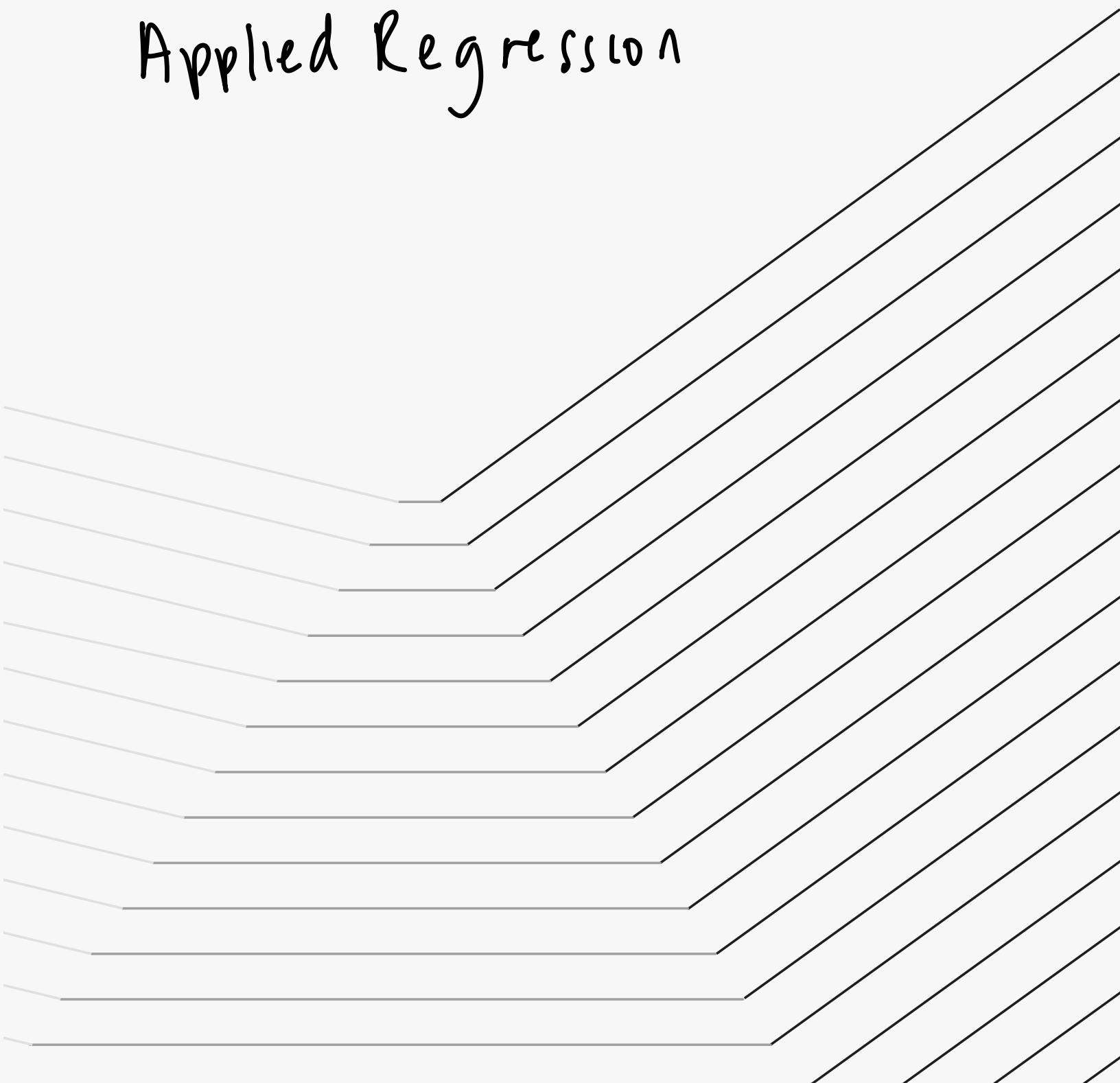


MATH 423

Applied Regression



# lec 1 (Sep 8) · Optimal Prediction

Optimal prediction for a single r.v.:

Say we have an r.v.  $Y$ , whose distribution is unknown.

Theorem: The optimal prediction  $m^*$  minimizes the expected mean squared error,

$$m^* = \underset{m}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}((Y-m)^2)$$

The optimal predictor of  $Y$  is  $\mathbb{E}(Y)$ , i.e.  $m^* = \mathbb{E}(Y)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\rightarrow \text{Proof: } \frac{\partial \text{MSE}}{\partial m} &= \frac{\partial \mathbb{E}((Y-m)^2)}{\partial m} \quad \text{recall that } \text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mathbb{E}(X)^2 \\ &= \frac{\partial [(\mathbb{E}(Y-m))^2 + \text{Var}(Y-m)]}{\partial m} \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial m} (\mathbb{E}(Y)-m)^2 + \frac{\partial}{\partial m} \text{Var}(Y) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial m} (\mathbb{E}(Y)^2 - 2m\mathbb{E}(Y) + m^2) \\ &= -2\mathbb{E}(Y) + 2m \\ \frac{\partial \text{MSE}}{\partial m} := 0 \Rightarrow m^* &= \mathbb{E}(Y)\end{aligned}$$

In other words, the best 1 number guess we could make for  $Y$  is just its expected value.

What if we used something else other than MSE to measure how good the pred. is?  
e.g. mean absolute deviation (MAD)

$$\text{MAD} = \mathbb{E}(|Y-m|)$$

$$\Rightarrow m^* = \text{median}(Y)$$

The median is more stable than the mean, especially if data has a lot of outliers.  
But solving for the  $m^*$  is more difficult as this includes taking the derivative of the absolute value → ???

Optimal prediction of an r.v. from other variables

- input variables  $\xrightarrow{\text{model}}$  output variables
- input vars ( $X$ ) are vars that are correlated with output, aka features, predictors
- output vars ( $Y$ ) measure the outcome of interest, aka dep. var.

Note that predictive models do not show causation, only correlation!

Say we have 2 r.v.s,  $X, Y$ . The joint distribution of  $(X, Y)$  is known. We would like to predict  $Y$  using  $X$ .

Theorem: The optimal prediction function  $m^*(\cdot)$  minimizes the expected MSE:

$$m^*(\cdot) = \underset{m(x)}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_{x|x} [(Y - m(x))^2]$$

The optimal predictor of  $Y$  is  $\mathbb{E}(Y|X=x)$  i.e.  $m^*(x) = \mathbb{E}(Y|X=x)$ .

→ Proof: Denote  $\mu(x) = \mathbb{E}_{Y|X} (Y|X=x)$

We want to prove that  $m^*(x) = \mu(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - m(x))^2] &= \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - \mu(X) + \mu(X) - m(x))^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - \mu(X))^2] + 2 \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - \mu(X))(\mu(X) - m(x))] \\ &\quad + \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(\mu(X) - m(x))^2] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - \mu(X))^2] + \mathbb{E}_x [(\mu(X) - m(x))^2]\end{aligned}$$

Notice that  $\mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - \mu(X))(\mu(X) - m(x))] = 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - \mu(X))(\mu(X) - m(x))] &= \mathbb{E}_x [\mathbb{E}_{Y|X} (Y - \mu(X))(\mu(X) - m(X)) | X] \\ &= \mathbb{E}_x [(\mu(X) - m(X)) \underbrace{\mathbb{E}_{Y|X} [Y - \mu(X) | X]}_{=0 \text{ by defn of } \mu(X)}] \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

From  $\mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - m(x))^2] = \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - \mu(X))^2] + \mathbb{E}_x [(\mu(X) - m(x))^2]$ ,

it must be that MSE is minimized when  $\mathbb{E}_x [(\mu(X) - m(x))^2]$  is minimized.

$\mathbb{E}[(\mu(X) - m(x))^2] = 0$  when  $m(x) = \mu(X)$ :

$$\begin{aligned}m^*(x) &= \mu(X) \\ &= \mathbb{E}_{Y|X} (Y | X=x)\end{aligned}$$

Thus the expected MSE-optimal prediction is made by using  $\mu(X)$ .

We call  $\mathbb{E}(Y|X=x)$  the regression function.

# Lecture 3 (Sep 10)

## KNN Regression

How might we estimate the regression function?



$$m^*(x) = \mathbb{E}(Y | X=x)$$

Given  $n$  observations:  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $1 \leq i \leq n$ ,  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}^p$

$$\mathbb{E}(Y | X=x) = ?$$

- average?  $\hat{m}(x) = \text{average } \underbrace{\{y_i : x_i = x\}}$

i.e. for an  $x_i = \text{some } x$  value we set, take the mean of the  $y_i$  observations that correspond to  $x_i = x$ .

→ problem with this: what if there's only 1 point at  $x_i = x$ ? Cannot estimate directly.

We can relax our criteria and use data points that are in the vicinity of the  $x_i = x$  point.

- average of nearest neighbors:

$$\hat{m}(x) = \text{average } \{y_i : x_i \text{ equal to or close to } x\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} y_i$$

- where  $N_k(x)$  is the neighbourhood of  $x$  defined by the  $k$ -closest points  $x_i$  in the training sample.

-  $k$  is a hyper-parameter that we set

Euclidean distance.

e.g. our dataset ( $n=6$ ),  $X = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ ,  $y$

$x_{11}$	$x_{12}$	$x_{13}$	$y_1$
1	1	0	3
2	0	3	2
0	1	2	0
0	1	3	1
-1	1	1	4
1	1	2	3

Idea: use KNN regression to make predictions about  $y$ .

⇒ what is  $\hat{m}(x)$ ?

let  $x_0 = (0, 0, 0)$ ,  $y_0 = ?$

→ Compute the Euclidean dist. between each obs and  $x_0$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathbf{x}_1 - \mathbf{x}_0\|_2 &= \sqrt{(1-0)^2 + (1-0)^2 + (0-0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{2} \approx 1.41 \end{aligned}$$

$$\|\mathbf{x}_2 - \mathbf{x}_0\|_2 = 3.61$$

$$\|\mathbf{x}_3 - \mathbf{x}_0\|_2 = 2.23$$

$$\|\mathbf{x}_4 - \mathbf{x}_0\|_2 = 3.16$$

$$\|\mathbf{x}_5 - \mathbf{x}_0\|_2 = 1.73$$

$$\|\mathbf{x}_6 - \mathbf{x}_0\|_2 = 2.44$$

$x_0$  neighbours in order of closeness:  $\{x_1, x_5, x_3, x_6, x_4, x_2\}$

our formula is  $\hat{m}(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} y_i$

→ KNN prediction when  $k=1$ ?

$$N_1(x_0) = \{x_1\}$$

$$\hat{m}(x_0) = y_1 = \underline{3},$$

→ KNN prediction when  $k=3$ ?

$$N_3(x_0) = \{x_1, x_5, x_3\}$$

$$\hat{m}(x_0) = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{x_i \in N_3(x_0)} y_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (y_1 + y_5 + y_3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} (3 + 0 + 4) = \underline{\underline{2.33}}$$

## (R) R computation for KNN prediction in handouts

## lec 4 (Sep 15)      limitations of KNN

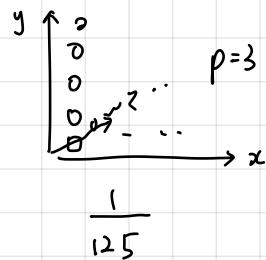
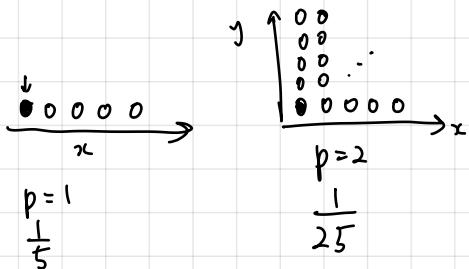
Theoretical guarantee of KNN:

- $X \in \mathbb{R}^p, Y \in \mathbb{R}$   
↑ vector of  $p$  variables, our predictors
- KNN can be pretty good for small  $p$  (i.e.  $p < 4$ ) and large  $N$ .

Under mild regularity conditions on joint prob. dist. of  $P(X, Y)$ , one can show that as  $N, k \rightarrow \infty$  such that  $\frac{k}{N} \rightarrow 0$  (i.e.  $k$  grows at a slower rate than  $N$ ), then:  $\hat{m}(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} y_i \rightarrow \mathbb{E}(Y | X=x)$

### Curse of dimensionality

- as we increase the dimension of predictors, model performance is affected.
- for small  $p$ , we can always find a fairly large neighbourhood of observations close to the target  $x$  and take their average.
- But for very large  $p$ , it's more difficult to find a neighbourhood that contains enough data.



