

Exact Distribution of $\hat{\beta}_2$: We have shown asymptotic normality of $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2)$, which is one of the large sample properties.

Now, we discuss the small sample properties of $\hat{\beta}_2$.

In order to obtain the distribution of $\hat{\beta}_2$ in small sample, the distribution of the error term has to be assumed.

Therefore, the extra assumption is that $u_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$.

Writing (13), again, $\hat{\beta}_2$ is represented as:

$$\hat{\beta}_2 = \beta_2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i u_i.$$

First, we obtain the distribution of the second term in the above equation.

[Review] Content of Special Lectures in Economics (Statistical Analysis)

Note that the **moment-generating function** (積率母関数, MGF) is given by $M(\theta) \equiv E(\exp(\theta X)) = \exp(\mu\theta + \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2\theta^2)$ when $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$.

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are mutually independently distributed as $X_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$ for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$.

MGF of X_i is $M_i(\theta) \equiv E(\exp(\theta X_i)) = \exp(\mu_i\theta + \frac{1}{2}\sigma_i^2\theta^2)$.

Consider the distribution of $Y = \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i X_i)$, where a_i and b_i are constant.

$$\begin{aligned} M_Y(\theta) &\equiv E(\exp(\theta Y)) = E(\exp(\theta \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i X_i))) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \exp(\theta a_i) E(\exp(\theta b_i X_i)) = \prod_{i=1}^n \exp(\theta a_i) M_i(\theta b_i) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^n \exp(\theta a_i) \exp(\mu_i \theta b_i + \frac{1}{2} \sigma_i^2 (\theta b_i)^2) = \exp(\theta \sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i \mu_i) + \frac{1}{2} \theta^2 \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 \sigma_i^2), \end{aligned}$$

which implies that $Y \sim N(\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i \mu_i), \sum_{i=1}^n b_i^2 \sigma_i^2)$.

[End of Review]

Substitute $a_i = 0$, $\mu_i = 0$, $b_i = \omega_i$ and $\sigma_i^2 = \sigma^2$.

Then, using the moment-generating function, $\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i u_i$ is distributed as:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i u_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^2).$$

Therefore, $\hat{\beta}_2$ is distributed as:

$$\hat{\beta}_2 = \beta_2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i u_i \sim N(\beta_2, \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^2),$$

or equivalently,

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2}{\sigma \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i^2}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2}{\sigma / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}} \sim N(0, 1),$$

for any n .

[Review 1] t Distribution:

$Z \sim N(0, 1)$, $V \sim \chi^2(k)$, and Z is independent of V . Then, $\frac{Z}{\sqrt{V/k}} \sim t(k)$.

[End of Review 1]

[Review 2] t Distribution:

Suppose that X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are mutually independently, identically and normally distributed with mean μ and variance σ^2 .

$\bar{X} \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$, i.e., $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1)$.

Define $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2$, which is an unbiased estimator of σ^2 .

It is known that $\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n-1)$ and \bar{X} is independent of S^2 . (The proof is skipped.)

Then, we obtain
$$\frac{\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}}{\sqrt{\frac{(n-1)S^2}{\sigma^2}} / (n-1)} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S / \sqrt{n}} \sim t(n-1).$$

As a result, replacing σ^2 by S^2 , $\frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{S / \sqrt{n}} \sim t(n-1).$

[End of Review 2]

Back to OLS:

Replacing σ^2 by its estimator s^2 defined in (17), it is known that we have:

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2}{s / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}} \sim t(n - 2),$$

where $t(n - 2)$ denotes t distribution with $n - 2$ degrees of freedom.

Thus, under normality assumption on the error term u_i , the $t(n - 2)$ distribution is used for the confidence interval and the testing hypothesis in small sample.

Or, taking the square on both sides,

$$\left(\frac{\hat{\beta}_2 - \beta_2}{s / \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}} \right)^2 \sim F(1, n - 2),$$

which will be proved later.

