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# Spatial Analysis with GeoDa

## 4. Spatial Regression

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# Outline

- Spatial Regression Basics
- Diagnostics for Spatial Autocorrelation
- Estimation

# Spatial Regression Basics

# Spatial Effects

- Spatial Dependence
  - non-zero correlation between pairs of locations
  - range/structure of dependence
  - **two-dimensional and multi-directional**
- Spatial Heterogeneity
  - structural change across space
  - **spatial structure** of the heterogeneity

# Four Elements of Spatial Econometrics

- **Specifying** the Structure of Spatial Dependence
- **Testing** for the Presence of Spatial Effects
- **Estimating** Models with Spatial Effects
- Spatial **Prediction**

# Spatial Variables

- Spatial Lag
  - weighted average of neighbors
  - $\sum_j w_{ij} y_j$ , with  $w_{ii} = 0$
- Spatially Lagged Variables
  - explanatory variables:  $WX$
  - dependent variable:  $Wy$
  - error  $W\epsilon$

# Spatial Regression Model

- Incorporate Spatially Lagged Variables
- Spatially Lagged Dependent Variable
  - **spatial lag model**
- Spatially Lagged Error Term
  - **spatial error model**
- Spatially Lagged Explanatory Variables
  - **spatial cross-regressive model**

# Spatial Lag Model

- Mixed Regressive Spatial Autoregressive Model
  - $Wy$  = spatial autoregressive
  - $X$  = regressive
- $y = \rho Wy + X\beta + \epsilon$ 
  - $\rho$  = spatial autoregressive coefficient

# Spatial Filter

- Remove Effect of Spatial Correlation
  - $y - \rho W y = X \beta + \epsilon$
  - $(I - \rho W) y = X \beta + \epsilon$
  - $(I - \rho W)$  is spatial filter
- Similar to Detrending
  - but spatial autoregressive coefficient  $\neq 1$
  - $\rho$  must be estimated

