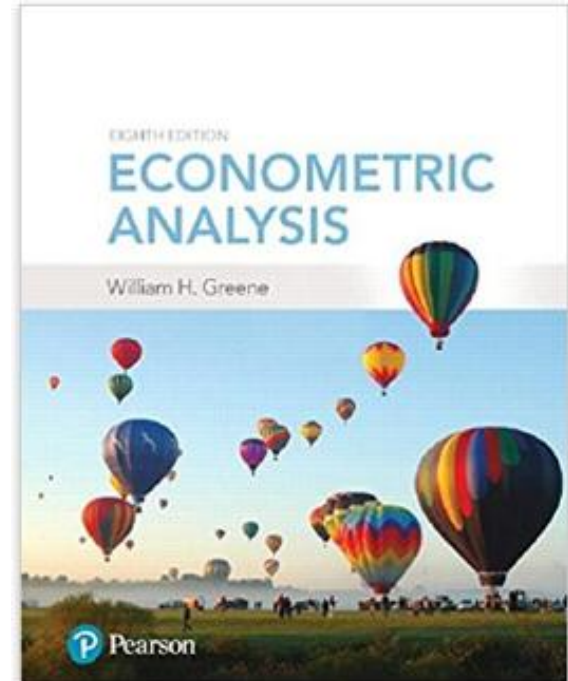


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## Part 15 – Panel Data-1

# Panel Data Sets

- Longitudinal data
  - British household panel survey (BHPS)
  - Panel Study of Income Dynamics (PSID)
  - ... many others
- Cross section time series
  - Penn world tables
- Financial data by firm, by year
  - $r_{it} - r_{ft} = \beta_i(r_{mt} - r_{ft}) + \varepsilon_{it}$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, \text{many}$ ;  $t = 1, \dots, \text{many}$
  - Exchange rate data, essentially infinite T, large N

# Benefits of Panel Data

- Time and individual variation in behavior unobservable in cross sections or aggregate time series
- Observable and unobservable individual heterogeneity
- Rich hierarchical structures
- More complicated models
- Features that cannot be modeled with only cross section or aggregate time series data alone
- Dynamics in economic behavior

# Evaluation of an OFT intervention

Independent fee-paying schools

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Figure 13: Cumulative savings in fees to the consumer from OFT intervention, 2010 prices, £m, discounted to present

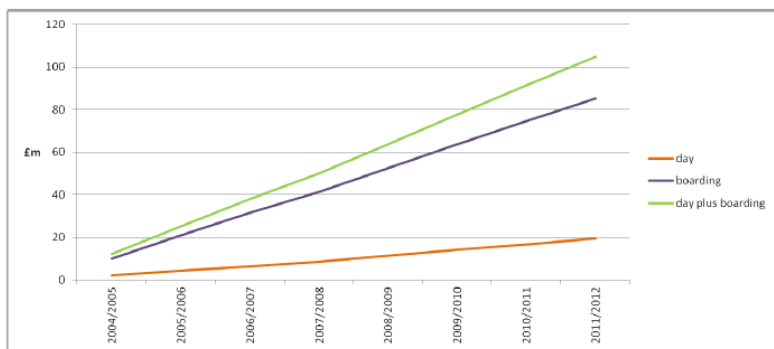
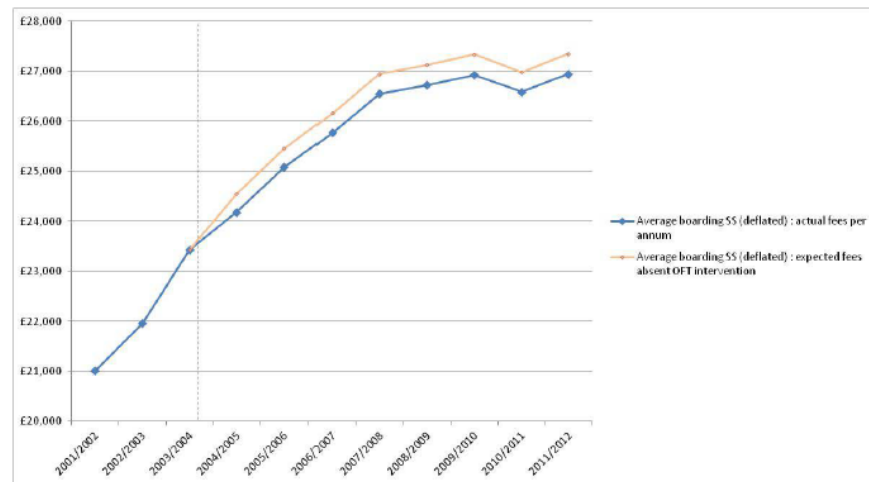


Figure 12: Average annual boarding fees of SS Schools: actual and expected in absence of OFT intervention



In this context, the OFT's evaluation team has evaluated the impact of the intervention addressing the anti-competitive practice of 50 independent fee-paying schools in the setting of fees during academic years 2001/02 to 2003/04. This research has been carried out by OFT economists and independently reviewed by Professor Stephen Davies.<sup>1</sup>

The main aim is to understand whether the OFT intervention had an impact, and to estimate this impact in terms of reduced school fees. To do so we have collected data on the evolution of school fees and other variables before and after the OFT's intervention.

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A national study of socioeconomics and health over lifetimes and across generations

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## British Household Panel Survey

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The British Household Panel Survey began in 1991 and is a multi-purpose study whose unique value resides in the fact that:



- it follows the same representative sample of individuals – the panel – over a period of years;
- it is household-based, interviewing every adult member of sampled households;
- it contains sufficient cases for meaningful analysis of certain groups such as the elderly or lone parent families.

The wave 1 panel consists of some 5,500 households and 10,300 individuals drawn from 250 areas of Great Britain. Additional samples of 1,500 households in each of Scotland and Wales were added to the main sample in 1999, and in 2001 a sample of 2,000 households was added in Northern Ireland, making the panel suitable for UK-wide research.

- [BHPS wave 18 data and documentation](#) are available from the UK Data Archive.



# BHPS Has Evolved

The screenshot displays the Understanding Society website. At the top, a navigation menu includes links for 'About the study', 'Informing policy', 'News', 'Participants', 'Research, findings and impact', 'Data and documentation', and 'Contact'. The main header features the Understanding Society logo and the text 'THE UK HOUSEHOLD LONGITUDINAL STUDY'. A search bar is located on the right. The central banner is titled 'INSIGHTS 2014' and describes it as 'Findings from the largest longitudinal study of UK households'. Below the banner are four colored boxes with navigation options: 'Informing policy' (Projects, Get involved, People), 'Participants' (Get in touch, Sign in, FAQ), 'Research and findings' (Podcasts, Working papers, Case studies), and 'Data and documentation' (Getting started, Main survey, Training).

A small thumbnail of the British Household Panel Survey (BHPS) website. It features the IFSR logo and a navigation menu with 'About', 'Research', 'Study', and 'News'. The main content area is titled 'British Household Panel Survey' and includes a description of the survey and a list of key features.





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# The Household, Income and Labour Dynamics in Australia (HILDA) Survey

## HILDA Survey

The Household, Income and Labour Dynamics in Australia (HILDA) Survey is a household-based panel study which began in 2001. It has the following key features:

- It collects information about economic and subjective well-being, labour market dynamics and family dynamics.
- Special questionnaire modules are included each wave.
- The wave 1 panel consisted of 7,682 households and 19,914 individuals. In wave 11 this was topped up with an additional 2,153 households and 5,477 individuals.
- Interviews are conducted annually with all adult members of each household.
- The panel members are followed over time.
- The funding has been guaranteed for sixteen waves, though the survey is designed to continue for longer than this.
- Academic and other researchers can apply to use the General Release datasets for their research.

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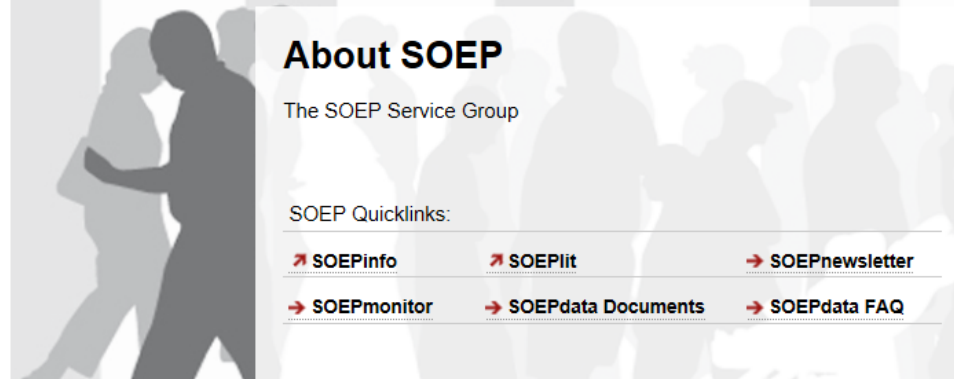
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### Short Description

The German Socio-Economic Panel Study (SOEP) is a wide-ranging representative longitudinal study of private households, located at the German Institute for Economic Research, DIW Berlin. Every year, there were nearly 11,000 households, and more than 20,000 persons sampled by the fieldwork organization TNS Infratest Sozialforschung.

