

I. Measurement Error

Step-up: centered Data

$$y_i = X_i \beta + \varepsilon_i \quad \varepsilon_i \sim \text{iid}(0, \sigma_\varepsilon^2)$$

Observe: $\{y_i^*, X_i^*\}$

$$y_i^* = y_i + \eta_i \quad \eta_i \sim \text{iid}(0, \sigma_\eta^2)$$

$$X_i^* = X_i + v_i \quad v_i \sim \text{iid}(0, \sigma_v^2)$$

Assumption: A2.2. $\{y_i, X_i\}$ JS & E.

X_i independent of all error terms $\varepsilon_i, v_i, \eta_i$ & $V(X_i) = \sigma_x^2$

y_i independent of η_i, v_i

All errors are mutually independent. $\varepsilon \perp v \perp \eta$

Reg y_i^* on X_i^*

$$\hat{\beta}_{OLS} = \frac{\sum y_i^* X_i^*}{\sum X_i^*} = \frac{\sum (y_i - \eta_i)(X_i - v_i)}{\sum (X_i - v_i)^2} = \frac{\sum (X_i \beta + \varepsilon_i - \eta_i)(X_i - v_i)}{\sum (X_i - v_i)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\beta \sum X_i^2 - \beta \sum X_i v_i + \sum \varepsilon_i X_i - \sum \varepsilon_i v_i - \sum \eta_i X_i + \sum \eta_i v_i}{\sum X_i^2 + \sum v_i^2 + 2 \sum X_i v_i}$$

$\xrightarrow{P} \sigma_x^2$ $\xrightarrow{P} 0$ $\xrightarrow{P} 0$ $\xrightarrow{P} 0$ $\xrightarrow{P} 0$ $\xrightarrow{P} 0$
 $\xrightarrow{P} \sigma_x^2$ $\xrightarrow{P} \sigma_v^2$ $\xrightarrow{P} 0$

$$\text{plim } \hat{\beta}_{OLS} = \beta \frac{\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_v^2}$$

Case ①: $\sigma_\eta^2 > 0$ & $\sigma_v^2 = 0$ i.e. only y_i has measurement error.

$$\text{plim } \hat{\beta}_{OLS} = \beta \frac{\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_x^2 + 0} = \beta \quad \text{consistent.}$$

Intuition: measurement error in y_i can be "included" into the regression error. i.e. $\varepsilon_i^* = \varepsilon_i + \eta_i$

Case ②: $\sigma_v^2 > 0$

$$\text{plim } \hat{\beta}_{OLS} = \beta \frac{\sigma_x^2}{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_v^2} < \beta \quad \text{"attenuation bias"}$$

Claim 1: A, B $n \times n$ non singular

Then AB & BA have the same e. values

pf:

A & B full rank $\Rightarrow AB$ full rank

$$AB = C \Lambda C^{-1} \quad (\text{Note: symmetric matrix has } C \Lambda C')$$

$$BA = BAB^{-1} = B C \Lambda C^{-1} B^{-1} = \underbrace{(BC)}_E \Lambda (BC)^{-1}$$

BA has e. value matrix Λ . □

Claim 2: $\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$ $[\Lambda - I_n \text{ is p.s.d}]$
 $\Leftrightarrow [\lambda_i \geq 1 \quad i=1, \dots, n]$

pf: Note: Consider $b = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_n)'$

$$b'(\Lambda - I_n)b = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 (\lambda_i - 1)$$

" \Rightarrow " Suppose $\lambda_i < 1$ for some i . Let $b = (0, \dots, 0, 1, 0, \dots, 0)$

$$b'(\Lambda - I_n)b = \lambda_i - 1 < 0 \quad \downarrow \text{ } i^{\text{th}} \text{ position}$$

" \Leftarrow " Take any $b \in \mathbb{R}^n$. $b \neq \vec{0}$

$$b'(\Lambda - I_n)b = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 (\lambda_i - 1) \geq 0$$

$\geq 0 \quad \forall i$ □

Claim 3: If $A - B$ $n \times n$ is p.s.d. & C $n \times n$ is nonsingular,
then $C'(A-B)C$ is p.s.d.

pf:

Take $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ $x \neq \vec{0}$.

