

Business Analytics

Regression Analysis

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Course Content

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- **Regression Analysis**
- Regression Diagnostics
- Logistic and Poisson Regression
- Naive Bayes and Bayesian Networks
- Decision Tree Classifiers
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- Model Selection and Learning Theory
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- Association Rules and Recommenders
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Recommended Literature

- **Introduction to Econometrics**

- Stock, James H., and Mark W. Watson
- Chapter 2 – 7, 17, 18

- **The Elements of Statistical Learning**

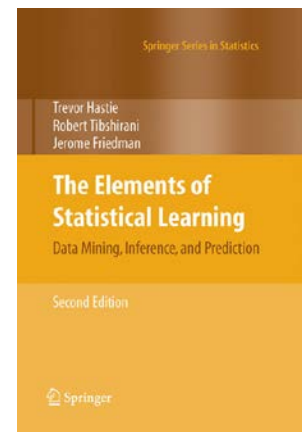
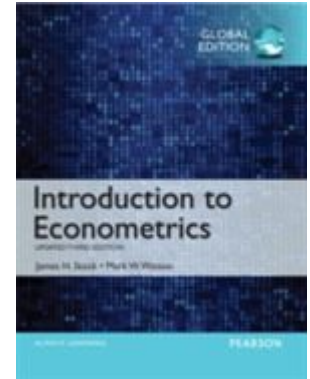
- Trevor Hastie, Robert Tibshirani, Jerome Friedman
- <https://web.stanford.edu/~hastie/ElemStatLearn/>
- Section 3.1-3.2: Linear Methods for Regression

- **Any Introduction to Statistics**

(e.g.: Statistical Inference by George Casella, Roger L. Berger
or online course <http://onlinestatbook.com/>)

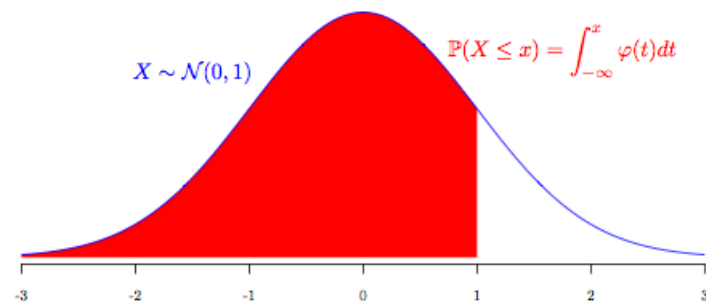
Today we revisit three important elements of statistical inference:

- Estimation, testing, regression



Question

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1.6	0.9452	0.9463	0.9474	0.9484	0.9495	0.9505	0.9515	0.9525	0.9535	0.9545
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2.2	0.9861	0.9864	0.9868	0.9871	0.9875	0.9878	0.9881	0.9884	0.9887	0.9890
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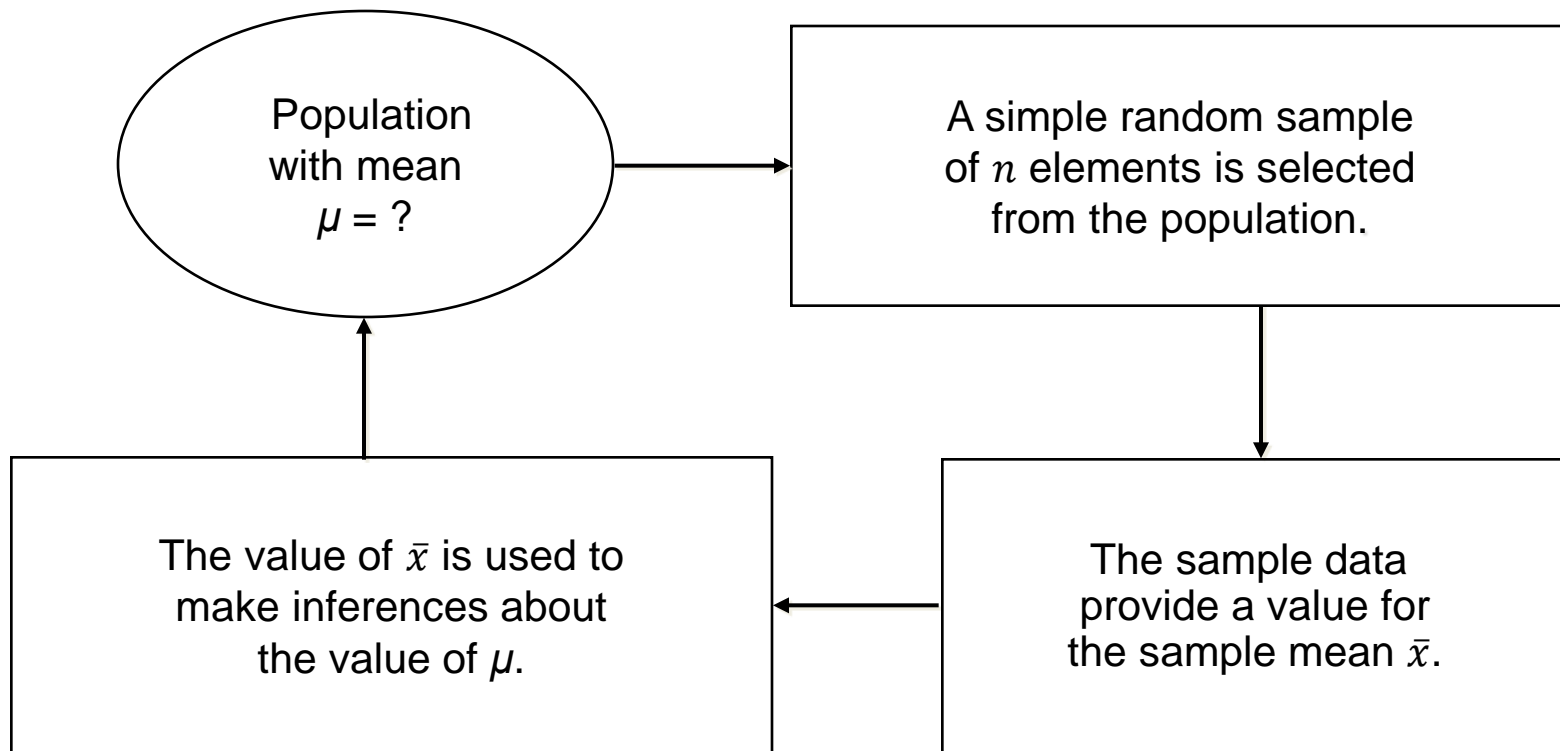
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 - The sample was randomly selected and we draw on the Central Limit Theorem.
 - We need to take the standard dev. of the sample mean.

