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Lecture -13

Estimation of Model Parameters in Multiple Linear Regression Model (continued)

Welcome to the lecture you may recall that in the earlier lecture we had derived the ordinary least square estimator of regression coefficient vector beta as $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$ under the model $y = X\beta + \epsilon$ assuming that epsilon follows a normal distribution with mean vector 0 and covariance matrix $\sigma^2 I$.

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The image shows handwritten mathematical derivations on a light background. At the top, the OLS estimator is given as $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$. Below it, the regression model is stated as $y = X\beta + \epsilon$ with the error term $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$. A red underline is drawn under the heading "Properties of $\hat{\beta}$ ". Underneath, the text "Estimation error" is written. The derivation for the estimation error is shown as follows:
$$\hat{\beta} - \beta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y - \beta$$
$$= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T (X\beta + \epsilon) - \beta$$
$$= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \epsilon$$

Then, the expectation of the estimation error is calculated:
$$E(\hat{\beta} - \beta) = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T E(\epsilon) = 0$$

The final conclusion is written as $\Rightarrow \hat{\beta}$ is an unbiased estimator of β .

So now we try to investigate the properties of beta hat, first we find out the estimation error which is defined as beta hat - beta so this becomes $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T y - \beta$ now $y = X\beta + \epsilon$, so we substitute it here and we obtain like this and this is nothing but $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T \epsilon$ because beta cancels out.

So you can see now here that when we try to take the expectations of beta hat - beta then because we have assumed that X is a non-stochastic matrix, so I can write this expectation as follows and since we assumed that expected value epsilon = null vector, so this comes out to be a null vector okay so this clearly implies that beta hat is an unbiased estimator of beta.

And remember in case of simple linear regression model also we had shown that the least square estimator of intercept term beta0 and slope parameter beta1, they were also unbiased,

so this is again an extension of that result in the case of multiple linear regression model. Next we try to find out its covariance matrix you may recall that in case of a simple linear regression model we had found the variances of beta0 hat and beta1 hat.

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Covariance matrix

diagonal elements
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variances

off diagonal elements
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covariances

$$V(\hat{\beta}) = E[(\hat{\beta} - \beta)(\hat{\beta} - \beta)'] = \begin{pmatrix} \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) & \text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2) & \dots & \text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_k) \\ & \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_2) & \dots & \text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\beta}_k) \\ & & \dots & \\ & & & \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_k) \end{pmatrix}$$

trace of covariance matrix
= $\sum_{j=1}^k \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j)$: Total variance

Symmetric matrix

We also found the covariance between beta0 hat and beta1 hat, similarly when we talk of the covariance matrix we are moving one step further and here in this case we want to find the covariance matrix of beta hat, earlier in case of simple linear regression model we had only 2 parameters beta0 and beta1 and their estimates as a beta0 hat and beta1 hat but now we have k estimates.

Beta1 hat beta two k hat beta k hat, so when we are trying to talk about the covariance matrix this covariance matrix as two types of elements diagonal elements and off diagonal elements. The diagonal elements give us an idea of the variances and off diagonal elements give us an idea of the covariance. For example when I try to write down the variance covariance matrix of beta hat this is nothing but expected value of beta hat - beta beta hat - beta transpose.

And its structure will be something like this, that on the diagonal elements we will have variance of beta1 hat, variance of beta2 hat and so on, variance of beta k hat and on the off diagonal element for example here this will be a covariance between beta1 hat and beta2 hat up to here say covariance between beta one hat and beta k hat and similarly here covariance between beta2 hat and beta k hat.

So this is a symmetric matrix that we know because covariance between x_i and x_j is the same as the covariance between x_j and x_i , and there is another concept here that when we try to find out the trace of covariance matrix, matrix which is equal to something i goes from here one to k , variance of here beta or is should use j beta j . This gives us an idea of the total variance. So this is how we try to interpret the covariance matrix.

