# Lecture 18 Quantitative Political Science

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# Agenda

- 1. Matrix Algebra fun!
- 2. Multiple Regression
- 3. Controls

### Matrix Algebra Fun! Thanks BK!

ullet Vectors: ordered arrays denoted  ${f v}=(v_1,v_2,\ldots,v_k)$  or

$$\mathbf{v} = egin{pmatrix} v_1 \ v_2 \ dots \ v_k \end{pmatrix}$$

- (Note that some will denote vectors with bold letters, or with  $\vec{v}$ )
- ullet Addition and subtraction require two vectors of the same length,  ${f u}$  and  ${f v}$ , but are then just adding or subtracting the elements

$$\mathbf{u}\pm\mathbf{v}=egin{pmatrix} u_1\pm v_1\ u_2\pm v_2\ dots\ u_k\pm v_k \end{pmatrix}$$

#### **Vectors**

Multiplication by a constant c is just multiplying each element by c

$$c\mathbf{v} = egin{pmatrix} cv_1 \ cv_2 \ dots \ cv_k \end{pmatrix}$$

• Multiplication of two vectors is called a **dot product**, written  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v}$ , and translates to multiplying each element in  $\mathbf{u}$  by the corresponding element in  $\mathbf{v}$  and then adding them all up

$$\mathbf{u}\cdot\mathbf{v} = u_1v_1 + u_2v_2 + \cdots + u_kv_k \ = \sum_{m=1}^k u_mv_m$$

#### **Matrices**

ullet A matrix is a two-dimensional array with entries in n rows and m columns, called an n imes m matrix

$$\mathbf{A} = egin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

• As with vectors, matrices can be added and subtracted as long as they are the same dimensions

$$\mathbf{A}\pm\mathbf{B} = egin{bmatrix} a_{11}\pm b_{11} & a_{12}\pm b_{12} & a_{13}\pm b_{13} \ a_{21}\pm b_{21} & a_{22}\pm b_{22} & a_{23}\pm b_{23} \ a_{31}\pm b_{31} & a_{32}\pm b_{32} & a_{33}\pm b_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

As with vectors, matrices multiplied by a constant are straightforward

$$c\mathbf{A} = egin{bmatrix} ca_{11} & ca_{12} & ca_{13} \ ca_{21} & ca_{22} & ca_{23} \ ca_{31} & ca_{32} & ca_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrices: Transpose

- ullet Transposing: we can "rotate" n imes m matrices into m imes n matrices
  - Meaning that the first row becomes the first column, the second row becomes the second column, etc.
  - $\circ$  Denoted with  $\mathbf{A}^{\top}$  (or sometimes  $\mathbf{A}'$ )
- For example:

$$\mathbf{A} = egin{bmatrix} 99 & 73 & 2 \ 13 & 40 & 41 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \Leftrightarrow \qquad \mathbf{A}^ op = egin{bmatrix} 99 & 13 \ 73 & 40 \ 2 & 41 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Matrices: Transpose

• Properties of transposes

$$egin{aligned} (\mathbf{A}^ op)^ op &= \mathbf{A}, \ (c\mathbf{A})^ op &= c(\mathbf{A}^ op), \ (\mathbf{A}+\mathbf{B})^ op &= \mathbf{A}^ op + \mathbf{B}^ op, \ (\mathbf{A}-\mathbf{B})^ op &= \mathbf{A}^ op - \mathbf{B}^ op, \ (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^ op &= \mathbf{B}^ op \mathbf{A}^ op. \end{aligned}$$

- Note that it doesn't make sense to transpose a scalar
  - $\circ~$  But also that this means a scalar is always equal to its transpose:  $a=a^{ op}$

## Matrix Multiplication

- Refresher: need to multiply an n imes m matrix by an m imes p matrix.
  - **NOTE**: the number of rows in the second matrix must be equal to the number of columns in the first matrix!
- Resulting matrix is an  $n \times p$  matrix whose ij'th element is the **dot product** of the i'th row of the first matrix and the j'th column of the second matrix
- ullet Try it: solve  ${f AB}$  where

