

# Assignment 1

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```
# load data
data("diabetes", package = "lars")

# matrices can apparently be columns in df..
# good to know
y <- rnorm(100)
x1 = rnorm(100)
x2 = rnorm(100)
x <- cbind(x1, x2)
df <- data.frame(y = y, x = I(x))

# but this complicates things so we break up the
# structure and make a nice df
# function to get rid of AsIs
unAsIs <- function(X) {
  if("AsIs" %in% class(X)) {
    class(X) <- class(X)[-match("AsIs", class(X))]
  }
  X
}

# extract y and x
y <- diabetes$y
x <- unAsIs(diabetes$x)
```

```
# make a new df with all the data
diabetes_df <- as.data.frame(cbind(y, x))
```

As instructed, we now set a seed and sample row indices from the set of integers running from 1 to the number of observations with equal probability.

```
# set seed
set.seed(12)

# split the data into train and test
# step 1: sample 400 indices
ind <- sample(x = 1:nrow(diabetes_df), size = 400)

# subset the datasets as instructed
train <- diabetes_df[ind, ]
test <- diabetes_df[-ind, ]
```

The reason why random sampling is a good idea is that we are not really familiar with the dataset. Specifically we do not know whether observations were sorted by any of the variables available and if so we do not know at all by which one. Just taking the 400 first observations then would lead the information contained in training and test data to be biased by sorting leading ultimately to sampling bias in our estimations.

INSERT EXPLANATION ABOUT STANDARDIZED VARIABLES HERE.

To analyse the correlation structures we simply calculate a matrix with correlation of all columns in our dataset. The first column contains the correlations of the variables in  $X$  with  $y$  and the other columns and rows respectively contain the correlations between the columns in  $X$ . In general high absolute values of  $\text{corr}(X_k, y)$  are desirable because this implies high co- or countermovement of the dependent and independent variables. This at least hints at predictive power of  $X_k$ , where  $k$  is the column index. Contrary, low values for  $\text{corr}(X_k, X_j)$ ,  $k \neq j$  are desirable as high values would introduce all the problems associated with multicollinearity, most prominently however the variance of the estimates will become inflated. This means nothing else than a loss in precision of estimates. Another huge problem is that multicollinearity is associated with “almost rank deficient”  $X'X$  what can lead to problems if we run our model on a computer system.

```
library(kableExtra)
```

```
## Warning: Paket 'kableExtra' wurde unter R Version 4.2.2 erstellt
```

```
# exploration of correlation
correlation_matrix <- round(cor(train), 2)
# eliminate redundancies and make a nice table for the pdf
correlation_matrix[!lower.tri(correlation_matrix)] <- ""
kable(correlation_matrix, booktabs = T)
```

|     | y    | age   | sex   | bmi   | map   | tc   | ldl  | hdl   | tch  | ltg  | glu |
|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|------|------|-----|
| y   |      |       |       |       |       |      |      |       |      |      |     |
| age | 0.18 |       |       |       |       |      |      |       |      |      |     |
| sex | 0.07 | 0.21  |       |       |       |      |      |       |      |      |     |
| bmi | 0.6  | 0.17  | 0.09  |       |       |      |      |       |      |      |     |
| map | 0.44 | 0.31  | 0.26  | 0.41  |       |      |      |       |      |      |     |
| tc  | 0.22 | 0.26  | 0.06  | 0.25  | 0.25  |      |      |       |      |      |     |
| ldl | 0.19 | 0.23  | 0.16  | 0.26  | 0.21  | 0.9  |      |       |      |      |     |
| hdl | -0.4 | -0.09 | -0.39 | -0.36 | -0.21 | 0.04 | -0.2 |       |      |      |     |
| tch | 0.42 | 0.22  | 0.36  | 0.41  | 0.29  | 0.56 | 0.67 | -0.74 |      |      |     |
| ltg | 0.56 | 0.27  | 0.16  | 0.44  | 0.39  | 0.52 | 0.33 | -0.4  | 0.61 |      |     |
| glu | 0.37 | 0.29  | 0.24  | 0.38  | 0.4   | 0.33 | 0.28 | -0.27 | 0.41 | 0.48 |     |

