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Simple regression

- 1. Consider the following: Let Y_1, \ldots, Y_n be i.i.d. random variables with $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$.
 - Confirm that the statement above can be expressed using the following model equation:

$$Y_i = \mu + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

Write a statement about $\epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_n$.

– Estimate μ and σ^2 using (a) the method of maximum likelihood and (b) the method of least squares.

- Construct a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for μ .

- Test the hypothesis $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$ against $H_a: \mu \neq \mu_0$.
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– Perform power analysis when
$$\mu = \mu_a$$
.

– Predict a new
$$Y$$
, say Y_0 .

- Construct a prediction interval for $Y_0.$

2. Now consider the following two models:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n$$

$$Y_i = \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, i = 1, \ldots, n$$

For both models assume that x_1, \ldots, x_n are known and that $\epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_n$ are i.i.d. random variables with $E[\epsilon_i] = 0$ and $var[\epsilon_i] = \sigma^2$. These are called the Gauss-Markov conditions. Note: Later we will also assume that $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$.

We want to answer the same questions as in (1) above when we have used the model $Y_i = \mu + \epsilon_i$. The mean for the models in (2) depends on x, while the model in (1) has constant mean.

- Estimate $\beta_0, \beta_1, \sigma^2$.
- Construct a 1α confidence interval for β_0 and β_1 .
- Test hypotheses on β_0, β_1 or a linear combination of β_0 and β_1 .
- Predict a new Y, say Y_0 .
- Construct a confidence interval for $E[Y_0]$ for a given $x = x_0$.
- Construct a prediction interval for Y_0 for a given $x = x_0$.

Use the model $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n$.

Estimate β_0, β_1 .

Method of least squares:

min
$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \epsilon_i^2$$

min $Q = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2$

Take derivative w.r.t. β_0 and β_1 set them equal to zero and solve:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_0}$$
 =

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_1} =$$

Rearrange the previous two equations so that (please complete the left side of the next two equations):

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i \tag{1}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i \tag{2}$$

These are called the "normal equations".

Now, divide (1) by n and solve for $\hat{\beta}_0$ to get $\hat{\beta}_0 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n} - \hat{\beta}_1 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$. Finally, substitute $\hat{\beta}_0$ in (2) to get:

$$\hat{\beta}_{1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} y_{i} - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_{i} \right)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}^{2} - \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i} \right)^{2}}{n}}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \text{ Why?}$$

Useful results:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x}) = 0.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^2 - \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i)^2}{n} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^2 - n\bar{x}^2.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i - \frac{1}{n} (\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i)(\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i y_i - n\bar{x}\bar{y}.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})x_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - \bar{x})^2.$$

Estimate $\beta_0, \beta_1, \sigma^2$.

Method of maximum likelihood:

 $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n$. Assume that $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$ are i.i.d. random variables with $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$.

- * What is the distribution of Y_i ?
- * Write the pdf of Y_i .
- * Write the likelihood function based on Y_1, \ldots, Y_n .
- * Write the log-likelihood function.
- * Maximize the log-likelihood function w.r.t. β_0, β_1 and σ^2 . We observe that the estimators of β_0 and β_1 are the same with the least squares estimators (why?).
- * Fitted regression equation, fitted values, and residuals:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \hat{Y}_{i} & = & \hat{\beta}_{0} + \hat{\beta}_{1}x_{i} \\ \hat{Y}_{i} & = & \bar{Y} + \hat{\beta}_{1}(x_{i} - \bar{x}) \text{ why?} \\ e_{i} & = & Y_{i} - \hat{Y}_{i} = Y_{i} - \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_{1}(x_{i} - \bar{x}) \end{array}$$

Properties of least squares for the model $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n$.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_{i} = 0.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_{i}x_{i} = 0.$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_{i}\hat{y}_{i} = 0.$$

Properties of least squares estimators:

Find the expected value and variance of $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_0$.

It will be helpful if we expressed $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_0$ as linear combinations of Y_1, \ldots, Y_n .

Recall that $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$. Verify that $\hat{\beta}_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i y_i$. What is k_i ? Is it random or non random?

To find $E[\hat{\beta}_1]$ and $\mathrm{var}[\hat{\beta}_1]$ it will be useful to find the following:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} k_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} k_i x_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} k_i^2 =$$

Now let's find $E[\hat{\beta}_1]$ and $\text{var}[\hat{\beta}_1]$. Remember that $E[Y_i] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$. $E[\hat{\beta}_1] = E[\sum_{i=1}^n k_i y_i] =$

and

 $\operatorname{var}[\hat{\beta}_1] = \operatorname{var}[\sum_{i=1}^n k_i y_i] =$ Note: Y_1, \dots, Y_n are independent with $\operatorname{var}[Y_i] = \sigma^2$ and k_1, \dots, k_n are non random quantities.

Now let's do the same for $\hat{\beta}_0$. Recall that $\hat{\beta}_0 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n} - \hat{\beta}_1 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$. Verify that $\hat{\beta}_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n l_i y_i$. What is l_i ? Is it random or non random?

