

# Multiple Regression Analysis

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# Motivation

- Examples
- Ceteris Paribus: Public vs. Private University
  - ▶ [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iPBV3B1V7jk&list=PL-uRhZ\\_p-BM5ovNRg-G6hDib270CvcyW8&index=2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iPBV3B1V7jk&list=PL-uRhZ_p-BM5ovNRg-G6hDib270CvcyW8&index=2)
- Interpretation

Estimation Ass<sup>n</sup>s:  $E(u) = 0$

$$E(u | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = E(u) = 0$$

$$E(x_1 u) = 0, \quad E(x_2 u) = 0$$

$$\dots \quad E(x_k u) = 0$$

- Model with  $k$  independent variables

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$

- Objective: estimate  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k$   $u = y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_1 - \dots - \beta_k x_k$

$$E(y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_1 - \dots - \beta_k x_k) = 0$$

$$E[x_1 (y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_1 - \dots - \beta_k x_k)] = 0$$

⋮

$$E[x_k (y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_1 - \dots - \beta_k x_k)] = 0$$

Estimation (cont.) e.g.  $x_1 \rightarrow educ$

$exper_i \rightarrow x_{i2}$

$x_2 \rightarrow exper$

$educ_i \rightarrow x_{i1}$

- Sample analogs

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_k x_{ik}) = 0$$

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i1} (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_k x_{ik}) = 0$$

$\vdots$

$$n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ik} (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_k x_{ik}) = 0$$

$x_{ij}$  : observation  $i$  for variable  $x_j$

## Estimation (cont.)

$$\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1, \dots, \hat{\beta}_k$$

• OLS estimates:

• Fitted value:

• Residual:

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} + \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \hat{\beta}_k x_{ik}$$

$$\hat{u}_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$$

## Estimation (cont.)

### Example

$y$ (wage)	$x_1$ (educ)	$x_2$ (exper)
3.1	11	2
3.2	12	22
3	11	2
6	8	44
5.3	12	7
8.8	16	9
11	18	15
5	12	5
3.6	12	26
18	17	22

## Estimation (cont.)

$$\checkmark \bar{y} - \checkmark \hat{\beta}_0 - \checkmark \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}_1 - \checkmark \hat{\beta}_2 \bar{x}_2 = 0$$

$$\bar{x}_1 \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_0 \bar{x}_1 - \hat{\beta}_1 (\bar{x}_1)^2 - \hat{\beta}_2 \overline{x_1 x_2} = 0$$

$$\bar{x}_2 \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_0 \bar{x}_2 - \hat{\beta}_1 \overline{x_1 x_2} - \hat{\beta}_2 (\bar{x}_2)^2 = 0$$

$$6.742 - \hat{\beta}_0 - 12.9\hat{\beta}_1 - 15.4\hat{\beta}_2 = 0$$

$$97.234 - 12.9\hat{\beta}_0 - 175.1\hat{\beta}_1 - 190.4\hat{\beta}_2 = 0$$

$$115.064 - 15.4\hat{\beta}_0 - 190.4\hat{\beta}_1 - 396.8\hat{\beta}_2 = 0$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = -12.317 \quad \hat{\beta}_1 = 1.312 \quad \hat{\beta}_2 = 0.138$$

## Estimation (cont.)

Sum/avg. value of residuals = 0

Correl. b/w residuals &  
each explanatory  
variable = 0

Properties of OLS

correl. b/w residuals & fitted value = 0

If each  $x_j = \bar{x}_j$ ,  $\hat{y} = \bar{y}$ .



