Linear Regression Properties and Goodness of fit

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Review of the last session

The Gauss-Markov Assumptions

- 1. Linearity assumption: $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \epsilon$
- 2. X is a full rank matrix.
- **3.** $E(\epsilon | X) = 0$
- 4. $E(\epsilon \epsilon' | X) = \sigma^2 I$
- 5. X and ϵ are orthogonal $X \perp \epsilon$
- **6.** $\epsilon | X \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$

Th assumption 6 is not actually required for the Gauss-Markov Theorem. However, we often assume it to make hypothesis testing easier.

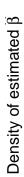
Gauss-Markov Theorem

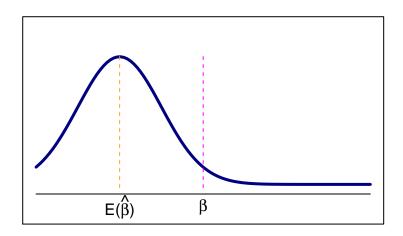
The **Gauss-Markov Theorem** states that, conditional on assumptions 1-5, OLS estimator is the Best Linear, Unbiased, and Efficient estimator (**BLUE**):

- 1. $\hat{\beta}$ is an unbiased estimator of β .
- 2. $\hat{\beta}$ is a linear estimator of β .
- 3. $\hat{\beta}$ has minimal variance among all linear and unbiased estimators.

Biased vs. unbiased estimation

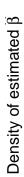
• $E(\hat{\beta}) < \beta$

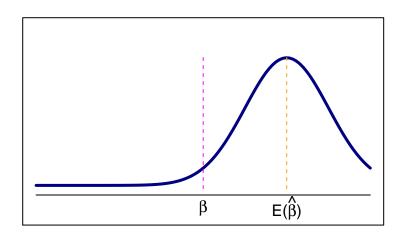




Biased vs. unbiased estimation

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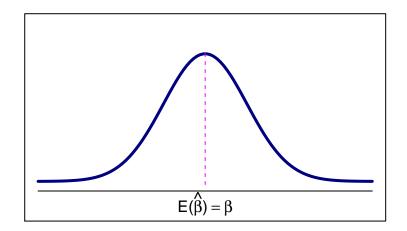




Biased vs. unbiased estimation

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$$E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta$$





Properties of OLS

OLS regression: an example

A regression model of $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \epsilon$ estimated using OLS method has some properties that can help us to analyze the estimated model and whether some of the **Gauss-Markov Theorem** assumptions are satisfied.

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# try jtools library for cleaner regression report and of course some other interesting tools library(jtools) # ULS model lin.mod <- lm(logpgp95-avexpr, data=rawData) summ(lin.mod)
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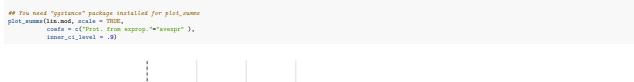
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Dependent variable	logpgp95
Type	OLS linear regression

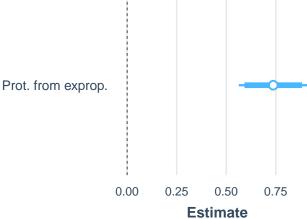
F(1,55)	72.32
\mathbb{R}^2	0.57
$Adj. R^2$	0.56

	Est.	S.E.	t val.	p
(Intercept)	4.89	0.38	12.79	0.00
avexpr	0.49	0.06	8.50	0.00

Standard errors: OLS

Plotting the regression results

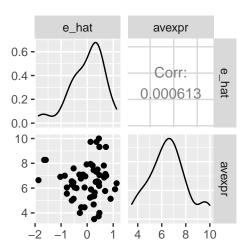




Properties of OLS: 1

The observed values of X are uncorrelated with the residuals (regression errors).

#Predictions
rawData\$logpgp95_hat<- predict(lin.mod)
#Errors (residuals)
rawData\$e_hat<- rawData\$logpgp95-rawData\$1ogpgp95_hat



Properties of OLS:2

The sum of the residuals is zero.

