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1. Using the Li and Wang (1999) test, test that the quadratic parametric specification is appropriate (use a wild bootstrap). Use (1) the rule-of-thumb bandwidth and (2) the cross-validated bandwidth from the local-constant estimator with the Gaussian kernel

Ans:

(1)ROT

bandwidth = 4.465039

tstat = 1.673812

critical value = -0.3121638

p-value = 0

(2)LSCV

bandwidth = 1.892169

tstat = 2.829023

critical value = 0.3077894

p-value = 0

2. Are your results consistent with your answers to the question 3 from the previous homework assignment?

Ans: We reject the null hypothesis that the quadratic parametric specification is appropriate, and this implies the significance of the dip and is consistent with the changes in the confidence intervals.

3. A random variable v following a standard normal distribution is included in the model as the second regressor. Using the Lavergne and Vuong (2000) test, test that v is an irrelevant regressor (use a wild bootstrap). Use (1) the rule-of-thumb bandwidth and (2) the cross-validated bandwidth from the local-constant estimator with the Gaussian kernel.

Ans:

(1)ROT

bandwidth of x = 5.3319215

bandwidth of v = 0.4125828

tstat = -0.06304582

critical value = 0.851701

p-value = 0.255

(2)LSCV

bandwidth of x = 4.206844

bandwidth of v = 1.957042

tstat = -0.8359193

critical value = -0.704583

p-value = 0.12

4. Is the cross-validated bandwidth greater than two times the standard deviation of v ? What does this mean? Is this consistent with the result of the hypothesis test?

Ans: The cross-validated bandwidth of v is greater than two times the standard deviation of v , and this implies the irrelevance of v and is consistent with the fact that we fail to reject the null hypothesis that v is an irrelevant regressor.