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1 Introduction

Spatial models deal with correlation across spatial units usually in a cross-section setting, see Anselin (1988a). Panel data models allow the researcher to control for heterogeneity across these units, see Baltagi (2005). Spatial panel models can control for both heterogeneity and spatial correlation, see Baltagi, Song and Koh (2003). Testing for spatial dependence has been extensively studied by Anselin (1988a, 1988b, 2001) and Anselin and Bera (1998), to mention a few. Baltagi, Song and Koh (2003) considered the problem of jointly testing for random region effects in the panel as well as spatial correlation across these regions. However, the last study allowed for spatial correlation only in the remainder error term. This paper generalizes the Baltagi, Song and Koh (2003) to allow for spatial lag dependence of the autoregressive kind in the dependent variable rather than the error term. In fact, this paper derives a joint LM test which simultaneously tests for the absence of spatial lag dependence and random individual effects in a panel data regression model. It

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2 The model and test statistics

Consider a panel data regression model with spatial lag dependence:

\[ y_t = \rho Wy_t + X_t \beta + u_t, \quad i = 1, \ldots, N; \quad t = 1, \ldots, T \]  

(1)

where \( y'_t = (y_{t1}, \ldots, y_{tN}) \) is a vector of observations on the dependent variables for \( N \) regions or households at time \( t = 1, \ldots, T \). \( \rho \) is a scalar spatial autoregressive coefficient and \( W \) is a known \( N \times N \) spatial weight matrix whose diagonal elements are zero. \( W \) also satisfies the condition that \( (I_N - \rho W) \) is non-singular for all \( |\rho| < 1 \). \( I_N \) is an identity matrix of dimension \( N \). \( X_t \) is an \( N \times k \) matrix of observations on \( k \) explanatory variables at time \( t \). \( u'_t = (u_{t1}, \ldots, u_{tN}) \) is a vector of disturbances following an error component model:

\[ u_t = \mu + \nu_t \]  

(2)

where \( \mu' = (\mu_1, \ldots, \mu_N) \) and \( \mu_i \) is i.i.d. over \( i \) and is assumed to be \( N(0, \sigma_\mu^2) \). \( \nu'_t = (\nu_{t1}, \ldots, \nu_{tN}) \) and \( \nu_{ti} \) is i.i.d. over \( t \) and \( i \) and is assumed to be \( N(0, \sigma_\nu^2) \). The \( \{\mu_i\} \) process is also independent of the \( \{\nu_{ti}\} \) process.

Equation (1) can be rewritten in matrix notation as

\[ y = \rho (I_T \otimes W) y + X \beta + u, \quad i = 1, \ldots, N; \quad t = 1, \ldots, T \]  

(3)

where \( y \) is of dimension \( NT \times 1 \), \( X \) is \( NT \times k \), \( \beta \) is \( k \times 1 \) and \( u \) is \( NT \times 1 \). The observations are ordered with \( t \) being the slow running index and \( i \) the fast running index, i.e., \( y' = (y_{11}, \ldots, y_{1N}, \ldots, y_{T1}, \ldots, y_{TN}) \). \( X \) is assumed to be of full column rank and its elements are assumed to be asymptotically bounded in absolute value. Equation (2) can also be written in vector form as

\[ u = (\nu_T \otimes I_N) \mu + \nu, \]  

(4)
where \( \nu' = (\nu_1, \ldots, \nu_T) \), \( \nu_T \) is a vector of ones of dimension \( T \), \( I_N \) is an identity matrix of dimension \( N \), and \( \otimes \) denotes the Kronecker product. Under these assumptions, the variance-covariance matrix for \( u \) can be written as

\[
\Omega = \sigma_u^2 (J_T \otimes I_N) + \sigma^2 (I_T \otimes I_N),
\]

(5)

where \( J_T \) is a matrix of ones of dimension \( T \).