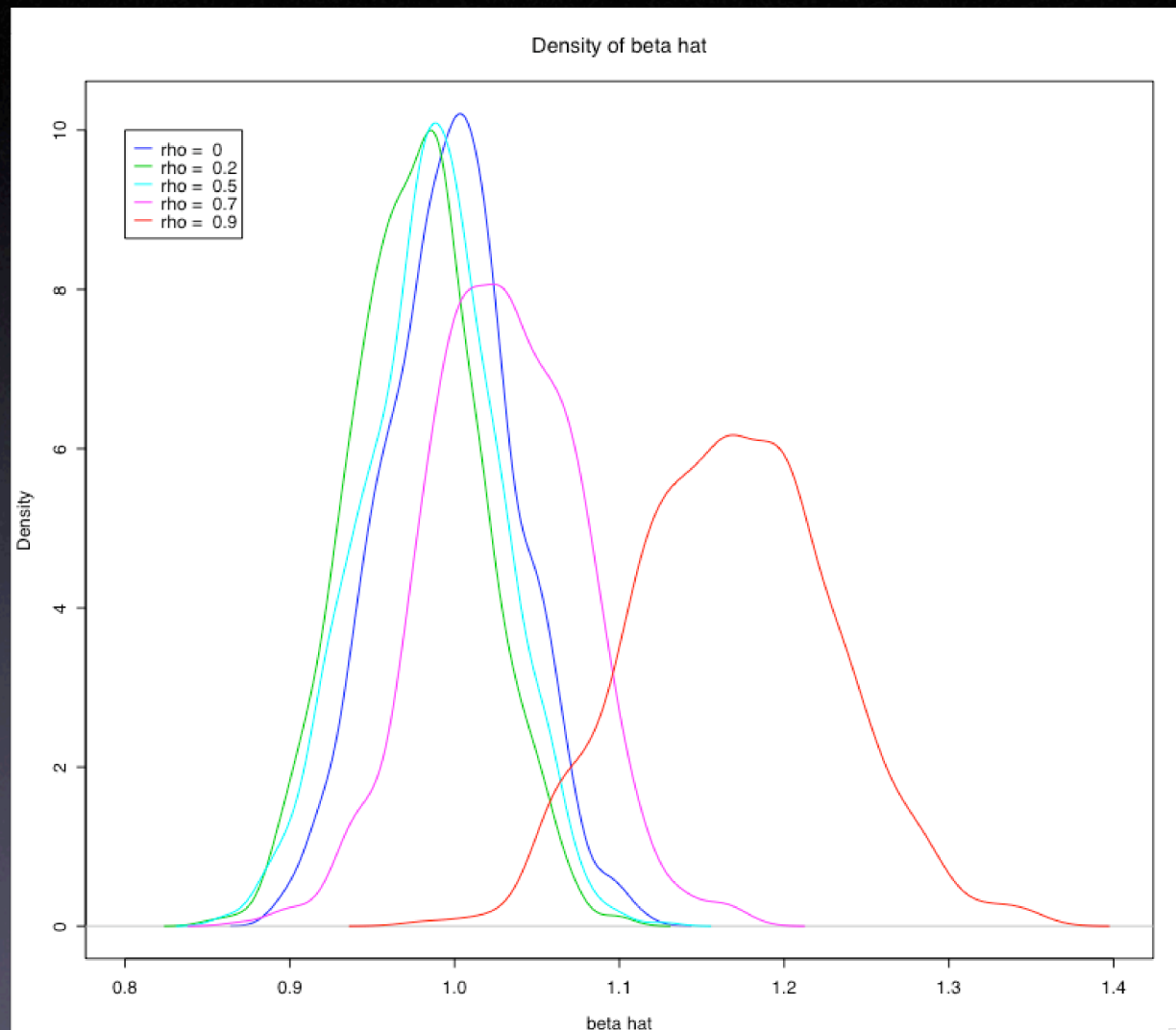
# Spatial Multiplier

- Reduced Form
  - $y - \rho W y = X \beta + \epsilon$
  - $(I - \rho W) y = X \beta + \epsilon$
  - $y = (I - \rho W)^{-1} X \beta + (I - \rho W)^{-1} \epsilon$
- Spatial Multiplier
  - $E[ y | \Delta X ] = (I - \rho W)^{-1} (\Delta X) \beta$
  - effect is more than  $(\Delta X) \beta \Rightarrow$  multiplier

# Ignoring Spatial Lag

- Omitted Variable Problem
- **OLS Becomes Biased and Inconsistent**
  - wrong estimate
  - wrong sign
  - wrong significance
  - wrong fit

# Effects of Spatial Lag on OLS



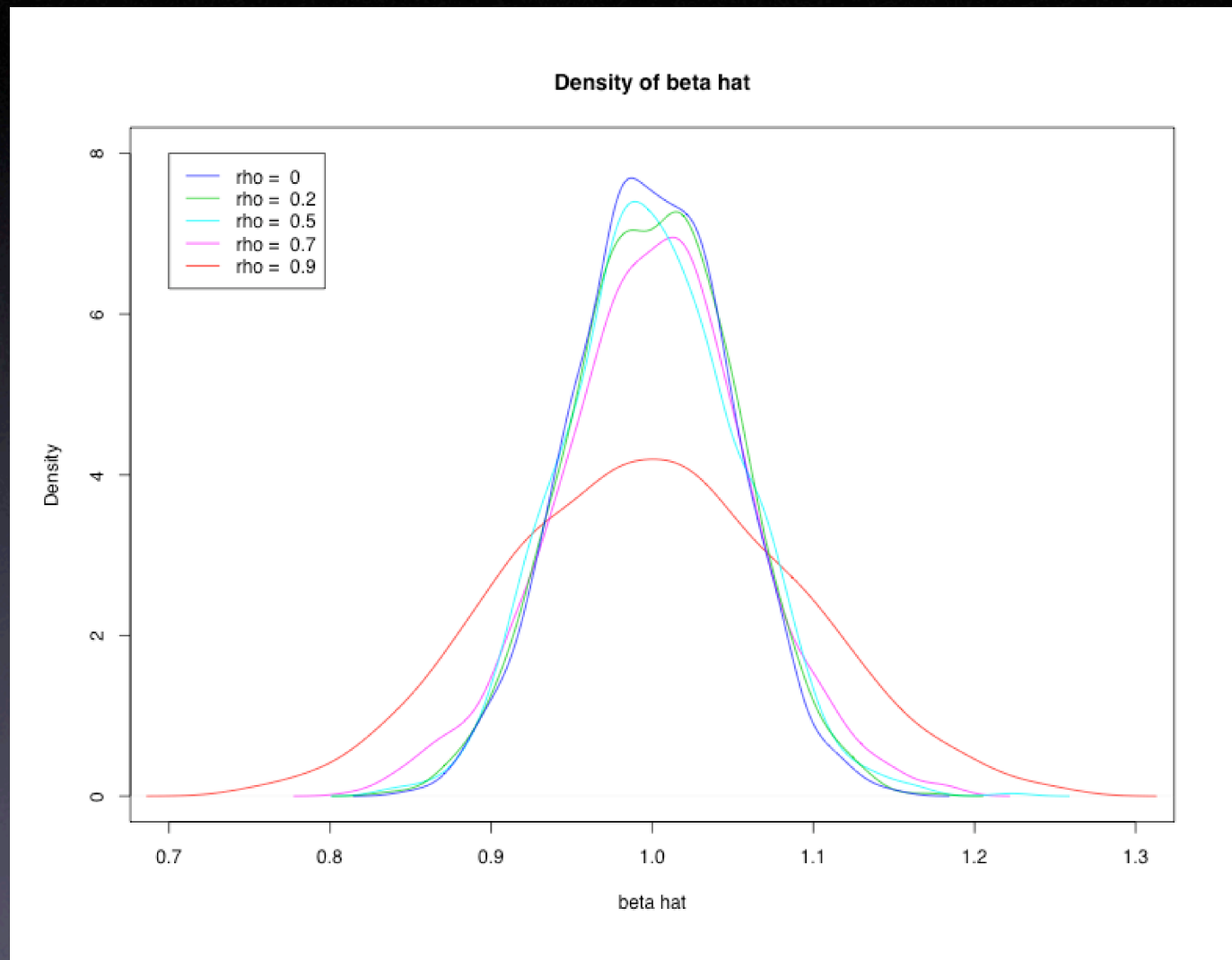
# Spatial Error Model

- Non-Diagonal Error Covariance Matrix
- $E [ \epsilon \epsilon' ] = \Sigma \neq \sigma^2 I$ 
  - $E [ \epsilon_i \epsilon_j ] \neq 0$ , for  $i \neq j$
  - spatial structure in covariance
  - spatial process model
- $y = X\beta + \epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon = \lambda W\epsilon + u$ 
  - **spatial autoregressive error** (SAR) model

