

Linear Regression 2

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Equations in a matrix form

Let

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. Then the linear equations can be written as

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OLS estimator $\hat{\beta}$

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Important questions

1. Is at least one of the predictors X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p useful in predicting the response?
2. Do all predictors help explaining Y , or only a subset of them?
3. How well does model fit the data?

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- The F -value is 570 with its corresponding p -value $= 1.58 \times 10^{-96}$.
- We are certain that **at least** one of the advertising media must be related to the sales.

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Intercept	2.939	0.3119	9.42	< 0.0001
TV	0.046	0.0014	32.81	< 0.0001
radio	0.189	0.0086	21.89	< 0.0001
newspaper	-0.001	0.0059	-0.18	0.8599

For example, *t*-statistic of $\hat{\beta}_3$ (newspaper) is

$$t = \frac{-0.0001}{0.0059} = -0.18$$

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***F*-statistic vs *t*-statistic**

Why do we prefer *F*-statistic over *t*-statistic when testing $\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \dots, \beta_p = 0$?

- Calculating *F* is easier than *t*, especially for a high *p*.
- For large *p*, even $\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \dots, \beta_p = 0$ is true, there is a small chance that the *p*-value of some β_j is low enough that we reject $\beta_j = 0$. The *F*-statistic does not suffer from this issue since it is calculated only once.

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Model evaluation

- Residual standard error (RSE):

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- R^2 measures the variance of Y that is explained by the model:

$$R^2 = \left[\text{Cor}(Y, \hat{Y}) \right]^2$$

Example

Predictors	RSE	R2
TV	3.26	0.612
TV + radio	1.68	0.897
TV + radio + newspaper	1.69	0.897

In both metrics, we can conclude that

- Adding **radio** helps significantly improve the model.
- There is no point in adding **newspaper** to the model.