## Lecture 5

# Matrix approach to linear regression

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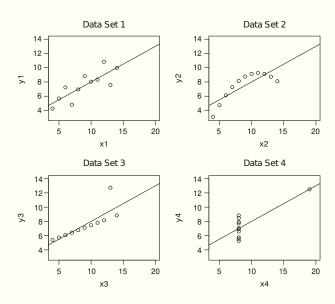
## Last week we learned

Anscombe's four data sets

Regression diagnostics

Transformations

## Anscombe's four data sets



## Regression diagnostics

• Standardised residuals  $r_i$  are given by

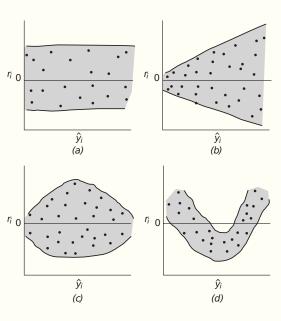
$$r_i = \frac{e_i}{\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2 (1 - h_{ii})}}$$
 where  $h_{ii} = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{s_{xx}}$ 

- The ith case is an outlier if
  - $-|r_i| > 2$  for small and medium data sets,
  - $-|r_i| > 4$  for large data sets.
- The *i*th case is a high leverage case if  $h_{ii} > 4/n$ . Moreover,
  - it is a bad leverage case if it is also an outlier,
  - it is a good leverage case otherwise.
- Cook's distance is a measure of influence given by

$$D_i = \frac{r_i^2}{2} \cdot \frac{h_{ii}}{1 - h_{ii}}$$

A cut-off for  $D_i$  for the simple linear regression is 4/(n-2).

# Constance of variance plots



#### **Transformations**

- Typical transformations are:
  - Square root transformation, i.e.  $y_i \to \sqrt{y_i}$  or  $x_i \to \sqrt{x_i}$
  - Log transformation, i.e.  $y_i \rightarrow \log y_i$  or  $x_i \rightarrow \log x_i$
  - Power transformations, i.e.  $y_i \to y_i^\lambda$  or  $x_i \to x_i^\lambda$

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#### Multivariate normal distribution

• Let  $z_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_{ii}^2)$  for  $1 \le i \le n$  be normal random variables

• Set 
$$\sigma_{ij}^2 = \text{Cov}(z_i, z_j)$$
 for  $1 \le i, j \le n$ 

• The joint distribution of the  $z_i$ 's is the multivariate normal distribution

$$z \sim N_n(\mu, V)$$

where

$$\mathbf{z} = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{\mu} = \begin{pmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \\ \vdots \\ \mu_n \end{pmatrix} \qquad V = \begin{pmatrix} \sigma_{11}^2 & \sigma_{12}^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{1n}^2 \\ \sigma_{21}^2 & \sigma_{22}^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{2n}^2 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \sigma_{n1}^2 & \sigma_{n2}^2 & \cdots & \sigma_{nn}^2 \end{pmatrix}$$

## Expectation value

Let z be an n-dimensional column vector of random vectors, then

$$\mathbb{E}(\mathbf{z}) = \mathbb{E}\begin{pmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \\ \vdots \\ z_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}(z_1) \\ \mathbb{E}(z_2) \\ \vdots \\ \mathbb{E}(z_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

 Let a be a scalar, b - an n-dimensional column vector of constants, and A, B - matrices of constants, then

$$\mathbb{E}(az + b) = a \,\mathbb{E}(z) + b$$
$$\mathbb{E}(Az) = A \,\mathbb{E}(z)$$
$$\mathbb{E}(z^T B) = \mathbb{E}(z)^T B$$

#### Variance-covariance matrix

Variance-covariance (dispersion) matrix

$$\operatorname{Var}(\boldsymbol{z}) = \begin{pmatrix} \operatorname{Var}(z_1) & \operatorname{Cov}(z_1, z_2) & \dots & \operatorname{Cov}(z_1, z_n) \\ \operatorname{Cov}(z_2, z_1) & \operatorname{Var}(z_2) & \dots & \operatorname{Cov}(z_2, z_n) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \operatorname{Cov}(z_n, z_1) & \operatorname{Cov}(z_n, z_2) & \dots & \operatorname{Var}(z_n) \end{pmatrix}$$