To find $E[\hat{\beta}_0]$ and $\mathrm{var}[\hat{\beta}_0]$ it will be useful to find the following:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} l_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} l_i x_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} l_i^2 =$$

Now let's find $E[\hat{\beta}_0]$ and $\text{var}[\hat{\beta}_0]$: $E[\hat{\beta}_0] = E[\sum_{i=1}^n l_i y_i] =$

$$E[\hat{\beta}_0] = E[\sum_{i=1}^n l_i y_i] =$$

and

$$\operatorname{var}[\hat{\beta}_0] = \operatorname{var}[\sum_{i=1}^n l_i y_i] =$$

Gauss-Markov theorem:

Show that $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_0$ are BLUE (Best Linear Unbiased Estimators). We have seen that $\hat{\beta}_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i y_i$ and that $E[\hat{\beta}_1] = \beta_1$ and $var[\hat{\beta}_1] = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$. Now let $b_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i y_i$ be another unbiased estimator of β_1 . Show that $var[\hat{\beta}_1] \leq var[b_1]$.

Proof:

For b_1 to be unbiased for all β_0 and β_1 we must have the following two conditions:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i x_i =$$

It is also true that $a_i = k_i + d_i$, where d_i is the difference between k_i and a_i . Now let's find the variance of b_1 :

$$var[b_1] = var[\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i y_i]$$

$$= \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i^2 \text{ (why?)} \text{ Replace } a_i = k_i + d_i \text{ and expand.}$$

Similarly, by following the same steps as above, we can show that $\operatorname{var}[\hat{\beta}_0] \leq \operatorname{var}[b_0]$, where $b_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i y_i$ is another linear unbiased estimator of β_0 .

Back to the estimation of σ^2 . We have seen that the MLE of σ^2 is $\hat{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n}$. Is $\hat{\sigma^2}$ an unbiased estimator of σ^2 ?

$$\begin{split} E[\hat{\sigma^2}] &= E\left[\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n}\right] &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n E[e_i^2] \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left[\text{var}[e_i] + (E[e_i])^2 \right] \quad \text{Note: } E[e_i] = 0 \text{(why?)} \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \text{var}[e_i] \end{split}$$

Therefore, we need to find $var[e_i]$. Recall that $e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i = Y_i - \bar{Y}_i - \hat{\beta}_1(x_i - \bar{x})$.

Aside note: Let Y_1, Y_2, Y_3 be random variables and a_1, a_2, a_3 be known constants.

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{var}[a_1Y_1 + a_2Y_2 + a_3Y_3] &= a_1^2\operatorname{var}(Y_1) + a_2^2\operatorname{var}(Y_2) + a_3^2\operatorname{var}(Y_3) \\ &+ 2a_1a_2\operatorname{cov}(Y_1, Y_2) + 2a_1a_3\operatorname{cov}(Y_1, Y_3) + 2a_2a_3\operatorname{cov}(Y_2, Y_3). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\text{var}[e_i] = \text{var}\left[Y_i - \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1(x_i - \bar{x})\right]$$
 Please write the 6 terms that we need to consider = +

Aside:

$$\operatorname{var}[Y_i] =$$
 $\operatorname{var}[\bar{Y}] =$
 $\operatorname{var}[\hat{\beta}_1] =$
 $\operatorname{cov}[Y_i, \bar{Y}] =$
 $\operatorname{cov}[Y_i, \hat{\beta}_1] =$

 $\operatorname{cov}[\bar{Y}, \hat{\beta}_1] =$

Now back to $var[e_i]$ to complete the question.

Distribution theory:

We have estimated the three parameters β_0, β_1 and σ^2 of the model $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n$ with $\hat{\beta}_0$, $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2$.

Under the normality assumption and because $\hat{\beta}_0$, $\hat{\beta}_1$ are linear combinations of independent Y_1, \ldots, Y_n it follows that

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N\left(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}\right)$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 \sim N\left(\beta_0, \sigma\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}\right)$$

Theorem: Let
$$S_e^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n-2}$$
. Then $\frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-2}^2$.

Proof:

First we discuss the "centered" model.

We obtain the "centered model" from the model $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$ if we add and subtract on the right hand side the quantity $\beta_1 \bar{x}$ as follows:

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i + \beta_1 \bar{x} - \beta_1 \bar{x}$$

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{x} + \beta_1 (x_i - \bar{x}) + \epsilon_i$$

$$y_i = \gamma_0 + \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}) + \epsilon_i$$

$$y_i = \gamma_0 + \beta_1 z_i + \epsilon_i$$
, where, $\gamma_0 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{x}$ and $z_i = x_i - \bar{x}$.

The model $y_i = \gamma_0 + \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}) + \epsilon_i$ is the centered model. This model has the same functional form as the model $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$ and therefore the estimates of γ_0 and β_1 using least squares computed

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - \bar{z}) y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n (z_i - \bar{z})^2}, \text{ but, } \bar{z} = 0 \text{ (why?)}$$

Continue to show that it is the same estimator using the non-centered model

Also, verify that $\hat{\gamma}_0 = \bar{Y}$.

Key result of the centered model: The two estimators are $\hat{\beta}_1$ and \bar{Y} and because $\text{cov}(\bar{Y}, \hat{\beta}_1) = 0$ under normality they are independent.

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Under normality and using the centered model we obtain the following distributions:

$$y_i \sim$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \sim$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_0$$
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What is the distribution of $\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} [y_i - \gamma_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})]^2}{\sigma^2}$?

Now begin with $\sum_{i=1}^{n} [y_i - \gamma_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})]^2$ and add/subtract $\hat{\gamma}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1(x_i - \bar{x})$ and expand.

