

# Assignment 1

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1. (a) The linear regression model can be written as,

$$P = \beta_0 + \beta_1 C + \epsilon$$

where,

- $P$  is the prime interest rate
- $C$  is the core inflation rate
- $\beta_0$  is the intercept of the regression line
- $\beta_1$  is the slope of the regression line
- $\epsilon$  is the error term

Assumptions of the linear regression model are,

- Linearity:** The relationship between  $P$  and  $C$  is linear
- Independence:** The error term  $\epsilon$  is independent of  $C$
- Normality:** The error term  $\epsilon$  is normally distributed
- Homoscedasticity:** The error term  $\epsilon$  has a constant variance across all levels of  $C$

2. **Remark:** from ch2A.pdf slide 9 and 13,

- $\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$
- $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}}$
- $S_{xy} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$
- $S_{xx} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$

Let  $e_i$  be the  $i$ th residual term. Then for each observation, we can see that the residual for each observation  $i$  is defined as:

$$e_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$$

then we can say that the predicted value  $\hat{y}_i$  is equivalent to

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$$

$$(a) \sum_{i=1}^n e_i = 0$$

*Proof.* LHS:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y} + \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n y_i - n\bar{y} + \hat{\beta}_1 n\bar{x} - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\ &= n\bar{y} - n\bar{y} + \hat{\beta}_1 n\bar{x} - \hat{\beta}_1 n\bar{x} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$LHS = 0 = RHS$$

$\therefore$  It is true that the sum of residuals  $e_i$  is zero. □

$$(b) \sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i = 0$$

*Proof.* LHS:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n x_i e_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i y_i - x_i (\bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}) - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i^2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i y_i - x_i \bar{y} + x_i \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i^2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i (y_i - \bar{y}) + \hat{\beta}_1 (\bar{x} x_i - x_i^2)) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - \bar{y} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \hat{\beta}_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \bar{x} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \\
&= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - n \bar{x} \bar{y} \right) - \hat{\beta}_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n \bar{x}^2 \right) \\
&= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - n \bar{x} \bar{y} - n \bar{x} \bar{y} + n \bar{x} \bar{y} \right) - \hat{\beta}_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - n \bar{x} \bar{x} - n \bar{x} \bar{x} + n \bar{x} \bar{x} \right) \\
&= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - n \bar{x} \bar{y} - n \bar{x} \bar{y} + n \bar{x} \bar{y} \right) - \hat{\beta}_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2n \bar{x} \bar{x} + n \bar{x} \bar{x} \right) \\
&= \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - \bar{y} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \bar{x} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i + n \bar{x} \bar{y} \right) - \hat{\beta}_1 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - 2\bar{x} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + n \bar{x}^2 \right) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i y_i - \bar{y} x_i - \bar{x} y_i + \bar{x} \bar{y}) - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 - 2\bar{x} x_i + \bar{x}^2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i (y_i - \bar{y}) + \bar{x} (y_i - \bar{y})) - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i + \bar{x}) (y_i - \bar{y}) - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \\
&= S_{xy} - \hat{\beta}_1 S_{xx} \\
&= S_{xy} - \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} S_{xx} \\
&= S_{xy} - S_{xy} \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$LHS = 0 = RHS$$

□

∴ It is true that the independent variables  $x_i$  is completely uncorrelated to the residuals  $e_i$ .