Under the normality assumption, the log-likelihood function of equation (1) is given by

\[
L = -\frac{NT}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\Omega| + T \ln |A| - \frac{1}{2} [(I_T \otimes A) y - X\beta]' \Omega^{-1} [(I_T \otimes A) y - X\beta]
\]

where \( A = I_N - \rho W \). Ord (1975) shows that \( \ln |I_N - \rho W| = \sum_{i=1}^N \ln (1 - \rho \omega_i) \), where \( \omega_i \)'s are the eigenvalues of \( W \). Using the notation in Baltagi (2005), we can write \( \Omega = \sigma_u^2 \Sigma \), where \( \Sigma = Q + \phi^{-2} P \), \( P = J_T \otimes I_N \), \( J_T = \nu_T \nu_T' / T \), \( Q = I_T N - P \), \( \phi^2 = \sigma_u^2 / \sigma_v^2 \), and \( \sigma_v^2 = T \sigma_u^2 + \sigma_1^2 \). From which it follows that \( \ln |\Omega| = NT \ln \sigma_u^2 + N \ln \phi^2 \).

The log-likelihood function in (6) can be rewritten as

\[
L = -\frac{NT}{2} \ln 2\pi - \frac{1}{2} \ln |\sigma_u^2 + N \ln \phi^2| + T \sum_{i=1}^N \ln (1 - \rho \omega_i) - \frac{1}{2\sigma_v^2} [(I_T \otimes A) y - X\beta]' \Sigma^{-1} [(I_T \otimes A) y - X\beta]
\]

(7)

and one can estimate this model using maximum likelihood, see Anselin (1988a).

This paper derives a joint LM test for the absence of spatial lag dependence as well as random effects. The null hypothesis is \( H_0^a: \rho = \sigma_u^2 = 0 \), and the alternative \( H_1^a \) is that at least one component is not zero. This generalizes the LM test derived in Anselin (1988b) for the absence of spatial lag dependence \( H_0^b: \rho = 0 \) (assuming no random effects, i.e., \( \sigma_u^2 = 0 \)), and the Breusch and Pagan (1980) LM test for the absence of random effects \( H_0^c: \sigma_u^2 = 0 \) (assuming no spatial lag dependence, i.e., \( \rho = 0 \)). We also derive two conditional LM tests, one for \( H_0^d: \rho = 0 \) (assuming the possible existence of random effects, i.e., \( \sigma_u^2 \geq 0 \)), and the other one for \( H_0^e: \sigma_u^2 = 0 \) (assuming the possible existence of spatial lag dependence, i.e., \( \rho \) may be different from zero). All the proofs are given in the Appendix to the paper.

### 2.1 Joint LM test for \( H_0^a: \rho = \sigma_u^2 = 0 \)

The joint LM test statistic for testing \( H_0^a: \rho = \sigma_u^2 = 0 \) is given by

\[
LM_J = \frac{R^2}{B} + \frac{NT}{2(T-1)} G^2 = LM_B + LM_\mu
\]

(8)
where \( B = T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 + W'W \right] + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{\beta}' (I_T \otimes W') M (I_T \otimes W) X \hat{\beta} \), \( M = I - X (X'X)^{-1} X' \), \( G = T \hat{u}' V_u^{-1} u - 1 \), \( R = NT \hat{u}' (I_T \otimes W) y \). \( \hat{L}_\varphi \) is the restricted MLE under \( H_0^\varphi \) which yields OLS, \( \hat{u} \) denotes the OLS residuals, and \( \hat{\sigma}_\nu^2 = \hat{u}' \hat{u}/NT \). \( R \) is a generalization of a similar term defined in Anselin (1988b) for the LM test of no spatial dependence in the cross-section case. In fact, \( R \) can be interpreted as \( NT \) times the regression coefficient of \( (I_T \otimes W) y \) on \( \hat{u} \). Here, the joint LM test \( \hat{L}_J \) is the sum of two LM test statistics: The first is \( \hat{L}_\varphi = R^2 / B \), which is the LM test statistic for testing \( H_0^\varphi : \rho = 0 \) assuming there is no random region effects, i.e., assuming \( \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \), see Anselin (1988a). \( \hat{L}_\varphi \) is asymptotically distributed as \( \chi^2 \) under \( H_0^\varphi \). The second is \( \hat{L}_\mu = \frac{N \Gamma (T-1)}{2(T-1)} G^2 \), which is the LM test statistic for testing \( H_0^\mu : \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \) assuming there is no spatial lag dependence, i.e., assuming that \( \rho = 0 \), see Breusch and Pagan (1980). Since \( \hat{L}_\varphi \) and \( \hat{L}_\mu \) are asymptotically independent, \( \hat{L}_J \) is asymptotically distributed as \( \chi^2 \) under \( H_0^\varphi \). It is important to point out that the asymptotic distribution of our test statistics are not explicitly derived in the paper but that they are likely to hold under a similar set of primitive assumptions developed by Kelejian and Prucha (2001).

