732A94 Advanced R Programming Computer lab 4

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Instructions

- Ideally this lab should be conducted by students two by two.
- The lab consists of writing a package that is version controlled on github.com or gitlab.liu.se.
- All students in the group should **contribute equally much** to the package. All group members have to contribute to, understand and be able to explain all aspects of the work. In case some member(s) of a group do not contribute equally this has to be reported and in this situation a formal group work contract will be signed, stipulating the consequences for further unequal contributions.
- Other significant collaborations/discussions should be acknowledged in the solution.
- To copy other's code is **NOT** allowed. Your solutions will be checked through URKUND.
- Copying solutions of others and from any online or offline resources is **NOT** allowed.
- Commit continously your addition and changes.
- Collaborations should be done using GitHub (ie you should commit using your own github account)
 or using GitLab.
- In the lab some functions can be marked with an *. Students MUST do AT LEAST ONE exercise marked with an * for each of the Labs 3 6 and Bonus. If only one exercise is marked with an *, then it MUST be done.
- The deadline for the lab is on the lab's title page.
- The lab should be turned in using an url to the repository containing the package on github/gitlab.liu.se using LISAM. This should also include name, liu-id and, if applicable, github user names of the students behind the project. In case of problems or if you do not have access to LISAM the url may be emailed to baybr79@liu.se or marbr987@student.liu.se or araha147@student.liu.se or krzysztof.bartoszek@liu.se.
- NO resubmissions will be allowed for the Bonus lab.

 NO late submissions will be allowed for the Bonus lab.
- Inside your package you may not depend on any global variable (unless it is a standard one, like pi). Using them will result in an immediate failure of your code. If at any stage your code changes any options, these changes have to be reverted before your code finishes.
- All notes raised by Travis/GitHub Actions/GitLab CI have to be taken care of or explicitly defended in your submission.
- The seminars are there to discuss your solutions and obtain support with problems. Every group has to present at least once during the seminars in order to pass the lab part.

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Chapter 1

A linear regression package in R

In this lab we will will create a package to handle linear regression models. We will use linear algebra to create the most basic functionality in the R package. We will also implement an object oriented system to handle special functions such as print(), plot(), resid(), pred(), coef() and summary(). We will finish the package up by writing a vignette on how the package can be used to conduct a simple regression analysis using a dataset included in the package.

There are different design choices to make with different levels of complexity.

- 1. Implement the calculations using ordinary linear algebra or (*) using the QR decomposition
- 2. Implement the results as an S3 class or (*) a RC class object
- 3. (*) Implement a theme() for the graphical profile of Linköping University

Students that take the advanced course must choose to use one of the advanced implementations (ie either using QR decomposition or using RC classes).

Remember to commit your changes continuously to github during the lab.

1.1 Create a package on Github with Travis / GitHub Actions or on gitlab.liu.se with GitLab CI

Start out by creating your new package on GitHub with Travis / GitHub Actions or on gitlab.liu.se with GitLab CI. You can choose the option you prefer. See lab 3 for details on how to setup a package.

1.2 Write the R code

In this R package we will write the code for a multiple regression model. The function should be called linreg() and have the two arguments formula and data. The function should return an object with of class linreg either as an S3 class or an RC class.

The formula argument should take a formula object. The first step in the function is to use the function model.matrix() to create the matrix X (independent variables) and the pick out the dependent variable y using all.vars().

1.2.1 Computations using ordinary least squares

The simple way to calculate the different is to use ordinary linear algebra and calculate:

Regressions coefficients:

$$\hat{\beta} = \left(\mathbf{X}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{X}\right)^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\mathbf{T}}\mathbf{y}$$

The fitted values:

The residuals:

$$\hat{\mathbf{e}} = \mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$$

The degrees of freedom:

$$df = n - p$$

The residual variance:

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\mathbf{e}^{\mathbf{T}} \mathbf{e}}{df}$$

where n is the number of observations and p is the number of parameters in the model.

The variance of the regression coefficients:

$$\hat{\mathbf{Var}}(\hat{\beta}) = \hat{\sigma}^2 (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

The t-values for each coefficient:

$$t_{\beta} = \frac{\hat{\beta}}{\sqrt{Var(\hat{\beta})}}$$

Using the function pt() it is then possible to calculate the p-values for each regression coefficient. Calculate these statistics and store it in an object of class linreg. Document your function linreg() using roxygen2.

1.2.2 (*) Using the QR decomposition

In statistical software we use the QR decomposition to do the estimation. This is due to the fact that QR decomposition is faster and more robust than the more straight-forward way of the linear algebra computations.