# Ignoring Spatial Error

- Problem of Efficiency
- **OLS Remains Unbiased But Inefficient**
  - correct estimate
  - wrong significance
  - wrong fit

# Effects of Spatial Error on OLS



# Diagnostics

# Specification Tests

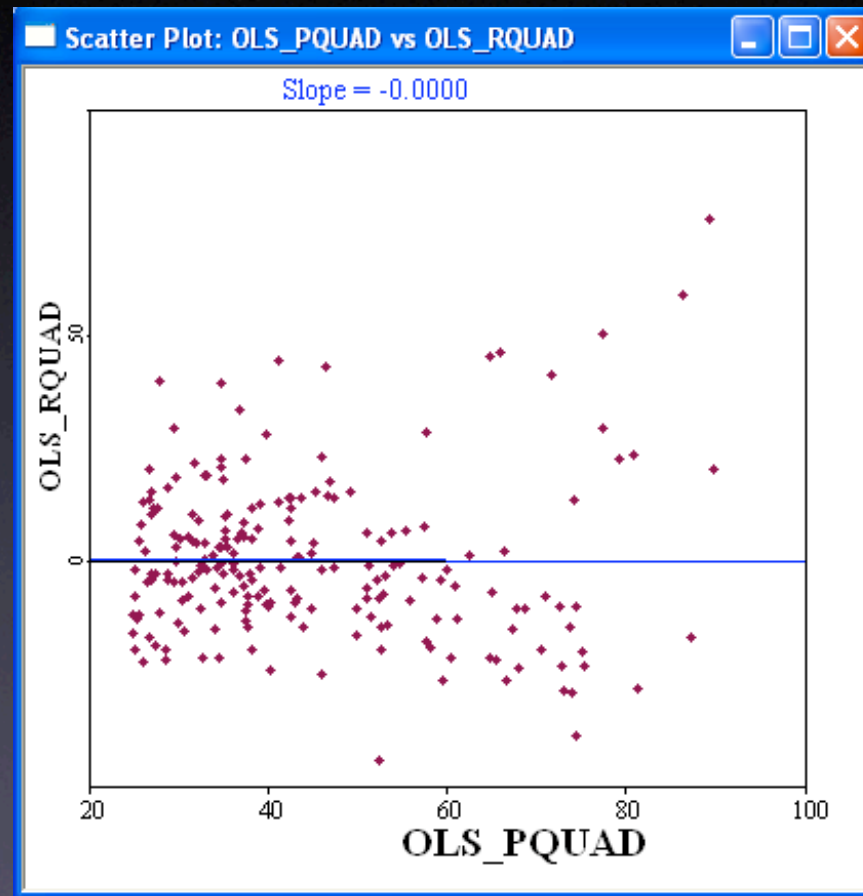
- Null Hypothesis
  - assumptions of classic linear regression hold
  - error terms **constant variance and uncorrelated**
- Alternative Hypothesis
  - non-constant variance: heteroskedasticity
  - correlation: **spatial lag** or **spatial error**

# Informal Diagnostics

## Non-Spatial

- Residual Plots
- Outlier Detection
  - plot residuals against observation numbers
  - identify large residuals
- Heteroskedasticity Check
  - plot residuals against predicted values
  - **informal check** on heteroskedasticity

