

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{keep in mind: } E(ax) = a E(x) \\ E(\sum a_i X_i) = \sum a_i E(X_i) \\ \sum a X_i = a \sum X_i \\ \sum a_i X_i \neq a_i \sum X_i \end{array} \right]$$

## Derivation of OLS estimators

$\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta}$  are values that minimize SS deviations from the line defined by  $\hat{\alpha}$  &  $\hat{\beta}$  & the data  $(X_i, Y_i)$

- / write down SS deviations
- / take derivative w.r.t.  $\alpha, \beta$  (get two derivatives)
- / set derivatives equal to 0
- / solve for  $\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta}$

$$S(\alpha, \beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \alpha - \beta X_i)^2$$

if  $X$  stochastic, can think of normal eqns as sample counterparts of restrictions on the joint distribution of  $X$  &  $Y$  and, therefore, one could motivate OLS as a M of M estimator

take derivatives

$$\alpha: \frac{\partial S}{\partial \alpha} = \sum -2(Y_i - \alpha - \beta X_i)$$

$$\beta: \frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta} = \sum -2X_i(Y_i - \alpha - \beta X_i)$$

set equal to 0 (can also multiply both sides by constants)

We sometimes write

$$\hat{\epsilon}_i = Y_i - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} X_i$$

$$\alpha: \frac{1}{n} \sum (Y_i - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} X_i) = 0$$

$$\beta: \frac{1}{n} \sum X_i (Y_i - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} X_i) = 0$$

} "normal equations"

Solve first normal equation for  $\hat{\alpha}$

$$\underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum Y_i}_{\bar{Y}} - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i}_{\bar{X}} = 0$$

$$\text{so } \bar{Y} = \hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta} \bar{X} \text{ or } \hat{\alpha} = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta} \bar{X}$$

take first normal equation again & multiply by  $\bar{X}$

$$\bar{X} \frac{1}{n} \sum (Y_i - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} X_i) = 0$$

subtract it from the second normal eqn

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum X_i (Y_i - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} X_i) - \frac{1}{n} \sum \bar{X} (Y_i - \hat{\alpha} - \hat{\beta} X_i) = 0$$

↑  
nothing wrong w/  
sticking it inside the  
summation

plug in  $\bar{Y} - \hat{\beta} \bar{X}$  for  $\hat{\alpha}$  & collect terms

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum (Y_i - (\bar{Y} - \hat{\beta} \bar{X}) - \hat{\beta} X_i) (X_i - \bar{X}) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum ((Y_i - \bar{Y}) - \hat{\beta} (X_i - \bar{X})) (X_i - \bar{X}) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum ((X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) - \hat{\beta} \frac{1}{n} \sum ((X_i - \bar{X})^2)) = 0$$

$$\text{so } \hat{\beta} = \frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\frac{1}{n} \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

$$\text{and } \hat{\alpha} = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta} \bar{X}$$

expectation of  $\hat{\beta}$  &  $\hat{\alpha}$

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X}) (\overbrace{\alpha + \beta X_i + \varepsilon_i}^{Y_i} - \overbrace{\alpha + \beta \bar{X} + \bar{\varepsilon}}^{\bar{Y}})}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X}) (\beta (X_i - \bar{X}) + (\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon}))}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

$$= \beta \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2} + \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X}) (\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon})}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

$$\text{so } E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta + \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X}) E(\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon})}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

but  $E(\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon}) = 0$  because  $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$  &  
 $E(\bar{\varepsilon}) = 0$

$$= \beta$$

$$\hat{\alpha} = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta} \bar{X} = \alpha + \beta \bar{X} + \bar{\varepsilon} - \hat{\beta} \bar{X}$$

$$\text{so } E(\hat{\alpha}) = \alpha + \beta \bar{X} + E(\bar{\varepsilon}) - \underbrace{E(\hat{\beta})}_{=\beta} \bar{X}$$

$$= \alpha$$

variance of  $\hat{\beta}$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) = E[(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^2],$$

