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Week 6.

Multivariate regression III

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# F-test more generally

Joint test of  $r$  constraints in a regression with  $k$  explanatory variables

Nested hypotheses: the parameter set of the model is a subset of that of the original one

Example

$$U: y = \alpha + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + u$$

$$H_0: \beta_2 = 0, \beta_3 = 0$$

$$R: y = \alpha + \beta_1 x_1 + v$$

# F-test, test statistic

Sum of squares decomposition

$$TSS = RESS + RRSS = RESS + (RRSS - URSS) + URSS$$

Degrees of freedom

$$n - 1 = (k - r) + (n - k + r - 1) = (k - r) + r + (n - k - 1)$$

$$F = \frac{(RRSS - URSS) / r}{URSS / (n - k - 1)} \sim F_{r, (n - k - 1)}$$

$\sim \chi_r^2 / r$ , in large samples, approximately the Wald-test)

$$RRSS = S_{yy} (1 - R_R^2) \quad URSS = S_{yy} (1 - R_U^2)$$

$$F = \frac{(R_U^2 - R_R^2) / r}{(1 - R_U^2) / (n - k - 1)} \sim F_{r, (n - k - 1)}$$



# Testing a linear function of the parameters

Example: Cobb-Douglas production function

$$\log X = \alpha + \beta_1 \log L + \beta_2 \log K + u$$

$$H_0: \beta_1 + \beta_2 = 1$$

t-test:  $\theta = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \qquad \beta_2 = \theta - \beta_1$

$$\log X = \alpha + \beta_1 (\log L - \log K) + \theta \log K + u$$

$$H_0: \theta = 1$$

t-test directly on  $\beta_1 + \beta_2$ , using that the variance of the sum is:

$$\text{Var}(\beta_1^{\wedge} + \beta_2^{\wedge}) = \text{Var}(\beta_1^{\wedge}) + \text{Var}(\beta_2^{\wedge}) + 2\text{cov}(\beta_1^{\wedge}, \beta_2^{\wedge})$$

F-test:  $\beta_2 = 1 - \beta_1$

$$R: \log X - \log K = \alpha + \beta_1 (\log L - \log K) + u$$

# Stability test: two independent data sets (sometimes referred to as Chow-test)

1.  $y_i = \alpha_1 + \beta_{11}x_{1i} + \beta_{21}x_{2i} + \dots + \beta_{k1}x_{ki} + u_i, i = 1 \dots n_1$
2.  $y_i = \alpha_2 + \beta_{12}x_{1i} + \beta_{22}x_{2i} + \dots + \beta_{k2}x_{ki} + v_i, i = 1 \dots n_2$

$$H_0: \alpha_1 = \alpha_2, \beta_{11} = \beta_{12}, \dots, \beta_{k1} = \beta_{k2}$$

$$F = \frac{(RRSS - RSS_1 - RSS_2) / (k + 1)}{(RSS_1 + RSS_2) / (n_1 + n_2 - 2k - 2)} \sim F_{k+1, n_1 + n_2 - 2k - 2}$$

$RRSS$ : from the merged data set,

$RSS_1, RSS_2$ : from separate regressions

# Stability test – Chow-test (predictive)

$$1. y_i = \alpha_1 + \beta_{11}x_{1i} + \beta_{21}x_{2i} + \dots + \beta_{k1}x_{ki} + u_i, \quad i = 1 \dots n_1$$

$$2. y_i = \alpha_2 + \beta_{12}x_{1i} + \beta_{22}x_{2i} + \dots + \beta_{k2}x_{ki} + v_i, \quad i = 1 \dots n$$

$n - n_1 < k + 1$  is possible (in contrast to the previous one)

$RSS_1$ : res. sum of squares based on the first  $n_1$  observations

$RRSS$ : res. sum of squares based on the model estimated from all ( $n = n_1 + n_2$ ) observations

$$F = \frac{(RRSS - RSS_1) / (n - n_1)}{RSS_1 / (n_1 - k - 1)} \sim F_{(n - n_1), (n_1 - k - 1)}$$