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$V(\hat{\beta})$: Covariance matrix of $\hat{\beta}$
 $V(\hat{\beta}) = E(\hat{\beta} - \beta)(\hat{\beta} - \beta)'$
 $= E[(X'X)^{-1} X' \epsilon \epsilon' X (X'X)^{-1}]$
 $= (X'X)^{-1} X' \underbrace{E(\epsilon \epsilon')}_{V(\epsilon) = \sigma^2 I} X (X'X)^{-1}$
 $= \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1} X' I X (X'X)^{-1}$
 $= \sigma^2 (X'X)^{-1}$
 Depends upon σ^2
 Estimate σ^2
 Recall that residuals $\hat{\epsilon} = y - \hat{y} = H-hat y$
 Sum of squares due to residuals $= \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\epsilon}_i^2 = \hat{\epsilon}' \hat{\epsilon}$
 $= y' H-hat y$

Let us now try to find out the covariance matrix of beta hat, so covariance matrix of beta hat this is expressed as expected value of beta hat - beta, beta hat - beta transpose and you may recall that here in this slide we already had obtain the expression for beta hat - beta. So I simply have to substitute it here and we obtain it like this epsilon, epsilon hat x x transpose x whole inverse.

Now since we have assumed that x is a non-stochastic matrix, so I can take this expectation operator inside and I can write like this. Now we have assumed that expected value of epsilon, epsilon transpose is nothing but the covariance matrix of epsilon which = sigma square i , so I can write down here this thing as sigma square x transpose x whole inverse x transpose ix, x transpose x whole inverse.

So this is nothing but now sigma square x transpose x whole inverse, so this is the covariance matrix of beta hat, the diagonal elements of this matrix will be indicating the variances of beta1 hat, beta2 beta k hat and the off diagonal elements will be indicating the covariance between beta i hat and beta j hat. Now we have another issue here now, this variance of beta hat is based on the population values.

For example it depends on sigma square, and sigma square is a population value, so incase if I need to know this covariance matrix on the bases of a given sample of data we cannot obtain it here and in order to know it we need to estimate sigma square, otherwise this value is an unknown to us. So now in order to estimate the sigma square, we will try to follow the same philosophy that we have developed in the case of simple linear regression model.

That we will start with some of the square due to residuals and from there we will try to construct an estimator for sigma square. So let us try to follow the same philosophy and we recall that the residuals epsilon hat which was defined as $y - \hat{y}$ we had defined as $h \bar{y}$ and based on that if I try to define the sum of squares due to residuals this is nothing but $\sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i^2$ which is nothing but $\epsilon' \hat{\epsilon}$, transpose epsilon hat.

And we obtain epsilon hat as $h \bar{y}$, so I can write down here $y' h \bar{y}$ and since $h \bar{y}$ is an idempotent matrix, so I can write down here as $y' h \bar{y}$.

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Other forms of SSR

$$SSR = (y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta})$$

$$= y'y - 2\hat{\beta}'X'y + \hat{\beta}'X'X\hat{\beta}$$

(normal equations $X'X\hat{\beta} = X'y$)

$$SSR = y'y - \hat{\beta}'X'y$$

$$SSR = y'Hy$$

$$= (X\hat{\beta} + \epsilon)'H(X\hat{\beta} + \epsilon)$$

$$= \epsilon'H\epsilon$$

Using $HX = [I - X(X'X)^{-1}X']X = X - X(X'X)^{-1}X'X = 0$

Result: $z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_n) \sim N(0, I)$

$$z'Az \sim \chi^2(p)$$

if and only if A is an idempotent matrix of rank p .

There are some other forms also of sum of square due residual. For example I can also express sum of square due to residual as $y' h \bar{y}$ and this if I try to open it this is will become $y' h \bar{y} = y' h y$ plus $y' h X \hat{\beta}$ minus $\hat{\beta}' X' h y$ plus $\hat{\beta}' X' h X \hat{\beta}$. Now if you recall we had obtained the normal equation as $X'X \hat{\beta} = X'y$.

So if I try to use it then this sum of a square due to residual can be written as $y^T (I - H) y$. Similarly there is another form SS residual this was obtained earlier as $y^T (I - H) y$ and y is in nothing but our $X\beta + \epsilon$ whole transpose $(I - H) X\beta + \epsilon$, and if I try to open it this will come out to be $\epsilon^T (I - H) \epsilon$.