$$= E \left[ \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right]^2$$

from calculation  
of  $E(\hat{\beta})$

$$= \frac{1}{[\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2]^2} E \left[ (\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon}))^2 \right]$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{but } \sum (x_i - \bar{x})(\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon}) = \sum (x_i - \bar{x})\varepsilon_i - \sum (x_i - \bar{x})\bar{\varepsilon} \\ = \sum (x_i - \bar{x})\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon} \underbrace{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})}_{=0} \\ = \sum (x_i - \bar{x})\varepsilon_i \quad \text{by construct} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= \frac{1}{[\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2]^2} E \left[ (\sum (x_i - \bar{x})\varepsilon_i)^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{[\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2]^2} E \left[ \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \varepsilon_i^2 + \right. \\ \left. \begin{array}{l} \uparrow \\ \text{diagonals} \end{array} \right]$$

$$\left. \sum_{i \neq j} (x_i - \bar{x})(x_j - \bar{x})\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{[\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2]^2} \left\{ \sum (x_i - \bar{x}) \underbrace{E(\varepsilon_i^2)}_{=\sigma^2} \right.$$

$$+ \left. \sum_{i \neq j} (x_i - \bar{x})(x_j - \bar{x}) \underbrace{E(\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j)}_{=0} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n \hat{\sigma}_x^2}$$

$$\text{where } \hat{\sigma}_x^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

variance of  $\hat{\alpha}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(\hat{\alpha}) &= E(\hat{\alpha} - \alpha)^2 \\
 &= E\left[\left(\underbrace{(\bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}\bar{X})}_{\hat{\alpha}} - \underbrace{(\bar{Y} - \beta\bar{X} - \bar{\epsilon})}_{\alpha}\right)^2\right] \\
 &= E\left[\left[-(\hat{\beta} - \beta)\bar{X} + \bar{\epsilon}\right]^2\right] \\
 &= E\left[(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^2 \bar{X}^2\right] + E(\bar{\epsilon}^2) - 2E\left[(\hat{\beta} - \beta)\bar{X}\bar{\epsilon}\right] \\
 &= \underbrace{\bar{X}^2 \text{Var}(\hat{\beta})}_{\frac{\bar{X}^2 \sigma^2}{n \hat{\sigma}_x^2}} + \underbrace{\text{Var}(\bar{\epsilon})}_{\frac{\sigma^2}{n}} - \underbrace{2\bar{X} \text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}, \bar{\epsilon})}_{\text{by definition}}
 \end{aligned}$$

note:

$$\left[ \hat{\sigma}_x^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum [(x_i - \bar{x})^2] \right]$$

$$\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}, \bar{\epsilon}) = E[(\hat{\beta} - \beta)\bar{\epsilon}]$$

$$= E\left[ \underbrace{\sum \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})}{n \hat{\sigma}_x^2} \epsilon_i}_{\text{got this from calculation of variance of } \hat{\beta}} \underbrace{\sum \frac{\epsilon_j}{n}}_{\text{by definition}} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2 \hat{\sigma}_x^2} E\left[ \sum (x_i - \bar{x}) \epsilon_i^2 + \sum_{i \neq j} (x_i - \bar{x}) \epsilon_i \epsilon_j \right]$$

↑ diagonals
↑ off-diagonals

since  $E(\epsilon_i^2) = \sigma^2$  &  $E(\epsilon_i \epsilon_j) = 0$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2 \hat{\sigma}_x^2} \sum (x_i - \bar{x}) \sigma^2 = 0$$

covariance between  $\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta}$

$$\text{Cov}(\hat{\alpha}, \hat{\beta}) = E[(\hat{\alpha} - \alpha)(\hat{\beta} - \beta)]$$

$$= E[(\bar{y} - (\hat{\beta} - \beta)\bar{x} + \bar{\varepsilon})(\hat{\beta} - \beta)]$$

$$= E\left[\underbrace{-(\hat{\beta} - \beta)^2 \bar{x}}\right] + \underbrace{E[\bar{\varepsilon}(\hat{\beta} - \beta)]}_{= 0 \text{ (see calculation above)}}$$

$$= -\bar{x} \text{Var}(\hat{\beta})$$

$$= -\frac{\bar{x} \sigma^2}{n \hat{\sigma}_x^2}$$