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Chapter 71

The PROBIT Procedure

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Overview: PROBIT Procedure

The PROBIT procedure calculates maximum likelihood estimates of regression parameters and the natural (or threshold) response rate for quantal response data from biological assays or other discrete event data. This includes probit, logit, ordinal logistic, and extreme value (or gompit) regression models.

Probit analysis developed from the need to analyze qualitative (dichotomous or polytomous) dependent variables within the regression framework. Many response variables are binary by nature (yes/no), while others are measured ordinally rather than continuously (degree of severity). Collett (1991) and Agresti (1990), for example, have shown ordinary least squares (OLS) regression to be inadequate when the dependent variable is discrete. Probit or logit analyses are more appropriate in this case.

The PROBIT procedure computes maximum likelihood estimates of the parameters β and C of the probit equation by using a modified Newton-Raphson algorithm. When the response Y is binary, with values 0 and 1, the probit equation is

$$p = \Pr(Y = 0) = C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\beta)$$

where

- β is a vector of parameter estimates
- F is a cumulative distribution function (normal, logistic, or extreme value)
- \mathbf{x} is a vector of explanatory variables
- p is the probability of a response
- C is the natural (threshold) response rate

Notice that PROC PROBIT, by default, models the probability of the *lower* response levels. The choice of the distribution function F (normal for the probit model, logistic for the logit model, and extreme value or Gompertz for the gompit model) determines the type of analysis. For most problems, there is relatively little difference between the normal and logistic specifications of the model. Both distributions are symmetric about the value zero. The extreme value (or Gompertz) distribution, however, is not symmetric, approaching 0 on the left more slowly than it approaches 1 on the right. You can use the extreme value distribution where such asymmetry is appropriate.

For ordinal response models, the response, Y , of an individual or an experimental unit can be restricted to one of a (usually small) number, $k + 1$ ($k \geq 1$), of ordinal values, denoted for convenience by $1, \dots, k, k + 1$. For example, the severity of coronary disease can be classified into three response

categories as 1=no disease, 2=angina pectoris, and 3=myocardial infraction. The PROBIT procedure fits a common slopes cumulative model, which is a parallel-lines regression model based on the cumulative probabilities of the response categories rather than on their individual probabilities. The cumulative model has the form

$$\Pr(Y \leq 1 \mid \mathbf{x}) = F(\mathbf{x}'\beta)$$

$$\Pr(Y \leq i \mid \mathbf{x}) = F(\alpha_i + \mathbf{x}'\beta), \quad 2 \leq i \leq k$$

where $\alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_k$ are $k - 1$ intercept parameters. By default, the covariate vector \mathbf{x} contains an overall intercept term.

You can set or estimate the natural (threshold) response rate C . Estimation of C can begin either from an initial value that you specify or from the rate observed in a control group. By default, the natural response rate is fixed at zero.

An observation in the data set analyzed by the PROBIT procedure might contain the response and explanatory values for one subject. Alternatively, it might provide the number of observed events from a number of subjects at a particular setting of the explanatory variables. In this case, PROC PROBIT models the probability of an event.

The PROBIT procedure now uses ODS Graphics to create graphs as part of its output. For general information about ODS Graphics, see Chapter 21, “[Statistical Graphics Using ODS.](#)”

Getting Started: PROBIT Procedure

The following example illustrates how you can use the PROBIT procedure to compute the threshold response rate and regression parameter estimates for quantal response data.

Estimating the Natural Response Threshold Parameter

Suppose you want to test the effect of a drug at 12 dosage levels. You randomly divide 180 subjects into 12 groups of 15—one group for each dosage level. You then conduct the experiment and, for each subject, record the presence or absence of a positive response to the drug. You summarize the data by counting the number of subjects responding positively in each dose group. Your data set is as follows:

```
data study;
  input Dose Respond @@;
  Number = 15;
  datalines;
0      3    1.1    4    1.3    4    2.0    3    2.2    5    2.8    4
3.7    5    3.9    9    4.4    8    4.8    11   5.9    12   6.8    13
;
run;
```

The variable `dose` represents the amount of drug administered. The first group, receiving a dose level of 0, is the control group. The variable `number` represents the number of subjects in each group. All groups are equal in size; hence, `number` has the value 15 for all observations. The variable `respond` represents the number of subjects responding to the associated drug dosage.

You can model the probability of positive response as a function of dosage by using the following statements:

```
ods graphics on;

proc probit data=study log10 optc plots=(predpplot ippplot);
    model respond/number=dose;
    output out=new p=p_hat;
run;

ods graphics off;
```

The `DATA=` option specifies that PROC PROBIT analyze the SAS data set `study`. The `LOG10` option replaces the first continuous independent variable (`dose`) with its common logarithm. The `OPTC` option estimates the natural response rate. When you use the `LOG10` option with the `OPTC` option, any observations with a dose value less than or equal to zero are used in the estimation as a control group.

The `PLOTS=` option in the PROC PROBIT statement, together with the ODS GRAPHICS statement, requests two plots for the estimated probability values and dosage levels. For general information about ODS Graphics, see Chapter 21, “[Statistical Graphics Using ODS](#).” For specific information about the graphics available in the PROBIT procedure, see the section “[ODS Graphics](#)” on page 5319.

The MODEL statement specifies a proportional response by using the variables `respond` and `number` in *events/trials* syntax. The variable `dose` is the stimulus or explanatory variable.

The OUTPUT statement creates a new data set, `new`, that contains all the variables in the original data set, and a new variable, `p_hat`, that represents the predicted probabilities.

The results from this analysis are displayed in the following figures.

[Figure 71.1](#) displays background information about the model fit. Included are the name of the input data set, the response variables used, and the number of observations, events, and trials. The last line in [Figure 71.1](#) shows the final value of the log-likelihood function.

[Figure 71.2](#) displays the table of parameter estimates for the model. The parameter C , which is the natural response threshold or the proportion of individuals responding at zero dose, is estimated to be 0.2409. Since both the intercept and the slope coefficient have significant p -values (0.0020, 0.0010), you can write the model for

$$\Pr(\text{response}) = C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\beta)$$

as

$$\Pr(\text{response}) = 0.2409 + 0.7591(\Phi(-4.1439 + 6.2308 \times \log_{10}(\text{dose})))$$

where Φ is the normal cumulative distribution function.

Finally, PROC PROBIT specifies the resulting tolerance distribution by providing the mean MU and scale parameter SIGMA as well as the covariance matrix of the distribution parameters in Figure 71.3.

Figure 71.1 Model Fitting Information for the PROBIT Procedure

The Probit Procedure	
Model Information	
Data Set	WORK.STUDY
Events Variable	Respond
Trials Variable	Number
Number of Observations	12
Number of Events	81
Number of Trials	180
Number of Events In Control Group	3
Number of Trials In Control Group	15
Name of Distribution	Normal
Log Likelihood	-104.3945783

Figure 71.2 Model Parameter Estimates for the PROBIT Procedure

Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Parameter Estimates							
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept	1	-4.1438	1.3415	-6.7731	-1.5146	9.54	0.0020
Log10(Dose)	1	6.2308	1.8996	2.5076	9.9539	10.76	0.0010
C	1	0.2409	0.0523	0.1385	0.3433		

Figure 71.3 Tolerance Distribution Estimates for the PROBIT Procedure

Estimated Covariance Matrix for Tolerance Parameters			
	MU	SIGMA	_C_
MU	0.001158	-0.000493	0.000954
SIGMA	-0.000493	0.002394	-0.000999
C	0.000954	-0.000999	0.002731

The PLOT=PREDPLOT option creates the plot in Figure 71.4, showing the relationship between dosage level, observed response proportions, and estimated probability values. The dashed lines represent pointwise confidence bands for the fitted probabilities, and a reference line is plotted at the estimated threshold value of 0.24.

The PLOT=IPPPLOT option creates the plot in Figure 71.5, showing the inverse relationship between dosage level and observed response proportions/estimated probability values. The dashed lines represent pointwise fiducial limits for the predicted values of the dose variable, and a reference line is also plotted at the estimated threshold value of 0.24.

The two plot options can be put together with the PLOTS= option, as shown in the PROC PROBIT statement.

Figure 71.4 Plot of Observed and Fitted Probabilities versus Dose Level

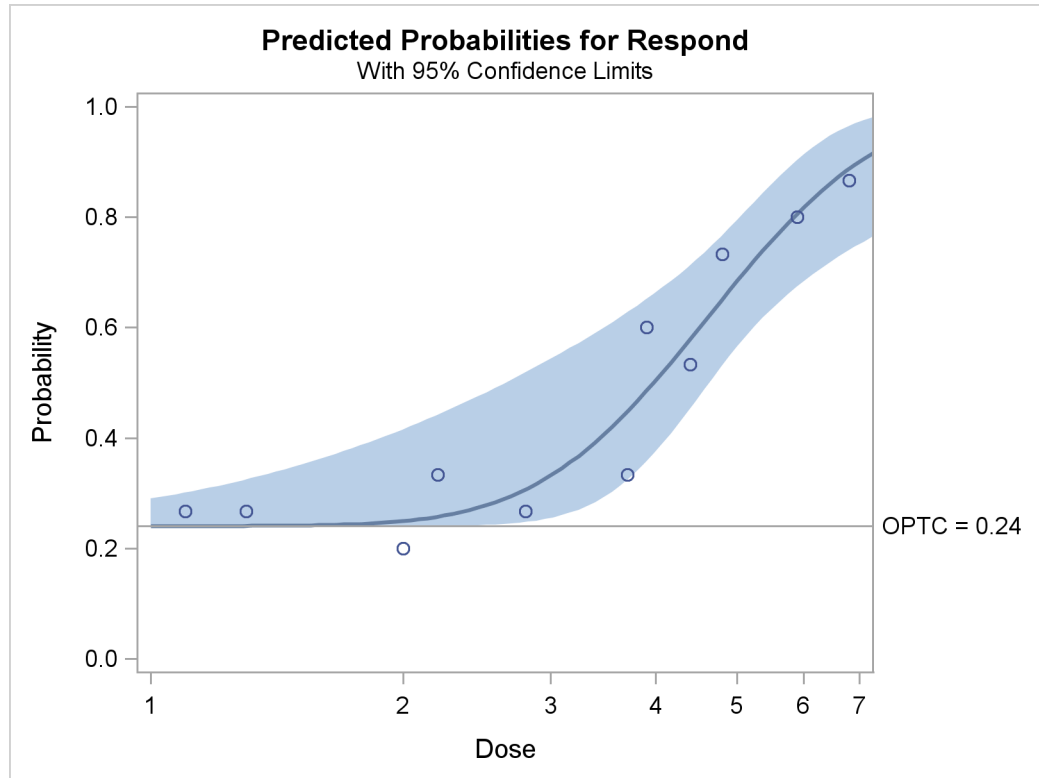
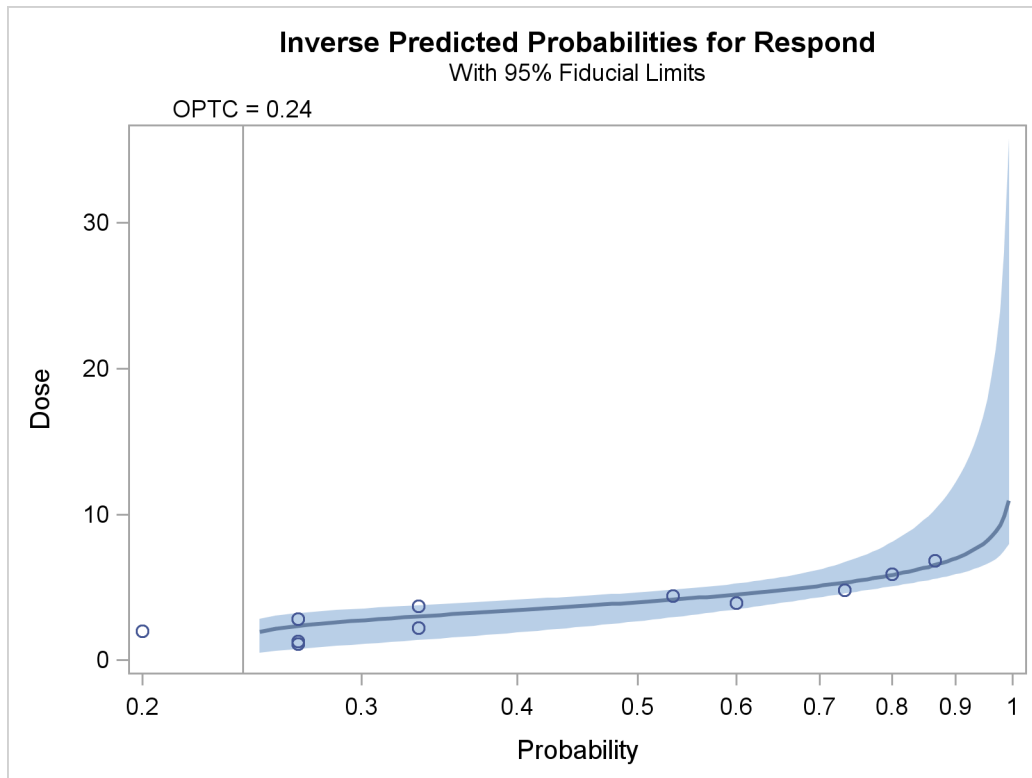


Figure 71.5 Inverse Predicted Probability Plot with Fiducial Limits

Syntax: PROBIT Procedure

The following statements are available in PROC PROBIT:

```
PROC PROBIT < options > ;
  MODEL response=independents < / options > ;

  BY variables ;
  CLASS variables ;
  OUTPUT < OUT=SAS-data-set > < options > ;
  WEIGHT variable ;

  CDFPLOT < VAR = variable > < options > ;
  INSET < keyword-list > < / options > ;
  IPPLOT < VAR = variable > < options > ;
  LPREDPLOT < VAR = variable > < options > ;
  PREDPLOT < VAR = variable > < options > ;
```

A MODEL statement is required. Only a single MODEL statement can be used with one invocation of the PROBIT procedure. If multiple MODEL statements are present, only the last one is used. Main effects and higher-order terms can be specified in the MODEL statement, as in the GLM procedure. If a CLASS statement is used, it must precede the MODEL statement.

The CDFPLOT, INSET, IPPPLOT, LPREDPLOT, and PREDPPLOT statements are used to produce graphical output. You can use any appropriate combination of the graphical statements after the MODEL statement.

PROC PROBIT Statement

PROC PROBIT <options> ;

The PROC PROBIT statement starts the procedure. You can specify the following options in the PROC PROBIT statement.

COVOUT

writes the parameter estimate covariance matrix to the OUTEST= data set.

C=rate

OPTC

controls how the natural response is handled. Specify the OPTC option to request that the natural response rate C be estimated. Specify the C=rate option to set the natural response rate or to provide the initial estimate of the natural response rate. The natural response rate value must be a number between 0 and 1.

- If you specify neither the OPTC nor the C= option, a natural response rate of zero is assumed.
- If you specify both the OPTC and the C= option, the C= option should be a reasonable initial estimate of the natural response rate. For example, you could use the ratio of the number of responses to the number of subjects in a control group.
- If you specify the C= option but not the OPTC option, the natural response rate is set to the specified value and not estimated.
- If you specify the OPTC option but not the C= option, PROC PROBIT's action depends on the response variable, as follows:
 - If you specify either the LN or LOG10 option and some subjects have the first independent variable (dose) values less than or equal to zero, these subjects are treated as a control group. The initial estimate of C is then the ratio of the number of responses to the number of subjects in this group.
 - If you do not specify the LN or LOG10 option or if there is no control group, then one of the following occurs:
 - If all responses are greater than zero, the initial estimate of the natural response rate is the minimal response rate (the ratio of the number of responses to the number of subjects in a dose group) across all dose levels.
 - If one or more of the responses is zero (making the response rate zero in that dose group), the initial estimate of the natural rate is the reciprocal of twice the largest number of subjects in any dose group in the experiment.

DATA=SAS-data-set

specifies the SAS data set to be used by PROC PROBIT. By default, the procedure uses the most recently created SAS data set.

GOUT=*graphics-catalog*

specifies a graphics catalog in which to save graphics output.

HPROB=*p*

specifies a minimum probability level for the Pearson chi-square to indicate a good fit. The default value is 0.10. The LACKFIT option must also be specified for this option to have any effect. For Pearson goodness-of-fit chi-square values with probability greater than the HPROB= value, the fiducial limits, if requested with the INVERSECL option, are computed by using a critical value of 1.96. For chi-square values with probability less than the value of the HPROB= option, the critical value is a 0.95 two-sided quantile value taken from the t distribution with degrees of freedom equal to $(k - 1) \times m - q$, where k is the number of levels for the response variable, m is the number of different sets of independent variable values, and q is the number of parameters fit in the model. Note that the HPROB= option can also appear in the MODEL statement.

INEST=*SAS-data-set*

specifies an input SAS data set that contains initial estimates for all the parameters in the model. See the section “[INEST= SAS-data-set](#)” on page 5306 for a detailed description of the contents of the INEST= data set.

INVERSECL

computes confidence limits for the values of the first continuous independent variable (such as dose) that yield selected response rates. If the algorithm fails to converge (this can happen when C is nonzero), missing values are reported for the confidence limits. See the section “[Inverse Confidence Limits](#)” on page 5309 for details. Note that the INVERSECL option can also appear in the MODEL statement.

LACKFIT

performs two goodness-of-fit tests (a Pearson chi-square test and a log-likelihood ratio chi-square test) for the fitted model.

To compute the test statistics, proper grouping of the observations into subpopulations is needed. You can use the AGGREGATE or AGGREGATE= option for this end. See the entry for the AGGREGATE and AGGREGATE= options under the MODEL statement. If neither AGGREGATE nor AGGREGATE= is specified, PROC PROBIT assumes each observation is from a separate subpopulation and computes the goodness-of-fit test statistics only for the *events/trials* syntax.

NOTE: This test is not appropriate if the data are very sparse, with only a few values at each set of the independent variable values.

If the Pearson chi-square test statistic is significant, then the covariance estimates and standard error estimates are adjusted. See the section “[Lack-of-Fit Tests](#)” on page 5307 for a description of the tests. Note that the LACKFIT option can also appear in the MODEL statement.

LOG**LN**

analyzes the data by replacing the first continuous independent variable with its natural logarithm. This variable is usually the level of some treatment such as dosage. In addition to the

usual output given by the INVERSECL option, the estimated dose values and 95% fiducial limits for dose are also displayed. If you specify the OPTC option, any observations with a dose value less than or equal to zero are used in the estimation as a control group. If you do not specify the OPTC option with the LOG or LN option, then any observations with the first continuous independent variable values less than or equal to zero are ignored.

LOG10

specifies an analysis like that of the LN or LOG option, except that the common logarithm (log to the base 10) of the dose value is used rather than the natural logarithm.

NAMELEN=*n*

specifies the length of effect names in tables and output data sets to be *n* characters, where *n* is a value between 20 and 200. The default length is 20 characters.

NOPRINT

suppresses the display of all output including graphics. Note that this option temporarily disables the Output Delivery System (ODS). For more information, see Chapter 20, “[Using the Output Delivery System](#).”

OPTC

controls how the natural response is handled. See the description of the [C= option](#) on page 5258 for details.

ORDER=DATA | FORMATTED | FREQ | INTERNAL

specifies the sorting order for the levels of the classification variables specified in the CLASS statement, including the levels of the response variable. Response level ordering is important since PROC PROBIT always models the probability of response levels at the beginning of the ordering. See the section “[Response Level Ordering](#)” on page 5303 for further details. This ordering also determines which parameters in the model correspond to each level in the data. The following table shows how PROC PROBIT interprets values of the ORDER= option.

Value of ORDER=	Levels Sorted By
DATA	order of appearance in the input data set
FORMATTED	formatted value
FREQ	descending frequency count; levels with the most observations come first in the order
INTERNAL	unformatted value

By default, ORDER=FORMATTED. For the values FORMATTED and INTERNAL, the sort order is machine dependent. For more information about sorting order, see the chapter on the SORT procedure in the *Base SAS Procedures Guide*.

OUTEST=SAS-data-set

specifies a SAS data set to contain the parameter estimates and, if the COVOUT option is specified, their estimated covariances. If you omit this option, the output data set is not created. The contents of the data set are described in the section “[OUTEST= SAS-data-set](#)” on page 5310.

PLOT | PLOTS *<=plot-request>*

PLOT | PLOTS *<=(plot-request < ... plot-request >)>*

specifies options that control details of the plots created by ODS Graphics. These plots are related to a dose variable, which is identified as the first single continuous independent variable in the MODEL statement. If there are interaction terms with this variable in the model, the PROBIT procedure will not produce any plot.

You can specify more than one plot request within the parentheses after PLOTS=. For a single plot request, you can omit the parentheses. The following plot requests are available.

ALL

creates all appropriate plots.

CDFPLOT*<(LEVEL=(character-list))>*

requests the plot of predicted cumulative distribution function (CDF) of the multinomial response variable as a function of a single continuous independent variable (dose variable). This single continuous independent variable must be the first single continuous independent variable listed in the MODEL statement. You can request this plot only with a multinomial model.

The LEVEL= suboption specifies the levels of the multinomial response variable for which the CDF curves are requested. There are $k - 1$ curves for a k -level multinomial response variable (for the highest level, it is the constant line 1). You can specify any of them to be plotted by the LEVEL= suboption.

IPPPLOT

requests the inverse plot of the predicted probability against the first single continuous variable (dose variable) in the MODEL statement for the binomial model. You can request this plot only with a binomial model. The confidence limits for the predicted values of the dose variable are the computed fiducial limits, not the inverse of the confidence limits of the predicted probabilities. Refer to the section “[Inverse Confidence Limits](#)” on page 5309 for more details.

LPREDPLOT*<(LEVEL=(character-list))>*

requests the plot of the linear predictor $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}$ against the first single continuous variable (dose variable) in the MODEL statement for either the binomial model or the multinomial model. The confidence limits for the predicted values are available only for the binomial model.

For the multinomial model, you can use the LEVEL= suboption to specify the levels for which the linear predictor lines are plotted.

NONE

suppresses all plots.

PREDPPLOT*<(LEVEL=(character-list))>*

requests the plot of the predicted probability against the first single continuous variable (dose variable) in the MODEL statement for both the binomial model and the multinomial model. Confidence limits are available only for the binomial model.

For the multinomial model, you can use the LEVEL= suboption to specify the levels for which the linear predictor lines are plotted.

XDATA=SAS-data-set

specifies an input SAS data set that contains values for all the independent variables in the MODEL statement and variables in the CLASS statement. If there are covariates specified in a MODEL statement, you specify fixed values for the effects in the MODEL statement by the XDATA= data set when predicted values and/or fiducial limits for a single continuous variable (dose variable) are required. These specified values for the effects in the MODEL statement are also used for generating plots. See the section “[XDATA= SAS-data-set](#)” on page 5311 for a detailed description of the contents of the XDATA= data set.

BY Statement

BY variables ;

You can specify a BY statement with PROC PROBIT to obtain separate analyses on observations in groups defined by the BY variables. When a BY statement appears, the procedure expects the input data set to be sorted in order of the BY variables.

If your input data set is not sorted in ascending order on each of the BY variables, use one of the following alternatives:

- Sort the data by using the SORT procedure with a similar BY statement.
- Specify the BY statement option NOTSORTED or DESCENDING in the BY statement for the PROBIT procedure. The NOTSORTED option does not mean that the data are unsorted but rather that the data are arranged in groups (according to values of the BY variables) and that these groups are not necessarily in alphabetical or increasing numeric order.
- Create an index on the BY variables by using the DATASETS procedure.

For more information about the BY statement, see *SAS Language Reference: Concepts*. For more information about the DATASETS procedure, see the *Base SAS Procedures Guide*.

