

$$K=2, \quad Y = X\beta + \varepsilon, \quad Y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{12} \\ 1 & x_{22} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n2} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ \vdots \\ e_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(X'X)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum X \\ \sum X & \sum X^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{n \sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum X^2 & -\sum X \\ -\sum X & n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$b = (X'X)^{-1} (X'Y)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum X^2 & -\sum X \\ -\sum X & n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \dots & 1 \\ x_{12} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{n2} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \left( \sum X^2 - \frac{1}{n} (\sum X)^2 \right)} \begin{bmatrix} \sum X^2 & -\sum X \\ -\sum X & n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum Y \\ \sum XY \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum y \sum x^2 - \sum x \sum xy \\ -\sum x \sum y + n \sum xy \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\bar{y} \sum x^2 - \bar{x} \sum xy}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \\ \frac{n \sum xy - \sum x \sum y}{n \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\bar{y} (\sum x_i^2 - n \bar{x}^2) - \bar{x} \sum xy + n \bar{x}^2 \bar{y}}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \\ \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x}) (y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} \bar{y} - \frac{\sum xy - n \bar{x} \bar{y}}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \bar{x} \\ \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x}) (y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$K=2,$$

$$\text{Var}(b) = \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum X^2 & -\sum X \\ -\sum X & n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \sigma^2 \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\sum X^2}{n S_{XX}} & \frac{-\sum X}{n S_{XX}} \\ \frac{-\sum X}{n S_{XX}} & \frac{1}{S_{XX}} \end{bmatrix}, \quad S_{XX} = \sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

$$\text{Var}(b_1 | X) = \sigma^2 \frac{\sum X^2}{n S_{XX}}$$

$$\text{Var}(b_2 | X) = \sigma^2 \frac{1}{S_{XX}}$$

$$\text{cov}(b_1, b_2 | X) = \sigma^2 \frac{-\sum X_i}{n S_{XX}}$$

5.3 Consider the following model that relates the percentage of a household's budget spent on alcohol WALC to total expenditure TOTEXP, age of the household head AGE, and the number of children in the household NK.

$$WALC = \beta_1 + \beta_2 \ln(TOTEXP) + \beta_3 NK + \beta_4 AGE + e$$

This model was estimated using 1200 observations from London. An incomplete version of this output is provided in Table 5.6.

TABLE 5.6 Output for Exercise 5.3

| Dependent Variable: WALC<br>Included observations: 1200 |             |                    |             |         |
|---|-------------|--------------------|-------------|---------|
| Variable  | Coefficient | Std. Error         | t-Statistic | Prob.   |
| C   | 1.4515      | 2.2019             |             | 0.5099  |
| $\ln(TOTEXP)$   | 2.7648      |                    | 5.7103      | 0.0000  |
| NK  |             | 0.3695             | -3.9376     | 0.0001  |
| AGE   | -0.1503     | 0.0235             | -6.4019     | 0.0000  |
| R-squared   |             | Mean dependent var |             | 6.19434 |
| S.E. of regression                                      |             | S.D. dependent var |             | 6.39547 |
| Sum squared resid                                       | 46221.62    |                    |             |         |

- Fill in the following blank spaces that appear in this table.
  - The  $t$ -statistic for  $b_1$ .
  - The standard error for  $b_2$ .
  - The estimate  $b_3$ .
  - $R^2$ .
  - $\hat{\sigma}$ .
- Interpret each of the estimates  $b_2$ ,  $b_3$ , and  $b_4$ .
- Compute a 95% interval estimate for  $\beta_4$ . What does this interval tell you?
- Are each of the coefficient estimates significant at a 5% level? Why?
- Test the hypothesis that the addition of an extra child decreases the mean budget share of alcohol by 2 percentage points against the alternative that the decrease is not equal to 2 percentage points. Use a 5% significance level.

a.

(i)

$$\text{test statistic} = \frac{b_1 - \beta_1}{SE(b_1)} \sim t(1196)$$

$$t^* = \frac{1.4515 - 0}{2.2019} = 0.6592$$

(ii)

$$\text{test statistic} = \frac{b_2 - \beta_2}{SE(b_2)} \sim t(1196)$$

$$t^* = \frac{2.7648 - 0}{SE(b_2)} = 5.7103$$

$$SE(b_2) = \frac{2.7648}{5.7103} = 0.4842$$

(iii)

$$\text{test statistic} = \frac{b_3 - \beta_3}{SE(b_3)} \sim t(1196)$$

$$t^* = \frac{b_3 - 0}{0.3695} = -3.9376$$

$$b_3 = -3.9376 \times 0.3695 = -1.4549$$

(iv.)

$$\begin{aligned} SST &= \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \\ &= 6.39547^2 \times 1199 \\ &= \end{aligned}$$

$$R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST} = 1 - \frac{SSE}{SST} = 1 - \frac{46221.62}{49041.54179}$$

$$= 0.0575$$

$$(v) \hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{MSE} = \sqrt{\frac{SSE}{n}} = \sqrt{\frac{46221.62}{1196}} = 6.2167$$

b.

The value  $b_2 = 2.765$  suggest that a 1% increase in total expenditure will increase the share of expenditure going to alcohol by approximately 0.02765 percentage point.

The value  $b_3 = -1.4549$  suggest that, if the household has one more child, the share of alcohol expenditure of that household decrease by 1.45494 percentage points.

