PLSC 503 – Spring 2024 Multivariate Regression

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"Multivariate" linear regression:

$$\mathbf{Y}_{N\times 1} = \mathbf{X}_{N\times K_{K\times 1}} \boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{u}_{N\times 1}$$

or:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \dots + \beta_K X_{Ki} + u_i$$

or:

$$\begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & X_{11} & X_{21} & \cdots & X_{K1} \\ 1 & X_{12} & X_{22} & \cdots & X_{K2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & X_{1N} & X_{2N} & \cdots & X_{KN} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_K \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_N \end{bmatrix}.$$

Estimating β

Residuals:

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

The inner product of **u**:

$$\mathbf{u'u} = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & \cdots & u_N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_N \end{bmatrix}$$
$$= u_1^2 + u_2^2 + \dots + u_N^2$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^N u_i^2$$

Start with:

$$\mathbf{u}'\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})$$
$$= \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Y} - 2\boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}' + \boldsymbol{\beta}'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

Now get:

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{u}'\mathbf{u}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} = -2\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} + 2\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

Solve:

$$-2X'Y + 2X'X\beta = 0$$

$$-X'Y + X'X\beta = 0$$

$$X'X\beta = X'Y$$

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

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

Estimation Issues

"Do not compute the least squares estimates using
$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}!$$
"

— Weisberg (2013, p. 61)

Most software uses a QR decomposition of X:

$$\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}$$

where ${f Q}$ is orthogonal $({f Q}'{f Q}={f Q}{f Q}'={f I})$ and ${f R}$ is upper-triangular.

Why? See e.g. here, here, or section 3.19 of this.

OLS Assumptions

1. Expectation-Zero Disturbances

$$E(u) = 0$$

2. Homoscedasticity / No Error Correlation

$$\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}' = \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \\ \vdots \\ u_N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1 & u_2 & \cdots & u_N \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} u_1^2 & u_1 u_2 & \cdots & u_1 u_N \\ u_2 u_1 & u_2^2 & \cdots & u_2 u_N \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ u_N u_1 & u_N u_2 & \cdots & u_N^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Assumption: Expectation must be:

$$\mathsf{E}(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}') = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \underset{N \times N}{\mathbf{I}}$$

OLS Assumptions

3. "Fixed" X...

- No measurement error in the Xs, and
- No endogeneity, and
- Cov(X, u) = 0.

4. X is full column rank.

Means:

- No exact linear relationship among X, and
- K < N.

5. Normal Disturbances

$$\mathbf{u} \sim \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$$

OLS: Unbaisedness (again)

Start with:

$$Y = X\beta + u$$

Substitute OLS $\hat{\beta}$:

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

and so:

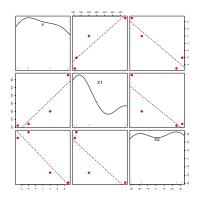
$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{u}.$$

By $Cov(\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{u}) = \mathbf{0}$, we have $E(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \boldsymbol{\beta}$.

A Toy Example

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \\ 9 \\ -5 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 200 & -17 \\ 1 & 120 & 32 \\ 1 & 430 & -29 \\ 1 & 110 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$$



So:

$$\mathbf{X'X} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 860 & 11 \\ 860 & 251400 & -9280 \\ 11 & -9280 & 2779 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$(\mathbf{X'X})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 3.2453 & -0.0132 & -0.05694 \\ -0.0132 & 0.000058 & 0.0002468 \\ -0.0569 & 0.000247 & 0.001409 \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\mathbf{X'Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 6 \\ 3880 \\ 518 \end{bmatrix}$$

...which means that:

$$\hat{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix}
3.2453 & -0.0132 & -0.05694 \\
-0.0132 & 0.000058 & 0.0002468 \\
-0.0569 & 0.000247 & 0.001409
\end{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
6 \\
3880 \\
518
\end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix}
-2.264 \\
0.0190 \\
-0.1141
\end{bmatrix}$$

Minimal Example: Correlation

```
Y<-c(4,-2,9,-5)
X1<-c(200,120,430,110)
X2<-c(-17,32,-29,25)
data<-cbind(Y,X1,X2)
```

cor(data)

```
Y X1 X2
Y 1.0000 0.9285 -0.9425
X1 0.9285 1.0000 -0.8613
X2 -0.9425 -0.8613 1.0000
```

