

Heteroskedasticity

consequence: the statistics used to test hypotheses under Gauss-Markov assumptions are not valid in the presence of heteroskedasticity.

Valid estimator (any form)

$$\sum [(x_1 - \bar{x})^2 u_i^2] / [\text{SST}^2_x]$$

$$\text{SST}_x = \sum (x_1 - \bar{x})^2$$

Robust Standard error

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \sum [r_{ij}^2 \hat{u}_i^2] / [\text{SSR}^2_j]$$

properties of OLS Matrix

Sum of Squared Residuals	$(y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta})$ $y'y - \hat{\beta}'X'y - y'X\hat{\beta} + \hat{\beta}'X'X\hat{\beta}$ $y'y - 2\hat{\beta}'X'y + \hat{\beta}'X'X\hat{\beta}$
Minimise the SSR from the minimum we get: "normal equation"	$\partial(\text{SSR})/\partial\hat{\beta} = -2X'y + 2X'X\hat{\beta} = 0$ $(X'X)\hat{\beta} = X'y$
Solve for OLS estimator $\hat{\beta}$; by pre multiplying both sides by $(X'X)^{-1}$	$(X'X)^{-1}(X'X)\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$
by definition, $(X'X)^{-1}(X'X) = I$	$I\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ $\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$

Properties

The observed values of X are uncorrelated with the residuals.	$X'e = 0$ implies that for every column x_k of X, $x_k'e = 0$.
substitute in $y = X\hat{\beta} + e$ into normal equation	$(X'X)\hat{\beta} = X'(X\hat{\beta} + e)$ $(X'X)\hat{\beta} = (X'X)\hat{\beta} + X'e$ $X'e = 0$

properties of OLS Matrix (cont)

The sum of the residuals is zero. If there is a constant, then the first column in X (i.e. X1) will be a column of ones. This means that for the first element in the X'e vector (i.e. $X_{11} \times e_1 + X_{12} \times e_2 + \dots + X_{1n} \times e_n$) to be zero, it must be the case that $e_i = 0$.

The sample mean of the residuals is zero.

$$e = \sum e_i / n = 0.$$

The regression hyperplane passes through the means of the observed values (X and y). This follows from the fact that $e = 0$. Recall that $e = y - X\hat{\beta}$. Dividing by the number of observations, we get $e = y - X\hat{\beta} = 0$. This implies that $y = X\hat{\beta}$. This shows that the regression hyperplane goes through the point of means of the data.

The predicted values of y are uncorrelated with the residuals.

$$\hat{y}'e = (X\hat{\beta})'e = \hat{\beta}'X'e = 0$$

The mean of the predicted Y's for the sample will equal the mean of the observed Y's: $\bar{y}^{\hat{}} = \bar{y}$

The Gauss-Markov Theorem: Proof that $\hat{\beta}$ is an unbiased estimator of β

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y = (X'X)^{-1}X'(X\beta + \epsilon)$$

given $(X'X)^{-1}X'X = I$

$$E[\hat{\beta}] = E[\beta] + E[(X'X)^{-1}X'\epsilon] = \beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'E[\epsilon]$$

where $E[X'\epsilon] = 0$ $E[\hat{\beta}] = \beta$

Proof that $\hat{\beta}$ is a linear estimator of β .

$$\hat{\beta} = \beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'\epsilon; \text{ where } (X'X)^{-1}X' = A$$

$$\hat{\beta} = \beta + A\epsilon \Rightarrow \text{linear equation}$$



Dummy Variables

Dummy/Binary Variables = yes/no variables

= take on the values 0 and 1 to identify the mutually exclusive classes of the explanatory variables.

= leads to regression models where the parameters have very natural interpretations

Given: $wage = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{female} + \beta_2 \text{edu} + u$

To solve for β_0 :

$$\beta_0 = E(wage | \text{female}, \text{edu}) - E(wage | \text{male}, \text{edu})$$

where level of education is the same

Graphically $\beta_0 =$ an intercept shift

male intercept = β_0

female intercept = $\beta_0 + \beta_1$

dummy variable trap = when both dummy variables (male & female) are included; resulting in perfect collinearity

If a qualitative variable has m levels; then $(m-1)$ dummy variables are required and each of them takes value 0 and 1.

Hypothesis test

Test whether the two regression models are identical:

$$H_0: \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$$

$$H_1: \beta_2 \neq 0 \text{ and/or } \beta_3 \neq 0.$$

Acceptance of H_0 indicates that only single model is necessary to explain the relationship.

Test is two models differ with respect to intercepts only and they have same slopes

$$H_0: \beta_3 = 0$$

$$H_1: \beta_3 \neq 0.$$

Treating a **quantitative variable** as qualitative variable increases the complexity of the model.

The degrees of freedom for error are reduced.

Can affect the inferences if data set is small

Inference

Normality Assumption: zero mean and Variance

$$\text{Var}(u) = \sigma^2$$

T-test: $(\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j) / \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j) \sim t_{n-k-1} = t \text{ df}$

$H_0: \beta_j = 0$ used in testing hypotheses about a single population parameter as in .

Test statistic $t = \hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j / \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j) \sim t_{n-k-1}$

$$t = (\text{estimate} - \text{hypothesised value}) / \text{standard error}$$

Alternative Hypothesis/one sided

$H_1: \beta_j > 0$ $t = \hat{\beta}_j > c$ [c @5%]

$H_1: \beta_j < 0$ $t = \hat{\beta}_j < -c$ [c @5%]

Two sided

$H_1: \beta_j \neq 0$ $|t = \hat{\beta}_j| > c$ [c @2.5%]

If H_0 rejected x_j is statistically significant, (significantly different from zero), @ the 5% level

if H_0 not rejected x_j is statistically insignificant @the 5% level

P-value smallest significant level at which the null hypotheses would be rejected

Confidence Interval $\hat{\beta}_j \pm c \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)$

where c is 97.5 percentile in a t_{n-k-1} distribution

CI given; @ 5% significant level $H_0: \beta_j = a_j$ is rejected against $H_1: \beta_j \neq a_j$; if a_j is not in the 95% confidence interval

$$H_0: \beta_1 < \beta_2 \Leftrightarrow \beta_1 - \beta_2 < 0 \quad t = (\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) / \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)$$

$$\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) = \sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) = \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) + \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_2) - 2\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2)$$

alternative to calculating $\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)$ Let $\theta = \beta_1 - \beta_2$; $\beta_1 = \theta + \beta_2$

$H_0: \theta = 0$, $H_1: \theta < 0$ Substituting $\beta_1 = \theta + \beta_2$ into the model we obtain



Inference (cont)

$$\beta_0 + \theta x_1 + \beta_2(x_1 + x_2) + \beta_3 x_3 + u$$

F Test $F = [(SSR_r - SSR_{ur})/q] / [SSR_{ur}/(n-k-1)]$

q = number of restrictions

$n-k-1 = df_{ur}$ = df r- df ur

R² F stat $SSR = SST(1 - R^2)$

$$F = [(R^2_{ur} - R^2_r)/q] / [(1 - R^2_{ur})/(df_{ur})]$$

remember to not square the R value thats already been done

Overall significance of the regression

Testing joint exclusion $[R^2/R]/[(1-R^2)/(n-k-1)]$

Data Scaling

Changes:

if X_j is * by c Its coefficient is / by c

If dependant variable is * by c
ALL OLS coefficients are * by c

neither t nor F statistics are affected

Beta coefficients obtained from an OLS regression after the dependant and independent variables have been transformed into z-scores



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