

ASYMPTOTIC COVARIANCE

1. SAR Model

$$y = X\beta + u, \quad u = \rho Wu + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow u = (I_n - \rho W)^{-1} \varepsilon = B_\rho^{-1} \varepsilon \Rightarrow \boxed{y \sim N(X\beta, \sigma^2 (B_\rho' B_\rho)^{-1})}$$

If $G_\rho = WB_\rho^{-1}$, then the *asymptotic covariance matrix* is given by:

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\rho}) = \sigma^4 \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2 X' B_\rho' B_\rho X & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & n/2 & \sigma^2 \text{tr}(G_\rho) \\ 0 & \sigma^2 \text{tr}(G_\rho) & \sigma^4 \text{tr}(G_\rho (G_\rho + G_\rho')) \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$

1. SP-Lag Model

$$y = \lambda Wy + X\beta + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I_n)$$

$$\Rightarrow B_\lambda y = (I_n - \lambda W)y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow y = B_\lambda^{-1} X\beta + B_\lambda^{-1} \varepsilon \Rightarrow \boxed{y \sim N(B_\lambda^{-1} X\beta, \sigma^2 (B_\lambda' B_\lambda)^{-1})}$$

If $G_\lambda = WB_\lambda^{-1}$ and $H(\beta, \lambda) = \sigma^4 \text{tr}(G_\lambda (G_\lambda + G_\lambda')) + \sigma^2 \beta' X' G_\lambda X \beta$, then the *asymptotic covariance matrix* is given by:

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}^2, \hat{\lambda}) = \sigma^4 \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2 X' X & 0 & \sigma^2 X' G_\lambda X \\ 0 & n/2 & \sigma^2 \text{tr}(G_\lambda) \\ \sigma^2 X' G_\lambda X & \sigma^2 \text{tr}(G_\lambda) & H(\hat{\beta}, \hat{\lambda}) \end{pmatrix}^{-1}$$