

The new -pqm- command for parametric quantile models

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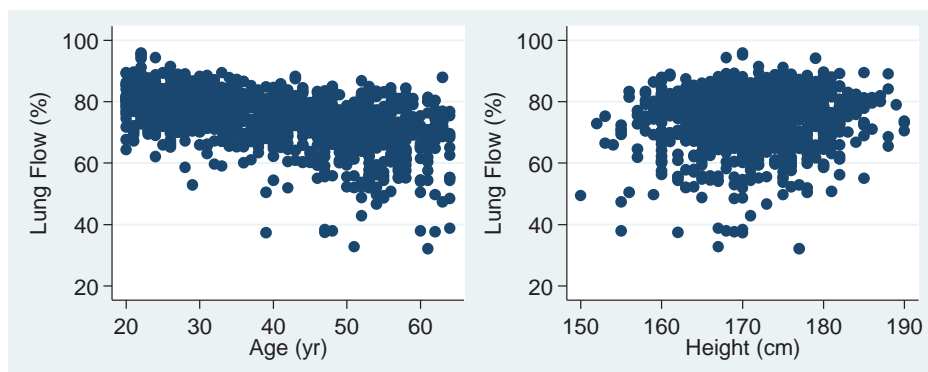
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Lung flow, age, and height



In subsequent analyses, all variables are standardized.

A quantile model

We consider the following data-generating model

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + e$$

The residual e may depend on x .

The quantile function of y given x is

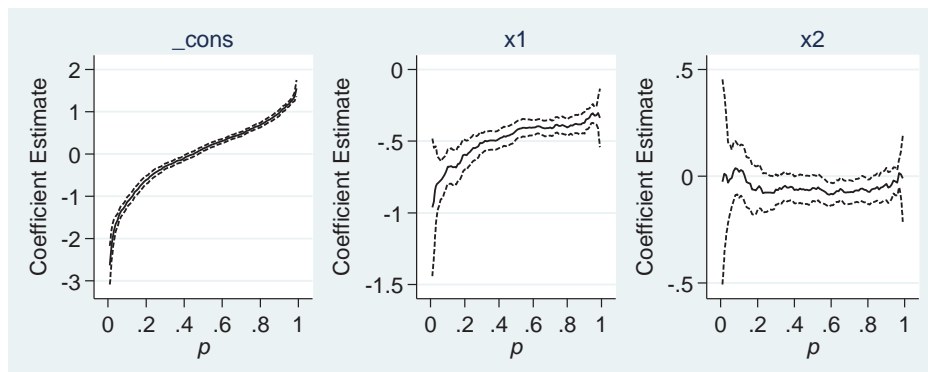
$$Q_y(p) = \beta_0(p) + \beta_1(p)x_1 + \beta_2(p)x_2$$

with $p \in (0,1)$.

The -qreg- command

We define $x_1 = \text{age}$ and $x_2 = \text{height}$.
We estimate the following model with -qreg-.

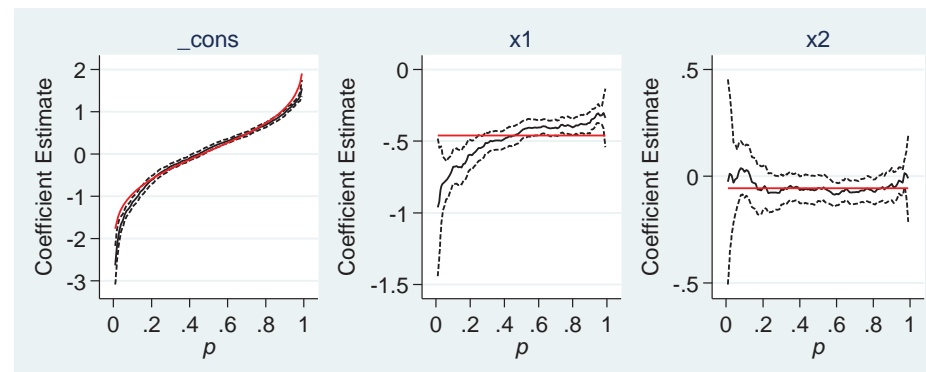
$$Q_y(p) = \beta_0(p) + \beta_1(p)x_1 + \beta_2(p)x_2$$



The -pqm- command: Model 1

We define $z(p)$ as the standard normal quantile function.
We estimate the following model with -pqm-.

