

# Simple and Multiple OLS Regression

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Review the last lecture

# CEF(conditional expectation function)

- CEF is a natural summary of the relationship between  $Y$  and  $X$ . If we can know CEF, then we can describe the relationship of  $Y$  and  $X$ .
- Regression estimates provides a valuable baseline for almost all empirical research because Regression is tightly linked to CEF
- if CEF is linear, then OLS regression is it.
- if CEF is nonlinear, then OLS regression provides a best linear approximation to it under MMSE condition.

## OLS with One Regressor: Estimation

# The OLS estimators

- Question of interest: What is the effect of a change in  $X_i$ (Class Size) on  $Y_i$ (Test Score)

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i$$

- Last week we derived the OLS estimators of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ :

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}$$

# Least Squares Assumptions

- ① Assumption 1
- ② Assumption 2
- ③ Assumption 3

if the 3 least squares assumptions hold the OLS estimators

- **unbiased**
- **consistent**
- **normal sampling distribution**

# Properties of the OLS estimator: unbiasedness

- take expectation to  $\beta_0$  :

$$E[\hat{\beta}_0] = \bar{Y} - E[\hat{\beta}_1]\bar{X}$$

- if  $\beta_1$  is unbiased, then  $\beta_0$  is also unbiased.
- Remind we have

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i$$

$$\bar{Y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X} + \bar{u}$$

- So take expectation to  $\beta_1$ :

$$E[\hat{\beta}_1] = E\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})/(\textcolor{blue}{Y}_i - \textcolor{red}{\bar{Y}})}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right]$$



# Properties of the OLS estimator: unbiasedness

- Continued

$$\begin{aligned}E[\hat{\beta}_1] &= E\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X} + \bar{u}))}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right] \\&= E\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(\beta_1(X_i - \bar{X}) + (u_i - \bar{u}))}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right] \\&= \beta_1 + E\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(u_i - \bar{u})}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right]\end{aligned}$$

- Because  $\sum \bar{u} = 0$  and  $\sum \bar{u}X_i = 0$ , so

$$= \beta_1 + E\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})u_i}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right]$$

# Properties of the OLS estimator: unbiasedness

- Continued

$$= \beta_1 + E \left[ \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X}) u_i}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X}) (X_i - \bar{X})} \right]$$

- then then we could obtain

$$E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1 \text{ if } E[u_i | X_i] = 0$$

- thus both  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are **unbiased** on the condition of **Assumption 1**.

# Properties of the OLS estimator: Consistency

- *Notation:*  $\hat{\beta}_1 \xrightarrow{p} \beta_1$  or  $\text{plim}\hat{\beta}_1 = \beta_1$ , so

$$\text{plim}\hat{\beta}_1 = \text{plim}\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right]$$

$$\text{plim}\hat{\beta}_1 = \text{plim}\left[\frac{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum(X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right] = \text{plim}\left(\frac{s_{xy}}{s_x^2}\right)$$

where  $s_{xy}$  and  $s_x^2$  are sample covariance and sample variance.

# Properties of the OLS estimator: Consistency

- *Continuous Mapping Theorem*: For every continuous function  $g(t)$  and random variable  $X$ :

$$plim(g(X)) = g(plim(X))$$

Example:

$$plim(X + Y) = plim(X) + plim(Y)$$

$$plim\left(\frac{X}{Y}\right) = \frac{plim(X)}{plim(Y)} \text{ if } plim(Y) \neq 0$$

- Base on L.L.N(law of large numbers) and random sample(i.i.d)

$$s_X^2 \xrightarrow{p} \sigma_X^2 = Var(X)$$

$$s_{xy} \xrightarrow{p} \sigma_{XY} = Cov(X, Y)$$

- then we obtain OLS estimator when  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$plim\hat{\beta}_1 = plim\left(\frac{s_{xy}}{s_x^2}\right) = \frac{Cov(X_i, Y_i)}{VarX_i}$$

# Properties of the OLS estimator: Consistency

$$\begin{aligned} \text{plim} \hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, Y_i)}{\text{Var} X_i} \\ &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i))}{\text{Var} X_i} \\ &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, \beta_0) + \beta_1 \text{Cov}(X_i, X_i) + \text{Cov}(X_i, u_i)}{\text{Var} X_i} \\ &= \beta_1 + \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, u_i)}{\text{Var} X_i} \end{aligned}$$

- then then we could obtain

$$\text{plim} \hat{\beta}_1 = \beta_1 \text{ if } E[u_i | X_i] = 0$$

- both  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  are **Consistent** on the condition of **Assumption 1**.