```

# use training data to fit the full model
# get model formula from column names
f <- as.formula(paste0("y~", paste(colnames(train)[-1], collapse = "+")))

fit_full <- lm(data = train, formula = f)

# get variables significant at alpha = 0.05
summary_full <- summary(fit_full)
coefficients <- summary_full$coefficients
significant <- which(coefficients[, 4] < 0.05)[-1]

# in sample MSE
MSE_full_in <- mean(fit_full$residuals^2)

# out of sample MSE
pred_full <- predict(fit_full, newdata = test)
MSE_full_out <- mean((test$y - pred_full)^2)

message(paste("In sample MSE is", MSE_full_in, sep = ": "))

```

```
## In sample MSE is: 2876.35849729569
```

```
message(paste("Out of sample MSE is", MSE_full_out, sep = ": "))
```

```
## Out of sample MSE is: 2809.87939232709
```

```

# use the significant variables only
f2 <- as.formula(paste0("y~", paste(colnames(train)[significant], collapse = "+")))

# estimate smaller model
fit_sig <- lm(data = train, formula = f2)

# in sample MSE
MSE_sig_in <- mean(fit_sig$residuals^2)

# out of sample MSE
pred_sig <- predict(fit_sig, newdata = test)
MSE_sig_out <- mean((test$y - pred_sig)^2)

```

```

message(paste("In sample MSE is", MSE_sig_in, sep = ": "))

## In sample MSE is: 3030.1546413137

message(paste("Out of sample MSE is", MSE_sig_out, sep = ": "))

## Out of sample MSE is: 3222.23929484251

# F-Test
anova(fit_full, fit_sig)

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: y ~ age + sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + hdl + tch + ltg + glu
## Model 2: y ~ sex + bmi + map + ltg
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq    F    Pr(>F)
## 1     389 1150543
## 2     395 1212062 -6     -61518 3.4666 0.002383 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

## Task 8

The Akaike criterion is in general given by

$$AIC = 2K - \ln(L)$$

where  $K$  is the number of regressors and  $L$  is the likelihood of the model. Since  $2K$  is a penalty term, AIC is to be minimized to find the most appropriate model.

### Best Subset Selection

Best subset selection is basically just getting all  $2^P$  possible combinations of explanatory variables available to us and estimating the corresponding regression models. It would be convenient to use the leaps package for this task but there the AIC-criterion is not implemented but only SIC and BIC. So we have to construct the models ourselves, estimate them and calculate AIC.

First we write a function that calculates all possible combinations of regressors and gives back the associated regression formulas. We will not use the leaps and bounds algorithm as the dataset is not too big.

```

# write function to get formulas
bs_formulas <- function(x = train, dep = "y", intercept_only = T) {
  # extract variables names
  vars <- names(x)
  exps <- vars[vars != dep]

  # get all combinations
  f <- lapply(1:length(exps), function(k) {
    # get combinations for given k
    combinations <- combn(exps, m = k, simplify = F)
  })
}

```

```

# make it a regression formula
formulas <- lapply(combinations, function(c) {
  paste(dep, paste(c, collapse = "+"), sep = "~")
})
# make it a vector again
unlist(formulas)
})
# dissolve list again
output <- unlist(f)

if(intercept_only == T) output <- c(as.formula("y ~ 1"), output)

return(output)
}

```

Then we estimate the models

```

# get formulas
formulas <- bs_formulas() # look at defaults set above

# estimate all models
fits <- lapply(formulas, function(f) lm(data = train, formula = f))

# get log likelihoods
LL <- unlist(lapply(fits, function(f) logLik(f)[1])))

# get number of regressors (K)
K <- unlist(lapply(fits, function(fit) length(fit$coefficients))))

# get AIC
AIC <- 2 * K - 2 * LL

# get the most appropriate model
best_index <- which.min(AIC)

# display it
formulas[[best_index]]

