

# INTRODUCTORY ECONOMETRICS

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## LESSON 3

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### 3 The Linear Regression Model (II). Inference and Prediction.

### 3.1a Distribution of the Least-Squares Estimator under the Normality assumption.

### OLS estimator under Normality

- If  $Y = X\beta + u$ , where  $u \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 I_T)$ , then (recall) OLS estimator:

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta}_{OLS} &= (X'X)^{-1}X'Y = \beta + (X'X)^{-1}X'u \\ &= \beta + \Gamma'u \quad \text{is linear in disturbances.}\end{aligned}$$

- Therefore, same **Multivariate Normal** distribution, with (recall)

$$\begin{cases} E(\hat{\beta}) &= \beta, \\ \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) &= \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1}. \end{cases}$$

- That is:

$$\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1})$$

### OLS estimator under Normality (cases)

Since  $\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1})$ :

- For the  $k$ -th coefficient:

$$\hat{\beta}_k \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_k, \sigma^2 a_{kk})$$

where  $a_{kk}$  is the  $(k+1)$ -th diagonal element of  $(X'X)^{-1}$

- for example:  $\hat{\beta}_1 \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_1, \sigma^2 a_{11})$ ,  
 $a_{11}$  = 2nd diagonal element.

- For a set of linear combinations:

$$R\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(R\beta, \sigma^2 R(X'X)^{-1}R').$$

- For a subvector of  $\hat{\beta}$ :  $R = [0_s \dots 0_s | I_s]$ ; then

$$\hat{\beta}^s \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta^s, \sigma^2 A_{ss})$$

where  $\beta^s$  = subvector of  $\beta$ ,  $A_{ss}$  = submatrix of  $(X'X)^{-1}$ .

## OLS estimator under Normality (cases)2

- In particular, if  $R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow$

$$R \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \beta^* \text{ (without intercept):}$$

- and

$$(X'X)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & a_{02} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{20} & a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix};$$

- then

$$\hat{\beta}^* \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta^*, \sigma^2)$$

## 3.1b Hypothesis Testing: a Review.

## OLS residuals under Normality

- Similarly, if  $u \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 I_T)$ ,

Then,

$$\hat{u} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 M)$$

- In particular, for the 4-th residual:

$$\hat{u}_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 m_{44})$$

where  $m_{44}$  is the 4-th diagonal element of matrix  $M$ .

## Hypothesis and Tests (rev1)

- Starting point:

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} Y = X\beta + u \\ u \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 I_T) \end{array} \right\} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1}) \\ \hat{u} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 M) \end{array} \right.$$

- Hypothesis:** "conjecture about parameter(s) and fn".

For example:

- in SLRM:  $\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, v)$ ; assume  $\beta = 2.5$ .
- in GLRM:  $\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1})$ ; assume  $\beta_1 + \dots + \beta_K = 1$ .
- in general: Ec. Th.  $\rightsquigarrow$  hypothesis  
e.g.: Cobb-Couglas Fn:

$$Y_t = e^{\beta_0} L_t^{\beta_1} K_t^{\beta_2} e^{u_t}$$

with Constant returns to scale:  $\beta_1 + \beta_2 = 1$

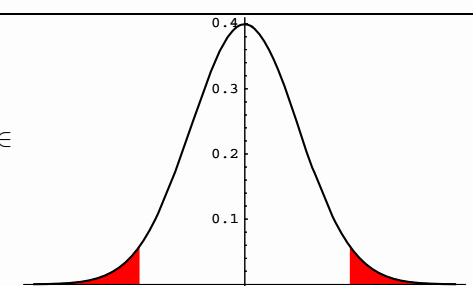
- Test:** "procedure to **reject** or **accept** the hypothesis"

## Hypothesis and Tests (rev2)

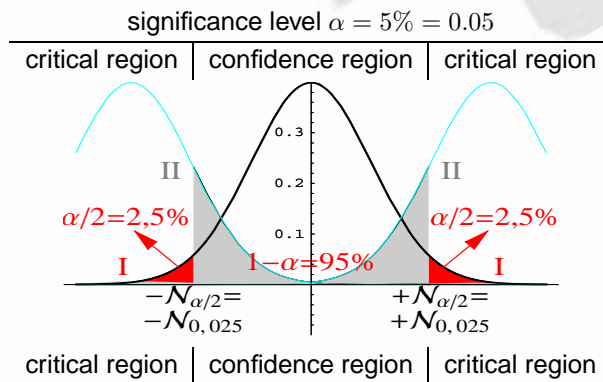
| elements                                | steps  |
|---|--|
| a) hypothesis to test (about estimator) | $H_0 : \dots$ vs. $H_a : \dots$ (disjoint)   |
| b) estimator dn                         | obtain test statistic with tabulated dn under $H_0$ :  |
| c) decision rule                        | <div style="text-align: center;">                     calculated statistic<br/> <math>\in</math> critical region ("large") <math>\not\in</math> critical region ("small")<br/> <math>\downarrow</math> <math>\downarrow</math><br/>                     Reject not Reject                 </div> |

