

4 Testing Hypotheses about a Single Linear Combination of the Parameter

Consider

$$\log(\text{wage}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 jc + \beta_2 univ + \beta_3 \text{exper} + u$$

where jc = number of years attending a two-year college

$univ$ = number of years at a four-year college

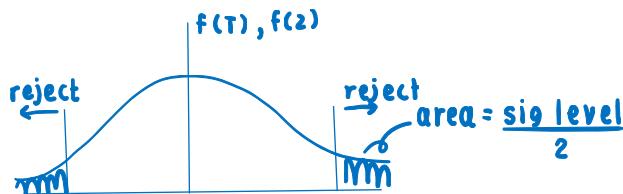
exper = months in the workforce. **if the return from 1 more years of at a junior college**

We want to test whether $\beta_1 = \beta_2$. **→ is the same as that of the university**

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 \Rightarrow H_0 : \beta_1 - \beta_2 = 0$$

$$H_0 : \beta_1 \neq \beta_2 \Rightarrow H_A : \beta_1 - \beta_2 \neq 0$$

2-tailed test



$$t = \frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) - 0}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)}$$

we compute this t-statistic and compare with the critical value

where $\text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) = \sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)}$

$$= \sqrt{\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_1) + \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2) - 2\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2)}$$

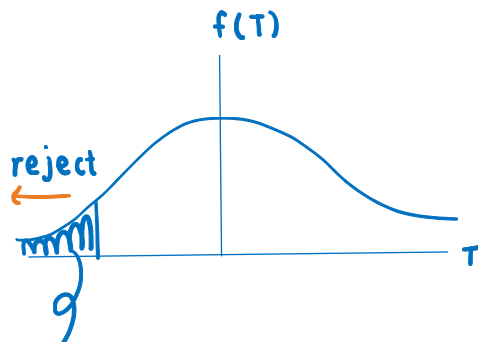
not very straight forward to calculate
normally we use a variable transformation tricks
↳ see notes

another possible hypothesis test (one-tailed alternative)

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 \Rightarrow H_0: \beta_1 - \beta_2 = 0$$

$$H_a: \beta_1 < \beta_2 \Rightarrow H_a: \beta_1 - \beta_2 < 0$$

• It is assume that β_1 will not be more than β_2
so returns to junior college will never be
more than returns to university education



area = sig. level

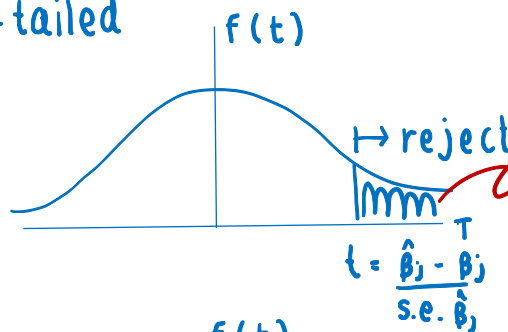
$$t = \frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2) - 0}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_1 - \hat{\beta}_2)}$$

* Then, go to the extra note.

5 Computing p-Values for t-Tests

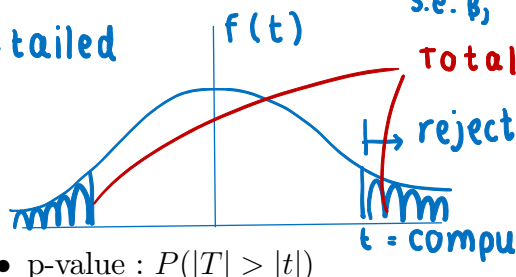
- What is the significance level given the computed t-statistics?

1-tailed



This shaded area in the rejection region is the p-value

2-tailed



- p-value : $P(|T| > |t|)$

$$t = \text{computed } t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_j)}$$

T = t-distributed random variable
with d.f. = $n - k - 1$

t = computed t-stat

~> p-value = probability that a random T value
will be greater in term of absolute
than our t in H_0 test

In-class exercise

consider the multiple regression model, assume MLR 1-6 are satisfied

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + u$$

H_a : otherwise is true

you would like to test the $H_0: \beta_1 - 3\beta_2 = 1$

1) write the t-statistic for testing H_0

$$t = \frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - 3\hat{\beta}_2) - 1}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_1 - 3\hat{\beta}_2)}$$

2) Define $\theta_1 = \hat{\beta}_1 - 3\hat{\beta}_2 \Rightarrow H_0: \theta_1 = 1, H_a: \theta_1 \neq 1$

$$t = \frac{\hat{\theta}_1 - 1}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\theta}_1)} \Rightarrow \text{we need our regression to have } \theta_1 \text{ in it. SO, STATA or the OLS estimation will give } \hat{\theta}_1 \text{ \& se } \theta_1$$

$$\text{Now, } \hat{\beta}_1 = \hat{\theta}_1 + 3\hat{\beta}_2$$

$$\beta_1 = \theta_1 + 3\beta_2$$

substitute in the main regression and get

$$Y = \beta_0 + (\theta_1 + 3\beta_2)X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + u$$

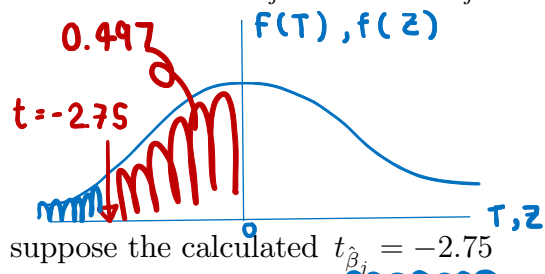
$$= \beta_0 + \theta_1 X_1 + 3\beta_2 X_2 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + u$$

$$= \beta_0 + \theta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 (X_2 + 3X_1) + \beta_3 X_3 + u$$

☆ Now the explanatory variables are going to be X_1 , $X_2 + 3X_1$ and X_3

- we can calculate $t = \frac{\hat{\theta}_1 - 1}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\theta}_1)}$

Example 1: $H_0 : \beta_j \geq 0$, $H_a : \beta_j < 0$, d.f. = 140. $\leadsto$ z-table



$\leadsto$ p-value = what should be the sig level given the critical value of -2.75 $\Rightarrow$ find the shaded area!

$$t_{\hat{\beta}_j} = (\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j) / \text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_j)$$

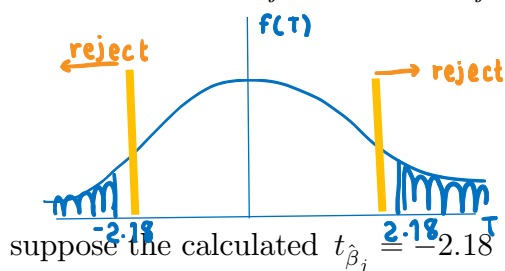
• From the z-table, the value -2.75 corresponds to area = 0.003

• Thus, p-value = 0.003

• Would we reject H_0 if we use the significance level = 5%? **Yes**

★ RULE we reject H_0 if p-value < sig. level

Example 2: $H_0 : \beta_j = a_j$, $H_a : \beta_j \neq a_j$, d.f. = 18. $\leadsto$ use t-table



• From the t-table, the value -2.18 corresponds to area = 0.02 to 0.05

• Thus, p-value = is between 0.02-0.05

• Would we reject H_0 if we use the significance level = 5%?

