

# Regression Analysis Tutoring4

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# Model comparison test

- Suppose we are considering following model:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_1 x_2 + \epsilon, \quad \epsilon \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2),$$

where  $x_2 = 0$  or  $1$ .

- If  $x_{2i} = 0$ , we have  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \epsilon_i$ . Otherwise,  
 $y_i = (\beta_0 + \beta_2) + (\beta_1 + \beta_3)x_{1i} + \epsilon_i$
- Thus, if we are to test  $H_0 : \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$  versus  $H_1 : \text{not } H_0$ , we're testing whether two give regression models are equal or not.
- Similarly, if we're testing  $H_0 : \beta_3 = 0$  versus  $H_1 : \text{not } H_0$ , we're testing whether two regression models are parallel. Also, for the test  $H_0 : \beta_2 = 0$  versus  $H_1 : \text{not } H_0$ , we're comparing the intercepts of two models.

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- In general, fundamental principle for hypothesis testing in regression analysis is that we reject  $H_0$  if the following F-statistic is too large:

$$F \equiv \frac{(SSE^0 - SSE^1)/(df^0 - df^1)}{SSE^1/df^1} \sim F(df^0 - df^1, df^1)$$

where  $SSE^0$  denotes the SSE under reduced model and  $SSE^1$  the SSE under full model. Note that  $SSE^0/\sigma^2 \sim \chi^2(df^0)$  and  $SSE^1/\sigma^2 \sim \chi^2(df^1)$ . This principle is valid provided that the definition of F-distribution is satisfied.

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- Write  $\mathbf{X} = (\mathbf{X}_0, \mathbf{X}_1)$ . For the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , denote the column space of  $\mathbf{A}$  by  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{A})$ . Then clearly,  $\mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X}_0) \subseteq \mathcal{C}(\mathbf{X})$ . Hence,  $\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^t\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^t\mathbf{X}_0 = \mathbf{X}_0$ .
- Following the notations in the previous slide and using this fact, one can prove followings:
- For  $H_0 : \beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$ , under  $H_0$ ,  $F \sim F(2, n - 4)$ .
- For  $H_0 : \beta_3 = 0$ , under  $H_0$ ,  $F \sim F(1, n - 4)$ .
- For  $H_0 : \beta_2 = 0$ , under  $H_0$ ,  $F \sim F(1, n - 4)$