

# SDS 4130/5130: Linear Statistical Models

## Topic 4: Multiple Linear Regression Model III

### Fitted and Residual Values, Hat Matrix, and MSE

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# Today's Class

- 1 Fitted Values, the Hat Matrix, and Residuals
- 2 Estimation of  $\sigma^2$ ,  $SSE = SS_{Res}$ , and MSE

# Fitted Values

- The fitted value corresponding to the levels of the regressor variables  $X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k$  is defined as

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k \hat{\beta}_j x_j = \mathbf{x}' \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}},$$

where  $\mathbf{x}' = [1, x_1, \dots, x_k]$  and  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = [\hat{\beta}_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_k]'$  is the OLSE.

- $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  is a point estimate of the mean value of the response,  
 $E[Y|X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k] = \beta_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k \beta_j x_j$ , for a case with predictor values  $X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_k = x_k$ .
- The fitted value  $\hat{y}_i$  corresponding to the  $i^{th}$ -case is

$$\hat{y}_i = \mathbf{x}'_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^k \hat{\beta}_j x_{ij}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $\mathbf{x}'_i = [1, x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ik}]$ .

# Vector of Fitted Values

- The column vector

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = [\hat{y}_1, \dots, \hat{y}_n]'$$

is called the **vector of fitted values**.

- If we recall that the design matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  takes the form:

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & \dots & x_{1k} \\ 1 & x_{21} & \dots & x_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & \dots & x_{nk} \end{bmatrix},$$

we have the following short-hand formula for  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ :

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

- The fitted values can be found using the function `fitted(model)` in R.

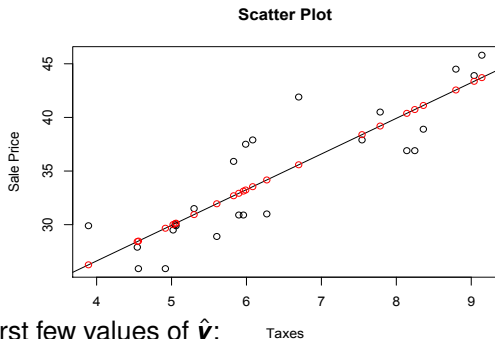
# Example 1

Recall the Example 1 from Lect. 2 regarding sale prices of houses. Let us regress the sale price  $y$  against the first predictor  $x_1$  (taxes). The following code shows how to generate the scatter plot of  $y$  vs.  $x_1$ , the least-squares regression line, and the fitted values (red points):

```
> data(table.b4)
> mymodel<-lm(y~x1,data=table.b4)
> plot(table.b4$x1,table.b4$y,xlab='Taxes',ylab='Sale Price',main=
> abline(coef(mymodel))
> points(table.b4$x1,fitted(mymodel),col='red')
```

## Example 1. Continued...

We generate the following graph:



These are the first few values of  $\hat{y}$ :

```
>fitted(mymodel)
```

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	...
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30.01118	28.42247	28.47034	30.14050	26.25531	32.92732	31.94962...
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# The Hat Matrix

- It has some advantages to write things as linear combinations of the observations vector  $\mathbf{y} = [y_1, \dots, y_n]'$ . This is easy to do for  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  since we know that  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$  and, thus,

$$\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y} =: \mathbf{H}\mathbf{y},$$

where  $\mathbf{H}$  is called the **hat matrix** and is defined as

$$\mathbf{H} := \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'.$$

- This matrix maps the vector of observed values into a vector of fitted values.

# Comments

The hat matrix  $\mathbf{H} = [h_{ij}]$  allows us to write the fitted values as linear combinations of the observed response variables  $y_j$ 's:

$$\hat{y}_i = \sum_{j=1}^n h_{ij} y_j.$$

The entry  $h_{ij}$  is sometimes called the **leverage** of the  $j^{\text{th}}$  response in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  fitted value and can be interpreted as the effect that  $j^{\text{th}}$  response in the  $i^{\text{th}}$  fitted value.



# Vector Of Residuals

- The difference between the observed and the fitted values,

$$e_i := y_i - \hat{y}_i,$$

is called the **residual** of the  $i^{th}$ -case.

- The column vector  $\mathbf{e} = [e_1, \dots, e_n]'$  is called the **vector of residuals**.
- It is easy to see that

$$\mathbf{e} = \mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{H}\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{y},$$

where  $\mathbf{I} = \mathbf{I}_{n \times n}$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix.

- The residuals can be found using the function `resid(model)` in R.