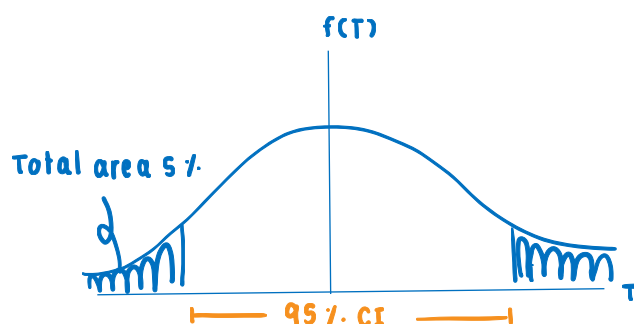
Yes, reject H_0 bc the area is less than 0.05 or p-value is less than < 0.05

6 Confidence Intervals (CI)

• Confidence Intervals for the POPULATION PARAMETER (β_j)

$\hookrightarrow$ The range of values that would capture

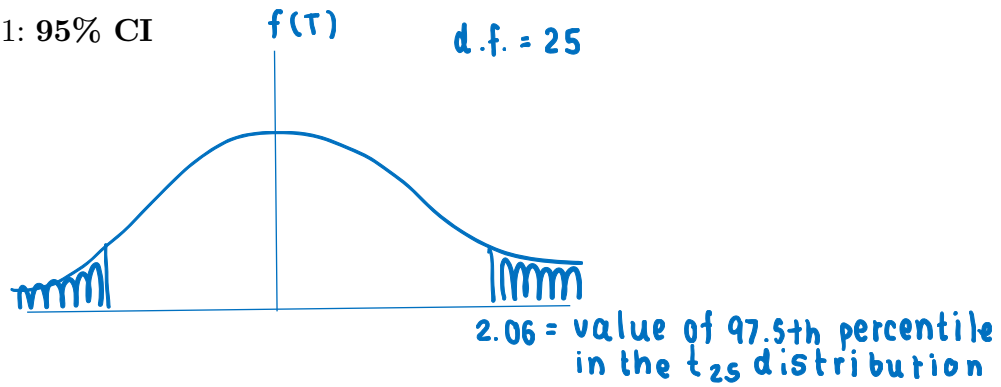
• A 95% CI of β_j is given by **the true β_j at a 95% chance**



$$CI \Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_j \pm c = \text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_j)$$

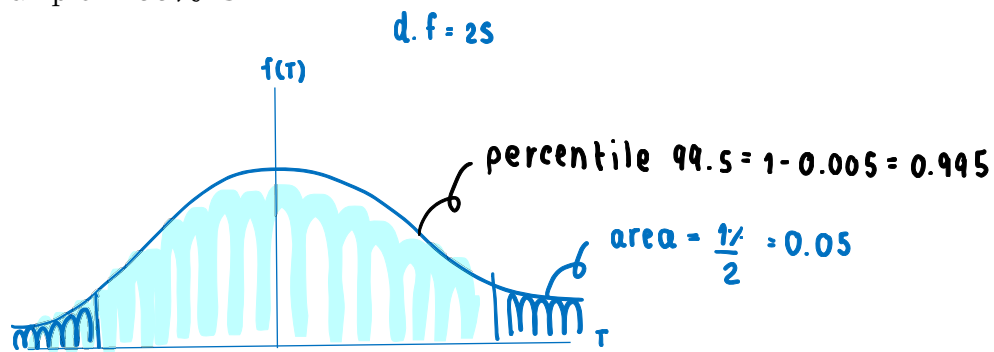
c is the 97.5 percentile in the t distribution with n-k-1 d.f

Example 1: 95% CI



The 95% CI for $\hat{\beta}_j = [\hat{\beta}_j - 2.06 \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j), \hat{\beta}_j + 2.06 \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)]$

Example 2: 99% CI



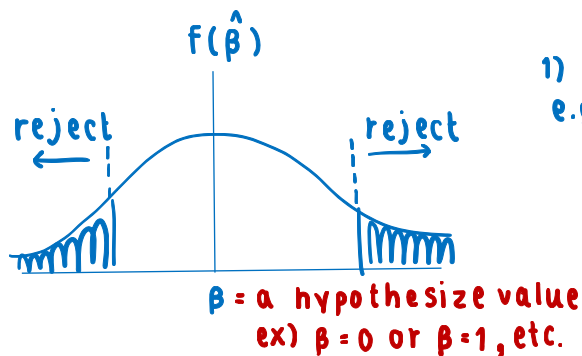
The 99% CI for $\hat{\beta}_j = [\hat{\beta}_j - 2.787 \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j), \hat{\beta}_j + 2.787 \cdot \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_j)]$

Inference >> Hypothesis testing abt " β " the true parameter

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \beta_2 \text{experience} + \dots + u$$

we want to test hypothesis about the true impact of (β) of each x variables (educ, experience) on the dependent variable (y)

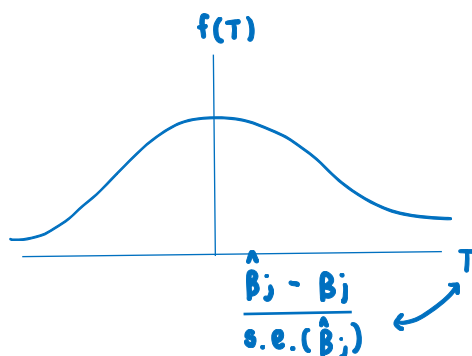
but we don't know what true β are so, we use $\hat{\beta}$ and s.e. ($\hat{\beta}$) to test the hypothesis



1) Test if β = same numbers

e.g. $\beta_j = 0 \rightarrow x_j$ has no impact on y

$\beta_j = 1 \rightarrow 1 \text{ unit } \uparrow \text{ in } x_j \text{ correspond to } 1 \text{ unit } \uparrow \text{ in } y$

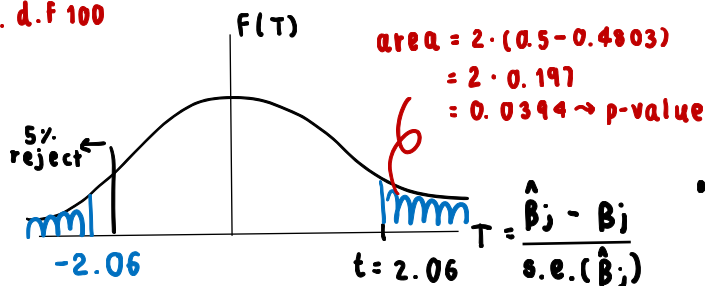


$\Rightarrow$ t-test $\star \Rightarrow$ How??

