

Quadratic forms

Theorem 1

Let $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}_n)$ and let \mathbf{A}_1 and \mathbf{A}_2 be symmetric idempotent matrices. Then $\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{y}$ and $\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{y}$ are independent if and only if $\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{A}_2 = 0$.

Proof: Suppose that $\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{A}_2 = 0$. Then by **Result 4** of Linear Model III, $\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{y}$ and $\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{y}$ are independent. Hence

$$\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{y})'(\mathbf{A}_1\mathbf{y}), \quad \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{y})'(\mathbf{A}_2\mathbf{y})$$

are independent, since they are (measurable) functions of independent random variables.

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Conversely, let $\mathbf{y}'A_1\mathbf{y}$ and $\mathbf{y}'A_2\mathbf{y}$ are independent. By Cochran Theorem $\mathbf{y}'A_1\mathbf{y}$ and $\mathbf{y}'A_2\mathbf{y}$ are distributed as chi-squared RVs. Since the sum of independent chi-squared RVs is also a chi-squared RV i.e.

$$\mathbf{y}'A_1\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{y}'A_2\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{y}'(A_1 + A_2)\mathbf{y}$$

must be chi-square.

Again by Cochran Theorem, $A_1 + A_2$ is independent. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 + A_2 &= (A_1 + A_2)^2 \\ &= A_1^2 + A_2^2 + A_1A_2 + A_2A_1 \\ &= A_1 + A_2 + A_1A_2 + A_2A_1. \end{aligned}$$

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Hence

$$A_1A_2 + A_2A_1 = 0.$$

This gives, upon postmultiplying by A_2 ,

$$A_1A_2 + A_2A_1A_2 = 0. \tag{1}$$

Premultiplying (1) by A_2 to get

$$A_2A_1A_2 + A_2^2A_1A_2 = 2A_2A_1A_2 = 0.$$

Hence $A_2A_1A_2 = 0$. Substituting in (1), we get $A_1A_2 = 0$.

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Theorem 2

Let $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \mathbf{I}_n)$. Let \mathbf{A} be a symmetric idempotent matrix and let $\mathbf{l} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be a nonzero vector. Then $\mathbf{y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y}$ and $\mathbf{l}'\mathbf{y}$ are independent if and only if $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{l} = 0$.

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Proof: We assume, without loss of generality, that $\|l\| = 1$. Then $B = ll'$ is a symmetric and idempotent matrix.

First suppose that $y'Ay$ and $l'y$ are independent. Then using, as before, the fact that (measurable) functions of independent random variables are independent, we conclude that $y'Ay$ and $y'By$ are independent. Thus it follows from Theorem 1 that $AB = 0$, and then it is easy to prove that $Al = 0$.

Conversely, if $Al = 0$, then by **Result 4** of Linear Model III, Ay and $l'y$ are independent. Hence $y'Ay = (Ay)'(Ay)$ and $l'y$ are independent. This completes the proof.

Cochran's theorem: MTF

Theorem 3

Let A_1, \dots, A_k be $n \times n$ matrices with $\sum_{i=1}^k A_i = I$. Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) $\sum_{i=1}^k \text{Rank}(A_i) = n$.
- (ii) $A_i^2 = A_i, i = 1, \dots, k$.
- (iii) $A_i A_j = 0, i \neq j$.

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Proof: (i) \implies (ii): Let $A_i = B_i C_i$ be a rank factorization, $i = 1, \dots, k$. Then

$$B_1 C_1 + \dots + B_k C_k = I,$$

and hence

$$\begin{bmatrix} B_1 & \dots & B_k \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ \vdots \\ C_k \end{bmatrix} = I.$$

Since $\sum_{i=1}^k \text{Rank}(A_i) = n$, $\begin{bmatrix} B_1 & \dots & B_k \end{bmatrix}$ is a square matrix.

