

EE325 Introductory Econometrics (Section 1 semester 1/2020)

Assignment 4

Instruction: Write your answer in either paper or digital paper. However, if you write on paper, please scan it and save as a PDF file. Submission is via BE-Moodle as a PDF file for both cases. (Please keep the file below 10MB as that is the maximum per file capacity for student.)

Due date: Friday, November 6, 2020 (Before 10 P.M.)

1. From the data for 46 states in the United States for 1992, results of the regression are displayed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} \ln C_i &= 4.30 - 1.34 \ln P_i + 0.17 \ln Y_i \\ se &= (0.91) \quad (0.32) \quad (0.20) \\ \bar{R}^2 &= 0.27 \end{aligned}$$

where C_i = cigarette consumption, packs per year

P_i = real price per pack, \$ per pack

Y_i = real disposable income per capita, \$ per week

1.1) Do the estimation results follow the law of demand?

1.2) What is the elasticity of demand for cigarettes with respect to price? Is it statistically significant? If so, is it statistically different from 1?

1.3) What is the income elasticity of demand for cigarettes? Is it statistically significant? If not, what might be the reasons for it?

2. From estimating the regression equation on net financial wealth (nettfa), age of the survey respondent (age), and annual family income (inc) for people in the United States. The wealth and income variables are both recorded in thousands of dollars. The OLS estimation results for the model are given by

$$\text{nettfa}_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \text{inc}_i + \beta_3 \text{age}_i + u_i$$

reg nettfa inc age

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	9,275
Model	6414618.8	2	3207309.4	F(2, 9272)	=	943.21
Residual	31528770.7	9,272	3400.42825	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Total	37943389.5	9,274	4091.3726	R-squared	=	0.1691
				Adj R-squared	=	0.1689
				Root MSE	=	58.313

nettfa	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
inc	.9533566	.0252775	37.72	0.000	.9038072 1.002906
age	1.030777	.0591226	17.43	0.000	.9148838 1.14667
_cons	-60.69654	2.596333	-23.38	0.000	-65.78592 -55.60715

1.1) Do the estimation results follow the law of demand?

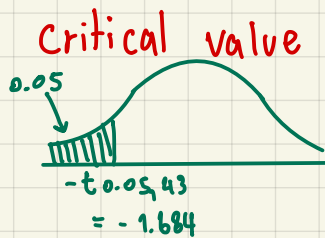
$$H_0: \beta_2 \geq 0$$

$$H_1: \beta_2 < 0$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$t_{cal} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2}{Se(\hat{\beta}_2)} = \frac{-1.34 - 0}{0.32} = -4.1575$$

$$df = 46 - 3 = 43$$



Reject H_0 if $t_{cal} < -1.684$
find that $-4.1575 < -1.684$
 $\therefore$ Reject H_0

Conclusion: There is enough evidence to say that
This results follow the law of demand at $\alpha = 5\%$.

1.2) What is the elasticity of demand for cigarettes with respect to price? Is it statistically significant? If so, is it statistically different from 1?

$$\epsilon_P = \frac{\% \Delta C}{\% \Delta P} = -1.34$$

1.3) What is the income elasticity of demand for cigarettes? Is it statistically significant? If not, what might be the reasons for it?

$$\epsilon_I = \frac{\% \Delta C}{\% \Delta P} = 0.17$$

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reg nettfba inc age agesq
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	9,275
Model	6567017.15	3	2189005.72	F(3, 9271)	=	646.80
Residual	31376372.3	9,271	3384.35685	Prob > F	=	0.0000
Total	37943389.5	9,274	4091.3726	R-squared	=	0.1731
				Adj R-squared	=	0.1728
				Root MSE	=	58.175

nettfba	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
inc	.9782522	.0254891	38.38	0.000	.928288 1.028216
age	-2.231489	.4897118	-4.56	0.000	-3.191432 -1.271547
agesq	.0377221	.0056214	6.71	0.000	.026703 .0487413
_cons	4.680388	10.08099	0.46	0.642	-15.08056 24.44134

2.1) Test the coefficient, in the first model, $\beta_3 < 1$ in the first model or not?

2.2) Due to estimation result by adding the age² variable or agesq. Perform the test whether we should include the quadratic term of the age variable or not? (Test for both t-test and F-test.) Also, interpret the meaning of this coefficient.

3. You are conducting an empirical investigation into the median prices of houses in 506 communities of a large metropolitan area. The sample data consist of 506 observations on the following observable variables:

P_i : the median house price in community i , in dollars;

NOX_i : the level of nitrous oxide in the air of community i , in parts per 100 million;

$DIST_i$: the weighted distance of community i from municipal area, in miles;

$ROOM_i$: the average number of rooms per house in community i ;

$STRAT_i$: the average student-teacher ratio of schools in community i .