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_j)} \sim t.d.f.$$

Significant level = total area in the rejection region

ass. d.f 100



• Suppose we calculate a

$$t\text{-static} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\text{s.e.}(\hat{\beta}_j)} = 2.06$$

• suppose, we are testing

$$H_0: \beta_j = 0, H_a: \beta_j \neq 0$$

L 2-tailed

• p-value = total shaded area

p-value = significant level which we will reject the H_0 on the prob that we will reject H_0

*** if p-value < significant level $\Rightarrow$ reject H_0**

F-test motivation

(multiple hypothesis)

⇒ we want to test the significance of a group of hypothesis

$$\text{Grade}_{325} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \# \text{time_front} + \beta_2 \# \text{time_back} \\ + \beta_3 \text{hr_study} + \beta_4 \text{past_GPA} + \beta_5 \text{gender} + u$$

H_0 : seat position doesn't have impact on GPA_{325}

$$\beta_1 = 0 \text{ and } \beta_2 = 0 \Rightarrow \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$$

H_a : seat position matters

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \beta_1 \neq 0 \text{ and } \beta_2 \neq 0 \text{ or} \\ \beta_1 \neq 0 \text{ and } \beta_2 = 0 \text{ or} \\ \beta_1 = 0 \text{ and } \beta_2 \neq 0 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{at least one of} \\ \text{the } \beta_1, \beta_2 \neq 0 \end{array}$$

7 Testing Multiple Linear Restrictions: The F-test

Suppose the model is specified by

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + u$$

$$H_0 : \beta_2 = 0 \text{ and } \beta_3 = 0 \rightarrow \text{want to test if } x_1 \text{ and } x_2 \text{ both have no impact on } y$$

$$H_a, H_1 : H_0 \text{ is not true}$$

We can use the F-test to test this type of "multiple hypotheses".

1. Our full model is called the "unrestricted" model (ur). Suppose it can be expressed as:

Big model

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + u \text{ is true} \Rightarrow \text{Reject } H_0$$

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$

2. The model which takes out x (which we think its associated $\beta = 0$) is called the restricted model (r). $\rightarrow$ **small model**

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + u \text{ is true} \Rightarrow \text{do not reject } H_0$$

- suppose there are "q" number of β that we want to perform a joint-test of $= 0$
e.g. in this model $q = 2$

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_{k-q} x_{k-q} + u$$

$$H_0 : \beta_{k-q+1} = \beta_{k-q+2} = \dots = \beta_k = 0$$

(the last q $\beta_s = 0$)

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

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_{k-q} x_{k-q} + \beta_{k-q+1} x_{k-q+1} + \beta_{k-q+2} x_{k-q+2} + \dots + \beta_k x_k + u$$

(r) u(r)

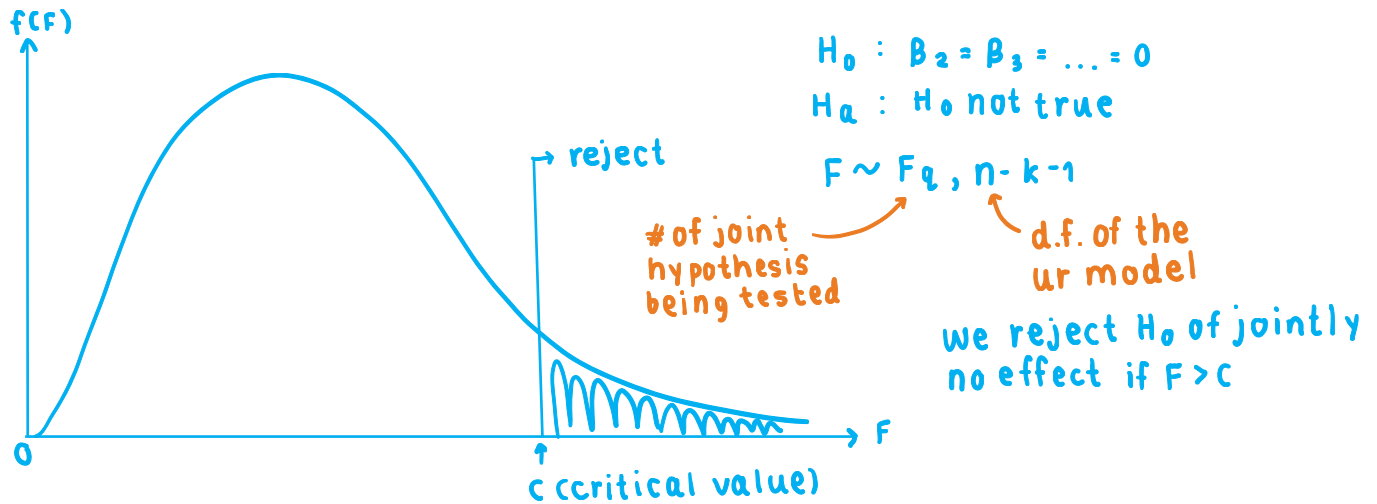
$$F = \frac{(SSR_r - SSR_{ur}) / q}{SSR_{ur} / (n - k - 1)}$$

This is always (+)
b/c $SSR_{ur} < SSR_r$
everytime u add 1 more x
the model will be better explained

d.f of the ur model

• So, if everytime you add one more x variable, the $SSR \downarrow$ and $R^2 \uparrow$, why don't we just keep additional x in the model??

» Because every time we add 1 more x the $\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_j)$ will increase, making the prediction of β less precise. So, we only keep the additional x s if it can improve the model enough $\rightarrow$ can reduce SSR or $\uparrow R^2$ enough



3. Some useful facts

- ① $R^2_{ur} > R^2_r$ because additional x would increase R^2 (improve fit)
 $\Rightarrow SSR_{ur} < SSR_r$
- ② By including more x , the model is certainly better explained. However, we would like to reject H_0 if the inclusion of extra variables does not improve the model enough.