# Unbiasedness vs Consistency

- *Unbiasedness & Consistency* both rely on  $E[u_i|X_i] = 0$
- *Unbiasedness* implies that  $E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1$  for a certain sample size  $n$ . (“small sample”)
- *Consistency* implies that the distribution of  $\hat{\beta}_1$  becomes more and more *tightly* distributed around  $\beta_1$  if the sample size  $n$  becomes larger and larger. (“large sample”)

# Sampling Distribution of $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$

- Recall: Sampling Distribution of  $\bar{Y}$
- Because  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  are i.i.d., then we have

$$E(\bar{Y}) = \mu_Y$$

- Based on the Central Limit theorem (C.L.T), the sample distribution in a large sample can approximate to a normal distribution, thus

$$\bar{Y} \sim N\left(\mu_Y, \frac{\sigma_Y^2}{n}\right)$$

- the OLS estimators  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  could have similar sample distributions when three least squares assumptions hold.

# Sampling Distribution of $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$

- Unbiasedness of the OLS estimators implies that

$$E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1 \text{ and } E[\hat{\beta}_0] = \beta_0$$

- Based on the Central Limit theorem(C.L.T), the sample distribution of  $\beta$  in a large sample can approximate to a normal distribution, thus

$$\hat{\beta}_0 \sim N(\beta_0, \sigma_{\hat{\beta}_0}^2)$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \sigma_{\hat{\beta}_1}^2)$$



# Sampling Distribution of $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ in large-sample

- where it can be shown that

$$\sigma_{\hat{\beta}_1}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\text{Var}[(X_i - \mu_x)u_i]}{[\text{Var}(X_i)]^2}$$
$$\sigma_{\hat{\beta}_0}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \frac{\text{Var}(H_i u_i)}{(E[H_i^2])^2}$$

where

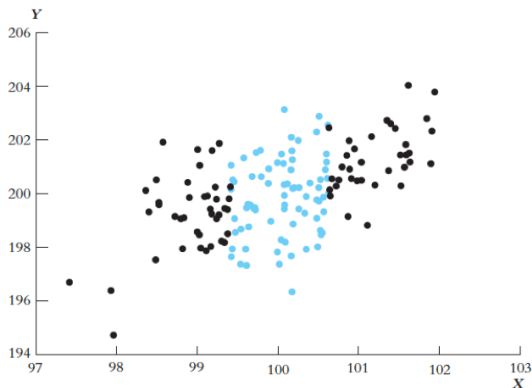
$$H_i = 1 - \left( \frac{\mu_x}{E[X_i^2]} \right) X_i$$

- If  $\text{Var}(X_i)$  is *small*, it is difficult to obtain an accurate estimate of the effect of X on Y which implies that  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1)$  is *large*.

# Variation of X

FIGURE 4.6 The Variance of  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and the Variance of X

The colored dots represent a set of  $X_i$ 's with a small variance. The black dots represent a set of  $X_i$ 's with a large variance. The regression line can be estimated more accurately with the black dots than with the colored dots.



- When more **variation** in X, then there is more information in the data that you can use to fit the regression line.