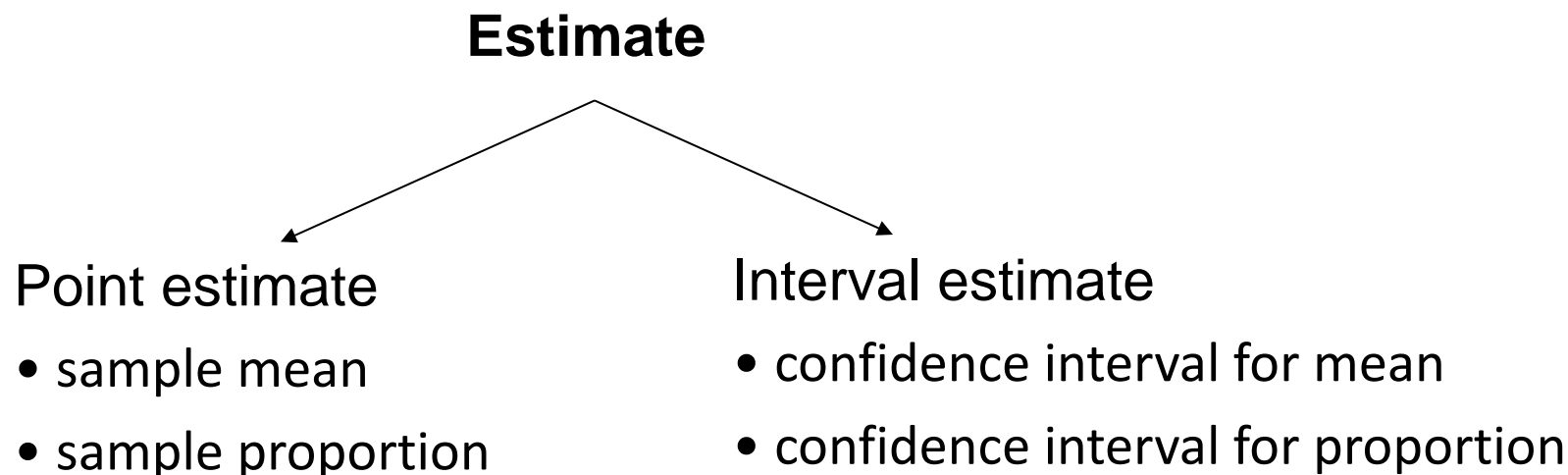
$$Z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma_{\bar{X}}} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} = \frac{300 - 288}{60 / \sqrt{100}} = 2$$

- Check out the table of the standard normal distribution.
- There is a 2.28% chance of selecting a sample with a mean > 300.

Statistical Estimation

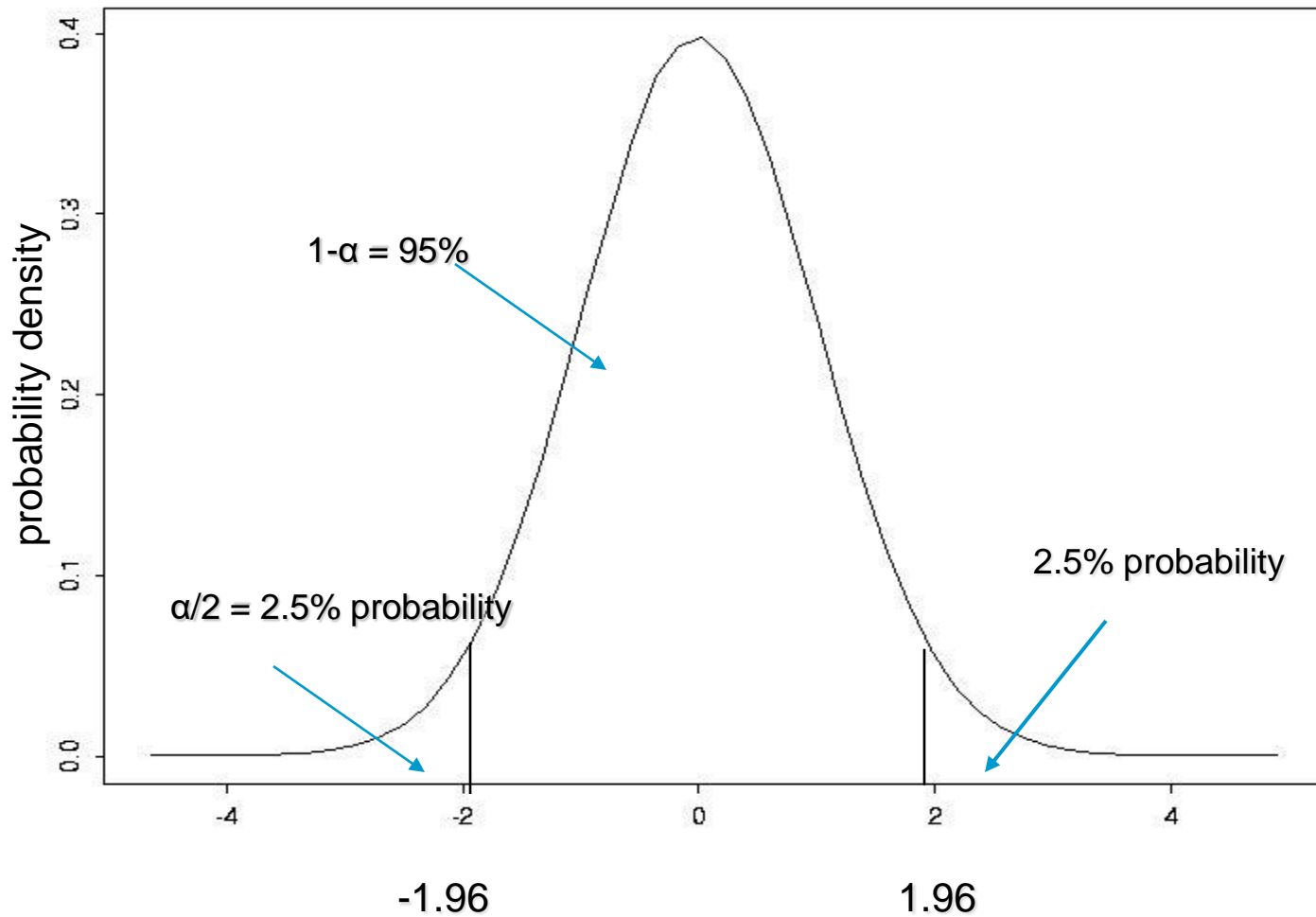


Statistical Estimation



Point estimate is always within the interval estimate

Confidence Interval



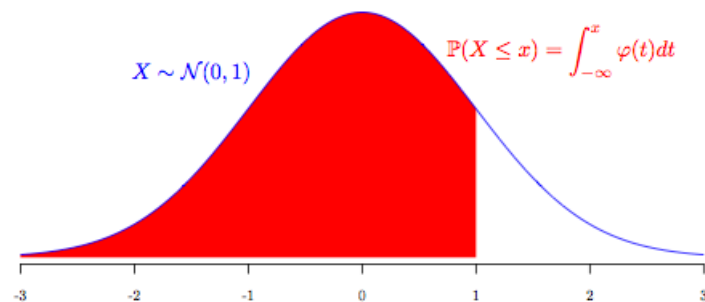
Confidence Interval (CI)