The data provide information on all household members, consisting of Germans living in the Old and New German States, Foreigners, and recent Immigrants to Germany. The Panel was started in 1984.

Some of the many topics include household composition, occupational biographies, employment, earnings, health and satisfaction indicators.

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**European Community Household Panel (ECHP)**

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- **Description of dataset**

The European Community Household Panel (ECHP) is a panel survey in which a sample of households and persons have been interviewed year after year.

These interviews cover a wide range of topics concerning living conditions. They include detailed income information, financial situation in a wider sense, working life, housing situation, social relations, health and biographical information of the interviewed.

The total duration of the ECHP was 8 years, running from 1994-2001 (8 waves).

- **ECHP based data in the database**

99% of the "income and living conditions" domain under theme "Population and social conditions" is derived from ECHP. This includes many indicators of relative monetary poverty and of income inequality, analysed in different ways (eg. different cut-off thresholds, by age, gender, activity status, tenure status...).

It also includes a selection of indicators of social exclusion and non-monetary deprivation derived from ECHP, notably on housing.

Of these, 4 have been chosen as structural indicators, namely the at-risk-of-poverty rate before cash social transfers, the persistent at-risk-of-poverty rate and the s80/s20 income quintile share ratio. The at-risk-of-poverty rate after social transfers is a headline indicator.

A selection of indicators in the "health status" and "health care" collections of the "public health" domain also under the above-mentioned same theme are derived from ECHP as well.

**See Also**

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
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- [National Longitudinal Survey of Youth 1979 \(NLSY79\)](#)-- Survey of men and women born in the years 1957-64; respondents were ages 14-22 when first interviewed in 1979.
- [NLSY79 Children and Young Adults](#)-- Survey of the biological children of women in the NLSY79.
- [National Longitudinal Surveys of Young Women and Mature Women \(NLSW\)](#)-- The Young Women's survey includes women who were ages 14-24 when first interviewed in 1968. The Mature Women's survey includes women who were ages 30-44 when first interviewed in 1967. These surveys were discontinued in 2003.
- [National Longitudinal Surveys of Young Men and Older Men](#)-- The Young Men's survey, which was discontinued in 1981, includes men who were ages 14-24 when first interviewed in 1966. The Older Men's survey, which was discontinued in 1990, includes men who were ages 45-59 when first interviewed in 1966.

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Sponsored jointly by ERS and the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), ARMS is the only national survey that provides observations of field-level farm practices, the economics of the farm businesses operating the field (or dairy herd, green house, nursery, poultry house, etc.), and the characteristics of farm operators and their households (age, education, occupation, farm and off-farm work, types of employment, family living expenses, etc.)—all collected in a representative sample. Information about crop production, farm production, business, and households includes data for selected surveyed States where available. [See more background on ARMS...](#)





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Dairy Farm Data, N = 247, T = 6
Variables
FARM = Farm ID
YEAR = year
Inputs
COWS, X1 = log of, deviations from means (logs)
LAND, X2 = same
LABOR, X3 = same
FEED, X4 = same
Translog terms, X11, X22, X33, X44,
                  X12, X13, X14,
                  X23, X24,
                  X34
                  = squares and cross products
YEAR93, ..., YEAR98 = year dummy variables
Output
MILK = farm output
YIT = log of MILK production

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## Panel Data on 247 Spanish Dairy Farms Over 6 Years

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	FARM	AGEL	YEAR	COWS	LAND	MILK	LABOR	FEED
1 »	1	10	93	15.3	8	73647	2	33435.7
2 »	1	10	94	18.1	8	91260	2	36869
3 »	1	10	97	17.1	7	110419	2	51013.6
4 »	1	10	96	17.3	8	111454	2	50711.6
5 »	1	10	95	17.8	8	118498	2	54153.6
6 »	1	10	98	19.5	7.2	131197	2	59038.7
7 »	2	10	93	20.3	9	118149	2	53875.9
8 »	2	10	94	20.3	10.4	127742	2	51991
9 »	2	10	95	22	10.7	146490	2	61379.3
10 »	2	10	96	23.3	10.7	163434	2	71093.8
11 »	2	10	97	23.3	10.6	163603	2	69204.1
12 »	2	10	98	25	9.4	169540	3	73580.4
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20 »	4	10	94	63.5	22	489134	2.5	212773
21 ..	4	10	95	63.4	22	520954	2.5	207761

# Cornwell and Rupert Data

**Cornwell and Rupert Returns to Schooling Data, 595 Individuals, 7 Years**

(Extracted from NLSY.) **Variables in the file are**

EXP = work experience  
WKS = weeks worked  
OCC = occupation, 1 if blue collar,  
IND = 1 if manufacturing industry  
SOUTH = 1 if resides in south  
SMSA = 1 if resides in a city (SMSA)  
MS = 1 if married  
FEM = 1 if female  
UNION = 1 if wage set by union contract  
ED = years of education

**LWAGE = log of wage = dependent variable in regressions**

These data were analyzed in Cornwell, C. and Rupert, P., "Efficient Estimation with Panel Data: An Empirical Comparison of Instrumental Variable Estimators," *Journal of Applied Econometrics*, 3, 1988, pp. 149-155. See Baltagi, page 122 for further analysis. The data were downloaded from the website for Baltagi's text.

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	LOGWAGE	EDUC
1 »	5.56068	9
2 »	5.72031	9
3 »	5.99645	9
4 »	5.99645	9
5 »	6.06146	9
6 »	6.17379	9
7 »	6.24417	9
8 »	6.16331	11
9 »	6.21461	11
10 »	6.2634	11
11 »	6.54391	11
12 »	6.69703	11
13 »	6.79122	11
14 »	6.81564	11
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17 »	6.54822	12
18 »	6.60259	12
19 »	6.6958	12
20 »	6.77878	12
21 »	6.86066	12
22 ..	6.15000	10

# Balanced and Unbalanced Panels

- Distinction: Balanced vs. Unbalanced Panels
- A notation to help with mechanics

$$z_{i,t}, i = 1, \dots, N; t = 1, \dots, T_i$$

- The role of the assumption
  - Mathematical and notational convenience:
    - Balanced,  $n=NT$
    - Unbalanced:  $n = \sum_{i=1}^N T_i$
  - Is the fixed  $T_i$  assumption ever necessary? Almost never.
- Is unbalancedness due to **nonrandom attrition** from an otherwise balanced panel? This would require special considerations.

# Application: Health Care Usage

## **German Health Care Usage Data, 7,293 Individuals, Varying Numbers of Periods**

This is an unbalanced panel with 7,293 individuals. There are altogether 27,326 observations. The number of observations ranges from 1 to 7.

