# Regression Techniques 

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## Regression

- Most of you should be familiar with Linear Regression / Least Squares
- What is the purpose?
- What are the model assumptions?
- Are there any other kinds of regression?


## Course: Regression Techniques

- This course is not about linear regression!
- We will
- Try to refine what we understand by the term "regression" (linear regression is only a special case)
- Learn alternative approaches to solve the "regression" problem
- Learn how to identify and address modeling errors
- Most techniques we will learn require non-trivial programming
- We will learn and use the R language for computation
- Room 11 (ground floor) is a computer lab (usually locked, but security guards at the main gate will open it when you ask them)
- There are two more (smaller) computer labs in teh ground floor of the Faculty Building
- You can use your own laptops as well


## Evaluation scheme

- Midterm examination: 30\%
- Final examination: 50\%
- Assignments / Projects: 20\%


## What is Regression?

- Consider bivariate data $(X, Y)$ with some distribution
- Interested in "predicting" $Y$ for a fixed value of $X=x$
- In probability terms, want the conditional distribution of

$$
Y \mid X=x
$$

- In general
- $Y$ could be numeric or categorical
- $X$ could also be numeric or categorical
- The "Regression Problem": when $Y$ is numeric
- The "Classification Problem": when $Y$ is categorical
- A more modern approach is to view both as special cases of the "Learning Problem"


## Example: Height and Weight Data

| data(Davis, package $=$ |  |  |  |  | "carData") |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Davis [1:20, ] |  |  |  |  |  |
| sex weight height |  |  |  |  | repwt |
| repht |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | M | 77 | 182 | 77 | 180 |
| 2 | F | 58 | 161 | 51 | 159 |
| 3 | F | 53 | 161 | 54 | 158 |
| 4 | M | 68 | 177 | 70 | 175 |
| 5 | F | 59 | 157 | 59 | 155 |
| 6 | M | 76 | 170 | 76 | 165 |
| 7 | M | 76 | 167 | 77 | 165 |
| 8 | M | 69 | 186 | 73 | 180 |
| 9 | M | 71 | 178 | 71 | 175 |
| 10 | M | 65 | 171 | 64 | 170 |
| 11 | M | 70 | 175 | 75 | 174 |
| 12 | F | 166 | 57 | 56 | 163 |
| 13 | F | 51 | 161 | 52 | 158 |
| 14 | F | 64 | 168 | 64 | 165 |
| 15 | F | 52 | 163 | 57 | 160 |
| 16 | F | 65 | 166 | 66 | 165 |
| 17 | M | 92 | 187 | 101 | 185 |
| 18 | F | 62 | 168 | 62 | 165 |
| 19 | M | 76 | 197 | 75 | 200 |
| 20 | F | 61 | 175 | 61 | 171 |

- Interested in predicting weight distribution as a function of height
- How should we proceed?

```
xyplot(weight ~ height, data = Davis)
```




## Example: Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics

```
data(SLID, package = "carData")
str(SLID)
'data.frame': }7425\mathrm{ obs. of 5 variables:
    $ wages : num 10.6 11 NA 17.8 NA ...
    $ education: num 15 13.2 16 14 8 16 12 14.5 15 10 ...
    $ age : int 40 19 49 46 71 50 70 42 31 56 ...
    $ sex : Factor w/ 2 levels "Female","Male": 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 2 1 ...
    $ language : Factor w/ 3 levels "English","French",..: 1 1 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
head(SLID, 10)
\begin{tabular}{rrrrr} 
wages & education & age & \multicolumn{2}{r}{ sex language } \\
10.56 & 15.0 & 40 & Male & English \\
11.00 & 13.2 & 19 & Male & English \\
NA & 16.0 & 49 & Male & Other \\
17.76 & 14.0 & 46 & Male & Other \\
NA & 8.0 & 71 & Male & English \\
14.00 & 16.0 & 50 & Female & English \\
NA & 12.0 & 70 & Female & English \\
NA & 14.5 & 42 & Female & English \\
8.20 & 15.0 & 31 & Male & English \\
0 & NA & 10.0 & 56 & Female
\end{tabular} English
- Interested in predicting wage
```

xyplot(wages $\sim$ education, data $=$ SLID)


```
xyplot(wages ~ jitter(round(education)), data = SLID, groups = sex, auto.key = list(columns = 2))
```


xyplot(wages ~ jitter(round(education)) | sex, data = SLID)


```
xyplot(wages ~ jitter(age) | sex, data = SLID, subset = !is.na(wages))
```