And here actually we have used a result that $H X$ this is nothing but your $(X^T X)^{-1} X^T X$ whole inverse $X^T X$ and this is nothing $X^T X$ whole inverse $X^T X$, so this will come out to be a null matrix. So we have used this result and using this thing we obtained here an alternative form of the sum of the square due to residuals. Now I am going to write down here result and using this result we are going to find out and estimator of sigma square.

See here z which is something like $z_1 z_2 z_n$ so this is n cross 1 vector and suppose this follows a multivariate normal distribution with mean vector 0 and covariance matrix here I identity matrix then $z^T A z$ follows a chi-square distribution with degrees of freedom p if and only if A is an idempotent matrix of rank p . So now using this result we try to obtain the estimator of sigma square.

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \epsilon &\sim N(0, \sigma^2 I) \\
 y &= X\beta + \epsilon \\
 E(y) &= X\beta \\
 V(y) &= V(X\beta + \epsilon) = V(\epsilon) = \sigma^2 I \\
 y &\sim N(X\beta, \sigma^2 I) \\
 y'Hy &\sim \chi^2(\text{tr } H) \quad (\text{tr } H = n-k) \\
 &= \chi^2(n-k) \\
 E(y'Hy) &= (n-k)\sigma^2 \\
 E\left(\frac{y'Hy}{n-k}\right) &= \sigma^2 \\
 \Rightarrow \hat{\sigma}^2 &= \frac{y'Hy}{n-k} = \frac{SS_{\text{Res}}}{n-k} = MS_{\text{Res}} \quad (\text{Mean sum of squares due to residuals}) \\
 &\downarrow \\
 &\text{unbiased estimator of } \sigma^2
 \end{aligned}$$

So we just note down that we have assumed that epsilon is following a normal distribution with mean vector 0 and covariance matrix sigma square and $y = X\beta + \epsilon$, so expected value of y is same as $X\beta$ and covariance matrix of y , this is covariance matrix of $X\beta + \epsilon$ and this is same as the covariance matrix of epsilon which is sigma square I .

And y is a linear function of ϵ , so I can write down that y is also following a multivariate normal distribution with mean vector $X\beta$ and covariance matrix $\sigma^2 I$. Based on that I can write down that $y^T H y$ will follow a chi-square distribution with degrees of freedom $\text{rank}(H)$, because H is an idempotent matrix, so I can use the result and based on that I can write down that the quadratic function $y^T H y$ will follow a chi-square distribution with degrees of freedom which are $= \text{trace of } H$.

And we may recall that we had found the trace of $H = n - k$, so this is nothing but your chi-square distribution with $n - k$ degrees of freedom and we also know that if there is some random variable here which is following a chi-square distribution then the expectation of that random variable is same as a degrees of freedom and its variance is same as that twice of degrees of freedom.

So using this result I can write down expected value of $y^T H y = n - k \sigma^2$ and hence $y^T H y / (n - k) = \sigma^2$ and this implies that $\hat{\sigma}^2 = y^T H y / (n - k)$ this is actually nothing but sum of square due to residual divided by $n - k$ and we define it here as MS_{res} which means mean sum of squares due to residual.

So this turns out to be an unbiased estimator of σ^2 , so we have now obtain the least square estimates of the regression coefficient vector $\hat{\beta}_1 \hat{\beta}_2 \dots \hat{\beta}_k$ and we also have obtain now an unbiased estimator of σ^2 , so now we have obtained the estimates of all the model parameters

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Gauss Markov Theorem

The ordinary least squares estimator $\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ is the best linear unbiased estimator of β

Method of maximum likelihood

$$y = X\beta + \varepsilon, \quad \varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 I)$$

$$f(\varepsilon_i) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \varepsilon_i^2\right] \quad (i=1, 2, \dots, n)$$

Likelihood function: $f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$

$$L(\beta, \sigma^2) = f(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n f(\varepsilon_i) \quad (\varepsilon_i \text{'s are independent})$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^{n/2} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i^2\right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^{n/2} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \varepsilon'\varepsilon\right]$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^{n/2} \exp\left[-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)'(y - X\beta)\right]$$

Now there is another question that how do we ensure that the estimate of regression coefficient vector which we obtain to the principle of least square as $\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ is a good estimator, so for that we have a theorem what we call as Gauss Markov Theorem and this theorem states that the ordinary least squares estimator $\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ is the best linear unbiased estimator of β .

