

**Homework Assignment #4**  
(due in class Monday, April 28, 2008)

**Reading:** Seber & Lee (S&L): Continue reading in chapter 3

**Homework:**

1. (a) Let  $Y_1, \dots, Y_n$  be a random sample from a distribution with mean  $\theta$  and finite variance  $\sigma^2$ . Find the BLUE of  $\theta$  (and justify that it is, in fact, the Best Linear Unbiased Estimate).
- (b) Explain the statement in lectures notes 8 that  $RSS/(n-p)$  is a generalization of the sample variance.

We will complete the calculations for the simple one-way ANOVA model. By considering both  $r = p$  and  $r < p$  cases, one can understand more clearly the properties of  $\hat{\beta}$  and  $\hat{\theta}$ .

2. To begin, consider the full rank version of the model:

$$\mathbf{Y}^{2J \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_{11} \\ \vdots \\ Y_{1J} \\ Y_{21} \\ \vdots \\ Y_{2J} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mu_1 \\ \mu_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{11} \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_{1J} \\ \epsilon_{21} \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_{2J} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}^{2J \times 2} \boldsymbol{\beta}^{2 \times 1} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{2J \times 1}$$

- (a) Interpret the model parameters.
- (b) Compute  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ . Is it unique (yes/no)? Explain.
- (c) Compute  $\mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \equiv \hat{\boldsymbol{\theta}}$ . Is it unique (yes/no)? Explain.
- (d) Compute the hat matrix (always unique)  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$ .

3. Now consider a non-full rank version of the model:

$$\mathbf{Y}^{2J \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mu \\ \alpha_1 \\ \alpha_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_{11} \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_{1J} \\ \epsilon_{21} \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_{2J} \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{X}^{2J \times 3} \boldsymbol{\beta}^{3 \times 1} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}^{2J \times 1}$$

- (a) Interpret the model parameters.

(b) Recall that  $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$ . There are an infinite number of generalized inverses for  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$ . Here are two of them:

$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})_1^- = J^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})_2^- = J^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

Use  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})_1^-$  and  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})_2^-$  to compute  $\hat{\beta}$ . Is  $\hat{\beta}$  unique (yes/no)? Explain.

(c) Compute  $\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} \equiv \hat{\theta}$  for both cases in (a). Is  $\hat{\theta}$  unique (yes/no)? Compare your results with problem 2(c).

(d) Compute the hat matrix  $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-}\mathbf{X}'$  and compare your results with problem 2(d).

4. Let  $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$  ( $i = 1, \dots, n$ ), where  $E[\epsilon] = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\text{var}[\epsilon] = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$ . Prove that the least squares estimates of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are uncorrelated if and only if  $\bar{x} = 0$ .

5.

(a) (*S<sup>ℓ</sup> L 3b.4*) Let

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(x_{i1} - \bar{x}_1) + \beta_2(x_{i2} - \bar{x}_2) + \epsilon_i \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n,$$

where  $\bar{x}_j = \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij}/n$ ,  $E[\epsilon] = \mathbf{0}$ , and  $\text{Var}[\epsilon] = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$ . If  $\hat{\beta}_1$  is the least squares estimator of  $\beta_1$ , show that

$$\text{var}[\hat{\beta}_1] = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{i1} - \bar{x}_1)^2 (1 - r_{12}^2)},$$

where  $r_{12}$  is the correlation coefficient of the pairs  $(x_{i1}, x_{i2})$ .

(b) Comment on the impact of using highly correlated predictors  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in a linear model.

6. (*S<sup>ℓ</sup> L 3c.1*) Suppose that  $\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\beta, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$ , where  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $n \times p$  of rank  $p$ .

(a) Find  $\text{var}[S^2]$ .

(b) Evaluate  $E[(\mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{A}\mathbf{Y} - \sigma^2)^2]$  for  $A = \frac{1}{n-p+2}[\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}']$ .

(c) Prove that  $S^2$  does not have minimum mean squared error among estimates of  $\sigma^2$ .