

DATA 605 - Discussion 12

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Objective

Using R, build a multiple regression model for data that interests you. Include in this model at least one quadratic term, one dichotomous term, and one dichotomous vs. quantitative interaction term. Interpret all coefficients. Conduct residual analysis. Was the linear model appropriate? Why or why not?

I am using salary data that include observations on six variables for 52 tenure-track professors in a small college. The original data also can be found in ["http://data.princeton.edu/wws509/datasets/"](http://data.princeton.edu/wws509/datasets/)

The variables are:

- sx: Sex, coded 1 for female and 0 for male
- rk: Rank, coded 1 for assistant professor, 2 for associate professor, and 3 for full professor
- yr: Number of years in current rank
- dg: Highest degree, coded 1 if doctorate, 0 if masters
- yd: Number of years since highest degree was earned
- sl: Academic year salary, in dollars.

Data Import

```
# Data import
library(foreign)
salary <- read.dta("http://data.princeton.edu/wws509/datasets/salary.dta")
# Summary of Salary Data
summary(salary)
```

```
##          sx          rk          yr          dg
## Male   :38  Assistant:18  Min.    : 0.000  Min.    :0.0000
## Female:14  Associate:14  1st Qu.: 3.000  1st Qu.:0.0000
```

```
##           Full      :20   Median : 7.000   Median :1.0000
##                               Mean  : 7.481   Mean   :0.6538
##                               3rd Qu.:11.000   3rd Qu.:1.0000
##                               Max.   :25.000   Max.    :1.0000
##          yd          sl
##   Min.   : 1.00   Min.   :15000
##   1st Qu.: 6.75   1st Qu.:18247
##   Median :15.50   Median :23719
##   Mean    :16.12   Mean    :23798
##   3rd Qu.:23.25   3rd Qu.:27259
##   Max.    :35.00   Max.    :38045

# Data sample
knitr::kable(head(salary))
```

sx	rk	yr	dg	yd	sl
Male	Full	25	1	35	36350
Male	Full	13	1	22	35350
Male	Full	10	1	23	28200
Female	Full	7	1	27	26775
Male	Full	19	0	30	33696
Male	Full	16	1	21	28516

Data Engineering : Sex (sx) will be dichotomous variable.

Convert sex and rank into numerical representation.

```
salary$sx <- as.character(salary$sx)
salary$sx[salary$sx == "Male"] <- 0
salary$sx[salary$sx == "Female"] <- 1
salary$sx <- as.integer(salary$sx)
salary$rk <- as.character(salary$rk)
salary$rk[salary$rk == "Assistant"] <- 1
salary$rk[salary$rk == "Associate"] <- 2
salary$rk[salary$rk == "Full"] <- 3
salary$rk <- as.integer(salary$rk)
```

Initial Model

```
# Quadratic variable
rk2 <- salary$rk^2
sx_yd <- salary$sx * salary$yd

# Initial model
salary_lm <- lm(sl ~ sx + rk + rk2 + yr + dg + yd + sx_yd, data=salary)
summary(salary_lm)

##
## Call:
```

```
## lm(formula = sl ~ sx + rk + rk2 + yr + dg + yd + sx_yd, data = salary)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3827.5 -1180.3  -288.7   844.7  8709.7
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 13045.79    3302.80   3.950 0.000279 ***
## sx           127.83     1359.23   0.094 0.925502
## rk          4230.31     3530.16   1.198 0.237202
## rk2          340.06      845.99   0.402 0.689655
## yr           523.83      105.21   4.979 1.03e-05 ***
## dg          -1514.35     1024.89  -1.478 0.146645
## yd           -174.42       90.99  -1.917 0.061751 .
## sx_yd         80.00       76.74   1.042 0.302882
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2396 on 44 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8585, Adjusted R-squared:  0.836
## F-statistic: 38.15 on 7 and 44 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Perform **backwards elimination** - removing one variable (the one with highest p-value) at a time. Removing *sex*.

```
# Version 2
salary_lm <- update(salary_lm, .~. -sx)
summary(salary_lm)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = sl ~ rk + rk2 + yr + dg + yd + sx_yd, data = salary)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3822.3 -1186.7  -284.7   851.5  8710.6
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 13159.28    3040.37   4.328 8.28e-05 ***
## rk          4142.04     3365.41   1.231  0.2248
## rk2          358.78      813.13   0.441  0.6612
## yr           523.94      104.04   5.036 8.16e-06 ***
## dg          -1506.10     1009.82  -1.491  0.1428
## yd           -175.51       89.24  -1.967  0.0554 .
## sx_yd         85.29       51.63   1.652  0.1055
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
```

```
## Residual standard error: 2370 on 45 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8585, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8396
## F-statistic: 45.51 on 6 and 45 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Removing *square of rank*.

```
# Version 3
salary_lm <- update(salary_lm, .~. -rk2)
summary(salary_lm)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = sl ~ rk + yr + dg + yd + sx_yd, data = salary)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3635.0 -1330.9  -218.3   615.3  8730.4
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 11898.01    1026.60   11.590 3.04e-15 ***
## rk           5598.87     645.84    8.669 3.11e-11 ***
## yr           531.62     101.67    5.229 4.06e-06 ***
## dg          -1411.88     978.31   -1.443  0.1557
## yd           -180.92      87.61   -2.065  0.0446 *
## sx_yd         88.38      50.70    1.743  0.0880 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2349 on 46 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8579, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8424
## F-statistic: 55.54 on 5 and 46 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Removing *highest degree*.