Under 3 least squares assumptions, the OLS estimators will be

- **unbiased**
- **consistent**
- **normal sampling distribution**
- *more variation in  $X$ , more accurate estimation*

# RCT and Simple Regression

- Regression is a way to control observable confounding factors, Which assume the source of selection bias is only from the difference in observed characteristics.
- In a simple regression model, OLS estimators are just a generalizing continuous version of RCT when least squares assumptions are hold.
- But in contrast to RCT, in observational studies, researchers cannot control the assignment of treatment into a treatment group versus a control group.
- To make two groups comparable, we need to keep treatment and control group “**other thing equal**”in observed characteristics and unobserved characteristics.

## OLS with Multiple Regressor: Estimation

# Violation of the first Least Squares Assumption

- recall simple OLS regression equation

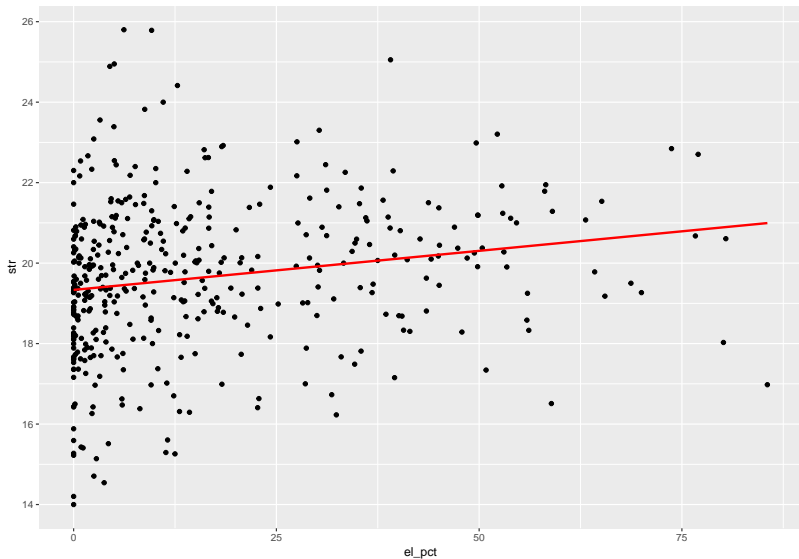
$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i$$

- $u_i$  contains all other factors(variables) which potentially affect  $Y_i$ .
- Assumption 1 states that they are unrelated to  $X_i$  in the sense that, given a value of  $X_i$ , the mean of these other factors equals zero.
- But what if they(or at least one) are correlated with  $X_i$ ?

## Example: Class Size and Test Score

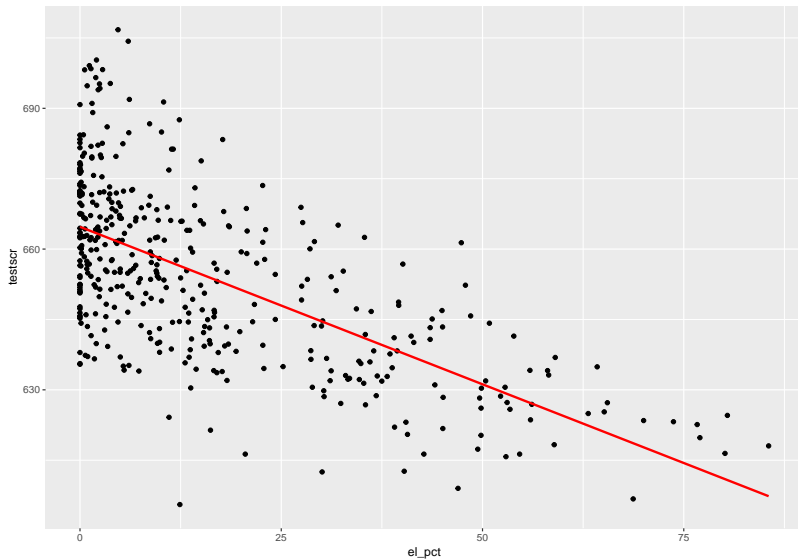
- one of other factors is the share of immigrants in the class(school,district)
- Suppose that
  - ① small classes have few immigrants(few English learners)
  - ② large classes have many immigrants(many English learners)
- In this case, class size are correlated with test scores for a fact that class size may be related to percentage of English learners and students who are still learning English likely have lower test scores.
- Which implies that percentage of English learners is contained in  $u_i$ , in turn that Assumption 1 is violated.

