

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
- β_0 is the intercept of the regression line
- β_1 is the slope of the regression line
- ϵ is the error term

Assumptions of the linear regression model are,

- Linearity:** The relationship between P and C is linear
- Independence:** The error term ϵ is independent of C
- Normality:** The error term ϵ is normally distributed
- Homoscedasticity:** The error term ϵ 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 β_1 is the mean of the distribution and $\frac{\sigma^2}{S_{xx}}$ is the variance.

Proof. LHS:

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

□

4. Given the model:

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

(a) We want to derive the least-squares estimators for β_1 and β_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 β_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 β_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 β_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 β_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 β_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 β_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 β_1 and β_2 is not well-defined at $x_i = i$.

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

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

Derived from, Question 3b.