

# Linear Models

## Rain Yield

[1,]	9.6	24.5
[2,]	12.9	33.7
[3,]	9.9	27.9
[4,]	8.7	27.5
[5,]	6.8	21.7
[6,]	12.5	31.9
[7,]	13.0	36.8
[8,]	10.1	29.9
[9,]	10.1	30.2
[10,]	10.1	32.0
[11,]	10.8	34.0
[12,]	7.8	19.4
[13,]	16.2	36.0
[14,]	14.1	30.2
....		

Estimate Yield when Rain=10.1

Approach 1:

$$\text{Mean}(29.9, 30.2, 32.0) = 30.7$$

Approach 2:

$$\text{Postulate: } \text{mean}(Y/X=x) = f(x)$$

# Simple Linear Regression

Consider the Corn Rain ( $X$ ) and Corn Yield ( $Y$ ) data discussed earlier. Denote the individual paired observations by:  $(X_i, Y_i), i = 1, \dots, n$ .

Given  $X = x$ , let the expected value of  $Y$  be

$$\mu_{Y/x} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

for any  $(X_i, Y_i)$ , one has the simple linear regression model:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$$

where  $\epsilon_i$  are assumed to be uncorrelated random variables, with mean 0 and unknown variance  $\sigma^2$ .

Under the above formulation, the main objectives of regression analysis are:

- To find reasonable estimates of the unknown parameters
- To make inference about the unknown parameters, and
- To assess model adequacy.

# Estimation: OLS

Let

$$Q(\beta_o, \beta_1) = \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \beta_o - \beta_1 X_j)^2.$$

Then the least squares estimators  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  are such that

$$Q(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) = \min$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - \bar{X})(Y_j - \bar{Y})}{\sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - \bar{X})^2}$$

and

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}$$

# Properties of OLS Estimators

**Theorem 1.** Under the model assumptions, the OLS estimators are the best, linear unbiased estimators (BLUE).

A reasonable estimator of the error variance,  $\sigma^2$  is given by

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \hat{Y}_j)^2}{n - 2}$$

where  $\hat{Y}_j = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_j$  is the fitted value.

# Goodness-of-fit measures

It can be shown that:

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n (\hat{Y}_j - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \hat{Y}_j)^2.$$

Then a measure of goodness of fit is:

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \hat{Y}_j)^2}{\sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \bar{Y})^2}$$

Values of  $R^2$  close to 1 indicate good fit, while values near 0 suggest lack of fit.

# Inference

$$H_o : \beta_1 = c$$

against the alternative

$$H_1 : \beta_1 > c$$

A reasonable test statistic is given by

$$T = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - c}{SE(\hat{\beta}_1)}$$

where

$$SE(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{\sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - \bar{X})^2}}$$

Under the above assumptions,  $T$  has a  $t_{(n-2)}$  distribution when  $H_o$  holds.



# Inference

A  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence interval for  $\beta_1$  is given by

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-2} SE(\hat{\beta}_1)$$

Similar results may be obtained for the intercept.

```
corn.reg <- lm(corn.yield ~ corn.rain)
summary(corn.reg)
```

Coefficients:

	Value	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	23.5521	3.2365	7.2771	0.0000
corn.rain	0.7755	0.2939	2.6391	0.0122

Residual standard error: 4.049 on 36 degrees of freedom  
Multiple R-Squared: 0.1621

# Departures from Assumptions

## 1. Functional form

### Diagnosis:

- Look at the scatter plot of the data
- Compute  $R^2$
- Plots of residuals versus  $X$

### Corrective measures

- Simple transformations, e.g., log
- Non-linear model
- Other predictors

# Departures from Assumptions

## 2. Non-constancy of the Error Variance

### Impact

- OLS estimators not optimal
- Associated inferential results unreliable

### Diagnosis

- Plot residuals vs.  $X$ , and see whether error variance changes with  $X$
- Variance homogeneity test to the residual variances based on data divided into two groups by values of  $X$ .

### Corrective measures

- Transformation
- Build variance structure into model: WLS

# Departures from Assumptions

## 3. Non-normality

### Impact

- p-values and confidence intervals may not be reliable.

### Diagnosis

- Simple graphical displays, e.g., histograms, qqnorm of the residuals
- Goodness-of-fit tests, e.g., the Kolmogorov-Smirnov or Shapiro-Wilk test, on the residuals.

### Corrective measures

- Transformation
- Robust regression methods

# Departures from Assumptions

## 4. Correlated Errors

### Impact

- p-values and confidence intervals may not be reliable.