# Scatter plot english learners and STR





# Scatter plot english learners and testscr



# Omitted Variable Bias(OVB):

- As before,  $X_i$  and  $Y_i$  represent STR and Test Score.
- Besides,  $W_i$  is the share of English learners which we will omit in the regression Thus
- True model:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \gamma W_i + u_i$$

where  $E(u_i|X_i, W_i) = 0$  and

- But we can't observe  $W_i$ , so we just run the following model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + v_i$$

where  $v_i = \gamma W_i + u_i$

# Omitted Variable Bias(OVB): violation of consistency

- we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{plim}\hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, Y_i)}{\text{Var}X_i} \\ &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + v_i))}{\text{Var}X_i} \\ &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \gamma W_i + u_i))}{\text{Var}X_i} \\ &= \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, \beta_0) + \beta_1 \text{Cov}(X_i, X_i) + \gamma \text{Cov}(X_i, W_i) + \text{Cov}(X_i, u_i)}{\text{Var}X_i} \\ &= \beta_1 + \gamma \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, W_i)}{\text{Var}X_i} \end{aligned}$$

# Omitted Variable Bias(OVB): violation of consistency

- we have

$$\text{plim}\hat{\beta}_1 = \beta_1 + \gamma \frac{\text{Cov}(X_i, W_i)}{\text{Var}X_i}$$

- $\hat{\beta}_1$  is still consistent
- if  $W_i$  is unrelated to  $X$ , thus  $\text{Cov}(X_i, W_i) = 0$
- if  $W_i$  has no effect on  $Y_i$ , thus  $\gamma = 0$
- if both two conditions above hold *simultaneously*, then  $\hat{\beta}_1$  is **inconsistent**.

# Omitted Variable Bias(OVB): violation of unbiasedness

- we have

$$E[\hat{\beta}_1] = E\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \gamma W_i + u_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X} + \gamma \bar{W} + \bar{u}))}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right]$$

- Skip Several steps in algebra which is very similar to procedures for proof unbiasedness of  $\beta$
- At last, we get (**Please prove it by yourself**)

$$E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1 + \gamma E\left[\frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(W_i - \bar{W})}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(X_i - \bar{X})}\right]$$

- If  $W_i$  is unrelated to  $X_i$ , then  $E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1$
- If  $W_i$  is no determinant of  $Y_i$ , then it implies also that  $E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1$ .
- if both two conditions above are violated *simultaneously*, then  $\hat{\beta}_1$  is **biased**.

# Omitted Variable Bias(OVB):Directions

- Summary of bias when  $w_i$  is omitted in estimating equation

$Cov(X_i, W_i) > 0$		$Cov(X_i, W_i) < 0$
$\gamma > 0$	Positive bias	Negative bias

$\gamma < 0$  | Negative bias | Positive bias |

# Omitted Variable Bias: Examples

**Question:** If we omit following variables, then what are the directions of these biases? and why?

- ① *Time of day of the test*
- ② *Parking lot space per pupil*
- ③ *Percentage of English learners*
- ④ *Teachers' Salary*
- ⑤ *Family income*

# Multiple regression model with k regressors

- multiple regression model is

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \beta_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{k,i} + u_i, i = 1, \dots, n$$

where

- $Y_i$  is the *dependent variable*
- $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$  are the *independent variables*
- $\beta_j, j = 1 \dots k$  are slope coefficients on  $X_j$  corresponding.
- $\beta_0$  is the estimate *intercept*, the value of Y when all  $X_j = 0, j = 1 \dots k$
- $u_i$  is the regression error term.



