

COMM8102 ECONOMETRIC ANALYSIS

ASSIGNMENT 2

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Excercise 4.1

(a)

$$\hat{\mu}_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^k$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} E[\hat{\mu}_k] &= E\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^k\right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[Y_i^k] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \cdot n \cdot \mu_k \\ &= \mu_k \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} Var [\hat{\mu}_k] &= E [\hat{\mu}_k^2] - (E [\hat{\mu}_k])^2 \\ &= E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^k \right)^2 \right] - \mu_k^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} E \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^k \right)^2 \right] - \mu_k^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} E \left[\sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^{2k} + \sum_{i=1, j=1, i \neq j}^n Y_i^k Y_j^k \right] - \mu_k^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n E [Y_i^{2k}] + \sum_{i=1, j=1, i \neq j}^n E [Y_i^k] E [Y_j^k] \right) - \mu_k^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n^2} (n \cdot \mu_{2k} + (n^2 - n) \cdot \mu_k^2) - \mu_k^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \cdot \mu_{2k} + \mu_k^2 - \frac{1}{n} \cdot \mu_k^2 - \mu_k^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} (\mu_{2k} - \mu_k^2) \end{aligned}$$

We need to assume $\mu_{2k} = E [Y^{2k}] < \infty$.

(d)

$$\hat{V}_{\hat{\mu}_k} = \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^{2k} - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^k \right)^2 \right)$$

Excercise 4.5

(4.15)

$$\begin{aligned} E [\hat{\beta} | X] &= E [(X'X)^{-1} X'Y | X] \\ &= (X'X)^{-1} X'E [Y | X] \\ &= (X'X)^{-1} X'E [X\beta + e | X] \\ &= \beta + (X'X)^{-1} X'E [e | X] \\ &= \beta \end{aligned}$$

(4.16)

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Var} [\hat{\beta} | X] &= \text{Var} [\hat{\beta} - \beta | X] \\
&= \text{Var} [(X'X)^{-1} X'Y - \beta | X] \\
&= \text{Var} [(X'X)^{-1} X'(X\beta + e) - \beta | X] \\
&= \text{Var} [(X'X)^{-1} X'e | X] \\
&= (X'X)^{-1} X' \text{Var} [e | X] X (X'X)^{-1} \\
&= (X'X)^{-1} X' \Omega X (X'X)^{-1} \\
&= (X'X)^{-1} (X' \Omega X) (X'X)^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4.12

$$\begin{aligned}
E[(\bar{Y} - \mu)^3] &= E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i - \mu \right)^3 \right] \\
&= E \left[\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \mu) \right)^3 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n^3} E \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \mu) \right)^3 \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n^3} E \left[\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \mu)^3 + 3 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n (Y_i - \mu)^2 (Y_j - \mu) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{k=1, k \neq i, j}^n (Y_i - \mu) (Y_j - \mu) (Y_k - \mu) \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \left(\sum_{i=1}^n E[(Y_i - \mu)^3] + 3 \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n E[(Y_i - \mu)^2] E[Y_j - \mu] \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1, j \neq i}^n \sum_{k=1, k \neq i, j}^n E[Y_i - \mu] E[Y_j - \mu] E[Y_k - \mu] \right) \\
&= \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^n E[(Y_i - \mu)^3] \\
&= \frac{\mu_3}{n^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Exercise 4.23

$$\begin{aligned}
E[\hat{\beta} | X] &= E[(X'X + I_k \lambda)^{-1} X'Y | X] \\
&= E[(X'X + I_k \lambda)^{-1} X'(X\beta + e) | X] \\
&= E[(X'X + I_k \lambda)^{-1} X'X\beta + (X'X + I_k \lambda)^{-1} X'e | X] \\
&= (X'X + I_k \lambda)^{-1} X'X\beta + (X'X + I_k \lambda)^{-1} X'E[e | X] \\
&= (X'X + I_k \lambda)^{-1} X'X\beta
\end{aligned}$$

$\hat{\beta}$ is biased for β , since $\forall \lambda > 0, E[\hat{\beta} | X] \neq \beta$.

Exercise 4.26

(a)

For the results of standard errors, see Table 1 below. In terms of absolute value, *Tracking* changes the most, and *Percentile* changes the least. In terms of proportion, *Tracking* still changes the most, but *Gender* changes the least.

