# **Assignment 1**

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```
# load packages
if(!require(pacman)){install.packages("pacman")}

p_load(devtools,tidyverse,dplyr,ggplot2,latex2exp,cowplot,tseries,sampleSelection
#load data
dfData = read.csv("assignment1_2023.csv")
attach(dfData)
```

#### 1 Question 1

#### 1.1 (i)

```
lm_model = lm(logwage ~ age + agesq + schooling, data = dfData)
  summary(lm_model)
Call:
lm(formula = logwage ~ age + agesq + schooling, data = dfData)
Residuals:
           1Q Median
   Min
                          3Q
                                 Max
-3.3224 -1.1782 0.0024 1.2208 3.1957
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 26.409280 8.057036 3.278 0.00113 **
          -0.341890 0.521078 -0.656 0.51211
age
          -0.011142 0.008374 -1.331 0.18408
agesq
         schooling
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 1.499 on 412 degrees of freedom
  (250 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.8148, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8135
F-statistic: 604.3 on 3 and 412 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

#### 1.2 (ii)

The sample selection problem here is to choose observations of the non-employed, which are those who have no income. The selection equation is then:

$$I_i = \begin{cases} 1 \text{ if logwage} > 0 \\ 0 \text{ otherwise}, \end{cases}$$

and the second regression equation is:

$$Y_i^* = \mathbf{X_i'}\boldsymbol{\beta} + U_i.$$

We select a sample consisting of:

$$Y_i = \begin{cases} Y_i^* \text{ if } I_i = 1\\ \text{missing if } I_i = 0, \end{cases}$$

An OLS may fail in this context because the dependent variable (logwage) is missing for the non-employed sample, thus, it is not possible to derive an estimate of this variable for the non-employed

#### 1.3 (iii)

The exclusion restriction variable is one that is included in  $\mathbf{Z_i}$  but excluded from  $\mathbf{X_i}$ , I would choose 'married' as a suitable candidate for the sample selection model. My motivation is that married people tends to have stable income, and thus, employed.

```
# Create I variable:
dfData = mutate(dfData, vI = if_else(logwage > 0, TRUE, FALSE))
dfData["vI"][is.na(dfData["vI"])] <- FALSE

# Heckman model with restriction
heckman_rest = heckit( vI ~ married+age + agesq + schooling, logwage ~ age + agesq + ages
```

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Tobit 2 model (sample selection model)
2-step Heckman / heckit estimation
666 observations (250 censored and 416 observed)
12 free parameters (df = 655)
Probit selection equation:

```
age
           0.332077 0.342618 0.969
                                     0.333
agesq
          -0.005141 0.005512 -0.933
                                     0.351
schooling
           0.018246 0.022309 0.818
                                     0.414
Outcome equation:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 27.209400 8.517748 3.194 0.00147 **
          age
          -0.010459 0.008692 -1.203 0.22932
agesq
           schooling
Multiple R-Squared:0.8148, Adjusted R-Squared:0.813
  Error terms:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
invMillsRatio -0.1737 0.6148 -0.283
sigma
             1.4971
                          NA
                                 NA
                                         NA
                          NA
                                         NA
rho
            -0.1160
                                 NA
  # Heckman model without restriction
  heckman_unrest = heckit( vI ~ married+age + agesq + schooling, logwage ~ age +
  summary(heckman_unrest)
Tobit 2 model (sample selection model)
2-step Heckman / heckit estimation
666 observations (250 censored and 416 observed)
13 free parameters (df = 654)
Probit selection equation:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -5.315285 5.293574 -1.004
                                     0.316
married
         0.332077 0.342618 0.969 0.333
age
agesq
          -0.005141 0.005512 -0.933
                                     0.351
schooling
           0.018246 0.022309 0.818
                                     0.414
Outcome equation:
          Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                   0.0018 **
(Intercept) 94.14571 30.04111 3.134
          -3.68541
                   2.91861 -1.263
                                    0.2071
age
agesq
           0.04058 0.04759 0.853
                                    0.3941
schooling
           0.03527 0.19887 0.177
                                    0.8593
```

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

0.316

(Intercept) -5.315285 5.293574 -1.004

married

married -4.30249NaNNaNNaN Multiple R-Squared:0.8153, Adjusted R-Squared:0.8131 Error terms: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) invMillsRatio -17.976 NaN  ${\tt NaN}$ NaN13.399 NA NANA sigma rho -1.342NANANA

#### STILL NEED TO COMPARE OUTCOMES

#### 1.4 (iv)

```
# Maximum likelihood estimator, restricted
             ML_rest = selection(vI ~ married+age + agesq + schooling, logwage ~ age + agesq + schooling, logwage ~ age + agesq + schooling, logwage ~ age + agesq + schooling, logwage ~ agesq + schooling
             summary(ML_rest)
 Tobit 2 model (sample selection model)
Maximum Likelihood estimation
Newton-Raphson maximisation, 2 iterations
Return code 8: successive function values within relative tolerance limit (reltol)
Log-Likelihood: -1186.617
 666 observations (250 censored and 416 observed)
 11 free parameters (df = 655)
Probit selection equation:
```

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) -5.347695 5.290476 -1.011 0.312

married 

0.334151 0.342394 0.976 0.329 age -0.005174 0.005508 -0.939 0.348 agesq schooling 0.018294 0.022308 0.820 0.412

Outcome equation:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

(Intercept) 27.091220 8.430218 3.214 0.00138 \*\* -0.378997 0.537729 -0.705 0.48118 age -0.010560 0.008627 -1.224 0.22139 agesq 0.214749 0.031784 6.757 3.13e-11 \*\*\* schooling

