Linear Regression

NCP Seminar with Rstudio and Andy Field's DSUR Regression

general concepts of using R

• Libraries – is there a solution to my problem / research question

Datasets – evaluate open question / processes

Documentation – PDF Docs / Stack Overflow, ...

• Solutions: precise research, intuitive usage of R

Cook recipes & programming ???

procedures

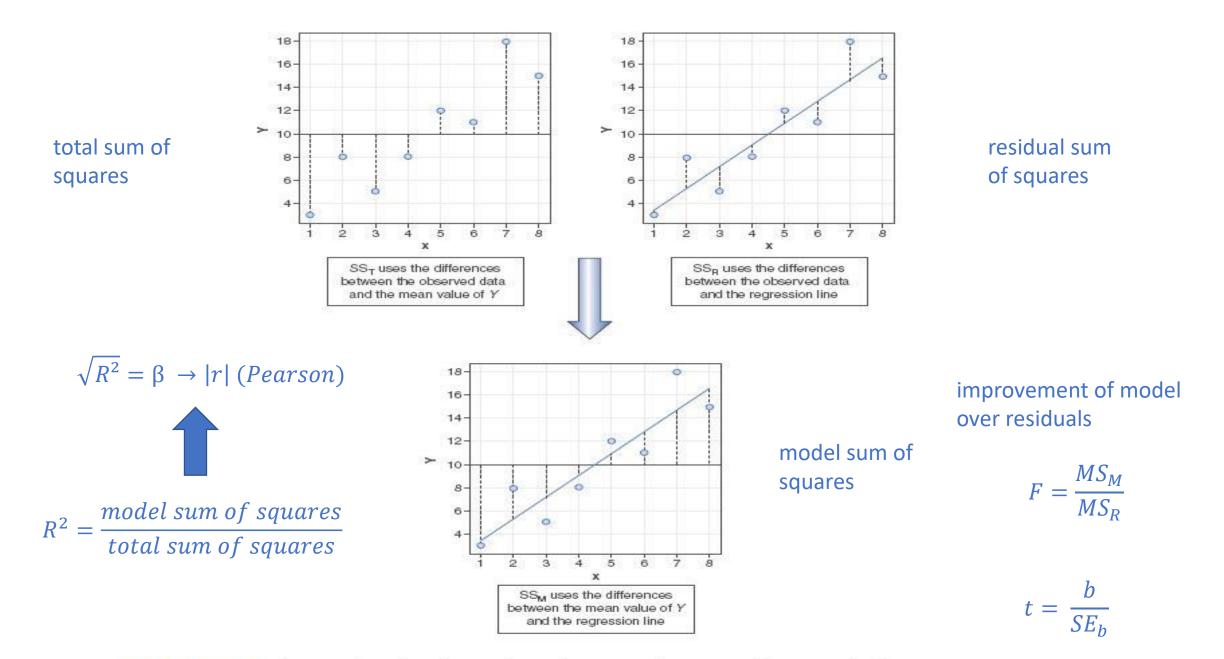


FIGURE 7.4 Diagram showing from where the regression sums of squares derive

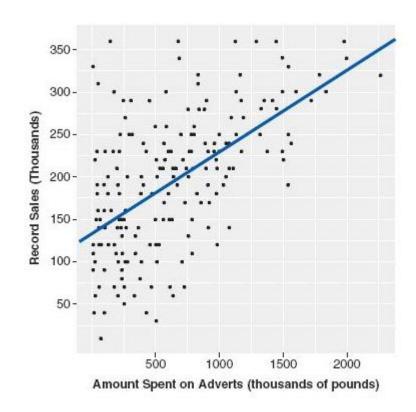
simple linear regression

regression line: slope + intercept

regression slope

$$b_{yx} = \frac{cov(x,y)}{\sigma_x^2} = r * \frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x}$$

b equals derivative (slope)



intercept

$$a_{yx} = \bar{y} - b_{yx} * \bar{x}$$

- method of least squares
- goodness of fit
- $R \rightarrow R^2$ and $R^2 \rightarrow R$ (sqrt)

FIGURE 7.6 Scatterplot showing the relationship between album sales and the amount spent promoting the album

summary(albumSales.1)

Explained variance

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Call:
     lm(formula = sales ~ adverts, data = album1)
     Residuals:
           Min
                      10
                            Median
                                           30
                                                    Max
     -152.949
                -43.796
                            -0.393
                                      37.040
                                               211.866
Coefficients:
                                                               sig. coefficient
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                                               with a = 134.1 \&
           1.341e+02
                      7.537e+00
                                 17.799
                                          <2e-16 ***
(Intercept)
                      9.632e-03
                                  9.979
            9.612e-02
                                          <2e-16 ***
                                                               b = 0.096
adverts
               0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
Residual standard error: 65.99 on 198 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.3346,
                                 Adjusted R-squared: 0.3313
F-statistic: 99.59 on 1 and 198 DF, p-value. < 2.2e-16
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Our regression model results in significantly better prediction of album sales

exercise one:

- use the functions: lm(), summary(), predict()
- how many records more than baseline were sold for certain investments?
- investment in €: c(0,150,1000,1E6, 45032)
- please report integer values.
- Solution:
- 0, 14, 96, 96124, 4238 records more.
- floor(predict(albumSales.1, investment) albumSales.1\$Coefficients[1])

multiple linear regression

$$Y_i = (b_0 + b_1 X_{1i} + b_2 X_{2i} + b_3 X_{3i} + \dots + b_n X_{ni}) + \varepsilon_i$$

methods:

- hierarchical
- forced entry
- stepwise methods



evaluate best model



finally generalization!?