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} [y_i - \gamma_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x}) \pm \hat{\gamma}_0 \pm \hat{\beta}_1(x_i - \bar{x})]^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [e_i + (\hat{\gamma}_0 - \gamma_0) + (\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1)(x_i - \bar{x})]^2$$

Expand to get 6 terms.

Three of the terms are equal to zero.

Now divide both sides by σ^2 and using the distributions from page 9 we see that all the previous terms follow χ^2 distributions.

So far we have:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} \left[\frac{y_i - \gamma_0 - \beta_1(x_i - \bar{x})}{\sigma} \right]^2 = \frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2} + \left(\frac{\hat{\gamma}_0 - \gamma}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - x)^2}}} \right)^2$$

$$Q = Q_1 + Q_2 + Q_3$$

Distributions:

 $Q\sim$ Moment generating function $M_Q(t)=Q_2\sim$ Moment generating function $M_{Q2}(t)=Q_3\sim$ Moment generating function $M_{Q3}(t)=$

It is given that Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 are independent (we will show this next). Find the moment generating function of Q.

$$M_Q(t) = M_{Q_1+Q_2+Q_3}(t)$$

$$M_Q(t) =$$
 (Use properties of moment generating functions.)
$$Solve \ {\rm for} \ M_{Q1}(t)$$

$$M_{Q1}(t) =$$

We mentioned above that Q_1, Q_2, Q_3 are independent. Show that the covariances are zero and therefore under normality they are independent:

- 1. We have seen already that $cov(\bar{Y}, \hat{\beta}_1) = 0$.
- 2. Show that the covariance between \bar{Y} and each residual is zero, $\operatorname{cov}(\bar{Y}, e_i) = 0$. Recall that $e_i = Y_i \hat{Y}_i = Y_i \bar{Y} \hat{\beta}_1(x_i \bar{x})$. Therefore, $\operatorname{cov}\left(\bar{Y}, Y_i \bar{Y} \hat{\beta}_1(x_i \bar{x})\right) =$

3. Show that the covariance between
$$\hat{\beta}_1$$
 and each residual is zero, $\operatorname{cov}(e_i, \hat{\beta}_1) = 0$. Therefore,

$$\operatorname{cov}\left(Y_i - \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1(x_i - \bar{x}), \hat{\beta}_1\right) =$$

Variance and covariance operations in simple regression using summations.

A general result: The covariance operation is additive.

$$\operatorname{cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}, \sum_{j=1}^{m} Y_{j}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} \operatorname{cov}(X_{i}, Y_{j}).$$

Proof:

Let $E(X_i) = \mu_i$ and $E(Y_i) = v_i$. Then

$$E(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_i \text{ and } E(\sum_{j=1}^{m} Y_j) = \sum_{j=1}^{m} v_j.$$

Therefore using the definition of covariance,

$$cov\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i}, \sum_{j=1}^{m} Y_{j}\right) = E\left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_{i} - \sum_{i=1}^{n} \mu_{i}\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m} Y_{j} - \sum_{j=1}^{m} v_{j}\right)\right] \\
= E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} (X_{i} - \mu_{i}) \sum_{j=1}^{m} (Y_{j} - v_{j})\right] = E\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} (X_{i} - \mu_{i})(Y_{j} - v_{j})\right] \\
= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} E(X_{i} - \mu_{i})(Y_{j} - v_{j}) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{m} cov(X_{i}, Y_{j}).$$

Similarly, find the covariance between $\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i Y_i$ and $\sum_{j=1}^{n} b_j Y_j$:

$$\operatorname{cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} Y_{i}, \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_{j} Y_{j}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{i} b_{j} \operatorname{cov}(Y_{i}, Y_{j}).$$

Result

If Y_1, \ldots, Y_n are independent (e.g. one of the Gauss-Markov conditions in regression) then, when $i \neq j$ we have $cov(Y_i, Y_i) = 0$ and therefore:

$$cov\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}Y_{i}, \sum_{j=1}^{n} b_{j}Y_{j}\right) = a_{1}b_{1} cov(Y_{1}, Y_{1}) + a_{1}b_{2} cov(Y_{1}, Y_{2}) + \dots + a_{1}b_{n} cov(Y_{1}, Y_{n})
+ a_{2}b_{1} cov(Y_{2}, Y_{1}) + a_{2}b_{2} cov(Y_{2}, Y_{2}) + \dots + a_{2}b_{n} cov(Y_{2}, Y_{n})
+ \vdots
+ a_{n}b_{1} cov(Y_{n}, Y_{1}) + a_{n}b_{2} cov(Y_{n}, Y_{2}) + \dots + a_{n}b_{n} cov(Y_{n}, Y_{n})
= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}b_{i}var(Y_{i}).$$

(Because when i = j we have $cov(Y_i, Y_i) = var(Y_i)$).

Application in simple regression:

Let $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$. The Gauss-Markov conditions hold. Use the previous result to find $\operatorname{cov}(\bar{Y}, \hat{\beta}_1)$, $\operatorname{cov}(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1)$. and $\operatorname{cov}(\hat{Y}_i, \hat{Y}_j)$. Hint: Express $\bar{Y}, \hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1, \hat{Y}_i$ as linear combinations of Y_1, \ldots, Y_n .

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$$\bar{Y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_i Y_i$$
, where $a_i = \frac{1}{n}$.