# Interpretation of coefficients

- $\beta_j$  is partial (marginal) effect of  $X_j$  on  $Y$ .

$$\beta_j = \frac{\partial Y_i}{\partial X_{j,i}}$$

- $\beta_j$  is also partial (marginal) effect of  $E[Y_i|X_1..X_k]$ .

$$\beta_j = \frac{\partial E[Y_i|X_1, \dots, X_k]}{\partial X_{j,i}}$$

- it does mean “other things equal”, thus the concept of **ceteris paribus**

# Multiple regression model with k regressors

- Generally, we would like to pay more attention to only one independent variable (thus we would like to call it *treatment variable*), though there could be many independent variables.
- Other variables in the right hand of equation, we call them *control variables*, which we would like to explicitly hold fixed when studying the effect of  $X_1$  on  $Y$ .
- More specifically, regression model turns into

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 D_i + \gamma_2 C_{2,i} + \dots + \gamma_k C_{k,i} + u_i, i = 1, \dots, n$$

- transform it into

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 D_i + C_{2\dots k,i} \gamma'_{2\dots k} + u_i, i = 1, \dots, n$$

# OLS Estimation in Multiple Regressors

- As in simple OLS, the estimator multiple Regression is just a minimize the following question

$$\operatorname{argmin} \sum (Y_i - b_0 - b_1 X_{1,i} - \dots - b_k X_{k,i})^2$$

- First order conditions:

$$\sum \left( Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_{1,i} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_k X_{k,i} \right) = 0$$

$$\sum \left( Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_{1,i} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_k X_{k,i} \right) x_{1,i} = 0$$

$$\vdots = \vdots$$

$$\sum \left( Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_{1,i} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_k X_{k,i} \right) x_{k,i} = 0$$

# OLS Estimation in Multiple Regressors

- Since the fitted residuals are

$$\hat{u}_i = Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_{1,i} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_k X_{k,i}$$

- the normal equations can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\sum \hat{u}_i &= 0 \\ \sum \hat{u}_i x_{1,i} &= 0 \\ &\vdots = \vdots \\ \sum \hat{u}_i x_{k,i} &= 0\end{aligned}$$

# Measures of Fit in Multiple Regression

- SER(Standard Error of the Regression) is an estimator of the standard deviation of the  $u_i$ , which are measures of the spread of the Y's around the regression line.
- Because the regression errors are unobserved, the SER is computed using their sample counterparts, the OLS residuals  $\hat{u}_i$

$$SER = s_{\hat{u}} = \sqrt{s_{\hat{u}}^2}$$

where  $s_{\hat{u}}^2 = \frac{1}{n-k-1} \sum \hat{u}_i^2 = \frac{SSR}{n-k-1}$

- STATA computes the SER but calls it the RMSE.

# Measures of Fit in Multiple Regression

- Actual = Predicted+residual:  $Y_i = \hat{Y}_i + \hat{u}_i$
- The regression  $R^2$  is the fraction of the sample variance of  $Y_i$  explained by (or predicted by) the regressors.

$$R^2 = \frac{ESS}{TSS} = 1 - \frac{SSR}{TSS}$$

- $R^2$  *always increases when you add another regressor*. Because in general the SSR will decrease.

# Measures of Fit: The Adjusted $R^2$

- the adjusted  $R^2$  is a modified version of the  $R^2$  that does not necessarily increase when a new regressor is added.

$$\overline{R^2} = 1 - \frac{n-1}{n-k-1} \frac{SSR}{TSS} = 1 - \frac{s_{\hat{u}}^2}{s_Y^2}$$

- because  $\frac{n-1}{n-k-1}$  is always greater than 1, so  $\overline{R^2} < R^2$
- adding a regressor has two opposite effects on the  $\overline{R^2}$ .
- $\overline{R^2}$  can be negative.
- Remind:** *neither  $R^2$  nor  $\overline{R^2}$  is not the golden criterion for good or bad OLS estimation.*

# Multiple regression model with k regressors

- Assumption 1: The conditional distribution of  $u_i$  given  $X_{1i}, \dots, X_{ki}$  has mean zero, thus

$$E[u_i | X_{1i}, \dots, X_{ki}] = 0$$

- Assumption 2:  $(Y_i, X_{1i}, \dots, X_{ki})$  are i.i.d.
- Assumption 3: Large outliers are unlikely.
- Assumption 4: No perfect multicollinearity.



