

1 Basics

Distributions

Normal: $\phi(x) = (2\pi)^{-1/2} \exp(-\frac{1}{2}x^2)$

Normal CDF: $\Phi(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{-\infty}^x \phi(y)dy$

Moments

Continuous: $m_k(X) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^k f(x)dx$

Central:

$\mu_k \equiv E(X - E(X))^k = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x - \mu)^k f(x)dx$

Discrete Central:

$\mu_k \equiv E(X - E(X))^k = \sum_{i=1}^m p(x_i)(x_i - \mu)^k$

Multivariate

Joint Density Func: $f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{\partial^2 F(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2}$

Independence:

$F(x_1, x_2) = F(x_1, \infty)F(\infty, x_2)$

or $f(x_1, x_2) = f(x_1)f(x_2)$

Marginal Density:

$f(x_1) \equiv F_1(x_1, \infty) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2)dx_2$

Conditional Density: $f(x_1|x_2) = \frac{f(x_1, x_2)}{f(x_2)}$

Law Iterate Expec: $E(E(X_1|X_2)) = E(X_1)$

Any Deterministic Func h:

$E(X_1 h(X_2) | X_2) = h(X_2)E(X_1 | X_2)$

Matrix Algebra

Dot Product: $\mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{b} = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_i$

Matrix Multiplication: $C_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^m A_{ik} B_{kj}$

Transpose: $(\mathbf{AB})^T = \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T$

$\|\mathbf{x}\| = (\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{y})^{1/2} = (\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2)^{1/2}$

$\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle = \|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\| \cos(\theta)$

Cauchy-Schwartz: $\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \rangle \leq \|\mathbf{x}\| \|\mathbf{y}\|$

Linear dep: $\mathbf{Xb} = \mathbf{0}, \mathbf{b} \neq \mathbf{0}$

Singular: $\exists \mathbf{x} \neq \mathbf{0} : \mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$

2 Linear Regression

OLS

Estimator: $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y}$

$E(x_{ti} u_t) = 0 \implies \mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}) = \mathbf{0}$

$\text{SSR}(\hat{\beta}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mathbf{X}_i \hat{\beta})^2$

$\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} = \hat{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \hat{\beta} + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta})^T (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta})$

Projection: $\mathbf{P}_X = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T$

$\mathbf{M}_X = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T$

$\mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}((\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{y})$; $\mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{P}_X = \mathbf{P}_X$

$\mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{y} = \hat{\mathbf{u}}$; $\mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$; $\mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{M}_X = \mathbf{M}_X$

$\mathbf{P}_X + \mathbf{M}_X = \mathbf{I}$; $\mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{M}_X = \mathbf{0}$; $\mathbf{P}_X^T = \mathbf{P}_X$

$\|\mathbf{y}\|^2 = \|\mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{y}\|^2 + \|\mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{y}\|^2$; $\|\mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{y}\| \leq \|\mathbf{y}\|$

Centering: $\mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{x} - \bar{x} \mathbf{i}$; $\mathbf{i}^T \mathbf{z} = 0$

$\mathbf{P}_1 \equiv \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{X}_1}$; $\mathbf{P}_1 \mathbf{P}_X = \mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{P}_1 = \mathbf{P}_1$

FWL: β_2 from $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}_1 \beta_1 + \mathbf{X}_2 \beta_2 + \mathbf{u}$ and

$\mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2 \beta_2 + \mathbf{r}_1$ are the same. (+ res)

Seasonal w const: $\mathbf{s}'_i = \mathbf{s}_i - \mathbf{s}_4$, $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Avg is const coeff. $\mathbf{M}_S \mathbf{y}$ is deseasonalized.

$\beta^{(t)} - \hat{\beta} = -1 \setminus (1 - h_t (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_t^T \mathbf{u}_t$ where h_t denotes the t^{th} diagonal element of \mathbf{P}_X .

Bias

vector of (true) model params: θ

Bias: $E(\hat{\theta}) - \theta_0$, $E((\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$

estimating eq: $g(\mathbf{y}, \theta) = 0$ unbiased iff

$\forall \mu \in \mathbb{M}, E_{\mu} g(\mathbf{y}, \theta_{\mu}) = \mathbf{0}$ or $E(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$

X exogenous $\implies E(\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0}$ and both $\hat{\beta}$ and estimating equations unbiased.