- The matrix Var(z) is symmetric,  $Cov(z_i, z_i) = Cov(z_i, z_i)$
- For mutually uncorrelated random variables it is a diagonal matrix,  $\mathrm{Cov}(z_i,z_j)=0$  for all  $i\neq j$
- It can be written as  $Var(z) = \mathbb{E}[(z \mathbb{E}(z))(z \mathbb{E}(z))^T]$
- For a transformed variable u = Az we have  $Var(u) = AVar(z)A^T$

•  $Var(z) = \mathbb{E}[(z - \mu)(z - \mu)^T]$  where  $\mu = \mathbb{E}(z)$ . Indeed:

$$\mathbb{E}\left[(\mathbf{z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})(\mathbf{z} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^{T}\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\begin{pmatrix} z_{1} - \mu_{1} \\ z_{2} - \mu_{2} \\ \vdots \\ z_{n} - \mu_{n} \end{pmatrix} (z_{1} - \mu_{1}, z_{2} - \mu_{2}, \dots, z_{n} - \mu_{n})\right]$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} \mathbb{E}((z_{1} - \mu_{1})^{2}) & \mathbb{E}((z_{1} - \mu_{1})(z_{2} - \mu_{2})) & \cdots & \mathbb{E}((z_{1} - \mu_{1})(z_{n} - \mu_{n})) \\ \mathbb{E}((z_{2} - \mu_{2})(z_{1} - \mu_{1})) & \mathbb{E}((z_{2} - \mu_{2})^{2}) & \cdots & \mathbb{E}((z_{2} - \mu_{2})(z_{n} - \mu_{n})) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \mathbb{E}((z_{n} - \mu_{n})(z_{1} - \mu_{1})) & \mathbb{E}((z_{n} - \mu_{n})(z_{2} - \mu_{2})) & \cdots & \mathbb{E}((z_{n} - \mu_{n})^{2}) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \operatorname{Var}(\mathbf{z})$$

• Homework: show that  $Var(z) = \mathbb{E}[zz^T] - \mu \mu^T$ 

#### Variance-covariance matrix

• Let u = Az. Then  $Var(u) = AVar(z)A^T$ . Indeed:

$$Var(u) = \mathbb{E}\left[(u - \mathbb{E}(u))(u - \mathbb{E}(u))^{T}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[(Az - A\mu)(Az - A\mu)^{T}\right]$$

$$= \mathbb{E}\left[A(z - \mu)(z - \mu)^{T}A^{T}\right]$$

$$= A\mathbb{E}\left[(z - \mu)(z - \mu)^{T}\right]A^{T}$$

$$= AVar(z)A^{T}$$

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## Matrix approach

The SLR model has n equations

$$y_1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \varepsilon_1$$

$$y_2 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_2 + \varepsilon_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$y_n = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_n + \varepsilon_n$$

In the matrix form

$$y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \qquad X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

The matrix X is known as the design matrix.

## Distribution of $\varepsilon$ and y

The SLR model in the matrix form

$$y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

• Standard assumption for the error terms

$$\varepsilon_i \stackrel{ind}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2) \implies \varepsilon \sim N_n(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 I_n)$$

Distribution of v

$$y_i \stackrel{ind}{\sim} N(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i, \sigma^2) \implies y \sim N_n(X\beta, \sigma^2 I_n)$$

where

$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \quad X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{pmatrix} \quad I_n = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & \\ & 1 & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

#### Least squares estimation

**Claim.** The least squares estimate of  $\beta$  is

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

Proof. First, note that

$$SS_E = \sum_i e_i e_i = \boldsymbol{e}^T \boldsymbol{e}$$

Hence in vector notation, to minimise  $SS_E$  we must solve the equation

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_0} \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_1} \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \implies \frac{\partial \mathbf{e}^T \mathbf{e}}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{0}$$

#### Matrix derivatives

• Let  $\mathbf{z} = (z_1, \dots, z_r)^T$  and let  $f(z_1, \dots, z_r)$  be a function of  $\mathbf{z}$ . Then

$$\frac{\partial f(z_1, \dots, z_r)}{\partial z} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{f(z_1, \dots, z_r)}{\partial z_1} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial f(z_1, \dots, z_r)}{\partial z_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

• For any vector  $\mathbf{a} = (a_1, \dots, a_r)^T$  we have

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{a}^T \boldsymbol{z}}{\partial \boldsymbol{z}} = \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{z}^T \boldsymbol{a}}{\partial \boldsymbol{z}} = \frac{\partial (a_1 z_1 + \ldots + a_r z_r)}{\partial \boldsymbol{z}} = \begin{pmatrix} a_1 \\ \vdots \\ a_r \end{pmatrix} = \boldsymbol{a}$$

