A Sample Mathematics Paper

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Abstract

Mathematical model of my authoritarian violence paper

1 Multilevel model with instrumental variable

Unit indexed by i, group indexed by j. Model with treatment T and IV z both at the group level. There are also covariates at the group level, and none at the individual level.

$$y_i \sim N(\alpha_{j[i]}, \sigma_y^2) \tag{1}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \alpha_j \\ T_j \end{bmatrix} \sim N \left(\begin{bmatrix} \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 T_j + \gamma_2 x_j \\ \mu_0 + \mu_1 z_j \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\alpha}^2 & \rho \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_T \\ \rho \sigma_{\alpha} \sigma_T & \sigma_T^2 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$
(2)

In our paper,

$$T_j = \text{legislature in country-year}_j$$
 (3)

$$z_j = \text{inherited parties in country-year}_j$$
 (4)

$$x_j = \text{other covariates in country-year}_j$$
 (5)

Notice that in the model, T_j is not assumed to be uncorrelated with the error term of α_j (the non-diagonal covariance is non-zero), but z_j is (implicitly since it's un-modeled). Writing it out in non-multilevel form:

$$\alpha_j = \gamma_0 + \gamma_1 T_j + \gamma_2 x_j + \epsilon_\alpha = N(\gamma_0 + \gamma_1 T_j + \gamma_2 x_j, \sigma_\alpha)$$
(6)

$$T_j = \mu_0 + \mu_1 + \epsilon_T = N(\mu_0 + \mu_1, \sigma_T)$$
(7)

In the multilevel model, we allow T_j to be correlated with ϵ_{α} via $\rho\sigma_{\alpha}\sigma_T$

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