

6 Interactions involving dummy variables

Case 1 Interactions among dummies

** We can use interactions among dummies to account for the effect of each combination of dummies as well:

A different way to estimate eq.(8.1) is

$$\log(\text{wage}) = \beta_0 + \delta_0 \text{female} + \delta_1 \text{married} + \delta_3 \text{female} \cdot \text{married} + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \beta_2 \text{exper} + \beta_3 \text{exper}^2 + \beta_4 \text{tenure} + \beta_5 \text{tenure}^2 + u.$$

where $\text{female} \cdot \text{married} = \text{female} \times \text{married}$.

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. gen female_married = female*married
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. regress lwage female married female_married educ exper expersq tenure tenursq
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Source	SS	df	MS	
Model	68.3617623	8	8.54522029	
Residual	79.9679891	517	.154676961	
Total	148.329751	525	.28253286	

lwage	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
female	-.1103502	.0557421	-1.98	0.048	-.219859 - .0008414
married	.2126757	.0553572	3.84	0.000	.103923 .3214284
female_married	-.3005931	.071767	-4.19	0.000	-.4415838 - .1596024
educ	.0789103	.0066945	11.79	0.000	.0657585 .092062
exper	.0268006	.0052428	5.11	0.000	.0165007 .0371005
expersq	-.0005352	.0001104	-4.85	0.000	-.0007522 - .0003183
tenure	.0290875	.006762	4.30	0.000	.0158031 .0423719
tenursq	-.0005331	.0002312	-2.31	0.022	-.0009874 - .0000789
_cons	.3213781	.100009	3.21	0.001	.1249041 .5178521

id	female	married	female_married
1	1	1	1
2	0	1	0
3	0	0	0
4	1	0	0

Comments: This type of regression can estimate specific impact of being a married female

→ Sometimes the impact of one variable depends on the value of a dummy variable. In this case, we suspect that the impact of "being married" may not be the same for male & female. assume that the impact of married

So, instead of $\text{lwage} = \beta_0 + \delta_0 \text{female} + \delta_1 \text{married} + \text{other vari.}$ we can add an interaction is the same for σ^1, σ^2

$$\text{lwage} = \beta_0 + \delta_0 \text{female} + \delta_1 \text{married} + \delta_2 \text{female} \cdot \text{married} +$$

impact on lwage if married for σ^1, σ^2 additional impact of married on female σ^2

$$\log(\text{wage}) = \beta_0 + \delta_0 \text{female} + \delta_1 \text{married} + \delta_3 \text{female} \text{ marr.}$$

intercept for

$$\begin{aligned} \text{single male (singmale)} &= \beta_0 &= 0.321 \\ \text{singfemale} &= \beta_0 + \delta_0 &= 0.321 - 0.11 \\ \text{marrmale} &= \beta_0 + \delta_1 &= 0.321 + 0.213 \\ \text{marrfemale} &= \beta_0 + \delta_0 + \delta_1 + \delta_3 &= 0.321 - 0.11 + 0.213 - 0.301 \end{aligned}$$

* Calculate the intercepts. They should be the same as the ones on page 85

But for this type of model, we can see the impact of being married for the female group more explicitly.

Case 2 Interaction between a dummy and a continuous variable

$$\log(\text{wage}) = \beta_0 + \delta_0 \text{female} + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \delta_1 \text{female} \cdot \text{educ} + \beta_2 \text{exper} + \beta_3 \text{exper}^2 + \beta_4 \text{tenure} + \beta_5 \text{tenure}^2 + u.$$

The slope of y & the interacted continuous variable is going to be different for different dummy groups.

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. gen female_educ = female*educ
. regress lwage female married female_educ educ exper expersq tenure tenursq
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Source	SS	df	MS		Number of obs =	526
Model	65.677852	8	8.2097315		F(8, 517) =	51.35
Residual	82.6518994	517	.159868277		Prob > F =	0.0000
					R-squared =	0.4428
					Adj R-squared =	0.4342
Total	148.329751	525	.28253286		Root MSE =	.39984

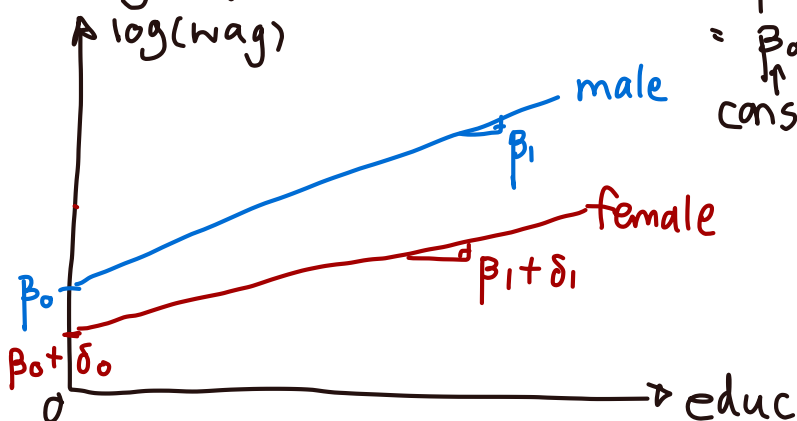
lwage	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
female	δ_0 .2197774	.1675154	-1.31	0.190	-.5488721 .1093172
married	.0529779	.0487884	1.30	0.195	-.0271335 .1331092
female_educ	δ_1 <u>-.0056186</u>	.0130532	-0.43	0.667	-.0312625 .0200254
educ	β_1 <u>.0813472</u>	.0085008	9.57	0.000	.0646469 .0980476
exper	.0268542	.005335	5.03	0.000	.0163733 .0373351
expersq	-.0005375	.0001124	-4.78	0.000	-.0007583 -.0003167
tenure	.0314803	.0068669	4.58	0.000	.0179898 .0449709
tenursq	-.0005792	.0002351	-2.46	0.014	-.0010412 -.0001173
_cons	.389629	.1186101	3.28	0.001	.1566119 .6226461