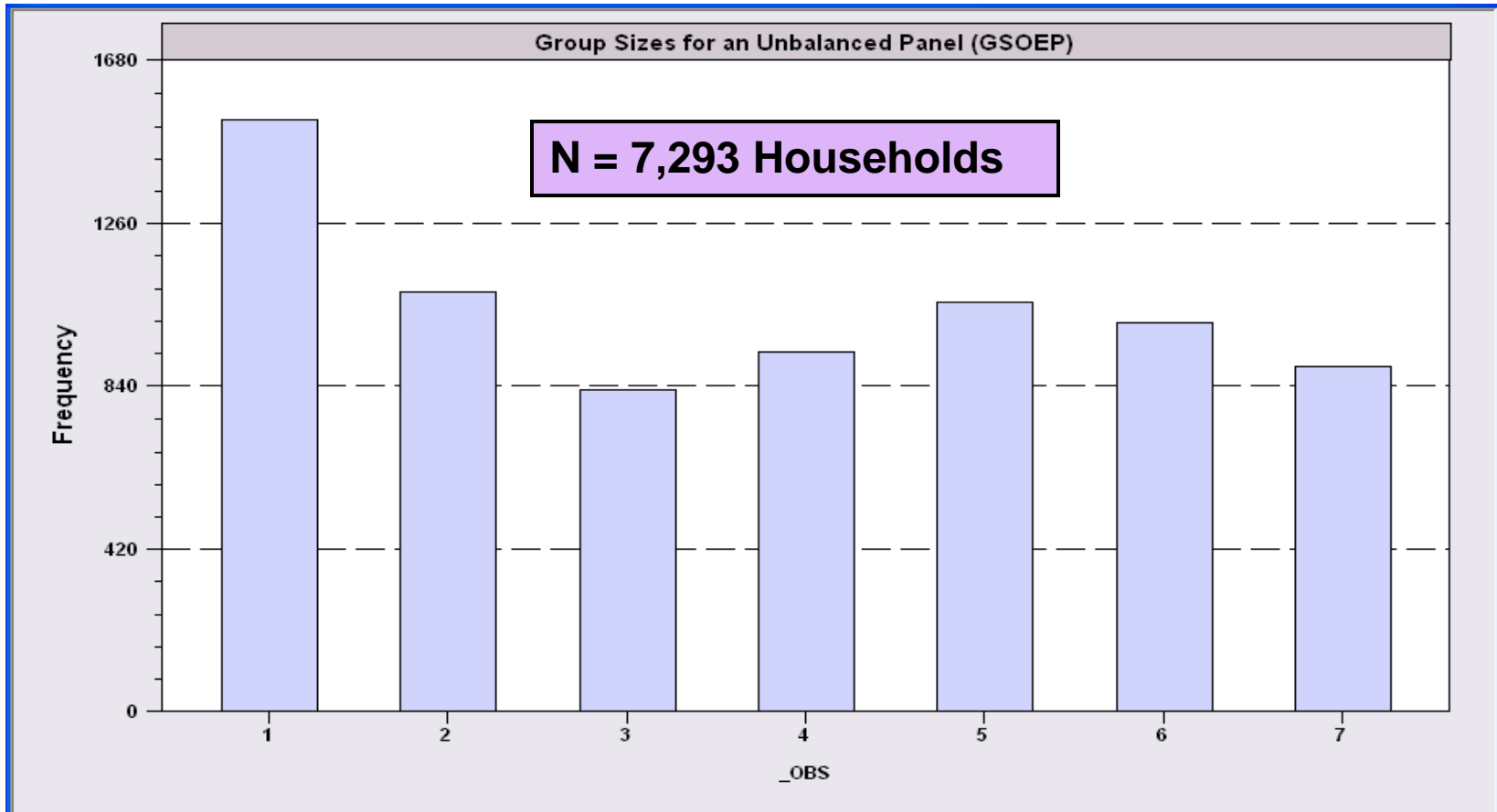
(Frequencies are: 1=1525, 2=2158, 3=825, 4=926, 5=1051, 6=1000, 7=987).

(Downloaded from the JAE Archive)

### **Variables in the file are**

- DOCTOR** = 1(Number of doctor visits > 0)
- HOSPITAL** = 1(Number of hospital visits > 0)
- HSAT** = health satisfaction, coded 0 (low) - 10 (high)
- DOCVIS** = number of doctor visits in last three months
- HOSPVIS** = number of hospital visits in last calendar year
- PUBLIC** = insured in public health insurance = 1; otherwise = 0
- ADDON** = insured by add-on insurance = 1; otherwise = 0
- HHNINC** = household nominal monthly net income in German marks / 10000.  
(4 observations with income=0 were dropped)
- HHKIDS** = children under age 16 in the household = 1; otherwise = 0
- EDUC** = years of schooling
- AGE** = age in years
- MARRIED** = marital status

# An Unbalanced Panel: RWM's GSOEP Data on Health Care



# A Basic Model for Panel Data

- Unobserved individual effects in regression:  $E[y_{it} | \mathbf{x}_{it}, c_i]$

Notation:  $y_{it} = \mathbf{x}'_{it} \boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i + \varepsilon_{it}$

$$\mathbf{X}_i = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}'_{i1} \\ \mathbf{x}'_{i2} \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}'_{iT_i} \end{bmatrix} \quad T_i \text{ rows, } K \text{ columns}$$

- Linear specification:

**Fixed Effects:**  $E[c_i | \mathbf{X}_i] = g(\mathbf{X}_i)$ .  $\text{Cov}[\mathbf{x}_{it}, c_i] \neq 0$   
effects are correlated with included variables.

**Random Effects:**  $E[c_i | \mathbf{X}_i] = 0$ .  $\text{Cov}[\mathbf{x}_{it}, c_i] = 0$



## Convenient Notation

- Fixed Effects – the ‘dummy variable model’

$$y_{it} = \alpha_i + \mathbf{x}'_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_{it}$$

Individual specific constant terms.

- Random Effects – the ‘error components model’

$$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}'_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_{it} + u_i$$

Compound (“composed”) disturbance

# **Explaining Fixed Effects: Random Effects modelling of Time-Series Cross-Sectional and Panel Data**

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<http://people.stern.nyu.edu/wgreene/Econometrics/Bell-Jones-Fixed-vs-Random-Sept-2013.pdf>

## Estimating $\beta$

- $\beta$  is the partial effect of interest
- Can it be estimated (consistently) in the presence of (unmeasured)  $c_i$ ?
  - Does pooled least squares “work?”
  - Strategies for “controlling for  $c_i$ ” using the sample data

# Assumptions for Asymptotics

- Convergence of moments involving cross section  $\mathbf{X}_i$ .
- $N$  increasing,  $T$  or  $T_i$  assumed fixed.
  - “Fixed  $T$  asymptotics” (see text, p. 348)
  - Time series characteristics are not relevant (may be nonstationary – relevant in Penn World Tables)
  - If  $T$  is also growing, need to treat as multivariate time series.
- Ranks of matrices.  $\mathbf{X}$  must have full column rank. ( $\mathbf{X}_i$  may not, if  $T_i < K$ .)
- Strict exogeneity and dynamics. If  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  contains  $y_{i,t-1}$  then  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  cannot be strictly exogenous.  $\mathbf{X}_{it}$  will be correlated with the unobservables in period  $t-1$ . (To be revisited later.)
- Empirical characteristics of microeconomic data

# The Pooled Regression

## □ Presence of omitted effects

$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}'_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i + \varepsilon_{it}$ , observation for person  $i$  at time  $t$

$\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{X}_i\boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i\mathbf{i} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i$ ,  $T_i$  observations in group  $i$

$= \mathbf{X}_i\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{c}_i + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i$ , note  $\mathbf{c}_i = (c_i, c_i, \dots, c_i)'$

$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{c} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^N T_i$  observations in the sample

## □ Potential bias/inconsistency of OLS – depends on ‘fixed’ or ‘random’

# OLS in the Presence of Individual Effects

$$\mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$$

$$= \boldsymbol{\beta} + \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1} \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{c}_i \right] \quad (\text{part due to the omitted } c_i)$$
$$+ \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1} \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i \right] \quad (\text{covariance of } \mathbf{X} \text{ and } \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \text{ will} = 0)$$

The third term vanishes asymptotically by assumption

$$\text{plim } \mathbf{b} = \boldsymbol{\beta} + \text{plim} \left[ \frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{T_i}{N} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i c_i \right] \quad (\text{left out variable formula})$$

So, what becomes of  $\left[ \sum_{i=1}^N w_i \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i c_i \right]$ ?

$\text{plim } \mathbf{b} = \boldsymbol{\beta}$  if the covariance of  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_i$  and  $c_i$  converges to zero.

## Estimating the Sampling Variance of $\mathbf{b}$

- $s^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$ ? Inappropriate because
  - Correlation across observations (certainly)
  - Heteroscedasticity (possibly)
  
- A 'robust' covariance matrix
  - Robust estimation (in general)
  - The White estimator
  - A Robust estimator for OLS.

## Cluster Estimator

Robust variance estimator for  $\text{Var}[\mathbf{b}]$

Est.  $\text{Var}[\mathbf{b}]$

$$= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} \mathbf{x}_{it} \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{it} \right) \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} \mathbf{x}'_{it} \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{it} \right) \right] (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

$$= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} \sum_{s=1}^{T_i} \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{it} \hat{\mathbf{v}}_{is} \mathbf{x}_{it} \mathbf{x}'_{is} \right) \right] (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

$\hat{\mathbf{v}}_{it} =$  a least squares residual  $= \varepsilon_{it} + C_i$

(If  $T_i = 1$ , this is the White estimator.)