Standard Errors	Tracking	Age	Gender	Assigned	Percentile	Intercept
Clustering based	0.07665	0.01339	0.02868	0.03771	0.00072	0.13319
Conventional robust	0.02417	0.00855	0.02424	0.02385	0.0004	0.08280

(b)

In comparison to the results from (4.55), the $\hat{\beta}$ on *Tracking* increases from 0.138 to 0.174 by inclusion of the individual controls, and the standard errors also decreases a bit in both clustering based on the school and conventional robust formula.

Q6

Paper: Miyazaki, T., 2019. Clarifying the response of gold return to financial indicators: An empirical comparative analysis using ordinary least squares, robust and quantile regressions. *Journal of Risk and Financial Management*, 12(1), p.33.

Main research questions: How gold return responds to the changes in various financial indicators, specifically stock return, stock return volatility, financial market stress, crude oil, and the value of the US dollar.

Main estimation results: See appendix.

How standard error calculated: From lecture slides, we know that for OLS, $Var[\hat{\beta}|X] = \sigma^2 (X^\top X)^{-1}$.

The unbiased estimator for σ^2 is $\frac{e^\top e}{n-k}$, with $e = Y - X\hat{\beta}$ and k is the number of regressors. The estimator of standard error is the square root of the diagonal elements of

$$\frac{e^\top e}{n-k} (X^\top X)^{-1}$$

Table 5. OLS and robust regression results.

Dependent Variable: GOLD														
A. Full Sample: 2/16/1990–4/27/2018					B. First Sample: 2/16/1990–1/26/1996				C. Second Sample: 2/02/1996–11/25/2005					
Number of Observations: 1472					Number of Observations: 311				Number of Observations: 513					
OLS		Robust regression			OLS		Robust regression		OLS		Robust regression			
Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.		Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.		
SPX	−0.099 **	0.036	−0.055 **	0.020	−0.228 **	0.045	−0.182 **	0.047	0.004	0.028	−0.011	0.026		
SPVOL	−0.101	0.111	−0.099	0.063	−0.367 *	0.165	−0.672 **	0.146	−0.115	0.099	−0.183 *	0.093		
FSI1	0.096	0.058	0.078	0.041	0.145	0.120	0.160	0.113	0.148	0.076	0.201 **	0.066		
WTI	0.065 **	0.015	0.046 **	0.011	0.090 **	0.019	0.083 **	0.018	0.015	0.016	0.018	0.014		
TWEX	−0.962 **	0.082	−0.892 **	0.048	−0.155	0.105	−0.151	0.079	−0.850 **	0.091	−0.870 **	0.070		
Constant	0.312	0.231	0.302 *	0.136	0.744 *	0.324	1.240 **	0.265	0.344	0.227	0.460 *	0.226		
Adj R ²		0.186		0.263		0.126		0.232		0.200		0.338		
	Breusch–Pagan–Godfrey test					Breusch–Pagan–Godfrey test					Breusch–Pagan–Godfrey test			
	$\chi^2(10)$					$\chi^2(10)$					$\chi^2(10)$			
	White test					White test					White test			
	$\chi^2(65)$					$\chi^2(65)$					$\chi^2(65)$			
	D. Third sample: 12/02/2005–5/03/2013					E. Fourth sample: 5/10/2013–4/27/2018								
	Number of observations: 388					Number of observations: 260								
	OLS		Robust regression			OLS		Robust regression			OLS		Robust regression	
	Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.		Coefficient	S.E.	Coefficient	S.E.	
SPX	−0.267 **	0.078	−0.177 **	0.049	−0.126	0.069	−0.095	0.065						
SPVOL	−0.063	0.249	0.157	0.149	0.222	0.163	0.092	0.210						
FSI1	0.045	0.127	−0.109	0.092	−0.062	0.139	−0.049	0.164						
WTI	0.154 **	0.032	0.129 **	0.030	−0.052	0.027	−0.046	0.029						
TWEX	−1.573 **	0.182	−1.513 **	0.129	−1.131 **	0.130	−1.102 **	0.117						
Constant	0.437	0.513	0.060	0.322	−0.329	0.297	−0.116	0.361						
Adj R ²		0.316		0.401		0.299		0.381						
	Breusch–Pagan–Godfrey test					Breusch–Pagan–Godfrey test								
	$\chi^2(10)$					$\chi^2(10)$					0.007			
	White test					White test								
	$\chi^2(65)$					$\chi^2(65)$					0.181			

Notes: S.E. stands for standard error. For the OLS regression, the standard errors are adjusted by using the Newey–West (1987) method. Adj R² for robust regression shows adjusted R²_W proposed by Renaud and Victoria-Feser (2010). * and ** denote statistical significance at the 5% and 1% levels, respectively.

