

- 本試題共 7 大題, 合計 100 分。
- 請依題號依序作答。
- 請詳述理由或計算推導過程, 否則不予計分。

1. (10%) Let  $\varepsilon_t \sim \text{i.i.d.} (0, 1)$ , and  $e_t = \varepsilon_t \varepsilon_{t-1}$ .

- (a) (5%) Is  $e_t$  a martingale difference sequence with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_t = \{\varepsilon_t\}$ ?  
 (b) (5%) Is  $e_t$  an i.i.d. sequence?

2. (20%) Let

$$\{X_i\}_{i=1}^n \sim \text{i.i.d. Bernoulli}(p)$$

The odds ratio is defined as  $\theta = \frac{p}{1-p}$ .

- (a) (5%) Find the maximum likelihood estimator of  $\theta$ .  
 (b) (5%) Construct a 95% confidence interval of  $\theta$ .  
 (c) (5%) Suppose that you have obtained  $\{x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$  as the realizations of a random sample. Describe how to construct a 95% percentile bootstrap confidence interval of  $\theta$ .  
 (d) (5%) Suppose that the realizations of the random sample have 80 successes and 20 failures. Use the above data to test  $H_0: \theta = 3$  vs.  $H_1: \theta > 3$  with significance level  $\alpha = 0.01$ .

3. (5%) Let  $(X, Y, Z) \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, 1)$ . Find the distribution of

$$W = \frac{X + YZ}{\sqrt{1 + Z^2}}$$

4. (15%) Consider the linear model

$$Y = \alpha + \beta X + \varepsilon$$

where  $\varepsilon$  is an error term such that  $\text{Cov}(X, \varepsilon) = 0$ .

- (a) (5%) Is  $\alpha + \beta X$  the best predictor of  $Y$  given  $X$ ?  
 (b) (5%) Let  $Z$  be a random variable satisfying  $E(\varepsilon|Z) = 0$ . What is the best predictor of  $Y$  given  $Z$ ?  
 (c) (5%) Now suppose that  $X$  and  $Z$  are bivariate normal random variables:

$$\begin{pmatrix} X \\ Z \end{pmatrix} \stackrel{d}{=} N\left(\begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{bmatrix}\right)$$

where  $\rho$  is a known constant. Use this information to determine  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . What happens if  $\rho = 0$ ?

[Some useful  $N(0, 1)$  probabilities]

$$P(N(0, 1) \leq 2.33) = 0.99, \quad P(N(0, 1) \leq 1.96) = 0.975$$

$$P(N(0, 1) \leq 1.64) = 0.95, \quad P(N(0, 1) \leq 1.28) = 0.90$$

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5. (20%) True, false, or uncertain, and Why? Evaluate the following statements with brief explanations.

- (a) (5%) Under the principle of presumption of innocence, letting a guilty person go free is a Type III error.
- (b) (5%) According to the Gauss-Markov theorem, the OLS estimate is unbiased when the error terms are heteroscedastic.
- (c) (5%) Suppose that variable  $Z$  is a determinant of the dependent variable  $Y$ , omitted variable bias will definitely occur if  $Z$  is not included in the regression of  $Y$  on  $X$ .
- (d) (5%) The probit model is always better than the linear probability model when the dependent variable is *binary* even if the error term is heteroscedastic.

6. (10%) The parameter  $\beta$  is defined in the model

$$Y_i = \beta X_i^* + u_i$$

where  $u_i$  is independent of  $X_i^*$ ,  $E(u_i) = 0$ ,  $E(u_i^2) = \sigma^2$ , the observables are  $(Y_i, X_i)$  where

$$X_i = X_i^* v_i$$

and  $v_i > 0$  is random measurement error. Assume that  $v_i$  is independent of  $X_i^*$  and  $u_i$ . Also assume that  $X_i$  and  $X_i^*$  are non-negative and real-valued. Consider the least-squares estimator  $\hat{\beta}$  for  $\beta$ .

- (a) (5%) Find the probability limit of  $\hat{\beta}$ , expressed in terms of  $\beta$  and moments of  $(X_i, v_i, u_i)$ .
- (b) (5%) Find a condition under which  $\hat{\beta}$  is consistent for  $\beta$ ?

7. (20%) Consider the following regression model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i$$

and let  $Z$  be a *binary* instrumental variable (IV) for  $X$ .

- (a) (4%) What are the conditions for  $Z$  to be a valid instrument for  $X$ ?
- (b) (5%) What is the IV estimator of  $\beta_1$ ?
- (c) (5%) Is the IV estimator of  $\beta_1$  consistent? Explain.
- (d) (6%) Show that the IV estimator of  $\beta_1$  can be simplified as a function of  $\bar{Y}_0$ ,  $\bar{X}_0$ ,  $\bar{Y}_1$  and  $\bar{X}_1$ , where  $\bar{Y}_0$  and  $\bar{X}_0$  are the simple averages of  $Y_i$  and  $X_i$  over the part of the sample with  $Z_i = 0$ , and  $\bar{Y}_1$  and  $\bar{X}_1$  are the simple averages of  $Y_i$  and  $X_i$  over the part of the sample with  $Z_i = 1$ .