## Hypothesis and Tests (rev2-cont)

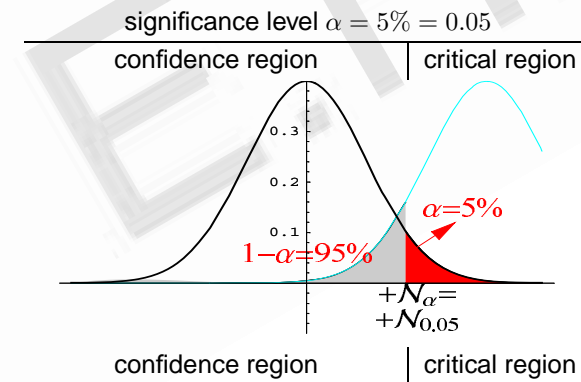
Example:

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|----|---|-------------------------|
| a) | $H_0 : \beta = 2.5$ vs. $H_a : \beta \neq 2.5$  | $(\text{Var}(\beta)=4)$ |
| b) | $\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, 4) \rightsquigarrow z = \frac{\hat{\beta} - \beta}{2} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$        |                         |
| c) | $z = \frac{\hat{\beta} - 2.5}{2} \in$  |                         |

## Hypothesis and Tests: Critical region



## Hypothesis and Tests: Critical region (one sided)



## Hypothesis and Tests: Distributions (rev)

1. Def of  $\chi^2$  (chi-square):

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} Z_i \sim \text{iid } \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \\ Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, I_m) \end{array} \right\} Z'Z = \sum_{i=1}^m Z_i^2 \sim \chi^2(m) \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} E(\chi^2(m)) = m \\ \text{Var}(\chi^2(m)) = 2m \end{array} \right.$$

1b.  $Z \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu, \Omega) \Rightarrow (Z - \mu)' \Omega^{-1} (Z - \mu) \sim \chi^2(m)$

2. Def of  $t$  (Student):

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} Z \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1), \quad W \sim \chi^2(m) \\ Z, W \text{ independent} \end{array} \right\} \frac{Z}{\sqrt{W/m}} \sim t(m)$$

3. Def of  $\mathcal{F}$  (Snedecor):

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} V \sim \chi^2(n), \quad W \sim \chi^2(m) \\ V, W \text{ independent} \end{array} \right\} \frac{V/n}{W/m} \sim \mathcal{F}_m^n$$

4b.  $n = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{Z^2}{W/m} \sim \mathcal{F}_m^1 \equiv t(m)^2$

## 3.2a Testing for the Significance of a single parameter. Confidence Intervals.

## Hypothesis and Tests: Useful result

From  $\hat{u} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2 M)$ :

$$\blacksquare \frac{\text{RSS}}{\sigma^2} = \sum (\hat{u}_i^2 / \sigma^2) = \sum \mathcal{N}(0, 1)^2 \text{'s} \sim \chi^2(T-K-1)$$

$$\blacksquare \text{Then: } \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\text{RSS}}{\sigma^2(T-K-1)} = \frac{\text{RSS}}{\sigma^2(T-K-1)} = \chi^2/\text{d.f.'s}$$

$$\blacklozenge \frac{\text{expr}}{\sigma} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1):$$

$$\blacklozenge \frac{\text{expr}}{\hat{\sigma}} = \frac{\text{expr}/\sigma}{\hat{\sigma}/\sigma} = \frac{\text{expr}/\sigma}{\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2}} = \frac{\mathcal{N}(0, 1)}{\sqrt{\chi^2/\text{d.f.'s}}} = t$$

$$\blacklozenge \frac{\text{expr}}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(n):$$

$$\blacklozenge \frac{\text{expr}}{\hat{\sigma}^2} = \frac{\text{expr}/\sigma^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\text{expr}/\sigma^2/n}{\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2} = \frac{\chi^2(n)/n}{\chi^2/\text{d.f.'s}} \sim \mathcal{F}$$

■ In short:  $\sigma^2 \rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2 \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \rightarrow t !!$   
 $\chi^2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F} !!$

## Single parameter Significance test: estimator dn

■ Standardise  $\hat{\beta}_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_i, \sigma^2 a_{ii})$

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_i)}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{\sigma \sqrt{a_{ii}}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{\sigma_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

■ change  $\sigma$  by  $\hat{\sigma}$ :

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{a_{ii}}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_i)}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{S_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \sim t(T-K-1)$$

■ Note how  $\sigma_{\hat{\beta}_i} \rightarrow S_{\hat{\beta}_i} \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \rightarrow t !!$

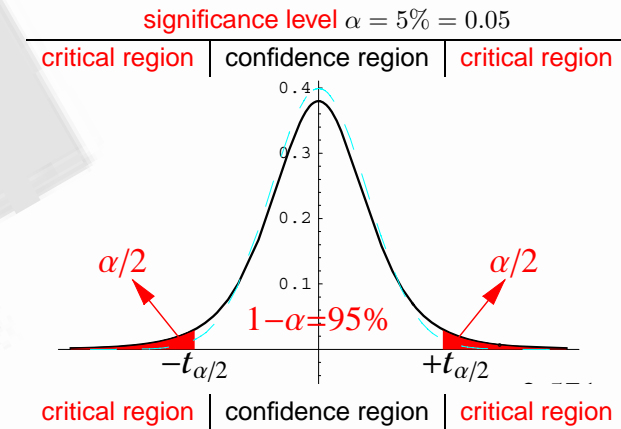
## Single parameter Significance test: rule

