# Tutorial 4

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## Question 1

## Matrix multiplication

Show that post-multiplying a matrix by a vector produces a linear combination of the columns of the matrix weighted by the elements of the vector.

## **Background**

If M and N are matrices/vectors then the matrix multiplication, MN, is only computable if the number of columns in M equals to the number of rows in N.

Suppose that  $\boldsymbol{M}$  and  $\boldsymbol{N}$  are given by,

$$\mathbf{M}_{2\times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\underset{2\times 1}{\pmb{N}} = \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the number of columns in M equals to the number of rows in N, MN is computable.

To compute MN,

$$\mathbf{MN}_{2\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} e \\ f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} ae + bf \\ ce + df \end{bmatrix}$$

Post-multiple matrix X by vector  $\widehat{\beta}$ ,

$$\mathbf{X}_{4\times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3\\ 1 & 2\\ 1 & 2\\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\widehat{\beta}_{2\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 \\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X\hat{\beta} = ?$$

Let 
$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}} = \boldsymbol{X}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$$

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}}_{4\times 1} = \boldsymbol{X}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3\\ 1 & 2\\ 1 & 2\\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.7\\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Since the no. of columns in X equals to the no. of rows in  $\hat{\beta}$ ,  $\hat{y}$  is computable

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}}_{4\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3\\ 1 & 2\\ 1 & 2\\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.7\\ 0.2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1\times0.7 + 3\times0.2\\ 1\times0.7 + 2\times0.2\\ 1\times0.7 + 2\times0.2\\ 1\times0.7 + 1\times0.2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 + 0.6\\ 0.7 + 0.4\\ 0.7 + 0.4\\ 0.7 + 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

By factoring out the constants, 0.7 and 0.2, we can see that  $\hat{y}$  is a linear combination of the columns of X, weighted by 0.7 and 0.2,

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}}_{4\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 + 0.6\\ 0.7 + 0.4\\ 0.7 + 0.4\\ 0.7 + 0.2 \end{bmatrix} = 0.7 \begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1\\1 \end{bmatrix} + 0.2 \begin{bmatrix} 3\\2\\2\\1 \end{bmatrix}$$

## Question 2

## Generalising results from Question 1

Generalise the result from Question 1 for the case of n observations an  $\boldsymbol{X}$  matrix of 3 columns and a  $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  vector of 3 rows.

$$\mathbf{X}_{n \times 3} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & x_{n3} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{3 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 \\ \hat{\beta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{y}} = \mathbf{X}\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = ?$$

Again, we can show that the linear combination of the columns of X equals to the sum of each column of X weighted/multiplied by each corresponding element in  $\widehat{\beta}$ ,

## Question 3

This question is based on question C4 of the textbook. It is based on data on monthly salary and other characteristics of a random sample of 935 individuals. These data are in the file wage2.wf1. We concentrate on wage as the dependent variable and the IQ as the independent variable.

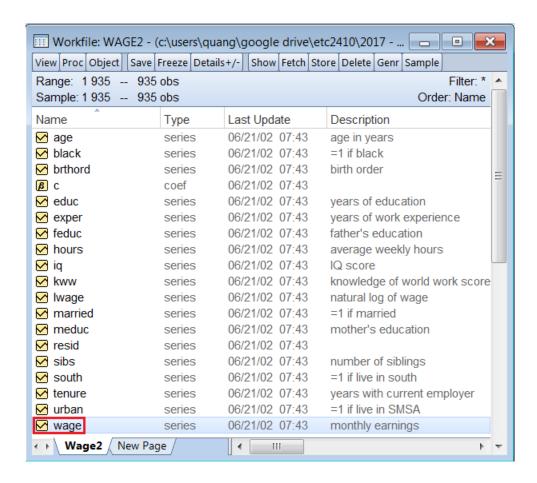
Descriptive analytics - "looking" at the data through summary measures

Obtain a histogram and summary statistics for the variables wage and IQ and a scatter plot of wage against IQ.

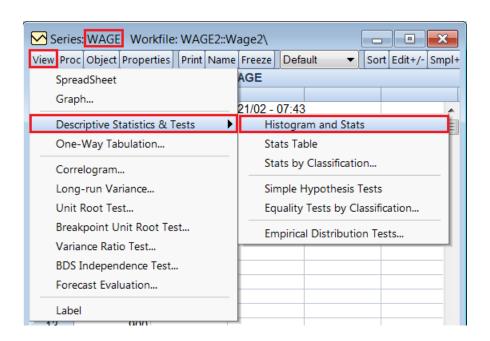
## wage - monthly earnings (\$)

To obtain the histogram of the wage in EViews,

1. Double click on wage from the workfile



### 2. $View \rightarrow Descriptive\ Statistics\ \&\ Tests \rightarrow Histograms\ and\ Stats$



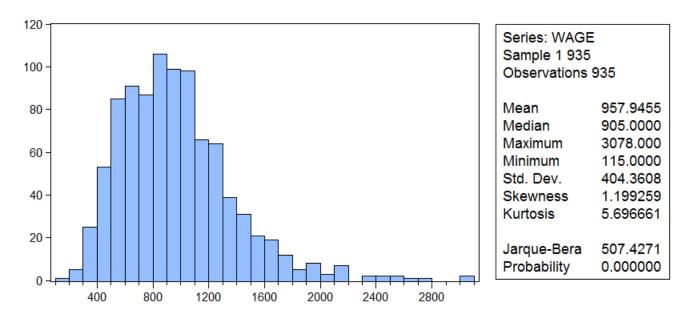


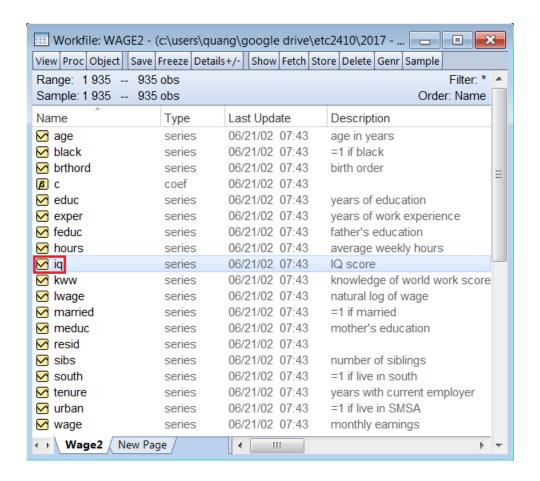
Figure 1: Histogram and descriptive statistics of monthly earnings (\$).

