

- ## Assignment - 2: BUAN 6312 Harikrishna Dev HXD220000

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	660
Model	17.0019785	6	2.83366308	F(6, 653)	=	13.43
Residual	137.810143	653	.211041566	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.1098
				Adj R-squared	=	0.1016

Total		154.812121		659	.234919759	Root MSE	=	.45939
ecobuy		Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]		
ecoprc		-.8026219	.1094037	-7.34	0.000	-1.017447		-.5877963
regprc		.7192675	.131639	5.46	0.000	.4607808		.9777543
faminc		.0005518	.0005295	1.04	0.298	-.000488		.0015916
hhsz		.0238227	.0125262	1.90	0.058	-.0007739		.0484193
educ		.0247849	.0083743	2.96	0.003	.008341		.0412287
age		-.0005008	.0012499	-0.40	0.689	-.0029551		.0019536
_cons		.4236865	.1649674	2.57	0.010	.099756		.747617

- Are the nonprice variables jointly significant in the LPM? (Use the usual F statistic, even though it is not valid when there is heteroskedasticity.) Which explanatory variable other than the price variables seems to have the most significant effect on the decision to buy ecolabeled apples? Does this make sense to you?

We can see that we conduct a hypothesis tests on the non price variables gives us a $p_value < 0.05$.

Therefore, we can reject the null hypothesis i.e. non-price variables are jointly significant. As $t(educ) = 2.96$ is the highest t statistic value among the non price variable, we can conclude that **education** makes most significant effect on purchase of eco-labeled apples. This makes sense that educated customers would prefer ecolabeled apples as they would be more well equipped in understanding the benefit of the consumption of them.

```
. test faminc hhsz educ age

( 1) faminc = 0
( 2) hhsz = 0
( 3) educ = 0
( 4) age = 0

F( 4, 653) = 4.43
Prob > F = 0.0015
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- In the model from part (ii), replace $faminc$ with $\log(faminc)$. Given the R^2 , which model fits the data better? How many estimated probabilities are negative? How many are bigger than one? Should you be concerned? [Hint: Use command predict y to generate fitted values.]

```
. gen lfaminc = ln(faminc)
. reg ecobuy ecoprc regprc lfaminc hhsz educ age
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Source		SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	660
Model		17.278689	6	2.8797815	F(6, 653)	=	13.67
Residual		137.533432	653	.210617813	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Total		154.812121	659	.234919759	R-squared	=	0.1116
					Adj R-squared	=	0.1034
					Root MSE	=	.45893

ecobuy		Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]		
ecoprc		-.8006664	.1092981	-7.33	0.000	-1.015285		-.5860482
regprc		.721377	.1315196	5.48	0.000	.4631247		.9796294
lfaminc		.0445162	.0287239	1.55	0.122	-.0118861		.1009185
hhsz		.0227002	.012543	1.81	0.071	-.0019294		.0473297
educ		.023093	.0084508	2.73	0.006	.006499		.039687
age		-.0003865	.0012517	-0.31	0.758	-.0028444		.0020713
_cons		.3037519	.1789605	1.70	0.090	-.0476555		.6551593

We see that the **Adj-R sq** of the second model is greater in the first model. This indicates that the second model fits better. In the second model, there are two fitted probabilities are above 1 and in the range of 0.185 to 1.051. The two values aren't of concern as the source has 660 observations and the values are very close to 1. There are no negative probabilities.

2. Use the data in EZANDERS for this exercise. The data are on monthly unemployment claims in Anderson Township in Indiana, from January 1980 through November 1988. In 1984, an enterprise zone (EZ) was located in Anderson (as well as other cities in Indiana).
- Regress $\log(\text{uclms})$ on a monthly linear time trend and 11 monthly dummy variables. [Hint: Use jan as the base month for the monthly dummy variables.] What was the overall trend in unemployment claims over this period? (Interpret the coefficient on the time trend.) Is there evidence of seasonality in unemployment claims?