# Adjusted $R^2$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{RSS}{df}$$

Including new variables: RSS and the degree of freedom are both decreasing (the number of normal equations is increasing)

$$\text{Adjusted } R^2: 1 - \bar{R}^2 = \frac{n-1}{n-k-1} (1 - R^2)$$

$t < 1$ : omitting a variable:  $\bar{R}^2$  is increasing

$F < 1$ : omitting more variables:  $\bar{R}^2$  is increasing

Possible: different conclusions based on  $t$  and  $F$  (e.g. multicollinearity)

# Model selection

Nested hypotheses: t- and F-test

Non-nested hyp., dependent variable is the same,  
e.g.:

$$R\&D = \alpha + \beta \log(\text{revenue}) + u$$

$$R\&D = \alpha + \beta_1 \text{revenue} + \beta_2 \text{revenue}^2 + u$$

based on adjusted  $R^2$  or information criteria  
(e.g. AIC)

AIC (Akaike information criterion):

$$RSS \cdot \exp(2(k + 1)/n)$$

# Adjusted $R^2$ , example

Wage survey (2003): does the experience or the age explain more in the wage equation?

Equation: EQ\_EXP Workfile: TARIFA2003

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Dependent Variable: LOG(KER)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 11/23/08 Time: 08:59  
 Sample: 1 201971  
 Included observations: 201971

| Variable | Coefficient | Std. Error | t-Statistic | Prob.  |
|----------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------|
| C        | 10.43052    | 0.005226   | 1995.866    | 0.0000 |
| ISKVEG9  | 0.163335    | 0.000509   | 320.6889    | 0.0000 |
| EXP01    | 0.020825    | 0.000368   | 56.66378    | 0.0000 |
| EXP2     | -0.000268   | 7.17E-06   | -37.37194   | 0.0000 |

|                    |           |                       |          |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------|
| R-squared          | 0.341767  | Mean dependent var    | 11.58047 |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.341757  | S.D. dependent var    | 0.592283 |
| S.E. of regression | 0.480532  | Akaike info criterion | 1.372175 |
| Sum squared resid  | 46636.45  | Schwarz criterion     | 1.372377 |
| Log likelihood     | -138565.8 | F-statistic           | 34954.97 |
| Durbin-Watson stat | 0.922321  | Prob(F-statistic)     | 0.000000 |

Equation: EQ\_KOR Workfile: TARIFA2003

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Dependent Variable: LOG(KER)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Date: 11/23/08 Time: 09:00  
 Sample: 1 201971  
 Included observations: 201971

| Variable | Coefficient | Std. Error | t-Statistic | Prob.  |
|----------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------|
| C        | 9.986636    | 0.014081   | 709.2486    | 0.0000 |
| ISKVEG9  | 0.154711    | 0.000496   | 312.1709    | 0.0000 |
| KOR      | 0.031483    | 0.000672   | 46.84169    | 0.0000 |
| KOR^2    | -0.000278   | 7.80E-06   | -35.61278   | 0.0000 |

|                    |           |                       |          |
|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------|
| R-squared          | 0.342334  | Mean dependent var    | 11.5804  |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.342324  | S.D. dependent var    | 0.59228  |
| S.E. of regression | 0.480325  | Akaike info criterion | 1.37131  |
| Sum squared resid  | 46596.24  | Schwarz criterion     | 1.37151  |
| Log likelihood     | -138478.7 | F-statistic           | 35043.2  |
| Durbin-Watson stat | 0.923453  | Prob(F-statistic)     | 0.000000 |

# Logarithmic forms

Log-log (loglinear) – elasticity

$$\ln(y) = \alpha + \beta \ln(x) + u$$

$$\% \Delta \hat{y} = (e^{\hat{\beta}} - 1) \cdot \% \Delta x \approx \hat{\beta} \cdot \% \Delta x$$

Partly logarithmic forms

$$y = \alpha + \beta \ln(x) + u \quad \Delta \hat{y} \approx \frac{\hat{\beta}}{100} \% \Delta x$$

$$\ln(y) = \alpha + \beta x + u \quad \% \Delta \hat{y} \approx 100 \hat{\beta} \Delta x$$