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Ordinary least squares regression
LHS=YIT
Mean = 11.57749
Standard deviation = .64344
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No. of observations = 1482      DegFreedom      Mean square
Regression Sum of Squares = 584.056      4      146.01403
Residual Sum of Squares = 29.0957      1477      .01970
Total Sum of Squares = 613.152      1481      .41401
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Standard error of e = .14035      Root MSE      .14012
Fit R-squared = .95255      R-bar squared      .95242
Model test F[ 4, 1477] = 7412.18529      Prob F > F*      .00000
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YIT	Coefficient	Clustered Std. Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval	
Constant	11.5775***	.01599	723.88	.0000	11.5461	11.6088
X1	.59518***	.05821	10.22	.0000	.48109	.70926
X2	.02305	.02692	.86	.3918	-.02971	.07581
X3	.02319	.02816	.82	.4102	-.03201	.07839
X4	.45176***	.03768	11.99	.0000	.37791	.52561

\*\*\*, \*\*, \* ==> Significance at 1%, 5%, 10% level.  
Standard errors clustered on AGEL ( 7 clusters)

YIT	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval	
Constant	11.5775***	.00365	3175.52	.0000	11.5703	11.5846
X1	.59518***	.01958	30.39	.0000	.55679	.63356
X2	.02305**	.01122	2.05	.0400	.00105	.04505
X3	.02319*	.01303	1.78	.0751	-.00235	.04873
X4	.45176***	.01078	41.89	.0000	.43062	.47290

\*\*\*, \*\*, \* ==> Significance at 1%, 5%, 10% level.

# Alternative OLS Variance Estimators

Cluster correction increases SEs

Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[ Z >z]
Constant	5.40159723	.04838934	111.628	.0000
EXP	.04084968	.00218534	18.693	.0000
EXPSQ	-.00068788	.480428D-04	-14.318	.0000
OCC	-.13830480	.01480107	-9.344	.0000
SMSA	.14856267	.01206772	12.311	.0000
<b>MS</b>	<b>.06798358</b>	<b>.02074599</b>	<b>3.277</b>	<b>.0010</b>
FEM	-.40020215	.02526118	-15.843	.0000
UNION	.09409925	.01253203	7.509	.0000
ED	.05812166	.00260039	22.351	.0000
<b>Robust</b>				
Constant	5.40159723	.10156038	53.186	.0000
EXP	.04084968	.00432272	9.450	.0000
EXPSQ	-.00068788	.983981D-04	-6.991	.0000
OCC	-.13830480	.02772631	-4.988	.0000
SMSA	.14856267	.02423668	6.130	.0000
<b>MS</b>	<b>.06798358</b>	<b>.04382220</b>	<b>1.551</b>	<b>.1208</b>
FEM	-.40020215	.04961926	-8.065	.0000
UNION	.09409925	.02422669	3.884	.0001
ED	.05812166	.00555697	10.459	.0000

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Namelist ; x=one,exp,expsq,occ,smsa,ms,fem,union,ed$
Regress ; Lhs = lwage ; rhs=x ; cluster=7$
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# Results of Bootstrap Estimation

Results of bootstrap estimation of model.  
 Model has been reestimated 20 times.  
 Coefficients shown below are the original  
 model estimates based on the full sample.  
 Bootstrap samples have 4165 observations.  
 Estimated parameter vector is B .  
 Estimated variance matrix saved as VARB.

BootStrp	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval	
B001	5.66098***	.05161	109.68	.0000	5.55982	5.76214
B002	-.11220***	.01202	-9.34	.0000	-.13576	-.08864
B003	.15504***	.01497	10.35	.0000	.12570	.18439
B004	.09569***	.01641	5.83	.0000	.06352	.12786
B005	-.39478***	.02054	-19.22	.0000	-.43505	-.35452
B006	.05688***	.00327	17.38	.0000	.05046	.06330
B007	.01044***	.00064	16.38	.0000	.00919	.01169
Constant	5.66098***	.04686	120.81	.0000	5.56914	5.75282
OCC	-.11220***	.01464	-7.66	.0000	-.14090	-.08350
SMSA	.15504***	.01234	12.57	.0000	.13086	.17922
MS	.09569***	.02133	4.49	.0000	.05387	.13751
FEM	-.39478***	.02603	-15.16	.0000	-.44581	-.34376
ED	.05688***	.00268	21.24	.0000	.05163	.06213
EXP	.01044***	.00054	19.26	.0000	.00938	.01150

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	LOGWAGE	EDUC
1 »	5.56068	9
2 »	5.72031	9
3 »	5.99645	9
4 »	5.99645	9
5 »	6.06146	9
6 »	6.17379	9
7 »	6.24417	9
8 »	6.16331	11
9 »	6.21461	11
10 »	6.2634	11
11 »	6.54391	11
12 »	6.69703	11
13 »	6.79122	11
14 »	6.81564	11
15 »	5.65249	12
16 »	6.43615	12
17 »	6.54822	12
18 »	6.60259	12
19 »	6.6958	12
20 »	6.77878	12
21 »	6.86066	12

## Bootstrap variance for a panel data estimator

□ Panel Bootstrap = Block Bootstrap

- Data set is  $N$  groups of size  $T_i$
- Bootstrap sample is  $N$  groups of size  $T_i$  drawn with replacement.

lwage	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval		
Constant	5.66098***	.04686	120.81	.0000	5.56914	5.75282	OLS
OCC	-.11220***	.01464	-7.66	.0000	-.14090	-.08350	
SMSA	.15504***	.01234	12.57	.0000	.13086	.17922	
MS	.09569***	.02133	4.49	.0000	.05387	.13751	
FEM	-.39478***	.02603	-15.16	.0000	-.44581	-.34376	
ED	.05688***	.00268	21.24	.0000	.05163	.06213	
EXP	.01044***	.00054	19.26	.0000	.00938	.01150	
----- Bootstrap							
B001	5.66098***	.04683	120.89	.0000	5.56920	5.75276	
B002	-.11220***	.01326	-8.46	.0000	-.13820	-.08620	Assumes no
B003	.15504***	.01205	12.87	.0000	.13143	.17866	correlation
B004	.09569***	.01953	4.90	.0000	.05742	.13396	within groups
B005	-.39478***	.01863	-21.19	.0000	-.43129	-.35827	
B006	.05688***	.00325	17.52	.0000	.05052	.06324	
B007	.01044***	.00053	19.67	.0000	.00940	.01148	
----- Cluster							
Constant	5.66098***	.10026	56.46	.0000	5.46447	5.85750	
OCC	-.11220***	.02653	-4.23	.0000	-.16421	-.06020	Accounts for
SMSA	.15504***	.02540	6.10	.0000	.10526	.20483	within group
MS	.09569**	.04657	2.05	.0399	.00442	.18696	correlation
FEM	-.39478***	.05319	-7.42	.0000	-.49904	-.29052	
ED	.05688***	.00568	10.01	.0000	.04574	.06802	
EXP	.01044***	.00132	7.93	.0000	.00786	.01302	
----- Block Bootstrap							
B001	5.66098***	.09497	59.61	.0000	5.47484	5.84712	
B002	-.11220***	.02617	-4.29	.0000	-.16349	-.06092	Mimics results
B003	.15504***	.02351	6.60	.0000	.10897	.20112	of panel
B004	.09569***	.03542	2.70	.0069	.02627	.16511	correction
B005	-.39478***	.04287	-9.21	.0000	-.47880	-.31077	
B006	.05688***	.00536	10.61	.0000	.04637	.06739	
B007	.01044***	.00138	7.57	.0000	.00774	.01314	

## Using First Differences

$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}'_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i + \varepsilon_{it}$ , observation for person  $i$  at time  $t$

Eliminating the heterogeneity

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta y_{it} = y_{it} - y_{i,t-1} &= (\Delta \mathbf{x}'_{it})\boldsymbol{\beta} + \Delta c_i + \Delta \varepsilon_{it} \\ &= (\Delta \mathbf{x}'_{it})\boldsymbol{\beta} + w_{it}\end{aligned}$$

Note: Time invariant variables become zero  
Time trend becomes the constant term

## OLS with First Differences

With strict exogeneity of  $(\mathbf{X}_i, c_i)$ , OLS regression of  $\Delta y_{it}$  on  $\Delta \mathbf{x}_{it}$  is unbiased and consistent but inefficient.

$$\text{Var} \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_{i,2} - \varepsilon_{i,1} \\ \varepsilon_{i,3} - \varepsilon_{i,2} \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_{i,T_i} - \varepsilon_{i,T_i-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\sigma_\varepsilon^2 & -\sigma_\varepsilon^2 & 0 & 0 \\ -\sigma_\varepsilon^2 & 2\sigma_\varepsilon^2 & -\sigma_\varepsilon^2 & \vdots \\ 0 & -\sigma_\varepsilon^2 & \ddots & -\sigma_\varepsilon^2 \\ 0 & \dots & -\sigma_\varepsilon^2 & 2\sigma_\varepsilon^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

GLS is unpleasantly complicated. Use OLS in first differences and use Newey-West with one lag.