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 \cdot 1 + 10 \cdot (-1) & 2 \cdot 4 + 10 \cdot 10 \\ 0 \cdot 1 + 1 \cdot (-1) & 0 \cdot 4 + 1 \cdot 10 \\ (-1) \cdot 1 + 5 \cdot (-1) & (-1) \cdot 4 + 5 \cdot 10 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -8 & 108 \\ -1 & 10 \\ -6 & 46 \end{bmatrix}$$

### Matrix Multiplication

- Properties of matrix multiplication
  - $\circ$  Associative:  $(\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BC})$
  - $\circ$  Distributive:  $\mathbf{A}(\mathbf{B}+\mathbf{C})=\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}+\mathbf{A}\mathbf{C}$
  - $\circ$  **NOT** commutative:  $\mathbf{AB} \neq \mathbf{BA}$
  - $\circ$  Transpose Rule:  $(\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B})^{ op} = \mathbf{B}^{ op}\mathbf{A}^{ op}$

## **Matrix Expectations**

Expectations are easily distributed throughout a matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = egin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} \ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} \ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} \end{bmatrix} \hspace{1cm} ; \hspace{1cm} E(\mathbf{X}) = egin{bmatrix} E(x_{11}) & E(x_{12}) & E(x_{13}) \ E(x_{21}) & E(x_{22}) & E(x_{23}) \ E(x_{31}) & E(x_{32}) & E(x_{33}) \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Matrix Derivatives**

- ullet Consider a matrix equation of the form  ${f y}={f A}{f x}$ , meaning that each row is  $y_i=a_{1i}x_1+a_{2i}x_2+\cdots+a_{ki}x_k$
- In matrix notation:

$$egin{bmatrix} y_1 \ y_2 \ dots \ y_n \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \dots & a_{k1} \ a_{12} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{k2} \ dots & dots & \ddots & dots \ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \dots & a_{kn} \end{bmatrix} egin{bmatrix} x_1 \ x_2 \ dots \ x_k \end{bmatrix}$$

- To take the partial derivative with respect to  $\mathbf{x}$ , we go element by element in  $\mathbf{y}$ :  $\frac{\partial y_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$ ,  $\frac{\partial y_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$ , ...,  $\frac{\partial y_n}{\partial \mathbf{x}}$
- But to do THIS, we again go element by element through each value of  ${\bf x}$ , noting that  $\frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1}=a_{11}$  and  $\frac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_2}=a_{21}$ , and that  $\frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x_1}=a_{12}$  and  $\frac{\partial y_2}{\partial x_2}=a_{22}$

#### **Matrix Derivatives**

• We can write these in vector form as follows:

$$egin{aligned} rac{\partial y_1}{\partial \mathbf{x}} &= egin{bmatrix} rac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_1} \ rac{\partial y_1}{\partial x_2} \ rac{\partial}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} a_{11} \ a_{21} \ rac{\partial}{\partial x} \end{bmatrix}; \; rac{\partial y_2}{\partial \mathbf{x}} &= egin{bmatrix} rac{\partial y_2}{\partial x_2} \ rac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} a_{12} \ a_{22} \ rac{\partial}{\partial x_2} \end{bmatrix}; \; \dots \; rac{\partial y_n}{\partial \mathbf{x}} &= egin{bmatrix} rac{\partial y_n}{\partial x_2} \ rac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \ a_{2n} \ rac{\partial}{\partial x_n} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

• Now let's just combine each of these vectors of derivatives into its own matrix to yield:

$$egin{aligned} rac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = egin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \dots & a_{1n} \ a_{21} & a_{22} & \dots & a_{2n} \ dots & dots & \ddots & dots \ a_{k1} & a_{k2} & \dots & a_{kn} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{A}^ op \end{aligned}$$

#### **Matrix Derivatives**

- ullet Thus  $rac{\partial \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = rac{\partial (\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x})}{\partial \mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{A}^ op$
- From this, we can also note that, given  $y=\mathbf{a}^{ op}\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{x}}=\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^{ op}\mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}=\mathbf{a}$
- ullet And also, given  $y=\mathbf{x}^{ op}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ ,  $rac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{x}}=rac{\partial \mathbf{x}^{ op}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}=2\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$
- And finally, given  $y=\mathbf{x}^{\top}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}$ ,  $\frac{\partial y}{\partial \mathbf{A}}=\frac{\partial \mathbf{x}^{\top}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}}{\partial \mathbf{x}}=\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{\top}$

