

## Lecture Notes 2

### 1. Review of Matrices

The ability to manipulate matrices is critical in economics.

1. Matrix – a rectangular array of numbers, parameters, or variables placed in rows and columns.

Matrices are associated with linear equations.

Elements  $a_{ij}$  denotes the element in row  $i$  and column  $j$ .

column vector – one column of elements

row vector – one row of elements

Examples

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 8 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 2 \\ 6 \\ 8 \end{bmatrix} \quad C = [-1 \quad 2 \quad -3 \quad -4] \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 0 & 5 \\ 5 & 3 & 4 & 7 \\ 6 & 7 & 3 & 8 \\ 1 & 7 & 1 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$$

(a) What is the dimension of each matrix? Write as  $G_{m,n}$ .

(b) Which matrix is a square matrix? Column vector? Row vector?

(c) What is the value for the following elements  $a_{2,3}$ ,  $b_{1,1}$ ,  $c_{2,1}$ , and  $d_{3,3}$ ?

2. Multiplication by a scalar – multiplying every element of a matrix by the scalar

Scalar is a number

If  $w = 3$ , then  $wA = ?$

3. Two matrices can be added or subtracted only if they have the same dimensions.

The commutative law of addition hold for matrices,  $H + K = K + H$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 8 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix} \quad E = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 21 & 1 \\ 4 & 10 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find  $A - 2E$ ?

4. matrix multiplication – requires a conformability condition.

$$H = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad R = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

We want to multiply  $S = H R$

Check the dimensions for  $H_{3,2}$  and  $R_{2,1}$ .

The number of columns in H equals the number of rows in R

Therefore, the matrices are conformable for multiplication.

The dimension of  $S_{3,1}$ .

$$S = H \cdot R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 5 + 4 \cdot 3 \\ 2 \cdot 5 + 6 \cdot 3 \\ 8 \cdot 5 + 7 \cdot 3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 17 \\ 28 \\ 61 \end{bmatrix}$$

Note – The commutative law of multiplication never holds for matrix multiplication,  $A \cdot B \neq B \cdot A$

The distributive law holds for matrix multiplication,

$$A(B+C)=AB+AC \text{ or } (B+C)A=BA+BC?$$

5. An **identity** matrix (usually denoted by I) is a square matrix with ones in its principle diagonal (the diagonal running northwest to southeast) and zeros everywhere else.

Write identity matrices of dimensions: 3 x 3, 5 x 5, and 3 x 6.

Any matrix multiplied by the identity matrix gets that same matrix again

$$H \cdot I = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix} \times \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \cdot 1 + 4 \cdot 0 & 1 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot 1 \\ 2 \cdot 1 + 6 \cdot 0 & 2 \cdot 0 + 6 \cdot 1 \\ 8 \cdot 1 + 7 \cdot 0 & 8 \cdot 0 + 7 \cdot 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 \\ 8 & 7 \end{bmatrix}$$

6. **Transpose** – interchange the rows and columns of a matrix.  
Denoted by a prime symbol, ', or a superscript T  
Excel =transpose(...)

$$\begin{aligned} (A^T)^T &= A \\ (A + B)^T &= A^T + B^T \\ (AB)^T &= B^T A^T \end{aligned}$$

Find  $A^T$

$$A^T = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 8 & 7 \\ 4 & 5 & 6 \end{bmatrix}^T = \begin{bmatrix} 9 & 4 \\ 8 & 5 \\ 7 & 6 \end{bmatrix}$$

7. **Inverse** – denoted by  $A^{-1}$  and has to be a square matrix  
A **singular** matrix – one or more rows are a linearly combination of another row.  
Or one or more columns are a linearly combination of another column  
Do not need them – textbook has definitions for determinant, cofactor matrix, and adjoint matrix  
We can use Excel to calculate an inverse, =minverse(?,?)  
However, this returns a scalar, you have to add a index command, so  
=index(minverse(?,?), i, j)  
The \$ sign command is handy here

### Example

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Thus, } A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.3333 & 0.6666 \\ 0.6666 & -0.3333 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A \cdot A^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -0.3333 & 0.6666 \\ 0.6666 & -0.3333 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = I$$

$$A^{-1}A = I$$

### 8. Use matrices to write a system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} -2x + 2y + 4z &= 9 \\ 5x + y + 3z &= 12 \\ 7x - 2y - 5z &= 2. \end{aligned} \quad \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 1 & 3 \\ 7 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 12 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\text{The solution is: } \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \\ z \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 2 & 4 \\ 5 & 1 & 3 \\ 7 & -2 & -5 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 9 \\ 12 \\ 2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1.68 \\ 11.36 \\ -2.59 \end{bmatrix}$$