# The Fixed Effects Model

$\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{X}_i\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{d}_i\alpha_i + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i$ , for each individual

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{y}_N \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1 & \mathbf{d}_1 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{X}_2 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{d}_2 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_N & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{d}_N \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\beta} \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha} \end{pmatrix} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$$= [\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{D}] \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\beta} \\ \boldsymbol{\alpha} \end{pmatrix} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$$= \mathbf{Z}\boldsymbol{\delta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

$E[\mathbf{c}_i | \mathbf{X}_i] = g(\mathbf{X}_i)$ ; Effects are correlated with included variables.

$\text{Cov}[\mathbf{x}_{it}, \mathbf{c}_i] \neq \mathbf{0}$



## The Within Groups Transformation Removes the Effects

$$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}'_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i + \varepsilon_{it}$$

$$\bar{y}_i = \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_i\boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i + \bar{\varepsilon}_i$$

$$y_{it} - \bar{y}_i = (\mathbf{x}_{it} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)' \boldsymbol{\beta} + (\varepsilon_{it} - \bar{\varepsilon}_i)$$

Use least squares to estimate  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ .

# Useful Analysis of Variance Notation

Decomposition of Total variation:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (z_{it} - \bar{z})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^N \left[ \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (z_{it} - \bar{z}_{i\cdot})^2 \right] + \sum_{i=1}^N T_i \left[ \bar{z}_{i\cdot} - \bar{z} \right]^2$$

Total variation = Within groups variation  
+ Between groups variation

# WHO Data

The model used by the researchers at WHO was

$$\ln DALE_{it} = \alpha_i + \beta_1 \ln Health\ Expenditure_{it} + \beta_2 \ln Education_{it} + \beta_3 \ln Education_{it}^2 + \varepsilon_{it}$$

The analysis of variance for a variable  $x_{it}$  is based on the decomposition

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (x_{it} - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (x_{it} - \bar{x}_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n T_i (\bar{x}_i - \bar{x})^2 .$$

## Analysis of Variance for WHO Data on Health Care Attainment

Variable	Within Groups Variation	Between Groups Variation
<i>DALE</i>	5.645%	94.355%
<i>COMP</i>	0.150%	99.850%
<i>Expenditure</i>	0.635%	99.365%
<i>Education</i>	0.178%	99.822%

# Baltagi and Griffin's Gasoline Data

## **World Gasoline Demand Data, 18 OECD Countries, 19 years** **Variables in the file are**

COUNTRY = name of country

YEAR = year, 1960-1978

LGASPCAR = log of consumption per car

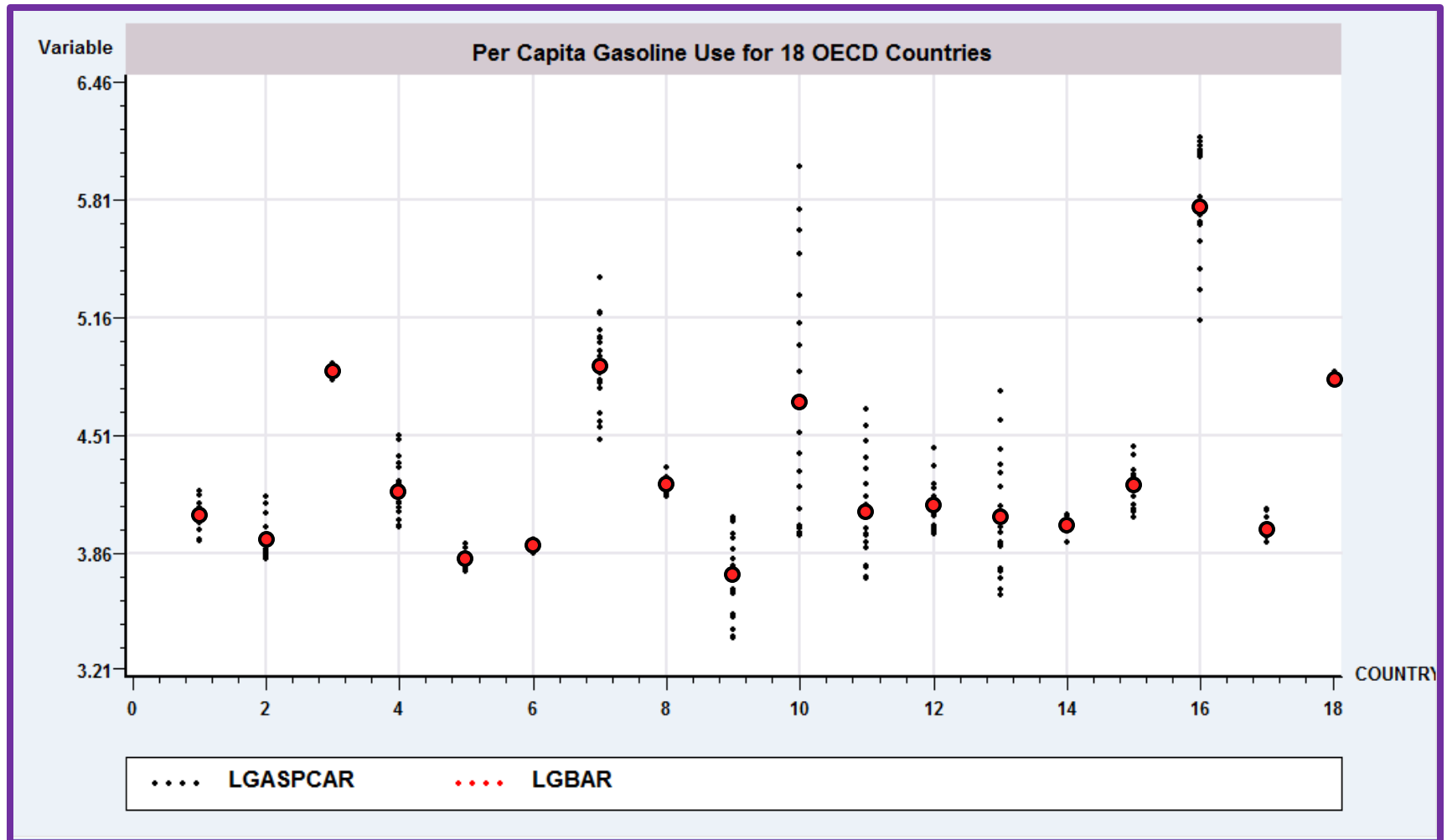
LINCOME = log of per capita income

LRPMG = log of real price of gasoline

LCARPCAP = log of per capita number of cars

See Baltagi (2001, p. 24) for analysis of these data. The article on which the analysis is based is Baltagi, B. and Griffin, J., "Gasoline Demand in the OECD: An Application of Pooling and Testing Procedures," *European Economic Review*, 22, 1983, pp. 117-137. The data were downloaded from the website for Baltagi's text.

# Analysis of Variance



# Analysis of Variance

Analysis of Variance for LGASPCAR			
Stratification Variable _STRATUM			
Observations weighted by ONE			
Total Sample Size		342	
Number of Groups		18	
Number of groups with no data		0	
Overall Sample Mean		4.2962420	
Sample Standard Deviation		.5489071	
Total Sample Variance		.3012990	
Source of Variation	Variation	Deg.Fr.	Mean Square
Between Groups	85.68228007	17	5.04013
Within Groups	17.06068428	324	.05266
Total	102.74296435	341	.30130
Residual S.D.	.22946990		
R-squared	.83394791	MSB/MSW	21.96425
F ratio	95.71734806	P value	.00000

## Estimating the Fixed Effects Model

- The FEM is a plain vanilla regression model but with many independent variables
- Least squares is unbiased, consistent, efficient, but inconvenient if N is large.

$$\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{b} \\ \mathbf{a} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{D} \\ \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{X} & \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} \\ \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{y} \end{bmatrix}$$

Using the Frisch-Waugh theorem

$$\mathbf{b} = [\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{X}]^{-1} [\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{y}]$$

## Fixed Effects Estimator (cont.)

$$\mathbf{M}_D = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_D^1 & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{M}_D^2 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{M}_D^N \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{The dummy variables are orthogonal})$$

$$\mathbf{M}_D^i = \mathbf{I}_{T_i} - \mathbf{d}_i(\mathbf{d}_i'\mathbf{d}_i)^{-1}\mathbf{d}_i' = \mathbf{I}_{T_i} - (1/T_i)\mathbf{d}_i\mathbf{d}_i'$$

