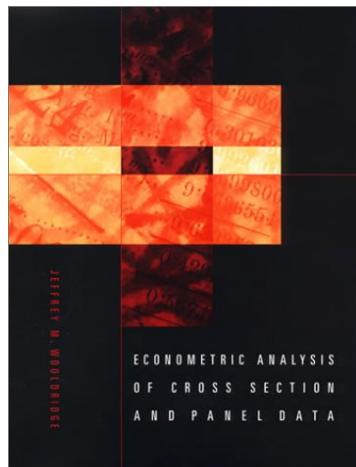
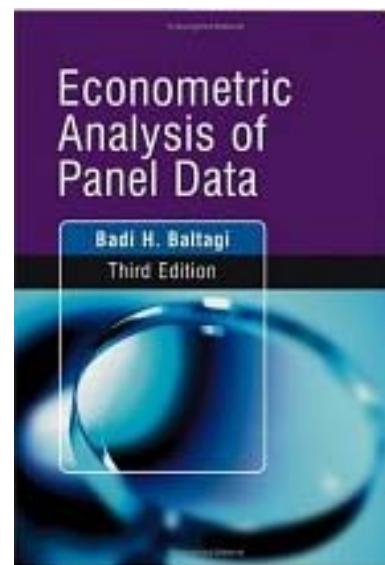
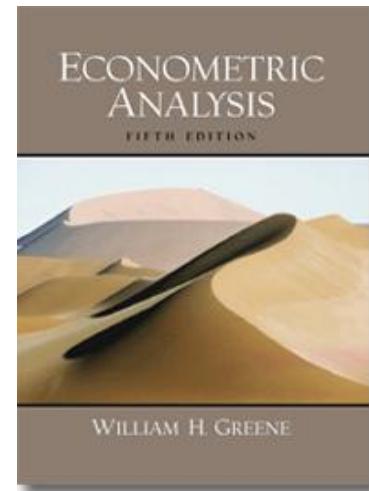


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## 5. Random Effects Linear Model

# The Random Effects Model

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## □ The random effects model

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

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

$= \mathbf{X}_i\beta + \mathbf{c}_i + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i$ , note  $\mathbf{c}_i = (c_{i1}, c_{i2}, \dots, c_{iT_i})'$

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

$\mathbf{c} = (\mathbf{c}_1', \mathbf{c}_2', \dots, \mathbf{c}_N')'$ ,  $\sum_{i=1}^N T_i$  by 1 vector

## □ $c_i$ is uncorrelated with $\mathbf{x}_{it}$ for all $t$ ;

- $E[c_i | \mathbf{X}_i] = 0$
- $E[\varepsilon_{it} | \mathbf{X}_i, c_i] = 0$

# Error Components Model

## Generalized Regression Model

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

$$E[\varepsilon_{it} | \mathbf{X}_i] = 0$$

$$E[\varepsilon_{it}^2 | \mathbf{X}_i] = \sigma_\varepsilon^2$$

$$E[u_i | \mathbf{X}_i] = 0$$

$$E[u_i^2 | \mathbf{X}_i] = \sigma_u^2$$

$\mathbf{y}_i = \mathbf{X}_i\beta + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i + u_i\mathbf{i}$  for  $T_i$  observations

$$\text{Var}[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i + u_i\mathbf{i}] = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2 & \sigma_u^2 & \cdots & \sigma_u^2 \\ \sigma_u^2 & \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2 & \cdots & \sigma_u^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_u^2 & \sigma_u^2 & \cdots & \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

# Notation

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{y}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{y}_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}_1 \\ \mathbf{X}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{X}_N \end{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_1 \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_N \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \mathbf{i}_1 \\ u_2 \mathbf{i}_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_N \mathbf{i}_N \end{bmatrix}$$

