

# Online Supplement to “ Heteroskedasticity Robust Specification Testing in Spatial Autoregression ”

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This Online Supplement is a self-contained document presenting Matlab and R codes for the specification test developed in the paper, based on the test statistic  $\hat{T}(t, t_Y)$  of (3.18). We also provide a small simulated dataset and the resulting output tables for illustration. Interested readers are directed to the corresponding author’s website for downloads of these codes and a larger dataset that replicates columns 2 and 4 of Table 13. Below, we present an outline of the codes followed by Matlab and R codes, the example data and the output tables.

## S.1 Outline of codes

Below, we present two different files in both Matlab and R:

- “LPRtest.m” and “LPRtest.R” are function files for implementing the specification test based on (3.18). The codes contain automatic choices of  $t$  and  $t_Y$  based on the description given in Section 7 and let  $p_n = n^{1/3}$ . The instrument variable  $Z$  is set as spatial IV, i.e. pre-multiplying the first  $K1$  columns of regressors by  $W$ , as discussed below. There are four inputs required:
  - “Y”: The  $n \times 1$  vector of dependent variables.
  - “X”: Data matrix of independent variables included in the regression. Note that this would include e.g. the vector of ones for the intercept and dummies for fixed effects. Some of these may not need to be used in the exponential of the test statistic (in the first line of equation (3.11)) and generating the spatial instrument used in the 2SLS estimation, necessitating the next input:

- “K1”: a scalar for specifying the first K1 columns of X to be used in the exponential of test and the spatial instrument- hence “X” needs to have its columns ordered accordingly, e.g. in the example dataset discussed below, the last column of “X” is the vector of ones.
- “W”: The  $n \times n$  weight matrix.

There are two output tables produced:

- Table 1 reports the 2SLS estimates of  $\lambda$  and  $\beta$ , along with the corresponding t-statistics and their p-values.
  - Table 2 reports the test statistic  $\hat{T}(t, t_Y)$  of (3.18) and the corresponding p-value.
- “LPRexample.m” and “LPRexample.R” demonstrate the use of the aforementioned function files. They assign inputs and will display the outputs when run. We also include the output windows here for completeness.

