

$$e_i = Y_i - (a + bX_i)$$

$$e_i \sim \varepsilon_i$$

$$e_i^2 \sim \varepsilon_i^2$$

$$\sigma_i^2 = \text{Var}(\varepsilon_i) = E[\varepsilon_i^2]$$

} intuition (incorrect, but accept it for now)

$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n w_i^2 e_i^2$ as an estimator for b_{OLS}

If n is "large," then $\sum_{i=1}^n w_i^2 e_i^2$ is an ok estimator for $\text{Var}(b_{OLS})$ under heteroskedasticity,

[Robust standard error,
White's heteroskedasticity corrected standard error
Huber's Standard error

Inefficiency?

$$Y_i = \alpha + \beta X_i + \varepsilon_i$$

OLS is BLUE

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$Y_i = \alpha + \beta X_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma_i^2)$$

$$\frac{Y_i}{\sigma_i} = \alpha \cdot \frac{1}{\sigma_i} + \beta \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i} + \frac{\varepsilon_i}{\sigma_i}$$

$$Y_i^* = \alpha X_{1i}^* + \beta X_{2i}^* + \varepsilon_i^* \quad \frac{\varepsilon_i}{\sigma_i} \sim N(0, 1)$$

Result: Regress Y_i^* on X_{1i}^* and X_{2i}^*

$$\min_{a,b} \sum_{i=1}^n [Y_i^* - a X_{1i}^* - b X_{2i}^*]^2$$

$$= \min_{a,b} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\frac{Y_i}{\sigma_i} - a \frac{1}{\sigma_i} - b \frac{X_i}{\sigma_i} \right]^2$$

$$= \min_{a,b} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sigma_i^2} [Y_i - a - b X_i]^2$$

Weighted (generalized) least squares.

Weighted least squares is BLUE

Don't use $\min_{a,b} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{e_i^2} (Y_i - a - b X_i)^2$

Estimate $\hat{\sigma}_e^2$ by some reasonably precise method

Testing for heteroskedasticity

① Goldfeld - Quandt Test

② Breusch - Pagan Test

③ White's Test ← very sophisticated

① Goldfeld - Quandt Test

$\sigma_i^2 = \begin{cases} \sigma_{small}^2 \\ \sigma_{large}^2 \end{cases}$ } There is heteroskedasticity, but it takes this form

Ex ante, order the data into two groups: (using intuition)

1st group: n_1 observations $n_1 + n_2 = n$

2nd group: n_2 observations

$$Y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{ki} + \varepsilon_i, \quad i=1, \dots, n_1 \quad \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma_{small}^2)$$

$$Y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \dots + \beta_k X_{ki} + \varepsilon_i, \quad i=n_1+1, \dots, n_1+n_2 \quad \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma_{large}^2)$$

* Estimate σ_{small}^2 by $\frac{ESS_1}{n_1 - k}$

* Estimate σ_{large}^2 by $\frac{ESS_2}{n_2 - k}$

$$\frac{\sigma_{large}^2}{\sigma_{small}^2} \sim \frac{ESS_2 / (n_2 - k)}{ESS_1 / (n_1 - k)} = F \sim F(n_2 - k, n_1 - k)$$

$$H_0: \sigma_{large}^2 = \sigma_{small}^2$$

$$H_A: \sigma_{large}^2 > \sigma_{small}^2$$

Reject H_0 if GQ sufficiently large.

② Breusch-Pagan Test (BP)

$$\sigma_i^2 = f(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 z_{2i} + \dots + \alpha_p z_{pi})$$

Remark: ③ White's Test (more general than Breusch-Pagan)

$$\sigma_i^2 = f(z_{2i}, z_{3i}, \dots, z_{pi})$$

Back to BP:

(i) Estimate β 's by OLS

(ii) Compute e_i^2

(iii) Let $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2$

(iv) Regress $\frac{e_i^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$ on z_{2i}, \dots, z_{pi}

(v) Obtain RSS under the model in (iv)

(vi) $\text{BP} = \frac{\text{RSS}}{2}$

(vii) Reject H_0 : Homoskedasticity if BP is "large"
Accept if "small"

Use $\chi^2(p)$ distribution