4. Other ways to calculate the F-statistics:

$$\Rightarrow \text{From } R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSR}{SST} \quad \begin{matrix} \nearrow \text{RSS} \\ \searrow \text{TSS} \end{matrix}$$

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

$\begin{matrix} \text{\# of } \beta \text{ that} \\ \text{are set to "0"} \end{matrix} \nearrow q$
 $\begin{matrix} \text{intercept} \\ \text{\# of slope } \beta \end{matrix} \nwarrow$
 $\begin{matrix} \uparrow \\ \text{\# of obs} \end{matrix}$

$\Rightarrow$ if we want to test the overall significance of the model

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \dots = \beta_k = 0, H_a: \text{Otherwise}$$

$$F \equiv \frac{R^2 / k}{(1 - R^2) / (n - k - 1)}$$

$\nearrow R^2 \text{ of the model } \approx UR$
 $\text{the "r" model has no } x \text{ at all}$

Example: Suppose we are interested in understanding the determinant of a baseball player's salary.

y	salary	= season salary
r {	years	= years in major leagues
ur {	gamesyr	= games per year in the league
	bavg	= career batting average
	hrunsyr	= homeruns per year
	rbisyr	= runs batted in per year
	performances	

if we want to test whether performance has any impact on salary

$$H_0: \beta_{bavg} = \beta_{hrunsyr} = \beta_{rbisyr} = 0$$

H_a : otherwise is true

- the unrestricted model (ur) is defined by

ur model

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. regress log_salary years gamesyr bavg hrunsyr rbisyr
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• In multiple regress use adjusted r

Source	SS	df	MS	
SSE Model	308.989208	5	61.7978416	Number of obs = 353
SSR Residual	183.186327	347	.527914487	F(5, 347) = 117.06
				Prob > F = 0.0000
				R-squared = 0.6278
SST Total	492.175535	352	1.39822595	Adj R-squared = 0.6224
				Root MSE = .72658

log_salary	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
years ¹	.0688626	.0121145	5.68	0.000	.0450355 .0926898
gamesyr ²	.0125521	.0026468	4.74	0.000	.0073464 .0177578
bavg ³	.0009786	.0011035	0.89	0.376	-.0011918 .003149
hrunsyr ⁴	.0144295	.016057	0.90	0.369	-.0171518 .0460107
rbisyr ⁵	.0107657	.007175	1.50	0.134	-.0033462 .0248776
_cons	11.19242	.2888229	38.75	0.000	10.62435 11.76048

- the restricted model (r) is defined by

when considering each of the performance non of them has a significant impact at 5%

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. regress log_salary years gamesyr
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- But when performing an F-test performances have joint impact

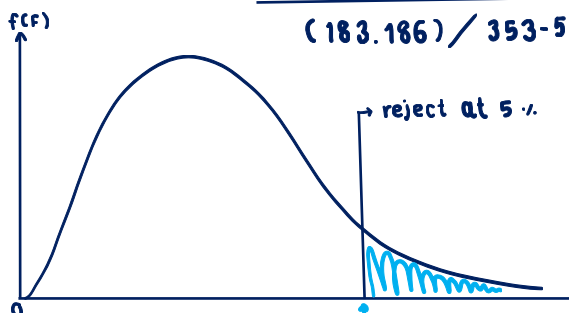
Source	SS	df	MS	
Model	293.864058	2	146.932029	Number of obs = 353
Residual	198.311477	350	.566604221	F(2, 350) = 259.32
				Prob > F = 0.0000
				R-squared = 0.5971
Total	492.175535	352	1.39822595	Adj R-squared = 0.5948
				Root MSE = .75273

log_salary	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
years	.071318	.012505	5.70	0.000	.0467236 .0959124
gamesyr	.0201745	.0013429	15.02	0.000	.0175334 .0228156
_cons	11.2238	.108312	103.62	0.000	11.01078 11.43683

Now, our H_0 and H_a becomes

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

$$= \frac{(198.311 - 183.186)/3}{(183.186)/(353-5-1)} \approx 9.55$$



since $F = 9.55 > 2.6$, we reject H_0 at 5% level and conclude that joint effects on salary

$F_{3, \infty}$ C = 2.6
 look F table pg. 966
 look x with q = 3
 look y with n-k-1 = ∞
 greater than 200

8 How the Hypothesis Testing is done in Practice

1. Check the values of t - *statistic* reported by the statistical software (i.e. STATA, SPSS, SAS)

⇒ These t - *statistics* are to test $H_0 : \beta_i = 0$

⇒ If the d.f. > 30 , then when $t > 1.96$, we can reject H_0 **with 5% sig level**

⇒ **When $t > 1.96$** , we can say that β_i is **statistically significant** at 5% level.
(value of $\beta_i \neq 0$)

⇒ **When $t < 1.96$** we can say that β_i is **not statistically significant** at 5% level.

⇒ If $t < 1.96$ we can drop x_i from the model

⇒ After we drop x_i , we estimate the new regression function and obtain a new set of $\hat{\beta}$.

2. We can also perform other hypothesis testings of interest.

e.g. $H_0 : \beta_i = \beta_j$

or $H_0 : \beta_i = 5$ etc.

or perform an F-test for testing multiple linear restrictions

3. Usually, in economics, the estimation results are reported using this form

Dependent Variable: log(salary)			
Independent Variables	(1)	(2)	(3)
log(sales)	.224 (.027)	.158 (.040)	.188 (.040)
log(mktval)	—	.112 (.050)	.100 (.049)
profmarg	—	-.0023 (.0022)	-.0022 (.0021)
ceoten	—	—	.0171 (.0055)
comten	—	—	-.0092 (.0033)
intercept	4.94 (0.20)	4.62 (0.25)	4.57 (0.25)
Observations	177	177	177
R-squared	.281	.304	.353

Sales →

company performance {

CEO characteris- {

↑

like simple regression with 1 x

Multiple Regression Analysis : Further Issues

1 Data scaling on OLS statistics

When we change the unit of measurement of a variable, the value of estimators would change accordingly. For example

$$\widehat{bwght}_g = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 cigs + \hat{\beta}_2 faminc,$$

where

$bwght$ = child birth weight, in grams.

$cigs$ = number of cigarettes smoked by the mother while pregnant, per day.

$faminc$ = annual family income, in thousands of dollars.

