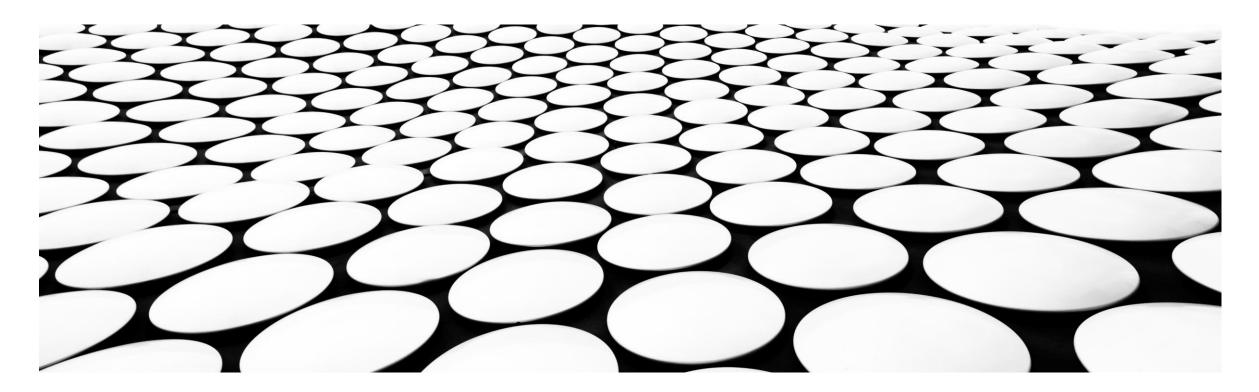
CHOOSING THE BEST MODEL

FELIPE BUCHBINDER



MODELS WE'VE SEEN SO FAR

- Pooled Regression (PR)
- First Differences (FD)
- Fixed Effects (FE)
- Random Effects (RE)
- Quasi-Demeaning (QD) + Cochrane-Orcutt, Prais-Winsten and Hildreth-Lu (CO/PW/HL)

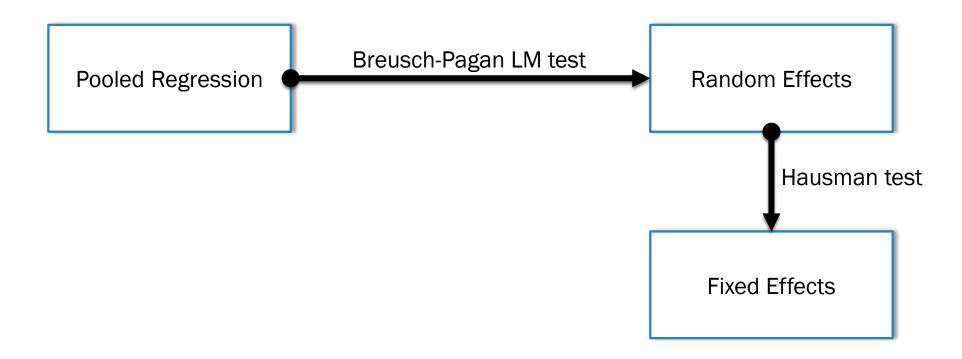
START SIMPLE: POOLED REGRESSION

Pooled Regression

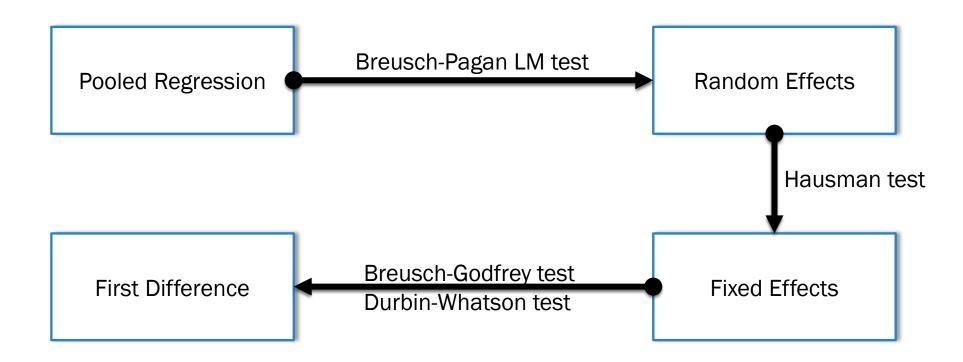
RUN A BREUSCH-PAGAN LAGRANGE MULTIPLIER TEST. IF YOU REJECT H_0 , DO A RANDOM EFFECTS MODEL INSTEAD.



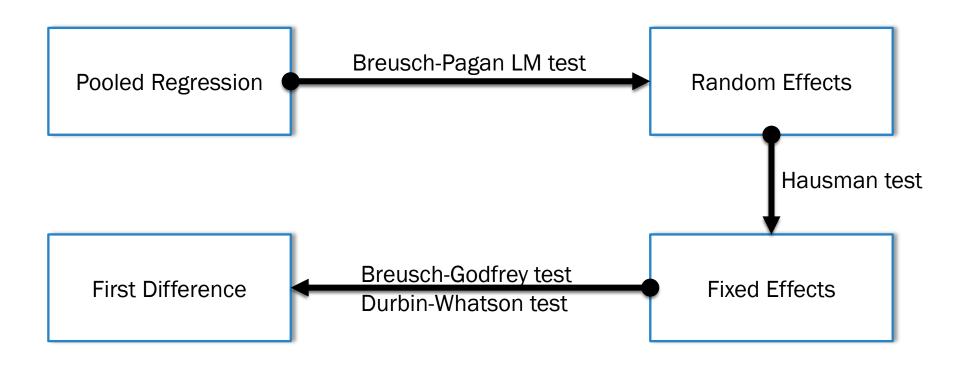
RUN A HAUSMAN TEST. IF YOU REJECT H_0 , DO A FIXED EFFECTS MODEL INSTEAD.



