

Announcements

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Pset 4 due Friday 10/13

Midterm

Introductions

- One question or thought related to lecture last week (Inference in multiple regression, linear regression through matrices, transformations and assumptions)

Linear model variances

Let $\vec{Y} = \mathbf{X}\vec{\beta} + \vec{\epsilon}$ where $\epsilon_i \sim [0, \sigma^2]$ i.i.d. That is, the residuals are centered at 0 and are i.i.d., but they are not Normal. Under some commonly met regularity conditions, [it can be shown](#) that

$$\frac{1}{\sigma}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{1/2}(\vec{\hat{\beta}} - \vec{\beta}) \xrightarrow{d} \text{MVN}(\vec{0}, \mathbf{I}_{p+1})$$

1. Suppose we have a consistent estimator for σ (we have some $\hat{\sigma}$ such that $\hat{\sigma} \xrightarrow{P} \sigma$). In the original multivariate Normal convergence statement, we don't know σ^2 , but we still want to say something about convergence. How can we use the consistent estimator instead?

2. Find the approximate distribution of $\vec{\hat{\beta}}$ for large n .

3. This result indicates that one of the linear model assumptions does not matter much with large n . Which assumption is this?

Coefficient correlation

Recall that our sampling distribution of $\vec{\beta}$ is

$$\vec{\beta} \sim \text{MVN}(\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1})$$

We usually estimate the variance-covariance matrix with $\hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1}$, but covariances in the $\hat{\beta}_i$ are hard to interpret. Instead, it would be better to know the correlations.

1. Let $\Sigma = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1}$. How can we create a correlation matrix from this? You should index into Σ in your answer.

2. Three models were fit to predict emissions per capita:

- Only energy supply per capita
- Only tourist/visitor arrivals
- Both energy supply per capita and tourist/visitor arrivals.

A correlation matrix for the coefficients is shown for the last model. Explain the large drop in the tourist/visitor arrivals coefficient from model 2 to model 3. Note that in the original data the energy supply per capita and tourist/visitor arrivals are slightly positively correlated.

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##               Estimate Std. Error   t value    Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      -5.610742 0.29308328 -19.14385 2.022591e-40
## log2(`Energy supply`) 1.173298 0.04752678 24.68710 4.300151e-52

##               Estimate Std. Error   t value    Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      -3.9419615 0.76185675 -5.174151 8.380139e-07
## log2(Tourists)    0.4711983 0.06706709 7.025776 1.045734e-10

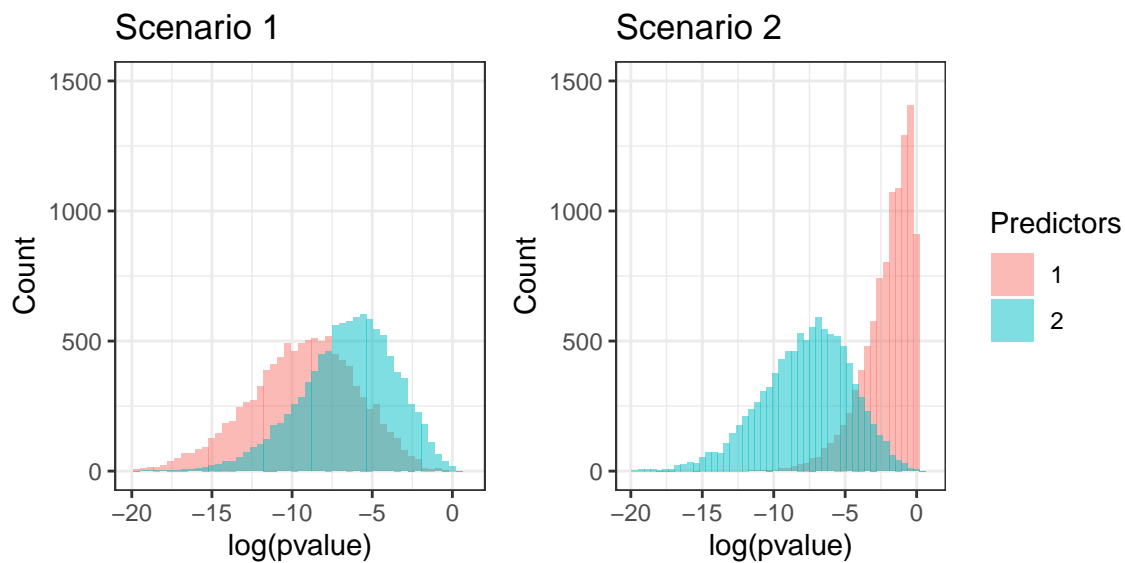
##               Estimate Std. Error   t value    Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)      -6.33646928 0.36950869 -17.148363 5.775412e-35
## log2(`Energy supply`) 1.11627506 0.05215828 21.401683 4.116626e-44
## log2(Tourists)    0.09175356 0.03604693 2.545391 1.210220e-02

##               (Intercept) log2(`Energy supply`) log2(Tourists)
## (Intercept)              1.000                -0.285        -0.667
## log2(`Energy supply`)    -0.285                1.000        -0.506
## log2(Tourists)          -0.667                -0.506         1.000
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3. Consider the following simulation. We will generate data from the model $Y_i = \beta_1 X_{i,1} + \beta_2 X_{i,2} + \epsilon_i$ with $\epsilon_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$. (We'll have $\beta_1 = \beta_2$, but, of course, the linear model doesn't know this.)
 - First, the columns \vec{X}_1 and \vec{X}_2 will be correlated, and we will fit either a regression just on \vec{X}_1 or a regression on both \vec{X}_1 and \vec{X}_2 .

- Second, we will make \vec{X}_1 and \vec{X}_2 uncorrelated but make \vec{X}_2 have a very large variance, and we will again test models with and without \vec{X}_2 .

We'll record the p-value of the $\hat{\beta}_1$ coefficient each time.



Explain the p-value trends in the missing-predictor models. Reference the equation for the variance-covariance matrix as necessary.

4. Consider the design matrix

$$\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & a \end{bmatrix}$$

What do the rows represent? What do the columns represent? Why should the first column be all 1s?

5. Find the variance of $\hat{\beta}_1$ as a function of a and σ^2 .

6. What does this say about how the variance of $\hat{\beta}_1$ changes with a ? Why does this make sense?

Contrast test and limiting cases

Recall the set-up for a contrast test: $H_0 : \vec{C}^T \vec{\beta} = \gamma_0$ vs. $H_a : \vec{C}^T \vec{\beta} \neq \gamma_0$. Under the null, the following random variable has a $t_{n-(p+1)}$ distribution.

$$T = \frac{\vec{C}^T \hat{\vec{\beta}} - \gamma_0}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\vec{C}^T (X^T X)^{-1} \vec{C}}}$$

1. Name two situations in which we would take γ_0 to be 0. What would the contrast vectors be in these cases?

2. Perform a formal contrast test based on the energy supply per capita plus tourists/visitors model to determine whether the mean emissions for countries like Seychelles is significantly different from the mean emissions for countries like Madagascar. (The results are given as Seychelles - Madagascar.)

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## (Intercept) Energy supply    Tourists
##      0.0000000      2.8961642    -0.1634987

##      t.stat      p.value      df
## 2.087828e+01 4.861677e-43 1.280000e+02
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3. Name two cases in which a contrast test should give the same result as another test.