influencePlot(donner.mod3, id = list(col="blue", n=2), scale=8)</pre>



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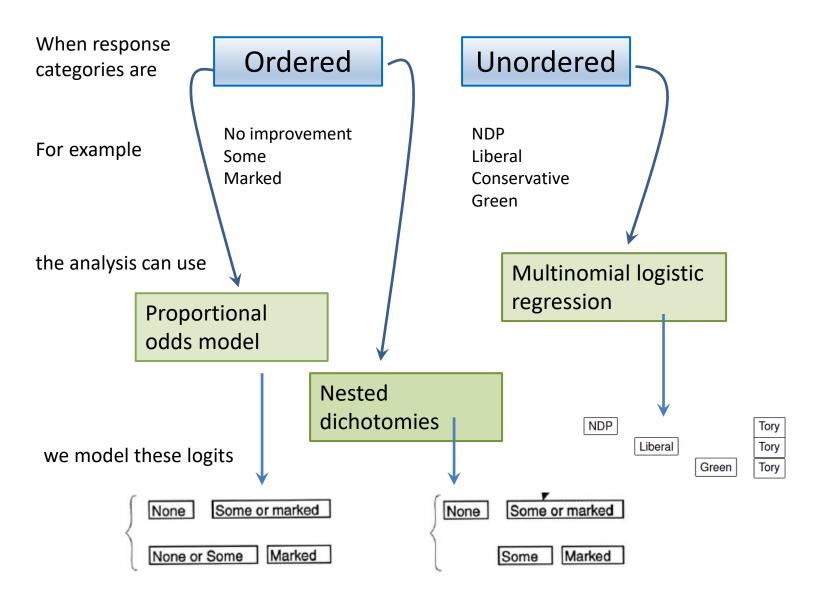
Why were they influential?

> idx <- which(rownames(Donner) %in% rownames(res))							
> # show data together with diagnostics							
<pre>> cbind(Donner[idx,2:4], res)</pre>							
	age	sex	survived	StudRes	Hat	CookD	
Breen, Patrick 51 Male yes 2.50 0.0915 0.3235							
Donner, Elizabeth 45 Female no -1.11 0.1354 0.0341							
Graves, Elizabeth C. 47 Female no -1.02 0.1632 0.0342							
Reed, James 46 Male yes 2.10 0.0816 0.1436							

- 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

- Polytomous responses
 - *m* categories \rightarrow (*m*-1) independent comparisons (logits)
 - One part of the model for each logit
 - Similar to ANOVA where an *m*-level factor \rightarrow (*m*-1) contrasts (df)
- Methods differ according to whether the response categories are ordered or unordered
 - proportional odds model
 - Nested dichotomies
 - Generalized multinomial logistic model



Polytomous responses: Ordered

Polytomous responses

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Ordered response categories, 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

NoneSome or MarkedSomeMarked

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

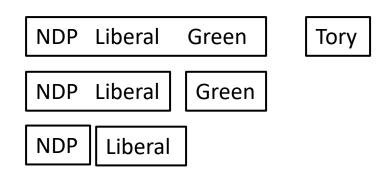
Polytomous responses: Unordered

Unordered response categories, e.g., vote: NDP, Liberal, Green, Tory

- Multinomial logistic regression
 - Fits m-1 logistic models for logits of category i = 1, 2, ..., m-1 vs. category m



- R: multinom () function in nnet
- Can also use nested dichotomies



These contrasts are orthogonal

- Models are independent
- G² s add to that for combined model

Proportional odds model

Arthritis treatment data:

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

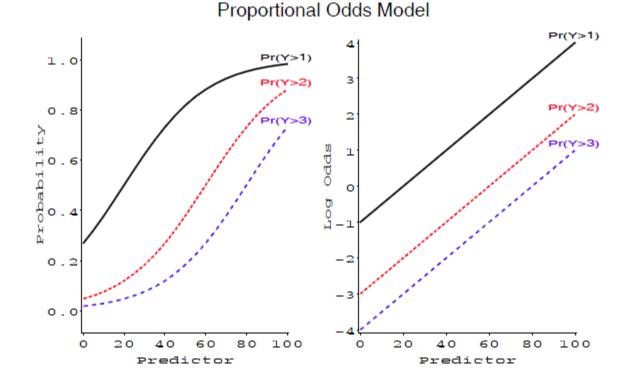
The proportional odds model uses logits for (m-1) = 2 adjacent category cut-points

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

Consider a logistic regression model for each logit:

logit(θ_{ij1}) = $\alpha_1 + \mathbf{x}'_{ij} \beta_1$ None vs. Some/Markedlogit(θ_{ij2}) = $\alpha_2 + \mathbf{x}'_{ij} \beta_2$ None/Some vs. Marked

 Proportional odds assumption: regression functions are parallel on the logit scale i.e., β₁ = β₂.



