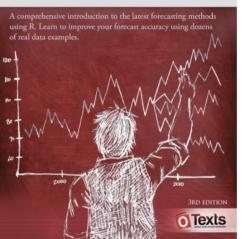
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# FORECASTING PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE



# 7. Time series regression models

7.9 Matrix formulation

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Then

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$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{T - k - 1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$$

Note: If you fall for the dummy variable trap, (X'X) is a singular matrix.

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#### **LOO cross-validation MSE**

$$CV = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^{T} [e_t/(1-h_t)]^2$$

- $\bullet$  e<sub>t</sub> = residual at time t (from fitting model to all data)
- $\blacksquare$   $h_1, \ldots, h_T$  are the diagonals of H.

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- This ignores any errors in  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .
- 95% prediction intervals assuming normal errors:

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}}^* \pm 1.96\sqrt{\mathsf{Var}(\mathbf{y}^*|\mathbf{X},\mathbf{x}^*)}$$
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