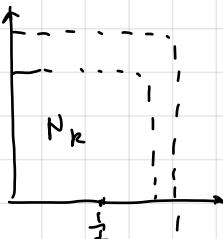
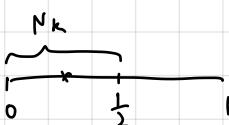
The "area" that a neighbourhood takes up in the data space grows smaller and smaller

- Consider the KNN for inputs  $X$  uniformly distributed in a  $p$ -dim unit hypercube
- Suppose we want to predict at a target  $X$ , set up a neighbourhood around  $X$  to capture a fraction  $R$  of the observations.

$$R = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$p=1$$

$$p=2$$



Expected edge length ("radius") of the neighborhood:

$$L_p(R) = R^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

e.g.  $L_{10}(0.01) = 0.63 \rightarrow$  to capture 1% of data, in a 10-dimensional case, radius is 0.63

$L_{10}(0.1) = 0.8$  \* In our eg. it's a unit, so 0.8 radius is almost the whole space. This is not local anymore!

To capture 1% or 10% of the data to form a local average, we must cover 63% or 80% respectively of the range of each input variable. Such neighborhoods are not "local" anymore!

## Optimal Linear Prediction

In general,  $\hat{m}(x) = \mathbb{E}(Y | X=x)$  might be a very complicated form:

model	$\mathbb{E}(Y   X=x)$
KNN	$\frac{1}{k} \sum_{x_i \in N_k(x)} y_i$
linear regression	$x' \beta$
additive model	$f_1(x_1) + \dots + f_p(x_p), \quad X = (x_1, \dots, x_p)$
decision tree	$T(x)$ nonlinear function
random Forest / gradient boosting	$\sum_{m=1}^M \beta_m T_m(x)$
deep learning	$f(\sigma(Wx))$
SVM	$\sum_i \alpha_i K(X, x_i)$

To simplify  $m(x)$ , we restrict  $m(x)$ :

$$m(x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

↑ only 1 predictor  $x \in \mathbb{R}$

→ What are the optimal values of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ ?

Theoretical ans:

- If distribution  $(X, Y)$  known

MSE

$$(\beta_0^*, \beta_1^*) = \underset{(\beta_0, \beta_1)}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [(Y - m(x))^2]$$

$$= \underset{(\beta_0, \beta_1)}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_{x,y} [Y - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x)]^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta_1^* = \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(X, Y)}{\operatorname{Var}(X)}, \quad \beta_0^* = \mathbb{E}(Y) - \beta_1^* \mathbb{E}(X)$$

Proof is in handout:

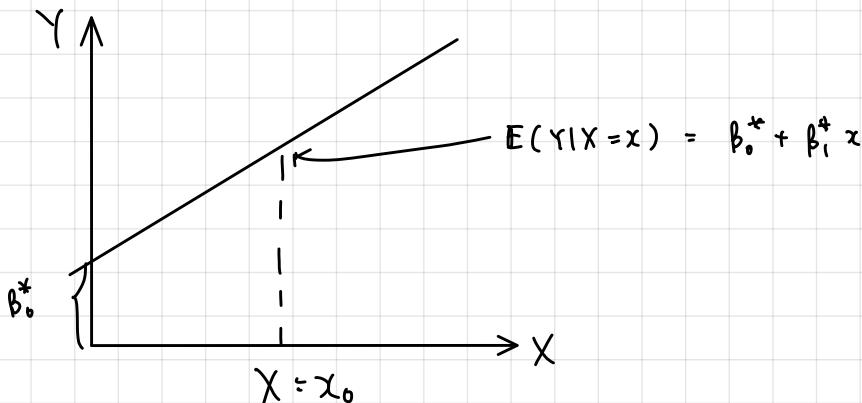
1. decompose MSE
2. set derivs to 0
3. plug and solve

⇒ optimal linear predictor:  $m^*(x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$

$$= \mathbb{E}(Y) - \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(X, Y)}{\operatorname{Var}(X)} \mathbb{E}(X) + \frac{\operatorname{Cov}(X, Y)}{\operatorname{Var}(X)} x$$

## Lec 5 (Sep 17)

The line  $\beta_0^* + \beta_1^* x$  is called the optimal prediction line  
i.e. linear regression function.



Some notes about the optimal predictor line:

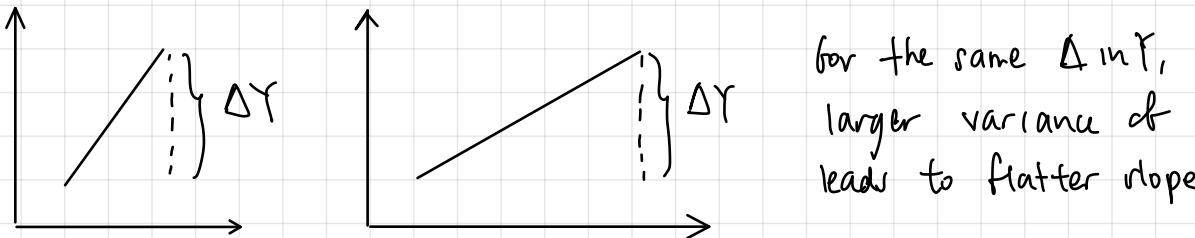
1. The optimal predictor line passes through  $(\mathbb{E}(X), \mathbb{E}(Y))$

$$\begin{aligned} m^*(x) &= b_0^* + b_1^* x \\ &= \underbrace{\mathbb{E}(Y) - b_1^* \mathbb{E}(X)}_{b_0^*} + b_1^* x \\ \Rightarrow m^*(\mathbb{E}(X)) &= \mathbb{E}(Y) \end{aligned}$$

2. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are "centered", i.e.  $\mathbb{E}(Y) = \mathbb{E}(X) = 0$ , the optimal regression line passes through  $(0, 0)$  since  $b_0^* = 0$ .

Recall that optimal slope  $b_1^* = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\text{Var}(X)}$ .

3. The optimal slope  $b_1^*$  increases as  $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$  increases.
4. The optimal slope  $b_1^*$  decreases as  $\text{Var}(X)$  increases.



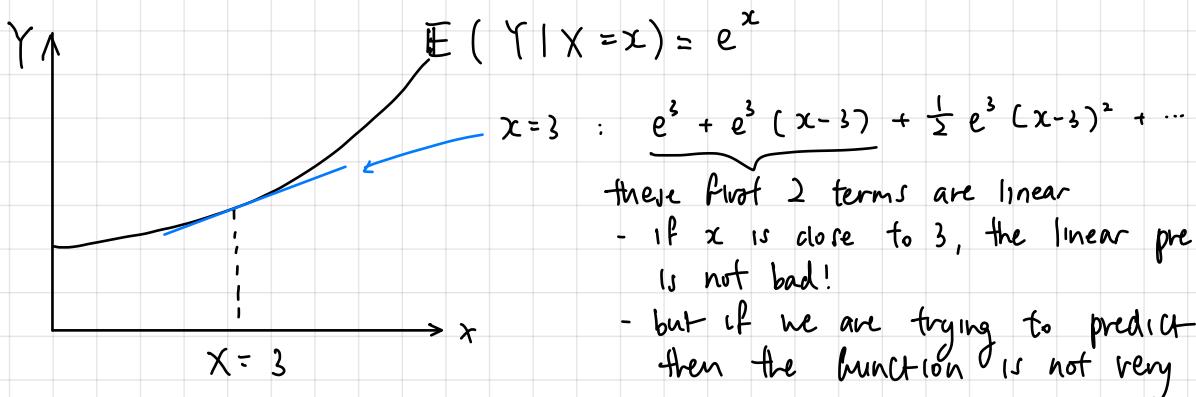
5. The optimal slope  $b_1^*$  does not change if we use instead  $Y - c$  and  $X - c'$ . But the intercept  $b_0^*$  will change.
6. Non-linear pattern cannot be appropriately modelled.

e.g.: Imagine true regression function:

$$E(Y|X=x) = e^x \quad \leftarrow (\text{this is nonlinear})$$

Taylor's expansion at  $X = x_0$ :

$$\begin{aligned} e^x &= e^{x_0} + \left. \frac{de^x}{dx} \right|_{x=x_0} (x - x_0) + \frac{1}{2} \left. \frac{d^2 e^x}{dx^2} \right|_{x=x_0} (x - x_0)^2 + \dots \\ &= e^{x_0} + e^{x_0} (x - x_0) + \frac{1}{2} e^{x_0} (x - x_0)^2 + \dots \end{aligned}$$



If we want to use the linear component as a prediction function, need to make sure that it dominates the quadratic term

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{1}{2}e^{x_0}|x-x_0|^2 \ll e^{x_0}|x-x_0|$$

$$\frac{|x-x_0|^2}{|x-x_0|} < \frac{2e^{x_0}}{e^{x_0}}$$

$$|x-x_0| < 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{in our example, } |x-3| < 2$$

$$x-3 < 2 \quad \text{or} \quad x-3 > -2$$

$$x < 5 \quad \text{or} \quad x > 1$$

linear prediction is good for  $1 < x < 5$

## Plug-in estimation (estimating optimal linear prediction using data)

How to estimate optimal linear prediction  $m^*(x) = E(Y|X=x) = \hat{\beta}_0^* + \hat{\beta}_1^* x$  from  $n$  observations of data  $(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ ?

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{\hat{\text{Cov}}(X, Y)}{\hat{\text{Var}}(X)} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(x_i - \bar{x})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}, \quad \bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i, \quad \bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta}_0 &= \hat{E}(Y) - \hat{\beta}_1 \hat{E}(X) \\ &= \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} \end{aligned}$$

The fitted regression line:  $\hat{m}(x) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$

- an approximation of the true regression line, calculated with data.

$$\hat{m}(x) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$$

$$= \left[ \bar{y} - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(x_i - \bar{x})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right] + \left( \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(x_i - \bar{x})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right) x$$

see handout for proof.

idea: plug-in sample values, i.e.  $\mathbb{E}(Y) \approx \bar{y}$  } sample mean  
 $\mathbb{E}(X) \approx \bar{x}$

sample variance

$$\text{Var}(X) = \mathbb{E}((X - \mathbb{E}X)^2) \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

*we could use  $\frac{1}{n-1}$  too for sample but it doesn't matter when n is large.*

$$\text{Cov}(X, Y) = \mathbb{E}((X - \mathbb{E}X)(Y - \mathbb{E}Y)) \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(x_i - \bar{x})$$

sample covariance

some notation:

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{s_{xy}}{s_{xx}}, \quad \text{where } s_{xy} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(x_i - \bar{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - n\bar{x}\bar{y}$$

$$\text{and } s_{xx} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})x_i = \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n(\bar{x})^2$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} = \bar{y} - \frac{s_{xy}}{s_{xx}} \bar{x}$$

$$\text{useful result: } \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y}) = 0, \quad \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) = 0$$

Some notes:

1. As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1 \rightarrow \beta_1^*$  and  $\hat{\beta}_0 \rightarrow \beta_0^*$ .
2. The fitted regression line  $\hat{m}(x)$  passes through  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ .
3. If the data is centered,  $x'_i = x_i - \bar{x}$ ,  $y'_i = y_i - \bar{y}$   $\forall i = 1, \dots, n$   
 $\bar{x}' = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x'_i = 0$ ,  $\bar{y}' = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y'_i = 0$ ,  
 then the fitted line passes through  $(0, 0)$ .
4. Slope does not change under a shift of the data  
 $\nwarrow$  e.g.  $y'_i = y_i - c$ ,  $x'_i = x_i - c'$

"simple": 1 predictor for 1 DV

We are interested in the underlying mechanism / DGP.

Recall 2 goals of regression:

1. prediction: forecast unobserved data (cause  $\rightarrow$  effect)
2. inference: identify unknown data generating process

In order to do inference, we have to make assumptions and believe our data is generated from the SLR model.

$\rightarrow$  we think that the model approximates reality relatively well.

SLR model specification:

- consider 2 rvs:  $Y$  (the response/DV),  $X_1$  only 1 predictor
- our goal here is to predict  $Y$  using  $X_1$ .
- assumptions:
  - A1. arbitrary input: The distribution of  $X_1$  is arbitrary, and  $X_1$  is even non-random.
  - A2. linear function and additive error: 
$$Y = \underbrace{b_0 + b_1 X_1}_{\text{linear func}} + \underbrace{\varepsilon}_{\text{error}}$$
 e.g. if  $X_1 = x_1$ , then  $Y = b_0 + b_1 x_1 + \varepsilon$ , for unknown coefficients  $b_0$  and  $b_1$ , and random noise  $\varepsilon$ .
  - A3. zero mean and constant variance error (homoskedasticity):  $E(\varepsilon) = 0$ ,  $\text{var}(\varepsilon) = \sigma^2 \geq 0$ ,  $\sigma^2$  is unknown
  - A4. independent error:  $\varepsilon$  is independent of  $X$ .