# Quadratic form

Increasing or decreasing partial effect

$$y = \alpha + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_1^2 + u$$

$$\frac{\Delta \hat{y}}{\Delta x_1} \approx \hat{\beta}_1 + 2\hat{\beta}_2 x_1$$

Example: wage survey (2003), quadratic function of experience, estimated equations:

$$\log(\text{Ker}) = 9.83 + 0.135 \text{ISKVEG9} + 0.0082 \text{EXP}$$

$$\log(\text{Ker}) = 9.83 + 0.135 \text{ISKVEG9} + 0.022 \text{EXP} - 0.00029 \text{EXP}^2$$

positive (but decreasing) partial effect for  
 $0.022 / (2 * 0.00029) = 39$  years



# Interactions

Partial effect depends on other explanatory variables as well:

$$y = \alpha + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_1 x_2 + u$$

$$\frac{\Delta \hat{y}}{\Delta x_1} \approx \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 x_2$$

Example: wage and education premium depend on the profitability of the firm (net sales revenue – material costs)

$$\text{Log(wage)} = 10.304 + 0.139 \text{ Educ9} + 0.092 \text{ Log(Profit)}$$

$$\text{Log(wage)} = 10.597 + 0.079 \text{ Educ9} + 0.043 \text{ Log(Profit)} + 0.010 \\ (\text{Educ9} * \text{Log(Profit)})$$

# Dummy variables on the right hand side

So far: mainly continuous variables (quantitative information) – e.g. wage, consumption, wealth, education (?)

Binary / dummy variables

Qualitative information

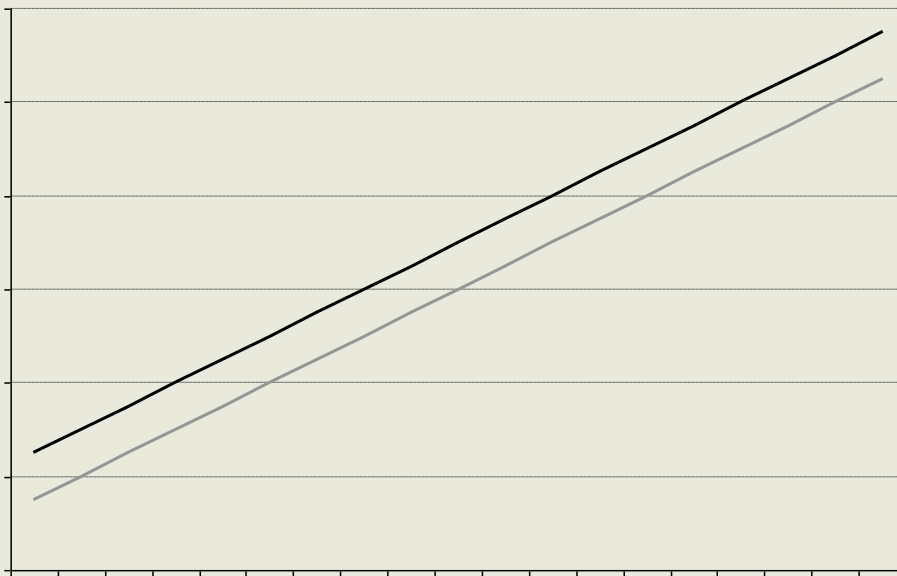
Examples: gender, employed, country dummy...

# Different intercepts – 2 groups

**Example:**  $\log(\text{wage}_i) = \begin{cases} \alpha_1 + \beta \text{Educ}_i + u_i, & \text{if from Budapest} \\ \alpha_2 + \beta \text{Educ}_i + u_i, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

$\Leftrightarrow \log(\text{wage}_i) = \alpha_1 + (\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)D_i + \beta \text{Educ}_i + u_i,$

$D_i = 0$  if from Budapest,  $D_i = 1$  otherwise



# Different intercepts, example

Based on the 2003 wage survey

Dependent Variable: LOG(KER)