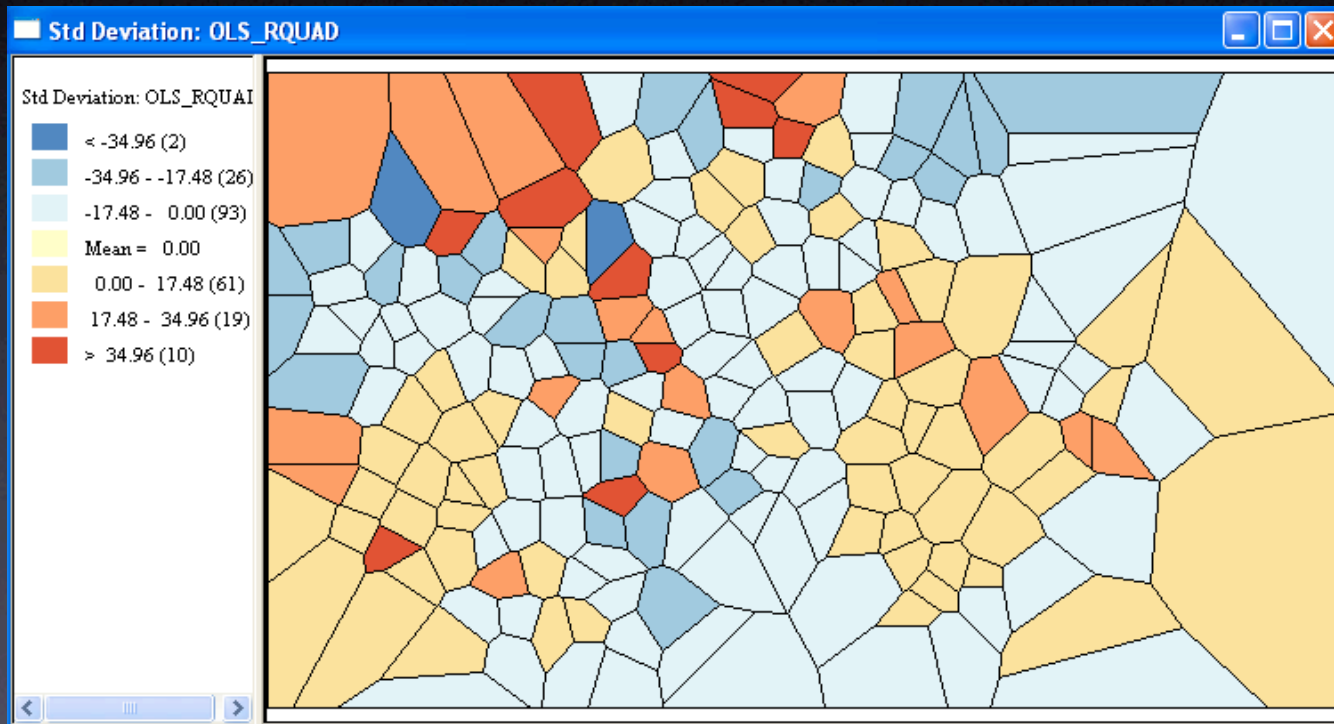
# Residual Plot



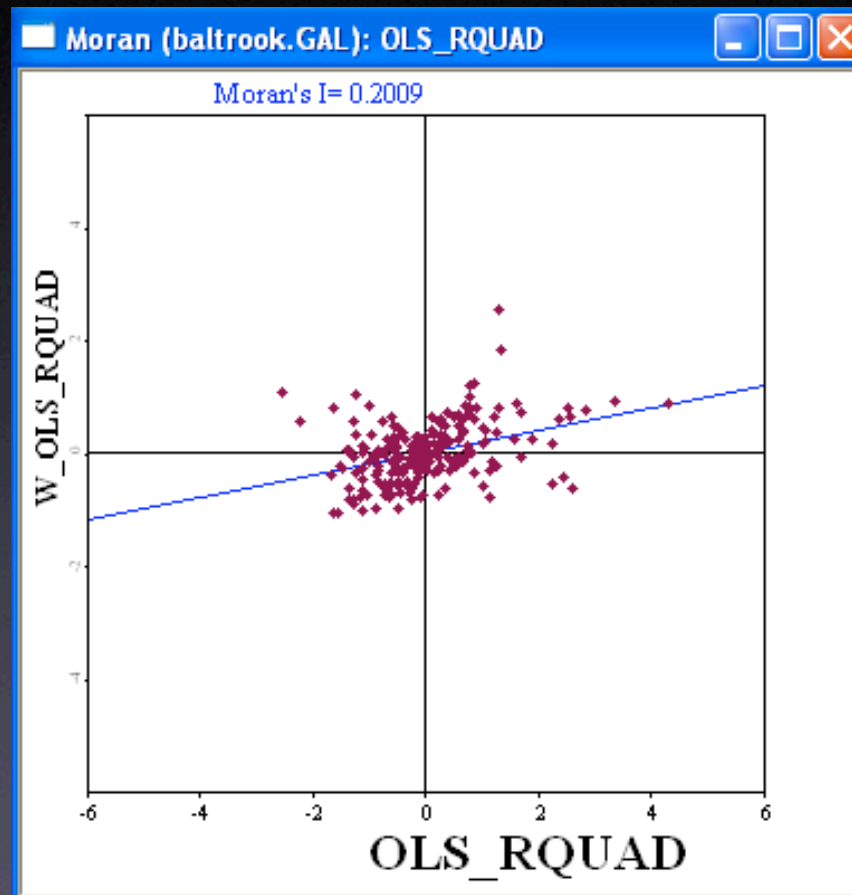
# Informal Diagnostics

- Residual Maps
  - standard deviational map
  - **informal check** for spatial patterns
- Spatial Autocorrelation
  - Moran scatter plot
  - informal only, **no inference**

# Residual Map



# Moran Scatter Plot



# Tests Against Spatial Autocorrelation

- Constrained Model
  - model without spatial correlation
  - classic regression specification
  - $H_0: \lambda = 0$  (error) or  $\rho = 0$  (lag)
- Unconstrained Model
  - under the alternative
  - spatial error:  $H_1: \lambda \neq 0$
  - spatial lag:  $H_1: \rho \neq 0$

