# tutorial\_2

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## 1 Tutorial 2 - Relaxing OLS assumptions

## 2 Homeskadasticity

#### 2.1 Simulate data

We have a sample  $(x_t, y_t)_{t=1}^T$  generated from the following model

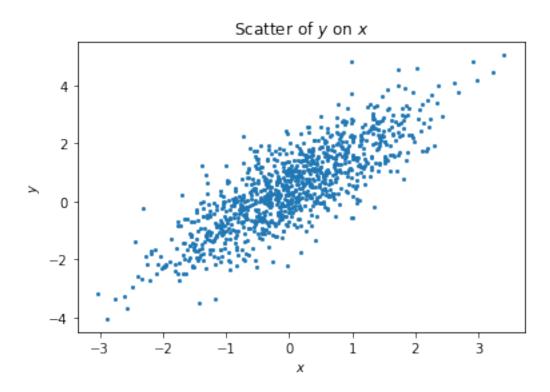
$$y_t = \alpha + \beta x_t + e_t$$

where  $x \perp e$  and x, e follow, respectively, a N(0,1) and  $N(0,\sigma^2)$  distribution.

```
[1]: import numpy as np
                                           # linear algebra
   import statsmodels.formula.api as smf # linear regression
   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
                                           # plotting
   import pandas as pd
                                           # dataframes
   from scipy import stats
                                           # N(O, 1) pdf
   # simulation parameters
   npop = 1000 # must be even
   alpha = .5
   beta = 1.2
   sigma = .8
   # generate random data
   # np.random.seed(1) # important! Seed for reproducibility
   x1 = np.random.normal(0, 1, npop)
   e1 = np.random.normal(0, sigma, npop)
   y1 = alpha + beta*x1 + e1
   # create dataframe with population data
   df1 = pd.DataFrame()
   df1['y'] = y1
   df1['x'] = x1
[2]: # plot scatter
   fig, ax = plt.subplots()
   ax.set_title("Scatter of $y$ on $x$")
   ax.scatter(df1['x'], df1['y'], s=4)
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ax.set_xlabel('$x$')
ax.set_ylabel('$y$')
```

[2]: Text(0, 0.5, '\$y\$')



## 2.1.1 True vs empirical distribution OLS estimator

Here is the experiment that we are going to run in a somewhat heuristic way:

- 1. we fit a linear regression y ~ x on the *whole* sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}$  and its SE
- 2. we sample a random subset of our data  $(x_t^{(i)}, y_t^{(i)})_t$
- 3. we fit the same linear regression y ~ x on this sub-sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}^{(i)}$
- 4. we repeat steps 2-3) for  $i=1,2,\ldots,Nsim$  and obtain an empirical distribution of all the  $(\hat{\beta}^{(i)})_{i=1}^N$

Then, if we correctly specified our model, we should expect that the empirical distribution of the  $\hat{\beta}^{(i)}$  approaches the "true" asymptotic distribution of  $\hat{\beta}$  which - under homoskedasticity - we know is

$$\sqrt{T} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\alpha} - \alpha \\ \hat{\beta} - \beta \end{pmatrix} \xrightarrow{T \to +\infty} \mathcal{N} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \sigma^2 plim \left( \frac{X'X}{T} \right)^{-1} \right)$$

```
[3]: # 1) fit beta hat from full dataset
reg_mod1 = smf.ols("y ~ x", df1)
fit_hom1 = reg_mod1.fit() # homosk errors
betahat_se_hom1 = fit_hom1.bse[1]
fit_hom1.summary()
```

[3]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>

#### OLS Regression Results

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Dep. Variable:	У	R-squared:	0.679
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	0.678
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	2109.
Date:	Fri, 04 Oct 2019	Prob (F-statistic):	2.45e-248
Time:	10:00:41	Log-Likelihood:	-1211.3
No. Observations:	1000	AIC:	2427.
Df Residuals:	998	BIC:	2436.