Suppose the samples are drawn from a normal distribution. The CI provide us with a range of values that we believe, with a given level of confidence, contains a population parameter:

$$\Pr \left(\bar{X} - z_{(1-\frac{\alpha}{2})} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} < \mu < \bar{X} + z_{(1-\frac{\alpha}{2})} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} \right)$$

There is a 95% chance that your interval contains μ .

$$\Pr(\bar{X} - 1.96 SD < \mu < \bar{X} + 1.96 SD) = 0.95$$



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Example

Suppose we have a sample of $n = 100$ persons
mean = 215, standard deviation = 20

$$95\% \text{ CI} = \bar{X} \pm 1.96 * \sigma / \sqrt{n}$$

$$\text{Lower Limit: } 215 - 1.96 * 20 / 10 = (211, 219)$$

$$\text{Upper Limit: } 215 + 1.96 * 20 / 10$$

“We are 95% confident that the interval 211-219 contains μ .”

If the population standard deviation σ is unknown, use the sample standard deviation s and the t -distribution. If n is large enough, you might also use s and the standard Normal distribution.

Effect of Sample Size

Suppose we had only 10 observations

What happens to the confidence interval?

$$\bar{X} \pm 1.96 * \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

For $n = 100$, $215 \pm 1.96 * (20)/\sqrt{100} \approx (211, 219)$

For $n = 10$, $215 \pm 1.96 * (20)/\sqrt{10} \approx (203, 227)$

Larger sample size = smaller interval

Effect of Confidence Level

Suppose we use a 90% confidence level

What happens to the confidence interval?

$$\bar{X} \pm 1.645 * s / \sqrt{n}$$

$$90\%: 215 \pm 1.645 * (20) / \sqrt{100} \approx (212, 218)$$

Lower confidence level = smaller interval

(A 99% interval would use 2.58 as multiplier and the interval would be larger)

Effect of Standard Deviation

Suppose we had a s of 40 (instead of 20)

What happens to the confidence interval?

$$\bar{X} \pm 1.96 * \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$215 \pm 1.96 * (40) / \sqrt{100} \approx (207, 223)$$

More variation = larger interval

Estimation for Population Mean μ

Point estimate:

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum X}{n}$$

Estimate of variability in population

(if σ is unknown, use s)

$$s = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

True standard deviation of sample mean

Standard error of sample mean

$$SD = \sigma / \sqrt{n}$$

$$SE = s / \sqrt{n}$$

95% confidence interval

, or

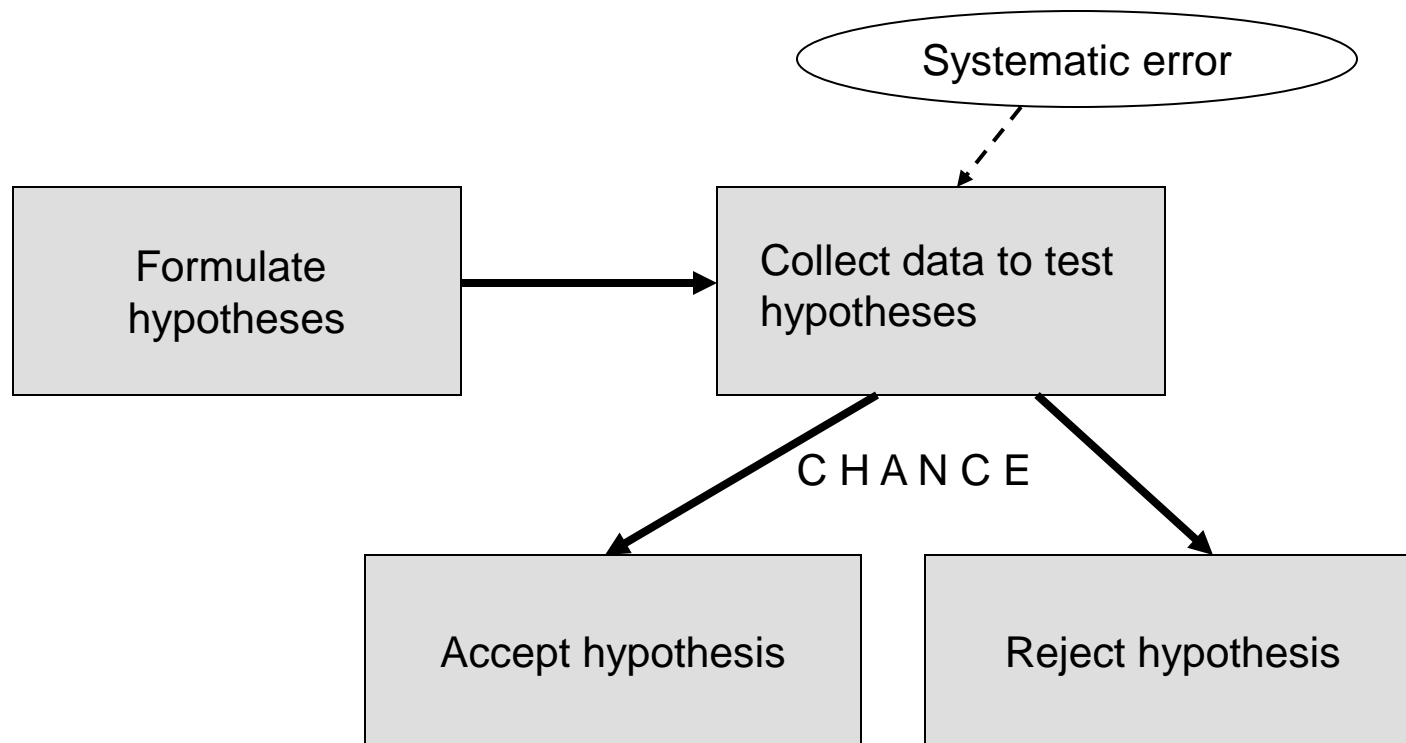
$$\bar{X} \pm 1.96 SD$$

$$\bar{X} \pm 1.96 SE$$

How does the size of the random sample impact the size of a confidence interval?



