

Homework 7  
ECON 4818  
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1. From your textbook answer questions 1, 2, 5 and 8 from Appendix E in your textbook. For questions 5 and 8, note that what your textbook labels "The Gauss-Markov" assumptions, are precisely the assumptions we made in class. That is, for the multivariate regression model  $Y = X\beta + U$  we have that
  - (a)  $X^T X$  is invertible
  - (b)  $E(U|X) = 0$
  - (c)  $V(U|X) = \sigma^2 I_n$
2. Use the MATLAB code `OLSwage2.m` and data set `WAGE1.mat` available from the class website to estimate the the following regression models:
  - (a)  $\log(wage) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 educ + u$
  - (b)  $\log(wage) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 educ + \beta_2 exper + u$
  - (c)  $\log(wage) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 educ + \beta_2 exper + \beta_3 exper^2 + u$

For each of these models obtain the least squares estimators for  $\beta_k$  and construct a 95 percent confidence interval. For model (c), estimate the impact on wages of another year of experience.