Researcher estimates the following model of median house price. The OLS estimation results for the model are given by

$$\ln(P_i) = 11.08 - 0.9535 \ln(NOX_i) - 0.1343 \ln(DIST_i) + 0.2545 ROOM_i - 0.05245 STRAT_i$$

$$se = (0.3181) (0.1167) \quad (0.04310) \quad (0.01853) \quad (0.005897)$$

$$RSS = 35.1835 \quad TSS = 84.5822$$

3.1) Interpret each of the coefficient estimates in regression equation.

3.2) Test the individual significance of each of the slope coefficient estimates for $\ln(NOX_i)$ and $ROOM_i$.

3.3) Find the R-squared, adjusted R-squared, and test the joint significance of all the slope coefficient estimates.

3.4) If researcher would like to test the proposition that the marginal effect of $\ln(NOX_i)$ on $\ln(P_i)$ equals the marginal effect of $\ln(DIST_i)$ on $\ln(P_i)$, write the restricted model and

2.1) Test the coefficient, in the first model, $\beta_3 < 1$ in the first model or not?

$$H_0 : \beta_3 \geq 1$$

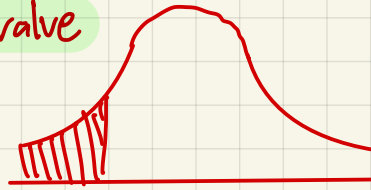
$$H_1 : \beta_3 < 1$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$t_{cal} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_3 - \beta_3}{Se(\hat{\beta}_3)} = \frac{1.0307 - 1}{0.0591} = 0.520562$$

$$df = n - k = 9275 - 3 = 9272$$

critical value



$$-t_{0.05, 9272}$$

$$= -1.645$$

reject H_0 if $t_{cal} < -1.645$

find that $0.520562 > -1.645$

$\therefore$ not reject H_0

$\therefore$ There is not enough evidence to say that this result $\beta_3 < 1$ in the first model

2.2) Due to estimation result by adding the age² variable or agesq. Perform the test whether we should include the quadratic term of the age variable or not? (Test for both t-test and F-test.) Also, interpret the meaning of this coefficient.

F-test

$$net\{f_{a_i} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 inc_i + \beta_3 age_i + \beta_4 age_i^2 + u_i \text{ (unrestricted)}$$

$$\beta_4 = 0$$

$$\beta_4 \neq 0$$

$$net\{f_{a_i} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 inc_i + \beta_3 age_i + u_i \text{ (restricted)}$$

$$H_0 : \beta_4 = 0$$

$$H_1 : \beta_4 \neq 0$$

$$\alpha = 0.05, m = k - r = 4 - 3 = 1$$

$$F_{cal} = \frac{RSS_R - ESS_{UR}/M}{RSS_{UR}/n-k} = \frac{R^2_{UR} - R^2_{RM}}{(1 - R^2_{UR})n - k} = \frac{(31528770.7 - 31376372.3)/1}{31546372/9275 - 4} = 45.03024$$

critical value



$$F_{0.05, (1, 9272)} = 3.84$$

reject H_0 if $F_{cal} > 3.84$

find that $45.03 > 3.84$

$\therefore$ reject H_0

conclusion : There is enough evidence to say that the addition at age² to the model was significant, at $\alpha = 5\%$.

3.1) Interpret each of the coefficient estimates in regression equation.

$$\ln(P_i) = \hat{\beta}_1 - 0.9535 \hat{\beta}_2 \ln(\text{NOX}_i) - 0.1343 \hat{\beta}_3 \ln(\text{DIST}_i) + 0.2545 \hat{\beta}_4 \text{ROOM}_i - 0.05245 \hat{\beta}_5 \text{STRAT}_i$$

$\hat{\beta}_1 = 11.08$; If $\ln(\text{NOX}_i) = 0$, $\ln(\text{DIST}_i) = 0$, $\text{ROOM}_i = 0$ and $\text{STRAT}_i = 0$, on average, the median house price would be equal to $\$e^{11.08} = \$64,860.88341$

$\hat{\beta}_2 = -0.9535$; As the level of nitrous oxide increase by 1%, on average, the median house price decrease by 0.9535%, holding other variables constant.

$\hat{\beta}_3 = -0.1343$; As the weighted distance from municipal area increase by 1%, on average, the median house price decrease by 0.1343%, holding other variables constant.

$\hat{\beta}_4 = 0.2545$; As the average number of rooms per house increase by 1 room per house, on average, the median house price increase by $0.2545 \times 100 = 25.45\%$, holding other variable constant.