Df Model: 1
Covariance Type: nonrobust

coef std err t P>|t| [0.025 0.975] \_\_\_\_\_\_ 0.398 0.4482 0.026 17.413 0.000 0.499 Intercept 0.026 45.922 0.000 1.1730 1.123 1.223 \_\_\_\_\_\_ Omnibus: 3.957 Durbin-Watson: 2.028 Prob(Omnibus): 4.180 0.138 Jarque-Bera (JB): Skew: 0.083 Prob(JB): 0.124 3.270 Cond. No. Kurtosis: 1.04

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#### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

```
[4]: # 2-3) fit model on random sub-sample
def bootstrap_lm_hom(x, params):
    """ Fit univariate lin reg to random sample

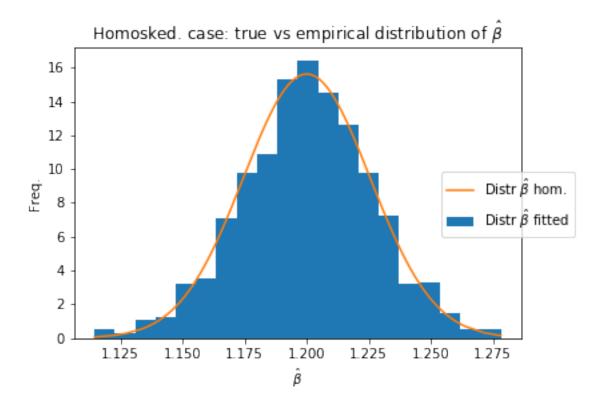
    The function assumes we know the true DGP

    Arguments
    ------
    x : np.array, univariate explanatory variable
    params : 1D np.array, alpha, beta and sigma

    Returns
```

```
beta_boot : estimated beta coeff on bootstrap sample
        # generate bootstrap sample
       alpha, beta, sigma = params
       n = len(x)
       indices = np.random.choice(np.arange(n), n)
       # generate residuals using right DGP
       x_boot = x[indices]
       e_boot = np.random.normal(0, sigma, n)
       y_boot = alpha + beta*x_boot + e_boot
       # create dataframe with boostrapped data
       df = pd.DataFrame()
       df['y'] = y_boot
       df['x'] = x_boot
       # fit linear regression
       fit = smf.ols("y ~ x", df).fit()
       beta_boot = fit.params[1]
       return beta_boot
[5]: # fit on random sample
   nsim = 1000
   f1 = lambda i: bootstrap_lm_hom(df1['x'], [alpha, beta, sigma])
   betas1 = list(map(f1, range(nsim)))
[6]: # 4) plot empirical vs true density of betahat
   fig, ax = plt.subplots()
   ax.hist(betas1, bins=20, density=True, label="Distr $\hat{\\beta}$ fitted" )
   ax.plot(sorted(betas1), stats.norm.pdf(sorted(betas1), beta, betahat_se_hom1),
           label="Distr $\hat{\\beta}$ hom.")
   ax.set xlabel("$\hat{\\beta}$")
   ax.set_ylabel("Freq.")
   ax.set_title("Homosked. case: true vs empirical distribution of $\hat{\\beta}$")
   fig.legend(loc="center right")
```