Well, we are skipping the proof of this theorem, but I would like to explain what is this theorem is trying to say, this theorem is trying to say that if we have a parameter β , and suppose there are more than estimator available for estimating β , out of those estimator first we try to identify that which one of them are linear estimator and from the group of or from the class of those linear estimator then we try to identify that which of the estimators are unbiased estimator of β .

Now those estimator which are linear and which are unbiased estimator of β if we try to find out the variances of those estimator then the estimator based on ordinary least square estimator will have the minimum variance, so the ordinary least square estimator are having the minimum variance in the class of linear and unbiased estimator and that is the message what is given by the Gauss Markov Theorem.

Now after this our next objective is that we demonstrate how to estimate the parameters using the method of maximum likelihood, so method of maximum likelihood, we have used in estimating β_0 and β_1 in case of simple linear regression model all most on the same

lines we can demonstrate here that how to estimate the regression coefficient vector and sigma square.

So in the model $y = x\beta + \epsilon$ we have assume that epsilons are following a multivariate normal distribution with mean vector μ and covariance matrix $\sigma^2 I$ and we know that the probability density function of ϵ_i is $\frac{1}{\sigma \sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \epsilon_i^2\right)$ where i goes on here 1, 2 here and n , now I can write down the likelihood function.

We had defined the likelihood function in the case of simple linear regression model as the joint density function of all the random variable, so in our case the likelihood function is nothing but the joint probability density function of $\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n$. So in our case we denote this likelihood function as L , which the function of β and σ^2 which is joint density function $x_1, \epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots, \epsilon_n$.

And since we have assumed the independence, so I can write down that this is nothing but product of f of ϵ_i 's because ϵ_i 's are independent. So this becomes here nothing but $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sigma^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i^2\right)$ and the same thing can be written $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sigma^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \epsilon^T \epsilon\right)$.

And this can further be expressed as $\frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} \sigma^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)^T (y - X\beta)\right)$. So now since we know the log transformation is monotonic and it is easier to handle the log of L rather than the likelihood function, so we try to take the log transformation and we try to defined here

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ln transformation

$$L^* = \ln L(\beta, \sigma^2) = -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)'(y - X\beta)$$

Normal equations

1. $\frac{\partial L^*}{\partial \beta} = \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} 2 X'(y - X\beta) = 0$
2. $\frac{\partial L^*}{\partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} (y - X\beta)'(y - X\beta) = 0$

Using 1, $X'(y - X\beta) = 0$
or $X'X\beta = X'y$
 $(X'X)^{-1}X'X\beta = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ Premultiply by $(X'X)^{-1}$
 $\tilde{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$

Using 2, $\tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} (y - X\tilde{\beta})'(y - X\tilde{\beta})$ } Maximum likelihood estimator

say L^* which is natural log of $L(\beta, \sigma^2)$ and this is nothing but $-\frac{1}{2} \ln(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y - X\beta)'(y - X\beta)$. Now I will simply use the principle of maxima and minima to obtain the values of β and σ^2 , such that this likelihood function is maximized.

We obtain the normal equations by partially differentiating L^* with respect to β and with respect to σ^2 . We obtained here $\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} 2 X'(y - X\beta) = 0$ and $-\frac{n}{2\sigma^2} + \frac{1}{2\sigma^4} (y - X\beta)'(y - X\beta) = 0$.