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$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i Y_i$$
. What is k_i ?

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$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \sum_{i=1}^n l_i Y_i$$
. What is l_i ?

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$$\hat{Y}_i = \sum_{l=1}^n c_l Y_l$$
 and $\hat{Y}_j = \sum_{r=1}^n d_r Y_r$. What are c_l, d_r ?

Therefore,

1.
$$cov(\bar{Y}, \hat{\beta}_1) = cov(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i Y_i, \sum_{j=1}^n k_j Y_j) =$$

2.
$$cov(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) = cov(\sum_{i=1}^n l_i Y_i, \sum_{j=1}^n k_j Y_j) =$$

3.
$$cov(\hat{Y}_i, \hat{Y}_j) = cov(\sum_{i=1}^n c_i Y_i, \sum_{j=1}^n d_r Y_r) =$$

Variance of a linear combination of random variables: Using the result above find $var(Y_1 + ... + Y_n)$:

$$\operatorname{var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_{i}\right) = \operatorname{cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} Y_{i}, \sum_{j=1}^{n} Y_{j}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} \operatorname{cov}(Y_{i}, Y_{j})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{var}(Y_{i}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j\neq i}^{n} \operatorname{cov}(Y_{i}, Y_{j})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{var}(Y_{i}) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j>i}^{n} \operatorname{cov}(Y_{i}, Y_{j})$$

The previous result can be extended to the more general case:

Let Y_1, Y_2, \ldots, Y_n be random variables, and a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_n be constants. Find the variance of the linear combination $Q = a_1Y_1 + a_2Y_2 + \ldots + a_nY_n$.

$$\operatorname{var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} Y_{i}\right) = \operatorname{cov}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i} Y_{i}, \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j} Y_{j}\right)$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{i} a_{j} \operatorname{cov}(Y_{i}, Y_{j})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}^{2} \operatorname{var}(Y_{i}) + \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sum_{j \neq i}^{n} a_{i} a_{j} \operatorname{cov}(Y_{i}, Y_{j})$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{i}^{2} \operatorname{var}(Y_{i}) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j > i}^{n} a_{i} a_{j} \operatorname{cov}(Y_{i}, Y_{j})$$

Application in simple regression:

When the Gauss-Markov condition of independence holds, the previous expression is simplified considerably, because $cov(Y_i, Y_j) = 0$. Let $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$.

Use the previous result to find $var(\hat{Y}_i)$. First, express \hat{Y}_i as a linear combination of Y_1, \ldots, Y_n .

Find the variance of $var(e_i)$ by expressing $e_i = \sum_{l=1}^n a_l Y_l$

Show that
$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2$$
.

Note:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \qquad \text{Total sum of squares } (SST)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \qquad \text{Error sum of squares } (SSE)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 \qquad \text{Regression sum of squares } (SSR)$$

Proof:

Begin with $\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \bar{y})^2$. What do you need to add/subtract to get e_i ? And then expand.

Distribution of S_e^2 Use $\frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-2}^2$ to find the distribution of S_e^2 .

Aside notes:

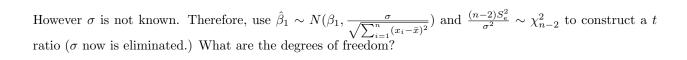
If $Y \sim \Gamma(\alpha, \beta)$ then the moment generating function of Y is $M_Y(t) = (1 - \beta t)^{-\alpha}$ and one of the properties of moment generating functions is $M_{cY} = M_Y(ct)$ (c is a constant).

Let $Q = \frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-2}^2$. Solve for S_e^2 and find the moment generating function of S_e^2 using the notes above.

Construct a $1-\alpha$ Confidence interval for β_1,β_0 and for a linear combination of β_1 and β_0 , for example, $\beta_0-2\beta_1$. We want a statement like this $P[L<\theta< U]=1-\alpha$.

Confidence interval for β_1 . We have seen that $\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}})$. Suppose σ is known. Standardized $\hat{\beta}_1$ to get a "pivotal" expression and then use it to construct a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for β_1 .

Repeat for a $1-\alpha$ confidence interval for β_0 assuming σ is known.



Use the previous t ratio as a pivotal expression to construct a $1-\alpha$ confidence interval for β_1 .

Repeat for a $1 - \alpha$ confidence interval for β_0 .

Construct a confidence interval for $\beta_0 - 2\beta_1$. What is the estimator of $\beta_0 - 2\beta_1$?