CDFPLOT Statement

CDFPLOT < var = variable > < options > ;

The CDFPLOT statement plots the predicted cumulative distribution function (CDF) of the multinomial response variable as a function of a single continuous independent variable (dose variable). You can use this statement only after a multinomial model statement.

VAR=variable

specifies a single continuous variable (dose variable) in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement. If a VAR= variable is not specified, the first single continuous variable in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement is used. If such a variable does not exist in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement, an error is reported.

The predicted cumulative distribution function is defined as

$$\hat{F}_j(\mathbf{x}) = C + (1 - C)F(\hat{a}_j + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}})$$

where $j = 1, \dots, k$ are the indexes of the k levels of the multinomial response variable, F is the CDF of the distribution used to model the cumulative probabilities, $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ is the vector of estimated parameters, \mathbf{x} is the covariate vector, \hat{a}_j are estimated ordinal intercepts with $\hat{a}_1 = 0$, and C is the threshold parameter, either known or estimated from the model. Let x_1 be the covariate corresponding to the dose variable and \mathbf{x}_{-1} be the vector of the rest of the covariates. Let the corresponding estimated parameters be \hat{b}_1 and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1}$. Then

$$\hat{F}_j(\mathbf{x}) = C + (1 - C)F(\hat{a}_j + x_1\hat{b}_1 + \mathbf{x}_{-1}'\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1})$$

To plot \hat{F}_j as a function of x_1 , \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the XDATA= option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the XDATA= option in the PROC PROBIT statement for details), or use the default values that follow the rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

options

specify the levels of the multinomial response variable for which the CDF curves are requested, and add features to the plot. There are $k - 1$ curves for a k -level multinomial response variable (for the highest level, it is the constant line 1). You can specify any of them to be plotted by the LEVEL= option in the CDFPLOT statement. See the LEVEL= option for how to specify the levels.

An attached box on the right side of the plot is used to label these curves with the names of their levels. You can specify the color of this box by using the CLABBOX= option.

You can use options in the CDFPLOT statement to do the following:

- superimpose specification limits
- specify the levels for which the CDF curves are requested
- specify graphical enhancements (such as color or text height)

Summary of Options

Table 71.1 through Table 71.7 list all *options* by function. The “[Dictionary of Options](#)” on page 5266 describes each option in detail.

CDF Options**Table 71.1** Options for CDFPLOT

LEVEL=(<i>character-list</i>)	specifies the names of the levels for which the CDF curves are requested
NOTHRESH	suppresses the threshold line
THRESHLABPOS= <i>value</i>	specifies the position for the label of the threshold line

General Options**Table 71.2** Color Options

CAXIS= <i>color</i>	specifies color for axis
CFIT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for fitted curves
CFRAME= <i>color</i>	specifies color for frame
CGRID= <i>color</i>	specifies color for grid lines
CHREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for HREF= lines
CLABBOX= <i>color</i>	specifies color for label box
CTEXT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for text
CVREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for VREF= lines

Table 71.3 Options to Enhance Plots Produced on Graphics Devices

ANNOTATE= <i>SAS-data-set</i>	specifies an Annotate data set
INBORDER	requests a border around plot
LFIT= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for fitted curves
LGRID= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for grid lines
NOFRAME	suppresses the frame around plotting areas
NOGRID	suppresses grid lines
NOFIT	suppresses CDF curves
NOHLABEL	suppresses horizontal labels
NOHTICK	suppresses horizontal ticks
NOVTICK	suppresses vertical ticks
TURNVLABELS	vertically strings out characters in vertical labels
WFIT= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for fitted curves
WGRID= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for grids
WREFL= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for reference lines

Table 71.4 Axis Options

HAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> <by <i>value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for horizontal axis
HOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for horizontal axis
HLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on horizontal axis scale
HUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on horizontal axis scale
NHTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for horizontal axis
NVTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for vertical axis
VAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> <by <i>value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for vertical axis
VAXISLABEL=' <i>label</i> '	specifies label for vertical axis
VOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for vertical axis
VLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on vertical axis scale
VUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on vertical axis scale
WAXIS= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for axis

Table 71.5 Graphics Catalog Options

DESCRIPTION=' <i>string</i> '	specifies description for graphics catalog member
NAME=' <i>string</i> '	specifies name for plot in graphics catalog

Table 71.6 Options for Text Enhancement

FONT= <i>font</i>	specifies software font for text
HEIGHT= <i>value</i>	specifies height of text outside framed areas
INFONT= <i>font</i>	specifies software font for text inside framed areas
INHEIGHT= <i>value</i>	specifies height of text inside framed areas

Table 71.7 Options for Reference Lines

HREF<(INTERSECT)> =value-list	requests horizontal reference line
HREFLABELS= (‘label1’,...,‘labeln’)	specifies labels for HREF= lines
HREFLABPOS= <i>n</i>	specifies vertical position of labels for HREF= lines
LHREF= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for HREF= lines
LVREF= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for VREF= lines
VREF<(INTERSECT)> =value-list	requests vertical reference line
VREFLABELS= (‘label1’,...,‘labeln’)	specifies labels for VREF= lines
VREFLABPOS= <i>n</i>	specifies horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines

Dictionary of Options

The following entries provide detailed descriptions of the *options* in the CDFPLOT statement.

ANNOTATE=SAS-data-set

ANNO=SAS-data-set

specifies an Annotate data set, as described in *SAS/GRAPH Software: Reference*, that enables you to add features to the CDF plot. The ANNOTATE= data set you specify in the CDFPLOT statement is used for all plots created by the statement.

CAXIS=color

CAXES=color

specifies the color used for the axes and tick marks. This option overrides any COLOR= specifications in an AXIS statement. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFIT=color

specifies the color for the fitted CDF curves. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFRAME=color

CFR=color

specifies the color for the area enclosed by the axes and frame. This area is not shaded by default.

CGRID=color

specifies the color for grid lines. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CLABBOX=color

specifies the color for the area enclosed by the label box for CDF curves. This area is not shaded by default.

CHREF=*color*

CH=*color*

specifies the color for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CTEXT=*color*

specifies the color for tick mark values and axis labels. The default is the color specified for the CTEXT= option in the most recent GOPTIONS statement.

CVREF=*color*

CV=*color*

specifies the color for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

DESCRIPTION=*"string"*

DES=*"string"*

specifies a description, up to 40 characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is the variable name.

FONT=*font*

specifies a software font for reference line and axis labels. You can also specify fonts for axis labels in an AXIS statement. The FONT= font takes precedence over the FTEXT= font specified in the most recent GOPTIONS statement. Hardware characters are used by default.

HAXIS=*value1 to value2 < by value3 >*

specifies tick mark values for the horizontal axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of HAXIS= lists follow:

```
haxis = 0 to 10
haxis = 2 to 10 by 2
haxis = 0 to 200 by 10
```

HEIGHT=*value*

specifies the height of text used outside framed areas. The default value is 3.846 (in percentage).

HLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the horizontal axis scale. The HLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HOFFSET=*value*

specifies offset for horizontal axis. The default value is 1.

HUPPER=*value*

specifies *value* as the upper horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HREF < (INTERSECT) > =*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the horizontal axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the vertical axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at the same point as the horizontal axis reference line. If a horizontal axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting vertical axis reference line is labeled with the vertical axis value. See also the CHREF=, HREFLABELS=, and LHREF= options.

HREFLABELS=*'label1',...,'labeln'***HREFLABEL**=*'label1',...,'labeln'***HREFLAB**=*'label1',...,'labeln'*

specifies labels for the lines requested by the HREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

HREFLABPOS=*n*

specifies the vertical position of labels for HREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	top
2	staggered from top
3	bottom
4	staggered from bottom
5	alternating from top
6	alternating from bottom

INBORDER

requests a border around CDF plots.

LEVEL=(*character-list*)**ORDINAL**=(*character-list*)

specifies the names of the levels for which CDF curves are requested. Names should be quoted and separated by space. If there is no correct name provided, no CDF curve is plotted.

LFIT=*linetype*

specifies a line style for fitted curves. By default, fitted curves are drawn by connecting solid lines (*linetype* = 1).

LGRID=*linetype*

specifies a line style for all grid lines. *linetype* is between 1 and 46. The default is 35.

LHREF=*linetype***LH**=*linetype*

specifies the line type for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

LVREF=*linetype*

LV=*linetype*

specifies the line type for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

NAME='*string*'

specifies a name for the plot, up to eight characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is 'PROBIT'.

NOFIT

suppresses the fitted CDF curves.

NOFRAME

suppresses the frame around plotting areas.

NOGRID

suppresses grid lines.

NOHLABEL

suppresses horizontal labels.

NOHTICK

suppresses horizontal tick marks.

NOTHRESH

suppresses the threshold line.

NOVLABEL

suppresses vertical labels.

NOVTICK

suppresses vertical tick marks.

THRESLABPOS=*n*

specifies the horizontal position of labels for the threshold line. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	left
2	right

VAXIS=*value1 to value2 < by value3 >*

specifies tick mark values for the vertical axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. This method of specification of tick marks is not valid for logarithmic axes. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of VAXIS= lists follow:

```
vaxis = 0 to 10
vaxis = 0 to 2 by .1
```

VAXISLABEL=*'string'*

specifies a label for the vertical axis.

VLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the vertical axis scale. The VLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

VREF=*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the vertical axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the horizontal axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at the same point as the vertical axis reference line. If a vertical axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting horizontal axis reference line is labeled with the horizontal axis value. See also the CVREF=, LVREF=, and VREFLABELS= options.

VREFLABELS=*'label1',...,'labeln'*

VREFLABEL=*'label1',...,'labeln'*

VREFLAB=*'label1',...,'labeln'*

specifies labels for the lines requested by the VREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

VREFLABPOS=*n*

specifies the horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	left
2	right

VUPPER=*value*

specifies the upper limit on the vertical axis scale. The VUPPER= option specifies *value* as the upper vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

WAXIS=*n*

specifies line thickness for axes and frame. The default value is 1.

WFIT=*n*

specifies line thickness for fitted curves. The default value is 1.

WGRID=*n*

specifies line thickness for grids. The default value is 1.

WREFL=*n*

specifies line thickness for reference lines. The default value is 1.

CLASS Statement

CLASS *variables* ;

The CLASS statement names the classification variables to be used in the analysis. Classification variables can be either character or numeric. If a single response variable is specified in the MODEL statement, it must also be specified in a CLASS statement.

Class levels are determined from the formatted values of the CLASS variables. Thus, you can use formats to group values into levels. See the discussion of the FORMAT procedure in *SAS Language Reference: Dictionary*.

If the CLASS statement is used, it must appear before any of the MODEL statements.

INSET Statement

INSET < *keyword-list* > < / *options* > ;

The box or table of summary information produced on plots made with the [CDFPLOT](#), [IPPPLOT](#), [LPREDPLOT](#), or [PREDPPLOT](#) statement is called an *inset*. You can use the INSET statement to customize both the information that is printed in the inset box and the appearance of the inset box. To supply the information that is displayed in the inset box, you specify *keywords* corresponding to the information you want shown. For example, the following statements produce a predicted probability plot with the number of trials, the number of events, the name of the distribution, and the estimated optimum natural threshold in the inset.

```
proc probit data=epidemic;
  model r/n = dose;
  predpplot ;
  inset nobs ntrials nevents dist optc;
run;
```

By default, inset entries are identified with appropriate labels. However, you can provide a customized label by specifying the *keyword* for that entry followed by the equal sign (=) and the label in quotes. For example, the following INSET statement produces an inset containing the number of observations and the name of the distribution, labeled “Sample Size” and “Distribution” in the inset.

```
inset nobs='Sample Size' dist='Distribution';
```

If you specify a keyword that does not apply to the plot you are creating, then the keyword is ignored.

The *options* control the appearance of the box.

If you specify more than one INSET statement, only the first one is used.

Keywords Used in the INSET Statement

Table 71.8 and Table 71.9 list keywords available in the INSET statement to display summary statistics, distribution parameters, and distribution fitting information.

Table 71.8 Summary Statistics

NOBS	number of observations
NTRIALS	number of trials
NEVENTS	number of events
C	user-input threshold
OPTC	estimated natural threshold
NRESPLEV	number of levels of the response variable

Table 71.9 General Information

CONFIDENCE	confidence coefficient for all confidence intervals or for the Weibayes fit
DIST	name of the distribution

Options Used in the INSET Statement

Table 71.10 and Table 71.11 list the options available in the INSET statement.

Table 71.10 Color and Pattern Options

CFILL= <i>color</i>	specifies color for filling box
CFILLH= <i>color</i>	specifies color for filling box header
CFRAME= <i>color</i>	specifies color for frame
CHEADER= <i>color</i>	specifies color for text in header
CTEXT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for text

Table 71.11 General Appearance Options

FONT= <i>font</i>	specifies software font for text
HEIGHT= <i>value</i>	specifies height of text
HEADER='quoted string'	specifies text for header or box title
NOFRAME	omits frame around box
POS= <i>value</i> <DATA | PERCENT>	determines the position of the inset. The <i>value</i> can be a compass point (N, NE, E, SE, S, SW, W, NW) or a pair of coordinates (x, y) enclosed in parentheses. The coordinates can be specified in axis percentage units or axis data units.
REFPOINT= <i>name</i>	specifies the reference point for an inset that is positioned by a pair of coordinates with the POS= option. You use the REFPOINT= option in conjunction with the POS= coordinates. The REFPOINT= option specifies which corner of the inset frame you have specified with coordinates (x, y), and it can take the value of BR (bottom right), BL (bottom left), TR (top right), or TL (top left). The default is REFPOINT=BL. If the inset position is specified as a compass point, then the REFPOINT= option is ignored.

IPPLOT Statement

IPPLOT < *var = variable* > < *options* > ;

The IPPLOT statement plots the inverse of the predicted probability against a single continuous variable (dose variable) in the MODEL statement for the binomial model. You can only use this statement after a binomial model statement. The confidence limits for the predicted values of the dose variable are the computed fiducial limits, not the inverse of the confidence limits of the predicted probabilities. Refer to the section “[Inverse Confidence Limits](#)” on page 5309 for more details.

VAR= *variable*

specifies a single continuous variable (dose variable) in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement. If a VAR= variable is not specified, the first single continuous variable in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement is used. If such a variable does not exist in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement, an error is reported.

For the binomial model, the response variable is a probability. An estimate of the dose level \hat{x}_1 needed for a response of p is given by

$$\hat{x}_1 = (F^{-1}(p) - \mathbf{x}'_{-1} \hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1}) / \hat{b}_1$$

where F is the cumulative distribution function used to model the probability, \mathbf{x}_{-1} is the vector of the rest of the covariates, $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1}$ is the vector of the estimated parameters corresponding to \mathbf{x}_{-1} , and \hat{b}_1 is the estimated parameter for the dose variable of interest.

To plot \hat{x}_1 as a function of p , \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the XDATA= option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the XDATA= option in the PROC PROBIT statement for details), or use the default values that follow the rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

options

add features to the plot.

You can use options in the IPPLOT statement to do the following:

- superimpose specification limits
- suppress or add the observed data points on the plot
- suppress or add the fiducial limits on the plot
- specify graphical enhancements (such as color or text height)

Summary of Options

Table 71.12 through Table 71.18 list all *options* by function. The “[Dictionary of Options](#)” on page 5276 describes each option in detail.

IPP Options

Table 71.12 Plot Layout Options for IPPLOT

NOCONF	suppresses fiducial limits
NODATA	suppresses observed data points on the plot
NOTHRESH	suppresses the threshold line
THRESHLABPOS= <i>value</i>	specifies the position for the label of the threshold line

General Options

Table 71.13 Color Options

CAXIS= <i>color</i>	specifies color for axis
CFIT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for fitted curves
CFRAME= <i>color</i>	specifies color for frame
CGRID= <i>color</i>	specifies color for grid lines
CHREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for HREF= lines
CTEXT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for text
CVREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for VREF= lines

Table 71.14 Options to Enhance Plots Produced on Graphics Devices

ANNOTATE= <i>SAS-data-set</i>	specifies an Annotate data set
INBORDER	requests a border around plot
LFIT= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for fitted curves and confidence limits
LGRID= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for grid lines
NOFRAME	suppresses the frame around plotting areas
NOGRID	suppresses grid lines
NOFIT	suppresses fitted curves
NOHLABEL	suppresses horizontal labels
NOHTICK	suppresses horizontal ticks
NOVTICK	suppresses vertical ticks
TURNVLABELS	vertically strings out characters in vertical labels
WFIT= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for fitted curves
WGRID= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for grids
WREFL= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for reference lines

Table 71.15 Axis Options

HAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> < <i>by value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for horizontal axis
HOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for horizontal axis
HLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on horizontal axis scale
HUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on horizontal axis scale
NHTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for horizontal axis
NVTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for vertical axis
VAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> < <i>by value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for vertical axis
VAXISLABEL= <i>'label'</i>	specifies label for vertical axis
VOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for vertical axis
VLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on vertical axis scale
VUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on vertical axis scale
WAXIS= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for axis

Table 71.16 Options for Reference Lines

HREF<(INTERSECT)> =value-list	requests horizontal reference line
HREFLABELS= (‘label1’,...,‘labeln’)	specifies labels for HREF= lines
HREFLABPOS= <i>n</i>	specifies vertical position of labels for HREF= lines
LHREF=linetype	specifies line style for HREF= lines
LVREF=linetype	specifies line style for VREF= lines
VREF<(INTERSECT)> =value-list	requests vertical reference line
VREFLABELS= (‘label1’,...,‘labeln’)	specifies labels for VREF= lines
VREFLABPOS= <i>n</i>	specifies horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines

Table 71.17 Graphics Catalog Options

DESCRIPTION=‘string’	specifies description for graphics catalog member
NAME=‘string’	specifies name for plot in graphics catalog

Table 71.18 Options for Text Enhancement

FONT=font	specifies software font for text
HEIGHT=value	specifies height of text used outside framed areas
INFONT=font	specifies software font for text inside framed areas
INHEIGHT=value	specifies height of text inside framed areas

Dictionary of Options

The following entries provide detailed descriptions of the *options* in the IPPLOT statement.

ANNOTATE=SAS-data-set

ANNO=SAS-data-set

specifies an Annotate data set, as described in *SAS/GRAPH Software: Reference*, that enables you to add features to the ipp plot. The ANNOTATE= data set you specify in the IPPLOT statement is used for all plots created by the statement.

CAXIS=color

CAXES=color

specifies the color used for the axes and tick marks. This option overrides any COLOR= specifications in an AXIS statement. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFIT=*color*

specifies the color for the fitted ipp curves. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFRAME=*color***CFR=***color*

specifies the color for the area enclosed by the axes and frame. This area is not shaded by default.

CGRID=*color*

specifies the color for grid lines. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CHREF=*color***CH=***color*

specifies the color for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CTEXT=*color*

specifies the color for tick mark values and axis labels. The default is the color specified for the CTEXT= option in the most recent GOPTIONS statement.

CVREF=*color***CV=***color*

specifies the color for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

DESCRIPTION='*string*'**DES=**'*string*'

specifies a description, up to 40 characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is the variable name.

FONT=*font*

specifies a software font for reference line and axis labels. You can also specify fonts for axis labels in an AXIS statement. The FONT= font takes precedence over the FTEXT= font specified in the most recent GOPTIONS statement. Hardware characters are used by default.

HAXIS=*value1 to value2*< *by value3*>

specifies tick mark values for the horizontal axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of HAXIS= lists follow:

```
haxis = 0 to 10
haxis = 2 to 10 by 2
haxis = 0 to 200 by 10
```

HEIGHT=*value*

specifies the height of text used outside framed areas. The default value is 3.846 (in percentage).

HLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the horizontal axis scale. The HLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HOFFSET=*value*

specifies offset for horizontal axis. The default value is 1.

HUPPER=*value*

specifies *value* as the upper horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HREF < (INTERSECT) > =*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the horizontal axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the vertical axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at the same point as the horizontal axis reference line. If a horizontal axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting vertical axis reference line is labeled with the vertical axis value. See also the CHREF=, HREFLABELS=, and LHREF= options.

HREFLABELS=*'label1',...,'labeln'***HREFLABEL=***'label1',...,'labeln'***HREFLAB=***'label1',...,'labeln'*

specifies labels for the lines requested by the HREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

HREFLABPOS=*n*

specifies the vertical position of labels for HREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	top
2	staggered from top
3	bottom
4	staggered from bottom
5	alternating from top
6	alternating from bottom

INBORDER

requests a border around ipp plots.

LFIT=*linetype*

specifies a line style for fitted curves and confidence limits. By default, fitted curves are drawn by connecting solid lines (*linetype* = 1) and confidence limits are drawn by connecting dashed lines (*linetype* = 3).

LGRID=*linetype*

specifies a line style for all grid lines. The value for *linetype* must be between 1 and 46. The default is 35.

LHREF=*linetype*

LH=*linetype*

specifies the line type for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

LVREF=*linetype*

LV=*linetype*

specifies the line type for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

NAME='*string*'

specifies a name for the plot, up to eight characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is 'PROBIT'.

NOCONF

suppresses fiducial limits from the plot.

NODATA

suppresses observed data points from the plot.

NOFIT

suppresses the fitted ipp curves.

NOFRAME

suppresses the frame around plotting areas.

NOGRID

suppresses grid lines.

NOHLABEL

suppresses horizontal labels.

NOHTICK

suppresses horizontal tick marks.

NOTHRESH

suppresses the threshold line.

NOVLABEL

suppresses vertical labels.

NOVTICK

suppresses vertical tick marks.

THRESHLABPOS=*n*

specifies the vertical position of labels for the threshold line. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	top
2	bottom

VAXIS=*value1 to value2* < *by value3* >

specifies tick mark values for the vertical axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. This method of specification of tick marks is not valid for logarithmic axes. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of VAXIS= lists follow:

```
vaxis = 0 to 10
vaxis = 0 to 2 by .1
```

VAXISLABEL=*'string'*

specifies a label for the vertical axis.

VLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the vertical axis scale. The VLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

VREF=*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the vertical axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the horizontal axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at the same point as the vertical axis reference line. If a vertical axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting horizontal axis reference line is labeled with the horizontal axis value. See also the CVREF=, LVREF=, and VREFLABELS= options.

VREFLABELS=*'label1', ..., 'labeln'***VREFLABEL=***'label1', ..., 'labeln'***VREFLAB=***'label1', ..., 'labeln'*

specifies labels for the lines requested by the VREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

VREFLABPOS=*n*

specifies the horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	left
2	right

VUPPER=*value*

specifies the upper limit on the vertical axis scale. The VUPPER= option specifies *value* as the upper vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

WAXIS=*n*

specifies line thickness for axes and frame. The default value is 1.

WFIT=*n*

specifies line thickness for fitted curves. The default value is 1.

WGRID=*n*

specifies line thickness for grids. The default value is 1.

WREFL=*n*

specifies line thickness for reference lines. The default value is 1.

LPREDPLOT Statement

LPREDPLOT < *var = variable* > < *options* > ;

The LPREDPLOT statement plots the linear predictor $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}$ against a single continuous variable (dose variable) in the MODEL statement for either the binomial model or the multinomial model. The confidence limits for the predicted values are available only for the binomial model.

VAR= *variable*

specifies a single continuous variable (dose variable) in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement for which the linear predictor plot is plotted. If a VAR= variable is not specified, the first single continuous variable in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement is used. If such a variable does not exist in the independent variable list of the MODEL statement, an error is reported.

Let x_1 be the covariate of the dose variable, \mathbf{x}_{-1} be the vector of the rest of the covariates, $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1}$ be the vector of estimated parameters corresponding to \mathbf{x}_{-1} , and \hat{b}_1 be the estimated parameter for the dose variable of interest.

