

$$\left[ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) u_i \right] / \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$$

$$\sim \frac{\hat{\beta}_n - \beta_n}{SE(\hat{\beta}_n)} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$$

### TOPIC THREE: CONTROL VARIABLES

... TRUE MODEL:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \gamma X_{2,i} + u_i$$

We care about  $\beta_1$ , but we do not have data for  $X_{2,i}$ . This leads to OVB in our estimate  $\hat{\beta}_1$ .

$$(\text{indeed, recall, } \hat{\beta}_1 \rightarrow \beta_1 + \underbrace{\text{sign}(\gamma) \text{Corr}(X_{1,i}, X_{2,i})}_{\text{OVB}} \sqrt{\frac{\text{var}(\gamma X_{2,i} + u_i)}{\text{var}(X_{1,i})})$$

We do have data on  $W_i$ , however, and  $\text{Corr}(X_{2,i}, W_i) = 1$ . Even though  $W_i$  does not directly effect  $Y_i$ , running the model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1,i} + \beta_2 W_i + u_i$$

will remove our OVB.