

[Q1]

$$(1) \quad Y_{ict} = \mu_c + \gamma_t + \alpha F_{ct} + \varepsilon_{ict}.$$

$$(2) \quad \hat{\alpha} = (\bar{Y}_{22} - \bar{Y}_{21}) - (\bar{Y}_{12} - \bar{Y}_{11})$$
$$\hat{\alpha} \rightarrow_p (E[Y_{i22}] - E[Y_{i21}]) - (E[Y_{i12}] - E[Y_{i11}])$$
$$= \alpha.$$

(3) If $F_{12} = F_{22} = 1$ then the "time effect" γ_2 is not separately identifiable from α , the policy effect. Our rank assumption does not hold.

(4) Yes. We have:

$$E[Y_{i22}] = \mu_2 + \gamma_2 + \alpha$$

$$E[Y_{i12}] = \mu_1 + \gamma_2 + \alpha.$$

$$E[Y_{i21}] = \mu_2 + \gamma_1$$

$$E[Y_{i11}] = \mu_1 + \gamma_1 + \alpha.$$

$$\text{So } \alpha = \underbrace{(E[Y_{i22}] - E[Y_{i21}])}_{= \alpha + \gamma_2 - \gamma_1} - \underbrace{(E[Y_{i12}] - E[Y_{i11}])}_{= \gamma_2 - \gamma_1}.$$

and we can estimate w/ sample means.

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[Q2]

$$(1) \hat{d} = (\bar{Y}_{22} - \bar{Y}_{21}) - (\bar{Y}_{12} - \bar{Y}_{11}).$$

$$\hat{V}_d = s_{22}^2/N_{22} + s_{21}^2/N_{21} + s_{12}^2/N_{12} + \frac{s_{11}^2}{N_{11}}$$

where s_{ct}^2 is sample variance.

confidence interval: $\hat{d} \pm 1.96 \times \sqrt{\hat{V}_d}$.

• assuming iid data over countries and time

$$(2) \hat{d} = \frac{1}{N_2} \sum \Delta Y_{i2} - \frac{1}{N_1} \sum \Delta Y_{i1}$$

$$\hat{V}_d = \frac{s_{\Delta Y, 2}^2}{N_2} + \frac{s_{\Delta Y, 1}^2}{N_1}$$

where $s_{\Delta Y, c}^2$ is sample variance of ΔY_{ic} .

CI: $\hat{d} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\hat{V}_d}$.

Assumptions: individuals are sampled iid.

[Q3]

$$(1) Y_{ict} = \mu_c + \gamma_t + \alpha F_{ict} + \varepsilon_{ict}$$

$$(2) \text{ let } X_i = [T_i \ C_i \ F_i]$$

be vector of time dummies, country dummies and Fracking dummies for observation i .

$$\rightarrow Y_i = X_i \beta + \epsilon_i, \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma \\ \mu \\ \alpha \end{bmatrix}.$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y_i$$

$\hat{\alpha}$ is last component of $\hat{\beta}$.

(3) • calculate $\hat{V}_{\hat{\beta}} = s_{\epsilon}^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$ and take $\hat{V}_{\hat{\alpha}}$ from bottom diagonal entry of $\hat{V}_{\hat{\beta}}$.

$$H_0: \alpha = 0$$

$$H_1: \alpha \neq 0.$$

• we reject H_0 if $\left| \frac{\hat{\alpha}}{\sqrt{\hat{V}_{\hat{\alpha}}}} \right| > 1.96$

(two-sided test).

$$(4) Y_{ict} = \mu_c + \gamma_t + \alpha_0 T_{ct} + \alpha_1 M_{ct} + \epsilon_{ict}.$$

(5) Let $X_i = [T_i \ C_i \ F_i \ M_i F_i]$ where M_i is a dummy for mining presence.

Model becomes:

$$Y_i = X_i \beta + \epsilon_i, \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma \\ \mu \\ \alpha_0 \\ \alpha_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

• estimate $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$

and take $(\hat{\alpha}_0, \hat{\alpha}_1)$ as bottom two entries.