### 2.2 Conditional LM Test for \( H_0^\varphi : \rho = 0 \) (assuming \( \sigma_\mu^2 \geq 0 \))

When one uses \( \hat{L}_\varphi \) defined in (8) to test \( H_0^\varphi : \rho = 0 \), one implicitly assumes that the random region effects do not exist. This may lead to incorrect inference especially when \( \sigma_\mu^2 \) is large. To overcome this problem, we derive a conditional LM test for no spatial lag dependence assuming the possible existence of random region effects. The null hypothesis is \( H_0^\varphi : \rho = 0 \) (assuming \( \sigma_\mu^2 \geq 0 \)), and the conditional LM test statistic is given by

\[
\hat{L}_{\rho/\mu} = R^2 / B_1, \tag{9}
\]

where \( R_1 = \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} \hat{u}' (\hat{J}_T \otimes W) y + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{u}' (E_T \otimes W) y, \)

\[
B_1 = T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 + W'W \right] + \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} \hat{\beta}' (\hat{J}_T \otimes W'W) X \hat{\beta} + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{\beta}' (E_T \otimes W'W) X \hat{\beta}
- \left[ \hat{\beta}' (\hat{J}_T \otimes W) X \hat{\beta} + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{\beta}' (E_T \otimes W) X \hat{\beta} \right]
\left[ X' \hat{\Omega}^{-1} X \right]^{-1} \left[ \hat{\beta}' (\hat{J}_T \otimes W) X \hat{\beta} + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{\beta}' (E_T \otimes W) X \hat{\beta} \right]
\]

and \( (\hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}_1^2, \hat{\sigma}_\nu^2) \) denote the restricted MLE under \( H_0^\varphi \). These are in fact the MLE under a random effects panel data model with no spatial lag dependence. \( \hat{u} \) denotes the corresponding restricted MLE residuals under the null hypothesis \( H_0^\varphi \). This LM statistic is asymptotically distributed as \( \chi^2 \) under \( H_0^\varphi \). \( E_T = I_T - \hat{J}_T, \)

\( \hat{\sigma}_1^2 = \hat{u}' P \hat{u} / N, \) and \( \hat{\sigma}_\nu^2 = \hat{u}' Q \hat{u} / N (T - 1) \). Note that \( \hat{L}_{\rho/\mu} \) in (9) is of the same form as \( \hat{L}_\varphi \) in (8). However, \( R_1 \) and \( B_1 \) are now different from \( R \) and \( B \), and they are based on different restricted ML residuals, namely
\( \hat{u} \), those of a random effects panel data model with no spatial lag dependence, see Baltagi (2005), rather than the OLS residuals \( \hat{u} \).