## Estimation (cont.)

### Goodness-of-fit

- R-squared

$$R^2 = \frac{SSE}{SST}$$
$$= 1 - \frac{SSR}{SST}$$

Non-decreasing in the number of independent variables,  $k$

- Adjusted R-squared

$$\bar{R}^2 = 1 - \frac{\frac{SSR}{(n-k-1)}}{\frac{SST}{(n-1)}}$$

As  $k \uparrow$ ,  $SSR \downarrow$  but  $(n - k - 1)$  also  $\downarrow$ .  $\bar{R}^2$  may  $\downarrow$  or  $\uparrow$

## Expected Value

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$

*n price*      *sq. ft.*      *age*      *# BRs*      *quality*

- Under certain assumptions, the OLS estimators are unbiased so that

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{age} + \beta_2 \text{educ} + \beta_3 \text{exper} + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$
$$E(\hat{\beta}_j) = \beta_j \quad j=0,1,\dots,k$$

- Assumptions

- ▶ (MLR.1) Linear in Parameters
- ▶ (MLR.2) Random Sampling
- ▶ (MLR.3) No Perfect Collinearity
- ▶ (MLR.4) Zero Conditional Mean

Variation in each regressor

No linear relationship among explanatory vars.

$$n \geq k+1$$

$$\text{age} = 6 + \text{educ} + \text{exper}$$
$$E(u | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = 0$$

## Expected Value (cont.)

### Omitted Variable Bias

- Will You Make More Going to a Private University?
  - ▶ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6YrIDhaUQOE>
- Population model satisfying the assumptions (MLR.1) to (MLR.4)

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

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \beta_2 \text{IQ} + u$$

$$\text{bweight} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{smoking} + \beta_2 \text{alcohol} + u$$

- Omitting a relevant variable

OLS estimator  
of  $\beta_1$ : likely  
biased

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + u$$

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + u$$

$$\text{bweight} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{smoking} + u$$

Bias depends  
on  $\beta_2$

and

correl. b/w  
 $x_1$  and  $x_2$

## Expected Value (cont.)

- Fitted values from the regression where  $x_2$  is omitted

$$\tilde{y} = \tilde{\beta}_0 + \tilde{\beta}_1 x_1$$

wage =  $\tilde{\beta}_0 + \tilde{\beta}_1 \text{educ}$

bweight =  $\tilde{\beta}_0 + \tilde{\beta}_1 \text{smoking}$

- Fitted values from the regression if  $x_2$  is included

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 x_2$$

wage =  $\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \text{educ} + \hat{\beta}_2 \text{IQ}$

bweight =  $\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \text{smok} + \hat{\beta}_2 \text{alcoh.}$

- Fitted values from the regression of  $x_2$  on  $x_1$

$$\tilde{x}_2 = \tilde{\delta}_0 + \tilde{\delta}_1 x_1$$

IQ =  $\tilde{\delta}_0 + \tilde{\delta}_1 \text{educ}$

alcohol =  $\tilde{\delta}_0 + \tilde{\delta}_1 \text{Smoking}$

## Expected Value (cont.)

- Relationship between  $\tilde{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$

$$\tilde{\beta}_1 = \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 \tilde{\delta}_1$$

- If  $\beta_1$  is estimated with  $x_2$  omitted

$$E(\tilde{\beta}_1) = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \tilde{\delta}_1$$
$$\text{Bias} = \beta_2 \tilde{\delta}_1$$

- Bias depends on

$\beta_2$  & correl. b/w  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  if  $\beta_2 = 0$   
or  $\tilde{\delta}_1 = 0$

Bias = 0

# Expected Value (cont.)

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + u \rightarrow \text{political activism}$$

FDI

env. reg.

input prices

infrastructure

- Additional explanatory variables
- Other sources of bias
- Inclusion of irrelevant regressors

more complicated derivation of bias if  $u$  corr. with  $x_1$  but not  $x_2$  and  $x_3$

- ▶ Exercise caution
- ▶ May affect the variance of OLS estimators

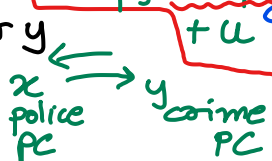
OLS estimators

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \beta_2 \text{IQ} + \beta_3 \text{exper}$$

+  $\beta_4$  discrim. +  $\beta_5$  occupation  
 biased if  $x_1$  corr. w/  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ .

measurement error in  $x$  or  $y$

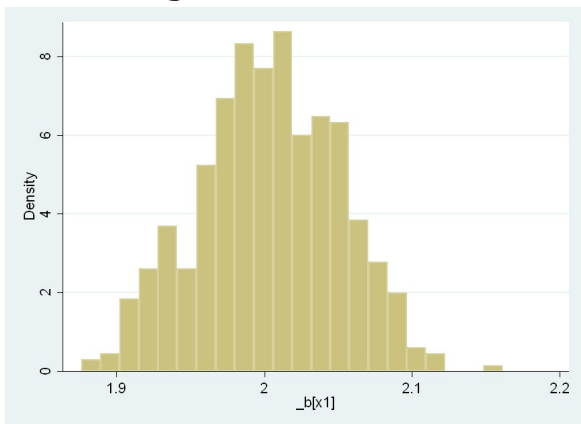
(eg. crime)  
 simultaneity



+  $u$   
 sample selection data observed if  $y > \text{threshold}$  (e.g. trade)

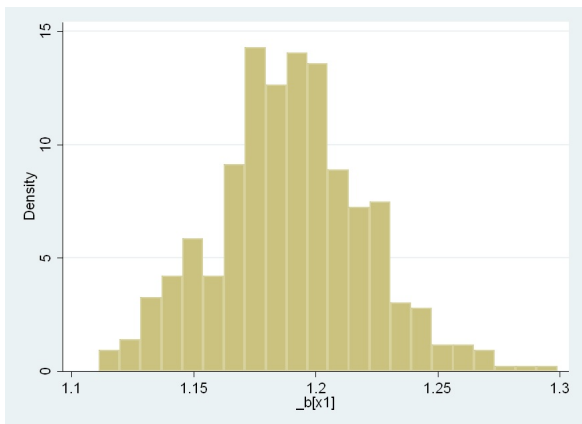
## Expected Value (cont.)

- $n = 500$ , reps = 500,  $\text{corr}(x_1, x_2 = 0.4)$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_1, u = 0)$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_2, u = 0)$
- $y = 1 + 2x_1 + x_2 + u$



## Expected Value (cont.)

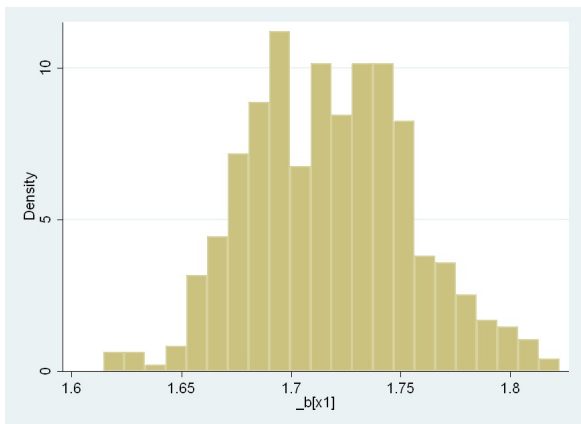
- $n = 500$ , reps = 500,  $\text{corr}(x_1, x_2) = 0.4$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_1, u) = -0.6$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_2, u) = 0.2$
- $y = 1 + 2x_1 + x_2 + u$





## Expected Value (cont.)

- $n = 500$ , reps = 500,  $\text{corr}(x_1, x_2 = 0.4)$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_1, u = 0)$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_2, u = 0.6)$
- $y = 1 + 2x_1 + x_2 + u$



# Variance

- Model

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$

- (MLR.5) Homoskedasticity

$$\text{Var}(u|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \sigma^2$$

- Alternatively

$$\text{Var}(y|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \sigma^2$$

- If  $\text{Var}(u|x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k)$  depends on  $x_j$   $\rightarrow$  heteroskedasticity

# Variance (cont.)

- Under Assumptions MLR.1 to MLR.5 (Gauss Markov assumptions)

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \frac{\sigma^2}{SST_j(1 - R_j^2)} \text{ except } j = 0$$

▶  $SST_j = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)^2$

▶  $R_j^2$ :

- Example  $\rightarrow R^2$  from regression of  $x_j$  on other  $x$ 's

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \beta_2 \text{IQ} + \beta_3 \text{exper} + u$$

educ :  
avg.