T<sub>1</sub> observations  
T<sub>2</sub> observations  
⋮  
T<sub>N</sub> observations

$$= \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} + \mathbf{u}$$
$$\sum_{i=1}^N T_i \text{ observations}$$
$$= \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{w}$$

**In all that follows, except where explicitly noted, X, X<sub>i</sub> and x'<sub>it</sub> contain a constant term as the first element.**

**To avoid notational clutter, in those cases, x'<sub>it</sub> etc. will simply denote the counterpart without the constant term.**

**Use of the symbol K for the number of variables will thus be context specific but will usually include the constant term.**

# Notation

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$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i + u_i \mathbf{i}] &= \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2 & \sigma_u^2 & \dots & \sigma_u^2 \\ \sigma_u^2 & \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2 & \dots & \sigma_u^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_u^2 & \sigma_u^2 & \dots & \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I}_{T_i} + \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{i} \mathbf{i}' \quad T_i \times T_i \\ &= \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I}_{T_i} + \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{i} \mathbf{i}' \\ &= \Omega_i\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}[\mathbf{w} | \mathbf{X}] = \begin{bmatrix} \Omega_1 & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \Omega_2 & \dots & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \dots & \Omega_N \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{Note these differ only in the dimension } T_i)$$

# Regression Model-Orthogonality

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$$\text{plim} \frac{1}{\# \text{ observations}} \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{w} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\text{plim} \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{w}_i = \text{plim} \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i (\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i + u_i \mathbf{i}) = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\text{plim} \frac{1}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N T_i \frac{\mathbf{X}' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i}{T_i} + \sum_{i=1}^N T_i u_i \frac{\mathbf{X}' \mathbf{i}_i}{T_i} \right]$$

$$\text{plim} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i}{T_i} + \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}' \mathbf{i}_i}{T_i} u_i \right], \quad 0 < f_i = \frac{T_i}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} < 1$$

$$\text{plim} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i}{T_i} + \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i u_i \right] = \mathbf{0}$$

# Convergence of Moments

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$\frac{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{X}_i}{T_i}$  = a weighted sum of individual moment matrices

$\frac{\mathbf{X}'\Omega\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}'_i \Omega_i \mathbf{X}_i}{T_i}$  = a weighted sum of individual moment matrices

$$= \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{X}_i}{T_i} + \sigma_u^2 \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i \bar{\mathbf{x}}_i'$$

Note asymptotics are with respect to N. Each matrix  $\frac{\mathbf{X}'_i \mathbf{X}_i}{T_i}$  is the moments for the  $T_i$  observations. Should be 'well behaved' in micro level data. The average of N such matrices should be likewise.  $T$  or  $T_i$  is assumed to be fixed (and small).

# Random vs. Fixed Effects

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## □ Random Effects

- Small number of parameters
- Efficient estimation
- Objectionable orthogonality assumption ( $c_i \perp X_i$ )

## □ Fixed Effects

- Robust – generally consistent
- Large number of parameters

# Ordinary Least Squares

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- Standard results for OLS in a GR model
  - Consistent
  - Unbiased
  - Inefficient
- True Variance

$$\text{Var}[\mathbf{b} | \mathbf{X}] = \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \right]^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{X}'\Omega\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \right]^{-1}$$

$\rightarrow \mathbf{0} \times \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}^{-1} \times \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}^* \times \rightarrow \mathbf{Q}^{-1}$

$\rightarrow \mathbf{0}$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  with our convergence assumptions

# Estimating the Variance for OLS

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$$\text{Var}[\mathbf{b} | \mathbf{X}] = \frac{\mathbf{1}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \left[ \frac{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \right]^{-1} \left( \frac{\mathbf{X}'\Omega\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \right) \left[ \frac{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \right]^{-1}$$

$$\frac{\mathbf{X}'\Omega\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T} = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}'_i \Omega_i \mathbf{X}_i}{T_i}, \text{ where } \Omega_i = E[\mathbf{w}_i \mathbf{w}'_i | \mathbf{X}_i]$$

In the spirit of the White estimator, use

$$\widehat{\frac{\mathbf{X}'\Omega\mathbf{X}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T}} = \sum_{i=1}^N f_i \frac{\mathbf{X}'_i \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i \hat{\mathbf{w}}'_i \mathbf{X}_i}{T_i}, \quad \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i = \mathbf{y}_i - \mathbf{X}_i \mathbf{b}$$

Hypothesis tests are then based on Wald statistics.