Make exog assumpt in cross-sec not time.

regressors predetermined: $E(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$

Stochastic Limits

Converg in prob: $\lim Pr(|Y_n - Y_{\infty}| > \epsilon) = 0 \implies \text{plim } Y_n = Y_{\infty} \implies \text{converg dist}$

Converg dist: $\lim F_n(x) = F(x) \implies Y_n \rightarrow F$

LLN: $\text{plim } \bar{Y}_n = \text{plim } \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n Y_t = \mu_Y$, Y_t IID,

\bar{Y}_n sample mean of Y_t , μ_T pop mean.

LLN2: $\text{plim } \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n Y_t = \lim \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n E(Y_t)$

$\text{plim } Y_n Z_n = \text{plim } Y_n \text{plim } Z_n$ if converg

$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$ may not have plim so mult by $1/n$.

consistent: $\text{plim } \mu \hat{\beta} = \beta_{\mu}$, may be bias

$E(\mu_t | \mathbf{X}_t) = 0 \implies \hat{\beta}$ consistent.

Covariance and Precision Matrices

$\text{Cov}(b_i, b_j) \equiv E((b_i - E(b_i))(b_j - E(b_j)))$

if $i = j$, $\text{Cov}(b_i, b_j) = \text{Var}(b_i)$

$\text{Var}(\mathbf{b}) \equiv E((\mathbf{b} - E(\mathbf{b}))(\mathbf{b} - E(\mathbf{b}))^T)$

when $E(\mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{0}$, $\text{Var}(\mathbf{b}) = E(\mathbf{b} \mathbf{b}^T)$ b_i, b_j

indep: $\text{Cov}(b_i, b_j) = 0$, converse false

correlation: $\rho(b_i, b_j) \equiv \frac{\text{Cov}(b_i, b_j)}{(\text{Var}(b_i) \text{Var}(b_j))^{1/2}}$

$\text{Var}(\mathbf{b})$ positive semidefinite. cov and corr

matrix positive definite most of the time.

positive definite: $\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Ax} > 0$ for $\mathbf{x} \in k \times 1$.

$\mathbf{x}^T \mathbf{Ax} = \sum_i \sum_j x_i x_j A_{ij}$. If $\geq 0 \implies$ semidef.

Any $\mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{B}$ is pos semidef. If full col rank

then pos def. pos def \implies diag > 0 & non-

singular. (pos def) $^{-1}$ \exists & is pos def.

Precision mtrx: invers of cov mtrx of

estmatr. \exists & pos def iff cov mtrx pos def.

If u IID w Var σ^2 and cov of any pair

$= 0$: $\text{Var}(\mathbf{u}) = E(\mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$. If false,

$\Omega = \text{err cov mtrx}$. If diag of Ω differ,

heteroskedastic. Homoskedastic: all u

same Var. Autocorrelated: off-diag $\Omega \neq \mathbf{0}$.

$\hat{\beta}$ unbiased & $\Omega = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$ so no hetero or

autocorr, then $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1}$.

Precision affected by n, σ^2, X .

Collinearity: precision for β_1 dep on \mathbf{X}_2 .

Efficiency

$\tilde{\beta}$ more efficient than $\hat{\beta}$ iff $\text{Var}(\tilde{\beta})^{-1} -$

$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta})^{-1}$ is nonzero pos semidef mtrx.

Gauss-Markov: If $E(\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0}$ and

$E(\mathbf{u} \mathbf{u}^T | \mathbf{X}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$ then OLS $\hat{\beta}$ is BLUE

(best linear unbiased estimator). Not

necessary that u normally distributed.

Residuals and Disturbances

$\hat{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{u}$ (hat resid, u dist).