2.3 Conditional LM Test for \( H_0^\mu : \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \) (assuming \( \rho \) may or may not be zero)

Similarly, if one uses \( LM_\mu \) defined in (8) to test \( H_0^\mu : \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \), one implicitly assumes that the spatial lag dependence does not exist. This may lead to incorrect inference especially when \( \rho \) is large. To overcome this problem, we derive a conditional LM test for no random region effects given the existence of spatial lag dependence. The null hypothesis is \( H_0^\mu : \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \) (assuming \( \rho \) may not be zero), and the conditional LM test statistic is given by

\[
LM_{\mu/\rho} = \frac{NT}{2(T-1)} G_1^2, \tag{10}
\]

where \( G_1 = T \frac{\hat{u}^T \hat{u}}{\hat{u}^T \hat{u}^*} - 1 \) and \( \bar{u} \) denotes the restricted maximum likelihood residuals under the null hypothesis \( H_0^\mu \), i.e., under a spatial lag dependence panel data model with no random effects. Note that \( LM_{\mu/\rho} \) in (10) is of the same form as \( LM_\mu \) in (8). However, \( G_1 \) differs from \( G \) in that they are based on different restricted ML residuals. The former is based on \( \hat{u}_t = y_t - \hat{\rho} W y_t + \hat{\beta}_t \), where \( \hat{\rho} \) and \( \hat{\beta} \) are the MLE of \( \rho \) and \( \beta \) in a spatial lag panel data model with no random effects, while the latter is based on OLS residuals \( \hat{u} \).

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3 Appendix

3.1 The first-order and second-order derivatives

From the log-likelihood function given in (6), one can obtain the score equations as follows:

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} = -T \cdot tr \left[ A^{-1} W \right] + u' \Omega^{-1} (I_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma^2_u} = -\frac{1}{2} NT \sigma_1^{-2} + \frac{1}{2} T \sigma_1^{-4} \left[ u' P u \right]
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma^2_v} = -\frac{1}{2} \left[ N \sigma_1^{-2} + N (T - 1) \sigma_2^{-2} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[ u' (\sigma_1^{-4} P + \sigma_2^{-4} Q) u \right]
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} = X' \Omega^{-1} u
\]

where \( \sigma_1^2 = T \sigma_\mu^2 + \sigma_\nu^2 \), \( P = \bar{J}_T \otimes I_N \), \( \bar{J}_T = \nu_T \nu_T' / T \), with \( \nu_T \) denoting a vector of ones of dimension \( T \).
The second-order derivatives are given by

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \rho} = -T \cdot tr \left[ (WA^{-1})^2 \right] - y' (I_T \otimes W') \Omega^{-1} (I_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \sigma_\mu^2} = -T \sigma_1^{-4} u' P (I_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \sigma_\nu^2} = -u' (\sigma_1^{-4} P + \sigma_\nu^{-4} Q) (I_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \beta} = -X' \Omega^{-1} (I_T \otimes W) y = -X' (\sigma_1^{-2} P + \sigma_\nu^{-2} Q) (I_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma_\mu^2 \partial \sigma_\mu^2} = \frac{1}{2} NT^2 \sigma_1^{-4} - T^2 \sigma_1^{-6} [u' Pu]
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma_\mu^2 \partial \sigma_\nu^2} = \frac{1}{2} NT \sigma_1^{-4} - T \sigma_1^{-6} [u' Pu]
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma_\nu^2 \partial \beta} = -TX' \Omega^{-1} P \Omega^{-1} u = -\sigma_1^{-4} TX' Pu
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma_\mu^2 \partial \beta} = \frac{1}{2} [N \sigma_1^{-4} + N (T-1) \sigma_\nu^{-4}] - [u' (\sigma_1^{-6} P + \sigma_\nu^{-6} Q) u]
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma_\nu^2 \partial \beta} = -X' \Omega^{-1} \Omega^{-1} u = -X' (\sigma_1^{-4} P + \sigma_\nu^{-4} Q) u
\]

\[
\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \beta \beta} = -X' \Omega^{-1} X = -X' (\sigma_1^{-2} P + \sigma_\nu^{-2} Q) X
\]