## Some notes about SLR:

- if  $E(\varepsilon) = c \neq 0$ , we can find an rv  $\varepsilon'$  with  $E(\varepsilon') = 0$  and  $\text{var}(\varepsilon') = \sigma^2$ , s.t.  $\varepsilon = \varepsilon' + c$ .

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \varepsilon \\ &= \underbrace{\beta_0}_{\beta_0} + \beta_1 X_1 + \varepsilon' + c \\ &= (\underbrace{\beta_0 + c}_{\beta_0}) + \beta_1 X_1 + \varepsilon' \end{aligned}$$

- SLR assumptions actually imply that the true (optimal) regression line is linear and  $Y$  has constant variance.

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y | X_1 = x_1) &= E(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \varepsilon | X_1 = x_1) \\ &= E(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 | X_1 = x_1) + \underbrace{E(\varepsilon)}_{=0} \\ &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 \quad \text{this is a realized value} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(Y | X_1 = x_1) &= \text{Var}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \varepsilon | X_1 = x_1) \\ &= \underbrace{\text{var}(\beta_0)}_0 + \underbrace{\text{var}(\beta_1 X_1)}_0 + \text{var}(\varepsilon) \\ &= \text{Var}(\varepsilon) \\ &= \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow Y | X_1 = x_1 \stackrel{d}{\sim} (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1, \sigma^2)$$

## Lec 7 (Sep 24)

The noise variable  $\varepsilon$  can represent:

- other factors not considered in the model
- measurement error
- or some combination of both.

We think of the SLR assumptions A1 - A4 as modeling decisions that (we hope) will be useful, rather than as facts about the actual underlying relationship between  $Y$  and  $X_1$ .

## Interpretation of parameters:

- $\beta_0$  = intercept, the expected value of  $Y$  when  $X_1$  is 0.

$$E(Y | X_1 = 0) = \beta_0 + 0 \cdot \beta_1 = \beta_0$$

- $\beta_1$  = slope, diff between exp. value of  $Y$  when  $x_i$  is shifted by 1.  

$$E(Y|X_i=x_i) - E(Y|X_i=x_i+1) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_1) = -\beta_1$$

Note that  $\beta_1$  does not imply causality! It is only statistical association.

If we select 2 sets of cases from  $(X_i, Y)$  distribution where  $X_i$  differs by 1, we expect the associated  $Y$  to differ by  $\beta_1$ .

- $\sigma^2$  = error variance, the variance of the noise around the reg. line. It represents a typical distance of a point from the true regression line.

Model set up for multiple data points:

We assume multiple data points  $(X_{i1}, Y_i), (X_{i2}, Y_i), \dots, (X_{in}, Y_i)$  are generated from the same model.

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \varepsilon_i, \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

$$\text{where } E(\varepsilon_i) = 0, \quad \text{Var}(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2 \quad \forall i,$$

and  $\varepsilon_i$  and  $\varepsilon_j$  are independent for  $i \neq j$

$$\text{Equivalently, } E(Y_i | X_{i1} = x_{i1}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1}$$

$$\text{Var}(Y_i | X_{i1} = x_{i1}) = \sigma^2, \quad i=1, \dots, n$$

Question:  $Y_i \perp Y_j$  (independent)?

$Y_i \perp Y_j | X_{i1}, X_{i2}$  (conditionally independent)?

$Y_i$  and  $Y_j$  are not unconditionally independent.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Cov}(Y_i, Y_j) &= \text{Cov}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \varepsilon_i, \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{j1} + \varepsilon_j) \\ &= \beta_1^2 \text{cov}(X_{i1}, X_{j1}) + \beta_1 \underbrace{\text{cov}(X_{i1}, \varepsilon_j)}_{=0} + \beta_1 \underbrace{\text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, X_{j1})}_{=0} + \underbrace{\text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j)}_{=0} \\ &\quad \text{because } X \text{ and } \varepsilon \text{ are indep.} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow = \beta_1^2 \text{cov}(X_{i1}, X_{j1})$$

if  $X_{i1} \perp X_{j1}$ ,  $\text{cov}(X_{i1}, X_{j1}) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{cov}(Y_i, Y_j) = 0$

But if not  $X_{i1} \perp X_{j1}$ ,  $\text{cov}(Y_i, Y_j) \neq 0$

$Y_i$  and  $Y_j$  are conditionally independent given  $X_i, X_j$ :

$$\text{Cov}(Y_i, Y_j \mid X_i = x_i, X_j = x_j) = \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j \mid X_i = x_i, X_j = x_j)$$

$$= \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j)$$

$$= 0$$

as realized values,  
they become constants  
and  $\text{Cov} = 0$ .

## (R) Generate data from SLR model (simulation)

### Optimal prediction for SLR

Assume  $(X_i, Y)$  are generated from the SLR model:

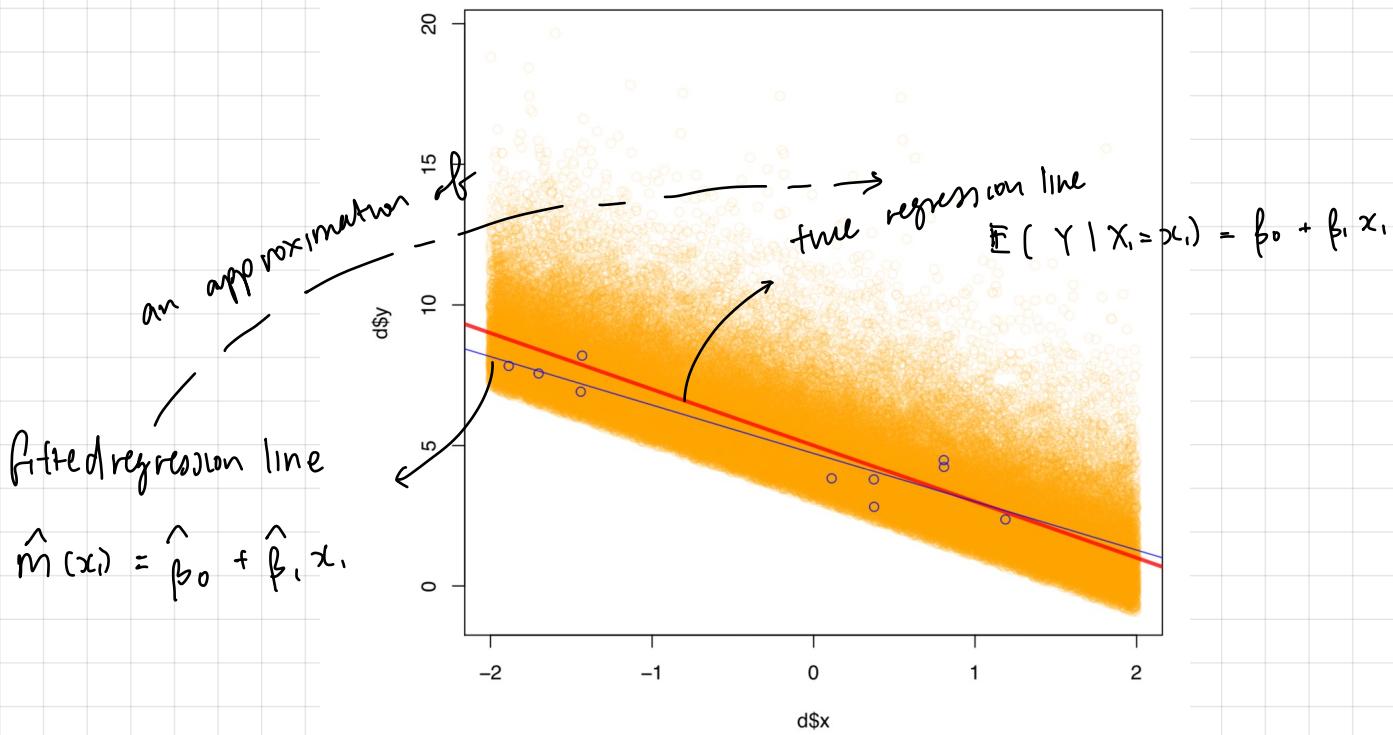
$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \varepsilon, \quad \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon) = 0, \quad \text{Var}(\varepsilon) = \sigma^2, \quad \varepsilon \perp X_i$$

If we want to predict  $Y$  using  $X_i$ , what is the optimal prediction that minimizes the mean squared error?

$$m^*(\cdot) = \underset{m(\cdot)}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_{X_i, Y} [(Y - m(X_i))^2]$$

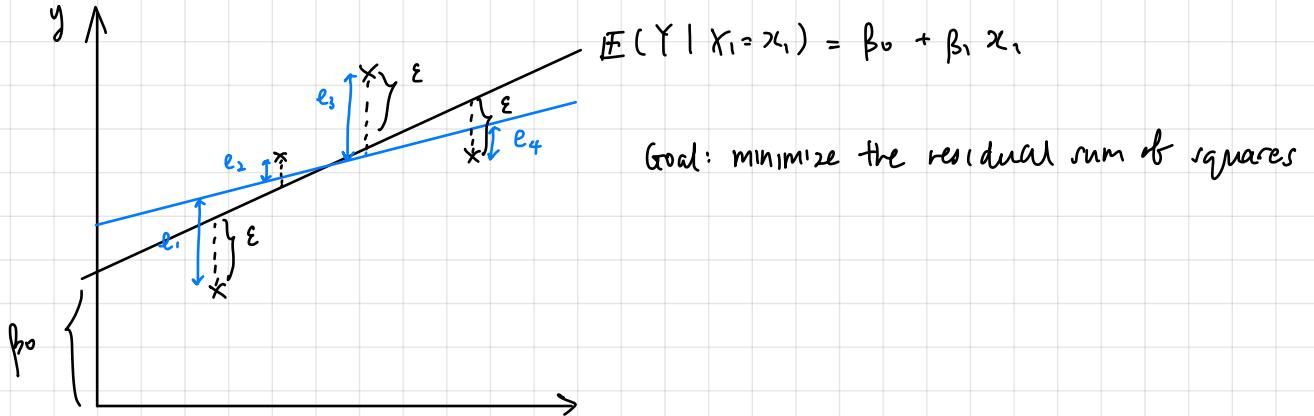
$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow m^*(x_i) &= \mathbb{E}(Y \mid X_i = x_i) \text{ is the optimal prediction function} \\ &= \mathbb{E}(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \varepsilon \mid X_i = x_i) \\ &= \underbrace{\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i}_{\text{true regression line}} \end{aligned}$$

## Sec 8 (Sep 29)



# least squares estimators

Given  $n$  observations  $(x_{11}, y_1), (x_{21}, y_2), \dots, (x_{n1}, y_n)$  to estimate  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  in SLR.



Residual sum of squares:  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{ii})^2$

Least squares solve  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1$  such that  $(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) = \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2$   
 $= \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{ii})^2$

We can show that:

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})(x_{ii} - \bar{x})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ii} - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$$

} the least square estimators are the same as the plug-in estimators

Ideally,  $(\beta_0^*, \beta_1^*) = \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \mathbb{E}_{x, y} [\underbrace{(Y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 X_i)^2}_{\text{"expected risk"}}$

the least square estimators are a sample estimation of the above:

$$(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) = \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{ii})^2}_{\text{"empirical risk"}}$$

→ Proof:  $S(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \widehat{MSE}(\beta_0, \beta_1)$   
 $= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{ii})^2$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta_0} = \frac{1}{n} (-2) \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{ii}) := 0$$

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta_1} = \frac{1}{n} (-2) \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{ii}) x_{ii} := 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}, \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ii} y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 \bar{x} - \hat{\beta}_1 \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ii}^2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Substitute  $\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$  to obtain  $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}}$ .

(R) See handout for least squares in R.

