

# Multiple Linear Regression

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# Probabilistic Model

$y_i$ : Observed value of the random variable  $Y_i$  depends on  $x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{ip}$

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

$\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$ : unknown model parameters

$n$ : number of observations

i.i.d

$$\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

# Fitting the Model

- LS provides estimates of the unknown model parameters,  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$  which minimizes  $Q$

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip})]^2$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_0} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n [y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip})] = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_j} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} [y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip})] = 0$$

$$\text{for } j = 1, 2, \dots, p$$

# Goodness of Fit of the Model

- Residuals  $e_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ )
- $\hat{y}_i$  are the fitted values

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} + \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p x_{ip}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- An overall measure of the goodness of fit  $R^2$

✓  $r^2$  is  $R^2$ .

✓ It is satisfied only in simple linear regression.

# Statistical Inference on Multiple Regression

- Determine which predictor variables have statistically significant effects.
- We test the hypotheses:

$$H_{0j}: \beta_j = 0, \quad H_{aj}: \beta_j \neq 0$$

- If we can't reject  $H_{0j}$ , then  $x_j$  is not a significant predictor of  $y$ .

# Statistical Inference on Multiple Regression

- The steps are similar to ones of simple linear regression.

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \sigma^2 V_{11}), \quad SE(\hat{\beta}_1) = s\sqrt{V_{11}}$$

- What's  $V_{11}$ ? Why  $\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \sigma^2 V_{11})$ ?

# Statistical Inference on $\beta$ s

1. Mean: Recall from simple linear regression, the least squares estimators for the regression parameters  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  are unbiased. Here,  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  of least squares estimators is also unbiased.

$$E(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \begin{pmatrix} E(\hat{\beta}_0) \\ E(\hat{\beta}_1) \\ \vdots \\ E(\hat{\beta}_p) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{pmatrix}$$



# Statistical Inference on $\beta$ s

2. Variance: Constant Variance assumption:  $V(\epsilon_i) = \sigma^2$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \dots & \sigma^2 \end{pmatrix} = \sigma^2 I_n$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y = cY$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) &= \text{Var}(cY) = c \text{Var}(Y) c^T \\ &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T (\sigma^2 I_n) \left( (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \right)^T = \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Let  $V_{jj}$  be the  $j$ th diagonal of the matrix  $(X^T X)^{-1}$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \sigma^2 V_{jj}$$

# Statistical Inference on $\beta$ s

- Derivation of confidence interval of  $\beta_j$

$$P\left(-t_{n-(p+1),\frac{\alpha}{2}} \leq \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{SE(\hat{\beta}_j)} \leq t_{n-(p+1),\frac{\alpha}{2}}\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

$$P\left(\hat{\beta}_j - t_{n-(p+1),\frac{\alpha}{2}}SE(\hat{\beta}_j) \leq \beta_j \leq \hat{\beta}_j + t_{n-(p+1),\frac{\alpha}{2}}SE(\hat{\beta}_j)\right) = 1 - \alpha$$

- The  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence interval for  $\beta_j$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_j \pm t_{n-(p+1),\frac{\alpha}{2}}SE(\hat{\beta}_j)$$

# Statistical Inference on $\beta$ s

- An  $\alpha$ -level test of hypotheses

$$H_{0j}: \beta_j = \beta_j^0, \quad H_{1j}: \beta_j \neq \beta_j^0$$

$$P(\text{Reject } H_{0j} | H_{0j} \text{ is true}) = P(|t_j| \geq c) = \alpha$$

where  $c = t_{n-(p+1), \alpha/2}$

- Reject  $H_{0j}$  if

$$|t_j| = \frac{|\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j^0|}{SE(\hat{\beta}_j)} > t_{n-(p+1), \alpha/2}$$

# Prediction of Future Observation

- Having fitted a multiple regression model, suppose we wish to predict the future value of  $Y^*$  for a **specified vector** of predictor variables

$$\mathbf{x}^* = (x_0^*, x_1^*, \dots, x_p^*)^T$$

- First, you can see **mean response**  $E(Y^* | \mathbf{x}^*)$  where  $E(Y^* | \mathbf{x}^*) = (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \boldsymbol{\beta}$

$$\hat{Y}^* = \hat{E}(Y^* | \mathbf{x}^*) = (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$$

Estimator for the mean response  $E(Y^* | \mathbf{x}^*)$

$$E(\hat{Y}^*) = E\left((\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\right) = (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

Mean of the estimator (unbiased)

$$Var(\hat{Y}^*) = Var\left[(\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}\right] = (\mathbf{x}^*)^T Var(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) \mathbf{x}^* = (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{x}^*$$

Variance of the estimator

$$= \sigma^2 (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \mathbf{V} \mathbf{x}^*, \text{ where } \mathbf{V} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