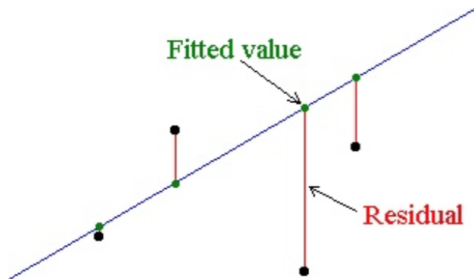
# Interpretation Of Residuals

- **Important:** The residual  $e_i$  **is not** the error term  $\varepsilon_i = Y_i - \mathbb{E}(Y_i)$ ;  
But, if the model has a good fit so that  $\hat{\beta} \approx \beta$ , then the residual can be thought as a proxy for the error:

$$e_i \approx \varepsilon_i.$$

- In particular, residuals are useful in assessing the statistical properties of the errors  $\varepsilon_i$  and analyzing the appropriateness of the model (model diagnostics).

# Illustration of Fitted Values and Residuals for $k = 1$

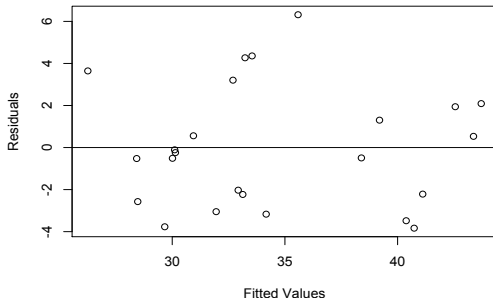


- The blue line represents the least-squares line  $\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$
- The black dots are the data points  $(x_i, y_i)$
- The green dots are the fitted values  $(x_i, \hat{y}_i)$
- The vertical distance between the green and black dots are the residuals  $e_i$

## Example 2

This is a continuation of the code of the Example 1. The following code generates a plot of the residuals against the fitted values:

```
>plot(fitted(mymodel), resid(mymodel), xlab='Fitted Values',  
      ylab='Residuals')  
>abline(h=0)
```



# Properties of the Hat Matrix

The Hat Matrix  $\mathbf{H} = [h_{ij}] := \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}' \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  has some interesting properties:

- 1 **Symmetric:**  $\mathbf{H}' = \mathbf{H}$
- 2 **Idempotent:**  $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}$
- 3  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$  is also symmetric and idempotent
- 4  $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{X}'$ .
- 5 The trace<sup>1</sup>  $tr(\mathbf{H}) := \sum_{i=1}^n h_{ii}$  equals the number of coefficients  $p = k + 1$ :

$$tr(\mathbf{H}) = tr(\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}') = tr(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}) = tr(\mathbf{I}_{\mathbf{p} \times \mathbf{p}}) = \mathbf{p}, \quad (1)$$

(where we used the property  $tr(\mathbf{AB}) = tr(\mathbf{BA})$ )

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6  $tr(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}) = n - p$

<sup>1</sup>The trace of a matrix is the sum of the matrix's diagonal elements.

## Estimation of $\sigma^2$ I

- As an application of the previous formulas and concepts, we now devise a “good” estimator for  $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(\varepsilon_i)$ , the variance of the regression errors  $\varepsilon_i$ .
- For simplicity, suppose for now that the errors  $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$  are iid (independent identically distributed). Recall from elementary statistics that the natural estimator of  $\sigma^2$  is the sample variance of the  $\varepsilon_i$ ’s:

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (\varepsilon_i - \bar{\varepsilon})^2}{n - 1}.$$

- However, we don’t observe directly the errors  $\varepsilon_i$ !. Nevertheless, it is natural to use its observable proxies, the residuals  $e_i$ :

$$\tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (e_i - \bar{e})^2}{n - 1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n - 1},$$

where the last equality is because, as it turns out,  $\bar{e} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i}{n}$  is always equal to 0 (see p. 19 below).

## Estimation of $\sigma^2$ II

- The numerator of  $\tilde{\sigma}^2$  is called the **sum of square errors** or **sum of the residuals squares**:

$$SSE = SS_{Res} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2.$$

- As it turns out  $\mathbb{E}[SS_{Res}] = \sigma^2(n - p)$  (see pages 17-18 below). Then,  
 $E(\tilde{\sigma}^2) = \frac{1}{n-1} E(SS_{Res}) = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{n-p}{n-1} \right) < \sigma^2$  because  $p = k + 1 \geq 2$ .
- However, the following estimator is UNBIASED for  $\sigma^2$ :

$$s^2 = \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{SS_{Res}}{n - p} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n - p}.$$

This is called **Mean-Square Error** and is sometimes denoted as MSE or  $MS_{Res}$ . From now on, we shall use  $s^2$  as our estimator for  $\sigma^2$ .