## SLR in matrix form

$$\underline{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & X_{11} \\ 1 & X_{21} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & X_{n1} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \underline{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

(not observed yet, all are R.V.s)

Assumptions (recall SLR A1-A4):

A1. same — arbitrary input

$$A2. \underline{Y} = \underline{X}\underline{\beta} + \underline{\varepsilon}$$

$$A3. \mathbb{E}(\underline{\varepsilon}) = \underline{0}, \quad \text{var}(\underline{\varepsilon}) = \sigma^2 \underline{I}_n$$

A4. implied by A3 — independence of error ( $\varepsilon_i \perp \varepsilon_j$ )

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

variance-covariance matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{cov}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_1) & \text{cov}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2) & \dots \\ \text{cov}(\varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_1) & \text{cov}(\varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_2) & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\cdot \text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$$

$$\text{as } \varepsilon_i \perp \varepsilon_j$$

$$\cdot \text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_i) = \text{var}(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$$

Some notes:

$$1. \mathbb{E}(\underline{Y} | \underline{X}) = \underline{X}\underline{\beta} + \mathbb{E}(\underline{\varepsilon})$$

$$= \underline{X}\underline{\beta}$$

In regular form,  $\mathbb{E}(Y_i | X_i = x_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n$

$$2. \underline{Y} \text{ has constant variance: } \text{Var}(\underline{Y} | \underline{X}) = \sigma^2 \underline{I}_n = \text{Var}(\underline{\varepsilon})$$

$$\text{Var}(\underline{Y} | \underline{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} \text{Var}(Y_1 | \underline{X}) & \text{cov}(Y_1, Y_2 | \underline{X}) & \dots \\ \text{cov}(Y_2, Y_1 | \underline{X}) & \text{Var}(Y_2 | \underline{X}) & \dots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Var}(Y_i | X_{i1} = x_{i1}) = \sigma^2 \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, n$$

$$\text{cov}(Y_i, Y_k | X_{j1} = x_{j1}, X_{k1} = x_{k1}) = 0 \quad \text{for } j \neq k$$

## Least squares in matrix form

$$\hat{\underline{\beta}} = \underset{\underline{\beta}}{\operatorname{argmin}} \frac{1}{n} \| \underline{Y} - \underline{X}\underline{\beta} \|_2^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{i1})^2$$

$$\rightarrow \text{solution is } \hat{\underline{\beta}} = (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1} \underline{X}'\underline{Y} \quad (\text{proof in handout})$$

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$$(\hat{\beta}_0^*, \hat{\beta}_1^*) = \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underbrace{E_{x,y} [ (Y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 X_i)^2]}_{\text{"expected risk"} = \text{MSE}(\beta_0, \beta_1)}$$

$$(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) = \underset{\beta_0, \beta_1}{\operatorname{argmin}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2}_{\text{"empirical risk"} = \hat{\text{MSE}}(\beta_0, \beta_1)}$$

Note: If the data  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$  are all independent for any fixed  $n$ , the Law of Large Numbers tells us that:  
as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hat{\text{MSE}}(\beta_0, \beta_1) \rightarrow \text{MSE}(\beta_0, \beta_1)$

If the SLR assumptions are true, then:

$$\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, (\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) \rightarrow (\beta_0^*, \beta_1^*)$$

(i.e. approximation is good when  $n$  large)

For SLR,  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$ , optimal (true) regression function is:

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y | X=x) &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x \\ &= \beta_0^* + \beta_1^* x \end{aligned}$$

From these results, we see that not only  $\beta_0, \beta_1$  are the parameters of the SLR, but also  $\beta_0, \beta_1$  can minimize the expected risk (MSE), i.e.  $\beta_0^* = \beta_0, \beta_1^* = \beta_1$ .

These asymptotic results depend on SLR assumptions being true.

## Statistical properties of least squares

Estimates vs estimators?

- An estimate is a number (deterministic), the realized value of the estimator.
- An estimator is an r.v. (stochastic)
- For example, we can potentially draw  $n$  samples  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  from a distribution. The  $X_i$ 's have not actually been observed yet and can potentially be any value from the distribution.

$\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$  is also an r.v., whose distribution is a sampling distribution.

↑ this is an estimator of the population mean  $\mu$ .

If the values are realized, then  $\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n}(x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n)$  is an estimate.

## Least Square estimators

Given that the SLR model assumptions A1 - A4 are satisfied, we can show that the least square estimators are unbiased:

$$E(\hat{\beta}_1) = \beta_1, \quad E(\hat{\beta}_0) = \beta_0$$

and variance of the estimators are:

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 | x_1, \dots, x_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{s_{xx}}, \quad \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_0 | x_1, \dots, x_n) = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_i^2}{s_{xx}} \right)$$

related to var of  $\epsilon$

} proof in  
handout

Bias and variance in matrix form:

$$Y = X\beta + \epsilon$$

$$E(Y | X) = X\beta$$

$$\text{Var}(Y | X) = \sigma^2 I_n$$

unbiasedness:  $E(\hat{\beta} | X) = \beta$

variance:  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta} | X) = \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1}$

$$\begin{aligned} & \xrightarrow{\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_0) \quad \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1)} \\ & \xrightarrow{\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_0) \quad \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_1)} \\ & = \begin{bmatrix} \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_0) & \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) \\ \text{cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_0) & \text{var}(\hat{\beta}_1) \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

## Lec 10 (Oct 6)

How to estimate  $\sigma^2$ :

Recall  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \epsilon$ ,  $E(\epsilon) = 0$ ,  $\text{Var}(\epsilon) = \sigma^2$

Although  $\sigma^2$  is not used to estimate  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$ , it is still important as it tells us about:

1. randomness of  $Y$

2.  $\sigma^2$  is related to  $\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_0 | X)$  and  $\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_1 | X)$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_0 | X) = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_i^2}{s_{xx}} \right)$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 | X) = \frac{\sigma^2}{s_{xx}}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\text{sum of squared residuals}}{n-2} = \text{mean sq. residuals}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sum of sq. residuals: } SSR &= \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1})^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{mean sq. res: } MSR = \frac{1}{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1})^2 = \frac{1}{n-2} SSR$$

recall that  $\widehat{MSE} = \frac{1}{n} SSR$ .

When  $n$  is large,  $MSR \approx \widehat{MSE}$ .

Recall that in SLR:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}((Y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 X_1)^2) &= \mathbb{E}(\varepsilon^2) \\ &= \text{Var}(\varepsilon) + (\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon))^2 \\ &= \sigma^2\end{aligned}$$

Plug-in principle: use the observed sample values

- Replace  $X_i$  with  $(x_{11}, x_{21}, \dots, x_{n1})$
- Replace  $Y$  with  $(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)$
- $\mathbb{E}(\cdot)$  replaced by  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}((Y - \beta_0 - \beta_1 X_1)^2) \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n [(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1})^2] \quad \leftarrow \text{which is fully computable}$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n [(y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1})^2]$$

↖ this adjustment makes it unbiased.

Does not really matter when  $n$  is large,  
but makes a diff when  $n$  small.

$$\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2} = \text{residual standard error, standard error of regression}$$

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 \text{ is unbiased: } \mathbb{E}(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \mathbb{E}\left(\frac{\text{SSR}}{n-2}\right) = \sigma^2 \quad (\text{proof in notes})$$

↑ an r.v.

$$\text{If we use } n \text{ instead of } n-2, \text{ i.e. } \tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} (\text{SSR}), \quad \mathbb{E}(\tilde{\sigma}^2) = \frac{n-2}{n} \sigma^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \sigma^2$$

$$\text{Alternative formula for SSR: } \text{SSR} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2}_{\text{TSS}} - \bar{y}^2 - \hat{\beta}_1 S_{xy}$$

$$\text{total sum of squares: } \text{TSS} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - \bar{y}^2$$

Using  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  to estimate  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_0 | X)$  and  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 | X)$

$$\hat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta}_1 | X) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{S_{xx}} \quad \hat{\text{Var}}(\hat{\beta}_0 | X) = \hat{\sigma}^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_i^2}{S_{xx}} \right)$$

The standard errors (se) are the square roots of the variances.

$$\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{S_{xx}}} \quad \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_0) = \sqrt{\sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_i^2}{S_{xx}} \right)}$$

Replace  $\sigma^2$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  for the estimates:

$$\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{S_{xx}}} \quad \text{se}(\hat{\beta}_0) = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_i^2}{S_{xx}} \right)}$$

## (R) estimation of $\sigma^2$

Call:

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lm(formula = y ~ x)
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Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-215.98	-50.68	28.74	66.61	106.76

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	2627.822	44.184	59.48	< 2e-16
x	-37.154	2.889	-12.86	1.64e-10

$$T_0 = \frac{\hat{b}_0}{\hat{s.e}(\hat{b}_0)}$$

$$T_1 = \frac{\hat{b}_1}{\hat{s.e}(\hat{b}_1)}$$

$$\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2}$$

$$n-2=18 \Rightarrow n=20$$

Residual standard error: 96.11 on 18 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.9018, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8964

F-statistic: 165.4 on 1 and 18 DF, p-value: 1.643e-10

## Sampling distributions of $\hat{b}_0$ , $\hat{b}_1$ and $\hat{\sigma}$

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+ 1 assumption : Gaussian-Noise Simple Linear Regression

We can show that :  $\hat{b}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma^2}{S_{xx}})$

$\hat{b}_0 \sim N(b_0, \sigma^2(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_1^2}{S_{xx}}))$

$\frac{(n-2)\hat{\sigma}^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{n-p}$  1 predictor 1 intercept  
(p=2)

GN-SLR assumptions:

- A1.
2.    Same as SLR assumptions.
3.  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$
4.

Note the additional Gaussian assumption on the distribution of  $\varepsilon$  (A3).

	plug in	LS	prediction	unbiased estimator	$\hat{b} \sim N$	t test	F test	CI	$R^2$
SLR	✓	✓	✓	✓					✓
GN-SLR	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

The GN-SLR model is strictly stronger than SLR. This means that everything we have done so far directly applies to GN-SLR.

Sampling distribution of  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{se(\hat{\beta}_1)}$  and  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0}{se(\hat{\beta}_0)}$

Results:  $\frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{se(\hat{\beta}_1)} \sim N(0, 1)$

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0}{se(\hat{\beta}_0)} \sim t_{n-p}$$

# of variables  
for  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1$ ,  $p=2$   
 $\Rightarrow n-2$

Explanation:

Recall results from prev lecture:  $\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma^2}{s_{xx}})$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 \sim N(\beta_0, \sigma^2(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_1^2}{s_{xx}}))$$

For an r.v.  $Z$  if  $Z \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , then  $\frac{Z-\mu}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$ . We can similarly standardize  $\hat{\beta}_1$ :

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{se(\hat{\beta}_1)} \sim N(0, 1)$$

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0}{se(\hat{\beta}_0)} \sim N(0, 1)$$

↑ this is not an observed value, it's unknown as it is related to the unknown  $\sigma^2$

Replace it with estimated se:  $\hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)$

$$T_1 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{\hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)} \sim t_{n-2}$$

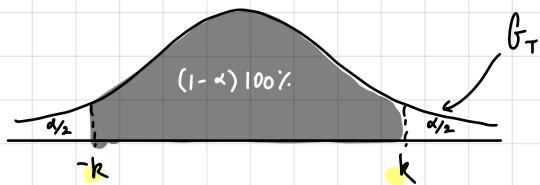
$$T_0 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0}{\hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_0)} \sim t_{n-2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{where } \hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1) &= \sqrt{\frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{s_{xx}}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{\text{MSR}}{s_{xx}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_0) &= \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_1^2}{s_{xx}})} \\ &= \sqrt{\text{MSR}(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}_1^2}{s_{xx}})} \end{aligned}$$

### CI for $\beta_1, \beta_0$

Suppose that  $f_T$  is the density function of  $T \sim t_{n-2}$ .  
Let  $k > 0$  s.t.  $P(-k < T < k) = 1-\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ :



In the textbook,  
 $k \equiv t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-2}$ , degrees of freedom

Result:

A  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence interval for  $\beta_1$  is:

$$CI(\beta_1) = [\hat{\beta}_1 - k \cdot \hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1) \leq \beta_1 \leq \hat{\beta}_1 + k \cdot \hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)]$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow \text{Proof: } P(\beta_1 \in CI(\beta_1)) &= P(\hat{\beta}_1 - k \cdot \hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1) \leq \beta_1 \leq \hat{\beta}_1 + k \cdot \hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)) \\ &= P(-k \leq \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{\hat{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)} \leq k) \\ &= P(-k \leq T_1 \leq k) \\ &= 1 - \alpha \quad (\text{by defn}) \end{aligned}$$

The upper and lower bounds of  $\text{CI}(\hat{\beta}_1)$  are random as  $\hat{\beta}_1$  can change if a different sample is drawn.

However,  $\beta_1$  is fixed / non-random,  $\leftarrow$  unless you're a Bayesian

Explanation: The random interval  $\text{CI}(\hat{\beta}_1)$  traps  $\beta_1$  with probability  $1-\alpha$ .

(i.e. If  $\alpha = 0.05$ , then 95% of the intervals of  $\text{CI}(\hat{\beta}_1)$ , obtained by repeatedly sampling the data and finding  $\hat{\beta}_1$ , will contain  $\beta_1$ )

How does the width of  $\text{CI}(\hat{\beta}_1)$  change? width =  $2k \cdot \hat{s}_{\text{ecp}}^2$

-  $\alpha \downarrow \Rightarrow (1-\alpha) \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{width} \uparrow$

High confidence comes at a price of big margin of error.