### Diagnosis

- Plot data over time/Look at design of study
- Durbin-Watson test for 1<sup>st</sup> order AR

### Corrective measures

- Transformation: Cochrane-Orcutt Procedure
- Use models that incorporate the correlation structure
  - Generalized Estimating Equations (GEE)

To construct the Durbin-Watson test, let

$$\epsilon_j = \rho\epsilon_{j-1} + u_j$$

where  $u_j$  is  $N(0, \sigma^2)$ , and  $\rho = \text{cor}(\epsilon_j, \epsilon_{j-1})$ . We wish to test

$$H_o : \rho = 0$$

against

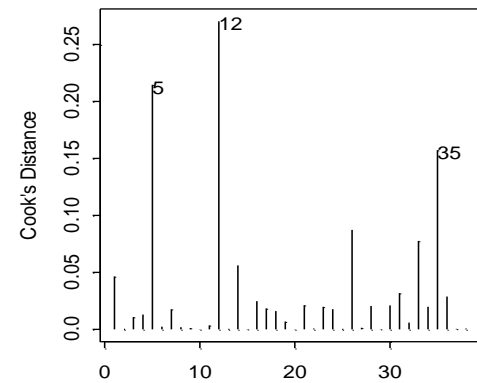
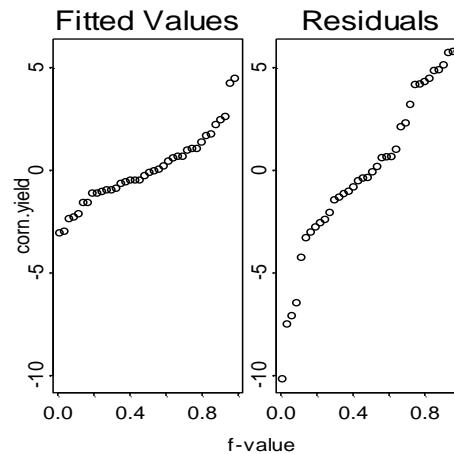
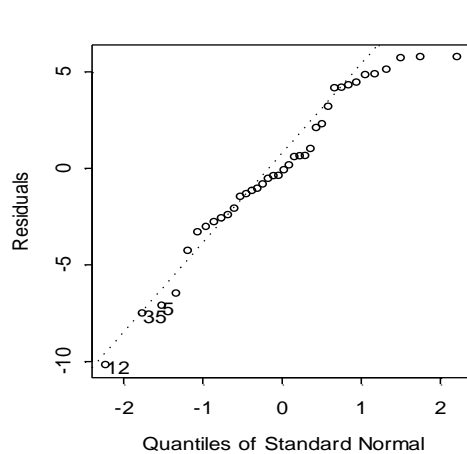
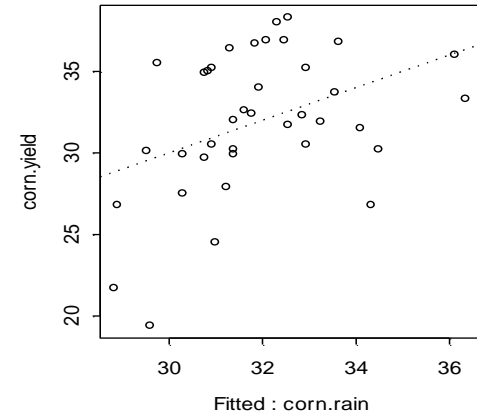
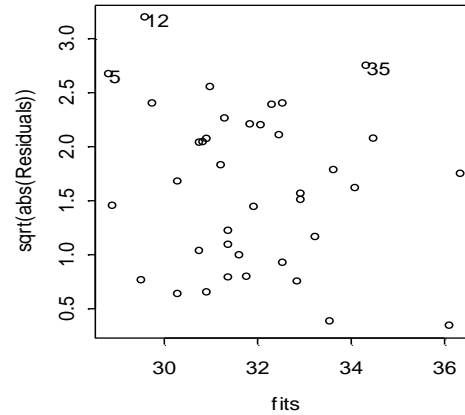
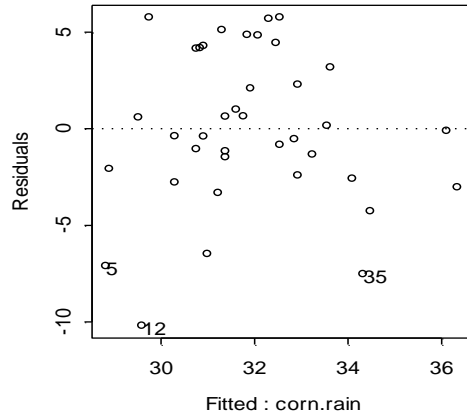
$$H_1 : \rho > 0$$

Put

$$D = \frac{\sum_{j=2}^n (\hat{\epsilon}_j - \hat{\epsilon}_{j-1})^2}{\sum_j \hat{\epsilon}_j^2}$$

The Durbin-Watson test rejects  $H_o$  when  $D$  is too small. Tables of critical values are available

```
> corn.reg <- lm(corn.yield~corn.rain)
> plot(corn.reg)
```



## Estimation and Prediction

Let  $x_o$  be a value of the explanatory variable.

