

Problem Set 1

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1 Let A and B be symmetric positive definite $l \times l$ matrices

(a) Since A and B are symmetric positive definite $A^{1/2}$ and $B^{1/2}$ exist and are invertible and symmetric. (\implies) $(I - A)$ p.d. Consider an arbitrary non-zero l-vector x . Then

$$\begin{aligned} x'(A^{-1} - I)x &= x'A^{-1/2}(I - A)A^{-1/2}x \\ &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

because $A^{-1/2}x \neq 0$ and $(I - A) > 0$. Then $(A^{-1} - I)$ is positive definite.

(\Leftarrow) $(A^{-1} - I)$ p.d. Then for non-zero l-vector x ,

$$\begin{aligned} x'(I - A)x &= x'A^{1/2}(A^{-1} - I)A^{1/2}x \\ &> 0 \end{aligned}$$

because $A^{1/2}x \neq 0$ and $(A^{-1} - I)$ positive definite.

(b) (\implies) $(B - A)$ p.d. Then

$$(I - B^{-1/2}AB^{-1/2}) = B^{-1/2}(B - A)B^{-1/2}$$

From (a), if we say $C = B^{-1/2}AB^{-1/2}$, then if $I - C$ p.d. $C^{-1} - I$ also p.d. So then $(B^{1/2}A^{-1}B^{1/2} - I)$ positive definite and therefore

$$(A^{-1} - B^{-1}) = B^{-1/2}(B^{-1/2}A^{-1}B^{-1/2} - I)B^{-1/2}$$

is positive definite.

(\Leftarrow) $(A^{-1} - B^{-1})$ p.d. Then

$$(I - A^{1/2}B^{-1}A^{1/2}) = A^{1/2}(A^{-1} - B^{-1})A^{1/2}$$

which is positive definite. From (a), $(B - A) = A^{1/2}(A^{-1/2}BA^{-1/2} - I)A^{1/2}$ is positive definite.

2 Prove (8) and (9) in Lecture 1

(8): $P(\beta_j \in CI_{n,j,1-\alpha}) \rightarrow 1 - \alpha$

Note that $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_n(A_n) - \beta) \rightarrow_d N(0, V(A))$ and $\hat{V}_n(A) \rightarrow_p V(A)$. So then

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_{jn}(A_n) - \beta_j) &\rightarrow_d N(0, V(A)_{jj}) \\ [\hat{V}_n(A_n)]_{jj} &\rightarrow_p [V(A)]_{jj}\end{aligned}$$

Then by CLT and general Slutsky,

$$Z_{n,j} = \frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{[\hat{V}_n(A_n)]_{jj}}}(\hat{\beta}_{jn}(A_n) - \beta_j) \rightarrow_d N(0, 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\implies P(Z_{n,j} < z) &= \Phi(z) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \\ \implies P(|Z_{n,j}| < z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}) &= \Phi(z_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}) - \Phi(z_{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) = \Phi(z_{1-\alpha}) = 1 - \alpha\end{aligned}$$

(9): $W_n \rightarrow_d \chi_k^2$

$$W_n = \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{\hat{V}_n(A_n)}}(\hat{\beta}_n(A_n) - \beta)\right)' \left(\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{\hat{V}_n(A_n)}}(\hat{\beta}_n(A_n) - \beta)\right)$$

$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_n(A_n) - \beta) \rightarrow_d N(0, V(A))$ and $\hat{V}_n(A_n) \rightarrow_p V(A)$.

Then by general Slutsky,

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\sqrt{n}}{\sqrt{\hat{V}_n(A_n)}}(\hat{\beta}_n(A_n) - \beta) &\rightarrow_d N(0, I_k) \\ \implies W_n &\rightarrow_d \chi_k^2\end{aligned}$$