-  $n \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{width} \downarrow$

Larger sample gives more accurate estimation.

-  $\sigma^2 \uparrow \Rightarrow \hat{s}_{\text{ecp}}^2 \uparrow \Rightarrow \text{width} \uparrow$

The more noise here is around the true regression line, the less precisely we can measure this line from the data.

-  $s_{xx}$  (the variation of  $X$ )  $\uparrow \Rightarrow \text{width} \downarrow$

## (R) simulation for constructing CI

## Hypothesis Testing

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t Test (Wald Test) for  $\beta_1$  using sampling distribution of  $\hat{\beta}_1$ :

Suppose we want to test (2 sided test):

$$H_0: \beta_1 = c$$

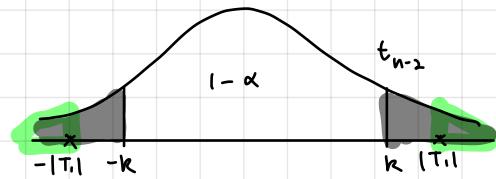
$$H_1: \beta_1 \neq c$$

where  $c$  is a specific value e.g.  $c=0$

Method 1: Suppose we want to test with a significance level  $\alpha$ , we compute the test statistics:  $T_1 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - c}{\hat{s}_{\text{ecp}}} \leftarrow$  all these values are known / can be computed

Reject  $H_0: |T_1| \geq k \equiv t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-2}$

$k(n, \alpha)$  is  $(1-\frac{\alpha}{2})$  100% percentile of the distribution



or equivalently, consider the fail probability:

$$P(|T_1| > |T_1|) = \underbrace{P(T_1 < -|T_1| \text{ or } T_1 > |T_1|)}_{\text{p-value}} < \alpha$$

Why it works:

- We assume GN-SLR assumptions are satisfied.

If we assume that  $H_0: \beta_1 = c$  is true, then we know the sampling dist for  $T_i = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)}$  will be equal to  $T_i = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - c}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)}$  and  $T_i \sim t_{n-2}$ .

If we observe the unlikely result  $|T_i| \geq k$ , then there might be 2 explanations:

1. either in fact  $\beta_1 = c$  ( $H_0$  is true) and therefore you just by chance observe a very rare event that  $|T_i| \geq k$  with the probability being only  $\alpha$
2. or the assumption is wrong and  $\beta_1 \neq c$  ( $H_0$  is not true) and  $H_0$  should be rejected.

Method 2: We will reject  $H_0$  in a hypothesis test with significant level  $\alpha$  if the  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  confidence interval  $CI(\beta_1)$  does not cover  $c$ , and do not reject  $H_0$  if  $CI(\beta_1)$  contains  $c$ .

Test of significance of regression

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0 = c$$

$$H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

If we fail to reject  $H_0$ , this implies that there is no linear relationship between X and Y.

Comments on hypothesis testing:

- what  $\alpha$  should we use? conventionally  $\alpha = 0.05$   
~~~~~ false discovery rate  
If you are very conservative and can't afford false rejection, should use smaller  $\alpha$ .
- statistical significance:  
If we test  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  and we reject it, then we say the difference between  $\beta_1$  and 0 is statistically significant with a given significance level  $\alpha$ .

Permutation test  $(H_0: \beta_1 = 0; H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0)$  can only test for  $c = 0$   
in permutation test!

Steps:

1. Compute the observed value of the t statistic:  $T_i = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)}$
  2. randomly permute the data  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  while keeping  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  unchanged.  
Recompute the statistic  $T_i$  again using permuted data.
  3. repeat the previous step  $B$  times and let  $Z_1, \dots, Z_B$
  4. The approximated p-value is  $p\text{-value} = \frac{1}{B} \sum_{j=1}^B \mathbb{I}(|Z_j| > |T_i|)$   
reject  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  if  $p\text{-value} < \alpha$
- $\uparrow$  indicator function

- small permuted p-value is a strong indication of the rejection of the null hypothesis.
- permuted p-value also indicates false discovery rate
- idea of permutation test is trying to see if there is an association between Y and X. That's why we "scramble" the Ys.

## Analysis of variance

• Oct 20

$SS_T$  (total sum of squares) : measures the total variation in Y.

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

$SS_R$  (regression sum of squares) : measures amount of "systematic variation" in Y due to the  $Y \sim X$  linear relationship.

↳ i.e. the variation in Y that can be explained by the regression model.

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

↑ pred. value of y

$SS_{\text{res}}$  (residual sum of squares) : measures amount of "residual variation" in Y. Aggregate measure of misfit of the regression line

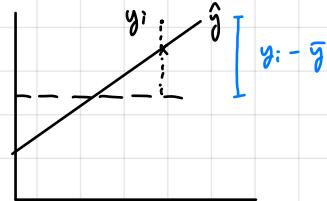
$$SS_{\text{res}} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2$$

In general,  $SS_T = SS_R + SS_{\text{res}}$

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

→ Proof in handout.

$$\text{for observation } i: y_i - \bar{y} = \hat{y}_i - y_i + y_i - \bar{y}$$



When we have a perfect fit,  $\hat{y}_i = y_i$

$$SS_{\text{res}} = 0 \Rightarrow SS_T = SS_R$$

## R<sup>2</sup>: goodness of fit

• Oct 22

If we want to define a global measure of how well X<sub>i</sub> predicts Y<sub>i</sub>, we consider the proportion of variation explained by the regression model:

$$R^2 = \frac{SS_R}{SS_T} = \frac{SS_R}{SS_R + SS_{\text{res}}} = 1 - \frac{SS_{\text{res}}}{SS_T}$$

We can show that  $SS_R = \hat{\beta}_1 S_{xy}$  (see handout)

$R^2 \in [0, 1]$ .

•  $R^2 = 0$  when  $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0$

the model cannot explain any variation in  $Y$ , very bad fit

•  $R^2 = 1$  when  $SS_{\text{res}} = 0$

• If  $R^2$  is near 1 then the predictor  $X_1$  can explain a large proportion of the observed variation in  $Y$

→ i.e. the predictor  $X_1$  included in the model is a "sufficient predictor" of  $Y$ .

$R^2$  vs t-test on  $\beta_1$ ? ( $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$ ;  $H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0$ )

- $R^2$  tells us how much variation is explained by including  $X_1$  (is  $X_1$  a sufficient pred. of  $Y$ ?)
- t-test tells us about whether  $X_1$  is necessary in explaining the variation of  $Y$ .

We consider 4 scenarios:

1. insignificant p-value and low  $R^2$

- $X_1$  is not useful AND the model does not explain much of the variation (worst case)
- $\beta_1 = 0$

2. insignificant p-value and high  $R^2$

- $X_1$  not useful and the model explains a lot of variation within the data.
- i.e. model without  $X_1$  is already sufficient

3. significant p-value and low  $R^2$

- $X_1$  is at least useful but not sufficient, should add more predictors.

4. significant p-value and high  $R^2$

- $X_1$  is useful and sufficient (best case)

Adjusted  $R^2$

We have  $E_{Y|X} (SS_{\text{res}} | \mathbf{X}) = \sigma^2(n-p)$  # of variables in model  
e.g. in SLR,  $p=2$  ( $\beta_0, \beta_1$ )

If we increases the model "complexity" to  $n$ , i.e.  $p \rightarrow n$ , then

$$SS_{\text{res}} \xrightarrow{p \rightarrow n} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow R^2 = 1 - \frac{SS_{\text{res}}}{SS_T} \xrightarrow{p \rightarrow n} 1$$

Overttting!

Alternatively,  $R^2_{\text{adj}} = 1 - \frac{SS_{\text{res}} / (n-p)}{SS_T / (n-1)}$

- $\uparrow p \Rightarrow \uparrow \text{numerator} \Rightarrow \downarrow R^2_{\text{adj}}$

$R^2_{\text{adj}}$  can account for model complexity.

Relationship between  $R^2$  and  $R^2_{\text{adj}}$ :  $R^2 = 1 - \frac{SS_{\text{res}}}{SS_T} = 1 - \frac{n-p}{n-1} (1 - R^2_{\text{adj}})$

• Intercept only model ( $p=1$ ):  $R^2_{\text{adj}} = R^2$

• SLR model  $p=2$ :  $R^2_{\text{adj}} \neq R^2$

• when we fix  $p$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $R^2_{\text{adj}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} R^2$

If  $n \gg p$ , safe to use  $R^2$ . There is no overfitting issue when  $n$  is large.

## Limitations of $R^2$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , what does  $R^2$  converge to?

$$R^2 = \frac{SS_R}{SS_T} = \frac{SS_R}{SS_R + SS_{\text{Res}}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1^2 S_{xx}}{\hat{\beta}_1^2 S_{xx} + SS_{\text{Res}}}$$

$$= \frac{\hat{\beta}_1^2 S_{xx} / n}{\hat{\beta}_1^2 S_{xx} / n + SS_{\text{Res}} / n}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1 \rightarrow \beta_1$ ,  $S_{xx} \rightarrow \text{Var}(X_1)$ ,  $SS_{\text{Res}} \rightarrow \sigma^2$

Thus,  $R^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_1^2 \text{Var}(X_1)}{\beta_1^2 \text{Var}(X_1) + \sigma^2}$  if SLR assumptions hold

- By making  $\text{var}(X_1)$  small or  $\sigma^2$  large, we can drive  $R^2$  towards 0 even if the model is correct.
- Conversely, even if the model is wrong, we can make  $R^2$  close to 1 by increasing  $\text{var}(X_1)$  or making  $\sigma^2$  small
- $R^2$  can be compared only when different models are fit to the same dataset. We cannot compare  $R^2$  across diff datasets!
- $R^2$  is not as useful as a goodness of fit measure on training data, but more useful for testing data.

## F test and ANOVA • Oct 27

The idea is to compare 2 models : (what does data look like?)

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 : Y &= \beta_0 + \epsilon \\ H_1 : Y &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \epsilon \quad (\text{SLR}) \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{equivalently,} \\ (\text{t test on } \beta_1) \end{array} \right\} \quad \begin{aligned} H_0 : \beta_1 &= 0 \\ H_1 : \beta_1 &\neq 0 \end{aligned}$$

### Constructing the F test:

Idea: If we fit the first model, the OLS estimator is  $\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y}$ .

The idea of the F test is to create a test statistic that measures how much better the 2nd model is compared to the 1st model.

Under GN-SLR assumption, and if  $H_0$  is true (i.e.  $\beta_1 = 0$ ), we can show that

$$\frac{SS_T}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{n-1} \quad \text{df}_T = n-1$$

$$\frac{SS_{\text{Res}}}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{n-p} \quad \text{In this case, } p=2, \text{ so df}_{\text{Res}} = n-2$$

$$\frac{SS_R}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi^2_{p-1}, \quad \text{df}_R = p-1$$

we refer to the model in the alt. hyp.  
EVEN THOUGH we assume  $H_0$  true!

For SLR,  $p=2$ . We will generalize this later.

Degrees of freedom are additive:  $\text{df}_T = \text{df}_R + \text{df}_{\text{Res}}$   
 $n-1 = p-1 + n-p$

Consider the F-test statistic:

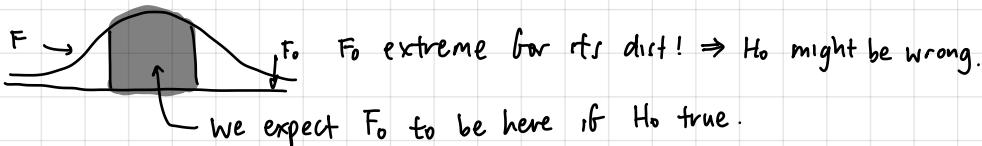
$$F_0 = \frac{\frac{SS_R / df_R}{SS_{Res} / df_{Res}}}{\frac{SS_R / p-1}{SS_{Res} / n-p}} \equiv \frac{MS_R}{MS_{Res}}$$

mean sq.

Under  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$ ,  $F_0 \sim F_{(p-1, n-p)} = F_{(1, n-2)}$  for SLR

Note that  $F_0 \geq 0$ . So we only need to do a 1-sided test.

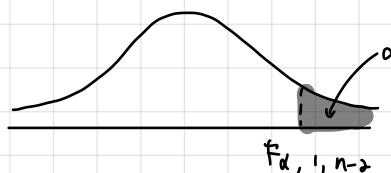
We reject  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  if  $F_0$  is large enough



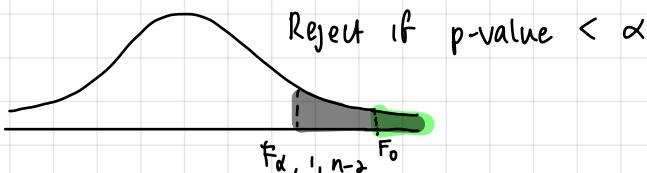
Set  $\alpha = 0.05, 0.01$  etc. Reject  $H_0$  if  $F_0 > F_{\alpha, p-1, n-p}$ .

$F_{\alpha, 1, n-2}$  represents the  $1-\alpha$  quantile of the F distribution with df 1 and  $n-2$ .

$$\text{i.e. } P[F > F_{\alpha, 1, n-2}] = \alpha$$



Equivalently, we can do F-test using p-value.  $p\text{-value} = P(F > F_0)$



We summarize the F-test in an ANOVA table:

|                   | <u>SS</u>  | <u>df</u> | <u>MS</u>                         | <u>F</u>                      |
|-------------------|------------|-----------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <u>Regression</u> | $SS_R$     | $p-1$     | $MS_R = \frac{SS_R}{p-1}$         | $F_0 = \frac{MS_R}{MS_{Res}}$ |
| <u>Residual</u>   | $SS_{Res}$ | $n-p$     | $MS_{Res} = \frac{SS_{Res}}{n-p}$ |                               |
| <u>Total</u>      | $SS_T$     | $n-1$     |                                   |                               |

(R) use `anova()` function

## Some notes on F-test

- In deriving the F distribution, it is absolutely vital that all GN-SLR assumptions hold  
The test never doubts that the right model is linear.
- If we don't reject  $H_0$ , we don't find any significant share of variance associated with the regression.

$$F_0 = \frac{SS_R / df_R}{SS_{Res} / df_{Res}} \text{ larger}$$

The following may be interpreted:

- the intercept only model is better
- $\beta_1 \neq 0$  but the data doesn't provide enough power to detect departure from the null.  
↳ this is a rather conservative expln.
- the real relationship between  $X_1$  and  $Y$  is nonlinear but the best approximation to it has slope zero.  
↳ but F-test itself does not have power to detect non-linearity

- If we reject  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$ , may interpret the following:

- this does not mean that SLR is correct, only that the latter predicts better than the intercept-only model.
- SLR might be wrong, with every single one of assumptions violated, and yet better than the intercept-only model.

F-test  $\equiv$  t-test for SLR (proof in handout)

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## ANOVA table in R

25 Analysis of Variance Table