**THIS IS THE 'CLUSTER' ESTIMATOR**

# Mechanics

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$$\text{Est.Var}[\mathbf{b} | \mathbf{X}] = [\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}]^{-1} \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i' \mathbf{X}_i \right) [\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}]^{-1}$$

$\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i'$  = set of  $T_i$  OLS residuals for individual i.

$\mathbf{X}_i$  =  $T_i \times K$  data on exogenous variable for individual i.

$\mathbf{X}_i' \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i$  =  $K \times 1$  vector of products

$(\mathbf{X}_i' \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i)(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i' \mathbf{X}_i)$  =  $K \times K$  matrix (rank 1, outer product)

$\left( \sum_{i=1}^N (\mathbf{X}_i' \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i)(\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i' \mathbf{X}_i) \right)$  = sum of N rank 1 matrices. Rank  $\leq K$ .

We could compute this as  $\left( \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' (\hat{\mathbf{w}}_i \hat{\mathbf{w}}_i') \mathbf{X}_i \right) = \left( \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' (\hat{\Omega}_i) \mathbf{X}_i \right)$ .

Why not do it that way?

# Cornwell and Rupert Data

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

**Variables in the file are**

EXP	= work experience, EXPSQ = EXP <sup>2</sup>
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
BLK	= 1 if individual is black
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.

# OLS Results

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Residuals	Sum of squares	=	522.2008		
	Standard error of e	=	.3544712		
Fit	R-squared	=	.4112099		
	Adjusted R-squared	=	.4100766		
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Variable	Coefficient	Standard Error	b/St.Er.	P[ Z >z]	Mean of X
Constant	5.40159723	.04838934	111.628	.0000	
EXP	.04084968	.00218534	18.693	.0000	19.8537815
EXPSQ	-.00068788	.480428D-04	-14.318	.0000	514.405042
OCC	-.13830480	.01480107	-9.344	.0000	.51116447
SMSA	.14856267	.01206772	12.311	.0000	.65378151
MS	.06798358	.02074599	3.277	.0010	.81440576
FEM	-.40020215	.02526118	-15.843	.0000	.11260504
UNION	.09409925	.01253203	7.509	.0000	.36398559
ED	.05812166	.00260039	22.351	.0000	12.8453782

# Alternative Variance Estimators

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
<u>Robust</u>				
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

# Generalized Least Squares

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$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta} &= [\mathbf{X}' \boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{X}]^{-1} [\mathbf{X}' \boldsymbol{\Omega}^{-1} \mathbf{y}] \\ &= [\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' \boldsymbol{\Omega}_i^{-1} \mathbf{X}_i]^{-1} [\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}_i' \boldsymbol{\Omega}_i^{-1} \mathbf{y}_i]\end{aligned}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Omega}_i^{-1} = \frac{1}{\sigma_\varepsilon^2} \left[ \mathbf{I}_{T_i} - \frac{\sigma_\varepsilon^2}{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2} \mathbf{i} \mathbf{i}' \right]$$

(note, depends on  $i$  only through  $T_i$ )

# Panel Data Algebra (1)

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$\Omega_i = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I} + \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{ii}'$ , depends on 'i' because it is  $T_i \times T_i$

$\Omega_i = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 [\mathbf{I} + \rho^2 \mathbf{ii}']$ ,  $\rho^2 = \sigma_u^2 / \sigma_\varepsilon^2$

$\Omega_i = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 [\mathbf{I} + \rho^2 \mathbf{ii}'] = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 [\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{bb}']$ ,  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I}$ ,  $\mathbf{b} = \rho \mathbf{i}$ .