- $$\frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{S_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \sim t(T-K-1)$$
- Which Test?**

$$\begin{cases} H_0 : \beta_i = c & \text{(informative test)} \\ H_0 : \beta_i = 0 & \text{(test of significance)} \end{cases}$$
- Remember:** Hypothesis  $\rightsquigarrow$  statistic  $\rightsquigarrow$  rule...
- Test of Significance:**
  - Hypothesis:**  $H_0 : \beta_i = 0$  vs.  $H_a : \beta_i \neq 0$
  - Statistic:**  $t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_i}{S_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \sim t(T-K-1)$  under  $H_0$  :
  - Rule:**  $|t| = \left| \frac{\hat{\beta}_i}{S_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \right| > t_{\alpha/2}(T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :
    - $\Rightarrow \beta_i$  is (statistically or significantly) different from zero
    - $\Rightarrow X_i$  is a (statistically) relevant or significant variable.
- similarly for informative test  $H_0 : \beta_i = c$  (Exercise: **Try it!!**)

## Single parameter Significance test: rule (cont)

- Rule:**  $|t| = \left| \frac{\hat{\beta}_i}{S_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \right| > t_{\alpha/2}(T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :



## Confidence interval for $\beta_i$

- Recall that  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{S_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \sim t(T-K-1)$
- $$\text{critical region} \mid \text{confidence region} \mid \text{critical region}$$
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- i.e.:**  $\Pr[-t_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{\hat{\beta}_i - \beta_i}{S_{\hat{\beta}_i}} \leq +t_{\alpha/2}] = 1 - \alpha$
- $$\Pr[\underbrace{\hat{\beta}_i - t_{\alpha/2} S_{\hat{\beta}_i} \leq \beta_i \leq \hat{\beta}_i + t_{\alpha/2} S_{\hat{\beta}_i}}_{\text{CI}_{1-\alpha}(\beta_i)}] = 1 - \alpha$$

## Confidence interval for $\beta_i$ (cont)

- That is:
 
$$\text{CI}_{1-\alpha}(\beta_i) = [\hat{\beta}_i \pm t_{\alpha/2} S_{\hat{\beta}_i}]$$
- e.g. for  $\alpha = 5\%$ ,  $T-K-1 = 25$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_i = 2.12$  and  $S_{\hat{\beta}_i} = 0.08$ :
 
$$\begin{aligned} \text{CI}_{95\%}(\beta_i) &= [\hat{\beta}_i \pm t_{2.5\%}(25) S_{\hat{\beta}_i}] \\ &= [\hat{\beta}_i \pm 2.06 S_{\hat{\beta}_i}] = [2.12 \pm 2.06 \cdot 0.08] = [1.9552; 2.2848] \end{aligned}$$
- testing by means of confidence interval:**


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  - Hypothesis:**  $H_0 : \beta_i = c$  vs.  $H_a : \beta_i \neq c$
  - Interval:**  $\text{CI}_{95\%}(\beta_i)$
  - Rule:** Reject  $H_0$  : if  $c \notin \text{CI}_{95\%}(\beta_i)$ , with 5% significance.

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- e.g.  $H_0 : \beta_i = 0$ ?  $\Rightarrow$  Reject  $\Rightarrow \beta_i$  is significant (at 5% level).

## Testing a Single Linear Combination

- Let's have a restricted GLRM with 1 restriction ( $q = 1$ ):  $R\beta = r$  but now simpler...  
 $R = d'$  (any row of  $K+1$  values  $d_0, d_1, \dots, d_K$ ) and  $r = c$  (any single value):
- Let  $H_0 : \nu = d'\beta = d_0\beta_0 + d_1\beta_1 + \dots + d_K\beta_K = c$  that is, an informative test about the value  $c$  that takes a single linear combination  $\nu$  of the parameters.

## Testing a Single Linear Combination: Example

- Let's have the linearised Cobb-Douglas fn

$$\log Y_t = \alpha + \beta_L \log L_t + \beta_K \log K_t + u_t$$

$$d' = [0 \quad 1 \quad 1] \text{ and } c = 1 :$$

$$H_0 : \nu = d'\beta = [0 \quad 1 \quad 1] \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta_L \\ \beta_K \end{pmatrix} = \beta_L + \beta_K = c = 1$$

- that is,  $H_0 : \beta_L + \beta_K = 1$ ; the test of the **constant returns to scale** hypothesis.

## Testing a Single Linear Combination: dn

- Since  $\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1})$ , we have that

$$d'\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(d'\beta, \sigma^2 d'(X'X)^{-1}d)$$

$$\hat{\nu} \sim \mathcal{N}(\nu, \text{Var}(\hat{\nu}))$$

where  $\text{Var}(\hat{\nu}) = \sigma^2 \sum_{i,j=0}^K d_i d_j a_{ij}$

- As before, standardise  $\hat{\nu}$

$$\frac{\hat{\nu} - \nu}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{\nu})}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

- Therefore (recall  $\sigma \rightarrow \hat{\sigma}$ ):

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\hat{\nu} - \nu}{S_{\hat{\nu}}} \sim t_{(T-K-1)}$$

where  $S_{\hat{\nu}} = \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\sum_{i,j=0}^K d_i d_j a_{ij}}$ .

## Testing a Single Linear Combination: rule

$$\frac{\hat{\nu} - \nu}{S_{\hat{\nu}}} \sim t_{(T-K-1)}$$

- Which Test?  $\{H_0 : \nu (= d'\beta) = c \text{ (informative test)}$

- Remember:** Hypothesis  $\rightsquigarrow$  statistic  $\rightsquigarrow$  rule...

