

# Multiple Linear Regression

## 1 Model and Least Square Estimates

Assume the responses and the explanatory variates satisfy the following model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 z_{i1} + \beta_2 z_{i2} + \dots + \beta_r z_{ir} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $\epsilon_i \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ .

The model can be represented in the vector form:

$$Y_i = \vec{z}_i^\top \vec{\beta} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$$\text{where } \vec{z}_i = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ z_{i1} \\ \vdots \\ z_{ir} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \vec{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_r \end{bmatrix}.$$

In matrix form, we have

$$\vec{Y} = \mathbf{Z} \vec{\beta} + \vec{\epsilon},$$

where

$$\vec{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & z_{11} & z_{12} & \dots & z_{1r} \\ 1 & z_{21} & z_{22} & \dots & z_{2r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & z_{n1} & z_{n2} & \dots & z_{nr} \end{bmatrix}, \quad \vec{\epsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Our distributional assumption implies that  $\vec{\epsilon} \sim \mathcal{N}_n(\vec{0}, \mathbf{I}_n)$ . Throughout this course, we assume that  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{Z}) = r + 1$ , which implies that  $\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z}$  is invertible.

### 1.1 Least square estimates

Least square estimate is to minimize

$$S(\vec{b}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - b_0 - b_1 z_{i1} - \dots - b_r z_{ir})^2 = \|\vec{Y} - \mathbf{Z} \vec{b}\|^2.$$

Here we need two results in multivariate calculus regarding gradients:

- For any  $\vec{a}$ ,  $\nabla_{\vec{x}}(\vec{a}^\top \vec{x}) = \vec{a}$ ;
- For any symmetric  $\mathbf{S}$ ,  $\nabla_{\vec{x}}(\vec{x}^\top \mathbf{S} \vec{x}) = 2\mathbf{S} \vec{x}$ .

One can verify that

$$S(\vec{b}) = (\vec{Y} - \mathbf{Z}\vec{b})^\top (\vec{Y} - \mathbf{Z}\vec{b}) = \|\vec{Y}\|^2 - 2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \vec{Y})^\top \vec{b} + \vec{b}^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z}) \vec{b}.$$

Then

$$\nabla_{\vec{b}} S(\vec{b}) = -2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \vec{Y}) + 2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z}) \vec{b} = \vec{0}.$$

This gives the least square estimate

$$\hat{\vec{\beta}} = (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top \vec{Y}.$$

## 1.2 Hat matrix, residuals, and sum-of-squares decomposition

Define the residuals of least square fitting:

$$\hat{\epsilon}_i := Y_i - \vec{z}_i^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

or equivalently,

$$\hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = \vec{Y} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\vec{\beta}} = \vec{Y} - \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top \vec{Y} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\vec{Y},$$

where

$$\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top$$

is referred to as the **hat matrix**.

The fitted responses are denoted as

$$\hat{\vec{Y}} = \mathbf{Z}\hat{\vec{\beta}} = \mathbf{Z}(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top \vec{Y} = \mathbf{H}\vec{Y}.$$

This also gives the relationship

$$\hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = \vec{Y} - \hat{\vec{Y}}.$$

In practice, we estimate  $\sigma^2$  through the residuals

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 := \frac{1}{n-r-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\epsilon}_i^2 = \frac{1}{n-r-1} \|\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}\|^2 = \frac{1}{n-r-1} \|\vec{Y} - \mathbf{Z}\hat{\vec{\beta}}\|^2.$$

Here we list some useful properties of the hat matrix (**homework**)

- Both  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$  are symmetric;
- $\mathbf{H}^2 = \mathbf{H}$ ,  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})^2 = \mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$ ,  $\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}) = \mathbf{0}$ ;
- All eigenvalues of  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$  are either 1 or 0;
- Both  $\mathbf{H}$  and  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}$  are positive semidefinite;
- $\mathbf{H}\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{Z}$  and  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{0}$ .

With these properties, one can verify the following properties:

- $\mathbf{Z}^\top \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = \mathbf{Z}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\vec{Y} = \vec{0}$ ;
- $\hat{\vec{Y}}^\top \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = \vec{Y}^\top \mathbf{H}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\vec{Y} = 0$ .

