

STAT 151A Lecture 11

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Remark 0.1 (Quiz 1 Review)

1) Goals of modeling where data comes from

- Describe associations
- Prediction \rightarrow know X , want to guess Y
- Causal inference \rightarrow guess change in Y from possible change in X (not from change in some other variable)

Where does your data come from? Was it

- a random experiment? $\rightarrow X$ assigned randomly to subjects
- a random sample from some population? \rightarrow subjects chosen randomly from population of interest

2) Exploring data

- Plot the data
 - \rightarrow Univariate plots (histograms, density plots)
 - \rightarrow Bivariate scatter plots \rightarrow for all pairwise relationships (`pairs()`)

Pay attention to:

- \rightarrow Skew (univariate)
- \rightarrow Linearity (bivariate)
- \rightarrow Outliers
- \rightarrow Spread
- \rightarrow Associations/correlations/patterns
- \rightarrow Scale/measurements
- Are there transformations that would help me
 - \rightarrow See the patterns
 - \rightarrow Describe the data better using means, SDs, and linear models

When to transform?

- \rightarrow Clean curved (Simple monotone) relationship, want to use a linear model
- \rightarrow Proportion data \rightarrow maybe (logit)
- \rightarrow Highly skewed data \rightarrow transform to get a clearer visualization, “protect the mean/SD”

Downsides: Interpretability, transformed variables are harder to explain/think about

\rightarrow back to goals of analysis

“Bulging” rule

3) Least squares regression: Observe $\vec{Y} \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\mathbf{X} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p+1}$

Solve $\min \|\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}\|^2$, ie project \mathbf{Y} onto $\text{Col}(\mathbf{X})$

Solution $(\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})\hat{\beta} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y} \rightarrow \hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}$, $\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} = \mathbf{H}\mathbf{Y}$

$\vec{e} = \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{Y}$

$\vec{e} \perp \vec{1}, \vec{e} \perp \vec{x}, \hat{y} \perp \vec{e}$

$\|\vec{y}\|^2 = \|\hat{y}\|^2 + \|\vec{e}\|^2$

$\|\vec{y} - \bar{y}\vec{1}\|^2 = \|\hat{y} - \bar{y}\vec{1}\|^2 + \|\vec{e}\|^2 \rightarrow \text{TotSS} = \text{Regss} + \text{ErrSS}, R^2 = \frac{\text{RegSS}}{\text{TotSS}}$

Remark 0.2 (Interpreting element $\hat{\beta}_j$ of $\hat{\beta}$)

- 1) If $\vec{1}, \vec{x}_1, \vec{x}_2, \dots, \vec{x}_p$ are all orthogonal
 $\hat{\beta}_j = \frac{\vec{y} \cdot \vec{x}_j}{\vec{x}_j \cdot \vec{x}_j}$ (Same as projecting \vec{y} onto \vec{x}_j alone)
- 2) If not, more complex formula, removing role of other \vec{x} 's:
 $\hat{\beta}_j = \frac{\vec{y} \cdot \vec{e}^{(j)}}{\vec{e}^{(j)} \cdot \vec{e}^{(j)}}$, where $\vec{e}^{(j)}$ is the vector of residuals from regressing \vec{x}_j on other \mathbf{X} -columns
Reminder: Regression line/plane always goes through the point $(\bar{y}, \bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \dots, \bar{x}_p)$
If you take $\hat{\beta} \cdot (1, \bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \dots, \bar{x}_p) = \bar{y}$
Probability: Statement about original data being sampled from some population
Gauss-Markov probability model $\vec{Y}, \vec{\varepsilon}$ are random variables, β is a vector of parameters,
 $\mathbb{E}(\vec{\varepsilon}) = 0, \Sigma_{\vec{\varepsilon}\vec{\varepsilon}} = \sigma^2 \mathbb{I}_n$

$$\vec{Y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \vec{\varepsilon}$$

Typically we condition on \mathbf{X}

$\mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}|\mathbf{X}) = \beta, \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}|\mathbf{X}) = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X})^{-1}$ Insights:

Adjusted $R^2 = 1 - \frac{\text{ErrSS}/[n-(p+1)]}{\text{TotSS}/(n-1)} = 1 - \frac{n-1}{n-(p+1)}(1 - R^2)$

Formula for variance of $\hat{\beta}_j$

In simple regression (\vec{x}_j is the only variable): $\frac{\sigma_{\text{simple}}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)^2} = \frac{\sigma_{\text{simple}}^2}{\text{Var}(\beta_j)}$

In multiple regression ($\vec{1}, \vec{x}_1, \dots, \vec{x}_p$): $\frac{1}{1-R_j^2} \cdot \frac{\sigma_{\text{multiple}}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)^2}$, where R_j^2 is from the regression of \vec{x}_j on all other \mathbf{X} -columns

Collinearity \rightarrow when \vec{x}_j is highly related to other \mathbf{X} -columns

What should we do about this?

Prediction \rightarrow how much does including a collinear variable really help your predict \mathbf{Y} better?

vs Causal inference \rightarrow knowing about collinearity is really important, but dropping variables is usually bad