# **Special Matrices**

- **Zero** matrices: **0** has all entries as zero
  - $\circ$  NB:  $\mathbf{A}_{r imes c}\cdot \mathbf{0}_{c imes n}=\mathbf{0}_{r imes n}$  and  $\mathbf{0}_{n imes r}\cdot \mathbf{A}_{r imes c}=\mathbf{0}_{n imes c}$
- Square matrices: n imes n size, meaning the same number of rows as columns
- Symmetric square matrices:  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^{ op}$
- **Diagonal** symmetric square matrices: zeros everywhere except the diagonal: if i are rows and j are columns,  $i \neq j$ , then  $a_{ij} = 0$ .
- **Identity** diagonal symmetric square matrices:  $\mathbf{I}_n$  is a diagonal matrix where the diagonals are 1s
  - What is

$$\mathbf{A} = egin{bmatrix} 99 & 73 & 2 \ 13 & 40 & 41 \end{bmatrix} \qquad \cdot \qquad \mathbf{I} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \ 0 & 1 & 0 \ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

#### **Matrix Inversion**

- ullet In the scalar world, we know we can rewrite a division problem  $rac{a}{b}$  as a multiplication problem  $a imesrac{1}{b}=a imes b^{-1}$ 
  - $\circ b^{-1}$  is the inverse of b
  - $\circ~$  The (obvious) requirement for the inverse is that  $b imes b^{-1}=rac{b}{1} imesrac{1}{b}=rac{b}{b}=1$
- ullet In the matrix world, the inverse of a matrix  ${f A}$  is denoted  ${f A}^{-1}$  and must also satisfy:  ${f A}{f A}^{-1}={f I}_n$
- Some properties!
  - $\circ$  If  ${f C}$  is an inverse of  ${f A}$ , then  ${f A}$  is also the inverse of  ${f C}$
  - $\circ$  If  ${f C}$  and  ${f D}$  are both inverses of  ${f A}$ , then  ${f C}={f D}$
  - $\circ$  The inverse of an inverse of  ${f A}$  is just  ${f A}$ :  $({f A}^{-1})^{-1}={f A}$
  - $\circ$  The inverse of  ${f A}^ op$  is the same as the inverse of  ${f A}$ , transposed:  $({f A}^ op)^{-1}=({f A}^{-1})^ op$
  - $\circ$  If you have a scalar c multiplied by a matrix  ${f A}$ , then  $(c{f A})^{-1}=rac{1}{c}{f A}^{-1}$

#### **Matrix Inversion**

- To invert a  $2 \times 2$  matrix, follow this rule:
- For

$$\mathbf{A} = egin{bmatrix} a & b \ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

Invert using

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = rac{1}{ad-bc}egin{bmatrix} d & -b \ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$

- where ad-bc is known as the **determinant** of the matrix  ${\bf A}$ , so named because it "determines" whether a matrix is invertible.
  - $\circ$  Why would it not be invertible? If ad-bc=0 or ad=bc!

#### **Matrix Inversion**

• Matrix inversion gets harder with larger matrices...you can learn how to do it manually, but this is where software like R comes in handy!

```
A <- matrix(c(2, 1, 3, 4),

nrow = 2,

ncol = 2)

A
```

```
## [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 2 3
## [2,] 1 4
```

• Use the solve() function to get the inverse of A

```
A_inv <- solve(A)
A_inv
```

```
## [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 0.8 -0.6
## [2,] -0.2 0.4
```

#### Matrix Math in R

• R also can make our lives easier for matrix multiplication...just use %\*% instead of the standard \*

```
# Use %*% to do matrix multiplication
A*A_inv # Doesn't work...just does element-by-element multiplication
```

```
## [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 1.6 -1.8
## [2,] -0.2 1.6
```

A %\*% A\_inv # Works! We've proved that A\_inv is the inverse of A!

```
## [,1] [,2]
## [1,] 1 0
## [2,] 0 1
```

## Why all this!?

- It helps us solve systems of equations!
- Back in the day, you probably had lots of practice with these types of things:

$$2x_1 + x_2 = 10, \ 2x_1 - x_2 = -10$$

- You probably learned to solve it various ways (i.e., solve for  $x_1$  first then plug in)
- We can solve with matrix math instead!