If M is a square r × r matrix then

$$\frac{\partial \boldsymbol{z}^T M \boldsymbol{z}}{\partial \boldsymbol{z}} = (M + M^T) \boldsymbol{z}$$

Using

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{a}^T \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}^T \mathbf{a}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = \mathbf{a} \qquad \frac{\partial \mathbf{z}^T M \mathbf{z}}{\partial \mathbf{z}} = (M + M^T) \mathbf{z}$$

we compute

$$\frac{\partial e^T e}{\partial \beta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} (\mathbf{y} - X \beta)^T (\mathbf{y} - X \beta)$$

$$= \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} (\mathbf{y}^T \mathbf{y} - \beta^T X^T \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{y}^T X \beta + \beta^T (X^T X) \beta)$$

$$= 0 - X^T \mathbf{y} - (\mathbf{y}^T X)^T + (X^T X + (X^T X)^T) \beta$$

$$= -2X^T \mathbf{y} + 2(X^T X) \beta$$

Next, equate the derivative to zero

$$\left. \frac{\partial e^T e}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} \right|_{\boldsymbol{\beta} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}} = \mathbf{0} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad (X^T X) \, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = X^T \mathbf{y} \quad \Longrightarrow \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbf{y}$$

#### The SLR model in the matrix form

- We found that  $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$ . This must agree with our earlier results.
- The design matrix is

$$X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore (Homework: verify the steps on this and next slide)

$$X^{T}\mathbf{y} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ x_{1} & x_{2} & \cdots & x_{n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_{1} \\ y_{2} \\ \vdots \\ y_{n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum y_{i} \\ \sum x_{i}y_{i} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$X^{T}X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ x_{1} & x_{2} & \cdots & x_{n} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{1} \\ 1 & x_{2} \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} n & \sum x_{i} \\ \sum x_{i} & \sum x_{i}^{2} \end{pmatrix}$$
$$\det(X^{T}X) = n \sum_{i} x_{i}^{2} - \left(\sum_{i} x_{i}\right)^{2} = n \sum_{i} \left(x_{i}^{2} - x_{i} \bar{x}\right) = n s_{xx}$$

The inverse of X<sup>T</sup>X is

$$(X^T X)^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} n & \sum x_i \\ \sum x_i & \sum x_i^2 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{n s_{xx}} \begin{pmatrix} \sum x_i^2 & -\sum x_i \\ -\sum x_i & n \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{s_{xx}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i^2 & -\bar{x} \\ -\bar{x} & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Therefore

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

$$= \frac{1}{s_{xx}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i^2 & -\bar{x} \\ -\bar{x} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sum y_i \\ \sum x_i y_i \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{s_{xx}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i^2 \sum y_i - \bar{x} \sum x_i y_i \\ \sum x_i y_i - \bar{x} \sum y_i \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{s_{xx}} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{n} \sum x_i^2 \sum y_i - \bar{x}^2 \sum y_i - \bar{x} (\sum x_i y_i - \bar{x} \sum y_i) \\ s_{xy} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \frac{1}{s_{xx}} \begin{pmatrix} s_{xx} \bar{y} - \bar{x} s_{xy} \\ s_{xy} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{pmatrix}$$

which is the same result we found earlier.

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### Multiple linear regression

- A linear regression model that has more than one predictor variable,  $X_1, X_2, \ldots$ , is called a multiple linear regression model.
- This model generalizes the simple linear regression in two ways:
  - it allows the mean function  $\mathbb{E}(Y)$  to depend on more than one predictor,
  - it can take shapes more complicated than straight lines.
- A multiple linear regression model can regress:
  - continuous data, e.g. weight in kg, height in cm, income in £,
  - ordinal categorical data, e.g.
    - level: very low, low, medium, high, very high
    - likeness: dislike, dislike somewhat, neutral, like somewhat, like
  - non-ordinal categorical data, e.g. colour or gender, blood type.