To plot $\hat{\mathbf{x}}'\mathbf{b}$ as a function of x_1 , \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the XDATA= option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the XDATA= option in the PROC PROBIT statement for details), or use the default values that follow these rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

options

add features to the plot.

For the multinomial model, you can use the LEVEL= option to specify the levels for which the linear predictor lines are plotted. The lines are labeled by the names of their levels in the middle.

You can use options in the LPREDPLOT statement to do the following:

- superimpose specification limits
- suppress or add the observed data points on the plot for the binomial model
- suppress or add the confidence limits for the binomial model

- specify the levels for which the linear predictor lines are requested for the multinomial model
- specify graphical enhancements (such as color or text height)

Summary of Options

Table 71.19 through Table 71.25 list all *options* by function. The “[Dictionary of Options](#)” on page 5284 describes each option in detail.

LPRED Options

Table 71.19 Plot Layout Options for LPREDPLOT

LEVEL=(<i>character-list</i>)	specifies the names of the levels for which the linear predictor lines are requested (only for the multinomial model)
NOCONF	suppresses fiducial limits (only for the binomial model)
NODATA	suppresses observed data points on the plot (only for the binomial model)
NOTHRESH	suppresses the threshold line
THRESHLABPOS= <i>value</i>	specifies the position for the label of the threshold line

General Options

Table 71.20 Color Options

CAXIS= <i>color</i>	specifies color for axis
CFIT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for fitted curves
CFRAME= <i>color</i>	specifies color for frame
CGRID= <i>color</i>	specifies color for grid lines
CHREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for HREF= lines
CTEXT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for text
CVREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for VREF= lines

Table 71.21 Options to Enhance Plots Produced on Graphics Devices

ANNOTATE= <i>SAS-data-set</i>	specifies an Annotate data set
INBORDER	requests a border around plot
LFIT= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for fitted curves and confidence limits
LGRID= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for grid lines
NOFRAME	suppresses the frame around plotting areas
NOGRID	suppresses grid lines
NOFIT	suppresses fitted curves
NOHLABEL	suppresses horizontal labels
NOHTICK	suppresses horizontal ticks
NOVTICK	suppresses vertical ticks
TURNVLABELS	vertically strings out characters in vertical labels
WFIT= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for fitted curves
WGRID= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for grids
WREFL= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for reference lines

Table 71.22 Axis Options

HAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> < <i>by value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for horizontal axis
HOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for horizontal axis
HLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on horizontal axis scale
HUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on horizontal axis scale
NHTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for horizontal axis
NVTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for vertical axis
VAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> < <i>by value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for vertical axis
VAXISLABEL= <i>'label'</i>	specifies label for vertical axis
VOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for vertical axis
VLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on vertical axis scale
VUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on vertical axis scale
WAXIS= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for axis

Table 71.23 Graphics Catalog Options

DESCRIPTION= <i>'string'</i>	specifies description for graphics catalog member
NAME= <i>'string'</i>	specifies name for plot in graphics catalog

Table 71.24 Options for Text Enhancement

FONT= <i>font</i>	specifies software font for text
HEIGHT= <i>value</i>	specifies height of text used outside framed areas
INFONT= <i>font</i>	specifies software font for text inside framed areas
INHEIGHT= <i>value</i>	specifies height of text inside framed areas

Table 71.25 Options for Reference Lines

HREF<(INTERSECT)> = <i>value-list</i>	requests horizontal reference line
HREFLABELS= (<i>'label1'</i> , ..., <i>'labeln'</i>)	specifies labels for HREF= lines
HREFLABPOS= <i>n</i>	specifies vertical position of labels for HREF= lines
LHREF= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for HREF= lines
LVREF= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for VREF= lines
VREF<(INTERSECT)> = <i>value-list</i>	requests vertical reference line
VREFLABELS= (<i>'label1'</i> , ..., <i>'labeln'</i>)	specifies labels for VREF= lines
VREFLABPOS= <i>n</i>	specifies horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines

Dictionary of Options

The following entries provide detailed descriptions of the *options* in the LPREDPLOT statement.

ANNOTATE=SAS-data-set

ANNO=SAS-data-set

specifies an Annotate data set, as described in *SAS/GRAPH Software: Reference*, that enables you to add features to the lpred plot. The ANNOTATE= data set you specify in the LPREDPLOT statement is used for all plots created by the statement.

CAXIS=color

CAXES=color

specifies the color used for the axes and tick marks. This option overrides any COLOR= specifications in an AXIS statement. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFIT=color

specifies the color for the fitted lpred lines. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFRAME=*color*

CFR=*color*

specifies the color for the area enclosed by the axes and frame. This area is not shaded by default.

CGRID=*color*

specifies the color for grid lines. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CHREF=*color*

CH=*color*

specifies the color for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CTEXT=*color*

specifies the color for tick mark values and axis labels. The default is the color specified for the CTEXT= option in the most recent GOPTIONS statement.

CVREF=*color*

CV=*color*

specifies the color for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

DESCRIPTION= '*string*'

DES= '*string*'

specifies a description, up to 40 characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is the variable name.

FONT=*font*

specifies a software font for reference line and axis labels. You can also specify fonts for axis labels in an AXIS statement. The FONT= font takes precedence over the FTEXT= font specified in the most recent GOPTIONS statement. Hardware characters are used by default.

HAXIS=*value1 to value2*< *by value3*>

specifies tick mark values for the horizontal axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of HAXIS= lists follow:

```
haxis = 0 to 10
haxis = 2 to 10 by 2
haxis = 0 to 200 by 10
```

HEIGHT=*value*

specifies the height of text used outside framed areas. The default value is 3.846 (in percentage).

HLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the horizontal axis scale. The HLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HOFFSET=*value*

specifies offset for horizontal axis. The default value is 1.

HUPPER=*value*

specifies *value* as the upper horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HREF <(INTERSECT)> =*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the horizontal axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the vertical axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at the same point as the horizontal axis reference line. If a horizontal axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting vertical axis reference line is labeled with the vertical axis value. See also the CHREF=, HREFLABELS=, and LHREF= options.

HREFLABELS=*'label1',...,'labeln'***HREFLABEL=***'label1',...,'labeln'***HREFLAB=***'label1',...,'labeln'*

specifies labels for the lines requested by the HREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

HREFLABPOS=*n*

specifies the vertical position of labels for HREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	top
2	staggered from top
3	bottom
4	staggered from bottom
5	alternating from top
6	alternating from bottom

INBORDER

requests a border around lpred plots.

LEVEL=*(character-list)***ORDINAL=***(character-list)*

specifies the names of the levels for which linear predictor lines are requested. Names should be quoted and separated by space. If there is no correct name provided, no lpred line is plotted.

LFIT=linetype

specifies a line style for fitted curves and confidence limits. By default, fitted curves are drawn by connecting solid lines (*linetype* = 1) and confidence limits are drawn by connecting dashed lines (*linetype* = 3).

LGRID=linetype

specifies a line style for all grid lines. The value for *linetype* is between 1 and 46. The default is 35.

LHREF=linetype**LH=linetype**

specifies the line type for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

LVREF=linetype**LV=linetype**

specifies the line type for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

NAME='string'

specifies a name for the plot, up to eight characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is 'PROBIT'.

NOCONF

suppresses confidence limits from the plot. This works only for the binomial model. Confidence limits are not plotted for the multinomial model.

NODATA

suppresses observed data points from the plot. This works only for the binomial model. Data points are not plotted for the multinomial model.

NOFIT

suppresses the fitted lpred lines.

NOFRAME

suppresses the frame around plotting areas.

NOGRID

suppresses grid lines.

NOHLABEL

suppresses horizontal labels.

NOHTICK

suppresses horizontal tick marks.

NOTHRESH

suppresses the threshold line.

NOVLABEL

suppresses vertical labels.

NOVTICK

suppresses vertical tick marks.

THRESLABPOS=*n*

specifies the horizontal position of labels for the threshold line. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	left
2	right

VAXIS=*value1 to value2 < by value3 >*

specifies tick mark values for the vertical axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. This method of specification of tick marks is not valid for logarithmic axes. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of VAXIS= lists follow:

```
vaxis = 0 to 10
vaxis = 0 to 2 by .1
```

VAXISLABEL=*'string'*

specifies a label for the vertical axis.

VLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the vertical axis scale. The VLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

VREF=*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the vertical axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the horizontal axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at the same point as the vertical axis reference line. If a vertical axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting horizontal axis reference line is labeled with the horizontal axis value. See also the CVREF=, LVREF=, and VREFLABELS= options.

VREFLABELS=*'label1', ..., 'labeln'***VREFLABEL=*'label1', ..., 'labeln'*****VREFLAB=*'label1', ..., 'labeln'***

specifies labels for the lines requested by the VREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

VREFLABPOS=*n*

specifies the horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	left
2	right

VUPPER=number

specifies the upper limit on the vertical axis scale. The VUPPER= option specifies *number* as the upper vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

WAXIS=n

specifies line thickness for axes and frame. The default value is 1.

WFIT=n

specifies line thickness for fitted lines. The default value is 1.

WGRID=n

specifies line thickness for grids. The default value is 1.

WREFL=n

specifies line thickness for reference lines. The default value is 1.

MODEL Statement

<label:> MODEL response=effects </options> ;

<label:> MODEL events/trials=effects </options> ;

The MODEL statement names the variables used as the response and the independent variables. Additionally, you can specify the distribution used to model the response, as well as other options. Only a single MODEL statement can be used with one invocation of the PROBIT procedure. If multiple MODEL statements are present, only the last is used. Main effects and interaction terms can be specified in the MODEL statement, as in the GLM procedure.

The optional *label*, which must be a valid SAS name, is used to label output from the matching MODEL statement.

The *response* can be a single variable with a value that is used to indicate the level of the observed response. For example, the response might be a variable called Symptoms that takes on the values 'None,' 'Mild,' or 'Severe.' Note that, for dichotomous response variables, the probability of the lower sorted value is modeled by default (see the section "[Details: PROBIT Procedure](#)" on page 5303). Because the model fit by the PROBIT procedure requires ordered response levels, you might need to use either the ORDER=DATA option in the PROC PROBIT statement or a numeric coding of the response to get the desired ordering of levels.

Alternatively, the response can be specified as a pair of variable names separated by a slash (/). The value of the first variable, *events*, is the number of positive responses (or events). The value of the second variable, *trials*, is the number of trials. Both variables must be numeric and nonnegative, and the ratio of the first variable value to the second variable value must be between 0 and 1, inclusive. For example, the variables might be hits, a variable containing the number of hits for a baseball player, and AtBats, a variable containing the number of times at bat. A model for hitting proportion (batting average) as a function of age could be specified as

```
model hits/AtBats=age;
```

The *effects* following the equal sign are the covariates in the model. Higher-order effects, such as interactions and nested terms, are allowed in the list, as in the GLM procedure. Variable names and combinations of variable names representing higher-order terms are allowed to appear in this list. Classification variables can be used as effects, and indicator variables are generated for the class levels. If you do not specify any covariates following the equal sign, an intercept-only model is fit.

The following options are available in the MODEL statement.

AGGREGATE

AGGREGATE=*variable-list*

specifies the subpopulations on which the Pearson chi-square test statistic and the log-likelihood ratio chi-square test statistic (deviance) are calculated if the LACKFIT option is specified. See the section “[Rescaling the Covariance Matrix](#)” on page 5308 for details of Pearson’s chi-square and deviance calculations.

Observations with common values in the given list of variables are regarded as coming from the same subpopulation. Variables in the list can be any variables in the input data set. Specifying the AGGREGATE option is equivalent to specifying the AGGREGATE= option with a variable list that includes all independent variables in the MODEL statement. The PROBIT procedure sorts the input data set according to the variables specified in this list. Information for the sorted data set is reported in the “Response-Covariate Profile” table.

The deviance and Pearson goodness-of-fit statistics are calculated if the LACKFIT option is specified in the MODEL statement. The calculated results are reported in the “Goodness-of-Fit” table. If the Pearson chi-square test is significant with the test level specified by the HPROB= option, the fiducial limits, if required with the INVERSECL option in the MODEL statement, are modified (see the section “[Inverse Confidence Limits](#)” on page 5309 for details). Also, the covariance matrix is rescaled by the dispersion parameter when the SCALE= option is specified.

ALPHA=*value*

sets the significance level for the confidence intervals for regression parameters, fiducial limits for the predicted values, and confidence intervals for the predicted probabilities. The value must be between 0 and 1. The default value is ALPHA=0.05.

CONVERGE=*value*

specifies the convergence criterion. Convergence is declared when the maximum change in the parameter estimates between Newton-Raphson steps is less than the value specified. The change is a relative change if the parameter is greater than 0.01 in absolute value; otherwise, it is an absolute change.

By default, CONVERGE=1.0E–8.

CORRB

displays the estimated correlation matrix of the parameter estimates.

COVB

displays the estimated covariance matrix of the parameter estimates.

DISTRIBUTION=*distribution-type*

DIST=*distribution-type*

D=*distribution-type*

specifies the cumulative distribution function used to model the response probabilities. The distributions are described in the section “[Details: PROBIT Procedure](#)” on page 5303. Valid values for *distribution-type* are as follows:

NORMAL the normal distribution for the probit model

LOGISTIC the logistic distribution for the logit model

EXTREMEVALUE | EXTREME | GOMPERTZ the extreme value, or Gompertz distribution for the gompit model

By default, DISTRIBUTION=NORMAL.

HPROB=*p*

specifies a minimum probability level for the Pearson chi-square to indicate a good fit. The default value is 0.10. The LACKFIT option must also be specified for this option to have any effect. For Pearson goodness-of-fit chi-square values with probability greater than the HPROB= value, the fiducial limits, if requested with the INVERSECL option, are computed by using a critical value of 1.96. For chi-square values with probability less than the value of the HPROB= option, the critical value is a 0.95 two-sided quantile value taken from the *t* distribution with degrees of freedom equal to $(k - 1) \times m - q$, where *k* is the number of levels for the response variable, *m* is the number of different sets of independent variable values, and *q* is the number of parameters fit in the model. If you specify the HPROB= option in both the PROC PROBIT and MODEL statements, the MODEL statement option takes precedence.

INITIAL=*values*

sets initial values for the parameters in the model other than the intercept. The values must be given in the order in which the variables are listed in the MODEL statement. If some of the independent variables listed in the MODEL statement are classification variables, then there must be as many values given for that variable as there are classification levels minus 1. The INITIAL option can be specified as follows.

Type of List	Specification
list separated by blanks	initial= 3 4 5
list separated by commas	initial= 3,4,5

By default, all parameters have initial estimates of zero.

NOTE: The INITIAL= option is overwritten by the INEST= option in the PROC PROBIT statement.

INTERCEPT=*value*

initializes the intercept parameter to *value*. By default, INTERCEPT=0.

INVERSECL

computes confidence limits for the values of the first continuous independent variable (such as dose) that yield selected response rates. If the algorithm fails to converge (this can happen

when C is nonzero), missing values are reported for the confidence limits. See the section “[Inverse Confidence Limits](#)” on page 5309 for details.

ITPRINT

displays the iteration history, the final evaluation of the gradient, and the second derivative matrix (Hessian).

LACKFIT

performs two goodness-of-fit tests (a Pearson chi-square test and a log-likelihood ratio chi-square test) for the fitted model.

To compute the test statistics, proper grouping of the observations into subpopulations is needed. You can use the AGGREGATE or AGGREGATE= option for this purpose. See the entry for the AGGREGATE and AGGREGATE= options under the MODEL statement. If neither AGGREGATE nor AGGREGATE= is specified, PROC PROBIT assumes each observation is from a separate subpopulation and computes the goodness-of-fit test statistics only for the *events/trials* syntax.

NOTE: This test is not appropriate if the data are very sparse, with only a few values at each set of the independent variable values.

If the Pearson chi-square test statistic is significant, then the covariance estimates and standard error estimates are adjusted. See the section “[Lack-of-Fit Tests](#)” on page 5307 for a description of the tests. Note that the LACKFIT option can also appear in the PROC PROBIT statement. See the section “[PROC PROBIT Statement](#)” on page 5258 for details.

MAXITER=*value*

MAXIT=*value*

specifies the maximum number of iterations to be performed in estimating the parameters. By default, MAXITER=50.

NOINT

fits a model with no intercept parameter. If the INTERCEPT= option is also specified, the intercept is fixed at the specified value; otherwise, it is set to zero. This is most useful when the response is binary. When the response has k levels, then $k - 1$ intercept parameters are fit. The NOINT option sets the intercept parameter corresponding to the lowest response level equal to zero. A Lagrange multiplier, or score, test for the restricted model is computed when the NOINT option is specified.

SCALE=*scale*

enables you to specify the method for estimating the dispersion parameter. To correct for overdispersion or underdispersion, the covariance matrix is multiplied by the estimate of the dispersion parameter. Valid values for *scale* are as follows:

D | DEVIANCE	specifies that the dispersion parameter be estimated by the deviance divided by its degrees of freedom.
P | PEARSON	specifies that the dispersion parameter be estimated by the Pearson chi-square statistic divided by its degrees of freedom. This is set as the default method for estimating the dispersion parameter.

You can use the AGGREGATE= option to define the subpopulations for calculating the Pearson chi-square statistic and the deviance.

The “Goodness-of-Fit ” table includes the Pearson chi-square statistic, the deviance, their degrees of freedom, the ratio of each statistic divided by its degrees of freedom, and the corresponding p -value.

SINGULAR=value

specifies the singularity criterion for determining linear dependencies in the set of independent variables. The sum of squares and crossproducts matrix of the independent variables is formed and swept. If the relative size of a pivot becomes less than the value specified, then the variable corresponding to the pivot is considered to be linearly dependent on the previous set of variables considered. By default, SINGULAR=1E-12.

OUTPUT Statement

OUTPUT < OUT=SAS-data-set > keyword=name < ... keyword=name > ;

The OUTPUT statement creates a new SAS data set containing all variables in the input data set and, optionally, the fitted probabilities, the estimate of $\mathbf{x}'\beta$, and the estimate of its standard error. Estimates of the probabilities, $\mathbf{x}'\beta$, and the standard errors are computed for observations with missing response values as long as the values of all the explanatory variables are nonmissing. This enables you to compute these statistics for additional settings of the explanatory variables that are of interest but for which responses are not observed.

You can specify multiple OUTPUT statements. Each OUTPUT statement creates a new data set and applies only to the preceding MODEL statement. If you want to create a permanent SAS data set, you must specify a two-level name (refer to *SAS Language Reference: Concepts* for more information about permanent SAS data sets).

Details on the specifications in the OUTPUT statement are as follows:

keyword=name specifies the statistics to include in the output data set and assigns names to the new variables that contain the statistics. Specify a keyword for each desired statistic (see the following list of keywords), an equal sign, and the variable to contain the statistic.

The keywords allowed and the statistics they represent are as follows:

PROB | P cumulative probability estimates

$$p = C + (1 - C)F(a_j + \mathbf{x}'\beta)$$

STD standard error estimates of $a_j + \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}$

XBETA estimates of $a_j + \mathbf{x}'\beta$

OUT=SAS-data-set names the output data set. By default, the new data set is named by using the DATA n convention.

When the *single variable response* syntax is used, the `_LEVEL_` variable is added to the output data set, and there are $k - 1$ output observations for each input observation, where k is the number of response levels. There is no observation output corresponding to the highest response level. For each of the $k - 1$ observations, the `PROB` variable contains the fitted probability of obtaining a response level up to the level indicated by the `_LEVEL_` variable, the `XBETA` variable contains $a_j + \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}$, where j references the levels ($a_1 = 0$), and the `STD` variable contains the standard error estimate of the `XBETA` variable. See the section “[Details: PROBIT Procedure](#)” on page 5303 for the formulas for the parameterizations.

PREDPLOT Statement

PREDPLOT < var = variable > < options > ;

The **PREDPLOT** statement plots the predicted probability against a single continuous variable (dose variable) in the **MODEL** statement for both the binomial model and the multinomial model. Confidence limits are available only for the binomial model. An attached box on the right side of the plot is used to label predicted probability curves with the names of their levels for the multinomial model. You can specify the color of this box by using the `CLABBOX=` option.

VAR=variable

specifies a single continuous variable (dose variable) in the independent variable list of the **MODEL** statement. If a `VAR=` variable is not specified, the first single continuous variable in the independent variable list of the **MODEL** statement is used. If such a variable does not exist in the independent variable list of the **MODEL** statement, an error is reported.

The predicted probability is

$$\hat{p} = C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}})$$

for the binomial model and

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{p}_1 &= C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}}) \\ \hat{p}_j &= (1 - C)(F(\hat{a}_j + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}}) - F(\hat{a}_{j-1} + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}})) \quad j = 2, \dots, k - 1 \\ \hat{p}_k &= (1 - C)(1 - F(\hat{a}_{k-1} + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}}))\end{aligned}$$

for the multinomial model with k response levels, where F is the cumulative distribution function used to model the probability, \mathbf{x}' is the vector of the covariates, \hat{a}_j are the estimated ordinal intercepts with $\hat{a}_1 = 0$, C is the threshold parameter, either known or estimated from the model, and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}'$ is the vector of estimated parameters.

To plot \hat{p} (or \hat{p}_j) as a function of a continuous variable x_1 , the remaining covariates \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the `XDATA=` option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the `XDATA=` option in the **PROC PROBIT** statement for details), or use the default values that follow these rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

options

enable you to plot the observed data and add features to the plot.

You can use options in the PREDPLOT statement to do the following:

- superimpose specification limits
- suppress or add observed data points for the binomial model
- suppress or add confidence limits for the binomial model
- specify the levels for which predicted probability curves are requested for the multinomial model
- specify graphical enhancements (such as color or text height)

Summary of Options

Table 71.26 through Table 71.32 list all *options* by function. The “[Dictionary of Options](#)” on page 5298 describes each option in detail.

PREDPLOT Options

Table 71.26 Plot Layout Options for PREDPLOT

LEVEL=(<i>character-list</i>)	specifies the names of the levels for which the predicted probability curves are requested (only for the multinomial model)
NOCONF	suppresses confidence limits
NODATA	suppresses observed data points on the plot
NOTHRESH	suppresses the threshold line
THRESHLABPOS= <i>value</i>	specifies the position for the label of the threshold line

General Options**Table 71.27** Color Options

CAXIS= <i>color</i>	specifies color for the axes
CFIT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for fitted curves
CFRAME= <i>color</i>	specifies color for frame
CGRID= <i>color</i>	specifies color for grid lines
CHREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for HREF= lines
CLABBOX= <i>color</i>	specifies color for label box
CTEXT= <i>color</i>	specifies color for text
CVREF= <i>color</i>	specifies color for VREF= lines

Table 71.28 Options to Enhance Plots Produced on Graphics Devices

ANNOTATE= <i>SAS-data-set</i>	specifies an Annotate data set
INBORDER	requests a border around plot
LFIT= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for fitted curves and confidence limits
LGRID= <i>linetype</i>	specifies line style for grid lines
NOFRAME	suppresses the frame around plotting areas
NOGRID	suppresses grid lines
NOFIT	suppresses fitted curves
NOHLABEL	suppresses horizontal labels
NOHTICK	suppresses horizontal ticks
NOVTICK	suppresses vertical ticks
TURNVLABELS	vertically strings out characters in vertical labels
WFIT= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for fitted curves
WGRID= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for grids
WREFL= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for reference lines

Table 71.29 Axis Options

HAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> <by <i>value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for horizontal axis
HOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for horizontal axis
HLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on horizontal axis scale
HUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on horizontal axis scale
NHTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for horizontal axis
NVTICK= <i>n</i>	specifies number of ticks for vertical axis
VAXIS= <i>value1 to value2</i> <by <i>value3</i> >	specifies tick mark values for vertical axis
VAXISLABEL=' <i>label</i> '	specifies label for vertical axis
VOFFSET= <i>value</i>	specifies offset for vertical axis
VLOWER= <i>value</i>	specifies lower limit on vertical axis scale
VUPPER= <i>value</i>	specifies upper limit on vertical axis scale
WAXIS= <i>n</i>	specifies thickness for axis

Table 71.30 Graphics Catalog Options

DESCRIPTION=' <i>string</i> '	specifies description for graphics catalog member
NAME=' <i>string</i> '	specifies name for plot in graphics catalog

Table 71.31 Options for Text Enhancement

FONT= <i>font</i>	specifies software font for text
HEIGHT= <i>value</i>	specifies height of text used outside framed areas
INFONT= <i>font</i>	specifies software font for text inside framed areas
INHEIGHT= <i>value</i>	specifies height of text inside framed areas

Table 71.32 Options for Reference Lines

HREF<(INTERSECT)> =value-list	requests horizontal reference line
HREFLABELS= (‘label1’,...,‘labeln’)	specifies labels for HREF= lines
HREFLABPOS=n	specifies vertical position of labels for HREF= lines
LHREF=linetype	specifies line style for HREF= lines
LVREF=linetype	specifies line style for VREF= lines
VREF<(INTERSECT)> =value-list	requests vertical reference line
VREFLABELS= (‘label1’,...,‘labeln’)	specifies labels for VREF= lines
VREFLABPOS=n	specifies horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines

Dictionary of Options

The following entries provide detailed descriptions of the *options* in the PREDPLOT statement.