Comments:

* Sometimes the impact of one variable depends on the value of a dummy variable. e.g. impact of educ on wage may be different for male & female.

$$\begin{aligned} E[\log(\text{wage}) | \text{female}=1, x_1, \dots, x_k] &= \beta_0 + \delta_0 \cdot 1 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \delta_1 \text{educ} + \dots + u \\ &= \underbrace{\beta_0 + \delta_0}_{\text{constant}} + \underbrace{(\beta_1 + \delta_1)}_{\text{slope}} \text{educ} + \dots + u \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[\log(\text{wage}) | \text{female}=0, x_1, \dots, x_k] &= \beta_0 + \delta_0 \cdot 0 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \delta_1 \cdot 0 \cdot \text{educ} + \dots + u \\ &= \underbrace{\beta_0}_{\text{constant}} + \underbrace{\beta_1}_{\text{slope}} \text{educ} + \dots + u \end{aligned}$$



* If the coeff. are significantly different from zero (assume), then, ♀ workers would have lower expected wage & lower returns to education.

7 Testing for Differences in Regression Functions across Groups

- Is it reasonable to believe that the population regression function that explains the dependent variable is the same across subsamples of populations?
- For example, is it reasonable to believe that the function that explains "GPA of college athlete" is the same for male and female students?

Consider

$$\text{cumgpa} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{sat} + \beta_2 \text{hsperc} + \beta_3 \text{tothrs} + u,$$

In this case where cumgpa = cumulative GPA, sat = SAT score, hsperc = high school rank percentile, tothrs = total hours of college courses, between female & SAT will allow us to test whether being a female contributes to any different impact of SAT on GPA as compared with male students.

If $\delta_j \neq 0$ $\rightarrow$ impact of SAT on CumGPA would be different between σ , σ

• If we want to test whether "male" students and "female" students have the same values of $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \beta_3$ we can estimate the following model

$$\text{cumgpa} = \beta_0 + \delta_0 \text{female} + \beta_1 \text{sat} + \delta_1 \text{female} \cdot \text{sat} + \beta_2 \text{hsperc} + \delta_2 \text{female} \cdot \text{hsperc} + \beta_3 \text{tothrs} + \delta_3 \text{female} \cdot \text{tothrs} + u,$$

interaction $\rightarrow$ impact of one variable may depend on the value of another.

and the null hypothesis would be

If at least one of these δ is $\neq 0 \Rightarrow$ we need to use separate models

We can use same model for all group.

$$H_0 : \delta_0 = \delta_1 = \delta_2 = \delta_3 = 0$$

$$H_a : \text{otherwise (at least one } \delta_j \neq 0)$$

(8,2) (different values of the slope & intercept) for σ & σ

We can use the F-test to test this type of null hypothesis:

1. The restricted model (r)

. regress cumgpa sat hsperc tothrs

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 732		
Model	168.533658	3	56.1778861	F(3, 728) = 74.72		
Residual	547.364897	728	.751874858	Prob > F = 0.0000		
Total	715.898555	731	.979341389	R-squared = 0.2354		
				Adj R-squared = 0.2323		
				Root MSE = .86711		

cumgpa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
sat	.0009028	.0002079	4.34	0.000	.0004947	.0013109
hsperc	-.0063791	.0015678	-4.07	0.000	-.0094572	-.0033011
tothrs	.0119779	.0009314	12.86	0.000	.0101494	.0138064
_cons	.9291105	.2285515	4.07	0.000	.4804118	1.377809

2. The unrestricted model (ur)

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. gen female_sat = female*sat
. gen female_hspc = female*hspc
. gen female_tothrs = female*tothrs
. regress cumgpa female_sat female_hspc female_tothrs

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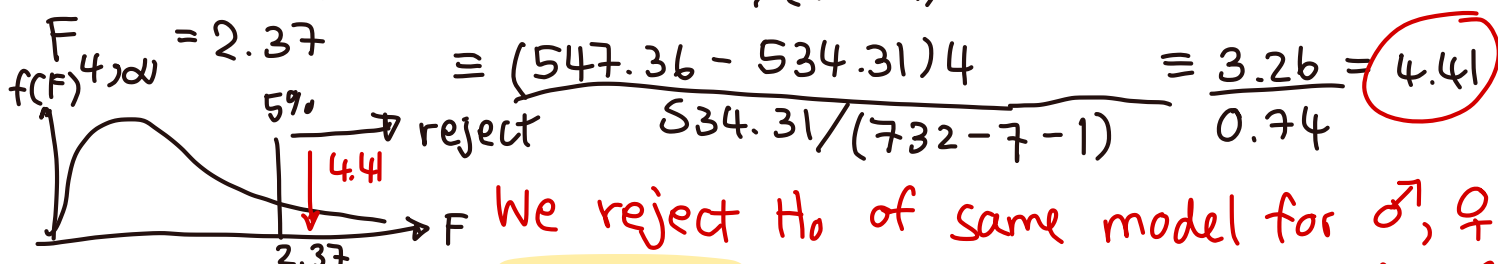
Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 732		
Model	181.589407	7	25.9413439	F(7, 724) = 35.15		
Residual	534.309148	724	.73799606	Prob > F = 0.0000		
Total	715.898555	731	.979341389	R-squared = 0.2537		
				Adj R-squared = 0.2464		
				Root MSE = .85907		