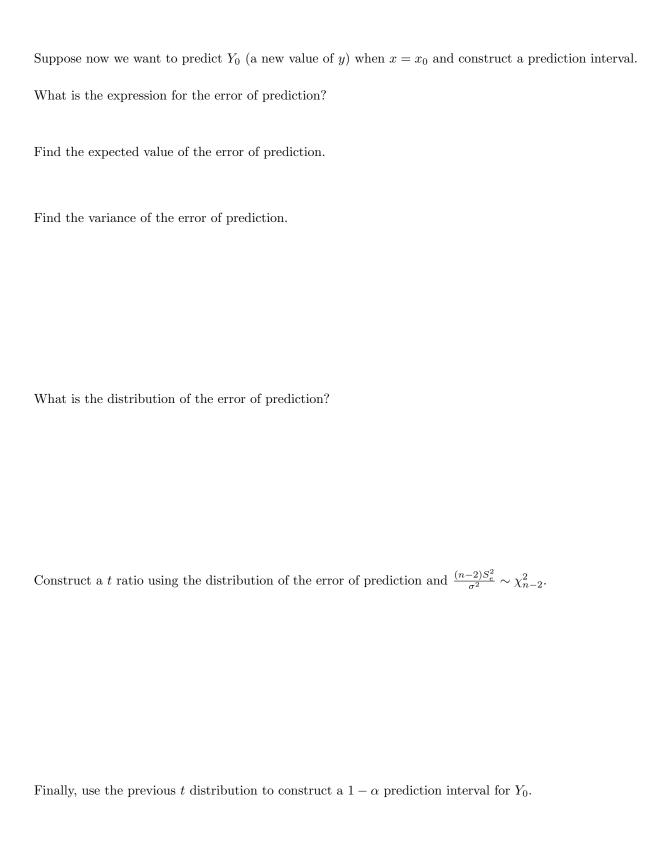
Find
$$E[\hat{\beta}_0 - 2\hat{\beta}_1]$$
.

Find
$$\operatorname{var}[\hat{\beta}_0 - 2\hat{\beta}_1]$$
.

What is the distribution of $\hat{\beta}_0 - 2\hat{\beta}_1$?

Construct a t ratio using the distribution of $\hat{\beta}_0 - 2\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-2}^2$.

Finally, use the previous t distribution to construct a $1-\alpha$ confidence interval for $\beta_0-2\beta_1$.



Hypothesis testing

Consider the following tests.

1.
$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

 $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$

2.
$$H_0: \beta_0 = 0$$

 $H_a: \beta_0 \neq 0$

3.
$$H_0: \beta_1 - 2\beta_0 = 0$$

 $H_a: \beta_1 - 2\beta_0 \neq 0$

4.
$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_1^*, \beta_0 = \beta_0^*$$

 $H_a: \text{ Not true.}$

Test for linear association between Y and x:

$$H_0:\beta_1=0$$

$$H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

Construct a t ratio with n-2 degrees of freedom. This is the same t ratio we used for a $1-\alpha$ confidence interval for β_1 . Here, under $H_0: \beta_1=0$. Therefore, $t=\frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x})^2}}=\frac{\hat{\beta}_1\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-\bar{x})^2}}{S_e}\sim t_{n-2}$. Reject

$$H_0 \text{ if } t > t_{1-\frac{\alpha}{2};n-2} \text{ or } t < -t_{\frac{\alpha}{2};n-2}.$$

Can we test this hypothesis using the F statistic?

To form a ratio that follows the F distribution we need two independent χ^2 random variables. Here they are:

From
$$\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}})$$
 find a χ_1^2 .

And together with $\frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-2}^2$ find a test statistic that follows $F_{1,n-2}$.

Is there a connection between the t and the F statistics?

Likelihood ratio test A general note: Reject H_0 is $\Lambda = \frac{L(\hat{\omega})}{L(\hat{\Omega})} < k$, where $L(\hat{\omega})$ is the maximized likelihood function under H_0 and $L(\hat{\Omega})$ is the maximized likelihood function under no restrictions.

We are testing $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$. Therefore under H_0 the model is:

Find the MLEs of the parameters of the model under H_0 .

Under no restriction we have the MLEs $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n}$.

Begin the likelihood ratio test $\Lambda = \frac{L(\hat{\omega})}{L(\hat{\Omega})} < k$ and show that it is equivalent to the F statistic above.

This class activity will demonstrate step-by-step the procedure for finding a test statistic using the t, F, and likelihood ratio test.

Consider the simple regression model $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$. The Gauss-Markov conditions hold and in addition $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$. We wish to test the hypothesis $H_0: \beta_1 = 1$ against $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 1$. This test can be performed using the following methods:

- A. t statistic.
- B. F statistic.
- C. Likelihood ratio test.

Let's begin...

A. t statistic:

- 1. What is the distribution of $\hat{\beta}_1$ under H_0 . $\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N($,).
- 2. What is the practical difficult in using (1) for inference on β_1 ?
- 3. Now obtain a N(0,1) distribution using (1).
- 4. Which other distribution do we need to use in order to obtain a t statistic?
- 5. Construct a t ratio using (3) and (4). What are the degrees of freedom for this t statistic?

B. F statistic:

- 1. What is the distribution of the square of A-3?
- 2. Use B-1 and A-4 to construct the F statistic. What are the degrees of freedom?

C. Likelihood ratio test: A general note: Reject H_0 is $\Lambda = \frac{L(\hat{\omega})}{L(\hat{\Omega})} < k$, where $L(\hat{\omega})$ is the maximized likelihood function under H_0 and $L(\hat{\Omega})$ is the maximized likelihood function under no restrictions.

1. Estimate the parameters of the model under H_0 .

2. Estimate the parameters of the model under no restrictions.

3. Begin the likelihood ratio test $\Lambda = \frac{L(\hat{\omega})}{L(\hat{\Omega})} < k$ and show that it is equivalent to the F statistic (same as in B).

Power analysis

Consider the simple regression model $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, i = 1, ..., n$. The Gauss-Markov conditions hold and also $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma)$. We want to test the hypothesis $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$ against the alternative $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$. The test can be performed either using the t statistic or the F statistic. Under H_0 these two statistics follow the central t_{n-2} and the central $F_{1,n-2}$.