### 3.2 Joint Test

Under the null hypothesis \( H_0^a : \rho = \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \), equation (1) becomes a regression model with no spatial dependence or random region effects. The variance-covariance matrix reduces to \( \sigma_\nu^2 I_{NT} \) and the restricted MLE of \( \beta \) is \( \hat{\beta}_{OLS} \), so that \( \hat{u} = y - X \hat{\beta}_{OLS} \) are the OLS residuals and \( \hat{\sigma}_\nu^2 = \hat{u}' \hat{u} / NT \). This is clear from the score equations evaluated under \( H_0^a : \rho = \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \):

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} \bigg|_{H_0^a} = -T \cdot tr [W] + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{u}' (I_T \otimes W) y = \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{u}' (I_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma_\mu^2} \bigg|_{H_0^a} = -\frac{1}{2} NT \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} + \frac{1}{2} T \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-4} \hat{u}' P \hat{u} = \frac{1}{2} NT \left( \frac{\hat{u}' P \hat{u}}{\hat{u}' \hat{u}} - 1 \right) \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2}
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma_\nu^2} \bigg|_{H_0^a} = -\frac{1}{2} NT \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} + \frac{1}{2} \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-4} \hat{u}' \hat{u} = 0
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} \bigg|_{H_0^a} = \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} X' \hat{u} = 0
\]

Therefore, the score with respect to \( \theta' = (\rho, \sigma_\mu^2, \sigma_\nu^2, \beta') \), evaluated under the null hypothesis \( H_0^a : \rho = \sigma_\mu^2 = 0 \) is given by

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \theta} \bigg|_{H_0^a} = \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} \bigg|_{H_0^a}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma_\mu^2} \bigg|_{H_0^a}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma_\nu^2} \bigg|_{H_0^a}, \frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} \bigg|_{H_0^a} \right)
\]
dependence in the cross-section case. In fact, \( R \) can be interpreted as \( NT \) times the regression coefficient of \((I_T \otimes W)\) on \( \ddot{u} \).

Under \( H_0^* \), the elements of the information matrix \( \hat{J} \) are given by:

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \rho} \right]_{H_0^*} = T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 \right] + \bar{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} E \left[ y' \left( I_T \otimes W'W \right) y \right] = T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 \right] + \bar{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} E \left[ y' \left( I_T \otimes W'W \right) y \right] = T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 \right] + \bar{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} E \left[ y' \left( I_T \otimes W'W \right) y \right] = T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 \right] + \bar{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \beta' X' \left( I_T \otimes W'W \right) X \bar{\beta}
\]

Hence, the information matrix \( \hat{J} \) evaluated under \( H_0^* \) can be written as

\[
\hat{J} = \begin{pmatrix}
\hat{J}_{11} & \hat{J}_{12} \\
\hat{J}_{21} & \hat{J}_{22}
\end{pmatrix}
\]
where \( \hat{J}_{11} = \left( T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 + W'W \right] + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{\beta}' (I_T \otimes W'W) X \hat{\beta} \right) \), \( \hat{J}_{12} = \hat{J}_{21} = \left( \frac{1}{2} NT \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-4} \right) \), and \( \hat{J}_{22} = \left( \frac{1}{2} NT \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-4} \right) \).

Using partitioned inversion, we know that the upper 2 \times 2 block of the inverse matrix \( \bar{J}^{-1} \) is given by

\[
\bar{J}^{-1} = \left( \hat{J}_{11} - \hat{J}_{12} \hat{J}_{22}^{-1} \hat{J}_{21} \right)^{-1}.
\]

This can be easily derived as:

\[
\hat{j}_{11} = \left( \begin{array}{cc} B^{-1} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{2}{NT} \end{array} \right)
\]

where \( B = T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W^2 + W'W \right] + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{\beta}' (I_T \otimes W') M (I_T \otimes W) X \hat{\beta}, \) and \( M = I - X (X'X)^{-1} X'. \) See Anselin and Bera (1998) for a similar \( B \) term in the cross-section case.

