

$$\ln(\text{wage})_{it} = \beta_{1i} + \beta_2 S_{it} + \beta_3 \text{exper}_{it} + \alpha_{it}$$

$\beta_2$

## Random effects

~~$\beta_i$~~   $\beta_i$  treated as random.  
 in this model these time invariant differences must be exogenous w/ respect to  $S_{it}$ ,  $\text{exper}_{it}$ .

$$y_{it} = \mathbf{Y}_{it}^T \underset{k-1 \times 1}{\beta} + (\alpha + \alpha_i) + \mu_{it}$$

$\mathbf{Y}_{it}^T$	$k-1$	explanatory vars
$\beta$	$k-1$	parameters
$\alpha$		constant

$\alpha_i$ : Random effect for  $i$ .

$\alpha_i = Z_i^T \alpha - E[Z_i^T \alpha]$  - Random for individual.

$$E[\mu_{it} | \gamma_{it}] = 0$$

$$E[E[\alpha_i | \gamma_{it}]] = 0$$

$$V[\mu_{it} | \gamma_{it}] = \sigma_u^2$$

$$V(\alpha_i | \gamma_{it}) = \sigma_\alpha^2$$

$$\text{Cov}(\mu_{it} | \alpha_i) = 0$$

$$\text{Cov}(\mu_{it}, \mu_{is}) = 0 \quad \forall i, j, t, s$$

$i \neq j \quad t \neq s.$

$$\text{Cov}(\alpha_i, \alpha_j) = 0$$

$i \neq j$

$$\mu_{it} = \mu_{it} + \alpha_i$$

$$V(\mu_{it}) = \text{Var}(\mu_{it}) + \text{Var}(\alpha_i)$$

$$= \sigma_u^2 + \sigma_\alpha^2$$

$$\text{Cov}(\mu_{it}, \mu_{is}) = \sigma_\alpha^2$$

$$\text{Cov}(\mu_{it}, \mu_{js}) = 0 \quad i \neq j \quad \forall t, s.$$



For the  $i$ th individual.

$$\text{Cov}(\eta_i) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{\alpha}^2 & & & & \\ & \frac{\sigma_{\alpha}^2 + \sigma_{\epsilon}^2}{\sigma_{\alpha}^2} & & & \\ & & \sigma_{\alpha}^2 & & \\ & & & \ddots & \\ & & & & \sigma_{\alpha}^2 + \sigma_{\epsilon}^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Same for each person  
or individual.

### Complete Model

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_m \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ \vdots \\ x_m \end{pmatrix} \beta + \begin{pmatrix} \alpha_1 \epsilon_T \\ \alpha_2 \epsilon_T \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_m \epsilon_T \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_m \end{pmatrix}$$

$X_i$  now includes a  
constant.  $X_i$  is  $k \times 1$   $\beta$  is  $k \times 1$



$I_T$  can be shown:

$$V^{-1} = \frac{i_T i_T^T}{T \sigma_v^2} + \frac{D_T}{\sigma_\mu^2}$$

$$\sigma_v^2 = T \sigma_\alpha^2 + \sigma_\mu^2$$

$$D_T = I_T - i_T i_T^T / T$$

contains unknowns - GLS is NOT

Feasible. -

Becomes Feasible by estimating  $\sigma_\mu^2$  &  $\sigma_v^2$ .

Find A transformation,  $P$  s.t.

$$P \Phi P^T = \sigma_\mu^2 I_{mT}$$

$$P = I_m \otimes P^*$$

$$P^* = I_T - \gamma \frac{i_T i_T^T}{T}$$

$$\gamma = 1 - \frac{\sigma_\mu^2}{\sigma_v^2}$$
$$\sigma_v^2 = \sqrt{\sigma_\mu^2 + T \sigma_\alpha^2}$$

"quasi-diagonal"

Tests:

(1) ~~of~~  $\alpha_i$ : Random?

If NOT, then Pooled least squares is efficient.

If ARE, then Random effects is probably more efficient than Pooled LS. (with clusters).

(2) Test for possible correlation between  $\alpha_i$  and the Regressors.

If correlated - MUST use FE Pooled, between, and RE are all inconsistent in this case.

$$\begin{aligned}
 P^* y_i &= (I_T - \sigma i_T i_T^T / T) y_i \\
 &= \tilde{y}_i - \sigma i_T^T y_i / T \\
 &= \tilde{y}_i - \sigma i_T^T \tilde{y}_i
 \end{aligned}$$

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So,  $\sigma^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$  Pooled least squares.  
 $T=0$

Estimate  $\sigma^2$

- (i)  $\sigma_u^2$
- (ii)  $\sigma_\alpha^2$  or  $\sigma_v^2$

Fixed effects:

$$\sigma_u^2 = \frac{\tilde{u}^T \tilde{u}}{NT - n - m - 1}$$

$$\tilde{u} = (M_0 y - M_0 X \beta_{FE}^1)$$

Fixed effects or within residuals.

~~Eq~~  $\hat{\sigma}_v^2$  : comes from "Between Estimator"

$$i=1, \dots, n \quad \bar{y}_{i.} = \alpha + \bar{x}_{i.}^T \beta + \alpha_i + \bar{u}_{i.} \quad i^{\text{th}} \text{ individual.}$$
$$\bar{y}_{i.} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T y_{it}}{T} \quad v_{i.}$$

$$\text{Var}(v_{i.}) = \text{Var}(\bar{u}_{i.} + \alpha_i) = \hat{\sigma}_u^2 / T + \hat{\sigma}_\alpha^2$$

Take the least squares residuals from  
Between elimination

$$\hat{\sigma}_v^2 / T = \hat{\sigma}_u^2 / T + \hat{\sigma}_\alpha^2$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_v^2 = \hat{\sigma}_u^2 + T \hat{\sigma}_\alpha^2$$

Estimate  $\hat{\sigma}_\alpha^2$  This way it may  
not be  $> 0$

FB that happens - model misspec.

And need to reconsider the model.