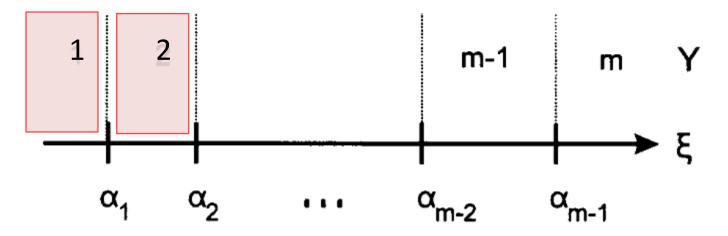
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Proportional odds: Latent variable interpretation

- A simple motivation for the proportional odds model:
 - Imagine a continuous, but *unobserved* response, ξ, a linear function of predictors

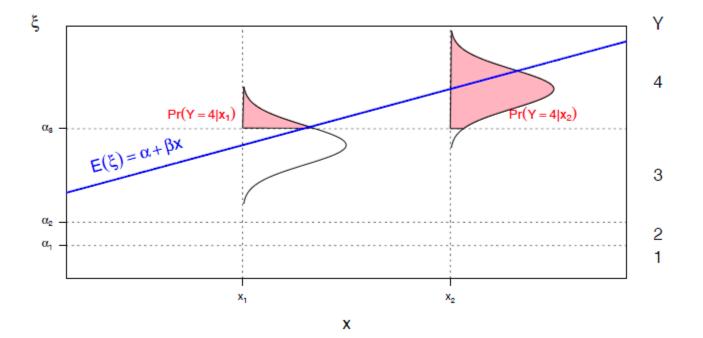
$$\xi_i = \boldsymbol{\beta}^{\mathsf{T}} \boldsymbol{x}_i + \epsilon_i$$

- The *observed* response, Y, is discrete, according to some *unknown* thresholds, α₁ < α₂, < · · · < α_{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

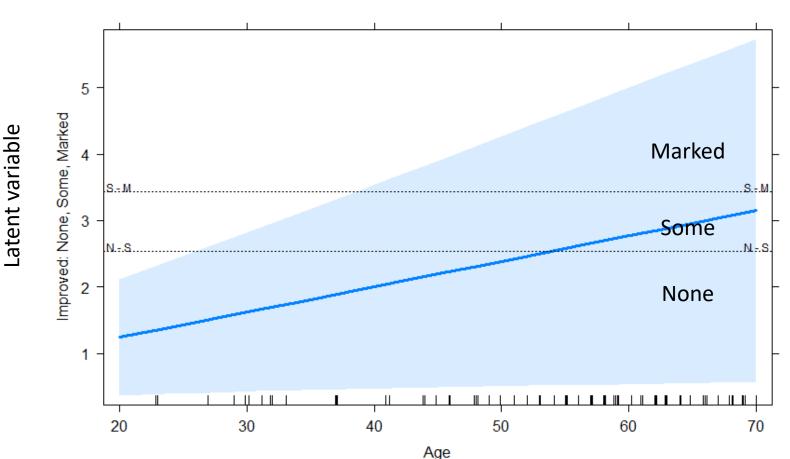
We can visualize the relation of the latent variable ξ to the observed response *Y*, for two values, x_1 and x_2 , of a single predictor, *X* as shown below:



Proportional odds: Latent variable interpretation

Plotting the effect of Age on the latent variable scale

plot(effect("Age", mod = arth.polr, latent = TRUE))



Age effect plot

Fitting the proportional odds model

NB: 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</pre>
```

Fit the model with **MASS**::polr()

summary() gives the standard statistical results