$\hat{\beta}_5 = -0.0524$; As the average student-teacher ratio of schools increase by 1 student per teacher, on average, the median house price decrease by $0.05245 \times 100 = 5.245\%$, holding other variable constant.

3.2) Test the individual significance of each of the slope coefficient estimates for $\ln(\text{NOX}_i)$ and ROOM_i .

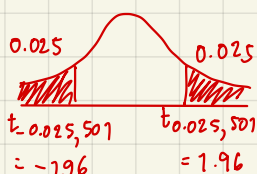
$\alpha = 0.05$

$$H_0: \beta_4 = 0 \quad t_{\text{cal}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_4 - \beta_4}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_4)} = \frac{0.2545 - 0}{0.01853} = 13.73448$$

$$H_1: \beta_4 \neq 0$$

$df = n - k = 506 - 5 = 501 = \infty$

critical value



reject the null hypothesis
if $t_{\text{cal}} < -1.96$ or $t_{\text{cal}} > 1.96$
find that $13.73448 > 1.96$
 $\therefore$ reject H_0

conclusion: There is enough to say that $\ln(\text{Nox})$ has significant on $\ln P_i$, at $\alpha = 0.05$

$H_0: \beta_5 = 0$

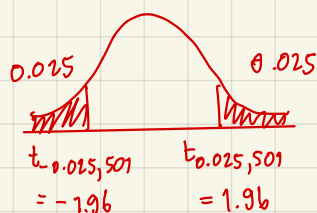
$$t_{\text{cal}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_5 - \beta_5}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_5)} = \frac{-0.05245 - 0}{0.005897} = -8.89448$$

$H_1: \beta_5 \neq 0$

$\alpha = 0.05$

critical value

$df = n - k = 506 - 5 = 501 = \infty$



reject the null hypothesis
if $t_{\text{cal}} < -1.96$ or $t_{\text{cal}} > 1.96$
find that $-8.89448 < -1.96$
 $\therefore$ reject H_0

conclusion: There is enough evidence to say that Room_i is significant on $\ln P_i$, at $\alpha = 0.05$

3.3) Find the R-squared, adjusted R-squared, and test the joint significance of all the slope coefficient estimates.

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS} = 1 - \frac{35.1835}{84.5822} = 1 - 0.416 = 0.584$$

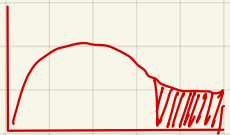
$$\text{adjusted } R\text{-squared} = 1 - (1 - R^2) \frac{n-1}{n-k} = 1 - (1 - 0.584) \frac{505}{501} \\ = 1 - (0.659)(1.0079) \\ = 1 - 0.6642 = 0.3358$$

test the joint; $H_0: \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = \beta_5 = 0$

H_1 : Not all slope coefficient are simultaneously zero

$$F_{cal} = \frac{ESS/k-1}{RSS/n-k} = \frac{R^2/k-1}{(1-R^2)/n-k} = \frac{49.3957/4}{35.1835/501} = 175.8441$$

Critical value



$$F_{0.05, (4, 501)} = 2.37$$

reject H_0 if $f_{cal} > 2.17$
Find that 175.8441, So reject H_0

Conclusion: There is enough evidence to say that at least one parameter is not equal to zero at $\alpha = 5\%$.

3.4) If researcher would like to test the proposition that the marginal effect of $\ln(NOX_i)$ on $\ln(P_i)$ equals the marginal effect of $\ln(DIST_i)$ on $\ln(P_i)$, write the restricted model and perform the test comparing restricted and unrestricted model, given that OLS estimation of this restricted regression equation yields a Residual Sum of Squares value = 41.9532.

$$K=5, R=4$$

$$H_0: \beta_2 = \beta_3 \text{ or } \beta_2 - \beta_3 = 0$$

$$H_1: \beta_2 \neq \beta_3 \text{ or } \beta_2 - \beta_3 \neq 0$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$\ln(P_i) = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \ln(NOX_i) + \beta_3 \ln(DIST_i) + \beta_4 (ROOM_i) + \beta_5 (STRAT_i) + U_i$$

$$= \beta_1 + \beta_2 \ln(NOX_i) + \beta_2 \ln(DIST_i) + \beta_4 (ROOM_i) + \beta_5 (STRAT_i) + U_i$$

$$= \beta_1 + \beta_2 [\ln(NOX_i) + \ln(DIST_i)] + \beta_4 (ROOM_i) + \beta_5 (STRAT_i) + U_i$$

$$= \beta_1 + \beta_2 \ln(NOX_i \times DIST_i) + \beta_4 (ROOM_i) + \beta_5 (STRAT_i) + U_i \text{ (RESTRICTED)}$$

$$F_{cal} = \frac{RSS_R - RSS_{UR}/M}{RSS_{UR}/n-k} = \frac{RSS_R - R^2_{A/M}}{(1 - R^2_{UR})/n-k} = \frac{ESS_{UR} - ESS_{R/M}}{RSS_{UR}/n-k} \\ = \frac{41.9532 - 35.1835/1}{35.1835/506-5} \\ = 96.39801$$

Critical value



$$F_{0.05}(1, 501) = 3.84$$

reject H_0 if $f_{cal} > 3.84$
Find that 96.39801 > 3.84, So reject H_0 .