As we can see from Figure 1, monthly earnings is positively skewed (right-tailed) with mean and median monthly earnings of \$957.95 and \$905.00 respectively.

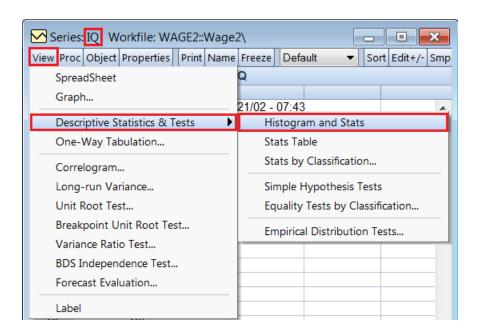
#### IQ - IQ score

To obtain the histogram of the IQ in EViews,

1. Double click on IQ from the workfile



2.  $View \rightarrow Descriptive\ Statistics\ \&\ Tests \rightarrow Histograms\ and\ Stats$ 



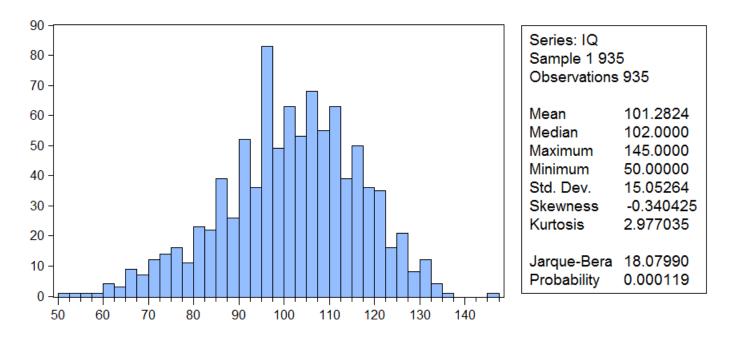


Figure 2: Histogram and descriptive statistics of IQ score.

As we can see from Figure 2, IQ score is very slightly negatively skewed (left-tailed) with mean and median IQ score of \$101.28 and \$102 respectively (almost symmetrical).

Theoretically, IQ score is normally distributed with the population parameters,

population mean = 
$$\mu = 100$$

population standard deviation =  $\sigma = 15$ 

From the empirical rule, it follows that 68%, 95%, and 99.7% of individuals have an IQ score within 1, 2, and 3 standard deviations of the mean respectively,

 $68\%: IQ\ score\ [85, 115]$ 

 $95\%: IQ\ score\ [70, 130]$ 

 $99.7\%: IQ\ score\ [55, 145]$ 

The sample mean and standard deviation are 'close' to their population counterpart,

sample mean = 
$$\hat{\mu} = \overline{IQ} = 101.28$$

 $sample\ standard\ deviation = \hat{\sigma} = 15.05$ 

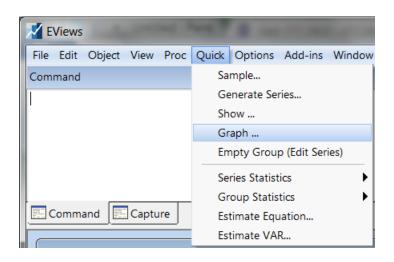
There is one outlier with an IQ score of 145 (theoretically, this individual is 3 population standard deviations above the population mean).

#### Scatter plot of wage against IQ

The dependent variable goes on the y-axis and the independent variable goes on the x-axis of a scatter plot. Since wage is the dependent variable it goes in the y-axis and IQ is the independent variable so it goes in the x-axis.

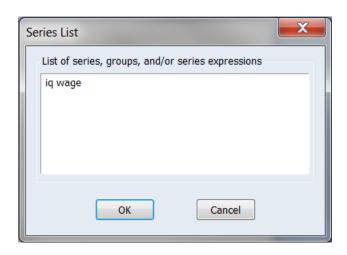
To obtain a scatter plot of wage against IQ,

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$$Quick \rightarrow Graph \dots$$

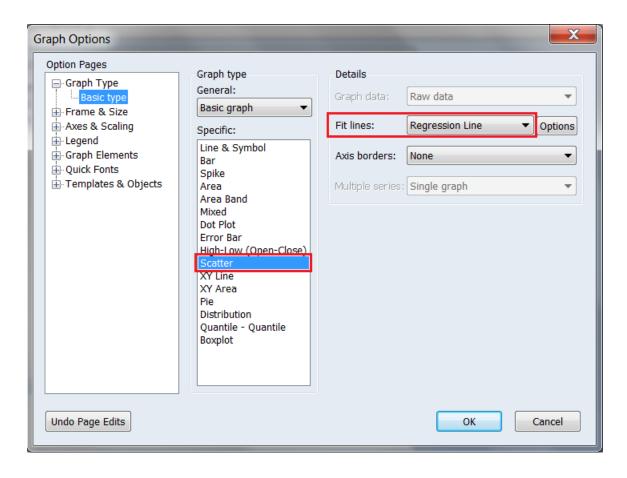


2. Series List: iq wage

 $(x - variable \ first \ then \ y - variable)$ 



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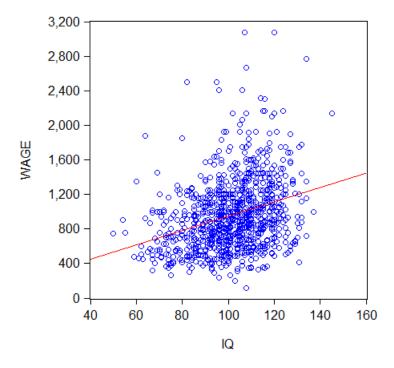


Figure 3: Scatter plot of monthly earnings (\$) against IQ score.