```
> summary(arth.polr)  # for coefficients
Call:
polr(formula = Improved ~ Sex + Treatment + Age, data = Arthritis)
Coefficients:
                 Value Std. Error t value
               -1.2517 0.5464 -2.29
SexMale
TreatmentTreated 1.7453 0.4759 3.67
               0.0382 0.0184 2.07
Age
Intercepts:
           Value Std. Error t value
None|Some 2.532 1.057 2.395
Some|Marked 3.431 1.091
                            3.144
Residual Deviance: 145.46
AIC: 155.46
                                           2.53
                                                  3.43
                                    None
                                              Some
                                                      Marked
   Interpretation of
   intercepts
```

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Degree of improvement

3

Δ

2

car:: Anova() gives hypothesis tests for the model terms

```
> Anova(arth.polr)  # Type II tests
Analysis of Deviance Table (Type II tests)
```

```
Response: Improved

LR Chisq Df Pr(>Chisq)

Sex 5.69 1 0.01708 *

Treatment 14.71 1 0.00013 ***

Age 4.57 1 0.03251 *

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

- Type II tests are partial tests, controlling for the effects of all other terms
- e.g., G² (Sex | Treatment, Age), G² (Treatment | Age, Sex)
- NB: anova() gives only Type I (sequential) tests not usually useful

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

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

NPO:
$$L_j = \alpha_j + \boldsymbol{x}^T \beta_j$$
 $j = 1, \dots, m-1$ (2)

- A likelihood ratio test requires fitting both models calculating $\Delta G^2 = G_{\rm NPO}^2 G_{\rm PO}^2$ 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**)

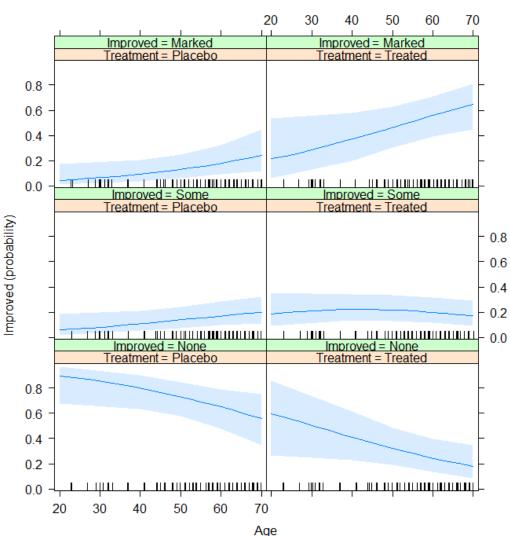
The more general NPO model is fit using **parallel=FALSE**

