

Linear Regression 2

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Example: We study the effects of TV, radio and newspaper advertising budgets on the sales of a product.

$$sales = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times TV + \beta_2 \times radio + \beta_3 \times newspaper + \epsilon.$$

Data

Data: $(\mathbf{x}_1, y_1), \dots, (\mathbf{x}_n, y_n)$, where

$$\mathbf{x}_i = (x_{i1}, x_{i2}, \dots, x_{ip}) \quad i = 1, \dots, n$$

Example:

	TV (X_1)	Radio (X_2)	Newspaper (X_3)	Sales (Y)
1	230.1	37.8	69.2	22.1
2	44.5	39.3	45.1	10.4
3	17.2	45.9	69.3	9.3
4	151.5	41.3	58.5	18.5
5	180.8	10.8	58.4	12.9
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots
200	232.1	8.6	8.7	13.4

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and we want to minimize the RSS

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RSS} &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_p x_{ip})^2 \end{aligned}$$

Equations in a matrix form

Let

$$\mathbf{Y} = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n)^T$$

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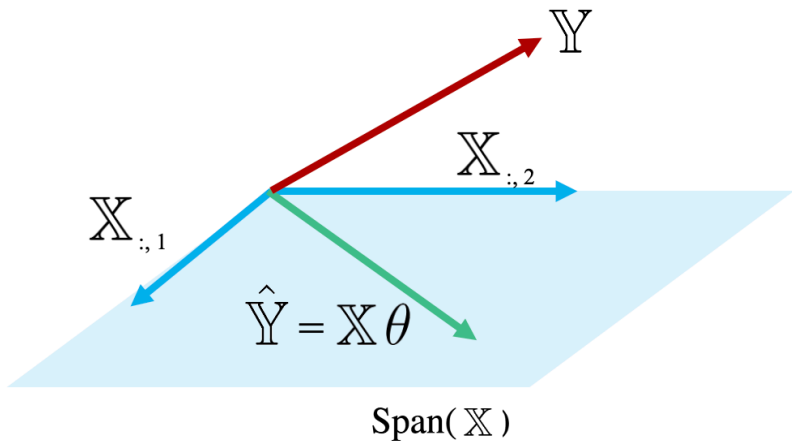
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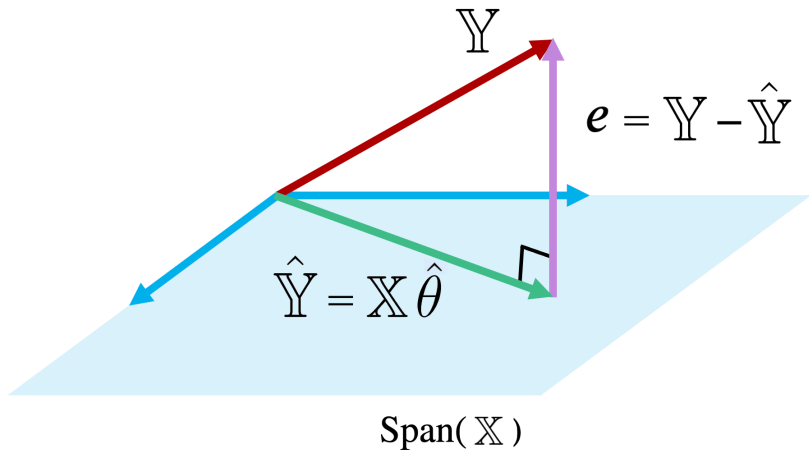
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$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{1}\hat{\beta}_0 + \mathbf{X}_1\hat{\beta}_1 + \mathbf{X}_2\hat{\beta}_2 + \dots + \mathbf{X}_p\hat{\beta}_p$$

In other words, $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$ **must lie in the space spanned by**
 $\mathbf{1}, \mathbf{X}_1, \mathbf{X}_2, \dots, \mathbf{X}_p$

True Response vs Prediction



Finding the Best Prediction



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Now we can solve for $\hat{\beta}$!

Solving for $\hat{\beta}$

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Inference for β (not $\hat{\beta}$)

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What we will use instead of $\text{Cov}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ is

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RSE = $\sqrt{RSS/(n - 3 - 1)} = 1.69$ and

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 9.7 \times 10^{-2} & -2.7 \times 10^{-4} & -1.1 \times 10^{-3} & -6.0 \times 10^{-4} \\ -2.7 \times 10^{-4} & 1.9 \times 10^{-6} & -4.5 \times 10^{-7} & -3.3 \times 10^{-7} \\ -1.1 \times 10^{-3} & -4.5 \times 10^{-7} & 7.4 \times 10^{-5} & -1.8 \times 10^{-5} \\ -5.9 \times 10^{-4} & -3.3 \times 10^{-7} & -1.8 \times 10^{-5} & 3.4 \times 10^{-5} \end{pmatrix}$$

SE($\hat{\beta}_3$) = .

Important questions

1. Is at least one of the predictors X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p useful in predicting the response?
2. Do all predictors help explaining Y , or only a subset of them?
3. How well does model fit the data?

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Hypothesis test:

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The decision will be based on the following F -statistic:

$$F = \frac{(\text{TSS} - \text{RSS})/p}{\text{RSS}/(n - p - 1)}.$$

Recall that $\text{TSS} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$ and $\text{RSS} = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$.

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- If H_a is true, then $\mathbb{E}[(\text{TSS} - \text{RSS})/p]$ and so we expect F to be **greater than 1**.

Sales data

$$\widehat{sales} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \times TV + \hat{\beta}_2 \times radio + \hat{\beta}_3 \times newspaper$$

- The F -value is 570 with its corresponding p -value $= 1.58 \times 10^{-96}$.
- We are certain that **at least** one of the advertising media must be related to the sales.

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The decision will be made after looking at the t -statistic:

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - 0}{\text{SE}(\hat{\beta}_j)}.$$

Here, $\text{SE}(\hat{\beta}_j)$ is the square root of entry (j, j) of $\widehat{\text{Cov}}(\hat{\beta})$, which is an estimate of the covariance matrix of the coefficients.

Example

	Coefficient	SE	<i>t</i> -statistic	<i>p</i> -value
Intercept	2.939	0.3119	9.42	< 0.0001
TV	0.046	0.0014	32.81	< 0.0001
radio	0.189	0.0086	21.89	< 0.0001
newspaper	-0.001	0.0059	-0.18	0.8599

For example, *t*-statistic of $\hat{\beta}_3$ (newspaper) is

$$t = \frac{-0.0001}{0.0059} = -0.18$$

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This is because of the correlation between newspaper and radio

	TV	radio	newspaper	sales
TV	1.000	0.055	0.057	0.78
radio		1.000	0.35	0.58
newspaper			1.000	0.23
sales				1.000

Higher values of newspaper → higher values of radio, which is the one that affects the sales.

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- If we perform the *t*-test at significance level $\alpha = 0.05$ for $\beta_0 = \beta_1 = \dots, \beta_p = 0$ the probability of us being wrong is:

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Model evaluation

- Residual standard error (RSE):

$$\text{RSE} = \sqrt{\frac{\text{RSS}}{n - p - 1}}$$

- R^2 measures the variance of Y that is explained by the model:

$$R^2 = \left[\text{Cor}(Y, \hat{Y}) \right]^2$$

Example

Predictors	RSE	R^2
TV	3.26	0.612
TV + radio	1.68	0.897
TV + radio + newspaper	1.69	0.897

In both metrics, we can conclude that

- Adding **radio** helps significantly improve the model.
- There is no point in adding **newspaper** to the model.