```

```
## [1] "y~sex+bmi+map+tc+ldl+ltg"
```

Now that we have identified the best model we can assess its in- and out-of-sample performance using MSE again.

```

# get in sample MSE
MSE_BS_in <- mean(fits[[best_index]]$residuals^2)

# get out of sample MSE
MSE_BS_out <- mean((test$y - predict(fits[[best_index]], newdata = test))^2)

```

Finally we conduct an F-Test of the identified model against the full model.

```
anova(fits[[best_index]], fits[[length(fits)]]) # last model is the full one by construction
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: y ~ sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + ltg
## Model 2: y ~ age + sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + hdl + tch + ltg + glu
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq    F Pr(>F)
## 1     393 1152326
## 2     389 1150543   4    1782.5 0.1507 0.9626
```

## Backward Stepwise

Here we are lucky because the MASS package provides us with a function that does stepwise regression based on AIC.

```
library(MASS)

# conduct backwards stepwise regression
backwards_step <- stepAIC(fit_full, direction = "backward")
```

```
## Start:  AIC=3207.71
## y ~ age + sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + hdl + tch + ltg + glu
##
##           Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## - age     1         6 1150550 3205.7
## - hdl     1        12 1150555 3205.7
## - tch     1       448 1150991 3205.9
## - glu     1      1011 1151555 3206.1
## - ldl     1     4542 1155086 3207.3
## <none>                1150543 3207.7
## - tc      1      7009 1157553 3208.1
## - sex     1     24865 1175408 3214.3
## - ltg     1     48634 1199178 3222.3
## - map     1     55404 1205947 3224.5
## - bmi     1    184098 1334642 3265.1
##
## Step:  AIC=3205.71
## y ~ sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + hdl + tch + ltg + glu
##
##           Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## - hdl     1        11 1150560 3203.7
## - tch     1       448 1150998 3203.9
## - glu     1      1007 1151556 3204.1
## - ldl     1     4537 1155087 3205.3
## <none>                1150550 3205.7
## - tc      1      7003 1157553 3206.1
## - sex     1     25368 1175918 3212.4
## - ltg     1     48813 1199363 3220.3
## - map     1     56735 1207285 3223.0
## - bmi     1    184186 1334736 3263.1
##
## Step:  AIC=3203.72
```

```
## y ~ sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + tch + ltg + glu
```

```
##
```

```
##      Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## - tch  1      653 1151214 3201.9
## - glu  1     1016 1151577 3202.1
## <none>          1150560 3203.7
## - ldl  1     9967 1160528 3205.2
## - sex  1    25494 1176055 3210.5
## - tc   1    27291 1177851 3211.1
## - map  1    56731 1207291 3221.0
## - ltg  1    99925 1250485 3235.0
## - bmi  1   184206 1334767 3261.1
```

```
##
```

```
## Step: AIC=3201.95
```

```
## y ~ sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + ltg + glu
```

```
##
```

```
##      Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## - glu  1     1112 1152326 3200.3
## <none>          1151214 3201.9
## - sex  1    24844 1176058 3208.5
## - ldl  1    31590 1182804 3210.8
## - tc   1    52789 1204003 3217.9
## - map  1    56116 1207330 3219.0
## - bmi  1   184285 1335499 3259.3
## - ltg  1   227787 1379001 3272.2
```

```
##
```

```
## Step: AIC=3200.33
```

```
## y ~ sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + ltg
```

```
##
```

```
##      Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## <none>          1152326 3200.3
## - sex  1    23911 1176237 3206.5
## - ldl  1    32030 1184356 3209.3
## - tc   1    52700 1205026 3216.2
## - map  1    60846 1213172 3218.9
## - bmi  1   192497 1344823 3260.1
## - ltg  1   248962 1401288 3276.6
```

```
# get in sample MSE
```

```
MSE_backwards_in <- mean(backwards_step$residuals^2)
```

```
# get out of sample MSE
```

```
MSE_backwards_out <- mean((test$y - predict(backwards_step, newdata = test))^2)
```

```
anova(fit_full, backwards_step)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
```

```
##
```

```
## Model 1: y ~ age + sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + hdl + tch + ltg + glu
```

```
## Model 2: y ~ sex + bmi + map + tc + ldl + ltg
```

```
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq    F Pr(>F)
```

```
## 1     389 1150543
```

```
## 2     393 1152326 -4   -1782.5 0.1507 0.9626
```