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

The LR test indicates that the proportional odds 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 ✓
```

Plotting effects in the PO model



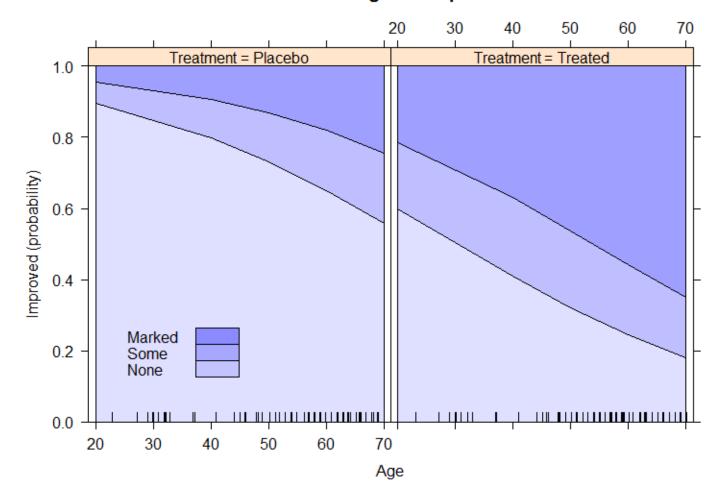
Treatment*Age effect plot

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

The default style shows separate curves for the response categories

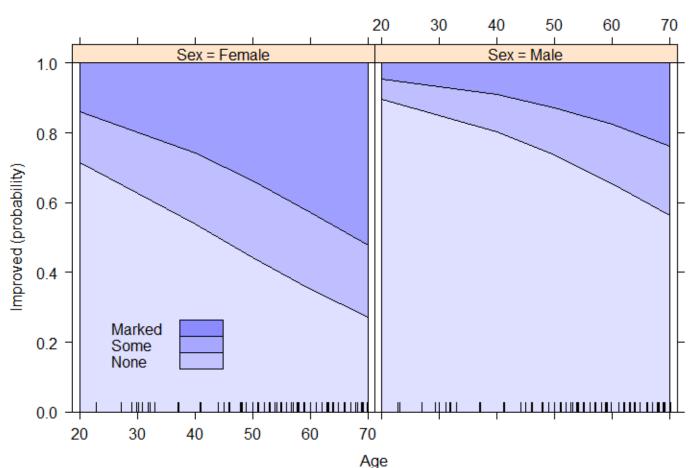
Difficult to compare these in different panels

Visual comparisons are easier when the response levels are "stacked"



Treatment*Age effect plot

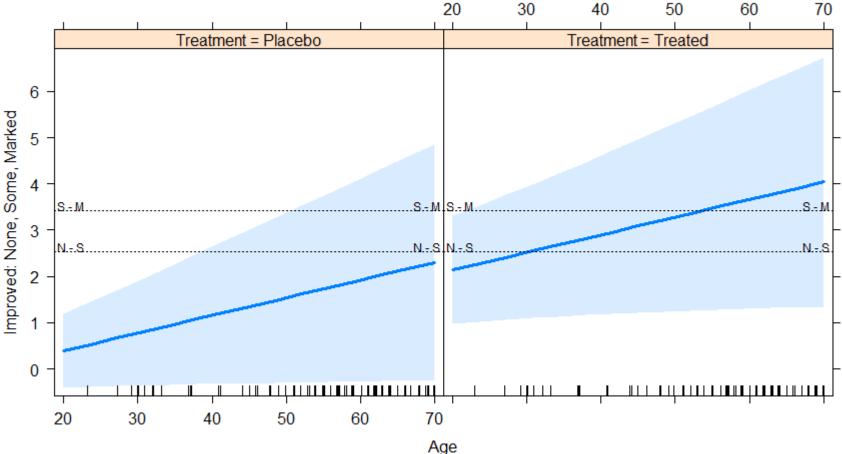
Visual comparisons are easier when the response levels are "stacked"



Sex*Age effect plot

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

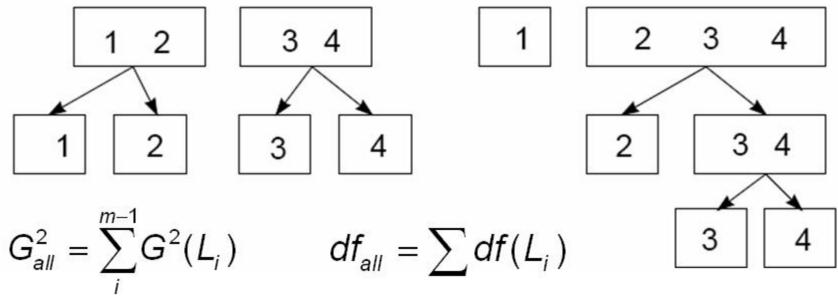
