

Data Analytics for Materials Science

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Multiple Linear Regression

Lecture 5

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The background to this lecture can be found in Ch. 4 of the Jobson book, Volume 1.

At the end of this lecture and on Wednesday we offer a tutorial on the use of R for MLR, which will be very useful for the second homework assignment.

The instructor will be Dr. Amit K. Verma

2 *Do not re-distribute these slides without instructor permission* Use of R

- 1. Regression residuals are assumed to be normally distributed, as we had in normal linear regression analysis (LR)
- 2. A linear relationship is assumed between the dependent variable and the independent variables (also as in LR).
- 3. The residuals all have the same finite variance (homoscedastic) and are approximately rectangular-shaped.
- 4. The independent variables $(x_1, x_2, x_3, ...)$ are not too highly correlated. In-class question: what do we find numerically when two variables are highly correlated? What is a practical method for checking?

Assumptions in multiple linear regression analysis 33

Assume a data set with n dependent variables $(y_{\mathsf{i}},\, \mathsf{i}{=}1..n)$, each depending on ρ independent variables $(x_{ik}, i=1..n, k=1..p)$ in a linear way, i.e.,

 $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \cdots + \beta_p x_{ip} + e_i = \mathbf{x}_i^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + e_i$

(remember that the inner product (dot product) between 2 vectors can be written as $a^T b = b^T a$. Here,

 $\mathbf{x}_i^T = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{i1} & x_{i2} & \cdots & x_{ip} \end{pmatrix}$ and $\boldsymbol{\beta}^T = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 & \beta_1 & \beta_2 & \cdots & \beta_p \end{pmatrix}$

We can write this as a matrix equation: $Y = X\beta + e$

in which the matrices are defined on the next page.

The number of rows (datapoints) in our data matrix is *n* and the number of variables to be used (to explain *y*) is *p* so *n* (number of datapoints) must be greater than *p*.

Constructing the equations $4\frac{4}{3}$

As described in Lecture 4, in least squares optimization the residual vector is defined as $X\beta - Y$ and the error as the sum of the squares of the residuals, i.e., as the inner (dot) product:

$$
L(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = || \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{Y} ||^2 = (\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{Y})^T (\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{Y})
$$

$$
= \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} - (\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})^T \mathbf{Y} + (\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})^T \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}
$$

Remembering that $(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})^T = \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}^T$, we have

$$
L(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta} - \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\beta}
$$

The optimal value for $\pmb{\beta}$ $(\widehat{\pmb{\beta}})$ is the solution of $\;\frac{\partial L(\pmb{\beta})}{\partial \pmb{\beta}}$ $= 0$

Solving for the coefficients 1: least squares 6

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$$

What is $\frac{\partial L(\boldsymbol{\beta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\rho}}$ $\frac{E(\bm{P})}{\partial \bm{\beta}}$? We need results from *matrix calculus.* (Not discussed here!)

We can show that
$$
\frac{\partial L(\beta)}{\partial \beta} = -2\mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{X} + 2\widehat{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} = 0 \Rightarrow \widehat{\beta}^T \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Y}^T \mathbf{X}
$$

Using $\widehat{\beta}^T X^T X = X^T X \widehat{\beta}$ and $Y^T X = X^T Y$, we have $(X^T X) \widehat{\beta} = X^T Y$

Finally, we have: $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$. Exactly what we saw in OLS.

Knowing **X** and **Y**, we can find $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$.

Solving for the coefficients 2: least squares

Suppose we have data relating fuel consumption (in 2001) to a number of parameters. 50 states plus DC: $N = 51$.

To install in R: library(alr4)

Note that there is a wide range in the magnitudes of these quantities, from 7.5 to 2.6 \times 10⁷ — 6 orders of magnitude.

To avoid mathematical instabilities that can arise from such a large spread in data, we will rescale some of the variable.

Note: *Drivers* is the number of people over 16 with licenses, *Pop* is the total population over 16.

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A sample problem (not materials!) *Linear Regression*, third edition. 8

Weisberg, S. (2014). *Applied Linear Regression*, third edition. New York: Wiley.

Note that use of scaled data reduces the range of the data to 7.5 to $10^3 - 2$ orders of magnitude.