In particular, given the first column of  $\mathbf{Z}$  is  $\vec{1}_n$ , the fact  $\mathbf{Z}^\top \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = \vec{0}$  implies that  $\vec{1}_n^\top \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = 0$ .

Denote  $\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i$ . Then we have

$$\|\vec{Y} - \bar{Y}\vec{1}_n\|^2 = \|\hat{\vec{Y}} - \bar{Y}\vec{1}_n + \hat{\vec{\epsilon}}\|^2 = \|\hat{\vec{Y}} - \bar{Y}\vec{1}_n\|^2 + \|\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}\|^2 + 2(\hat{\vec{Y}} - \bar{Y}\vec{1}_n)^\top \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = \|\hat{\vec{Y}} - \bar{Y}\vec{1}_n\|^2 + \|\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}\|^2.$$

This decomposition can be rewritten in the form of sum-of-squares decomposition

$$\underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}_{\text{Total sum of squares (TSS)}} = \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{Y}_i - \bar{Y})^2}_{\text{Explained sum of squares (ESS)}} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\epsilon}_i^2}_{\text{Residual sum of squares (RSS)}}.$$

With this decomposition, we can define the  $R^2$  statistic:

$$R^2 = \frac{ESS}{TSS}.$$

## 2 Sampling distributions and confidence intervals

The fact  $\vec{Y} \sim \mathcal{N}_n(\mathbf{Z}\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$  implies that  $\hat{\vec{\beta}}$  is also of multivariate normal distribution. Furthermore,

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{\vec{\beta}}] = (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbb{E}[\vec{Y}] = (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top (\mathbf{Z}\vec{\beta}) = \vec{\beta}$$

and

$$\text{Cov}[\hat{\vec{\beta}}] = (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top (\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n) \mathbf{Z} (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1}.$$

Then

$$\hat{\vec{\beta}} \sim \mathcal{N}_{r+1}(\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2 (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1}).$$

This also gives the estimated covariance of  $\hat{\vec{\beta}}$ :

$$\widehat{\text{Cov}}(\hat{\vec{\beta}}) = \hat{\sigma}^2 (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1}.$$

### 2.1 One-at-a-time confidence intervals

Denote  $\mathbf{\Omega} := (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \in \mathbb{R}(r+1) \times (r+1)$  of entries  $\omega_{jk}$  for  $0 \leq j \leq r$ ,  $0 \leq k \leq r$ . Then

$$\hat{\beta}_j \sim \mathcal{N}(\beta_j, \sigma^2 \omega_{jj}).$$

Replacing  $\sigma^2$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ , we get

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}}} \sim t_{n-r-1}.$$

Again, denote the  $(1 - \frac{\alpha}{2})$ -th quantile of  $t_{n-r-1}$  as  $t_{n-r-1}(\frac{\alpha}{2})$ , we get  $(1 - \alpha)$  confidence interval for any fixed  $j = 0, \dots, r$ :

$$\beta_j \in \left[ \hat{\beta}_j - \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}} t_{n-r-1}(\frac{\alpha}{2}), \hat{\beta}_j + \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}} t_{n-r-1}(\frac{\alpha}{2}) \right].$$

## 2.2 Confidence region based simultaneous confidence intervals

The fact  $\hat{\vec{\beta}} \sim \mathcal{N}_{r+1}(\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1})$  implies

$$(\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta})^\top \left( \sigma^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \right)^{-1} (\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta}) \sim \chi_{r+1}^2.$$

Replacing  $\sigma^2$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ ,

$$(\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta})^\top \left( \hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \right)^{-1} (\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta}) \sim (r+1)F_{r+1, n-r-1}.$$

This gives  $(1 - \alpha)$  confidence region for  $\hat{\beta}$ :

$$(\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta})^\top \left( \hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \right)^{-1} (\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta}) \leq (r+1)F_{r+1, n-r-1}(\alpha),$$

where  $F_{r+1, n-r-1}(\alpha)$  is the  $(1 - \alpha)$ -th quantile of  $F_{r+1, n-r-1}$ .

