

TABLE 3.5 Subsample from Koop and Tobias Data

Person	Education	Wage	Experience	Ability	Mother's education	Father's education	Siblings
1	13	1.82	1	1.00	12	12	1
2	15	2.14	4	1.50	12	12	1
3	10	1.56	1	-0.36	12	10	4
4	12	1.85	1	0.26	12	12	1
5	15	2.41	2	0.30	12	16	2
6	15	1.83	2	0.44	12	12	1
7	15	1.78	3	0.91	12	15	2
8	13	2.12	4	0.51	12	12	2
9	13	1.95	2	0.86	12	12	2
10	11	2.19	5	0.26	12	12	2
11	12	2.44	1	1.82	16	17	2
12	13	2.41	4	-1.30	13	12	5
13	12	2.07	3	-0.63	12	12	4
14	12	2.20	6	-0.36	10	12	2
15	12	2.12	3	0.28	10	12	3

Let \mathbf{X}_1 equal a constant, education, experience, and ability (the individual's own characteristics). Let \mathbf{X}_2 contain the mother's education, the father's education, and the number of siblings (the household characteristics). Let y be the wage.

- Compute the least squares regression coefficients in the regression of y on \mathbf{X}_1 . Report the coefficients.
- Compute the least squares regression coefficients in the regression of y on \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 . Report the coefficients.
- Regress each of the three variables in \mathbf{X}_2 on all of the variables in \mathbf{X}_1 . These new variables are \mathbf{X}_2^* . What are the sample means of these three variables? Explain the finding.
- Using (3-26), compute the R^2 for the regression of y on \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 . Repeat the computation for the case in which the constant term is omitted from \mathbf{X}_1 . What happens to R^2 ?
- Compute the adjusted R^2 for the full regression including the constant term. Interpret your result.
- Referring to the result in part c, regress y on \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2^* . How do your results compare to the results of the regression of y on \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 ? The comparison you are making is between the least squares coefficients when y is regressed on \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2 and when y is regressed on \mathbf{X}_1 and \mathbf{X}_2^* . Derive the result theoretically. (Your numerical results should match the theory, of course.)