

# 高级计量经济学

## Assignment 2

1. Show that the OLS residuals of the following regression models are numerically identical.

$$(1) \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}_1\beta_1 + \mathbf{X}_2\beta_2 + \varepsilon,$$

$$(2) \mathbf{y}^* = \mathbf{X}_2^*\beta_2^* + \varepsilon^*,$$

where  $\mathbf{X}_2^* = \mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2$ ,  $\mathbf{y}^* = \mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{y}$ , and  $\mathbf{M}_1 = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}_1(\mathbf{X}_1'\mathbf{X}_1)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_1'$ .

2. Consider random variables  $x$  and  $y$  whose joint density function is  $f(x, y)$ . Prove the following properties.

$$(1) E[xy] = E_x[xE[y|x]].$$

$$(2) \text{Cov}[x, y] = \text{Cov}_x[x, E[y|x]] = \int_x (x - E[x]) E[y|x] f_x(x) dx.$$

### Solution

1.

We start with regression (2). The residual maker matrix of this regression is

$$\mathbf{M}^* = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}_2^*(\mathbf{X}_2^{*'}\mathbf{X}_2^*)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_2^{*'}.$$

The OLS residual is then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{M}^*\mathbf{y}^* &= \mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}_2^*(\mathbf{X}_2^{*'}\mathbf{X}_2^*)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_2^{*'}\mathbf{y}^* \\ &= \mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2(\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2)^{-1}(\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2)'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2(\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{y} \end{aligned}$$

For regression (1), from the deviation of the FWL Theorem, one sees that

$$\mathbf{b}_2 = (\mathbf{X}_2^{*'}\mathbf{X}_2^*)\mathbf{X}_2^{*'}\mathbf{y}^* = (\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{y}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{b}_1 &= (\mathbf{X}_1'\mathbf{X}_1)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_1'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}_2\mathbf{b}_2) \\ &= (\mathbf{X}_1'\mathbf{X}_1)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_1'[\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}_2(\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{y}] \\ &= (\mathbf{X}_1'\mathbf{X}_1)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_1'[\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}_2(\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1\mathbf{X}_2)^{-1}\mathbf{X}_2'\mathbf{M}_1]\mathbf{y} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the OLS residual is

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}_1 \mathbf{b}_1 - \mathbf{X}_2 \mathbf{b}_2 &= \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}_1 (\mathbf{X}_1' \mathbf{X}_1)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_1' [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}_2 (\mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1] \mathbf{y} \\
&\quad - \mathbf{X}_2 (\mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{y} \\
&= [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}_1 (\mathbf{X}_1' \mathbf{X}_1)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_1' + \mathbf{X}_1 (\mathbf{X}_1' \mathbf{X}_1)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_1' \mathbf{X}_2 (\mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1 \\
&\quad - \mathbf{X}_2 (\mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1] \mathbf{y} \\
&= [\mathbf{M}_1 - \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2 (\mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_2' \mathbf{M}_1] \mathbf{y}
\end{aligned}$$

which coincides with the OLS residual of regression (2).

2.

(1)

By definition, one has

$$\begin{aligned}
E[xy] &= \int_x \int_y xy f(x, y) dy dx \\
&= \int_x \int_y xy f(y|x) f_x(x) dy dx \\
&= \int_x x \left[ \int_y y f(y|x) dy \right] f_x(x) dx \\
&= \int_x x E[y|x] f_x(x) dx \\
&= E_x[x E[y|x]]
\end{aligned}$$

(2)

The first equality follows from applying the property  $\text{Cov}(x, y) = E[xy] - E[x]E[y]$  by replacing  $y$  with  $E[y|x]$ , i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cov}_x(x, E[y|x]) &= E_x[x E[y|x]] - E[x]E_x[E[y|x]] \\
&= E[xy] - E[x]E[y] \quad (\text{using (1) and Law of Iterated Expectation}) \\
&= \text{Cov}[x, y]
\end{aligned}$$

The second equality can then be derived from definition:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cov}_x(x, E[y|x]) &= \int_x (x - E[x]) (E[y|x] - E_x[E[y|x]]) f_x(x) dx \\
&= \int_x (x - E[x]) E[y|x] f_x(x) dx - \int_x (x - E[x]) E[y] f_x(x) dx \\
&= \int_x (x - E[x]) E[y|x] f_x(x) dx - E[y] \int_x (x - E[x]) f_x(x) dx \\
&= \int_x (x - E[x]) E[y|x] f_x(x) dx - E[y] \cdot 0 \\
&= \int_x (x - E[x]) E[y|x] f_x(x) dx
\end{aligned}$$