

$s^2$  is taken as follows:

$$s^2 = \frac{1}{n-k} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \frac{1}{n-k} e'e = \frac{1}{n-k} (y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta}),$$

which leads to an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .

**Proof:**

Substitute  $y = X\beta + u$  and  $\hat{\beta} = \beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'u$  into  $e = y - X\hat{\beta}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} e &= y - X\hat{\beta} = X\beta + u - X(\beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'u) \\ &= u - X(X'X)^{-1}X'u = (I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u \end{aligned}$$

$I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X'$  is idempotent and symmetric, because we have:

$$\begin{aligned} (I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X') &= I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X', \\ (I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')' &= I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X'. \end{aligned}$$

$s^2$  is rewritten as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 s^2 &= \frac{1}{n-k} e'e = \frac{1}{n-k} ((I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u)'(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u \\
 &= \frac{1}{n-k} u'(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')'(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u \\
 &= \frac{1}{n-k} u'(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u
 \end{aligned}$$

Take the expectation of  $u'(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u$  and note that  $\text{tr}(a) = a$  for a scalar  $a$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(s^2) &= \frac{1}{n-k} E\left(\text{tr}\left(u'(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u\right)\right) = \frac{1}{n-k} E\left(\text{tr}\left((I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')uu'\right)\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n-k} \text{tr}\left((I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')E(uu')\right) = \frac{1}{n-k} \sigma^2 \text{tr}\left((I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')I_n\right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n-k} \sigma^2 \text{tr}(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X') = \frac{1}{n-k} \sigma^2 (\text{tr}(I_n) - \text{tr}(X(X'X)^{-1}X')) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n-k} \sigma^2 (\text{tr}(I_n) - \text{tr}((X'X)^{-1}X'X)) = \frac{1}{n-k} \sigma^2 (\text{tr}(I_n) - \text{tr}(I_k)) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n-k} \sigma^2 (n-k) = \sigma^2
 \end{aligned}$$

→  $s^2$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .

Note that we do not need normality assumption for unbiasedness of  $s^2$ .

**[Review]**

- $X'X \sim \chi^2(n)$  for  $X \sim N(0, I_n)$ .
- $(X - \mu)' \Sigma^{-1} (X - \mu) \sim \chi^2(n)$  for  $X \sim N(\mu, \Sigma)$ .
- $\frac{X'X}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n)$  for  $X \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n)$ .
- $\frac{X'AX}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(G)$ , where  $X \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n)$  and  $A$  is a symmetric idempotent  $n \times n$  matrix of rank  $G \leq n$ .

Remember that  $G = \text{Rank}(A) = \text{tr}(A)$  when  $A$  is symmetric and idempotent.

**[End of Review]**

Under normality assumption for  $u$ , the distribution of  $s^2$  is:

$$\frac{(n-k)s^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{u'(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X')u}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(\text{tr}(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X'))$$

Note that  $\text{tr}(I_n - X(X'X)^{-1}X') = n - k$ , because

$$\text{tr}(I_n) = n$$

$$\text{tr}(X(X'X)^{-1}X') = \text{tr}((X'X)^{-1}X'X) = \text{tr}(I_k) = k$$

**Asymptotic Normality (without normality assumption on  $u$ ):** Using the central limit theorem, without normality assumption we can show that as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , under the condition of  $\frac{1}{n}X'X \rightarrow M$  we have the following result:

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{s \sqrt{a_{jj}}} \rightarrow N(0, 1),$$

where  $M$  denotes a  $k \times k$  constant matrix.

Thus, we can construct the confidence interval and the testing procedure, using the  $t$  distribution under the normality assumption or the normal distribution without the normality assumption.

## 4 Properties of OLSE

1. Properties of  $\hat{\beta}$ : **BLUE (best linear unbiased estimator** , 最良線形不偏推定量), i.e., minimum variance within the class of linear unbiased estimators (**Gauss-Markov theorem** , ガウス・マルコフの定理)

**Proof:**

Consider another linear unbiased estimator, which is denoted by  $\tilde{\beta} = Cy$ .

$$\tilde{\beta} = Cy = C(X\beta + u) = CX\beta + Cu,$$

where  $C$  is a  $k \times n$  matrix.

Taking the expectation of  $\tilde{\beta}$ , we obtain:

$$E(\tilde{\beta}) = CX\beta + CE(u) = CX\beta$$

Because we have assumed that  $\tilde{\beta} = Cy$  is unbiased,  $E(\tilde{\beta}) = \beta$  holds.

That is, we need the condition:  $CX = I_k$ .

Next, we obtain the variance of  $\tilde{\beta} = Cy$ .

$$\tilde{\beta} = C(X\beta + u) = \beta + Cu.$$

Therefore, we have:

$$V(\tilde{\beta}) = E((\tilde{\beta} - \beta)(\tilde{\beta} - \beta)') = E(Cuu'C') = \sigma^2 CC'$$

Defining  $C = D + (X'X)^{-1}X'$ ,  $V(\tilde{\beta})$  is rewritten as:

$$V(\tilde{\beta}) = \sigma^2 CC' = \sigma^2 (D + (X'X)^{-1}X')(D + (X'X)^{-1}X')'.$$

Moreover, because  $\hat{\beta}$  is unbiased, we have the following:

$$CX = I_k = (D + (X'X)^{-1}X')X = DX + I_k.$$

Therefore, we have the following condition:

$$DX = 0.$$

Accordingly,  $V(\tilde{\beta})$  is rewritten as:

$$\begin{aligned} V(\tilde{\beta}) &= \sigma^2 CC' = \sigma^2(D + (X'X)^{-1}X')(D + (X'X)^{-1}X')' \\ &= \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1} + \sigma^2 DD' = V(\hat{\beta}) + \sigma^2 DD' \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $V(\tilde{\beta}) - V(\hat{\beta})$  is a positive definite matrix.

$$\implies V(\tilde{\beta}_i) - V(\hat{\beta}_i) > 0$$

$\implies \hat{\beta}$  is a minimum variance (i.e., best) linear unbiased estimator of  $\beta$ .



Note as follows:

$\implies A$  is positive definite when  $d'Ad > 0$  except  $d = 0$ .

$\implies$  The  $i$ th diagonal element of  $A$ , i.e.,  $a_{ii}$ , is positive (choose  $d$  such that the  $i$ th element of  $d$  is one and the other elements are zeros).

**[Review]  $F$  Distribution:**

Suppose that  $U \sim \chi(n)$ ,  $V \sim \chi(m)$ , and  $U$  is independent of  $V$ .

Then,  $\frac{U/n}{V/m} \sim F(n, m)$ .

**[End of Review]**

**F Distribution ( $H_0 : \beta = \mathbf{0}$ ):** Final Result in this Section:

$$\frac{(\hat{\beta} - \beta)'X'X(\hat{\beta} - \beta)/k}{e'e/(n - k)} \sim F(k, n - k).$$

Consider the numerator and the denominator, separately.

1. If  $u \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n)$ , then  $\hat{\beta} \sim N(\beta, \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1})$ .

Therefore,  $\frac{(\hat{\beta} - \beta)'X'X(\hat{\beta} - \beta)}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(k)$ .

2. **Proof:**

Using  $\hat{\beta} - \beta = (X'X)^{-1}X'u$ , we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}(\hat{\beta} - \beta)'X'X(\hat{\beta} - \beta) &= ((X'X)^{-1}X'u)'X'X(X'X)^{-1}X'u \\ &= u'X(X'X)^{-1}X'X(X'X)^{-1}X'u = u'X(X'X)^{-1}X'u\end{aligned}$$