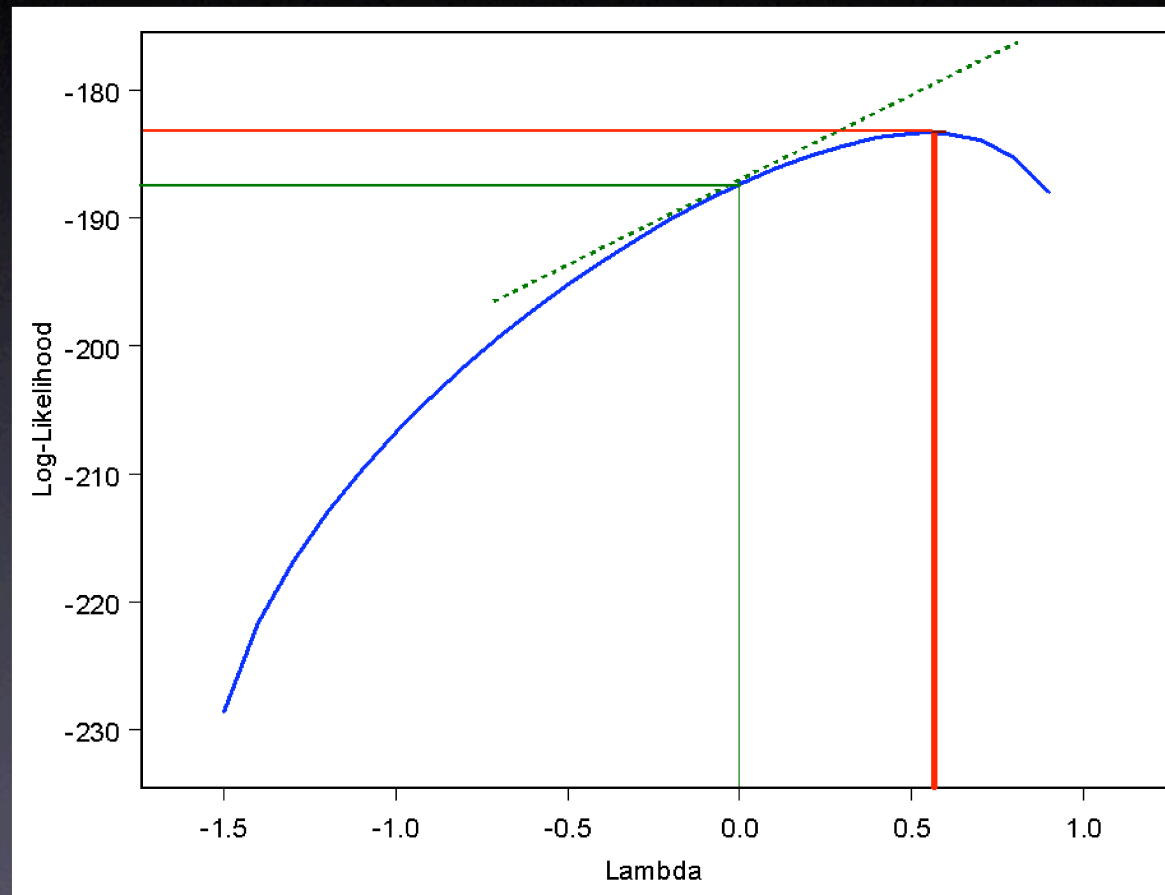
# Moran's I

- Based on Regression Residuals
  - $e = y - Xb_{OLS}$
- Moran's I
  - $I = [ e'We/S0 ] / [ e'e/N ]$
  - row-standardized weights:  $I = e'We / e'e$
- Inference
  - normal approximation for z-value
  - $e$  are residuals → adjusted inference

# Tests Based on Maximum Likelihood

- Classic Tests
  - compare **unconstrained** to **constrained** results
  - require complete specification of likelihood function
  - assumption of normality

# Three Classic Tests



ML Estimation Error Model

# Wald Test

- Difference in Value
- Asymptotic t-Test
  - difference ML estimate and 0
  - requires **estimation of alternative**
  - requires asymptotic variance matrix

# Likelihood Ratio Test

- Difference in Fit
- Compare Log-Likelihoods
  - difference max log likelihood spatial model and null model
  - requires **estimation of null and alternative**
  - requires maximized log likelihood

# Lagrange Multiplier Test

- Difference in Slope
- Test on the Score
  - slope of likelihood function (score)
  - **only requires estimation of null model (OLS)**
  - but full specification of log-likelihood

# LM Test Error

- LM Test Against Spatial Error Correlation
  - both SAR and SMA alternatives
  - LM-Err =  $[ e'We / \sigma^2 ]^2 / T \sim \chi^2(1)$
  - with  $e$  = residuals
  - $T = \text{tr}(WW + W'W)$ , matrix traces

# LM Test Lag

- LM Test Against Spatial Lag
  - $LM\text{-Lag} = [ e'Wy / \sigma^2 ]^2 / T_1 \sim \chi^2(1)$
  - $T_1 = (WXb)'M(WXb)/\sigma^2 + T$
  - first term: residual sum of squares of  $WXb$  on  $X$