Statistical Tests



Random error (chance) can be controlled by statistical significance or by confidence interval

Hypothesis Testing

- State null and alternative hypothesis (H_0 and H_1)
 - H_0 usually a statement no difference between groups
- Choose α level (related to confidence level)
 - Probability of falsely rejecting H_0 (Type I error), typically 0.05 or 0.01
- Calculate test statistic, find p -value (p)
 - Measures how far data are from what you expect under null hypothesis
- State conclusion:
 - $p \leq \alpha$, reject H_0
 - $p > \alpha$, insufficient evidence to reject H_0

Hypothesis Testing

Hypothesis: A statement about parameters of population or of a model ($\mu = 200$?)

Test: Does the data agree with the hypothesis? (sample mean 220)
Simple random sample from a normal population
(or n large enough for CLT)

$$H_o: \mu = \mu_o$$

$$H_1 : \mu \neq \mu_o , \text{ pick } \alpha$$

Z-Test

Problem of interest:

- Population mean μ and population standard deviation σ are known

Z-confidence interval: $\bar{X} \pm z_{(1-\alpha/2)} \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}$

Z-test: $z = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu_0}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}}$

H₁

$$\mu \neq \mu_0$$

$$\mu > \mu_0$$

$$\mu < \mu_0$$

Rejection region

$$|z| \geq z_{1-\alpha/2}$$

$$z \geq z_{1-\alpha}$$

$$z \leq z_{\alpha} = -z_{1-\alpha}$$

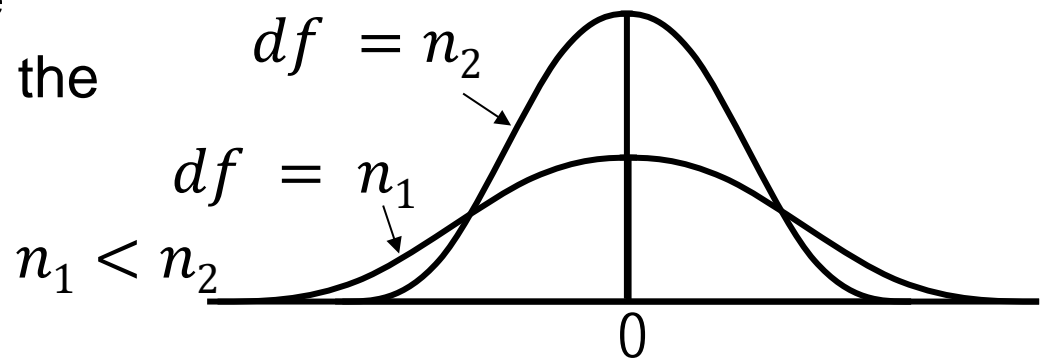
Student t-Distribution: Test Statistic for a mean μ with unknown σ

$$t(df = n - 1) = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{s/\sqrt{n}}$$

When the population is normally distributed, the statistic t is *Student t* distributed.

The “degrees of freedom (df)”, a function of the sample size, determines how spread the distribution is (compared to the normal distribution)

The t distribution is bell-shaped, and symmetric around zero.

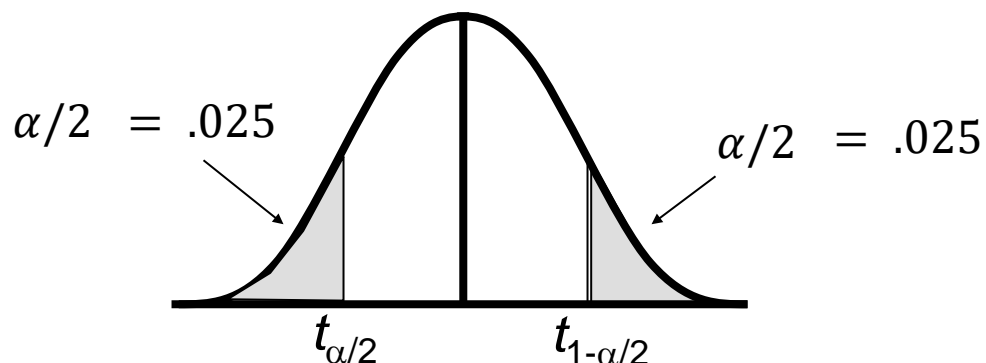


CI and 2-Sided Tests

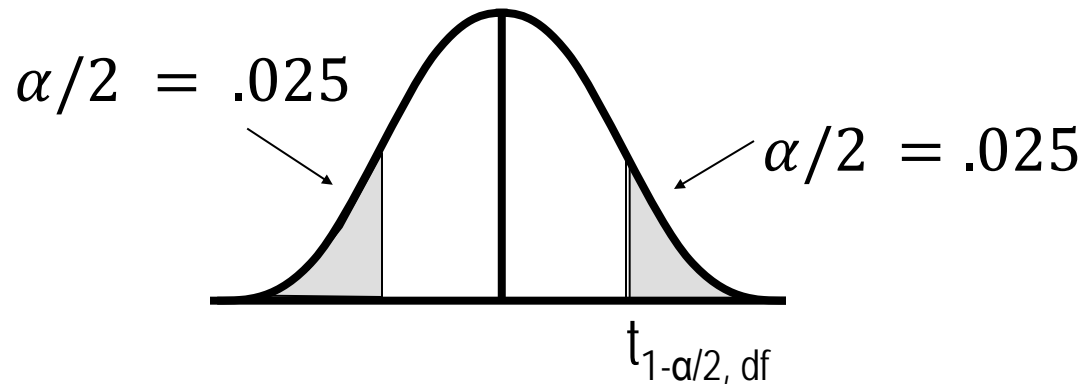
- A level α 2-sided test rejects $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ exactly when the value μ_0 falls outside a level $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for μ .
- Calculate $1 - \alpha$ level confidence interval, then
 - if μ_0 within the interval, do not reject the null hypothesis,

$$|t| < t_{1-\alpha/2}$$

- otherwise, $|t| \geq t_{1-\alpha/2} \Rightarrow$ reject the null hypothesis.



Student t-Distribution for $\alpha=0.05$



Degrees of Freedom		$t_{.9}$	$t_{.95}$	$t_{.975}$	$t_{.99}$	$t_{.995}$
	1	3.078	6.314	12.706	31.821	63.657
	2	1.886	2.92	4.303	6.965	9.925

	24	.	1.711	2.064	2.492	.