cumgpa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
female	-1.113638	.528539	-2.11	0.035	-2.15129	-.0759859
sat	.0006113	.000235	2.60	0.009	.0001499	.0010727
female_sat	.0011167	.0005	2.23	0.026	.0001351	.0020984
hspc	-.0059675	.0017765	-3.36	0.001	-.0094551	-.0024798
female_hspc	.0000508	.0041025	0.01	0.990	-.0080035	.008105
tothrs	.0103004	.0010928	9.43	0.000	.0081549	.0124459
female_tothrs	.0055599	.0020696	2.69	0.007	.0014968	.009623
_cons	1.213984	.2648281	4.58	0.000	.6940617	1.733907

Comments: $F = \frac{(SSR_r - SSR_{ur})/q}{SSR_{ur}/(n-k-1)}$

USE 5% sig. level

$SSR_{ur}/(n-k-1)$



7.1 We can use the "Chow statistics" to test this type of hypothesis as well

- When there are many variables in the model, adding an interaction for every explanatory variable would make the regression analysis messy.
- In which case, we can use the "Chow test" or "Chow statistic" to test the hypothesis expressed in (8.2).
- Chow statistic is a type of F-statistic.

$$F = \frac{SSR_p - (SSR_1 + SSR_2)}{SSR_1 + SSR_2} \cdot \frac{[n - 2(k + 1)]}{k + 1},$$

where n is the total number of observations.

$SSR_p = SSR$ from the pooled model (include observations from both subsamples)

College athletes.
 ↳ Test for different models.
 We don't need to create interactions.
 But we will need to estimate 3 models.

$SSR_1 = SSR$ from subsample 1

$SSR_2 = SSR$ from subsample 2

e.g. male athletes in the previous example.
female

regress cumgpa sat hspcr tothrs if female = 0

include only ♂ samples

Source	SS	df	MS
Model	89.6937042	3	29.8979014
Residual	390.619421	548	.712809162
Total	480.313125	551	.871711661

Number of obs = 552

F(3, 548) = 41.94

Prob > F = 0.0000

R-squared = 0.1867

Adj R-squared = 0.1823

Root MSE = .84428

cumgpa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
sat	.0006113	.000231	2.65	0.008	.0001576 .001065
hspcr	-.0059675	.0017459	-3.42	0.001	-.0093969 -.002538
tothrs	.0103004	.001074	9.59	0.000	.0081907 .0124101
_cons	1.213984	.2602697	4.66	0.000	.7027359 1.725233

regress cumgpa sat hspcr tothrs if female = 1

include only ♀ samples

Source	SS	df	MS
Model	83.4816253	3	27.8272084
Residual	143.689727	176	.816418902
Total	227.171352	179	1.2691137

Number of obs = 180

F(3, 176) = 34.08

Prob > F = 0.0000

R-squared = 0.3675

Adj R-squared = 0.3567

Root MSE = .90356

cumgpa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
sat	.0017281	.0004642	3.72	0.000	.0008119 .0026442
hspcr	-.0059167	.0038895	-1.52	0.130	-.0135927 .0017594
tothrs	.0158603	.0018485	8.58	0.000	.0122122 .0195085
_cons	.1003465	.4810947	0.21	0.835	-.8491105 1.049803

Comments:
$$F = \frac{SSR_P - (SSR_1 + SSR_2)}{SSR_1 + SSR_2} \cdot \frac{(n - 2(k+1))}{k+1}$$

$$\equiv \frac{547.36 - (390.62 + 143.69)}{(390.62 + 143.69)} \cdot \frac{(732 - 2(3+1))}{3+1}$$

$$\equiv 4.42$$

Since $F_{4,\infty}$ at 5% = 2.37, we reject

H_0 because $4.42 > 2.37$

⇒ We need different models for diff groups

Example from a past seminar paper.

ii. Regression Result

Table 2: Regression Result

VARIABLES	(1) gpax	(2) gpax	(3) gpax
female ✓	0.129** (0.0549)	0.112* (0.0580)	0.0389 (0.162)
hs_gpax ✓	0.415*** (0.0622)	0.409*** (0.0637)	0.416*** (0.0623)
edu_dad ✓	-0.000535 (0.00858)	-0.00168 (0.00878)	-0.000472 (0.00855)
edu_mom ✓	-0.0105 (0.00808)	-0.0107 (0.00841)	-0.0102 (0.00824)
time_sm ✓	-0.0295*** (0.0109)	-0.0346*** (0.0117)	-0.0510*** (0.0161)
time_smedu ✓	0.0436** (0.0189)	0.0456** (0.0193)	0.0674** (0.0338)
time_edu ✓	0.0127 (0.0243)	0.00992 (0.0246)	0.0160 (0.0350)
time_eduexam ✓	0.0107 (0.0118)	0.00953 (0.0120)	0.00942 (0.0217)
communicate ✓		-0.00638 (0.0955)	
update		0.00807 (0.0540)	
news		-0.0782 (0.0631)	
edu		0.0363 (0.0666)	
star		0.0293 (0.0627)	
shopping		0.0538 (0.0584)	
female × time_sm			0.0327 (0.0215)
female × time_smedu			0.0344 (0.0403)
female × time_edu			-0.00574 (0.0475)
female × time_eduexam			-0.000853 (0.0260)
Constant	1.733*** (0.244)	1.821*** (0.263)	1.788*** (0.261)
Observations	269	269	269
R-squared	0.217	0.226	0.222

Coefficients
($\hat{\beta}$, $\hat{\sigma}$)
Std. errs.