Therefore, the joint LM statistic for \( H_0^d \) is given by

\[
LM_J = \hat{D}_\rho \hat{J}_{11}^{-1} \hat{D}_\rho = \left( \hat{D}_\rho \hat{D}_\sigma^2 \right) \hat{J}_{11} \left( \hat{D}_\rho \hat{D}_\sigma^2 \right) = \left( \frac{B^{-1} \frac{2}{NT} G}{B} \right) \left( \frac{R}{\frac{2}{NT} G} \right)
\]

\[
= \frac{B \hat{r}^2}{B} + \frac{NT}{2(N-1)} G^2.
\]

### 3.3 Conditional LM Test for \( H_0^d : \rho = 0 \) (assuming \( \sigma_\rho^2 \geq 0 \))

This section derives the conditional LM test for no spatial lag dependence given the existence of random region effects. The null hypothesis is \( H_0^d : \rho = 0 \) (assuming \( \sigma_\rho^2 \geq 0 \)). Under the null, the score equations are given by

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} |_{H_0^d} = -T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ W \right] + \hat{u}' \left( \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} P + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} Q \right) (I_T \otimes W) y = \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} \hat{u}' (I_T \otimes W) y + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{u}' (E_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma_\rho^2} |_{H_0^d} = -\frac{1}{2} NT \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} + \frac{1}{2} T \hat{\sigma}_1^{-4} \left[ \hat{u}' P \hat{u} \right] = 0
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma_\nu^2} |_{H_0^d} = -\frac{1}{2} \left[ N \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} + N (T - 1) \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \right] + \frac{1}{2} \left[ \hat{u}' (\hat{\sigma}_1^{-4} P + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-4} Q) \hat{u} \right] = 0
\]

\[
\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} |_{H_0^d} = \ X' \left( \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} P + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} Q \right) \hat{u} = 0
\]

using \( \text{tr} \left[ W \right] = 0. \) Under the null hypothesis \( H_0^d \), there is no spatial lag dependence and the variance-covariance matrix \( \Omega = \sigma_\rho^2 J_T \otimes I_N + \sigma_\nu^2 I_{NT} \). It is the familiar form of the one-way error component model, see Baltagi (2005). The restricted MLE of \( \beta, \sigma_\rho^2, \) and \( \sigma_\nu^2, \) are those based on MLE of a random effects panel data model with no spatial lag dependence. These are denoted by \( \hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}_\rho^2, \) and \( \hat{\sigma}_\nu^2 \), respectively. The
corresponding restricted MLE residuals are denoted by \( \hat{u} \). In fact, \( \hat{\sigma}_1^2 = \hat{u}' P \hat{u} / N \), and \( \hat{\sigma}_\nu^2 = \hat{u}' Q \hat{u} / N (T - 1) \). Therefore, the score with respect to \( \theta' = (\rho, \sigma_\mu^2, \sigma_\nu^2, \beta') \), evaluated under the null hypothesis \( H_0^d \), is given by

\[
\hat{D}_\theta = \begin{pmatrix}
\hat{D}_\rho \\
\hat{D}_{\sigma_\mu^2} \\
\hat{D}_{\sigma_\nu^2} \\
\hat{D}_{\beta}
\end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix}
R_1 \\
0 \\
0 \\
0
\end{pmatrix}
\]

where \( R_1 = \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} \hat{u}' (J_T \otimes W) y + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \hat{u}' (E_T \otimes W) y \). Under \( H_0^d \), the elements of the information matrix \( \hat{J} \) are given by:

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \rho} \right] |_{H_0^d} = T \cdot tr \left[ W^2 \right] + y' (I_T \otimes W') \left( \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} P + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} Q \right) (I_T \otimes W) y
\]

\[
= T \cdot tr \left[ W^2 \right] + \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} E \left[ u' \left( J_T \otimes W' W \right) u \right] + \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} E \left[ u' \left( E_T \otimes W' W \right) u \right]
\]

\[
+ \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} \beta' \left( J_T \otimes W' W \right) \beta \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \beta' \left( E_T \otimes W' W \right) \beta
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \rho} \right] |_{H_0^d} = T \cdot tr \left[ W^2 \right] + tr \left( J_T \otimes W' W \right) + tr \left( E_T \otimes W' W \right)
\]

\[
+ \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} \beta' \left( J_T \otimes W' W \right) \beta \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \beta' \left( E_T \otimes W' W \right) \beta
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \rho} \right] |_{H_0^d} = T \cdot tr \left[ W^2 + W' W \right] + \hat{\sigma}_1^{-2} \beta' \left( J_T \otimes W' W \right) \beta \hat{\sigma}_\nu^{-2} \beta' \left( E_T \otimes W' W \right) \beta
\]

Therefore, the information matrix \( \hat{J} \) evaluated under \( H_0^d \) can be written as
3.4 Conditional LM Test for \( H_0^\mu : \sigma^2_\mu = 0 \) (assuming \( \rho \) may or may not be zero)

This section derives the conditional LM test for no random region effects given the existence of spatial lag dependence. The null hypothesis is \( H_0^\mu : \sigma^2_\mu = 0 \) (assuming that \( \rho \) may not be zero). Under the null, the
score equations are given by

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma^2_\rho} |_{H_0^5} = \frac{1}{2} NT \sigma^2_\rho + \frac{1}{2} T \sigma^4_\rho \left[ \bar{u}' P \bar{u} \right]$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \beta} |_{H_0^5} = \sigma^{-2}_\rho X' \bar{u} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \sigma^2_\nu} |_{H_0^5} = \frac{1}{2} NT \sigma^{-2}_\nu + \frac{1}{2} \sigma^{-4}_\nu \bar{u}' \bar{u} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \rho} |_{H_0^5} = -T \cdot \text{tr} \left[ A^{-1} W \right] + \sigma^{-2}_\nu \bar{u}' (I_T \otimes W) y = 0$$

Under the null hypothesis $H_0^5$, the variance-covariance matrix reduces to $\sigma^2_\nu I_{NT}$ and the restricted MLE of $\beta$ and $\rho$ are in fact the MLE of a spatial lag model with no random effects, see Anselin (1988a). These are denoted by $\bar{\beta}$ and $\bar{\rho}$. Here, $\sigma^2_\nu = \bar{u}' \bar{u} / NT$, with $\bar{u} = y - \bar{\beta} (I_T \otimes W) y - X \bar{\beta}$. Therefore, the score with respect to $\theta' = (\sigma^2_\rho, \beta, \sigma^2_\nu, \rho)$, evaluated under the null hypothesis $H_0^d$, is given by

$$\bar{D}_\theta = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{D}_{\sigma^2_\nu} \\ \bar{D}_\beta \\ \bar{D}_{\sigma^2_\nu} \\ \bar{D}_\rho \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} NT \frac{T \bar{u}' P \bar{u}}{\sigma^2_\nu} - 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} NT \frac{T \bar{u}' P \bar{u}}{\sigma^2_\nu} G_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

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where \( G_1 = \left( T \frac{\delta^2 \sigma}{\partial \sigma^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma^2} - 1 \right) \). Under \( H_0^* \), the elements of the information matrix \( J \) are given by:

\[
E \left[ \frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \sigma_{\beta}} \right] |_{H_0^*} = -\frac{1}{2} NT^2 \sigma^4 + T^2 \sigma^6 E [u' P u] = \frac{1}{2} NT^2 \sigma^4
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \beta} \right] |_{H_0^*} = T \sigma^4 E [X' P u] = 0
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \rho} \right] |_{H_0^*} = -\frac{1}{2} \sigma \sigma^4 + T \sigma^6 E [u' P u] = \frac{1}{2} \sigma \sigma^4
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \beta} \right] |_{H_0^*} = \sigma^{-2} E [X' X]
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \beta \partial \beta} \right] |_{H_0^*} = \sigma^{-2} E [X' (I_T \otimes W) y] = \sigma^{-2} E \left[ \sigma^{-2} X' (I_T \otimes W^{-1}) X \beta \right]
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \beta \partial \rho} \right] |_{H_0^*} = \sigma^{-4} E [u' (I_T \otimes W) y] = \sigma^{-4} E \left[ \sigma^{-2} X' (I_T \otimes W^{-1}) \right] = T \sigma^{-2} tr (W A^{-1})
\]

