

STAC67H: Regression Analysis

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Regression through Origin:

- 1 Sometimes the regression function is known to be linear and to go through the origin at $(0, 0)$.
- 2 Example 1: X is units of output and Y is variable cost, so Y is zero by definition when X is zero.
- 3 Example 2: X is the number of brands of beer stocked in a supermarket and Y is the volume of beer sales in the supermarket.

Regression through Origin:

Model

The normal error model for these cases is the same as regression model $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$ except that $\beta_0 = 0$:

$$Y_i = \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$$

where:

- 1 β_1 is a parameter
- 2 X_i are known constants
- 3 ϵ_i are independent $N(0, \sigma^2)$.

Regression through Origin:

The regression function is

$$E(Y_i) = \beta_1 X_i$$

which is a straight line through the origin, with slope β_1 .

Inferences

The least squares estimator of β_1 is obtained by minimizing:

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \beta_1 X_i)^2$$

with respect to β_1 .

Regression through Origin:

Inferences

The resulting normal equation is:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n X_i(Y_i - \beta_1 X_i) = 0$$

leading to the point estimator:

$$b_1 = \frac{\sum X_i Y_i}{\sum X_i^2}$$

Regression through Origin:

Inferences

The maximum likelihood estimator is:

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum X_i Y_i}{\sum X_i^2}$$

Regression through Origin:

Inferences

The fitted value \hat{Y}_i for the i th case is:

$$\hat{Y}_i = b_1 X_i$$

Regression through Origin:

Inferences

The i th residual is defined as the difference between the observed and fitted values:

$$e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i = Y_i - b_1 X_i$$

Is $\sum_{i=1}^n e_i$ zero?

Regression through Origin:

Inferences

An unbiased estimator of the error variance σ^2 is:

$$s^2 = MSE = \frac{\sum (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2}{n - 1} = \frac{\sum e_i^2}{n - 1} = \frac{SSE}{n - 1}$$

The reason for the denominator $n - 1$ is that only one degrees of freedom is lost in estimating the single parameter in the regression function.

Regression through Origin:

Table: Confidence Limits for Regression through Origin.

Estimate of	Estimated Variance	Confidence Limits
β_1	$s^2\{b_1\} = \frac{MSE}{\sum X_i^2}$	$b_1 \pm ts\{b_1\}$
$E\{Y_h\}$	$s^2\{\hat{Y}_h\} = \frac{X_h^2 MSE}{\sum X_i^2}$	$\hat{Y}_h \pm ts\{\hat{Y}_h\}$
$Y_{h(new)}$	$s^2\{pred\} = MSE \left(1 + \frac{X_h^2}{\sum X_i^2}\right)$	$\hat{Y}_{h(new)} \pm ts\{pred\}$

Here, $t = t(1 - \alpha/2; n - 1)$

Cautions for Using Regression through Origin:

- Here, $\sum e_i \neq 0$. Thus, in a residual plot the residuals will usually not be balanced around the *zero* line.
- Here, $SSE = \sum e_i^2$ may exceed the total sum of squares $\sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$. This can occur when the data form a curvilinear pattern or a linear pattern with an intercept away from the origin.
- The coefficient of determination R^2 has no clear meaning and may turn out to be negative.

Cautions for Using Regression through Origin:

- Evaluate the aptness of your regression model; the regression function may not be linear or the variance of the error terms may not be constant.
- It is generally a safe practice not to use regression-through-the-origin model ($Y_i = \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$) and instead use the intercept regression model ($Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$).

Measurement Errors in Y

- Measurement errors could be present in the response variable Y .
- Consider a study of the relation between the time required to complete a task (Y) and the complexity of the task (X).
- The time to complete the task may not be measured accurately due to inaccurate operation of the stopwatch.

Measurement Errors in Y

- If the random measurement errors on Y are uncorrelated and unbiased, no new problems are created.
- Such random, uncorrelated and unbiased measurement errors on Y are simply absorbed in the model error term ϵ .
- The model error term always reflects the composite effects of a large number of factors not considered in the model, one of which now would be the random variation due to inaccuracy in the process of measuring Y .

Measurement Errors in X

- Measurement errors may be present in the predictor variable X , for instance, when the predictor variable is pressure in a tank, temperature in an oven, speed of a production line, or reported age of a person.
- Interested in the relation between employees' piecework earnings and their ages.
- Let X_i be the true age and X_i^* be the reported age of the i th employee. Hence, the measurement error is:

$$\delta_i = X_i^* - X_i$$

Measurement Errors in X

- The regression model under study is

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$$

- We replace X_i by the observed X_i^*

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (X_i^* - \delta_i) + \epsilon_i$$

- We rewrite the regression model as:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i^* + (\epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i)$$

One can consider this model as a simple linear regression model with predictor X_i^* and error $(\epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i)$. But, here, X_i^* and $(\epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i)$ are not independent.