Method: Least Squares

Sample: 1 201971

Included observations: 199204

White Heteroskedasticity-Consistent Standard Errors & Covariance

| Variable           | Coefficient | Std. Error         | t-Statistic | Prob.    |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| C                  | 10.93263    | 0.003597           | 3039.442    | 0.0000   |
| ISKVEG9            | 0.149569    | 0.000519           | 287.9107    | 0.0000   |
| VIDEK              | -0.164612   | 0.002906           | -56.64754   | 0.0000   |
| R-squared          | 0.331955    | Mean dependent var |             | 11.57456 |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.331948    | S.D. dependent var |             | 0.590660 |

# Log dependent variable

Estimated equation:

$$\log(Wage_i) = 10.93 - 0.16Countryside_i + 0.15Educ_i$$

Countryside: lower wage by approx. 16% (ceteris paribus)

Exact difference („log” is the natural logarithm in Eviews):

$$\log(Wage_1) - \log(Wage_0) = -0.16 = \log \frac{Wage_1}{Wage_0}$$

$$\Rightarrow \% \text{ wage difference} : (e^{-0.16} - 1) \cdot 100 = -14.79$$

# More than two groups

N groups (e.g. regions instead of Budapest / countryside)

$$y_i = \begin{cases} \alpha_1 + \beta x_i + u_i & \text{in Group 1} \\ \alpha_2 + \beta x_i + u_i & \text{in Group 2} \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_N + \beta x_i + u_i & \text{in Group N} \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y_i = \alpha_1 + (\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)D_2 + \dots + (\alpha_N - \alpha_1)D_N + \beta x_i + u_i$$

$$D_2 = 1 \text{ in Group 2 (0 otherwise), ...}$$

$$D_N = 1 \text{ in Group N (0 otherwise)}$$

N-1 dummies in the regression (if there are N groups),  
Group N: benchmark group!

# Interactions between binary variables

Example: male / female wage gap is not the same in Budapest and in the countryside

Four categories:

|        | Budapest | countryside |
|--------|----------|-------------|
| female |          |             |
| male   |          |             |

Benchmark group: females in Budapest

Two equivalent models

$$\log(\text{wage}_i) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \text{Countryside} \_ \text{Fem}_i + \alpha_2 \text{Bp} \_ \text{Male}_i + \alpha_3 \text{Countryside} \_ \text{Male}_i + \beta \text{Educ}_i + u_i$$

$$\log(\text{wage}_i) = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1^* \cdot \text{Male}_i + \alpha_2^* \cdot \text{Countryside}_i + \alpha_3^* \cdot \text{Countryside}_i \cdot \text{Male}_i + \beta \text{Educ}_i + u_i$$

# Interactions, example

Wage survey estimates (benchmark: females in Bp.):

Dependent Variable: LOG(KER)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Included observations: 199204  
 White Heteroskedasticity-Consistent Standard Errors & Covariance

| Variable           | Coefficient | Std. Error         | t-Statistic | Prob.  |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------|
| C                  | 10.90119    | 0.004225           | 2579.942    | 0.0000 |
| VIDEK*(1-FFI)      | -0.172604   | 0.003569           | -48.36810   | 0.0000 |
| (1-VIDEK)*FFI      | 0.053984    | 0.005444           | 9.916527    | 0.0000 |
| VIDEK*FFI          | -0.102617   | 0.003795           | -27.03654   | 0.0000 |
| ISKVEG9            | 0.150625    | 0.000524           | 287.6727    | 0.0000 |
| R-squared          | 0.335102    | Mean dependent var | 11.57456    |        |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.335089    | S.D. dependent var | 0.590660    |        |

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 Method: Least Squares  
 Included observations: 199204  
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| VIDEK              | -0.172604   | 0.003569           | -48.36810   | 0.0000 |
| FFI                | 0.053984    | 0.005444           | 9.916527    | 0.0000 |
| VIDEK*FFI          | 0.016003    | 0.005902           | 2.711195    | 0.0067 |
| ISKVEG9            | 0.150625    | 0.000524           | 287.6727    | 0.0000 |
| R-squared          | 0.335102    | Mean dependent var | 11.57456    |        |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.335089    | S.D. dependent var | 0.590660    |        |