# Robust LM Tests

- LM-Error and LM-Lag Tests Have Power Against the Other Alternative
- Robust Forms of the Test Statistics
  - make an **asymptotic adjustment**
- Use to Find Proper Alternative
  - only use robust forms when **BOTH** LM-Error and LM-Lag are significant

# LM Tests in GeoDa

## DIAGNOSTICS FOR SPATIAL DEPENDENCE

FOR WEIGHT MATRIX : **baltrock.GAL** (row-standardized weights)

TEST	MI/DF	VALUE	PROB
Moran's I (error)	0.200899	5.8323965	0.0000000
Lagrange Multiplier (lag)	1	20.5454453	0.0000058
Robust LM (lag)	1	1.2626832	0.2611438
Lagrange Multiplier (error)	1	23.6063131	0.0000012
Robust LM (error)	1	4.3235510	0.0375884
Lagrange Multiplier (SARMA)	2	24.8689962	0.0000040

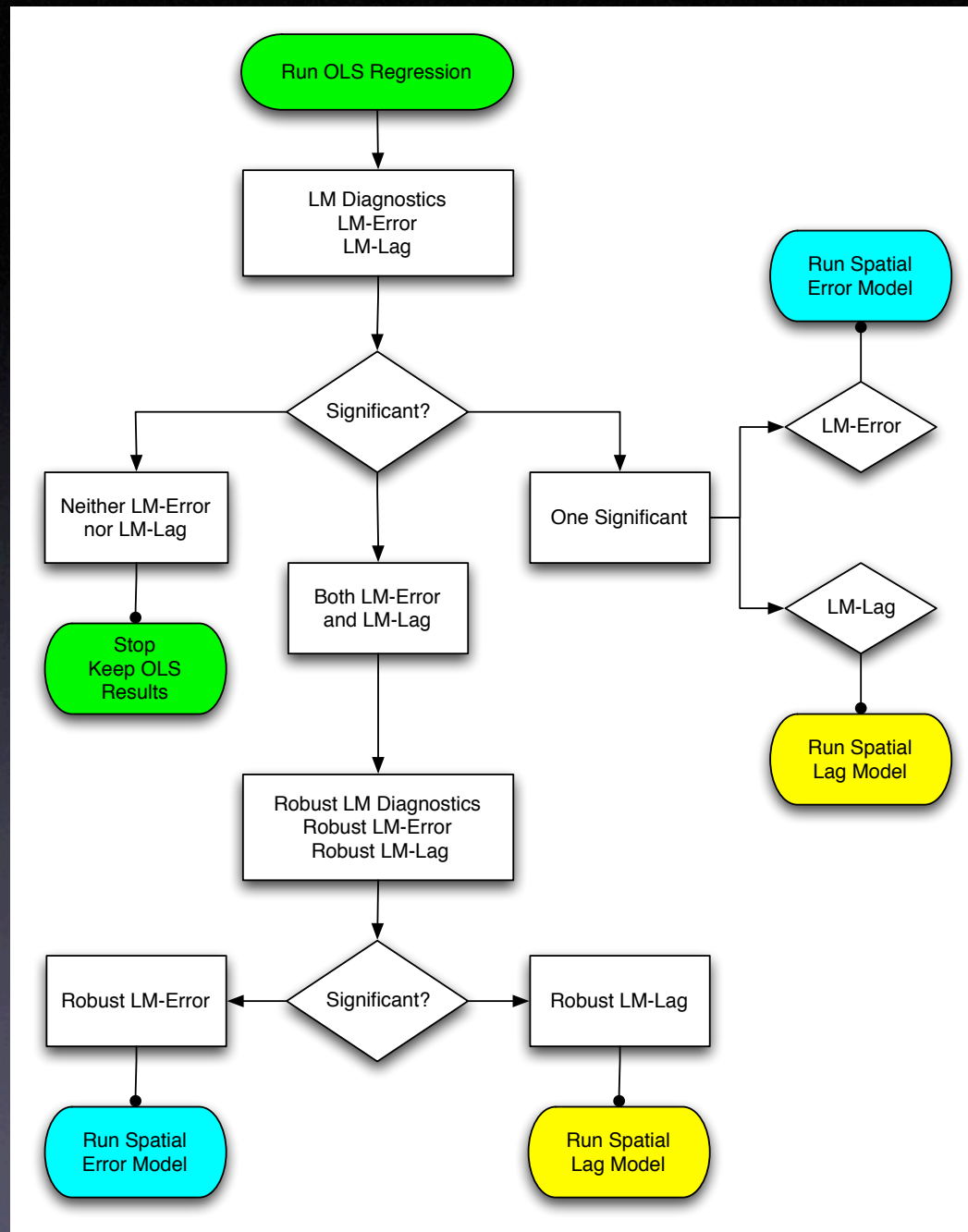
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# Specification Search

- **Forward** Step-Wise Strategy
  - start from constrained model (OLS)
  - base model selection on diagnostics for alternatives
  - advantage: simpler models first
  - problem: **pre-testing**

# Specification Search (2)

- **Backward** Step-Wise Strategy (Hendry)
  - start from unconstrained model
  - test constraints and proceed to simpler models
  - problem: requires more complex estimation



