

Introduction to Statistics Note

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Chapter 11: Multiple Regression

11.1 Inference for Multiple Regression

The linear regression model in which the mean response, μ_y , is related to **one explanatory variable** x :

$$\mu_y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

The data for a **simple linear regression** problem consist of n observations (x_i, y_i) of **two variables**.

In multiple regression, the response variable y depends on p **explanatory variables** x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p :

$$\mu_y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$$

Data for **multiple linear regression** consist of the value of a response variable y and p **explanatory variables** (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) on each of n cases.

The **statistical model for multiple linear regression** is:

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip} + \varepsilon_i$$

for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

The **mean response** μ_y is a linear function of the explanatory variables:

$$\mu_y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$$

The **deviations** ε_i (**偏差**) are independent and Normally distributed $N(0, \sigma)$

The **parameters of the model** (**模型参数**) are $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$ and σ .

The coefficient $\beta_i (i = 1, \dots, p)$ represents **the average change in the response** when the variable x_i increases by one unit and all other x variables are held constant. (**每个 x_i 对应的系数 β_i 只代表了该变量变化单位值且其他变量 $x_j (j \neq i)$ 保持不变时, 响应变量变化的值**)

Estimation of the Parameters (**参数值估计**)

Select a **random sample of n individuals** on which $p + 1$ variables (x_1, \dots, x_p, y) are measured. The **least-squares regression method** chooses b_0, b_1, \dots, b_p to minimize the sum of squared deviations $(y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$, where:

$$\hat{y}_i = b_0 + b_1 x_{i1} + \dots + b_p x_{ip}$$

As with simple linear regression, the constant b_0 is the **y-intercept**.

The parameter σ^2 measures the variability of the responses about the population response mean. The estimator of σ^2 is:

$$s^2 = \frac{\sum e_i^2}{n - p - 1} = \frac{\sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{n - p - 1}$$

Confidence Interval for β_i rely on the t -distribution, with $n - p - 1$ **degrees of freedom**, a level C confidence interval for β_j is:

$$b_j \pm t^* \cdot \mathbf{SE}_{b_j}$$

where \mathbf{SE}_{b_j} is the standard error of b_j and t^* is the t critical for the $t(n - p - 1)$ distribution with area C between $-t^*$ and t^*

Significance Test for β_j (β_j 的显著性检验) :

- Null hypothesis $H_0 : \beta_j = 0$, calculate the t statistic:

$$t = \frac{b_j}{\mathbf{SE}_{b_j}}$$

which has the $t(n - p - 1)$ distribution.

- Alternative hypothesis:
 - $H_a : \beta_j > 0$ is $P(T \geq t)$
 - $H_a : \beta_j < 0$ is $P(T \leq t)$
 - $H_a : \beta_j \neq 0$ is $2P(T \geq |t|)$
 - Note:** Software typically provides **two-sided** P-values

Significance Test for β_j

- Suppose we test $H_0 : \beta_j = 0$ for each j and find that **none of the p tests is significant**, we **should not** conclude that **none of the explanatory variables is related to the response** (不应得出结论认为所有解释变量均与响应无关) .
- When we fail to reject $H_0 : \beta_j = 0$, this means that we **probably don't need x_j in the model with all the other variables** (我们可能不需要在模型中包含 x_j) , so it merely means that it's **safe to throw away at least one of the variables** (安全地丢弃至少一个变量) .

ANOVA F -test for Multiple Regression (对多变量回归的ANOVA F 检验)

In multiple regression, the ANOVA F statistic tests the hypotheses:

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \cdots = \beta_p = 0 \text{ vs. } H_a : \text{at least one } \beta_j \neq 0$$

by computing the F statistic $F = \mathbf{MSM}/\mathbf{MSE}$, When H_0 is true, F follows the $F(p, n - p - 1)$ distribution. The P-value is $P(F \geq f)$.

p is number of predictors (p 是自变量/预测变量的数量)

A significant P-value doesn't mean that all p explanatory variables have a significant influence on y —**only that at least one does.**

ANOVA Table for Multiple Regression

Source	Sum of Squares SS	df	Mean square MS	F	P-value
Model	$\sum(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2$	p	$\mathbf{MSM} = \mathbf{SSM}/\mathbf{DFM}$	$\mathbf{MSM}/\mathbf{MSE}$	Tail area above F
Error	$\sum(y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$	$n - p - 1$	$\mathbf{MSE} = \mathbf{SSE}/\mathbf{DFE}$		
Total	$\sum(y_i - \bar{y})^2$	$n - 1$			

SSM =model sum of squares, **SSE** =error sum of squares

SST =total sum of squares, **SST = SSM + SSE**

$$\mathbf{DFM} = p, \mathbf{DFE} = n - p - 1, \mathbf{DFT} = n - 1, \mathbf{DFT} = \mathbf{DFM} + \mathbf{DFE}$$

Squared Multiple Correlation R^2 (多变量相关系数 R 方)

R^2 , the squared multiple correlation, is **the proportion of the variation in the response variable y that is explained by the model.**

$$R^2 = \frac{\sum(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}{\sum(y_i - \bar{y})^2} = \frac{\mathbf{SSM}}{\mathbf{SST}}$$

The square root of R^2 , namely R , called the **multiple correlation coefficient (多变量相关系数)**, is the **correlation between the observations and the predicted values (观测值和预测值的相关性)**.