[6]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x2f3632e4f28>



## 2.2 Heteroskedasticity

#### 2.2.1 Simulate data

We have a sample  $(x_t, y_t)_{t=1}^T$  generated from the following model

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta x_t + e_t$$

where  $x \perp e$ , x follows a N(0,1) and  $e_t \sim N(0, |1-x_t|)$  for t = 1, 2, ..., T.

```
[7]: # simulation parameters
    npop = 3000
    alpha = .5
    beta = 1.2

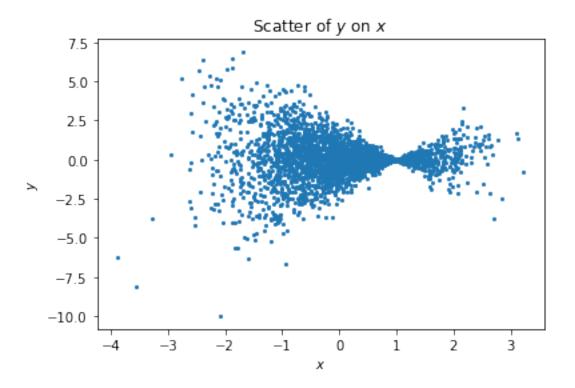
# generate random data
    np.random.seed(1234) # important! Seed for reproducibility
    x2 = np.random.normal(0, 1, npop)
    e2 = np.random.normal(0, np.abs(1 - x2), npop)
    y2 = alpha + beta*x2 + e2

# create dataframe with population data
    df2 = pd.DataFrame()
    df2['y'] = y2
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df2['x'] = x2

[8]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
   ax.set_title("Scatter of $y$ on $x$")
   ax.scatter(df2['x'], e2, s=4)
   ax.set_xlabel('$x$')
   ax.set_ylabel('$y$')
```

[8]: Text(0, 0.5, '\$y\$')



### 2.2.2 True vs empirical distribution OLS estimator

Here is the experiment that we are going to run in a somewhat heuristic way:

- 1. we fit a linear regression y ~ x on the whole sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}$  and its SE. We also (wrongly) assume *homoskedadastic* errors.
- 2. we fit a linear regression y ~ x on the whole sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}$  and its SE. We also (correctly) assume *heteroskedastic* errors.
- 3. we sample a random subset of our data  $(x_t^{(i)}, y_t^{(i)})_t$
- 4. we fit the same linear regression y ~ x on this sub-sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}^{(i)}$
- 5. we repeat steps 3-4) for  $i=1,2,\ldots,N$ sim and obtain an empirical distribution of all the  $(\hat{\beta}^{(i)})_{i=1}^N$

Then, if we correctly specified our model, we should expect that the empirical distribution of the  $\hat{\beta}^{(i)}$  approaches the "true" asymptotic distribution of  $\hat{\beta}$  which - under heteroskedasticy - we know is

$$\sqrt{T} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\alpha} - \alpha \\ \hat{\beta} - \beta \end{pmatrix} \to \mathcal{N} \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, (X'X/T)^{-1} \frac{X'\Omega X}{T} (X'X/T)^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$$

with

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma_T^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Note: we have suppressed the plim operator for the sake of simplicity.

[9]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>

#### OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable: R-squared: 0.425 Model: OLS Adj. R-squared: 0.424 Method: Least Squares F-statistic: 2212. Date: Fri, 04 Oct 2019 Prob (F-statistic): 0.00 Time: 10:00:56 Log-Likelihood: -5218.4No. Observations: 3000 AIC: 1.044e+04 Df Residuals: 2998 BIC: 1.045e+04 Df Model:

Covariance Type: nonrobust

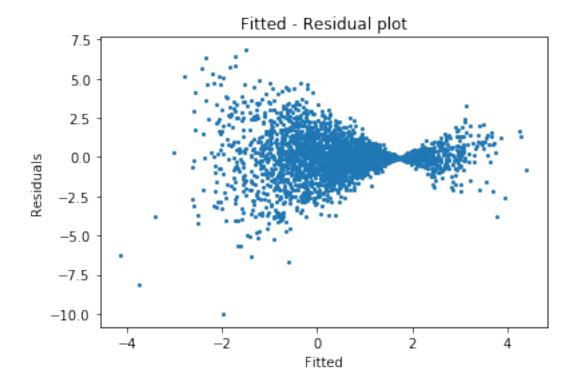
\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ P>|t| [0.025 0.975coef std err Intercept 0.5279 0.025 20.964 0.000 0.478 0.577 1.2012 0.026 47.035 0.000 1.151 1.251

Omnibus:	283.977	Durbin-Watson:	1.971
Prob(Omnibus):	0.000	Jarque-Bera (JB):	1933.630
Skew:	-0.126	Prob(JB):	0.00
Kurtosis:	6.925	Cond. No.	1.04

### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors assume that the covariance matrix of the errors is correctly specified.

