

$$\underline{y} = \underline{x}\underline{\beta} + \underline{u} \quad \underline{u} \sim \text{iid}(0, \sigma^2 \underline{I}_n)$$

Provided $\text{Rank}(\underline{x}) = k \leq n$

LS is efficient among linear unbiased estimators of $\underline{\beta}$.

$$\Rightarrow E[\underline{u} | \underline{x}] = 0$$

If instead $E[\underline{u}_+ | \underline{x}_+] = 0$
Then LS is consistent.

In many instances, \underline{u}_+ are correlated with \underline{x}_+ (regressors for the same observation)

LS inconsistent

Suppose we can find a set of k or more variables \underline{w}_+

$$E[\underline{u}_+ | \underline{w}_+] = 0$$

In this case, we can estimate $\underline{\beta}$ consistently, using IV
provided a couple of other things happen.

Correlation Between Errors & Regressors

(1) Errors-in-Variables

Measurement Error in y_t
Measurement Error in x_t

If errors are in y_t , no problems for LS. If error is in x_t , then LS is inconsistent because this causes u_t to be correlated with observed regressors.

Model

$$y_t^o = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_t^o + u_t^o$$

$$u_t^o \sim iid(0, \sigma^2)$$

x_t^o & y_t^o not observed.

Instead

$$x_t = x_t^0 + v_{1t}$$

$$y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_t + v_{2t}$$

v_{1t} & v_{2t} are errors in measurement assoc with x_t, y_t

Assume These have variances ω_1^2, ω_2^2 s.t

$$v_{1t} \sim \text{iid}(0, \omega_1^2)$$

$$v_{2t} \sim \text{iid}(0, \omega_2^2)$$

Substitution yields:

$$y_t - v_{2t} = \beta_0 + \beta_1(x_t - v_{1t}) + u_t$$

$$y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_t + (u_t + v_{2t} - \beta_1 v_{1t})$$

$$= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_t + u_t$$

$$u_t = u_t^0 + v_{2t} - \beta_1 v_{1t}$$

$$\text{Var}(u_t) = \sigma^2 + \omega_2^2 + \beta_1^2 \omega_1^2$$

Measurement error increases
the variance of y_t

Notice, the new error u_t
is now correlated with x_t

$$\text{Cov}(u_t, x_t) = E[(u_t - E(u_t))(x_t - E(x_t))]$$

$$E(u_t) = 0$$

$$E(x_t) = x_t^0$$

So

$$E[(u_t^0 + v_{2t} - \beta_2 v_{1t})(v_{1t})]$$

$$= E(-\beta_2 v_{1t}^2) = -\beta_2 \text{Var } v_{1t} = -\beta_2 \omega_1^2$$

As long as x_t (x_t^0) related to
 y_t , $\text{Cov}() \neq 0$ LS Inconsistent.

SEM

structural eq's

demand

$$q_t^d = \gamma_d p_t + X_t^d \beta_d + u_t^d$$

supply

$$q_t^s = \gamma_s p_t + X_t^s \beta_s + u_t^s$$

Equilibrium

$$q_t^s = q_t^d$$

$$Y_t^d$$

Exog variables that determine demand

$$X_t^s$$

exog vars that determine supply.

$$u_t^d$$

demand shocks or errors

$$u_t^s$$

supply shocks or errors

Rewrite, with Endog on ~~RHS~~ LHS

$$q_t - \gamma_d p_t = X_t^d \beta_d + u_t^d$$

$$q_t - \gamma_s p_t = X_t^s \beta_s + u_t^s$$

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$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\gamma_d \\ 1 & -\gamma_s \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} q_t \\ p_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X_t^d & 0 \\ 0 & X_t^s \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_d \\ \beta_s \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} u_t^d \\ u_t^s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\gamma_d \\ 1 & -\gamma_s \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} q_t \\ p_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} X_t^d \beta_d + u_t^d \\ X_t^s \beta_s + u_t^s \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} q_t \\ p_t \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -\gamma_d \\ 1 & -\gamma_s \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} X_t^d \beta_d + u_t^d \\ X_t^s \beta_s + u_t^s \end{bmatrix}$$

Reduced Form Eq.