Before going to **multiple regression model** (重回帰モデル),

2 Some Formulas of Matrix Algebra

$$1. \text{ Let } A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1k} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{l1} & a_{l2} & \cdots & a_{lk} \end{pmatrix} = [a_{ij}],$$

which is a $l \times k$ matrix, where a_{ij} denotes i th row and j th column of A .

The **transposed matrix** (転置行列) of A , denoted by A' , is defined as:

$$A' = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{l1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{l2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1k} & a_{2k} & \cdots & a_{lk} \end{pmatrix} = [a_{ji}],$$

where the i th row of A' is the i th column of A .

2. $(Ax)' = x'A'$,

where A and x are a $l \times k$ matrix and a $k \times 1$ vector, respectively.

3. $a' = a$,

where a denotes a scalar.

4. $\frac{\partial a'x}{\partial x} = a$,

where a and x are $k \times 1$ vectors.

5. If A is symmetric, $A = A'$.

6. $\frac{\partial x'Ax}{\partial x} = (A + A')x$,

where A and x are a $k \times k$ matrix and a $k \times 1$ vector, respectively.

Especially, when A is symmetric,

$$\frac{\partial x'Ax}{\partial x} = 2Ax.$$

7. Let A and B be $k \times k$ matrices, and I_k be a $k \times k$ **identity matrix** (单位行列) (one in the diagonal elements and zero in the other elements).

When $AB = I_k$, B is called the **inverse matrix** (逆行列) of A , denoted by $B = A^{-1}$.

That is, $AA^{-1} = A^{-1}A = I_k$.

8. Let A be a $k \times k$ matrix and x be a $k \times 1$ vector.

If A is a **positive definite matrix** (正值定符号行列), for any x except for $x = 0$ we have:

$$x'Ax > 0.$$

If A is a **positive semidefinite matrix** (非負值定符号行列), for any x except

for $x = 0$ we have:

$$x'Ax \geq 0.$$

If A is a **negative definite matrix** (負値定符号行列), for any x except for $x = 0$ we have:

$$x'Ax < 0.$$

If A is a **negative semidefinite matrix** (非正值定符号行列), for any x except for $x = 0$ we have:

$$x'Ax \leq 0.$$

Trace, Rank and etc.: $A : k \times k,$ $B : n \times k,$ $C : k \times n.$

1. The **trace** (トレース) of A is: $\text{tr}(A) = \sum_{i=1}^k a_{ii}$, where $A = [a_{ij}]$.

2. The **rank** (ランク , 階数) of A is the maximum number of linearly independent column (or row) vectors of A , which is denoted by $\text{rank}(A)$.
3. If A is an **idempotent matrix** (べき等行列), $A = A^2$.
4. If A is an idempotent and symmetric matrix, $A = A^2 = A'A$.
5. A is idempotent if and only if the eigen values of A consist of 1 and 0.
6. If A is idempotent, $\text{rank}(A) = \text{tr}(A)$.
7. $\text{tr}(BC) = \text{tr}(CB)$

Distributions in Matrix Form:

1. Let X , μ and Σ be $k \times 1$, $k \times 1$ and $k \times k$ matrices.

When $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$, the density function of X is given by:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{k/2} |\Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(x - \mu)' \Sigma^{-1} (x - \mu)\right).$$

$$E(X) = \mu \text{ and } V(X) = E\left((X - \mu)(X - \mu)'\right) = \Sigma$$

The moment-generating function: $\phi(\theta) = E(\exp(\theta'X)) = \exp(\theta'\mu + \frac{1}{2}\theta'\Sigma\theta)$

(*) In the univariate case, when $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, the density function of X is:

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{1/2}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2}(x - \mu)^2\right).$$

2. If $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$, then $(X - \mu)' \Sigma^{-1} (X - \mu) \sim \chi^2(k)$.

Note that $X'X \sim \chi^2(k)$ when $X \sim N(0, I_k)$.

3. $X: n \times 1, \quad Y: m \times 1, \quad X \sim N(\mu_x, \Sigma_x), \quad Y \sim N(\mu_y, \Sigma_y)$