

Applied Linear Statistical Models  
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**Instructions:** You must show your work where relevant to receive credit. There are three problems on three pages. The last page is your formula sheet, which you may remove.

All of the questions concern a simple linear regression model of the form

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$$

where  $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  independently, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

1. Consider the least squares criterion,

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 X_i)^2.$$

(a) Write down the partial derivatives of  $Q$  with respect to the regression coefficients (2 pts)

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_0} &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 X_i) \\ \frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_1} &= -2 \sum_{i=1}^n X_i (Y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 X_i) \end{aligned}$$

(b) Write down the normal equations. Simplify the equations, and hence show that the least squares estimates,  $b_0$  and  $b_1$ , are the solution of a pair of linear equations. (4 pts)

*The least squares estimates satisfy the normal equations,*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - b_0 - b_1 X_i) &= 0 \\ \sum_{i=1}^n X_i (Y_i - b_0 - b_1 X_i) &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

*These equations can be rewritten in the form*

$$nb_0 + (\sum X_i)b_1 = \sum Y_i \quad (1)$$

$$(\sum X_i)b_0 + (\sum X_i^2)b_1 = \sum X_i Y_i; \quad (2)$$

*i.e. as a pair of linear equations in  $b_0$  and  $b_1$ .*

(c) Show that  $b_0 = \bar{Y} - b_1 \bar{X}$ , and hence derive a formula for  $b_1$ . (4 pts)  
*Dividing equation (1) by  $n$  results in*

$$b_0 + b_1 \bar{X} = \bar{Y},$$

*or equivalently*

$$b_0 = \bar{Y} - b_1 \bar{X}.$$

*Substituting into equation (2) gives*

$$(\sum X_i)(\bar{Y} - b_1 \bar{X}) + (\sum X_i^2)b_1 = \sum X_i Y_i.$$

*Combining terms results in*

$$\left( \sum X_i^2 - \frac{1}{n} (\sum X_i)^2 \right) b_1 = \sum X_i Y_i - \frac{1}{n} (\sum X_i)(\sum Y_i).$$

*Hence (by facts 2 and 3)*

$$b_1 = \frac{SXY}{SXX}.$$

2. The least squares estimate of the slope can be written as a linear combination of the responses; i.e.  $b_1 = \sum k_i Y_i$ , where the constants,  $k_i$ , do not depend on the  $Y_i$ 's. Using the facts on the formula sheet, show the following. (**Show the steps in the derivation, and state which facts you are using in each part.**)

(a)  $k_i = (X_i - \bar{X})/SXX$  (3 pts)

*Using the formula for  $b_1$  derived in the previous question and fact #3*

$$b_1 = \frac{SXY}{SXX} = \frac{\sum (X_i - \bar{X})Y_i}{SXX} = \sum k_i Y_i$$

(b)  $E(b_1) = \beta_1$  (3 pts)

$$E(b_1) = E(\sum k_i Y_i) = \sum k_i E(Y_i) = \sum k_i (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i).$$

*But facts #1 and #2 respectively imply that  $\sum k_i = 0$  and  $\sum k_i X_i = 1$ . Hence*

$$E(b_1) = \beta_0 (\sum k_i) + \beta_1 (\sum k_i X_i) = \beta_1.$$

(c)  $\text{var}(b_1) = \sigma^2/SXX$  (4 pts)

*Using fact #4 and the identity  $\sum k_i^2 = 1/SXX$  we have*

$$\text{var}(b_1) = \text{var}(\sum k_i Y_i) = \sum k_i^2 \text{var}(Y_i).$$

*Finally, since  $\text{var}(Y_i) = \sigma^2$ ,*

$$\text{var}(b_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{SXX}.$$

3. A simple linear regression using  $n = 32$  observations resulted the following ANOVA table:

Source	SS	df	MS	F-ratio
Regression	(144)	( 1)	(144)	( 9)
Error	480	( 30)	( 16)	
Total	624			

- (a) Fill in the six missing values in the table. (4 pts)
- (b) What is the absolute value of the t-statistic for testing  $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ ? (2 pts)

$$|t| = \sqrt{F} = 3 \quad \text{or} \quad |t| = |b_1/s\{b_1\}| = 3/\sqrt{16/25} = 3.75$$

(NOTE: These answers should be the same! The value of  $b_1$  in the next part should be 2.4.)

- (c) Suppose that  $b_1 = 3$  and  $SXX = 25$ . Find a 95% confidence interval for the true slope,  $\beta_1$ . (HINT: Use the fact that  $t(.975, 30) = 2$ .) (2 pts)  
*A 95% confidence interval is given by*

$$b_1 \pm t \times s\{b_1\} = 3 \pm 2 \times \sqrt{16/25} = 3 \pm 1.6$$

- (d) What proportion of the variation in the responses is explained by regression on the  $X$ -variable? You may give the answer as a fraction. (2 pts)

$$r^2 = \frac{SSR}{SSTO} = \frac{144}{624} = \frac{3}{13}$$

## FACTS and FORMULAS

- FACT 1:

$$\sum (X_i - \bar{X}) = 0$$

- FACT 2:

$$SXX = \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2 = \sum (X_i - \bar{X})X_i = \sum X_i^2 - \frac{1}{n}(\sum X_i)^2$$

- FACT 3:

$$SXY = \sum (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) = \sum (X_i - \bar{X})Y_i = \sum X_i Y_i - \frac{1}{n}(\sum X_i)(\sum Y_i)$$

- FACT 4: Suppose that  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  are independent and  $Y_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Then, if  $a_1, \dots, a_n$  are constants,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i Y_i \sim N\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mu_i, \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2 \sigma_i^2\right)$$

- STANDARD ERRORS

$$\sigma\{b_1\} = \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{SXX}}$$

$$\sigma\{\hat{Y}_h\} = \sigma \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(X_h - \bar{X})^2}{SXX}}$$

$$\sigma\{pred\} = \sigma \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(X_h - \bar{X})^2}{SXX}}$$

- R-SQUARED

$$r^2 = \frac{SSR}{SSTO}$$