## S.2 Matlab codes

### “LPRtest.m”

```

1 function [table1,table2] = LPRtest(Y, X, Wn, K1)
2 n=size(X,1);%sample size
3 K=size(X,2);%number of regressors
4 tx=zeros(K1,1);
5 tp=0;
6 k= n^(1/3);%p in the paper
7 X_scaled=zeros(n, K1);
8 mpreX=zeros(1, K1);
9 for i=1:K1
10  mpreX(:,i)=ones(1,n)*X(1:n,i)/n;
11  X_scaled(:,i)=X(1:n,i)-ones(n,1)*mpreX(i);
12 end
13 pretau=0;
14 for j=1:n
15  pretau=pretau+ exp(ones(1,K1)*atan(X_scaled(j,:))');
16 end
17 tau=log(10*n/pretau);
18 tp=tau/(3.75);%t_y in the paper
19 tx=tau*ones(K1,1);%t
20 funSn = @(t) inv(eye(n)- t*Wn);%Sn^(-1)
21 funGn= @(t)Wn* funSn(t);
22 %estimation

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23 Z=zeros(n,K+K1);
24 Z(1:n,1:K)= X;
25 Z(1:n,K+1:K+K1)= Wn*X(1:n,1:K1);
26 P=zeros(n,n);
27 P=Z*(inv(Z'*Z))*Z';
28 Xex=zeros(n,K+1);%includes Wy
29 Xex=cat(2, Wn*Y,X);
30 theta2sls=0;
31 theta2sls=(inv(Xex'*P*Xex))*Xex'*P*Y;
32 lambda2sls=theta2sls(1);
33 beta2sls=theta2sls(2:K+1);
34 ehat_correct=zeros(n,1);%fitted residual
35 ehat_correct=Y- lambda2sls*Wn*Y- X*beta2sls;
36 Cov=zeros(K+1,K+1)';
37 Cov=inv(Xex'*P*Xex)*Xex'*P*diag(diag(ehat_correct*ehat_correct'))*P*Xex
    *inv(Xex'*P*Xex);
38 t_stat_lambda=0;
39 t_stat_lambda=lambda2sls/sqrt(Cov(1,1));
40 tstat_theta=zeros(K+1,1);
41 tstat_theta=inv(sqrt(diag(diag(Cov))))*theta2sls;
42 %implementation of specification test
43 wy0=zeros(n,1);
44 wy1=zeros(n,1);
45 prewy0=zeros(n,1);
46 prewy1=zeros(n,1);
47 prewy0=Y;
48 mpre0=0;
49 mpre0=ones(1,n)*prewy0/n;
50 wy0=(prewy0-ones(n,1)*mpre0);
51 e0_1=zeros(n,1);
52 e0_2=zeros(n,1);
53 for i=1:n
54     e0_1(i)=exp(tx'*atan(X_scaled(i,:))');
55     e0_2(i)=exp(tp*wy0(i)/k);
56 end
57 ehat_correct_sq= ehat_correct.^2;
58 Sigma=diag(ehat_correct_sq);
59 B=zeros(K+K1,K+1);
60 B=(1/n)*Z'*Xex;
61 A=zeros(K+K1,K+K1);
62 A=(1/n)*Z'*Z;
63 Omega=zeros(K+1,K+1);
64 Omega= B'*inv(A)*B;

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65 Q_cc=zeros(n,K+1);
66 Q_cc=[funGn(lambda2sls)*X*beta2sls, X];
67 Q=zeros(n,n);
68 Q=funSn(lambda2sls)*(eye(n)-(1/n)*Q_cc*inv(Omega)*B'*inv(A)*Z');
69 Sbar= zeros(1,n);
70 Sbar= (1/n)* sum(funSn(lambda2sls));
71 Sd=zeros(n,n);
72 Sd= funSn(lambda2sls) - ones(n,1)* Sbar;
73 E=zeros(2,n);
74 E(1,1:n)= e0_1';
75 E(2,1:n)= ones(1,n);
76 psi1= zeros(2,n);
77 psi1= E*Q;
78 V_hat=zeros(2,2);
79 V_hat=(psi1)*Sigma*psi1'/n;
80 Mhat=zeros(2,1);
81 Mhat_1=0;
82 Mhat_2=0;
83 Mhat_1= (Y-funSn(lambda2sls)*X*beta2sls) '*e0_1/n;
84 Mhat_2= (Y-funSn(lambda2sls)*X*beta2sls) '*e0_2/n - (tp/(n*(k)))* trace(
    Sd' * Q*Sigma);
85 Mhat(1,1)= Mhat_1;
86 Mhat(2,1)= Mhat_2;
87 That=n* Mhat *(inv(V_hat))*Mhat;
88 %Reporting results
89 pvalue=2*normcdf(abs(tstat_theta), 'upper');
90 pvalueTsqr= chi2cdf(That, 2, 'upper');
91 %the first element is lambda
92 table1=table(theta2sls,tstat_theta,pvalue)
93 table2=table(That, pvalueTsqr)

```

### “LPRexample.m”

```

1 table=xlsread('LPRdata');
2 Wn=xlsread('LPRW');
3 K1=2;
4 Y=table(:,1);
5 X=table(:,2:4);
6 [table1, table2] = LPRtest(Y, X, Wn, K1);