We can use a number of approaches to examine what correlations there are between **pairs** of variables in this data.

Here we will show 2 types: a scatterplot matrix and a correlation matrix.

A sample problem (not materials!) and the sample problem of $\frac{9}{9}$

A scatterplot matrix (pairs, scaterplotMatrix in R, e.g.) shows each variable plotted against all the other variables.

What do we see: a large variation in *Fuel*. Some states seem to have more that 1 driver per person over the age of 16. *Fuel* use tends to decrease as *Tax* increases.

However, while useful in providing information about correlation of pairs of data, they do not tell us anything about *joint* relationships between the data.

Scatterplot matrix and the set of t

Call each type of data, i.e., each variable or "feature" X_i .

We can write down the following statistical measures of each datatype.

$$
\overline{X_i} = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} X_{ki}, \ S_i = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N} (X_{ki} - \overline{X_i})^2, \ \sigma_i = \sqrt{S_i}
$$

To put all variables on the same scale, we *autoscale* the data, i.e., subtract the mean and normalize by the standard deviation.

Define:
$$
X'_{ki} = \frac{X_{ki} - \overline{X_i}}{\sigma_i}
$$
 for each data entry

with $i =$ the type of data (e.g., *Income*)

We have: $\overline{X'_i} = 0$ and $\sigma_{X'_i} = 1$

Suppresses the wide range of the data and makes comparisons possible and calculations more numerically stable.

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Calculate the covariance matrix (measure of the variance between variables) for the
\nautoscaled data
$$
X'_{ki} = \frac{X_{ki} - \overline{X_i}}{\sigma_i}
$$
 with $\overline{X'_i} = 0$ and $\sigma_{X'_i} = 1$
\n
$$
C_{ij} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N} X'_{ki} X'_{kj} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{(X_{ki} - \overline{X_i})(X_{kj} - \overline{X_j})}{\sigma'_i \sigma'_j}
$$
\n
$$
C_{ii} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N} X'^{2}_{ki} = \frac{1}{N-1} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \frac{(X_{ki} - \overline{X_i})^2}{\sigma'_i^2} = \frac{S_i}{S_i} = 1
$$

C is a measure of the correlation between the variables.

Covariance matrix 13

This is a more traditional summary of two-variable relationships.

We see what is also apparent in the scatterplot matrix: relatively small correlations between the predictors and *Fuel*, and essentially no correlation between the predictors themselves. In other words, *no single variable explains the variance in the fuel consumption*.

Correlation matrix 14

We have defined $(p = 5, N = 51)$:

$$
\mathbf{X} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} & x_{14} \\ 1 & x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} & x_{24} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{N1} & x_{N2} & x_{N3} & x_{N4} \end{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{pmatrix} \quad \mathbf{Y} = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X}) \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y} \\ \Rightarrow \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{Y}
$$

Please note that numerical instabilities can arise if there are orders of magnitude variations between the data types and you could get incorrect answers.

We will use the matrix equation in this case and will test by comparing to another solution (in the textbook† where you can find this dataset, or in the *alr4* package in R) based on rescaled data.

Note the 7 orders of magnitude difference in the entries in M-1

Using $\widehat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{Y}$, we find

$$
\hat{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} 154.193 \\ -4.22798 \\ 0.471871 \\ -6.13533 \\ 18.5453 \end{pmatrix} \begin{matrix} \text{(intercept)} \\ \text{Tax} \\ \text{Drivers} \\ \text{Income} \\ \text{logMiles} \end{matrix}
$$

which agrees with solutions based on alternative numerical solutions. $\widehat{y} = \widehat{\beta}_0 + \widehat{\beta}_1 Tax + \widehat{\beta}_2 Drivers + \widehat{\beta}_3 Income + \widehat{\beta}_4 logMiles$

How do we analyze the quality of this solution?

