

4th Lecture:

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• Statistical Testing of Linear Hypothesis:

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Example:

Let $y = XB + \epsilon$, where X has four columns
(that is $k=4$ and $B = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \beta_3 \end{pmatrix}$)

We are interested in testing

$$H_0: \beta_2 = \beta_3, \beta_4 = 0 \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1: \beta_2 \neq \beta_3 \text{ and/or } \beta_4 \neq 0$$

In matrix form we have

$$H_0: RB = r \quad \text{vs} \quad H_1: RB \neq r$$

where

~~Remember the following~~
number of covariates + intercept

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad r = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

* $RB \neq r$ means that ^{at least} one of the 2 restrictions is not true: either $\beta_2 \neq \beta_3$ and/or $\beta_4 \neq 0$

Formally,

$$H_0 : R\beta = r \quad , \quad H_1 : R\beta \neq r$$

where R is a $J \times k$ matrix with full row-rank, i.e., $\text{rank}(R) = J$. (*)

where J is the number of (linear) restrictions to be tested simultaneously.

(*) Why R to be of full row-rank?

Consider the same regression problem as before ~~but~~ but with ~~constraints~~

$$\text{and } H_0 : \beta_2 = \beta_3, \beta_4 = 0 \text{ and } \beta_2 - \beta_3 = \beta_4$$

the $J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$

but if we do $R_1 - R_2$ then we have R_3 , i.e. we have two independent rows \Rightarrow

$\Rightarrow \text{rank}(R) = 2$ or the third restriction is implied by the other two.

Statistic for $H_0: R\beta = r$ vs $H_1: R\beta \neq r$ (3)

We define the F-statistic as

$$F = \frac{(R\hat{\beta} - r)' (R(X'X)^{-1}R')^{-1} (R\hat{\beta} - r)}{J \hat{\sigma}^2} \quad \text{where } \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\hat{\epsilon}'\hat{\epsilon}}{n-k}$$

then $F \sim F_{(J, n-k)}$

Proof: We have that

$$\hat{\beta} | X \sim N(\beta, \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1})$$

$$\Rightarrow R\hat{\beta} | X \sim N(R\beta, \sigma^2 R(X'X)^{-1}R')$$

$$\stackrel{R\beta=r}{\Rightarrow} R\hat{\beta} | X \sim N(r, \sigma^2 R(X'X)^{-1}R')$$

So the ~~denominator~~ ^{numerator} in F is ~~the~~ a quadratic form of $N_J(0, I)$ random variable

$$\text{Therefore } \underbrace{(R\hat{\beta} - r)'}_{J \times 1} \underbrace{(R(X'X)^{-1}R')^{-1}}_{J \times J} \underbrace{(R\hat{\beta} - r)}_{J \times 1} \sim \chi^2_J$$

However we have also proven that

$$\frac{\hat{\epsilon}'\hat{\epsilon}}{(n-k) \cdot \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sigma^2}} \sim \chi^2_{(n-k)}$$

Hint:

From statistics we know that the ratio of two independent random variables X_J^2 and X_K^2 divided by their degrees of freedom, i.e., the random variable $F = \frac{Z/J}{W/K}$ where $Z \sim \chi_J^2$ and $W \sim \chi_K^2$ follows $F_{J,K}$

Therefore, we ~~write~~ multiply and divide F in previous page by $\frac{n-k}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$ and

we write

$$F = \frac{(RB - r)' (R(X'X)R')^{-1} (RB - r)}{(n-k) \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sigma^2/n-k}} \sim$$

$$\sim F_{J, n-k}$$

- Deciding for rejection of H_0
Based on the value of F

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$$F = \frac{(R\hat{\beta} - r)' (R(X'X)^{-1}R')^{-1} (R\hat{\beta} - r)}{J\hat{\sigma}^2} > 0$$

as ratio of quadratic forms

i) IF $R\hat{\beta} - r \approx 0$ then we cannot reject H_0
and F small (or even close to zero)

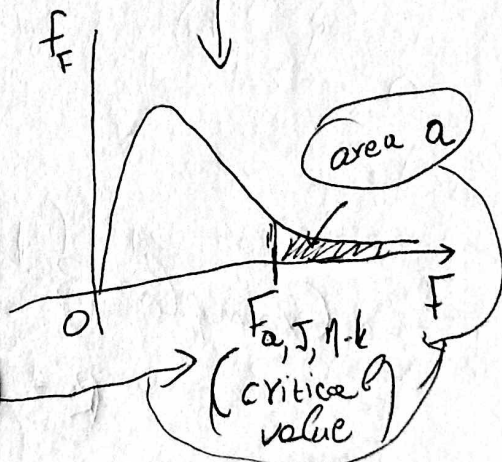
ii) IF $R\hat{\beta} - r$ large then we reject H_0 and F large

i + ii) \Rightarrow Reject H_0 if F takes values in the right tail of the $F_{J, n-k}$ distribution \Rightarrow

~~then reject H_0 if F takes values in the right tail of the $F_{J, n-k}$ distribution \Rightarrow~~

$$\Rightarrow \text{IF } a = P(\text{wrong } H_0 \text{ rejection}) =$$

$$= P(F_{J, n-k} > F_{\alpha, J, n-k})$$



• p-value for F-test

↳ Probability of extreme F under H_0 ⁽⁶⁾ \Rightarrow

\Rightarrow If $P(F < F_{\alpha, n-k})$ is small i.e. it is smaller than the prob. of wrong rejection ($= \alpha$) then we should \otimes reject H_0 .

Rule If p-value $< \alpha$ then reject H_0

Remark: F-test can also be used for single linear restrictions

• Example 1: $H_0: \beta_j = 0$

Then $R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and $r=0$
 j -th element

• Example 2: $H_0: \beta_j = \beta_m \Rightarrow \beta_j - \beta_m = 0$

$R = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \dots & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$
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and $r=0$

• Example 3: $H_0: \beta_1 + \beta_3 = c$

$R = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \end{pmatrix}$, $r=c$

→ Remarks on F-test

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- The F-test as studied by now is based on the so-called Wald's approach (we tested if $R\hat{b}$ is close to r).
- F test can be derived as a likelihood ratio test; compare the value of the objective function under both H_0 (restricted estimation) and H_1 (unrestricted estimator).

→ $\min_b SSE(b)$ subject to $Rb=r$.

→ solution is called the restricted OLS estimator denoted as \hat{b}_R .

→ We can also define the corresponding residuals

$$e \hat{e}_R = y - X \hat{b}_R$$

and the restricted $SSE_R = \hat{e}_R' \hat{e}_R$

Then the F-statistic can take the form

$$F = \frac{(SSE_R - SSE) / J}{SSE / (n-k)}$$

loss in explanatory power due to H_0 restrictions

comment on this

- F-test for the overall significance of the Regression (Bigg lect 5, sl. e1) ⑧
 (then may go to Asymp. Properties)

• We need to test

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_{k-1} = 0$$

Then check that

(H/W)

$$F = \frac{R^2 / k - 1}{(1 - R^2) / n - k}, \quad R^2 \text{ is the } R^2 \text{ squared of the unrestricted regression}$$