

1. Which of the following can cause the usual OLS t statistics to be invalid (that is, not to have t distributions under H_0)?

- i. Heteroskedasticity.
- ii. A sample correlation coefficient of .95 between two independent variables that are in the model.
- iii. Omitting an important explanatory variable.

Ans (i) and (ii) cause the t statistics not to have a t distribution under H_0 . Homoskedasticity is one of the Classical Linear model assumption, OLS method does not work with Heteroskedasticity. (ii) An important omitted variable violates assumption MLR3.

2. Consider an equation to explain salaries of CEOs in terms of annual firm sales, return on equity (roe , in percentage form), and return on the firm's stock (ros , in percentage form):

$$\log(\text{salary}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(\text{sales}) + \beta_2 roe + \beta_3 ros + u.$$

- i. In terms of the model parameters, state the null hypothesis that, after controlling for $sales$ and roe , ros has no effect on CEO salary. State the alternative that better stock market performance increases a CEO's salary.

$$H_0 : \beta_3 = 0$$

$$H_a : \beta_3 > 0$$

- ii. Using the data in CEOSAL1, the following equation was obtained by OLS:

$$\widehat{\log(\text{salary})} = 4.32 + .280 \log(\text{sales}) + .0174 roe + .00024 ros$$

(.32)
(.035)
(.0041)
(.00054)

$n = 209, R^2 = .283.$

By what percentage is $salary$ predicted to increase if ros increases by 50 points? Does ros have a practically large effect on $salary$?

the proportionate effect on $\hat{\text{salary}} = 0.00024(50) = .012 = 1.2\%$

Therefore, a 50 point ceteris paribus increase in ros is predicted to increase salary by 1.2%.

- iii. Test the null hypothesis that ros has no effect on $salary$ against the alternative that ros has a positive effect. Carry out the test at the 10% significance level.

significant level 10% = 0.1

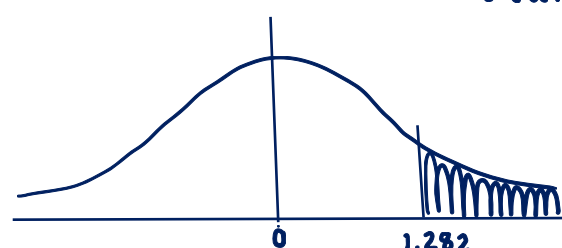
$$H_0 : \beta_3 = 0 \quad d.f = 209 - 3 - 1 = 205 > 30 \text{ use Z-score}$$

$$H_a : \beta_3 > 0 \quad t_{cri} = 1.282$$

$$t_{cal} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_3 - 0}{SE(\hat{\beta}_3)} = \frac{.0024}{.00054} = .44$$

$$0.44 < 1.282$$

we cannot reject H_0 at 10% significant level



C1. The following model can be used to study whether campaign expenditures affect election outcomes:

$$\text{voteA} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(\text{expendA}) + \beta_2 \log(\text{expendB}) + \beta_3 \text{prtystrA} + u,$$

where voteA is the percentage of the vote received by Candidate A, expendA and expendB are campaign expenditures by Candidates A and B, and prtystrA is a measure of party strength for Candidate A (the percentage of the most recent presidential vote that went to A's party).

i. What is the interpretation of β_1 ?

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta \text{voteA} &= \beta_1 \Delta \log(\text{ExpendA}) && \therefore \beta_1/100 \text{ is the ceteris paribus} \\ &= (\beta_1/100) [100 \times \Delta \log(\text{ExpendA})] && \text{percentage point change of vote received} \\ &\approx (\beta_1/100) [\% \Delta \log(\text{ExpendA})] && \text{when campaign expenditure by candidate A} \\ &&& \text{increases by one percent} \end{aligned}$$

ii. In terms of the parameters, state the null hypothesis that a 1% increase in A's expenditures is offset by a 1% increase in B's expenditures.

$$H_0 : \beta_2 = -\beta_1$$

$$H_1 : \beta_2 \neq -\beta_1$$

iii. Estimate the given model using the data in VOTE1 and report the results in usual form. Do A's expenditures affect the outcome? What about B's expenditures? Can you use these results to test the hypothesis in part (ii)?

. reg voteA lexpendA lexpendB prtystrA

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	173
Model	38405.1096	3	12801.7032	F(3, 169)	=	215.23
Residual	10052.1389	169	59.480112	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.7926
				Adj R-squared	=	0.7889
Total	48457.2486	172	281.728189	Root MSE	=	7.7123

voteA	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
lexpendA	6.083316	.38215	15.92	0.000	5.328914 6.837719
lexpendB	-6.615417	.3788203	-17.46	0.000	-7.363246 -5.867588
prtystrA	.1519574	.0620181	2.45	0.015	.0295274 .2743873
_cons	45.07893	3.926305	11.48	0.000	37.32801 52.82985

regression model in usual form :

$$\text{Vote A} = (45.1) + 6.08 \log(\text{Expend A}) - 6.62 \log(\text{Expend B}) + 0.152 (\text{prtystrA})$$

(11.48) (15.92)
(-17.46)
(2.45)

iv. Estimate a model that directly gives the t statistic for testing the hypothesis in part (ii). What do you conclude? (Use a two-sided alternative.)

rewrite hypothesis $\theta_1 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \Rightarrow H_0 : \theta_1 = 0 \quad H_a : \theta_1 \neq 0$

rearrange equation $\hat{\text{vote A}} = \beta_0 + \theta_1 \log(\text{Expend A}) + \beta_2 [\log(\text{Expend B} - \log(\text{Expend A}))] + \beta_3 \text{prtystrA}$

when estimate equation we obtain $\hat{\theta}_1 \approx -0.532$
 $se(\hat{\theta}_1) \approx 0.533$

then $t_{cal} = \frac{-0.532 - 0}{0.533} \approx -1 \therefore \text{cannot reject } H_0 : \beta_2 = -\beta_1$