So now we have here 2 likelihood equations 1 and 2, so first we try to use here the equation number 1, we obtain here that $X'(y - X\beta) = 0$ or this can be written as $X'X\beta = X'y$ and when I try to pre multiply by $(X'X)^{-1}$ we obtain here $(X'X)^{-1}X'X\beta = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$.

So we obtain here $\tilde{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ and this we denote as $\hat{\beta}$, and similarly when I try to use the second equation we obtain the value of $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} (y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta})$. So obviously this cannot be obtained because β is unknown so in this case what we do that we replace β by $\hat{\beta}$ and this gives us a maximum likelihood estimator of σ^2 like this.

Well these are the maximum likelihood estimators. We still need to show that the value of beta = beta delta and sigma square equal to sigma square delta they really maximize the likelihood so in order to show whether beta = beta delta and sigma square = sigma square delta are maximizing the likelihood function we try to obtain the second order derivative, second order partial derivative with respect to beta with respect to sigma square and with respect to beta and with respect to sigma square and we obtain this expansion as a - 1 over sigma square x transpose x.

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The image shows handwritten mathematical derivations for the Hessian matrix of the likelihood function. The equations are as follows:

$$\frac{\partial^2 L^*}{\partial \beta^2} = -\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^T X$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 L^*}{\partial (\sigma^2)^2} = \frac{n}{2\sigma^4} - \frac{1}{\sigma^6} (y - X\beta)^T (y - X\beta)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 L^*}{\partial \beta \partial \sigma^2} = -\frac{1}{\sigma^4} X^T (y - X\beta)$$

The Hessian matrix is then written as:

$$\text{Hessian matrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial^2 L^*}{\partial \beta^2} & \frac{\partial^2 L^*}{\partial \beta \partial \sigma^2} \\ \frac{\partial^2 L^*}{\partial \sigma^2 \partial \beta} & \frac{\partial^2 L^*}{\partial (\sigma^2)^2} \end{pmatrix} \text{ at } \beta = \tilde{\beta}, \sigma^2 = \tilde{\sigma}^2$$

An arrow points from the Hessian matrix to the text: "Negative definite at $\beta = \tilde{\beta}$ and $\sigma^2 = \tilde{\sigma}^2$ ".

Below this, it is concluded: " $\Rightarrow \tilde{\beta}$ and $\tilde{\sigma}^2$ are maximizing the likelihood function".

And this expression is n over 2 sigma is power four over one upon sigma is power of six y minus x beta transpose y - x beta and this is one over sigma the power of here four, x transpose y - x beta and then, I can write down the Hessian matrix, partial derivative of L star with respect to beta square, partial derivative of L star with respect to beta and sigma square and partial derivative of L star with respective sigma square and so on.

Then I try to obtain it's a value at beta = beta delta and sigma square equal to sigma square delta and this Hessian matrix comes out to be negative definite at beta = beta delta and sigma square = sigma square delta, so this implies that beta delta and sigma square delta are maximizing the likelihood function.

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$$\tilde{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y \text{ is the m.l.e. of } \beta$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} (y - X\tilde{\beta})'(y - X\tilde{\beta}) \text{ is the m.l.e. of } \sigma^2$$

OLS and m.l.e. of β are the same

σ^2 — different \rightarrow difference lies in the denominator

$$\text{OLS } \hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-k} (y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta})$$

So now I can say here that $\beta = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ is the maximum likelihood estimator of β and $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{n} (y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta})$ is the MLE maximum likelihood estimator of σ^2 . One thing what you have to notice here is that the ordinary least square and maximum likelihood estimator of β are the same.

Whereas ordinary least square estimated MLE maximum likelihood estimator of σ^2 is different, the difference is, difference lies in the denominator. In case of ordinary least square estimator, we had seen that the denominator was one over $n - k$, $(y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta})$ and in this case, and in the case of maximum likelihood estimator, the denominator here is n and that is obvious means the maximum likelihood estimates have establish property that they have the minimum variance.

So whenever we are trying to divide the quantity $(y - X\hat{\beta})'(y - X\hat{\beta})$ by n we are going to get a lower variance. So now we stop here, and in the next turn we will try to explore some more aspect, till then good bye.