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1. Given

$$Y = X\beta + U,$$

suppose one or some of explanatory variables are endogenous.

- 1) What happens to the OLS estimator $\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$?
- 2) You may want to use IV. Show that the IV estimator of β is consistent.
- 3) Choose the best IV and compare it with the two-stage least squares estimator of β .
- 4) Obtain the asymptotic distribution of the two-stage least squares estimator of β .

1) endogenous indep var : $E[U|X] \neq 0$, AB violated
as biased and inconsistent

2) def of IV.

① $\frac{1}{n} \sum U \rightarrow 0$

② $\frac{1}{n} \sum Z'X \rightarrow Q_{ZX}$ of full col. rank.

$\hat{\beta}_{IV}$ solves $\frac{1}{n} \sum Z'(Y - X\beta) = 0$.

$$\hat{\beta}_{IV} = (Z'X)^{-1} Z'Y = \beta + (Z'X)^{-1} Z'U \rightarrow \beta + 0 \text{ by ①}$$

$$\therefore \hat{\beta}_{IV} \rightarrow \beta \text{ for } n \rightarrow \infty, \text{ consistent}$$

3) $\hat{\beta}_{\text{best IV}} = (X'X)^{-1} X'Y$, where $\hat{X} = Z(Z'Z)^{-1} Z'X$

(2SLS): [1st stage] reg X on Z

$$X = Z\alpha + U, \quad \hat{X} = (Z'Z)^{-1} Z'X \quad \therefore \hat{X} = Z(Z'Z)^{-1} Z'X$$

[2nd stage] reg Y on \hat{X}

$$Y = \hat{X}\beta + u, \quad \hat{\beta}_{IV} = (\hat{X}'\hat{X})^{-1} \hat{X}'Y = (X'X)^{-1} X'Y = \hat{\beta}_{\text{best IV}}. \text{ Same}$$

4) since $\hat{\beta}_{OLS} = \hat{\beta}_{best IV}$, find exp. dist'n of $\hat{\beta}_{best IV}$

recall $\hat{\beta}_{best IV} = (\hat{X}'X)^{-1}\hat{X}'y$, where $\hat{X} = Z(Z'Z)^{-1}Z'X$

$$\hat{\beta} = \beta + (X'Z(Z'Z)^{-1}Z'X)^{-1}X'Z(Z'Z)^{-1}Z'u$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) = \left(\frac{1}{n}X'Z\left(\frac{1}{n}Z'Z\right)^{-1}\frac{1}{n}Z'X\right)^{-1} \frac{1}{n}X'Z\left(\frac{1}{n}Z'Z\right)^{-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}Z'u$$

$$\xrightarrow{d} (Q_{XZ} Q_{ZZ}^{-1} Q_{ZX})^{-1} Q_{XZ} Q_{ZZ}^{-1} N(0, \sigma^2 Q_{ZZ})$$

$$= N(0, \sigma^2 (Q_{XZ} Q_{ZZ}^{-1} Q_{ZX})^{-1} Q_{XZ} Q_{ZZ}^{-1} Q_{ZZ} Q_{ZZ}^{-1} Q_{ZX} (\cdot)')$$

$$= N(0, \sigma^2 (Q_{XZ} Q_{ZZ}^{-1} Q_{ZX})^{-1})$$

$$\therefore \hat{\beta}_{best IV} = \hat{\beta}_{OLS} \xrightarrow{d} N(\beta, \frac{\sigma^2}{n} (Q_{XZ} Q_{ZZ}^{-1} Q_{ZX})^{-1})$$

2.

1) Results of OLS estimation are given as follows. OLS regression suggests that the es-

t test of coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	-4.1656505	0.2409182	-17.2907	< 2.2e-16	***
educ	-0.0899641	0.0059230	-15.1889	< 2.2e-16	***
age	0.3344319	0.0165813	20.1693	< 2.2e-16	***
age2	-0.0026708	0.0002733	-9.7723	< 2.2e-16	***

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timated effect for 1 more year of education is a reduction of the number of children by 0.09. Loosely speaking, if 100 women were to receive another year of education, one may suggest that approximately 9 fewer children should be expected.

Moreover, note that the coefficients on **age** and **age2** are both significant, suggesting that the effect of age on number of children takes a quadratic form, perhaps due to early deaths of male descendants.

2) **educ** is regressed on **frsthalf** to see if the two variables have a non-zero covariance, suggesting that **frsthalf** is a reasonable IV candidate. Results are as follows.

t test of coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	9.69778205	0.59929703	16.1819	< 2.2e-16	***
frsthalf	-0.85210325	0.11291893	-7.5462	5.428e-14	***
age	-0.10853136	0.04215247	-2.5747	0.01006	*
age2	-0.00048301	0.00069527	-0.6947	0.48727	

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The coefficient of **frsthalf** is significant, suggesting that **frsthalf** is correlated with **educ**, satisfying one of the two conditions of a reasonable IV.

3) The following results estimates the model from 1) using **frsthalf** as an IV for **educ**, as **frsthalf** satisfies both conditions of a reasonable IV.

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	-3.4434082	0.5479168	-6.285	3.61e-10	***
educ	-0.1677795	0.0531121	-3.159	0.00159	**
age	0.3258729	0.0178757	18.230	< 2e-16	***
age2	-0.0027087	0.0002799	-9.679	< 2e-16	***

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Note that the effect of education has increased twice-fold while still being statistically significant. That is, under IV estimation, results imply that an additional year of education corresponds to a 0.17 decrease in the number of children.

However, given the std. error of `educ(IV)`, we can approximate the 95% confidence interval, and see that the interval(-0.06 -0.26) includes the OLS estimate on `educ`. In this sense, it may be difficult to suggest that the coefficients from both estimations are statistically different.

4) `tv` is included in the model, and the OLS estimates (using `educ`) and 2SLS estimates (using `frsthalf` as an IV for `educ`) are given as follows.

t test of coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-4.24908177	0.24097474	-17.6329	< 2.2e-16 ***
educ	-0.08003108	0.00627067	-12.7628	< 2.2e-16 ***
age	0.33691359	0.01654897	20.3586	< 2.2e-16 ***
age2	-0.00267963	0.00027264	-9.8286	< 2.2e-16 ***
tv	-0.38137428	0.08063589	-4.7296	2.321e-06 ***

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t test of coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-3.44461428	0.62011468	-5.5548	2.945e-08 ***
educ	-0.16763950	0.06230604	-2.6906	0.00716 **
age	0.32590303	0.01862358	17.4995	< 2.2e-16 ***
age2	-0.00270881	0.00027946	-9.6932	< 2.2e-16 ***
tv	-0.00405716	0.27935673	-0.0145	0.98841

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Looking at the OLS estimates, one may claim that television ownership has a statistically significant negative effect on fertility. However, given that `educ` is endogenous, these results are inconsistent with the true model. Implementing `frsthalf` as an IV to solve for this problem, it can be seen that the negative effect of TV ownership is no longer statistically significant.