Using (A-66) in Greene (p. 822)

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_i^{-1} &= \frac{1}{\sigma_\varepsilon^2} \left[ \mathbf{A}^{-1} - \frac{1}{1 + \mathbf{b}' \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{b}} \mathbf{A}^{-1} \mathbf{bb}' \mathbf{A}^{-1} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma_\varepsilon^2} \left[ \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{1 + T_i \rho^2} \rho^2 \mathbf{ii}' \right] = \frac{1}{\sigma_\varepsilon^2} \left[ \mathbf{I} - \frac{\sigma_u^2}{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2} \mathbf{ii}' \right]\end{aligned}$$

# Panel Data Algebra (2)

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(Based on Wooldridge p. 286)

$$\begin{aligned}\Omega_i &= \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I} + \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{i} \mathbf{i}' = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I} + T_i \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{i} (\mathbf{i}' \mathbf{i})^{-1} \mathbf{i}' = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I} + T_i \sigma_u^2 \mathbf{P}_D^i \\&= \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I} + T_i \sigma_u^2 (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{M}_D^i) \\&= (\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2) [\mathbf{P}_D^i + \eta (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_D^i)], \quad \eta_i = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 / (\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2) \\&= (\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2) [\mathbf{P}_D^i + \eta \mathbf{M}_D^i] \\&= (\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2) \mathbf{S}_i \\ \mathbf{S}_i^{-1} &= \mathbf{P}_D^i + (1 / \eta_i) \mathbf{M}_D^i \text{ (Prove by multiplying. } \mathbf{P}_D^i \mathbf{M}_D^i = \mathbf{0}.)\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{S}_i^{-1/2} = \mathbf{P}_D^i + (1 / \sqrt{\eta_i}) \mathbf{M}_D^i = \frac{1}{1 - \theta_i} [\mathbf{I} - \theta_i \mathbf{P}_D^i], \quad \theta_i = 1 - \sqrt{\eta_i}$$

$$(\text{Note } \mathbf{S}_i^a = \mathbf{P}_D^i + \eta_i^a \mathbf{M}_D^i)$$

# Panel Data Algebra (2, cont.)

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$$\Omega_i^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2}} (\mathbf{P}_D^i + (1/\sqrt{\eta_i}) \mathbf{M}_D^i)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2}} \frac{1}{1 - \theta_i} [\mathbf{I} - \theta_i \mathbf{P}_D^i],$$

$$\theta_i = 1 - \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_\varepsilon^2}{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2}} = 1 - \frac{\sigma_\varepsilon}{\sqrt{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2}}$$

$$\Omega_i^{-1/2} = \frac{1}{\sigma_\varepsilon} [\mathbf{I} - \theta_i \mathbf{P}_D^i]$$

$$\text{Var}[\Omega_i^{-1/2}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}_i + u_i \mathbf{i})] = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 \mathbf{I}$$

$\Omega_i^{-1/2} \mathbf{y}_i = (1/\sigma_\varepsilon)(\mathbf{y}_i - \theta_i \bar{\mathbf{y}}_i \cdot \mathbf{i})$  for the GLS transformation.

## GLS (cont.)

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GLS is equivalent to OLS regression of

$$y_{it}^* = y_{it} - \theta_i \bar{y}_i, \text{ on } x_{it}^* = x_{it} - \theta_i \bar{x}_i,$$

$$\text{where } \theta_i = 1 - \frac{\sigma_\varepsilon}{\sqrt{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \sigma_u^2}}$$

$$\text{Asy.Var}[\hat{\beta}] = [X' \Omega^{-1} X]^{-1} = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 [X^* * X^*]^{-1}$$