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. use "C:\Users\hxd220000\Desktop\Data Sets- STATA\EZANDERS.DTA"

. regress luelms year feb mar apr may jun jul aug sep oct nov dec
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	107
Model	27.0363482	12	2.25302901	F(12, 94)	=	14.36
Residual	14.7491008	94	.156905327	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.6470
				Adj R-squared	=	0.6020
Total	41.7854489	106	.394202348	Root MSE	=	.39611

luelms	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]
year	-.1665437	.0149503	-11.14	0.000	-.1962279 -.1368595
feb	-.0132261	.1867294	-0.07	0.944	-.3839816 .3575294
mar	-.0661643	.1867294	-0.35	0.724	-.4369198 .3045912
apr	-.3649279	.1867294	-1.95	0.054	-.7356834 .0058276
may	-.5147779	.1867294	-2.76	0.007	-.8855334 -.1440224
jun	-.5541234	.1867294	-2.97	0.004	-.9248789 -.1833679
jul	-.5191558	.1867294	-2.78	0.007	-.8899113 -.1484003
aug	-.3378477	.1867294	-1.81	0.074	-.7086032 .0329078
sep	-.7528584	.1867294	-4.03	0.000	-1.123614 -.3821029
oct	-.7867943	.1867294	-4.21	0.000	-1.15755 -.4160388
nov	-.6816665	.1867294	-3.65	0.000	-1.052422 -.310911
dec	-.3740492	.1926213	-1.94	0.055	-.7565034 .0084049
_cons	339.4264	29.66172	11.44	0.000	280.5323 398.3204

We see that coefficient of **YEAR** is **-0.1665**. This implies that the overall trend of unemployment claims decreases by **16.65%** per year. As the p-value < threshold value, we can conclude that the yearly trend is significant.

We can see that some of the monthly dummy variables are significant at a 5% level of significance, whereas some are not significant at the same threshold. This helps us understand that there is a presence of seasonal factors behind unemployment claims.

To confirm the joint significance, we perform the Wald test on the 11 monthly dummy variables.

$$H_0 : feb - dec = 0$$

$$H_1 : feb - dec \neq 0$$

```
. test feb mar apr may jun jul aug sep oct nov dec

( 1)  feb = 0
( 2)  mar = 0
( 3)  apr = 0
( 4)  may = 0
( 5)  jun = 0
( 6)  jul = 0
( 7)  aug = 0
( 8)  sep = 0
( 9)  oct = 0
(10)  nov = 0
(11)  dec = 0

      F( 11,    94) =    4.32
      Prob > F =    0.0000
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As the $p\text{-value} < \text{threshold}$, we can reject the null hypothesis. Therefore, we can conclude that the monthly dummy variables are jointly significant.

- Add *ez*, a dummy variable equal to one in the months Anderson had an EZ, to the regression in part (i). Does having the enterprise zone seem to decrease unemployment claims? By how much?

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. regress luc1ms year feb mar apr may jun jul aug sep oct nov dec ez
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	107
Model	28.7422487	13	2.21094221	F(13, 93)	=	15.76
Residual	13.0432002	93	.140249465	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.6879
				Adj R-squared	=	0.6442
Total	41.7854489	106	.394202348	Root MSE	=	.3745

	luc1ms	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]
year		-.0811489	.0282722	-2.87	0.005	-.1372918 -.025006
feb		-.0132261	.1765405	-0.07	0.940	-.3638005 .3373484
mar		-.0661643	.1765405	-0.37	0.709	-.4167388 .2844101
apr		-.3649279	.1765405	-2.07	0.042	-.7155023 -.0143534
may		-.5147779	.1765405	-2.92	0.004	-.8653523 -.1642034
jun		-.5541234	.1765405	-3.14	0.002	-.9046978 -.203549
jul		-.5191558	.1765405	-2.94	0.004	-.8697303 -.1685814
aug		-.3378477	.1765405	-1.91	0.059	-.6884222 .0127267
sep		-.7528584	.1765405	-4.26	0.000	-1.103433 -.4022839
oct		-.7867943	.1765405	-4.46	0.000	-1.137369 -.4362198
nov		-.6816665	.1765405	-3.86	0.000	-1.032241 -.3310921
dec		-.3595756	.1821582	-1.97	0.051	-.7213057 .0021546
ez		-.5080266	.1456667	-3.49	0.001	-.7972917 -.2187614
_cons		170.2854	56.02201	3.04	0.003	59.03674 281.534

When *ez* is added to the regression, its coefficient is about $-.508$ (se $\approx .146$). EZ decreases the unemployment claims by:

$$100(1 - e^{-0.508}) = 39.82\%$$

3. Use the data in HSEINV for this exercise.

- Find the first order autocorrelation in $\log(\text{invpc})$ and $\log(\text{price})$ respectively. Which of the two series may have a unit root?

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. use "C:\Users\hxd220000\Desktop\Data Sets- STATA\HSEINV.DTA"
. tsset year

Time variable: year, 1947 to 1988
Delta: 1 unit

. corr linvpc linvpc_1
(obs=41)
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	linvpc	linvpc_1
linvpc	1.0000	
linvpc_1	0.6391	1.0000

The first order autocorrelation for $\log(\text{invpc})$ is 0.6391.

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. corr lprice lprice_1
(obs=41)
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	lprice	lprice_1
lprice	1.0000	
lprice_1	0.9492	1.0000

The first order autocorrelation for $\log(\text{price})$ is 0.9492.

As the correlation coefficient is high, we can assume they both have a unit root.

- Based on your findings in part (i), estimate the equation below and report the results in standard form. Interpret the coefficient β_1 and determine whether it is statistically significant.

$$\log(\text{invpc}_t) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \Delta \log(\text{price}_t) + \beta_2 \times t + u_t$$