	200	1.286	1.653	1.972	2.345	2.601
	∞	1.282	1.645	1.96	2.326	2.576

t-distribution critical values

Possible Results of Tests

		What we decide	
		Reject null	Fail to reject null
Reality	Null true	Type I Error (α) (false positive)	Correct
	Null false	Correct	Type II Error (β) (false negative)

Type I error - You reject the null hypothesis when the null hypothesis is actually true.

Type II error - You fail to reject the null hypothesis when the the alternative hypothesis is true.

t -Tests

Formula is slightly different for each:

- *Single sample:*
 - tests whether a sample mean is significantly different from a pre-existing value
- *Paired samples:*
 - tests the relationship between 2 linked samples, e.g. means obtained in 2 conditions by a single group of participants
- *Independent samples:*
 - tests the relationship between 2 independent populations

The Paired t -Test with 2 Paired Samples

Null hypothesis: $H_0: \mu_d = \mu_1 - \mu_2 = \Delta_0$

Test statistic: $t = \frac{\bar{d} - \Delta_0}{s/\sqrt{n}}$

H_1	<u>Rejection region</u>
$\mu_d \neq \Delta_0$	$ t \geq t_{1-\alpha/2, n-1}$
$\mu_d > \Delta_0$	$t \geq t_{1-\alpha, n-1}$
$\mu_d < \Delta_0$	$t \leq t_{\alpha, n-1} = -t_{1-\alpha, n-1}$

Observations are dependent, e.g., pre and post test,
left and right eyes, brother-sister pairs

The Paired t -Test with 2 Paired Samples

Subjects: random sample of 25 students from TUM

Mean grades of the students on two subsequent exams A and B

Is there a significant difference between the two exams?

Null Hypothesis: $E(A) = E(B)$

Answer can be given based
on significance testing

No.	A	B	$d=A-B$
1	3.7	3.5	0.2
2	2.2	2.3	-0.1
...			
25	4.8	4.4	0.4

$$\bar{d} = 0.093$$

$$s = 0.150$$

$$n = 25$$

$$s/\sqrt{n} = 0.03$$

$$t_{0.975;24} = 2.064$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{d}}{s/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{0.093}{0.03} = 3.1$$

$$p = \Pr\{|t| > 3.1 | DF = 24\} = 0.005$$

The p -Value

The p -value describes the probability of having $t = 3.1$ (or larger), given the null hypothesis. The smaller the p -value, the more unlikely it is to observe the corresponding sample value (or more extreme) by chance under H_0 .

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> # R code
> x = c(3, 0, 5, 2, 5, 5, 5, 4, 4, 5)
> y = c(2, 1, 4, 1, 4, 3, 3, 2, 3, 5)
> t.test(x,y,alt="two.sided", paired=TRUE)

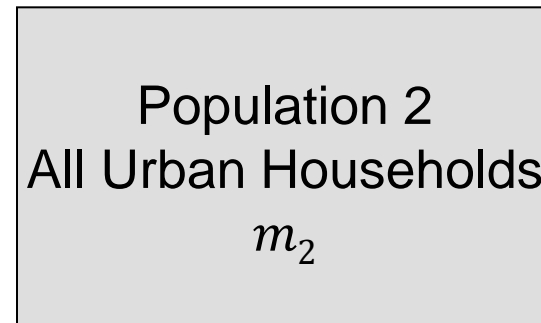
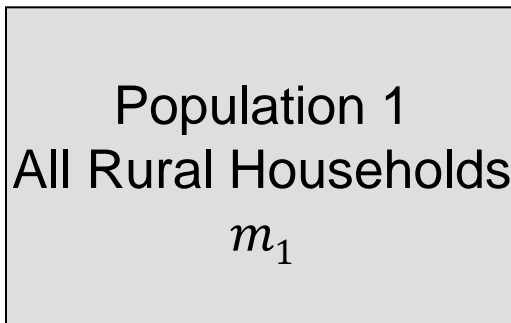
      Paired t-test

data:  x and y
t = 3.3541, df = 9, p-value = 0.008468
alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.325555 1.674445
sample estimates:
mean of the differences
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Independent Samples

2 independent samples (possibly different size and variance):

Does the amount of credit card debt differ between households in rural areas compared to households in urban areas?



Null Hypothesis:

$$H_0 : m_1 = m_2$$

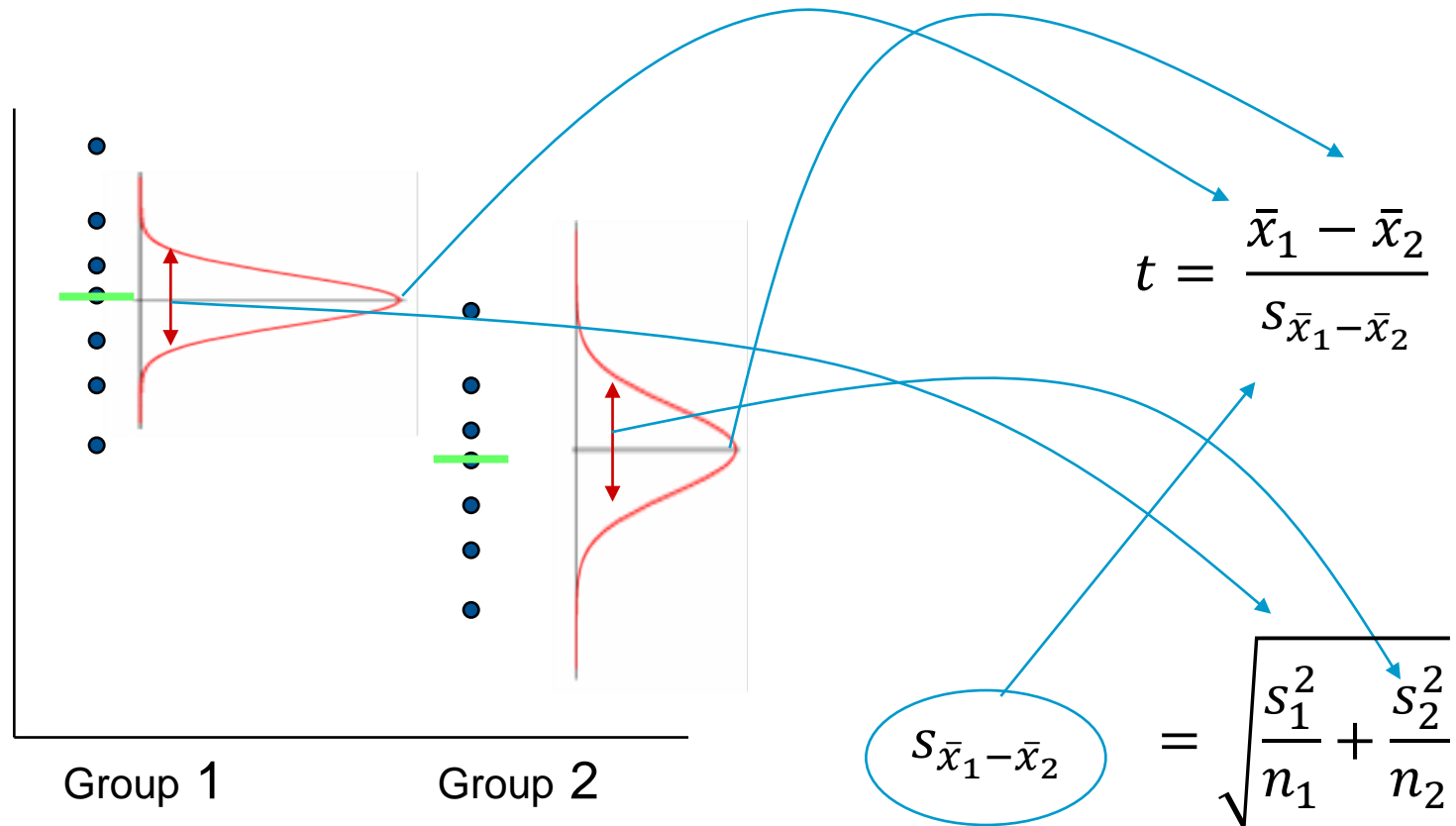
Alternate Hypothesis:

$$H_1 : m_1 \neq m_2$$

Independent Two-Sample t -Test (Welch's t -Test)

Two-sample unpaired t -test with (un)equal sample sizes, assuming unequal variance

Under H_0 t follows a t -distribution with $\frac{(s_1^2/n_1 + s_2^2/n_2)^2}{(s_1^2/n_1)/(n_1-1) + (s_2^2/n_2)/(n_2-1)}$ degrees of freedom (df)



Independent Two-Sample t –Test: Example

Group 1	Group 2
21	22
19	25
18	27
18	24
23	26
17	24
19	28
16	26
21	30
18	28
$\bar{x}_1 = 19$	$\bar{x}_2 = 26$
$s_1 = \sqrt{40/9}$	$s_2 = \sqrt{50/9}$

$$df = 18 \quad (\text{rounded to integer})$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}{s_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2}} = \frac{19 - 26}{1} = -7$$

$$s_{\bar{x}_1 - \bar{x}_2} = \sqrt{\frac{s_1^2}{n_1} + \frac{s_2^2}{n_2}} = \sqrt{\frac{40/9}{10} + \frac{50/9}{10}} = 1$$

$$t_{(0.975, 18)} = 2.101$$

$$|t| \geq t_{(0.975, 18)}$$

→ Reject H_0 ($\mu_1 - \mu_2 = 0$)

Selected Statistical Tests

- **Parametric Tests**

- The family of t -tests
 - Compares two sample means or tests a single sample mean
- F-test
 - Compares the equivalence of variances of two samples

- **Non-parametric Tests**

- Wilcoxon signed-rank test for 2 *paired* i.i.d samples.
- Mann-Whitney-U test is used for 2 *independent* i.i.d samples
- Kruskal-Wallis-Test for several i.i.d non-normally distributed samples

- **Tests of the Probability Distribution**

- Kolmogorov-Smirnov and Chi-square test
 - used to determine whether two underlying probability distributions differ, or whether an underlying probability distribution differs from a hypothesized distribution

Please explain the role of confidence intervals in a single-sample t-test.



Linear Regression

- **Regressions identify relationships between dependent and independent variables**
 - Is there an association between the two variables
 - Estimation of impact of an independent variable
 - Formulation of the relation in a functional form
 - Used for numerical prediction and time series forecasting
- **Regression as an established statistical technique:**
 - Sir Francis Galton (1822-1911) studied the relationship between a father's height and the son's height

Terminology

- Data streams X and Y , forming the measurement tuples $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$
- x_i is the predictor (regressor, covariate, feature, independent variable)
- y_i is the response (dependent variable, outcome)
- Denote the *regression function* by: $\eta(x) = E(Y | x)$
- The linear regression model assumes a specific linear form

The Simple Linear Regression Model

- Linear regression is a statistical tool for numerical predictions
- The first order linear model

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$$

Y = response variable

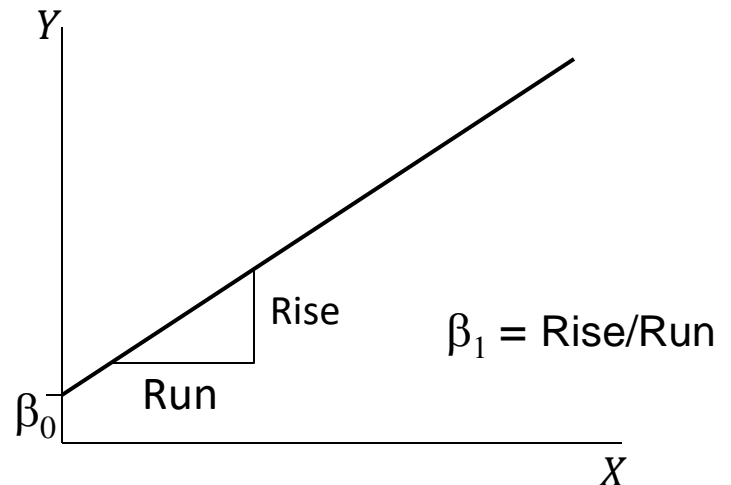
X = predictor variable

β_0 = y-axis intercept

β_1 = slope of the line

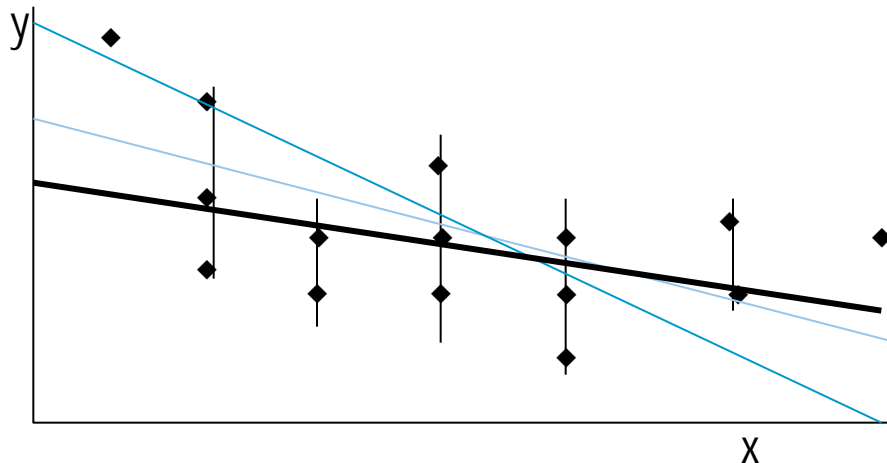
ε = random error term (residual)

β_0 and β_1 are unknown, therefore, are estimated from the data



Estimating the Coefficients

- Coefficients are random variables
- (Ordinary Least Squares) estimates are determined by
 - drawing a sample from the population of interest
 - calculating sample statistics
 - producing a straight line that cuts into the data



The question is:
Which straight line fits best?