Visual inspection of Figure 3 reveals that there is a positive relationship between IQ score and monthly earnings, however, this relationship does not appear to be linear. We also observe that the variability of monthly earnings increases as IQ score increases.

The red line through the scatter plot is a regression line of the estimated model,

$$\widehat{wage} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_2 IQ$$

## (a) Simple Regression Model, Estimation, Interpretation of Slope Coefficient and $R^2$

Estimate a simple regression model where a one-point increase in IQ score changes monthly earnings by a constant dollar amount.

#### **Background**

Simple Linear Regression Model

A simple linear regression model has only one independent variable,

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + u$$

With a sample of n observations, we can express this model in terms of each observation i,

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + u_i$$
  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ 

or more compactly, in matrix notation

$$y = X\beta + u$$

where,

$$\mathbf{y}_{n\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X}_{n\times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{11} \\ 1 & x_{21} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\beta}_{2\times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{u}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

which gives,

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{11} \\ 1 & x_{21} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \beta_0 + \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n1} \end{bmatrix} \beta_1 + \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

#### Multiple Linear Regression Model

A *multiple* linear regression model has more than one independent variable. For example, the following model contains 2 independent variables,  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ ,

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + u$$

As with the simple case, the multiple regression model can also be expressed in terms of each observation i,

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + u_i$$
  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ 

or in matrix notation,

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{y} &= \boldsymbol{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{u} \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} \\ 1 & x_{21} & x_{22} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & x_{n2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

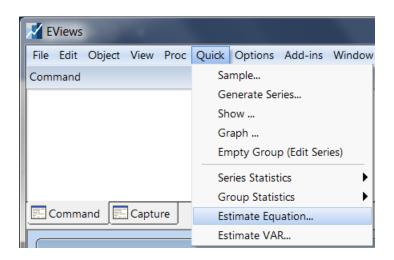
$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \beta_0 + \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} \\ x_{21} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n1} \end{bmatrix} \beta_1 + \begin{bmatrix} x_{12} \\ x_{22} \\ \vdots \\ x_{n2} \end{bmatrix} \beta_2 + \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

So a simple regression model where a one-point increase in IQ score changes wage by a constant amount is given by,

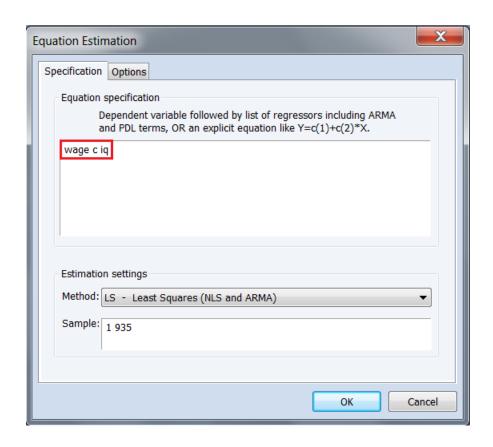
$$wage = \beta_0 + \beta_1 IQ + u$$

To estimate this model from the menu bar in EViews,

 $Quick \rightarrow Estimate\ Equation$ 



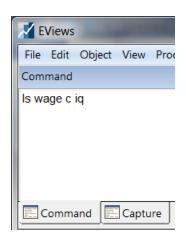
Equation Estimation: wage c iq



To estimate the model from the Command window,

 $Command\ window: ls\ wage\ c\ iq$ 

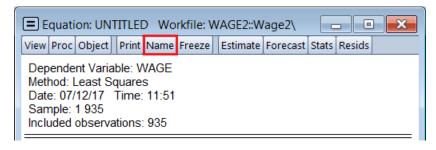
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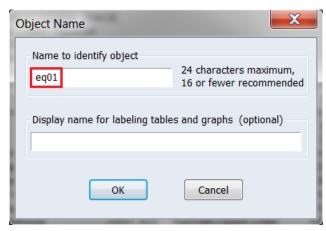


To name (save) the estimated equation,

 $Name \rightarrow Name \ to \ identify \ object: eq01$ 

#### (This names the equation eq01)

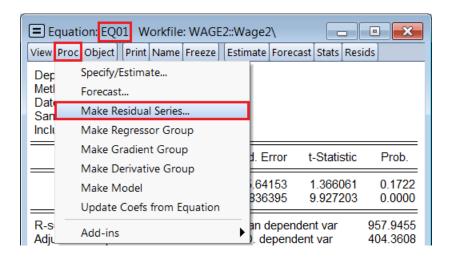


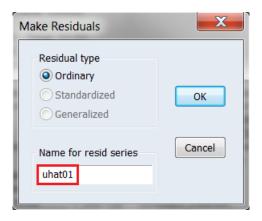


To save the residuals of this estimated model,

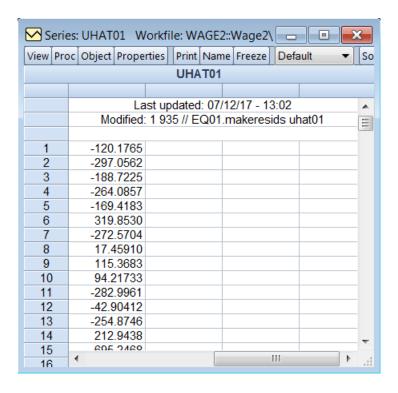
 $eq01 \rightarrow Proc \rightarrow Make\ Residual\ Series \cdots \rightarrow Name\ of\ resid\ series: uhat01$ 