Measurement Errors in X

- Let us assume that X_i^* is an unbiased estimator of X_i

$$E(\delta_i) = E(X_i^*) - E(X_i) = 0$$

- As usual, we assume that the error terms ϵ_i have expectation 0

$$E(\epsilon_i) = 0$$

- Let the measurement error δ_i and the model error ϵ_i are uncorrelated

$$\sigma\{\delta_i, \epsilon_i\} = E\{\delta_i, \epsilon_i\} - E\{\delta_i\}E\{\epsilon_i\} = E\{\delta_i, \epsilon_i\} = 0$$

Measurement Errors in X

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma\{X_i^*, \epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i\} &= E\{[X_i^* - E(X_i^*)][(\epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i) - E\{\epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i\}]\} \\&= E\{(X_i^* - X_i)(\epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i)\} \\&= E\{\delta_i(\epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i)\} \\&= E\{\delta_i \epsilon_i - \beta_1 \delta_i^2\} \\&= -\beta_1 \sigma^2\{\delta_i\}\end{aligned}$$

This covariance is not zero whenever there is a linear regression relation between X and Y .

Measurement Errors in X

- If we assume that the response Y and the predictor X^* follow a bivariate normal distribution, then the conditional distribution $Y_i|X_i^*, i = 1, \dots, n$, are independent normal with mean

$$E\{Y_i|X_i^*\} = \beta_0^* + \beta_1^* X_i^*$$

- and variance

$$\sigma_{Y|X}^2.$$

Measurement Errors in X

- It can be shown that

$$\beta_1^* = \beta_1 \left[\sigma_X^2 / (\sigma_X^2 + \sigma_Y^2) \right]$$

where σ_X^2 is the variance of X and σ_Y^2 is the variance of Y .

- Hence, the least squares slope estimate from fitting Y and X^* is not an estimate of β_1 , but is an estimate of $\beta_1^* \leq \beta_1$.
- If σ_Y^2 is small relative to σ_X^2 , then the bias would be small; otherwise the bias may be substantial.

Measurement Errors in X

One of the approaches to deal with measurement errors in X is to use additional variables that are known to be related to the true value of X but not to the errors of measurement δ . Such variables are called *instrumental variables* because they are used as an instrument in studying the relation between X and Y .

Simple Linear Regression Model in Matrix Terms:

- Consider, the normal error regression model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i \quad ; \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

- We will not present any new results, but shall only state in matrix terms the results obtained earlier.

Simple Linear Regression Model in Matrix Terms:

- We write the simple linear regression model in matrix terms as following

$$\underset{n \times 1}{\mathbf{Y}} = \underset{n \times 2}{\mathbf{X}} \underset{2 \times 1}{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + \underset{n \times 1}{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}}$$

where




$$\underset{n \times 1}{\mathbf{Y}} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Simple Linear Regression Model in Matrix Terms:

$$\mathbf{X}_{n \times 2} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & X_1 \\ 1 & X_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & X_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_{2 \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Simple Linear Regression Model in Matrix Terms:


$$\underset{n \times 1}{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Simple Linear Regression Model in Matrix Terms:

- The vector of expected values of the Y_i observations is

$$\underset{n \times 1}{E(\mathbf{Y})} = \underset{n \times 1}{\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}}$$

- The condition $E\{\epsilon_i\} = 0$ in matrix terms is:

$$\underset{n \times 1}{\mathbf{E}\{\boldsymbol{\epsilon}\}} = \underset{n \times 1}{\mathbf{0}}$$

Simple Linear Regression Model in Matrix Terms:

- The condition that the error terms have constant variance σ^2 and that all covariances $\sigma\{\epsilon_i, \epsilon_j\}$ for $i \neq j$ are zero is expressed in matrix terms as following

$$\text{Var}\{\epsilon\}_{n \times n} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \sigma^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_{n \times n}$$

Simple Linear Regression Model in Matrix Terms:

- Thus the normal error regression model in matrix terms is

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \epsilon$$

- where, ϵ is a vector of independent normal random variables with $\mathbf{E}\{\epsilon\} = \mathbf{0}$ and $\text{Var}\{\epsilon\} = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$.

Least Squares Estimation of Regression Parameters:

- The normal equations in matrix terms are

$$\underset{2 \times 2}{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}} \underset{2 \times 1}{\mathbf{b}} = \underset{2 \times 1}{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}}$$

- where, \mathbf{b} is the vector of the least squares regression coefficients:

$$\underset{2 \times 1}{\mathbf{b}} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Least Squares Estimation of Regression Parameters: Estimated Regression Coefficients

- The estimated regression coefficients are

$$\underset{2 \times 1}{\mathbf{b}} = \underset{2 \times 2}{(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})}^{-1} \underset{2 \times 1}{\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}}$$

Least Squares Estimation of Regression Parameters:

Exercise 5.6 Refer to **Airfreight breakage** Problem 1.21. Using matrix methods, find (1) $\mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Y}$, (2) $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$, (3) $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$, and (4) \mathbf{b} .

1

$$\mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Y} = 2194$$

2

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 10 & 10 \\ 10 & 20 \end{bmatrix}$$

3

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 142 \\ 182 \end{bmatrix}$$

4

$$\mathbf{b} = \begin{bmatrix} 10.2 \\ 4.0 \end{bmatrix}$$