# Example

## DIAGNOSTICS FOR SPATIAL DEPENDENCE

FOR WEIGHT MATRIX : **baltrook.GAL** (row-standardized weights)

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- LM-Lag and LM-Error both significant at  $p < 0.000$
  - Robust LM-Lag not significant  $p = 0.26$
  - Robust LM-Error significant at  $p < 0.05$
- ⇒ **Spatial Error Model is suggested alternative**

# Estimation

# Estimation Problem

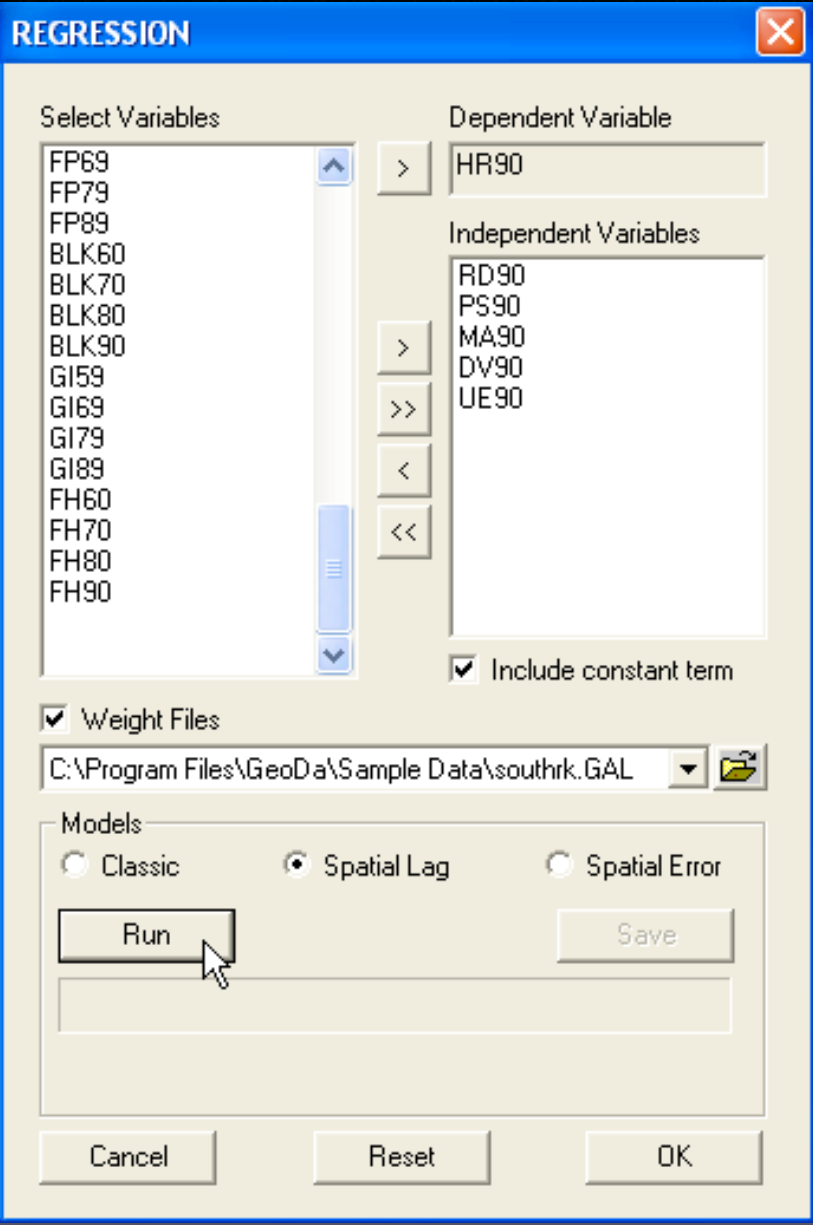
- Spatial Lag Model
  - **simultaneity**  $W_y$  and error term
  - model simultaneity or use instruments
- Spatial Error Model
  - non-spherical error variance matrix
  - **Feasible Generalized Least Squares**

# Maximum Likelihood Estimation

- Likelihood Principle
  - obtain estimator as maximum of the joint density of the “sample”
  - **joint density function = likelihood**
- Likelihood Equation
  - first order conditions for maximum
  - second order conditions: **information matrix  $\Rightarrow$  asymptotic variance**