## Connection between residuals and errors

To show the unbiasedness statement of the last point above, we first need to connect the residuals  $\mathbf{e}$  with the errors  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ . Remember that  $\mathbf{e} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{y}$  and  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ . Then,

$$\mathbf{e} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}.$$

But, the first term cancels out because

$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\mathbf{IX} - \mathbf{HX})\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\mathbf{X} - \mathbf{X})\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{0}$  (here, we used that  $\mathbf{HX} = \mathbf{X}$ ). Then,

$$\mathbf{e} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}.$$



## Verification that $E(SS_{Res}) = \sigma^2(n - p)$

- Note that

$$SS_{Res} = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \mathbf{e}'\mathbf{e}.$$

- Then, using the connection between  $\mathbf{e}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$  of the previous page,

$$SS_{Res} = ((\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon})'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon},$$

because  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$  is symmetric and idempotent. We conclude that

$$\mathbb{E}[SS_{Res}] = \mathbb{E}[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}].$$

- Let us denote  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$ . We can show that

$$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}'\mathbf{A}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{i,j}\varepsilon_i\varepsilon_j,$$

where  $a_{i,j}$  is the  $(i,j)$  entry of  $\mathbf{A}$ .

## Verification that $E(SS_{Res}) = \sigma^2(n - p)$ II

- Then,

$$\mathbb{E}[SS_{Res}] = \mathbb{E}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = \sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{i,j} \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j).$$

- Remember the assumptions we have for the errors (see Topic 2, page 5):
  - $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i) = 0$ ,
  - $\text{Var}(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$  (**Homoskedasticity Assumption**),
  - $\text{Cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0$ , for  $i \neq j$ .

Then, when  $i = j$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j) = \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i^2) = \text{Var}(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ , and, when  $i \neq j$ ,

$\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j) = \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0$ . Thus, we have

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^n a_{i,j} \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon_i \varepsilon_j) = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n a_{i,i} = \sigma^2 \text{tr}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{tr}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}).$$

- Finally, using the last property of page 13,

$$\mathbb{E}[SS_{Res}] = \sigma^2 \text{tr}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}) = \sigma^2(n - p).$$

# Verification of $\bar{e} = 0$

- To show that  $\bar{e} = 0$  or, equivalently,  $\sum_{i=1}^n e_i = 0$ , we can use the first equation of the normal equations given in page 5 of Topic 3:

$$-2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left( y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \sum_{j=1}^k \hat{\beta}_j x_{ij} \right) = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n e_i = 0.$$

# Finding $\hat{\sigma}^2$ in R I

- 1 The value of  $\hat{\sigma}$  is directly reported in the summary of the `lm` function as the “Residual standard error”.
- 2 The following shows three different methods to compute the MSE  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  in the case of Table.B4 in Montgomery et al. (sale prices of 24 houses), regressing the sale price  $y$  against  $x_1$  (taxes) and  $x_3$  (lot size). Exercise: Run the code and check you get the same value.

## Finding $\hat{\sigma}^2$ in R II

```
# Extracting the residual standard error or MSE
mymodel<-lm(y~x1+x3,data=table.b4)

# Method 1
sigma(mymodel)

# Method 2
(summ<-summary(mymodel))
(MSE<-summ$sig^2)

# method 3
e<-resid(mymodel)
(SS_Res<-t(e)%*%e)
(MSE2<-SS_Res/(24-3))
```

Note the use of `resid` to find the residuals, `t(A)` to find the transpose, and `% * %` for matrix multiplication.

# Estimated Variance-Covariance Matrix of $\hat{\beta}$ in R I

- The natural estimate of the covariance matrix  $\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$  is

$$s^2(\hat{\beta}) := \widehat{\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta})} := \hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

- The function `vcov(mymodel)` returns the above matrix.
- The following code show the use of this function.

# Estimated Variance-Covariance Matrix of $\hat{\beta}$ in R II

```
# Regress House Sale Price against x1=taxes (in thousand dollars)
and x3 lot size (in thousand of square feet)
data(table.b4)
mymodel<-lm(y~x1+x3,data=table.b4)
summ<-summary(mymodel)

> # Extracting the Covariance Matrix of the OLSE

> # Method 1: Use of vcov function:

> (V=vcov(mymodel))
```

	(Intercept)	x1	x3
(Intercept)	6.8693708	-0.9133021	-0.1066774
x1	-0.9133021	0.2987683	-0.1658113
x3	-0.1066774	-0.1658113	0.1937260

# Estimated Variance-Covariance Matrix of $\hat{\beta}$ in R III

Let us verify the answer using matrix operations:

```
# Method 2: by hand
> X<-model.matrix(mymodel)
> C<-solve(t(X)%*% X)
> sigma(mymodel)^2*C
```

	(Intercept)	x1	x3
(Intercept)	6.8693708	-0.9133021	-0.1066774
x1	-0.9133021	0.2987683	-0.1658113
x3	-0.1066774	-0.1658113	0.1937260

Note the use of the function `model.matrix(mymodel)` to extract the design matrix **X** and `solve(A)` to find  $A^{-1}$ .