```
. reg linvpc gprice t
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	41
Model	.575457228	2	.287728614	F(2, 38)	=	19.77
Residual	.553167094	38	.014557029	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.5099
				Adj R-squared	=	0.4841
Total	1.12862432	40	.028215608	Root MSE	=	.12065

linvpc	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]	
gprice	3.878646	.9579971	4.05	0.000	1.939282	5.81801
t	.008037	.0015952	5.04	0.000	.0048077	.0112664
_cons	-.8532545	.040291	-21.18	0.000	-.9348193	-.7716897

We can see that the co-efficient of gprice is statistically significant. This implies that 1% growth of price results in 3.87% increase in per capita in the housing investment above it mean value.

- Now use $\Delta \log(\text{invpc}_t)$ as the dependent variable. Re-run the equation and report the results in standard form. How do your results of the coefficient β_1 change from part (ii)? Is the time trend still significant? Why or why not?

```
. reg ginvpc gprice t
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	41
Model	.039000234	2	.019500117	F(2, 38)	=	0.95
Residual	.782237921	38	.020585208	Prob > F	=	0.3968
				R-squared	=	0.0475
				Adj R-squared	=	-0.0026
Total	.821238155	40	.020530954	Root MSE	=	.14348

ginvpc	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]	
gprice	1.566526	1.139214	1.38	0.177	-.7396933	3.872745
t	.000037	.001897	0.02	0.985	-.0038032	.0038772
_cons	.0059315	.0479125	0.12	0.902	-.0910623	.1029253

We see that the co-efficient is 1.567 and is not statistically significant. The time trend is not significant at 5% level of significance as the p value is 0.902.

- Recall that in the example of testing Efficient Markets Hypothesis, it may be that the expected value of the return at time t , given past returns, is a quadratic function of return_{t-1} .
- To check this possibility, use the data in NYSE to estimate

$$\text{return}_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{return}_{t-1} + \beta_2 \text{return}_{t-1}^2 + u_t$$

report the results in standard form.

Answer here

- State and test the null hypothesis that $E(\text{return}_t | \text{return}_{t-1})$ does not depend on return_{t-1} . [Hint: There are two restrictions to test here.] What do you conclude?

Answer here

- Drop $return_{t-1}^2$ from the model, but add the interaction term $return_{t-1} \times return_{t-2}$. Now test the efficient markets hypothesis. [Hint: stata can create lag (or lead) variables using subscripts conveniently. For example, you can use the command `gen return_2 = return[_n-2]` to create $return_{t-2}$ fast.]

Answer here

- What do you conclude about predicting weekly stock returns based on past stock returns?

Answer here

5. Use the data in KIELMC for this exercise.

- The variable `dist` is the distance from each home to the incinerator site, in feet. Consider the model

$$\log(\text{price}) = \beta_0 + \delta_0 y_{81} + \beta_1 \log(\text{dist}) + \delta_1 y_{81} \cdot \log(\text{dist}) + u.$$

If building the incinerator reduces the value of homes closer to the site, what is the sign of δ_1 ? What does it mean if $\beta_1 > 0$?

Assuming all the other variables remain constant, we can conclude that cost of home is positively correlated to the distance from the incinerator. Therefore,

$$\delta_1 > 0$$

Assuming $\beta_1 > 0$, We can assume the distance between the expensive houses and the incinerator is large.

- Estimate the model from part (i) and report the results in the usual form. Interpret the coefficient on $y_{81} \cdot \log(\text{dist})$. What do you conclude?

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. use "C:\Users\hxd220000\Desktop\Data Sets- STATA\KIELMC.DTA"
. reg lprice y81 ldist y81ldist
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	321
Model	24.3172548	3	8.10575159	F(3, 317)	=	69.22
Residual	37.1217306	317	.117103251	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Total	61.4389853	320	.191996829	R-squared	=	0.3958
				Adj R-squared	=	0.3901
				Root MSE	=	.3422

	lprice	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]
y81		-.0113101	.0050622	-0.01	0.989	-1.59525 1.57263
ldist		.316689	.0515323	6.15	0.000	.2153005 .4180775
y81ldist		.0481862	.0817929	0.59	0.556	-.1127394 .2091117
_cons		8.058468	.5084358	15.85	0.000	7.058133 9.058803

From our analysis, we get the following equation:

$$\hat{\text{lprice}} = 8.06 - 0.0113 \times y_{81} + 0.317 \text{ldist} + 0.0481 \times y_{81} \times \text{ldist}$$

$$n = 321, R^2 = 0.3958, \text{Adj} R^2 = 0.3901$$

We see that $\delta_1 = 0.0481862$, but the p-value > 0.05 . So, it is not statistically significant.

- Add age , age^2 , rooms , baths , $\log(\text{intst})$, $\log(\text{land})$, and $\log(\text{area})$ to the equation. Now, what do you conclude about the effect of the incinerator on housing values?