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{X} = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D^i\mathbf{X}_i, \quad \left\{ \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D^i\mathbf{X}_i \right\}_{k,l} = \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (x_{it,k} - \bar{x}_{i,k})(x_{it,l} - \bar{x}_{i,l})$$

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{y} = \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D^i\mathbf{y}_i, \quad \left\{ \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D^i\mathbf{y}_i \right\}_k = \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (x_{it,k} - \bar{x}_{i,k})(y_{it} - \bar{y}_i)$$

If all groups have the same  $T_i$ ,  $\mathbf{M}_D = \mathbf{M}^0 \otimes \mathbf{I}$  where  $\mathbf{M}^0 = \mathbf{I}_T - (1/T)\mathbf{d}\mathbf{d}'$

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}'[\mathbf{M}^0 \otimes \mathbf{I}]\mathbf{X} \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{b} = \left( \mathbf{X}'[\mathbf{M}^0 \otimes \mathbf{I}]\mathbf{X} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}'[\mathbf{M}^0 \otimes \mathbf{I}]\mathbf{y}.$$



# The Within Transformation Removes the Effects

$$y_{it} = \mathbf{x}'_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i + \varepsilon_{it}$$

$$\bar{y}_i = \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_i\boldsymbol{\beta} + c_i + \bar{\varepsilon}_i$$

$$y_{it} - \bar{y}_i = (\mathbf{x}_{it} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)' \boldsymbol{\beta} + (\varepsilon_{it} - \bar{\varepsilon}_i)$$

$$\ddot{y}_{it} = \ddot{\mathbf{x}}'_{it}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \ddot{\varepsilon}_{it}$$

Wooldridge notation for data in deviations from group means

## Least Squares Dummy Variable Estimator

□ **b** is obtained by **'within' groups least squares**  
(group mean deviations)

□ **a** is estimated using the normal equations:

$$\mathbf{D}'\mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} + \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D}\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{D}'\mathbf{y}$$

$$\mathbf{a} = (\mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D})^{-1}\mathbf{D}'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b})$$

$$a_i = (1/T_i) \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - \mathbf{x}'_{it}\mathbf{b}) = \bar{e}_i$$

## Inference About LSDV

- Assume strict exogeneity:  $\text{Cov}[\varepsilon_{it}, (\mathbf{x}_{js}, c_j)] = 0$ . Every disturbance in every period for each person is uncorrelated with variables and effects for every person and across periods.
- Now, it's just least squares in a classical linear regression model.
- $\text{Asy. Var}[\mathbf{b}] = (\sigma_\varepsilon^2 / \sum_{i=1}^N T_i) \text{plim}[(1 / \sum_{i=1}^N T_i) \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' \mathbf{M}_D^i \mathbf{X}_i]^{-1}$

which is the usual estimator for OLS

$$\hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - \mathbf{a}_i - \mathbf{x}_{it}' \mathbf{b})^2}{\left( \sum_{i=1}^N T_i - N - K \right)}$$

(Note the degrees of freedom correction)

# Application Cornwell and Rupert

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| Panel Data Analysis of LWAGE      [ONE way] |
|           Unconditional ANOVA (No regressors) |
| Source      Variation    Deg. Free.    Mean Square |
| Between     646.254      594.      1.08797 |
| Residual    240.651      3570.     .674093E-01 |
| Total       886.905      4164.     .212994 |
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| OLS Without Group Dummy Variables |
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| LHS=LWAGE  Mean           = 6.676346 |
|            Standard deviation = .4615122 |
| Model size Parameters      = 5 |
|            Degrees of freedom = 4160 |
| Residuals  Sum of squares  = 651.7870 |
|            Standard error of e = .3958277 |
| Fit        R-squared       = .2650993 |
|            Adjusted R-squared = .2643927 |
| Model test F[ 4, 4160] (prob) = 375.16 (.0000) |
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| Variable | Coefficient | Standard Error | b/St. Er. | P[|Z|>z] | Mean of X |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
| OCC      | -.29227536 | .01259221      | -23.211   | .0000    | .51116447 |
| SMSA     | .17712491  | .01327104      | 13.347    | .0000    | .65378151 |
| MS       | .35695474  | .01610229      | 22.168    | .0000    | .81440576 |
| EXP      | .00746892  | .00057035      | 13.095    | .0000    | 19.8537815 |
| Constant | 6.27095389 | .02041864      | 307.119   | .0000    | |
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# LSDV Results

Least Squares with Group Dummy Variables			
LHS=LWAGE	Mean	=	6.676346
	Standard deviation	=	.4615122
Model size	Parameters	=	599
	Degrees of freedom	=	3566
Residuals	Sum of squares	=	83.88505
	Standard error of e	=	.1533740
Fit	R-squared	=	.9054182
	Adjusted R-squared	=	.8895573
Model test	F[598, 3566] (prob)	=	57.08 (.0000)

Panel:Groups	Empty	0,	Valid data	595
	Smallest	7,	Largest	7
	Average group size			7.00

**Note huge changes in the coefficients. SMSA and MS change signs. Significance changes completely!**

Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St. Er.	P[ Z >z]	Mean of X
OCC	-.02021384	.01374007	-1.471	.1412	.51116447
SMSA	-.04250645	.01950085	-2.180	.0293	.65378151
MS	-.02946444	.01913652	-1.540	.1236	.81440576
EXP	.09665711	.00119162	81.114	.0000	19.8537815

Pooled OLS	
OCC	-.29227536 .01259221
SMSA	.17712491 .01327104
MS	.35695474 .01610229
EXP	.00746892 .00057035

# The Effect of the Effects

Test Statistics for the Classical Model								
Model		Log-Likelihood		Sum of Squares				R-squared
(1)	Constant term only	-2688.80597		.8869049390D+03				.0000000
(2)	Group effects only	27.58464		.2406511943D+03				.7286618
(3)	X - variables only	-2047.35445		.6517870323D+03				.2650993
(4)	X and group effects	2222.33376		.8388505089D+02				.9054182

Hypothesis Tests								
Likelihood Ratio Test					F Tests			
		Chi-squared	d. f.	Prob.	F	num.	denom.	Prob value
(2)	vs (1)	5432.781	594	.00000	16.140	594	3570	.00000
(3)	vs (1)	1282.903	4	.00000	375.157	4	4160	.00000
(4)	vs (1)	9822.279	598	.00000	57.085	598	3566	.00000
(4)	vs (2)	4389.498	4	.00000	1666.054	4	3566	.00000
(4)	vs (3)	8539.376	594	.00000	40.643	594	3566	.00000

## Robust Counterpart to White Estimator?

Assumes  $\text{Var}[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i] = \boldsymbol{\Omega}_i \neq \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_{T_i}$

$\mathbf{e}_i = \mathbf{y}_i - a_i \mathbf{i}_{T_i} - \mathbf{X}_i \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{M}_D \mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{M}_D \mathbf{X}_i \mathbf{b}$   
( $T_i \times 1$  vector of group residuals)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Est.Asy.Var}[\mathbf{b}] &= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' \mathbf{M}_D^i \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{X}_i' \mathbf{M}_D^i \mathbf{e}_i)(\mathbf{e}_i' \mathbf{M}_D^i \mathbf{X}_i) \right] \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' \mathbf{M}_D^i \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1} \\ &= \mathbf{H}^{-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (\mathbf{x}_{it} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{e}_{it} \right\} \left\{ \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (\mathbf{x}_{it} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i) \mathbf{e}_{it} \right\}' \right] \mathbf{H}^{-1} \\ \mathbf{H} &= \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (\mathbf{x}_{it} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)(\mathbf{x}_{it} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i)' \right] \end{aligned}$$

Resembles (and is based on) White, but treats a full vector of disturbances at a time. Robust to heteroscedasticity and autocorrelation (within the groups).

```

LSDV      least squares with fixed effects ....
LHS=LWAGE Mean          =          6.67635
          Standard deviation =          .46151
----- No. of observations =          4165      DegFreedom   Mean square
Regression Sum of Squares =          804.638      603          1.33439
Residual   Sum of Squares =          82.2673      3561         .02310
Total      Sum of Squares =          886.905      4164         .21299
----- Standard error of e =          .15199      Root MSE     .14054
Fit        R-squared     =          .90724        R-bar squared .89154
Estd. Autocorrelation of e(i,t) =          .146506