- Test for a linear combination:

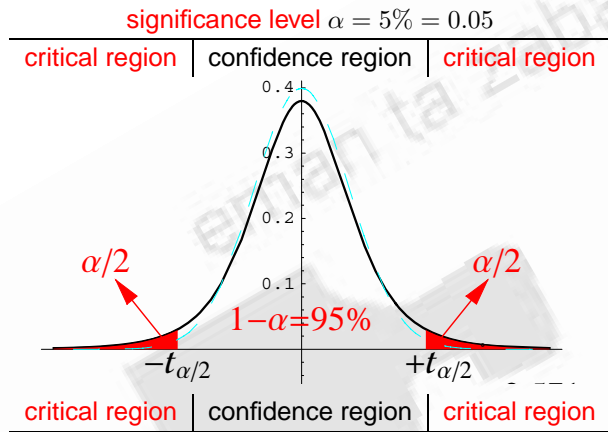
- ♦ **Hypothesis:**  $H_0 : \nu = c$  vs.  $H_a : \nu \neq c$
- ♦ **Statistic:**

$$t = \frac{\hat{\nu} - c}{S_{\hat{\nu}}} \sim t_{(T-K-1)} \text{ under } H_0 :$$

- ♦ **Rule:**  $|t| > t_{\alpha/2}(T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  : value of linear combination isn't right.
- ♦ cf test of single parameter  $\beta_k$ , any similarities?.

## Testing a Single Linear Combination: rule (cont)

- Rule:  $|t| = \left| \frac{\hat{v} - c}{S_{\hat{v}}} \right| > t_{\alpha/2}(T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :



## Testing a Single Linear Combination: Example

- In the linearised Cobb-Douglas fn:  
 $\widehat{\log Y}_t = \hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}_L \log L_t + \hat{\beta}_K \log K_t, \quad T = 53;$
- $\widehat{\log Y}_t = 2.10 + 0.67 \log L_t + 0.32 \log K_t, \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = 4;$

$$(X'X)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 \end{pmatrix}$$

- Test the  $H_0$  : constant returns to scale  
at the  $\alpha = 5\%$  significance level:

## Testing a Single Linear Combination: Example

- Hypothesis:  $H_0 : \beta_L + \beta_K = 1$  vs.  $H_a : \beta_L + \beta_K \neq 1$
- Statistic:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{v} &= \hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K \\ &= 0.67 + 0.27 = 0.89 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} S_{\hat{v}} &= \sqrt{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_L) + \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_K) + 2\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_L, \hat{\beta}_K)} \\ &= \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{a_{11} + a_{22} + 2a_{12}} \\ &= 2\sqrt{4 + 7 + 2(-1)} = 2\sqrt{9} = 6 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} t &= \frac{\hat{v} - 1}{S_{\hat{v}}} \\ &= \frac{0.89 - 1}{6} = \frac{-0.11}{6} = -0.018. \end{aligned}$$

- Rule:  $|t| = 0.018 < t_{0.025}(50) = 2.01 \Rightarrow$  don't reject  $H_0$  :  
 $\Rightarrow$  "constant returns to scale" is supported by data.

## 3.2b Testing for Overall Significance.



## Overall Significance Test: estimator dn

- $H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_K = 0 \rightsquigarrow$
- $H_0 : \beta^* = \mathbf{0} \rightsquigarrow$

$$\hat{\beta}^* \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & \dots & a_{0K} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & \dots & a_{1K} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{K0} & a_{K1} & \dots & a_{KK} \end{bmatrix}) \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 (x'x)^{-1})$$

- Standardise and SS:
- ◆

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}^{*'} x' x \hat{\beta}^*}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(K) \text{ under } H_0 :$$

- Therefore (recall changing  $\sigma^2 \rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2$ ):

$$F = \frac{\hat{\beta}^{*'} x' x \hat{\beta}^* / K}{\hat{\sigma}^2} \sim \mathcal{F}_{TK-1}^K$$

## Overall Significance Test: rule

$$F = \frac{\hat{\beta}^{*'} x' x \hat{\beta}^* / K}{\hat{\sigma}^2} \sim \mathcal{F}_{TK-1}^K \text{ under } H_0 :$$

- Overall significance test:  $\{H_0 : \beta^* = 0$
- **Remember:** Hypothesis  $\rightsquigarrow$  statistic  $\rightsquigarrow$  rule...
  - ◆ Hypothesis:  $H_0 : \beta^* = 0$  vs.  $H_a : \beta^* \neq 0$  (i.e.  $\exists \beta_i \neq 0$ )
  - ◆ Statistic:

$$F = \frac{\hat{\beta}^{*'} x' x \hat{\beta}^* / K}{\hat{\sigma}^2} = \frac{\hat{y}' \hat{y} / K}{\hat{u}' \hat{u} / (T-K-1)} = \frac{ESS / K}{RSS / (T-K-1)}$$