If $E(\mathbf{u} | \mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0} \implies E(\|\hat{\mathbf{u}}\|^2) \leq E(\|\mathbf{u}\|^2)$

$\text{Var}(\hat{u}_t) < \sigma^2$; $\hat{\sigma}^2 \equiv \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n \hat{u}_t^2$

$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \frac{n-k}{n} \sigma^2$

$E(\mathbf{u}^T \mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{u}) = E(\text{SSR}(\hat{\beta})) = (n-k) \sigma^2$

unbiased: $s^2 \equiv \frac{1}{n-k} \sum_{t=1}^n u_t^2$; s = std err.

unbias est of $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta})$: $\widehat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta}) = s^2 (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1}$

s^2 unbiased and consistent.

$\text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}) \equiv E((\hat{\beta} - \beta_0)(\hat{\beta} - \beta_0)^T)$

$\mathbf{I} \hat{\beta}$ unbiased $\text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}) = \text{Var}(\hat{\beta})$.

Measures of Goodness of Fit

$R_u^2 = \frac{\text{ESS}}{\text{TSS}} = \frac{\|\mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{y}\|^2}{\|\mathbf{y}\|^2} = \cos^2 \theta$, where θ

angle between \mathbf{y} and $\mathbf{P}_X \mathbf{y}$. $0 \leq R_u^2 \leq 1$.

R_c^2 : center all vars first. Invalid if $i \notin S(\mathbf{X})$.

$R_c^2 = 1 - \sum_{t=1}^n \hat{u}_t^2 / \sum_{t=1}^n (y_t - \bar{y})^2$.

Adj R^2 : unbiased estimators. maybe < 0 .

$\bar{R}^2 \equiv 1 - \frac{\frac{1}{n-k} \sum_{t=1}^n \hat{u}_t^2}{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{t=1}^n (y_t - \bar{y})^2} = 1 - \frac{(n-1) \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{y}}{(n-k) \mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{y}}$

\bar{R}^2 does not always \uparrow in regressors.

Hypothesis Testing

If u_t normal, and σ known, test $\beta = \beta_0$ w

$z = \frac{\hat{\beta} - \beta_0}{(\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}))^{1/2}} = \frac{n^{1/2}}{\sigma} (\hat{\beta} - \beta_0)$, $z \sim N(0, 1)$

NCP: $\lambda = \frac{n^{1/2}}{\sigma} (\beta_1 - \beta_0)$, $\beta_1 \neq \beta_0$

Reject null if z large enough. 2-tail: $|z|$.

Type 1: reject true null, 2: accept false

left-tail $\Phi(-c_{\alpha}) = \alpha/2$, $c_{\alpha} = \Phi^{-1}(\alpha/2)$.

$\Phi^{-1}(.975) = 1.96$. Power: prob test rejects

the null. Prob of Type 2 = $1 - P(\text{power})$.

Power \uparrow with $(\beta_1 - \beta_0) \uparrow$ or $\sigma \downarrow$ or $n \uparrow$.

$p(z) = 2(1 - \Phi(|z|))$

$x \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \implies z = (x - \mu)/\sigma$, $z \sim N(0, 1)$.

Lin comb of rand vars that are jointly

multivariate normal must be $\sim N$. If \mathbf{x}

multivar norm with 0 cov, componenets

of \mathbf{x} are mutually indep.

χ^2 : $y \equiv \|\mathbf{z}\|^2 = \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{z} = \sum_{i=1}^m z_i^2$, $y \sim \chi^2(m)$

with $\mathbf{z} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$; $E(y) = m$. $\text{Var}(y) = 2m$.

$y_1 \sim \chi^2(m_1)$ & $y_2 \sim \chi^2(m_2)$ indep

$\implies y_1 + y_2 \sim \chi^2(m_1 + m_2)$

$m \times 1 \mathbf{x} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \Omega)$, then $\mathbf{x}^T \Omega^{-1} \mathbf{x} \sim \chi^2(m)$

If $\mathbf{P} n \times n$ w rank $r < n$ and $\mathbf{z} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$

then $\mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{P} \mathbf{z} \sim \chi^2(r)$.

$z \sim N(0, 1)$ & $y \sim \chi^2(m)$, z, y indep, then

$t \equiv z / (y/m)^{1/2}$. Or $t \sim t(m)$. Only

first $m-1$ moments exist. Cauchy: $t(1)$.