# Estimators for the Variances

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

With a consistent estimator of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ , say  $\mathbf{b}_{OLS}$ ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - \mathbf{x}'_{it}\mathbf{b})^2 \text{ estimates } \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2)$$

Divide by something to estimate  $\sigma^2 = \sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2$

With the LSDV estimates,  $a_i$  and  $\mathbf{b}_{LSDV}$ ,

$$\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - a_i - \mathbf{x}'_{it}\mathbf{b})^2 \text{ estimates } \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} \sigma_\varepsilon^2$$

Divide by something to estimate  $\sigma_\varepsilon^2$

Estimate  $\sigma_u^2$  with  $\widehat{(\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2)} - \hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2$ .

# Feasible GLS

Feasible GLS requires (only) consistent estimators of  $\sigma_\varepsilon^2$  and  $\sigma_u^2$ .

Candidates:

From the robust LSDV estimator:  $\hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - a_i - \mathbf{x}'_{it} \mathbf{b}_{LSDV})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i - K - N}$

From the pooled OLS estimator:  $\widehat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - a_{OLS} - \mathbf{x}'_{it} \mathbf{b}_{OLS})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i - K - 1}$

From the group means regression:  $\widehat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 / \bar{T} + \widehat{\sigma}_u^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{y}_{it} - \tilde{a} - \bar{\mathbf{x}}'_i \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_{MEANS})^2}{N - K - 1}$

(Wooldridge) Based on  $E[w_{it} w_{is} | \mathbf{X}_i] = \sigma_u^2$  if  $t \neq s$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_u^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i-1} \sum_{s=t+1}^{T_i} \hat{w}_{it} \hat{w}_{is}}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i - K - N}$

There are many others.

**x' does not contain a constant term in the preceding.**

# Practical Problems with FGLS

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All of the preceding regularly produce negative estimates of  $\sigma_u^2$ .

Estimation is made very complicated in unbalanced panels.

A bulletproof solution (originally used in TSP, now LIMDEP and others).

$$\text{From the robust LSDV estimator: } \hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - a_i - \mathbf{x}'_{it} \mathbf{b}_{LSDV})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i}$$

$$\text{From the pooled OLS estimator: } \widehat{\sigma_\varepsilon^2 + \sigma_u^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - a_{OLS} - \mathbf{x}'_{it} \mathbf{b}_{OLS})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \geq \hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2$$

$$\hat{\sigma}_u^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - a_{OLS} - \mathbf{x}'_{it} \mathbf{b}_{OLS})^2 - \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T_i} (y_{it} - a_i - \mathbf{x}'_{it} \mathbf{b}_{LSDV})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N T_i} \geq 0$$

# Computing Variance Estimators

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Using full list of variables (FEM and ED are time invariant)

OLS sum of squares = 522.2008.

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 + \widehat{\sigma}_u^2 = 522.2008 / (4165 - 9) = 0.12565.$$

Using full list of variables and a generalized inverse (same as dropping FEM and ED), LSDV sum of squares = 82.34912.

$$\widehat{\sigma}_{\varepsilon}^2 = 82.34912 / (4165 - 8-595) = 0.023119.$$

$$\widehat{\sigma}_u^2 = 0.12565 - 0.023119 = 0.10253$$

Both estimators are positive. We stop here. If  $\widehat{\sigma}_u^2$  were negative, we would use estimators without DF corrections.