Time spent on
Social
media

Social
media
usage
purposes

Time spent
on
Social
media
"interact"
with
female

H_0 : gender does not have
any effect on the impact
of social media

$\delta_1, \delta_2, \delta_3, \delta_4 = 0$

H_a = otherwise.

So, we don't reject H_0

$$F = \frac{(R^2_{ur} - R^2_r) / q}{(1 - R^2_{ur}) / (n - k - 1)}$$

$$= \frac{(0.222 - 0.217) / 4}{(1 - 0.222) / (269 - 12 - 1)} = 0.411$$

$F_{4,269} = 2.37$
(5%)

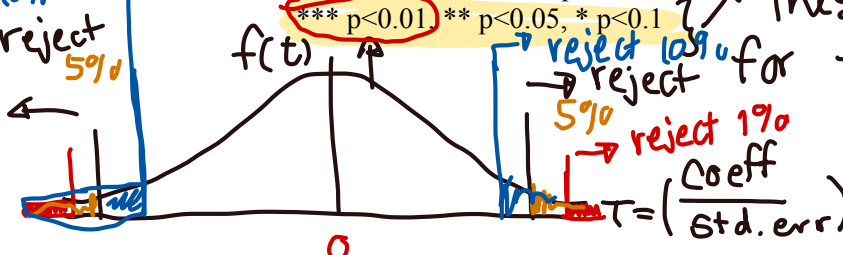
By only looking at
the coefficients,
do you think
the effects of
time spent on
social media
is different
for for
different
genders??

Robust standard errors in parentheses

*** $p < 0.01$ ** $p < 0.05$, * $p < 0.1$

These p-values are
for testing $H_0: \beta = 0$
or the coeff = 0

$H_a: \beta \neq 0$



*** $p < 0.01$ (strongly significant effect)
** $p < 0.05$

* $p < 0.10$ (10% significant level)
(weakly sig)

8 A Binary Dependent Variable (y variable): The Linear Probability Model

- So far, our Y variables are continuous.
- What if we are interested in explaining a qualitative Y variable (that is, Y is a dummy variable)?

Consider

could be continuous or 0,1

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$

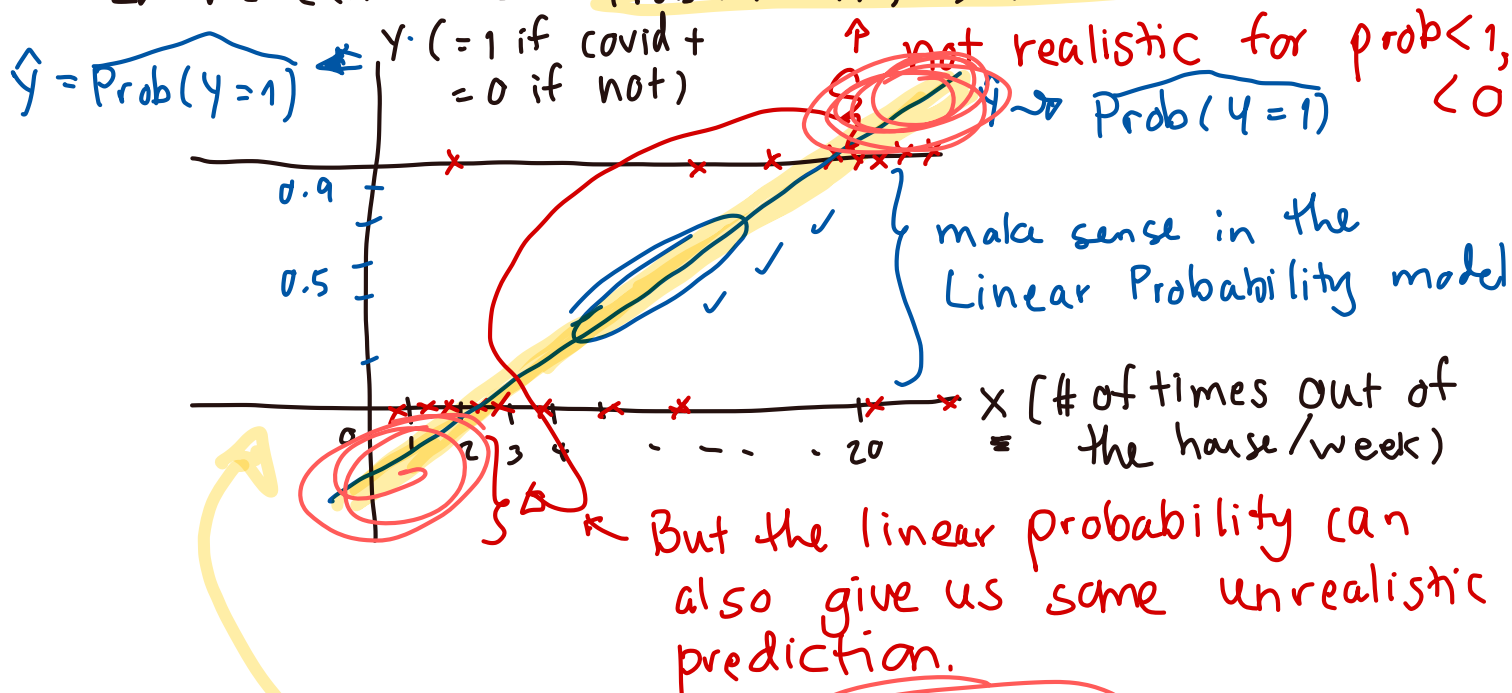
$$E(y|x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_k x_k,$$

where x denotes all of the explanatory variables $(x_1, \dots, x_k)$.

