Heteroskedasticity

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Model assumptions

- 1. Linearity
- 2. No exact multicollinearity
- 3. Strong or strict exogeneity
- 4. Homoskedasticity
- 5. No autocorrelation

In case of IRS

$$f(X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$$

The data matrix has full column rank.

Variables cannot be written as a linear combination of each other

 $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i|X_i)=0$ 3.

The errors are independent of the explanatory variables

 $\mathbb{D}^2(\varepsilon_i|X)=\sigma^2$

The standard deviation of errors for different observations is constant

The errors for different observations are uncorrelated 5.

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The variance of the error term is not constant

Possible sources:

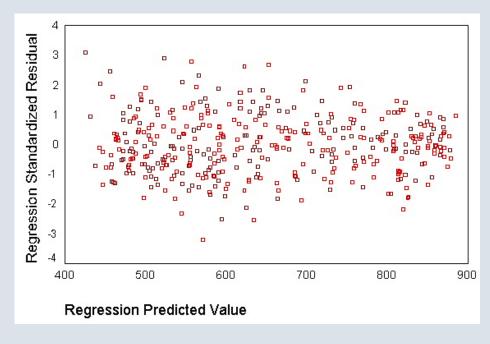
- Natural phenomenon income, consumption ->
 expanding opportunities for the fulfilment of taste
- Grouped data e.g. the observation unit is a household, company etc.
- Wrong functional form

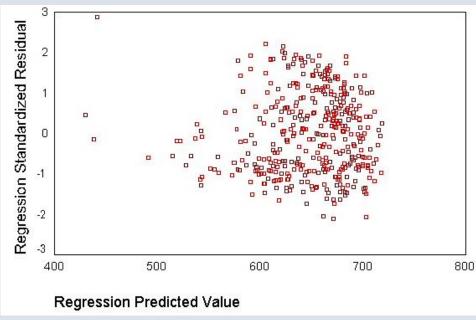
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Consequences

- The estimation of parameters remains unbiased and consistent but it is not BLUE
- The standard errors of the parameters are biased and inconsistent
- T test and F test do not follow T and F distribution (Even asymptotically)
- The tests and confidence intervals are not valid
- The prediction is unbiased, but it is not efficient

Heteroskedasticity – graphically testing





Heteroskedasticity – LM test

$$H_0: E(u^2|x_1, x_2, ..., x_k) = E(u^2) = \sigma^2$$

$$u^{2} = \delta_{0} + \delta_{1}x_{1} + \delta_{2}x_{2} + \dots + \delta_{k}x_{k} + v$$

$$H_0: \delta_1 = \delta_2 = ... = \delta_k = 0$$

$$LM = n \cdot R_{\hat{u}}^2$$

- Breusch-Pagan test for heteroskedasticity (BP test)
- Koenker test robust version of BP test

Heteroskedasticity – White test

Idea: use everything that you have

For k=3 case, the model is the following:

$$\hat{u}^2 = \delta_0 + \delta_1 x_1 + \delta_2 x_2 + \delta_3 x_3 + \delta_4 x_1^2 + \delta_5 x_2^2 + \delta_6 x_3^2 + \delta_7 x_1 x_2 + \delta_8 x_1 x_3 + \delta_9 x_2 x_3 + error.$$

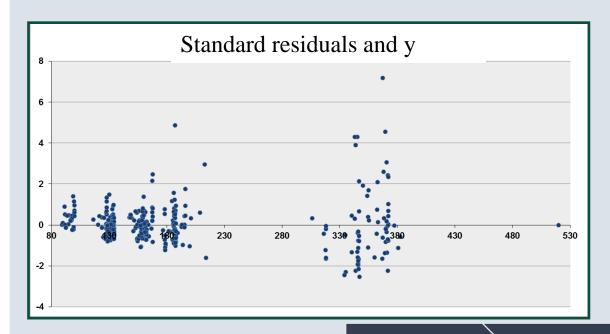
From that point, the test is similar to LM tests
Check how the variables explain the square of estimated error term

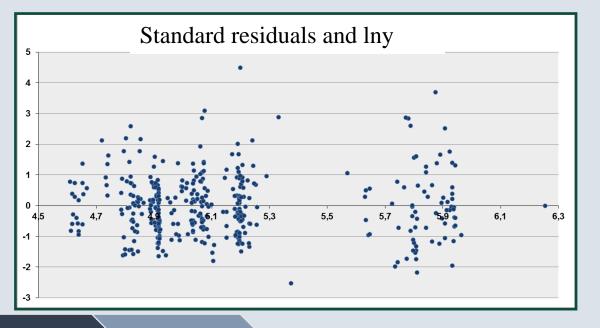
We can use quadratic form or quadratic+interaction

General Treatment

General solutions:

- Use of intensity ratios
- Changing functional form:
 - Logarithm transformation
 - Quadratic effects
 - Interactions





Robust standard error

Situation: B parameters are unbiased, standard error is biased

Idea: try to correct the standard errors

Solution: Heteroscedasticity Consistent Covariance Matrix, HCCM

$$(\boldsymbol{X}^{\top}\boldsymbol{X})^{-1}\boldsymbol{X}^{\top}\hat{\boldsymbol{\Omega}}\boldsymbol{X}(\boldsymbol{X}^{\top}\boldsymbol{X})^{-1},$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\Omega}} = \operatorname{diag}(\hat{u}_1^2, \hat{u}_2^2, \dots, \hat{u}_n^2);$$

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Several solutions: White, Eicker etc

White (1980):

https://www.jstor.org/stable/1912934?seq=13#metadata_info_tab_contents

Models

Generalized Least Squares (GLS) - In practice FGLS (feasible)

$$\widehat{oldsymbol{eta}_{ ext{GLS}}} = \left(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{X} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{y}$$

WLS

Weighted Least Squares

We should know the original weights, these are not estimated!

