


Linear Regression-II

(Least Square Error Fit for Multiple Linear Regression)

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Multiple Linear Regression (MLR)

- Multiple regression models describe how a single response variable Y depends linearly on a number of predictor variables.
- Examples:
 - The selling price of a house can depend on the desirability of the location, the number of bedrooms, the number of bathrooms, the year the house was built, the square footage of the lot and a number of other factors.
 - The height of a child can depend on the height of the mother, the height of the father, nutrition, and environmental factors.

Multiple Linear Regression Model

- A multiple linear regression model with k independent predictor variables x_1, x_2, \dots, x_k predicts the output variable as:

$$\hat{y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \dots + \beta_k x_k$$

- There is always some error (regression residual) in predicting the values, i.e.

$$\text{actual value}_i = \text{predicted value}_i + \text{error}$$

$$y_i = \hat{y}_i + \epsilon_i$$

$$\hat{y}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \beta_3 x_{i3} + \dots + \beta_k x_{ik} + \epsilon_i$$

The total error can be computed from all the values in dataset i.e. $i=1, 2, \dots, n$

$$\text{Total Error} = \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \sum_{j=1}^k \beta_j x_{ij}) \quad (7)$$

Multiple Linear Regression Model

- Equation (7) presented in the previous slide, can be represented in matrix form as:

$$\epsilon = y - X\beta$$

- Where $\epsilon = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$; $y = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{bmatrix}$; $\beta = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{bmatrix}$

and $X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1k} \\ 1 & x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{nk} \end{bmatrix}$

Least Square Error Fit for MLR

- According to Least Square Error method, we have to find the values of the matrix β for which total square error is minimum.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total Square Error} = J(\beta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i^2 = \epsilon^T \epsilon \\ &= (y - X\beta)^T (y - X\beta) \\ &= (y^T - \beta^T X^T)(y - X\beta) \end{aligned}$$

$$J(\beta) = y^T y - \beta^T X^T y - y^T X \beta + \beta^T X^T X \beta$$

$$J(\beta) = y^T y - 2y^T X \beta + \beta^T X^T X \beta$$

[Because $y^T X \beta$ and $\beta^T X^T y$ is always equal with only one entry]

- The square error function is minimized using **second derivative test**.

Least Square Error Fit for MLR

- **Step 1: Compute the partial derivate of $J(\beta)$ w.r.t β**

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{\partial J(\beta)}{\partial \beta} &= \frac{\partial (y^T y - 2y^T X\beta + \beta^T X^T X\beta)}{\partial \beta} \\&= \frac{\partial y^T y}{\partial \beta} - \frac{\partial 2y^T X\beta}{\partial \beta} + \frac{\partial \beta^T X^T X\beta}{\partial \beta} \\&= 0 - 2X^T y \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial \beta} + \frac{\partial \beta^T X^T X\beta}{\partial \beta} \\&\quad [Because \frac{\partial AX}{\partial X} = A^T] \\&= -2X^T y + 2X^T X\beta \\&\quad [Because \frac{\partial X^T AX}{\partial X} = 2AX]\end{aligned}$$

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- Step 2: Compute $\hat{\beta}$ for β for which $\frac{\partial J(\beta)}{\partial \beta} = 0$

$$-2X^T y + 2X^T X \hat{\beta} = 0$$

$$X^T X \hat{\beta} = X^T y$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$$

- Step 3: Compute $\frac{\partial^2 J(\beta)}{\partial \beta^2}$ and prove it to be minimum for $\hat{\beta}$

$$\frac{\partial^2 J(\beta)}{\partial \beta^2} = \frac{\partial (-2X^T y + 2X^T X \beta)}{\partial \beta} = 0 + 2 X X^T = +ve$$

Least Square Error Fit for MLR- Example

Example: The Delivery Times Data A soft drink bottler is analyzing the vending machine serving routes in his distribution system. He is interested in predicting the time required by the distribution driver to service the vending machines in an outlet. It has been suggested that the two most important variables influencing delivery time (y in min) are the number of cases of product stocked (x_1) and the distance walked by the driver (x_2 in feet). 3 observations on delivery times, cases stocked and walking times have been recorded.

| number of cases of product stocked (x_1) | the distance walked by the driver (x_2) | Delivery time (in min) y |
|--|---|----------------------------|
| 7 | 560 | 16.68 |
| 3 | 220 | 11.50 |
| 3 | 340 | 12.03 |

- (a) Fit a multiple regression line using least square error fit.
- (b) Compute the delivery time when 4 cases are stocked and the distance traveled by driver is 80 feet.

Least Square Error Fit for MLR- Example Soln

- The multiple linear regression equation is: $y = \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 x_1 + \hat{\beta}_3 x_2$

Where $\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\beta}_3$ or $\hat{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 \\ \hat{\beta}_3 \end{bmatrix}$ are regression coefficients for line of best fit.

We know, $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 7 & 560 \\ 1 & 3 & 220 \\ 1 & 3 & 340 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } X^T = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 7 & 3 & 3 \\ 560 & 220 & 340 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$X^T X = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 13 & 1120 \\ 13 & 67 & 5600 \\ 1120 & 5600 & 477600 \end{bmatrix}$$

Least Square Error Fit for MLR- Example Soln

$$(X^T X)^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 799/288 & 79/288 & -7/720 \\ 79/288 & 223/288 & -7/720 \\ -7/720 & -7/720 & 1/7200 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y = \begin{bmatrix} 7.7696 \\ 0.9196 \\ 0.0044 \end{bmatrix}$$

The line of best fit is, $y = 7.7696 + 0.9196x_1 + 0.0044x_2$

When $x_1 = 4$, $x_2 = 80$

$$y = 7.7696 + 0.9196 \times 4 + 0.0044 \times 80 = 11.80 \text{ min}$$