(This names the equation **uhat01**)





After clicking OK, the residuals should appears



#### **Background**

#### Residuals

Every estimated model comes with a set of residuals. The residuals from an estimated model is the difference between the actual value of y and  $\hat{y}$  (predicted y) for each observation i,

$$\hat{u}_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$$
  $i = 1, 2, ..., n$ 

$$\hat{u}_1 = y_1 - \hat{y}_1$$

$$\hat{u}_2 = y_1 - \hat{y}_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\hat{u}_n = y_n - \hat{y}_n$$

For our estimated model of wage on a constant and IQ with a sample of 935 observations,

$$\widehat{wage}_i = 116.9916 + 8.3031IQ_i$$
  $i = 1, 2, \dots, 935$ 

the residuals are expressed as follows,

$$\hat{u}_i = wage_i - \widehat{wage}_i \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, 935$$

$$\hat{u}_1 = wage_1 - \widehat{wage}_1$$

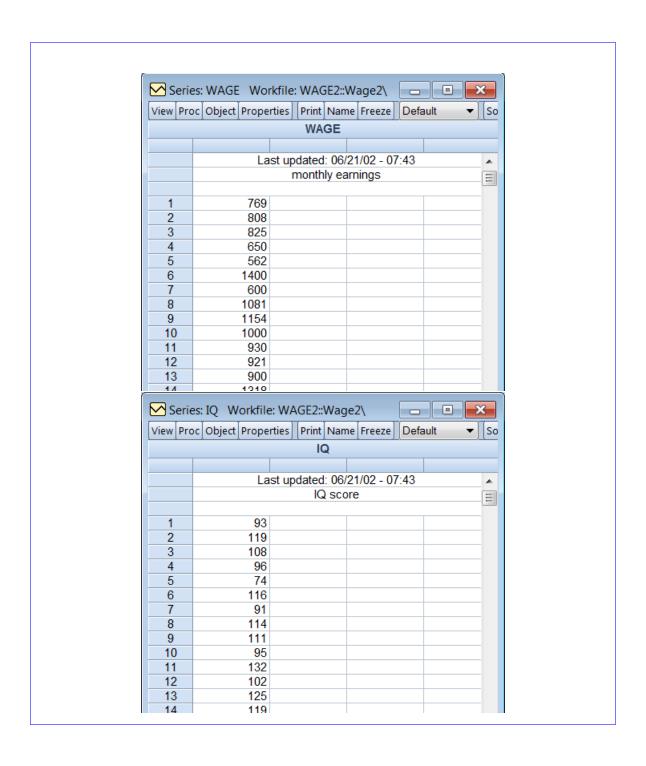
$$\hat{u}_2 = wage_2 - \widehat{wage}_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\hat{u}_{935} = wage_{935} - \widehat{wage}_{935}$$

Concretely,

$$\begin{aligned} wage_1 - \widehat{wage}_1 &= wage_1 - (116.9916 + 8.3031IQ_1) \\ &= 769 - (116.9916 + 8.3031 \times 93) \\ &= -120.18 \\ wage_2 - \widehat{wage}_2 &= wage_2 - (116.9916 + 8.3031IQ_2) \\ &= 808 - (116.9916 + 8.3031 \times 119) \\ &= -297.05 \\ &\vdots \\ wage_{935} - \widehat{wage}_{935} &= wage_{935} - (116.9916 + 8.3031IQ_{935}) \\ &= 1000 - (116.9916 + 8.3031 \times 107) \\ &= -5.42 \end{aligned}$$



Dependent Variable: WAGE Method: Least Squares

Sample: 1 935

Included observations: 935

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
C IQ	116.9916 8.303064	85.64153 0.836395	1.366061 9.927203	0.1722 0.0000
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood F-statistic Prob(F-statistic)	0.095535 $0.094566$ $384.7667$ $1.38E + 08$ $-6891.422$ $98.54936$ $0.000000$	Mean deper S.D. depend Akaike info Schwarz cri Hannan-Qu Durbin-Wat	lent var criterion terion inn criter.	957.9455 404.3608 14.74529 14.75564 14.74924 1.802114

Table 1: Regression output of wage on a constant and IQ

When reporting the estimated model, we must not forget to include a 'hat' above the dependent variable and report the standard error of  $\hat{\beta}$  in parenthesis underneath its corresponding estimated coefficient,

$$\widehat{wage} = 116.9916 + 8.3031IQ \\ _{(85.6415)} + 8.3031IQ$$

### Background

Conditional Expectation

Our simple regression model,

$$wage = \beta_0 + \beta_1 IQ + u$$

can also be written in terms of the expectation of wage conditional on IQ,

$$wage = E(wage|IQ) + u$$

since,

$$E(wage|IQ) = E(\beta_0 + \beta_1 IQ + u|IQ)$$

$$= E(\beta_0|IQ) + E(\beta_1 IQ|IQ) + E(u|IQ)$$

$$= \beta_0 + \beta_1 IQ + 0$$

$$= \beta_0 + \beta_1 IQ$$

 $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are the true but unknown population parameters in our model, which we wish to estimate using our sample data set. To estimate the simple regression model of wage on a constant and IQ is to effectively estimate the expected wage conditional on IQ,

$$\widehat{wage} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 IQ$$

$$E(\widehat{wage}|IQ) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 IQ$$

 $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  are estimators of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  i.e. they are random variables which gives us estimates of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  depending on the sample data set we feed it.

But how does  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  estimate  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ ?

#### **OLS** estimator

Estimating the expected wage conditional on IQ involves estimating the unknown population parameters  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  and we do so by using the OLS estimator. The OLS estimator 'finds' or 'chooses' a value for  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  such that the sum of the squared differences between wage and  $\widehat{wage}$  for each observation i in our sample,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (wage_i - \widehat{wage_i})^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (wage_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 IQ_i))^2$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{u}_i^2$$

is as small as possible. Stated differently, the OLS estimator is a formula,

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$$

which after given some sample data, will find the values for  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  that minimises the sum of squared residuals.

