

## Question 1

First, we need to show that:

$$\rho^2 = \frac{(\text{Cov}[X, Y])^2}{\text{Var}[X]\text{Var}[Y]} = 1 - \frac{\text{Var}[U]}{\text{Var}[Y]}.$$

Further, given  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + U$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[Y] &= \text{Var}[\beta_0 + \beta_1 X + U] \\ &= \beta_1^2 \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[U] + 2\text{Cov}[X, U] \\ &= \left( \frac{\text{Cov}[X, Y]}{\text{Var}[X]} \right)^2 \text{Var}[X] + \text{Var}[U] \\ &= \frac{(\text{Cov}[X, Y])^2}{\text{Var}[X]} + \text{Var}[U].\end{aligned}$$

This implies that:

$$\text{Var}[U] = \text{Var}[Y] - \frac{(\text{Cov}[X, Y])^2}{\text{Var}[X]}$$

Since we are interested in  $\rho^2$ , and since  $\rho^2 = \frac{\text{Var}[U]}{\text{Var}[Y]}$ , we need to divide by  $\text{Var}[Y]$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\text{Var}[U]}{\text{Var}[Y]} &= 1 - \frac{(\text{Cov}[X, Y])^2}{\text{Var}[X]\text{Var}[Y]} \\ &= 1 - \rho^2 \\ \rho^2 &= 1 - \frac{\text{Var}[U]}{\text{Var}[Y]}.\end{aligned}$$

Next, we need to actually determine  $\text{Var}[U]$  and  $\text{Var}[Y]$ . We have shown earlier in lectures that  $\beta = \mathbf{E}[XX']\mathbf{E}[XY]$ . Given the vector  $(1, X)$ , and  $Y = \gamma X + X^2$ , we can say:

$$\begin{aligned}\beta &= \mathbf{E} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ X \end{pmatrix} (1 \ X) \right] \mathbf{E} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} Y \\ YX \end{pmatrix} \right] \\ &= \mathbf{E} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & X \\ X & X^2 \end{pmatrix} \right] \mathbf{E} \left[ \begin{pmatrix} \gamma X + X^2 \\ \gamma X^2 + X^3 \end{pmatrix} \right].\end{aligned}$$

Since we know  $\mathbf{E}[1] = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{E}[X] = 0$ ,  $\mathbf{E}[X^2] = 1$ , and  $\mathbf{E}[X^3]$ , the above is equal to:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \gamma \end{pmatrix} = \beta.$$

It is given that  $U = Y - \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$ . Using the  $\beta$  above, we can plug in for  $U = \gamma X + X^2 - 1 - \gamma X = X^2 - 1$ . Thus, we have

$$\mathbf{Var}[U] = \mathbf{Var}[X^2 - 1] = 2.$$

Next, consider  $Y = \gamma X + X^2$ .

$$\mathbf{Var}[Y] = \gamma \mathbf{Var}[X] + \mathbf{Var}[X^2] + \gamma \mathbf{Cov}[X, X^2].$$

$\mathbf{Cov}[X, X^2] = 0$ , since  $\mathbf{Cov}[X, X^2] = \mathbf{E}[X^3] - \mathbf{E}[X]\mathbf{E}[X^2]$ , and we know that both right hand side terms are zero. Further, since  $\mathbf{Var}[X] = 1$ , and  $\mathbf{Var}[X^2] = 2$ , we have

$$\mathbf{Var}[Y] = \gamma^2 + 2.$$

Using our previous result that  $\rho^2 = 1 - \frac{\mathbf{Var}[U]}{\mathbf{Var}[Y]}$  and substituting in from above,

$$\rho^2 = 1 - \frac{\mathbf{Var}[U]}{\mathbf{Var}[Y]} = 1 - \frac{2}{\gamma^2 + 2} = \frac{\gamma^2}{\gamma^2 + 2}.$$

## Question 5

### A)

Simply by the Delta Method we get:

$$n^{\frac{1}{2}}(f(\hat{\beta}_n) - f(\beta)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, D_{\beta}f(\beta)\Omega D_{\beta}f(\beta)').$$

### B)

With  $\hat{\beta}_n$  and  $\hat{\Omega}_n$  being a consistent estimators of  $\beta$  and  $\Omega$  respectively, using the CMT, we have:

$$\frac{\sqrt{n}(f(\hat{\beta}_n) - f(\beta))}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)\Omega D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1).$$

Since our test is one-sided we only want to reject the null ( $H_0: f(\beta) \leq 0$ ) in one direction. The critical value is based on the standard normal distribution:

$$c_n := \Phi^{-1}(1 - \alpha) := z_{1-\alpha},$$

where  $\Phi$  is the CDF of  $N(0, 1)$ . We want our  $c_n$  to be such that the probability of  $z$  being less than  $c_n$  is  $1 - \alpha$ . Thus, our test is:

$$\Phi_n = \mathbf{1}_{\{T_n > c_n\}}.$$

To show that this test is consistent in level, we have to show that, under the null:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \mathbf{E}_P[\Phi_n] \leq \alpha$$

Consider,

$$\mathbf{E}_P[\Phi_n] = \mathbf{Pr}(T_n > c_n) = \mathbf{Pr} \left( \frac{\sqrt{n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)\hat{\Omega}_n D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} > z_{1-\alpha} \right).$$

Add and subtract  $f(\beta)$ ,

$$\mathbf{Pr} \left( \frac{\sqrt{n}(f(\hat{\beta}_n) - f(\beta))}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)\hat{\Omega}_n D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} + \frac{\sqrt{n}f(\beta)}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)\hat{\Omega}_n D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} > z_{1-\alpha} \right).$$

Under the null, we have that  $f(\hat{\beta}_n) \leq 0$ , and so

$$\mathbf{E}[\Phi_n] \leq \mathbf{Pr} \left( \frac{\sqrt{n}(f(\hat{\beta}_n) - f(\beta))}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)\hat{\Omega}_n D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} > z_{1-\alpha} \right) \leq \mathbf{Pr} \left( \frac{\sqrt{n}(f(\hat{\beta}_n) - f(\beta))}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)\hat{\Omega}_n D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} \geq z_{1-\alpha} \right),$$

where the weak inequality is so that we can apply the Portmanteau Lemma. Thus, taking  $\limsup$  of both sides,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \mathbf{E}[\Phi_n] \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \mathbf{Pr} \left( \frac{\sqrt{n}(f(\hat{\beta}_n) - f(\beta))}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)\hat{\Omega}_n D_{\hat{\beta}_n}f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} \geq z_{1-\alpha} \right)$$

We already know that the inside the probability on the RHS converges in distribution to a standard normal. Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \mathbf{E}[\Phi_n] &\leq \mathbf{Pr}(Z \geq z_{1-\alpha}) \\ &= 1 - \mathbf{Pr}(Z < z_{1-\alpha}) \\ &= 1 - \Phi(z_{1-\alpha}) \\ &= 1 - (1 - \alpha) \\ &= \alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Our test is consistent in level.

**C)**

We can easily construct a confidence region with the result from **B**).

$$C_n := \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R} \mid \mathbf{Pr} \left( \frac{\sqrt{n}(f(\hat{\beta}_n) - x)}{\sqrt{D_{\hat{\beta}_n} f(\hat{\beta}_n) \hat{\Omega}_n D_{\hat{\beta}_n} f(\hat{\beta}_n)'}} \geq z_{1-\alpha} \right) \right\}.$$