$$-0,1026 = -0.1726 + 0.0540 + 0.0165$$



# Non-constant slope parameters

In case of two groups

$$y_i = \begin{cases} \alpha + \beta_{11}x_{1i} + \beta_2x_{2i} + u_i & \text{for Group 1} \\ \alpha + \beta_{12}x_{1i} + \beta_2x_{2i} + u_i & \text{for Group 2} \end{cases}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow y_i = \alpha + \beta_{11}x_{1i} + (\beta_{12} - \beta_{11})D_i x_{1i} + \beta_2x_{2i} + u_i$$

$$D_i = 0 \text{ for Group 1, } D_i = 1 \text{ for Group 2}$$

→ Interaction of a dummy variable and an explanatory variable

# Example

Effect of education gender-dependent but the effect of age is not

$$\log(Wage_i) = \alpha_0 + \beta_1 Educ_i + \beta_2 Educ_i \cdot Male_i + \beta_3 Age_i + u_i$$

Dependent Variable: LOG(KER)

Method: Least Squares

Included observations: 201971

White Heteroskedasticity-Consistent Standard Errors & Covariance

| Variable           | Coefficient | Std. Error         | t-Statistic | Prob.    |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| C                  | 10.45207    | 0.004941           | 2115.328    | 0.0000   |
| ISKVEG9            | 0.149156    | 0.000504           | 295.9727    | 0.0000   |
| ISKVEG9*FFI        | 0.014087    | 0.000440           | 31.99000    | 0.0000   |
| KOR                | 0.007764    | 9.57E-05           | 81.14545    | 0.0000   |
| R-squared          | 0.342540    | Mean dependent var |             | 11.58047 |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.342530    | S.D. dependent var |             | 0.592283 |

# Examining the stability of the coefficients

Example: is the wage model the same for males and females?

Cross sectional analysis (time series: stability of the coefficient in time)

$$\log(Wage_i) = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 Male_i + \beta_1 Educ_i + \beta_2 Educ_i \cdot Male_i + \beta_3 Age_i + \beta_4 Age_i \cdot Male_i + u_i$$
$$H_0 : \alpha_2 = 0, \beta_2 = 0, \beta_3 = 0$$

F-test (also possible for a subset of the restrictions)

Problem if  $N_2 < k \rightarrow$  Chow-test (predictive) can be used (see week 5)

# Examining the stability of the coefficients, cont.

## Estimation results and test statistic

Dependent Variable: LOG(KER)  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Included observations: 201971  
 White Heteroskedasticity-Consistent Standard Errors & Covariance

| Variable           | Coefficient | Std. Error         | t-Statistic | Prob.    |
|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|----------|
| C                  | 10.39458    | 0.006437           | 1614.696    | 0.0000   |
| FFI                | 0.104694    | 0.009702           | 10.79114    | 0.0000   |
| ISKVEG9            | 0.150973    | 0.000580           | 260.0792    | 0.0000   |
| ISKVEG9*FFI        | 0.011260    | 0.001075           | 10.47171    | 0.0000   |
| KOR                | 0.008858    | 0.000124           | 71.71457    | 0.0000   |
| KOR*FFI            | -0.002065   | 0.000191           | -10.81957   | 0.0000   |
| R-squared          | 0.342951    | Mean dependent var |             | 11.58047 |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.342935    | S.D. dependent var |             | 0.592283 |

Wald Test:  
 Equation: Untitled

| Test Statistic | Value    | df          | Probability |
|----------------|----------|-------------|-------------|
| F-statistic    | 438.0596 | (3, 201965) | 0.0000      |
| Chi-square     | 1314.179 | 3           | 0.0000      |

# Dummy dependent variable

## Examples:

Labour market: employed or not

Consumption: real estate owner or not

Finance: bankruptcy of the borrower or not

Binary dependent variable  $\leftrightarrow$  linear model?