plot(effect("Treatment:Age", arth.polr, latent = TRUE))



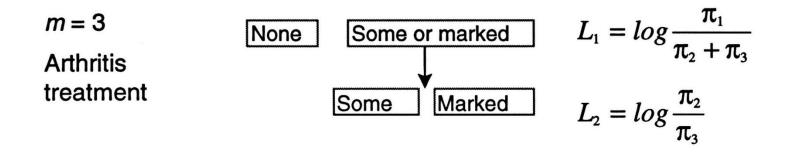
Treatment*Age effect plot

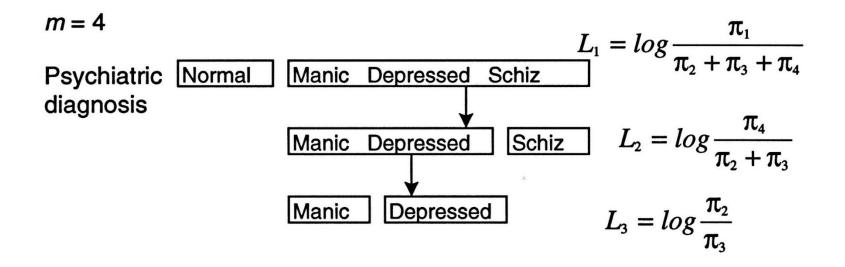
Nested dichotomies

- 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 (G² 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

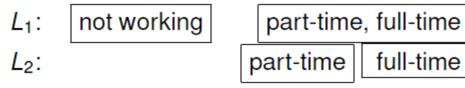




Example: Women's Labour-force participation

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)

	partic	hincome	children	region
31	not.work	13	present	Ontario
51	parttime	10	present	Prairie
74	not.work	17	present	Ontario
108	not.work	19	present	Ontario
131	parttime	19	present	Ontario
161	not.work	15	present	Ontario
178	fulltime	13	absent	Ontario

Nested dichotomies: Recoding

In R, need to create new variables, **working** and **fulltime**.