Then an estimator of the mean of  $Y$  corresponding to  $X = x_o$  is

$$\hat{Y}_o = \hat{\beta}_o + \hat{\beta}_1 x_o$$

and has estimated SE given by

$$\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\left( 1/n + \frac{(x_o - \bar{X})^2}{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right)}$$



## Estimation and Prediction

Next suppose we wish to predict a future value of  $Y$  corresponding to  $X = x_{new}$ . This is given by

$$\hat{Y}_{new} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{new}$$

and has estimated SE given by

$$\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\left( 1 + 1/n + \frac{(x_o - \bar{X})^2}{\Sigma (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right)}$$

# Regression Through the Origin

An appropriate model is

$$Y_i = \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_i X_i Y_i}{\sum_i X_i^2}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_i \epsilon_i^2}{n - 1}$$

It follows that

$$SE(\hat{\beta}) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{\sum_i X_i^2}}$$

# Inverse Prediction (Calibration)

Given a new observation  $Y_{new}$ , we wish to estimate the corresponding  $X_{new}$ . Under normality, the MLE is given by

$$\hat{X}_{new} = (Y_{new} - \hat{\beta}_0) / \hat{\beta}_1$$

The variance is estimated by

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\hat{X}_{new}}^2 = \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{\hat{\beta}_1^2} \left[ 1 + 1/n + \frac{(\hat{X}_{new} - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right]$$

## Multiple Regression

Given  $Y$ , a dependent variable, and  $X_1, \dots, X_p$ ,  $p$  explanatory variables, the mean of  $Y$  given  $X_j = x_j, j = 1, \dots, p$ , may be expressed, under the linear model assumption, as

$$\mu_{Y|x_1, \dots, x_p} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$$

Let  $(Y_i, X_{i,1}, \dots, X_{i,p}), i = 1, \dots, n$ , be a random sample. It is often convenient to use the corresponding matrix formulations for the model:

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon},$$

where  $\mathbf{Y}$  is  $n \times 1$ ,  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  is  $p+1 \times 1$ ,  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $n \times p+1$ , and  $\boldsymbol{\epsilon}$  is  $n \times 1$ . As in the simple linear model case, the error terms are assumed to be uncorrelated, with mean 0 and constant variance  $\sigma^2$ .

Then under the model assumptions, the LS estimators are obtained as solutions to the normal equations:

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$$

When  $\mathbf{X}$  is full rank, the BLUE is given by

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$$

### **The Gauss-Markov Theorem.**

Under the model assumptions, OLSE is UMVUE in the class of linear unbiased estimators.

Assume  $\mathbf{X}$  ( $n \times p+1$ ) is of full rank. Then

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

The distribution of  $\hat{\beta}$  is  $(p+1)$  variate normal

As in the simple linear model case, a reasonable estimator of  $\sigma^2$  is

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j - \hat{Y}_j)^2}{n - p - 1}$$

# Inference

Consider the testing problem of  $H_0 : \beta_k = \beta_{k,o}$

$$T = \frac{(\hat{\beta}_k - \beta_{k,o})}{SE(\hat{\beta}_k)}$$

Null distribution?

Similarly, a  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence interval for  $\beta_k$  is given by

$$\hat{\beta}_k \pm T_{n-p-1, \alpha/2} SE(\hat{\beta}_k)$$



# Outliers and Influential Points

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

$$\mathbf{h} = \mathbf{diag}(\mathbf{H}).$$

The hat matrix plays an important role in model diagnostics.

$h_{ii}$  is sometimes referred to as the leverage of the  $i$ th case. Recall that  $0 \leq h_{ii} \leq 1$ , and  $\sum_i h_{ii} = p + 1$ . When  $h_{ii}$  is large, i.e.,  $h_{ii} > 2(p + 1)/n$ , the  $i$ th case is said to have a high leverage in determining  $\hat{Y}_i$ .

$$\text{var}(\hat{\epsilon}_j) = (1 - h_{jj})\sigma^2$$

# Outliers and Influential Points

- Semi-studentized residuals

Let

$$T_j^* = \frac{\hat{\epsilon}_j}{\hat{\sigma}}$$

Large values of  $T_j^*$  may indicate outliers in the Y values.

