

Class 6. Selecting the set of regressors

Advanced Econometrics I

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Problem 1

Suppose researcher Innokentiy estimated two different models:

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \varepsilon_i \quad (1)$$

$$y_i = \lambda_0 + \lambda_1 z_1 + \lambda_2 z_2 + \lambda_3 x_3 + \xi_i \quad (2)$$

The values of RSS for each of the model are equal to 101 and 110, correspondingly. Besides that, a researcher constructed and estimated one more special model:

$$y_i = \Delta_0 + \Delta_1 x_1 + \Delta_2 x_2 + \Delta_3 x_3 + \Delta_4 z_1 + \Delta_5 z_2 + u_i. \quad (3)$$

The value of RSS for this model after the estimation procedure was equal to $RSS = 99$.

Further, econometrician Boris looked at the provided results and decided to estimate two more models:

$$y_i = 1.2 + \frac{5.1}{(3.7)} \times z_1 + \frac{2.5}{(2.4)} \times z_2 + \frac{3.4}{(1.2)} \times x_3 + \frac{1.3}{(0.6)} \times \hat{y}_{i,A} \quad (4)$$

$$y_i = 1.8 + \frac{4.1}{(1.5)} \times x_1 + \frac{3.2}{(0.8)} \times x_2 + \frac{2.2}{(0.5)} \times x_3 + \frac{0.8}{(0.6)} \times \hat{y}_{i,B} \quad (5)$$

- (a) Explain why would Innokentiy want to estimate model (3);
- (b) Provide an analysis whether models (1) and (2) are nested or not using non-nested F-test;
- (c) Why would Boris want to estimate models (4)-(5)?
- (d) Provide an analysis whether models (1) and (2) are nested or not using J-test;
- (e) Would Innokentiy and Boris argue concerning the results with each other or not?

Problem 2

Using the dataset data.xlsx estimate two different models:

$$price_msq_i = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \times dist_i + \alpha_2 \times livesp_i + \alpha_3 \times brick_i + \varepsilon_i \quad (1)$$

$$price_msq_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times dist_i + \beta_2 \times kitsp_i + \beta_3 \times floor_i + \beta_4 \times metrdist_i + \beta_5 \times walk_i + \xi_i \quad (2)$$

- (a) Provide an analysis whether models (1) and (2) are nested or not using non-nested F-test;
- (b) Provide an analysis whether models (1) and (2) are nested or not using J-test;
- (c) Conduct the J-test manually and compare the results with the package estimation*.