

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.

Heteroskedasticity is the assumption for MLR that used to find the OLS estimation. Meaning that $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k$ will not be efficient without $\text{Var}(U|X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k) = \sigma^2$. Moreover, the explanatory variables should be included to make the OLS unbiased in order to separate them with error term. If our OLS has sample correlation coefficient of 0.95 between 2 independent variables, it is OK because it doesn't violate any MLR assumption.

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):

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

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

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

(0.32) (0.035) (0.0041) (0.00054)

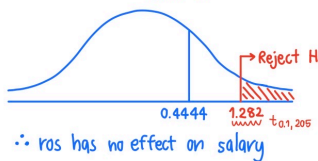
$n = 209, R^2 = .283.$

- By what percentage is salary predicted to increase if ros increases by 50 points? Does ros have a practically large effect on salary?
- 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.
- iv. Would you include ros in a final model explaining CEO compensation in terms of firm performance? Explain.

(i) $H_0: \beta_3 = 0$
 $H_a: \beta_3 > 0$

(ii) Effect on salary = $50(0.00024) = 0.012$
 \therefore Ros doesn't have a large effect on salary which only 1.2%.

(iii) $\alpha = 0.1, n = 209, \text{d.f.} = 209 - 3 - 1 = 205$
$$z = \frac{\hat{\beta}_3 - \beta_3}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_3)} = \frac{0.00024 - 0}{0.00054} = 0.4444$$



(iv) No, ros has no effect on salary at 0.1 level of significant. If we add ros, it will rise R^2 , but it worsen the variance. We only want thing that explain the model.

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 ?
- 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.
- 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)?
- 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.)

(iii) $\widehat{\text{voteA}} = 45.08 + 6.083 \log(\text{expendA}) - 6.615 \log(\text{expendB}) + 0.152 \text{prtystrA}$

A's expenditure and B's expenditure affect the outcome which is the percentage of the vote received by candidate A. While A's expenditure has a positive impact, B's expenditure a negative impact on vote A. We cannot use this result to test the hypothesis in part (ii) because we need the standard error of $\beta_1 + \beta_2$.

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.gen lexpendA_lexpendB = lexpendA - lexpendB
.regress voteA lexpendA lexpendA_lexpendB prtystrA

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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	F(3, 169)	Prob > F	R-squared	Adj R-squared	Root MSE
Model	38405.1097	3	12801.7032	173	215.23	0.0000	0.7926	0.7889	7.7123
Residual	10052.1388	169	59.4801115						
Total	48457.2486	172	281.728189						

	voteA	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
lexpendA		-.532101	.5330858	-1.00	0.320	-1.584466 .5202638
lexpendA_lexpendB		6.615417	.3788203	17.46	0.000	5.867588 7.363246
prtystrA		.1519574	.0620181	2.45	0.015	.0295274 .2743873
_cons		45.07893	3.926305	11.48	0.000	37.32801 52.82985

(i) β_1 can be interpreted that 1% increase in a campaign expenditure by candidates A will increase β_1 percentage of the vote received by candidate A

(iv) $\theta_1 = \beta_1 + \beta_2$
 $\beta_1 = \theta_1 - \beta_2$

$\text{VoteA} = \beta_0 + (\theta_1 - \beta_2) \log(\text{expendA}) + \beta_2 \log(\text{expendB}) + \beta_3 \text{prtystrA} + u$
 $\text{VoteA} = \beta_0 + \theta_1 \log(\text{expendA}) + \beta_2 (\log(\text{expendB}) - \log(\text{expendA})) + \beta_3 \text{prtystrA} + u$

$\hat{\theta}_1 = -0.532$

since p -value of $\hat{\theta}_1$ is equal to 0.320 which is more than 0.05 which is 5% level of significant, we accept H_0 at 5% significant level. So, 1% increase in A's expenditure is not offset by one percent increase in B's expenditure

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.regress voteA lexpendA lexpendB prtystrA

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

	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
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C6. Use the data in WAGE2 for this exercise.

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i. Consider the standard wage equation

$$\log(\text{wage}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \beta_2 \text{exper} + \beta_3 \text{tenure} + u.$$

State the null hypothesis that another year of general workforce experience has the same effect on $\log(\text{wage})$ as another year of tenure with the current employer.

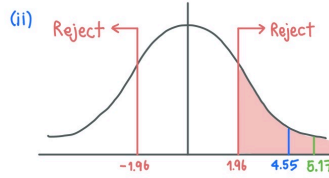
ii. Test the null hypothesis in part (i) against a two-sided alternative, at the 5% significance level, by constructing a 95% confidence interval. What do you conclude?