$$(c) \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i e_i = 0$$

*Proof.* LHS:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i e_i &= \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i \hat{y}_i - \hat{y}_i^2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)^2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i (\bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) - (\bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)^2) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i \bar{y} - y_i \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} + y_i \hat{\beta}_1 x_i \\
&\quad - (\bar{y}^2 - 2\hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1^2 \bar{x}^2 + 2\hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} x_i - 2\hat{\beta}_1^2 \bar{x} x_i + \hat{\beta}_1^2 x_i^2)) \\
&= (\sum_{i=1}^n y_i \bar{y} - \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} + \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \hat{\beta}_1 x_i \\
&\quad - \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{y}^2 - 2\hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1^2 \bar{x}^2 + 2\hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} x_i - 2\hat{\beta}_1^2 \bar{x} x_i + \hat{\beta}_1^2 x_i^2)) \\
&= (n\bar{y}^2 - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \\
&\quad - (\sum_{i=1}^n \bar{y}^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n 2\hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} \bar{x} + \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\beta}_1^2 \bar{x}^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n 2\hat{\beta}_1 \bar{y} x_i - \sum_{i=1}^n 2\hat{\beta}_1^2 \bar{x} x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\beta}_1^2 x_i^2)) \\
&= (n\bar{y}^2 - (n\bar{y}^2 - 2\hat{\beta}_1 n\bar{y} \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1^2 n\bar{x}^2 + 2\hat{\beta}_1 n\bar{y} \bar{x} - 2\hat{\beta}_1^2 n\bar{x} \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2))
\end{aligned}$$

proof continued.

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i e_i &= (n\bar{y}^2 - (n\bar{y}^2 - \hat{\beta}_1^2 n\bar{x}^2 + \hat{\beta}_1^2 n\bar{x}^2)) \\
&= (n\bar{y}^2 - n\bar{y}^2) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$LHS = 0 = RHS$$

□

∴ It is true that the predicted values  $\hat{y}_i$  is completely orthogonal to the residuals  $e_i$ .

3. (a) It is given that:

- $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}}$
- $S_{xy} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$
- $S_{xx} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$
- $y_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$
- $\bar{y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{x}$

We want to show that

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma^2}{S_{xx}})$$

Where  $\beta_1$  is the mean of the distribution and  $\frac{\sigma^2}{S_{xx}}$  is the variance.

*Proof.* Let  $k_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}}$  then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\beta}_1 &= \sum k_i (y_i - \bar{y}) \\
E[\hat{\beta}_1] &= E \left[ \sum k_i (y_i - \bar{y}) \right] \\
&= \sum k_i E[(y_i - \bar{y})] \\
&= \sum k_i E[(\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i + \epsilon_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 \bar{x})] \\
&= \sum k_i (E[\hat{\beta}_0] + E[\hat{\beta}_1 x_i] + E[\epsilon_i] - E[\beta_0] - E[\beta_1 \bar{x}])
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \sum k_i(0 + \beta_1 x_i + 0 - 0 - \beta_1 \bar{x}) \\
&= \sum k_i(\beta_1 x_i - \beta_1 \bar{x}) \\
&= \beta_1 \sum k_i(x_i - \bar{x}) \\
&= \beta_1 \sum \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}}(x_i - \bar{x}) \\
&= \beta_1 \sum \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{(x_i - \bar{x})^2} \\
&= \beta_1
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1$$

□

Using  $k_i$  from earlier, we can proof that  $Var[\hat{\beta}_1] = \frac{\sigma^2}{S_{xx}}$

$$Var[\hat{\beta}_1] = Var[\sum k_i(y_i - \bar{y})]$$

$$Var[\hat{\beta}_1] = \sum Var[k_i(y_i - \bar{y})]$$

$$Var[\hat{\beta}_1] = \sum k_i^2 Var[(y_i - \bar{y})]$$

4. Given the model:

$$y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 i + \epsilon_i$$

(a) Let us derive the least-squares estimators for  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
S(\beta_1, \beta_2) &= \sum (y_i - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 i)^2 \\
\frac{\delta S}{\delta \beta_1} &= -2 \sum (y_i - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 i) x_i = 0 \\
&= -2 \sum (y_i x_i - \beta_1 x_i^2 - \beta_2 i x_i) = 0 \\
\sum y_i x_i &= \beta_1 \sum x_i^2 + \beta_2 \sum x_i i \\
\frac{\delta S}{\delta \beta_2} &= -2 \sum (y_i - \beta_1 x_i - \beta_2 i) i = 0 \\
&= -2 \sum (y_i i - \beta_1 x_i i - \beta_2 i^2) = 0 \\
\sum y_i i &= \beta_1 \sum x_i i + \beta_2 \sum i^2
\end{aligned}$$