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\frac{S_e}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}} \text{ or } F = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{S_e^2}.$$

If H_0 is not true then these two statistics follow the non-central t distribution with non-centrality parameter $\frac{\beta_1 \sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}{\sigma}$ and the non-central F distribution with non-centrality parameter $\frac{\beta_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\sigma^2}$. Why?

Let's explore...

Power analysis using the noncentral t distribution.

A note on the noncentral t distribution:

Let $Z \sim N(\delta,1)$ and independently of Z let $U \sim \chi_n^2$ then $\frac{Z}{\sqrt{\frac{U}{n}}} \sim t_n(NCP = \delta)$. Therefore the idea is that we need to transform the normal random variable so it has standard deviation 1. Apply this to the test $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$.

Under H_0 the numerator follows If H_0 is not true the numerator follows

$$\frac{\frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\sigma}}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}} \sqrt{\frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2 \over n-2}}$$

The ratio under H_0 follows

If H_0 is not true the ratio follows

Recall that the power of a test is the following:

 $1 - \beta = P[\text{rejecting } H_0 \text{ when } H_0 \text{ is false}].$ Therefore,

 $1 - \beta = P[t_{n-2;NCP} > t_{\frac{\alpha}{2};n-2}] + P[t_{n-2;NCP} < -t_{\frac{\alpha}{2};n-2}].$

Note: To compute the noncentrality parameter we need values for β_1 and σ .

Power analysis using the noncentral F distribution.

A note on the noncentral χ^2 distribution: Let $Y \sim N(\mu, 1)$. Then $Y^2 \sim \chi_1^2(NCP = \mu^2)$. Therefore, if $Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$ then $\frac{Y}{\sigma} \sim N(\frac{\mu}{\sigma}, 1)$ and $\frac{Y^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_1^2(NCP = (\frac{\mu}{\sigma})^2)$. If Y_1, \ldots, Y_n are i.i.d. $N(\mu, \sigma)$ then $\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{Y_i^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_n^2(NCP = n(\frac{\mu}{\sigma})^2)$.

A note on the noncentral F distribution:

Let $U \sim \chi_n^2(NCP = \theta)$ and independently of U let $V \sim \chi_m^2$. Then $\frac{\frac{U}{n}}{\frac{V}{m}} \sim F_{n,m}(NCP = \theta)$. Apply this to the test $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$.

 $\hat{\beta}_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}})$. Find a noncentral χ^2 random variable. What is the noncentrality parameter θ ?

Now the F statistic:

Under H_0 the numerator follows If H_0 is not true the numerator follows

$$\frac{\frac{\hat{\beta}_{1}^{2}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_{i}-x)^{2}}{\sigma^{2}}}{\frac{(n-2)S_{e}^{2}}{\sigma^{2}}}$$

The ratio under H_0 follows If H_0 is not true the ratio follows

Example

We will use the following data:

```
#Read the data:
    a <- read.table("http://www.stat.ucla.edu/~nchristo/statistics100C/soil.txt",
    header=TRUE)
    #Use only n=7:
    a1 <- a[3:9,]
We run the regression lead on zinc
    #Run simple regression of lead on zinc:
    q <- lm(a1$lead ~ a1$zinc)</pre>
    #Summary of the regression:
    summary(q)
    Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
    (Intercept) 65.12581
                            8.31592 7.831 0.000545
                             0.02166 9.577 0.000210
                0.20743
    a1$zinc
    #Using alpha=0.05 and degrees of freedom 5 we obtain
    the critical t value= 2.570582:
    qt(0.975, 5)
```

We see that t = 9.577. The critical value using $\alpha = 0.05$ is $t_{0.975,5} = 2.570582$, therefore H_0 is rejected. We can also use the p-value=0.000210. Since the p-value $< \alpha = 0.05$ we reject H_0 .

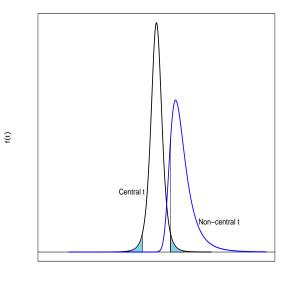
Now suppose we want to compute the power of the test if $\beta_1 = 0.3$ and $\sigma^2 = 625$. We will use either the non-central t or the non-central F distributions.

A. Using the non-central t distribution. The R calculations follow:

```
#We need to compute the non-centrality parameter:
beta1 <- 0.3
sigma <- 25
ncp1 <- beta1*sqrt(6*var(a1$zinc)) / sigma

#Compute the power:
pt(2.570582, 5, ncp=ncp1, lower.tail=FALSE) + pt(-2.570582, 5, ncp=ncpar1)
#It is equal to 0.8729043.</pre>
```





B. Using the non-central F distribution. The R calculations follow:

#Critical value using the F distribution is equal to 6.607891 obtained as follows: qf(0.95, 1,5)

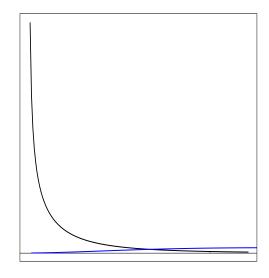
#We need the non-centrality parameter for the chi-squared distribution: ncp2 <- beta1^2*6*var(a1\$zinc)/sigma^2

#Compute the power: 1-pf(6.607891, 1,5, ncp=ncp2)