# Linear probability model I.

$y$  binary variable

$$E(y | x) = P(y = 1 | x) = \alpha + \beta x$$

$$\text{Estimated model : } y_i = \alpha + \beta x_i + u_i$$

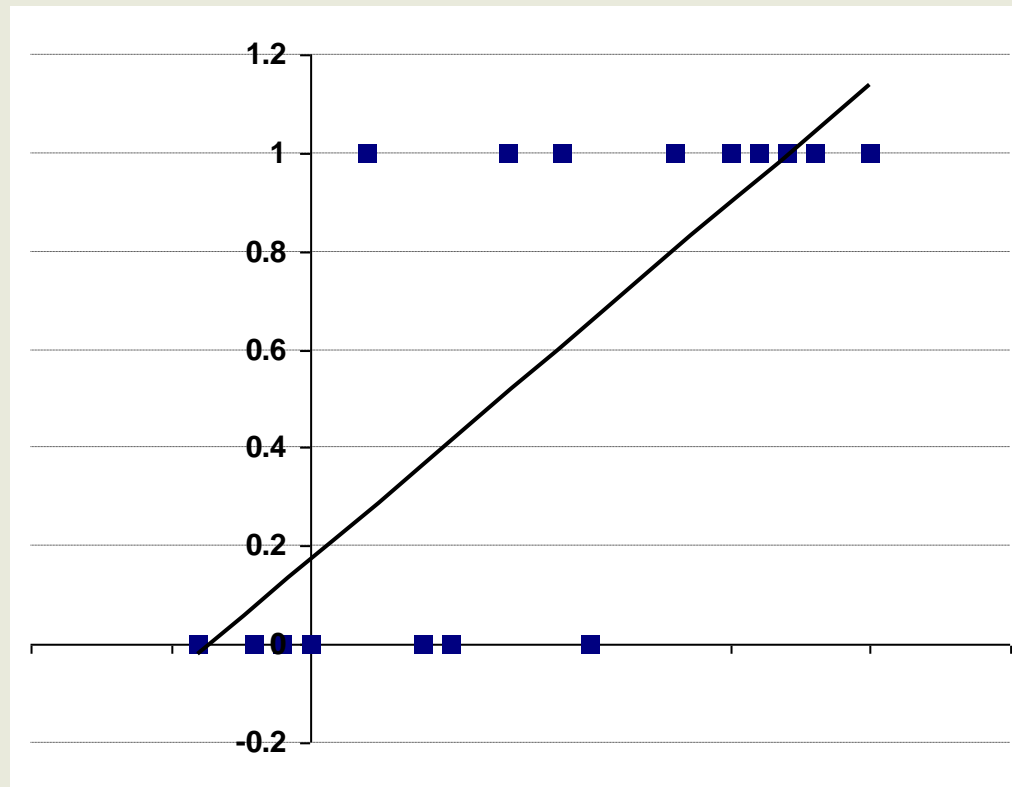
$\hat{y}$  :  $y = 1$  estimated prob.

Nonlinear model:  $P(y = 1 | x) = F(\beta x)$

If  $F$  is the Gaussian distribution function then the probit,  
if  $F(z) = e^z / (1 + e^z)$  then the logit model is obtained.

# Linear probability model II.

Problem 1: estimated probability may lie outside the  $[0,1]$  interval



# Linear probability model III.

Problem 2: heteroscedasticity

$$y_i = \beta x_i + u_i, \quad E(u_i) = 0$$

$$u_i = \begin{cases} -\beta x_i & (1 - \beta x_i) \text{ prob.} \\ 1 - \beta x_i & \beta x_i \text{ prob.} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(u_i) = (1 - \beta x_i)(-\beta x_i)^2 + \beta x_i(1 - \beta x_i)^2 = \beta x_i(1 - \beta x_i) = \hat{y}_i(1 - \hat{y}_i)$$

Solution:

Using robust SE

Weighted LS:  $w_i = \hat{y}_i(1 - \hat{y}_i)$



# Linear probability model, example

Dependent variable: whether the person has a private health insurance or not (SHARE database)