By the extended Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, for any  $\vec{a} \in \mathbb{R}^{r+1}$  and any  $\vec{\beta}$  in the confidence region,

$$\begin{aligned} (\vec{a}^\top (\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta}))^2 &\leq (\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta})^\top \left( \hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \right)^{-1} (\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{\beta}) \vec{a}^\top (\hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1}) \vec{a} \\ &\leq (r+1)F_{r+1, n-r-1}(\alpha) \vec{a}^\top (\hat{\sigma}^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1}) \vec{a}. \end{aligned}$$

By choosing

$$\vec{a} = [1, 0, \dots, 0]^\top, [0, 1, 0, \dots, 0]^\top, \dots, [0, 0, \dots, 0, 1]^\top,$$

we have

$$(\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j)^2 \leq (r+1)F_{r+1, n-r-1}(\alpha) \hat{\sigma}^2 \omega_{jj},$$

which implies the simultaneous confidence intervals

$$\beta_j \in \left[ \hat{\beta}_j - \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}} \sqrt{(r+1)F_{r+1, n-r-1}(\alpha)}, \hat{\beta}_j + \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}} \sqrt{(r+1)F_{r+1, n-r-1}(\alpha)} \right], \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, r.$$

## 2.3 Bonferroni correction based confidence intervals

For each  $j = 0, 1, \dots, r$ , we have obtained

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \beta_j}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}}} \sim t_{n-r-1}.$$

With Bonferroni correction, this gives the  $(1 - \alpha)$  simultaneous confidence intervals

$$\beta_j \in \left[ \hat{\beta}_j - \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}} t_{n-r-1} \left( \frac{\alpha}{2(r+1)} \right), \hat{\beta}_j + \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\omega_{jj}} t_{n-r-1} \left( \frac{\alpha}{2(r+1)} \right) \right], \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, r.$$

## 3 Model comparison and F-tests

We are interested in comparing the model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 z_{i1} + \beta_2 z_{i2} + \dots + \beta_r z_{ir} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

and

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 z_{i1} + \beta_2 z_{i2} + \dots + \beta_q z_{iq} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

for some  $0 \leq q < r$ . In other words, if we denote

$$\vec{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_q \\ \beta_{q+1} \\ \vdots \\ \beta_r \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} \vec{\beta}_{(1)} \\ \vec{\beta}_{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$\mathbf{Z} = \left[ \begin{array}{cccc|ccc} 1 & z_{11} & \dots & z_{1q} & z_{1,q+1} & \dots & z_{1,r} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 1 & z_{n1} & \dots & z_{nq} & z_{n,q+1} & \dots & z_{n,r} \end{array} \right] := [\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}, \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}],$$

we want to compare the **full model**

$$\vec{Y} = \mathbf{Z}\vec{\beta} + \vec{\epsilon}$$

and the reduced model

$$\vec{Y} = \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}\vec{\beta}_{(1)} + \vec{\epsilon}.$$

This comparison is formulated as

$$H_0 : \beta_{q+1} = \dots = \beta_r = 0,$$

or equivalently

$$H_0 : \vec{\beta}_{(2)} = \vec{0}.$$

### 3.1 F-tests

Let's first consider a more general problem: Let  $\mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{(r-q) \times (r+1)}$  with  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{C}) = r - q$ . It is of interest to test

$$H_0 : \mathbf{C}\vec{\beta} = \vec{0}.$$

By  $\hat{\vec{\beta}} \sim \mathcal{N}_{r+1}(\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1})$ , we have

$$\mathbf{C}\hat{\vec{\beta}} \sim \mathcal{N}_{r-q}(\mathbf{C}\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^\top),$$

which further implies

$$\frac{1}{\sigma^2} (\mathbf{C}\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \mathbf{C}\vec{\beta})^\top \left( \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^\top \right)^{-1} (\mathbf{C}\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \mathbf{C}\vec{\beta}) \sim \chi_{r-q}^2.$$

Replacing  $\sigma^2$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}^2} (\mathbf{C}\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \mathbf{C}\vec{\beta})^\top \left( \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^\top \right)^{-1} (\mathbf{C}\hat{\vec{\beta}} - \mathbf{C}\vec{\beta}) \sim (r - q) F_{r-q, n-r-1}.$$