Example: Prestige vs Average income (Canada, 1971)

|  | education | income | women | prestige | census type |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| gov.administrators | 13.11 | 12351 | 11.16 | 68.8 | 1113 prof |
| general.managers | 12.26 | 25879 | 4.02 | 69.1 | 1130 prof |
| accountants | 12.77 | 9271 | 15.70 | 63.4 | 1171 prof |
| purchasing.officers | 11.42 | 8865 | 9.11 | 56.8 | 1175 prof |
| chemists | 14.62 | 8403 | 11.68 | 73.5 | 2111 prof |
| physicists | 15.64 | 11030 | 5.13 | 77.6 | 2113 prof |
| biologists | 15.09 | 8258 | 25.65 | 72.6 | 2133 prof |
| architects | 15.44 | 14163 | 2.69 | 78.1 | 2141 prof |
| civil.engineers | 14.52 | 11377 | 1.03 | 73.1 | 2143 prof |
| mining.engineers | 14.64 | 11023 | 0.94 | 68.8 | 2153 prof |
| surveyors | 12.39 | 5902 | 1.91 | 62.0 | 2161 prof |
| draughtsmen | 12.30 | 7059 | 7.83 | 60.0 | 2163 prof |
| computer.programers | 13.83 | 8425 | 15.33 | 53.8 | 2183 prof |
| economists | 14.44 | 8049 | 57.31 | 62.2 | 2311 prof |
| psychologists | 14.36 | 7405 | 48.28 | 74.9 | 2315 prof |
| social.workers | 14.21 | 6336 | 54.77 | 55.1 | 2331 prof |
| lawyers | 15.77 | 19263 | 5.13 | 82.3 | 2343 prof |
| librarians | 14.15 | 6112 | 77.10 | 58.1 | 2351 prof |
| vocational.counsellors | 15.22 | 9593 | 34.89 | 58.3 | 2391 prof |

```
ministers 14.50 4686 4.14 72.8 2511 prof
xyplot(prestige ~ income, Prestige, grid = TRUE)
```



## Example: UN National Statistics

|  | region | group | fertility | ppgdp | lifeExpF | pctUrban | infantMortality |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Afghanistan | Asia | other | 5.968 | 499.0 | 49.49 | 23 | 124.53500 |
| Albania | Europe | other | 1.525 | 3677.2 | 80.40 | 53 | 16.56100 |
| Algeria | Africa | africa | 2.142 | 4473.0 | 75.00 | 67 | 21.45800 |
| American Samoa | <NA> | <NA> | NA | NA | NA | NA | 11.29389 |
| Angola | Africa | africa | 5.135 | 4321.9 | 53.17 | 59 | 96.19100 |
| Anguilla | Caribbean | other | 2.000 | 13750.1 | 81.10 | 100 | NA |
| Argentina | Latin Amer | other | 2.172 | 9162.1 | 79.89 | 93 | 12.33700 |
| Armenia | Asia | other | 1.735 | 3030.7 | 77.33 | 64 | 24.27200 |
| Aruba | Caribbean | other | 1.671 | 22851.5 | 77.75 | 47 | 14.68700 |
| Australia | Oceania | oecd | 1.949 | 57118.9 | 84.27 | 89 | 4.45500 |
| Austria | Europe | oecd | 1.346 | 45158.8 | 83.55 | 68 | 3.71300 |
| Azerbaijan | Asia | other | 2.148 | 5637.6 | 73.66 | 52 | 37.56600 |
| Bahamas | Caribbean | other | 1.877 | 22461.6 | 78.85 | 84 | 14.13500 |
| Bahrain | Asia | other | 2.430 | 18184.1 | 76.06 | 89 | 6.66300 |
| Bangladesh | Asia | other | 2.157 | 670.4 | 70.23 | 29 | 41.78600 |
| Barbados | Caribbean | other | 1.575 | 14497.3 | 80.26 | 45 | 12.28400 |


| Belarus | Europe | other | 1.479 | 5702.0 | 76.37 | 75 | 6.49400 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Belgium | Europe | oecd | 1.835 | 43814.8 | 82.81 | 97 | 3.73900 |
| Belize | Latin Amer | other | 2.679 | 4495.8 | 77.81 | 53 | 16.20000 |
| Benin | Africa africa | 5.078 | 741.1 | 58.66 | 42 | 76.67400 |  |

