

# Heterokedasticity and Autocorrelation

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# Gaus-Markov Regression Model

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \cdots + \beta_p x_{ip} + \varepsilon_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

or

$$y_i = \mathbf{x}_i' \boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

or

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$$E(\varepsilon_i) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\{\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n\} \text{ and } \{\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n\}$$

are independent

$$\text{var}(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$$\text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0, \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n, \quad i \neq j$$

or

$$E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} | \mathbf{X}) = E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\text{cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} | \mathbf{X}) = \text{cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$$

# Gaus-Markov Regression Model

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1p} \\ 1 & x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{np} \end{bmatrix}, \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}, \boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{bmatrix}$$

$$E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \text{cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Gaus-Markov Regression Model

OLS estimator

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} \text{ with } \text{cov}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

is the best linear unbiased estimator of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ .

- Its expectation values are equal to its parameters
- It is a linear function of the random variable  $\mathbf{y}$ .
- It has minimum variances among other unbiased estimator

## Heteroskedasticity and autocorrelation

$$\text{cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & \sigma_{21} & \cdots & \sigma_{n1} \\ \sigma_{21} & \sigma_2^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{n2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1} & \sigma_{n2} & \cdots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \boldsymbol{\Psi}; \boldsymbol{\Psi} \neq \mathbf{I}$$

- Heteroskedasticity: at least there is one variance being different from the rest.
- Autocorrelation: at least there is one covariance being not zero.

Heteroskedasticity and autocorrelation consequence on OLS estimator

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}|\mathbf{X}) &= \text{var}\left\{(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}\right\} \\ &= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\text{var}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X})\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \\ &= \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \\ \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} &= \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \Leftarrow \boldsymbol{\Psi} = \mathbf{I}\end{aligned}$$

A wrong OLS estimator's covariance matrix: misleading inferences, not longer best.

But still unbiased (proof it)

# Remedies

- Alternative estimators
- Adjusting standard error

## Alternative estimators

Assuming  $\Psi$  is positive definite, there is always a non-singular square matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  which satisfies

$$\Psi^{-1} = \mathbf{P}'\mathbf{P}$$

$$\Psi = (\mathbf{P}'\mathbf{P})^{-1} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{P}')^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{P}\Psi\mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}^{-1}(\mathbf{P}')^{-1}\mathbf{P}' = \mathbf{I}$$

Consequently, the transformation of  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  by  $\mathbf{P}$  provides

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{E}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\text{cov}(\mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{P}\text{cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X})\mathbf{P}' = \sigma^2\mathbf{P}\Psi\mathbf{P}' = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$$

satisfying Gauss-Markov condition.

## Alternative estimators

Transforming the entire model by  $\mathbf{P}$  we derive

$$\mathbf{P}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{P}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{y}^* = \mathbf{X}^*\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*$$

Applying OLS, we obtain the GLS estimator

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS} = \left(\mathbf{X}^{*\prime}\mathbf{X}^*\right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{*\prime}\mathbf{y}^* = \left(\mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1}\mathbf{X}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1}\mathbf{y}$$

• with

$$\text{cov}\left(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS}\right) = \sigma^2 \left(\mathbf{X}^{*\prime}\mathbf{X}^*\right)^{-1} = \sigma^2 \left(\mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1}\mathbf{X}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-p-1} \left(\mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^*\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS}\right)' \left(\mathbf{y}^* - \mathbf{X}^*\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n-p-1} \left(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS}\right)' \boldsymbol{\Psi}^{-1} \left(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS}\right)$$

If we replace  $\boldsymbol{\Psi}$  by its estimate, we obtain the FGLS or EGLS estimator.

WLS (a special case of GLS for heteroskedasticity)

When

$$\sigma^2 \mathbf{\Psi} = \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} h_1^2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & h_2^2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & h_n^2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \text{diag}(h_i^2) \Rightarrow \mathbf{P} = \text{diag}(h_i^{-1})$$

$$\mathbf{y}^* = \mathbf{X}^* \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}^*$$

$$\frac{y_i}{h_i} = \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}'_i}{h_i} \right) \boldsymbol{\beta} + \frac{\varepsilon_i}{h_i}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS} = \left( \sum_{i=1}^n h_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}'_i \right)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n h_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i y_i$$

# WLS in practice: multiplicative heteroscedasticity

We never know the weight for each individual hence by assuming

$$\sigma_i^2 = \sigma^2 \exp(\mathbf{z}'_i \boldsymbol{\alpha})$$

We conduct the following procedure

- Calculate logarithm from squared OLS residuals
- Regress it a constant term and  $\mathbf{z}$ , estimate  $\boldsymbol{\alpha}$
- Calculate

$$\hat{h}_i = \sqrt{\exp(\mathbf{z}'_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\alpha}})}$$

- Run OLS on

$$\frac{y_i}{\hat{h}_i} = \left( \frac{\mathbf{x}'_i}{\hat{h}_i} \right) \boldsymbol{\beta} + \frac{\varepsilon_i}{\hat{h}_i}$$

to obtain EGLS estimate for  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ .

- Calculate the standard error sigma square and standard error estimates accordingly

# Heteroskedasticity-consistent (White's) standard error

- Heteroskedastic model

$$\text{cov}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}|\mathbf{X}) = \sigma^2 \boldsymbol{\Psi} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_1^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma_2^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma_n^2 \end{bmatrix} = \text{diag}(\sigma_i^2)$$

- The OLS estimator covariance matrix

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}|\mathbf{X}) = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}' \text{diag}(\sigma_i^2) \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

- Its consistent estimator

$$\hat{\text{cov}}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 \mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i' (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$
$$\hat{\text{cov}}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}' \text{diag}(e_i^2) \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$