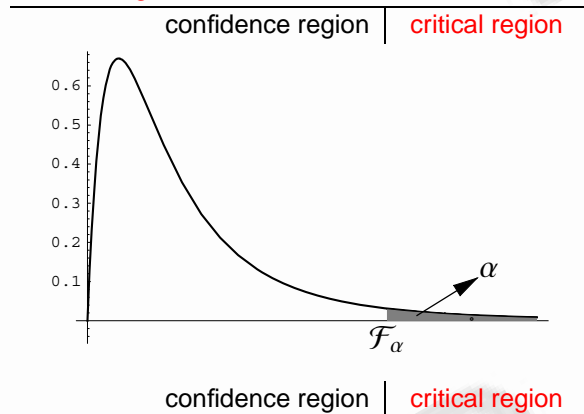
$$= \frac{(ESS/TSS) / K}{(RSS/TSS) / (T-K-1)} = \frac{R^2 / K}{(1 - R^2) / (T-K-1)} \sim \mathcal{F}_{TK-1}^K \text{ under } H_0 :$$

- ◆ Rule:  $F > \mathcal{F}_{\alpha}(K, T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :
  - $\Rightarrow$  all coefs are jointly significant (different from zero)
  - $\Rightarrow$  whole regression is (statistically) relevant.

## Overall Significance Test: rule (cont)

- Rule:  $F > \mathcal{F}_{\alpha}(K, T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :
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significance level  $\alpha = 5\% = 0.05$



## Overall Significance Test: Example

- In the previous example (linearised Cobb-Douglas fn:)

$$\log \hat{Y}_t = \hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}_L \log L_t + \hat{\beta}_K \log K_t, \quad T = 53;$$

$$\log \hat{Y}_t = 2.10 + 0.67 \log L_t + 0.32 \log K_t, \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = 4; R^2 = 0.88$$

- Test the overall significance at the  $\alpha = 5\%$  significance level:
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$$F = \frac{R^2 / K}{(1 - R^2) / (T-K-1)}$$

$$= \frac{0.88 / 2}{(1 - 0.88) / (50)} = \frac{0.44}{0.024} = 183.33 > \mathcal{F}_{0.05}(2, 50) = 3.19$$

- $\Rightarrow \beta_K$  &  $\beta_L$  are jointly significant
- $\Rightarrow$  regression is (statistically) relevant.

### 3.3 A General Test for Linear Restrictions.

### Testing for Linear Restrictions: Example 1

- Recall GLRM subject to  $q$  linear restrictions:

$$Y = X\beta + u, \quad \begin{matrix} (T \times 1) & (T \times (K+1)) & (K+1 \times 1) & (T \times 1) \end{matrix}$$

$$H_0: R\beta = r. \quad \begin{matrix} (q \times (K+1)) & (K+1 \times 1) & (q \times 1) \end{matrix}$$

- Previous tests  $\equiv$  special cases LR:

1. Let's have the GLRM with

$$q = 1, R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } r = 0:$$

$$H_0: R\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \dots \\ \beta_K \end{pmatrix} = \beta_2 = r = 0$$

i.e.,  $H_0: \beta_2 = 0;$

the test of individual significance of  $X_2$ .

### Testing for Linear Restrictions: Example 2

- $H_0: R\beta = r.$   $\begin{matrix} (q \times (K+1)) & (K+1 \times 1) & (q \times 1) \end{matrix}$

2. Let's assume  $q = K$  restrictions such that

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \mathbf{I}_K \end{bmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } r = \mathbf{0} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $H_0: R\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 0_K & \mathbf{I}_K \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \vdots \\ \beta^* \end{pmatrix} = \beta^* = r = \mathbf{0}$

that is,  $H_0: \beta^* = \mathbf{0};$

the test of overall significance of the regression.

### Testing for Linear Restrictions: Example 3

- $H_0: R\beta = r.$   $\begin{matrix} (q \times (K+1)) & (K+1 \times 1) & (q \times 1) \end{matrix}$

3. Let's assume  $q = 2$  restrictions such that

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } r = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}:$$

- $H_0: R\beta = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \beta_3 \\ \dots \\ \beta_K \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\beta_1 + 3\beta_2 \\ \beta_0 - 2\beta_3 \end{bmatrix} = r = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$

that is, the GLRM under  $H_0: \begin{cases} 2\beta_1 + 3\beta_2 = 5 \\ \beta_0 - 2\beta_3 = 3 \end{cases}$

## Testing for Linear Restrictions: dn

- ... so, can have a general test statistic to cover for all hypothesis of the form

$$H_0: R \beta = r ?$$

$(q \times K+1) \quad (K+1 \times 1) \quad (q \times 1)$

- Given that  $\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta, \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1})$ , we have that

$$R\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}(R\beta, \sigma^2 R(X'X)^{-1}R')$$

- As before, standardise  $R\hat{\beta}$  and construct SS,

$$\frac{(R\hat{\beta} - R\beta)'[R(X'X)^{-1}R']^{-1}(R\hat{\beta} - R\beta)}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2(q)$$

- Therefore (recall changing  $\sigma^2 \rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2$ ):

$$\frac{(R\hat{\beta} - R\beta)'[R(X'X)^{-1}R']^{-1}(R\hat{\beta} - R\beta)/q}{\hat{\sigma}^2} \sim \mathcal{F}_{TK-1}^q$$

## General Test for Linear Restrictions: rule

- Which Test?  $\{H_0 : R\beta = r$
- Remember:** Hypothesis  $\rightsquigarrow$  statistic  $\rightsquigarrow$  rule...