For a simple linear regression model like wage, the OLS formula for  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  is given by,

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \overline{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \overline{x}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\widehat{cov}(x_i, y_i)}{\widehat{var}(x_i)}$$

Such that,

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \overline{x} \\ \widehat{cov}(x_i, y_i) \\ \overline{\widehat{var}}(x_i) \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the predicted increase in wage for an increase in IQ of 15 points:

$$\widehat{wage} = 116.9916 + 8.3031IQ$$

The model predicts/estimates that a 1-point increase in IQ score, increases monthly earnings by \$8.30 ( $\hat{\beta}_1 = 8.30$ ), on average. This implies that for a 15-point increase in IQ score, the model predicts monthly earnings to increase by  $15 \times \$8.3031 = \$124.55$ , on average.

### Does IQ explain most of the variation in wage?

From Table 1,  $R^2 = 0.09554$ . This means that the model explains 9.55% of the variability in wage. Since this model contains only one independent variable, IQ, this implies that IQ explains 9.55% of the variability in wage and 100-9.55%=90.45% is left unexplained by the model. (There is a lot of unexplained variation.)

What is the relationship between the  $R^2$  of this regression and the sample correlation coefficient between wage and IQ?

Correlation			
	WAGE IQ		
WAGE	1.000000	0.309088	
IQ	0.309088	1.000000	

$$R^2 = 0.0955$$
 
$$\widehat{corr}(wage, IQ) = 0.309088$$
 
$$(\widehat{corr}(wage, IQ))^2 = 0.309088^2 = 0.0955 = R^2$$

This relationship can only hold for a simple linear regression model.

#### (b) Interpretation of the intercept coefficient

What does the estimated intercept coefficient of,

$$\widehat{wage} = 116.9916 + 8.3031IQ \\ (85.6415) + (0.8364)$$

#### mean?

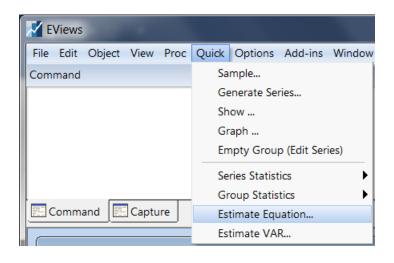
$$\hat{\beta}_0 = 116.9916$$

The model predicts that an individual with an IQ score of 0 will earn \$116.99 each month, on average. This interpretation is not meaningful because:

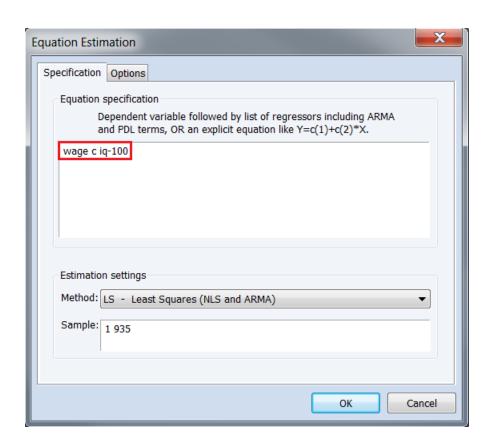
- 1. Not possible for living person to have an IQ score of 0.
- 2. We estimated our model with a sample of individuals with an IQ score between 50 (minimum) and 145 (maximum). Predictions based on values of the independent variable(s) outside of the range of values in the sample used to estimate the model should be avoided. Since IQ=0 is outside this range, this interpretation is not meaningful.

Run a regression of wage on a constant and (IQ - 100) and name this equation eq02 in EViews.

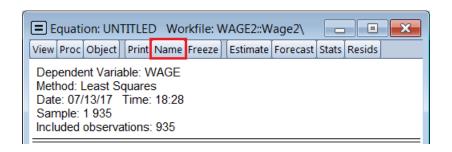
$$wage = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1(IQ - 100) + u$$
  
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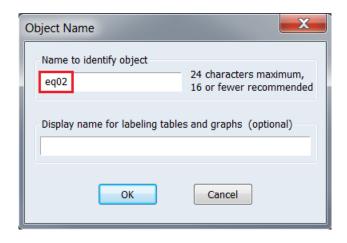


Equation Estimation : wage c iq - 100



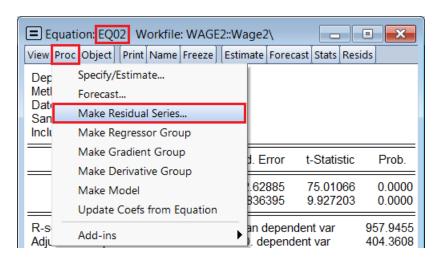
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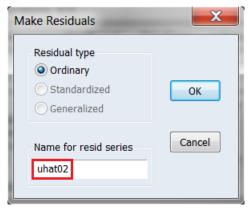




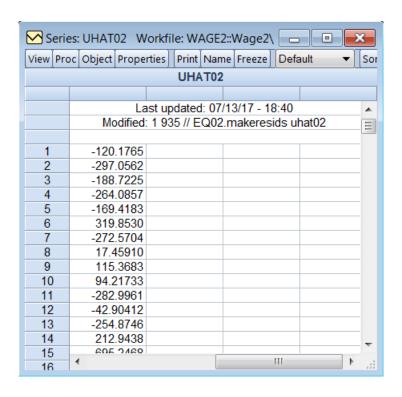
To save residuals of this estimated model,

 $eq02 \rightarrow Proc \rightarrow Make\ Residual\ Series \cdots \rightarrow Name\ of\ resid\ series: uhat02$ 





After clicking OK, the residuals should appears (if not, double-click uhat02 from the workfile to see the residuals),



Dependent Variable: WAGE

Method: Least Squares

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Table 2: Regression output of wage on a constant and (IQ - 100)

