STA 674

Regression Analysis And Design Of Experiments
Fitting Multiple Linear Regression Models – Lecture 3

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- Last time, we covered inference.
- This time, we cover sources of error, preparing to use ANOVA as a tool in multiple linear regression significance testing.

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Introduction

• So far we have considered inference (confidence intervals and significance tests) for individual parameters. However, we can also conduct inference for a model as a whole.

Question

IS OUR LINEAR REGRESSION MODEL USEFUL?

• Do the set of predictor variables in a linear regression model help to predict the response or do we do almost as well by assuming a constant mean?

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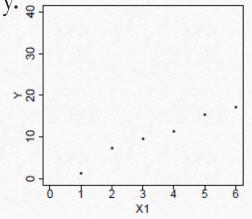
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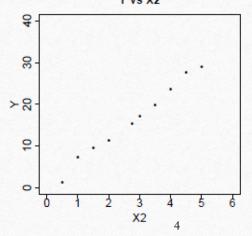
SLR of each predictor shows a strong positive association, but MLR using both predictors does not...because in MLR we use inference when other predictor(s) is constant

• The following plots illustrate the relationship between a response, y, and two predictors, x_1 and x_2 and the table provides information from the multiple

regression model. Write a brief summary.

Parameter Estimates						
Variable	DF	Parameter Estimate		t Value	Pr > t	
Intercept	1	-0.27432	0.72568	-0.38	0.7166	
x1	1	1.55851	2.19343	0.71	0.5004	
x2	1	2.82973	4.39419	0.64	0.5401	





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SSE

• The basis for assessing how well a model is the data is the sum of squares error (SSE):

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

• If the SSE is small then it means that the points, on average, lie close to the fitted values. If the SSE is big then it means that the points, on average, lie far from the fitted values.

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SST

• To judge if the SSE is big or small, we can compare it with another sum of squares – called the sum of squares total (SST):

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

- This sum of squares measures the average (squared) distance between the observed responses and their mean the best guess if we were to ignore all of the predictor variables.
- If *SSE* is small compared to *SST* then the linear regression model has reduced the residual errors by a lot.
- If SSE is big compared to SST then it means that the residuals errors have decreased only a little.

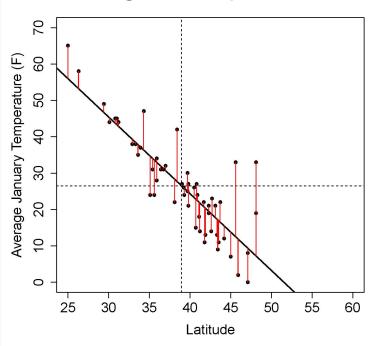
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Example: US temperature data - SSE

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

y hat = mean of regression line y i = data point

Average Jan. Temp. vs Latitude



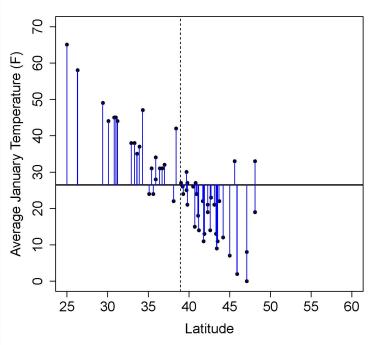
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Example: US temperature data - SST

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

y bar = mean of all data points y i = data points

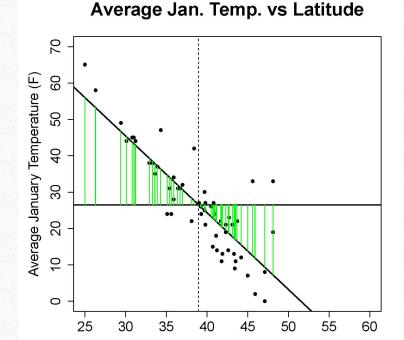
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Example: US temperature data - SSR

• The difference between the *SSE* and *SST* is the *sum of squares for the* regression: $SSR = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2$



Latitude

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Sum of Squares:

Regression	$SSR = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2$	SSR
		+
Error	$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$	SSE
		=
Total	$SST = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \bar{y})^2$	SST