\rightarrow Regression

OLS via 1m:

Coefficients:

Residual standard error: 2.62 on 1 degrees of freedom Multiple R-Squared: 0.941, Adjusted R-squared: 0.823 F-statistic: 7.99 on 2 and 1 DF, p-value: 0.243

Inference, In General

One approach is "testing":

- Pick some \mathbf{H}_A : $\boldsymbol{\beta} = \boldsymbol{\beta}_A$
- Estimate $\hat{\beta}$
- Determine distribution of $\hat{\beta}$ under \mathbf{H}_A
- ullet Form a test statistic $\hat{f S}=h(m{eta},\hat{m{eta}})$
- Assess $Pr(\hat{\mathbf{S}}|\mathbf{H}_A)$

The Importance of $\mathbf{V}(\hat{eta})$

Start with:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) &= & \mathsf{E}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \mathsf{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})]^2 \\ &= & \mathsf{E}\{[\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \mathsf{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})][\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \mathsf{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})]'\} \end{aligned}$$

Rewrite:

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{V}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) &= & \mathsf{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta})(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta})' \\ &= & \mathsf{E}\{[(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{u}][(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{u}]'\} \\ &= & \mathsf{E}[(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}'\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}] \end{split}$$

Taking expectations:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{V}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) &= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{u}\mathbf{u}')\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \\ &= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\sigma^2\mathbf{I}\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \\ &= \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Estimating $\mathbf{V}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$

Empirical estimate:

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{u}}'\hat{\mathbf{u}}}{N - K}$$

Yields:

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

Single Coefficient Hypothesis Tests

We know that:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \sim \mathcal{N}[\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}].$$

In practice, using $\hat{\sigma}^2$ means

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta} \sim t_{N-K}$$

Procedure:

- Choose a value of β_k that you want to test (say, $\beta_k = 0$),
- Calculate the *t*-statistic for the coefficient associated with X_k , which is:

$$\hat{t}_k = rac{\hat{eta}_k - eta_k}{\sqrt{\widehat{m{V}(\hat{eta}_k)}}}$$

• Compare \hat{t}_k to a t distribution with N-K degrees of freedom.

Multivariate Hypothesis Testing

E.g.:
$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = ... = \beta_K = 0$$

or:
$$H_0: \beta_3 = \beta_6 = 0$$

Generally: Linear restrictions:

$$\underset{q \times k}{\mathsf{R}} \underset{k \times 1}{\beta} = \underset{q \times 1}{\mathsf{r}}$$

E.g.:

$$\beta_2 = -2 \iff (0\ 1\ 0) \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \beta_3 \end{pmatrix} = -2$$

Recall:

$$TSS = MSS + RSS$$

Consider:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{1i} + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \beta_3 X_{3i} + \beta_4 X_{4i} + u_{Ui}$$

and the restriction:

$$\mathsf{H}_{\mathsf{a}}:\beta_2=\beta_4=0.$$

Restricted model:

$$Y_{i} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}X_{1i} + 0X_{2i} + \beta_{3}X_{3i} + 0X_{4i} + u_{i}$$
$$= \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}X_{1i} + \beta_{3}X_{3i} + u_{Ri}$$

F-tests: Sums of Squared Residuals

"Unrestricted":

$$\mathsf{RSS}_U \equiv \hat{\mathbf{u}}_U' \hat{\mathbf{u}}_U = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{u}_{Ui}^2$$

"Restricted":

$$\mathsf{RSS}_R \equiv \hat{\mathbf{u}}_R' \hat{\mathbf{u}}_R = \sum_{i=1}^N \hat{u}_{Ri}^2$$

F-statistic:

$$\mathbf{F} = \frac{(\mathsf{RSS}_R - \mathsf{RSS}_U)/q}{\mathsf{RSS}_U/(N-K)}$$
$$= \frac{(R_U^2 - R_R^2)/q}{(1-R_U^2)/N-K}$$