- Test for linear restrictions:

- ◆ **Hypothesis:**  $H_0 : R\beta = r$  vs.  $H_a : R\beta \neq r$
- ◆ **Statistic:**

$$F = \frac{(R\hat{\beta} - r)'[R(X'X)^{-1}R']^{-1}(R\hat{\beta} - r)/q}{\hat{\sigma}^2} \sim \mathcal{F}_{TK-1}^q \text{ under } H_0 :$$

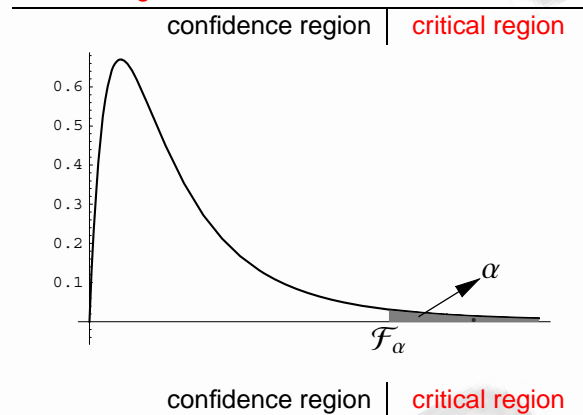
- ◆ **Rule:**  $F > \mathcal{F}_\alpha(q, T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :  
 $\Rightarrow$  linear restrictions aren't (jointly) true.

## General Test for Linear Restrictions: rule (cont)

- Rule:  $F > \mathcal{F}_\alpha(q, T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :

- ◆

significance level  $\alpha = 5\% = 0.05$



## 3.4 Tests based on the Residual Sum of Squares.

## General Test for Linear Restrictions: rule 2

- **Hypothesis:**  $H_0 : R\beta = r$  vs.  $H_a : R\beta \neq r$
- **Statistic:**

$$F = \frac{(R\hat{\beta} - r)'[R(X'X)^{-1}R']^{-1}(R\hat{\beta} - r)/q}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$$

- using result on  $\hat{\beta}_R = (I - AR)\hat{\beta} + Ar$ , numerator is difference between SS's:

$$F = \frac{(RSS_R - RSS)/q}{RSS/(T-K-1)} \sim \mathcal{F}_{TK-1}^q \text{ under } H_0 :$$

- **Rule:**  $F > \mathcal{F}_{\alpha}(q, T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :  
 $\Rightarrow$  linear restrictions aren't (jointly) true.

## General Test for Linear Restrictions: Summary

- **Hypothesis:**  $H_0 : R\beta = r$  vs.  $H_a : R\beta \neq r$
- **Statistic:**

$$F = \frac{(R\hat{\beta} - r)'[R(X'X)^{-1}R']^{-1}(R\hat{\beta} - r)/q}{\hat{\sigma}^2} = \frac{(RSS_R - RSS)/q}{RSS/(T-K-1)} \sim \mathcal{F}_{TK-1}^q \text{ under } H_0 :$$

- **Rule:**  $F > \mathcal{F}_{\alpha}(q, T-K-1) \Rightarrow$  reject  $H_0$  :  
 $\Rightarrow$  linear restrictions aren't (jointly) true.
- Note that, SS form needs estimating twice: unrestricted and restricted regressions.
- and, of course, they can also be used to test for individual significance, overall significance, informative restrictions, etc.

## Test based on SS: Example Cobb-Douglas

- **Hypothesis:**  $H_0 : \beta_L + \beta_K = 1$  vs.  $H_a : \beta_L + \beta_K \neq 1$
- **Statistic:**

$$\hat{v} = \hat{\beta}_L + \hat{\beta}_K = 0.67 + 0.27 = 0.89$$

$$S_{\hat{v}} = \sqrt{\widehat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta}_L) + \widehat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta}_K) + 2\widehat{\text{Cov}}(\hat{\beta}_L, \hat{\beta}_K)} = \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{a_{11} + a_{22} + 2a_{12}} = 2\sqrt{4 + 7 + 2(-1)} = 2\sqrt{9} = 6$$

$$t = \frac{\hat{v} - 1}{S_{\hat{v}}} = \frac{0.89 - 1}{6} = \frac{-0.11}{6} = -0.018.$$

- **Rule:**  $|t| = 0.018 < t_{0.025}(50) = 2.01 \Rightarrow$  don't reject  $H_0$  :  
 $\Rightarrow$  "constant returns to scale" is supported by data.

## Test based on SS: Example Cobb-Douglas

- Alternatively, use **SS form** to calculate this  $t$  ratio:  
**unrestricted:**  
 $\log Y = \alpha + \beta_L \log L + \beta_K \log K + u, \rightsquigarrow \text{RSS} = 200$
- **restricted:**  
 $\log Y = \alpha + \beta_L \log L + (1 - \beta_L) \log K + u$   
 $\log(Y/K) = \alpha + \beta_L \log(L/K) + u, \rightsquigarrow \text{RSS}_R = 200.001296$

$$F = \frac{(RSS_R - \text{RSS})/q}{\text{RSS}/(T-K-1)} = \frac{(200.001296 - 200)/1}{200/50} = \frac{.001296}{4} = 0.000324 < \mathcal{F}_{0.05}(1, 50) = 4.04$$

- or (recall  $t(m) = \sqrt{\mathcal{F}(1, m)}$ )  
 $t = \sqrt{F} = \sqrt{0.000324} = 0.018 < t_{0.05}(50) = 2.01$

