

# Heteroskedasticity $\rightarrow \text{Var}(u|X) \neq \text{constant}$

## ★ Consequences

1)  $\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$  unbiased (no violation of MLR 1-4)

2) But it will require a different calculation of

$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) \rightarrow \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_{OLS})$  formula cannot be used.

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \frac{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sigma_i^2}{SST_x^2} \quad (\text{hetero})$$

rather than  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_{j,OLS}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{SST_x}$  (homosk.)

$\hookrightarrow$  Since we use  $\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_j)$  to test hypotheses our t-test, F-tests will be invalid !!

## ★ How to detect ?? $\rightarrow$ BP-test, White-test.

Motivation - when we have heterosk,  $\text{cor}(X, \hat{u}^2) \neq 0$

1) BP-test  $\rightarrow$  tests  $\text{cor}(X, \hat{u}^2)$   $\text{Var}(\hat{u}^2)$

Stricter  $\rightarrow$  2) White-test  $\rightarrow$   $\sim \text{cor}(X, \hat{u}^2) \& \text{cor}(X^2, \hat{u}^2) \& \text{cor}(X_i X_j, \hat{u}^2)$   
See p. 102  
for So, which test is more likely to find hetero? White?  
the short form of white-test.

• B/c we are testing more than 1 hypothesis tests for BP & White  $\rightarrow$  use **F-tests**

• Also F-distribution  $\rightarrow$   $\chi^2$ -distribution as  $n \rightarrow \infty$   
We can use **LM-test** for white-test, BP-test as well.

$H_0$ : no heteroskedasticity  
**Ha!** heteroskedasticity

## ★ Remedies $\rightarrow$ if we find heteroskedasticity, what can we do?

1) Passive way  $\rightarrow$  use **regress  $y$  on  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k$ , robust** heteroskedasticity-robust std. err.

2) Active way  $\rightarrow$  transform the raw data so **weighted-least squares** that there is no heteroskedasticity.

Hetero - Autocorr - Multicollinearity are the problems that we face all the time in linear regression.

- 1) Know what they are, their causes
- 2) Know the consequences
  - Bias?
  - Efficient?

} Hetero / Auto  
 →  $\hat{\beta}$  not biased  
 → but inefficient  
 b/c variance not minimum

Do you also know that  
 $\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta})} = \text{std. err.}$ ?

→ if we use incorrect std. err., then all inferences will be invalid  
 ↳ t-test, F-test.

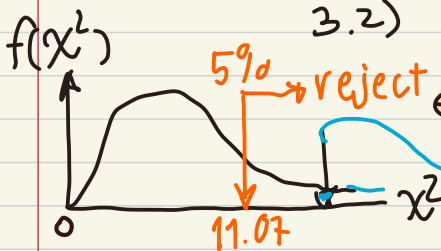
3) Know how to detect

3.1) In theory (Hetero)

Hetero →  $\text{COV}(\text{Var}(u), X) = 0$   
 $\text{COV}(\hat{u}^2, X) = 0$

↳ BP-test, White-test

3.2) In practice (Hetero)

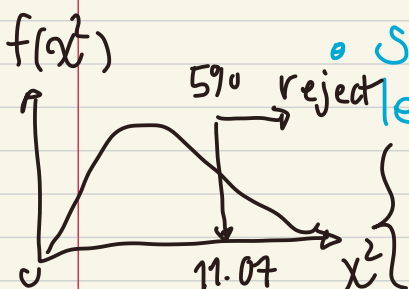


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 $\chi^2(5) = 93.90$

BP-test (p.100)  
 $H_0$ : homoske  
 $\text{COV}(\hat{u}^2, X) = 0$   
 $H_a$ : Heterosk  
 $\text{COV}(\hat{u}^2, X) \neq 0$

• 5 explanatory variables in the equation. So, d.f. = 5

- Do we reject  $H_0$ ?? (at 5% level)
- We check with the  $\chi^2$ -table with d.f. = 5 and prob. = 0.05 ⇒ 11.07



So, we reject  $H_0$ : homoskedasticity at 5% level and conclude that we have heterosk

estat white

$\chi^2(2) = 25.04$

White-test  
 $H_0$ : homoske  
 $\text{COV}(\hat{u}^2, X, X^2) = 0$   
 $\text{COV}(\hat{u}^2, \hat{y}, \hat{y}^2) = 0$   
 $H_a$ : heteroskedastic.

no correlation between  $\text{var}(u)$  and  $X$  or interactions of  $X$ .

note: Because MLR 1-4 will still be satisfied,  $\hat{\beta}$ ols will be unbiased under autocorrelation.