3 Show that $\|R_{2,n}\| \rightarrow_p 0$

Done in lecture

4 Testing overidentifying restrictions

(a) Let $\Omega^{-1} = CC'$

$$\begin{aligned}J_n(\hat{\beta}_n) &= n\bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n)' \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n) \\ &= n\bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n)' (CC^{-1}) \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} (C'^{-1}C') \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n) \\ &= n(C' \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n))' (C' \hat{\Omega}_n C)^{-1} (C' \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n))\end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
C' \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n) &= C' \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - X_i' \hat{\beta}_n) Z_i \\
&= C' \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i' (\beta - \hat{\beta}_n) Z_i + C' \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i Z_i \\
C' \bar{g}_n(\beta) &= C' \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i (Y_i - X_i' \beta) \\
&= C' \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n u_i Z_i \\
\implies C' \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n) &= C' \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i X_i' (\beta - \hat{\beta}_n) + C' \bar{g}_n(\beta) \\
&= C' \frac{1}{n} Z' X (\beta - \hat{\beta}_n) + C' \frac{1}{n} Z' u
\end{aligned}$$

Since $\hat{\beta}_n = (X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} Z' X)^{-1} X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} Z' Y = \beta + (X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} Z' X)^{-1} X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} Z' u$, this implies

$$\begin{aligned}
C' \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n) &= -\frac{1}{n} C' Z' X (X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} Z' X)^{-1} X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} Z' u + \frac{1}{n} C' Z' u \\
&= [I - C' Z' X (X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} Z' X)^{-1} X' Z \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} C'^{-1}] \frac{1}{n} C' Z' u \\
&= D_n C' \bar{g}_n(\beta)
\end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned}
D_n &= I - C' \left(\frac{Z' X}{n} \right) \left(\frac{X' Z}{n} \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} \frac{Z' X}{n} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{X' Z}{n} \right) \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} C'^{-1} \\
&= I - C' \left(\frac{Z' X}{n} \right) \left(\frac{X' Z}{n} C' C \frac{Z' X}{n} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{X' Z}{n} \right) \hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} C'^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

By LLN, $\frac{Z' X}{n} \rightarrow_p E Z_i X_i'$. Since $\hat{\Omega}_n \rightarrow_p \Omega$, $\hat{\Omega}_n^{-1} \rightarrow_p C C'$

$$\begin{aligned}
\implies D_n &\rightarrow_p I - C' E Z_i X_i' (E X_i Z_i' C' C E Z_i X_i')^{-1} E X_i Z_i' C \\
&= I - R(R' R)^{-1} R'
\end{aligned}$$

(d)

$\sqrt{n} C' \bar{g}_n(\beta) = C' \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i u_i$. By CLT, $\rightarrow_d N(0, \text{Var}(Z_i u_i)) = N(0, \Omega)$. Note $C' = \Omega^{-1/2}$, $Z_i : l \times l$. Therefore $C' \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i u_i \rightarrow_d N(0, I_l)$

(e)

$$\begin{aligned}
J_n(\hat{\beta}_n) &= n(C' \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n))'(C' \hat{\Omega}_n C)^{-1}(C' \bar{g}_n(\hat{\beta}_n)) \\
&= n(D_n C' \bar{g}_n(\beta))'(C' \hat{\Omega}_n C)^{-1}(D_n C' \bar{g}_n(\beta)) \\
&= (D_n \sqrt{n} C' \bar{g}_n(\beta))'(C' \hat{\Omega}_n C)^{-1}(D_n \sqrt{n} C' \bar{g}_n(\beta))
\end{aligned}$$

From previous result, $D_n \rightarrow_p I - R(R'R)^{-1}R'$, $\sqrt{n}C'\bar{g}_n(\beta) \rightarrow_d N(0, I_l)$, $\hat{\Omega}_n \rightarrow_p \hat{\Omega}$

So we have $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_n) \rightarrow_d N'(I_l - R(R'R)^{-1}R')(I_l - R(R'R)^{-1}R')N$
(f)

$R = C'E Z_i X_i'$ is an $l \times k$ matrix, so $\text{rank}(R) = k$, $\text{rank}(R(R'R)^{-1}R') = k$, so
 $\text{rank}(I_l - R(R'R)^{-1}R') = l - k$

(g)
 $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_n) \rightarrow_d N'(I_l - R(R'R)^{-1}R')N \sim \chi^2 \text{rank}(I_l - R(R'R)^{-1}R') = \chi^2_{l-k}$