

# References: Regression

## Foundations

### Hayashi, Fumio - Econometrics (2000)

Graduate level, nice blend of theory and application.

Most importantly, Princeton Press puts the first chapter online for free.

- **Highlight:** [Chapter 1](http://assets.press.princeton.edu/chapters/s6946.pdf) [↗\(http://assets.press.princeton.edu/chapters/s6946.pdf\)](http://assets.press.princeton.edu/chapters/s6946.pdf) is a strong introduction to classic OLS.  
Also a very good discussion of why strict exogeneity is not satisfied in lagged time-series regressions.
- **For the future:** Has a strong chapter on non-stationary time-series data.
- **Warning:** As a comprehensive graduate reference, it gets into many topics we will not use.

### Cunningham, Scott (2021) - Causal Inference

[↗\(https://mixtape.scunning.com/index.html\)](https://mixtape.scunning.com/index.html) Somewhat quirky book on regression for applied microeconomics.

The publisher puts the [entire book online](https://mixtape.scunning.com/index.html) [↗\(https://mixtape.scunning.com/index.html\)](https://mixtape.scunning.com/index.html) for free.

- **Highlight:** [Chapter 2](https://mixtape.scunning.com/probability-and-regression.html?panelset2=python-code3) [↗\(https://mixtape.scunning.com/probability-and-regression.html?panelset2=python-code3\)](https://mixtape.scunning.com/probability-and-regression.html?panelset2=python-code3) has a very intuitive discussion of probability and OLS. Includes Python code.
- **Warning:** Most of the rest of the book is not a priority for quant finance. Stick with Chapter 2.

### Lin, Timothy (2018) - Notes on Regression

- Six-part series of online notes showing that OLS regression can be derived and interpreted in many ways.
- [Link to Part 6](https://www.timlrx.com/blog/notes-on-regression-approximation-of-the-conditional-expectation-function#fn1) [↗\(https://www.timlrx.com/blog/notes-on-regression-approximation-of-the-conditional-expectation-function#fn1\)](https://www.timlrx.com/blog/notes-on-regression-approximation-of-the-conditional-expectation-function#fn1). (At the start of the note, links to the first 5 are given.)

### StackOverflow & CodeAcademy (2021) - Linear Regression for Python

[Series of free videos](https://stackoverflow.blog/2021/05/22/level-up-linear-regression-in-python-part-1/) [↗\(https://stackoverflow.blog/2021/05/22/level-up-linear-regression-in-python-part-1/\)](https://stackoverflow.blog/2021/05/22/level-up-linear-regression-in-python-part-1/)

Posting this as example of the many(!) OLS in Python tutorials out there.

I am not sure if this one is particularly strong compared to what else you might find, so look around.

- If you find one you like more, tell me!
- This series is hosted on StackOverflow, and does a good job of linking to relevant questions covered in the videos.

## Other Resources

### Wooldridge, Jeffrey (2019) - Introductory Econometrics: A Modern Approach

Classic undergraduate intro to regression.

- **Highlight:** Chapters 2-5 are a very strong textbook introduction to OLS. Similarly, Chapters 10-12 are a nice intro to issues with time series data in OLS.

### Wooldridge, Jeffrey (2010) - Econometric Analysis of Cross Section and Panel Data

Very theoretical, graduate level. Considered a/the principal reference for econometrics used in microeconomics.

- **Highlight:** Chapter 2. OLS as an estimator of the conditional expectation.
- **For the future:** Chapter 8 on GMM, relating it to OLS. Chapter 13 on MLE.
- **Warning:** Much of the focus is on methods used in microeconomics that see little use in finance. (Such as Sections II and III).