```
> library(dplyr)
> Womenlf <- Womenlf |>
   mutate(working = ifelse(partic=="not.work", 0, 1)) |>
   mutate(fulltime = case when(
     working & partic == "fulltime" ~ 1,
     working & partic == "parttime" ~ 0)
> some(Womenlf, 8)
     partic hincome children region working fulltime
76 parttime
                38 present Ontario
                                         1
                                                  0
93
  parttime
                 9 present Ontario
                                         1
                                                  \left( \right)
101 fulltime 11 absent Atlantic
                                         1
                                                 1
107 not.work
                13 present Prairie
                                         0
                                                 NA
109 not.work 19
                   present Atlantic
                                         0
                                                 NA
157 parttime
               15 present
                                 BC
                                         1
                                                  0
220 fulltime
               16 absent Ouebec
                                         1
                                                 1
249 not.work 23 absent Quebec
                                         \left( \right)
                                                 NA
```

Nested dichotomies: Fitting

Then, fit separate models for each dichotomy:

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

Some output from summary(mod.working)

Coefficients:					
	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)	
(Intercept)	1.3358	0.3838	3.48	0.0005	* * *
hincome	-0.0423	0.0198	-2.14	0.0324	*
childrenpresent	-1.5756	0.2923	-5.39	7e-08	* * *

Some output from summary(mod.fulltime)

Coefficients:					
	Estimate	Std. Error	z value	Pr(> z)	
(Intercept)	3.4778	0.7671	4.53	5.8e-06	* * *
hincome	-0.1073	0.0392	-2.74	0.0061	* *
childrenpresent	-2.6515	0.5411	-4.90	9.6e-07	* * *

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

Wald tests for each coefficient:

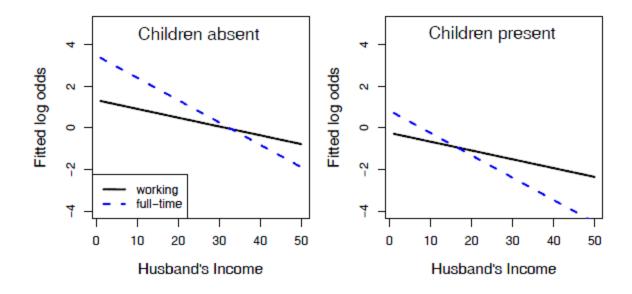
Wald	tests of maxin	num likelihood	estir	nates Prob	
Variable	Response	WaldChiSq	DF	ChiSq	
Intercept	working fulltime ALL	12.1164 20.5536 32.6700	1 1 2	0.0005 <.0001 <.0001	
children	working fulltime ALL	29.0650 24.0134 53.0784	1 1 2	<.0001 <.0001 <.0001	
husinc	working fulltime ALL	4.5750 7.5062 12.0813	1 1 2	0.0324 0.0061 0.0024	

Nested dichotomies: Interpretation

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

$$log\left(\frac{Pr(working)}{Pr(not working)}\right) = 1.336 - 0.042 \text{ H}\$ - 1.576 \text{ kids}$$
$$log\left(\frac{Pr(fulltime)}{Pr(parttime)}\right) = 3.478 - 0.107 \text{ H}\$ - 2.652 \text{ kids}$$

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 **predict()**.

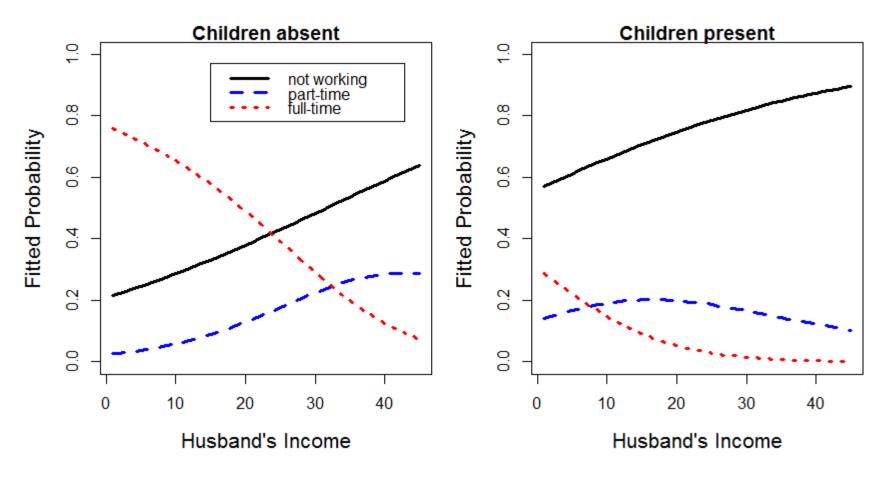
- type = "response" gives these on the probability scale
- type = "link" (default) gives these on the logit scale

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

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

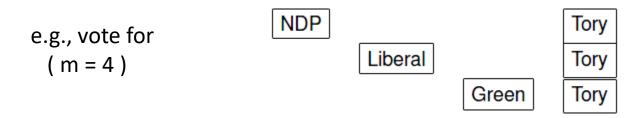
```
p.full <- p.work * p.fulltime
p.part <- p.work * (1 - p.fulltime)
p.not <- 1 - p.work</pre>
```

This plot is produced using base R functions plot(), lines() and legend() See the file: <u>wlf-nested.R</u> on the course web page for details



Multinomial logistic regression

- Multinomial logistic regression models the probabilities of m response categories as (m-1) logits
 - Typically, these compare each of the first *m*-1 categories to the last (reference) category: 1 vs. *m*, 2 vs. *m*, ... *m*-1 vs. *m*



 Logits for any pair of categories can be calculated from the *m*-1 fitted ones

Multinomial logistic regression

 with k predictors, x₁, x₂, ..., x_k and for j=1, 2, ..., m-1, the model fits separate slopes for each logit

$$L_{jm} \equiv \log\left(\frac{\pi_{ij}}{\pi_{im}}\right) = \beta_{0j} + \beta_{1j} x_{i1} + \beta_{2j} x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_{kj} x_{ik}$$
$$= \beta_j^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_i$$

- One set of coefficients, β_i for each response category except the last
- Each coefficient, β_{hj} , gives effect on log odds that response is *j* vs. *m*, for a one unit change in the predictor \mathbf{x}_{h}
- Probabilities in response categories are calculated as

$$\pi_{ij} = \frac{\exp(\beta_j^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_i)}{\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \exp(\beta_j^{\mathsf{T}} \mathbf{x}_i)} , j = 1, \dots, m-1; \qquad \pi_{im} = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \pi_{ij}$$

Fitting multinomial regression models

Fit the multinomial model using **nnet::multinom()** For ease of interpretation, make **not.work** the reference category