If there is a constant, then the first column in X will be a column of ones. This means that for the first element in the X'e vector (i.e. $X_{11}e_1 + x_{21}e_2 + \cdots + x_{N1}e_N$) to be zero, it must be the case that $\sum_{i=1}^{N} e_i = 0$.

sum(rawData\$e_hat)

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## [1] 0.000000000001865175
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round(sum(rawData$e_hat), 3)
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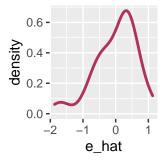
[1] 0

Properties of OLS: 3

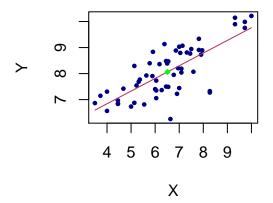
The sample mean of the residuals is zero. This follows straightforwardly from the previous property, $\bar{e} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} e_i}{N} = 0$.

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mean_ehat=mean(rawData$e_hat)
round(mean_ehat,2)

## [1] 0
library(ggplot2)
ggplot(rawData, aes(x = e_hat)) +
    geom_density(col='maroon', lwd=1)
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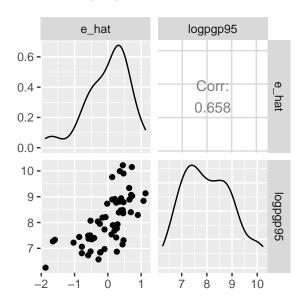


Properties of OLS: 4



Properties of OLS: 5

The predicted values of y are uncorrelated with the residuals (errors).



Goodness of fit: R^2 and R^2 -adjusted

How good is an estimated regression?

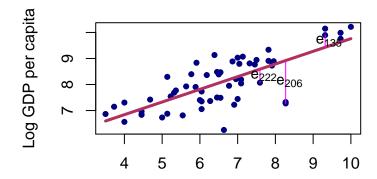
- We learned about the concept of (un) biased estimation. An unbiased estimation shows that how well we quantified the association between variable x, or variable xs in multivariate regression, and variable y.
- Another measure of a good estimation is how much of variations in the outcome variable y is explained using the independent variable(s).
- There is a subtle difference between these two measures. The first part is the focus of causal inference models while the second one is the focus of prediction/forecasting models.
- This part of the course focuses on the goodness of fit/prediction power/forecasting power/explanatory power of a regression model.

Root of Mean Square Error

• The sum of squared errors SSE_{OLS} :

$$SSE_{OLS} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} e^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_{1} - \hat{y}_{1})^{2} + (y_{2} - \hat{y}_{2})^{2} + \dots + (y_{N} - \hat{y}_{N})^{2}$$
(1)

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N} e^2}{N}}$$
 (2)

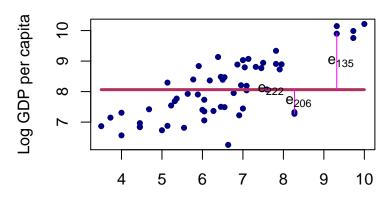


Average protection against expropriation risk

R-squared (coefficient of determination)

- What if we want to compare RMSE with a benchmark? We can use $SSE_{\bar{q}}$:

$$SSE_{\bar{y}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N} (y_1 - \bar{y})^2 + (y_2 - \bar{y})^2 + \dots + (y_N - \bar{y})^2$$
(3)



Average protection against expropriation risk

R-squared

- How much of the variation in y, measured by $SSE_{\widetilde{y}}$, is not explained by the OLS model, measured SSE_{OLS} :

$$\frac{SSE_{OLS}}{SSE_{\bar{n}}} \tag{4}$$

- Therefore, the amount variation in outcome y that is explained by OLS is:

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSE_{OLS}}{SSE_{\bar{y}}} \tag{5}$$

R^2 : An example

Observations	57
Dependent variable	logpgp95
Type	OLS linear regression

F(1,55)	28.37
\mathbb{R}^2	0.34
$Adj. R^2$	0.33

	Est.	S.E.	t val.	p
(Intercept)	7.76	0.12	64.31	0.00
democ00a	0.19	0.04	5.33	0.00

Standard errors: OLS

Observations	57
Dependent variable	logpgp95
Type	OLS linear regression

F(2,54)	13.94
\mathbb{R}^2	0.34
$Adj. R^2$	0.32

	Est.	S.E.	t val.	p
(Intercept)	7.74	0.19	40.15	0.00
democ00a	0.19	0.04	5.20	0.00
cons1	0.01	0.05	0.14	0.89

Standard errors: OLS

\mathbb{R}^2 -adjusted

How can we penalize unnecessary complexity of a regression model?

$$R_{adjusted}^{2} = 1 - (1 - R^{2})\left[\frac{n-1}{n-k-1}\right]$$
 (6)

where k is the number of regressors.