The value  $b_4 = -0.1503$  suggest that, if the age of the household head increase by 1 year, the share of alcohol expenditure decrease by 0.1503 percentage points.

c.

$$b_4 \pm SE(b_4) t_{0.025}(1196)$$

$$-0.1503 \pm 0.0235 \times 1.96$$

$$\beta_4 \text{ 95\% interval: } [-0.1964, -0.1042]$$

This interval tell us that, if the age of the household head increases by 1 year, the share of alcohol expenditure is estimated to decrease by an amount between 0.1042 and 0.1964 percentage point.

d.

With the exception of the intercept, all coefficient estimates are significantly different from zero at 5% level because their p-value are all less than 0.05.

e.

$$H_0: \beta_3 = -2$$

$$H_1: \beta_3 \neq -2$$

$$\text{test statistic} = \frac{b_3 - 2}{SE(b_3)} \sim t(1196)$$

$$t^* = \frac{-1.4549 - (-2)}{0.3695} = 1.495 < 1.96 = t_{0.025}(1196), \therefore \text{reject } H_0$$

There is no evidence to suggest that having an extra child leads to decline in the alcohol budget share that is different from two percentage points.

5.23 The file *cocaine* contains 56 observations on variables related to sales of cocaine powder in northeastern California over the period 1984–1991. The data are a subset of those used in the study Caulkins, J. P. and R. Padman (1993), "Quantity Discounts and Quality Premiums for Illicit Drugs," *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, 88, 748–757. The variables are

*PRICE* = price per gram in dollars for a cocaine sale  
*QUANT* = number of grams of cocaine in a given sale  
*QUAL* = quality of the cocaine expressed as percentage purity  
*TREND* = a time variable with 1984 = 1 up to 1991 = 8  
 Consider the regression model

$$PRICE = \beta_1 + \beta_2 QUANT + \beta_3 QUAL + \beta_4 TREND + e$$

- What signs would you expect on the coefficients  $\beta_2$ ,  $\beta_3$ , and  $\beta_4$ ?
- Use your computer software to estimate the equation. Report the results and interpret the coefficient estimates. Have the signs turned out as you expected?
- What proportion of variation in cocaine price is explained jointly by variation in quantity, quality, and time?
- It is claimed that the greater the number of sales, the higher the risk of getting caught. Thus, sellers are willing to accept a lower price if they can make sales in larger quantities. Set up  $H_0$  and  $H_1$  that would be appropriate to test this hypothesis. Carry out the hypothesis test.
- Test the hypothesis that the quality of cocaine has no influence on expected price against the alternative that a premium is paid for better-quality cocaine.
- What is the average annual change in the cocaine price? Can you suggest why price might be changing in this direction?

a.

The expected sign for  $\beta_2$  is negative, because as the number of grams in a given sale increases, the price per gram should decrease, implying a discount for larger sales.

We expect  $\beta_3$  to be positive, the purer the cocaine, the higher the price. The sign of  $\beta_4$  will depend on how demand and supply are changing over time. For example, a fixed demand and an increasing supply will lead to a fall in price. A fixed supply and increased demand would lead to a rise in price.

b.

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Call:
lm(formula = price ~ ., data = cocaine)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-43.479 -12.014  -3.743  13.969  43.753

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  90.84669    8.58025   10.588 1.39e-14 ***
quant       -0.05997    0.01018   -5.892 2.85e-07 ***
qual         0.11621    0.20326    0.572 0.5700
trend       -2.35458    1.38612   -1.699 0.0954 .
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 20.06 on 52 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.5097,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.4814
F-statistic: 18.02 on 3 and 52 DF,  p-value: 3.806e-08
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$$PRICE = 90.8467 - 0.06 QUANT + 0.1162 QUAL - 2.3546 TREND$$

The estimated values for  $\beta_2$ ,  $\beta_3$  and  $\beta_4$  are -0.06, 0.1162 and -2.3546 respectively. They imply that as quantity increase by 1 unit, the mean price will go down by 0.06. Also, as the quality increase by 1 unit the mean price goes up by 0.1162. As time increase by 1 year, the mean price decrease by 2.3546. All the signs turn out according to our expectations, with  $\beta_4$  implying supply has been increasing faster than demand.

c.

$$R\text{-squared} = 0.5097$$

d.

$$H_0: \beta_2 \geq 0$$

$$H_1: \beta_2 < 0$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$\text{test statistic} = \frac{b_2 - \beta_2}{SE(\beta_2)} \sim t(52)$$

$$t^* = \frac{-0.05997 - 0}{0.01018} = -5.89 < -1.695 = t_{0.05}(52)$$

Reject  $H_0$  and conclude that seller are will to accept a lower price if they can make sales in larger quantities.

e.

$$H_0: \beta_3 \leq 0$$

$$H_1: \beta_3 > 0$$

$$\alpha = 0.05$$

$$\text{test statistic} = \frac{b_3 - 0}{SE(b_3)} \sim t_{0.95}(52)$$

$$t^* = \frac{0.11621 - 0}{0.20326} = 0.572 < 1.645 = t_{0.95}(52)$$

$\therefore$  don't reject  $H_0$

We can't say that a premium is paid for better-quality cocaine.

f.

The average annual change in the cocaine price is given by the value  $b_4 = -2.3546$ .

It has a negative sign suggesting that the price decreases over time. A possible reason for a decreasing price is the development of improved technology for producing cocaine, such that suppliers can produce more at the same cost.