

- V 15.6** Using the NLS panel data on $N = 716$ young women, we consider only years 1987 and 1988. We are interested in the relationship between $\ln(WAGE)$ and experience, its square, and indicator variables for living in the south and union membership. Some estimation results are in Table 15.10.

TABLE 15.10 Estimation Results for Exercise 15.6

	(1) OLS 1987	(2) OLS 1988	(3) FE	(4) FE Robust	(5) RE
C	0.9348 (0.2010)	0.8993 (0.2407)	1.5468 (0.2522)	1.5468 (0.2688)	1.1497 (0.1597)
EXPER	0.1270 (0.0295)	0.1265 (0.0323)	0.0575 <u>(0.0301)</u>	0.0575 <u>(0.0328)</u>	0.0986 (0.0220)
EXPER ²	-0.0033 (0.0011)	-0.0031 (0.0011)	-0.0012 <u>(0.0011)</u>	-0.0012 <u>(0.0011)</u>	-0.0023 (0.0007)
SOUTH	-0.2128 (0.0338)	-0.2384 (0.0344)	-0.3261 (0.1258)	-0.3261 (0.2495)	-0.2326 (0.0317)
UNION	0.1445 (0.0382)	0.1102 (0.0387)	0.0822 (0.0312)	0.0822 (0.0367)	0.1027 (0.0245)
N	716	716	1432	1432	1432

(standard errors in parentheses)

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- Va.** The OLS estimates of the $\ln(WAGE)$ model for each of the years 1987 and 1988 are reported in columns (1) and (2). How do the results compare? For these individual year estimations, what are you assuming about the regression parameter values across individuals (heterogeneity)?

- Vb.** The $\ln(WAGE)$ equation specified as a panel data regression model is

$$\ln(WAGE_{it}) = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \text{EXPER}_{it} + \beta_3 \text{EXPER}_{it}^2 + \beta_4 \text{SOUTH}_{it} \\ + \beta_5 \text{UNION}_{it} + (u_i + e_{it}) \quad (\text{XR } 15.6)$$

- Vc.** Explain any differences in assumptions between this model and the models in part (a).

- Column (3) contains the estimated fixed effects model specified in part (b). Compare these estimates with the OLS estimates. Which coefficients, apart from the intercepts, show the most difference?

- Vd.** The F-statistic for the null hypothesis that there are no individual differences, equation (15.20), is 11.68. What are the degrees of freedom of the F-distribution if the null hypothesis (15.19) is true? What is the 1% level of significance critical value for the test? What do you conclude about the null hypothesis?

- Ve.** Column (4) contains the fixed effects estimates with cluster-robust standard errors. In the context of this sample, explain the different assumptions you are making when you estimate with and without cluster-robust standard errors. Compare the standard errors with those in column (3).

- a. 雖然各係數在1987, 1988年差別不大，但因為這是Panel Data，每個個體之間有固定的差異，而原假設是個體的差異被視為誤差，所以須加入固定效果控制個體的變異(能力教育背景……)。
- b. a的OLS模型忽略了個體之間的差異，b加入u_i項控制住被遺漏的個體差異(cross-section, time variant)。
- c. 可以觀察到EXPER原本被高估，可能源自於未控制住本來能力就好的人(比較早找到工作) EXPER²絕對值減少，代表曲線變平緩 SOUTH變數變負的更多，說明原本沒有控制到家庭背景等因素 UNION則變得更小。

d. 分子自由度 $J = N - 1 = 716 - 1 = 715 \rightarrow \text{exper, exper^2, south, union}$
 分母自由度 $NT - N - K_s = 716 \times 2 - 716 - 4 = 712$

 $F_{0.99}(715, 712) \approx 1.17$

$\because F = 11.68 > 1.17 \therefore \text{reject } H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_K$

代表各個國体之間的截距項不同

→ 應該採用固定效果控制國體不隨時間變動的異質性

e.

一般 FE SE 假設 e_i 各獨立，且滿足 homoskedasticity

Cluster-robust FE SE 允許 e_i 各相關且允許異質性 (SE 一般較大)



- 15.17 The data file *liquor* contains observations on annual expenditure on liquor (*LIQUOR*) and annual income (*INCOME*) (both in thousands of dollars) for 40 randomly selected households for three consecutive years.

- V 4. Create the first-differenced observations on *LIQUOR* and *INCOME*. Call these new variables *LIQUORD* and *INCOMED*. Using OLS regress *LIQUORD* on *INCOMED* without a constant term. Construct a 95% interval estimate of the coefficient.

(a)

	2.5 %	97.5 %
<i>INCOMED</i>	-0.02841457	0.08790818

- V 15.20 This exercise uses data from the STAR experiment introduced to illustrate fixed and random effects for grouped data. In the STAR experiment, children were randomly assigned within schools into three types of classes: small classes with 13–17 students, regular-sized classes with 22–25 students, and regular-sized classes with a full-time teacher aide to assist the teacher. Student scores on achievement tests were recorded as well as some information about the students, teachers, and schools. Data for the kindergarten classes are contained in the data file *star*.

- V a. Estimate a regression equation (with no fixed or random effects) where *READSCORE* is related to *SMALL*, *AIDE*, *TCHEXPER*, *BOY*, *WHITE_ASIAN*, and *FREELUNCH*. Discuss the results. Do students perform better in reading when they are in small classes? Does a teacher's aide improve scores? Do the students of more experienced teachers score higher on reading tests? Does the student's sex or race make a difference?
- V b. Reestimate the model in part (a) with school fixed effects. Compare the results with those in part (a). Have any of your conclusions changed? [Hint: specify *SCHID* as the cross-section identifier and *ID* as the "time" identifier.]
- V c. Test for the significance of the school fixed effects. Under what conditions would we expect the inclusion of significant fixed effects to have little influence on the coefficient estimates of the remaining variables?

(a)

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-107.220	-20.214	-3.935	14.339	185.956

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	437.76425	1.34622	325.180	< 2e-16	***
small	5.82282	0.98933	5.886	4.19e-09	***
aide	0.81784	0.95299	0.858	0.391	
tchexper	0.49247	0.06956	7.080	1.61e-12	***
boy	-6.15642	0.79613	-7.733	1.23e-14	***
white_asian	3.90581	0.95361	4.096	4.26e-05	***
freelunch	-14.77134	0.89025	-16.592	< 2e-16	***

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(b)

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t-value	Pr(> t)	
small	6.490231	0.912962	7.1090	1.313e-12	***
aide	0.996087	0.881693	1.1297	0.2586	
tchexper	0.285567	0.070845	4.0309	5.629e-05	***
boy	-5.455941	0.727589	-7.4987	7.440e-14	***
white_asian	8.028019	1.535656	5.2277	1.777e-07	***
freelunch	-14.593572	0.880006	-16.5835	< 2.2e-16	***

(c)

F = 16.698, p-value < 2.2e-16

∴ reject H₀, fixed effect 應該納入模型