- We define the *residual sum of squares* (*RSS*) [Jobson *SSE* = *error sum of the squares*] to be the value of E, e.g., $RSS = \sum$ $i=1$ \overline{N} $y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$, evaluated at the minimum. You can say that this is the residue left over after subtracting the fitted values.
- The variance σ^2 is RSS divided by its *degrees of freedom* (*df*)
- df = number of cases (data points) minus the number of parameters in the mean function, here $df = N - (1 + 4) = N - 5$ and the *residual mean square is* $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{RSS}{N-5}$ $N-5$

Residual error over the 51 datapoints

- $\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2}$ is often called the *standard error of regression*
- *the smaller RSS, the smaller the residuals*
- *Randomness in the error values is a good thing*

The residual sum of squares (RSS) $\frac{18}{\text{Q Richard Lesar, 2020}}$

- We can also measure the error relative to the mean \overline{y} , which is equivalent to using $y(x) = \beta_0$ as our fitting function.
- The OLS estimate would be found by minimizing $\overline{\Sigma}$ \overline{i} $(y_i - \beta_0)^2$
- The minimum is found with $\hat{\beta}_0 = \overline{y}$ (note difference from value with $\widehat y_i = \hat \beta_0 + \hat \beta_1 x_i$
- The residual sum of squares is [Jobson: *SST* = *total sum of the squares*] $SYY = \sum$ $i=1$ \overline{N} $y_i - \overline{y})^2$

• There is only one parameter, so $df = N - 1$

Another measure of variance

The sum of squares due to regression, SS_{reg} , is $SS_{reg} = SYY - RSS$

• the df of SS_{reg} is the df for the mean function ($N-1$) minus the df for simple regression $(N - (1 + p))$, $df = p$. Here, $p = 4$

 SS_{req} is the reduction in the residual sum of square from enlarging the mean function from $\hat{y} = \beta_0 = \overline{y}$ to $\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 Tax + \hat{\beta}_2 Drivers + \hat{\beta}_3 Income + \hat{\beta}_4 logMiles$ Consider

 $R^2 = \frac{SS_{reg}}{S_{sys}}$ **SYY** $= 1 - \frac{RSS}{S}$ **SYY**

! is the *coefficient of multiple regression* and is 1 minus the *fraction* of the data that is unexplained by the variance as described with RSS.

The $\hat{\beta_{t}}$ are the *coefficients* for the solution, which is generally all that is reported (unfortunately!).

For this dataset, we find:

- $RSS = 193,700$
- $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{RSS}{N}$ $N-5$ $= 4210.87$
- $SYY = 395,694$
- $SSreg = SYY RSS = 201,994$.

$$
R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS}{SYY} = 0.510
$$

About half of the variance is accounted for using $\widehat{y} = \widehat{\beta}_0 + \widehat{\beta}_1 Tax + \widehat{\beta}_2 Drivers + \widehat{\beta}_3 Income + \widehat{\beta}_4 logMiles$

Explore details of how the various quantities are calculated in R from this website: [http://r-statistics.co/Linear-Regression.htm](http://r-statistics.co/Linear-Regression.html)l

Estimates of variants ²¹

When the number of variables (columns-1) is *p* and the number of datapoints (rows) is *n*. In ordinary circumstances we must have more datapoints than variables. If the two are close to each other, however, we need to be careful. If, e.g., *n=p+1* then the fit is exact with no degrees of freedom.

Therefore, we can compute an *adjusted R²* to account for this:

$$
R^{2} = 1 - \frac{n-1}{n-p-1}(1 - R^{2}) = 1 - \frac{SSE/(n-p-1)}{SST/(n-1)} = 1 - \frac{RSS/(n-p-1)}{SYY/(n-1)}
$$

Here, [Jobson] *SSE* is the *error sum of the squares* = *RSS* and [Jobson] *SST* is the *total sum of the squares* = *SYY* (previous slides) If the two values of $R²$ differ by a large amount then check the dimensions of

your data matrix because it may signal that you do not have enough data.

We can show that the variances of the coefficients are given by $Var(\hat{\beta}) = \hat{\sigma}^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$

The standard errors are $\sqrt{\textit{Var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})}$, in which the square root is taken of each element. We find for the coefficients and their standard errors:

$$
\begin{array}{ll}\n\text{(intercept)} & \text{Tax} \\
\text{Drivers} & \mathbf{B} = \begin{pmatrix} 154.193 \\ -4.22798 \\ 0.471871 \\ -6.13533 \end{pmatrix} stderror(\mathbf{B}) = \begin{pmatrix} 194.9062 \\ 2.0301 \\ 0.1285 \\ 2.1936 \end{pmatrix} t \text{ value} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_k}{stderror(\hat{\beta}_k)} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.791 \\ -2.083 \\ 3.672 \\ -2.797 \\ 2.865 \end{pmatrix}\n\end{array}
$$

Variance of the coefficients 23

There are a number of other tests that can be applied to this data.