Error terms:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) sigma 1.49568 0.06006 24.902 <2e-16 \*\*\* rho -0.09931 0.37382 -0.266 0.791

```
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```

```
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
# Maximum likelihood estimator, unrestricted
  ML_unrest = selection(vI ~ married + age + agesq + schooling, logwage ~ age + agesq +
  summary(ML_unrest)
Tobit 2 model (sample selection model)
Maximum Likelihood estimation
Newton-Raphson maximisation, 2 iterations
Return code 3: Last step could not find a value above the current.
Boundary of parameter space?
Consider switching to a more robust optimisation method temporarily.
Log-Likelihood: -1501.802
666 observations (250 censored and 416 observed)
12 free parameters (df = 654)
Probit selection equation:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -5.315285 5.597136 -0.950 0.343
married
          0.332077 0.362958 0.915 0.361
age
```

0.380

0.405

Outcome equation:

agesq

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|) (Intercept) 94.10255 35.31853 2.664 0.0079 ** age -4.29420 2.29499 -1.871 0.0618 . agesq 0.05014 0.03695 1.357 0.1752 schooling 0.08000 0.14232 0.562 0.5742 married -3.79447 0.54690 -6.938 9.57e-12 ***
```

-0.005141 0.005849 -0.879

Error terms:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
sigma 7.648 NaN NaN NaN
rho -0.990 NaN NaN NaN

schooling 0.018246 0.021917 0.833

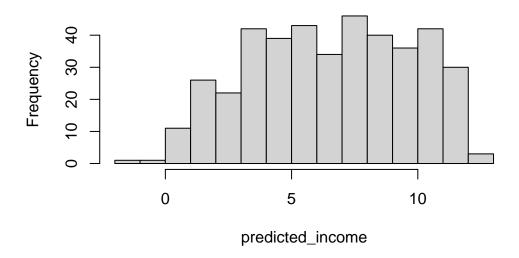
#### STILL NEED TO COMPARE OUTCOMES

#### 1.5 (v)

get fitted values => plot histogram

predicted\_income <- fitted(ML\_rest)
hist(predicted\_income)</pre>

## Histogram of predicted\_income



The distribution is relatively normal?

### 2 Question 2

#### 2.1 (i)

```
schooling_lm = lm(logwage ~ schooling, data = dfData)
summary(schooling_lm)
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = logwage ~ schooling, data = dfData)
Residuals:
    Min     1Q Median     3Q Max
-6.7401 -2.8224     0.1243     2.5106     7.7504
```

```
Coefficients:
```

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)

(Intercept) 5.77790  0.51152  11.296  <2e-16 ***
schooling  0.10139  0.07261  1.396  0.163
---

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 3.467 on 414 degrees of freedom
  (250 observations deleted due to missingness)

Multiple R-squared: 0.004687, Adjusted R-squared: 0.002283
F-statistic: 1.95 on 1 and 414 DF, p-value: 0.1634
```

The summary of the model shows that the F-statistics is not significance, thus, we cannot interpret the effect of schooling on employment.

#### 2.2 (ii)

```
# Using distance as instrument variable
model1 = lm(schooling ~ distance)
X.hat.1 = fitted.values(model1)

model2 =lm(logwage ~ X.hat.1)
summary(model2)
```

#### Call:

lm(formula = logwage ~ X.hat.1)

#### Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -6.4465 -2.7544 -0.0058 2.5697 7.7727

#### Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 5.7236 4.5836 1.249 0.212
X.hat.1 0.1105 0.6955 0.159 0.874
```

Residual standard error: 3.475 on 414 degrees of freedom (250 observations deleted due to missingness)

Multiple R-squared: 6.101e-05, Adjusted R-squared: -0.002354

F-statistic: 0.02526 on 1 and 414 DF, p-value: 0.8738

```
# Using subsidy as instrument variable
  model3 = lm(schooling ~ subsidy)
  X.hat.3 = fitted.values(model3)
  model4 =lm(logwage ~ X.hat.3)
  summary(model4)
Call:
lm(formula = logwage ~ X.hat.3)
Residuals:
   Min
             1Q Median
                            3Q
                                   Max
-7.0528 -2.6983 0.0926 2.4732 7.7266
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 1.2899
                        1.6992 0.759 0.44822
X.hat.3
             0.7849
                        0.2571 3.053 0.00241 **
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 3.436 on 414 degrees of freedom
  (250 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared: 0.02201, Adjusted R-squared: 0.01965
F-statistic: 9.319 on 1 and 414 DF, p-value: 0.002414
  # Using subsidy and distance as instrument variable
  model5 = lm(schooling ~ subsidy+distance)
  X.hat.5 = fitted.values(model3)
  model6 =lm(logwage ~ X.hat.5)
  summary(model6)
Call:
lm(formula = logwage ~ X.hat.5)
Residuals:
    Min
             1Q Median
                            3Q
                                   Max
-7.0528 -2.6983 0.0926 2.4732 7.7266
```

#### Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 1.2899 1.6992 0.759 0.44822
X.hat.5
          Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Residual standard error: 3.436 on 414 degrees of freedom (250 observations deleted due to missingness) Multiple R-squared: 0.02201, Adjusted R-squared: 0.01965

F-statistic: 9.319 on 1 and 414 DF, p-value: 0.002414

#### 2.3 (iii)

I would use only subsidy as the instrument variable.