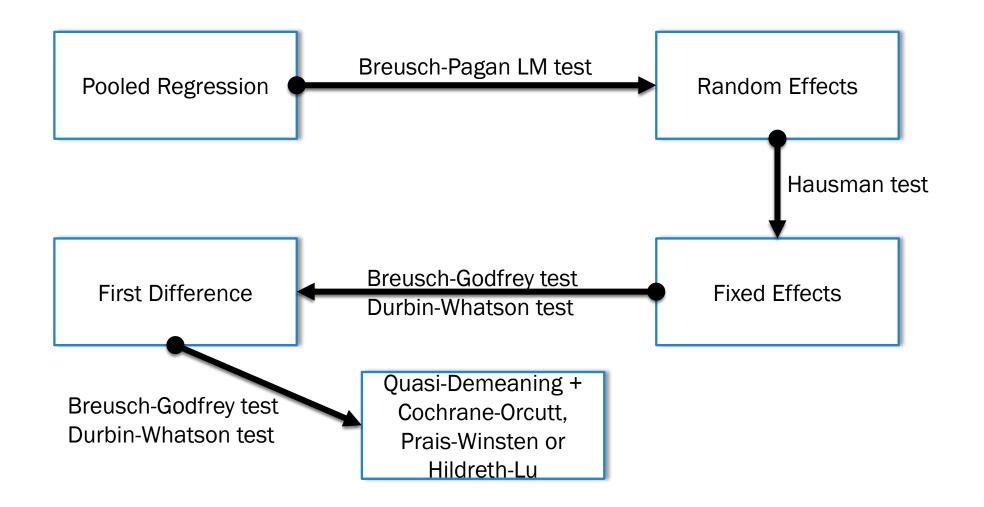
RUN A BREUSCH-GODFREY TEST OR A DURBIN-WHATSON TEST. IF YOU REJECT H_0 , DO A FIRST DIFFERENCE MODEL INSTEAD.



RUN A BREUSCH-GODFREY TEST OR A DURBIN-WHATSON TEST AGAIN, THIS TIME ON YOUR FIRST DIFFERENCE MODEL.



IF YOU REJECT H_0 , USE QUASI-DIFFERENTIATION TO ACHIEVE SERIALLY UNCORRELATED RESIDUALS



BREUSCH-PAGAN LM TEST

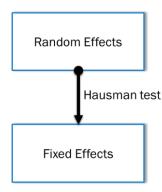


- Neglecting U_i will lead to heteroskedasticity if $U_i \neq 0$, in which case Random Effects will be better than Pooled Regression.
- BPLM tests for heteroskedasticity.
- 4 steps:
- 1. Regress $y_{it} = X_{it}\beta + \epsilon_{it}$ (Pooled Regression)
- 2. Standardize and square the residuals. Call it e_{it}^2 .
- 3. Regress $e_{it}^2 = X_{it}\gamma + v_{it}$
- 4. Use this regression to calculate the test statistic:

$$LM = \frac{\text{Explained Sum of Squares}}{2} \sim \chi_p^2$$

Where p is the number of X's.

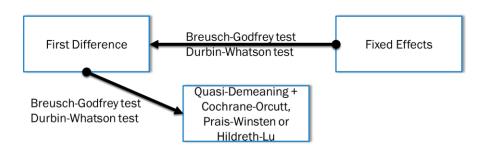
HAUSMAN TEST



- Two consistent estimators: \mathbf{b}_{FE} and \mathbf{b}_{RE} .
- Is $\mathbb{V}(\mathbf{b}_{FE}) = \mathbb{V}(\mathbf{b}_{RE})$, in which case we would use FE? ...
- ... or is $\mathbb{V}(\mathbf{b}_{RE}) < \mathbb{V}(\mathbf{b}_{FE})$, in which case we would use RE?
- If $\mathbb{V}(\mathbf{b}_{FE}) = \mathbb{V}(\mathbf{b}_{RE})$, then...

$$H = (\mathbf{b_{FE}} - \mathbf{b_{RE}})^{\mathrm{T}} (\mathbf{\Sigma_{b_{FE}}} - \mathbf{\Sigma_{b_{RE}}})^{\dagger} (\mathbf{b_{FE}} - \mathbf{b_{RE}}) \sim \chi_{\mathrm{rank of matrix}}^{2} (\mathbf{\Sigma_{b_{FE}}} - \mathbf{\Sigma_{b_{RE}}})$$

BREUSCH-GODFREY TEST



- Generalizes DW test of serial correlation from AR(1) to AR(p)
- Regress residuals on previous p lags and on X's:

$$e_{it} = \rho_1 e_{it-1} + \rho_2 e_{it-2} + \dots + \rho_p e_{it-p} + \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \nu_{it}$$

• Under null hypothesis that $\rho_k = 0 \ \forall \ k$ (residuals serially independent),

$$(T-p)\cdot R^2 \sim \chi_p^2$$

KEY TAKEAWAY