$y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if rain} \\ 0 & \text{if no rain} \end{cases}$
 $y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{covid} \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$
 $y = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if using iPad for note-taking} \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$

$$E(y|x) = \text{Prob}(Y=1|x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k$$

If this is done in a normal Linear regression

 $\Rightarrow$ we can have $\text{Prob}(Y=1|x) > 1$ or < 0 

- It is possible for y to be binary (0,1). Here are some options
 - 1) Linear Probability Model $\Rightarrow$ same estimation as OLS but treat $\hat{y} = \text{Prob}(Y=1)$. However, this can give $\hat{y} > 1, < 0 \Rightarrow$ unrealistic
 - 2) Logit, Probit models! will force $\hat{y}$ to be $\hat{y} \in [0, 1] \Rightarrow$ don't get unrealistic results.

doing a linear regression (OLS)

8. Multiple Regression Analysis with Qualitative Information:

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↓ y x_1
`. regress inlf nwifeinc educ exper expersq age kidslt6 kidsge6`

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs =	753
Model	48.8080578	7	6.97257969	F(7, 745) =	38.22
Residual	135.919698	745	.182442547	Prob > F =	0.0000
Total	184.727756	752	.245648611	R-squared =	0.2642
				Adj R-squared =	0.2573
				Root MSE =	.42713

inlf	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
nwifeinc	-.0034052	.0014485	-2.35	0.019	-.0062488 -.0005616
educ	.0379953	.007376	5.15	0.000	.023515 .0524756
exper	.0394924	.0056727	6.96	0.000	.0283561 .0506287
expersq	-.0005963	.0001848	-3.23	0.001	-.0009591 -.0002335
age	-.0160908	.0024847	-6.48	0.000	-.0209686 -.011213
kidslt6	-.2618105	.0335058	-7.81	0.000	-.3275875 -.1960335
kidsge6	.0130122	.013196	0.99	0.324	-.0128935 .0389179
_cons	.5855192	.154178	3.80	0.000	.2828442 .8881943

$P_r(inlf=1)$



$\beta_{exper} (+)$

$\beta_{exper^2} (-)$

in the labor force (working)

where

$inlf = 1$ if the woman reports working for a wage outside the home at some point during the year, zero otherwise.

x_1 $nwifeinc$ = husband's earnings (in thousands of dollars)

$educ$ = years of education

$exper$ = past years of labor market experience

age = age

$kidslt6$ = number of children less than 6 years old

$kidsage6$ = number of kids between 6 - 18 years old

$$\text{Prob}(inlf = 1 | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 nwifeinc + \hat{\beta}_2 educ + \hat{\beta}_3 exper \dots$$

$$= 0.586 - 0.003 nwifeinc + 0.038 educ \dots$$

$$\bullet \frac{d \text{Prob}(inlf = 1 | x_1, \dots, x_k)}{d nwifeinc} = \hat{\beta}_1 = -0.003$$

→ every USD 1,000 increase in the husband's income would decrease the prob that the wife works by 0.003.

$$\bullet \frac{d \text{Prob}(inlf = 1 | x_1, \dots, x_k)}{d kidslt6} = \hat{\beta}_{kidslt6} = -0.262$$

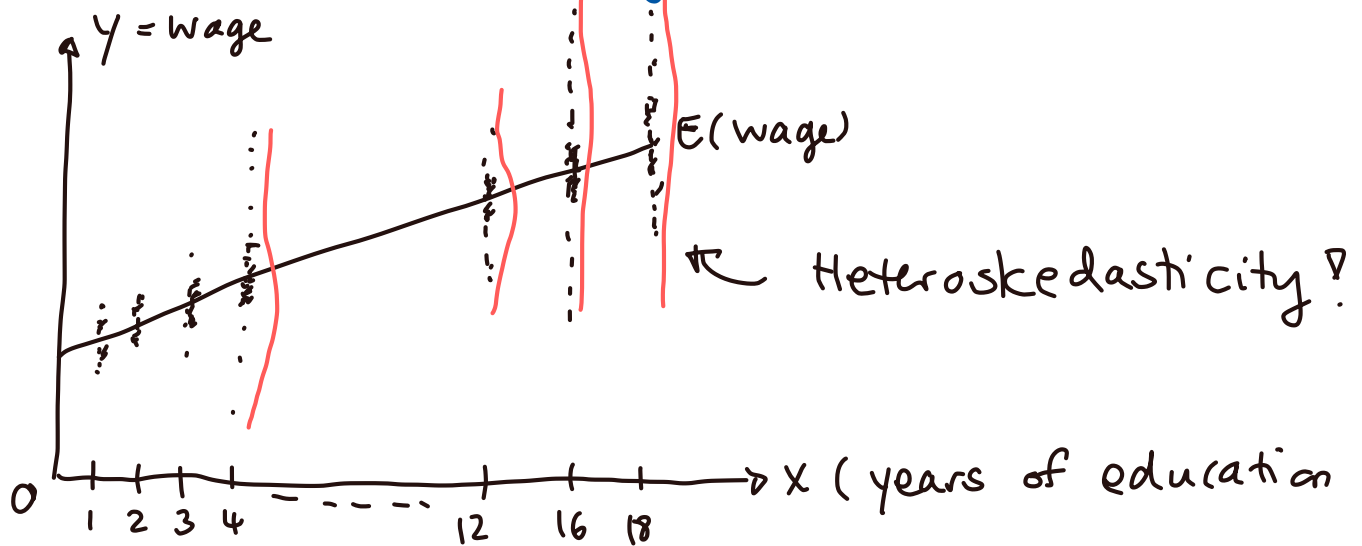
→ Each additional kid under 6 years old would decrease the prob that the wife works by 0.262 (26%)