- Interested in predicting pctUrban using ppgdp


## Example: UN Data

```
xyplot(pctUrban ~ ppgdp, data = UN)
```


xyplot(pctUrban $\sim \log (p p g d p)$, data $=U N)$


## Review of Linear Regression

- Interested in "predicting" $Y$ for a fixed value of $X=x$
- In probability terms, want the conditional distribution of

$$
Y \mid X=x
$$

- Important special case: linear regression
- Appropriate under certain model assumptions
- Essential component in more general procedures
- You will learn theory in Linear Model course
- We will review basics


## Conditional distribution

$$
Y \mid X=x
$$

- In general, the conditional distribution can be anything
- If $(X, Y)$ is jointly Normal, then

$$
Y \mid X=x \sim N\left(\alpha+\beta x, \sigma^{2}\right)
$$

for some $\alpha, \beta, \sigma^{2}$

- This is the motivation for Linear Regression


## Correlation: Measuring linear dependence

- Suppose $E(X)=\mu_{X}$ and $E(Y)=\mu_{Y}$
- The covariance of $X$ and $Y$ is defined by

$$
\operatorname{Cov}(X, Y)=E\left(\left(X-\mu_{X}\right)\left(Y-\mu_{Y}\right)\right)=E(X Y)-\mu_{X} \mu_{Y}
$$

- The correlation coefficient $\rho(X, Y)$ of $X$ and $Y$ is defined by

$$
\rho(X, Y)=\frac{\operatorname{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{\operatorname{Var}(X) \operatorname{Var}(Y)}}
$$

## Properties of Correlation Coefficient

- $-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$
- $\rho=-1$ : perfect decreasing linear relation
- $\rho=1$ : perfect increasing linear relation
- $\rho=0$ : no linear relation


## Sample Correlation

- Sample analog of correlation

$$
r(X, Y)=\frac{\sum_{i}\left(x_{i}-\bar{x}\right)\left(y_{i}-\bar{y}\right)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i}\left(x_{i}-\bar{x}\right)^{2} \sum_{i}\left(y_{i}-\bar{y}\right)^{2}}}
$$

- Closely related with regression
- Correlation between height and weight (Davis data): 0.19
- Correlation between reported height and weight (Davis data): 0.762
- Correlations in labour dynamics data

|  | wages | education | age |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| wages | 1.000 | 0.307 | 0.361 |
| education | 0.307 | 1.000 | -0.298 |
| age | 0.361 | -0.298 | 1.000 |

## Warning! Correlation only measures linear relation!



## (Multiple) Linear Regression

In general form, the regression model assumes

$$
\begin{gathered}
E\left(Y \mid X_{1}=x_{1}, X_{2}=x_{2}, \ldots, X_{p}=x_{p}\right)=\beta_{0}+\sum_{j=1}^{p} \beta_{j} x_{j} \\
\operatorname{Var}\left(Y \mid X_{1}=x_{1}, X_{2}=x_{2}, \ldots, X_{p}=x_{p}\right)=\sigma^{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

where

- $\beta_{0}, \beta_{1}, \ldots, \beta_{p}, \sigma^{2}>0$ are unknown parameters
- $X_{1}, X_{2}, \ldots, X_{p}$ are (conditionally) fixed covariates
- $X_{1}, X_{2}, \ldots, X_{p}$ may be derived from a smaller set of predictors, e.g.,
$-X_{2}=Z_{1}$ (linear term for $Z_{1}$ )
$-X_{3}=Z_{2}$ (linear term for $Z_{2}$ )
$-X_{4}=Z_{1}^{2}$ (quadratic term for $Z_{1}$ )
$-X_{5}=Z_{2}^{2}$ (quadratic term for $Z_{2}$ )
- $X_{6}=Z_{1} Z_{2}$ (interaction term)
- In vector notation (incorporating intercept term in $\mathbf{X}$ )

$$
\begin{gathered}
E(Y \mid \mathbf{X}=\mathbf{x})=\mathbf{x}^{T} \beta \\
\operatorname{Var}(Y \mid \mathbf{X}=\mathbf{x})=\sigma^{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

