

Parameter estimation [F3.2]

Estimator for β [F3.2.1]

1) Maximum likelihood

$$Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$$

If $\varepsilon \sim N_n(0, \sigma^2 I)$ then $Y \sim N_n(X\beta, \sigma^2 I)$

Alt 1: Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n independent

$$E(Y_i) = x_i^T \beta, \text{ Var}(Y_i) = \sigma^2$$

$$\rightarrow f(y_i; \mu, \sigma) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sigma} \cdot e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_i - \mu)^2}$$

$\begin{matrix} x_i^T \beta \\ \downarrow \\ \mu \\ \parallel \\ x_i^T \beta \end{matrix}$

$$L(\beta, \sigma^2) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{1}{\sigma} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2\right\}$$

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 $f(y)$
 joint density of
 Y_1, \dots, Y_n

$$= \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - x_i^T \beta)^2\right\}$$

homework

$$\textcircled{*} = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} \frac{1}{\sigma^n} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \underbrace{(y - X\beta)^T (y - X\beta)}_{\text{LS}(\beta)}\right\}$$

maximizing L wrt β is the same as
 minimizing $\text{LS}(\beta)$ wrt β
 \uparrow
 with respect to

Alt 2: $Y \sim N_n(\mu, \Sigma)$

$$f(y; \mu, \Sigma) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi}\right)^{\frac{n}{2}} [\det(\Sigma)]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2} (y - \mu)^T \Sigma^{-1} (y - \mu)\right\}$$

Homework: $\mu = X\beta$, $\Sigma = \sigma^2 I \Rightarrow$ get the
 same $L(\beta, \sigma^2)$ as $\textcircled{*}$

2) Least squares: minimize $LS(\beta)$ wrt β

$$LS(\beta) = (y - X\beta)^T (y - X\beta)$$

i) $LS(\beta) = y^T y - y^T X\beta - \beta^T X^T y + \beta^T X^T X\beta$

observe: $\underbrace{y^T X\beta}_{\text{scalar}} = \beta^T X^T y$

$$LS(\beta) = y^T y - 2y^T X\beta + \beta^T X^T X\beta$$

ii) To minimize $LS(\beta)$ wrt β we may solve

$$\frac{\partial LS(\beta)}{\partial \beta} = 0$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial LS(\beta)}{\partial \beta[1]} \\ \frac{\partial LS(\beta)}{\partial \beta[2]} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{\partial LS(\beta)}{\partial \beta[p]} \end{pmatrix}$$

"Need" two rules for derivatives wrt vector:

Rule 1: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} (d^T \beta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \left(\sum_{i=1}^p d_i \beta_i \right)$
 $1 \times p \quad p \times 1$
 $= d$

Rule 2: $\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \left(\beta^T \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \{d_{jk}\}}}{D} \beta \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} \left(\sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{k=1}^p \beta_j d_{jk} \beta_k \right)$
 $= (D + D^T) \beta$ and $2D\beta$ when $D = D^T$.

Using the two rules:

$$\frac{\partial \text{LS}(\beta)}{\partial \beta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} (y^T y - 2y^T X\beta + \beta^T X^T X \beta) = 0$$

Rules

$$d^T = -2y^T X$$

$$D = X^T X$$

$$0 - 2X^T y + 2X^T X \beta = 0$$

$X^T y = X^T X \beta$	normal equations
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iii) solving the normal equations (substitute $\hat{\beta}$ with β)

$$\underline{\underline{\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y}}$$

ii) min or max

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \beta^2} LS(\beta) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta} (-2X^T y - 2X^T X \beta) \Big|_{\beta = \hat{\beta}}$$

$$= 2X^T X$$

If this matrix has only positive eigenvalues this will be the minimum.