ANNOTATE=SAS-data-set

ANNO=SAS-data-set

specifies an Annotate data set, as described in *SAS/GRAPH Software: Reference*, that enables you to add features to the predicted probability plot. The ANNOTATE= data set you specify in the PREDPLOT statement is used for all plots created by the statement.

CAXIS=color

CAXES=color

specifies the color used for the axes and tick marks. This option overrides any COLOR= specifications in an AXIS statement. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFIT=color

specifies the color for the fitted predicted probability curves. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CFRAME=color

CFR=color

specifies the color for the area enclosed by the axes and frame. This area is not shaded by default.

CGRID=color

specifies the color for grid lines. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CHREF=color

CH=color

specifies the color for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

CTEXT=*color*

specifies the color for tick mark values and axis labels. The default is the color specified for the CTEXT= option in the most recent GOPTIONS statement.

CVREF=*color*

CV=*color*

specifies the color for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is the first color in the device color list.

DESCRIPTION='*string*'

DES='*string*'

specifies a description, up to 40 characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is the variable name.

FONT=*font*

specifies a software font for reference line and axis labels. You can also specify fonts for axis labels in an AXIS statement. The FONT= font takes precedence over the FTEXT= font specified in the most recent GOPTIONS statement. Hardware characters are used by default.

HAXIS=*value1 to value2*< *by value3* >

specifies tick mark values for the horizontal axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of HAXIS= lists follow:

```
haxis = 0 to 10
haxis = 2 to 10 by 2
haxis = 0 to 200 by 10
```

HEIGHT=*value*

specifies the height of text used outside framed areas.

HLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the horizontal axis scale. The HLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HOFFSET=*value*

specifies the offset for the horizontal axis. The default value is 1.

HUPPER=*value*

specifies *value* as the upper horizontal axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the HAXIS= option is used.

HREF < (INTERSECT) > =*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the horizontal axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the vertical axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at

the same point as the horizontal axis reference line. If a horizontal axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting vertical axis reference line is labeled with the vertical axis value. See also the CHREF=, HREFLABELS=, and LHREF= options.

HREFLABELS= 'label1', ..., 'labeln'

HREFLABEL= 'label1', ..., 'labeln'

HREFLAB= 'label1', ..., 'labeln'

specifies labels for the lines requested by the HREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

HREFLABPOS= *n*

specifies the vertical position of labels for HREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	top
2	staggered from top
3	bottom
4	staggered from bottom
5	alternating from top
6	alternating from bottom

INBORDER

requests a border around predicted probability plots.

LEVEL=(*character-list*)

ORDINAL= (*character-list*)

specifies the names of the levels for which predicted probability curves are requested. Names should be quoted and separated by space. If there is no correct name provided, no fitted probability curve is plotted.

LFIT=*linetype*

specifies a line style for fitted curves and confidence limits. By default, fitted curves are drawn by connecting solid lines (*linetype* = 1) and confidence limits are drawn by connecting dashed lines (*linetype* = 3).

LGRID=*linetype*

specifies a line style for all grid lines. The value for *linetype* is between 1 and 46. The default is 35.

LHREF=*linetype*

LH=*linetype*

specifies the line type for lines requested by the HREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

LVREF=*linetype*

LV=*linetype*

specifies the line type for lines requested by the VREF= option. The default is 2, which produces a dashed line.

NAME=*'string'*

specifies a name for the plot, up to eight characters, that appears in the PROC GREPLAY master menu. The default is 'PROBIT'.

NOCONF

suppresses confidence limits from the plot. This works only for the binomial model. Confidence limits are not plotted for the multinomial model.

NODATA

suppresses observed data points from the plot. This works only for the binomial model. The data points are not plotted for the multinomial model.

NOFIT

suppresses the fitted predicted probability curves.

NOFRAME

suppresses the frame around plotting areas.

NOGRID

suppresses grid lines.

NOHLABEL

suppresses horizontal labels.

NOHTICK

suppresses horizontal tick marks.

NOTHRESH

suppresses the threshold line.

NOVLABEL

suppresses vertical labels.

NOVTICK

suppresses vertical tick marks.

THRESHLABPOS=*n*

specifies the horizontal position of labels for the threshold line. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	left
2	right

VAXIS=*value1 to value2 < by value3 >*

specifies tick mark values for the vertical axis; *value1*, *value2*, and *value3* must be numeric, and *value1* must be less than *value2*. The lower tick mark is *value1*. Tick marks are drawn at increments of *value3*. The last tick mark is the greatest value that does not exceed *value2*. This method of specification of tick marks is not valid for logarithmic axes. If *value3* is omitted, a value of 1 is used.

Examples of VAXIS= lists follow:

```
vaxis = 0 to 10
vaxis = 0 to 2 by .1
```

VAXISLABEL=*'string'*

specifies a label for the vertical axis.

VLOWER=*value*

specifies the lower limit on the vertical axis scale. The VLOWER= option specifies *value* as the lower vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the upper axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

VREF=*value-list*

requests reference lines perpendicular to the vertical axis. If (INTERSECT) is specified, a second reference line perpendicular to the horizontal axis is drawn that intersects the fit line at the same point as the vertical axis reference line. If a vertical axis reference line label is specified, the intersecting horizontal axis reference line is labeled with the horizontal axis value. See also the CVREF=, LVREF=, and VREFLABELS= options.

VREFLABELS=*'label1',...,'labeln'*

VREFLABEL=*'label1',...,'labeln'*

VREFLAB=*'label1',...,'labeln'*

specifies labels for the lines requested by the VREF= option. The number of labels must equal the number of lines. Enclose each label in quotes. Labels can be up to 16 characters.

VREFLABPOS=*n*

specifies the horizontal position of labels for VREF= lines. The following table shows valid values for *n* and the corresponding label placements.

<i>n</i>	label placement
1	left
2	right

VUPPER=*value*

specifies the upper limit on the vertical axis scale. The VUPPER= option specifies *value* as the upper vertical axis tick mark. The tick mark interval and the lower axis limit are determined automatically. This option has no effect if the VAXIS= option is used.

WAXIS=*n*

specifies line thickness for axes and frame. The default value is 1.

WFIT=*n*

specifies line thickness for fitted curves. The default value is 1.

WGRID=*n*

specifies line thickness for grids. The default value is 1.

WREFL=*n*

specifies line thickness for reference lines. The default value is 1.

WEIGHT Statement

WEIGHT *variable* ;

A WEIGHT statement can be used with PROC PROBIT to weight each observation by the value of the variable specified. The contribution of each observation to the likelihood function is multiplied by the value of the weight variable. Observations with zero, negative, or missing weights are not used in model estimation.

Details: PROBIT Procedure

Missing Values

PROC PROBIT does not use any observations having missing values for any of the independent variables, the response variables, or the weight variable. If only the response variables are missing, statistics requested in the OUTPUT statement are computed.

Response Level Ordering

For binary response data, PROC PROBIT fits the following model by default:

$$\Phi^{-1} \left(\frac{p - C}{1 - C} \right) = \mathbf{x}'\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

where p is the probability of the response level identified as the first level in the “Weighted Frequency Counts for the Ordered Response Categories” table in the output and Φ is the normal cumulative distribution function. By default, the covariate vector \mathbf{x} contains an intercept term. This is sometimes called Abbot’s formula.

Because of the symmetry of the normal (and logistic) distribution, the effect of reversing the order of the two response values is to change the signs of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ in the preceding equation.

By default, response levels appear in ascending, sorted order (that is, the lowest level appears first, and then the next lowest, and so on). There are a number of ways that you can control the sort order of the response categories and, therefore, which level is assigned the first ordered level. One of the most common sets of response levels is $\{0,1\}$, with 1 representing the event with the probability that is to be modeled.

Consider the example where Y takes the values 1 and 0 for event and nonevent, respectively, and EXPOSURE is the explanatory variable. By default, PROC PROBIT assigns the first ordered level

to response level 0, causing the probability of the nonevent to be modeled. There are several ways to change this.

Besides recoding the variable Y, you can do the following:

- assign a format to Y such that the first formatted value (when the formatted values are put in sorted order) corresponds to the event. For the following example, Y=0 could be assigned formatted value 'nonevent' and Y=1 could be assigned formatted value 'event.' Since ORDER=FORMATTED by default, Y=1 becomes the first ordered level. See [Example 71.3](#) for an illustration of this method.

```
proc format;
    value disease 1='event' 0='nonevent';
run;
proc probit;
    model y=exposure;
    format y disease.;
run;
```

- arrange the input data set so that Y=1 appears first and use the ORDER=DATA option in the PROC PROBIT statement. Since ORDER=DATA sorts levels in order of their appearance in the data set, Y=1 becomes the first ordered level. Note that this option causes classification variables to be sorted by their order of appearance in the data set, also.

Computational Method

The log-likelihood function is maximized by means of a ridge-stabilized Newton-Raphson algorithm. Initial regression parameter estimates are set to zero. The INITIAL= and INTERCEPT= options in the MODEL statement can be used to give nonzero initial estimates.

The log-likelihood function, L , is computed as

$$L = \sum_i w_i \ln(p_i)$$

where the sum is over the observations in the data set, w_i is the weight for the i th observation, and p_i is the modeled probability of the observed response. In the case of the events/trials syntax in the MODEL statement, each observation contributes two terms corresponding to the probability of the event and the probability of its complement:

$$L = \sum_i w_i [r_i \ln(p_i) + (n_i - r_i) \ln(1 - p_i)]$$

where r_i is the number of events and n_i is the number of trials for observation i . This log-likelihood function differs from the log-likelihood function for a binomial or multinomial distribution by additive terms consisting of the log of binomial or multinomial coefficients. These terms are parameter-independent and do not affect the model estimation or the standard errors and tests.

The estimated covariance matrix, \mathbf{V} , of the parameter estimates is computed as the negative inverse of the information matrix of second derivatives of L with respect to the parameters evaluated at

the final parameter estimates. Thus, the estimated covariance matrix is derived from the observed information matrix rather than the expected information matrix (these are generally not the same). The standard error estimates for the parameter estimates are taken as the square roots of the corresponding diagonal elements of \mathbf{V} .

If convergence of the maximum likelihood estimates is attained, a Type III chi-square test statistic is computed for each effect, testing whether there is any contribution from any of the levels of the effect. This statistic is computed as a quadratic form in the appropriate parameter estimates by using the corresponding submatrix of the asymptotic covariance matrix estimate. Refer to Chapter 39, “[The GLM Procedure](#),” and Chapter 15, “[The Four Types of Estimable Functions](#),” for more information about Type III estimable functions.

The asymptotic covariance matrix is computed as the inverse of the observed information matrix. Note that if the NOINT option is specified and classification variables are used, the first classification variable contains a contribution from an intercept term. The results are displayed in an ODS table named Type3Analysis.

Chi-square tests for individual parameters are Wald tests based on the observed information matrix and the parameter estimates. If an effect has a single degree of freedom in the parameter estimates table, the chi-square test for this parameter is equivalent to the Type III test for this effect.

Prior to SAS 8.2, a multiple-degrees-of-freedom statistic was computed for each effect to test for contribution from any level of the effect. In general, the Type III test statistic in a main-effect-only model (no interaction terms) will be equal to the previously computed effect statistic, unless there are collinearities among the effects. If there are collinearities, the Type III statistic will adjust for them, and the value of the Type III statistic and the number of degrees of freedom might not be equal to those of the previous effect statistic.

The theory behind these tests assumes large samples. If the samples are not large, it might be better to base the tests on log-likelihood ratios. These changes in log likelihood can be obtained by fitting the model twice, once with all the parameters of interest and once leaving out the parameters to be tested. Refer to Cox and Oakes (1984) for a discussion of the merits of some possible test methods.

If some of the independent variables are perfectly correlated with the response pattern, then the theoretical parameter estimates can be infinite. Although fitted probabilities of 0 and 1 are not especially pathological, infinite parameter estimates are required to yield these probabilities. Due to the finite precision of computer arithmetic, the actual parameter estimates are not infinite. Indeed, since the tails of the distributions allowed in the PROBIT procedure become small rapidly, an argument to the cumulative distribution function of around 20 becomes effectively infinite. In the case of such parameter estimates, the standard error estimates and the corresponding chi-square tests are not trustworthy.

Distributions

The distributions, $F(x)$, allowed in the PROBIT procedure are specified with the DISTRIBUTION= option in the MODEL statement. The cumulative distribution functions for the available distributions are

$$\int_{-\infty}^x \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{z^2}{2}\right) dz \text{ (normal)}$$

$$\frac{1}{1 + e^{-x}} \text{ (logistic)}$$

$$1 - e^{-e^x} \text{ (extreme value or Gompertz)}$$

The variances of these three distributions are not all equal to 1, and their means are not all equal to zero. Their means and variances are shown in the following table, where γ is the Euler constant.

Distribution	Mean	Variance
Normal	0	1
Logistic	0	$\pi^2/3$
Extreme value or Gompertz	$-\gamma$	$\pi^2/6$

When comparing parameter estimates by using different distributions, you need to take into account the different scalings and, for the extreme value (or Gompertz) distribution, a possible shift in location. For example, if the fitted probabilities are in the neighborhood of 0.1 to 0.9, then the parameter estimates from the logistic model should be about $\pi/\sqrt{3}$ larger than the estimates from the probit model.

INEST= SAS-data-set

The INEST= data set names a SAS data set that specifies initial estimates for all the parameters in the model.

The INEST= data set must contain the intercept variables (named Intercept for binary response model and Intercept, Intercept2, Intercept3, and so forth, for multinomial response models) and all independent variables in the MODEL statement.

If BY processing is used, the INEST= data set should also include the BY variables, and there must be at least one observation for each BY group. If there is more than one observation in a BY group, the first one read is used for that BY group.

If the INEST= data set also contains the _TYPE_ variable, only observations with the _TYPE_ value “PARMS” are used as starting values. Combining the INEST= data set and the option MAXIT= in the MODEL statement, partial scoring can be done, such as predicting on a validation data set by using the model built from a training data set.

You can specify starting values for the iterative algorithm in the INEST= data set. This data set overwrites the INITIAL= option in the MODEL statement, which is a little difficult to use for models with multilevel interaction effects. The INEST= data set has the same structure as the “OUTEST= SAS-data-set” on page 5310, but it is not required to have all the variables or observations that appear in the OUTEST= data set. One simple use of the INEST= option is passing the previous OUTEST= data set directly to the next model as an INEST= data set, assuming that the two models have the same parameterization.

Model Specification

For a two-level response, the probability that the lesser response occurs is modeled by the probit equation as

$$p = C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b})$$

The probability of the other (complementary) event is $1 - p$.

For a multilevel response with outcomes labeled l_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$, the probability, p_j , of observing level l_j is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &= C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}) \\ p_2 &= (1 - C) (F(a_2 + \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}) - F(\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b})) \\ &\vdots \\ p_j &= (1 - C) (F(a_j + \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}) - F(a_{j-1} + \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b})) \\ &\vdots \\ p_k &= (1 - C)(1 - F(a_{k-1} + \mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b})) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for a k -level response, there are $k - 2$ additional parameters, a_2, a_3, \dots, a_{k-1} , estimated. These parameters are denoted by `Intercept j` , $j = 2, 3, \dots, k - 1$, in the output.

An intercept parameter is always added to the set of independent variables as the first term in the model unless the `NOINT` option is specified in the `MODEL` statement. If a classification variable taking on k levels is used as one of the independent variables, a set of k indicator variables is generated to model the effect of this variable. Because of the presence of the intercept term, there are at most $k - 1$ degrees of freedom for this effect in the model.

Lack-of-Fit Tests

Two goodness-of-fit tests can be requested from the `PROBIT` procedure: a Pearson chi-square test and a log-likelihood ratio chi-square test.

To compute the test statistics, you can use the `AGGREGATE` or `AGGREGATE=` option grouping the observations into subpopulations. If neither `AGGREGATE` nor `AGGREGATE=` is specified, `PROC PROBIT` assumes that each observation is from a separate subpopulation and computes the goodness-of-fit test statistics only for the *events/trials* syntax.

If the Pearson goodness-of-fit chi-square test is requested and the p -value for the test is too small, variances and covariances are adjusted by a heterogeneity factor (the goodness-of-fit chi-square

divided by its degrees of freedom) and a critical value from the t distribution is used to compute the fiducial limits. The Pearson chi-square test statistic is computed as

$$\chi_P^2 = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k \frac{(r_{ij} - n_i \hat{p}_{ij})^2}{n_i \hat{p}_{ij}}$$

where the sum on i is over grouping, the sum on j is over levels of response, r_{ij} is the frequency of response level j for the i th grouping, n_i is the total frequency for the i th grouping, and \hat{p}_{ij} is the fitted probability for the j th level at the i th grouping.

The likelihood ratio chi-square test statistic is computed as

$$\chi_D^2 = 2 \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^k r_{ij} \ln \left(\frac{r_{ij}}{n_i \hat{p}_{ij}} \right)$$

This quantity is sometimes called the deviance. If the modeled probabilities fit the data, these statistics should be approximately distributed as chi-square with degrees of freedom equal to $(k - 1) \times m - q$, where k is the number of levels of the multinomial or binomial response, m is the number of sets of independent variable values (covariate patterns), and q is the number of parameters fit in the model.

In order for the Pearson statistic and the deviance to be distributed as chi-square, there must be sufficient replication within the groupings. When this is not true, the data are sparse, and the p -values for these statistics are not valid and should be ignored. Similarly, these statistics, divided by their degrees of freedom, cannot serve as indicators of overdispersion. A large difference between the Pearson statistic and the deviance provides some evidence that the data are too sparse to use either statistic.

Rescaling the Covariance Matrix

One way of correcting overdispersion is to multiply the covariance matrix by a dispersion parameter. You can supply the value of the dispersion parameter directly, or you can estimate the dispersion parameter based on either the Pearson chi-square statistic or the deviance for the fitted model.

The Pearson chi-square statistic χ_P^2 and the deviance χ_D^2 are defined in the section “[Lack-of-Fit Tests](#)” on page 5307. If the SCALE= option is specified in the MODEL statement, the dispersion parameter is estimated by

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \begin{cases} \chi_P^2 / (m(k - 1) - q) & \text{SCALE=PEARSON} \\ \chi_D^2 / (m(k - 1) - q) & \text{SCALE=DEVIANC} \\ (constant)^2 & \text{SCALE=constant} \end{cases}$$

In order for the Pearson statistic and the deviance to be distributed as chi-square, there must be sufficient replication within the subpopulations. When this is not true, the data are sparse, and the p -values for these statistics are not valid and should be ignored. Similarly, these statistics, divided by their degrees of freedom, cannot serve as indicators of overdispersion. A large difference between

the Pearson statistic and the deviance provides some evidence that the data are too sparse to use either statistic.

You can use the AGGREGATE (or AGGREGATE=) option to define the subpopulation profiles. If you do not specify this option, each observation is regarded as coming from a separate subpopulation. For *events/trials* syntax, each observation represents n Bernoulli trials, where n is the value of the *trials* variable; for *single-trial* syntax, each observation represents a single trial. Without the AGGREGATE (or AGGREGATE=) option, the Pearson chi-square statistic and the deviance are calculated only for *events/trials* syntax.

Note that the parameter estimates are not changed by this method. However, their standard errors are adjusted for overdispersion, affecting their significance tests.

Tolerance Distribution

For a single independent variable, such as a dosage level, the models for the probabilities can be justified on the basis of a population with mean μ and scale parameter σ of tolerances for the subjects. Then, given a dose x , the probability, P , of observing a response in a particular subject is the probability that the subject's tolerance is less than the dose or

$$P = F\left(\frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}\right)$$

Thus, in this case, the intercept parameter, b_0 , and the regression parameter, b_1 , are related to μ and σ by

$$b_0 = -\frac{\mu}{\sigma}, \quad b_1 = \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

NOTE: The parameter σ is not equal to the standard deviation of the population of tolerances for the logistic and extreme value distributions.

Inverse Confidence Limits

In bioassay problems, estimates of the values of the independent variables that yield a desired response are often needed. For instance, the value yielding a 50% response rate (called the ED50 or LD50) is often used. The INVERSECL option requests that confidence limits be computed for the value of the independent variable that yields a specified response. These limits are computed only for the first continuous variable effect in the model. The other variables are set either at their mean values if they are continuous or at the reference (last) level if they are discrete variables. For a discussion of inverse confidence limits, see Hubert, Bohidar, and Peace (1988).

For the PROBIT procedure, the response variable is a probability. An estimate of the first continuous variable value needed to achieve a response of p is given by

$$\hat{x}_1 = \frac{1}{b_1} (F^{-1}(p) - \mathbf{x}^* \mathbf{b}^*)$$

where F is the cumulative distribution function used to model the probability, \mathbf{x}^* is the vector of independent variables excluding the first one, which can be specified by the `XDATA=` option described in the section “`XDATA= SAS-data-set`” on page 5311, \mathbf{b}^* is the vector of parameter estimates excluding the first one, and b_1 is the estimated regression coefficient for the independent variable of interest. This estimate assumes that there is no natural response rate ($C = 0$). When C is nonzero, the quantiles and confidence limits for the independent variable correspond to the adjusted probability $C + (1 - C)p$, rather than to p . As a result, an estimate of the value yielding response rate p is associated with the $(p - C)/(1 - C)$ quantile. For example, if $C = 0.1$ then an estimate of the LD50 is found corresponding to the 0.44 quantile. This value can be thought of as yielding 50% of the variable’s effect, but a 44% response rate. For both binary and ordinal models, the `INVERSECL` option provides estimates of the value of x_1 , which yields $\text{Pr}(\text{first response level}) = p$, for various values of p .

This estimator is given as a ratio of random variables, such as $r = a/b$. Confidence limits for this ratio can be computed by using Fieller’s theorem. A brief description of this theorem follows. See Finney (1971) for a more complete description of Fieller’s theorem.