Testing:

$$\textbf{F} \sim \textit{F}_{\textit{q},\textit{N}-\textit{K}}$$

F-Test: Example

Consider:

$$\mathsf{H}_b$$
: $\beta_1 + \beta_4 = 1$ $\beta_1 = 1 - \beta_4$

Implies:

$$Y_{i} = \beta_{0} + (1 - \beta_{4})X_{1i} + \beta_{2}X_{2i} + \beta_{3}X_{3i} + \beta_{4}X_{4i} + u_{R'i}$$

$$= \beta_{0} + X_{1i} - \beta_{4}X_{1i} + \beta_{2}X_{2i} + \beta_{3}X_{3i} + \beta_{4}X_{4i} + u_{R'i}$$

$$= \beta_{0} + X_{1i} + \beta_{2}X_{2i} + \beta_{3}X_{3i} + \beta_{4}(X_{4i} - X_{1i}) + u_{R'i}$$

...which further implies the restricted model:

$$Y_i - X_{1i} = \beta_0 + \beta_2 X_{2i} + \beta_3 X_{3i} + \beta_4 (X_{4i} - X_{1i}) + u_{R'i}$$

Confidence Regions

Note that:

$$F = \frac{(\hat{\beta}_q - \beta_q^H)' \hat{\mathbf{V}}_q^{-1} (\hat{\beta}_q - \beta_q^H)}{q\hat{\sigma}^2}$$

...which implies that, for some confidence level α :

$$\Pr\left[\frac{(\hat{\beta}_q - \beta_q^H)' \hat{\mathbf{V}}_q^{-1} (\hat{\beta}_q - \beta_q^H)}{q\hat{\sigma}^2} \le F_{q,N-K}\right] = 1 - \alpha.$$

 \rightarrow "confidence region" of all points satisfying:

$$(\hat{eta}_q - eta_q^H)' \hat{\mathbf{V}}_q^{-1} (\hat{eta}_q - eta_q^H) \le q \hat{\sigma}^2 F_{q,N-K}.$$

Multivariate Prediction

The linear prediction:

$$\hat{Y}_i = \mathbf{X}_i \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$$

...has variance:

$$\widehat{\mathbf{V}(\hat{Y}_j)} = \hat{\sigma}^2 [1 + \mathbf{X}_j (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_j']$$

 $... \rightarrow$ standard error:

$$\widehat{\text{s.e.}(\hat{Y}_j)} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2[1 + \mathbf{X}_j(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}_j']}$$

Example: Africa Data

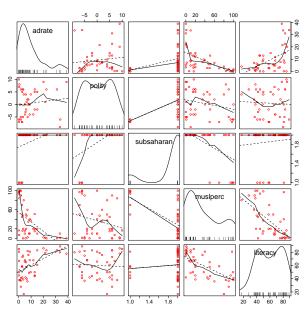
- > Data<-read_csv("https://raw.githubusercontent.com/PrisonRodeo/PLSC503-2024-git/master/Data/africa2001.csv")
- > Data <- with (Data, data.frame(adrate, polity,
- subsaharan=as.numeric(as.factor(subsaharan))-1,
- muslperc, literacy))

> describe(Data)

	vars	n	mean	sd	median	trimmed	mad	min	max	range	skew	kurtosis	se
adrate	1	43	9.37	9.96	6	7.58	6.38	0.1	38.8	38.7	1.44	1.23	1.52
polity	2	43	0.51	5.41	0	0.46	7.41	-9.0	10.0	19.0	0.01	-1.38	0.82
subsaharan	3	43	0.86	0.35	1	0.94	0.00	0.0	1.0	1.0	-2.01	2.08	0.05
muslperc	4	43	35.96	34.58	20	32.87	29.65	0.0	100.0	100.0	0.68	-1.04	5.27
literacy	5	43	60.07	18.94	61	60.63	26.69	17.0	89.0	72.0	-0.20	-1.18	2.89

> cor(Data)	1				
	adrate	polity	subsaharan	muslperc	literacy
adrate	1.0000	0.11794	0.33129	-0.5709	0.51489
polity	0.1179	1.00000	0.52820	-0.2392	-0.05079
subsaharan	0.3313	0.52820	1.00000	-0.5773	0.09473
muslperc	-0.5709	-0.23917	-0.57725	1.0000	-0.61960
literacy	0.5149	-0.05079	0.09473	-0.6196	1.00000