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Therefore,

$$\begin{bmatrix} C_1 \\ \vdots \\ C_k \end{bmatrix} [B_1 \quad \cdots \quad B_k] = I.$$

Thus $C_i B_j = 0$, $i \neq j$. It follows that for $i \neq j$,

$$A_i A_j = B_i C_i B_j C_j = 0.$$

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(iii) \implies (ii): Since $\sum_{i=1}^k A_i = I$,

$$A_j \left(\sum_{i=1}^k A_i \right) = A_j, \quad j = 1, \dots, k.$$

It follows that $A_j^2 = A_j$.

Cochran's theorem: MTF

(ii) \implies (i): Since A_i is idempotent, $\text{Rank}(A_i) = \text{trace}(A_i)$. Now

$$\sum_{i=1}^k \text{Rank}(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^k \text{trace}(A_i) = \text{trace}\left(\sum_{i=1}^k A_i\right) = n.$$

This completes the proof.

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Assume that in our usual linear regression model we have $\mathbf{y} \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$, where \mathbf{y} is $n \times 1$, \mathbf{X} is $n \times p$, and $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ is $p \times 1$. Let $R(\mathbf{X}) = r$.

We have seen that

$$RSS = \min_{\boldsymbol{\beta}} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}),$$

and the minimum is attained at

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}.$$

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Theorem 4

$$\frac{RSS}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-r}^2.$$

Proof: We know that $RSS = \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{P}\mathbf{y}$ where $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$. Since $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$, it can be shown that $RSS = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})$. Next, let us define $\mathbf{y}^* = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})/\sigma$. Then $\mathbf{y}^* \sim \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}, \mathbf{I})$. Also, \mathbf{P} is symmetric and idempotent with rank $n - r$. Therefore by Cochran Theorem, $\mathbf{y}^{*'}\mathbf{y}^* = RSS/\sigma^2 \sim \chi_{n-r}^2$.

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Consider the following hypothesis testing problem

$$H_0 : L\beta = z \text{ versus } H_1 : L\beta \neq z$$

where $\mathcal{R}(L) \subset \mathcal{R}(X)$ and that the system of equations $L\beta = z$ is consistent.

As before, let $L = WX'X$, $WX' = T$. Then

$$RSS_H = \min_{\beta: L\beta=z} (\mathbf{y} - X\beta)'(\mathbf{y} - X\beta)$$

is attained at $\tilde{\beta}$, where

$$\tilde{\beta} = \hat{\beta} - (X'X)^{-1}L'(TT')^{-1}(L\hat{\beta} - z).$$

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Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} X\tilde{\beta} &= (I - P)\mathbf{y} - T'(TT')^{-1}(T\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{z}) \\ &= (I - P)\mathbf{y} - T'(TT')^{-1}(T\mathbf{y} - TX\beta + TX\beta - \mathbf{z}) \quad (2) \end{aligned}$$

Under the null hypothesis (when H_0 is true), $TX\beta = L\beta = \mathbf{z}$, therefore by (2),

$$\mathbf{y} - X\tilde{\beta} = P\mathbf{y} + U(\mathbf{y} - X\beta),$$

where $U = T'(TT')^{-1}T$.

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Thus

$$RSS_H = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\tilde{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{P}\mathbf{y} + (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})'\mathbf{U}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}),$$

as $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{U} = \mathbf{0}$. Since \mathbf{U} is symmetric and idempotent, we conclude that

$$\frac{RSS_H - RSS}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{\text{Rank}(\mathbf{U})}. \quad (3)$$

By Theorem 16 of Projection and Theorem 4 of Linear Model II,
 $\text{Rank}(\mathbf{U}) = \text{Rank}(\mathbf{T}) = \text{Rank}(\mathbf{L})$.

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Moreover, $PU = 0$. Thus, two quadratic forms RSS and $RSS_H - RSS$ are independent. We conclude that

$$\frac{(RSS_H - RSS)/\text{Rank}(L)}{RSS/(n - r)} \sim F(\text{Rank}(L), n - r) \quad (4)$$

which can be used to test H_0 .

Remark: Conclusion in (4) follows from the following result:

Theorem 5

Let X and Y be two independent chi-square RVs with dfs n_1 and n_2 respectively. Then

$$\frac{X/n_1}{Y/n_2} \sim F(n_1, n_2).$$