

# Multiple Linear Regression

## Section 3.2 & 6.1

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## Continuing Example

The goal is to predict the *stock\_index\_price* (the dependent variable) of a fictitious economy based on three independent/input variables:

- *Interest\_Rate*
- *Unemployment\_Rate*
- *Year*

The data is in the *stock\_price.csv* data set in Canvas This is from <https://datatofish.com/multiple-linear-regression-in-r/>

# Questions We Want To Answer

1. Is at least one of the predictors  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p$  useful in predicting the response? **Answer:** F - test, if  $p$ -value  $\leq \alpha$  then at least one of the predictors are useful in predicting the response.
2. Do all of the predictors help to explain  $Y$ , or is only a subset of the predictors useful? **Answer:** T-test for each predictor, if  $p$ -value is  $> \alpha$  then that predictor is not needed in the in model with the presence of the the other predictors.
3. How well does the model fit the data? **Answer:** What is the  $RSE$  for different models, what is  $R^2$  for different models? Do the plots (residuals, Normal QQ, Standardize Residuals, and Extreme Values) appear to follow the assumptions?
4. Given a set of predictor values, what response value should we predict, and how accurate is our prediction? **Answer:** Prediction Interval and Confidence Interval.

# Calculations Used to Answer These Questions

1. Residual sum of squares:

$$SSE = RSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \quad \text{variance of residuals}$$

2. Sum of squares regression:

$$SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 \quad \text{variance of the predicted value}$$

3. Total sum of squares:

$$SST = TSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \quad \text{variance of the observed response}$$

$TSS = SSR + SSE$  values

Then the  $F$ -statistic is calculated by:

$$F = \frac{SSR/p}{RSS/(n-p-1)} = \frac{MSR}{MSE}$$

## Putting these Values in a Table: ANOVA

“**Analysis of Variance** (ANOVA) table consist of calculations that provide information about levels of variability within a regression model and form a basis for tests of significance.”<sup>1</sup>

Source	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F-value	P-value
Model	$p$	SSR	$\frac{SSR}{p} = MSR$	$\frac{MSR}{MSE}$	$P(f_{p,n-p-1} \geq F)$
Residuals	$n - p - 1$	RSS	$\frac{RSS}{n-p-1} = MSE$		
Total	$n - 1$	TSS			

*Note:* SSR is the total variation accounted in the model among all of the  $p$  predictors. R separates this by each  $p$  predictor

<sup>1</sup><http://www.stat.yale.edu/Courses/1997-98/101/anovareg.htm>

```
stock3.lm <- lm(Stock_Index_Price~Interest_Rate+Unemployment_Rate+Year,
               data = stock_price)
(stock3.aov = anova(stock3.lm))
```

Analysis of Variance Table

$n=24$

Response: Stock\_Index\_Price

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Interest_Rate	1	894463	894463	172.7117	2.684e-11 ***
Unemployment_Rate	1	22394	22394	4.3241	0.05065 .
Year	1	980	980	0.1892	0.66823
Residuals	20	103579	5179		
Total	23	1021416			

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$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  vs  $H_A: \beta_1 \neq 0$   
 if  $\beta_2$  &  $\beta_3$  are in the model

$$1. SSR = 894463 + 22394.17 + 979.9 = 917837.1$$

$$2. RSS = 103578.7$$

$$3. TSS = SSR + RSS = 1021416$$

$$F = \frac{SSR/p}{RSS/(n-p-1)} = \frac{917837.1/3}{103578.7/(24-3-1)} = 59.07$$

$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$   
 $H_A: \text{At least one } \beta_j \neq 0$

$$p\text{-value} = 1 - p_f(59.07, 3, 20) \approx 0$$

# Without Year

```
stock2.lm <- lm(Stock_Index_Price~ Interest_Rate+Unemployment_Rate,  
               data = stock_price)  
anova(stock2.lm)
```

## Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Stock\_Index\_Price

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Interest_Rate	1	894463	894463	179.6477	9.231e-12 ***
Unemployment_Rate	1	22394	22394	4.4977	0.04601 *
Residuals	21	104559	4979		

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$$SSR = 894463 + 22394 = 916857$$

$$RSS = 104559$$

$$TSS = 104559 + 916857 = 1021416$$

$$F = \frac{916857/2}{104559/(24-2-1)} = 92.07$$

## Answering Question 3: Common Numerical Measures of the Model Fit

$$= SSR/TSS = \frac{TSS - RSS}{TSS}$$

1.  $R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS}$  This is the fraction of the variability in  $Y$  that can be explained by the equation. We desire this to be close to 1.
2. Residual Standard Error =  $RSE = \sqrt{\frac{RSS}{n-p-1}}$ , the variability of the residuals. We desire this to be small.
3. **Problem:** as we add more variables, the  $R^2$  will increase.
4. We have a number of techniques for adjusting to the fact that we have more variables.



