Chapter 4: Model Building and Effect Selection

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Stepwise Selection Methods



FORWARD SELECTION



BACKWARD ELIMINATION



STEPWISE SELECTION



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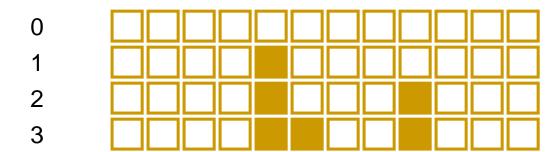




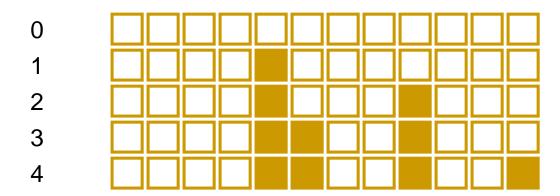




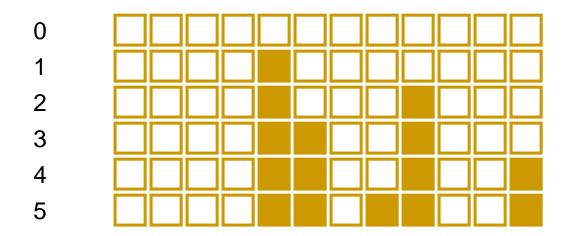




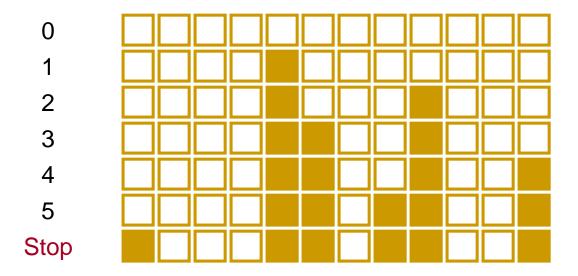














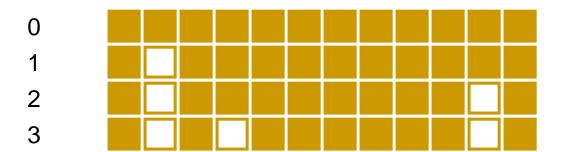
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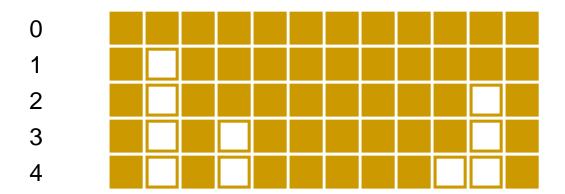




