

Multiple Regression Review

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1. The dataset for this exercise is `hprice1.dta` that contains 88 observations on the following data:

- *price*: house price in \$ 1000s ;
- *assess* : assessed value in \$ 1000s;
- *sqrt*: size of house in square feet;
- *bdrms*: number of bedrooms;
- *colonial*: dummy variable
 - =1 if home is a colonial style;
 - =0 otherwise.

Assume homoschedasticity and normality of the errors and run the regression

$$price = \beta_0 + \beta_1 assess + \beta_2 sqrt + \beta_3 bdrms + \beta_4 colonial + u$$

- (a) Test at 5% the hypothesis that only colonial style is a significant variable in the house price determination.

Solution: We have to test

$$H_0 \quad \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$$

under homoschedasticity and normality of the errors.

We can run the first regression with all the coefficient

$$price = \beta_0 + \beta_1 assess + \beta_2 sqrt + \beta_3 bdrms + \beta_4 colonial + u$$

and call the R^2 associated to this regression $R^2_{unrestricted}$. Then we can run another regression, where we set at zero β_1 , β_2 and β_3 , i.e. :

$$price = \beta_{r,0} + \beta_{r,4} colonial + u$$

and we call the R^2 associated to this regression $R^2_{restricted}$.

We can easily compute

$$F = \frac{(R^2_{unrestricted} - R^2_{restricted})/q}{1 - R^2_{unrestricted}/(n - k_{unrestricted} - 1)}$$

where q is the number of restriction (3 in our case), n is the number of sample observation (88 in our case) and $k_{unrestricted}$ is the number of coefficient of the unrestricted regression excluded the constant (4 in our case). Once we have the F value we have to compare with $F_{q, n-k-1}$ at 5%. If $F > F_{q, n-k-1}$ we will reject H_0 , we will not reject otherwise. The fastest way is to type on R

```
$R_u=summary(lm(price~ assess + sqrft +bdrms + colonial))$r.squared$
```

```
$R_r=summary(lm(price~ colonial))$r.squared$
```

```
a= (R_u - R_r)/3
```

```
b= (1 - R_u)/(length(price) - 4 -1)
```

```
Ftest=a/b
```

```
Ftest
```

and you should visualize :

```
-> Ftest
```

```
[1] 130.0023
```

The threshold is almost 2. Then you can reject the Null Hypothesis that all coefficients, except the constant and the one for colonial, are equal to zero at 5%. Indeed $F > 2$.

Even if you don't know the threshold value, $F - statistic$ is very large, then you have to reject H_0

- (b) Now assume heteroschedasticity of the errors and test at 5% the hypothesis that only colonial style is a significant variable in the house price determination.

Solution: In this case we can't use the previous formula. In this case, assuming heteroschedasticity, we use the option `linearHypothesis` on R (to use this command you need the package "car"). You can write

```
m1=lm(price~ assess + sqrft +bdrms + colonial)
```

```

rhs= c(0,0,0)
hm= rbind(c(0,1,0,0,0),c(0,0,1,0,0),c(0,0,0,1,0))
#HOMO
linearHypothesis(m1,hm,rhs)
#HETERO
linearHypothesis(m1,hm,rhs,vcov=vcovHC)

```

where m1 is the unrestricted regression. Then you build rhs and hm s.t.:

$$H_0 : hm * \beta = rhs$$

$$H_1 : hm * \beta \neq rhs.$$

Moreover if you want to perform a joint hypothesis test under heteroschedasticity you should write "vcov=vcovHC" in the command linearHypothesis. You will visualize

Linear hypothesis test

Hypothesis:

assess = 0

sqrft = 0

bdrms = 0

Model 1: restricted model

Model 2: price ~ assess + sqrft + bdrms + colonial

Note: Coefficient covariance matrix supplied.

	Res.Df	Df	F	Pr(>F)
1		86		
2		83	3 52.88	< 2.2e-16 ***

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Our $\alpha = 0.05$ while $p - value = 0$, then we will reject H_0 at 5% significant level.

2. The dataset we will use is CEOSAL1. It contains 209 observation for the year 1990 on the the following data:

- *salary*: 1990 salary , thousands \$;
- *sales* : 1990 firm sales, millions \$.

We will not use the other variables.

- (a) Your employer wants to know what happens to the salary of CEO if the sales increases of 1%.

Solution: If you want to estimate the level increase of the dependent variable when a regressor increases of 1% you have to estimate a **linear-log** model. In our case it will be:

$$salary = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(sales) + u.$$

In this case if *sales* increases of 1%, then salary will change of $\frac{\beta_1}{100}$ thousands dollar. We can estimate the model using the command

```
rob(lm(salary ~ lsales ))
```

and obtain the following output:

```
> rob(lm(salary ~ lsales ))
              Estimate Std. Error   t value    Pr(>|t|) c.i. 2.5 %  c.i. 97.5%
(Intercept) -898.9290   539.04891 -1.667620 9.690317e-02 -1955.4454   157.5874
lsales       262.9015    62.29493  4.220271 3.650798e-05   140.8056   384.9973
```

This means that if the sales increase of 1%, the salary of CEO will increase of 2,62 thousand dollars.

- (b) Your boss wants to know how the percentage salary of CEO will change if the sales increases of 1 million.

Solution: If you want to estimate the percentage change in the dependent variable when a regressor increases of 1 unit, you have to use a **log-linear** model. In our case it will be:

$$lsalary = \beta_0 + \beta_1 sales + u.$$

In this case if *sales* increases of 1 thousand the salary will increase of $\beta_1 * 100\%$. We can estimate the model using the command

```
rob(lm(lsalary ~ sales ))
```

and we obtain the following output:

```
> rob(lm(lsalary~ sales ))
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	c.i. 2.5 %	c.i. 97.5 %
(Intercept)	6.84665e+00	5.991082e-02	114.280701	5.527125e-189	6.729227e+00	6.964073e+00
sales	1.49825e-05	7.483440e-06	2.002087	4.658052e-02	3.152282e-07	2.964977e-05

If *sales* increase of 1 million, the salary of Ceo will increases of 0.0015%.

(c) Your boss wants to know what is the elasticity between sales and salary.

Solution: If you want to estimate the percentage change in the dependent variable when a regressor increases of 1 percent (or the elasticity), you have to use a **log-log** model. In our case it will be:

$$lsalary = \beta_0 + \beta_1 lsales + u.$$

In this case if *sales* increases of 1 percent will increase of $\beta_1\%$. We can estimate the model using the command

```
rob(lm(lsalary lsales ))
```

and we obtain the following output:

```
rob(lm(lsalary~ lsales ))
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	c.i. 2.5 %	c.i. 97.5 %
(Intercept)	4.8219962	0.27603865	17.468555	1.363835e-42	4.2809704	5.3630220
lsales	0.2566717	0.03265347	7.860474	2.066079e-13	0.1926721	0.3206713

If *sales* increase of 1 percent, the salary of Ceo will increases of 0.25%.