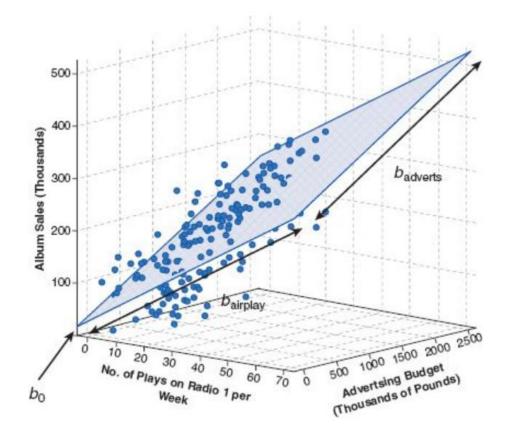


FIGURE 7.8 Scatterplot of the relationship between album sales, advertising budget and radio play

linearization of complex functions

$$Y = b_0 + b_1 f(x) + \varepsilon$$

parsimony-adjusted measures of fit

$$AIC = n \ln \left(\frac{SSE}{n} \right) + 2k$$

Akaike information criterion (AIC)

exercise two:

- use the functions: Im(), summary(), Im.beta(), confint(), anova()
- what model is the best? test all possible multiple regressions
- are all three variables necessary?
- How is the AIC for each model?

- Solution:
- Model with 3 Predictors has best explanation and lowest AIC!

how accurate is my regression model?

- Outliers, residuals and influential cases
- R functions
 - resid() residuals
 - rstandard() standardized residuals
 - rstudent() studentized residuals
 - cooks.distance() influential cases
 - dfbeta() excluding subject-wise
 - dffits() excluding subject-wise
 - hatvalues() leverage

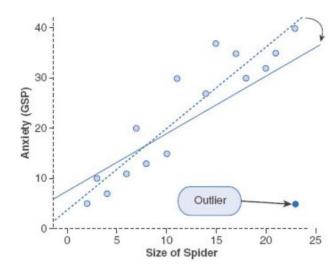


FIGURE 7.9 Graph demonstrating the effect of an outlier. The dashed line represents the original regression line for these data (see Figure 7.3), whereas the solid line represents the regression line when an outlier is present

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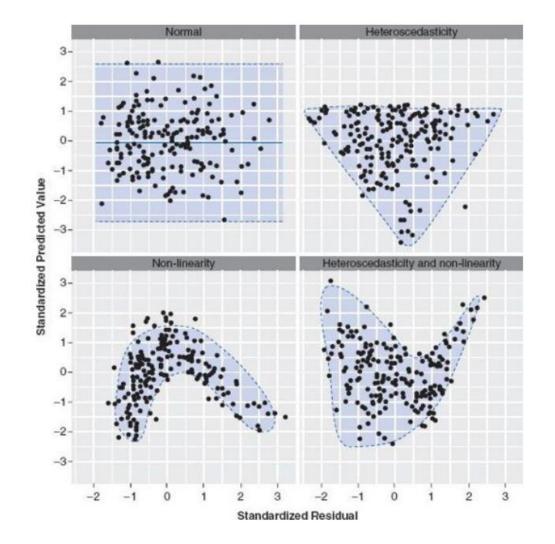
- Generalization
 - variable types (quantitative predictors)
 - non-zero variance
 - no high multicollinearity vif(model)
 - predictors are uncorrelated with 'external variables'
 - homoscdasticity
 - independent-errors (Durbin-Watson test)
 - normally distributed errors
 - independence
 - linearity

- R² explains our sample
- Adjusted R² for population
- prevents overfitting

Violated assumptions: you cannot generalize the model! Bootstrapping: resampling (with repetitions)

plot inspection

GOOD!



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dummy coding (one hot encoding)

- special case multiple regression: categorical predictors (gender, ...)
- biserial correlation (zero and one)
 - influence of a binary variable can be estimated with correlation coefficient
- what about more than two categories?
- dummy variables (one hot) (N-1)
- baseline group (control, majority)
- compares influence to baseline
- R dummy codes automatically!

Sidenote:

xgboost (extreme gradient boosting)
For data analysis and Kaggle's
winning choice

further analyses

mind basic variable naming errors!!!

Smart Alex's tasks

• Task 1: Run a simple regression for the pubs.dat data in Jane Superbrain Box 7.1, predicting mortality from number of pubs. Try repeating the analysis but bootstrapping the regression parameters.



• Task 2: A fashion student was interested in factors that predicted the salaries of catwalk

models. She collected data from 231 models. For each model she asked them their salary per day on days when they were working (salary), their age (age), how many years they had worked as a model (years), and then got a panel of experts from modelling agencies to rate the attractiveness of each model as a percentage, with 100% being perfectly attractive (beauty). The data are in the file Supermodel. dat. Unfortunately, this fashion student bought some substandard statistics text and so doesn't know how to analyse her data. Can you help her out by conducting a multiple regression to see which variables predict a model's salary? How valid is the regression model?

further analyses

- Task 3: Using the Glastonbury data from this chapter, which you should've already analysed, comment on whether you think the model is reliable and generalizable.
- Task 4: A study was carried out to explore the relationship between Aggression and several potential predicting factors in 666 children who had an older sibling. Variables measured were Parenting_Style (high score = bad parenting practices), Computer_Games (high score = more time spent playing computer games), Television (high score = more time spent watching television), Diet (high score = the child has a good diet low in additives), and Sibling_Aggression (high score = more aggression seen in their older

sibling). Past research indicated that parenting style and sibling aggression were good predictors of the level of aggression in the younger child. All other variables were treated in an exploratory fashion. The data are in the file **ChildAggression.dat.** Analyse them with multiple regression.

Answers can be found on the companion website.