- estimate $\hat{\beta} = \hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$
- Null Hypothesis is $\alpha_1 = \alpha_0$
- write $H_0 : R\beta = 0$
where $R = \underbrace{[0, 0, \dots, 0, 1, -1]}_{\text{all zeros.}}$
- Assume $H_1 : R\beta \neq 0$ and
reject H_0 if $\left| \frac{R^T \hat{\beta}}{\sqrt{R \hat{V}_\beta R^T}} \right| > 1.96.$

[Q4]

$$(1) Y_{ict} = \mu_c + \gamma_t + \alpha_0 F_{ct} + \alpha_1 TF_{ct} \times F_{ct} + \varepsilon_{ict}$$

$$(2) \text{ Let } X_i = [T_i \ C_i \ F_i \ F_i \times T F_i]$$

for obs i .

Follow same steps as 3.4/3.5
for estimation of (α_0, α_1) .

Here null hypothesis is $\alpha_1 = 0$.

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Assume $H_1: \alpha_1 \neq 0$
and reject if $\left| \frac{\hat{\alpha}_1}{\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_{\alpha_1}^2}} \right| > 1.96$

[a5]

Parallel trends implies
 $\pi_{st} = \mu_s + \gamma_t$ for
periods without treatment.

(1) $\pi_{12} - \pi_{11} = \pi_{22} - \pi_{21}$ implied by above.

(2) $\pi_{21} - \pi_{11} = \pi_{22} - \pi_{12}$ implied by above.

(3) Titch question! These hypotheses are
the same. w/ iid samples, the null
implies:

$$\frac{\bar{Y}_{12} - \bar{Y}_{11} - (\bar{Y}_{22} - \bar{Y}_{21})}{\sqrt{s_{11}^2/n_{11} + s_{12}^2/n_{12} + s_{21}^2/n_{21} + s_{22}^2/n_{22}}} \sim N(0,1)$$

Reject H_0 if $|\cdot| > 1.96$.

→ we are rejecting Parallel trends
which invalidates our results so far.

(4) $C=3$ implies:

- $\pi_{32} - \pi_{31} = \pi_{22} - \pi_{21}$

- $\pi_{32} - \pi_{31} = \pi_{12} - \pi_{11}$.

Write all 3 restrictions as

$$R\pi = 0$$

where

$$\pi = \begin{bmatrix} \pi_{11} \\ \pi_{12} \\ \pi_{21} \\ \pi_{22} \\ \pi_{31} \\ \pi_{32} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 & 0 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -1 \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

test stat is $(R\hat{\pi})^T (R\hat{V}_{\hat{\pi}}R^T)^{-1} (R\hat{\pi})$

where $\hat{\pi}$ are sample means,

diagonal matrix $\hat{V}_{\hat{\pi}} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11}/n_{11} & & & \text{zeros} \\ & \dots & & \\ \text{zeros} & & S_{33}/n_{33} & \\ & & & \dots \end{bmatrix}$

Reject if test stat $> \chi^2_{3,0.05}$.

[Q6]

(1) Use same OLS strategy as previous questions.

$$w/ P_{ict} = \mu_c + \gamma_t + \kappa F_{ct} + \epsilon_{ict}.$$

(2) Use OLS variance formula.

$$(3) \text{ Benefit} = \alpha + \kappa q.$$

$$\hat{B} = \alpha + \hat{\kappa} q.$$

$$W[\hat{B}] = q^2 W[\hat{\kappa}].$$

so confidence interval: $\alpha + \hat{\kappa} q \pm 1.96 \times q \times \sqrt{\hat{V}_{\hat{\kappa}}}$

where $\hat{V}_{\hat{\kappa}}$ is taken from OLS variance matrix (given in previous answers).

[Q7]

$$(1) \alpha_0 = E[Y_{i01}] - E[Y_{i00}]$$

$$\rightarrow \hat{\alpha}_0 = \bar{Y}_{01} - \bar{Y}_{00}.$$

$$(2) \alpha_1 = E[Y_{i11}] - E[Y_{i10}] - \alpha_0.$$

$$\hat{\alpha}_1 = (\bar{Y}_1 - \bar{Y}_{10}) - (\bar{Y}_{01} - \bar{Y}_{00})$$

(3) Randomization
implies $E[Y_{110}] = E[Y_{100}]$

so test w/ $\left| \frac{\bar{Y}_{10} - \bar{Y}_{00}}{\sqrt{S_{10}^2/n_1 + S_{00}^2/n_0}} \right|$

reject if $> Z_{\alpha/2}$.

(8) See your lecture notes
for this question.

(9)

(1) OLS will converge

$$\text{to } \frac{C(\log(w_i), \log(w_i))}{W[\log(w_i)]} = \psi_i + \frac{C(\alpha_i, \mu_i)}{W[\log(w_i)]}$$

→ since $C(\mu_i, \alpha_i) > 0$, true bias.