```
# Version 4
salary_lm <- update(salary_lm, .~. -dg)
summary(salary_lm)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = sl ~ rk + yr + yd + sx_yd, data = salary)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3545.3 -1585.0  -432.7   884.0  8520.8
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 11087.98     869.42  12.753 < 2e-16 ***
## rk           5090.45     547.49   9.298 3.18e-12 ***
```

```
## yr          480.09      96.28   4.986 8.81e-06 ***
## yd          -94.26      64.53  -1.461   0.151
## sx_yd        66.10      48.85   1.353   0.182
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2376 on 47 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8515, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8388
## F-statistic: 67.35 on 4 and 47 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Removing *interaction between sex and number of years since highest degree was earned*.

```
# Version 5
salary_lm <- update(salary_lm, .~. -sx_yd)
summary(salary_lm)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = sl ~ rk + yr + yd, data = salary)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3329.7 -1135.6  -377.9   801.5  9576.6
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 11282.90     864.79  13.047 < 2e-16 ***
## rk          4973.64     545.30   9.121 4.71e-12 ***
## yr           405.67      79.71   5.089 5.94e-06 ***
## yd          -40.86      51.50   -0.794   0.431
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2396 on 48 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8457, Adjusted R-squared:  0.836
## F-statistic: 87.68 on 3 and 48 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Removing *number of years since highest degree was earned*.

```
# Version 6
salary_lm <- update(salary_lm, .~. -yd)
summary(salary_lm)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = sl ~ rk + yr, data = salary)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3339.4 -1451.0  -323.3   821.3  9502.6
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 11336.67      858.87  13.200 < 2e-16 ***
## rk          4731.26      450.01  10.514 3.72e-14 ***
## yr          376.50       70.46   5.344 2.36e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2387 on 49 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8436, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8373
## F-statistic: 132.2 on 2 and 49 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Summary of Model Results

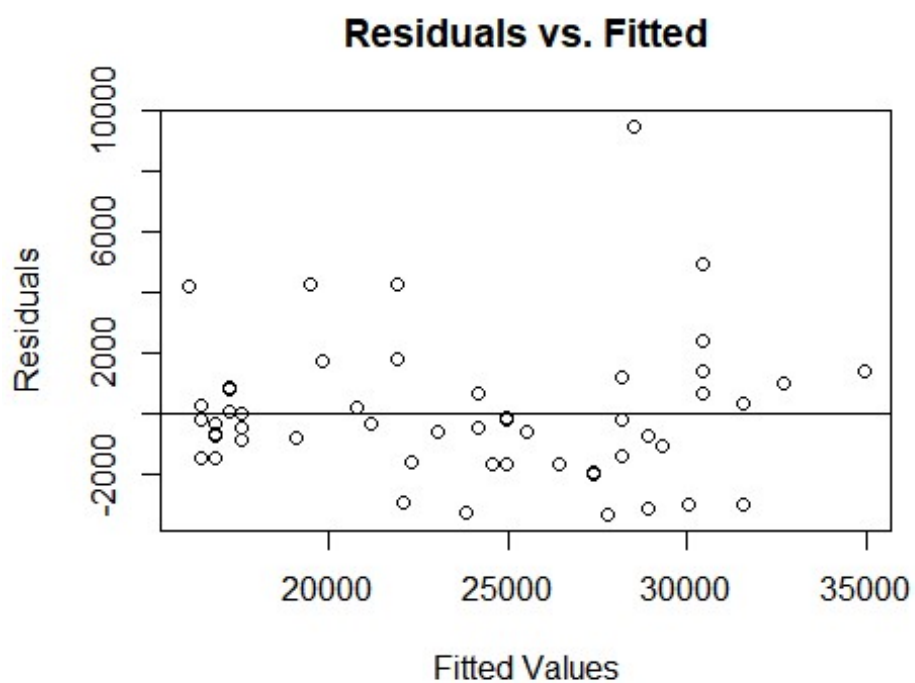
The final model has two variables - *rank* and *number of years in current rank* - that can be used to predict the target variable.

Two coefficients imply that for every increase in rank the salary increases by \$4,731.26 and with every year in the current rank the salary increases by \$376.50.

Based on the Residuals vs. Fitted plot below there are some outliers in the data, but overall variability is fairly consistent. Based on the Q-Q plot, distribution of residuals is close to normal.

Based on R^2 value, the model explains 84.36% of variability in the data.

```
plot(salary_lm$fitted.values, salary_lm$residuals, xlab="Fitted Values",
     ylab="Residuals", main="Residuals vs. Fitted")
abline(h=0)
```



```
qqnorm(salary_lm$residuals)  
qqline(salary_lm$residuals)
```