- Studentized Residuals

Define

$$T_j = \frac{\hat{\epsilon}_j}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{1 - h_{jj}}}$$

# Deleted Residuals

Let  $\hat{Y}_{(i)}$  be the fitted value obtained after deleting the  $i$ th record. It can be shown that the deleted residual

$$\hat{\epsilon}_{(i)} = \frac{\hat{\epsilon}_i}{\sqrt{1 - h_{ii}}}$$

with

$$SE(\hat{\epsilon}_{(i)}) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_{(i)}}{\sqrt{1 - h_{ii}}}$$

$$(n - p - 1)\hat{\sigma}^2 = (n - p - 1)\hat{\sigma}_{(i)}^2 - \frac{\hat{\epsilon}_i^2}{(1 - h_{ii})}$$

# Studentized deleted residuals

$$\begin{aligned} T_{(i)} &= \frac{\hat{\epsilon}_{(i)}}{SE(\hat{\epsilon}_{(i)})} \\ &= \frac{\hat{\epsilon}_i}{\hat{\sigma}_{(i)} \sqrt{1 - h_{ii}}} \end{aligned}$$

The following Bonferroni confidence set may be used to identify Y-outliers:

$$|T_{(i)}| > t_{\alpha/2n, n'-p-1}$$

where  $n' = n - 1$ .

# DIFFTS

The influence of the  $i$ th observation on the fitted value  $\hat{Y}_i$  may be assessed based on

$$\begin{aligned} DFFITS_i &= \frac{\hat{Y}_i - \hat{Y}_{(i)}}{\hat{\sigma}_{(i)} \sqrt{h_{ii}}} \\ &= T_{(i)} \left( \frac{h_{ii}}{1 - h_{ii}} \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

The  $i$ th case is considered influential if  $|DFFITS_i| > 1$  for small to medium  $n$ , and exceeds  $2\sqrt{\frac{p+1}{n}}$  for large  $n$ .

# Cook's Distance

An aggregate measure of influence

Cook's Distance, defined as

$$D_i = \frac{(\hat{\mathbf{Y}} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_{(i)})'(\hat{\mathbf{Y}} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_{(i)})}{(p+1)\hat{\sigma}^2}$$

which is distributed as  $F_{p+1, n-p-1}$ . The  $i$ th case is said to be an influential point over all the  $n$  fitted values, if  $D_i > F_{\alpha, p+1, n-p-1}$ .

# DFBETAS

$$DFBETAS_{k(i)} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_k - \hat{\beta}_{k(i)}}{\hat{\sigma}_{(i)} \sqrt{c_{kk}}}$$

where  $c_{kk}$  is the  $k$ th diagonal element of  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$

Large values of  $|DFBETAS_{k(i)}|$  indicate the influence of the  $i^{\text{th}}$  case on the  $k^{\text{th}}$  regression coefficient estimate.

Typically  $> 1$  or  $2/\sqrt{n}$ , depending on  $n$

```
> fit1 <- lm(Y~x1+x2)
```

```
> summary(fit1)
```

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-0.94425	4.11174	-0.230	0.839714
x1	3.22012	0.33886	9.503	0.010893 *
x2	6.05792	0.08339	72.643	0.000189 ***

```
> lmi <- lm.influence(fit1)
```

```
> names(lmi)
```

```
[1] "coefficients" "sigma" "hat"
```

```
> names(lms)
```

```
[1] "call" "terms" "residuals" "coefficients" "sigma"  
[6] "df" "r.squared" "fstatistic" "cov.unscaled" "correlation"
```

```
> lms <- summary(fit1)
```



```
e <- resid(fit1)
s <- lms$sigma
si <- lmi$sigma
xxi <- diag(lms$cov.unscaled)
h <- lmi$hat
```

```
coef(lmi)
(Intercept)      x1      x2
1 -15.0108430  0.20726437  0.468425836
2  -3.8149505  0.28318345  0.058954961
3  11.7849186 -1.70357945 -0.184475162
4   0.4542068 -0.02554101 -0.007153742
5   2.3582137 -0.08404465 -0.044319891
```

```
bi <- coef(fit1)-t(coef(lmi))
dfbetas <- bi/t(si%o%xxi^0.5)
stand.resid <- e/(s*(1-h)^0.5)
student.resid <- e/(si*(1-h)^0.5)
DFFITS <- h^0.5*e/(si*(1-h))
```

# Problem Set 4

## Reading Assignment:

Chapter 7,8, and 10: The Statistical Sleuth: A Course in Methods of Data Analysis. Ramsey & Schafer

1. Chapter 8, Exercise 18 (Chernobyl Fallout). In addition to (a)-(d), assess the validity of the following underlying assumptions, and suggest remedial measures in case they are not satisfied.
    - Linearity/functional form
    - Normality
    - Homoscedasticity
    - Uncorrelated error
  
  2. Consider the data set 'stackloss' in R, consisting of data on:
    - [,1] 'Air Flow' Flow of cooling air
    - [,2] 'Water Temp' Cooling Water Inlet Temperature
    - [,3] 'Acid Conc.' Concentration of acid [per 1000, minus 500]
    - [,4] 'stack.loss' Stack loss
- a) Fit a multiple linear regression model of Stack Loss on the three explanatory variables.
  - b) State and assess the validity of the underlying assumptions, and check for outliers and influential points.