Since C is nonsingular, $Cx \in \mathbb{R}^n$ & $Cx \neq \vec{0}$

Since $A - B$ is p.s.d.

$$(Cx)'(A - B)Cx \geq 0$$

$$x' C'(A - B)C x \geq 0$$

Since x is arbitrarily taken, $C'(A - B)C$ is p.s.d. □

Claim 4: If A is symmetric, then $A = C \Lambda C'$,
 where $\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{bmatrix}$ is e.value matrix & $C^{-1} = C'$.

Proved in Recitation 1.

Claim: A & B are symmetric, p.d., nonsingular matrices
 $A - B$ p.s.d $\Rightarrow B^{-1} - A^{-1}$ p.s.d

proof:

$$A \text{ \& } B \text{ p.d.} \Rightarrow A = C \Lambda_1 C' = P_A P_A' \text{ w/ } P_A = C \Lambda_1^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$B = D \Lambda_2 D' = P_B P_B' \text{ w/ } P_B = D \Lambda_2^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where P_A & P_B are nonsingular. $\Rightarrow P_A^{-1}$ & P_B^{-1} nonsingular

Note: $P_B^{-1} (A - B) P_B^{-1'} = P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'} - P_B^{-1} P_B P_B' P_B^{-1} = P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'} - I_k$

By Claim 3, $P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'} - I_k$ is p.s.d.

Note: $P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'}$ is symmetric:

$$[P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'}]_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{l=1}^n [P_B^{-1}]_{ik} [A_{kl}] [P_B^{-1'}]_{lj}$$

$$= \sum_{l=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^n [P_B^{-1}]_{jl} [A_{lk}] [P_B^{-1'}]_{ki} = [P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'}]_{ji}$$

So, by spectral decomposition, $P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'} = C^* \Lambda C^{*'} \text{ w/ } C^{*'} = C^{*-1}$

$\Rightarrow C^* \Lambda C^{*'} - I_k$ is p.s.d.

$$C^{*'} (C^* \Lambda C^{*'} - I_k) C^* = C^{*'} C^* \Lambda C^{*'} C^* - C^{*'} I_k C^* = \Lambda - I_k$$

By Claim 3, $\Lambda - I_k$ is p.s.d.

By Claim 2: $\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \lambda_2 & \\ 0 & & \ddots \\ & & & \lambda_k \end{bmatrix} \quad \lambda_i \geq 1 \quad i = 1, \dots, k$

Note: $P_B^{-1} A P_B^{-1'} = P_B^{-1} P_A P_A' P_B^{-1'} = (P_B^{-1} P_A)(P_B^{-1} P_A)'$

By Claim 1, $(P_B^{-1} P_A)(P_B^{-1} P_A)'$ & $(P_B^{-1} P_A)'(P_B^{-1} P_A)$ have the same e. values.

Note: $(P_B^{-1} P_A)'(P_B^{-1} P_A) = P_A' P_B^{-1'} P_B^{-1} P_A = P_A' (P_B P_B')^{-1} P_A = P_A' B^{-1} P_A$

Also, $P_A' B^{-1} P_A$ is symmetric.

By spectral decomposition: $P_A' B^{-1} P_A = F \Lambda F'$ where $F' = F^{-1}$
 \hookrightarrow the same e. values

Recall: $\lambda_i \geq 1 \quad i=1,2,\dots,k \quad \Lambda - I_k$ is p.s.d.

$$F(\Lambda - I_k)F' = F\Lambda F' - FF' = P_A' B^{-1} P_A - I_k$$

By Claim 3: $P_A' B^{-1} P_A - I_k$ is p.s.d.

$$\begin{aligned} & P_A^{-1'} (P_A' B^{-1} P_A - I_k) P_A^{-1} \\ &= P_A'^{-1} P_A B^{-1} P_A P_A^{-1} - P_A'^{-1} P_A^{-1} = B^{-1} - (P_A P_A')^{-1} = B^{-1} - A^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

By Claim 3: $B^{-1} - A^{-1}$ is p.s.d. □