

Inferences about the Regression Coefficients

1. Statistical model for a linear regression

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + \epsilon$$

2. Assumptions

- (a) The relationship is linear and $E(\epsilon_i) = 0$ for all i .
- (b) The errors have the same variance.
- (c) $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ for all i .

3. Least squares estimation

- The best fitting straight line is given by

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x.$$

- The least-square estimates of β_1 and β_0 are

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} \quad \text{and} \quad \hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$$

where $S_{xx} = \sum_i x_i^2 - n(\bar{x})^2$ and $S_{xy} = \sum_i x_i y_i - n(\bar{x})(\bar{y})$.

- Residuals: $\hat{\epsilon}_i = y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$
- Residual sum of square (error sum of square):

$$\text{SSE} = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\epsilon}_i^2 = S_{yy} - \frac{S_{xy}^2}{S_{xx}}, \quad \text{where} \quad S_{yy} = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - n(\bar{y})^2$$

- Estimate of the error variance σ^2 :

$$S^2 = \frac{\text{SSE}}{n - 2}$$

4. Correlation

- Coefficient of determination:

$$R^2 = \frac{S_{xy}^2}{S_{xx} S_{yy}}$$

- Sample correlation coefficient:

$$r = \frac{S_{xy}}{\sqrt{S_{xx} S_{yy}}}$$

5. Inference about the regression parameters

Estimation

Parameter	Point Estimate	Confidence Interval
β_1	$\hat{\beta}_1$	$\hat{\beta}_1 \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-2} S / \sqrt{S_{xx}}$
β_0	$\hat{\beta}_0$	$\hat{\beta}_0 \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-2} S \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{S_{xx}}}$

Testing

	Case (a)	Case (b)	Case (c)
Step 1	$H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ $H_1 : \beta_1 \neq 0$ (2-sided alternative)	$H_0 : \beta_1 \leq 0$ $H_1 : \beta_1 > 0$ (1-sided alternative)	$H_0 : \beta_1 \geq 0$ $H_1 : \beta_1 < 0$ (1-sided alternative)
Step 2	$\alpha = ?$	$\alpha = ?$	$\alpha = ?$
Step 3	$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{S/\sqrt{S_{xx}}}$ <u>Rejection region</u> $ t \geq t_{\alpha/2, n-2}$	$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{S/\sqrt{S_{xx}}}$ <u>Rejection region</u> $t \geq t_{\alpha, n-2}$	$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{S/\sqrt{S_{xx}}}$ <u>Rejection region</u> $t \leq -t_{\alpha, n-2}$
Step 4	$t = ?$ Decision	Substitute $\hat{\beta}_1$ $t = ?$ Decision	$t = ?$ Decision
Step 5	$p = 2 \times \text{area}$	$p = \text{area}$	$p = \text{area}$

Estimation of the mean response for a specified x value

A 100 $(1 - \alpha)\%$ confidence interval for the expected response $y^* = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x^*$:

$$\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x^* \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-2} S \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x^* - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}}$$

Prediction of a single response for a specified x value

A 100 $(1 - \alpha)\%$ prediction interval for a future trial:

$$\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x^* \pm t_{\alpha/2, n-2} S \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x^* - \bar{x})^2}{S_{xx}}}$$