- what if we use $bwght$ in kilograms ??

$$\begin{aligned} 1 \text{ kg} &= 1,000 \text{ g} \\ \widehat{bwght}_{kg} &= \frac{\widehat{bwght}_g}{1000} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_0}{1000} + \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{1000} cigs + \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{1000} faminc \\ &= \hat{\alpha}_0 + \hat{\alpha}_1 cigs + \hat{\alpha}_2 faminc \\ \hat{\alpha}_0 &= \frac{\hat{\beta}_0}{1000}, \quad \hat{\alpha}_1 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{1000}, \quad \hat{\alpha}_2 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{1000} \end{aligned}$$

- what if we used $faminc$ in USD instead of 1000 USD

$$\begin{aligned} bwght_g &= \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 cigs + \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{1000} faminc_{USD} \quad \text{The value of this variable is going to be 1,000 times larger than faminc} \\ &= \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 cigs + \hat{\theta}_2 faminc_{USD} \\ \Rightarrow \hat{\theta}_2 &= \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{1000} \quad \text{in other words } \hat{\theta}_2 = \text{impact of 1 USD } \uparrow \text{ in income} \\ &\quad \hat{\beta}_2 = \text{impact of 1,000 USD } \uparrow \text{ in income} \end{aligned}$$

- what if we use $bwght$ in kg & income in THB

$$bwght_{kg} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_0}{1000} + \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{1000} cigs + \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{30,000} faminc_{THB} \quad \text{this value going to be 30,000 times larger than faminc}$$

2 More on functional forms

• Logarithmic Functional Form

note :

$$\frac{d \ln x}{dx} = \frac{1}{x} \Rightarrow \boxed{d \ln(x) = \frac{1}{x} dx}$$

usually means natural log

$$\log(y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(x_1) + \beta_2 x_2 + u$$

$$\bullet \beta_1 = \frac{d \log(y)}{d \log(x_1)} = \frac{\frac{1}{y} dy}{\frac{1}{x_1} dx_1} = \frac{\frac{1}{y} \Delta y}{\frac{1}{x_1} \Delta x_1} = \frac{100 \cdot \frac{1}{y} \Delta y}{100 \cdot \frac{1}{x_1} \Delta x_1} = \frac{\% \Delta y}{\% \Delta x}$$

$\Delta y = y_1 - y_2$
 $\Delta x = x_1 - x_2$

↑
with the log y & log x format, the coefficient is going to be the **elasticity** (x_1 elasticity of y)
(price) (demand)

$$\bullet \beta_2 = \frac{d \log(y)}{d(x_2)} = \frac{\frac{1}{y} dy}{dx_2} = \frac{\frac{1}{y} \Delta y}{\Delta x_2}$$

⇒ if we want the upper term to be % change, then

$$100 \beta_2 = \frac{100 \frac{1}{y} \Delta y}{\Delta x_2}$$

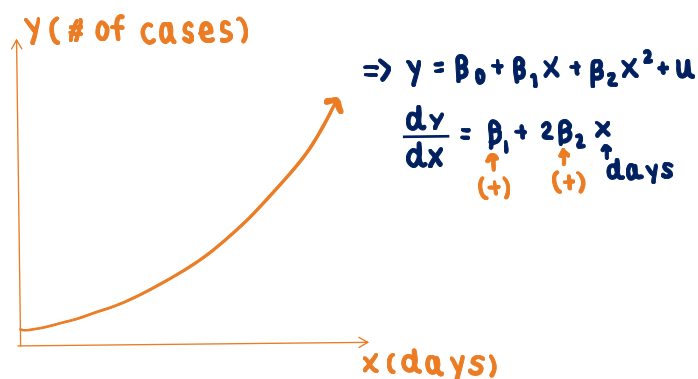
$100 \beta_2 = \% \Delta$ in y given that x_2 increases by 1 unit

$$100 \beta_2 = \frac{\% \Delta y}{\Delta x_2}$$

• Models with Quadratics (squares)

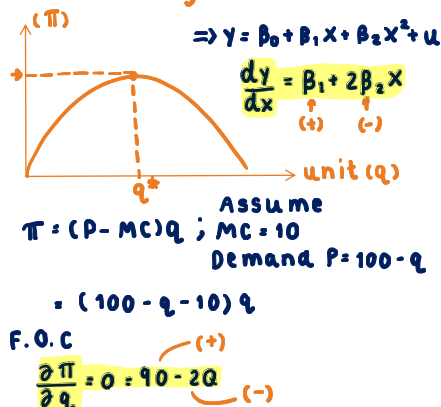
→ capture increasing / decreasing marginal effects (slope of the relationship between x & y is not constant.)

COVID-19 examples



Example : Effects of Pollution on Housing Prices

Decreasing returns



$$\log(\text{price}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(\text{nox}) + \beta_2 \log(\text{dist}) + \beta_3 \text{rooms} + \beta_4 \text{room}^2 + \beta_5 \text{stratio} + u$$

where

price = housing price

nox = level of pollution

dist = distance from downtown

rooms = number of rooms

stratio = average student per teacher ratio

The estimation result is given by

In the us or many other countries, students can apply to school in the area without having to take any test. So, the lower stratio, the better the school

regress lprice lnox dist rooms rooms_sq stratio

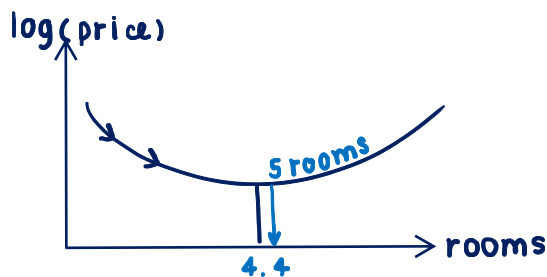
Source	SS	df	MS			
Model	51.4933152	5	10.298663	Number of obs =	506	
Residual	33.0889098	500	.06617782	F(5, 500) =	155.62	
Total	84.582225	505	.167489554	Prob > F =	0.0000	
				R-squared =	0.6088	
				Adj R-squared =	0.6049	
				Root MSE =	.25725	

lprice	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
lnox	-.9767545	.0995938	-9.81	0.000	-1.172429	-.7810806
dist	-.0321972	.0094013	-3.42	0.001	-.050668	-.0137264
rooms	-.5528032	.1612965	-3.43	0.001	-.8697056	-.2359007
rooms_sq	.0624697	.0124867	5.00	0.000	.0379368	.0870025
stratio	-.0486667	.0058131	-8.37	0.000	-.0600879	-.0372455
_cons	13.59154	.5650901	24.05	0.000	12.4813	14.70178