Notice, each endog variable is a function of all exog. vars and all errors in the structural model.

\Rightarrow A shock to u_t^d or u_t^s affects p_t (a regressor in both structural Eqs.) Therefore errors are correlated with regressors of S & P!

Instruments

(1) Must be exogenous

$$E[u|W] = 0 \quad \text{strongly ex.}$$

$$E[u_t | W_t] = 0 \quad \text{weakly.}$$

(2) Must be relevant.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} W^T X = S_{WX}$$

finite & nonsingular.

\Rightarrow Instruments must be correlated with X 's ~~and~~ which includes the variables measured with error or that are endogenous.

Note: LLN $\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} W^T u = 0$

Simple IV estimator

Find W that is exogenous & relevant. If so, it should satisfy

$$E[Wu] = 0$$

$$\text{let } W_{TXK} =$$

$$\text{MOM } E[W^T(y - x\beta)] = 0$$

Set = to sample counterpart & solve.

$$W^T(y - x\hat{\beta}) = 0$$

$$W^T y - W^T x \hat{\beta} = 0$$

$$W^T x \hat{\beta} = W^T y$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{IV} = (W^T x)^{-1} W^T y$$

- generalized inverse since $W^T x$ not symmetric.

- consistent as long as

$$\text{plim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{W^T u}{n} = 0 \quad (\text{by LLN})$$

Obviously, if w & x are not correlated, then the inverse $(X^T X)^{-1}$ ~~can~~ won't be successful (α is not highly correlated it will be very large).

$$\hat{\beta}_{EW} = \beta + (W^T X)^{-1} W^T u$$

plain

$$\hat{\beta}_{EW} = \beta + \left(\frac{W^T X}{n} \right)^{-1} \frac{W^T u}{n}$$

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$$\beta + S_{W^T X}^{-1} \cdot 0$$

$$\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_{EW}) = E \left[(\hat{\beta}_{EW} - E(\hat{\beta}_{EW})) (\hat{\beta}_{EW} - E(\hat{\beta}_{EW}))^T \right]$$

Asy Cov $(\hat{\beta}_{EW})$ — Replace with Plims

$$\text{plim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} E \left(\frac{W^T X}{n} \right)^{-1} \frac{W^T u}{n} \frac{u^T W}{n} \left(\frac{W^T X}{n} \right)^{-1 T}$$

$$\frac{\sigma^2 u^T W}{n^2}$$

$$\sigma^2 \text{plim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{w^T x}^{-1}$$

$$\text{plim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sigma^2}{n} (W^T X)^{-1} (W^T W) (W^T X)^{-1 T}$$

Each is square.

$$\text{plim}_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left(X^T W (W^T W)^{-1} W^T X \right)^{-1}$$

Generalized IV Estimator.

$$y = X\beta + u$$

use instruments, w

$$W^T y = W^T X \beta + W^T u$$

$$W^T u \sim (0, W^T \sigma^2 I W) \\ \sim (0, \sigma^2 W^T W)$$

use GLS

$$\hat{\beta}_{IV} = (X^T W (W^T W)^{-1} W^T X)^{-1} (X^T W (W^T W)^{-1} W^T y)$$

$$\text{plim } \hat{\beta}_{IV} = \beta$$

$$\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_{IV}) = \sigma^2 (X^T W (W^T W)^{-1} W^T X)^{-1}$$

Estimated By

$$\hat{\sigma}_{IV}^2 = \frac{(y - X\hat{\beta}_{IV})^T (y - X\hat{\beta}_{IV})}{n - k}$$

Note: The IV Estimator is also a 2SLS estimator.