- Alternatively

$$
\begin{gathered}
Y=\mathbf{x}^{T} \beta+\varepsilon \text { where } \\
E(\varepsilon)=0, \operatorname{Var}(\varepsilon)=\sigma^{2}
\end{gathered}
$$

## Sample version: $n$ independent observations from this model

- For $i$ th sample point, let
- $Y_{i}=$ response
- $\mathbf{x}_{i}=p$-dimensional vector of predictors
- We assume that

$$
Y_{i}=\mathbf{x}_{i}^{T} \beta+\varepsilon_{i},
$$

where $\varepsilon_{i}$ are independent and

$$
E\left(\varepsilon_{i}\right)=0, \operatorname{Var}\left(\varepsilon_{i}\right)=\sigma^{2}
$$

## In matrix notation

$$
\mathbf{Y}=\mathbf{X} \beta+\varepsilon
$$

- where

$$
\mathbf{Y}=\left(\begin{array}{c}
Y_{1} \\
\vdots \\
Y_{n}
\end{array}\right), \mathbf{X}=\left(\begin{array}{c}
\mathbf{x}_{1}^{T} \\
\vdots \\
\mathbf{x}_{n}^{T}
\end{array}\right), \varepsilon=\left(\begin{array}{c}
\varepsilon_{1} \\
\vdots \\
\varepsilon_{n}
\end{array}\right)
$$

- $\mathbf{Y}$ and $\varepsilon$ are $n \times 1$
- $\mathbf{X}$ is $n \times p$
- Columns of $\mathbf{X}$ are assumed to be linearly independent $(\operatorname{rank}(\mathbf{X})=p)$
- $\beta_{p \times 1}$ and $\sigma^{2}>0$ are unknown parameters


## Problem: How to estimate $\beta$ and $\sigma^{2}$

- Least squares approach: minimize sum of squared errors

$$
\widehat{\beta}=\arg \min _{\beta} q(\beta)
$$

where

$$
q(\beta)=\sum\left(Y_{i}-\mathbf{x}_{i}^{T} \beta\right)^{2}=(\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \beta)^{T}(\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \beta)
$$

- Set gradient with respect to $\beta$ to $\mathbf{0}$.

$$
\nabla q(\beta)=2 \mathbf{X}^{T}(\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \beta)=2\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} \beta\right)=\mathbf{0}
$$

- This leads to Normal Equations:

$$
\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} \beta=\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{Y}
$$

- Estimate of $\beta$ assuming that $\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}$ has full rank (OLS estimator):

$$
\widehat{\beta}=\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{Y}
$$

## The OLS estimator in practice

```
fm1 <- lm(weight ~ height, data = Davis)
xyplot(weight ~ height, data = Davis, grid = TRUE, type = c("p", "r"))
```


fm1 <- lm(repwt ~ repht, data = Davis) xyplot(repwt $\sim$ repht, data $=$ Davis, grid $=$ TRUE, type $=c(" p ", ~ " r "))$



```
xyplot(pctUrban ~ log(ppgdp), data = UN, grid = TRUE, type = c("p", "r"))
```



## Alternative approach: maximum likelihood

- Less arbitrary, but needs model assumption: Multivariate Normality
- To indicate that $\mathbf{Y}$ follows $n$-dimensional Multivariate Normal Distribution with mean vector $\mu$ and covariance matrix $\Sigma$, we write

$$
\mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n}(\mu, \Sigma)
$$

- When $\Sigma$ has full rank (positive definite), $\mathbf{Y}$ has joint density function (pdf)

$$
f(\mathbf{y})=(2 \pi)^{-n / 2}|\Sigma|^{-1 / 2} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{y}-\mu)^{T} \Sigma^{-1}(\mathbf{y}-\mu)\right\}
$$

- Note that this function has the two worst things in matrices, the determinant and the inverse of a matrix.
- Fortunately, the situation is simpler for the regression model

$$
\mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n}\left(\mathbf{X} \beta, \sigma^{2} \mathbf{I}\right)
$$

with probability density function

$$
f(\mathbf{y})=(2 \pi)^{-n / 2}\left(\sigma^{2}\right)^{-n / 2} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2 \sigma^{2}}\|\mathbf{y}-\mathbf{X} \beta\|^{2}\right\}
$$

- Therefore the likelihood for this model is

$$
L\left(\beta, \sigma^{2}\right)=(2 \pi)^{-n / 2}\left(\sigma^{2}\right)^{-n / 2} \exp \left\{-\frac{1}{2 \sigma^{2}}\|\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \beta\|^{2}\right\}
$$

