

Last time: $\hat{\beta}_{OLS} = (X'X)^{-1}X'Y \xrightarrow{P} \beta$ if $E[X_i \varepsilon_i] \neq 0$

Normal equations: $\hat{\beta}_{OLS}$ solves

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i (Y_i - X_i' \hat{\beta}_{OLS}) = 0$$

Method of moments estimator (MM)

In the population:

$$E[X_i \underbrace{(Y_i - X_i' \beta)}_{\varepsilon}] \neq 0$$

Analogy principle: you do in the sample what you would do in the population:

$$E[Y] = \sum_y y \Pr[Y=y]. \text{ In the sample: } \sum_y y \cdot \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum y$$

Suppose we have X_i and Z_i with

$$\text{1) } E[Z_i \varepsilon_i] = 0$$

$$\text{2) } E[Z_i X_i'] \neq 0 \text{ and nonsingular}$$

Then we say that Z_i is a valid instrument for X_i .

If Z_i is a valid instrument for X_i , $\hat{\beta}_{IV} = (Z'X)^{-1}Z'Y$ is consistent for β_0 .

$$\hat{\beta}_{IV} = (Z'X)^{-1}Z'Y = (Z'X)^{-1}Z'(X\beta + \varepsilon) = \beta + (Z'X)^{-1}Z'\varepsilon$$

$$= \beta + \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i X_i' \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \varepsilon_i \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{P} \underbrace{E[Z_i X_i']}^{-1} \xrightarrow{P} \underbrace{E[Z_i \varepsilon_i]}_{=0}$$

exists since nonsingular

$$\Rightarrow \beta + 0 = \beta.$$

Since $\text{plim } \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i (Y_i - X_i' \beta_{OLS}) \neq 0$, we use $\hat{\beta}_{IV}$ and have
 $\text{plim } \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i (Y_i - X_i' \hat{\beta}_{IV}) = 0$ By analogy princ. it is as if we are solving:

$$E[Z_i (Y_i - X_i' \beta)] = 0$$

What is the asymptotic distribution of $\hat{\beta}_{IV}$?

$$\sqrt{n} (\hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0) \xrightarrow{d} ?$$

In general, we want to find d s.t. $n^d (\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} D$, where D is a "nice" distribution.

$$\hat{\beta}_{IV} = \beta_0 + \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i X_i' \right)^{-1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \varepsilon_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0 = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i X_i' \right)^{-1} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \varepsilon_i$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{n} (\hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0) = \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i X_i' \right)^{-1} \sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \varepsilon_i \right)$$

$\xrightarrow{P} [E[Z_i X_i']]^{-1} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, V(Z_i \varepsilon_i))$
 By Jin's theorem by CLT

$$\text{where } V(Z_i \varepsilon_i) = E[Z_i \varepsilon_i \varepsilon_i' Z_i'] - E[Z_i \varepsilon_i] (E[Z_i \varepsilon_i])'$$

$$= E[Z_i Z_i' \varepsilon_i^2]$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{n} (\hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N\left(0, \underbrace{E[Z_i X_i']}_{\Sigma_{ZX}^{-1}} \underbrace{E[Z_i Z_i' \varepsilon_i^2]}_{\Phi} \underbrace{(E[Z_i X_i'])^{-1}}_{(\Sigma_{ZX}^{-1})'}\right)$$

Define $\Delta \equiv \Sigma_{ZX}^{-1} \Phi (\Sigma_{ZX}^{-1})'$. But we don't know Δ .

Let us use the analogy principle to consistently estimate Δ .

Want to estimate $\Sigma_{ZX} = E[Z_i X_i']$.

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i X_i' \xrightarrow{P} E[Z_i X_i']$$

How about $\Phi = E[Z_i Z_i' \varepsilon_i^2]$

$$\hat{\Phi} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i Z_i' \hat{\varepsilon}_i^2$$

Even if ε_i^2 are iid, $\hat{\varepsilon}_i^2$ are not iid,
since $\hat{\varepsilon}_i = Y_i - X_i' \hat{\beta}_{IV}$.

Nevertheless, $\hat{\Phi} \xrightarrow{P} \Phi$.

Let $\hat{\Delta} = \hat{\Sigma}_{ZZ}^{-1} \hat{\Phi} (\hat{\Sigma}_{ZZ}^{-1})'$. Then, by Jin's theorem, $\hat{\Delta} \xrightarrow{P} \Delta$. In doing statistical inference, we are doing two levels of approximation: $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0) \stackrel{A}{\sim} N(0, \Delta)$ and $\hat{\Delta}$ for Δ .