$|t| > 1.90 \uparrow \uparrow$ all < 0.05
 $\sim$ all variables are sig

Consider the effect of "room"

$$\frac{d \log(\text{price})}{d \text{rooms}} = \beta_3 + 2\beta_4 \text{rooms} = -0.553 + 2(0.062)\text{rooms}$$



☆ at how many rooms does 1 additional room has a positive impact on $\log(\text{price})$??

$$0 = -0.553 + 2(.062)\text{rooms}$$

$$\text{rooms} = 4.4$$

Ans $\Rightarrow$ at 4.4 rooms or more
 at $\sim$ 5 rooms or more

What would be the % change in price when the number of room increases from 5 to 6?

$$\bullet \frac{d \log(\text{price})}{d \text{rooms}} = -0.533 + 2(0.062) \cdot \text{rooms}$$

$$\frac{100 \cdot \frac{1}{\text{price}} \cdot d \text{price}}{d \text{rooms}} = 100 \cdot (-0.533 + 2(0.062) \cdot 5)$$

$$= 100 \cdot 0.067 = \underline{6.7\%} \text{ increase}$$

what about the change in price if #rooms increase from 5 to 7??

$$\% \Delta \text{price} = 100 \cdot (-0.533 + 2(0.062) \cdot 6)$$

$$= \underline{19.1\%}$$

total % Δ in price when #rooms $\uparrow$
 from 5 to 7 is $6.7 + 19.1 = \underline{25.8\%}$

3 Models with Interaction Terms $\Rightarrow$ used when the impact of 1 variable depends on the value (level) of another variable

Consider

$$price = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \underset{x_1}{sqrft} + \beta_2 \underset{x_2}{bdrms} + \beta_3 \overset{x_3}{\underset{x_1 \cdot x_2}{sqrft \times bdrms}} + \beta_4 \underset{x_4}{bthrms} + u$$

where

$price$ = housing price

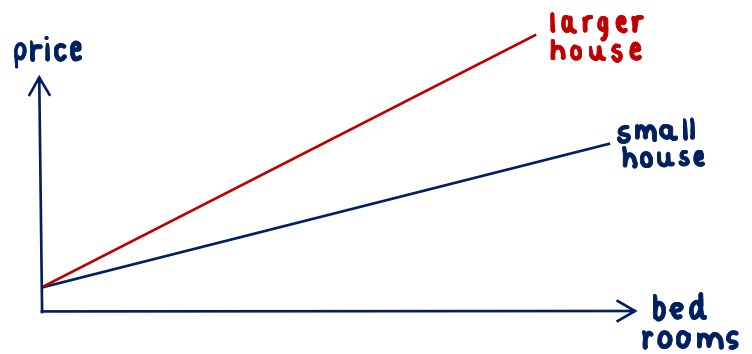
$sqrft$ = house size (square feet)

$bdrms$ = number of bedrooms

$bthrms$ = number of bathrooms

$$\frac{dPrice}{dbdrms} = \beta_2 + \beta_3 sqrft$$

$\Rightarrow$ if $\beta_2 > 0$ then, an additional bedroom would increase price more for a larger house



4 More on the Goodness-of-Fit and Selection of Regressors

- Adding more regressors ALWAYS improve fit $\rightarrow R^2$ always increases

- But we lose the "degree of freedom"

(d.f. = free data point used to estimate the parameter)

$\leadsto$ one data point is sacrificed everytime we estimate a parameter

- Using R^2 would not punish "having too many regressor"

- We use adjusted R^2 or $\bar{R}^2$ when we want to punish adding too many regressor

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSR}{SST} = 1 - \frac{SSR/n}{SST/n}$$

$$\text{adj. } R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSR/(n-k-1)}{SST/(n-1)}$$

Using adjusted R-squared to choose between non-nested models (one model is not a subset of another).

Consider Model 1

$\rightarrow$ If we have more k , d.f. = $n - k - 1 \downarrow$, $SSR/(n-k-1) \uparrow$ and then $\text{adj } R^2 \downarrow$

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\text{salary}} &= 830.63 + 0.0163\text{sales} + 19.63\text{roe} \\ &\quad (223.90) \quad (0.0089) \quad (11.08) \\ n &= 209, \quad R^2 = 0.029, \quad \bar{R}^2 = 0.020 \end{aligned}$$

Consider Model 2

$$\begin{aligned} \log(\widehat{\text{salary}}) &= 4.36 + 0.2751 \log(\text{sales}) + 0.0179\text{roe} \\ &\quad (0.29) \quad (0.033) \quad (0.004) \\ n &= 209, \quad R^2 = 0.282, \quad \bar{R}^2 = 0.275 \end{aligned}$$

$\leftarrow$ 27.5% of variation in y is explained so, this model is better!

Multiple Regression Analysis with Qualitative Information:

1 Outline

- Describing qualitative information
- Using a single dummy independent variable
- Using dummy variables for multiple categories
- Interactions involving dummy variables
- A binary dependent variable (Y variable): The linear probability model

2 Describing Qualitative Information

- "Female" and "Married" are qualitative variable.
- We arbitrarily assign a dummy variable to describe them.

$$\begin{aligned}
 female &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if female} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise (or if male)} \end{cases} \\
 married &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if married} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise (or if single)} \end{cases}
 \end{aligned}$$

TABLE 7.1

A Partial Listing of the Data in WAGE1.RAW

<i>person</i>	<i>wage</i>	<i>educ</i>	<i>exper</i>	<i>female</i>	<i>married</i>
1	3.10	11	2	1	0
2	3.24	12	22	1	1
3	3.00	11	2	0	0
4	6.00	8	44	0	1
5	5.30	12	7	0	1
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
525	11.56	16	5	0	1
526	3.50	14	5	1	0

3 Models with a single dummy independent variable

Consider

$$wage = \beta_0 + \delta_0 female + \beta_1 educ + u.$$

where

$$female = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if female} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise (or if male)} \end{cases}$$

In this case, the δ_0 notation is used to highlight the interpretation of the parameters multiplying dummy variables. In other cases, we can use any notation that is the most convenient.

