

Robust Error

$$y_i = x_{i1}\beta_1 + x_{i2}\beta_2 + \dots + x_{ik}\beta_k + \varepsilon_i = x_i'\beta + \varepsilon_i$$

OLS 估计量

$$\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y, \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} x_{11} & \dots & x_{1k} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n1} & \dots & x_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{k个变量} \\ \downarrow \\ \text{n个观测值} \end{matrix} \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ \vdots \\ x_n' \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X'X = [x_1 \dots x_n] \begin{bmatrix} x_1' \\ \vdots \\ x_n' \end{bmatrix} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i'$$

$$\hat{\beta} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \vec{x}_i \vec{x}_i' \right)^{-1} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \vec{x}_i y_i \right) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \vec{x}_i \vec{x}_i' \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \vec{x}_i y_i \right)$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i' \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (x_i' \beta + \varepsilon_i) \right) \quad \text{小样本时} \quad \hat{\beta} - \beta = (X'X)^{-1}X'\varepsilon$$

$$= \beta + \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i' \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \varepsilon_i \right) \quad E(\hat{\beta} - \beta) = E((X'X)^{-1}X'\varepsilon)$$

此时要有无偏性则需 $E(\varepsilon|x) = 0$

大样本理论 \xrightarrow{p} $\beta + E(x_i x_i')^{-1} E(x_i \varepsilon_i)$
 可以拆开是由于 Slutsky's Theorem

大样本理论假设 $E(x_i \varepsilon_i) = 0$, x_i 和 ε_i 同期
 也即 contemporaneous exogeneity

$\hat{\beta}$ 的方差显然, 也依概率收敛于 0.

所以讨论的是 \sqrt{n} 统计量

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i x_i' \right)^{-1} \left(\sqrt{n} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \varepsilon_i \right) \equiv \sqrt{n} \bar{g}$$

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, Avar(\hat{\beta})) \quad \text{这里假设了中间这个 } S \text{ 存在, 同时}$$

$$Avar(\hat{\beta}) = E(x_i x_i')^{-1} E(\varepsilon_i^2 x_i x_i') E(x_i x_i')^{-1}$$

$$\sqrt{n} \bar{g} \sim N(0, S)$$

此即为“夹心”估计量, robust variance.

如果是同方差也即 $E(\varepsilon_i^2 | x_i) = \sigma^2$ (没有下标, 则)

$$E(\varepsilon_i^2 x_i x_i') = E[E(\varepsilon_i^2 x_i x_i' | x_i)] = E[E(\varepsilon_i^2 | x_i) x_i x_i'] = \sigma^2 E[x_i x_i']$$

此时 $Avar(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 E(x_i x_i')^{-1}$, 也即一般 OLS 的方差.

Robust 的意思: 没有假设特别的形式, 都能适用.

注意: 上面的 Robust 方差仍然假设了无自相关!

因为 $\sqrt{n}\bar{g}$ 的方差被写成了 $S \equiv E(\sum x_i x_i')$, 只有同期的 i 出现

Newey-West Adjustment for Heteroscedasticity & Autocorrelation (HAC)

问题的关键是 $\text{Var}(\sqrt{n}\bar{g})$. 若有序列相关, 则 $E[g_i g_{i+j}] \neq 0$, $g_i = x_i \varepsilon_i$

$$\text{cov}(g_i, g_{i+j}) \equiv \Gamma_j, \quad \text{cov}(g_{i+j}, g_i) = \Gamma_{-j}, \quad \text{Var}(g_i) = \Gamma_0$$