$$egin{aligned} \mathbf{A} &= egin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 \ 2 & -1 \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{x} &= egin{bmatrix} x_1 \ x_2 \end{bmatrix}, \ \mathbf{b} &= egin{bmatrix} 10 \ -10 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Systems of Equations

- ullet We can re-write the two equations with matrix notation as  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{x}=\mathbf{b}$
- To solve for  ${\bf x}$ , we just invert  ${\bf A}$  and write  ${\bf x}={\bf A}^{-1}{\bf b}$

```
## [,1]
## [1,] -2.5
## [2,] 7.5
```

- ullet  $x_1=-2.5$  and  $x_2=7.5$ ! So easy!
- ullet Note that there is a unique solution for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  iff  ${f A}$  is invertible
  - If not, there is either no solution or infinitely many solutions

- We can use matrix algebra to help us with **multiple regression** (one outcome with multiple predictors)
  - $\circ$  Note: **multivariate regression** (multiple outcomes)  $\neq$  multiple regression
- ullet Let's start with familiar notation and then break it down:  $y_i=eta_0+eta_1x_i+eta_2z_i+u_i$
- What does *y look* like? I mean this literally...what is it in a dataset?
  - $\circ$  It is an n-length vector of values  $\mathbf{y}$ , one for each row in our dataset!

0 1 27069005 1 067070272 0 696952952

• x and z are the same

```
##
       respondent id
## 1
                      1.48840379 -1.270882210 -0.560475647
## 2
                                  0.026706220 -0.230177489
                     1.56929669
## 3
                   3 -0.51183694 1.312016436
                                               1.558708314
## 4
                      0.19565146 -0.277034208
                                               0.070508391
## 5
                   5 -1.36595852 -0.822330832
                                               0.129287735
## 6
                   6 -0.52127462
                                 1.670037262
                                               1.715064987
                   7 -1.57350731 -0.323988263
                                               0.460916206
                   8 -2.26255920 -2.933003171 -1.265061235
```

- Let's now look at the data in a different way, from the perspective of a single unit of observation
  - $\circ$  l.e., if we are dealing with a survey of individuals, our data might have some respondent 7 for whom we observe both  $y_7$  as well as  $x_7$  and  $z_7$
- From this perspective, unit 7 is associated with an outcome  $y_7$  (a single value) and then a vector of predictors:  $\mathbf{x}_7 = (x_7, z_7)$

```
dat %>% slice(7)
```

```
## respondent_id y x z
## 1 7 -1.573507 -0.3239883 0.4609162
```

- We can write our regression equation for this specific respondent as  $y_7=\beta_0+\beta_1x_7+\beta_2z_7+u_7$ , or we can write it as  $y_7=\mathbf{x}_7\cdot\beta+u_7$  (note that this is the same as writing )
  - $\circ \beta$  is now itself a **vector** of coefficients:  $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2)$
  - $\circ \mathbf{x}_7$  now needs to include the number 1:  $\mathbf{x}_7 = (1, x_7, z_7)$  in order to capture the  $eta_0$  coefficient.

• We can then think of eta as a k imes 1 vector (where k is the number of predictors) and  $\mathbf{x}_7$  as a 1 imes k vector, and then matrix multiply them!

$$egin{align} y_7 &= \mathbf{x}_7 \cdot eta + u_7 \ &= \left[ egin{align*} 1 & x_7 & z_7 
ight] \cdot \left[ eta_0 eta_1 eta_2 
ight] + u_7 \ &= eta_0 + eta_1 x_7 + eta_2 z_7 + u_7, \end{split}$$

• Now this was just one observation in our data, but we can imagine doing this for every single row, and then stacking our equations on top of each other

$$egin{aligned} y_1 &= eta \cdot \mathbf{x}_1 + u_1, \ y_2 &= eta \cdot \mathbf{x}_2 + u_2, \ dots \ y_n &= eta \cdot \mathbf{x}_N + u_n. \end{aligned}$$

