

# Variance Estimation

## Lemma 4.1:

Suppose  $z$  is a random vector with

$$E(z) = \boldsymbol{\mu} \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Var}(z) = \boldsymbol{\Sigma}.$$

Then  $E(z'Az) = \boldsymbol{\mu}'A\boldsymbol{\mu} + \text{tr}(A\boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ .

## Result 4.2:

Under the GMM, an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$  is

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\text{SSE}}{n - r},$$

where  $r = \text{rank}(X)$  and

$$\begin{aligned}\text{SSE} &= \hat{\varepsilon}'\hat{\varepsilon} = (\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})'(\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}}) = [(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{y}]'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{y} \\ &= \text{"Sum of Squared Errors."}\end{aligned}$$

The “Regression Sum of Squares” or “Sum of Squares for Regression” is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SSR} &= \hat{\mathbf{y}}'\hat{\mathbf{y}} = (\mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{y})'\mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{P}'_X\mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{y}. \end{aligned}$$

Find  $E(\text{SSR})$ .

Show that the Total Sum of Squares  $y'y = SSR + SSE$ .