To test

$$H_0 : \mathbf{C}\vec{\beta} = \vec{0},$$

it suffices to compare

$$\frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}^2} (\mathbf{C}\hat{\vec{\beta}})^\top \left( \mathbf{C}(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{C}^\top \right)^{-1} (\mathbf{C}\hat{\vec{\beta}})$$

and

$$(r - q) F_{r-q, n-r-1}(\alpha).$$

Coming back to the problem of model comparison, if we choose

$$\mathbf{C} = [\mathbf{0}_{(r-q) \times (1+q)}, \mathbf{I}_{r-q}],$$

then  $H_0 : \vec{\beta}_{(2)} = \vec{0}$  is equivalent to  $H_0 : \mathbf{C}\vec{\beta} = \vec{0}$ . We denote

$$\hat{\vec{\beta}} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\beta}_q \\ \hline \hat{\beta}_{q+1} \\ \vdots \\ \hat{\beta}_r \end{bmatrix} := \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\vec{\beta}}_{(1)} \\ \hline \hat{\vec{\beta}}_{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} = \mathbf{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Omega}_{11} & \mathbf{\Omega}_{12} \\ \hline \mathbf{\Omega}_{21} & \mathbf{\Omega}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $\mathbf{\Omega}_{22} \in \mathbb{R}^{(r-q) \times (r-q)}$ . Then F-test is equivalent to compare

$$\hat{\vec{\beta}}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{\Omega}_{22}^{-1} \hat{\vec{\beta}}_{(2)}$$

and

$$(r-q)\hat{\sigma}^2 F_{r-q, n-r-1}(\alpha).$$

### 3.2 Formula of F-test by comparing residuals

Here we derive another equivalent formula for the F-tests. The derivation is involved and not required to master in this course, but it shows how to derive statistically insightful results with advanced algebraic techniques.

For the full model  $\vec{Y} = \mathbf{Z}\vec{\beta} + \vec{\epsilon}$ , we have the least square estimate and the residual

$$\hat{\vec{\beta}} = (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}^\top \vec{Y}, \quad \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\vec{Y}.$$

The aforementioned properties of hat matrices imply that

$$\|\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}\|^2 = \hat{\vec{\epsilon}}^\top \hat{\vec{\epsilon}} = \vec{Y}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})^2 \vec{Y} = \vec{Y}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}) \vec{Y}$$

Similarly, for the reduced model

$$\vec{Y} = \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}\vec{\beta}_{(1)} + \vec{\epsilon},$$

we have the hat matrix

$$\mathbf{H}_{(red)} = \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}(\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top,$$

the residuals

$$\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}_{(red)} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)})\vec{Y},$$

and

$$\|\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}_{(red)}\|^2 = \vec{Y}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \vec{Y}.$$

We are interested in deriving a formula for the “difference in sum of squares of residuals”:

$$\|\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}_{(red)}\|^2 - \|\hat{\vec{\epsilon}}\|^2.$$

To derive this formula, besides the aforementioned basic properties of the hat matrices, we also need the following fact:

$$\mathbf{H}\mathbf{H}_{(red)} = \mathbf{H}_{(red)}\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{H}_{(red)} \quad \text{Homework.}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\epsilon}_{(red)}\|^2 - \|\hat{\epsilon}\|^2 &= \vec{Y}^\top (\mathbf{H} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \vec{Y} \\ &= \vec{Y}^\top \mathbf{H} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \mathbf{H} \vec{Y} \\ &= \hat{\beta}^\top \mathbf{Z}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)})^2 \mathbf{Z} \hat{\beta} \\ &= \|(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \mathbf{Z} \hat{\beta}\|^2 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\mathbf{Z} \hat{\beta} = [\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}, \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}] \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_{(1)} \\ \hat{\beta}_{(2)} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} \hat{\beta}_{(1)} + \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \hat{\beta}_{(2)}.$$

The fact  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} = \mathbf{0}$  implies that

$$(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \mathbf{Z} \hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \hat{\beta}_{(2)}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\epsilon}_{(red)}\|^2 - \|\hat{\epsilon}\|^2 &= \|(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \hat{\beta}_{(2)}\|^2 \\ &= \hat{\beta}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)})^2 \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \hat{\beta}_{(2)} \\ &= \hat{\beta}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H}_{(red)}) \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \hat{\beta}_{(2)} \\ &= \hat{\beta}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} (\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top) \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \hat{\beta}_{(2)} \\ &= \hat{\beta}_{(2)}^\top \left( \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} - \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} (\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \right) \hat{\beta}_{(2)} \end{aligned}$$

