MATH 423/533 – MULTIPLE LINEAR REGRESSION EXAMPLE IN R

The following code in R fits the simple linear regression model

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_i|\mathbf{x}_i] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} \qquad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

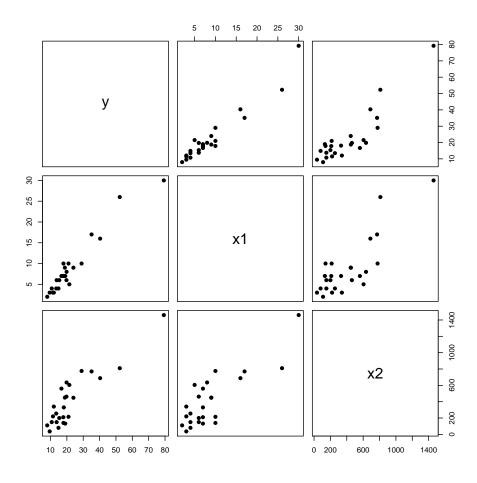
to the Delivery Time data from the textbook, where the delivery time for a vending machine service is to be predicted as a function of two continuous variables. We have n=25 and

- x_{i1} is number of cases stocked, the first continuous predictor;
- x_{i2} is distance walked (in feet), the second continuous predictor;
- $\mathbf{x}_i = [1 \ x_{i1} \ x_{i2}]$, a (1×3) row vector.
- y_i is the delivery time (in minutes) outcome random variable;

Multiple Linear Regression: Plot Data

- 1 > library(MPV) #load the textbook data sets library
- 2 > Delivery < -p8.3
- 3 > x1 < -Delivery\$x1
- 4 > x2 < -Delivery\$x2
- 5 > y < -Delivery\$ y
- 6 > pairs(cbind(y,x1,x2),pch=19)

The resulting plot of the data is given below:



Multiple Linear Regression: Find plane of best fit

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7 > fit.Del12<-lm(y \sim x1+x2, data=Delivery)
8 > summary(fit.Del12)
9 Coefficients:
10
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
11 (Intercept) 2.341231 1.096730 2.135 0.044170 *
12 x1
               1.615907 0.170735 9.464 3.25e-09 ***
13 x2
               0.014385 0.003613 3.981 0.000631 ***
14 ---
15 Signif. codes: 0 \star \star \star \star 0.001 \star \star 0.01 \star 0.05 . 0.1
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16
17 Residual standard error: 3.259 on 22 degrees of freedom
18 Multiple R-squared: 0.9596,
                                   Adjusted R-squared: 0.9559
19 F-statistic: 261.2 on 2 and 22 DF, p-value: 4.687e-16
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The output is of the same form as for simple linear regression:

- Lines 9–13: The coefficients table containing $\hat{\beta}_j$, e.s.e. $(\hat{\beta}_j)$, t_j and the associated p-value for j = 0, 1, 2.
- Line 12 contains information on $\hat{\beta}_1$, line 13 contains information on $\hat{\beta}_2$.
- Line 17 contains the estimate of $\hat{\sigma}$ (3.259).
- Line 18 contains the R^2 and $R^2_{\rm adj}$ quantities that record how well the two predictors combine to explain the variation in y
- Line 19 contains the information on the 'global' F-test information for the test of

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$$

against the general alternative that at least one of these parameters is non zero.

Note that line 7 that computes the model fit could be implemented with the formula rearranged

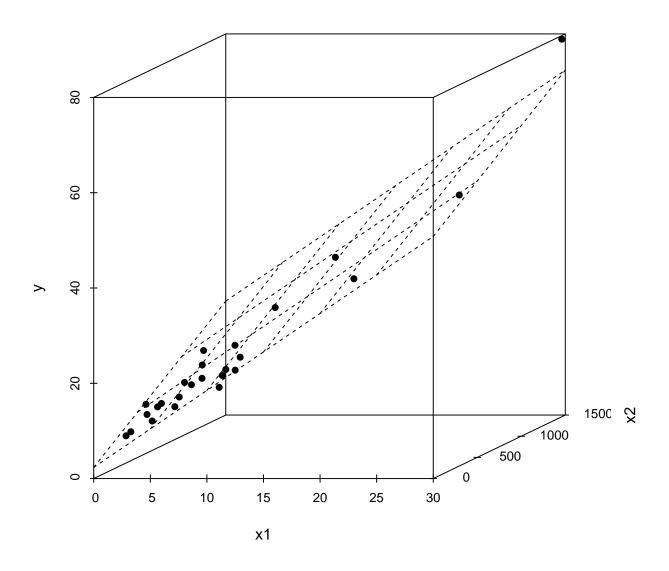
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20 > fit.Del21<-lm(y \sim x2+x1, data=Delivery)
21 > summary(fit.Del21) #gives same regression results
22 Coefficients:
23
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
24 (Intercept) 2.341231 1.096730 2.135 0.044170 *
             25 x2
26 x1
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The answers are identical, apart from the fact that the rows in the coefficients table are swapped (lines 25–26).

The resulting plane of best fit given below:

- 33 > library(scatterplot3d)
- 34 > s3d <-scatterplot3d(x1,x2,y, pch=16, grid=FALSE,
- 35 + main="Plane of best fit", angle=20)
- 36 > s3d\$plane3d(fit.Del12,col='black')

Plane of best fit



The residual plots reveal a possible non-constant variance, but no systematic variation in mean, for the residuals.