Your job is to compute the $\hat{\beta}$ and $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta})$ using a QR decomposition of **X**. See extra materials in LISAM, from here

pages.stat.wisc.edu/~st849-1/lectures/Orthogonal.pdf and here

http://staff.www.ltu.se/~jove/courses/c0002m/least_squares.pdf for detailed information how to estimate $\hat{\beta}$. You may have to derive yourself how to use the QR decomposition to calculate $Var(\hat{\beta})$. Remember that Q is an orthogonal matrix, and R is a triangular matrix.

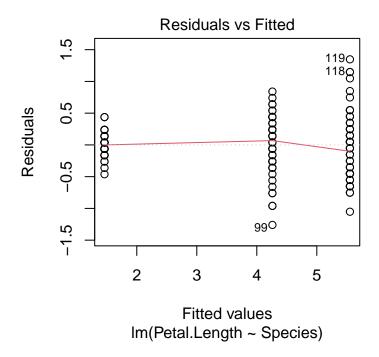
1.3 Implementing methods for your class

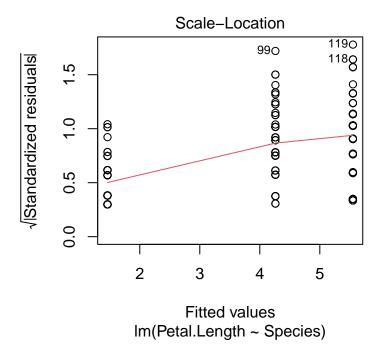
You now have done the calculations and stored them in an object with class linreg. The next step is to implement different "methods" for your object. These implementations can be done in either the S3 object oriented system or (*) the RC objected oriented system.

The following methods should be implemented and be documented using roxygen2.

print() should **print out** the coefficients and coefficient names, similar as done by the lm class.

plot() should plot the following two plots using ggplot2. Remember to include ggplot2 in your package. Do not forget that you can consider the median value.





resid() should return the vector of residuals $\hat{\mathbf{e}}$.

pred() should return the predicted values \hat{y}

coef() should return the coefficients as a named vector.

summary() should return a similar printout as printed for lm objects, but you only need to present the coefficients with their standard error, t-value and p-value as well as the estimate of $\hat{\sigma}$ and the degrees of freedom in the model.

1.4 Add unit test suites to your package

Add unit tests found at https://github.com/STIMALiU/AdvRCourse/tree/master/Testsuites for your package depending on the OO system you are using. See lab 3 for details.

1.5 Write a vignette on how to use your package

Write a vignette that describes your function and how to use it on a well known dataset such as iris or faithful. A vignette should be included and be possible to read using the browseVignettes(''[yourpackagenamehere]'') command and show a simple walkthrough of your package showing how to use the function linreg together with all the implemented methods. For more information on how to write a vignette and include them in your package see "Vignettes" in [1]. In case you observe the error

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(https://stackoverflow.com/questions/11738844/qpdf-exe-for-compactpdf)

1.6 (*) Create a theme() for Linköping university

It is common that different companies have a graphical profile and that all graphs created should follow this graphical profile. To solve this problem using ggplot2 we have what is called theme() that containes all graphical information and that you simply "add" to your ggplot to follow the graphical profile.

Create a theme() for Linköping university. The guidelines can be found in the (LiU login required) pdf

(https://liuonline.sharepoint.com/sites/intranet-kommunikation/SiteAssets/SitePages/VarumC3A4rkesmanual/LiU_grafisk_manual.pdf). You can also read here

(https://blog.liu.se/itimhvartattveta/tag/grafisk-profil/). You can implement as much as you like (adding logotype, typesetting etc.) but as a minimum the colors should be used that are the colors mentioned in the graphical manual.

1.7 Seminar and examination

During the seminar you will bring your own computer and demonstrate your package and what you found difficult in the project.

We will present as many packages as possible during the seminar and you should

- 1. Show that the package can be built using R Studio and that all unit tests is passing.
- 2. Present the unit tests you've written.
- 3. Show your vignette/run the examples live.

1.7.1 Examination

Turn in a the adress to your github or gitlab repo with the package using LISAM. To pass the lab you need to:

- 1. Have the R package up on GitHub with a Travis CI, GitHub Actions, or GitLab CI pass/fail badge.
- 2. The test suites for the implemented function(s) should be included in the package.
- 3. The package should build without warnings (pass) on Travis CI, GitHub Actions, or GitLab CI.
- 4. All issues raised by Travis CI / GitHub Actions / GitLab CI should be taken care or justified why they are not a problem or cannot be corrected. Be careful with namespace issues, these you HAVE to take care of.

Bibliography

 $[1]\,$ Hadley Wickham. R packages. " O'Reilly Media, Inc.", 2015.