# Application

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| Random Effects Model: v(i,t) = e(i,t) + u(i) |  
| Estimates: Var[e] = .231188D-01 |  
| Var[u] = .102531D+00 |  
| Corr[v(i,t),v(i,s)] = .816006 |  
| (High (low) values of H favor FEM (REM).) |  
| Sum of Squares .141124D+04 |  
| R-squared -.591198D+00 |  
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| Variable | Coefficient | Standard Error | b/St.Er. | P[|Z|>z] | Mean of x |  
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EXP .08819204 .00224823 39.227 .0000 19.8537815  
EXPSQ -.00076604 .496074D-04 -15.442 .0000 514.405042  
OCC -.04243576 .01298466 -3.268 .0011 .51116447  
SMSA -.03404260 .01620508 -2.101 .0357 .65378151  
MS -.06708159 .01794516 -3.738 .0002 .81440576  
FEM -.34346104 .04536453 -7.571 .0000 .11260504  
UNION .05752770 .01350031 4.261 .0000 .36398559  
ED .11028379 .00510008 21.624 .0000 12.8453782  
Constant 4.01913257 .07724830 52.029 .0000
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# Testing for Effects: LM Test

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Breusch and Pagan Lagrange Multiplier statistic

Assuming normality (and for convenience now, a balanced panel)

$$LM = \frac{NT}{2(T-1)} \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N (\bar{T}\bar{e}_i^2)}{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^N e_{it}^2} - 1 \right]^2 = \frac{NT}{2(T-1)} \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N [(\bar{T}\bar{e}_i^2) - \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i]}{\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i} \right]^2$$

Converges to chi-squared[1] under the null hypothesis of no common effects. (For unbalanced panels, the scale in front becomes  $(\sum_{i=1}^N T_i)^2 / [2\sum_{i=1}^N T_i (T_i - 1)]$ .)

# Testing for Effects: Moments

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Wooldridge (page 265) suggests based on the off diagonal elements

$$Z = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \sum_{s=t+1}^T e_{it} e_{is}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N \left( \sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \sum_{s=t+1}^T e_{it} e_{is} \right)^2}}$$

which converges to standard normal. ("We are not assuming any particular distribution for the  $\varepsilon_{it}$ . Instead, we derive a similar test that has the advantage of being valid for any distribution...") It's convenient to examine  $Z^2$  which, by the Slutsky theorem converges (also) to chi-squared with one degree of freedom.

## Testing (2)

$\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \sum_{s=t+1}^T e_{it} e_{is}$  = 1/2 of the sum of all off diagonal elements of  
 $\mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{e}'_i$  = 1/2 the sum of all the elements minus the diagonal elements.

$\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \sum_{s=t+1}^T e_{it} e_{is}$  =  $1/2[\mathbf{i}'(\mathbf{e}_i \mathbf{e}'_i)\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i]$ . But,  $\mathbf{i}' \mathbf{e}_i = T\bar{e}_i$ . So,

$\sum_{t=1}^{T-1} \sum_{s=t+1}^T e_{it} e_{is}$  =  $(1/2)[(T\bar{e}_i)^2 - \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i]$

$$Z^2 = \frac{\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N [(T\bar{e}_i)^2 - \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i] \right\}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N [(T\bar{e}_i)^2 - \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i]^2} = LM \times \frac{2(T-1)}{NT} \frac{[\sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i]^2}{\sum_{i=1}^N [(T\bar{e}_i)^2 - \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i]^2}$$

Note, also

$$Z = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^N r_i}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^N r_i^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{N} \bar{r}}{S_r}, \text{ where } r_i = (T\bar{e}_i)^2 - \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i.$$

The claim that one function of  $[\bar{e}_i, \mathbf{e}'_i \mathbf{e}_i]_{i=1, \dots, N}$  is more valid than the other seems a little dubious.