• As with any system of equations, we can re-write as vectors and matrices

$$\mathbf{y} = egin{bmatrix} y_1 \ y_2 \ dots \ y_n \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{X} = egin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_1 \ \mathbf{x}_2 \ dots \ \mathbf{x}_n \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & z_1 \ 1 & x_2 & z_2 \ dots & dots \ 1 & x_n & z_n \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \mathbf{u} = egin{bmatrix} u_1 \ u_2 dots u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- Plugging in:  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{u}$
- Note that this is the same as writing:

$$egin{bmatrix} y_1 \ y_2 \ dots \ y_n \end{bmatrix}_{n imes 1} = egin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 & z_1 \ 1 & x_2 & z_2 \ dots \ 1 & x_n & z_n \end{bmatrix}_{n imes k} egin{bmatrix} eta_0 \ eta_1 \ eta_2 \end{bmatrix}_{k imes 1} + egin{bmatrix} u_1 \ u_2 \ dots \ u_n \end{bmatrix}_{n imes k}$$

• where k is the number of parameters (in this case, 3) and n is the number of observations

- Note that  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X} \cdot \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{u}$  is assumed to be a reflection of the real world
  - $\circ$  Aside: prove to yourself that  $\mathbf{y}=\mathbf{X}\cdoteta+\mathbf{u}$  and  $\mathbf{y}=eta^ op\cdot\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{u}$  are equivalent
- ullet We estimate these, as before, with our OLS estimators  $\hat{eta}$
- ullet To do so, we first calculate our residuals as  $u=y-X\hat{eta}$  , and then add them up and square them.
  - $\circ$  In the **scalar** world, we would write this as  $\sum u_i^2$ .
  - $\circ$  In the **vector** world, we write this as  $\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{u}$ . Take a moment and try to see why!

• Note that  $\mathbf{u}^{ op}\mathbf{u}=[\,u_1*u_1+u_2*u_2+\cdots+u_n*u_n\,]$  is the same as  $\sum u_i^2!!$ 

- We can re-write the sum of squared residuals as  $\mathbf{u}^{ op}\mathbf{u}=(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{X}\hat{eta})^{ op}(\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{X}\hat{eta})$  by plugging in
- Now let's try doing some reorganizing of this

$$egin{aligned} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{eta})^ op (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{eta}) &= (\mathbf{y}^ op - \hat{eta}^ op \mathbf{X}^ op)(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{eta}) \ &= \mathbf{y}^ op \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^ op \mathbf{X}\hat{eta} - \hat{eta}^ op \mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{y} + \hat{eta}^ op \mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{X}\hat{eta} \end{aligned}$$

- To subtract, it must be that  $\mathbf{y}^{\top}\mathbf{y}$  is conformable with  $\mathbf{y}^{\top}\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}$ , meaning they must have the same dimensions
  - $\circ$  Note that  $\mathbf{y}^{\top}\mathbf{y}$  is a scalar, meaning that  $\mathbf{y}^{\top}\mathbf{X}\hat{eta}$  must also be a scalar (by conformability)
  - $\circ$  Thus we can re-write  $\mathbf{y}^{ op}\mathbf{X}\hat{eta}=(\mathbf{y}^{ op}\mathbf{X}\hat{eta})^{ op}=\hat{eta}^{ op}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{y}$  (by transpose of a scalar)
- Substitute this in to reduce to:

$$\mathbf{u}^ op \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{y}^ op \mathbf{y} - 2\hat{eta}^ op \mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{y} + \hat{eta}^ op \mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{X}\hat{eta}$$

• Take the derivative with respect to  $\hat{eta}$  and set it equal to zero, just like we did in the bivariate case

$$egin{aligned} rac{\partial \mathbf{u}^{ op} \mathbf{u}}{\partial \hat{eta}} &= -2 \mathbf{X}^{ op} \mathbf{y} + 2 \mathbf{X}^{ op} \mathbf{X} \hat{eta} = 0 \ & (\mathbf{X}^{ op} \mathbf{X}) \hat{eta} &= \mathbf{X}^{ op} \mathbf{y} \end{aligned}$$

• To solve for  $\hat{\beta}$ , we need to pre-multiply both the left and the right by the inverse of  $(X^{\top}X)$ , assuming it exists

$$(\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})\hat{eta} = \mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{y}$$
 $(\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}(\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})\hat{eta} = (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{y}$ 
 $\hat{eta} = (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{y}$ 
 $\hat{eta} = (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{y}$ 

Welcome to the matrix definition of the OLS estimator!