#It is equal to 0.8729043

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Power analysis



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Hypothesis testing using the extra sum of squares principle

Under the null hypothesis we have a constrained (restricted) least squares problem. We estimate the parameters of the model under H_0 and we compute the error sum of squares. For example, suppose we are testing $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$, then under this hypothesis the model is $y_i = \beta_0 + \epsilon_i$. What is the error sum of squares under this hypothesis? It is $SSE_c = 0$

We then compute the error sum of squares under the full model (no restrictions). The error sum of squares is $SSE_f =$

The F statistic using the extra sum of squares method is defined as

$$\frac{\frac{SSE_c - SSE_f}{df_c - df_f}}{\frac{SSE_f}{df_f}},$$

where df_c and df_f denote the degrees of freedom under the restricted model and under no restrictions respectively.

What is df_c ?

What is df_f ?

Therefore,

$$\frac{\frac{SSE_c - SSE_f}{df_c - df_f}}{\frac{SSE_f}{df_f}} = \frac{SSE_c - SSE_f}{S_e^2}.$$

Now substitute SSE_c and SSE_f to show that this is exactly the F statistic that we found earlier, on page 20.

Another example:

Suppose we are testing the hypothesis that the arm span is approximately equal to height, so we are testing $\beta_1 = 1$. Under the null hypothesis we have a restriction which makes the model $y_i = \beta_0 + x_i + \epsilon_i$ or $y_i - x_i = \beta_0 + \epsilon_i$ or $y_i^* = \beta_0 + \epsilon_i$. The estimate of β_0 using this model is $\hat{\beta}_{0c} = \bar{y}^* = \bar{y} - \bar{x}$. Therefore the error sum of squares of this model is $SSE_c = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i^* - \bar{y}^*)^2$. Show that it is equal to $\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 + (\hat{\beta}_1 - 1)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$.

What is df_c ? What is df_f ?

Finally apply the extra sum of squares F statistic

$$\frac{\frac{SSE_c - SSE_f}{df_c - df_f}}{\frac{SSE_f}{df_f}}$$

to show that this is exactly the F statistic that we found earlier, on page 22.

Constrained least squares - Lagrange multiplier method

In the previous section we have seen the F test using the extra sum of squares principle. In doing so we solve for the constraint to obtain the restricted model and from there after estimation we computed the constrained error sum of squares. Another method for computing the constrained error sum of squares is to minimize the error sum of squares subject to the constraint which involves the use of the Lagrange multiplier method. Suppose we are testing $H_0: \beta_0 + \beta_1 = 1$. The set up of the problem is the following.

min
$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2$$

subjet to $\beta_0 + \beta_1 = 1$ And using a Lagrange multiplier we minimize $\min Q = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2 - 2\lambda(\beta_1 + \beta_0 - 1)$

This is a minimization problem that involves three unknowns, β_0 , β_1 , and λ . After taking partial derivatives we get

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_0} = -2\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i) - 2\lambda = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_1} = -2\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i) x_i - 2\lambda = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \lambda} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 - 1 = 0$$

The solution is left as an exercise and it is equal to

$$\hat{\beta}_{1c} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - 1)(y_i - 1)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_i - 1)^2}$$

$$\hat{\beta}_{0c} = 1 - \hat{\beta}_{1c}$$

The error sum of squares in this case is equal to $SSE_c = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_{0c} - \hat{\beta}_{1c}x_i)^2$. This error sum of squares can also be obtained using the extra sum of squares principle of the previous section. How? We will have to substitute in the modes $\beta_0 = 1 - \beta_1$ to get

$$y_i = 1 - \beta_1 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$$

$$y_i - 1 = \beta_1 (x_i - 1) + \epsilon_i$$

And therefore, the estimate of β_1 is $\hat{\beta}_{1c} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-1)(y_i-1)}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i-1)^2}$, the one obtained using the Lagrange multiplier method. We should also emphasize that the error sum of squares is given by $SSE_c = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i-1-\hat{\beta}_{1c}(x_i-1))^2$, which is exactly the same as the error sum of squares obtained using the method of Lagrange multiplier. Again, once the error sum of squares for the constrained model is computed we can compute the F statistic using the extra sum of squares principle as was presented in the previous section.

The F statistic for testing more than one restrictions is simple regression.

So far we have discussed tests that involve on parameter (either β_1 or β_0) or a linear combination for β_1 or β_0 . In this section we discuss the case when testing for more than one parameter. Suppose we are testing the following hypothesis:

 $H_0: \beta_0 = \beta_0^*$ and $\beta_1 = \beta_1^*$, (where β_0^*, β_1^* are given values)

 H_a : Not true.

We will test this hypothesis using the likelihood ratio test. We will find first the MLEs under restrictions imposed by the null hypothesis and under no restrictions.