If the random variables a and b are thought to be distributed as jointly normal, then for any fixed value r the following probability statement holds if z is an $\alpha/2$ quantile from the standard normal distribution and \mathbf{V} is the variance-covariance matrix of a and b :

$$\Pr((a - rb)^2 > z^2(V_{aa} - 2rV_{ab} + r^2V_{bb})) = \alpha$$

Usually the inequality can be solved for r to yield a confidence interval. The PROBIT procedure uses a value of 1.96 for z , corresponding to an α value of 0.05, unless the goodness-of-fit p -value is less than the specified value of the `HPROB=` option. When this happens, the covariance matrix is scaled by the heterogeneity factor, and a t distribution quantile is used for z .

It is possible for the roots of the equation for r to be imaginary or for the confidence interval to be all points outside of an interval. In these cases, the limits are set to missing by the PROBIT procedure.

Although the normal and logistic distribution give comparable fitted values of p if the empirically observed proportions are not too extreme, they can give appreciably different values when extrapolated into the tails. Correspondingly, the estimates of the confidence limits and dose values can be different for the two distributions even when they agree quite well in the body of the data. Extrapolation outside of the range of the actual data is often sensitive to model assumptions, and caution is advised if extrapolation is necessary.

It should be pointed out that, when there is a natural threshold C , the quantiles and confidence limits for the independent variable correspond to the adjusted probability $C + (1 - C)p$.

OUTEST= SAS-data-set

The `OUTEST=` data set contains parameter estimates and the log likelihood for the model. You can specify a label in the `MODEL` statement to distinguish between the estimates for different models used by the PROBIT procedure. If you specify the `COVOUT` option, the `OUTEST=` data set also contains the estimated covariance matrix of the parameter estimates.

The OUTEST= data set contains each variable used as a dependent or independent variable in any MODEL statement. One observation consists of parameter values for the model with the dependent variable having the value -1 . If you specify the COVOUT option, there are additional observations containing the rows of the estimated covariance matrix. For these observations, the dependent variable contains the parameter estimate for the corresponding row variable. The following variables are also added to the data set:

<code>_MODEL_</code>	a character variable containing the label of the MODEL statement, if present, or blank otherwise
<code>_NAME_</code>	a character variable containing the name of the dependent variable for the parameter estimates observations or the name of the row for the covariance matrix estimates
<code>_TYPE_</code>	a character variable containing the type of the observation, either PARMS for parameter estimates or COV for covariance estimates
<code>_DIST_</code>	a character variable containing the name of the distribution modeled
<code>_LNLIKE_</code>	a numeric variable containing the last computed value of the log likelihood
<code>_C_</code>	a numeric variable containing the estimated threshold parameter
<code>INTERCEPT</code>	a numeric variable containing the intercept parameter estimates and covariances

Any BY variables specified are also added to the OUTEST= data set.

XDATA= SAS-data-set

The XDATA= data set is used for specifying values for the effects in the MODEL statement when predicted values and/or fiducial limits for a single continuous variable (dose variable) are required. It is also used for plots specified by the CDFPLOT, IPPLOT, LPREDPLOT, and PREDPLOT statement.

The XDATA= data names a SAS data set that contains user input values for all the independent variables in the MODEL statement and the variables in the CLASS statement. The XDATA= data set has the same structure as the DATA= data set but is not required to have all the variables or observations that appear in the DATA= data set.

The XDATA= data set must contain all the independent variables in the MODEL statement and variables in the CLASS statement. Even though variables in the CLASS statement are not used in the MODEL statement, valid values are required for these variables in the XDATA= data set. Missing values are not allowed. For independent variables in the MODEL statement, although the dose variable's value is not used in the computing of predicted values and/or fiducial limits for the dose variable, missing values are not allowed in the XDATA= data set for any of the independent variables. Missing values are allowed for the dependent variables and other variables if they are included in the XDATA= data set and not listed in the CLASS statement.

If BY processing is used, the XDATA= data set should also include the BY variables, and there must be at least one valid observation for each BY group. If there is more than one valid observation in one BY group, the last one read is used for that BY group.

If there is no XDATA= data set in the PROC PROBIT statement, by default, the PROBIT procedure will use overall mean for effects containing continuous variable (or variables) and the highest level of a single classification variable as reference level. The rules are summarized as follows:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

Traditional High-Resolution Graphics

This section provides examples of using syntax available with the traditional high-resolution plots. There are four plot statements that you can use to request traditional high-resolution plots: CDFPLOT, IPPPLOT, LPREDPLOT, and PREDPPLOT. Some of these statements apply only to either the binomial model or the multinomial model. [Table 71.33](#) shows the availability of these statements for different models.

Table 71.33 Plot Statement Availability

Statement	Binomial	Multinomial
CDFPLOT	NO	YES
IPPPLOT	YES	NO
LPREDPLOT	YES	YES
PREDPPLOT	YES	YES

An alternative is to use ODS Graphics to obtain these plots. See the section “[ODS Graphics](#)” on page 5319 for details.

The following example uses the data set study in the section “[Estimating the Natural Response Threshold Parameter](#)” on page 5253 to illustrate how to create high-resolution plots for the binomial model:

```
proc probit data=study logit0 optc;
  model respond/number=dose;
  predpplot var=dose cfit=blue; inset;
  lpredplot var=dose cfit=blue; inset;
  ippplot   var=dose cfit=blue; inset/pos=se;
run;
```

All plot statements must follow the MODEL statement. The VAR= option specifies a continuous independent variable (dose variable) against which the predicted probability or the linear predictor is plotted. The INSET statement requests the inset box with summary information. See the section “[INSET Statement](#)” on page 5271 for more details.

The PREDPPLOT statement creates the plot in [Figure 71.6](#). This plot, similar to that in [Figure 71.4](#), shows the relationship between dosage level, observed response proportions, and estimated probability values. The dashed lines represent pointwise confidence bands for the fitted probabilities,

which can be suppressed with the NOCONF option. See the section “[PREDPLOT Statement](#)” on page 5294 for more details.

The IPPLOT statement creates the plot in [Figure 71.8](#), similar to that in [Figure 71.5](#). See the section “[IPPLOT Statement](#)” on page 5273 for details about this plot. The LPREDPLOT statement creates the linear predictor plot in [Figure 71.7](#), which is described in the section “[LPREDPLOT Statement](#)” on page 5281.

Figure 71.6 Predicted Probability Plot

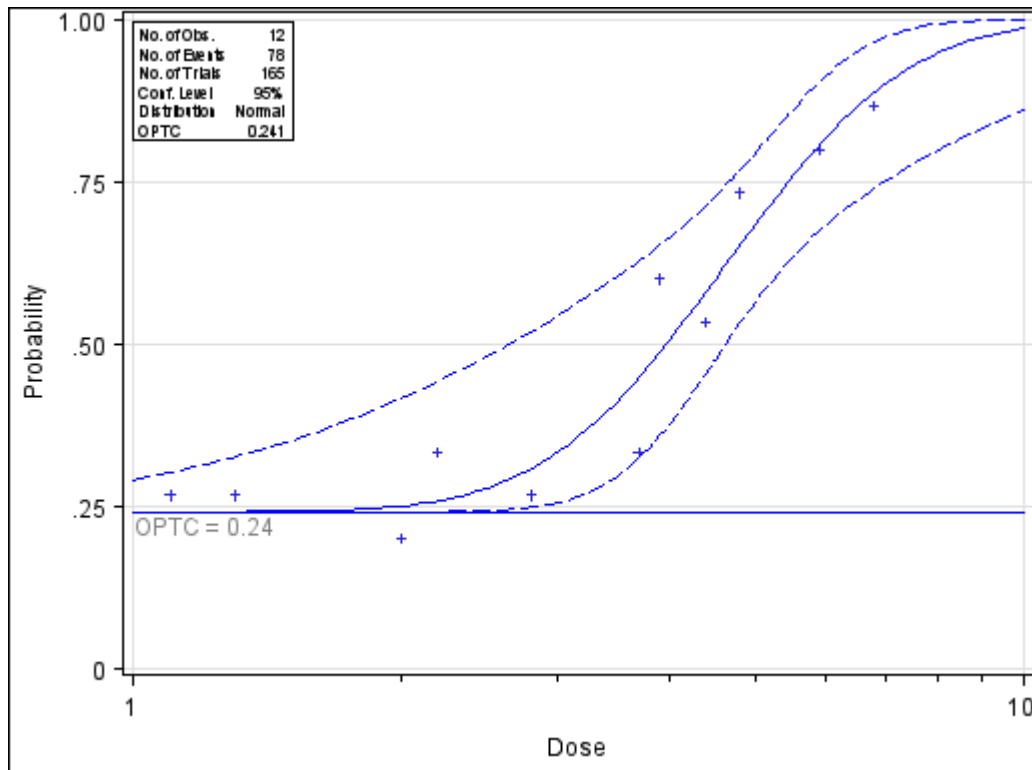


Figure 71.7 Linear Predictor Plot

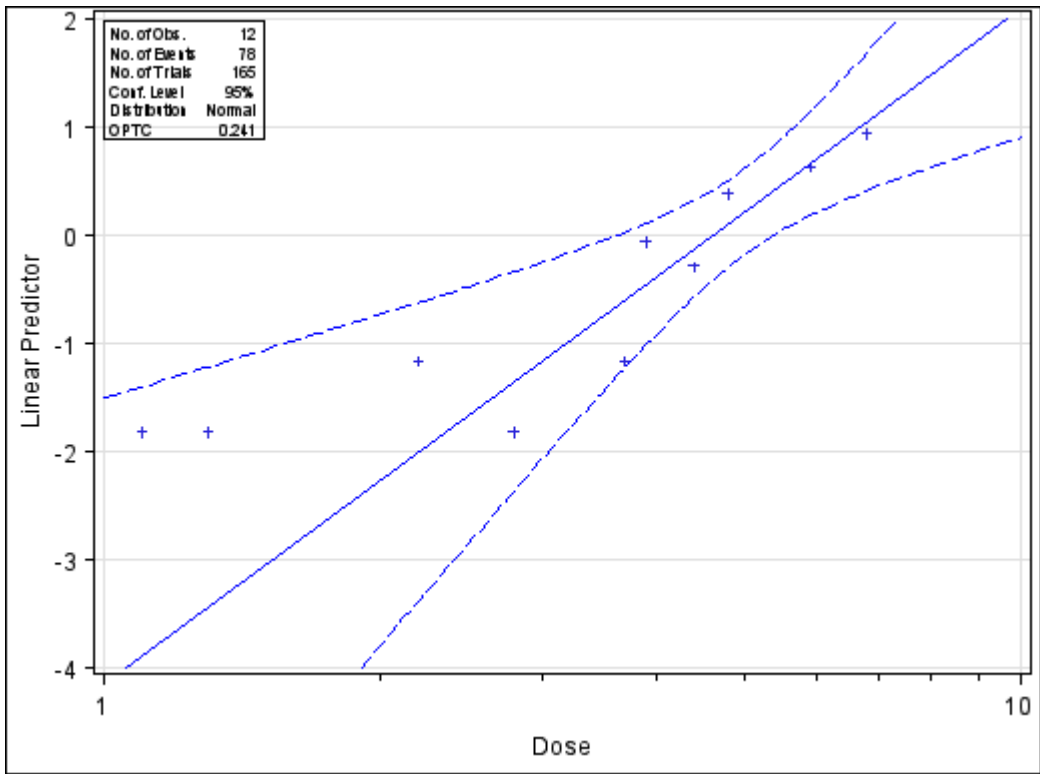
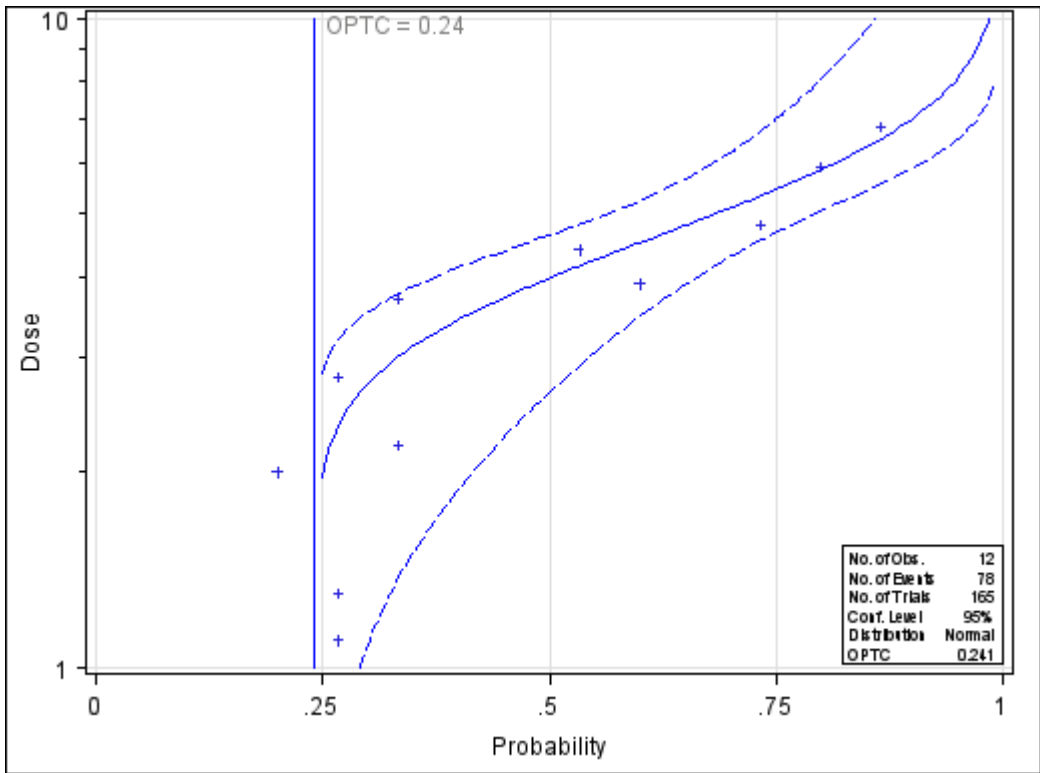


Figure 71.8 Inverse Predicted Probability Plot



The following example uses the data set `multi` from [Example 71.2](#) to illustrate how to create high-resolution plots for the multinomial model:

```
proc probit data=multi order=data;
  class prep symptoms;
  model symptoms=prep ldose;
  cdfplot var=ldose level=("None" "Mild" "Severe")
          cfit=blue cframe=ligr noconf;
  lpredplot var=ldose level=("None" "Mild" "Severe")
            cfit=blue cframe=ligr;
  predpplot var=ldose level=("None" "Mild" "Severe")
            cfit=blue cframe=ligr;
  weight n;
run;
```

The CDFPLOT statement creates the plot in [Figure 71.9](#). This plot, similar to that in [Output 71.2.4](#), shows the relationship between the cumulative response probabilities and the dose levels. The plots in [Figure 71.10](#) and [Figure 71.11](#) are similar to those with the binomial model.

Figure 71.9 Cumulative Probability Plot

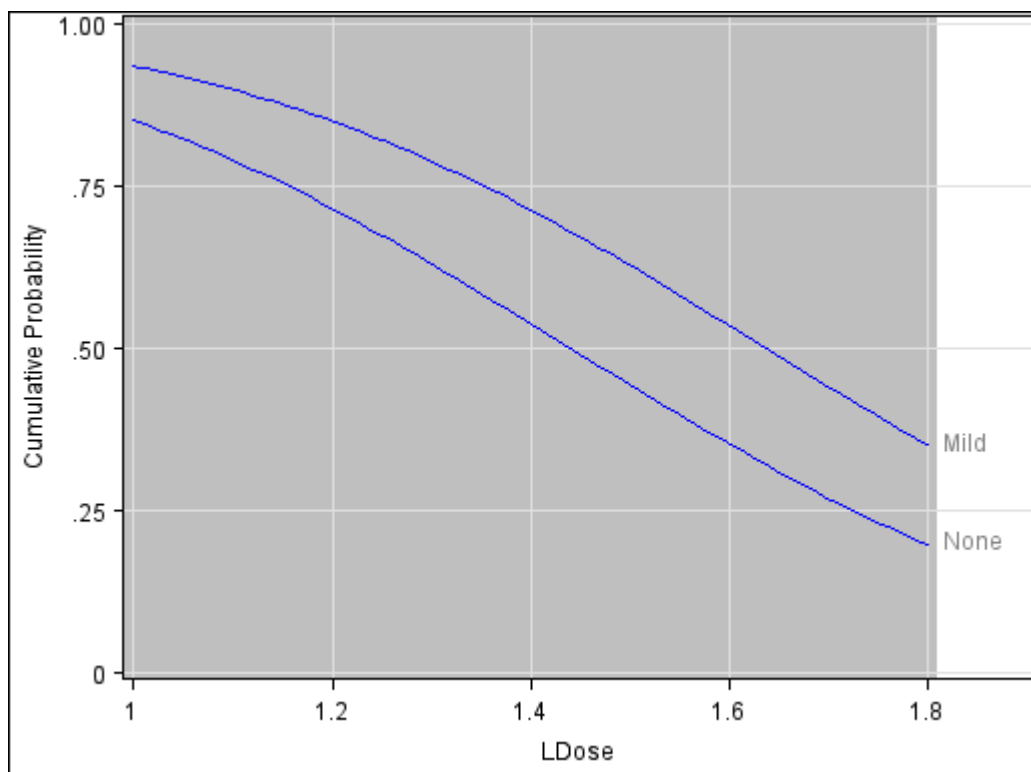


Figure 71.10 Linear Predictor Plot

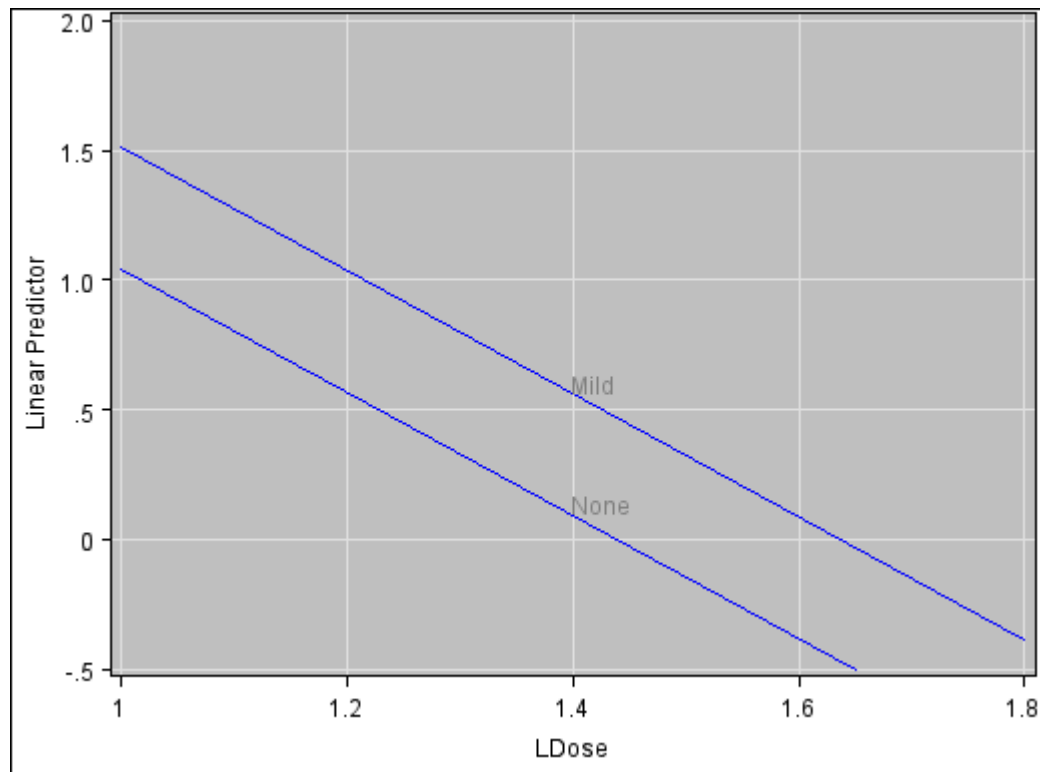
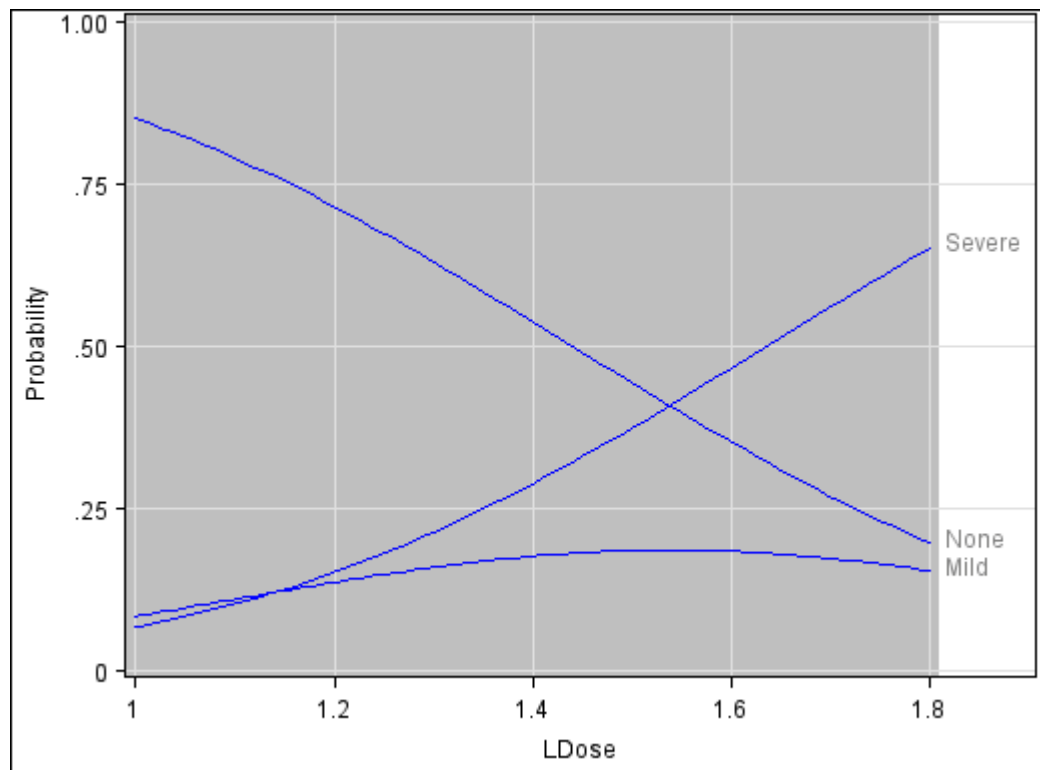


Figure 71.11 Predicted Probability Plot



Displayed Output

If you request the iteration history (ITPRINT), PROC PROBIT displays the following:

- the current value of the log likelihood
- the ridging parameter for the modified Newton-Raphson optimization process
- the current estimate of the parameters
- the current estimate of the parameter C for a natural (threshold) model
- the values of the gradient and the Hessian on the last iteration

If you include classification variables, PROC PROBIT displays the following:

- the numbers of levels for each classification variable
- the (ordered) values of the levels
- the number of observations used

After the model is fit, PROC PROBIT displays the following:

- the name of the input data set
- the name of the dependent variables
- the number of observations used
- the number of events and the number of trials
- the final value of the log-likelihood function
- the parameter estimates
- the standard error estimates of the parameter estimates
- approximate chi-square test statistics for the test

If you specify the COVB or CORRB options, PROC PROBIT displays the following:

- the estimated covariance matrix for the parameter estimates
- the estimated correlation matrix for the parameter estimates

If you specify the LACKFIT option, PROC PROBIT displays the following:

- a count of the number of levels of the response and the number of distinct sets of independent variables
- a goodness-of-fit test based on the Pearson chi-square
- a goodness-of-fit test based on the likelihood-ratio chi-square

If you specify only one independent variable, the normal distribution is used to model the probabilities, and the response is binary, then PROC PROBIT displays the following:

- the mean MU of the stimulus tolerance
- the scale parameter SIGMA of the stimulus tolerance
- the covariance matrix for MU, SIGMA, and the natural response parameter C

If you specify the INVERSECL options, PROC PROBIT also displays the following:

- the estimated dose along with the 95% fiducial limits for probability levels 0.01 to 0.10, 0.15 to 0.85 by 0.05, and 0.90 to 0.99

ODS Table Names

PROC PROBIT assigns a name to each table it creates. You can use these names to reference the table when using the Output Delivery System (ODS) to select tables and create output data sets. These names are listed in the following table. For more information about ODS, see Chapter 20, “Using the Output Delivery System.”