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} \quad E(wage | female, educ) &= E(\beta_0 + \delta_0 female + \beta_1 educ + u | female, educ) \\ &= \beta_0 + \delta_0 female + \beta_1 educ + E(u | female, educ) \\ &= \beta_0 + \delta_0 female + \beta_1 educ \quad \Downarrow = 0 \text{ (ass MLR 1-4 holds)} \end{aligned}$$

② Thus

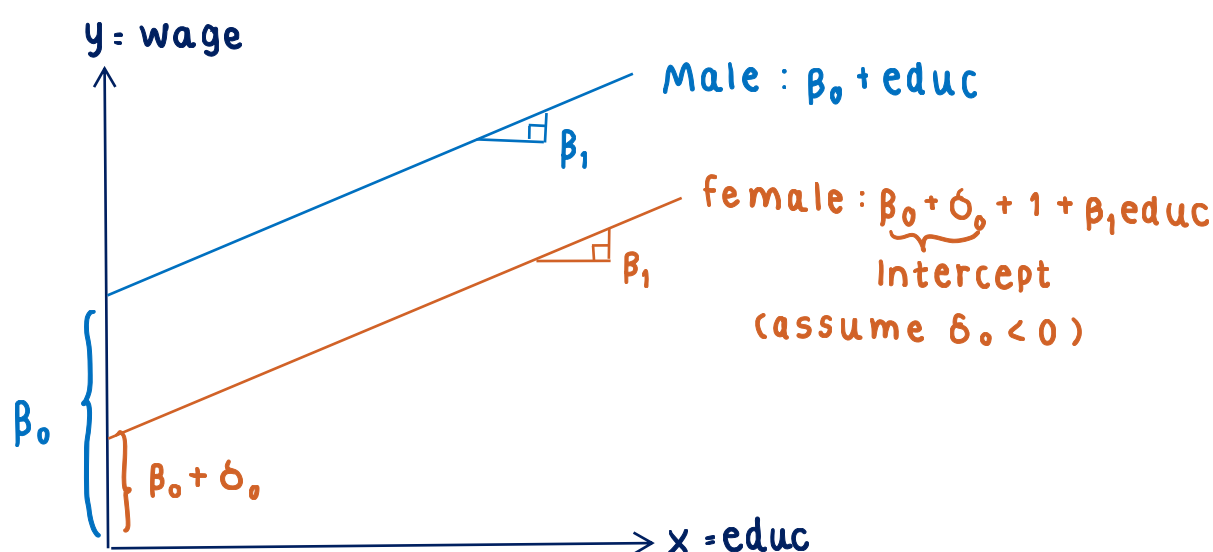
$$\textcircled{f} : E(wage | female = 1, educ) = \beta_0 + \delta_0(1) + \beta_1 educ = \beta_0 + \delta_0 + \beta_1 educ$$

$$\textcircled{m} : E(wage | female = 0, educ) = \beta_0 + \delta_0(0) + \beta_1 educ = \beta_0 + \beta_1 educ$$

$$\delta_0 = E(wage | female = 1, educ) - E(wage | female = 0, educ)$$

$$\text{or } \delta_0 = E(wage | female, educ) - E(wage | male, educ)$$

* given the same value of educ δ_0 is the different in the expected wage of females and males



→ By the way we model this regression function, female is going to give a constant impact on wage regardless of the level of education

4 It is not possible to include all of the dummy alternatives in the same model (as long as there is an intercept in the model).

- If we include all alternatives of a dummy variable in the same model, we will face the "perfect collinearity" problem. can only be 1 at a time

$$\text{wage} = \beta_0 x_0 + \delta_0 \text{female} + \beta_1 \text{educ} + \delta_1 \text{male} + u$$

$\uparrow$ (x₁) (x₂) (x₃)
 intercept × 1

For example:

$$x_0 = x_1 + x_3$$

$$1 = \text{female} + \text{male}$$

$$\text{female} = \text{male} + 1$$

Id	female	male	x ₀
1	1	0	1
2	1	0	1
3	0	1	1
4	0	1	1
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮
99	⋮	⋮	1

or

if there are n categories we omit "1" category to avoid multicollinearity

$$1 = \text{winter} + \text{spring} + \text{summer} + \text{fall}$$

$$\text{winter} = 1 - \text{spring} - \text{summer} - \text{fall}$$

winter { 1 if winter
0 otherwise

spring { 1 if spring
0 otherwise

- At least one alternative has to be dropped. We treat the dropped alternative as the "BASE GROUP" or "BASELINE" or "BENCHMARK GROUP".

$\uparrow$ 1 if female
 $\uparrow$ 0 if male

$\uparrow$ In this case Male

. regress lwage female male married educ exper
 note: male omitted because of collinearity

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs =	526
Model	54.3265253	4	13.5816313	F(4, 521) =	75.27
Residual	94.0032262	521	.180428457	Prob > F	= 0.0000
Total	148.329751	525	.28253286	R-squared	= 0.3663
				Adj R-squared	= 0.3614
				Root MSE	= .42477

lwage	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
female	-3251146	.0377061	-8.62	0.000	-.3991892 -.25104
male	0 (omitted)				
married	.1380145	.0411197	3.36	0.001	.0572338 .2187953
educ	.0872644	.0071554	12.20	0.000	.0732075 .1013213
exper	.0076213	.0015314	4.98	0.000	.0046129 .0106297
_cons	.4690918	.1040575	4.51	0.000	.264668 .6735156

female workers r expected to hv less wage compare to male

5 Using dummy variables for multiple categories

Case 1 We can use many dummy variables in the same model

Consider a model which includes 2 dummy variables– *female* and *married*.

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

$\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \{ & 1 \text{ female} \\ & 0 \text{ other} \end{matrix}$
 $\begin{matrix} \uparrow & \{ & 1 \text{ married} \\ & 0 \text{ otherwise} \end{matrix}$

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regress lwage female married educ exper expersq tenure tenursq
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 526		
Model	65.6482326	7	9.37831895	F(7, 518) = 58.76		
Residual	82.6815188	518	.159616832	Prob > F = 0.0000		
Total	148.329751	525	.28253286	R-squared = 0.4426		
				Adj R-squared = 0.4351		
				Root MSE = .39952		

<u>lwage</u>	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
<u>female</u>	<u>-.2901838</u>	.0361121	-8.04	0.000	-.3611279	-.2192396
<u>married</u>	<u>.0529219</u>	.0407561	1.30	0.195	-.0271456	.1329894
educ	.0791547	.0068003	11.64	0.000	.0657952	.0925143
exper	.0269535	.0053258	5.06	0.000	.0164907	.0374163
expersq	-.0005399	.0001122	-4.81	0.000	-.0007603	-.0003196
tenure	.0312962	.0068482	4.57	0.000	.0178426	.0447499
tenursq	-.0005744	.0002347	-2.45	0.015	-.0010355	-.0001134
_cons	.4177837	.0988662	4.23	0.000	.2235557	.6120116