- a. Find the maximum likelihood estimate of σ^2 under H_0 . Since β_0 and β_1 are specified under the null hypothesis the only parameter that needs estimation is σ^2 . Therefore, $\hat{\sigma}_0^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0^* - \beta_1^* x_i)^2}{n}$.
- b. Find the maximum likelihood estimate of σ^2 under no restrictions. The MLEs of β_0, β_1 , and σ^2 are the same as the ones that were previously computed: $\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\sigma^2} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n}$.
- c. We construct now the likelihood ratio test and show that the test statistic follows the $F_{2,n-2}$ distribution.

$$\begin{split} &\Lambda &= \frac{L(\hat{\omega})}{L(\hat{\Omega})} < k \\ &= \frac{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_0^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} exp(-\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_0^2} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0^* - \beta_1^* x_i)^2}{n})}{(2\pi\hat{\sigma}_1^2)^{-\frac{n}{2}} exp(-\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}_1^2} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{n})} < k \quad \text{after simplification we get} \\ &= \frac{\hat{\sigma}_1^2}{\hat{\sigma}_0^2} < k^{\frac{2}{n}} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0^* - \beta_1^* x_i)^2} < k^{\frac{2}{n}} \end{split}$$

The denominator, after $\pm \hat{\beta}_0 \pm \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$ and divide by σ^2 can be expressed as

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{n(\hat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0^*)^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1^*)^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{2(\hat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0^*)(\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1^*) \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}{\sigma^2},$$

which algebraically is also is equal to

$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i^2}{\sigma^2} + \frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1^*)^2}{\operatorname{var}(\hat{\beta}_1)} + \frac{(C - (\beta_0^* + \beta_1^* \bar{x}))^2}{\operatorname{var}(C)},$$

where, $C = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} = \bar{y}$. Each one of the last two terms is χ_1^2 and because of independence it follows that

$$\frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1^*)^2}{\operatorname{var}(\hat{\beta}_1)} + \frac{(C - (\beta_0^* + \beta_1^* \bar{x}))^2}{\operatorname{var}(C)} \sim \chi_2^2.$$

The likelihood ratio test, after dividing by $\sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i^2$, can be now expressed as

$$\frac{\frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1^*)^2}{\operatorname{var}(\hat{\beta}_1)} + \frac{(C - (\beta_0^* + \beta_1^* \bar{x}))^2}{\operatorname{var}(C)}}{\frac{(n-2)S_e^2}{\sigma^2}} > k^{-\frac{2}{n}} - 1 = k'.$$

The expression on the left follows $F_{2,n-2}$. Finally, to find k' we will choose a significance level α so that

$$P(F_{2,n-2} > k'|H_0) = \alpha.$$

Therefore, the null hypothesis $H_0: \beta_0 = \beta_0^*, \beta_1 = \beta_1^*$ is rejected when

$$\frac{(\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1^*)^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 + (\bar{y} - (\beta_0^* + \beta_1^* \bar{x}))^2}{2S_e^2} > F_{1-\alpha;2,n-2}.$$

Efficiency of least squares estimators

In the one parameter case we say that an estimator $\hat{\theta}$ is an efficient estimator for θ if

- 1. $E[\hat{\theta}] = \theta$.
- 2. The variance of $\hat{\theta}$ is equal to the Cramér-Rao lower bound for the variance of an unbiased estimator of θ : $var[\hat{\theta}] = \frac{1}{I_n(\theta)}$, where $I_n(\theta)$ is the information in the sample.

The information in the sample can be computed using $I_n(\theta) = -E\left[\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \theta^2}\right]$, where lnL is the log likelihood function.

Example:

Let Y_1, \ldots, Y_n be i.i.d. random variables with $Y_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$. Show that \bar{Y} is an efficient estimator of μ .

Multi parameter case

Let $\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ be the estimator of $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ ($p \times 1$ vector). For example, in the model $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$ we have

$$oldsymbol{ heta} = \left(\begin{array}{c} \\ \\ \end{array} \right)$$
 . We say that $\hat{oldsymbol{ heta}}$ is an efficient estimator of $oldsymbol{ heta}$ if

- 1. $E[\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}] = \boldsymbol{\theta}$.
- 2. $\text{var}[\hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}] = \mathbf{I}^{-1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$, where $\mathbf{I}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ is the information matrix computed as follows:

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$$\mathbf{I}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = -\mathbf{E} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_1^2} & \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_1 \partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_1 \partial \theta_p} \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_2 \partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_2^2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_2 \partial \theta_p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_p \partial \theta_1} & \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_p \partial \theta_2} & \cdots & \frac{\partial^2 \ln \mathbf{L}}{\partial \theta_p^2} \end{bmatrix}.$$

Write $\mathbf{I}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ for the model $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$.

Write the likelihood function based on the normality assumption

$$lnL =$$

Find the following

$$\frac{\partial lnL}{\partial \beta_0} \quad = \quad$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \beta_0^2} \ = \$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \beta_0 \partial \beta_1} \quad = \quad$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \beta_0 \partial \sigma^2} \ = \$$

$$\frac{\partial lnL}{\partial \beta_1} \quad = \quad$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \beta_1^2} =$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \beta_1 \partial \sigma^2} =$$

$$\frac{\partial lnL}{\partial \sigma^2} \ =$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \sigma^2(2)} =$$

Find the information matrix: $-E\left[\frac{\partial^2 lnL}{\partial \pmb{\theta} \partial \pmb{\theta}'}\right]$.

Note the information matrix is block diagonal. Therefore, find the inverse of the upper left 2×2 matrix of the information matrix $\mathbf{I}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$ and compare the elements of the 2×2 matrix with $\operatorname{var}[\hat{\beta}_1] = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$, $\operatorname{var}[\hat{\beta}_0] = \sigma^2[\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}]$, and $\operatorname{cov}[\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1] = -\frac{\bar{x}\sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$.