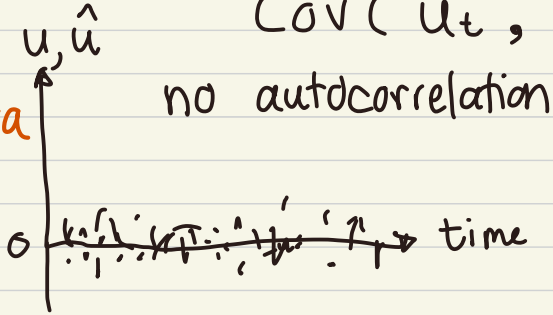
### 3.3 In theory (Autocorrelation)

$Cov(u_i, u_{\neq i}) \neq 0$  (cross-sectional data)

$Cov(u_t, u_{\neq t}) \neq 0$  (time-series data)

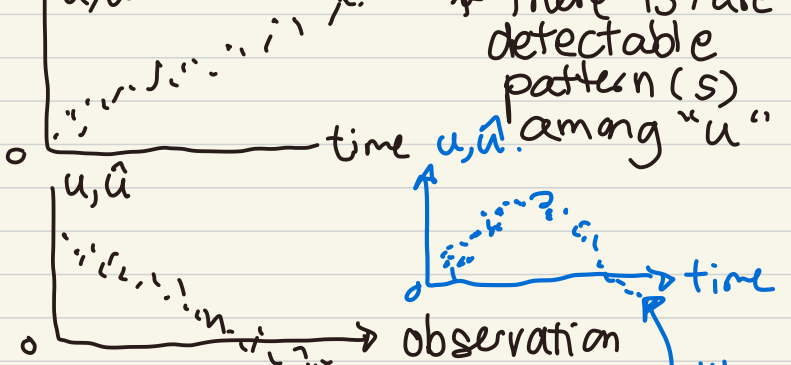
To detect

① plot the data



no autocorrelation

Autocorrelation



\* There is/are detectable pattern(s) among "u"  
something like this may be caused by specification error => e.g. add  $x^2$  or  $x^3$  to the model.

②  $\rightarrow$  AR(1)

$u_t = \rho u_{t-1} + error_t$

$H_0: \rho = 0$  (no auto / serial correlation)

$H_a: \rho \neq 0$  (auto / serial correlation)

steps: 1) estimate the main regression

$Y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1t} + \beta_2 X_{2t} + u_t$

2) obtain (predict  $\hat{u}_t$ ) from step 1)

also create  $\hat{u}_{t-1}$

3) estimate  $\hat{u}_t = \rho \hat{u}_{t-1} + error_t$

regress  $\hat{u}_t$   $\hat{u}_{t-1}$ , no con

4)  $H_0: \hat{\rho} = 0$  (no autocorrelation)

$H_a: \hat{\rho} \neq 0$  (autocorrelation)

t	y	x <sub>1</sub>	x <sub>2</sub>	$\hat{u}_t$	$\hat{u}_{t-1}$
1	100	2	5.6	0.1	-
2	102			-0.2	0.1
3				0.5	-0.2
4					0.5
5					
...					

③  $\rightarrow$  Durbin-Watson test (DW test)

In this class, we cover 3 ways to detect.

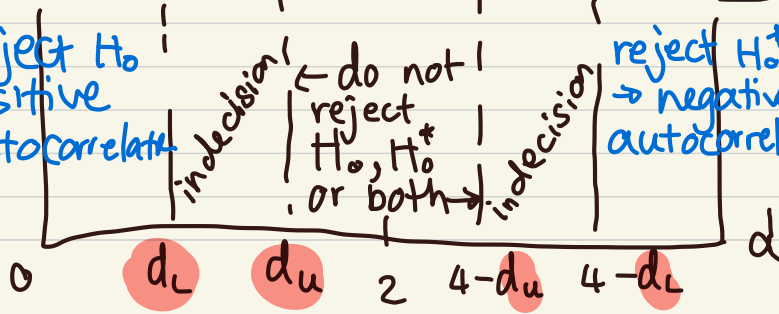
$d = \frac{\sum_{t=2}^{t=n} (\hat{u}_t - \hat{u}_{t-1})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^{t=n} \hat{u}_t^2}$   $0 \leq d \leq 4$

since  $-1 < \rho < 1$

short way  $\hat{\rho} = \frac{\sum \hat{u}_t \hat{u}_{t-1}}{\sum \hat{u}_t^2} \Rightarrow d \approx 2(1 - \hat{\rho})$

same  $\hat{\rho}$  as in the AR(1) test.

reject  $H_0$   $\rightarrow$  positive autocorrelation  
do not reject  $H_0$ ,  $H_0^*$  or both  
reject  $H_0^*$   $\rightarrow$  negative autocorrelation



$H_0$ : No positive autocorrelation  
 $H_0^*$ : No negative autocorrelation