```

## S.3 R codes

### “LPRtest.R”

```
1 setwd("")
2
3 LPRtest <- function(Y, X, Wn, K1) {
4   n <- nrow(X) #sample size
5   K <- ncol(X) #number of regressors
6   #automated choice of t
7   tx <- rep(0, K1)
8   tp <- 0
9   k <- n^(1/3) #p in the paper
10  X_scaled <- matrix(0, n, K1)
11  mpreX <- rep(0, K1)
12  for (i in 1:(K1)) {
13    mpreX[i] <- mean(X[,i])
14    X_scaled[,i] <- X[,i] - mpreX[i]
15  }
16  pretau <- sum(exp(rowSums(atan(X_scaled))))
17  tau <- log(10 * n / pretau)
18  tp <- tau / 3.75 #t_y in the paper
19  tx <- rep(tau, K1) #t
20  funSn <- function(t) solve(diag(n) - t * Wn)
21  funGn <- function(t) Wn %*% funSn(t)
22  #2SLS estimation
23  Z <- matrix(0, n, K+K1)
24  Z[,1:K] <- as.matrix(X)
25  Z[, (K+1):(K+K1)] <- Wn %*% X[,1:(K1)]
26  P <- Z %*% solve(t(Z) %*% Z) %*% t(Z)
27  Xex <- cbind(Wn %*% Y, X) #includes Wy
28  theta2sls <- solve(t(Xex) %*% P %*% Xex) %*% t(Xex) %*% P %*% Y
29  lambda2sls <- theta2sls[1]
30  beta2sls <- theta2sls[2:(K+1)]
31  ehat_correct <- Y - lambda2sls * Wn %*% Y - X %*% beta2sls
32  Cov <- solve(t(Xex) %*% P %*% Xex) %*% t(Xex) %*% P %*%
33    diag(diag(ehat_correct %*% t(ehat_correct))) %*% P %*%
34    Xex %*% solve(t(Xex) %*% P %*% Xex)
35  t_stat_lambda <- lambda2sls / sqrt(Cov[1,1])
36  tstat_theta <- solve(sqrt(diag(diag(Cov)))) %*% theta2sls
37  wy0 <- rep(0, n)
38  wy1 <- rep(0, n)
39  prewy0 <- Y
40  mpre0 <- mean(prewy0)
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41 sigpre0 <- 1
42 wy0 <- (prewy0 - mpre0) / sqrt(sigpre0)
43 e0_1 <- exp(tx %>% t(atan(X_scaled)))
44 e0_2 <- exp(tp * wy0 / k)
45 ehat_correct_sq <- ehat_correct^2
46 Sigma <- diag(as.vector(ehat_correct_sq))
47 B <- matrix(0, K+K1, K+1)
48 B <- (1/n) * t(Z) %>% Xex
49 A <- matrix(0, K+K1, K+K1)
50 A <- (1/n) * t(Z) %>% Z
51 Omega <- matrix(0, K+1, K+1)
52 Omega <- t(B) %>% solve(A) %>% B
53 Q_cc <- cbind(funGn(lambda2s1s) %>% X %>% beta2s1s, X)
54 Q <- funSn(lambda2s1s) %>% (diag(n) - (1/n) * Q_cc %>% solve(Omega)
55 %>% t(B) %>% solve(A) %>% t(Z))
56 Sbar <- (1/n) * sum(diag(funSn(lambda2s1s)))
57 Sd <- funSn(lambda2s1s) - matrix(rep(Sbar, n), n, n)
58 E <- matrix(0, 2, n)
59 E[1,] <- e0_1
60 E[2,] <- rep(1, n)
61 psi1 <- E %>% Q
62 V_hat <- psi1 %>% Sigma %>% t(psi1) / n
63 Mhat <- matrix(0, 2, 1)
64 Mhat_1 <- t(Y - funSn(lambda2s1s) %>% X %>% beta2s1s) %>% t(e0_1) / n
65 Mhat_2 <- t(Y - funSn(lambda2s1s) %>% X %>% beta2s1s) %>% e0_2 / n -
66 (tp / (n * k)) * sum(diag(t(Sd) %>% Q %>% Sigma))
67 Mhat[1] <- Mhat_1
68 Mhat[2] <- Mhat_2
69 That <- n * t(Mhat) %>% solve(V_hat) %>% Mhat
70 #Reporting results
71 pvalue <- 2 * pnorm(abs(tstat_theta), lower.tail = FALSE)
72 pvalueTsq <- pchisq(That, df = 2, lower.tail = FALSE)
73 #the first element is lambda
74 table1 <- data.frame(theta2s1s=theta2s1s, tstat_theta=tstat_theta,
75 pvalue=pvalue)
76 table2 <- data.frame(That=That, pvalueTsq=pvalueTsq)
77 list(table1 = table1, table2 = table2)
}

