

STAT 3008 Applied Regression Analysis  
Tutorial 2. Simple Linear Regression

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# 1 Basic Concepts

let  $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_n$  be  $n$  random variables.  $a_0, \dots, a_n$  be  $n+1$  constant.

## 1.1 Expectation

$$E(\mu_i) = \int \mu_i f(u_i) du_i = \sum \mu_i f(\mu_i) \quad (1.1)$$

$$E(a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i) = a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i E(\mu_i) \quad (1.2)$$

## 1.2 Variance

$$Var(\mu_i) = E([\mu_i - E(\mu_i)]^2) \quad (1.3)$$

$$Var(a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 Var(\mu_i) \quad \mu_1, \dots, \mu_n \text{ are independent} \quad (1.4)$$

## 1.3 Covariance

$$Cov(\mu_i, \mu_j) = Cov(\mu_j, \mu_i) = E[\mu_i - E(\mu_i)][\mu_j - E(\mu_j)] \quad (1.5)$$

$$Cov(\mu_i, \mu_i) = Var(\mu_i) \quad (1.6)$$

$$Cov(a_0 + a_1 \mu_1, a_2 + a_3 \mu_2) = a_1 a_3 Cov(\mu_1, \mu_2) \quad (1.7)$$

$$Var(a_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 Var(\mu_i) + 2 \sum_{i < j} a_i a_j Cov(\mu_i, \mu_j) \quad (1.8)$$

## 1.4 Correlation

$$\rho(\mu_i, \mu_j) = \frac{Cov(\mu_i, \mu_j)}{\sqrt{Var(\mu_i)Var(\mu_j)}} \quad (1.9)$$

# 2 Basic Simple Linear Regression

◇ The model is defined as:

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + e_i, \quad e_i \sim \text{i.i.d.} N(0, \sigma^2) \quad (2.1)$$

- $x_i$  is known
- another expression of the model:  $E(Y|X = x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x, Var(Y|X = x) = \sigma^2$ .

◇ Parameters of Interest:  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \sigma^2$

$\beta_0$  : y-intercept(value of y when x = 0)

$\beta_1$  : slope (change of y if x changes by 1 unit)

$\sigma^2$  : variance of the random error

◇ Estimation:

**Ordinary Least Square Method:** "least square" is a criterion, an idea to find the "best fit".

It doesn't matter what the distribution of  $y_i$  is and what the specific model is.

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$$

Residual for case i is:

$$\hat{e}_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i = y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$$

$$\text{RSS(Residual Sum of Square)} = \sum \hat{e}_i^2$$

Minimize the RSS:

$$(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \text{argmin}_{\beta_0, \beta_1} \text{RSS}(\beta_0, \beta_1)$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{RSS}}{\partial \beta_0} \Big|_{\beta_0 = \hat{\beta}_0} = 0 \quad (2.2)$$

$$\frac{\partial \text{RSS}}{\partial \beta_1} \Big|_{\beta_1 = \hat{\beta}_1} = 0 \quad (2.3)$$

Solve the equations:

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{SXY}{SXX} \quad (2.4)$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} \quad (2.5)$$

with:

$$\bar{y} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i y_i$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i x_i$$

$$SYY = \sum_i (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum_i y_i^2 - n\bar{y}^2$$

$$SXX = \sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = \sum_i x_i^2 - n\bar{x}^2$$

$$SXY = \sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) = \sum_i x_i y_i - n\bar{x}\bar{y}$$

$$\widehat{RSS} = SYY - \frac{SXY^2}{SXX} = SYY - \hat{\beta}_1^2 SXX$$

◇ Properties of estimators:

- $E(\hat{\beta}_0) = \beta_0, E(\hat{\beta}_1) = \beta_1, E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \sigma^2$

- $\sum \hat{e}_i = 0$  (But  $\sum e_i \neq 0$ .)
- $\bar{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$  (The fitted line passes through  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ .)

The second and third points are only for the model  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + e_i, e_i \sim \text{i.i.d.}N(0, \sigma^2)$ . Otherwise they are not always true.

**Example:** a model  $y_i = \beta x_i + e_i, e_i \sim \text{i.i.d.}N(0, \sigma^2)$  (assuming that  $\beta_0 = 0$ ),

$$RSS = \sum (y_i - \beta x_i)^2.$$

$$\frac{\partial RSS}{\partial \beta} = -2 \sum x_i (y_i - \beta x_i) = 0 \Rightarrow \hat{\beta} = \frac{\sum x_i y_i}{\sum x_i^2}.$$

No equation to ensure  $\sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i) = \sum (y_i - \hat{\beta} x_i) = 0$ . When  $\sum (y_i - \hat{\beta} x_i) \neq 0, \sum y_i \neq \hat{\beta} \sum x_i$ , i.e.,  $\bar{y} \neq \hat{\beta} \bar{x}$ , the fitted line does NOT pass through  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$ .

### 3 Exercises

#### 3.1 Exercise 2 Q1 2.1.2, 2.1.3

#### 3.2 Exercise 2 Q2

#### 3.3 Exercise 3 Q6

#### 3.4 Exercise 2 Q4

### 4 Appendix

To calculate  $E(\hat{\beta}_0), Var(\hat{\beta}_0)$  and  $Cov(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1)$  for the model  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + e_i, e_i \sim \text{i.i.d.}N(0, \sigma^2)$ , which was not done in the lecture for reasons of time, is a good practice of using the basic concepts and calculation rules of expectations, variance and covariance.

#### 4.1 $E(\hat{\beta}_0)$

$$E(\hat{\beta}_0) = E(\bar{y}) - \bar{x} E(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{1}{n} \sum E y_i - \bar{x} \beta_1 = \frac{1}{n} \sum (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i) - \frac{1}{n} \beta_1 \sum x_i = \beta_0. \quad (4.1)$$

#### 4.2 $Var(\hat{\beta}_0)$

$$\because Cov(\bar{y}, \hat{\beta}_1) = 0,$$

$$\therefore Var(\hat{\beta}_0) = Var(\bar{y}) + \bar{x}^2 Var(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{1}{n} Var(y_i) + \bar{x}^2 \frac{\sigma^2}{SXX} = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{SXX} \right). \quad (4.2)$$

### 4.3 $Cov(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1)$

$$\because Cov(\bar{y}, \hat{\beta}_1) = 0,$$

$$\therefore Cov(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1) = Cov(\bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}, \hat{\beta}_1) = -\bar{x}Var(\hat{\beta}_1) = -\sigma^2 \frac{\bar{x}}{SXX}. \quad (4.3)$$