

Lecture Note 8: Panel Data

Y_{it} ← longitudinal dataset
← "ordered" panel data

Y_{ij} ← "unordered" panel data

$$Y_{ij} = \alpha + X_{ij}'\beta + Z_{ij}'\gamma + U_{ij} \quad i = 1, \dots, N, \quad j = 1, \dots, J$$

\uparrow

$$U_{ij} = \delta_i + \varepsilon_{ij} \quad \begin{matrix} \uparrow & \begin{matrix} \text{individual} \\ \text{component} \end{matrix} \\ \text{family} \\ \text{component} \end{matrix}$$

↑ balanced panel

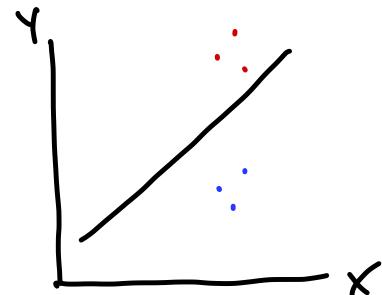
error components

$$\text{model} \rightarrow Y_{ij} = \alpha + X_{ij}'\beta + Z_{ij}'\gamma + \delta_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

OLS w/ clustered SEs
↑ Random effects

Problems: ① errors correlated within i : $\text{cov}(U_{ij}, U_{ik}) = V[\delta_i] > 0$

fixed effects → ② δ_i may be correlated with X_{ij} and Z_{ij}



Fixed effects

- "Brute force"
- Dummy for each i . $D_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if obs. in } i \\ 0 & \text{o.w.} \end{cases}$
- Use D_i 's as covariates:

$$Y_{ij} = \alpha + X'_{ij}\beta + \sum_{i=2}^N \lambda_i D_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

→ "Finesse" (demeaning)

→ start with:

$$Y_{ij} = \alpha + X'_{ij}\beta + Z'_i \delta + \gamma_i + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

same

→ "between!"

$$\underline{-(\bar{Y}_i = \alpha + \bar{X}_i\beta + Z'_i \delta + \gamma_i + 0)}$$

→ "within:"

$$Y_{ij} - \bar{Y}_i = (X_{ij} - \bar{X}_i)' \beta + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

Time in Panel Data

$$Y_{it} = \alpha + X_{it}'\beta + Z_i'\gamma + W_t'\lambda + \delta_i + \tau_t + \varepsilon_{it}$$

Two-way FE:

$$Y_{it} = \alpha + X_{it}'\beta + \delta_i + \tau_t + \varepsilon_{it}$$

↑
 dummies → ^{unit} FE
 for units

↑ time FE ← dummies for time periods

First diff:

$$\begin{aligned}
 Y_{it} &= \alpha + X_{it}'\beta + \delta_i + \tau_t + \varepsilon_{it} \\
 - (Y_{i,t+1} &= \alpha + X_{i,t+1}'\beta + \delta_i + \tau_{t+1} + \varepsilon_{i,t+1}) \\
 \hline
 \Delta Y_{it} &= \Delta X_{it}'\beta + \Delta \tau_t + \Delta \varepsilon_{it}
 \end{aligned}$$

new time FE new error

Diff-in-diff

$$\Delta_S = Y_{CA, POST} - Y_{NV, POST}$$

$$\Delta_t = Y_{CA, POST} - Y_{CA, PRE}$$

$$\Delta\Delta = (Y_{CA, POST} - Y_{CA, PRE}) - (Y_{NV, POST} - Y_{NV, PRE})$$

$$(\beta_0 + \beta_1 + \beta_2 + \beta_3 - (\beta_0 + \beta_1)) - (\beta_0 + \beta_2 - \beta_1) = \beta_3$$

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 CA + \beta_2 POST + \beta_3 CA \times POST + U$$

↑
state
FE

↑
year
FE

↑
POLICY