# Compare Values

Predictors	RSE	<del><math>R^2</math></del>
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate + Year	71.96	<del>0.8986</del>
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate	70.56	<del>0.8976</del>
Interest_Rate	75.96	<del>0.8757</del>

# Other Statistics to Choose Best Linear Model

We can then select the best model out of all of the models that we have considered. How do we determine which model is best? Various statistics can be used to judge the quality of a model.

These include:

- *Mallows'  $C_p$ ,*
- *Akaike information criterion (AIC),*
- *Bayesian information criterion (BIC) and*
- *adjusted  $R^2$ .*

We desire a model with small values of  $C_p$ ,  $AIC$ , and  $BIC$  and large (close to 1) *adjusted  $R^2$ .*

## Adjusted $R^2$

- As stated before, the problem is that the more predictors we drop the from the model the  $R^2$  becomes lower.
- For a least squares model with  $p$  variables, the adjusted  $R^2$  is calculated as

$$1 - \frac{\text{RSS}/(n - p - 1)}{\text{TSS}/(n - 1)}$$

- We desire again a large adjusted  $R^2$ .

From the summary output

Multiple R-squared: 0.8986, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8834

# Adjusted $R^2$ Calculations

SST = 1021416

Predictors	RSS	Adj. $R^2$
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate + Year	103579	$1 - \frac{103579/(24-3-1)}{1021416/23} = 0.8834$
* Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate	104559	? 0.8879
Interest_Rate	126953	$1 - \frac{126953/(24-1-1)}{1021416/23} = 0.8701$

1. Determine the adjusted  $R^2$  for the model with the 2 predictors.

a) 104559

c) 0.8976

b) 1021416

d) 0.8879

$$\text{adj. } R^2 = 1 - \frac{104559/(24-2-1)}{1021416/23} = 0.8879$$

- Mallows'  $C_p$  compares the precision and bias of the full model to models with a subset of the predictors.
- Usually, you should look for models where Mallows'  $C_p$  is small and close to the number of predictors in the model plus the constant ( $p + 1$ ).
- A small Mallows'  $C_p$  value indicates that the model is relatively precise (has small variance) in estimating the true regression coefficients and predicting future responses.
- A Mallows'  $C_p$  value that is close to the number of predictors plus the constant indicates that the model is relatively unbiased in estimating the true regression coefficients and predicting future responses.
- Models with lack-of-fit and bias have values of Mallows'  $C_p$  larger than  $p$ .
- Formula for  $C_p$ :

$$C_p = \frac{RSS_p}{MSE_{\text{all}}} + 2(p + 1) - n$$

Where  $p$  is the number of predictors in the model and  $RSS_p$  is the residual sum of squares from the model with  $p$  predictors and  $MSE_{\text{all}}$  is the MSE for the model with all the predictors.

# Stock Price Example

Output from model:

$$\text{Stock\_Index\_Price} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \text{Interest\_Rate} + \beta_2 \times \text{Unemployment\_Rate} + \beta_3 \times \text{Year} + \epsilon$$

```
anova(stock3.lm)
```

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Stock\_Index\_Price

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
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$$MSE_{All} = 5179 \quad RSS_3 = 103579$$

$$C_3 = \frac{103579}{5179} + 2(3+1) - 24 = 3.9998 \approx 4 = p+1$$

Output from model:  $Stock\_Index\_Price = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times Interest\_Rate + \epsilon$

```
stock.lm = lm(Stock_Index_Price ~ Interest_Rate, data = stock_price)
anova(stock.lm)
```

### Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Stock\_Index\_Price

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Interest_Rate	1	894463	894463	155	1.954e-11 ***
Residuals	22	126953	5771		

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$$RSS_1 = 126953$$
$$MSE_{All} = 5179$$

$$C_p = \frac{126953}{5179} + 2(1 + 1) - 24 = 4.513$$

# Lab Question

The following is an output for the model:

$$\text{Stock\_Index\_Price} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \text{Interest\_Rate} + \beta_2 \times \text{Unemployment\_Rate} + \epsilon$$

```
anova(stock2.lm)
```

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Stock\_Index\_Price

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
Interest_Rate	1	894463	894463	179.6477	9.231e-12 ***
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2. Determine the  $C_p$  statistic.

$$C_2 = \frac{104559}{5179} + 2(2+1) - 24$$

a) 2

**(c)** 2.189

b) 104559

d) 4.513



- **Akaike information criterion** (AIC) is an estimator of the relative quality of statistical models for a given set of data.
- Given a collection of models for the data, AIC estimates the quality of each model, relative to each of the other models.
- AIC is used in the `step()` function in **R** and provides a means for model selection. The default is the “backward” selection process.
- The calculation is for  $p$  variables:

$$2(p + 1) + n \ln \left( \frac{\text{RSS}}{n} \right)$$

- The smaller the AIC the better the fit.