- Maximizing $L\left(\beta, \sigma^{2}\right)$ w.r.t. $\beta$ is equivalent to minimizing $\|\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \beta\|^{2}$


## Is this a good estimator?

- To answer this, we need some more tools
- Mean and Covariance of a random vector $\mathbf{Y}$

$$
\mu=\left(\begin{array}{c}
\mu_{1} \\
\vdots \\
\mu_{n}
\end{array}\right), \Sigma=\left(\begin{array}{ccc}
\Sigma_{11} & \cdots & \Sigma_{1 n} \\
\vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\
\Sigma_{n 1} & \cdots & \Sigma_{n n}
\end{array}\right)
$$

where

$$
\mu_{i}=E Y_{i}
$$

and

$$
\Sigma_{i j}= \begin{cases}\operatorname{Var}\left(Y_{i}\right) & \text { for } i=j \\ \operatorname{Cov}\left(Y_{i}, Y_{j}\right) & \text { for } i \neq j\end{cases}
$$

## Properties of mean and covariance

- The covariance matrix is symmetric
- For any $n \times n$ matrix $\mathbf{A}$ and $n \times 1$ vector $\mathbf{b}$

$$
\begin{gathered}
E(\mathbf{A} \mathbf{Y}+\mathbf{b})=\mathbf{A} E(\mathbf{Y})+\mathbf{b} \\
\operatorname{Cov}(\mathbf{A Y}+\mathbf{b})=\mathbf{A} \operatorname{Cov}(\mathbf{Y}) \mathbf{A}^{T}
\end{gathered}
$$

- Variance of a linear combination

$$
0 \leq \operatorname{Var}\left(\mathbf{a}^{T} \mathbf{Y}\right)=\mathbf{a}^{T} \operatorname{Cov}(\mathbf{Y}) \mathbf{a}
$$

which implies that the covariance matrix is non-negative definite.

## Properties of the OLS estimator $\widehat{\beta}$

- Mean:

$$
E \widehat{\beta}=\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{T} E \mathbf{Y}=\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X} \beta=\beta
$$

- Covariance:

$$
\operatorname{Cov}(\widehat{\beta})=\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^{T} \sigma^{2} \mathbf{I} \mathbf{X}\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1}=\sigma^{2}\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1}=\sigma^{2} \mathbf{M}
$$

- Property of Multivariate Normal:

If $\mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n}(\mu, \Sigma)$, then

$$
\mathbf{A Y}+\mathbf{b} \sim N\left(\mathbf{A} \mu+\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A} \Sigma \mathbf{A}^{T}\right)
$$

- Therefore

$$
\widehat{\beta} \sim N_{p}\left(\beta, \sigma^{2} \mathbf{M}\right)
$$

- For the normal model, the OLS is the best unbiased estimator, i.e., it has smaller variance than any other unbiased estimator.
- More precisely, $\ell^{T} \widehat{\beta}$ is the best unbiased estimator of $\ell^{T} \beta$ for any linear combination $\ell^{T} \beta$.
- $E\left(\ell^{T} \widehat{\beta}\right)=\ell^{T} \beta$
$-\operatorname{Var}\left(\ell^{T} \widehat{\beta}\right)=\sigma^{2} \ell^{T}\left(\mathbf{X}^{T} \mathbf{X}\right)^{-1} \ell$
- Note that this conditional variance depends on $\mathbf{X}$ - does distribution of $\mathbf{X}$ matter?
- Prediction: Put $\ell=\mathbf{x}$ for some future covariates $\mathbf{x}$
- Even without assuming normality, the OLS estimator has smaller variance than any other linear unbiased estimator.
- The OLS estimator is consistent (as long as $\mathbf{X}$ grows reasonably), i.e., $\widehat{\beta} \rightarrow \beta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.