# Measures of Fit

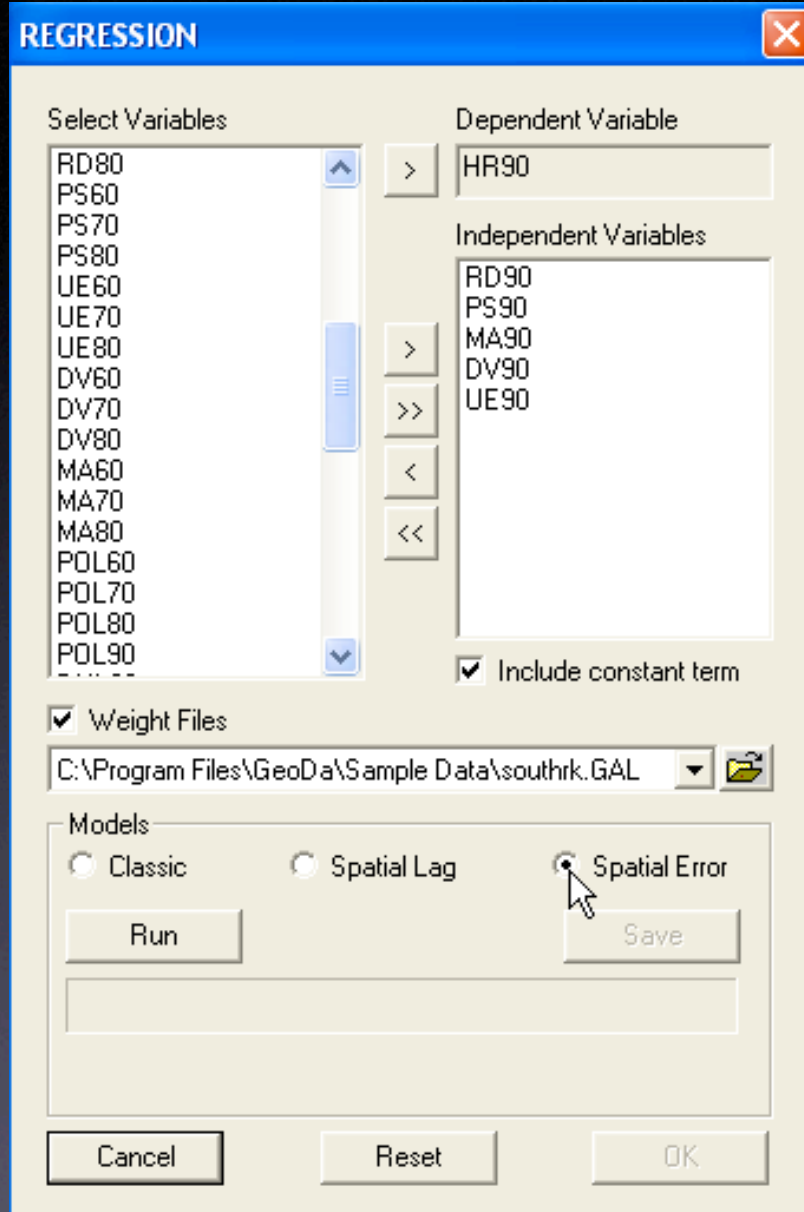
- **R<sup>2</sup> Not Appropriate**
  - based on unweighted sum of squared residuals
  - does not compensate for loss of information
- Likelihood Criteria



**REGRESSION****SUMMARY OF OUTPUT: SPATIAL LAG MODEL - MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD ESTIMATION**

Data set : south  
Spatial Weight : southrk.GAL  
Dependent Variable : HR90 Number of Observations: 1412  
Mean dependent var : 9.54929 Number of Variables : 7  
S.D. dependent var : 7.03636 Degrees of Freedom : 1405  
Lag coeff. (Rho) : 0.22622  
  
R-squared : 0.337480 Log likelihood : -4474.92  
Sq. Correlation : - Akaike info criterion : 8963.84  
Sigma-square : 32.8016 Schwarz criterion : 9000.61  
S.E of regression : 5.72727

Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	z-value	Probability
W_HR90	0.2262204	0.0335461	6.743568	0.0000000
CONSTANT	5.100989	1.793351	2.84439	0.0044498
RD90	4.030911	0.22555	17.87147	0.0000000
PS90	1.786308	0.2018053	8.851641	0.0000000
MA90	-0.01129424	0.04793461	-0.2356177	0.8137294
DV90	0.4769045	0.1125612	4.236845	0.0000227
UE90	-0.4393495	0.06870696	-6.394542	0.0000000



**REGRESSION****SUMMARY OF OUTPUT: SPATIAL ERROR MODEL - MAXIMUM LIKELIHOOD ESTIMATION**

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Data set           : south
Spatial Weight     : southrk.GAL
Dependent Variable :          HR90  Number of Observations: 1412
Mean dependent var :    9.549293  Number of Variables   :    6
S.D. dependent var :    7.036358  Degree of Freedom    : 1406
Lag coeff. (Lambda) :    0.291609

R-squared          :    0.345458  R-squared (BUSE)     : -
Sq. Correlation    : -              Log likelihood        : -4471.317119
Sigma-square       :   32.406602  Akaike info criterion :    8954.63
S.E of regression  :    5.69268  Schwarz criterion    : 8986.150813

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Variable	Coefficient	Std. Error	z-value	Probability
CONSTANT	6.693515	1.958045	3.418469	0.0006298
RD90	4.407397	0.237668	18.54434	0.0000000
PS90	1.766328	0.2256524	7.82765	0.0000000
MA90	-0.01663971	0.05298999	-0.3140161	0.7535089
DV90	0.4991464	0.1249123	3.995975	0.0000645
UE90	-0.3878414	0.07847802	-4.942039	0.0000008
LAMBDA	0.2916094	0.03727543	7.823098	0.0000000