What about this system of equations?

$$\begin{aligned} -2x + 2y &= 9 \\ -x + y &= 2. \end{aligned}$$

A unique inverse does not exist for this system, because the second row is a linear combination of the first row

## 2. Multiple Linear Regression

A regression with two variables is not useful

Many economic relationships have several variables

We have N-paired observations

Y is the dependent variable and it is paired with multiple, k, independent variables

Example

$$(1) \quad \begin{array}{cccccc} \underline{y_i} & \underline{x_1} & \underline{x_3} & \cdots & \underline{x_k} & \\ 99 & 10 & -1 & \cdots & 50 & \\ 100 & 15 & 2 & \cdots & 25 & \\ 110 & 25 & -2 & \cdots & 75 & \end{array}$$

Equation is

$$(2) \quad y_t = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_{t2} + \beta_3 x_{t3} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{tk} + u_t$$

Linear Equation

OLS is used to estimate linear equations.

Equations must be linear in the parameters.

We can write them as three equations are:

$$(3) \quad \begin{array}{l} 99 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 10 + \beta_3 (-1) + \cdots + \beta_k 50 + u_1 \\ 100 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 15 + \beta_3 2 + \cdots + \beta_k 25 + u_2 \\ 110 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 25 + \beta_3 (-2) + \cdots + \beta_k 75 + u_3 \end{array}$$

where the  $\beta$ 's are unknown parameters

$u$ 's are the error or residual terms.

Each equation has error term

x variables begins with two, because of the intercept

$$(4) \quad \begin{array}{l} y_1 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_{12} + \beta_3 x_{13} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{1k} + u_1 \\ y_2 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_{22} + \beta_3 x_{23} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{2k} + u_2 \\ y_3 = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_{32} + \beta_3 x_{33} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{3k} + u_3 \cdot \\ \vdots \qquad \qquad \qquad \vdots \\ y_n = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_{n2} + \beta_3 x_{n3} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{nk} + u_n \end{array}$$

Note – in regression,  $n > k$

If  $n = k$ , then we have  $n$  equations and  $k$  variables

If equations are independent, then we can solve for a unique solution

Note – we use matrices to write these equations

Equations written in matrix form

$$(5) \quad \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{12} & x_{13} & x_{14} & \cdots & x_{1k} \\ 1 & x_{22} & x_{23} & x_{24} & \cdots & x_{2k} \\ 1 & x_{32} & x_{33} & x_{34} & \cdots & x_{3k} \\ & & \vdots & & & \\ 1 & x_{n2} & x_{n3} & x_{n4} & \cdots & x_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \beta_3 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ u_3 \\ \vdots \\ u_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$Y$  and  $U$  are column vectors of dimension  $n \times 1$

$\beta$  is column vector of dimension  $k \times 1$

$X$  is a matrix of dimension  $n \times k$ .

Equation is re-written using

$$(6) \quad \begin{matrix} Y & = & X & \beta & + & U \\ (n \times 1) & & (n \times k) & (k \times 1) & & (n \times 1) \end{matrix}$$

1) each row corresponds to an individual observation,

2) the column of ones in the  $X$  matrix represent the intercept term

Ordinary Least Squares (OLS)

We solve for the residual,

$$(7) \quad \hat{u}_i = y_i - (\hat{\beta}_1 + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \hat{\beta}_3 x_{i3} + \cdots + \hat{\beta}_k x_{ik})$$

where the hat denotes an estimated value for the parameter.

However, we use matrices

$$(8) \quad \hat{U} = Y - \hat{Y} = Y - X\hat{\beta}$$

Residuals are a column vector

The objective of the OLS estimator is to minimize the sum of the squared errors.

$$(9) \quad \begin{array}{l} SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i^2 = \hat{U}^T \hat{U} \\ (1 \times 1) \quad \quad \quad (1 \times n) \quad (n \times 1) \end{array}$$

SSR is a scalar, or a number

OLS is written as

$$(10) \quad \begin{array}{l} \min \hat{U}^T \hat{U} = (Y - X\hat{\beta})^T (Y - X\hat{\beta}) \\ \text{w.r.t } \hat{\beta} \end{array}$$