Africa Data



A Regression

```
> model<-lm(adrate~polity+subsaharan+muslperc+literacy,data=Data)</pre>
> summary(model)
Call:
lm(formula = adrate ~ polity + subsaharan + muslperc + literacy,
   data = Data)
Residuals:
    Min
              10 Median
                              30
                                      Max
-15.4681 -4.3947 -0.5251 3.4246 22.9358
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -4.39843 14.94744 -0.294 0.7702
polity -0.01390 0.27969 -0.050 0.9606
subsaharan 3.72969 5.43093 0.687 0.4964
muslperc -0.08689 0.06282 -1.383 0.1747
literacy 0.16575 0.09433 1.757 0.0869 .
Signif. codes: 0 *** 0.001 ** 0.01 * 0.05 . 0.1 1
Residual standard error: 8.264 on 38 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.3771, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3115
F-statistic: 5.751 on 4 and 38 DF, p-value: 0.001013
```

A Regression, Annotated

```
> model<-lm(adrate~polity+subsaharan+muslperc+literacy,data=Data)</pre>
> summary (model) 			 Summarizing the model object...
                                                                           Showing you what
                                                                            model you fit...
Call:
lm(formula = adrate ~ polity + subsaharan + muslperc + literacy,
    data = Data)
                     Median, minimum, maximum, and 25th/75th
                      percentiles of the model residuals (u-hats):
                      ideally the median is close to zero, and the
                                                                 t-statistics associated with the
Residuals:
                        other numbers symmetrical around it
                                                                 test of the null hypothesis that
      Min
                  10
                        Median
                                        30
                                                  Max
                                                                that particular beta equals zero
                       -0.5251
-15.4681
            -4.3947
                                   3.4246
                                            22.9358
                        Standard errors [square roots
                                                         Two-tailed P-values associated
                Beta-hats of the diagonal of Var(Beta)]
                                                              with the t-statistics
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              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
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                                                                            associated P-value
Residual standard error: 8.264 on 38 degrees of freedom
                                                                             for the joint null
Multiple R-squared: 0.3771, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3115
                                                                            hypothesis that all
                                                                            the betas except the
F-statistic: 5.751 on 4 and 38 DF, p-value: 0.001013
                                                                            intercept are zero
```

Variance-Covariance Matrix of $\hat{oldsymbol{eta}}$

Matrix:

```
> options(digits=4)
> vcov(model)
           (Intercept) polity subsaharan
                                            muslperc
                                                      literacv
(Intercept)
              223,4259
                       1.088030
                                   -72,2628 -0,771309 -1,002421
polity
                1.0880 0.078229
                                    -0.6642 -0.000293 0.001968
subsaharan
              -72.2628 -0.664212
                                    29,4950 0,206067 0,171765
muslperc
               -0.7713 -0.000293
                                    0.2061 0.003946 0.004098
literacv
               -1.0024 0.001968
                                    0.1718 0.004098 0.008898
→ standard error estimates:
> sqrt(diag(vcov(model)))
(Intercept)
                polity subsaharan
                                     muslperc
                                                 literacy
10.41131167 0.27969425 5.43093195
                                   0.06281584 0.09432686
> summary(model)[[4]][,2]
(Intercept)
                polity subsaharan
                                     muslperc
                                                 literacy
10.41131167
            0.27969425
                        5.43093195
                                   0.06281584
                                               0.09432686
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Diversion: "Added Variable Plots"

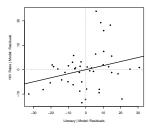
"Added variable plot": If X_I is the (potential) added variable:

- · Regress Y on $X_1, X_2, ...$ and save the residuals \hat{u}_i ,
- · Regress X_J on $X_1, X_2, ...$ and save the residuals (call these \hat{e}_i),
- · Plot \hat{u}_i (conventionally on the y-axis) vs. \hat{e}_i (conventionally on the x-axis).

Example: Estimate the regression:

$$\mathsf{HIV}\ \mathsf{Rate} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \mathsf{POLITY} + \beta_2 \mathsf{Subsaharan} + \beta_3 \mathsf{Muslim}\ \mathsf{Pct.} + u$$

and consider the added variable literacy:



Tests...

```
Test H_0: \beta_{\mathrm{polity}} = \beta_{\mathrm{subsaharan}} = 0:
> library(lmtest)
> modelsmall<-lm(adrate~muslperc+literacy,data=Data)
> waldtest(model,modelsmall)

Wald test

Model 1: adrate ~ polity + subsaharan + muslperc + literacy
Model 2: adrate ~ muslperc + literacy
Res.Df Df F Pr(>F)
1 38
2 40 -2 0.27 0.76
```

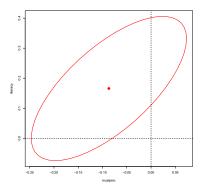
More tests...