Heteroscedasticity Problem

1 Nature and Consequences of heteroscedasticity for OLS

- Heteroskedasticity (broadly) - different sub-population / sub-samples have different variability from others.
- Heteroskedasticity (in econometrics) - variance of the error term (u) (unobserved factors) changes across different sub-populations (or changes according to different values of x variables)

1.1 Nature of Heteroskedasticity



$$\text{Var}(u|X_{\text{edu}}=1) \neq \text{Var}(u|X_{\text{edu}}=2) \neq \dots \text{Var}(u|X_{\text{edu}}=12) \neq \dots$$

$$\text{Heteroskedasticity: } \text{Var}(u_i | x_i) = \sigma_i^2$$

variance depends on the value of x

1.2 Consequences of Heteroskedasticity

1. Does not affect the biasedness of the OLS estimators

- We only need assumption MLR 1 - 4 to be satisfied. Heteroskedasticity problem violates ass. MLR 5. So, as long as MLR 1 - 4 are satisfied, $\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$ will be unbiased.

Figure 9.1: Homoscedasticity

Borrowed from Aj. Wasin's note
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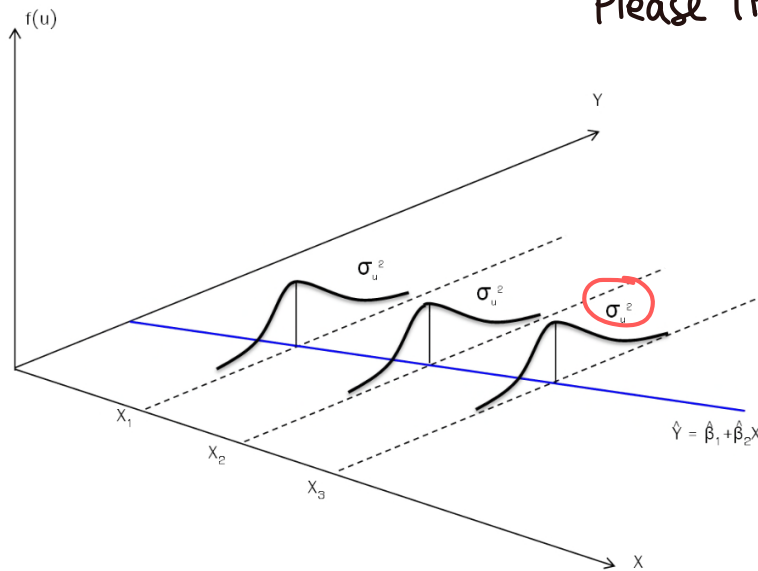
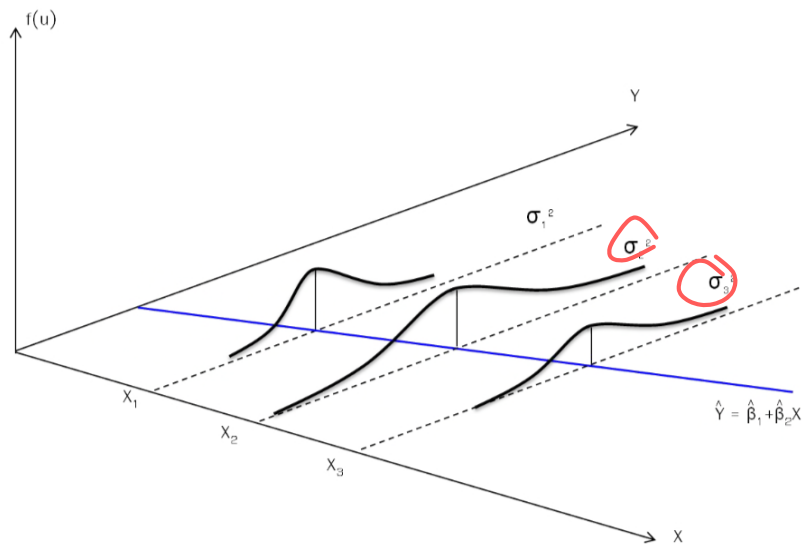


Figure 9.2: Heteroscedasticity



Generally, there is a variety of causes for the existence heteroscedasticity problem in the regression model studied by most economists. Yet, only 6 main sources are discussed here.

1. Normally, error learning is the nature of human. At the initial stage of their work, people probably commit a large number of mistakes. As they carry on working and become more specialized, the amount of errors would be reduced. In this case, it seems that the variance at the initial stage will be high but would decrease as people learn from their errors.

2. Considering the relationship between independent variable X and dependent variable Y , there seems to be possible that as the value of independent variable increase, the variance of the value of dependent one will increases. The feasible reason is the characteristics of those variables such as the relationship between the profit of the company (independent variable) and dividend (dependent variable). As the profit rises, the board of director may have a variety of dividend policies. Some companies may pay a small amount of dividend in order to keep the profit for further development. Some may pay a large amount of dividend to satisfy the shareholders. On the contrary, if the profit is low, the dividend policy will not diverge across the companies since the companies seem to be at the growth stage and decide to keep their profit as retained earnings.

3. The collection of data is another source. As the collection technique employed by the researcher is improved, the collection error would be lower. Contrarily, with the poor collection technique, the data obtained to construct the regression model would probably incur more and more errors, causing the condition variance of disturbance term to vary.