When reporting the estimated model, we must not forget to include a 'hat' above the

dependent variable and  $se(\hat{\beta}_j)$  underneath  $\hat{\beta}_j$  in parenthesis,

$$\widehat{wage} = 947.2980 + 8.3031(IQ - 100)$$

#### Similarities between both estimated models:

- Estimated slope coefficient is the same for both estimated models,  $\hat{\beta}_1 = \hat{\alpha}_1 = 8.3031$ .
- $R^2$  statistic is the same for both estimated models,  $R^2_{eq01} = R^2_{eq02} = 0.0955$ .
- The OLS residuals are the same for both estimated models (*Highlight uhat*01 & *uhat*02  $\rightarrow$   $Open \rightarrow As \ Group$ ),

	UHAT01	UHAT02
1	-120.1765	-120.1765
2	-297.0562	-297.0562
3	-188.7225	-188.7225
4	-264.0857	-264.0857
5	-169.4183	-169.4183
6	319.8530	319.8530
7	-272.5704	-272.5704
8	17.45910	17.45910
9	115.3683	115.3683
10	94.21733	94.21733
11	-282.9961	-282.9961
12	-42.90412	-42.90412
13	-254.8746	-254.8746
14	212.9438	212.9438
15	695.2468	695.2468
16	-30.81332	-30.81332
17	337.9744	337.9744
40	405 4070	400 4070

#### Differences between both estimated models:

- Estimated intercept coefficient is different for both estimated models,  $\hat{\beta}_0 = 116.9916 \neq \hat{\alpha}_0 = 947.2980$ .
- Interpretation of estimated intercept of eq02,  $\hat{\alpha}_0 = 947.2980$ , is meaningful: The model predicts that a person with an IQ score of 100 (when IQ-100=0, IQ=100), will earn, on average, \$947.30 per month.

## (c) What have we learnt?

Subtracting 100 (or any constant) from the independent variable IQ only changes the estimated intercept coefficient. Why?

Firstly, consider a graph with both regression lines,

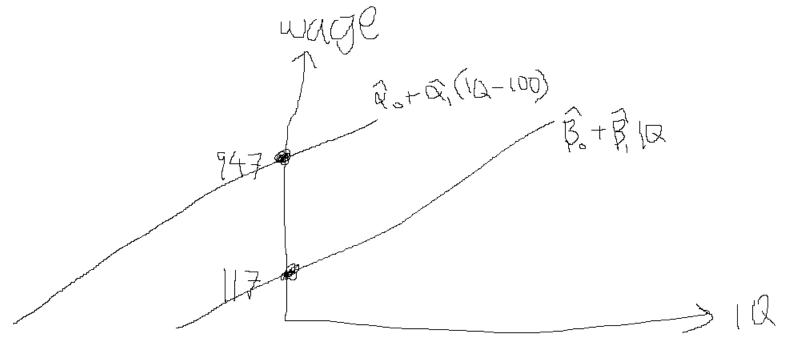


Figure 4: (draft) INCORRECT GRAPH! FIX!

If instead, we subtracted IQ by 1 rather than 100, the regression line will shift to the left by 1 unit (thinking about the data points plotted in a scatter plot which form the first regression line. If these data points take one step to the left, the regression line will also take one step to the left.) so the estimated intercept should increase by 1 unit of the estimated slope i.e.  $1 \times \hat{\beta}_1$ ,

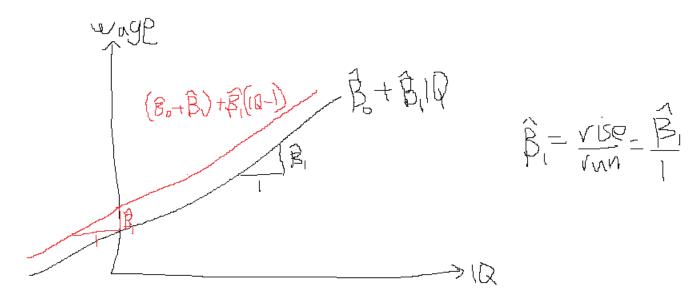


Figure 5: (draft) INCORRECT GRAPH! FIX!

If we now subtract IQ by 100, the regression line shifts to the left by 100 units and estimated intercept should increase by 100 units of the estimated slope i.e  $100 \times \hat{\beta}_1$ ,

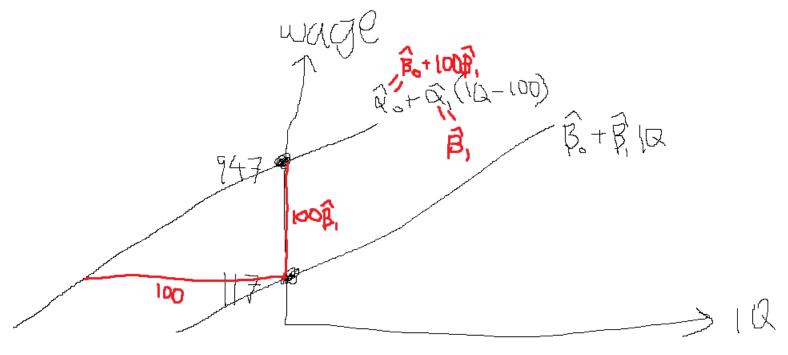


Figure 6: (draft) INCORRECT GRAPH! FIX!

## Question 4

Dummy variables & linear independence of matrix columns

EViews workfile: wage1tute4.wf1

Suppose that each observation in our sample belongs into one of categories, female or male.

The dummy variable female is binary and equals to 1 if the individual is female and 0 otherwise,

$$female =$$

The dummy variable male is binary and equals to 1 if the individual is male and 0 otherwise,

$$male =$$

Consider a regression of wage on these two dummy variables without a constant,

$$wage = \beta_1 female + \beta_2 male + u$$

(a) Sketch the **X** matrix for this regression and assume that  $n_1$  observations are females,  $n_2$  observations are males and that our sample size is given by  $n_1 + n_2 = n$ 

For cross-sectional data (wage1tute4.wf1 contains cross-sectional data), rearranging the order of observations does not change statistical results.