```
. reg lprice y81 ldist y81ldist age agesq rooms baths lintst lland larea
```

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	321
Model	48.353762	10	4.8353762	F(10, 310)	=	114.55
Residual	13.0852234	310	.042210398	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Total	61.4389853	320	.191996829	R-squared	=	0.7870
				Adj R-squared	=	0.7802
				Root MSE	=	.20545

	lprice	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]	
y81		-.2254466	.4946914	-0.46	0.649	-1.198824	.7479309
ldist		.0009226	.0446168	0.02	0.984	-.0868674	.0887125
y81ldist		.0624668	.0502788	1.24	0.215	-.036464	.1613976
age		-.0080075	.0014173	-5.65	0.000	-.0107962	-.0052187
agesq		.0000357	8.71e-06	4.10	0.000	.0000186	.0000528
rooms		.0461389	.0173442	2.66	0.008	.0120117	.0802662
baths		.1010478	.0278224	3.63	0.000	.0463032	.1557924
lintst		-.0599757	.0317217	-1.89	0.060	-.1223929	.0024414
lland		.0953425	.0247252	3.86	0.000	.046692	.143993
larea		.3507429	.0519485	6.75	0.000	.2485266	.4529592
_cons		7.673854	.5015718	15.30	0.000	6.686938	8.660769

We can see that $\delta_1 = 0.0624668$ with a p-value = 0.215. As the summary of the regression output conducts a two-tailed test, we can assume for the one tailed test

$$H_0 : \delta_1 = 0$$

$$H_1 : \delta_1 > 0$$

$$p\text{-value}_{\text{one-tailed}} = \frac{p\text{-value}_{\text{two-tailed}}}{2} = \frac{0.215}{2} = 0.107$$

As the p-value > 0.05, we can conclude that the distance from the incinerator is not affecting the price of the houses.

- Why is the coefficient on $\log(dist)$ positive and statistically significant in part (ii) but not in part (iii)? What does this say about the controls used in part (iii)?

We can see that in the first model, the coefficient of dist is statistically significant, where it is insignificant in the second model. This is due to the absense of these additional factor. To ensure they are jointly significant, we can perform the Wald's test.

```
. test age agesq rooms baths lintst lland larea

( 1) age = 0
( 2) agesq = 0
( 3) rooms = 0
( 4) baths = 0
( 5) lintst = 0
( 6) lland = 0
( 7) larea = 0

F( 7, 310) = 81.35
Prob > F = 0.0000
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As the p-value of the test is lesser than the threshold, we can conclude they are jointly significant.