4. The existence of outliers in the independent and dependent variables may make the conditional variance of disturbance term on independent variables volatile. Mostly, if the researchers collect too small amount of data, that set of data tends to include the outliers and undermine the regression analysis. As the amount of data increases, those outliers may become normal relative to other observations. *some values that are far-off from expected values*

5. The misspecification of the model could result in the heteroscedasticity problem as well. In some cases, econometricians drop some important and necessary independent variable from the regression model. The disturbance term, then, will incorporate the characteristics of the missing variables, resulting in heteroscedasticity problem. For example, suppose the researchers want to establish the model to explain the relationship of price and quantity of good X, as suggested by the theory of demand. However, if it turns out that good Y is the substitute for good X. This mistake of failing to include price of good Y, which has the explanatory power over the demand for good X, will result in misspecification error. The disturbance term will have the characteristics of good Y, which, in turn, leads to heteroscedasticity.

6. Heteroscedasticity problem usually happens in the model that applies the cross-sectional data which tends to be highly diverse because the data is collected in the same time period. To illustrate, the census acquired from numerous provincial areas may cover the wide range of value and results in the stated problem. On the other hand, for the time series data, it is prone to be the collection of the same sample for different period of time. With the same sample, the range of the value covered seems to be narrow. Hence, the stated problem, generally, does not occur with this kind of data.

2. Does not affect the value of R^2 and $adj.R^2$

We can still refer to R^2 , $Adj.R^2$

$$R^2 = \frac{ESS}{TSS} = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS} \approx 1 - \frac{\sigma_u^2}{\sigma_y^2}$$

These two are the variance of the whole dataset (all samples) so are not affected by the difference of $\sigma_{u_i}^2$ across groups.

3. Make the estimated value of $Var(\hat{\beta}_{OLS})$ wrong

→ And because $Var(\hat{\beta}_{OLS})$ is wrong, our estimate for $Var(\hat{\beta}_{OLS}) = \text{std.err.}$ will be wrong

4. Affect the correctness of our inference

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

$$H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{\text{std.err.}}$$

$var(\hat{\beta}_{OLS})$

→ F-test uses std.err. too. So, it will be wrong. So, if std.err. is incorrect, t-statistic will be wrong. We cannot rely on our conclusion about the hypothesis testing. invalid as well.

1.3 How can the estimated value of $Var(\hat{\beta}_{OLS})$ be wrong?

Suppose

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

$$H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + u_i$$

Given that assumption 1 to 4 are true, but assumption 5 (homoskedasticity) is violated. Thus,

$$Var(u_i|x_i) = \sigma_i^2$$

indicates heterosk. because it says that variance depends on the value of x_i

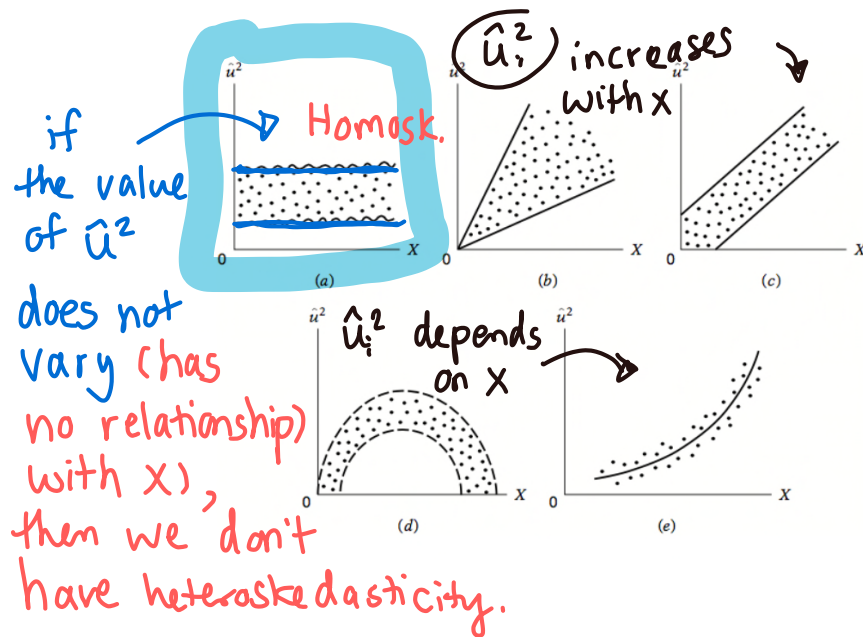
And from the OLS estimation steps, we can write

look up [p.36-7]

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \beta_1 + \frac{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x}) u_i}{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$Var(\hat{\beta}_1) = 0 + Var\left(\frac{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x}) u_i}{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2}\right)$$

Figure 9.4: The relationship between u_i^2 and regressor X of the model suffering heteroscedasticity problem



using assumption 4, x is conditional upon (is given)
(MLR, SLR)

Constant for each observation

We get

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) &= \left[\frac{1}{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right]^2 \text{Var} \left[\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x}) u_i \right] \\ &= \left[\frac{1}{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right]^2 \text{Var} [(x_1 - \bar{x})u_1 + (x_2 - \bar{x})u_2 + \dots + (x_k - \bar{x})u_k] \\ &= \frac{1}{SST_x^2} \cdot \left[(x_1 - \bar{x})^2 \underbrace{\text{Var}(u_1)}_{\sigma_1^2} + (x_2 - \bar{x})^2 \underbrace{\text{Var}(u_2)}_{\sigma_2^2} + \dots \right]\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{1}{SST_x^2} \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sigma_i^2 \quad \text{under heteroskedasticity}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{1}{SST_x^2} \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{SST_x} \quad \text{under homoskedasticity}$$

* If we have heterosk., we cannot use the usual OLS calculation for $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta})$, $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta})$

1.4 Two types of remedies

1. Passive

We do not fix or alter the data used for estimation. We only employ the correct calculation for the std. err.

i	educ	incr
1	x_1	x_1
2		
3		
4		
5		
100		

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \frac{\sum_i (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)^2 \sigma_i^2}{SST_x^2 (1 - R_j^2)}$$

estimator

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \frac{\sum_i (\hat{r}_{ij}^2 \hat{u}_i^2)}{SSR_j^2}$$

(std. err.)

called

Heteroskedasticity-robust std. err.

