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Omitted Variable Bias

\overline{R}^2

$$y = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x + \tilde{u}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x}) y_i}{SST_x}$$

$$y = \tilde{\beta}_1 x + \tilde{u}$$

$$\tilde{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum x_i y_i}{\sum x_i^2}$$

$$E(\tilde{\beta}_1) = \beta_1 + \beta_0 \frac{n\bar{x}}{\sum x_i^2}$$

$$\text{If } \bar{x} \cdot \beta_0 < 0 \Rightarrow \text{Bias} < 0$$

$$\bar{x} \cdot \beta_0 > 0 \Rightarrow \text{Bias} > 0$$

$$V(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{SST_x} = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$V(\tilde{\beta}_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum x_i^2}$$

$$\text{Hence } V(\hat{\beta}_1) > V(\tilde{\beta}_1)$$

Multiple Linear Regression

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_n x_n + u$$

Why

→ Realistic

→ To estimate non-linear relations

→ Closer to ceteris paribus interpretation

Consider the case of two variables:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} y & = & \beta_0 & + & \beta_1 x_1 & + & \beta_2 x_2 & + & u \\ & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \downarrow & & \\ & & \text{wage} & & \text{Education} & & \text{Experience} & & \end{array}$$

Hence, β_1 is the effect of one more year of education on wage, keeping experience constant.

$$\begin{array}{l} x_1 = \hat{\delta}_0 + \hat{\delta}_1 x_2 + \hat{v}_1 = \hat{x}_1 + \hat{v}_1 \\ \downarrow \\ \text{Experience} \Rightarrow \text{reg } y \text{ on } \hat{v}_1 \end{array}$$

Similarly $x_2 = \hat{\delta}_0 + \hat{\delta}_1 x_1 + \hat{v}_2$

$$x_2 = \hat{x}_2 + \hat{v}_2$$

$$\text{reg } y \text{ on } \hat{v}_2$$

Computing residuals

- reg educ exper
- predict r1hat, res
- reg wage r1hat

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum (\hat{r}_i - \bar{\hat{r}}) y_i}{\sum (\hat{r}_i - \bar{\hat{r}})^2} = \frac{\sum (\hat{r}_i y_i)}{\sum \hat{r}_i^2} \quad (\text{since } \bar{\hat{r}} = 0)$$

$$\hat{\beta}_j = \frac{\sum \hat{r}_j y}{\sum \hat{r}_j^2}$$

Derivation

$$\min \sum (y - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_1 - \hat{\beta}_2 x_2)^2$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_1} = 0 \Rightarrow \sum x_1 (y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_1 - \beta_2 x_2) = 0$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_2 \leftarrow \hat{x}_1 + \hat{r}_1$$

(Since \hat{x}_1 is not correlated with residual)

$$= \sum \hat{r}_i (y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_1 - \beta_2 x_2) = 0$$

$$= \sum r_i (y - \beta_1 x_1)$$

$$= \sum r_i (y - \beta_1 (\hat{x}_1 + \hat{r}_1))$$

$$= \sum r_i (y - \beta_1 \hat{r}_1) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum \hat{r}_i y}{\sum \hat{r}_i^2}$$

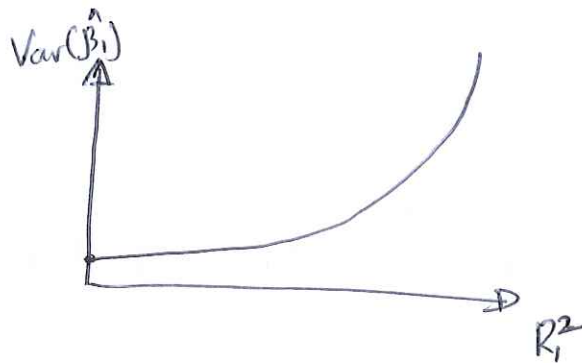
$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum \hat{v}_i y}{SSR}$$

$$SST = SSE + SSR \Rightarrow R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSR}{SST}$$

$$\Rightarrow SSR = SST(1 - R^2)$$

$$\text{Hence, } \hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum \hat{v}_i y}{SST(1 - R^2)}$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{SST(1 - R^2)}$$



Multicollinearity

Perfect R_j^2 is 1

R_j^2 close to 1

\Rightarrow High variance (High Standard Error)

\Rightarrow Small t-stat

\Rightarrow Less (non) significant co-efficients

\Rightarrow High instability in the co-efficients

VIF \rightarrow Variance Inflation Factor

If $VIF > 10$ (problem with multicollinearity) [rule of thumb]

$$VIF_j = \frac{1}{1 - R_j^2}$$

Solutions to Multicollinearity

1. Ignore it (if highly correlated variables are not of interest)
2. Increase the sample size
3. Increase SST_j
4. Create a new variable: $X_{new} = \alpha_1 x_3 + \alpha_2 x_4 + (1 - \alpha_1 - \alpha_2) x_5$; $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \leq 1$

Assumptions

- A1. Linearity in parameter
- A2. Randomness of sample
- A3. Conditional Independence

$$E(u | x_{1i}, x_{2i}, x_{3i}, \dots, x_{ni}) = 0$$

- A4. No perfect Multicollinearity (\star)
- A5. Homoskedasticity
- A6. No large outliers