**Perfect multicollinearity** arises when one of the regressors is a perfect linear combination of the other regressors.

- Binary variables are sometimes referred to as dummy variables
- If you include a full set of binary variables (a complete and mutually exclusive categorization) and an intercept in the regression, you will have perfect multicollinearity.
- eg. female and male = 1-female
- eg. West, Central and East China
- This is called the *dummy variable trap*.
- Solutions to the dummy variable trap: Omit one of the groups or the intercept

# Perfect multicollinearity

- regress *Testscore* on *Class size* and *the percentage of English learners*

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = testscr ~ str + el_pct, data = ca)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -48.845 -10.240  -0.308   9.815  43.461
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  686.03225     7.41131   92.566 < 2e-16 ***
## str          -1.10130     0.38028   -2.896  0.00398 **
## el_pct       -0.64978     0.03934  -16.516 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
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# Perfect multicollinearity

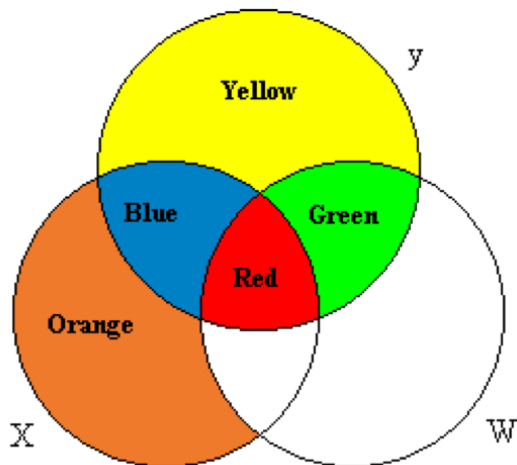
- add a new variable  $nel=1-el\_pct$  into the regression

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##
## Coefficients: (1 not defined because of singularities)
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  685.38247     7.41556   92.425 < 2e-16 ***
## str          -1.10130     0.38028   -2.896  0.00398 **
## nel_pct       0.64978     0.03934   16.516 < 2e-16 ***
## el_pct                NA           NA      NA      NA
## ---
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**Multicollinearity** means that two or more regressors are highly correlated, but one regressor is NOT a perfect linear function of one or more of the other regressors.

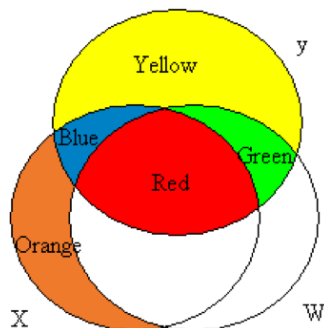
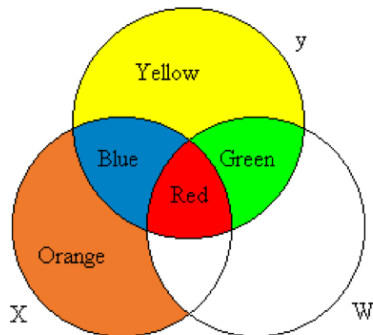
- multicollinearity is not a violation of the least squares assumptions.
- It does not impose theoretical problem for the calculation of OLS estimators.
- If two regressors are highly correlated the the coefficient on at least one of the regressors is imprecisely estimated (high variance).
- to what extent two correlated variables can be seen as “highly correlated”?
- rule of thumb: correlation coefficient is over 0.8.

# Venn Diagrams for Multiple Regression Model



1) In a simple model ( $y$  on  $X$ ), OLS uses Blue + Red to estimate  $\beta$ . 2) When  $y$  is regressed on  $X$  and  $W$ : OLS throws away the red area and just uses blue to estimate  $\beta$ . 3) Idea: red area is contaminated (we do not know if the movements in  $y$  are due to  $X$  or to  $W$ ).