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```
[10]: # 2-3) fit model on random sub-sample
def bootstrap_lm_het(x, params):
    """ Fit univariate lin reg to random sample

    The function assumes we know the true DGP

    Arguments
    ------
    x : np.array, univariate explanatory variable
    params : 1D np.array, alpha, beta and sigma

    Returns
    -------
```

```
beta_boot : estimated beta coeff on bootstrap sample
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        # generate bootstrap sample
        alpha, beta = params
        n = len(x)
        indices = np.random.choice(np.arange(n), n)
        # generate residuals using right DGP
        x boot = x[indices]
        e_boot = np.random.normal(0, np.abs(1 - x_boot), n)
        y_boot = alpha + beta*x_boot + e_boot
        # create dataframe with boostrapped data
        df = pd.DataFrame()
        df['y'] = y_boot
        df['x'] = x_boot
        # fit linear regression
        fit = smf.ols("y ~ x", df).fit()
        beta_boot = fit.params[1]
        return beta_boot
[11]: # fit on random sample
    nsim = 1000
    np.random.seed(987)
    f2 = lambda i: bootstrap_lm_het(df2['x'], [alpha, beta])
    betas2 = list(map(f2, range(nsim)))
[12]: # 2) fit beta hat from full dataset under heterosk
    fit_het2 = reg_mod2.fit(cov_type = 'HCO') # White heter errors
    betahat_se_het2 = fit_het2.bse[1]
    print(f"beta SE hom {betahat_se_hom2}")
    print(f"beta SE het {betahat_se_het2}")
    fit het2.summary()
    beta SE hom 0.025538200266201246
    beta SE het 0.036871988227998316
[12]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>
                               OLS Regression Results
    ______
    Dep. Variable:
                                          R-squared:
                                                                          0.425
    Model:
                                     OLS Adj. R-squared:
                                                                          0.424
    Method:
                           Least Squares F-statistic:
                                                                          1061.
    Date:
                       Fri, 04 Oct 2019 Prob (F-statistic): 1.44e-199
    Time:
                                10:01:09 Log-Likelihood:
                                                                        -5218.4
```

 No. Observations:
 3000 AIC:
 1.044e+04

 Df Residuals:
 2998 BIC:
 1.045e+04

 Df Model:
 1

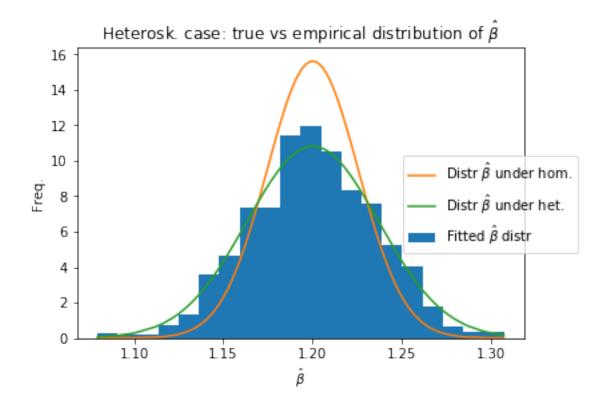
 Covariance Type:
 HCO

	coef	std err	z	P> z	[0.025	0.975]
Intercept x	0.5279 1.2012	0.026 0.037	20.260 32.577	0.000	0.477 1.129	0.579 1.273
Omnibus: Prob(Omnibus) Skew: Kurtosis:	:	283.9 0.0 -0.1 6.9	000 Jarq .26 Prob	in-Watson: ue-Bera (JB): (JB): . No.	:	1.971 1933.630 0.00 1.04

#### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity robust (HCO)

[13]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x2f3634c8668>



#### 2.3 Serial correlation

#### 2.3.1 Simulate data

We have a sample  $(x_t, y_t)_{t=1}^T$  generated from the following model

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta x_t + e_t$$

where  $x \perp e$ , x follows a U(0,1) and  $e_t \sim MA(1)$  process. A MA(1) process is simple a time series process of the form

$$e_t = u_t + \theta u_{t-1}$$

where  $u_t$ ,  $u_{t-1}$  are white noise (i.e. orthogonal, zero-mean random variables).

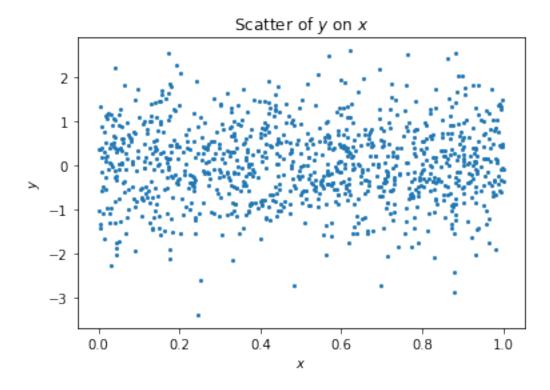
```
[14]: from statsmodels.tsa.arima_process import arma_generate_sample # generate MA