```

### “LPRexample.R”

```

1 setwd("")
2 source("LPRtest.R")

```

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3 library(readxl)
4 data <- read_excel("LPRdata.xlsx", col_names = FALSE)
5 Wn <- read_excel("LPRW.xlsx", col_names = FALSE)
6 K1<- 2
7 Y<-as.matrix(data[,1])
8 X<-as.matrix(data[,2:4])
9 Wn<-as.matrix(Wn)
10 LPRtest(Y,X,Wn,K1)

```

## S.4 Example Datasets

In the interest of space, we simulated a small dataset with  $n = 20$  and  $K = 3$ . Below we include tables of:

- $20 \times 4$  data matrix. Column 1 is the dependent variable  $Y$  and Columns 2-3 are two regressors. Column 4 is the vector of ones which is not included in the exponential of the test and the spatial instrument. Hence, we set  $K1 = 2$ . Save as “LPRdata.xlsx”
- $20 \times 20$  weight matrix. Save as “LPRW.xlsx”

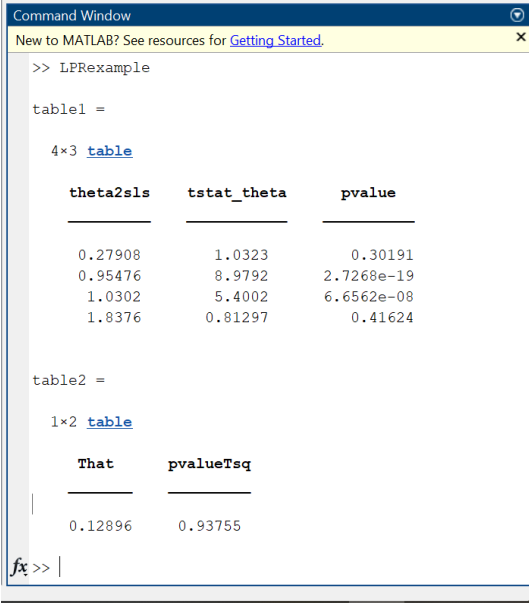
6.830	1.134	1.626	1
9.247	2.773	1.876	1
6.733	1.762	1.077	1
5.927	0.627	1.167	1
9.114	2.179	1.831	1
10.973	3.121	3.442	1
7.157	1.225	2.345	1
5.602	0.888	1.134	1
6.077	1.552	1.112	1
9.131	3.746	1.818	1
8.083	3.904	0.822	1
7.333	2.690	0.806	1
10.502	3.611	2.056	1
7.479	3.383	0.349	1
7.895	1.512	1.934	1
6.585	0.369	1.449	1
7.611	2.614	2.831	1
9.185	2.231	2.987	1
7.465	1.446	2.764	1
7.588	0.900	2.757	1

0	0.0787	0	0	0	0	0	0.2222	0.0740	0.1508	0	0	0	0	0.3821	0	0	0	0.0922	0
0.1454	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.4271	0	0	0	0	0.3425	0.0851	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	0	0	0.2639	0.0585	0.0423	0	0	0	0.1043	0.0481	0	0	0	0.1172	0.2530	0	0	0.1127
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3032	0.1487	0	0	0	0	0.0587	0	0	0.2462	0.2433	0
0	0	0.2724	0	0	0.0569	0.0463	0	0	0	0.1015	0.0526	0	0	0	0.1141	0.2463	0	0	0.1098
0	0	0.0889	0	0.0834	0	0	0	0	0	0.2386	0	0.0574	0	0	0.2123	0.0983	0	0	0.2207
0	0	0.1003	0	0.1063	0	0	0	0	0	0.0374	0.5830	0	0	0	0.0419	0.0907	0	0	0.0404
0.3171	0.3301	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0733	0	0	0	0.0937	0.1857	0	0	0	0	0
0.0549	0	0	0.1740	0	0	0	0	0	0.2376	0	0	0	0	0.0937	0	0	0.0507	0.3888	0
0.1136	0	0	0.0866	0	0	0	0.0387	0.2411	0	0	0	0	0.1941	0	0	0.0253	0.3005	0	0
0	0	0.1005	0	0.0948	0.1513	0.0152	0	0	0	0	0.0173	0.0204	0	0	0.2399	0.1111	0	0	0.2494
0	0	0.1078	0	0.1143	0	0.5516	0	0	0	0.0402	0	0	0	0	0.0451	0.0975	0	0	0.0434
0	0	0	0	0	0.3878	0	0	0	0	0.2175	0	0	0	0	0.1936	0	0	0	0.2012
0	0.7384	0	0	0	0	0	0.2616	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0.3337	0.0402	0	0.0396	0	0	0	0.1136	0.1103	0.2249	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1375	0	0
0	0	0.1093	0	0.1031	0.1303	0.0165	0	0	0	0.2323	0.0188	0.0176	0	0	0	0.1209	0	0	0.2511
0	0	0.2511	0	0.2368	0.0642	0.0379	0	0	0	0.1144	0.0432	0	0	0	0.1286	0	0	0	0.1237
0	0	0	0.5484	0	0	0	0	0.1969	0.0966	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.1580	0
0.0651	0	0	0.1329	0	0	0	0	0.3701	0.2819	0	0	0	0	0.1116	0	0	0.0388	0	0
0	0	0.1051	0	0.0991	0.1353	0.0159	0	0	0	0.2412	0.0181	0.0183	0	0	0.2509	0.1162	0	0	0



## S.5 Output tables

### Matlab output