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$$

OLS Estimators

- Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) approach:
 - Minimize the sum of squared residuals (aka. loss function)

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$$

$$\min \sum_i e_i^2 = \min \sum_i (y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i))^2$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = \frac{Cov(x, y)}{Var(x)}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$$

Example

- A car dealer wants to find the relationship between the odometer reading and the selling price of used cars.
- A random sample of 100 cars is selected, and the data recorded.
- Find the regression line.

Car	Odometer	Price
1	37388	5318
2	44758	5061
3	45833	5008
4	30862	5795
5	31705	5784
6	34010	5359
.	.	.
.	.	.
.	.	.

Independent/predictor variable x

Dependent/respond variable y

Solving a Simple Regression

- To calculate β_0 and β_1 we can calculate several statistics first:

$$\bar{x} = 36009.45; \quad s_x^2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n-1} = 43,528,688$$

$$\bar{y} = 5411.41; \quad \text{cov}(X, Y) = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{n-1} = -1,356,256$$

where $n = 100$:

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{s_x^2} = \frac{-1,356,256}{43,528,688} = -.0312$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} = 5411.41 - (-.0312)(36,009.45) = 6,533$$

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x = 6,533 - 0.0312x$$

Residual Sum of Squares (RSS)

- This is the sum of squared differences between the points and the regression line
- It can serve as a measure of how well the line fits the data (fits well, if statistic is small)
- An unbiased estimator of the RSS of the population is given by

$$RSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

Total Deviation

- The Total Sum of Squares (TSS) is the sum of the Explained Sum of Squares (ESS) and the RSS.

$$\sum (y - \bar{y})^2 = \sum (\hat{y} - \bar{y})^2 + \sum (y - \hat{y})^2$$

$$\text{TSS} = \text{ESS} + \text{RSS}$$

$$\text{Total deviation} = \text{explained deviation} + \text{unexplained deviation}$$

Coefficient of Determination

- R^2 measures the proportion of the variation in y that is explained by the variation in x

$$ESS = \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2, TSS = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = ESS + RSS$$

$$R^2 = \frac{TSS - RSS}{TSS} = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS} = \frac{ESS}{TSS}$$

- R^2 takes on any value between zero and one
 - $R^2 = 1$: Perfect match between the line and data points
 - $R^2 = 0$: There is no linear relationship between x and y

Testing the Coefficients

- Test the significance of the linear relationship

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

$$H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

- The test statistic is

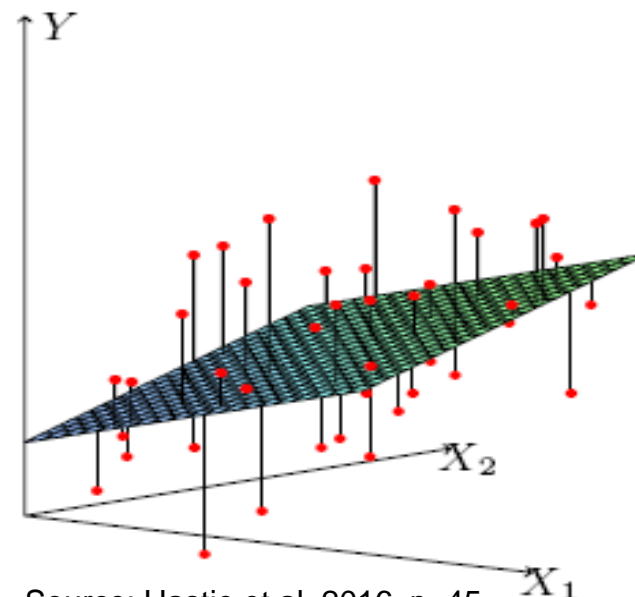
$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{SE(\hat{\beta}_1)} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\sqrt{\frac{RSS}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \cdot \frac{1}{n-2}}}$$

← Variance of $\hat{\beta}_1$

- If $SE(\hat{\beta}_1)$ is large, then $\hat{\beta}_1$ must be large to reject H_0
- $SE(\hat{\beta}_1)$ is smaller, if the x_i are more spread out
- If the error variable is normally distributed, the statistic is a Student t –distribution with $n - 2$ degrees of freedom (if n is large, draw on the CLT)
- Reject H_0 , if: $t < t_{\alpha/2}$ or $t > t_{1-\alpha/2}$

The Multiple Linear Regression Model

- A p -variable regression model can be expressed as a series of equations
- Equations condensed into a matrix form, give the general linear model
- β coefficients are known as partial regression coefficients
- X_1, X_2 , for example,
 - X_1 ='years of experience'
 - X_2 ='age'
 - Y ='salary'
- Estimated equation:
$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2 = \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}$$



Source: Hastie et al. 2016, p. 45

Matrix Notation

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1p} \\ 1 & x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{np} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

y	X	β	$+ \varepsilon$
$(n \times 1)$	$(n \times (p+1))$	$((p+1) \times 1)$	$(n \times 1)$

OLS Estimation

- Sample-based counter part to population regression model:

$$y = \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon$$
$$y = \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} + e$$

- OLS requires choosing values of the estimated coefficients, such that Residual Sum of Squares (RSS) is as small as possible for the sample

$$RSS = e^T e = (y - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta})^T (y - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta})$$

- Need to differentiate with respect to the unknown coefficients

Least Squares Estimation

\mathbf{X} is $n \times (p + 1)$, y is the vector of outputs

$$RSS(\beta) = (y - \mathbf{X}\beta)^T (y - \mathbf{X}\beta)$$

If \mathbf{X} is full rank, then $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}$ is positive definite

➡ $RSS = (y^T y - 2\beta^T \mathbf{X}^T y + \beta^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \beta)$

$$\frac{\partial RSS}{\partial \beta} = -2\mathbf{X}^T y + 2\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \beta = 0 \quad \text{First-order condition}$$

$$\beta = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T y$$

$$\hat{y} = \underbrace{\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T}_{\text{“Hat” or projection matrix } H} y$$

