

Reminder

- ▶ Education x possibly endogenous (correlated with error u) so need an instrument z for education x that is correlated with education x and not correlated with the error u .
- ▶ IV: endogenous regressor / omitted variable problem – use excluded exogenous regressors.
- ▶ 2SLS: more than one excluded exogenous regressor.

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- ▶ Get second measurement on x_1^* : z_1 .
 - ▶ Income: ask employers.
 - ▶ Education: ask twin.
 - ▶ Household savings: ask spouse.

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$$y_1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 y_2 + \beta_2 z_1 + \beta_3 z_2 + \delta_1 \hat{v}_2 + \text{error} \quad (3)$$

Run OLS on (3) and do a t-test of $H_0 : \delta_1 = 0$.

- ▶ Rejection implies endogeneity since $\text{Corr}(v_2, u_1) \neq 0$.

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- ▶ Can test only when have more instruments than we need – just enough \rightarrow **just** identified – can also make tests robust to heterogeneity of arbitrary form.

2SLS with Heteroscedasticity

- ▶ Similar issues as with OLS; metrics packages do this routinely.
- ▶ Breusch-Pagan test:
 - ▶ 2SLS $\rightarrow \hat{u}$ and let z_1, \dots, z_m be all exogenous variables including IVs.
 - ▶ Under assumptions, use F test for joint significance of z 's in a regression of \hat{u}^2 on z_1, \dots, z_m .
 - ▶ H_0 of homogeneity rejected if z_j jointly significant.
- ▶ Can use W2SLS if know how error variance depends on exogenous variables.