## Task 9

First we load the data.

```
data("Wage", package = "ISLR")
```

It is already in a nice data.frame such that we can directly dive into modeling. We first remove logwage and add the square of age to the data. Then we search for problematic columns by looking for constant variables, i.e. variables which have always the same value. If we find such a variable it is also deleted from the data.frame as it will cause problems when using `lm()`.

```
# exclude logwage
Wage$logwage <- NULL

# add squared age to the data set
Wage$age_sq <- Wage$age^2

# count distinct values for each variable
count_uniq <- lapply(Wage, function(var) length(unique(var)))

# kick if there is a constant and print a message to know which one were kicked
for(i in 1:length(count_uniq)) {
  if(count_uniq[[i]] == 1) {
    Wage[, names(count_uniq)[i]] <- NULL
    message(names(count_uniq)[i], " was kicked because it is a constant.")
  }
}
```

```
## region was kicked because it is a constant.
```

Then we estimate the full model with the Wage data.frame. We use Helmert-contrasts as we then can set `< HS Grad` as the baseline and can interpret coefficients then successively in the order `< HS Grad < HS Grad < Some College < College Grad < Advanced Degree` in the sense what the difference between the outcome of interest and the one below in the ranking is.

```
# set dependent
dep <- "wage"

# set independents
indep <- names(Wage)[names(Wage) != dep]

# get model formula as string
f_full <- paste0(dep, "~", paste(indep, collapse = "+"))

# fit model with all desired explanatories
fit_full <- lm(data = Wage, formula = f_full, contrasts = list(education = "contr.helmert"))

# use stargazer for a nice regression table
library(stargazer)
```

```
##
## Please cite as:
```



```
## Hlavac, Marek (2022). stargazer: Well-Formatted Regression and Summary Statistics Tables.
```

```
## R package version 5.2.3. https://CRAN.R-project.org/package=stargazer
```

```
stargazer(fit_full, type = "latex")
```

```
% Table created by stargazer v.5.2.3 by Marek Hlavac, Social Policy Institute. E-mail: marek.hlavac at  
gmail.com % Date and time: Do, Okt 05, 2023 - 15:54:44
```

## Task 10

Table 1:

|                        |    | <i>Dependent variable:</i> |
|------------------------|----|----------------------------|
|                        |    | wage                       |
| year                   |    | 1.269***<br>(0.305)        |
| age                    |    | 2.635***<br>(0.360)        |
| maritl2. Married       |    | 13.611***<br>(1.790)       |
| maritl3. Widowed       |    | 0.809<br>(7.950)           |
| maritl4. Divorced      |    | 0.323<br>(2.918)           |
| maritl5. Separated     |    | 7.414<br>(4.849)           |
| race2. Black           |    | −4.682**<br>(2.131)        |
| race3. Asian           |    | −2.755<br>(2.584)          |
| race4. Other           |    | −5.808<br>(5.626)          |
| education1             |    | 3.769***<br>(1.176)        |
| education2             |    | 4.755***<br>(0.600)        |
| education3             |    | 5.508***<br>(0.411)        |
| education4             |    | 7.824***<br>(0.381)        |
| jobclass2. Information |    | 3.516***<br>(1.315)        |
| health2. >=Very Good   |    | 6.258***<br>(1.411)        |
| health_ins2. No        |    | −16.441***<br>(1.403)      |
| age_sq                 |    | −0.027***<br>(0.004)       |
| Constant               | 10 | −2,502.209***<br>(612.306) |
| Observations           |    | 3,000                      |