$\text{Var}(t) = m / (m-2)$. $t(m)$ tends to std

norm.

y_1, y_2 indep rand var $\sim \chi^2(m_1)$ &

$\chi^2(m_2)$, then $F \equiv \frac{y_1/m_1}{y_2/m_2}$. $F \sim F(m_1, m_2)$.

As $m_2 \rightarrow \infty$, $F \sim 1 / m_1$ times $\chi^2(m_1)$.

$t \sim t(m_2) \implies t^2 \sim F(1, m_2)$.

Exact Tests ($\mathbf{u} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$)

$\frac{\mathbf{x}_2^T \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{y}}{s(\mathbf{x}_2^T \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x}_2)^{1/2}} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{y}}{n-k} \right)^{-1/2} \frac{\mathbf{x}_2^T \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{y}}{(\mathbf{x}_2^T \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{x}_2)^{1/2}}$

is t-stat $t_{\beta_2} \sim t(n-k)$ for testing $\beta_2 = 0$.

$\beta_2 \in \mathbb{R} \implies$ test for $\beta_2 = \beta_{20}$: $(\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_{20})/s_{\beta_2}$.

$F_{\beta_2} \equiv \frac{(\text{RSSR} - \text{USSR})/r}{\text{USSR}/(n-k)} = \frac{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2} \mathbf{y}/r}{\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{M}_X \mathbf{y}/(n-k)}$

is F-stat $\sim F(r, n-k)$, used for

multiple hyp on β_2 . Under null,

$\mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{y} = \mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{u} \implies F_{\beta_2} = \frac{\epsilon^T \mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2} \epsilon/r}{\epsilon^T \mathbf{M}_X \epsilon/(n-k)}$, where

$\epsilon \equiv \mathbf{u}/\sigma$, $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{M}_1 \mathbf{X}_2} = \mathbf{P}_X - \mathbf{P}_1$. P-value for F is

$1 - F_{r, n-k}(F_{\beta_2})$. When only 1 restriction,

F and 2-tailed t test are the same. If

testing all $\beta = 0$, $F = \frac{n-k}{k-1} \times \frac{R_c^2}{1-R_c^2}$. If

testing $\beta_1 = \beta_2$, let $\gamma = \beta_2 - \beta_1$ then

$F_{\gamma} = \frac{(\text{RSSR} - \text{SSR}_1 - \text{SSR}_2)/k}{(\text{SSR}_1 + \text{SSR}_2)/(n-2k)}$

Asymptotic Theory

EDF: $\hat{F}(x) \equiv \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n \mathbb{I}(x_t \leq x)$. FTS:

$\text{plim } \hat{F}(x) = F(x)$. CLT: $z_n \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=1}^n \frac{x_t - \mu}{\sigma}$

asymptotically $\sim N(0, 1)$ if x_t IID.

Uncorrelated x_t with $E(x_t) = 0 \implies$

$n^{-1/2} \sum_{t=1}^n x_t$ goes to $N(0, \lim \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n \text{Var}(x_t))$.

If $\mathbf{u} \sim IID(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$,

IV asym normal like all est.

$$\widehat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta}_{IV}) = \hat{\sigma}^2 (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{P}_W \mathbf{X})^{-1}.$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \|\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}_{IV}\|^2/n.$$

Generalized Least Squares

Consider $E(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top) = \mathbf{\Omega}$, $\mathbf{\Omega}^{-1} = \mathbf{\Psi}\mathbf{\Psi}^\top$

$$\hat{\beta}_{GLS} = (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{y}$$

$$E(\mathbf{\Psi}^\top \mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}^\top \mathbf{\Psi}) = \mathbf{I}.$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_{GLS}^\top) = (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{X})^{-1} \text{ autocovariance}$$

of AR(1): $\mathbf{\Omega}(p) = \frac{\sigma_\epsilon^2}{1-\rho^2} \times \text{mtrx with 1}$

diag and ρ^i increasing away from diag.

$$\text{Cov}(u_t, u_{t-1}) = \rho \sigma_u^2.$$

$$\sigma_u^2 \equiv \sigma_\epsilon^2 / (1 - \rho^2)$$

$$u_t = \rho u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t, \epsilon_t \sim IID(0, \sigma_\epsilon^2)$$