

# Econometrics I's Homework

**Deadline: May 24, 2022, PM23:59:59**

- The answer should be written in English or Japanese.
- Your name and student ID number should be included in your answer sheet.
- Send your answer (PDF or image file) to the email address: [tanizaki@econ.osaka-u.ac.jp](mailto:tanizaki@econ.osaka-u.ac.jp).
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1 Consider the following regression model:

$$y_t = \alpha + \beta X_t + u_t, \quad t = 1, 2, \dots, T,$$

where  $y_t$  and  $X_t$  denote dependent and independent variables, respectively.  $T$  is the sample size.  $u_1, u_2, \dots, u_T$  are mutually independently distributed with mean zero and variance  $\sigma^2 < \infty$ .  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are unknown parameters to be estimated.

- (1) Derive the ordinary least squares estimators of  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , which should be denoted by  $\hat{\alpha}$  and  $\hat{\beta}$ .
- (2) Obtain mean and variance of  $\hat{\beta}$ .
- (3) Obtain mean and variance of  $\hat{\alpha}$ .
- (4) Prove that  $\hat{\beta}$  is a linear estimator of  $\beta$ .
- (5) Prove that  $\hat{\beta}$  is a linear unbiased estimator of  $\beta$ .
- (6) Prove that  $\hat{\beta}$  has minimum variance within a class of linear unbiased estimators
- (7) Prove that  $\hat{\beta}$  is a consistent estimator of  $\beta$ .
- (8) Derive an asymptotic distribution of  $\sqrt{T}(\hat{\beta} - \beta)$ . Note that a distribution of  $u_t$  is not assumed.
- (9) As an extra assumption, suppose that  $u_t$  is **normally** distributed for all  $t$ . Derive an exact distribution of  $\hat{\beta}$ , using the moment-generating function.
- (10) In addition to (9), consider estimating  $\sigma^2$ . Show that  $\frac{\hat{\beta} - \beta}{s\sqrt{\sum_{t=1}^T \omega_t^2}}$  is a  $t$  distribution with  $T - 2$  degrees of freedom, where  $s^2 = \frac{1}{T - 2} \sum_{t=1}^T (y_t - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta}X_t)^2$  and  $\omega_t = \frac{X_t - \bar{X}}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}$ . You may use the fact that the degree of freedom is  $T - 2$ .