```
Test H_0: \beta_{\text{muslperc}} = 0.1:
> library(car)
> linearHypothesis(model,"muslperc=0.1")
Linear hypothesis test
Hypothesis:
muslperc = 0.1
Model 1: restricted model
Model 2: adrate ~ polity + subsaharan + muslperc + literacy
  Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)
     39 3200
1
      38 2595 1 605 8.85 0.0051 **
Signif. codes: 0 *** 0.001 ** 0.01 * 0.05 . 0.1 1
```

More tests...

```
Test H_0: \beta_{literacy} = \beta_{muslperc}:
> linearHypothesis(model,"literacy=muslperc")
Linear hypothesis test
Hypothesis:
- muslperc + literacy = 0
Model 1: restricted model
Model 2: adrate ~ polity + subsaharan + muslperc + literacy
  Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)
1
      39 3534
     38 2595 1 938 13.7 0.00067 ***
Signif. codes: 0 *** 0.001 ** 0.01 * 0.05 . 0.1 1
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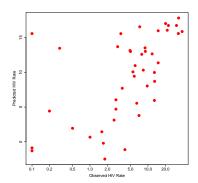
Confidence Regions / Ellipses



Predicted Values

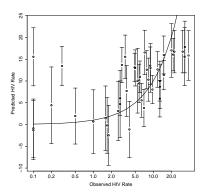
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> hats<-fitted(model)
> # Or, alternatively:
> fitted<-predict(model,se.fit=TRUE, interval=c("confidence"))
> scatterplot(model$fitted~adrate,log="x",smooth=FALSE,boxplots=FALSE,
    reg.line=FALSE,xlab="Observed HIV Rate",ylab="Predicted HIV Rate",
    pch=16,cex=2)
```

Predicted and Actual HIV/AIDS Rates (X-Axis Logged)



An Even More Useful Plot

Predicted and Actual HIV/AIDS Rates, with 95% C.I.s



Presentation: A (De)Fault-y Table

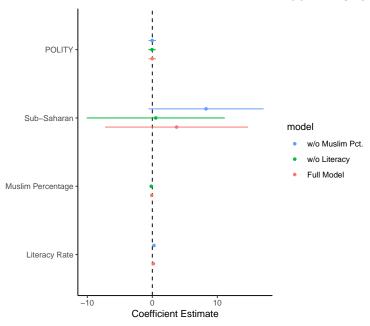
- > M1<-lm(adrate~polity+subsaharan+muslperc+literacy,data=Data)
- > M2<-lm(adrate~polity+subsaharan+muslperc,data=Data)</pre>
- > M3<-lm(adrate~polity+subsaharan+literacy,data=Data)
- > stargazer(M1,M2,M3)

	Dependent variable:				
		adrate			
	(1)	(2)	(3)		
polity	-0.014	-0.051	-0.020		
	(0.280)	(0.286)	(0.283)		
subsaharan	3.730	0.530	8.268*		
	(5.431)	(5.252)	(4.379)		
muslperc	-0.087	-0.163***			
	(0.063)	(0.047)			
literacy	0.166*		0.256***		
•	(0.094)		(0.069)		
Constant	-0.669	14.800**	-13.120**		
	(10.410)	(5.701)	(5.298)		
Observations	43	43	43		
R^2	0.377	0.326	0.346		
Adjusted R ²	0.312	0.275	0.295		
Residual Std. Error	8.264 (df = 38)	8.483 (df = 39)	8.361 (df = 39)		
F Statistic	5.751*** (df = 4; 38)	6.302*** (df = 3; 39)	6.870*** (df = 3; 39)		

Note:

p < 0.1; **p < 0.05; ***p < 0.01

A Dot-Whisker Plot



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Suggestion: Rescale *all* non-binary predictors by **dividing them by two** times their standard deviation

- Creates a "common scale" for every predictor.
- More specifically: Scales continuous predictors to be comparable to binary (0/1) ones.
- $\hat{\beta}_X$ now represents the change in E(Y) associated with a change in X of two standard deviations (for example, from one s.d. below the mean to one s.d. above the mean).

Note that:

- People don't routinely (or even generally) do this. But...
- ...it can be very useful when you have predictor variables that are measured on very different "natural" scales.

A (Better?) Dot-Whisker Plot

