

Econometrics Recitation Session 3

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Q3.7

Note that $PX = X(X'X)^{-1}X'X = X$ and $MX = (I - P)X = 0$ from the lectures.

But note that $PX \equiv P[X_1 \ X_2] = [PX_1 \ PX_2] = X \equiv [X_1 \ X_2]$.

A similar argument with M helps us to prove that $PX_1 = X_1$ and $MX_1 = 0$ \square

Q3.8

First note that P is idempotent i.e. $P^2 = P$. This implies that $MM = (I - P)(I - P) = I - 2P + P^2 = I - 2P + P = I - P = M$ \square

Q3.9

Some properties of the trace function.

- ▶ $\text{tr}(A-B) = \text{tr}(A) - \text{tr}(B)$ **try to prove these**
- ▶ $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$
- ▶ $\text{tr}(I_n) = n$

Now note that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{tr}(M) &= \text{tr}(I_n - P) \\ &= \text{tr}(I_n) - \text{tr}(P) \\ &= n - \text{tr}(X(X'X)^{-1}X') \\ &= n - \text{tr}(X'X(X'X)^{-1}) \\ &= n - \text{tr}(I_k) \\ &= n - k \end{aligned}$$



Q3.11

When X contains a constant then by the property that $X'e = 0$,
we have $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{e}_i = 0$.

This implies that

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{y} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [\hat{y}_i + \hat{e}_i] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{e}_i \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i\end{aligned}$$

