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Abstract

We consider the practice of estimating static regressions by *OLS* from time series data and using robust standard errors for inference. Depending on the form of exogeneity being violated, the asymptotic bias of *OLS* can exceed that of *GLS*. Feasible *GLS*, where the error process is approximated by a sieve autoregression, can dominate the *OLS* approach with robust standard errors both in terms of bias and *MSE* for some regions of the parameter space.

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