```
Command Window
New to MATLAB? See resources for Getting Started.
>> LPRexample

table1 =

4x3 table

    theta2sls    tstat_theta    pvalue
    _____    _____    _____
    0.27908        1.0323         0.30191
    0.95476        8.9792         2.7268e-19
    1.0302         5.4002         6.6562e-08
    1.8376         0.81297        0.41624

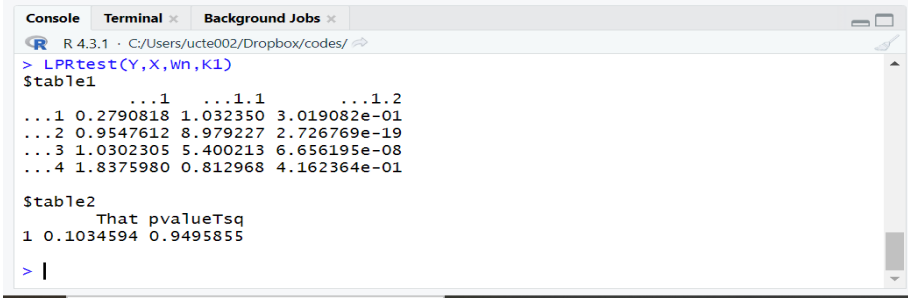
table2 =

1x2 table

    That    pvalueTsq
    _____    _____
    0.12896    0.93755

fx >> |
```

### R output



```
Console Terminal Background Jobs
R 4.3.1 · C:/Users/ucte002/Dropbox/codes/
> LPRtest(Y,X,Wn,K1)
$table1
  ...1 ...1.1 ...1.2
...1 0.2790818 1.032350 3.019082e-01
...2 0.9547612 8.979227 2.726769e-19
...3 1.0302305 5.400213 6.656195e-08
...4 1.8375980 0.812968 4.162364e-01

$table2
      That pvalueTsq
1 0.1034594 0.9495855

> |
```