(i) $H_0: \beta_2 = \beta_3$
 $H_a: \beta_2 \neq \beta_3$

. regress lwage educ exper tenure

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs		
Model	25.6953242	3	8.56510806	935	F(3, 931)	= 56.97
Residual	139.960959	931	.150334005		Prob > F	= 0.0000
Total	165.656283	934	.177362188		R-squared	= 0.1551
					Adj R-squared	= 0.1524
					Root MSE	= .38773

lwage	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
educ	.0748638	.0065124	11.50	0.000	.062083	.0876446
exper	.0153285	.0033696	4.55	0.000	.0087156	.0219413
tenure	.0133748	.0025872	5.17	0.000	.0082974	.0184522
_cons	5.496696	.1105282	49.73	0.000	5.279782	5.713609



Since, $4.55 > 1.96$ and $5.17 > 1.96$, we reject H_0 at 5% level of significant level and conclude the exper and tenure have joint effect on wage.

C8. The data set 401KSUBS contains information on net financial wealth (*nettfa*), age of the survey respondent (*age*), annual family income (*inc*), family size (*fsize*), and participation in certain pension plans for people in the United States. The wealth and income variables are both recorded in thousands of dollars. For this question, use only the data for single-person households (so *fsize* = 1).

i. How many single-person households are there in the data set?

ii. Use OLS to estimate the model

$$\text{nettfa} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{inc} + \beta_2 \text{age} + u,$$

and report the results using the usual format. Be sure to use only the single-person households in the sample. Interpret the slope coefficients. Are there any surprises in the slope estimates?

iii. Does the intercept from the regression in part (ii) have an interesting meaning? Explain.

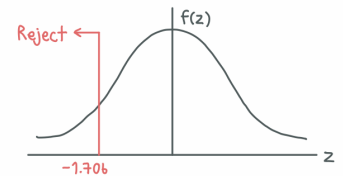
iv. Find the p -value for the test $H_0: \beta_2 = 1$ against $H_1: \beta_2 < 1$. Do you reject H_0 at the 1% significance level?

v. If you do a simple regression of *nettfa* on *inc*, is the estimated coefficient on *inc* much different from the estimate in part (ii)? Why or why not?

(iii) The intercept can tell that when other factors are zero, the net financial wealth will be equal to -43.04

(iv) $H_0: \beta_2 = 1$
 $H_a: \beta_2 < 1$
$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2}{\text{s.e.} \hat{\beta}_2} = \frac{0.393 - 1}{0.092} = -1.706$$

area = $0.5 - 0.4608 = 0.0392$
Since p -value > 0.01 , we do not reject H_0



(v) The coef. in (v) is greater than (ii) because (ii) has more x variables (*inc*, *age*) than (v). So, (ii) will share the impact on the explained variables (less value of coef.)

(i) There are 2,017 single-person household in the data set

. sum if fsize == 1

Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
e401k	2,017	.3604363	.4802461	0	1
inc	2,017	29.44618	16.67356	10.008	143.067
marr	2,017	.0183441	.1342256	0	1
male	2,017	.5418939	.4983654	0	1
age	2,017	39.27814	10.82328	25	64
fsize	2,017	1	0	1	1
nettfa	2,017	13.59498	47.59058	-143.5	1134.098
p401k	2,017	.2429351	.4289625	0	1
pira	2,017	.2141795	.4103536	0	1
incsq	2,017	1144.947	1581.761	100.1601	20468.17
agesq	2,017	1659.857	922.5799	625	4096

. regress nettfa inc if fsize == 1

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs		
Model	377482.064	1	377482.064	2,017	F(1, 2015)	= 181.60
Residual	4188482.98	2,015	2078.6516		Prob > F	= 0.0000
Total	4565965.05	2,016	2264.86361		R-squared	= 0.0827
					Adj R-squared	= 0.0822
					Root MSE	= 45.592

nettfa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
inc	.8206815	.0609	13.48	0.000	.7012479	.940115
_cons	-10.57095	2.060678	-5.13	0.000	-14.61223	-6.529671

(ii) $\widehat{\text{nettfa}} = -43.04 + 0.799 \text{inc} + 0.843 \text{age}$
when income increase 1 unit, the net financial wealth will increase 0.799 unit. Also, the increasing in age 1 unit, the net financial wealth will rise 0.843 unit.

. regress nettfa inc age if fsize == 1

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs		
Model	544916.989	2	272458.495	2,017	F(2, 2014)	= 136.46
Residual	4021048.06	2,014	1996.54819		Prob > F	= 0.0000
Total	4565965.05	2,016	2264.86361		R-squared	= 0.1193
					Adj R-squared	= 0.1185
					Root MSE	= 44.683

nettfa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
inc	.7993167	.0597307	13.38	0.000	.6821762	.9164572
age	.8426563	.0920169	9.16	0.000	.6621982	1.023115
_cons	-43.03981	4.080393	-10.55	0.000	-51.04204	-35.03758