```

```

Panel:Groups Empty    0,      Valid data    595
          Smallest    7,      Largest      7
          Average group size in panel    7.00
          Effects a(i)      Residuals e(i,t)
Variances      1.068764      .023102
Std. Devs.     1.033810      .151994
Rho =          Residual variation due to ai 97.884%
Within groups variation in LWAGE      .24065D+03
R squared based on within group variation .658147
Between group variation in LWAGE      .64625D+03
Constant term (group 1) [se]    5.2942 [ .0574]

```

LWAGE	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval		Clustered Std. Error
EXP	.11321***	.00247	45.81	.0000	.10837	.11805	.00437
EXPSQ	-.00042***	.5459D-04	-7.66	.0000	-.00053	-.00031	.8905D-04
WKS	.00084	.00060	1.39	.1633	-.00034	.00201	.00094
OCC	-.02148	.01378	-1.56	.1192	-.04849	.00554	.02052
IND	.01921	.01545	1.24	.2136	-.01106	.04948	.02450
SOUTH	-.00186	.03430	-.05	.9567	-.06909	.06536	.09646
SMSA	-.04247**	.01943	-2.19	.0288	-.08055	-.00439	.03185
MS	-.02973	.01898	-1.57	.1174	-.06693	.00748	.02902
UNION	.03278**	.01492	2.20	.0280	.00354	.06203	.02708



## The Within (LSDV) Estimator is an IV Estimator

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{y} &= \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + (\mathbf{D}\boldsymbol{\alpha} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) \\ &= \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{w}\end{aligned}$$

Regression of  $y$  on  $X$  is inconsistent because  $X$  is correlated with  $w$ . The data in group mean deviations is

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X} - \mathbf{D}(\mathbf{D}'\mathbf{D})^{-1}\mathbf{D}'\mathbf{X}$$

The inconsistent OLS estimator is  $\mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$  (omits  $\mathbf{D}$ )

$$\begin{aligned}\text{The IV estimator } \mathbf{b}_{\text{LSDV}} &= (\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{Z}'\mathbf{y} = [(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D)\mathbf{X}]^{-1}[\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D]\mathbf{y} \\ &= [(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D)(\mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{X})]^{-1}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{M}_D)(\mathbf{M}_D\mathbf{y})\end{aligned}$$

This is OLS using data in mean deviations, i.e., LSDV.

# LSDV – As Usual

LSDV	least squares with fixed effects					
LHS=LWAGE	Mean	=	6.67635			
	Standard deviation	=	.46151			
	No. of observations	=	4165	DegFreedom	Mean square	
Regression	Sum of Squares	=	804.313	598	1.34501	
Residual	Sum of Squares	=	82.5915	3566	.02316	
Total	Sum of Squares	=	886.905	4164	.21299	
	Standard error of e	=	.15219	Root MSE	.14082	
Fit	R-squared	=	.90688	R-bar squared	.89126	
Model test	F[598, 3566]	=	58.07241	Prob F > F*	.00000	
Estd. Autocorrelation of e(i,t)	=		.146762			
Panel:Groups	Empty	0,	Valid data	595		
	Smallest	7,	Largest	7		
	Average group size in panel		7.00			
Variances	Effects a(i)		Residuals e(i,t)			
	1.068377		.023161			
Rho squared:	Residual variation due to ai		.978781			
Within groups variation in LWAGE			240.6512			
R squared based on within group variation			.656800			
Within groups variation in LWAGE			646.2537			
LWAGE	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval	
WKS	.00087	.00060	1.45	.1476	-.00031	.00205
EXP	.11363***	.00247	45.98	.0000	.10879	.11847
EXPSQ	-.00042***	.5465D-04	-7.72	.0000	-.00053	-.00032
OCC	-.01813	.01365	-1.33	.1841	-.04489	.00862

## 2SLS Using $Z=M_D X$ as Instruments

```

-> create ; devwks=groupdevs(wks,pds=7)$
-> create ; devexp=groupdevs(exp,pds=7)$
-> create ; devexpsq=groupdevs(expsq,pds=7)$
-> create ; devocc=groupdevs(occ,pds=7)$
-> name;x=wks,exp,expsq,occ$
-> name;z=devwks,devexp,devexpsq,devocc$
-> 2sls;lhs=lwage;rhs=x;inst=z$

```

```

-----
Two stage least squares regression .....
LHS=LWAGE Mean = 6.67635
Standard deviation = .46151
Number of observs. = 4165
Model size Parameters = 4
Degrees of freedom = 4161
Residuals Sum of squares = 92801.3
Standard error of e = 4.72257
Fit R-squared = -103.73560
Adjusted R-squared = -103.81111

```

Not using OLS or no constant. Rsqrd & F may be < 0

Instrumental Variables:

DEVWKS DEVEXP DEVEXP SQ DEVOCC

LWAGE	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval	
WKS	.00087	.01862	.05	.9628	-.03563	.03737
EXP	.11363	.07669	1.48	.1384	-.03669	.26395
EXPSQ	-.00042	.00170	-.25	.8034	-.00375	.00290
OCC	-.01813	.42359	-.04	.9659	-.84835	.81209

# A Caution About Stata and R<sup>2</sup>

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\text{Residual Sum of Squares}}{\text{Total Sum of Squares}}$$

Or is it? What is the total sum of squares?

$$\text{Conventional: Total Sum of Squares} = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - \bar{y})^2$$

$$\text{"Within Sum of Squares"} = \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - \bar{y}_i)^2$$

For the FE model above,

$$R^2 = 0.90542$$

$$R^2 = 0.65142$$

Which should appear in the denominator of R<sup>2</sup>

The coefficient estimates and standard errors are the same. The calculation of the R<sup>2</sup> is different. In the **areg** procedure, you are estimating coefficients for each of your covariates plus each dummy variable for your groups. In the **xtreg, fe** procedure the R<sup>2</sup> reported is obtained by only fitting a mean deviated model where the effects of the groups (all of the dummy variables) are assumed to be fixed quantities. So, all of the effects for the groups are simply subtracted out of the model and no attempt is made to quantify their overall effect on the fit of the model.

Since the SSE is the same, the R<sup>2</sup>=1-SSE/SST is very different. The difference is real in that we are making different assumptions with the two approaches. In the **xtreg, fe** approach, the effects of the groups are fixed and **unestimated quantities are subtracted out of the model** before the fit is performed. In the **areg** approach, the group effects are estimated and affect the total sum of squares of the model under consideration.

## Robust Covariance Matrix for LSDV Cluster Estimator for Within Estimator

Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[ Z >z]	Mean of X
OCC	-.02021	.01374007	-1.471	.1412	.5111645
SMSA	-.04251**	.01950085	-2.180	.0293	.6537815
MS	-.02946	.01913652	-1.540	.1236	.8144058
EXP	.09666***	.00119162	81.114	.0000	19.853782

Covariance matrix for the model is adjusted for data clustering.  
 Sample of 4165 observations contained 595 clusters defined by  
 7 observations (fixed number) in each cluster.

Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[ Z >z]	Mean of X
DOCC	-.02021	.01982162	-1.020	.3078	.00000
DSMSA	-.04251	.03091685	-1.375	.1692	.00000
DMS	-.02946	.02635035	-1.118	.2635	.00000
DEXP	.09666***	.00176599	54.732	.0000	.00000

# A Caution About Stata and Fixed Effects

```
. xtreg yit x1 x2 x3 x4,fe
```

```
Fixed-effects (within) regression      Number of obs   =    1,482
Group variable: farm                  Number of groups =     247

R-sq:                                  Obs per group:
    within = 0.8359                    min           =         6
    between = 0.9615                    avg           =        6.0
    overall  = 0.9513                    max           =         6
```

```
corr(u_i, Xb) = 0.1089
```

```
F(4,1231) = 1568.11
Prob > F   = 0.0000
```

yit	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
x1	.6620012	.0246784	26.83	0.000	.6135847 .7104177
x2	.0373524	.0161331	2.32	0.021	.005701 .0690038
x3	.0303996	.0232078	1.31	0.190	-.0151316 .0759307
x4	.3825104	.0120169	31.83	0.000	.3589345 .4060862
_cons	11.57749	.0021151	5473.85	0.000	11.57334 11.58164
sigma_u	.12198441				
sigma_e	.08142265				
rho	.69178541	(fraction of variance due to u_i)			

```
F test that all u_i=0: F(246, 1231) = 12.84      Prob > F = 0.0000
```

```
. xtreg yit x1 x2 x3 x4,fe r
```

```
Fixed-effects (within) regression      Number of obs   =    1,482
Group variable: farm                  Number of groups =     247

R-sq:                                  Obs per group:
    within = 0.8359                    min           =         6
    between = 0.9615                    avg           =        6.0
    overall  = 0.9513                    max           =         6
```

```
corr(u_i, Xb) = 0.1089
```

```
F(4,246) = 607.68
Prob > F   = 0.0000
```