Table 71.34 ODS Tables Produced by PROC PROBIT

ODS Table Name	Description	Statement	Option
ClassLevels	Classification variable levels	CLASS	default
ConvergenceStatus	Convergence status	MODEL	default
CorrB	Parameter estimate correlation matrix	MODEL	CORRB
CovB	Parameter estimate covariance matrix	MODEL	COVB
CovTolerance	Covariance matrix for location and scale	MODEL	default
GoodnessOfFit	Goodness-of-fit tests	MODEL	LACKFIT
Heterogeneity	Heterogeneity correction	MODEL	LACKFIT
IterHistory	Iteration history	MODEL	ITPRINT
LagrangeStatistics	Lagrange statistics	MODEL	NOINT
LastGrad	Last evaluation of the gradient	MODEL	ITPRINT
LastHess	Last evaluation of the Hessian	MODEL	ITPRINT
LogProbitAnalysis	Probit analysis for log dose	MODEL	INVERSECL
ModelInfo	Model information	MODEL	default

Table 71.34 (continued)

ODS Table Name	Description	Statement	Option
MuSigma	Location and scale	MODEL	default
NObs	Observations summary	PROC	default
ParameterEstimates	Parameter estimates	MODEL	default
ParmInfo	Parameter indices	MODEL	default
ProbitAnalysis	Probit analysis for linear dose	MODEL	INVERSECL
ResponseLevels	Response-covariate profile	MODEL	LACKFIT
ResponseProfiles	Counts for ordinal data	MODEL	default
Type3Analysis	Type 3 tests	MODEL	default

ODS Graphics

The PROBIT procedure has two different systems to produce graphics. You can use the CDFPLOT, IPPPLOT, LPREDPLOT, and PREDPPLOT statements with a specified graph output destination to produce GRSEG type graphs. In SAS 9.2, you can also use ODS Graphics to produce these graphs.

These ODS graphs are controlled by the **PLOTS=** option in the PROC statement. You can specify more than one graph request with the **PLOTS=** option. [Table 71.35](#) summarizes these requests.

In addition to the **PLOTS=** option, you must specify the ODS GRAPHICS statement. For more information about the ODS GRAPHICS statement, see Chapter 21, “[Statistical Graphics Using ODS](#).”

The names of the graphs that PROC PROBIT generates are listed in [Table 71.36](#), along with the required statements and options. The following subsections provide information about these graphs.

Table 71.35 Options for Plots

Option	Plot
ALL	All appropriate plots
CDFPLOT	Estimated cumulative probability
IPPPLOT	Inverse predicted probability
LPREDPLOT	Linear predictor
NONE	No plot
PREDPPLOT	Predicted probability

CDF Plot

For a multinomial model, the predicted cumulative distribution function is defined as

$$\hat{F}_j(\mathbf{x}) = C + (1 - C)F(\hat{a}_j + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}})$$

where $j = 1, \dots, k$ are the indexes of the k levels of the multinomial response variable, F is the CDF of the distribution used to model the cumulative probabilities, $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ is the vector of estimated

parameters, \mathbf{x} is the covariate vector, \hat{a}_j are estimated ordinal intercepts with $\hat{a}_1 = 0$, and C is the threshold parameter, either known or estimated from the model. Let x_1 be the covariate corresponding to the dose variable and \mathbf{x}_{-1} be the vector of the rest of the covariates. Let the corresponding estimated parameters be \hat{b}_1 and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1}$. Then

$$\hat{F}_j(\mathbf{x}) = C + (1 - C)F(\hat{a}_j + x_1\hat{b}_1 + \mathbf{x}'_{-1}\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1})$$

To plot \hat{F}_j as a function of x_1 , \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the XDATA= option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the XDATA= option in the PROC PROBIT statement for details), or use the default values that follow these rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

The LEVEL= suboption specifies the levels of the multinomial response variable for which the CDF curves are requested. There are $k - 1$ curves for a k -level multinomial response variable (for the highest level, it is the constant line 1). You can specify any of them to be plotted by the LEVEL= suboption. See the plot in [Output 71.2.6](#) for an example.

Inverse Predicted Probability Plot

For the binomial model, the response variable is a probability. An estimate of the dose level \hat{x}_1 needed for a response of p is given by

$$\hat{x}_1 = (F^{-1}(p) - \mathbf{x}'_{-1}\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1})/\hat{b}_1$$

where F is the cumulative distribution function used to model the probability, \mathbf{x}_{-1} is the vector of the rest of the covariates, $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1}$ is the vector of the estimated parameters corresponding to \mathbf{x}_{-1} , and \hat{b}_1 is the estimated parameter for the dose variable of interest.

To plot \hat{x}_1 as a function of p , \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the XDATA= option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the XDATA= option in the PROC PROBIT statement for details), or use the default values that follow these rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

[Output 71.4.12](#) in [Example 71.4](#) shows an inverse predicted probability plot.

Linear Predictor Plot

For both binomial models and multinomial models, the linear predictor $\mathbf{x}'\mathbf{b}$ can be plotted against the first single continuous variable (dose variable) in the MODEL statement.

Let x_1 be the covariate of the dose variable, \mathbf{x}_{-1} be the vector of the rest of the covariates, $\hat{\mathbf{b}}_{-1}$ be the vector of estimated parameters corresponding to \mathbf{x}_{-1} , and \hat{b}_1 be the estimated parameter for the dose variable of interest.

To plot $\hat{\mathbf{x}}'\mathbf{b}$ as a function of x_1 , \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the XDATA= option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the XDATA= option in the PROC PROBIT statement for details), or use the default values that follow these rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

For the multinomial model, you can use the LEVEL= suboption to specify the levels for which the linear predictor lines are plotted.

The confidence limits for the predicted values are only available for the binomial model. [Output 71.4.13](#) in [Example 71.4](#) shows a linear predictor plot for a binomial model.

Predicted Probability Plot

The predicted probability is

$$\hat{p} = C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}})$$

for the binomial model and

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{p}_1 &= C + (1 - C)F(\mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}}) \\ \hat{p}_j &= (1 - C)(F(\hat{a}_j + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}}) - F(\hat{a}_{j-1} + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}})), \quad j = 2, \dots, k - 1 \\ \hat{p}_k &= (1 - C)(1 - F(\hat{a}_{k-1} + \mathbf{x}'\hat{\mathbf{b}}))\end{aligned}$$

for the multinomial model with k response levels, where F is the cumulative distribution function used to model the probability, \mathbf{x}' is the vector of the covariates, \hat{a}_j are the estimated ordinal intercepts with $\hat{a}_1 = 0$, C is the threshold parameter, either known or estimated from the model, and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}'$ is the vector of estimated parameters.

To plot \hat{p} (or \hat{p}_j) as a function of a continuous variable x_1 , the remaining covariates \mathbf{x}_{-1} must be specified. You can use the XDATA= option to provide the values of \mathbf{x}_{-1} (see the XDATA= option in the PROC PROBIT statement for details), or use the default values that follow these rules:

- If the effect contains a continuous variable (or variables), the overall mean of this effect is used.
- If the effect is a single classification variable, the highest level of the variable is used.

For the multinomial model, you can use the LEVEL= suboption to specify the levels for which the linear predictor lines are plotted.

Confidence limits are plotted only for the binomial model. [Output 71.1.7](#) in [Example 71.1](#) shows a predicted probability plot for a binomial model; and [Output 71.2.3](#) in [Example 71.2](#) shows a predicted probability plot for a multinomial model.

ODS Graph Names

PROC PROBIT assigns a name to each graph it creates using ODS. You can use these names to reference the graphs when using ODS. The names are listed in [Table 71.36](#).

To request these graphs you must specify the ODS GRAPHICS statement in addition to the PLOTS= option described in [Table 71.35](#). For more information about the ODS GRAPHICS statement, see Chapter 21, “[Statistical Graphics Using ODS](#).”

Table 71.36 ODS Graphics Produced by PROC PROBIT

ODS Graph Name	Plot Description	Statement	PLOTS= Option
CDFPlot	Estimated cumulative probability	PROC	CDFPLOT
IPPPlot	Inverse predicted probability	PROC	IPPPLOT
LPredPlot	Linear predictor	PROC	LPREDPLOT
PredPPlot	Predicted probability	PROC	PREDPPLOT

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Example 71.1: Dosage Levels

In this example, Dose is a variable representing the level of a stimulus, N represents the number of subjects tested at each level of the stimulus, and Response is the number of subjects responding to that level of the stimulus. Both probit and logit response models are fit to the data. The LOG10 option in the PROC PROBIT statement requests that the log base 10 of Dose is used as the independent variable. Specifically, for a given level of Dose, the probability p of a positive response is modeled as

$$p = \text{Pr}(\text{Response}) = F(b_0 + b_1 \times \log_{10}(\text{Dose}))$$

The probabilities are estimated first by using the normal distribution function (the default) and then by using the logistic distribution function. Note that, in this model specification, the natural rate is assumed to be zero.

The LACKFIT option specifies lack-of-fit tests and the INVERSECL option specifies inverse confidence limits.

In the DATA step that reads the data, a number of observations are generated that have a missing value for the response. Although the PROBIT procedure does not use the observations with the missing values to fit the model, it does give predicted values for all nonmissing sets of independent variables. These data points fill in the plot of fitted and observed values in the logistic model displayed in [Output 71.1.7](#). The plot, requested with the PLOT=PREDPLOT option, displays the estimated logistic cumulative distribution function and the observed response rates.

The following statements produce [Output 71.1.1](#):

```
data a;
  infile cards eof=eof;
  input Dose N Response @@;
  Observed= Response/N;
  output;
  return;
eof: do Dose=0.5 to 7.5 by 0.25;
      output;
    end;
  datalines;
1 10 1  2 12 2  3 10 4  4 10 5
5 12 8  6 10 8  7 10 10
;
proc probit log10;
  model Response/N=Dose / lackfit inversecl itprint;
  output out=B p=Prob std=std xbeta=xbeta;
run;
```

Output 71.1.1 Probit Analysis with Normal Distribution

The Probit Procedure					
Iteration History for Parameter Estimates					
Iter	Ridge	Loglikelihood	Intercept	Log10 (Dose)	
0	0	-51.292891	0	0	
1	0	-37.881166	-1.355817008	2.635206083	
2	0	-37.286169	-1.764939171	3.3408954936	
3	0	-37.280389	-1.812147863	3.4172391614	
4	0	-37.280388	-1.812704962	3.418117919	
5	0	-37.280388	-1.812704962	3.418117919	
Model Information					
Data Set	WORK.A				
Events Variable	Response				
Trials Variable	N				
Number of Observations	7				
Number of Events	38				
Number of Trials	74				
Name of Distribution	Normal				
Log Likelihood	-37.28038802				
Last Evaluation of the Negative of the Gradient					
		Intercept	Log10 (Dose)		
		3.4349069E-7	-2.09809E-8		
Last Evaluation of the Negative of the Hessian					
		Intercept	Log10 (Dose)		
Intercept		36.005280383	20.152675982		
Log10 (Dose)		20.152675982	13.078826305		
Goodness-of-Fit Tests					
Statistic		Value	DF	Value/DF	Pr > ChiSq
Pearson Chi-Square		3.6497	5	0.7299	0.6009
L.R. Chi-Square		4.6381	5	0.9276	0.4616
Response-Covariate Profile					
Response Levels		2			
Number of Covariate Values		7			

Output 71.1.1 *continued*

Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Parameter Estimates							
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept	1	-1.8127	0.4493	-2.6934	-0.9320	16.27	<.0001
Log10(Dose)	1	3.4181	0.7455	1.9569	4.8794	21.02	<.0001
Probit Model in Terms of Tolerance Distribution							
		MU		SIGMA			
		0.53032254		0.29255866			
Estimated Covariance Matrix for Tolerance Parameters							
		MU		SIGMA			
MU		0.002418		-0.000409			
SIGMA		-0.000409		0.004072			

The p -values in the goodness-of-fit table of 0.6009 for the Pearson chi-square and 0.4616 for the likelihood ratio chi-square indicate an adequate fit for the model fit with the normal distribution.

Tolerance distribution parameter estimates for the normal distribution indicate a mean tolerance for the population of 0.5303.

Output 71.1.2 displays probit analysis with the logarithm of dose levels. The LD50 (ED50 for log dose) is 0.5303, the dose corresponding to a probability of 0.5. This is the same as the mean tolerance for the normal distribution.

Output 71.1.2 Probit Analysis with Normal Distribution

The Probit Procedure			
Probit Analysis on Log10(Dose)			
Probability	Log10(Dose)	95% Fiducial Limits	
0.01	-0.15027	-0.69518	0.07710
0.02	-0.07052	-0.55766	0.13475
0.03	-0.01992	-0.47064	0.17156
0.04	0.01814	-0.40534	0.19941
0.05	0.04911	-0.35233	0.22218
0.06	0.07546	-0.30731	0.24165
0.07	0.09857	-0.26793	0.25881
0.08	0.11926	-0.23273	0.27425
0.09	0.13807	-0.20080	0.28837
0.10	0.15539	-0.17147	0.30142
0.15	0.22710	-0.05086	0.35631
0.20	0.28410	0.04369	0.40124
0.25	0.33299	0.12343	0.44116
0.30	0.37690	0.19348	0.47857
0.35	0.41759	0.25658	0.51504
0.40	0.45620	0.31429	0.55182
0.45	0.49356	0.36754	0.58999
0.50	0.53032	0.41693	0.63057
0.55	0.56709	0.46296	0.67451
0.60	0.60444	0.50618	0.72271
0.65	0.64305	0.54734	0.77603
0.70	0.68374	0.58745	0.83550
0.75	0.72765	0.62776	0.90265
0.80	0.77655	0.66999	0.98008
0.85	0.83354	0.71675	1.07279
0.90	0.90525	0.77313	1.19191
0.91	0.92257	0.78646	1.22098
0.92	0.94139	0.80083	1.25265
0.93	0.96208	0.81653	1.28759
0.94	0.98519	0.83394	1.32672
0.95	1.01154	0.85367	1.37149
0.96	1.04250	0.87669	1.42424
0.97	1.08056	0.90480	1.48928
0.98	1.13116	0.94189	1.57602
0.99	1.21092	0.99987	1.71321

Output 71.1.3 displays probit analysis with dose levels. The ED50 for dose is 3.39 with a 95% confidence interval of (2.61, 4.27).

Output 71.1.3 Probit Analysis with Normal Distribution

The Probit Procedure			
Probit Analysis on Dose			
Probability	Dose	95% Fiducial Limits	
0.01	0.70750	0.20175	1.19427
0.02	0.85012	0.27691	1.36380
0.03	0.95517	0.33834	1.48444
0.04	1.04266	0.39324	1.58274
0.05	1.11971	0.44429	1.66793
0.06	1.18976	0.49282	1.74443
0.07	1.25478	0.53960	1.81473
0.08	1.31600	0.58515	1.88042
0.09	1.37427	0.62980	1.94252
0.10	1.43019	0.67380	2.00181
0.15	1.68696	0.88950	2.27147
0.20	1.92353	1.10584	2.51906
0.25	2.15276	1.32870	2.76161
0.30	2.38180	1.56128	3.01000
0.35	2.61573	1.80543	3.27374
0.40	2.85893	2.06200	3.56306
0.45	3.11573	2.33098	3.89038
0.50	3.39096	2.61175	4.27138
0.55	3.69051	2.90374	4.72619
0.60	4.02199	3.20759	5.28090
0.65	4.39594	3.52651	5.97077
0.70	4.82770	3.86765	6.84706
0.75	5.34134	4.24385	7.99189
0.80	5.97787	4.67724	9.55169
0.85	6.81617	5.20900	11.82480
0.90	8.03992	5.93105	15.55653
0.91	8.36704	6.11584	16.63320
0.92	8.73752	6.32165	17.89163
0.93	9.16385	6.55431	19.39034
0.94	9.66463	6.82245	21.21881
0.95	10.26925	7.13949	23.52275
0.96	11.02811	7.52816	26.56066
0.97	12.03830	8.03149	30.85201
0.98	13.52585	8.74763	37.67206
0.99	16.25233	9.99709	51.66627

The following statements request probit analysis of dosage levels with the logistic distribution:

```
ods graphics on;

proc probit log10 plot=predpplot;
  model Response/N=Dose / d=logistic inversecl;
  output out=B p=Prob std=std xbeta=xbeta;
run;

ods graphics off;
```

The regression parameter estimates in [Output 71.1.4](#) for the logistic model of -3.22 and 5.97 are approximately $\pi/\sqrt{3}$ times as large as those for the normal model.

Output 71.1.4 Probit Analysis with Logistic Distribution

The Probit Procedure							
Model Information							
Data Set		WORK.B					
Events Variable		Response					
Trials Variable		N					
Number of Observations		7					
Number of Events		38					
Number of Trials		74					
Name of Distribution		Logistic					
Log Likelihood		-37.11065336					
Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Parameter Estimates							
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept	1	-3.2246	0.8861	-4.9613	-1.4880	13.24	0.0003
Log10(Dose)	1	5.9702	1.4492	3.1299	8.8105	16.97	<.0001

[Output 71.1.5](#) and [Output 71.1.6](#) show that both the ED50 and the LD50 are similar to those for the normal model.

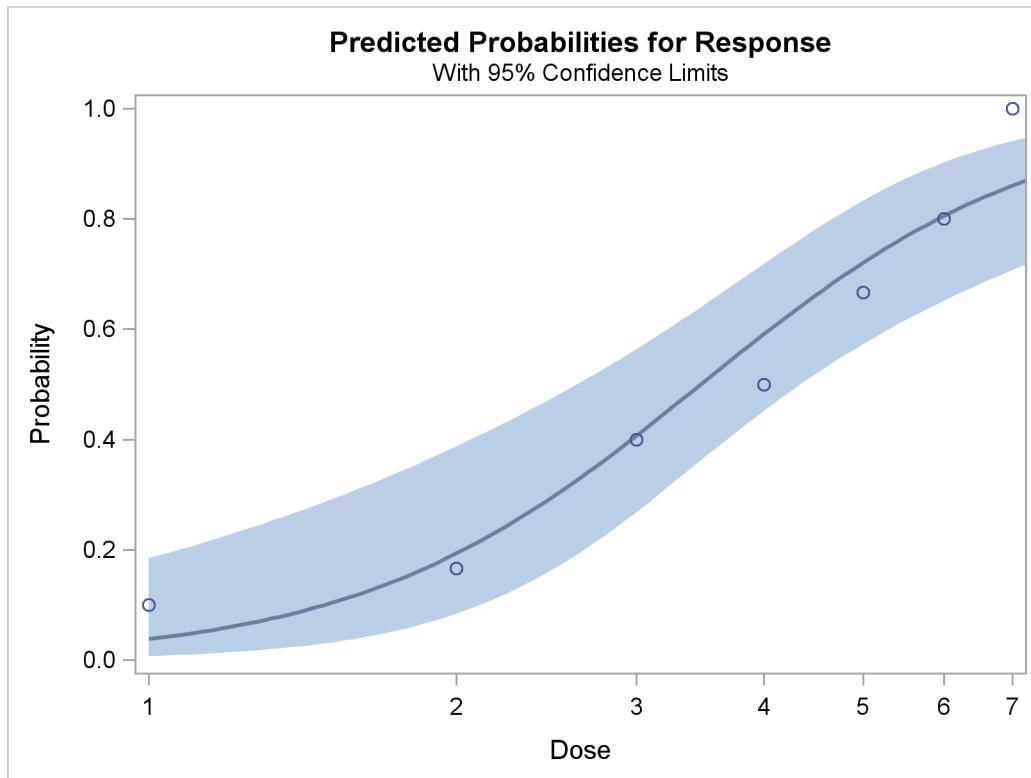
Output 71.1.5 Probit Analysis with Logistic Distribution

The Probit Procedure			
Probit Analysis on Log10(Dose)			
Probability	Log10(Dose)	95% Fiducial Limits	
0.01	-0.22955	-0.97441	0.04234
0.02	-0.11175	-0.75158	0.12404
0.03	-0.04212	-0.62018	0.17265
0.04	0.00780	-0.52618	0.20771
0.05	0.04693	-0.45265	0.23533
0.06	0.07925	-0.39205	0.25826
0.07	0.10686	-0.34037	0.27796
0.08	0.13103	-0.29521	0.29530
0.09	0.15259	-0.25502	0.31085
0.10	0.17209	-0.21875	0.32498
0.15	0.24958	-0.07552	0.38207
0.20	0.30792	0.03092	0.42645
0.25	0.35611	0.11742	0.46451
0.30	0.39820	0.19143	0.49932
0.35	0.43644	0.25684	0.53275
0.40	0.47221	0.31588	0.56619
0.45	0.50651	0.36986	0.60089
0.50	0.54013	0.41957	0.63807
0.55	0.57374	0.46559	0.67894
0.60	0.60804	0.50846	0.72474
0.65	0.64381	0.54896	0.77673
0.70	0.68205	0.58815	0.83637
0.75	0.72414	0.62752	0.90582
0.80	0.77233	0.66915	0.98876
0.85	0.83067	0.71631	1.09242
0.90	0.90816	0.77562	1.23343
0.91	0.92766	0.79014	1.26931
0.92	0.94922	0.80607	1.30912
0.93	0.97339	0.82378	1.35391
0.94	1.00100	0.84384	1.40523
0.95	1.03332	0.86713	1.46546
0.96	1.07245	0.89511	1.53864
0.97	1.12237	0.93053	1.63228
0.98	1.19200	0.97952	1.76329
0.99	1.30980	1.06166	1.98569

Output 71.1.6 Probit Analysis with Logistic Distribution

The Probit Procedure			
Probit Analysis on Dose			
Probability	Dose	95% Fiducial Limits	
0.01	0.58945	0.10607	1.10241
0.02	0.77312	0.17718	1.33058
0.03	0.90757	0.23978	1.48817
0.04	1.01813	0.29773	1.61327
0.05	1.11413	0.35266	1.71922
0.06	1.20018	0.40546	1.81244
0.07	1.27896	0.45670	1.89654
0.08	1.35218	0.50675	1.97379
0.09	1.42100	0.55588	2.04572
0.10	1.48625	0.60430	2.11339
0.15	1.77656	0.84038	2.41030
0.20	2.03199	1.07379	2.66961
0.25	2.27043	1.31046	2.91416
0.30	2.50152	1.55393	3.15736
0.35	2.73172	1.80652	3.40996
0.40	2.96627	2.06957	3.68292
0.45	3.21006	2.34345	3.98927
0.50	3.46837	2.62768	4.34578
0.55	3.74746	2.92138	4.77466
0.60	4.05546	3.22451	5.30573
0.65	4.40366	3.53961	5.98041
0.70	4.80891	3.87391	6.86079
0.75	5.29836	4.24155	8.05044
0.80	5.92009	4.66820	9.74455
0.85	6.77126	5.20365	12.37149
0.90	8.09391	5.96508	17.11715
0.91	8.46559	6.16800	18.59129
0.92	8.89644	6.39837	20.37592
0.93	9.40575	6.66469	22.58957
0.94	10.02317	6.97977	25.42292
0.95	10.79732	7.36428	29.20549
0.96	11.81534	7.85438	34.56521
0.97	13.25466	8.52173	42.88232
0.98	15.55972	9.53941	57.98207
0.99	20.40815	11.52549	96.75820

The PLOT=PREDPLOT option together with the ODS GRAPHICS statement creates the plot of observed and fitted probabilities in [Output 71.1.7](#). The dashed line represent pointwise confidence bands for the probabilities.