# Venn Diagrams for Multicollinearity



- we use less information (compare the blue and green areas in both figures), the estimation is less precise.

# Multiple regression model: class size example

```
##
## =====
##                               Dependent variable:
##                               -----
##                               testscr
##                               (1)          (2)          (3)
## -----
## str          -2.280 (0.480)  -1.101 (0.380)  -0.069 (0.277)
## el_pct              -0.650 (0.039)  -0.488 (0.029)
## avginc                      1.495 (0.075)
## Constant      698.933 (9.467)  686.032 (7.411)  640.315 (5.775)
## -----
## Observations          420          420          420
## R2                    0.051          0.426          0.707
## Adjusted R2           0.049          0.424          0.705
## =====
## Note:
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	(1)	(2)	(3)
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# Properties OLS estimators in multiple regression model

If the four least squares assumptions in the multiple regression model hold:

- The OLS estimators  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1 \dots \hat{\beta}_k$  are unbiased.
- The OLS estimators  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1 \dots \hat{\beta}_k$  are consistent.
- The OLS estimators  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1 \dots \hat{\beta}_k$  are normally distributed in large samples.
- the formal proof need use the knowledge of linear algebra and matrix. We will prove them in a simple case.



## Partitioned regression

# Partitioned regression: OLS estimator in multiple regression

- A useful representation of  $\hat{\beta}_j$  could be obtained by the *partitioned regression*. Suppose we want to obtain an expression for  $\hat{\beta}_1$ .
- Regress  $X_{1,i}$  on other regressors

$$X_{1,i} = \hat{\gamma}_0 + \hat{\gamma}_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \hat{\gamma}_k X_{k,i} + \tilde{X}_{1,i}$$

where  $\tilde{X}_{1,i}$  is the fitted OLS residual (just a variation of  $u_i$ )

- Then we could prove that

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2}$$

# Proof of Partitioned regression result(1)

- we know  $Y_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_{1,i} + \hat{\beta}_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \hat{\beta}_k X_{k,i} + \hat{u}_i$  where  $\sum \hat{u}_i = \sum \hat{u}_i X_{ji} = 0, j = 1, 2, \dots, k$
- Now

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} &= \frac{\sum \tilde{X}_{1,i} (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_{1,i} + \hat{\beta}_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \hat{\beta}_k X_{k,i} + \hat{u}_i)}{\sum \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} \\&= \hat{\beta}_0 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \hat{\beta}_1 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{1,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \dots \\&\quad + \hat{\beta}_k \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{k,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} \hat{u}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2}\end{aligned}$$

## Proof of Partitioned regression result(2)

- $\tilde{X}_{1,i}$  is the fitted OLS residual for the regression

$$X_{1,i} = \hat{\gamma}_0 + \hat{\gamma}_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \hat{\gamma}_k X_{k,i} + \tilde{X}_{1,i}$$

- so it is a variation of  $u_i$ , then we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} = 0 \text{ and } \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{j,i} = 0, j = 2, 3, \dots, k$$

# Proof of Partitioned regression result(3)

- We also have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{1,i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} (\hat{\gamma}_0 + \hat{\gamma}_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \hat{\gamma}_k X_{k,i} + \tilde{X}_{1,i}) \\ &= \hat{\gamma}_0 \cdot 0 + \hat{\gamma}_2 \cdot 0 + \dots + \hat{\gamma}_k \cdot 0 + \sum \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2 \\ &= \sum \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2 \end{aligned}$$

# Proof of Partitioned regression result(4)

- Recall:  $\hat{u}_i$  are the fitted residuals from the regression of Y against all X, then

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i X_{j,i} = 0, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, k$$

# Proof of Partitioned regression result(5)

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- We also have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} \hat{u}_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (X_{1,i} - \hat{\gamma}_0 - \hat{\gamma}_2 X_{2,i} - \dots - \hat{\gamma}_k X_{k,i}) \hat{u}_i \\ &= 0 - \hat{\gamma}_0 \cdot 0 - \hat{\gamma}_2 \cdot 0 - \dots - \hat{\gamma}_k \cdot 0 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

## wrap up so far

- OLS Regression
- and  $\tilde{X}_{1,i}$  is the fitted OLS residual for the regression

$$X_{1,i} = \hat{\gamma}_0 + \hat{\gamma}_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \hat{\gamma}_k X_{k,i} + \tilde{X}_{1,i}$$

- we obtained

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{j,i} = 0, j = 2, 3, \dots, k$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{1,i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} \hat{u}_i = 0$$



# Proof of Partitioned regression result(6)

- we have shown that

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} = \hat{\beta}_0 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \hat{\beta}_1 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{1,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \dots$$
$$+ \hat{\beta}_k \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{k,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} \hat{u}_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2}$$

- then

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} = \hat{\beta}_1$$

- Identical argument works for  $j = 2, 3, \dots, k$ , thus

$$\hat{\beta}_j = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{j,i} Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{j,i}^2}$$

# The intuition of Partitioned regression : “Partialling Out”

- First, we regress  $X_j$  against the rest of the regressors (and a constant) and keep  $\tilde{X}_j$  which is the “part” of  $X_j$  that is **uncorrelated**
- Then, to obtain  $\hat{\beta}_j$ , we regress  $Y$  against  $\tilde{X}_j$  which is “*clean*” from correlation with other regressors.
- $\hat{\beta}_j$  measures the effect of  $X_1$  after the effects of  $X_2, \dots, X_k$  have been *partialled out or netted out*.

## Example: Test scores and Student Teacher Ratios