Notice that

$$\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \\ \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}, \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} & \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \\ \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} & \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} \end{bmatrix}$$

and recall that

$$\mathbf{\Omega} = (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Omega}_{11} & \mathbf{\Omega}_{12} \\ \mathbf{\Omega}_{21} & \mathbf{\Omega}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

By Schur complement,

$$\mathbf{\Omega}_{22} = \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)} - \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)} (\mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(1)})^{-1} \mathbf{Z}_{(1)}^\top \mathbf{Z}_{(2)}$$

Therefore,

$$\|\hat{\epsilon}_{(red)}\|^2 - \|\hat{\epsilon}\|^2 = \hat{\beta}_{(2)}^\top \mathbf{\Omega}_{22}^{-1} \hat{\beta}_{(2)}.$$

In other words, the F-test to test  $H_0 : \vec{\beta}_{(2)} = \vec{0}$  is equivalent to comparing

$$\frac{1}{\hat{\sigma}^2} (\|\hat{\epsilon}_{(red)}\|^2 - \|\hat{\epsilon}\|^2)$$

and

$$(r - q) F_{r-q, n-r-1}(\alpha).$$

## 4 Predictive inference

After obtaining the least square estimate  $\hat{\vec{\beta}}$ , if we have a new observation of the explanatory variates

$$\vec{z}_0^\top = [1, z_{01}, \dots, z_{0r}],$$

how to make inference about the unknown response  $Y_0 = \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta} + \epsilon_0$ , where  $\epsilon_0 \sim \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$  is independent of the “training data”?

### 4.1 Inference about the regression function $\mathbb{E}[Y_0|\vec{z}_0]$

For the regression function value  $\mathbb{E}[Y_0|\vec{z}_0] = \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta}$ , we first study the sampling distribution of  $\vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}$ . The fact  $\hat{\vec{\beta}} \sim \mathcal{N}_{r+1}(\vec{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1})$  gives

$$\vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} \sim \mathcal{N}(\vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta}, \sigma^2 \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0).$$

Then

$$\frac{\vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta}}{\sigma \sqrt{\vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1).$$

Replacing  $\sigma^2$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ , we have

$$\frac{\vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} - \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta}}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0}} \sim t_{n-r-1}.$$

Then we have a  $(1 - \alpha)$  confidence interval for  $\vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta}$ :

$$\vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta} \in \left[ \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} - \hat{\sigma} t_{n-r-1}(\frac{\alpha}{2}) \sqrt{\vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0}, \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} + \hat{\sigma} t_{n-r-1}(\frac{\alpha}{2}) \sqrt{\vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0} \right].$$

### 4.2 Prediction interval for the new response $Y_0$

To find a prediction interval for  $Y_0 = \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta} + \epsilon$ , we start with the sampling distribution of

$$Y_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} = \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta} + \epsilon_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}.$$

Notice that  $\hat{\vec{\beta}}$  and  $\epsilon_0$  are independent and normally distribution, we know  $Y_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}$  is normal. Moreover,

$$\mathbb{E}[Y_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}] = \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta} + 0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \vec{\beta}$$

and

$$\text{var}[Y_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}] = \text{var}(\epsilon_0) + \text{var}(\vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}) = \sigma^2 + \sigma^2 \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0 = \sigma^2 (1 + \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0).$$

Then

$$\frac{Y_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}}{\sigma \sqrt{1 + \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0}} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

Replacing  $\sigma^2$  with  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ , we have

$$\frac{Y_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{1 + \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0}} \sim t_{n-r-1}.$$

This gives

$$\mathbb{P} \left( -t_{n-r-1}(\alpha/2) \leq \frac{Y_0 - \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}}}{\hat{\sigma} \sqrt{1 + \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0}} \leq t_{n-r-1}(\alpha/2) \right) = 1 - \alpha,$$



which gives the  $(1 - \alpha)$  prediction interval

$$Y_0 \in \left[ \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} - \hat{\sigma} t_{n-r-1} \left( \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \sqrt{1 + \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0}, \vec{z}_0^\top \hat{\vec{\beta}} + \hat{\sigma} t_{n-r-1} \left( \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \sqrt{1 + \vec{z}_0^\top (\mathbf{Z}^\top \mathbf{Z})^{-1} \vec{z}_0} \right].$$