Conclusion: this is not enough evidence to say that the marginal effect of $\ln NOX$ on $\ln P$ equal marginal effect of $\ln DIST$ on $\ln P$ at $\alpha = 5\%$.

perform the test comparing restricted and unrestricted model, given that OLS estimation of this restricted regression equation yields a Residual Sum of Squares value = 41.9532.

4. Production function (Y) of the industrial sector in Thailand. It depends on the capital factor (K) and labor factor (L) in the years 1980-2010 with the following estimation.

Model 1:

$$\ln Y_t = 18.27 + 0.536 \ln L_t + 0.024 \ln K_t$$

$$R^2 = 0.9389, RSS = 0.0124$$

Model 2:

$$\ln \left(\frac{Y}{L} \right)_t = 2.13 + 1.12 \ln \left(\frac{K}{L} \right)_t$$

$$R^2 = 0.8087, RSS = 0.0153$$

4.1) Interpret the coefficients of the independent variables in models 1 and 2.

4.2) Test the hypothesis. Is the industrial production function characterized by constant return to scale? (Hint: you can perform any type of test that you see fit.)

4.3) Can we compare the R^2 value between the two regression models? Why?

4.1) Interpret the coefficients of the independent variables in models 1 and 2.

model 1: $\ln \hat{Y}_t = 18.27 + 0.53 \ln L_t + 0.1024 \ln K_t$

$\hat{\beta}_1 = 18.24$; If $\ln L_t = 0$ and $\ln K_t = 0$, on average, output would be equal to $e^{18.27}$ units
 $\hat{\beta}_2 = 0.536$; As labour increase by 1%, on average, output increase by about 0.536% holding other variables constant.

$\hat{\beta}_3 = 0.1024$; As capital increase by 1%, on average, output increase by about 0.1024% holding other variables constant.

model 2: $\ln \left(\frac{Y}{L} \right)_t = 2.13 + 1.12 \ln \left(\frac{K}{L} \right)_t$

$\hat{\alpha}_1 = 2.13$; if $\ln(K/L) = 0$, on average, output per labour ratio (labour productivity) would be equal to $e^{2.13}$ unit.

$\hat{\alpha}_2 = 1.12$; as capital per labor ratio increase by 1%, on average labour productivity increase by about 1.12%, holding other variables constant.

4.2) Test the hypothesis. Is the industrial production function characterized by constant return to scale? (Hint: you can perform any type of test that you see fit.)

$H_0: \beta_2 + \beta_3 = 1$

$H_1: \beta_2 + \beta_3 \neq 1$

$\alpha = 0.05$, $m = K - r = 3 - 2$

$$F_{cal} = \frac{RSS_R - RSS_{UR} / m}{RSS_{UR} / (n - k)}$$

$$= \frac{0.0153 - 0.0124 / 1}{0.0124 / 31 - 3}$$

$$= 6.54838$$

critical value



$F_{0.05, (12, 8)} = 4.20$

reject the null hypothesis
 if $f_{cal} > 4.20$ find that $6.54838 > 4.20$
 $\therefore$ reject H_0

$\therefore$ There is not enough evidence to say that this industry production function is characterized by CRS at $\alpha = 5\%$.

4.3) Can we compare the R^2 value between the two regression models? Why?

revise

$$\text{var}(ax \pm by)$$

$$= a^2 \text{var}(x) + b^2 \text{var}(y) \pm 2ab \text{cov}(x, y)$$

$$\text{se}(\hat{\beta}) = \sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta})}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3) &= \sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3)} \\ &= \sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2) + \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_3) + 2\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3)} \end{aligned}$$

t-test

$$H_0: \beta_2 + \beta_3 = 1$$

$$H_1: \beta_2 + \beta_3 \neq 1$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$t_{cal} = \frac{(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3) - (\beta_2 + \beta_3)}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3)}$$

$$= \frac{(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3) - 1}{\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2) + \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_3) + 2\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3)}}$$

$$= \frac{(0.536 + 0.024) - 1}{\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2) + \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_3) + 2\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3)}}$$

$$= \frac{(0.536 + 0.024) - 1}{\sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2) + \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_3) + 2\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_2 + \hat{\beta}_3)}}$$