#### Unbiasedness

- Is this unbiased?
- To start, let's fiddle with the preceding definition of  $\hat{eta}$  a little bit by replacing  ${f y}$  with  ${f X}eta+{f u}$ .
  - $\circ$  Note that this requires **Assumption 1**: that the population model can be written as  ${f y}={f X}eta+{f u}$

$$egin{aligned} \hat{eta} &= (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{y} \ &= (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}(\mathbf{X}eta + \mathbf{u}) \ &= (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X}eta + (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u} \ &= \mathbf{I}eta + (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u} \ &= eta + (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u} \ &= eta + (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$$

#### Unbiasedness

• Now let's invoke **Assumption 2** that these observations are drawn from an i.i.d. random sample, allowing us take expectations

$$egin{aligned} E(\hat{eta}) &= Eigg[eta + (\mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{u}igg] \ &= E(eta) + Eigg[(\mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{u}igg] \ &= eta + Eigg[(\mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^ op \mathbf{u}igg] \end{aligned}$$

- Note that this requires  $(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}$  to exist, so we'll invoke **Assumption 3**: there is no perfect multicollinearity among our X values
  - o Compare this to the non-zero variance when we were working with scalars in the bivariate case

#### Unbiasedness

• Finally, let's invoke our most heroic assumption **Assumption 4**:  $E(\mathbf{u}|\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0}$ , and then rely on the law of iterated expectations (LIE)

$$egin{aligned} E(\hat{eta} \mid \mathbf{X}) &= eta + Eigg[ (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u} \mid \mathbf{X} igg] \ &= eta + (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}E(\mathbf{u} \mid \mathbf{X}) \ &= eta + (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{0} \ &= eta \end{aligned}$$

#### Properties of the OLS Estimators

•  ${f X}^ op {f u}=0$ : To prove, substitute the definition of  ${f y}={f X}\hateta+{f u}$  into the normal equation

$$egin{aligned} & (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})\hat{eta} = \mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{y} \ & (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})\hat{eta} = \mathbf{X}^{ op}(\mathbf{X}\hat{eta} + \mathbf{u}) \ & (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})\hat{eta} = (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})\hat{eta} + \mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u} \ & 0 = \mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u} \end{aligned}$$

#### Properties of the OLS Estimators

ullet If our regression specification includes a constant,  $\sum u_i=0$ : To prove, look inside the matrices!

$$egin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1n} \ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2n} \ dots & dots & \ddots & dots \ x_{k1} & x_{k2} & \dots & x_{kn} \end{bmatrix} \cdot egin{bmatrix} u_1 \ u_2 \ dots \ u_n \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} x_{11} * u_1 + x_{12} * u_2 + \dots + x_{1n} * u_n \ x_{21} * u_1 + x_{22} * u_2 + \dots + x_{2n} * u_n \ dots \ x_{21} * u_1 + x_{22} * u_2 + \dots + x_{2n} * u_n \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} 0 \ 0 \ dots \ x_{k1} * u_1 + x_{k2} * u_2 + \dots + x_{kn} * u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- If  $\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u}=\mathbf{0}$ , then every column  $\mathbf{x}_k$ 's dot product with  $\mathbf{u}$  must be zero
- ullet Since the first column of  ${f X}$  is all 1, then this first column reduces to  $\sum u_i=0$
- ullet Also note that therefore  $ar{u}=0$  since  $ar{u}=rac{\sum u_i}{n}$

#### Properties of the OLS Estimators

- The regression **hyperplane** (no longer a single line, since we have multiple predictors) will pass through  $ar{X}$  and  $ar{y}$ 
  - $\circ~$  We just showed that  $ar{u}=0$ , and we know that  $u=y-X\hat{eta}$
  - $\circ~$  Thus  $ar{u}=ar{y}-ar{x}\hat{eta}$  , meaning  $ar{y}=ar{x}\hat{eta}$
- ullet The predicted values of y are uncorrelated with the residuals
  - $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{eta}$  , meaning that

$$egin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{y}}^{ op} \mathbf{u} &= \mathbf{X} \hat{eta}^{ op} \mathbf{u} \ &= \hat{eta}^{ op} \mathbf{X}^{ op} \mathbf{u} \ &= \hat{eta}^{ op} \cdot \mathbf{0} \end{aligned}$$