```
> Womenlf$partic <- relevel(Womenlf$partic, ref="not.work")
```

- > library(nnet)
- > wlf.multinom <- multinom(partic ~ hincome + children,

```
data=Womenlf, Hess=TRUE)
```

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

```
> Anova(wlf.multinom)
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 ***
---
Signif. codes:      0 `***' 0.001 `**' 0.01 `*' 0.05 `.' 0.1 ` ' 1
```

Interpreting coefficients

As before, interpret coefficients as increments in log odds or exp(coef) as multiples

> coef(wlf.multinom)	> exp(coef(wlf.multinom))			
(Intercept) hincome childrenpresent	(Intercept) hincome childrenpresent			
parttime -1.43 0.00689 0.0215	parttime 0.239 1.007 1.0217			
fulltime 1.98 -0.09723 -2.5586	fulltime 7.263 0.907 0.0774			

$$\log\left(\frac{\Pr(\text{parttime})}{\Pr(\text{notworking})}\right) = -1.43 + 0.0069 \text{ H}\$ - 0.215 \text{ kids}$$
$$\log\left(\frac{\Pr(\text{fulltime})}{\Pr(\text{notworking})}\right) = 1.98 - 0.097 \text{ H}\$ - 2.55 \text{ kids}$$

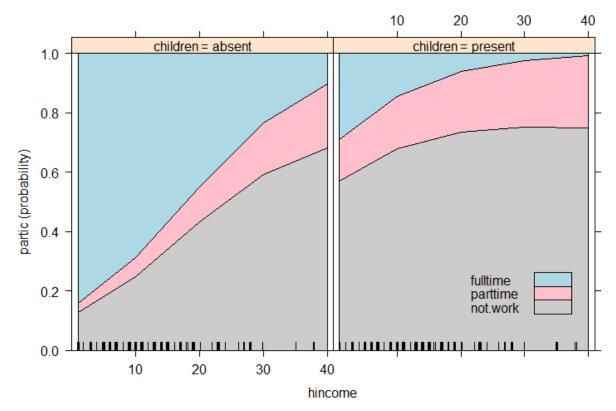
Each 1000\$ of husband's income:

- Increases log odds of parttime by 0.0069; multiplies odds by 1.007 (+0.7%)
- Decreases log odds of fulltime by 0.097; multiplies odds by 0.091 (-9%) Having **young children**:
- Increases odds of parttime by 0.0215; multiplies odds by 1.0217 (+2%)
- Decreases odds of fulltime by 2.559; multiplies odds by 0.0774 (-92%)

Multinomial models: Plotting

Much easier to interpret a model from a plot, but even more so for polytomous response models

library(effects)
plot(Effect(c("hincome", "children"), wlf.multinom), style = "stacked")



hincome*children effect plot

For multinomial model, style="stacked" plots cumulative probs.

Multinomial models: Plotting

An alternative is to plot the predicted probabilities of each level of participation over a grid of predictor values for husband's income and children.

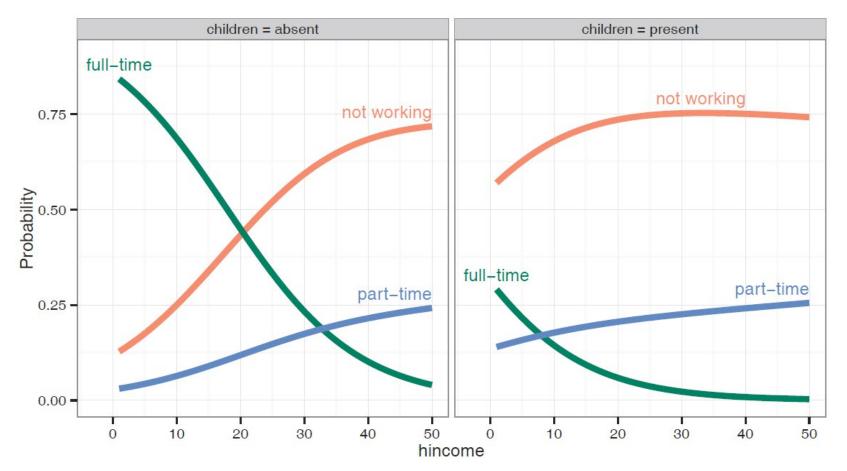
> p	oredictors <- expa	and.grid(h	income=1:	50, child	<pre>ren=c('absent',</pre>	'present'))
> f	it <- data.frame	(predictor	S,			
+		predict(w	lf.multin	nom, predi	ctors, type='pro	obs'))
> f	fit > filter(hind	come %in%	c(10, 25,	40)) #	show a few obse	ervations
	hincome children	not.work	parttime	fulltime		
10	10 absent	0.250	0.0639	0.68627		
25	25 absent	0.520	0.1475	0.33233		
40	40 absent	0.683	0.2150	0.10157		
60	10 present	0.678	0.1773	0.14427		
75	25 present	0.747	0.2164	0.03693		
90	40 present	0.750	0.2411	0.00863		
50	io present	0.750	0.2411	0.00005		

We want to plot predicted probability vs. hincome, with separate curves for levels of participation. To do this we need to reshape the fit data from wide to long

```
plotdat <- fit |>
  gather(key="Level", value="Probability", not.work:fulltime)
```

Now, plot Probability ~ hincome, with separate curves for Level of partic

