

Notes to Lecture 13: Example of Wu-Hausman test and residual mis-specification tests

Phillips curve example.

We estimate a price Phillips curve on Norwegian annual data. The results are:

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EQ(1) Modelling INF by OLS (using ulike modellspesifikasjoner for Phillipskurve.in7)
The estimation sample is: 1980 to 2005

                Coefficient  Std.Error  t-value  t-prob  Part.R^2
INF_1              0.709913    0.08224    8.63    0.000    0.7720
Constant            4.04037     1.200     3.37    0.003    0.3402
ln(U)              -2.64712     0.7963   -3.32    0.003    0.3343
D80                 4.28451     1.400     3.06    0.006    0.2985

sigma              1.1965    RSS              31.4956027
R^2                0.899496    F(3,22) =       65.63 [0.000]**
log-likelihood     -39.3852    DW              2.34
no. of observations      26    no. of parameters      4
mean(INF)          4.60409    var(INF)        12.0529
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INF is the annual rate of CPI inflation.

$\ln(U)$ is log of rate of unemployment.

D80 is a dummy for lifting of wage-freeze in 1980.

Wu-Hausman test

Estimate a marginal equation for $\ln(U)$, as a function of $\ln(U)_{-1}$, which is not included in EQ(1).

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EQ(2) Modelling ln(U) by OLS (using ulike modellspesifikasjoner for Phillipskurve.in7)
The estimation sample is: 1980 to 2005

                Coefficient  Std.Error  t-value  t-prob  Part.R^2
ln(U)_1            0.812166    0.09705    8.37    0.000    0.7448
Constant           0.237388     0.1125     2.11    0.046    0.1564

sigma              0.205012    RSS              1.00871589
R^2                0.744774    F(1,24) =       70.03 [0.000]**
log-likelihood     5.35004    DW              0.983
no. of observations      26    no. of parameters      2
mean(ln(U))        1.11698    var(ln(U))      0.152009
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The residuals from EQ(2) are added to EQ(1).

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EQ(3) Modelling INF by OLS (using ulike modellspesifikasjoner for Phillipskurve.in7)
The estimation sample is: 1980 to 2005

                Coefficient  Std.Error  t-value  t-prob  Part.R^2
INF_1              0.744862    0.1079     6.91    0.000    0.6943
Constant            3.40807     1.734     1.97    0.063    0.1554
ln(U)              -2.23293     1.143    -1.95    0.064    0.1537
D80                 4.40032     1.442     3.05    0.006    0.3072
lnU_residuals     -0.930339     1.813    -0.513    0.613    0.0124
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$\ln U_{-1}$ residuals is not statistically significant in EQ(2), so weak exogeneity is not rejected.

A small battery of residual mis-specification tests

Autocorrelation

DW in EQ(1) is not the correct test to use because of the lagged endogenous variable, the DW is biased toward 2 in ADL models. Instead we use the test that we discussed briefly in Lecture 3: Regress the EQ(1) residuals on J lags, and the set of regressors, and test significance of the J lags of the residuals.

To get an idea about the choice of J it is useful to consult the ACF (cf Lecture 3):

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Residual correlogram (ACF) from lag 1 to 4:  
-0.17388      0.078630     -0.038826     -0.025352
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which suggest that $J = 2$ is (more than) enough. The Error autocorrelation test for lag order 1 to 2 gives the output:

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Error autocorrelation coefficients in auxiliary regression:  
Lag Coefficient Std.Error  
1 -0.19079      0.2466  
2  0.042291     0.2544  
RSS = 30.346  sigma = 1.5173  
  
Testing for error autocorrelation from lags 1 to 2  
Chi^2(2) = 0.94901 [0.6222]  and F-form F(2,20) = 0.37883 [0.6895]
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The auxiliary regression (autoregressive part) comes first, and the χ^2 and F distributed tests of the joint H_0 of both lag coefficients being zero. Since the second lag coefficient is so small, a more powerful test is to test the H_0 of first order autocorrelation. This gives:

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Error autocorrelation coefficients in auxiliary regression:  
Lag Coefficient Std.Error  
1 -0.20226      0.2312  
RSS = 30.3879  sigma = 1.44704  
  
Testing for error autocorrelation from lags 1 to 1  
Chi^2(1) = 0.91440 [0.3389]  and F-form F(1,21) = 0.76547 [0.3915]
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Heteroscedastisity

White's test (Lecture 13): Regress squared residuals from EQ(1) on the set of regressors *and* their squares.

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Heteroscedasticity coefficients:  
Coefficient Std.Error t-value  
INF_1      -0.22583    0.57075  -0.39567  
ln(U)      -8.8664     8.5753   -1.0339  
INF_1^2     0.021762   0.041116 0.52929  
ln(U)^2     3.3874     3.7572   0.90155  
D80^2      -4.0020     3.5572   -1.1251  
  
RSS = 97.1579  sigma = 2.46422  effective no. of parameters = 6  
Regression in deviation from mean  
  
Testing for heteroscedasticity using squares  
Chi^2(5) = 4.0924 [0.5362]  and F-form F(5,16) = 0.59777 [0.7023]
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The χ^2 and F distributed lag version of White's tests are reported at the bottom of this screen-capture. If enough data, can also include cross products of regressors in auxiliary regression (cf Lecture 3).

Stability

Chow test (see Lecture 2) can be estimated recursively, e g the whole sequence of 1-step predictive Chow-tests, along with recursive estimation of the parameters of the model.

In the graph below, panel a)-d) shows the sequence of regression coefficient estimates (β s), panel e) gives the recursively estimated standard deviation (σ), and panel f) gives the 1-step predictive Chow tests.

