

**Problem 1**

Tell true or false of the following statements and briefly explain your answer.

- (a) If the response variable is uncorrelated with all  $X$  variables in the model, then the least-squares estimated regression coefficients of the  $X$  variables are all zero.
- (b) Even when the  $X$  variables are perfectly correlated, we might still get a good fit of the data.
- (c) Taking transformations of the  $X$  variables as in the standardized regression model (referred to as correlation transformation) will not change coefficients of multiple determination.
- (d) In a regression model, it is possible that none of the  $X$  variables is statistically significant when being tested individually, while there is a significant regression relation between the response variable and the set of  $X$  variables as a whole.
- (e) In a regression model, it is possible that some of the  $X$  variables are statistically significant when being tested individually, while there is no significant regression relation between the response variable and the set of  $X$  variables as a whole.
- (f) If an  $X$  variable is uncorrelated with the rest of the  $X$  variables, then in the standardized regression model, the variance of its least-squares estimated regression coefficient equals to the error variance.
- (g) If an  $X$  variable is uncorrelated with the response variable and also is uncorrelated with the rest of the  $X$  variables, then its least-squares estimated regression coefficient must be zero.
- (h) If the coefficient of multiple determination of regressing an  $X$  variable to the rest of the  $X$  variables is large, then its least-squares estimated regression coefficient tends to have large sampling variability.

*Solution:*

- (a) True.  $\beta = \sqrt{n-1}S_Y r_{XX}^{-1} r_{XY} = 0$
- (b) True. This is the idea of multicollinearity.
- (c) True. You have not changes the overall relationship between the explanatory and response variables. You have only scaled them.
- (d) True. A simple example is  $Y = X_1 + X_2$ . Only regression on one variable at a time, it's easy to get a coefficient of zero.
- (e) Mostly false. You shouldn't have a test where too many explanatory variables stop the significance of a subset.
- (f) False. It will equal  $\sqrt{n-1}S_Y$ .
- (g) True. This is because the coefficient should be  $\sqrt{n-1}S_Y r_{XX}^{-1} r_{XY} e_k$  where  $k$  is that variable. Since  $r_{XX}^{-1} r_{XY} e_k = 0$ , it should drop out entirely.
- (h) False. The two concepts are independent.

**Problem 2**

When  $X_1, \dots, X_{p-1}$  are uncorrelated, show the following results. *Hint: Show these results under the standardized regression model and then transform them back to the original model.*

- (a) The fitted regression coefficients of regressing  $Y$  on  $(X_1, \dots, X_{p-1})$  equal to the fitted regression coefficients of regressing  $Y$  on each individual  $X_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, p-1$ ) alone.

- (b) Let  $X(-j) := \{X_k : 1 \leq k \leq p-1, k \neq j\}$ . Show that  $SSR(X_j|X(-j)) = SSR(X_j)$ , where  $SSR(X_j)$  denotes the regression sum of squares when regressing  $Y$  on  $X_j$  alone.

*Solution:*

- (a) When the variables  $X_1, \dots, X_{p-1}$  are uncorrelated, then

$$r_{XX} = I_{p-1}$$

Then we see that

$$\hat{\beta} = \left( \frac{\bar{Y}}{\sqrt{n-1}S_Y r_{XX}^{-1} r_{XY}} \right) = \left( \frac{\bar{Y}}{\sqrt{n-1}S_Y r_{XY}} \right)$$

where each  $r_{XY}$  is equal to the coefficient between each explanatory variable with the response variable.

- (b) Observe,

$$SSR(X_j|X(-j)) = SSR(X_1, \dots, X_{p-1}) - SSR(X_{(-j)}) = SSR(X_j)$$

I'm a little tired ... I feel like we didn't get a lot of time to finish this and do this quiz this week.

### Problem 3

Variance Inflation Factor for models with 2X variables. Show that for a model with two  $X$  variables,  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , the variance inflation factors are

$$VIF_1 = VIF_2 = \frac{1}{1 - R_1^2} = \frac{1}{1 - R_2^2}$$

(Hint: Note  $R_1^2 = R_2^2 = r_{12}^2$ , where  $r_{12}$  is the sample correlation coefficient between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .)

*Solution:* Observe, we see that  $X_1 \sim X_2$  and  $X_2 \sim X_1$  has the same coefficient of determination, specifically,

$$R_1^2 = R_2^2 = \left( \frac{\text{Cov}(X_1, X_2)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X_1, X_2)}} \right)^2 = r_{12}^2$$

Now, for the correlation matrix, we know that

$$r_{XX} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & r_{12} \\ r_{12} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Now, we see that,

$$r_{XX}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det(r_{XX})} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -r_{12} \\ -r_{12} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{1 - r_{12}^2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -r_{12} \\ -r_{12} & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{1 - r_{12}^2} & \frac{-r_{12}}{1 - r_{12}^2} \\ \frac{-r_{12}}{1 - r_{12}^2} & \frac{1}{1 - r_{12}^2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Since  $VIF_k$  are the diagonal elements, we see that,

$$VIF_1 = VIF_2 = \frac{1}{1 - r_{12}^2} = \frac{1}{1 - R_1^2} = \frac{1}{1 - R_2^2}$$