PS2 code

R Markdown

This is the code part of PS2

```
library(readxl)
```

```
## Warning: package 'readxl' was built under R version 3.6.2
```

```
data <- read_excel("ddk2011test.xlsx")
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AV2296 / R2296C48: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AV2480 / R2480C48: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AV2492 / R2492C48: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AV3592 / R3592C48: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AV3901 / R3901C48: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AA4904 / R4904C27: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AA5107 / R5107C27: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AA5116 / R5116C27: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AA5121 / R5121C27: got '.'
```

```
## Warning in read_fun(path = enc2native(normalizePath(path)), sheet_i = sheet, :  
## Expecting numeric in AA5122 / R5122C27: got '.'
```

```
#data clean
```

```
data<-data.frame(data$schoolid,data$totalscore,data$tracking,data$etpteacher,data$girl,data$agetest,data$percentile,  
data<-data[data$girl!='.',]  
data<-data[data$agetest!='.',]  
data$girl<-apply(data$girl,as.numeric)-2  
data$agetest<-apply(data$agetest,as.numeric)  
data$percentile<-apply(data$percentile,as.numeric)
```

```
#cluster based
```

```
y <- scale(as.matrix(data$totalscore))
```

```
n <- nrow(y)
```

```
x<-cbind(data$tracking,data$agetest,data$girl,data$etpteacher,data$percentile,schoolid
```

```
schoolid <- as.matrix(data$schoolid)
```

```
k <- ncol(x)
```

```

xx <- t(x)%*%x
invx <- solve(xx)
beta <- solve(xx,t(x)%*%y)
xe <- x*rep(y-x)%*%beta,times=k)
# Clustered robust standard error
xe_sum <- rowsum(xe,schoolid)
G <- nrow(xe_sum)
omega <- t(xe_sum)%*%xe_sum
scalee <- G/(G-1)*(n-1)/(n-k)
V_clustered <- scalee*invx)%*%omega)%*%invx
se_clustered <- sqrt(diag(V_clustered))
print(beta,digits = 5)

```

```

##           [,1]
## [1,]  0.173580
## [2,] -0.041056
## [3,]  0.081706
## [4,]  0.180989
## [5,]  0.017424
## [6,] -0.576944

```

```
print(se_clustered,digits = 5)
```

```
## [1] 0.07665351 0.01339398 0.02867527 0.03770844 0.00072473 0.13318931
```

```

#conventional robust
e <- y-x)%*%beta
leverage <- rowSums(x*(x)%*%invx))
a <- n/(n-k)
sig2 <- (t(e) %*% e)/(n-k)
u1 <- x*(e)%*%matrix(1,1,k))
u2 <- x*((e/sqrt(1-leverage))%*%matrix(1,1,k))
u3 <- x*((e/(1-leverage))%*%matrix(1,1,k))

v0 <- invx*as.numeric(sig2)
v1 <- invx %*% (t(u1)%*%u1) %*% invx
v1a <- a * invx %*% (t(u1)%*%u1) %*% invx
v2 <- invx %*% (t(u2)%*%u2) %*% invx
v3 <- invx %*% (t(u3)%*%u3) %*% invx
s0 <- sqrt(diag(v0)) # Homoskedastic formula
s1 <- sqrt(diag(v1)) # HCO
s1a <- sqrt(diag(v1a)) # HC1
s2 <- sqrt(diag(v2)) # HC2
s3 <- sqrt(diag(v3)) # HC3
print(s0)

```

```

## [1] 0.0241654219 0.0084575472 0.0241484133 0.0239139818 0.0004292976
## [6] 0.0834363938

```

```
print(s1)
```

```

## [1] 0.0241571564 0.0085405393 0.0242239304 0.0238385277 0.0004269618
## [6] 0.0827288533

```

```
print(s1a)
```

```
## [1] 0.0241709225 0.0085454062 0.0242377345 0.0238521122 0.0004272051
```

```
## [6] 0.0827759967
```

```
print(s2)
```

```
## [1] 0.0241710799 0.0085487064 0.0242377785 0.0238521380 0.0004272418
```

```
## [6] 0.0827994159
```

```
print(s3)
```

```
## [1] 0.0241850131 0.0085568932 0.0242516361 0.0238657582 0.0004275219
```

```
## [6] 0.0828701442
```