

V. Extensions of Multiple Regression

A. Dummy Variables

B. Scaling Variables

C. Non-Linear Models

1. Basic Idea for Estimation.
2. Models that don't require logs
3. Models that require log transform.
4. Other Items:
 - a. Normality Assumption
 - b. Dummy variables in Log Models.

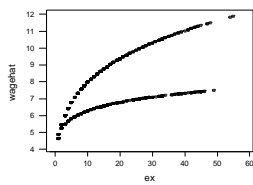
b. Dummy Variables in Log Models.

- Dependent variable is now lnY. Not in the natural units.
- Dummy variable coefficient measures:
$$\delta = \ln Y(D=1) - \ln Y(D=0)$$
- Proper interpretation:
$$\% \text{ difference in } Y = (\exp^\delta - 1) \cdot 100$$

$$\ln wage = -0.921 + 0.988 \ln ed + 0.235 \ln ex + 0.047 fe - 0.124 \ln exfe$$

Predictor	Coef	StDev	T	P
Constant	-0.9212	0.2524	-3.65	0.000
lned	0.98774	0.08731	11.31	0.000
lnex	0.23505	0.03111	7.56	0.000
fe	0.0475	0.1256	0.38	0.706
lnexfe	-0.12383	0.04555	-2.72	0.007

S = 0.4471 R-Sq = 27.4% R-Sq(adj) = 26.8%



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- B. Heteroskedasticity
- C. Autocorrelation

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A. Multicollinearity

1. **Definition:** The presence of *linear association* among independent variables.

- *Sample Problem* – the problem lies in your sample data.
- There is *no causal relationship* between X_2 and the other independent variables.

2. **Consequences:**

- OLS estimators – remain unbiased.
- Standard errors are inflated.
- Calculated t-statistics are deflated.
- t_{calc} falls in the FTR region more often than it should for a false null hypothesis.
- Can't trust your hypothesis tests.
- *P(Type II Error) is high.*

2. Consequences of Multicollinearity

- Multiple regression standard error:

$$s_{\hat{\beta}_1}^2 = \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2 \sum x_{2i}^2}{\sum x_{1i}^2 \sum x_{2i}^2 - (\sum x_{1i}x_{2i})^2}$$

- What happens if X_1 and X_2 are strongly and linearly associated. Recall:

$$r_{x_1x_2} = \frac{\sum x_{1i}x_{2i}}{\sqrt{\sum x_{1i}^2} \sqrt{\sum x_{2i}^2}} \quad r_{x_1x_2}^2 = \frac{(\sum x_{1i}x_{2i})^2}{\sum x_{1i}^2 \sum x_{2i}^2}$$

3. Diagnosis (Multicollinearity)

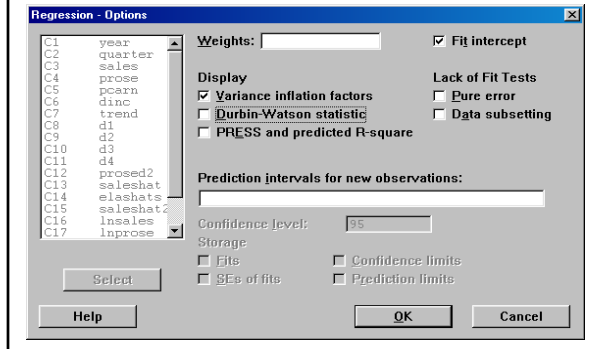
How can we tell if we have this problem?

- Classic Signs** – look on your printout for the following **combination**:

3. Diagnosis (Multicollinearity)

- Correlation Coefficients** – how strong are the pair-wise correlations between the Xs?
- Auxilliary Regressions** – regressions of one X on all the others, i.e.,

d. **Variance Inflation Factors:** Check the box in Minitab under **Regression Options**



4. Solutions – fixing the problem

- Sample data problem –
- *Eliminate the offensive variable –*
- Linear Association –
- *Use “non-sample” information.*
- *Data transformations –*