# AIC Calculations

Predictors	RSS	AIC
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate + Year	103579	$2(4) + 24 * \ln\left(\frac{103579}{24}\right) = 208.88$
<del>A</del> Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate	104559	? 207.11
Interest_Rate	126953	$2(2) + 24 * \ln\left(\frac{126953}{24}\right) = 209.76$

3. Determine the AIC for the model with the 2 predictors.

a) 207.11

b) 203.11

c) 104559

d) 4356.625

$$AIC = 2(3) + 24 * \ln\left(\frac{104559}{24}\right)$$

# From the `step()` Function

Start: AIC=208.88

Stock\_Index\_Price ~ Interest\_Rate + Unemployment\_Rate + Year

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
- Year	1	980	104559	207.11
<none>			103579	208.88
- Unemployment_Rate	1	17012	120591	210.53
- Interest_Rate	1	35847	139426	214.01

Step: AIC=207.11

Stock\_Index\_Price ~ Interest\_Rate + Unemployment\_Rate

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
<none>			104559	207.11
- Unemployment_Rate	1	22394	126953	209.76
- Interest_Rate	1	47932	152491	214.16

Call:

```
lm(formula = Stock_Index_Price ~ Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate,  
    data = stock_price)
```

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	Interest_Rate	Unemployment_Rate
1798.4	345.5	-250.1

- Derived from a Bayesian point of view. Call the Schwartz's information criterion.
- Similar to the AIC and  $C_p$ .
- We generally select the model with the lowest BIC value.
- Formula

$$BIC = -2 * \loglikelihood + \log(n)(p + 1)$$

- There are several ways to estimate this value. In R we can use the function `BIC`

```
BIC(stock.lm) #Interest_Rate
```

```
[1] 283.4076
```

```
BIC(stock2.lm) #Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate
```

```
[1] 281.9281
```

```
BIC(stock3.lm) #Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate + Year
```

```
[1] 284.8801
```

# Which Subsets of Parameters are Best?

Predictors	$R^2$	Adj. $R^2$	$C_p$	AIC	BIC
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate + Year	0.8986	0.8834	4.0	208.88	284.8801
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate	0.8876	0.8879	2.1892	207.11	281.9281
Interest_Rate	0.8757	0.8701	4.5133	209.76	283.4076

4. According to these statistics which model is best?

- a. With Interest Rate only
- ☒ b. With Interest Rate and Unemployment Rate
- c. With all three predictors
- d. Any of these models will be fine

# Function to Get Best Subset

- The `regsubsets()` function (part of the `leaps` library) performs best subset selection by identifying the best models that contains a given number of predictors.
- The *best* is quantified using the RSS.
- The syntax is the same as for `lm()`.
- Type in the following and run in R.

```
library(leaps)
stock.fit = regsubsets(Stock_Index_Price~Unemployment_Rate +
                        Interest_Rate + Year,
                        data = stock_price)
(stock.res = summary(stock.fit))
```

- An asterisk indicates that a given variable is included in the corresponding model. For instance, this output indicates that the best one-variable model contains `Interest_Rate`.
- The `summary()` function also returns  $R^2$ , SSR, adjusted  $R^2$ ,  $C_p$ , and an estimated BIC.

Subset selection object

Call: `regsubsets.formula(Stock_Index_Price ~ Unemployment_Rate + Interest_Rate + Year, data = stock_price)`

3 Variables (and intercept)

	Forced in	Forced out
Unemployment_Rate	FALSE	FALSE
Interest_Rate	FALSE	FALSE
Year	FALSE	FALSE

1 subsets of each size up to 3

Selection Algorithm: exhaustive

	Unemployment_Rate	Interest_Rate	Year
1 ( 1 )	" "	"*"	" "
2 ( 1 )	"*"	"*"	" "
3 ( 1 )	"*"	"*"	"*"



## Show The Statistics From the `regsubests()`

```
stock.stat = cbind(stock.res$rsq,  
                   stock.res$adjr2,  
                   stock.res$cp,  
                   stock.res$bic)  
colnames(stock.stat) = c("rsq", "AdjR2", "Cp", "BIC")  
stock.stat
```

5. Which of the following statistic do we want the highest value?

a)

adjusted  $R^2$

b)  $C_p$

c) BIC

d) AIC

	rsq	Adjr2	Cp	BIC
Interest_Rate	0.8757090	0.8700594	4.513301	-43.68700
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate	0.8976336	0.8878844	2.189215	-45.16656
Interest_Rate + Unemployment_Rate + Year	0.8985930	0.8833819	4.000000	-42.21449

# Assumptions about the Model

The linear regression model has assumptions that we need to prove is true. We use the acronym **LINE** to remember these assumptions.