“Hat” or projection matrix H

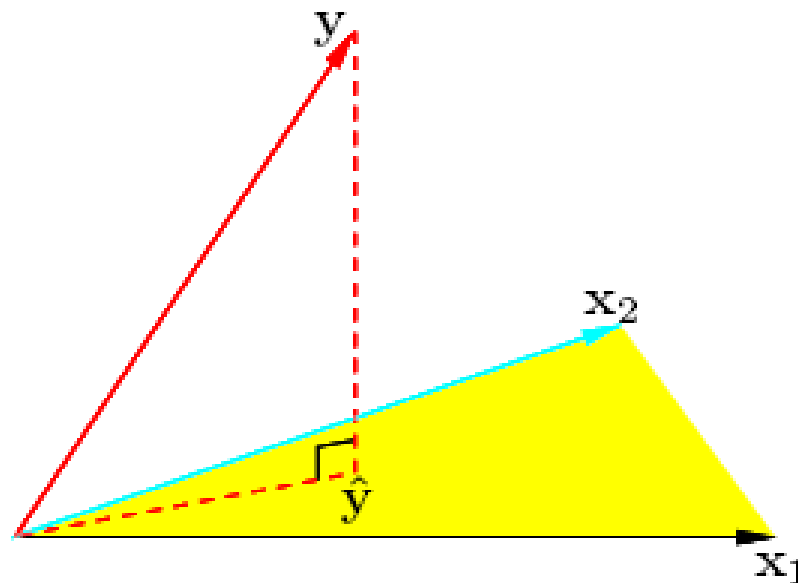
Geometrical Representation

- Least square estimates in \mathbb{R}^n
- Minimize $\text{RSS}(\beta) = \|y - \mathbf{X}\beta\|^2$, s.t. residual vector $y - \hat{y}$ is orthogonal to this subspace.

Definition (Projection):

The set $C \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is non-empty, closed and convex. For a fixed $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ we search a point $\hat{y} \in C$, with the smallest distance to y (wrt. the Euclidean norm), i.e. we solve the minimization problem

$$P_C(y) = \min_{\hat{y} \in C} \|y - \hat{y}\|^2$$



Source: Hastie et al. 2016, p. 46

Example

$$\begin{array}{rccccc} y: & 2.6 & 1.6 & 4.0 & 3.0 & 4.9 \\ x: & 1.2 & 3.0 & 4.5 & 5.8 & 7.2 \end{array}$$

$$y = \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} + e$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 2.6 \\ 1.6 \\ 4.0 \\ 3.0 \\ 4.9 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1.2 \\ 1 & 3.0 \\ 1 & 4.5 \\ 1 & 5.8 \\ 1 & 7.2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} e_1 \\ e_2 \\ e_3 \\ e_4 \\ e_5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T y$$

$$\left(\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1.2 & 3.0 & 4.5 & 5.8 & 7.2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1.2 \\ 1 & 3.0 \\ 1 & 4.5 \\ 1 & 5.8 \\ 1 & 7.2 \end{pmatrix} \right)^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1.2 & 3.0 & 4.5 & 5.8 & 7.2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 2.6 \\ 1.6 \\ 4.0 \\ 3.0 \\ 4.9 \end{pmatrix} =$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 5 & 21.7 \\ 21.7 & 116.17 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} 16.1 \\ 78.6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.0565 & -0.1973 \\ -0.1973 & 0.0455 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 16.1 \\ 78.6 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1.498 \\ 0.397 \end{pmatrix}$$

Check Results in R

```
> y <- c(2.6, 1.6, 4.0, 3.0, 4.9)
> x <- c(1.2, 3.0, 4.5, 5.8, 7.2)
> mod <- lm(y ~ x)
> summary(mod)
```

Call:
lm(formula = y ~ x)

Residuals:

1	2	3	4	5
0.6259	-1.0883	0.7165	-0.7993	0.5452

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	1.4980	1.0322	1.451	0.243
x	0.3968	0.2142	1.853	0.161

Residual standard error: 1.004 on 3 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-Squared: 0.5336, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3782
F-statistic: 3.433 on 1 and 3 DF, p-value: 0.1610

1. check coefficients
2. check significance
3. check coefficient of determination

Selected Statistics

Adjusted R^2

- It represents the proportion of variability of y explained by X
 R^2 is adjusted so that models with a different number of variables can be compared

$$\bar{R}^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS/(n-p-1)}{TSS/(n-1)}$$

The F-test

- Significant F indicates a linear relationship between y and at least one of the x s:
 $H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 \dots \beta_p = 0$

The t -test of each partial regression coefficient

- Significant t indicates that the variable in question influences the response variable while controlling for other explanatory variables

Model Specification

In regression analysis the specification is the process of developing a regression model.

- This process consists of selecting an appropriate functional form for the model and choosing which variables to include.
- The model might include irrelevant variables or omit relevant variables

Non-linear models are challenging, but some nonlinear regression problems can be linearized.

- Dummy variables for discrete variables (e.g. 0/1 for gender)
- Quadratic models: $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2^2 + \varepsilon$ use $z_2 = x_2^2$
- Models with interaction terms $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 x_2$ use $z_1 = x_1 x_2$
- Exponential terms $y = \alpha x^\beta \varepsilon$ can be transformed using the logarithm to
$$\ln(y) = \ln(\alpha) + \beta \ln(x) + \ln(\varepsilon)$$

Subset Selection

- Setting: Possibly a large set of predictor variables, some irrelevant
- Goal: Fit a parsimonious model that explains variation in Y with a small set of predictors
 - Aka. subset selection or feature selection problem
- Automated procedures:
 - Best subset (among all exponentially many, computationally expensive)
 - Backward elimination (top down approach)
 - Forward selection (bottom up approach)
 - Stepwise regression (combines forward/backward)
- More in the context of the class on dimensionality reduction
 - Subset selection vs. shrinkage methods

Example: Backward Elimination

- Select a significance level to stay in the model (generally 0.05 is too low, causing too many variables to be removed)
- Fit the full model with all possible predictors
- Consider the predictor with lowest t -statistic (highest p -value).
 - If $p > \text{sign. level}$, remove the predictor and fit model without this variable (must re-fit model here because partial regression coefficients change)
 - If $p \leq \text{sign. level}$, stop and keep current model
- Continue until all predictors have p -values below sign. level
- Forward selection is similar: predictors with lowest p -value are added until none is left with $p > \text{sign. level}$.

Please explain the term „ordinary least squares“ estimator and how it solves a convex optimization problem.