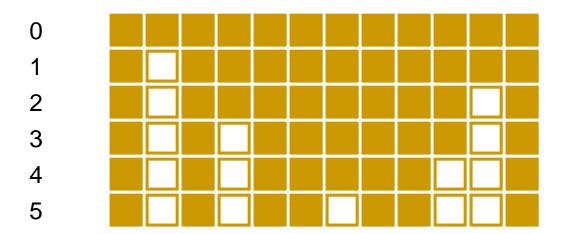




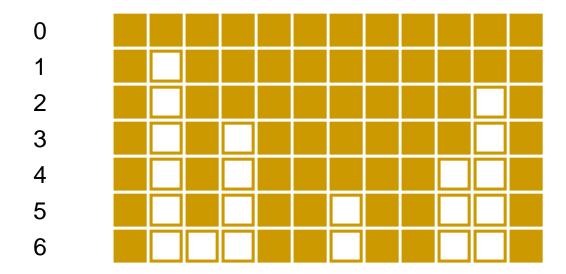




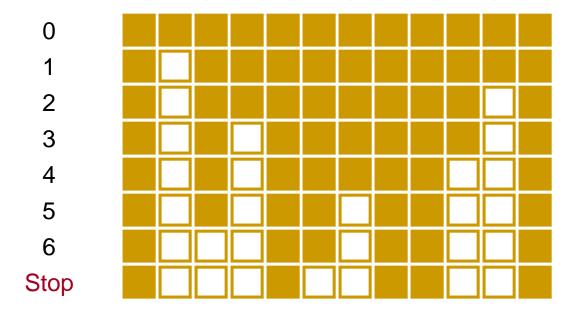


















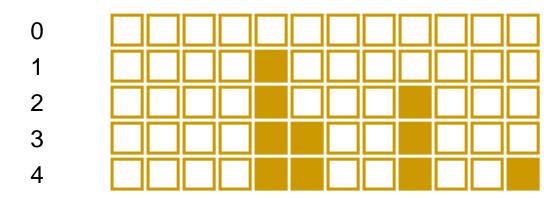




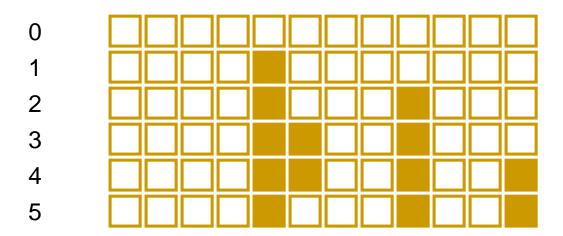




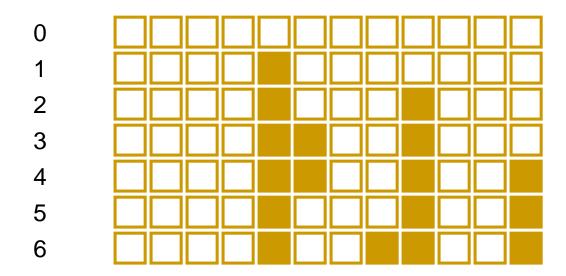




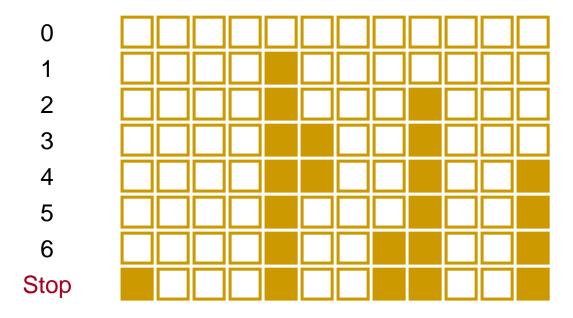














PROC GLMSELECT

```
PROC GLMSELECT DATA=SAS-data-set <options>;
    CLASS variables;
    MODEL dependent(s)=regressor(s) </ options>;
RUN;
```

Options within PROC GLMSELECT can assist with model selection.



Options in the MODEL statement of PROC GLMSELECT support many model selection techniques and criteria.

- SELECTION=<option>
- CHOOSE=<option>
- SELECT=<option>
- STOP=<option>



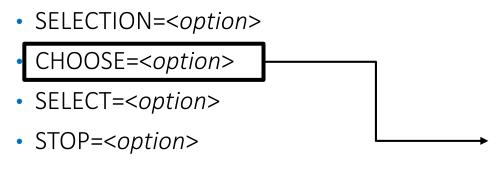
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- CHOOSE=<option>
- SELECT=<option>
- STOP=<option>

Specifies the method used in selecting the model (can choose: None, Forward, Backward, Stepwise, LAR, LASSO, Elasticnet (default is Stepwise)



Options in the MODEL statement of PROC GLMSELECT support many model selection techniques and criteria.



Specifies criterion for choosing the model (after all steps are done, this tells SAS to go back and look at this criterion in ALL steps and choose the best one (if this is not present, the last model is selected). Options are: ADJRSQ, AIC, AICC, BIC, CP, CV, PRESS, SBC, VALIDATE



Options in the MODEL statement of PROC GLMSELECT support many model selection techniques and criteria.

- SELECTION=<option>
- CHOOSE=<option>

STOP=<option>

Specifies criterion on how

→ variables enter (or exit)

model. Options are:

ADJRSQ, AIC, AICC, BIC, CP,

CV, PRESS, RSQUARE, SBC, SL,

and VALIDATE. Default is SBC.



Options in the MODEL statement of PROC GLMSELECT support many model selection techniques and criteria.

- SELECTION=<option>
- CHOOSE=<option>
- SELECT=<option>

STOP=<option>

Specifies when to stop the selection process. If this is NOT specified but SELECT is, then the criterion in SELECT will be used. Options are: ADJRSQ, AIC, AICC, BIC, CP, CV, PRESS, SBC, SL, and VALIDATE. If neither STOP nor SELECT or specified, then SBC is the default.



Predictive Model Building

```
ods grahpics on;
proc glmselect data=ameshousing3_train plots=all;
  FORWARD: model SalePrice=&interval/selection=forward
details=steps select=SL slentry=0.05;
  title "Forward Model Selection for SalePrice-SL 0.05";
  store out=glmameshousing3forward;
run;
```



Predictive Model Building

```
ods grahpics on;
proc glmselect data=ameshousing3_train plots=all;
BACKWARD: model SalePrice=&interval/selection=backward
details=steps select=SL slstay=0.05;
  title "Backward Model Selection for SalePrice-SL 0.05";
  store out=glmameshousing3back;
run;
```



Predictive Model Building

```
ods grahpics on;
proc glmselect data=ameshousing3_train plots=all;
   STEPWISE: model SalePrice=&interval/selection=stepwise
details=steps select=SL slstay=0.05 slentry=0.05;
   title "Stepwise Model Selection for SalePrice-SL 0.05";
   store out=glmameshousing3step;
run;
```



Are p-values and Parameter Estimates Correct?