# simulation parameters

npop = 1000
alpha = .5
beta = 1.2
sigma = .7 # MA(1) error sd
theta = .8 # MA(1) param
```

```
# generate random data
     np.random.seed(1234) # important! Seed for reproducibility
     x3 = np.random.uniform(0, 1, npop)
     e3 = arma_generate_sample([1], [1, theta], npop, sigma)
     y3 = alpha + beta*x3 + e3
     # create dataframe with population data
     df3 = pd.DataFrame()
     df3['y'] = y3
     df3['x'] = x3
[15]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
     ax.set title("Scatter of $y$ on $x$")
     ax.scatter(df3['x'], e3, s=4)
     ax.set_xlabel('$x$')
     ax.set_ylabel('$y$')
```

[15]: Text(0, 0.5, '\$y\$')

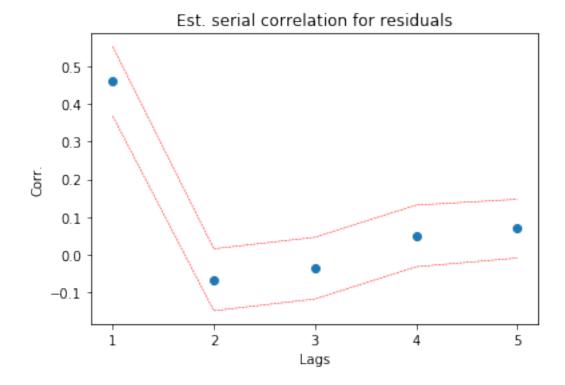


```
[16]: # 1) fit beta hat from full dataset under homeskd
     reg_mod3 = smf.ols("y ~ x", df3)
     fit_hom3 = reg_mod3.fit()
                                                # homosk errors
     betahat_se_hom3 = fit_hom3.bse[1]
```

#### 2.3.2 Check for serial correlation