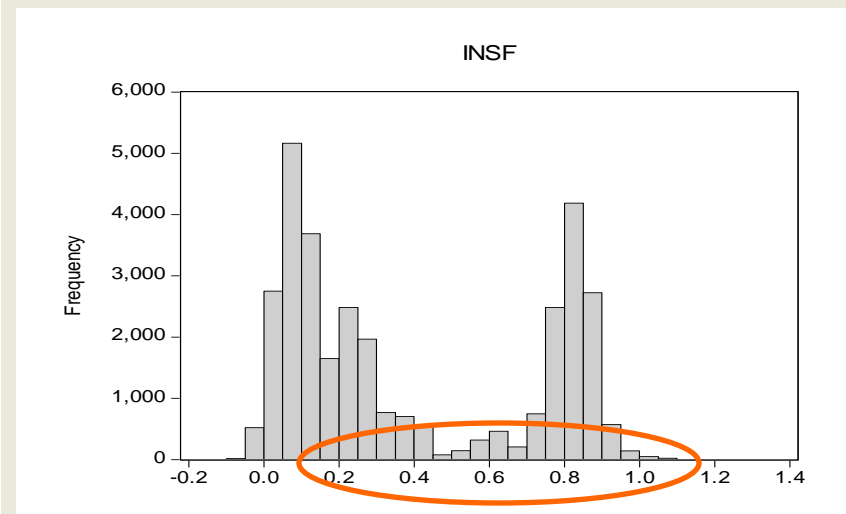
Explanatory variables: wealth, income, age, education, country dummies

Dependent Variable: INS  
 Method: Least Squares  
 Included observations: 32405  
 White Heteroskedasticity-Consistent Standard Errors & Covariance

| Variable      | Coefficient | Std. Error | t-Statistic | Prob.  |
|---------------|-------------|------------|-------------|--------|
| C             | 0.438462    | 0.015836   | 27.68759    | 0.0000 |
| HNETW/10^6    | 0.008275    | 0.002079   | 3.980982    | 0.0001 |
| HGTINC/10^6   | 0.445824    | 0.041066   | 10.85636    | 0.0000 |
| AGE           | -0.003281   | 0.000192   | -17.05036   | 0.0000 |
| EDU           | 0.000697    | 0.000280   | 2.487641    | 0.0129 |
| COUNTRY=GERM  | -0.026880   | 0.011713   | -2.294858   | 0.0217 |
| COUNTRY=SWE   | -0.156186   | 0.010539   | -14.81915   | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=NETH  | 0.568132    | 0.011364   | 49.99388    | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=SPAIN | -0.135671   | 0.010888   | -12.46093   | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=ITALY | -0.190969   | 0.010249   | -18.63311   | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=FRA   | 0.596495    | 0.011187   | 53.32010    | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=DENM  | 0.115167    | 0.014577   | 7.900561    | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=GRE   | -0.186449   | 0.010237   | -18.21386   | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=SWITZ | 0.345743    | 0.017138   | 20.17374    | 0.0000 |
| COUNTRY=BELG  | 0.546137    | 0.011148   | 48.98888    | 0.0000 |

R-squared 0.464462 Mean dependent var 0.395957  
 Adjusted R-squared 0.464230 S.D. dependent var 0.489063

Histogram of predicted prob.



# Seminar

## Multivariate regression III.

# Exercise: estimation of a wage equation based on a small sample from the wage survey

## Variables

Educ (years of education)

Exp (experience)

Wage

Typ (type of settlement – qualitative variable)

Bp (Budapest dummy)

Male (male dummy)

# Estimation of the wage equation I.

Model 1: modelling  $\log(\text{wage})$  in the private sector with the educ, exp,  $\text{exp}^2$ , bp, male variables and with the interaction of educ, exp with male

Does the equation for males differ significantly from the equation for females?

Joint test of Male, Educ\*Male and Exp\*Male

Experience-profile for Budapest males with 12 years of experience

Where is the maximum?

Graphical presentation of the experience-profile with confidence interval

# Estimation of the wage equation II.

Model 2: previous model + dummies for “chief town of the county” and for “other town”

Testing the equality of the two new coefficients with three methods

Directly

By a t-test after transformation

By comparing the  $R^2$  of the restricted and unrestricted model

Testing heteroscedasticity with the White- and Breusch–Pagan-tests

Calculating robust standard errors and comparing them with the non-robust ones

# Exercise: estimation of labour market participation with a linear probability model

Dependent variable: economically active or not

Explanatory variables: education, experience, age, kid below / over 6 years

OLS estimation with usual and with robust standard errors, WLS estimation

Forecasting probabilities