6. Use the data in PHILLIPS for this exercise. As we mentioned in Lecture 7, instead of the static Phillips curve model, we can estimate an expectations-augmented Phillips curve of the form

$$\Delta inf_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 unem_t + e_t$$

where $\Delta inf_t = inf_t - inf_{t-1}$

- Estimate this equation by OLS and report the results in the usual form. In estimating this equation by OLS, we assumed that the supply shock, e_t , was uncorrelated with $unem_t$. If this is false, what can be said about the OLS estimator of β_1 ?

```
. reg cinf unem
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	55
Model	32.6324798	1	32.6324798	F(1, 53)	=	6.13
Residual	282.055894	53	5.32180932	Prob > F	=	0.0165
				R-squared	=	0.1037

					Adj R-squared	=	0.0868
					Root MSE	=	2.3069
Total			314.688374	54	5.82756247		
dinf			Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]
unem			-.5176487	.209045	-2.48	0.017	-.9369398 -.0983576
_cons			2.828202	1.224871	2.31	0.025	.3714212 5.284982

We obtain the following equation by running a regression as follows:

$$\Delta inf_t = 2.83 - 0.518 \times unem_t + e_t$$

If e_t is correlated with $unem_t$, then the estimator for β_1 would be biased and inconsistent.

- Suppose that e_t is unpredictable given all past information: $E(e_t | inf(t-1), unem(t-1), \dots) = 0$. Explain why this makes $unem_t - 1$ a good IV candidate for $unem_t$.

Assuming e_t is unpredictable, we can choose $unem_{t-1}$ as it correlated with the endogenous variable $unem_t$, but not to e_t . therefore, it can serve as IV for $unem_t$. As it satisfies the $E(e_t/unem_{t-1})=0$, we can conclude that $unem_{t-1}$ is not correlated to e_t . By using $unem_{t-1}$ as an IV for $unem_t$ in the regression, we can obtain consistent estimates of the causal effect of $unem_t$ on $dinf$, even if $unem_t$ is endogenous.

- Does $unem_t - 1$ satisfy the instrument relevance assumption? [Hint: You need to run a regression to answer this question.]

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. reg unem unem_1
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	55
				F(1, 53)	=	69.12
Model	68.9295284	1	68.9295284	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Residual	52.8515619	53	.99719928	R-squared	=	0.5660
				Adj R-squared	=	0.5578
Total	121.78109	54	2.25520538	Root MSE	=	.9986

unem	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]	
unem_1	.7423824	.0892927	8.31	0.000	.5632839	.9214809
_cons	1.489685	.5202033	2.86	0.006	.446289	2.53308

As we can see that p-value of the $unem_1$ is below the threshold, we can conclude that the $unem_{t-1}$ is strongly correlated with $unem_t$ and satisfies the assumption.

- Estimate the expectations augmented Phillips curve by 2SLS using $unem_t - 1$ as an IV for $unem_t$. Report the results in the usual form and compare them with the OLS estimates from (i).

IV Model

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. ivreg cinf unem
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Instrumental variables 2SLS regression

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	55
				F(1, 53)	=	6.13
Model	32.6324798	1	32.6324798	Prob > F	=	0.0165
Residual	282.055894	53	5.32180932	R-squared	=	0.1037
				Adj R-squared	=	0.0868
Total	314.688374	54	5.82756247	Root MSE	=	2.3069

cinf	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]	
unem	-.5176487	.209045	-2.48	0.017	-.9369398	-.0983576
_cons	2.828202	1.224871	2.31	0.025	.3714212	5.284982

(no endogenous regressors)

OLS Model

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. reg cinf unem
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Source		SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	55
					F(1, 53)	=	6.13
Model		32.6324798	1	32.6324798	Prob > F	=	0.0165
Residual		282.055894	53	5.32180932	R-squared	=	0.1037
					Adj R-squared	=	0.0868
Total		314.688374	54	5.82756247	Root MSE	=	2.3069

cinf		Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]
unem		-.5176487	.209045	-2.48	0.017	-.9369398 -.0983576
_cons		2.828202	1.224871	2.31	0.025	.3714212 5.284982