## The unbiased estimator of $\sigma^{2}$

- We typically estimate $\sigma^{2}$ by

$$
\widehat{\sigma}^{2}=\|\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \widehat{\beta}\|^{2} /(n-p)
$$

which is called the unbiased estimator of $\sigma^{2}$

- Distribution of $\widehat{\sigma}^{2}$ :

$$
\frac{(n-p) \widehat{\sigma}^{2}}{\sigma^{2}} \sim \chi_{n-p}^{2}
$$

independently of $\widehat{\beta}$

## Properties of $\widehat{\sigma}^{2}$

- For the normal model $\widehat{\sigma}^{2}$ is the best unbiased estimator.
- Even without normality, $\widehat{\sigma}^{2}$ is unbiased.
- $\widehat{\sigma}^{2}$ is consistent


## The maximum likelihood estimator (MLE)

- To find MLE of $\sigma^{2}$, differentiate $\log L\left(\widehat{\beta}, \sigma^{2}\right)$ with respect to $\sigma$
- Easy to show that this gives

$$
\widehat{\sigma}_{M L E}^{2}=\frac{1}{n}\|\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \widehat{\beta}\|^{2}
$$

- Note that the MLE is not unbiased, but is consistent.
- In general, neither the OLS estimator nor the MLE of $\sigma^{2}$ minimize mean squared error (MSE)


## Testing

- We are often interested in coefficients $\beta_{j}$
- Note that by properties given above

$$
\widehat{\beta}_{j} \sim N\left(\beta_{j}, \sigma^{2} M_{j j}\right)
$$

- "Standard error" of $\widehat{\beta}_{j}$

$$
\widehat{\sigma}_{\widehat{\beta}_{j}}=\widehat{\sigma} \sqrt{M_{j j}}
$$

## Testing: $t$-statistic

- Testing the null hypothesis $H_{0}: \beta_{j}=c$

$$
t=\frac{\widehat{\beta}_{j}-c}{\widehat{\sigma}_{\widehat{\beta}_{j}}} \sim t_{n-p}
$$

- Can be generalized to:
- any linear combination of $\beta_{j}$
- more than one simultaneous restrictions ( $F$-test)


## $t$-tests in practice

```
fm1 <- lm(weight ~ height, data = Davis)
print(summary(fm1), signif.stars = FALSE)
Call:
lm(formula = weight ~ height, data = Davis)
Residuals:
        Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-23.696 -9.506 -2.818 6.372 127.145
```

Coefficients:
Estimate Std. Error t value $\operatorname{Pr}(>|t|)$
(Intercept) $25.2662314 .95042 \quad 1.690 \quad 0.09260$
$\begin{array}{llllll}\text { height } & 0.23841 & 0.08772 & 2.718 & 0.00715\end{array}$
Residual standard error: 14.86 on 198 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.03597, Adjusted R-squared: 0.0311
F-statistic: 7.387 on 1 and 198 DF, p-value: 0.007152

## $t$-tests - computing $p$-values in $\mathbf{R}$

```
2 * pt(2.718, df = 198, lower.tail = FALSE)
```

[1] 0.007150357


## Testing: F-statistic

Loosely speaking,

- Suppose we are interested in testing $H_{0}$ vs $H_{1}$, where $H_{0}$ is a sub-model of $H_{1}$

$$
H_{0} \subset H_{1} \quad\left(H_{m}: \mathbf{Y} \sim N_{n}\left(\mathbf{X}_{m} \beta_{m}, \sigma^{2} \mathbf{I}\right)\right)
$$

- Let the sum of squared errors for the two models be $S_{0}^{2}$ and $S_{1}^{2}$

$$
S_{m}^{2}=\left\|\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X}_{m} \widehat{\beta}_{m}\right\|^{2}, m=0,1
$$

- Let the number of parameters (length of $\beta$ ) in the two models be $p_{0}$ and $p_{1}$
- Then the test statistic

$$
F=\frac{\frac{S_{0}^{2}-S_{1}^{2}}{p_{1}-p_{0}}}{\frac{S_{1}^{2}}{n-p_{1}}} \text { follows } F_{p_{1}-p_{0}, n-p_{1}} \text { under } H_{0}
$$

(Cochran's theorem, Linear Models course)