The R^2 from regressing x_j on all other x s.

$$\text{EX: } y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + u$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_3) = \frac{\sum_i (x_{i3} - \bar{x}_3)^2 \sigma_i^2}{SST_x^2 (1 - R_3^2)}$$

$$\text{from } x_3 = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_1 + \theta_2 x_2 + \text{error}$$

where $\hat{r}_{ij}$ = i^{th} residual from regressing x_j on all other x s.

$\hat{u}_i$ = $\hat{u}_i$ (from the main regression) y on all x s. (not y)

SSR_j = SSR from regressing x_j on all other x s.

STATA command: regress $y \ x_1 \ x_2 \ \dots \ x_k$, robust

2. Active - manipulate (change / alter / transform) the data so that we will have the homoske. pattern in the dataset. $\Rightarrow$ use the usual OLS Std. err.
- $\leadsto$ use methods such as weighted-least-squares.

2 Testing for heteroskedasticity

- The main point - Heteroskedasticity happens when $\text{Var}(u_i | x_i) = \sigma_i^2 \leadsto$ variance depends on x
- However, for the heterosk. test, we don't know the true value of σ_i^2 . So, we are going to use $\hat{u}_i^2$ as a proxy for σ_i^2 ?

Suppose

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$

$\swarrow$ want to test if $\text{Var}(u | x_1, x_k)$ is constant.

Assume that assumption 1 to 4 are true. Our hypotheses to test for heteroskedasticity would be

$\hat{\beta}_s$ are unbiased.

$$H_0: \text{Var}(u | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \sigma^2$$

$$H_a: H_0 \text{ is not true} \leadsto \text{Heterosk.}$$

$\Rightarrow$ if we reject H_0 , we have heterosk.

Tip: $=, \leq, \geq$ should be with H_0

We know that $\text{Var}(u | \mathbf{x}) = E(u^2 | \mathbf{x}) - [E(u | \mathbf{x})]^2$. But $E(u | \mathbf{x}) = 0$ (MLR 4) according to assumption 4. Thus, H_0 and H_a can be written as

$$H_0: E(u^2 | x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k) = \sigma^2$$

$$H_a: H_0 \text{ is not true}$$

2.1 Breusch-Pagan test (BP test)

To test the above hypothesis, we follow these steps.

1) We need to find out whether u^2 is correlated with X . This can be done by regressing

population parameter u^2 = $\delta_0 + \delta_1 X_1 + \dots + \delta_k X_k + \text{error}$

blc Then perform a joint-hypothesis testing for $u = \text{real error}$
 $H_0: \delta_1 = \delta_2 = \delta_3 = \dots = \delta_k = 0$ (homosk.)

against $H_a: H_0$ is not true. So, if at least one of the $\delta \neq 0$, we already have heterosk.

2) We don't know the true value of u^2 . So, we use $\hat{u}^2$ instead.

$R^2_{\hat{u}^2}$ is $\hat{u}^2 = \delta_0 + \delta_1 X_1 + \dots + \delta_k X_k + \text{error}$ (1)

To perform the Breusch-Pagan Test in STATA

STATA commands (in case $k = 4$):

regress y x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4

predict u_hat , residual

generate $u_hat_sq = u_hat^2$

regress u_hat_sq x_1 x_2 x_3 x_4

** Then, check the F-statistic on the top right-hand corner of the result table.

Example: Finding the determinants of GPA.

Then, use F-test

$F_{k, n-k-1} = \frac{[R^2_{\hat{u}^2}/k]}{[(1-R^2_{\hat{u}^2})/(n-k-1)]}$
 # of observation
 # of regressors in (1)

or use the Lagrange-multiplier test (LM)

. regress termgpa attend priGPA final frosh soph

Source	SS	df	MS
Model	226.077541	5	45.2155081
Residual	142.319996	674	.211157264
Total	368.397537	679	.542558964

Number of obs = 680
 $F(5, 674) = 214.13$
 Prob > F = 0.0000
 $R\text{-squared} = 0.6137$
 Adj R-squared = 0.6108
 Root MSE = .45952

termgpa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
attend	.046594	.0036082	12.91	0.000	.0395093 .0536787
priGPA	.5329307	.0403281	13.21	0.000	.4537468 .6121146
final	.0503197	.0040339	12.47	0.000	.0423992 .0582403
frosh	.0974307	.0560211	1.74	0.082	-.0125662 .2074276
soph	.0689273	.0467006	1.48	0.140	-.0227689 .1606236
_cons	-1.361077	.1316861	-10.34	0.000	-1.619642 -1.102513

LM $\sim \chi^2_k$
 $LM = n \cdot R^2_{\hat{u}^2}$
 if $LM > \text{Critical value in the } \chi^2\text{-distribution, we reject}$