```
26
27 Response: y
28      Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
29 x        1 1527483 1527483   165.38 1.643e-10 ***
30 Residuals 18 166255 9236
31 ---      SSRes
32 Signif. codes:  0 *** 0.001 ** 0.01 * 0.05 . 0.1   1
33
```

notice that these 2 values are the same!  $F \equiv t$  test for SLR

not necessarily true for multiple lin reg.

$$\text{verify } SST = SSR + SS_{Res}$$

```
> # To verify that SST = SSR + SSRes
> sum(anova(fit.RP)[, 'Sum Sq']) - (n-1)*var(y)
```

$SS_{Res} + SSR$

should be 0.

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

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13
14 Coefficients:
15             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
16 (Intercept) 2627.822     44.184  59.48 < 2e-16 ***
17 x            -37.154      2.889 -12.86 1.64e-10 ***
18 ---
19 Signif. codes:  0 *** 0.001 ** 0.01 * 0.05 . 0.1   1
20
21 Residual standard error: 96.11 on 18 degrees of freedom
22 Multiple R-squared:  0.9018, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8964
23 F-statistic: 165.4 on 1 and 18 DF, p-value: 1.643e-10
```

$T_1^2 = F_0$        $p-1$        $n-p$

## Prediction Inference

At an arbitrary value  $X_1 = x_{01}$  (not necessarily contained in the training data), we predict that on average  $Y$  will be:  $\hat{y} = \hat{m}(x_{01}) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{01}$   
 we don't actually know what  $y$  will be! Only know what it looks like on average.

$$\hat{y} \approx \mathbb{E}(Y | X_1 = x_{01})$$

The point prediction  $\hat{y}$  is called the fitted value of the regression at  $X_1 = x_{01}$ . Thus,  $\hat{m}(x_{01})$  is an estimate of  $\mathbb{E}(Y | X_1 = x_{01})$ .

$\hat{m}(x_{01})$  inherits randomness from the estimators  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$ , which in turn inherit theirs from  $Y$ .

### Confidence interval for conditional mean

A  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI for the conditional mean at the point  $X_1 = x_{01}$  is:

$$CI(\hat{m}(x_{01})) = [\hat{m}(x_{01}) - k \cdot \text{ese}(\hat{m}(x_{01})), \hat{m}(x_{01}) + k \cdot \text{ese}(\hat{m}(x_{01}))]$$

Recall that  $k = t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-2}$ , it is the  $[\frac{\alpha}{2} + (1-\alpha)]$  quantile of  $t$   
 $\rightarrow$  In R:  $k = qt(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}, df = n-2)$

How to calculate?

$$\hat{m}(x_{01}) \pm k \cdot \text{ese}(\hat{m}(x_{01})) = \hat{m}(x_{01}) \pm k \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{S_{xx}} \right)}$$

$\rightarrow$  proof in handout about CI theory

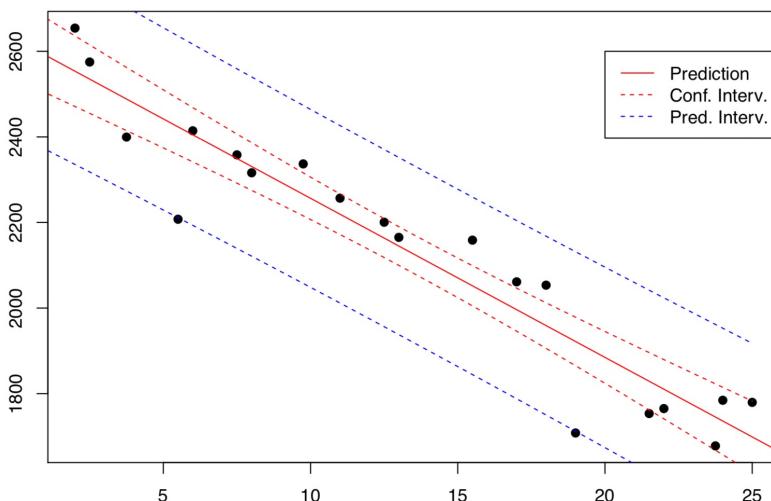
$$\mathbb{E}(\hat{m}(x_{01})) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{01} \quad (\text{unbiased})$$

$$\text{Var}(\hat{m}(x_{01})) = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{S_{xx}} \right)$$

The CI for cond. mean characterizes uncertainty in the prediction.

On the other hand, the prediction interval characterizes uncertainty in the data.

### Prediction interval • Nov 3



CI is narrower than the pred. int.

Using GLN-SLR, we know that at  $X_1 = x_{01}$ , the future observation of  $Y_0$  is:

$$Y_0 = m(x_{01}) + \varepsilon = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{01} + \varepsilon$$

$x_{11}, x_{12}, \dots, x_{1n}$  is the training data.

$x_{01}$  could be any one of  $x_{11}, \dots, x_{1n}$ , but could also be any arbitrary value.

Now we could construct a CI for  $Y_0$  instead of  $m(x_{01})$ , we call it the pred. interval for the future observation of  $Y_0$  corresponding to  $X_1 = x_{01}$ .

$$\text{PI}(Y_0) = [\hat{Y}_0 - k \cdot \text{ese}(\hat{Y}_0), \hat{Y}_0 + k \cdot \text{ese}(\hat{Y}_0)]$$

$$= [\hat{m}(x_{01}) - k \cdot \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{S_{xx}} \right)}, \hat{m}(x_{01}) + k \cdot \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{S_{xx}} \right)}]$$

Note:

- A  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  CI on conditional mean  $m(x_{01})$  is an interval  $[a, b]$  where  $P(a \leq m(x_{01}) \leq b) = 1 - \alpha$   
↑ true reg function:  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{01}$
- A  $100(1-\alpha)\%$  PI for a future observation  $Y_0 = m(x_{01}) + \varepsilon$  is an interval  $[a', b']$ :  
 $P(a' \leq Y_0 \leq b') = 1 - \alpha$ .

Asymptotic behavior when  $n \rightarrow \infty$

For CI( $m(x_{01})$ ):

$$\hat{m}(x_{01}) \pm k \cdot \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{S_{xx}} \right)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} m(x_{01}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{01}$$

- $\hat{m}(x_{01}) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} m(x_{01})$  since  $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1 \rightarrow \beta_0, \beta_1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$
- $\frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{S_{xx}} = \frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$

Thus  $\text{CI}(m(x_{01})) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} m(x_{01})$ , a single point.

For PI( $Y_0$ ):

$$\hat{m}(x_{01}) \pm k \cdot \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{01} - \bar{x}_1)^2}{S_{xx}} \right)} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} m(x_{01}) \pm k\sigma$$

Thus width of  $\text{PI}(Y_0) = 2k\sigma$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\text{PI}(Y_0) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} [m(x_{01}) - k\sigma, m(x_{01}) + k\sigma]$$

## Correlation coefficient

$$\rho(X, Y) = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(X) \text{Var}(Y)}} = \frac{\sigma_{XY}}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$$

estimator :  $r = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{[\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2]^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{S_{xy}}{[S_{xx} S_{yy}]^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

Note that  $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = \left(\frac{S_{yy}}{S_{xx}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} r$   
 Furthermore,  $r^2 = R^2$  :

$$\hat{\beta}_1^2 \left( \frac{S_{xx}}{S_{yy}} \right) = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 S_{xy}}{S_{yy}} = \frac{SS_R}{S_{yy}} = R^2$$

## MUltiple Linear Regression (LR with multiple predictors)

$$E[Y|X] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_k X_k = X\beta$$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & X_1 & X_2 & \dots & X_k \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{bmatrix}$

Polynomial regression :  $E[Y|X_1] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_1^2 + \dots + \beta_k X_1^k$   
 (single predictor  $X_1$ , just transformed)  
 → shape of the relationship between  $X$  and  $Y$ .

Model with interactions : allow for joint effect of predictors.

$$E[Y|X_1, X_2] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_{12} X_1 X_2 = X\beta$$

$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & X_1 & X_2 & X_1 X_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \beta_{12} \end{bmatrix}$

- without interaction :  $E[Y|X] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2$   
 with " " :  $E(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + (\beta_2 + \beta_{12} X_1) X_2$

Model with transformation :  $E(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log X_1 + \beta_2 X_2^2 + \beta_3 e^{X_3}$

In all cases we are using  $E(Y|X) = X\beta$   
 $\qquad \qquad \qquad X \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times n}$  # of pred.

MLR assumptions:

1. There are  $k$  predictors,  $X_1, \dots, X_k$ . No assumptions about their distribution (might be random or non-random).  
 We denote  $X$  (no subscript) as  $[X_1 \dots X_k]$
2. Single response  $Y$  :  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_k X_k + \varepsilon = X\beta + \varepsilon$
3. Noise  $\varepsilon \perp X$  :  $E(\varepsilon|X) = 0$ ,  $\text{Var}(\varepsilon) = \text{Var}(\varepsilon|X) = \sigma^2$   
 $\varepsilon_i$ 's from different observations are independent ( $\varepsilon_i \perp \varepsilon_j$ )  
 $\Rightarrow \text{Var}(\varepsilon|X) = \sigma^2 I_n$

If given  $n$  observations,  $p = k+1$  parameters,

$$\mathbb{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbb{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & X_{11} & \cdots & X_{1k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & X_{n1} & \cdots & X_{nk} \end{bmatrix} \quad \beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{bmatrix} \quad \varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbb{Y} = \mathbb{X}\beta + \varepsilon \quad \text{where:}$$

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$$\mathbb{E}(\varepsilon | \mathbb{X}) = \mathbf{0}_n$$

$$\text{Variance-Cov matrix: } \begin{bmatrix} \text{Var}(\varepsilon_1) & \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 | \mathbb{X}) & \cdots & \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_n | \mathbb{X}) \\ \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_2, \varepsilon_1 | \mathbb{X}) & \text{Var}(\varepsilon_2) & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \text{Var}(\varepsilon_n) \\ \text{Cov}(\varepsilon_n, \varepsilon_1 | \mathbb{X}) & \cdots & \cdots & \text{Var}(\varepsilon_n) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & & & 0 \\ & \ddots & & \\ 0 & & \ddots & \sigma^2 \\ & & & [n \times n] \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{Y} | \mathbb{X}) = \mathbb{X}\beta$$

### Parameter Interpretation

$\sigma^2$ : variance of noise around the true reg function (hyperplane).  
 $=$  variance of  $\mathbb{Y}$  that cannot be explained by  $\mathbb{X}$ .