Output 71.1.7 Plot of Observed and Fitted Probabilities

Example 71.2: Multilevel Response

In this example, two preparations, a standard preparation and a test preparation, are each given at several dose levels to groups of insects. The symptoms are recorded for each insect within each group, and two multilevel probit models are fit. Because the natural sort order of the three levels is not the same as the response order, the `ORDER=DATA` option is specified in the `PROC PROBIT` statement to get the desired order.

The following statements fit two models:

```
data multi;
  input Prep $ Dose Symptoms $ N;
  LDose=log10(Dose);
  if Prep='test' then PrepDose=LDose;
  else PrepDose=0;
  datalines;
stand    10      None      33
stand    10      Mild       7
stand    10      Severe     10
stand    20      None      17
stand    20      Mild      13
stand    20      Severe     17
stand    30      None      14
stand    30      Mild       3
stand    30      Severe     28
```

```

stand    40      None      9
stand    40      Mild      8
stand    40      Severe    32
test     10      None     44
test     10      Mild      6
test     10      Severe     0
test     20      None     32
test     20      Mild     10
test     20      Severe    12
test     30      None     23
test     30      Mild      7
test     30      Severe    21
test     40      None     16
test     40      Mild      6
test     40      Severe    19
;
proc probit order=data data=multi;
  class Prep Symptoms;
  nonpara: model Symptoms=Prep LDose PrepDose / lackfit;
  weight N;
run;

proc probit order=data data=multi ;
  class Prep Symptoms;
  parallel: model Symptoms=Prep LDose / lackfit;
  weight N;
run;

```

Results of these two models are shown in [Output 71.2.1](#) and [Output 71.2.2](#). The first model allows for nonparallelism between the dose response curves for the two preparations by inclusion of an interaction between Prep and LDose. The interaction term is labeled PrepDose in the “Analysis of Parameter Estimates” table. The results of this first model indicate that the parameter for the interaction term is not significant, having a Wald chi-square of 0.73. Also, since the first model is a generalization of the second, a likelihood ratio test statistic for this same parameter can be obtained by multiplying the difference in log likelihoods between the two models by 2. The value obtained, $2 \times (-345.94 - (-346.31))$, is 0.73. This is in close agreement with the Wald chi-square from the first model. The lack-of-fit test statistics for the two models do not indicate a problem with either fit.

Output 71.2.1 Multilevel Response: Nonparallel Analysis

The Probit Procedure	
Model Information	
Data Set	WORK.MULTI
Dependent Variable	Symptoms
Weight Variable	N
Number of Observations	23
Name of Distribution	Normal
Log Likelihood	-345.9401767

Output 71.2.1 *continued*

Class Level Information								
Name		Levels	Values					
Prep		2	stand test					
Symptoms		3	None Mild Severe					
Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Parameter Estimates								
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq	
Intercept	1	3.8080	0.6252	2.5827	5.0333	37.10	<.0001	
Intercept2	1	0.4684	0.0559	0.3589	0.5780	70.19	<.0001	
Prep	stand	1	-1.2573	0.8190	-2.8624	0.3479	2.36	0.1247
Prep	test	0	0.0000
LDose	1	-2.1512	0.3909	-2.9173	-1.3851	30.29	<.0001	
PrepDose	1	-0.5072	0.5945	-1.6724	0.6580	0.73	0.3935	

Output 71.2.2 Multilevel Response: Parallel Analysis

The Probit Procedure							
Model Information							
Data Set		WORK.MULTI					
Dependent Variable		Symptoms					
Weight Variable		N					
Number of Observations		23					
Name of Distribution		Normal					
Log Likelihood		-346.306141					
Class Level Information							
Name		Levels		Values			
Prep		2		stand test			
Symptoms		3		None Mild Severe			
Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Parameter Estimates							
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept	1	3.4148	0.4126	2.6061	4.2235	68.50	<.0001
Intercept2	1	0.4678	0.0558	0.3584	0.5772	70.19	<.0001
Prep stand	1	-0.5675	0.1259	-0.8142	-0.3208	20.33	<.0001
Prep test	0	0.0000	.	.	.	.	.
LDose	1	-2.3721	0.2949	-2.9502	-1.7940	64.68	<.0001

The negative coefficient associated with LDose indicates that the probability of having no symptoms (Symptoms='None') or no or mild symptoms (Symptoms='None' or Symptoms='Mild') decreases as LDose increases; that is, the probability of a severe symptom increases with LDose. This association is apparent for both treatment groups.

The negative coefficient associated with the standard treatment group (Prep = stand) indicates that the standard treatment is associated with more severe symptoms across all LDose values.

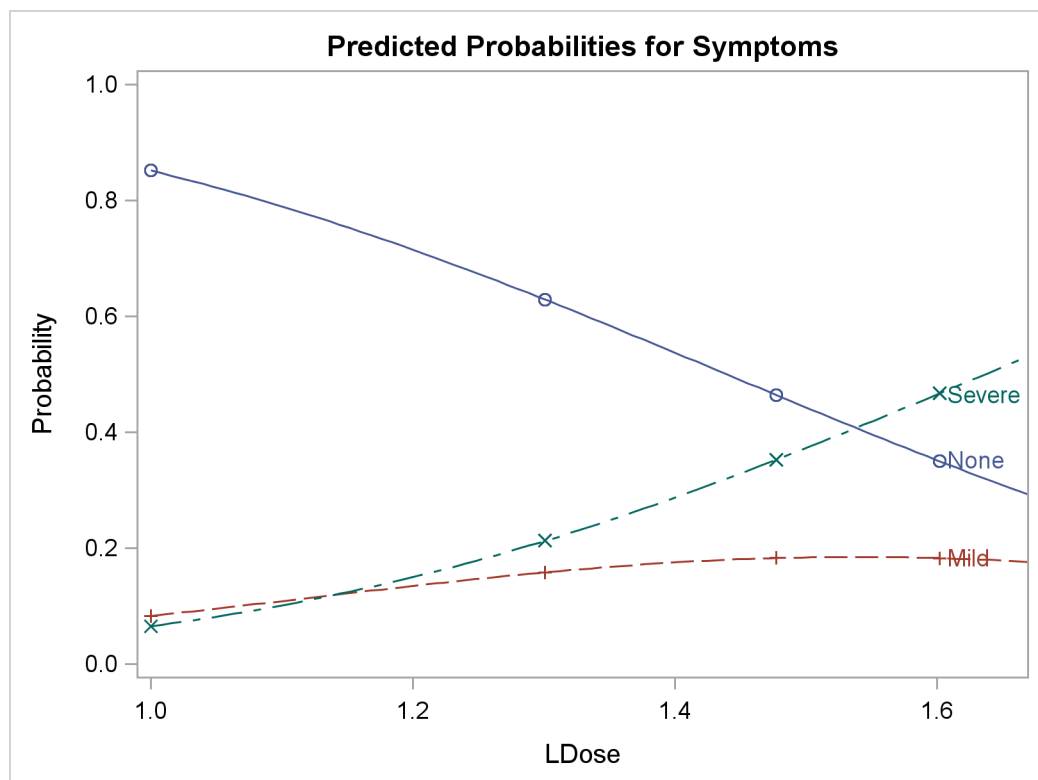
The following statements use the PLOTS= option to create the plot shown in [Output 71.2.3](#) and [Output 71.2.4](#). [Output 71.2.3](#) is the plot of the probabilities of the response taking on individual levels as a function of LDose. Since there are two covariates, LDose and Prep, the value of the classification variable Prep is fixed at the highest level, test. Instead of individual response level probabilities, the CDFPLOT option creates the plot of the cumulative response probabilities with confidence limits shown in [Output 71.2.4](#).

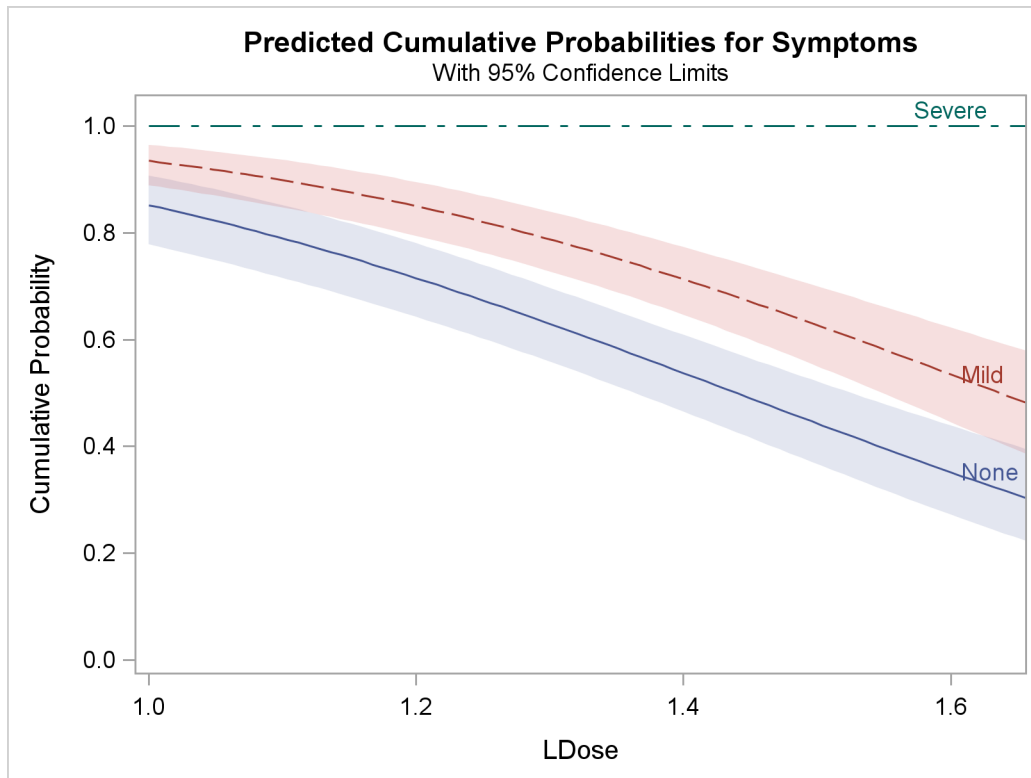
```
ods graphics on;

proc probit data=multi order=data
    plots=(predpplot(level=("None" "Mild" "Severe"))
           cdfplot(level=("None" "Mild" "Severe")));
    class Prep Symptoms;
    parallel: model Symptoms=Prep LDose / lackfit;
    weight N;
run;

ods graphics off;
```

Output 71.2.3 Plot of Predicted Probabilities for the Test Preparation Group



Output 71.2.4 Plot of Predicted Cumulative Probabilities for the Test Preparation Group

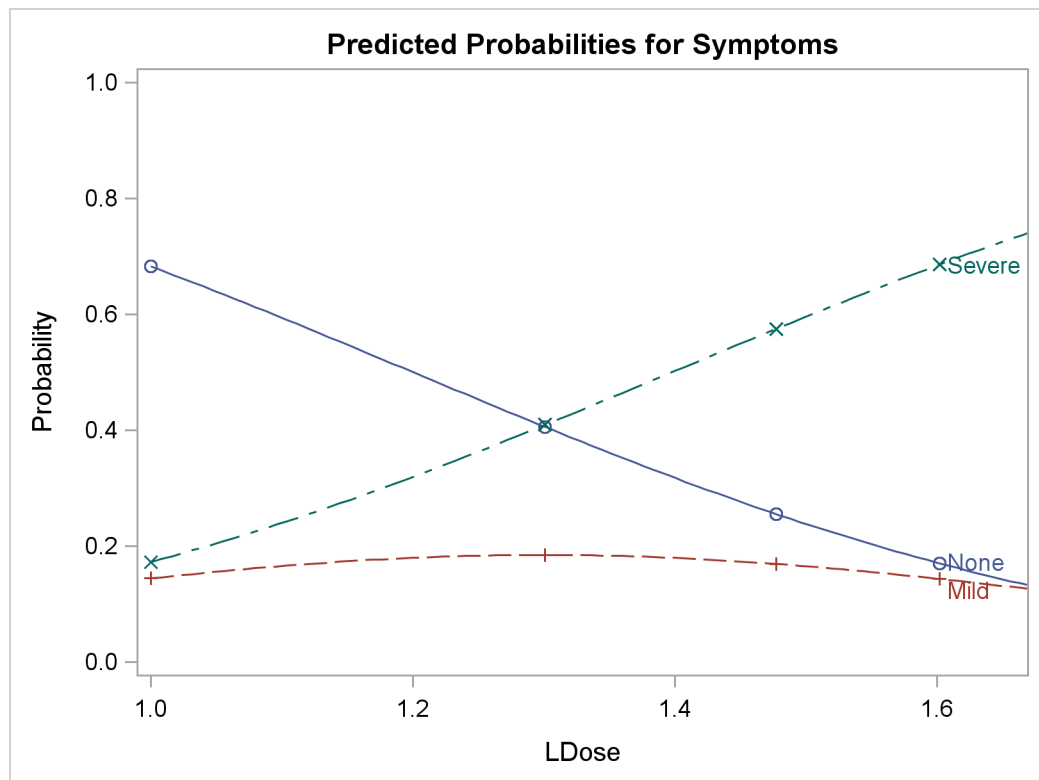
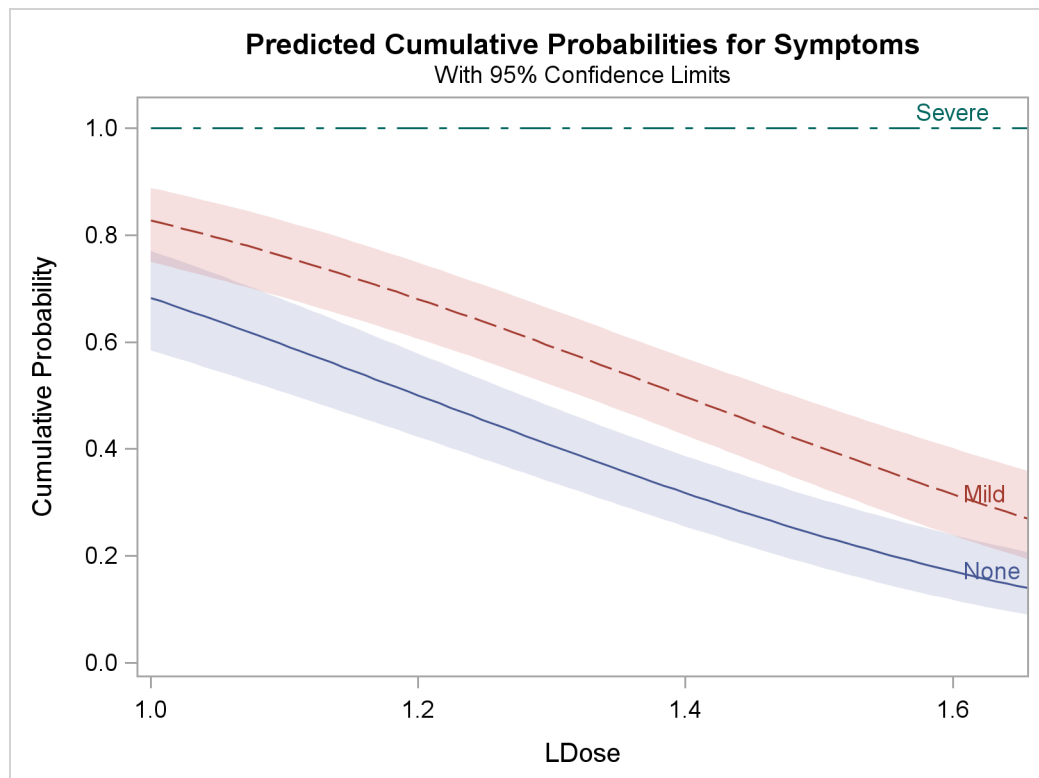
The following statements use the XDATA= data set to create plots of predicted probabilities and cumulative probabilities with Prep set to the stand level. The resulting plots are shown in [Output 71.2.5](#) and [Output 71.2.6](#).

```
data xrow;
  input Prep $ Dose Symptoms $ N;
  LDose=log10(Dose);
  datalines;
stand    40      Severe    32
run;

ods graphics on;

proc probit data=multi order=data xdata=xrow
  plots=(predpplot(level=("None" "Mild" "Severe"))
    cdfplot(level=("None" "Mild" "Severe")));
  class Prep Symptoms;
  parallel: model Symptoms=Prep LDose / lackfit;
  weight N;
run;

ods graphics off;
```

Output 71.2.5 Plot of Predicted Probabilities for the Standard Preparation Group**Output 71.2.6** Plot of Predicted Cumulative Probabilities for the Standard Preparation Group

Example 71.3: Logistic Regression

In this example, a series of people are asked whether or not they would subscribe to a new newspaper. For each person, the variables sex (Female, Male), age, and subs (1=yes,0=no) are recorded. The PROBIT procedure is used to fit a logistic regression model to the probability of a positive response (subscribing) as a function of the variables sex and age. Specifically, the probability of subscribing is modeled as

$$p = \Pr(\text{subs} = 1) = F(b_0 + b_1 \times \text{sex} + b_2 \times \text{age})$$

where F is the cumulative logistic distribution function.

By default, the PROBIT procedure models the probability of the lower response level for binary data. One way to model $\Pr(\text{subs} = 1)$ is to format the response variable so that the formatted value corresponding to subs=1 is the lower level. The following statements format the values of subs as 1 = 'accept' and 0 = 'reject', so that PROBIT models $\Pr(\text{accept}) = \Pr(\text{subs} = 1)$. They produce [Output 71.3.1](#).

```
data news;
  input sex $ age subs @@;
  datalines;
Female    35    0   Male    44    0
Male     45    1   Female   47    1
Female   51    0   Female   47    0
Male     54    1   Male     47    1
Female   35    0   Female   34    0
Female   48    0   Female   56    1
Male     46    1   Female   59    1
Female   46    1   Male     59    1
Male     38    1   Female   39    0
Male     49    1   Male     42    1
Male     50    1   Female   45    0
Female   47    0   Female   30    1
Female   39    0   Female   51    0
Female   45    0   Female   43    1
Male     39    1   Male     31    0
Female   39    0   Male     34    0
Female   52    1   Female   46    0
Male     58    1   Female   50    1
Female   32    0   Female   52    1
Female   35    0   Female   51    0
;

proc format;
  value subscrib 1 = 'accept' 0 = 'reject';
run;

proc probit data=news;
  class subs sex;
  model subs=sex age / d=logistic itprint;
  format subs subscrib.;
run;
```

Output 71.3.1 Logistic Regression of Subscription Status

The Probit Procedure								
Iteration History for Parameter Estimates								
Iter	Ridge	Loglikelihood	Intercept	sexFemale	age			
0	0	-27.725887	0	0	0			
1	0	-20.142659	-3.634567629	-1.648455751	0.1051634384			
2	0	-19.52245	-5.254865196	-2.234724956	0.1506493473			
3	0	-19.490439	-5.728485385	-2.409827238	0.1639621828			
4	0	-19.490303	-5.76187293	-2.422349862	0.1649007124			
5	0	-19.490303	-5.7620267	-2.422407743	0.1649050312			
6	0	-19.490303	-5.7620267	-2.422407743	0.1649050312			
Model Information								
Data Set			WORK.NEWS					
Dependent Variable			subs					
Number of Observations			40					
Name of Distribution			Logistic					
Log Likelihood			-19.49030281					
Class Level Information								
Name		Levels	Values					
subs		2	accept reject					
sex		2	Female Male					
Last Evaluation of the Negative of the Gradient								
Intercept		sexFemale		age				
-5.95557E-12		8.768324E-10		-1.6367E-8				
Last Evaluation of the Negative of the Hessian								
Intercept		sexFemale		age				
Intercept	6.4597397447	4.6042218284	292.04051848					
sexFemale	4.6042218284	4.6042218284	216.20829515					
age	292.04051848	216.20829515	13487.329973					
Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Parameter Estimates								
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq	
Intercept	1	-5.7620	2.7635	-11.1783	-0.3458	4.35	0.0371	
sex	Female	1	-2.4224	0.9559	-4.2959	-0.5489	6.42	0.0113
sex	Male	0	0.0000
age	1	0.1649	0.0652	0.0371	0.2927	6.40	0.0114	

Output 71.3.1 shows that there appears to be an effect due to both the variables sex and age. The positive coefficient for age indicates that older people are more likely to subscribe than younger people. The negative coefficient for sex indicates that females are less likely to subscribe than males.

Example 71.4: An Epidemiology Study

The data in this example, which are from an epidemiology study, consist of five variables: the number, *r*, of individuals surviving after an epidemic, out of *n* treated, for combinations of medicine dosage (*dose*), treatment (*treat* = A, B), and sex (*sex* = 0(Female), 1(Male)).

To see whether the two treatments have different effects on male and female individual survival rates, the interaction term between the two variables *treat* and *sex* is included in the model.

The following invocation of PROC PROBIT fits the binary probit model to the grouped data:

```
data epidemic;
    input treat$ dose n r sex @@;
    label dose = Dose;
    datalines;
A 2.17 142 142 0 A .57 132 47 1
A 1.68 128 105 1 A 1.08 126 100 0
A 1.79 125 118 0 B 1.66 117 115 1
B 1.49 127 114 0 B 1.17 51 44 1
B 2.00 127 126 0 B .80 129 100 1
;

data xval;
    input treat $ dose sex ;
    datalines;
B 2. 1
;

ods graphics on;

proc probit optc lackfit covout data=epidemic
    outest = out1 xdata = xval
    Plots=(predpplot ippplot lpredplot) ;
    class treat sex;
    model r/n = dose treat sex sex*treat/corrb covb inversecl;
    output out = out2 p =p;
run;

ods graphics off;
```

The results of this analysis are shown in the outputs that follow.

Beginning with SAS 8.2, the PROBIT procedure does not support multiple MODEL statements. Only the last one is used if there is more than one MODEL statement in an invocation of the PROBIT procedure.

Output 71.4.1 displays the table of level information for *all* classification variables in the CLASS statement.

Output 71.4.1 Class Level Information

The Probit Procedure		
Class Level Information		
Name	Levels	Values
treat	2	A B
sex	2	0 1

Output 71.4.2 displays the table of parameter information for the effects in the MODEL statement. The name of a parameter is generated by combining the variable names and level names in the effect. The maximum length of a parameter name is 32. The names of the effects are specified in the MODEL statement. The length of names of effects can be specified by the NAMELEN= option in the PROC PROBIT statement, with the default length 20.

Output 71.4.2 Parameter Information

Parameter Information			
Parameter	Effect	treat	sex
Intercept	Intercept		
dose	dose		
treatA	treat	A	
treatB	treat	B	
sex0	sex		0
sex1	sex		1
treatAsex0	treat*sex	A	0
treatAsex1	treat*sex	A	1
treatBsex0	treat*sex	B	0
treatBsex1	treat*sex	B	1

Output 71.4.3 displays background information about the model fit. Included are the name of the input data set, the response variables used, and the number of observations, events, and trials. The table also includes the status of the convergence of the model fitting algorithm and the final value of the log-likelihood function.

