

**Economics 311**  
**Daily Problem #14**

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Suppose that you have strong but not perfect multicollinearity in your regression with two regressors,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .

- a. What does “strong but not perfect” multicollinearity mean about  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ ?
- b. Are your coefficient estimates biased or unbiased? Why?
- c. Are the standard errors of the coefficient estimators biased or unbiased estimators of the true standard deviation of your coefficient estimates? Why?
- d. If the variables actually have an effect on  $Y$ , what result are you likely to get for the  $t$  statistics that test individually whether each coefficient is zero? Why?
- e. If the variables actually have an effect on  $Y$ , what result are you likely to get for the regression  $F$  statistic that tests the hypothesis that *both* coefficients are zero? Why?
- f. In what way, if at all, is your Stata output misleading you?