IDS702 Estimating the linear regression coefficients



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Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) estimation

- Minimize the residual sum of squares
- Does not make distributional assumptions
- Limited to linear regression

Multiple Linear Regression Model

$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + ... + \beta_p x_{ip} + \epsilon_i; \epsilon_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} N(0,\sigma^2), i = 1,...n$

Estimation: Ordinary Least Squares

Coefficient estimates are obtained by taking partial derivatives of the sum of squares of the errors with respect to each parameter

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - [\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip}])^2$$



Matrix Representation

Then the OLS estimates are:



For more on LR matrix representation: "Plane Answers to Complex Questions" by Ronald Christensen



$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}; \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$

$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{Y}$