- F-test
- t-test
- hypothesis testing
- sequential analysis testing
- prediction

All (or most) of these are available in standard statistics packages, such as R.

Other tests 24

When independent random samples, n_1 and n_2 , are taken from two normal distributions with equal variances, the sampling distribution of the ratio of the sample variances, $F=\frac{s_1^2}{s_2^2}$ s_2^2 $\frac{1}{2}$, follows the F distribution:

 $F(p, n-p')$, in which $p'=p$ for a function with no intercept and $p'=1+p$ if an intercept is included.

For our case, we will plot the ratio of the mean of $SStep = SYY - RSS$ and the $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{RSS}{M-5}$ $\frac{RSS}{N-5}$, i.e., $F_p = \frac{SSreg/4}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$ $\widehat{\sigma}^2$ $= 11.9924$

We will use the *F-distribution* to verify or disprove the null hypothesis that the mean of *Fuel* does not depend on any of the terms in \hat{y} .

Given two χ^2 random variables χ_N^2 and χ_M^2 then the random ratio variable $(\chi_N^2/N)/(\chi_M^2/D)$ has an F distribution with N & D degrees of freedom. These are described, obviously, as the numerator and denominator degrees of freedom, respectively. Like the χ^2 , the F distribution is positive and skewed to the right.

Again, inferences for multiple regression models, analysis of variance models and multivariate means make use of this distribution.

More can be found on p. 20 of Jobson, Vol 1.

Statistics: "F" Distribution

The *F*-distribution $F({p, N - (1 + p)}), F_p) = F({4,46}, F_p)$.

Using the distribution, we find that the probability for $F_p = 11.9924$ that the null hypothesis is true is $PR(>= 8.8 \times 10^{-7})$, which indicates that the null hypothesis is not true

and *Fuel* does depend on the terms in \hat{y} .

F distribution ²⁷

Suppose we want to see how important taxes are in determining fuel use.

We already have RSS and $\hat{\sigma}^2$ including $tax.$

Remove column of tax data from X and solve for $\hat{\beta}_{notax}$ and then calculate RSS_{notax} and $\hat{\sigma}_{notax}^2$ in the same way as before. Note that there are $df = 51 - (1 + 3) = 47$ degrees of freedom for the notax case and 46 for the full solution.

We find:

There is modest evidence that the coefficient for *Tax is different from 0.*

Can do with other variables as well.

Effects of specific variables 28

More generally, the whole point of the statistical tests is all about *hypothesis testing*. The most common approach is the NULL Hypothesis, called H_0 , which means that the proposed model being tested can/should be rejected. Before obtaining an answer to such a hypothesis, however, we must choose the probability or confidence level for rejection. A very common choice is *p=0.05*, which says that we are confident to the 95 % level that the NULL hypothesis can be rejected i.e., it's wrong! You can say that there is only a 5 % that we are making the wrong choice by rejecting the NULL hypothesis and accepting that the model is meaningful. The latter is known as accepting the Alternative Hypothesis, H_1 . Type I Error (incorrectly rejecting the NULL) is also known as False Positive and Type II Error (incorrectly rejecting the Alternative) is also known as False Negative.

As remarked on this website, https://data-flair.training/blogs/hypothesis-testing-in-r/, "A small p-value (typically \leq 0.05) indicates strong evidence against the null hypothesis, so you can reject it. A large p-value (> 0.05) indicates weak evidence against the null hypothesis, so you fail by rejecting it." A standard test is, e.g., the "t test" that can be used to decide if two different samples have the same mean values; in R, this is the t.test procedure.

Hypothesis Testing ²⁹

The lecture on (part of Monday and) Wednesday will be a tutorial on the use of R, which will be useful for the first homework assignment.

It will be given using the usual Zoom link.

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