# Prediction of Future Observation

- Replacing  $\sigma^2$  by its estimate  $s^2 = MSE$ , which has  $n - (p + 1)$  d.f., and using methods as in simple linear regression, a  $(1 - \alpha)$ -level CI for  $E(Y^*)$  is given by

$$\boxed{\hat{E}(Y^* | \mathbf{x}^*)} - t_{n-(p+1), \frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{MSE}{n} (\mathbf{x}^*)^T V(\mathbf{x}^*)} \leq \boxed{E(Y^* | \mathbf{x}^*)} \leq \hat{E}(Y^* | \mathbf{x}^*) + t_{n-(p+1), \frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{\frac{MSE}{n} (\mathbf{x}^*)^T V(\mathbf{x}^*)}.$$

Mean response distribution

- The predicted response distribution is the predicted distribution of the residuals between future response ( $Y^*$ ) and predicted future response ( $(\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ ) at the given point  $\mathbf{x}^*$ .
  - Definition of predicted response distribution
  - Predicted future response = Estimator of mean response

$$E(Y^* - (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = 0, \text{Var}(Y^* - (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \sigma^2 + \sigma^2 (\mathbf{x}^*)^T V(\mathbf{x}^*)$$

$$\boxed{(\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - t_{n-(p+1), \frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{(1 + (\mathbf{x}^*)^T V(\mathbf{x}^*))} \leq Y^* \leq (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} + t_{n-(p+1), \frac{\alpha}{2}} \sqrt{(1 + (\mathbf{x}^*)^T V(\mathbf{x}^*))}}$$

c.f.) Future response distribution  
 $Y^* \sim N((\mathbf{x}^*)^T \boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2)$

# F-Test for $\beta_j$ s

- Consider:

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \cdots = \beta_p = 0$$

$$H_1: \text{At least one } \beta_j \neq 0$$

Here  $H_0$  is the overall null hypothesis, which states that none of the  $X$  variables are related to  $y$ . The alternative one shows at least one is related.

- How to Build a  $F$ -Test

- The test statistic  $F = MSR/MSE$  follows  $F$ -distribution with  $p$  and  $n - (p + 1)$  d.f. The  $\alpha$ -level test rejects  $H_0$  if

$$F = \frac{MSR}{MSE} > f_{p, n-(p+1), \alpha}$$

# Relation between $F$ and $R^2$

- $F$  can be written as a function of  $R^2$ .

- By using the formula:

$$SSR = R^2 SST; \quad SSE = (1 - R^2) SST.$$

- $F$  can be as:

$$F = \frac{R^2[n - (p + 1)]}{p(1 - R^2)}$$

- We see that  $F$  is an increasing function of  $R^2$  and test the significance of it.

# Analysis of Variance (ANOVA)

- The relation between SST, SSR and SSE:

$$SST = SSR + SSE$$

- where they are respectively equals to:

$$SST = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$$

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

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

- The corresponding degrees of freedom (d.f.) is:

$$d.f.(SST) = n - 1; d.f.(SSR) = p; d.f.(SSE) = n - (p + 1).$$



# ANOVA Table for Multiple Regression

Source of Variation (Source)	Sum of Squares (SS)	Degrees of Freedom (d.f.)	Mean Square (MS)	F
Regression	SSR	$p$	$MSR = SSR/p$	$F = MSR/MSE$
Error	SSE	$n - (p+1)$	$MSE = SSE/n-(p+1)$	
Total	SST	$n - 1$		

- This table gives us a clear view of analysis of variance of Multiple Regression.

# Extra Sum of Squares Method for Testing Subsets of Parameters

- Before, we consider the full model with  $p$  parameters. Now we consider the partial model:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \cdots + \beta_{p-m} x_{i,p-m} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

while the rest  $m$  coefficients are set to zero. And we could test these  $m$  coefficients to check out the significance:

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# Building $F$ -test by Using Extra Sum of Squares Method

- Let  $SSR_{(R)}$  and  $SSE_{(R)}$  be the regression and error sums of squares for the partial model. Since  $SST$  is fixed regardless of the particular model, so:

$$SST = SSR_{(R)} + SSE_{(R)}$$

then, we have:

$$SSR_{(R)} + SSE_{(R)} = SSR_{(F)} + SSE_{(F)}$$

- The  $\alpha$ -level  $F$ -test rejects null hypothesis if

$$F = \frac{(SSR_{(F)} - SSR_{(R)})/m}{SSE_{(F)}/[n - (p + 1)]} > f_{m, n-(p+1), \alpha}$$

# Remarks on the $F$ -test

- The numerator d.f. is  $m$  which is **the number of coefficients set to zero**. While the denominator d.f. is  $n - (p + 1)$  which is the **error d.f. for the full model**.
- The  $MSE$  in the denominator is the **normalizing factor**, which is an estimate of  $\sigma^2$  for the full model. If the ratio is large, we reject  $H_0$ .

Control group  
(You should do better than at least error)