$$Q_y(p) = [\beta_{00} + \exp(\beta_{01})z(p)] + \beta_{10}x_1 + \beta_{20}x_2$$



The -pqm- command output

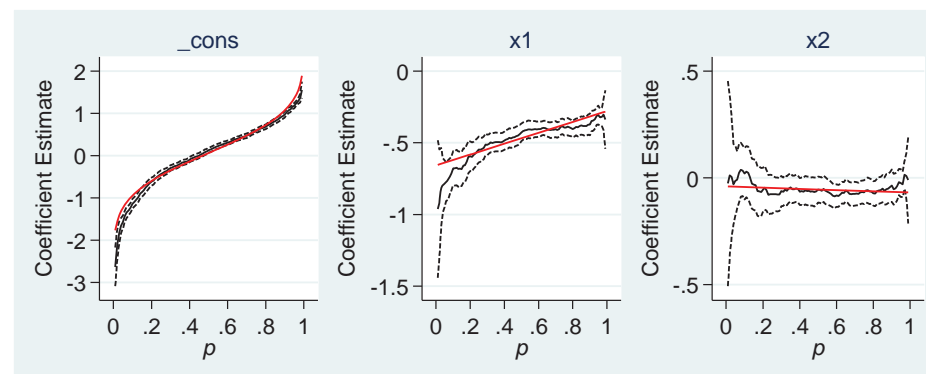
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. pqm ( {b00} + exp({b01})*invnormal(p) + {b10}*x1 + {b20}*x2 )
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| Parametric quantile model | | Number of obs | | = | | 1,093 | |
|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------|-------|-----------------------------------|-----------|--|
| y | Observed Coef. | Bootstrap Std. Err. | z | P> z | Normal-based [95% Conf. Interval] | | |
| b00 | | | | | | | |
| _cons | .0658915 | .0240948 | 2.73 | 0.006 | .0186666 | .1131164 | |
| b01 | | | | | | | |
| _cons | -.2363306 | .0277714 | -8.51 | 0.000 | -.2907616 | -.1818996 | |
| b10 | | | | | | | |
| _cons | -.4610537 | .0242314 | -19.03 | 0.000 | -.5085464 | -.4135609 | |
| b20 | | | | | | | |
| _cons | -.0568619 | .029408 | -1.93 | 0.053 | -.1145006 | .0007768 | |

The -pqm- command: Model 2

We define $z(p)$ as the standard normal quantile function.
We estimate the following model with -pqm-.

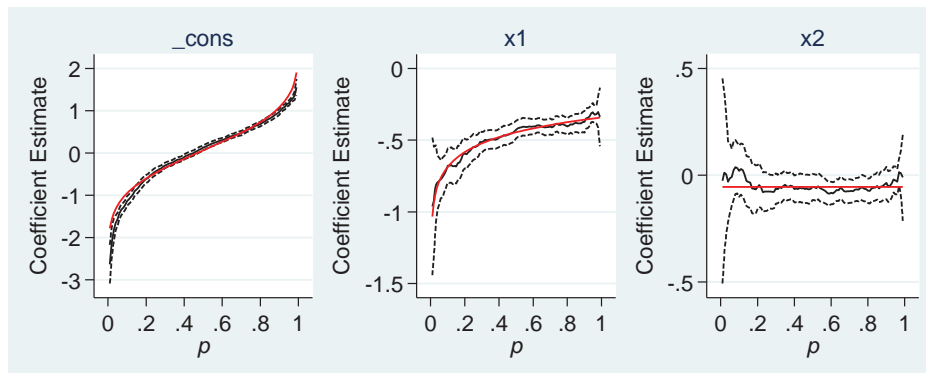
$$Q_y(p) = [\beta_{00} + \exp(\beta_{01})z(p)] + [\beta_{10} + \beta_{11}p]x_1 + [\beta_{20} + \beta_{21}p]x_2$$



The -pqm- command: Model 3

We define $z(p)$ as the standard normal quantile function.
We estimate the following model with -pqm-.

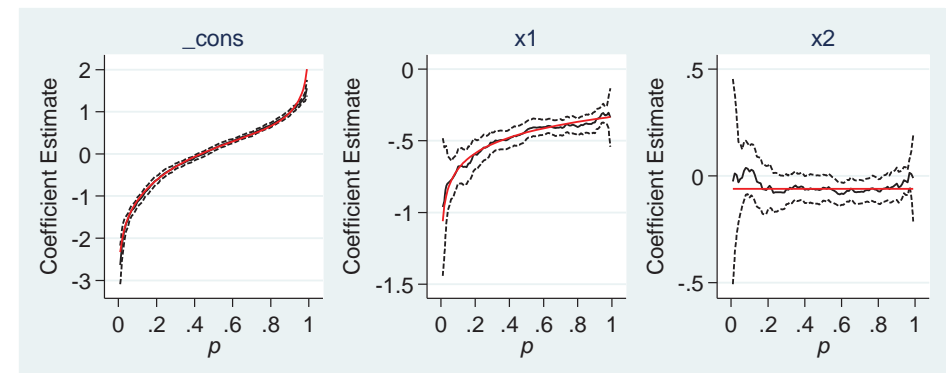
$$Q_y(p) = [\beta_{00} + \exp(\beta_{01})z(p)] + [\beta_{10} + \beta_{11}\log(p)]x_1 + \beta_{20}x_2$$



The -pqm- command: Model 4

We define $z(p)$ as the standard normal quantile function.
We estimate the following model with -pqm-.

$$Q_y(p) = [\beta_{00} + \exp(\beta_{01})z(p) + \beta_{02}p^2] + [\beta_{10} + \beta_{11}\log(p)]x_1 + \beta_{20}x_2$$



Summary

Quantile coefficients models

- ✓ Estimate full conditional distributions
- ✓ Can model distributions with no closed-form densities
- ✓ Are statistically efficient
- ✓ Are computationally fast

The -pqm- command

- ✓ Accepts any quantile function
- ✓ Shares the -mlexp- syntax and features
- ✗ Needs optimizing

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