

Estimation theory – Report 2

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1 Exercise 1

We have data file with 100 rows and 4 columns. We take the first column as a column vector y and the remaining 3 columns as a matrix X , where y depends on X . We assume that the model for our data is as follows

$$y = X\alpha + u. \quad (1)$$

We will use regression model function in R to compute the parameters and compare them with the results we obtain manually.

```
data <- read.table('data_lab_2.csv', sep = ",", dec = ".", header = FALSE)
attach(data)

N <- 100
K <- 3
X <- as.matrix(data[, -1])
y <- as.matrix(data[, 1])
# linear regression model using lm()
model <- lm(V1 ~ . - 1, data)

summary(model)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = V1 ~ . - 1, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -2.68919 -0.47894  0.08483  0.47957  2.06775
##
## Coefficients:
##      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## V2   2.05860     0.06862   30.00  <2e-16 ***
## V3   1.07476     0.06720   15.99  <2e-16 ***
## V4   0.88974     0.07506   11.85  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.8956 on 97 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9951, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9949
## F-statistic: 6517 on 3 and 97 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

1.1 Part 1

We want to express the loss function

$$L = \sum_{n=1}^N u_n^2$$

as a function of y , X and α . From (1) we have $u = y - X\alpha$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \sum_{n=1}^N u_n^2 = u'u = (y - X\alpha)'(y - X\alpha) = (y' - \alpha'X')(y - X\alpha) = \\ &= y'y - y'X\alpha - \alpha'X'y + \alpha'X'X\alpha = y'y - 2y'X\alpha + \alpha'X'X\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

1.2 Part 2

Next we will use the following equalities

$$\frac{\partial A\beta}{\partial \beta'} = A \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial \beta' A \beta}{\partial \beta'} = \beta'(A + A')$$

to calculate the first derivative of L with respect to α .

$$\frac{\partial L(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha'} = 0 - 2y'X + \alpha'(X'X + X'X) = -2y'X + 2\alpha'X'X.$$

1.3 Part 3

Now, to minimize the L function, we will solve the first order condition equation $\frac{\partial L(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha'} = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{\partial L(\alpha)}{\partial \alpha'} &= 0 \\
-2y'X + 2\alpha'X'X &= 0 \\
\alpha'X'X &= y'X \quad / \cdot (X'X)^{-1} \\
\alpha' &= y'X(X'X)^{-1} \\
\alpha &= (X'X)^{-1}X'y
\end{aligned}$$

So $\hat{\alpha} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ is the LS estimator of the model parameter.

The first vector is the theoretical estimator of α and the second is the estimator obtained with R's linear regression model:

		theoretical	using lm()
1	alpha_1	2.05859906656869	2.05859906656869
2	alpha_2	1.07475575539487	1.07475575539487
3	alpha_3	0.889740635967315	0.889740635967315

Table 1: Estimator of alpha

1.4 Part 4

We are using unbiased estimator for the variance of residuals

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{u'u}{N - K},$$

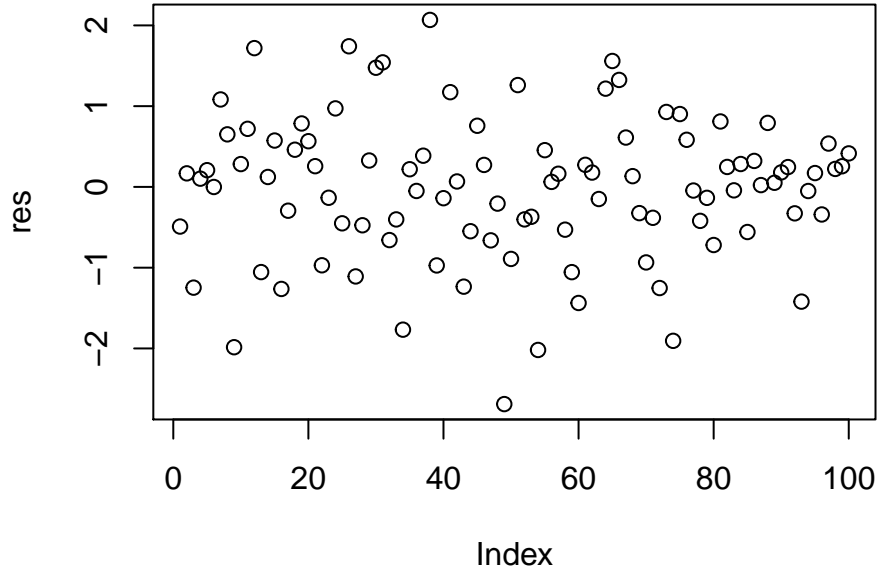
where in our case $N = 100$ and $K = 3$.

	theoretical	using lm()
1	0.80202	0.80210

Table 2: Variance of residuals

The first row is the theoretical estimator of σ and the second is the squared residual standard error obtained with R's linear regression model.

1.5 Part 5



We assume that the residuals are uncorrelated and homoscedastic. The variance-covariance matrix of LS estimator is

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{\hat{\alpha}} = \hat{\sigma}^2 (X'X)^{-1},$$

where $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is the variance of the residuals.

We can calculate the variance-covariance matrix using R:

```
##           V2           V3           V4
## V2  0.004708172 -0.002019469 -0.002544603
## V3 -0.002019469  0.004516371 -0.002430459
## V4 -0.002544603 -0.002430459  0.005633808
##           V2           V3           V4
## V2  0.004708172 -0.002019469 -0.002544603
## V3 -0.002019469  0.004516371 -0.002430459
## V4 -0.002544603 -0.002430459  0.005633808
```

where the first result is the theoretical estimator of Σ and the second is the one obtained with R's linear regression model.

Variance-covariance matrix for $\sqrt{N}\hat{\alpha}$ is equal to:

$$\hat{\Sigma}_{\sqrt{N}\hat{\alpha}} = N\hat{\sigma}^2 (X'X)^{-1}$$

```
##           V2           V3           V4
## V2  0.4708172 -0.2019469 -0.2544603
## V3 -0.2019469  0.4516371 -0.2430459
## V4 -0.2544603 -0.2430459  0.5633808
```

1.6 Part 6

The t -statistic tests the hypothesis $H_0 : \alpha_i = 0$, $H_1 : \alpha_i \neq 0$. The t -ratio is the ratio of the sample regression coefficient to its standard error. So

$$t_{\hat{\alpha}_i} = \frac{\hat{\alpha}_i}{\sqrt{\text{Var}\hat{\alpha}_i}},$$

where $t_{\hat{\alpha}_i} \sim t(N - K) = t(100 - 3) = t(97)$.

		theoretical	using lm()
1	V1	30.0016825108455	30.0016825108456
2	V2	15.9924488168616	15.9924488168616
3	V3	11.8539317172235	11.8539317172235

Table 3: t-ratios of the parameters

2 Exercise 2

In this exercise we assume that $\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \alpha_3 = 0$ and $\alpha_2 - \alpha_3 = 0$.

2.1 Part 1

We know that the restriction matrix R satisfies equation $R\alpha = r$. In this case

$$R \cdot \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \\ \alpha_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \Rightarrow R = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}$$

3 Exercise 3