```
[17]: from scipy.stats import norm # get quantile funct for N(mu, sigma)
     # get resid from heterosk model
     ehat = fit hom3.resid # it does not matter if the original fit was assuming
      \hookrightarrow hom
     # create ehat_t*ehat_\{t-j\} for j=0, \ldots, 4
     def cross_prod_lag(x, k):
         x_std = (x - np.mean(x))/np.std(x)
         return x_std*x_std.shift(-k)
     e2_lag0 = cross_prod_lag(ehat, 0)
     e2_lag1 = cross_prod_lag(ehat, 1)
     e2_lag2 = cross_prod_lag(ehat, 2)
     e2_lag3 = cross_prod_lag(ehat, 3)
     e2_lag4 = cross_prod_lag(ehat, 4)
     e2_lag5 = cross_prod_lag(ehat, 5)
     # put cross-products in dataset
     df_e2_lags = pd.DataFrame()
     df_e2_{lags}['e2_{lag1}'] = e2_{lag1}
     df_e2_{lags['e2_{lag2'}]} = e2_{lag2}
     df_e2_{lags['e2_{lag3'}]} = e2_{lag3}
     df_e2_{lags}['e2_{lag4}'] = e2_{lag4}
     df_e2_{lags}['e2_{lag4}'] = e2_{lag4}
     df_e2_{lags['e2_{lag5}']} = e2_{lag5}
     # run regressions on a constant
     eac_reg1 = smf.ols('e2_lag1 ~ 1', df_e2_lags).fit()
     eac_reg2 = smf.ols('e2_lag2 ~ 1', df_e2_lags).fit()
     eac_reg3 = smf.ols('e2_lag3 ~ 1', df_e2_lags).fit()
     eac_reg4 = smf.ols('e2_lag4 ~ 1', df_e2_lags).fit()
     eac_reg5 = smf.ols('e2_lag5 ~ 1', df_e2_lags).fit()
     # get point est
     corr_lag1 = eac_reg1.params[0]
     corr_lag2 = eac_reg2.params[0]
     corr_lag3 = eac_reg3.params[0]
     corr_lag4 = eac_reg4.params[0]
     corr_lag5 = eac_reg5.params[0]
     corr_lags = (corr_lag1, corr_lag2,
                  corr_lag3, corr_lag4, corr_lag5)
     # get SE
     se_corr_lag1 = eac_reg1.bse[0]
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se_corr_lag2 = eac_reg2.bse[0]
     se_corr_lag3 = eac_reg3.bse[0]
     se_corr_lag4 = eac_reg4.bse[0]
     se_corr_lag5 = eac_reg5.bse[0]
     se_corr_lags = (se_corr_lag1, se_corr_lag2,
                     se_corr_lag3, se_corr_lag4, se_corr_lag5)
     # put corr, SE and lags in dataframe
     df acf res = pd.DataFrame()
     df_acf_res['lag'] = np.arange(6)[1:]
     df_acf_res['corr'] = corr_lags
     df_acf_res['se'] = se_corr_lags
     df_acf_res['ci'] = df_acf_res['se']*norm.ppf(.995)
     df_acf_res
[17]:
       lag
                 corr
                             se
                                       ci
         1 0.460620 0.035812 0.092246
         2 -0.066885 0.031966 0.082338
     1
     2
         3 -0.035929 0.031871 0.082093
         4 0.049611 0.031822 0.081968
     3
          5 0.068970 0.030310 0.078074
[18]: fig, ax = plt.subplots()
     ax.scatter(df_acf_res['lag'], df_acf_res['corr'])
     ax.plot(df_acf_res['lag'], df_acf_res['corr'] + df_acf_res['ci'],
             linestyle = '--', color = 'red', linewidth = .5)
     ax.plot(df_acf_res['lag'], df_acf_res['corr'] - df_acf_res['ci'],
             linestyle = '--', color = 'red', linewidth = .5)
     ax.set_xticks(df_acf_res['lag'])
     ax.set_xlabel('Lags')
     ax.set_ylabel('Corr.')
     ax.set_title('Est. serial correlation for residuals')
[18]: Text(0.5, 1.0, 'Est. serial correlation for residuals')
```



### 2.3.3 True vs empirical distribution OLS estimator

Here is the experiment that we are going to run in a somewhat heuristic way:

- 1. we fit a linear regression y ~ x on the whole sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}$  and its SE. We also (wrongly) assume *homoskedadastic* errors.
- 2. we fit a linear regression y ~ x on the whole sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}$  and its SE. We also (correctly) assume *serially correlated* errors.
- 3. we sample a random subset of our data  $(x_t^{(i)}, y_t^{(i)})_t$
- 4. we fit the same linear regression y ~ x on this sub-sample and save the estimated  $\hat{\beta}^{(i)}$
- 5. we repeat steps 3-4) for  $i=1,2,\ldots,N$  and obtain an empirical distribution of all the  $(\hat{\beta}^{(i)})_{i=1}^N$

Then, if we correctly specified our model, we should expect that the empirical distribution of the  $\hat{\beta}^{(i)}$  approaches the "true" asymptotic distribution of  $\hat{\beta}$  which - under MA(1) errors - we know is

$$\sqrt{n} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\alpha} - \alpha \\ \hat{\beta} - \beta \end{pmatrix} \to \mathcal{N} \left( \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, (X'X)^{-1} X' \Omega X (X'X)^{-1} \right)$$

with

$$\Omega = \begin{pmatrix} (1 + \theta^2)\sigma^2 & \theta\sigma^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \theta\sigma^2 & (1 + \theta^2)\sigma^2 & \theta\sigma^2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \theta\sigma^2 & (1 + \theta^2)\sigma^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