### General Test: Example 3

- GLRM with  $q = 2$ ,  $R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 2 & 3 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & -2 & \dots & 0 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $r = \begin{bmatrix} 5 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$ :

$$R\hat{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} d_1'\hat{\beta} \\ d_2'\hat{\beta} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 2\hat{\beta}_1 + 3\hat{\beta}_2 \\ \hat{\beta}_0 - 2\hat{\beta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R(X'X)^{-1}R' = \begin{bmatrix} d_1'(X'X)^{-1}d_1 & d_1'(X'X)^{-1}d_2 \\ d_2'(X'X)^{-1}d_1 & d_2'(X'X)^{-1}d_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 4a_{11} + 9a_{22} + 6a_{12} & 2a_{10} - 4a_{13} + 3a_{20} - 6a_{23} \\ a_{00} + 4a_{33} - 2a_{03} & \end{bmatrix}$$

- Therefore  $F =$

$$\frac{\begin{bmatrix} 2\beta_1 + 3\beta_2 - 5 & \beta_0 - 2\beta_3 - 3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 4a_{11} + 9a_{22} + 6a_{12} & 2a_{10} - 4a_{13} + 3a_{20} - 6a_{23} \\ a_{00} + 4a_{33} - 2a_{03} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 2\beta_1 + 3\beta_2 - 5 \\ \beta_0 - 2\beta_3 - 3 \end{bmatrix}}{\hat{\sigma}^2} / 2$$

$\sim \mathcal{F}_{2, T-K-1}$  under  $H_0$ :

- i.e., an "F" statistic for testing two linear restrictions jointly.

### General Test: Example 2

- GLRM with  $q = K$ ,  $R = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0}_K & \mathbf{I}_K \end{bmatrix}$  and  $r = \mathbf{0}_K$ :

$R\hat{\beta} \rightsquigarrow$  selects  $\beta^*$

$$R(X'X)^{-1}R' \rightsquigarrow \text{selects } \begin{bmatrix} a_{00} & a_{01} & \dots & a_{0K} \\ a_{10} & a_{11} & \dots & a_{1K} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ a_{K0} & a_{K1} & \dots & a_{KK} \end{bmatrix} = (x'x)^{-1}$$

- Therefore:

$$F = \frac{(\hat{\beta}^* - 0)'[(x'x)^{-1}]^{-1}(\hat{\beta}^* - 0)/K}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{\beta}^{*'} x' x \hat{\beta}^* / K}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$$

- i.e., the usual "F" statistic for testing the overall significance of the regression.

### General Test: Example 3

- Alternatively (easier), use **SS form** to calculate this  $F$  statistic:

$$H_0 : \begin{cases} 2\beta_1 + 3\beta_2 = 5 \\ \beta_0 - 2\beta_3 = 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{5 - 3\beta_2}{2}, \quad \beta_0 = 3 + 2\beta_3$$

- unrestricted:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4 \dots + u \rightsquigarrow \text{RSS}$$

- restricted:

$$Y = (3 + 2\beta_3) + (2.5 - 1.5\beta_2)X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4 \dots + u$$

$$\underbrace{Y - 3 - 2.5X_1}_{Y^*} = \beta_2 \underbrace{(X_2 - 1.5X_1)}_{X_2^*} + \beta_3 \underbrace{(X_3 + 2)}_{X_3^*} + \beta_4 X_4 \dots + u$$

$$Y^* = \beta_2 X_2^* + \beta_3 X_3^* + \beta_4 X_4 \dots + u \rightsquigarrow \text{RSS}_R$$

- and  $F = \frac{(\text{RSS}_R - \text{RSS})/q}{\text{RSS}/(T-K-1)}$ , etc.

### General Test: Example 2

- Alternatively, use **SS form** to calculate this  $F$ :

unrestricted:  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_K X_K + u \rightsquigarrow \text{RSS}$

restricted:  $Y = \beta_0 + u \rightsquigarrow \text{RSS}_R = \text{TSS}$

- Statistic:

$$F = \frac{(\text{RSS}_R - \text{RSS})/q}{\text{RSS}/(T-K-1)} = \frac{(\text{TSS} - \text{RSS})/K}{\text{RSS}/(T-K-1)} = \frac{\text{ESS}/K}{\text{RSS}/(T-K-1)}$$

$$= \frac{R^2/K}{(1 - R^2)/(T-K-1)}$$

obtaining same formula as before.

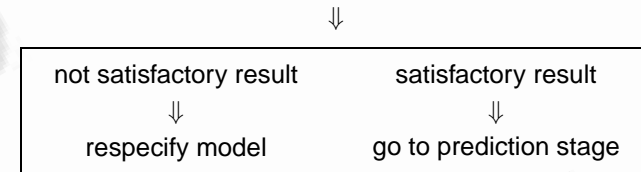
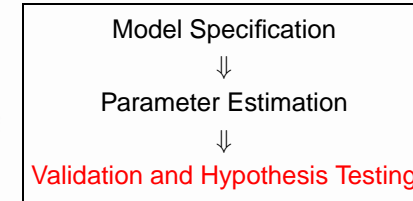
### 3.5 Point Prediction and Prediction Interval.