Use matrix algebra to reduce equation

Apply the transpose to all terms within parenthesis

$$\min \hat{U}^T \hat{U} = (Y^T - \hat{\beta}^T X^T)(Y - X\hat{\beta})$$

Multiply matrices

$$\begin{aligned} \min \hat{U}^T \hat{U} &= Y^T Y - Y^T X \hat{\beta} - \hat{\beta}^T X^T Y + \hat{\beta}^T X^T X \hat{\beta} \\ &= Y^T Y - 2\hat{\beta}^T X^T Y + \hat{\beta}^T X^T X \hat{\beta} \end{aligned}$$

$$\min \hat{U}^T \hat{U} = Y^T Y - Y^T X \hat{\beta} - \hat{\beta}^T X^T Y + \hat{\beta}^T X^T X \hat{\beta}$$

$$(11) \quad \min \hat{U}^T \hat{U} = Y^T Y - 2\hat{\beta}^T X^T Y + \hat{\beta}^T X^T X \hat{\beta}$$

The last step relies on the  $\hat{\beta}^T X^T Y = (Y^T X \hat{\beta})^T = Y^T X \hat{\beta}$ .

Note - this matrix multiplication results in a scalar.

Also note the middle term in (11) is linear and the last term is quadratic

### Derivation of solution

1.  $\min \hat{U}^T \hat{U} = Y^T Y - 2\hat{\beta}^T X^T Y + \hat{\beta}^T X^T X \hat{\beta}$       Original problem to min.  
SSR
2.  $\frac{\partial \hat{U}^T \hat{U}}{\partial \beta} = \frac{\partial (Y^T Y - 2\hat{\beta}^T X^T Y + \hat{\beta}^T X^T X \hat{\beta})}{\partial \beta}$       Take partial derivative
3.  $\frac{\partial \hat{U}^T \hat{U}}{\partial \beta} = 0 - 2X^T Y + 2X^T X \hat{\beta} = 0$       Set partial to zero
4.  $X^T X \hat{\beta} = X^T Y$       Divide both sides by 2
5.  $(X^T X)^{-1} (X^T X) \hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$       Multiply by inverse
6.  $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$       Multiply by inverse

### Second order condition

Take second partial with respect to b

Involves a matrix

Don't worry, we are indeed minimizing the squared residuals

## 3. Algebraic Properties of the OLS Estimator

**Algebraic Property 1.** The sum of the estimated residuals (error terms) is equal to zero:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i = 0.$$



Thus, the mean equals zero

**Algebraic Property 2.** The point  $(\bar{Y}, \bar{X})$  is always on the estimated regression.

**Algebraic Property 3.** The sample covariance between each individual  $x_i$  and the OLS residual  $\hat{u}_i$  is equal to zero.

**Algebraic Property 4.** The mean of the variable,  $y$ , will equal the mean of the  $\hat{y}$ .

#### 4. Five Assumptions of the OLS Estimator

OLS estimator has five assumptions

##### **Assumption A - Linear in Parameters**

Linear in parameters

Examples – Linear in parameters

$$y = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \frac{1}{x}$$

$$y = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \log(x)$$

$$y = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x^2$$

Examples – Not linear in parameters.

$$y = \beta_1 + \beta_2^2 x$$

$$y = \beta_1 + \left(\frac{\beta_2}{\beta_3}\right) \log(x)$$

$$y = \beta_1 \beta_2 x^2$$

Note – equation can be nonlinear in the x's.

Note – there is nonlinear least squares

### ***Assumption B - Random Sample of n Observations***

*1. The sample consists of n-paired observations that are drawn randomly from the population.*

Y is a dependent variable, and x's are independent variables, x's or  $\{y_i : x_{2i}, x_{3i}, \dots, x_{ki}\}$

*2. The number of observations is greater than the number of parameters to be estimated, usually written  $n > k$ .*

If  $n = k$ , the number of observations (equations) will equal the number of unknowns.

*3. The independent variables (x's) are nonstochastic, whose values are fixed.*

### ***Assumption C – Zero Conditional Mean***

There is no relationship between the error terms and the independent variables or  $E(U | X) = 0$ .

### ***Assumption D – No Perfect Multicollinearity***

Perfect Multicollinearity – *there is an exact linear relationship among the independent variables.*

Cannot take the inverse of the matrix,  $X^T X$

Correlations – could be used to determine presence of multicollinearity

If two variables are highly correlated

Multicollinearity could still be present if more than two variables are involved

### ***Assumption E - Homoskedasticity***

*The error terms all have the same variance and are not correlated with each other.*

Use the term independent and identically distributed (iid)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(u_i | X) &= \sigma^2 \quad \text{and} \\ \text{cov}(u_i, u_j | X) &= 0 \quad \text{for } i \neq j\end{aligned}$$

where var represents the variance, cov the covariance,

$$\begin{aligned}\text{var}(u_i) &= \sigma^2 \quad \text{and} \\ \text{cov}(u_i, u_j) &= 0 \quad \text{for } i \neq j\end{aligned}$$