```
library(directlabels)
gg <- ggplot(plotdat, aes(x = hincome, y = Probability, colour = Level)) +
geom_line(size=1.5) + facet_grid(~ children, labeller = label_both)
direct.label(gg, list("top.bumptwice", dl.trans(y = y + 0.2)))</pre>
```



A larger example: BEPS data

Political knowledge & party choice in Britain

Example from Fox & Anderson (2006); data from 1997-2001 British Election Panel Survey (BEPS), N=1325

- **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 a model with main effects and an interaction of Europe * political knowledge

Analysis of Deviance 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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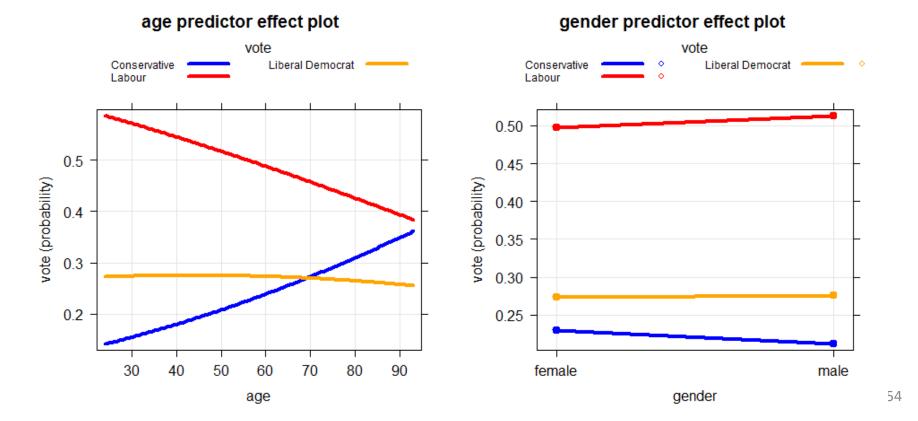
BEPS data: Interpretation?

Coefficients give log odds relative of party choice relative to Conservatives How to understand the nature of these effects?

<pre>> coef(BEPS.mod)</pre>				
	(Intercept) age	gendermale econo	mic.cond.national	
Labour	-0.873 -0.0198	0.1126	0.522	
Liberal Democrat	-0.718 -0.0146	0.0914	0.145	
	economic.cond.househ	old Blair Hague	Kennedy Europe	
Labour	0.17	863 0.824 -0.868	0.240 -0.00171	
Liberal Democrat	0.00	773 0.278 -0.781	0.656 0.06841	
	political.knowledge	Europe:political	.knowledge	
Labour	0.658		-0.159	
Liberal Democrat	1.160		-0.183	

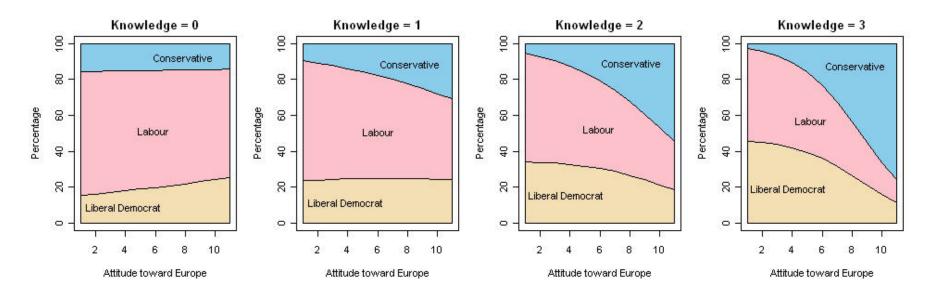
BEPS data: Effect plots

plot(predictorEffects(BEPS.mod, ~ age + gender),
 lattice=list(key.args=list(rows=1)),
 lines=list(multiline=TRUE, col=c("blue", "red", "orange")))



BEPS data: Effect plots

Examine the interaction between political knowledge and attitude toward European integration



- Low knowledge: little relation between attitude and party choice
- ♦ As knowledge increases: more Eurosceptic view → more likely to support Conservatives
- 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
 - Assumes same slopes for all logits
 - Fit with MASS::polr()
 - Test PO assumption with VGAM::vglm()
- Nested dichotomies
 - Applies to ordered or unordered categories
 - Fit m 1 separate independent models \rightarrow Additive G² values
- Multinomial logistic regression
 - Fit *m* − 1 logits as a single model
 - Results usually comparable to nested dichotomies, but diff interpretation
 - R: nnet::multinom()