## $F$-tests in practice

```
fm2 <- lm(weight ~ height * sex, data = Davis)
summary(fm2)
Call:
lm(formula = weight ~ height * sex, data = Davis)
Residuals:
\begin{tabular}{rrrrr} 
Min & \(1 Q\) & Median & 3Q & Max \\
-23.091 & -6.331 & -0.995 & 6.207 & 41.230
\end{tabular}
Coefficients:
\begin{tabular}{lrrrr} 
& Estimate & Std. Error \(t\) value \(\operatorname{Pr}(>|t|)\) \\
(Intercept) & 160.49748 & 13.45954 & 11.924 & \(<2 \mathrm{e}-16\) \\
height & -0.62679 & 0.08199 & -7.644 & \(9.17 \mathrm{e}-13\) \\
sexM & -261.82753 & 32.72161 & -8.002 & \(1.05 \mathrm{e}-13\) \\
height:sexM & 1.62239 & 0.18644 & 8.702 & \(1.33 \mathrm{e}-15\)
\end{tabular}
Residual standard error: 10.06 on 196 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.5626, Adjusted R-squared: 0.556
F-statistic: 84.05 on 3 and 196 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
anova(fm1, fm2)
Analysis of Variance Table
Model 1: weight ~ height
Model 2: weight ~ height * sex
    Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F F Pr(>F)
1 19843713
2 196 19831 2 23882 118.02< 2.2e-16
```


## Measuring Goodness of Fit: Coefficient of Determination

- Consider residual sum of squared errors

$$
T^{2}=\sum\left(Y_{i}-\bar{Y}\right)^{2}
$$

and

$$
S^{2}=\sum\left(Y_{i}-\mathbf{x}_{i}^{T} \widehat{\beta}\right)^{2}=\|\mathbf{Y}-\mathbf{X} \widehat{\beta}\|^{2}
$$

for intercept-only model and regression model

- We can think of these as measuring the "unexplained variation" in $\mathbf{Y}$ under these two models.
- Then the coefficient of determination $R^{2}$ is defined by

$$
R^{2}=\frac{T^{2}-S^{2}}{T^{2}}=1-\frac{S^{2}}{T^{2}}
$$

Note that

$$
0 \leq R^{2} \leq 1
$$

- $T^{2}-S^{2}$ is the amount of variation in the intercept-only model which has been explained by including the extra predictors of the regression model and
- $R^{2}$ is the proportion of the variation left in the intercept-only model which has been explained by including the additional predictors.
- Link with correlation: It can be shown that for one predictor,

$$
R^{2}=r^{2}(X, Y)
$$

## Adjusted $R^{2}$

- Note that

$$
R^{2}=\frac{\frac{T^{2}}{n}-\frac{S^{2}}{n}}{\frac{T^{2}}{n}}
$$

- Possible alternative: substitute unbiased estimators
- Adjusted $R^{2}$ :

$$
R_{a}^{2}=\frac{\frac{T^{2}}{n-1}-\frac{S^{2}}{n-p}}{\frac{T^{2}}{n-1}}=1-\frac{n-1}{n-p}\left(1-R^{2}\right)
$$

## Predictive $R^{2}$ : Leave-One-Out Cross-validation

- Disadvantage of $R^{2}$ and adjusted $R^{2}$
- Evaluates fit based on same data that is used to obtain fit
- Adding more covariates will always improve $R^{2}$
- A better procedure is based on cross-validation.
- Delete the $i$ th observation and compute $\widehat{\beta}_{(-i)}$ after excluding $i$ th observation.
- Also compute the sample mean excluding the $i$ th observation

$$
\bar{Y}_{(-i)}=\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{j \neq i} Y_{j}
$$

- Do this for all $i$.
- Define

$$
T_{p}^{2}=\sum\left(Y_{i}-\bar{Y}_{(-i)}\right)^{2}
$$

and

$$
S_{p}^{2}=\sum\left(Y_{i}-\mathbf{x}_{i}^{T} \widehat{\beta}_{(-i)}\right)^{2}
$$

- The predictive $R^{2}$ is defined as

$$
R_{p}^{2}=\frac{T_{p}^{2}-S_{p}^{2}}{T_{p}^{2}}
$$

- This computes the fit to the $i$ th observation without using that observation
- Better measure of goodness of model fit than $R^{2}$ or adjusted $R^{2}$


## Beyond linear regression (topics of this course)

- Identifying violations of linear model assumptions
- Lack of fit (linearity)
- Heteroscedasticity
- Autocorrelation in errors
- Collinearity (not a violation, but still problematic)
- Discordant outliers and influential observations
- Non-normality of errors
- Possible solutions
- Nonparametric regression
- More flexible "linear" regression models (e.g., splines)
- Transformations
- Modeling heteroscedasticity
- Regularization (constrain parameters)
- Variable selection
- Robust Regression


## First, get familiar with R

- Overview of R
- R Tutorials
- Many other online resources available