(Std. Err. adjusted for 247 clusters in farm)

yit	Coef.	Robust Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
x1	.6620012	.0341774	19.37	0.000	.5946836 .7293188
x2	.0373524	.0171459	2.18	0.030	.0035808 .0711239
x3	.0303996	.0243227	1.25	0.213	-.0175077 .0783069
x4	.3825104	.0172933	22.12	0.000	.3484485 .4165722
_cons	11.57749	8.40e-11	1.4e+11	0.000	11.57749 11.57749
sigma_u	.12198441				
sigma_e	.08142265				
rho	.69178541	(fraction of variance due to u_i)			

```
LSDV      least squares with fixed effects
LHS=YIT   Mean = 11.57749
```

YIT	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob.  z >Z*	95% Confidence Interval
X1	.66200***	.02468	26.83	.0000	.61363 .71037
X2	.03735**	.01613	2.32	.0206	.00573 .06897
X3	.03040	.02321	1.31	.1902	-.01509 .07589
X4	.38251***	.01202	31.83	.0000	.35896 .40606

## Time Invariant Regressors

- Time invariant  $\mathbf{x}_{it}$  is defined as invariant for all  $i$ . E.g., sex dummy variable, FEM and ED (education in the Cornwell/Rupert data).
- If  $\mathbf{x}_{it,k}$  is invariant for all  $t$ , then the group mean deviations are all 0.

# FE With Time Invariant Variables

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+-----+
| There are 2 vars. with no within group variation. |
| FEM      ED                                     |
+-----+
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|Variable| Coefficient | Standard Error |b/St.Er. |P[|Z|>z]| Mean of X|
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
EXP      | .09671227   | .00119137      | 81.177   |.0000   | 19.8537815
WKS      | .00118483   | .00060357      | 1.963    |.0496   | 46.8115246
OCC      | -.02145609  | .01375327      | -1.560   |.1187   | .51116447
SMSA     | -.04454343  | .01946544      | -2.288   |.0221   | .65378151
FEM      | .000000     | .....(Fixed Parameter).....
ED       | .000000     | .....(Fixed Parameter).....
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|                               Test Statistics for the Classical Model                               |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|      Model      | Log-Likelihood | Sum of Squares | R-squared |
| (1) Constant term only | -2688.80597 | 886.90494 | .00000 |
| (2) Group effects only | 27.58464 | 240.65119 | .72866 |
| (3) X - variables only | -1688.12010 | 548.51596 | .38154 |
| (4) X and group effects | 2223.20087 | 83.85013 | .90546 |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+

```



# Drop The Time Invariant Variables

## Same Results

Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[ Z >z]	Mean of X
EXP	.09671227	.00119087	81.211	.0000	19.8537815
WKS	.00118483	.00060332	1.964	.0495	46.8115246
OCC	-.02145609	.01374749	-1.561	.1186	.51116447
SMSA	-.04454343	.01945725	-2.289	.0221	.65378151

Test Statistics for the Classical Model				
Model	Log-Likelihood	Sum of Squares	R-squared	
(1) Constant term only	-2688.80597	886.90494	.00000	
(2) Group effects only	27.58464	240.65119	.72866	
(3) X - variables only	-1688.12010	548.51596	.38154	
(4) X and group effects	2223.20087	83.85013	.90546	

No change in the sum of squared residuals

# Appendix

# Fixed Effects Vector Decomposition

Efficient Estimation of Time Invariant and  
Rarely Changing Variables in Finite Sample  
Panel Analyses with Unit Fixed Effects

Thomas Plümper and Vera Troeger  
Political Analysis, 2007

## Introduction

[T]he FE model ... does not allow the estimation of time invariant variables. A second drawback of the FE model ... results from its **inefficiency** in estimating the effect of variables that have very little within variance.

This article discusses a remedy to the related problems of estimating time invariant and rarely changing variables in FE models with unit effects

## The Model

$$y_{it} = \alpha_i + \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k x_{kit} + \sum_{m=1}^M \gamma_m z_{mi} + \varepsilon_{it}$$

where  $\alpha_i$  denote the N unit effects.

# Fixed Effects Vector Decomposition

Step 1: Compute the fixed effects regression to get the “estimated unit effects.” “We run this FE model with the sole intention to obtain estimates of the unit effects,  $\alpha_i$ .”

$$\hat{\alpha}_i = \bar{y}_i - \sum_{k=1}^K b_k^{FE} \bar{x}_{ki}$$

## Step 2

Regress  $a_i$  on  $\mathbf{z}_i$  and compute residuals

$$a_i = \sum_{m=1}^M \gamma_m z_{im} + h_i$$

$h_i$  is orthogonal to  $\mathbf{z}_i$  (since it is a residual)

Vector  $\mathbf{h}_i$  is expanded so each element

$h_i$  is replicated  $T_i$  times -  $\mathbf{h}$  is the length of the full sample.

## Step 3

Regress  $y_{it}$  on a constant,  $\mathbf{X}$ ,  $\mathbf{Z}$  and  $\mathbf{h}$  using ordinary least squares to estimate  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$ ,  $\delta$ .

$$y_{it} = \alpha + \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k x_{kit} + \sum_{m=1}^M \gamma_m z_{mi} + \delta h_i + \varepsilon_{it}$$

Notice that  $\alpha_i$  in the original model has become  $\alpha + \delta h_i$  in the revised model.



# Step 1 (Based on full sample)

These 2 variables have no within group variation.

FEM ED

F.E. estimates are based on a generalized inverse.

	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob. > Z	Mean of X
EXP	.09663***	.00119	81.13	.0000	19.8538
WKS	.00114*	.00060	1.88	.0600	46.8115
OCC	-.02496*	.01390	-1.80	.0724	.51116
IND	.02042	.01558	1.31	.1899	.39544
SOUTH	-.00091	.03457	-.03	.9791	.29028
SMSA	-.04581**	.01955	-2.34	.0191	.65378
UNION	.03411**	.01505	2.27	.0234	.36399
FEM	.000	..... (Fixed Parameter) .....			.11261
ED	.000	..... (Fixed Parameter) .....			12.8454

## Step 2 (Based on 595 observations)

	UHI	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob. z> Z	Mean of X
Constant		2.88090***	.07172	40.17	.0000	
FEM		-.09963**	.04842	-2.06	.0396	.11261
ED		.14616***	.00541	27.02	.0000	12.8454

# Step 3!

	Coefficient	Standard Error	z	Prob. z> Z	Mean of X
Constant	2.88090***	.03282	87.78	.0000	
EXP	.09663***	.00061	157.53	.0000	19.8538
WKS	.00114***	.00044	2.58	.0098	46.8115
OCC	-.02496***	.00601	-4.16	.0000	.51116
IND	.02042***	.00479	4.26	.0000	.39544
SOUTH	-.00091	.00510	-.18	.8590	.29028
SMSA	-.04581***	.00506	-9.06	.0000	.65378
UNION	.03411***	.00521	6.55	.0000	.36399
FEM	-.09963***	.00767	-13.00	.0000	.11261
ED	.14616***	.00122	120.19	.0000	12.8454
HI	1.00000***	.00670	149.26	.0000	-.103D-13

# The Magic

Step 1

Step 3

Step 1			Step 3	
	Coefficient	Standard Error	Coefficient	Standard Error
LWAGE			2.88090***	.03282
EXP	.09663***	.00119	.09663***	.00061
WKS	.00114*	.00060	.00114***	.00044
OCC	-.02496*	.01390	-.02496***	.00601
IND	.02042	.01558	.02042***	.00479
SOUTH	-.00091	.03457	-.00091	.00510
SMSA	-.04581**	.01955	-.04581***	.00506
UNION	.03411**	.01505	.03411***	.00521
			-.09963***	.00767
			.14616***	.00122
Step 2				
	Coefficient	Standard Error		
Constant	2.88090***	.07172	1.00000***	.00670
FEM	-.09963**	.04842		
ED	.14616***	.00541		

## What happened here?

$$y_{it} = \alpha_i + \sum_{k=1}^K \beta_k x_{kit} + \sum_{m=1}^M \gamma_m z_{mi} + \varepsilon_{it}$$

where  $\alpha_i$  denote the N unit effects.

An assumption is added along the way

$\text{Cov}(\alpha_i, Z_i) = \mathbf{0}$ . This is exactly the number of orthogonality assumptions needed to identify  $\gamma$ . It is not part of the original model.



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