2) δ_1 measures the impact of be married (marriage premium)

but since $|t| < 1.96$ or $p > 0.05$, we do not reject H_0 of no impact

Comments:

1) δ_0 measure the expected difference between female and male workers given the same marital status and other factors.

$$\frac{\partial \log(\text{wage})}{\partial \text{female}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\text{wage}} d \text{wage}}{\partial \text{female}} = -0.29$$

• female workers are expected to earn less than male workers by 29.02%, ceteris paribus

$$100 \cdot \frac{\frac{1}{\text{wage}} d \text{wage}}{\partial \text{female}} = 100 \cdot -0.29$$

$$\frac{\% \Delta \text{wage}}{\partial \text{female}} = 29.02 \%$$

	♀	♂
marr	marrfem	marrmale
sing	singfem	singmale

Basecase

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Consider a model which includes dummy variables for each gender/marital status combination- marrmale, marrfem and singfem. (or singmale ← used as the base case)

$$\log(wage) = \beta_0 + \delta_0 marrmale + \delta_1 marrfem + \delta_2 singfem + \beta_1 educ + \beta_2 exper + \beta_3 exper^2 + \beta_4 tenure + \beta_5 tenure^2 + u. \quad (8.1)$$

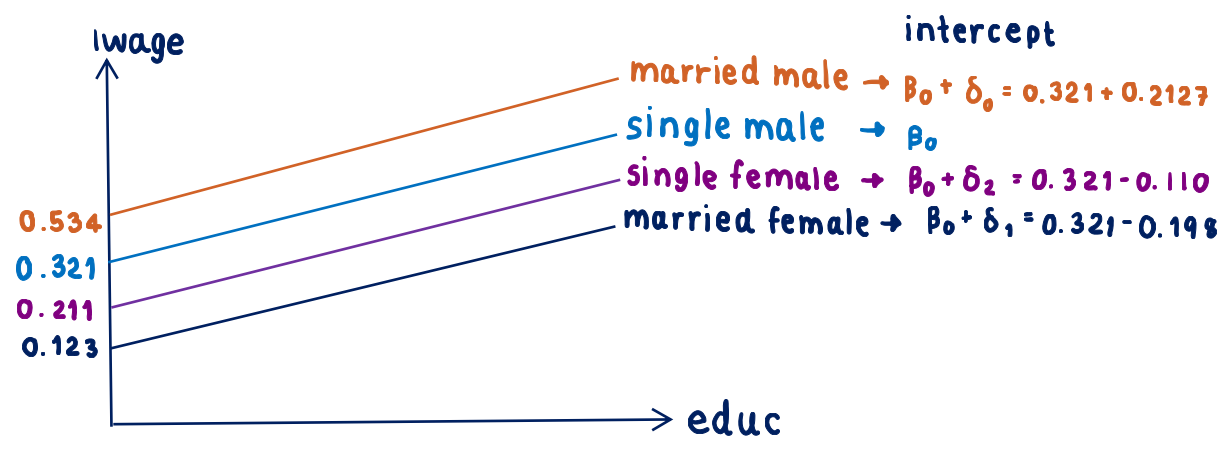
regress lwage marrmale marrfem singfem educ exper expersq tenure tenursq						
Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 526		
Model	68.3617623	8	8.54522029	F(8, 517) = 55.25		
Residual	79.9679891	517	.154676961	Prob > F = 0.0000		
Total	148.329751	525	.28253286	R-squared = 0.4609		
				Adj R-squared = 0.4525		
				Root MSE = .39329		

lwage	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
δ_0 marrmale	.2126757	.0553572	3.84	0.000	.103923	.3214284
δ_1 marrfem	-.1982676	.0578355	-3.43	0.001	-.311889	-.0846462
δ_2 singfem	-.1103502	.0557421	-1.98	0.048	-.219859	-.0008414
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

$\hat{\beta}$

This regression is not the same as the previous one. It uses Comments: "single male" as the base group (The previous one use male & single as 2 base group)

- δ_0 measure the expected difference in wage of married male as compared with single males, holding other factors constant
- δ_1 measures the expected difference in wage of married female as compared with single males, ceteris paribus
- $\delta_2 \leadsto$ same rationale



Case 2 We can use dummy variables to represent multiple categories of a variable. Consider the relationship between law school rankings and starting salaries

$$\log(\text{salary}) = \beta_0 + \delta_0 \text{top10} + \delta_1 r11_25 + \delta_3 r26_40 + \delta_4 r41_60 + \beta_1 \text{LSAT} + \beta_2 \text{GPA} + \beta_3 \log(\text{libvol}) + \beta_4 \log(\text{cost}) + u.$$

$\begin{cases} 1-10 : 1 \\ \text{other} : 0 \end{cases}$ $\begin{cases} 11-25 : 1 \\ \text{other} : 0 \end{cases}$

where top10 , $r11_25$, $r26_40$, $r41_60$ would be equal to 1 when the variable rank falls into the appropriate range.

** Rank below 60 would be the base case.

★ In many cases the "range of value" serve as a better explanatory variable than the "value" itself e.g. age maybe explain the model better if split into generations.

. regress lsalary top10 r11_25 r26_40 r41_60 LSAT GPA llibvol lcost

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs =	136
Model	9.16538532	8	1.14567316	F(8, 127) =	120.15
Residual	1.2109665	127	.009535169	Prob > F =	0.0000
				R-squared =	0.8833
				Adj R-squared =	0.8759
Total	10.3763518	135	.076861865	Root MSE =	.09765

Young 0-15
gen 2 15-29

lsalary	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
top10	.5393428	.053542	10.07	0.000	.4333927 .6452928
r11_25	.4716199	.0390921	12.06	0.000	.3942637 .548976
r26_40	.2790977	.0346972	8.04	0.000	.2104383 .3477571
r41_60	.182382	.0283098	6.44	0.000	.126362 .238402
LSAT	.0060482	.0034919	1.73	0.086	-.0008616 .012958
GPA	.1305893	.0818678	1.60	0.113	-.0314122 .2925908
llibvol	.0725522	.0289213	2.51	0.013	.0153221 .1297824
lcost	.0249169	.0283224	0.88	0.381	-.031128 .0809619
_cons	8.363103	.4457314	18.76	0.000	7.481081 9.245125

the baseline is ranking 61 and worse

Comments:

1) δ_0 measures the difference in expected $\log(\text{salary})$ of a law-school graduate from a top 10 university compared to expected $\log(\text{salary})$ those who graduate from the school ranked 61th and worse

2) $\delta_1 \rightsquigarrow$ same rationale top 11-25