$\beta_0$ : expected value of  $\mathbb{Y}$  when  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  are all 0

$$\mathbb{E}[Y | X_1 = 0, \dots, X_k = 0] = \beta_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_j \text{ for } j=1, \dots, k : \quad & \mathbb{E}(Y | X_j = x_j + 1, X_{-j} = x_{-j}) - \mathbb{E}(Y | X_j = x_j, X_{-j} = x_{-j}) \\ & = [\beta_0 + \beta_j(x_j + 1) + \dots] - [\beta_0 + \beta_j x_j + \dots] \\ & = \beta_j \end{aligned}$$

Interpretation: If we select 2 sets of cases from the distribution of the data where  $X_j$  differs by 1, we expect  $\mathbb{Y}$  to differ by  $\beta_j$  on average when all remaining predictors  $X_{-j}$  are held constant.

### Least Squares for MLR

Observed data:  $(y_1, X_1), (y_2, X_2), \dots, (y_n, X_n)$

$$\begin{aligned} X_1 &= [1 \ X_{11} \ X_{12} \ \cdots \ X_{1k}] \\ &\vdots \\ X_n &= [1 \ X_{n1} \ X_{n2} \ \cdots \ X_{nk}] \end{aligned}$$

Goal: estimate  $\beta = (\beta_0 \ \beta_1 \ \cdots \ \beta_k)^T$  in  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{Y} | \mathbb{X}) = \mathbb{X}\beta$

→ minimize sums of squared residuals:

$$S(\beta) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - X_i \beta)^2 = (\mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{X}\beta)^T (\mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{X}\beta) = \underbrace{\|\mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{X}\beta\|_2^2}_{n \times 1}$$

$\hat{\beta} = \underset{\beta}{\operatorname{argmin}} \|\mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{X}\beta\|_2^2$ , solve by taking derivative wrt  $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k)$

$$\frac{\partial S(\beta)}{\partial \beta_j} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} (y_i - X_i \beta) := 0 \quad \text{for } j=1, \dots, k$$

$$\text{In matrix form: } \nabla_{\beta} S(\beta) = -2 \mathbb{X}^T (\mathbb{Y} - \mathbb{X}\beta) = \mathbf{0}_p$$

$\Leftrightarrow$  solving the equation  $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \hat{\beta} = 0$

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \hat{\beta} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}$$

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

↑  
but is this invertible?

Some conditions for  $(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})$  invertible:  $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$ .

- There must be more data than the number of parameters,  $n \geq p$ .
- In  $\mathbf{X}$ , columns are not linearly dependent

The fitted value of the reg model at  $x_i = (1 \ x_{i1} \ x_{i2} \ \dots \ x_{ik})$ ,  $i=1 \dots n$

$$\hat{y}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_k x_{ik}$$

$$\text{For } \mathbf{X}: \hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{X} \hat{\beta} = \mathbf{X} (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}$$

### Statistical properties of $\hat{\beta}$

- $E(\hat{\beta}) = E(\hat{\beta} | \mathbf{X}) = \beta$  unbiased
- $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} = \sigma^2 C$   
( $p \times p$ )

### Estimator of $\sigma^2$

$$\text{Var}(\varepsilon) = E(\varepsilon^2) - (E(\varepsilon))^2 = E(\varepsilon^2) \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i^2$$

$$= \frac{\text{SS}_{\text{Res}}}{n-p}$$

$$= \frac{(\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}})}{n-p}$$

$$= \frac{(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X} \hat{\beta})^T (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X} \hat{\beta})}{n-p}$$

$$\therefore \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X} \hat{\beta}\|_2^2}{n-p}, \quad p = k+1, \quad k = \# \text{ of predictors.}$$

$\nwarrow$  Note that  $n \approx n-p$  when  $p$  is fixed and  $n$  is large

$$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \sigma^2 \text{ unbiased}$$

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### t-test in MLR

Recall that for SLR, we required Gaussian-Noise assumption to construct t test.

Therefore we further assume:

$$4. \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0_n, \sigma^2 I_n) \quad \varepsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$$5. \quad \varepsilon \perp \mathbf{X}. \quad \text{It follows that conditional on } \mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y} \text{ has a multivariate Gaussian distribution: } \mathbf{Y} | \mathbf{X} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\beta, \sigma^2 I_n)$$

We can show that under GLN-MLR,  $\hat{\beta} \sim N(\beta, \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X})^{-1})$

$\uparrow$   
unknown, use  $\hat{\sigma}^2$

It follows that  $\hat{\beta}_j \sim N(\beta_j, \sigma^2 [(\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{jj})$ .  
j<sup>th</sup> entry of  $\hat{\beta}$

$$H_0: \beta_j = 0 \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, k$$

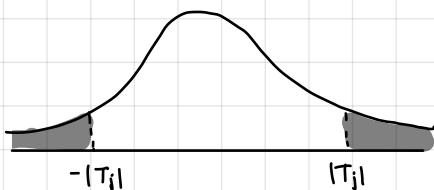
$$H_1: \beta_j \neq 0$$

If we reject  $H_0$ , it indicates that the predictor  $X_j$  is likely to be statistically detectable / significant in the model.

$$T_j = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - 0}{\text{ese}(\hat{\beta}_j)}, \quad \text{ese}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 \cdot C_{jj}} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 [(\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{jj}}$$

$\uparrow = \frac{SS_{\text{Res}}}{n-p}$

Under GLN-MLR and under  $H_0$ ,  $T_j \sim t_{n-p}$ .



$$P(T < -|T_j| \text{ or } T > |T_j|) = \text{p-value}$$

Reject  $H_0$  if  $p < \alpha$

We reject  $H_0$  if  $|T_j| > k = t_{\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-p}$  ←  $(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2}) 100\%$  quantile in  $t_{n-p}$  dist.

### F-test in MLR

Consider the regression model  $Y = \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon$ ,  $\beta = (\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p)$

$$\text{Test: } H_0: \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$$

$H_1$ : at least 1 is not 0.

$$\Leftrightarrow H_0: Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 \quad (\text{reduced model})$$

$$H_1: Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p \quad (\text{full model})$$

$$\text{Generally, } Y = \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon = [\mathbf{X}_{(1)} \quad \mathbf{X}_{(2)}] \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{(1)} \\ \beta_{(2)} \end{bmatrix} + \varepsilon$$

? partition

$$\mathbf{X}_{(1)}: (n \times (p-r))$$

$$\beta_{(1)}: ((p-r) \times 1)$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{(2)}: (n \times r)$$

$$\beta_{(2)}: (r \times 1)$$

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$$\left. \begin{array}{l} H_0: \beta_{(2)} = 0_r \\ H_1: \beta_{(2)} \neq 0_r \end{array} \right\} \text{equivalent to} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} H_0: Y = \mathbf{X}_{(1)} \beta_{(1)} + \varepsilon \\ H_1: Y = \mathbf{X}_{(1)} \beta_{(1)} + \mathbf{X}_{(2)} \beta_{(2)} + \varepsilon \end{array} \right.$$

The null hypothesis  $\beta_{(2)} = 0$  can be tested by F-statistic:

$$F_0 = \frac{\overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(2)} | \beta_{(1)}) / r}{\underbrace{\overline{SS}_{\text{Res}}(\beta) / (n-p)}_{MSE_{\text{Res}}}}, \quad \overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(2)} | \beta_{(1)}) = \overline{SS}_R(\beta) - \overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(1)})$$

$$\overline{SS}_R(\beta) = \hat{\beta}^\top \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{Y} \quad \overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(1)}) = \hat{\beta}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{X}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Y}$$

Recall that  $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_{(1)} = (\mathbf{X}_{(1)}^T \mathbf{X}_{(1)})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_{(1)}^T \mathbf{Y}$

$$MS_{\text{res}} = \frac{SS_{\text{res}}}{n-p} = \frac{\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y} - \hat{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}}{n-p}$$

$\overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(2)} | \beta_{(1)})$  has degrees of freedom  $p - (p-r) = r$

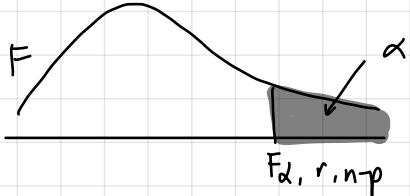
It is the extra sum of squares due to  $\beta_{(2)}$  when  $\beta_{(1)}$  is included in the model.  
i.e. extra contribution in  $\overline{SS}_R$  due to predictors in  $\mathbf{X}_{(2)}$ .

We can show that under GLN-MLR assumptions and under  $H_0: \beta_{(2)} = 0$ , the random qty  $F_0$  follows the F distribution with degrees of freedom  $r, n-p$ .

$$F_0 \sim F_{r, n-p}$$

We reject  $H_0$  if:  $F_0 > F_{\alpha, r, n-p}$

where  $F_{\alpha, r, n-p}$  is  $(1-\alpha) 100\%$  quantile of the F distribution with  $r, n-p$  d.f.



equivalently,  
 $p\text{-value} = P(F > F_0)$

Reject  $H_0$  when  $p\text{-value} < \alpha$ .

Conclusion: If we reject  $H_0$ , this means that at least 1 of the parameters in  $\beta_{(2)}$  is not zero  $\Rightarrow$  at least 1 of the predictors in  $\mathbf{X}_{(2)}$  is not zero.

## R Multiple Linear Regression

Multiple Linear Regression: Find plane of best fit

|               | Estimate | Std. Error | t value | Pr(> t )     |
|---------------|----------|------------|---------|--------------|
| 5 (Intercept) | 2.341231 | 1.096730   | 2.135   | 0.044170 *   |
| 6 x1          | 1.615907 | 0.170735   | 9.464   | 3.25e-09 *** |
| 7 x2          | 0.014385 | 0.003613   | 3.981   | 0.000631 *** |
| 8 ---         |          |            |         |              |

$$\hat{\beta} = [\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2]$$

etc( $\hat{\beta}$ )

$H_0: \beta_2 = 0$   
 $H_1: \beta_2 \neq 0$

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9 Signif. codes: 0 *** 0.001 ** 0.01 * 0.05 . 0.1   1
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11 Residual standard error: 3.259 on 22 degrees of freedom
12 Multiple R-squared:  0.9596,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.9559
13 F-statistic: 261.2 on 2 and 22 DF,  p-value: 4.687e-16

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F test:  $H_0: y = \beta_0 + \epsilon$  (intercept only)  $\quad H_0: \beta_{(2)} = 0$   
 $H_1: y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \epsilon$   $\quad H_1: \beta_{(2)} \neq 0$

$$\beta_{(2)} = (\beta_1, \beta_2)$$

An equivalent formula for F-statistic

Recall that F statistic:

$$F_0 = \frac{\overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(0)} | \beta_{(1)}) / r}{SS_{Res}(\beta) / (n-p)}$$

$$= \frac{(\overline{SS}_R(\beta) - \overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(1)})) / r}{SS_{Res}(\beta) / (n-p)}$$

Equivalently.  $F_0 = \frac{[SS_{Res}(\beta_{(1)}) - SS_{Res}(\beta)] / r}{SS_{Res}(\beta) / (n-p)}$  ← this calculation is used in R

→ Proof: Originally we have  $\overline{SS}_T = SS_{Res} + SS_R$ .