For ease of notation, we arrange the first  $n_1$  observations to be females and the last  $n_2$  observations to be males. This gives us the following **X** matrix,

$$\mathbf{X}_{n \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} n_{1}$$

The  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  column of the **X** matrix represents the *female* and *male* dummy variable respectively.

#### Are the columns of X linearly independent?

#### Background

Linear independence of columns of matrix

The columns of a matrix are linearly independent if the linear combination of the columns of the matrix equals to 0 only when each column is weight (multiplied) by 0. (Another way to think about this is if the columns of a matrix can form a linearly dependent set, then the columns of the matrix are linearly dependent.)

If we denote the  $1^{st}$ ,  $2^{nd}$  through to the  $r^{th}$  column of matrix  $\boldsymbol{X}$  as,  $\boldsymbol{x_1}$ ,  $\boldsymbol{x_2}$  and  $\boldsymbol{x_r}$  respectively, then the columns of  $\boldsymbol{X}$  will be linearly independent if,

$$\mathbf{x_1} a_1 + \mathbf{x_2} a_2 + \dots + \mathbf{x_r} a_r = 0$$

$$\underbrace{only \ when}_{a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_r = 0}$$

If the columns of **X** are not linearly independent, then  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$  will not be invertible,  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$  and the OLS estimator,

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$$

cannot be computed.

Since the linear combination of the columns of X equals to 0 only when each column is weighted (multiplied) by 0,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} a_1 + \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} a_2 = 0 \qquad \underline{only \ when} \ a_1 = a_2 = 0$$

the columns of X are linearly independent  $\therefore$  the OLS estimator can be calculated.

(b) Use the OLS formula  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$  and derive the OLS estimator in this case.

Let y = wage

$$\mathbf{X'X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{i=1}^{n_1} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \sum_{i=1}^{n_2} 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n_1 & 0 \\ 0 & n_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$n \times 2$$

$$\therefore (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{n_1} & 0\\ 0 & \frac{1}{n_2} \end{bmatrix}$$

(for the inverse of a diagonal matrix, simply take inverse of diagonal elements)

#### Comment on the result.

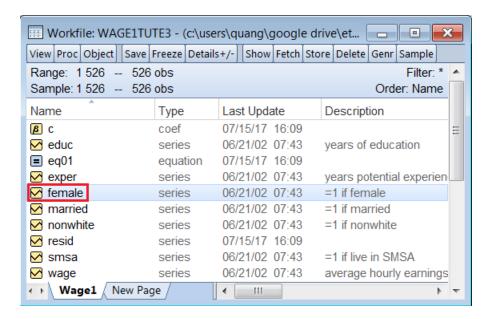
We find that by regressing the dependent variable on dummy variables without a constant term, the OLS estimator is the sample mean of the dependent variable for each group,

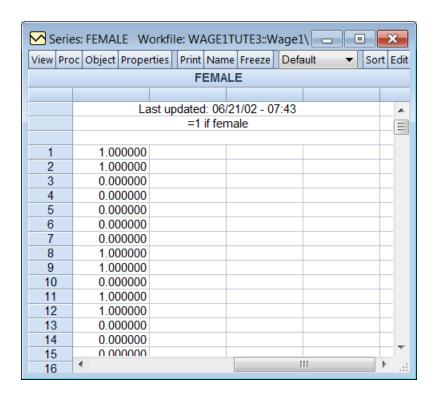
$$\widehat{oldsymbol{eta}} = egin{bmatrix} \hat{eta}_1 \ \hat{eta}_2 \end{bmatrix} = egin{bmatrix} \overline{y}_{female} \ \overline{y}_{male} \end{bmatrix}$$

Verify results by creating the dummy variable male in wage1tute3.wf1 and running a regression of wage on female and male without a constant.

$$wage = \beta_1 female + \beta_2 male + u$$

wage1tute3.wf1 contains the female dummy variable,



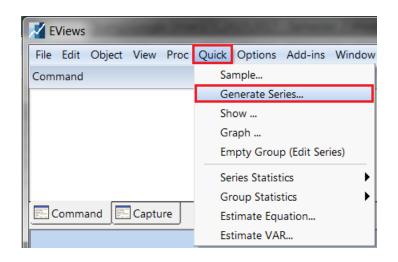


Since the male dummy variable is a function of the female dummy variable,

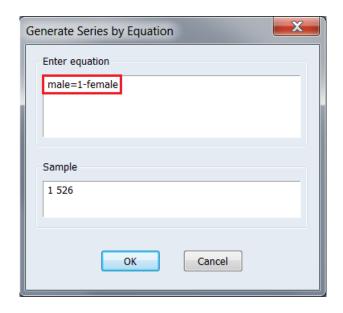
$$male_i = 1 - female_i$$
  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ 