Solving for  $\beta_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum y_i x_i &= \beta_1 \sum x_i^2 + \beta_2 \sum x_i i \\
\beta_1 \sum x_i^2 &= \sum y_i x_i - \beta_2 \sum x_i i \\
\beta_1 &= \frac{\sum y_i x_i - \beta_2 \sum x_i i}{\sum x_i^2} \\
\sum y_i i &= \beta_1 \sum x_i i + \beta_2 \sum i^2 \\
\beta_1 \sum x_i i &= \sum y_i i - \beta_2 \sum i^2 \\
\beta_1 &= \frac{\sum y_i i - \beta_2 \sum i^2}{\sum x_i i}
\end{aligned}$$

Now set them equal to each other and solve for  $\beta_2$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\sum y_i x_i - \beta_2 \sum x_i i}{\sum x_i^2} &= \frac{\sum y_i i - \beta_2 \sum i^2}{\sum x_i i} \\
(\sum y_i x_i - \beta_2 \sum x_i i)(\sum x_i i) &= (\sum x_i^2)(\sum y_i i - \beta_2 \sum i^2) \\
\sum y_i x_i (\sum x_i i) - \beta_2 (\sum x_i i)^2 &= \sum y_i i (\sum x_i^2) - \beta_2 \sum i^2 (\sum x_i^2) \\
\beta_2 \sum i^2 \sum x_i^2 - \beta_2 (\sum x_i i)^2 &= \sum y_i i \sum x_i^2 - \sum y_i x_i \sum x_i i \\
\beta_2 (\sum i^2 \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i i)^2) &= \sum y_i i \sum x_i^2 - \sum y_i x_i \sum x_i i
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, we have:

$$\beta_2 = \frac{\sum y_i i \sum x_i^2 - \sum y_i x_i \sum x_i i}{\sum i^2 \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i i)^2}$$

Solving for  $\beta_1$  using same approach:

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum y_i x_i &= \beta_1 \sum x_i^2 + \beta_2 \sum x_i i \\
\beta_2 \sum x_i i &= \sum y_i x_i - \beta_1 \sum x_i^2 \\
\beta_2 &= \frac{\sum y_i x_i - \beta_1 \sum x_i^2}{\sum x_i i} \\
\sum y_i i &= \beta_1 \sum x_i i + \beta_2 \sum i^2 \\
\beta_2 \sum i^2 &= \sum y_i i - \beta_1 \sum x_i i \\
\beta_2 &= \frac{\sum y_i i - \beta_1 \sum x_i i}{\sum i^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Now set them equal to each other and solve for  $\beta_1$

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\sum y_i x_i - \beta_1 \sum x_i^2}{\sum x_i i} &= \frac{\sum y_i i - \beta_1 \sum x_i i}{\sum i^2} \\
(\sum y_i x_i - \beta_1 \sum x_i^2)(\sum i^2) &= (\sum x_i i)(\sum y_i i - \beta_1 \sum x_i i) \\
\sum y_i x_i \sum i^2 - \beta_1 \sum x_i^2 \sum i^2 &= \sum y_i i \sum x_i i - \beta_1 (\sum x_i i)^2 \\
\beta_1 (\sum x_i i)^2 - \beta_1 \sum x_i^2 \sum i^2 &= \sum y_i i \sum x_i i - \sum y_i x_i \sum i^2 \\
\beta_1 ((\sum x_i i)^2 - \sum x_i^2 \sum i^2) &= \sum y_i i \sum x_i i - \sum y_i x_i \sum i^2
\end{aligned}$$

Finally, we have:

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\sum y_i i \sum x_i i - \sum y_i x_i \sum i^2}{(\sum x_i i)^2 - \sum x_i^2 \sum i^2}$$