```
tilde.str <- residuals(lm(str ~ el_pct+avginc, data=ca))  
mean(tilde.str) # should be zero
```

```
## [1] 1.305121e-17
```

```
sum(tilde.str)
```

```
## [1] 5.412337e-15
```

```
cov(tilde.str, ca$avginc) # should be zero too
```

```
## [1] 3.650126e-16
```

## Example: Test scores and Student Teacher Ratios(2)

```
tilde.str_str <- tilde.str*ca$str  
tilde.strstr <- tilde.str^2  
sum(tilde.str_str)
```

```
## [1] 1396.348
```

```
sum(tilde.strstr)# should be equal the result above.
```

```
## [1] 1396.348
```

## Example: Test scores and Student Teacher Ratios(3)

```
sum(tilde.str*ca$testscr)/sum(tilde.str^2)
```

```
## [1] -0.06877552
```

```
summary(lm(ca$testscr~tilde.str))
```

```
##
```

```
## Call:
```

```
## lm(formula = ca$testscr ~ tilde.str)
```

```
##
```

```
## Residuals:
```

```
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
```

```
## -48.50 -14.16   0.39  12.57  52.57
```

```
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
```

```
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
```

```
## (Intercept)  654.15655      0.93080  702.790   <2e-16 ***
```

# Proof that OLS is unbiased(1)

- Use partitioned regression formula

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2}$$

- Substitute

$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \beta_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{k,i} + u_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{\sum \tilde{X}_{1,i} (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \beta_2 X_{2,i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{k,i} + u_i)}{\sum \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} \\&= \beta_0 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \beta_1 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{1,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \dots \\&\quad + \beta_k \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{k,i}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} u_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2}\end{aligned}$$

# Proof that OLS is unbiased(2)

- Because

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{j,i} = 0, j = 2, 3, \dots, k$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} X_{1,i} = \sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2$$

- Therefore

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \beta_1 + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i} u_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2}$$

# Proof that OLS is unbiased(3)

- we have that

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \beta_1 + \frac{\sum \tilde{X}_{1,i} u_i}{\sum \tilde{X}_{1,i}^2}$$

- Take expectations of  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and based on **Assumption 1** again

$$\begin{aligned} E[\hat{\beta}_1] &= E\left[E[\hat{\beta}_1|X]\right] \\ &= \beta_1 + 0 \end{aligned}$$

- Identical argument works for  $j = 2, 3, \dots, k$