注意有: $\Gamma_j = \Gamma_j'$. 因为 $\text{cov}(g_i, g_{i+j}) = \text{cov}\left(\begin{bmatrix} g_{i1} \\ \vdots \\ g_{ik} \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} g_{i+j,1} \\ \vdots \\ g_{i+j,k} \end{bmatrix}\right)$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \text{cov}(g_{i1}, g_{i+j,1}) & \text{cov}(g_{i1}, g_{i+j,2}) & \dots & \text{cov}(g_{i1}, g_{i+j,k}) \\ \text{cov}(g_{i2}, g_{i+j,1}) & \text{cov}(g_{i2}, g_{i+j,2}) & \dots & \text{cov}(g_{i2}, g_{i+j,k}) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \text{cov}(g_{ik}, g_{i+j,1}) & \dots & \dots & \text{cov}(g_{ik}, g_{i+j,k}) \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{Var}(\sqrt{n}\bar{g}) = \text{Var}\left(\sqrt{n} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n g_i\right) = \frac{1}{n} \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n g_i\right) = \frac{1}{n} \text{Var}(g_1 + \dots + g_n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} (n\Gamma_0 + (n-1)\Gamma_1 + (n-2)\Gamma_2 + \dots + \Gamma_{n-1} + (n-1)\Gamma_{-1} + (n-2)\Gamma_{-2} + \dots + \Gamma_{-(n-1)})$$

$$\text{当 } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ 时, } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \text{Var}(\sqrt{n}\bar{g}) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \Gamma_j$$

$$= \Gamma_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \Gamma_j + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \Gamma_j'$$

理想的情况: $n \rightarrow \infty$, 有无穷多个协方差矩阵, 但显然无实际可能.

事实上, 在有 Autocorrelation 时的 Central Limit Theorem (Godin's CLT) 必须假设自相关在足够远处消失, 也即 $\Gamma_j \rightarrow 0$ when $j \rightarrow \infty$.

因此 $\Gamma_j = 0$ for some $|j| > p$, p 已知, 即为滞后阶数, 用

$$\hat{S} = \sum_{j=-p}^p \hat{\Gamma}_j = \hat{\Gamma}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \hat{\Gamma}_j + \hat{\Gamma}_j'$$

(Hansen-White (1982)) 但这个估计量可能不半正定。

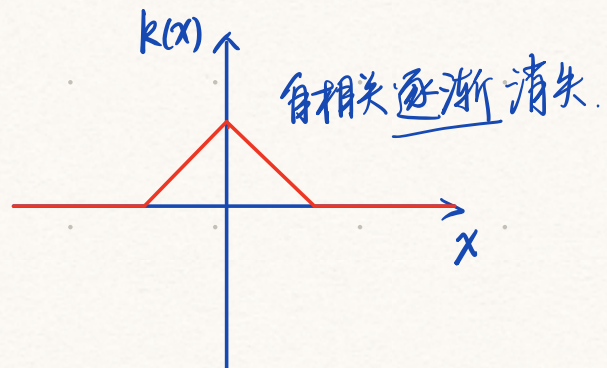
这时候用 kernel-based estimator (加权重)

$$\hat{S} = \sum_{j=-(n-1)}^{n-1} k\left(\frac{j}{p(n)}\right) \hat{\Gamma}_j$$

上面的统计量可看成是
 $p(n) = p, k(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } |x| \leq 1 \\ 0, & \text{if } |x| > 1 \end{cases}$

Newey-West:

$$k(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - |x|, & |x| \leq 1 \\ 0, & |x| > 1 \end{cases}$$



例: $p(n) = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{S} &= \sum_{j=-(n-1)}^{n-1} k\left(\frac{j}{3}\right) \hat{\Gamma}_j = k\left(-\frac{2}{3}\right) \hat{\Gamma}_{-2} + k\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right) \hat{\Gamma}_{-1} + k(0) \hat{\Gamma}_0 \\ &\quad + k\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) \hat{\Gamma}_1 + k\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \hat{\Gamma}_2 \\ &= \hat{\Gamma}_0 + \frac{2}{3} (\hat{\Gamma}_1 + \hat{\Gamma}_1') + \frac{1}{3} (\hat{\Gamma}_2 + \hat{\Gamma}_2') \end{aligned}$$

写成分量形式:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\varepsilon}_i^2 x_i x_i' + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{l=1}^L \sum_{i=l+1}^n w_t \hat{\varepsilon}_i \hat{\varepsilon}_{i-l} (x_i x_{i-l}' + x_{i-l} x_i')$$