\[
E \left[ -\frac{\partial^2 L}{\partial \rho \partial \rho} \right] |_{H_0^*} = T \cdot tr \left( (W A^{-1})^2 \right) + \sigma^{-2} E [y' (I_T \otimes W' W) y] = T \cdot tr \left( (W A^{-1})^2 + (W A^{-1})' (W A^{-1}) \right) + \sigma^{-2} \beta' X' \left( I_T \otimes (W A^{-1})' (W A^{-1}) \right) X \beta
\]

Therefore, the information matrix evaluated under \( H_0^* \) can be written as:

\[
J = \begin{pmatrix}
J_{11} & J_{12} \\
J_{21} & J_{22}
\end{pmatrix}
\]

with \( J_{11} = \begin{pmatrix}
\frac{1}{2} NT^2 \sigma^4 & 0 \\
0 & \sigma^{-2} X' X
\end{pmatrix} \),

\( J_{12} = J_{21}^* = \begin{pmatrix}
\frac{1}{2} \sigma \sigma^4 & T \sigma^{-2} tr (W A^{-1}) \\
0 & \sigma^{-2} X' (I_T \otimes W^{-1}) X \beta
\end{pmatrix} \),

and \( J_{22} = \begin{pmatrix}
\frac{1}{2} \sigma \sigma^4 & T \sigma^{-2} tr (W A^{-1}) \\
T \sigma^{-2} tr (W A^{-1}) & J_{\rho \rho}
\end{pmatrix} \),

where \( J_{\rho \rho} = T \cdot tr \left( (W A^{-1})^2 + (W A^{-1})' (W A^{-1}) \right) + \sigma^{-2} \beta' X' \left( I_T \otimes (W A^{-1})' (W A^{-1}) \right) X \beta \). Using partitioned inversion, we know that the upper 2 \( \times \) 2 block of the inverse matrix \( J^{-1} \) is given by \( J_{11}^{-1} = \left( J_{11} - J_{12} J_{22}^{-1} J_{21} \right)^{-1} \). After some tedious algebra, this can be derived as:
\[ J^{11} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{2\sigma^4_t}{NT(T-1)} & 0 \\ 0 & \{\sigma^2_t X'X - \frac{1}{NT} \} \end{pmatrix} \]

where \( H = \frac{1}{2} NT\sigma^{-4} X' (T \otimes WA^{-1}) X\beta - \frac{1}{2} NT\sigma^{-4} (T \otimes WA^{-1}) X\beta \).

We only need the first element of \( J^{11} \). Therefore, the LM statistic for \( H_0^c \) is given by

\[ LM_{\mu,\rho} = \hat{D}' J^{-1} \hat{D} = \hat{D}_\sigma^2 \left( \frac{2\sigma^4_t}{NT(T-1)} \right) \hat{D}_\sigma^2 = \left[ \frac{NT}{2\sigma^2_t} G_1 \right] \frac{2\sigma^4_t}{NT(T-1)} = \frac{NT}{2(T-1)} G_1. \]

This is of the same form as \( LM_\mu \) for testing \( H_0^c : \sigma^2_\mu = 0 \) (assuming no spatial lag dependence, i.e., \( \rho = 0 \)).

However, \( G_1 = \left( T \frac{\tilde{u}' \hat{P} \tilde{u}}{\tilde{u}' \hat{u}} - 1 \right) \) is based on different restricted ML residuals, \( \tilde{u}_t = y_t - \hat{p} W y_t + X_t \beta \), based on the MLE of a spatial lag model with no random effects, see Anselin (1988a), rather than the OLS residuals \( \hat{u} \).