(2) We can estimate ψ via TSLS,

using $Z_i = [x_{ic} \quad v_c]$ as instruments.

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X_{ic} is not stochastically necessary
as long as U_c is a relevant instrument.

(3) • Null hypothesis is $\psi_1 = 0$.

• estimate \hat{V}_{ψ} as $S_{\hat{\psi}}^2 (X^T Z (Z^T Z)^{-1} Z^T X)^{-1}$

where X is vector of random variables
used in 1st stage.

• take \hat{V}_{ψ_1} as bottom right.

• Reject H_0 if $\left| \frac{\hat{\psi}_1}{\sqrt{\hat{V}_{\psi_1}}} \right| > z_{\alpha/2}$
→ assuming homoskedasticity
size.

and two-sided alternative.

[Q10]

(1) $\mathbb{P}(d_i, \delta_c) > 0$.

(2) $E[\delta_c | U_{ct}] = E[\delta_c]$.

(3) Let $d_i = \delta_c + \eta_i$:

where $\eta_i = d_i - E[d_i | \text{country } c]$

model: $\log(w_{ict}) = \psi_0 + \psi \log(w_{ict}) + \delta_c + \eta_i + \varepsilon_{ict}$

$\log(w_{ict}) = \phi_c + \gamma \psi_c + \gamma \varepsilon_{ict}$

→ now we add a dummy for country in both the 1st and 2nd stage.

→ this is valid if $E[\eta_i + \varepsilon_{ict} | \varepsilon_{ict}] = 0$.

[Q11]

$H_0: \pi_1 = 0$

$\pi_2 = 0$

\vdots
 $\pi_L = 0$.

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$H_0: R\pi = 0$

where

$$\pi = \begin{bmatrix} \pi_0 \\ \pi_1 \\ \vdots \\ \pi_L \end{bmatrix}$$

$$R = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & - & 0 & & \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & - & \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & - & \\ \text{zeros} & & & 1 & \\ & & & & \backslash 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

ones in all but
1st diagonal
entry.

test stat: $(R\hat{\pi})' (R' \hat{V}_{\hat{\pi}} R)^{-1} (R\hat{\pi})$
 where $\hat{\pi}$ is OLS estimator,
 $\hat{V}_{\hat{\pi}}$ is variance estimate. (e.g. $S_{\hat{\epsilon}}^2 (Z'Z)^{-1}$).

Reject H_0 if test stat $> \chi^2_{L, \alpha}$
 \uparrow
 chosen size

[Q12]

(1) This would violate the relevance assumption on the instruments
 (i.e. the relevance of instruments assumption)

(2) Estimate the model

$$H_i = \pi_0 + \pi_1 z_{1i} + \pi_2 z_{2i} + \epsilon_i$$
 and conduct a joint hypothesis test

$$H_0: \begin{aligned} \pi_1 &= 0 \\ \pi_2 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

(using Wald statistic)

(3) If z_1 & z_2 make collinear

more rewarding / less costly, this
increases the returns to graduating high
school.

[a13]

$$(1) \quad Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i$$

$$x_i^m = x_i + \eta_i$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow Y_i &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 (x_i^m - \eta_i) + \varepsilon_i \\ &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i^m - \beta_1 \eta_i + \varepsilon_i \end{aligned}$$

\rightarrow note that $E[\eta_i | x_i^m] \neq 0$

since $x_i^m = x_i + \eta_i$

and strict exogeneity violated.

• alternatively, OLS converges to:

$$\frac{Q(Y_i, x_i^m)}{W(x_i^m)} = \frac{Q(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i, x_i + \eta_i)}{W(x_i) + \sigma_\eta^2}$$

$$= \beta_1 \times \left(\frac{V[x_i]}{V[x_i] + \sigma_\eta^2} \right) \neq \beta_1$$

(2) We can now estimate β_1

by 2SLS using Z_i as an instrument

for x_i^m , since: $E[\eta_i | Z_i] = 0$.

Alternatively, 2SLS
converges to: $\frac{C(Y_i, Z_i)}{C(x_i^m, Z_i)}$

$$= \frac{C(\beta_0 + \beta_1 z_i + \epsilon_i, x_i + \zeta_i)}{C(x_i + \eta_i, x_i + \zeta_i)} = \beta_1 \times \frac{V[x_i]}{V[x_i]} \quad \checkmark$$