Automated model selection results in the following:

- biases in parameter estimates, predictions, and standard errors
- incorrect calculation of degrees of freedom
- p-values that tend to err on the side of overestimating significance (increasing Type I Error probability)



Conservative Significance Levels

	Sample Size			
Evidence	30	50	100	1000
Weak	.076	.053	.032	.009
Fair	.028	.019	.010	.003
Strong	.005	.003	.001	.0003
Very Strong	.001	.0005	.0001	.00004



4.01 Poll – Top Hat

The STEPWISE, BACKWARD, and FORWARD strategies result in the same final model if the same significance levels are used in all three.

- O True
- False



4.2 Information Criterion and Other Selection Options



Information Criteria

In SAS, the below calculations begin with nlog(SSE/n) and then place a penalty on this quantity

- Akaike's information criterion (AIC)..penalty is 2p + n + 2
- Corrected Akaike's information criterion (AICC)...penalty is [n(n+p)/(n-p-2)]
- Sawa Bayesian information criterion (BIC)....penalty is 2(p+2)q-2q²
- Schwarz Bayesian information criterion (SBC)....plog(n)

Smaller is better.





Adjusted R Square / Mallows' Cp

 Adjusted R Square allows proper comparison between models with different parameter counts.

$$R_{ADJ}^{2} = 1 - \frac{(n-i)(1-R^{2})}{n-p}$$

• Mallows' C_p is a simple indicator of effective variable selection within a model.

Where i=1 if there is an intercept and 0 otherwise



Mallows' C_p

- Mallows' C_p is a simple indicator of effective variable selection within a model.
- Look for models with $C_p \le p$, where p equals the number of parameters in the model, including the intercept.

Mallows recommends choosing the first (fewest variables) model where C_p approaches p.



SAS Code

```
proc glmselect data=ameshousing3_train plots=all;
   STEPWISEAIC: model
SalePrice=&interval/selection=stepwise
details=steps select=SBC;
   title "Stepwise model for SalePrice - AIC";
   store out=glmameshousing3AIC;
run;
```



4.3 All Possible Selection



Model Selection

Data set contains eight interval variables as potential predictors.

Possible Option #1:

Use a form of Stepwise Selection by hand or with assistance from SAS.

Possible Option #2:

Explore all possible models and determine "best."



Model Selection Options

The SELECTION= option in the MODEL statement of PROC REG supports these model selection techniques:

Stepwise selection methods

STEPWISE, FORWARD, or BACKWARD using significance level

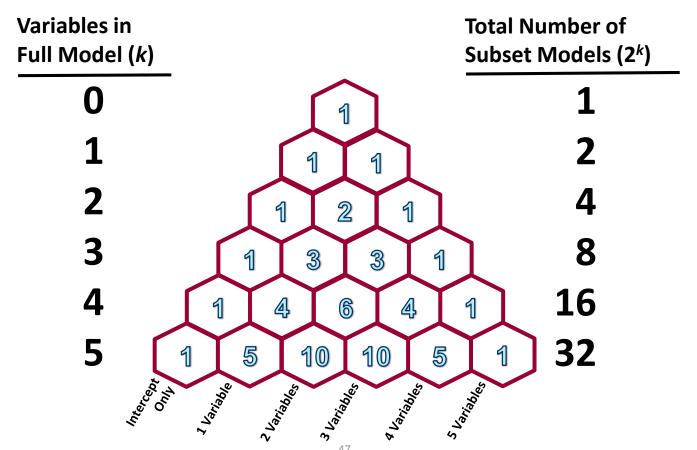
All-possible regressions ranked using

RSQUARE, ADJRSQ, or CP

SELECTION=NONE is the default.



RSQUARE, ADJRSQ, CP Selection Options





Hocking's Criterion versus Mallows' C_p

Hocking (1976) suggests selecting a model based on the following:

- $C_p \le p$ for prediction
- $C_p \le 2p p$ full + 1 for parameter estimation



All-Possible Model Selection – R², Adj R², C_p

```
proc reg data=ameshousing3_train plots=all;
ALLPOSS: model SalePrice=&interval/selection=rsquare adjrsq cp;
title "All possible model selection for SalePrice";
run;
quit;
```



All-Regression Model Selection – C_p

```
proc reg data=ameshousing3_train plots=cp;
ALLPOSS: model SalePrice=&interval/selection=cp best=1;
title "All possible model selection for SalePrice";
run;
quit;
```



4.02 Multiple Choice Poll – Top Hat

Which value tends to increase (can never decrease) as you add predictor variables to your regression model?

- a. R square
- b. Adjusted R square
- c. Mallows' C_p
- d. Both a and b
- e. F statistic
- f. All of the above

