

nlogit postestimation — Postestimation tools for nlogit

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Postestimation commands

The following postestimation command is of special interest after `nlogit`:

Command	Description
estat alternatives	alternative summary statistics

The following standard postestimation commands are also available:

Command	Description
contrast	contrasts and ANOVA-style joint tests of estimates
estat ic	Akaike's and Schwarz's Bayesian information criteria (AIC and BIC)
estat summarize	summary statistics for the estimation sample
estat vce	variance–covariance matrix of the estimators (VCE)
estimates	cataloging estimation results
hausman	Hausman's specification test
lincom	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for linear combinations of coefficients
lrtest	likelihood-ratio test
nlcom	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for nonlinear combinations of coefficients
predict	predictions, residuals, influence statistics, and other diagnostic measures
predictnl	point estimates, standard errors, testing, and inference for generalized predictions
pwcompare	pairwise comparisons of estimates
test	Wald tests of simple and composite linear hypotheses
testnl	Wald tests of nonlinear hypotheses

predict

Description for predict

`predict` creates a new variable containing predictions such as probabilities, linear predictions, conditional probabilities, and inclusive values.

Menu for predict

Statistics > Postestimation

Syntax for predict

```
predict [type] newvar [if] [in] [, statistic hlevel(#) altwise]
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```
predict [type] {stub*|newvarlist} [if] [in], scores
```

<i>statistic</i>	Description
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Main

<code>pr</code>	predicted probabilities of choosing the alternatives at all levels of the hierarchy or at level #, where # is specified by <code>hlevel(#)</code> ; the default
<code>xb</code>	linear predictors for all levels of the hierarchy or at level #, where # is specified by <code>hlevel(#)</code>
<code>condp</code>	predicted conditional probabilities at all levels of the hierarchy or at level #, where # is specified by <code>hlevel(#)</code>
<code>iv</code>	inclusive values for levels 2, ..., <code>e(levels)</code> or for <code>hlevel(#)</code>

The inclusive value for the first-level alternatives is not used in estimation; therefore, it is not calculated.

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` calculates the probability of choosing each alternative at each level of the hierarchy. Use the `hlevel(#)` option to compute the alternative probabilities at level #. When `hlevel(#)` is not specified, j new variables must be given, where j is the number of levels, or use `stub*` to have `predict` generate j variables with the prefix `stub` and numbered from 1 to j . The `pr` option is the default and if one new variable is given, the probability of the bottom-level alternatives are computed. Otherwise, probabilities for all levels are computed and `stub*` is still valid.

`xb` calculates the linear prediction for each alternative at each level. Use the `hlevel(#)` option to compute the linear predictor at level #. When `hlevel(#)` is not specified, j new variables must be given, where j is the number of levels, or use `stub*` to have `predict` generate j variables with the prefix `stub` and numbered from 1 to j .

`condp` calculates the conditional probabilities for each alternative at each level. Use the `hlevel(#)` option to compute the conditional probabilities of the alternatives at level #. When `hlevel(#)` is not specified, j new variables must be given, where j is the number of levels, or use `stub*` to have `predict` generate j variables with the prefix `stub` and numbered from 1 to j .

`iv` calculates the inclusive value for each alternative at each level. Use the `hlevel(#)` option to compute the inclusive value at level `#`. There is no inclusive value at level 1. If `hlevel(#)` is not used, $j - 1$ new variables are required, where j is the number of levels, or use `stub*` to have `predict` generate $j - 1$ variables with the prefix `stub` and numbered from 2 to j . See [Methods and formulas](#) in [R] `nlogit` for a definition of the inclusive values.

`hlevel(#)` calculates the prediction only for hierarchy level `#`.

`altwise` specifies that alternativewise deletion be used when marking out observations due to missing values in your variables. The default is to use casewise deletion. The `xb` option always uses alternativewise deletion.

`scores` calculates the scores for each coefficient in `e(b)`. This option requires a new-variable list of length equal to the number of columns in `e(b)`. Otherwise, use `stub*` to have `predict` generate enumerated variables with prefix `stub`.

estat

Description for estat

`estat alternatives` displays summary statistics about the alternatives in the estimation sample for each level of the tree structure.

Menu for estat

Statistics > Postestimation

Syntax for estat

```
estat alternatives
```

Remarks and examples

[stata.com](http://www.stata.com)

`predict` may be used after `nlogit` to obtain the predicted values of the probabilities, the conditional probabilities, the linear predictions, and the inclusive values for each level of the nested logit model. Predicted probabilities for `nlogit` must be interpreted carefully. Probabilities are estimated for each case as a whole and not for individual observations.