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

Now we consider an alternate form:

$$\overline{SS}_T = SS_{Res} + \overline{SS}_R$$

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

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

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i^2 + \underbrace{2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i)}_{= 0}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (Y - \hat{Y})^T (X \hat{\beta}) \\ &= \underbrace{(Y - \hat{Y})^T X}_{\text{normal eqn}} (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \end{aligned}$$

Specifically in MLR:  $\overline{SS}_R = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i^2 = (X \hat{\beta})^T (X \hat{\beta})$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \hat{\beta}^T X^T X (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y \\ &= \hat{\beta}^T X^T Y \end{aligned}$$

$$\overline{SS}_T = SS_{Res}(\beta) + \overline{SS}_R(\beta) = SS_{Res}(\beta_{(1)}) + \overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(1)})$$

$$\Rightarrow \overline{SS}_R(\beta) - \overline{SS}_R(\beta_{(1)}) = SS_{Res}(\beta_{(1)}) - SS_{Res}(\beta)$$

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CI in MLR

1. CI for  $\beta$
2. CI for conditional mean  $E(Y|X)$
3. Prediction interval for  $Y^*$  (new observation)

see handout

## Model diagnostic

We hope to check the adequacy of our model. The residuals are:

$$\begin{aligned} e_i &= y_i - \hat{y}_i \\ &= y_i - x_i \hat{\beta}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \end{aligned}$$

In matrix format:  $e = (e_1 \ e_2 \ \dots \ e_n)^T$

$$\begin{aligned} e &= Y - \hat{Y} \\ &= Y - X \hat{\beta} \\ &= Y - \underbrace{X(X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y}_{H} = (I_n - H) Y \end{aligned}$$

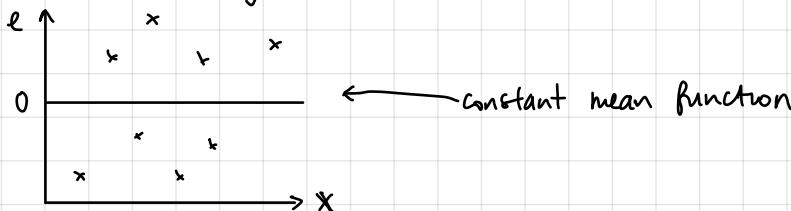
$H$  is symmetric:  $H^T = H$   
idempotent:  $HH = H$

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1.  $E(e | X) = 0_n$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{since } E(e | X) &= E(Y - \hat{Y} | X) \\ &= E(Y | X) - E(\hat{Y} | X) \\ &= X\beta - X\hat{\beta} \quad \nwarrow \text{unbiased} \\ &= 0_n \end{aligned}$$

We plot  $e$  against any predictor  $X_i$  or the linear combination of any predictors:



2. We already know that  $E(e | \hat{Y}) = 0$  since  $E(e | \hat{Y}) = E(e | X\hat{\beta})$

$$= E(e | X) = 0$$

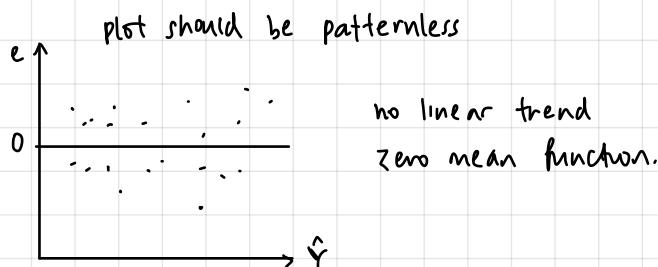
Also, we have  $\text{Cov}(e, \hat{Y}) = 0 \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  since  $\text{Cov}(e, \hat{Y}) = \text{Cov}((I_n - H)Y, H\hat{Y})$

$$= (I_n - H)H \cdot \text{Var}(Y)$$

$$= \sigma^2 (I_n - H)H$$

$$= \sigma^2 (H - HH)$$

$$= 0 \quad \nwarrow H \text{ idempotent}$$



3. Variation of  $e$ : The variance of residual  $e$   $\text{Var}(e | X) = \sigma^2(I_n - H)$

$$\text{since } \text{Var}(e | X) = \text{Var}((I_n - H)Y | X)$$

$$= (I_n - H)^T (I_n - H) \text{Var}(Y | X)$$

$$= (I_n - H)\sigma^2 \text{ which is not a diagonal matrix}$$

$$[\text{Var}(e | X)]_{ii} = (1 - h_{ii})\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(e_i | X)$$

$\nwarrow$  the  $i$ th diagonal entry of  $H$

$$[\text{Var}(e | X)]_{ij} = -\sigma^2 h_{ij} \neq 0$$

$\nwarrow$   $e_i, e_j$  are correlated unlike noise terms  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  which are independent.

$$\text{In SLR case, } \text{Var}(e_i | X) = \sigma^2 (1 - h_{ii}) = \sigma^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n} - \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}\right) \approx \underbrace{\sigma^2 \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)}_{\text{a constant}}$$

↑  
small!

$$\frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}} = \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{(x_1 - \bar{x})^2 + \dots + (x_n - \bar{x})^2}$$

Therefore the points near the center  $\bar{x}$  have larger variance for  $e_i$  than  $e_i$  at more remote locations.

We should expect to see  $\text{Var}(e_i | X) \approx \sigma^2 (1 - \frac{1}{n})$  which is almost constant

The difference in  $\frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}$  gets less pronounced for a larger  $n$ .

4. for LN model (SLR and MLR)

If  $Y|X \sim N$ , then  $e = (e_1, \dots, e_n)^T$  is also Gaussian.

$e_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$

≈ approximately true for large  $n$ .

Quantile-Quantile (Q-Q) plot : make a histogram of  $e$  and compare to Gaussian

For a continuous dist, CDF:  $F(z) = P(Z \leq z)$  has an inverse function:

$$F^{-1}(p) = z \text{ s.t. } p = P(Z \leq z)$$

For a Gaussian  $Z \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ , quantile function:  $F^{-1}(p) = \sigma \Phi^{-1}(p) + \mu$   
where  $\Phi$  is the quantile function for  $N(0, 1)$

If we plot  $F^{-1}$  against  $\Phi^{-1}$  we should get a straight line.

In practice, we replace  $F^{-1}$  by the quantile function of  $e$ ,  $\hat{F}^{-1}$

We estimate  $\hat{F}^{-1}$  by using residuals  $e_1, \dots, e_n$

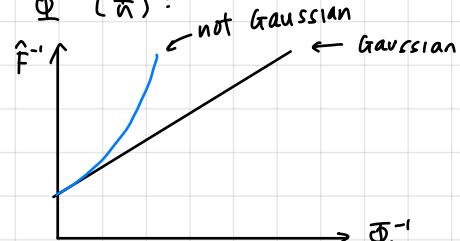
Arrange  $e_1, \dots, e_n$  in increasing order:  $e_{(1)}, e_{(2)}, \dots, e_{(n)}$

$e_{(i)}$  is greater than  $\frac{i}{n}$  of the residuals.

$$\hat{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{i}{n}\right) = e_{(i)}$$

Now we can plot  $\hat{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{i}{n}\right) = e_{(i)}$  against  $\Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{i}{n}\right)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) &\rightarrow \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \\ \hat{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) &\rightarrow \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{n}\right) \\ &\vdots \\ \hat{F}^{-1}\left(\frac{n}{n}\right) &\rightarrow \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{n}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$



Test zero mean, constant variance  $\rightarrow$  residual plot

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Test Gaussian assumptions of noise  $\rightarrow$  plot histogram of residuals,  
Q-Q plot

Test prediction performance of the model  $\rightarrow$  generalization error

## Generalization error

$$X = [1 \ X_1 \ \dots \ X_k]^T$$

Response variable  $Y$ , predictors  $X \in \mathbb{R}^p$ .

We build a predictive model  $\hat{f}(X)$  from the training data  $T$ .

- In MLR setting:

$$T = (y_1, x_1) \dots (y_n, x_n) = (Y, X)$$

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

To evaluate  $\hat{f}(X)$ , introduce a loss function:

$$L(Y, \hat{f}(X)) = (Y - \hat{f}(X))^2 \quad \text{or} \quad |Y - \hat{f}(X)|$$

target  $\uparrow$   $\uparrow$  prediction

Generalization error:  $Y, X \sim$  test data

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Error}_T &= \mathbb{E}_{Y, X} (L(Y, \hat{f}(X)) \mid T) \\ &\approx \frac{1}{n'} \sum_{i=1}^{n'} L(y_i, \hat{f}(x_i)) \end{aligned}$$

$(y_1, x_1) \dots (y_{n'}, x_{n'})$  are from test data,  $n'$  is the size of test data.

Generalization error vs training error:

- training error:

training data  $T = \{(y_i, x_i)\}_{i=1}^n$

$$\text{err} = \mathbb{E}_{Y, X} (L(Y, \hat{f}(X))) \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n L(y_i, \hat{f}(x_i))$$

$\approx$  from  $T$

$$\text{In MLR, } \text{err} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{f}(x_i))^2 = \frac{1}{n} (Y - \hat{X}\hat{\beta})^T (Y - \hat{X}\hat{\beta})$$

- In general, generalization error  $>$  training error.

Assume data generated from the model  $Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$ . For simplicity, fix  $X$ .

Test:  $Y' = X\beta + \varepsilon'$

generalization error (test error):  $\mathbb{E}_{Y'} [\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y'_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2]$

Training error:  $\mathbb{E}_Y [\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2]$

We can show that:

$$\mathbb{E}_{Y'} [\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y'_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2] = \mathbb{E}_Y [\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2] + \frac{2p}{n} \sigma^2$$

$\downarrow \varepsilon, \varepsilon' \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$   
 $\uparrow \# \text{ of samples}$   
 $\text{in data}$

see handout for proof

Approximation of generalization error:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y'_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2 \approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2 + \frac{2p}{n} \sigma^2$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2 + \frac{2p}{n} \hat{\sigma}^2$$

Mallow's Cp statistic:

$$C_p = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2 + \frac{2p}{n} \hat{\sigma}^2$$

e.g. 3 pred. models  $\hat{f}_1, \hat{f}_2, \hat{f}_3$ .

$$E(Y|X) = \hat{f}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1$$

$$E(Y|X) = \hat{f}_0$$

$$E(Y|X) = \hat{f}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2$$

Usually  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  is obtained from the largest model i.e.  $\hat{f}_3$

Whichever model gives the smallest Cp value is the best in pred. performance

Adjusted  $R^2$ :

$$\text{Recall that adjusted } R^2 \text{ is } R_{\text{adj}}^2 = 1 - \frac{\frac{n}{n-p} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2}{\frac{n}{n-p} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

maximization of  $R_{\text{adj}}^2 \Leftrightarrow$  minimize err  $\cdot \frac{n}{n-p}$

$$\text{err} \cdot \frac{n}{n-p} = \text{err} \cdot \frac{1}{1-\frac{p}{n}}$$

$$\approx \text{err} \left( 1 + \frac{p}{n} \right) = \text{err} + \frac{p}{n} \cdot \text{err}$$

When  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , err  $\rightarrow \sigma^2$

$$\text{Thus } \text{err} \cdot \frac{n}{n-p} \rightarrow \text{err} + \frac{p}{n} \sigma^2 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

AIC:

$$AIC = -\frac{2}{n} \cdot \log \text{likelihood} + \frac{2p}{n} \quad (\text{general})$$

$$\text{In MLR: } AIC = \text{err} + \frac{2p}{n} \hat{\sigma}^2 = C_p$$

BIC:

$$BIC = \text{err} + \frac{\log n}{n} p \hat{\sigma}^2$$

## Transformation

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Transformation to linearize the model: If we detect non-linearity in the scatterplots or residual plots, in some case a nonlinear function can be linearized using a suitable transformation.

$$\text{e.g. } E(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 e^{-X}$$

$$E(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \left(\frac{1}{X}\right)$$

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e.g. Cobb-Douglas production function:  $O_i = e^{b_0} L_i^{B_1} C_i^{B_2} u_i$

↑ Output      ↑ labour input      ↑ capital input      ↑ noise

Take log:  $\underbrace{\log O_i}_{Y_i} = b_0 + \beta_1 \underbrace{\log L_i}_{X_{i1}} + \beta_2 \underbrace{\log C_i}_{X_{i2}} + \underbrace{\log u_i}_{\varepsilon_i}$

Transformation required  $\varepsilon = \log u \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  if we hope to assume GN-SLR.

### Polynomial terms

For any non-linear function  $f(x) = \underbrace{f(x_0)}_{\text{constant}} + \frac{f'(x_0)}{1!} (x - x_0) + \frac{f''(x_0)}{2!} (x - x_0)^2 + \dots$

We hope to approximate the relationship

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y|X) &= f(x) \\ &\approx b_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_1^2 + \dots + \beta_k X_1^k \end{aligned}$$

The more complicated the model (more terms), the more difficult it is to estimate with the same amount of data.

→ the more data you have, the more you can "afford" a more complicated model without overfitting

### Factor predictors (for categorical)

A factor predictor is a predictor that takes a discrete set of values on a nominal scale (i.e. non-numerical):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{e.g. } X_1 &= \{ \text{Drug A, B, C} \} \\ X_1 &= \{ \text{Male, female} \} \end{aligned}$$

Consider the case where  $X_1$  takes  $M$  values. We introduce a dummy variable:

$$X_1^{(m)} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } X_1 = m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

A categorical variable with  $M$  unique categories can be represented by  $M-1$  dummies.

For example  $X_1$  has  $M$  categories. The corresponding model:

$$E(Y|X) = b_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{M-1} b_m X_1^{(m)}$$

→ if  $(M)$ :  $X_1^{(1)}, \dots, X_1^{(M-1)}$  are all 0.

$$E(Y|X) = b_0$$