

Typical Framework

y
dependent
variable

x
indep.
var.

u
unobserved

e.g.

productivity
of firms

exports

managerial
quality

wage

education

ability

$E(Y)$: expectation / expected value of Y

avg. from every item in popul. from
which sample is drawn

e.g. $E(\text{wage})$
 $E(\text{pollution})$

conditional expectation of Y given X

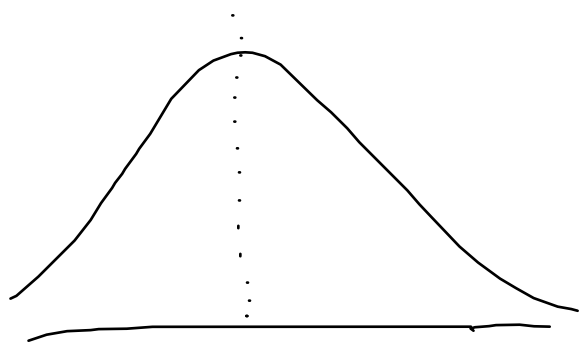
$E(\text{wage} | \text{pub. univ.}) \rightarrow$ avg. from every
item in popul.
with pub. Univ.

$E(\text{pollution} | \text{exporter})$

$$E(\text{wage} | \text{educ.}) = 10 + 0.5 \text{ educ.}$$

$v(Y)$ = variance ; summary of variability

$E(\text{poll.} \mid \text{dom. firms})$

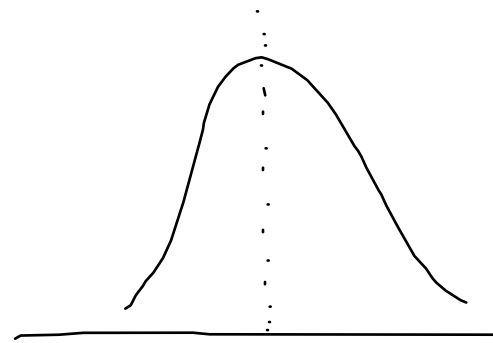


$V(\text{poll.} \mid \text{dom. firms})$

$E(\text{wage})$ may depend on educ.

$V(\text{wage})$

$E(\text{poll.} \mid \text{foreign firms})$



$V(\text{poll.} \mid \text{foreign firms})$

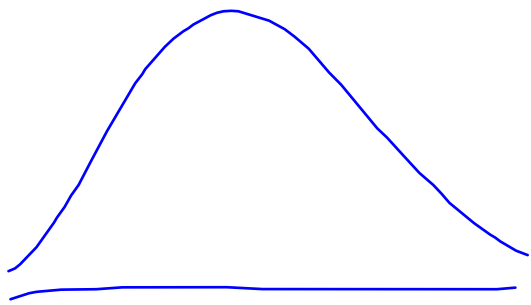
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Sample $\rightarrow$ avg. bwts.

$\bar{y}_1$ $\bar{y}_2$ $\bar{y}_{500}$

$\bar{y}_1$: sample
avg. of y
in sample 1

bwts. (y)



avg. bwts. ($\bar{y}$)