- **L**inear relationship: can we determine a linear relationship between the response and other variables?
- **I**ndependent observations: are the observations a result of a simple random sample?
- **N**ormal distribution: for any fixed value of  $X$ ,  $Y$  is normally distributed.
- **E**qual variance: the variance of the residual is the same for any value of  $X$ .
- Be careful of extreme values.

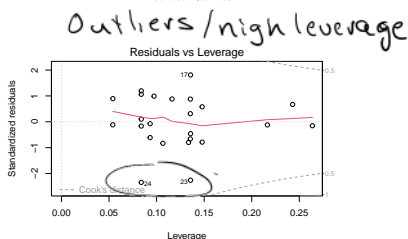
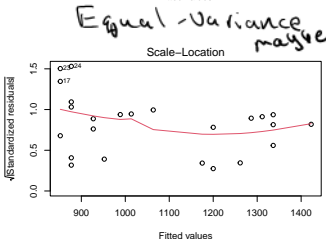
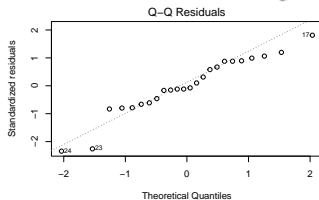
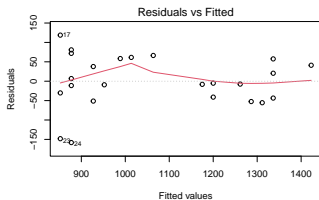
# Diagnostic Plots to Check Assumptions

Equation:

$$\text{Stock\_index\_price} = 1798.4 + 345.5 \times \text{Interest\_Rate} - 250.1 \times \text{Unemployment\_Rate}$$

Linear maybe

Normal ✓



## Answering Question 4: Predictions

Recall we want to make a prediction on  $Y = f(X) + \epsilon$ . We found an estimate for  $f(X)$ :

$$\hat{f}(X) = \text{Stock\_index\_price} = 1798.4 + 345.5 \times \text{Interest\_Rate} - 250.1 \times \text{Unemployment\_Rate}$$

What is the predicted value of the stock index price if  $\text{Interest\_Rate} = 2.25$  and  $\text{Unemployment\_Rate} = 6.0$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\text{stock\_index\_price}} &= 1798.4 + 345.5 \times 2.25 - 250.1 \times 6.0 \\ &= 1075 \end{aligned}$$

## Reducible and Irreducible Error $Y = f(X) + \varepsilon$

There are uncertainty associated with this prediction.

1. The coefficients are only an estimate for the true population model  $f(X)$ . This is related to the **reducible error**. We use the **confidence interval** for the predicted value to determine how close  $\hat{Y}$  will be to  $f(X)$ .
2. We are assuming a linear model for  $f(X)$ , so there is an additional source of potentially reducible error which we call *model bias*.
3. Even if we know  $f(X)$ , the response value cannot be predicted perfectly because of the random error  $\varepsilon$ . This is the **irreducible error**. How much will  $Y$  vary from  $\hat{Y}$ ? We use **prediction intervals** to answer this question.

# Confidence Interval


```
predict(stock2.lm,  
        newdata = data.frame(Interest_Rate = 2.25,  
                               Unemployment_Rate = 6.0),  
        interval = "c")
```

	fit	lwr	upr
1	1074.99	975.9122	1174.067

This means we predict the **average** stock index price among all of the months with 2.25% interest rate and 6% unemployment to be between [975.9122, 1174.067] with 95% confidence.

# Prediction Interval

```
predict(stock2.lm,  
        newdata = data.frame(Interest_Rate = 2.25,  
                               Unemployment_Rate = 6.0),  
        interval = "p")
```

  
fit            lwr            upr  
1 1074.99 897.932 1252.047

This means the predicted stock index price for a particular month with 2.25% interest rate and 6% unemployment rate is between [897.932,1252.047] with 95% confidence.

This interval is wider than the confidence interval, because it incorporates both the error in the estimate for  $f(X)$  (*reducible error*) and the uncertainty as to how much an individual point will differ from the population model (*irreducible error*).