

# TA Session #9

## ECON 341: Econometrics I

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$$\sqrt{n}(\hat{\beta} - \beta) \xrightarrow{d} [E(\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i')]^{-1} N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 E(\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i')) = N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 [E(\mathbf{x}_i \mathbf{x}_i')]^{-1})$$

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Thus, the sampling error is:

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Yes! this matrix is positive definite.

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But, do you see a problem with  $\mathbf{W}$ ?

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