# Application: Cornwell-Rupert

Ordinary least squares regression					
LHS=LWAGE	Mean	=	6.676346		
	Standard deviation	=	.4615122		
Model size	Parameters	=	7		
	Degrees of freedom	=	4158		
Residuals	Sum of squares	=	556.3030		
	Standard error of e	=	.3657745		
Fit	R-squared	=	.3727592		
	Adjusted R-squared	=	.3718541		
Variable Coefficient Standard Error  b/St. Err. P( Z >z)  Mean of X					
Constant	5.66098218	.04685914	120.808	.0000	
FEM	-.39478212	.02603413	-15.164	.0000	.11260504
ED	.05688005	.00267743	21.244	.0000	.12.8453782
OCC	-.11220205	.01464317	-7.662	.0000	.51116447
SMSA	.15504405	.01233744	12.567	.0000	.65378151
MS	.09569050	.02133490	4.485	.0000	.81440576
EXP	.01043785	.00054206	19.256	.0000	.19.8537815
Random Effects Model: v(i,t) = e(i,t) + u(i)					
Estimates:	Var[e]	=	.235368D-01		
	Var[u]	=	.110254D+00		
	Corr[v(i,t),v(i,s)]	=	.824078		
Lagrange Multiplier Test vs. Model (3) = 3797.07					
(1 df, prob value = .000000)					
(High values of LM favor FEM/REM over CR model.)					
Constant	4.24669585	.07763394	54.702	.0000	
FEM	-.34715010	.04681514	-7.415	.0000	.11260504
ED	.11120152	.00525209	21.173	.0000	.12.8453782
OCC	-.03908144	.01298962	-3.009	.0026	.51116447
SMSA	-.03881553	.01645862	-2.358	.0184	.65378151
MS	-.06557030	.01815465	-3.612	.0003	.81440576
EXP	.05737298	.00088467	64.852	.0000	.19.8537815

# Testing for Effects

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Regress; lhs=lwage;rhs=fixedx,varyingx;res=e$  
Matrix ; tebar=7*gxbr(e, person)$  
Calc ; list; lm=595*7/(2*(7-1))*  
       (tebar'tebar/sumsqdev - 1)^2$  
Create ; e2=e*e$  
Matrix ; e2i=7*gxbr(e2, person)$  
Matrix ; ri=dirp(tebar, tebar)-e2i$  
Matrix ; sumri=ri'1$  
Calc ; list;z2=(sumri)^2/ri'ri$
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**LM = .37970675705025540D+04**  
**Z2 = .16533465085356830D+03**

# Hausman Test for FE vs. RE

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Estimator	Random Effects $E[c_i   \mathbf{X}_i] = 0$	Fixed Effects $E[c_i   \mathbf{X}_i] \neq 0$
FGLS (Random Effects)	Consistent and Efficient	Inconsistent
LSDV (Fixed Effects)	Consistent Inefficient	Consistent Possibly Efficient

# Hausman Test for Effects

Basis for the test,  $\hat{\beta}_{FE} - \hat{\beta}_{RE}$

Wald Criterion:  $\hat{q} = \hat{\beta}_{FE} - \hat{\beta}_{RE}$ ;  $W = \hat{q}'[\text{Var}(\hat{q})]^{-1}\hat{q}$

A lemma (Hausman (1978)): Under the null hypothesis (RE)

$$\sqrt{nT}[\hat{\beta}_{RE} - \beta] \xrightarrow{d} N[\mathbf{0}, V_{RE}] \text{ (efficient)}$$

$$\sqrt{nT}[\hat{\beta}_{FE} - \beta] \xrightarrow{d} N[\mathbf{0}, V_{FE}] \text{ (inefficient)}$$

Note:  $\hat{q} = (\hat{\beta}_{FE} - \beta) - (\hat{\beta}_{RE} - \beta)$ . The lemma states that in the joint limiting distribution of  $\sqrt{nT}[\hat{\beta}_{RE} - \beta]$  and  $\sqrt{nT} \hat{q}$ , the limiting covariance,  $C_{Q,RE}$  is  $\mathbf{0}$ . But,  $C_{Q,RE} = C_{FE,RE} - V_{RE}$ . Then,  
 $\text{Var}[\hat{q}] = V_{FE} + V_{RE} - C_{FE,RE} - C'_{FE,RE}$ . Using the lemma,  $C_{FE,RE} = V_{RE}$ .  
It follows that  $\text{Var}[\hat{q}] = V_{FE} - V_{RE}$ . Based on the preceding  
 $H = (\hat{\beta}_{FE} - \hat{\beta}_{RE})' [Est.\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_{FE}) - Est.\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_{RE})]^{-1} (\hat{\beta}_{FE} - \hat{\beta}_{RE})$