► Example 1

Continuing with our model in [example 3](#) of [R] `nlogit`, we refit the model and then examine a summary of the alternatives and their frequencies in the estimation sample.

```
. use http://www.stata-press.com/data/r15/restaurant
. nlogitgen type = restaurant(fast: Freebirds | MamasPizza,
> family: CafeEccell | LosNortenos | WingsNmore, fancy: Christophers | MadCows)
(output omitted)
. nlogit chosen cost rating distance || type: income kids, base(family) ||
> restaurant:, noconst case(family_id)
(output omitted)
```

```
. estat alternatives
```

```
Alternatives summary for type
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index	Alternative value	label	Cases present	Frequency selected	Percent selected
1	1	fast	600	27	9.00
2	2	family	900	222	74.00
3	3	fancy	600	51	17.00

```
Alternatives summary for restaurant
```

index	Alternative value	label	Cases present	Frequency selected	Percent selected
1	1	Freebirds	300	12	4.00
2	2	MamasPizza	300	15	5.00
3	3	CafeEccell	300	78	26.00
4	4	LosNortenos	300	75	25.00
5	5	WingsNmore	300	69	23.00
6	6	Christophers	300	27	9.00
7	7	MadCows	300	24	8.00

Next we predict $p_2 = \Pr(\text{restaurant})$; $p_1 = \Pr(\text{type})$; $\text{condp} = \Pr(\text{restaurant} \mid \text{type})$; xb_2 , the linear prediction for the bottom-level alternatives; xb_1 , the linear prediction for the first-level alternatives; and iv , the inclusive values for the bottom-level alternatives.

```
. predict p*
(option pr assumed)
. predict condp, condp hlevel(2)
. sort family_id type restaurant
. list restaurant type chosen p2 p1 condp in 1/14, sepby(family_id) divider
```

	restaurant	type	chosen	p2	p1	condp
1.	Freebirds	fast	1	.0642332	.1189609	.5399519
2.	MamasPizza	fast	0	.0547278	.1189609	.4600481
3.	CafeEccell	family	0	.284409	.7738761	.3675124
4.	LosNortenos	family	0	.3045242	.7738761	.3935051
5.	WingsNmore	family	0	.1849429	.7738761	.2389825
6.	Christophers	fancy	0	.0429508	.107163	.4007991
7.	MadCows	fancy	0	.0642122	.107163	.5992009
8.	Freebirds	fast	0	.0183578	.0488948	.3754559
9.	MamasPizza	fast	0	.030537	.0488948	.6245441
10.	CafeEccell	family	0	.2832149	.756065	.3745907
11.	LosNortenos	family	1	.3038883	.756065	.4019341
12.	WingsNmore	family	0	.1689618	.756065	.2234752
13.	Christophers	fancy	0	.1041277	.1950402	.533878
14.	MadCows	fancy	0	.0909125	.1950402	.466122

```
. predict xb*, xb
. predict iv, iv
```

```
. list restaurant type chosen xb* iv in 1/14, sepby(family_id) divider
```

	restaurant	type	chosen	xb1	xb2	iv
1.	Freebirds	fast	1	-1.124805	-1.476914	-.2459659
2.	MamasPizza	fast	0	-1.124805	-1.751229	-.2459659
3.	CafeEccell	family	0	0	-2.181112	.1303341
4.	LosNortenos	family	0	0	-2.00992	.1303341
5.	WingsNmore	family	0	0	-3.259229	.1303341
6.	Christophers	fancy	0	1.405185	-6.804211	-.745332
7.	MadCows	fancy	0	1.405185	-5.155514	-.745332
8.	Freebirds	fast	0	-1.804794	-2.552233	-.5104123
9.	MamasPizza	fast	0	-1.804794	-1.680583	-.5104123
10.	CafeEccell	family	0	0	-2.400434	.0237072
11.	LosNortenos	family	1	0	-2.223939	.0237072
12.	WingsNmore	family	0	0	-3.694409	.0237072
13.	Christophers	fancy	0	1.490775	-5.35932	-.6796131
14.	MadCows	fancy	0	1.490775	-5.915751	-.6796131

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Also see

[R] [nlogit](#) — Nested logit regression

[U] [20 Estimation and postestimation commands](#)