```
[19]: # 2) fit beta hat from full dataset under serial correlation
nw_cov_opt = {'maxlags':1, 'use_correction':True}
fit_nw3 = reg_mod3.fit(cov_type = 'HAC', cov_kwds=nw_cov_opt) # NW SE
betahat_se_nw3 = fit_nw3.bse[1]
print(f"beta SE hom {betahat_se_hom3}")
print(f"beta SE NW {betahat_se_nw3}")
fit_nw3.summary()
```

beta SE hom 0.09470910054205718 beta SE NW 0.09912844755947796

[19]: <class 'statsmodels.iolib.summary.Summary'>

#### OLS Regression Results

Dep. Variable:	у	R-squared:	0.143
Model:	OLS	Adj. R-squared:	0.142
Method:	Least Squares	F-statistic:	151.6
Date:	Fri, 04 Oct 2019	Prob (F-statistic):	1.53e-32
Time:	10:01:10	Log-Likelihood:	-1293.0
No. Observations:	1000	AIC:	2590.
Df Residuals:	998	BIC:	2600.
Df Model:	1		
Covariance Type:	HAC		

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0.975]
388 0.628 026 1.415
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1.079
2.948
0.229
4.34
3

#### Warnings:

[1] Standard Errors are heteroscedasticity and autocorrelation robust (HAC) using 1 lags and with small sample correction

```
[20]: # 2-3) fit model on random sub-sample
     def bootstrap lm nw(x, params):
         """ Fit univariate lin reg to random sample
             The function assumes we know the true DGP
             Arguments
             x: np.array, univariate explanatory variable
             params: 1D np.array, alpha, beta, theta and sigma
             Returns
             _____
             beta_boot : estimated beta coeff on bootstrap sample
         # generate bootstrap sample
         alpha, beta, theta, sigma = params
         n = len(x)
         indices = np.random.choice(np.arange(n), n)
         # generate residuals using right DGP
         x_{boot} = x[indices]
         e_boot = arma_generate_sample([1], [1, theta], n, sigma)
         y_boot = alpha + beta*x_boot + e_boot
         # create dataframe with boostrapped data
         df = pd.DataFrame()
         df['y'] = y_boot
         df['x'] = x_boot
         # fit linear regression
         fit = smf.ols("y ~ x", df).fit()
         beta_boot = fit.params[1]
         return beta boot
[21]: # fit on random sample
     nsim = 1200
     np.random.seed(3)
     f3 = lambda i: bootstrap_lm_nw(df3['x'], [alpha, beta, theta, sigma])
     betas3 = list(map(f3, range(nsim)))
[22]: # 5) plot empirical vs true density of betahat
     fig, ax = plt.subplots()
     ax.hist(betas3, bins=20, density=True, label="Fitted $\hat{\\beta}$ distr" )
     ax.plot(sorted(betas3), stats.norm.pdf(sorted(betas3), beta, betahat_se_hom3),
             label="Distr $\hat{\\beta}$ under hom.")
     ax.plot(sorted(betas3), stats.norm.pdf(sorted(betas3), beta, betahat_se_nw3),
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label="Distr $\hat{\\beta}$ under ser. corr.")

ax.set_xlabel("$\hat{\\beta}$")

ax.set_ylabel("Freq.")

ax.set_title("Serial corr. case: true vs empirical distribution of 
→$\hat{\\beta}$")

fig.legend(loc="center right")
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[22]: <matplotlib.legend.Legend at 0x2f363887668>