Lecture notes 2:

Claim: If Z_i is a valid instrument, then $Z_i^2 = \begin{bmatrix} Z_{i1}^2 \\ \vdots \\ Z_{il}^2 \end{bmatrix}$ is a valid instrument. Thus $w_i = \begin{bmatrix} Z_i \\ Z_i^2 \end{bmatrix}$ is a valid instrument. Here, $l > k$. What do we do in this situation?

Defn: Let A, B be $n \times n$. Then $A \leq B$ iff $(A - B)$ is negative semidefinite. By an appropriate combination of instruments, we can find a more efficient estimator.

$$\hat{Y} = \sum_{k=1}^k \hat{\beta}_{IV} + \varepsilon^1 \quad \text{where } \varepsilon^1 = Y - \sum_{k=1}^k \hat{\beta}_{IV} \quad \text{Let } Z_{n \times l}$$

$$\Rightarrow Z' \hat{Y} = Z' \sum_{k=1}^k \hat{\beta}_{IV} + \underbrace{Z' \varepsilon^1}_{=0 \text{ by normal equations}}$$

Let A be s.t. $A \xrightarrow{P} \Phi$ where Φ is p.d.

$$\text{Then } A^{-1} Z' \hat{Y} = A^{-1} Z' \sum_{k=1}^k \hat{\beta}_{IV}$$

$$\text{and } \sum_{k=1}^k Z' A^{-1} Z' \hat{Y} = \sum_{k=1}^k Z' A^{-1} Z' \sum_{k=1}^k \hat{\beta}_{IV}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_{IV} = (\sum_{k=1}^k Z' A^{-1} Z')^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^k Z' A^{-1} Z' \hat{Y}$$

This looks like GLS

$$\hat{\beta}_{IV} = (X'Z A^{-1} Z'X)^{-1} X'Z A^{-1} Z' (X\beta_0 + \varepsilon)$$

$$= \beta_0 + (X'Z A^{-1} Z'X)^{-1} X'Z A^{-1} Z' \varepsilon$$

$\Rightarrow \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \Delta)$. How do we choose A optimally?

$$\hat{\beta}_{IV} = \beta_0 + \left(\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i z_i' \right)' A^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i z_i' \right) \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i x_i' \right)' A^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \varepsilon_i \right)$$

$$= \beta_0 + (S_{ZX}' A^{-1} S_{ZX})^{-1} S_{ZX}' S_{ZE}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0) = \underbrace{(S_{ZX}' A^{-1} S_{ZX})^{-1}}_{\substack{P \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}' \\ \rightarrow \Psi^{-1} \\ \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}}} S_{ZX}' A^{-1} \sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i \varepsilon_i \right)$$

$$\xrightarrow{d} N(0, \underbrace{(S_{ZX}' \Psi^{-1} S_{ZX})^{-1}}_{\substack{P \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}' \\ \rightarrow \Psi^{-1} \\ \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}}} S_{ZX}' \underbrace{\Psi^{-1}}_{\substack{P \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}' \\ \rightarrow \Psi^{-1} \\ \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}}} \underbrace{S_{ZX}}_{\substack{P \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}' \\ \rightarrow \Psi^{-1} \\ \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}}} \underbrace{(\Psi^{-1})' S_{ZX}}_{\substack{P \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}' \\ \rightarrow \Psi^{-1} \\ \rightarrow \Sigma_{ZX}}}^{-1})$$

choose A s.t. $\Psi = \Phi$. Then,

$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_{IV} - \beta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, (S_{ZX}' \Phi^{-1} S_{ZX})^{-1} S_{ZX}' \Phi^{-1} \Phi (\Phi^{-1})' S_{ZX} (S_{ZX}' (\Phi^{-1})' S_{ZX})^{-1})$$

$$\stackrel{d}{=} N(0, (S_{ZX}' \Phi^{-1} S_{ZX})^{-1})$$

Recall: $A \equiv \hat{\Phi} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n z_i z_i' \varepsilon_i^2$ where, say $\varepsilon_i^1 = Y_i - X_i' \beta_{OLS}$

$A \rightarrow \Phi$, as shown earlier.

Claim: Δ is the "smallest possible matrix" for the given set of instruments.