- The preceding has brought us to the statement that our OLS estimator is unbiased...but is it the "best"?
- We require **Assumption 5**:  $E(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^{ op} \mid \mathbf{X}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ . AKA: "spherical errors"
- Let's write it out:

$$egin{aligned} E(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^{ op}\mid\mathbf{X}) &= Eigg(egin{aligned} u_1\mid\mathbf{X}\ u_2\mid\mathbf{X} & \ldots & u_n\mid\mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix}igg) \ &= Eigg(egin{aligned} u_1\mid\mathbf{X} & u_1u_2\mid\mathbf{X} & \ldots & u_1u_n\mid\mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix} \ &= Eegin{aligned} u_1^2\mid\mathbf{X} & u_1u_2\mid\mathbf{X} & \ldots & u_1u_n\mid\mathbf{X} \\ u_2u_1\mid\mathbf{X} & u_2^2\mid\mathbf{X} & \ldots & u_2u_n\mid\mathbf{X} \\ &\vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u_nu_1\mid\mathbf{X} & u_nu_2\mid\mathbf{X} & \ldots & u_n^2\mid\mathbf{X} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

• Distribute expectations to get:

$$E(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^{ op} \mid \mathbf{X}) = egin{bmatrix} E(u_1^2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & E(u_1u_2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & \dots & E(u_1u_n \mid \mathbf{X}) \ E(u_2u_1 \mid \mathbf{X}) & E(u_2^2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & \dots & E(u_2u_n \mid \mathbf{X}) \ dots & dots & \ddots & dots \ E(u_nu_1 \mid \mathbf{X}) & E(u_nu_2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & \dots & E(u_n^2 \mid \mathbf{X}) \end{bmatrix}$$

- From **Assumption 5**:
  - $\circ$  Homoskedasticity states that the variance of  $u_i = \sigma^2$  for all i, or  $VAR(u_i|\mathbf{X}) = \sigma^2 \ \ orall \ i$
  - $\circ~$  No autocorrelation states that  $cov(u_i,u_j|\mathbf{X})=0$

• Thus, assumption 5 allows us to re-write:

$$E(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^{ op} \mid \mathbf{X}) = egin{bmatrix} E(u_1^2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & E(u_1u_2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & \dots & E(u_1u_n \mid \mathbf{X}) \ E(u_2u_1 \mid \mathbf{X}) & E(u_2^2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & \dots & E(u_2u_n \mid \mathbf{X}) \ dots & dots & \ddots & dots \ E(u_nu_1 \mid \mathbf{X}) & E(u_nu_2 \mid \mathbf{X}) & \dots & E(u_n^2 \mid \mathbf{X}) \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \ 0 & \sigma^2 & \dots & 0 \ 0 & \sigma^2 & \dots & 0 \ dots & dots & \ddots & dots \ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

ullet which is the same as writing  $\sigma^2 {f I}$ 

- Finally, let's calculate the variance of our OLS estimators,  $\hat{eta}$
- But first, note that the variance of a **vector** is expressed as the covariance:  $E[(\hat{eta}-E(\hat{eta}))(\hat{eta}-E(\hat{eta}))^{ op}]$ 
  - $\circ$  Further note that we have already demonstrated that  $E(\hat{eta}) = eta$
- Also note that  $\hat{eta} = eta + (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u}$ , or  $\hat{eta} eta = (\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u}$
- Plug in

$$egin{aligned} E[(\hat{eta} - eta)(\hat{eta} - eta)^{ op}] &= Eigg[igg((\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u}igg)igg((\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u}igg)igg] \ &= Eigg[igg((\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u}igg)igg(\mathbf{u}^{ op}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}igg)igg] \ &= Eigg[(\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^{ op}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^{ op}\mathbf{X})^{-1}igg] \end{aligned}$$

ullet Take the LIE conditional on  ${f X}$  to get

$$E[(\hat{\beta} - \beta)(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^{\top} \mid \mathbf{X}] = E\Big[(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^{\top}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mid \mathbf{X}\Big]$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\top}E(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^{\top} \mid \mathbf{X})\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\top} (\sigma^{2}\mathbf{I}) \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

$$= \sigma^{2}\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

$$= \sigma^{2}\mathbf{I}(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

$$= \sigma^{2}(\mathbf{X}^{\top}\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

ullet In practice, we estimate the unknown  $\sigma^2$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2=rac{\mathbf{u}^{ op}\mathbf{u}}{n-k}$