To find the conditions where  $x_i$  makes the estimators not well-defined, we let  $x_i = i$ . so then we have our  $\beta_1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_1 &= \frac{\sum y_i i \sum x_i i - \sum y_i x_i \sum i^2}{(\sum x_i)^2 - \sum x_i^2 \sum i^2} \\
&= \frac{\sum y_i i \sum i^2 - \sum y_i i \sum i^2}{(\sum i^2)^2 - \sum i^2 \sum i^2} \\
&= \frac{\sum y_i i \sum i^2 - \sum y_i i \sum i^2}{\sum i^2 \sum i^2 - \sum i^2 \sum i^2} \\
&= \frac{0}{0}
\end{aligned}$$

and then our  $\beta_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\beta_2 &= \frac{\sum y_i i \sum x_i^2 - \sum y_i x_i \sum x_i i}{\sum i^2 \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i i)^2} \\
&= \frac{\sum y_i i \sum i^2 - \sum y_i i \sum i^2}{(\sum i^2)^2 - \sum i^2 \sum i^2} \\
&= \frac{\sum y_i i \sum i^2 - \sum y_i i \sum i^2}{\sum i^2 \sum i^2 - \sum i^2 \sum i^2} \\
&= \frac{0}{0}
\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  The estimator  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  is not well-defined at  $x_i = i$ .



- (b) For the case where the coefficient estimators are well-defined, the unbiased estimator for  $\sigma^2$  is:

$$E[\sum \epsilon^2] = (n-2)\sigma^2$$

$$\sigma^2 = \frac{\sum \epsilon^2}{n-2}$$

Derived from, Question 3b.

- (c) *Proof.* We want to show that  $MSE$  is an unbiased estimator  $\sigma^2$  then we want to show that:

$$E[MSE] = E \left[ \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \right]$$

so then we can start by recalling the model,

$$y_i = \alpha + \epsilon_i$$

then it is true that the sample mean is,

$$\bar{y} = \alpha + \bar{\epsilon}$$

then,  $y_i - \bar{y}$  can be rewritten as,

$$y_i - \bar{y} = (\alpha + \epsilon_i) - (\alpha + \bar{\epsilon}) = \epsilon_i - \bar{\epsilon}$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[MSE] &= E \left[ \frac{1}{n-1} \sum (\epsilon_i - \bar{\epsilon})^2 \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} E \left[ \left( \sum \epsilon_i^2 - \sum \bar{\epsilon}^2 \right) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{n-1} \left( \sum E[\epsilon_i^2] - E[n\bar{\epsilon}^2] \right) \end{aligned}$$

We know that

$$E[\epsilon_i] = 0 \Rightarrow E[\epsilon_i^2] = Var[\epsilon_i] + E[\epsilon_i]^2 = \sigma^2$$

$$\sum E[\epsilon_i] = n\sigma^2$$

now we find that,

$$\begin{aligned}
E[n\bar{\epsilon}^2] &= nE[\bar{\epsilon}^2] \\
&\Rightarrow E[\bar{\epsilon}^2] = Var[\bar{\epsilon}] + E[\bar{\epsilon}]^2 \\
&= \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \\
&\Leftrightarrow Var[\bar{\epsilon}] = Var\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum \epsilon_i\right] \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum Var[\epsilon_i] \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} \sum \sigma^2 \\
&= \frac{1}{n^2} n\sigma^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \\
&\Leftrightarrow E[\bar{\epsilon}]^2 = E\left[\frac{1}{n} \sum e_i\right]^2 \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum E[e_i]\right)^2 \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{n} \cdot 0\right)^2 = 0 \\
E[n\bar{\epsilon}^2] &= n \cdot \frac{\sigma^2}{n} = \sigma^2
\end{aligned}$$

so then finally we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
E[MSE] &= \frac{1}{n-1}(n\sigma^2 - \sigma^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{n-1}(n-1)\sigma^2 \\
&= \sigma^2
\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore MSE$  is an unbiased estimator for  $\sigma^2$ .

□