### Concept

- **Time series:** prediction (of future values)  
⇒ **Forecasting**
- **Cross-section:** prediction (of unobserved values)  
⇒ **Simulation**
- **In general:** prediction ⇒ answer to “what if...?” questions,  
*i.e. what value would take  $Y$  if  $X = X_p$  ?*

### Prediction

- Previous chapters: **Specification, Estimate and Validation.**
- This chapter: Final stage: **Use = Prediction.**
- **Starting point:** appropriate model to describe behaviour of variable  $Y$ :



### Basic Elements

- **Model** or PRF:

$$Y_t = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1t} + \dots + \beta_K X_{Kt} + u_t$$

$$Y_t = X_t' \beta + u_t, \quad t = 1, \dots, T.$$

- **Estimated model** or **SRF**:

$$\hat{Y}_t = X_t' \hat{\beta}, \quad t = 1, \dots, T. \quad (8)$$

- **Prediction observation:** with subindex  $p =$  (usually  $p \notin [1, T]$ ):

$$Y_p = X_p' \beta + u_p. \quad (9)$$

- **Random disturbance  $u_p$ :**

$$E(u_p) = 0, \quad E(u_p^2) = \sigma^2, \quad E(u_p u_s) = 0 \quad \forall s \neq p.$$

- **Known value of vector  $X_p'$ .**

## Point Prediction

- Substituting in SRF (8):

$$\hat{Y}_p = X'_p \hat{\beta}. \quad (10)$$

i.e., numeric value as approximation to unknown value.

## Prediction Error

- The error made (when taking  $\hat{Y}_p$  instead of the true  $Y_p$ ) is

$$e_p = Y_p - \hat{Y}_p,$$

- which can be expressed as:
- as a function of the **two error sources** introduced in the prediction.
- Under normality:

$$(\hat{\beta} - \beta) \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2(X'X)^{-1}), \quad \text{and} \quad u_p \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2),$$

- so that

$$e_p \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma_e^2),$$

- where the **prediction error variance** is:

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_e^2 &= X'_p \underbrace{\text{Var}(\hat{\beta})}_{\sigma^2(X'X)^{-1}} X_p + \underbrace{\text{Var}(u_p)}_{\sigma^2} + \underbrace{\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}, u_p)}_0 \\ &= \sigma^2(1 + X'_p(X'X)^{-1}X_p). \end{aligned}$$

## Interval Prediction

- Standardised prediction error:

$$\frac{e_p - 0}{\sigma_e} = \frac{e_p}{\sigma \sqrt{1 + X'_p(X'X)^{-1}X_p}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1),$$

- Recall how changing  $\sigma \rightarrow \hat{\sigma} \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbf{t}!!$ , then

$$\frac{e_p}{\hat{\sigma}_e} = \frac{e_p}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{1 + X'_p(X'X)^{-1}X_p}} \sim \mathbf{t}(T-K-1).$$

- Therefore:

$$Pr(-\mathbf{t}_{\alpha/2} \leq \frac{e_p}{\hat{\sigma}_e} \leq \mathbf{t}_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha,$$

- and solving for  $Y_p$  :

$$Pr(\hat{Y}_p - \hat{\sigma}_e \mathbf{t}_{\alpha/2} \leq Y_p \leq \hat{Y}_p + \hat{\sigma}_e \mathbf{t}_{\alpha/2}) = 1 - \alpha.$$

- Then, the  $(1 - \alpha)$  **confidence interval** for the unknown  $Y_p$  is:

$$CI(Y_p)_{(1-\alpha)} = \left[ \hat{Y}_p \pm \hat{\sigma}_e \mathbf{t}_{\alpha/2} \right],$$

which measures the precision of the point prediction:

## Prediction: Example

- In the previous example (linearised Cobb-Douglas fn:)

$$\widehat{\log Y}_t = \hat{\alpha} + \hat{\beta}_L \log L_t + \hat{\beta}_K \log K_t, \quad T = 53;$$

$$\widehat{\log Y}_t = 2.10 + 0.67 \log L_t + 0.32 \log K_t, \quad \hat{\sigma}^2 = 4$$

- “What value would  $Y_p$  take if  $\log L_p = 2.5$ ;  $\log K_p = 2.0$  ?”:

$$X'_p = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2.5 & 2.0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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$$\widehat{\log Y}_p = X'_p \hat{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2.5 & 2.0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 2.10 \\ 0.67 \\ 0.32 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= 2.10 + 0.67 \cdot 2.5 + 0.32 \cdot 2.0 = 4.42$$

## Prediction: Example

- Construct a 95% CI for the true  $Y_p$ :

$$\hat{\sigma}_e^2 = \sigma^2(1 + X_p'(X'X)^{-1}X_p)$$

$$= 4 \left( 1 + \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2.5 & 2.0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 4 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 7 \end{pmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2.5 \\ 2.0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 4 \left( 1 + \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 8 & 11.5 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2.5 \\ 2.0 \end{bmatrix} \right)$$

$$= 4(1 + 45) = 4 \cdot 46 = 184$$

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$$CI(\log Y_p)_{0.95} = \left[ \widehat{\log Y_p} \pm \hat{\sigma}_e t_{0.025}(50) \right]$$

$$= \left[ 4.42 \pm \sqrt{184} \cdot 2.01 \right]$$

$$= \left[ 4.42 \pm 27.25 \right]$$

$$= \left[ -22.84 ; 31.68 \right]$$