Output 71.4.3 Model Information

The Probit Procedure	
Model Information	
Data Set	WORK.EPIDEMIC
Events Variable	r
Trials Variable	n
Number of Observations	10
Number of Events	1011
Number of Trials	1204
Name of Distribution	Normal
Log Likelihood	-387.2467391

Output 71.4.4 displays the table of goodness-of-fit tests requested with the LACKFIT option in the PROC PROBIT statement. Two goodness-of-fit statistics, the Pearson chi-square statistic and the likelihood ratio chi-square statistic, are computed. The grouping method for computing these statistics can be specified by the AGGREGATE= option. The details can be found in the AGGREGATE= option, and an example can be found in the second part of this example. By default, the PROBIT procedure uses the covariates in the MODEL statement to do grouping. Observations with the same values of the covariates in the MODEL statement are grouped into cells and the two statistics are computed according to these cells. The total number of cells and the number of levels for the response variable are reported next in the “Response-Covariate Profile.”

In this example, neither the Pearson chi-square nor the log-likelihood ratio chi-square tests are significant at the 0.1 level, which is the default test level used by the PROBIT procedure. That means that the model, which includes the interaction of treat and sex, is suitable for this epidemiology data set. (Further investigation shows that models without the interaction of treat and sex are not acceptable by either test.)

Output 71.4.4 Goodness-of-Fit Tests and Response-Covariate Profile

Goodness-of-Fit Tests				
Statistic	Value	DF	Value/DF	Pr > ChiSq
Pearson Chi-Square	4.9317	4	1.2329	0.2944
L.R. Chi-Square	5.7079	4	1.4270	0.2220
Response-Covariate Profile				
Response Levels	2			
Number of Covariate Values	10			

Output 71.4.5 displays the Type III test results for all effects specified in the MODEL statement, which include the degrees of freedom for the effect, the Wald Chi-Square test statistic, and the *p*-value.

Output 71.4.5 Type III Tests

Type III Analysis of Effects			
Effect	DF	Wald	
		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
dose	1	42.1691	<.0001
treat	1	16.1421	<.0001
sex	1	1.7710	0.1833
treat*sex	1	13.9343	0.0002

Output 71.4.6 displays the table of parameter estimates for the model. The PROBIT procedure displays information for all the parameters of an effect. Degenerate parameters are indicated by 0 degree of freedom. Confidence intervals are computed for all parameters with nonzero degrees of freedom, including the natural threshold C if the OPTC option is specified in the PROC PROBIT statement. The confidence level can be specified by the ALPHA= option in the MODEL statement. The default confidence level is 95%.

Output 71.4.6 Analysis of Parameter Estimates

Analysis of Maximum Likelihood Parameter Estimates							
Parameter	DF	Estimate	Standard Error	95% Confidence Limits		Chi-Square	Pr > ChiSq
Intercept	1	-0.8871	0.3632	-1.5991	-0.1752	5.96	0.0146
dose	1	1.6774	0.2583	1.1711	2.1837	42.17	<.0001
treat A	1	-1.2537	0.2616	-1.7664	-0.7410	22.97	<.0001
treat B	0	0.0000	.	.	.	.	.
sex 0	1	-0.4633	0.2289	-0.9119	-0.0147	4.10	0.0429
sex 1	0	0.0000	.	.	.	.	.
treat*sex A 0	1	1.2899	0.3456	0.6126	1.9672	13.93	0.0002
treat*sex A 1	0	0.0000	.	.	.	.	.
treat*sex B 0	0	0.0000	.	.	.	.	.
treat*sex B 1	0	0.0000	.	.	.	.	.
C	1	0.2735	0.0946	0.0881	0.4589		

From **Table 71.4.6**, you can see the following results:

- The variable dose has a significant positive effect on the survival rate.
- Individuals under treatment A have a lower survival rate.
- Male individuals have a higher survival rate.
- Female individuals under treatment A have a higher survival rate.

Output 71.4.7 and **Output 71.4.8** display tables of estimated covariance matrix and estimated correlation matrix for estimated parameters with a nonzero degree of freedom, respectively. They are computed by the inverse of the Hessian matrix of the estimated parameters.

Output 71.4.7 Estimated Covariance Matrix

Estimated Covariance Matrix					
	Intercept	dose	treatA	sex0	treatAsex0
Intercept	0.131944	-0.087353	0.053551	0.030285	-0.067056
dose	-0.087353	0.066723	-0.047506	-0.034081	0.058620
treatA	0.053551	-0.047506	0.068425	0.036063	-0.075323
sex0	0.030285	-0.034081	0.036063	0.052383	-0.063599
treatAsex0	-0.067056	0.058620	-0.075323	-0.063599	0.119408
C	-0.028073	0.018196	-0.017084	-0.008088	0.019134

Estimated Covariance Matrix		_C_
Intercept	-0.028073	
dose	0.018196	
treatA	-0.017084	
sex0	-0.008088	
treatAsex0	0.019134	
C	0.008948	

Output 71.4.8 Estimated Correlation Matrix

Estimated Correlation Matrix					
	Intercept	dose	treatA	sex0	treatAsex0
Intercept	1.000000	-0.930998	0.563595	0.364284	-0.534227
dose	-0.930998	1.000000	-0.703083	-0.576477	0.656744
treatA	0.563595	-0.703083	1.000000	0.602359	-0.833299
sex0	0.364284	-0.576477	0.602359	1.000000	-0.804154
treatAsex0	-0.534227	0.656744	-0.833299	-0.804154	1.000000
C	-0.817027	0.744699	-0.690420	-0.373565	0.585364

Estimated Correlation Matrix		_C_
Intercept	-0.817027	
dose	0.744699	
treatA	-0.690420	
sex0	-0.373565	
treatAsex0	0.585364	
C	1.000000	

[Output 71.4.9](#) displays the computed values and fiducial limits for the first single continuous variable dose in the MODEL statement, given the probability levels, without the effect of the natural threshold, and when the option INVERSECL in the MODEL statement is specified. If there is no single continuous variable in the MODEL specification but the INVERSECL option is specified, an error is reported.

Output 71.4.9 Probit Analysis on Dose

The Probit Procedure				
Probit Analysis on dose				
Probability	dose	95% Fiducial Limits		
0.01	-0.85801	-1.81301	-0.33743	
0.02	-0.69549	-1.58167	-0.21116	
0.03	-0.59238	-1.43501	-0.13093	
0.04	-0.51482	-1.32476	-0.07050	
0.05	-0.45172	-1.23513	-0.02130	
0.06	-0.39802	-1.15888	0.02063	
0.07	-0.35093	-1.09206	0.05742	
0.08	-0.30877	-1.03226	0.09039	
0.09	-0.27043	-0.97790	0.12040	
0.10	-0.23513	-0.92788	0.14805	
0.15	-0.08900	-0.72107	0.26278	
0.20	0.02714	-0.55706	0.35434	
0.25	0.12678	-0.41669	0.43322	
0.30	0.21625	-0.29095	0.50437	
0.35	0.29917	-0.17477	0.57064	
0.40	0.37785	-0.06487	0.63387	
0.45	0.45397	0.04104	0.69546	
0.50	0.52888	0.14481	0.75654	
0.55	0.60380	0.24800	0.81819	
0.60	0.67992	0.35213	0.88157	
0.65	0.75860	0.45879	0.94803	
0.70	0.84151	0.56985	1.01942	
0.75	0.93099	0.68770	1.09847	
0.80	1.03063	0.81571	1.18970	
0.85	1.14677	0.95926	1.30171	
0.90	1.29290	1.12867	1.45386	
0.91	1.32819	1.16747	1.49273	
0.92	1.36654	1.20867	1.53590	
0.93	1.40870	1.25284	1.58450	
0.94	1.45579	1.30084	1.64012	
0.95	1.50949	1.35397	1.70515	
0.96	1.57258	1.41443	1.78353	
0.97	1.65015	1.48626	1.88238	
0.98	1.75326	1.57833	2.01720	
0.99	1.91577	1.71776	2.23537	

If the XDATA= option is used to input a data set for the independent variables in the MODEL statement, the PROBIT procedure uses these values for the independent variables other than the single continuous variable. Missing values are not permitted in the XDATA= data set for the independent variables, although the value for the single continuous variable is not used in the computing of the fiducial limits. A suitable valid value should be given. In the data set xval created by the SAS statements on page 5339, dose = 2.

See the section “XDATA= SAS-data-set” on page 5311 for the default values for those effects other than the single continuous variable, for which the fiducial limits are computed.

In this example, there are two classification variables, treat and sex. Fiducial limits for the dose

variable are computed for the highest level of the classification variables, treat = B and sex = 1, which is the default specification. Since these are the default values, you would get the same values and fiducial limits if you did not specify the XDATA= option in this example. The confidence level for the fiducial limits can be specified by the ALPHA= option in the MODEL statement. The default level is 95%.

If a LOG10 or LOG option is used in the PROC PROBIT statement, the values and the fiducial limits are computed for both the single continuous variable and its logarithm.

Output 71.4.10 displays the OUTEST= data set. All parameters for an effect are included.

Output 71.4.10 Outest Data Set for Epidemiology Study

Obs	_MODEL_	_NAME_	_TYPE_	_DIST_	_STATUS_	_LNLIKE_	r	Intercept
1	r	PARMS	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	-1.00000	-0.88714
2	Intercept	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	-0.88714	0.13194
3	dose	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	1.67739	-0.08735
4	treatA	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	-1.25367	0.05355
5	treatB	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	0.00000	0.00000
6	sex0	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	-0.46329	0.03029
7	sex1	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	0.00000	0.00000
8	treatAsex0	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	1.28991	-0.06706
9	treatAsex1	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	0.00000	0.00000
10	treatBsex0	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	0.00000	0.00000
11	treatBsex1	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	0.00000	0.00000
12	_C_	COV	Normal	0	Converged	-387.247	0.27347	-0.02807

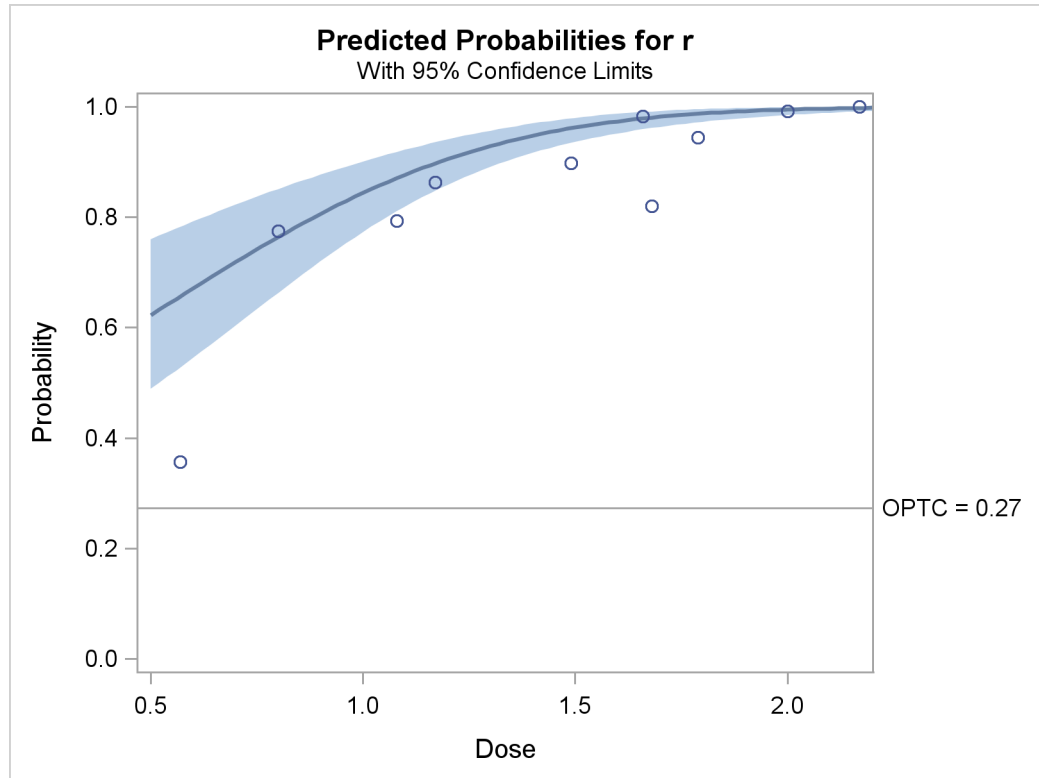
Obs	dose	treatA	treat B	sex0	sex1	treat Asex0	treat Asex1	treat Bsex0	treat Bsex1	_C_
1	1.67739	-1.25367	0	-0.46329	0	1.28991	0	0	0	0.27347
2	-0.08735	0.05355	0	0.03029	0	-0.06706	0	0	0	-0.02807
3	0.06672	-0.04751	0	-0.03408	0	0.05862	0	0	0	0.01820
4	-0.04751	0.06843	0	0.03606	0	-0.07532	0	0	0	-0.01708
5	0.00000	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0	0	0.00000
6	-0.03408	0.03606	0	0.05238	0	-0.06360	0	0	0	-0.00809
7	0.00000	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0	0	0.00000
8	0.05862	-0.07532	0	-0.06360	0	0.11941	0	0	0	0.01913
9	0.00000	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0	0	0.00000
10	0.00000	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0	0	0.00000
11	0.00000	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0.00000	0	0	0	0.00000
12	0.01820	-0.01708	0	-0.00809	0	0.01913	0	0	0	0.00895

The plots in the following three outputs, [Output 71.4.11](#), [Output 71.4.12](#), and [Output 71.4.13](#), are generated by the PLOTS= option. The first plot, specified with the PREDPLOT option, is the plot of the predicted probability against the first single continuous variable dose in the MODEL statement. You can specify values of other independent variables in the MODEL statement by using an XDATA= data set or by using the default values.

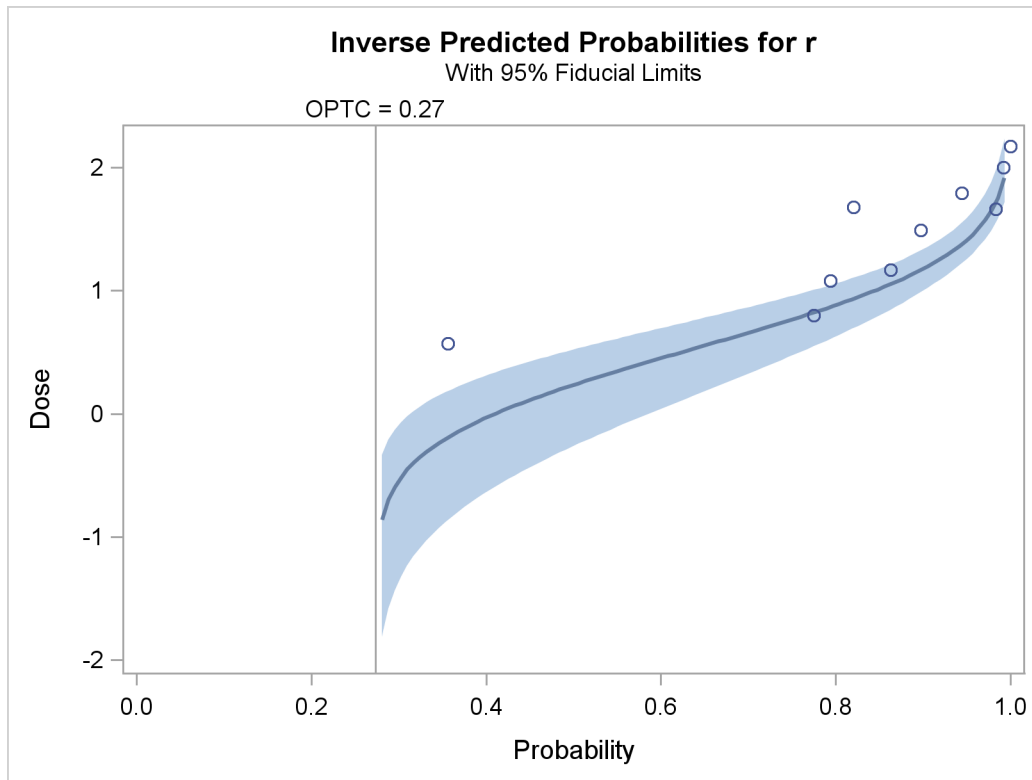
The second plot, specified with the IPPLOT option, is the inverse of the predicted probability plot with the fiducial limits. It should be pointed out that the fiducial limits are *not* just the inverse of the confidence limits in the predicted probability plot; see the section “[Inverse Confidence Limits](#)”

on page 5309 for the computation of these limits. The third plot, specified with the LPREDPLOT option, is the plot of the linear predictor \mathbf{x}'_i against the first single continuous variable with the Wald confidence intervals.

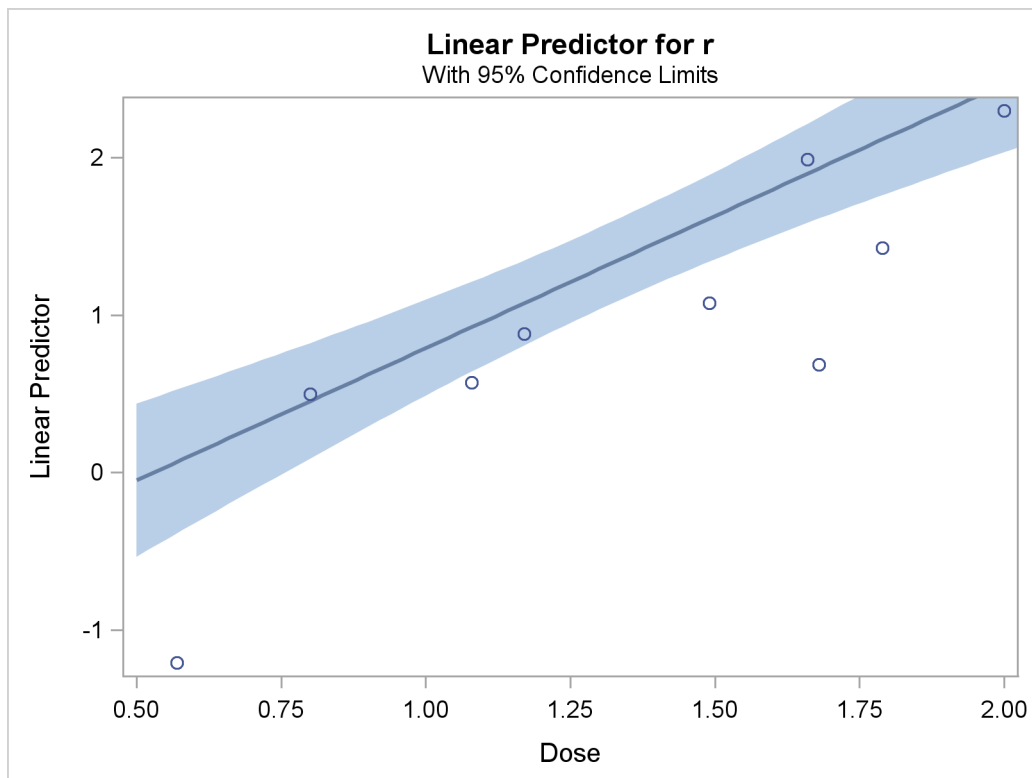
Output 71.4.11 Predicted Probability Plot



Output 71.4.12 Inverse Predicted Probability Plot



Output 71.4.13 Linear Predictor Plot



When you combine the INEST= data set and the MAXIT= option in the MODEL statement, the PROBIT procedure can do prediction, if the parameterizations for the models used for the training data and the validation data are exactly the same. The following SAS statements show an example:

```
data validate;
  input treat $ dose sex n r group;
  datalines;
B 2.0 0 44 43 1 B 2.0 1 54 52 2
B 1.5 1 36 32 3 B 1.5 0 45 40 4
A 2.0 0 66 64 5 A 2.0 1 89 89 6
A 1.5 1 45 39 7 A 1.5 0 66 60 8
B 2.0 0 44 44 1 B 2.0 1 54 54 2
B 1.5 1 36 30 3 B 1.5 0 45 41 4
A 2.0 0 66 65 5 A 2.0 1 89 88 6
A 1.5 1 45 38 7 A 1.5 0 66 59 8
;

proc probit optc data=validate inest=out1;
  class treat sex;
  model r/n = dose treat sex sex*treat / maxit = 0 ;
  output out = out3 p =p;
run ;

proc probit optc lackfit data=validate inest=out1;
  class treat sex;
  model r/n = dose treat sex sex*treat / aggregate = group ;
  output out = out4 p =p;
run ;
```

After the first invocation of PROC PROBIT, you have the estimated parameters and their covariance matrix in the data set OUTEST = Out1, and the fitted probabilities for the training data set epidemic in the data set OUTPUT = Out2. See [Output 71.4.10](#) for the data set Out1 and [Output 71.4.14](#) for the data set Out2.

The validation data are collected in data set validate. The second invocation of PROC PROBIT simply passes the estimated parameters from the training data set epidemic to the validation data set validate for prediction. The predicted probabilities are stored in the data set OUTPUT = Out3 (see [Output 71.4.15](#)). The third invocation of PROC PROBIT passes the estimated parameters as initial values for a new fit of the validation data set with the same model. Predicted probabilities are stored in the data set OUTPUT = Out4 (see [Output 71.4.16](#)). Goodness-of-fit tests are computed based on the cells grouped by the AGGREGATE= group variable. Results are shown in [Output 71.4.17](#).

Output 71.4.14 Out2

Obs	treat	dose	n	r	sex	p
1	A	2.17	142	142	0	0.99272
2	A	0.57	132	47	1	0.35925
3	A	1.68	128	105	1	0.81899
4	A	1.08	126	100	0	0.77517
5	A	1.79	125	118	0	0.96682
6	B	1.66	117	115	1	0.97901
7	B	1.49	127	114	0	0.90896
8	B	1.17	51	44	1	0.89749
9	B	2.00	127	126	0	0.98364
10	B	0.80	129	100	1	0.76414

Output 71.4.15 Out3

Obs	treat	dose	sex	n	r	group	p
1	B	2.0	0	44	43	1	0.98364
2	B	2.0	1	54	52	2	0.99506
3	B	1.5	1	36	32	3	0.96247
4	B	1.5	0	45	40	4	0.91145
5	A	2.0	0	66	64	5	0.98500
6	A	2.0	1	89	89	6	0.91835
7	A	1.5	1	45	39	7	0.74300
8	A	1.5	0	66	60	8	0.91666
9	B	2.0	0	44	44	1	0.98364
10	B	2.0	1	54	54	2	0.99506
11	B	1.5	1	36	30	3	0.96247
12	B	1.5	0	45	41	4	0.91145
13	A	2.0	0	66	65	5	0.98500
14	A	2.0	1	89	88	6	0.91835
15	A	1.5	1	45	38	7	0.74300
16	A	1.5	0	66	59	8	0.91666

Output 71.4.16 Out4

Obs	treat	dose	sex	n	r	group	p
1	B	2.0	0	44	43	1	0.98954
2	B	2.0	1	54	52	2	0.98262
3	B	1.5	1	36	32	3	0.86187
4	B	1.5	0	45	40	4	0.90095
5	A	2.0	0	66	64	5	0.98768
6	A	2.0	1	89	89	6	0.98614
7	A	1.5	1	45	39	7	0.88075
8	A	1.5	0	66	60	8	0.88964
9	B	2.0	0	44	44	1	0.98954
10	B	2.0	1	54	54	2	0.98262
11	B	1.5	1	36	30	3	0.86187
12	B	1.5	0	45	41	4	0.90095
13	A	2.0	0	66	65	5	0.98768
14	A	2.0	1	89	88	6	0.98614
15	A	1.5	1	45	38	7	0.88075
16	A	1.5	0	66	59	8	0.88964

Output 71.4.17 Goodness-of-Fit Table

The Probit Procedure					
Goodness-of-Fit Tests					
Statistic		Value	DF	Value/DF	Pr > ChiSq
Pearson Chi-Square		2.8101	2	1.4050	0.2454
L.R.	Chi-Square	2.8080	2	1.4040	0.2456

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