**$\beta$  does not contain the constant term in the preceding.**

# Computing the Hausman Statistic

$$\text{Est.Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\text{FE}}] = \hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \left( I - \frac{1}{T_i} \mathbf{i} \mathbf{i}' \right) \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1}$$

$$\text{Est.Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\text{RE}}] = \hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \left( I - \frac{\hat{\gamma}_i}{T_i} \mathbf{i} \mathbf{i}' \right) \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1}, \quad 0 \leq \hat{\gamma}_i = \frac{T_i \hat{\sigma}_u^2}{\hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 + T_i \hat{\sigma}_u^2} \leq 1$$

As long as  $\hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2$  and  $\hat{\sigma}_u^2$  are consistent, as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\text{Est.Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\text{FE}}] - \text{Est.Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\text{RE}}]$  will be nonnegative definite. In a finite sample, to ensure this, both must be computed using the same estimate of  $\hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2$ . The one based on LSDV will generally be the better choice.

Note that columns of zeros will appear in  $\text{Est.Var}[\hat{\beta}_{\text{FE}}]$  if there are time invariant variables in  $\mathbf{X}$ .

# Hausman Test

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| Random Effects Model: v(i,t) = e(i,t) + u(i) |
| Estimates: Var[e]           = .235236D-01   |
|             Var[u]           = .133156D+00   |
|             Corr[v(i,t),v(i,s)] = .849862     |
| Lagrange Multiplier Test vs. Model (3) = 4061.11 |
| ( 1 df, prob value = .000000)                 |
| (High values of LM favor FEM/REM over CR model.) |
| Fixed vs. Random Effects (Hausman)      = 2632.34 |
| ( 4 df, prob value = .000000)                 |
| (High (low) values of H favor FEM (REM).)    |
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# Variable Addition Test

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- Asymptotic equivalent to Hausman
- Also equivalent to Mundlak formulation
- In the random effects model, using FGLS
  - Only applies to time varying variables
  - Add expanded group means to the regression (i.e., observation  $i,t$  gets same group means for all  $t$ .)
  - Use standard F or Wald test to test for coefficients on means equal to 0. Large F or chi-squared weighs against random effects specification.

# Fixed vs. Random Effects

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$$\hat{\beta}_{\text{Model}} = \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \left( I - \frac{\hat{\gamma}_{i,\text{Model}}}{T_i} \mathbf{i}\mathbf{i}' \right) \mathbf{X}_i \right]^{-1} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^N \mathbf{X}'_i \left( I - \frac{\hat{\gamma}_{i,\text{Model}}}{T_i} \mathbf{i}\mathbf{i}' \right) \mathbf{y}_i \right]$$

$\hat{\gamma}_{\text{Model}} = 1$  for fixed effects.

$$\hat{\gamma}_{i,\text{Model}} = \sqrt{\frac{T_i \hat{\sigma}_u^2}{\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2 + T_i \hat{\sigma}_u^2}} \text{ for random effects.}$$

As  $T_i \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hat{\gamma}_{i,\text{RE}} \rightarrow 1$ , random effects becomes fixed effects

As  $\hat{\sigma}_u^2 \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\hat{\gamma}_{i,\text{RE}} \rightarrow 0$ , random effects becomes OLS (of course)

As  $\hat{\sigma}_u^2 \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hat{\gamma}_{i,\text{RE}} \rightarrow 1$ , random effects becomes fixed effects

For the C&R application,  $\hat{\sigma}_u^2 = .133156$ ,  $\hat{\sigma}_\epsilon^2 = .0235231$ ,  $\hat{\gamma} = .975384$ .

Looks like a fixed effects model. Note the Hausman statistic agrees.