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{SST_{\text{educ}}(1 - R_{\text{educ}}^2)}$$

▶  $SST_{\text{educ}} = \sum_{i=1}^n (\text{educ}_i - \bar{\text{educ}})^2$

▶  $R_{\text{educ}}^2$ :  $SST_{\text{educ}}(1 - R_{\text{educ}}^2)$

$\rightarrow R^2$  from reg. of educ. on IQ and exper.

## Variance (cont.)

- $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) \uparrow$  with  $\sigma^2$  and thus *may*  $\downarrow$  with additional regressors
- $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) \downarrow$  with  $SST_j$  and thus likely to  $\downarrow$  with  $n$
- $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) \uparrow$  with  $R_j^2$

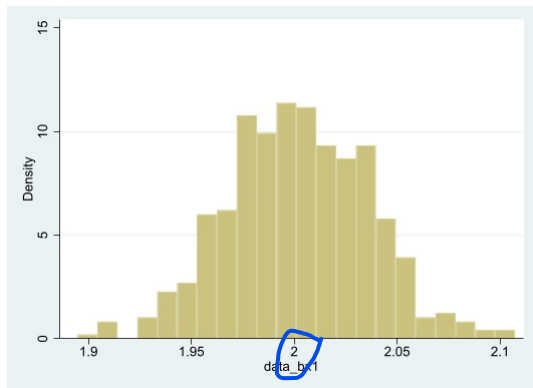
- ▶  $R_j^2$  "close" to one - the "problem" of
- ▶  $R_j^2 = 1$  ruled out by

MLR.3

multicollinearity;  
does not violate  
ass<sup>ns</sup> reqd.  
for unbiasedness

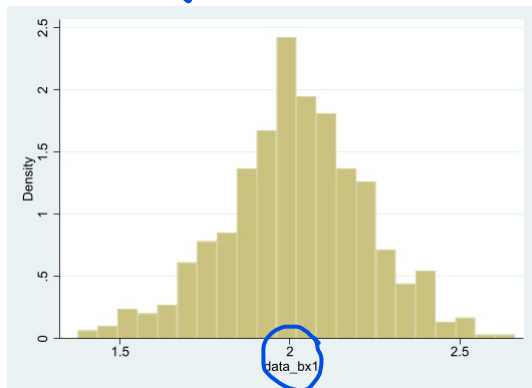
## Variance (cont.)

- $n = 1000$ , reps = 500,  $\text{corr}(x_1, x_2) = 0.4$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_1, u) = 0$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_2, u) = 0$
- $y = 1 + 2x_1 + x_2 + u$



## Variance (cont.)

- $n = 1000$ ,  $\text{reps} = 500$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_1, x_2) = 0.99$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_1, u) = 0$ ,  $\text{corr}(x_2, u) = 0$
- $y = 1 + 2x_1 + x_2 + u$



## Variance (cont.)

- Additional thoughts on the inclusion of irrelevant regressors

- ▶ May  $\uparrow$   $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j)$  if  $R_j^2$  high
- ▶ Likely to  $\downarrow$   $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j)$  " " low

## Variance (cont.)

$k$  : # of regressors  
 $n - (k+1)$  :  $n$  - # of  $\beta$ 's

e.g.  
SLR :  
 $k=1$

- Under MLR.1 to MLR.5,  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = (n - k - 1)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i^2$$

- $\hat{\sigma}$ : standard error of the regression
- Standard error of each  $\hat{\beta}_j$

$$se(\hat{\beta}_j) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{SST_j(1 - R_j^2)}} \text{ except } j = 0$$