To create the *male* dummy variable in EViews,

 $Quick \rightarrow Generate\ Series$ 



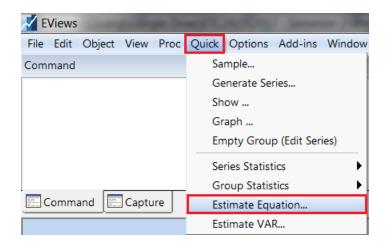
 $Enter\ Equation: male = 1 - female$ 



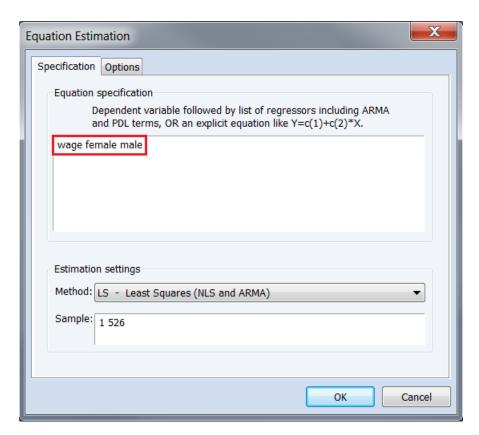
To estimate wage on female and male without a constant,

$$wage = \beta_1 female + \beta_2 male + u$$

$$Quick \rightarrow Estimate\ Equation$$



 $Equation\ Estimation: wage\ female\ male$ 



Dependent Variable: WAGE

Method: Least Squares

Date: 07/16/17 Time: 17:08

Sample: 1 526

Included observations: 526

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	t-Statistic	Prob.
FEMALE MALE	4.587659 7.099489	0.218983 0.210008	20.94980 33.80578	0.0000 0.0000
R-squared Adjusted R-squared S.E. of regression Sum squared resid Log likelihood Durbin-Watson stat	$\begin{array}{c} 0.115667 \\ 0.113979 \\ 3.476254 \\ 6332.194 \\ -1400.732 \\ 1.817601 \end{array}$	Mean deper S.D. depend Akaike info Schwarz cri Hannan-Qu	dent var criterion terion	5.896103 3.693086 5.333582 5.349800 5.339932

Table 3: Regression output of wage on female and male

When reporting the estimated model, we must not forget to include a 'hat' above the

dependent variable and  $se(\hat{\beta}_j)$  underneath  $\hat{\beta}_j$  in parenthesis,

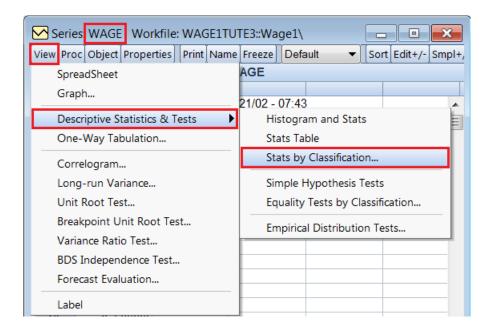
$$\widehat{wage} = 4.5877 female + 7.0995 male \\ _{(0.2190)}$$

To obtain the sample mean of wage for females and males in EViews,

$$\overline{wage}_{female} = ?$$

$$\overline{wage}_{male} = ?$$

 $Double\ click\ on\ wage \rightarrow View \rightarrow Descriptive\ Stats\ \&\ Tests \rightarrow Stats\ by\ Classification$ 



 $Series/Group\ for\ classify: female$ 

Statistics By Classificatio	n	X		
Statistics  Mean  Sum	Series/Group for classify female	Output layout  Table Display  Show row margins		
Median Maximum Minimum	NA handling Treat NA as category	Show column margins Show table margins  List Display		
✓ Std. Dev.  ☐ Quantile 0.5 ☐ Skewness	Group into bins if  # of values > 100	Show sub-margins Sparse labels		
# of NAs  Observations	Avg. count < 2  Max # of bins: 5	Options		
OK Cancel				

Descriptive Statistics for WAGE Categorized by values of FEMALE

Date: 07/16/17 Time: 17:34

Sample: 1 526

Included observations: 526

FEMALE	Mean	Std. Dev.	Obs.
0	7.099489	4.160858	274
1	4.587659	2.529363	252
All	5.896103	3.693086	526

Table 4: Sample mean and standard deviation of female and male wage

$$\begin{split} \overline{wage}_{female} &= 4.5877 = \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \overline{wage}_{male} &= 7.0995 = \hat{\beta}_2 \end{split}$$

(c) Suppose we have a constant in addition to the two dummy variables female and male.

Write down the  $\boldsymbol{X}$  matrix for this case.

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \right\} n_{1}$$

Are the columns of  $\boldsymbol{X}$  linearly independent?

The columns of  $\boldsymbol{X}$  will be linearly independent if,

However, there are linear combinations of the columns of X that equal to 0 when  $a_1 \neq 0, a_2 \neq 0, a_3 \neq 0$ . For example, when,  $a_1 = 1, a_2 = -1$  and  $a_3 = -1$ 

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1\\1\\1\\\vdots\\1\\1\\-\\0\\0\\0\\0\\\vdots\\1 \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} 0\\0\\0\\1\\1\\\vdots\\0\\1 \end{bmatrix} = 0 \qquad a_1 = 1, a_2 = -1, a_3 = -1$$

Therefore, the columns of X are not linearly independent. This implies that X'X will not be invertible so the OLS estimator cannot be computed. This is also called a problem of <u>perfect collinearity</u> i.e. an exact linear relationship among the independent variables.

#### What is the dimension of the column space of X?

Consider an example in which we have only 3 rows in our X matrix (3 observations in our sample) and let the first 2 observations be female and the last observation be male,

$$\mathbf{X}_{3\times3} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

(2 females and 1 male)

Each column of the  $\boldsymbol{X}$  matrix plotted on a 3-dimensional (x,y,z) axes, would be vectors pointed to the coordinates,

(1, 1, 1)

(1, 1, 0)

(0,0,1)

from the origin.

Since the column space of a matrix is characterised by the columns of the matrix, we find that although we have 3 columns, it only forms a 2-dimensional column space. All 3 column vectors lie on this column space, but we only need 2 columns and not 3 (it can be any 2 of the 3 columns) to obtain this column space i.e. one of the columns is redundant given the other two.

If a regression has a constant, only add one dummy variable for an attribute that has two categories (such as male, female). Explain.

For a regression with a constant, we cannot include both the female AND male dummy variable because it will cause the columns of the matrix to be linearly dependent (problem of perfect collinearity) and X'X will not be invertible, so the OLS estimator,

$$\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\boldsymbol{X}'\boldsymbol{X})^{-1}\boldsymbol{X}'\boldsymbol{y}$$

cannot be computed.