We can say  $u_i \sim iid(0, \sigma^2)$

## 5. Properties of OLS

These properties relate to the assumptions of OLS

### 1. OLS is an Unbiased Estimator, $\beta$

$$E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta.$$

By adding the two assumptions B-3 and C

**Proof**

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \quad \text{and} \quad Y = X\beta + U$$

Substitute Y into the estimator:

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T (X\beta + U)$$

Using properties of matrices,

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\beta} &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T (X\beta + U) = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T X\beta + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T U \\
&= I\beta + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T U \\
&= \beta + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T U
\end{aligned}$$

Taking the expectation of both sides of the equation, and expected value of the error is zero, then

$$\begin{aligned}
E(\hat{\beta}) &= E[\beta + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T U] \\
&= E(\beta) + E[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T U] \\
&= \beta + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T E(U) \\
&= \beta
\end{aligned}$$

**2. Gauss-Markov Theorem** – OLS is one of the strongest and most used estimators for unknown parameters. The Gauss-Markov Theorem is

*Given the assumptions A – E, the OLS estimator is the Best Linear Unbiased Estimator (BLUE).*

Uses all five assumptions, A – E

Best – means the estimator gives the lowest variance for the parameter estimates

Linear – the estimator is linear

Unbiased – the estimator is unbiased

If the error terms are distributed normally,  $U \sim N(0, \Phi^2)$  or  $U \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$ , then the OLS estimator is the Best Unbiased Estimator (BUE).

Note - Gauss-Markov Theorem do not imply that OLS has the minimum variance among all potential estimators.

Biased estimators may have smaller variance

In forecasting, it is how well the estimator predicts

**3. Unbiased Estimator of  $\Phi$**  - estimate the variances of the betas

The simple formula for calculating the variance of a random number is:

$$\text{var}(d) = E(d - E(d))^2$$

where E is the expectation operator.  
Statistics reduces equation to:

$$\text{var}(d) = \frac{1}{(n-1)} \sum_i (d_i - \bar{d})^2$$

where n-1 is the degrees and freedom  
Lose one piece of information  
 $\bar{d}$  is the mean of the observations

Applying this concept to the residuals

$$\text{var}(U) = E(U - E(U))^2 = E(U)^2.$$

We do not know the true variance, thus we estimate it:

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i^2}{n-k} = \frac{(\hat{U}^T \hat{U})}{n-k} = \frac{SSE}{n-k}$$

OLS had k parameters, thus we lose k pieces of information to estimate the k variances

### ***Variance / Covariance Matrix for $\hat{\beta}$***

$$\text{cov}(w, z) = E[(w - E[w])(z - E[z])] = \frac{\sum [(w - E[w])(z - E[z])]}{n-1}$$

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The variance / covariance matrix is:

$$V(\hat{\beta}) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_1) & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2) & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_3) & \cdots & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_k) \\ \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\beta}_1) & \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2) & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\beta}_3) & \cdots & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\beta}_k) \\ \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_3, \hat{\beta}_1) & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_3, \hat{\beta}_2) & \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_3) & \cdots & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_3, \hat{\beta}_k) \\ \vdots & & & & \\ \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_k, \hat{\beta}_1) & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_k, \hat{\beta}_2) & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_k, \hat{\beta}_3) & \cdots & \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_k) \end{bmatrix}$$

where var denotes variance and cov denotes covariance  
 Square, symmetric matrix with dimensions  $k \times k$   
 The diagonal is the variances

The variance tells how the estimated parameters vary and are given by:

$$V(\hat{\beta}) = \hat{\sigma}^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$$

$k \times k \quad 1 \times 1 \quad k \times n \quad n \times k$

### Derivation of the Variance / Covariance Matrix.

Start with what we know:

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \quad \text{and} \quad Y = X\beta + U$$

Substitute one equation into another

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T (X\beta + U) = \beta + (X^T X)^{-1} X^T U$$

$$\hat{\beta} - \beta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T U .$$

Use the matrix transpose:

$$(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^T = U^T X (X^T X)^{-1} .$$

Substituting these results into the covariance equation we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}) &= E[(\hat{\beta} - \beta)(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^T] \\
&= E[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T U (U^T X (X^T X)^{-1})] \\
&= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T E[U U^T] X (X^T X)^{-1} \\
&= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \sigma^2 I X (X^T X)^{-1} \\
&= \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1} X^T X (X^T X)^{-1} \\
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&= \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

Note – Assuming each error is homoskedasticity. Thus, each error term has the same variance

We estimate the variance  $\sigma^2$  by using estimator,  $\hat{\sigma}^2$