### Multiple linear regression

• Suppose that a multiple linear regression model has p predictors  $X_1, \ldots, X_p$ . This means that

$$\mathbb{E}(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$$

• When  $X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_p = x_p$  we write

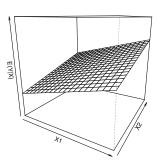
$$\mathbb{E}(Y|X=\mathbf{x}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_p x_p$$

- Parameters  $\beta_0, \ldots, \beta_p$  are called partial regression coefficients each  $\beta_i$  represents the expected change in the response per unit change in  $x_i$  when all  $x_j$  with  $j \neq i$  are held *constant*:
  - when p = 1, we obtain the simple linear regression model;
  - when p=2, the mean function  $\mathbb{E}(Y|X)$  is a plane in 3 dimensions;
  - when  $p \ge 3$ , the mean function  $\mathbb{E}(Y|X)$  is a hyperplane, the generalization of a p-dimensional plane in a (p+1)-dimensional space.

### Example: income vs education and age

- Consider the relation between the income and education of a person:
  - On an average, higher level of education provides higher income.
  - Most people have higher income when they are older than when they are young, regardless of education.
- A MLR model for income Y vs. education  $X_1$  and age  $X_2$

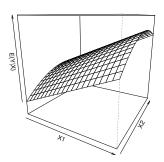
$$\mathbb{E}(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2$$



### Example: income vs education and age

- Often the income tends to rise less rapidly in the later earning years than in early years.
- To accommodate such possibility, we might include a quadratic term to our model:

$$\mathbb{E}(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_{22} X_2^2$$

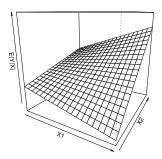


#### Example: a model with interactions

A MLR model with interactions

$$\mathbb{E}(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_{12} X_1 X_2$$

where  $X_1X_2$  represents an interaction between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  – the effect of a change in  $X_1$  on Y depends on the level of  $X_2$ , and vice versa



• If we let  $X_3 = X_1 X_2$ , we recover a MLR model with three variables.

## Example: a polynomial model

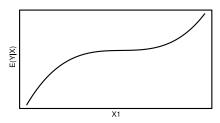
A polynomial regression model

$$\mathbb{E}(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_1^2 + \beta_3 X_1^3$$

- The response surface is curvilinear.
- If we let  $X_2 = X_1^2$ ,  $X_3 = X_1^3$ , we recover a MLR model with three variables:

$$\mathbb{E}(Y|X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3$$

It is often advised to avoid higher order term when building the models;
 the reasons will be explained further in the course.



#### The error term

- As in the case of a simple linear regression,  $\mathbb{E}(Y|X=x)$  does not adequately describe the data which show some randomness.
- To deal with this problem we introduce a random error  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

$$Y = \mathbb{E}(Y|X = \mathbf{x}) + \varepsilon = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \ldots + \beta_p x_p + \varepsilon$$

MLR models in R:

$$> lm( y \sim x1 + x2 + ... + xp ) # b0 + b1 x1 + ...$$

- interaction term

$$> lm( y \sim x1*x2 )$$
 # b0 + b1 x1 + b2 x2 + b12 x1 x2   
 $> lm( y \sim x1 + x2 + x1:x2 )$  # the same as above

polynomial model

$$> lm( y \sim x1 + I(x1^2) + I(x1^3) ) # b0 + b1 x1 + ...$$

• Which of these regression models are linear?

(a) 
$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2^2 + \beta_3 x_3^3 + \varepsilon$$

(b) 
$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2^2 x_2 + \beta_3^3 x_3^3 + \varepsilon$$

(c) 
$$y = \alpha + \beta \sin(x) + \varepsilon$$

(d) 
$$y = \alpha + \log(\beta x) + \varepsilon$$

(e) 
$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1^{-1} + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_{123} x_1 x_2 x_3 + \varepsilon$$

(f) 
$$y = \exp(\beta_0) + \beta_1 \exp(x_1) + \exp(\beta_2 x_2) + \varepsilon$$

(g) 
$$y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

## The principle of parsimony

- Given a set of equally good explanations for a given phenomenon, then the correct explanation is the simplest explanation.
- In statistical modelling, the principle of parsimony means that:
  - o models should have as few parameters as possible
  - linear models should be preferred to non-linear models
  - experiments relying on few assumptions should be preferred to those relying on many
  - o models should be pared down until they are minimal adequate
  - o simple explanations should be preferred to complex explanations
- In general, a variable is retained in the model only if it causes a significant increase in deviance when it is removed from the current model:
  - o a model should be as simple as possible, but no simpler.

## Next week

**Multiple Linear Regression**