

Simple Regression (Appendix)

Recall that

$$b_2 = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})(Y_t - \bar{Y})}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})Y_t}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \quad (\text{A.1})$$

since $\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X}) = 0$. Let

$$w_t = \frac{(X_t - \bar{X})}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}. \quad (\text{A.2})$$

Each w_t is a constant, since X s are fixed. Substituting into the equation (A.1), we have

$$b_2 = \sum_{t=1}^T w_t Y_t \quad (\text{A.3})$$

which expresses the estimated parameter as a weighted sum of the observations on the dependent variables. It is obvious that $\sum_{t=1}^T w_t = 0$. According to the definition of w_t ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t=1}^T w_t X_t & \stackrel{\text{since } \sum w_t \bar{X} = 0}{=} \sum_{t=1}^T w_t X_t + \sum_{t=1}^T w_t \bar{X} = \sum_{t=1}^T w_t (X_t - \bar{X}) \\ & = \sum_{t=1}^T \left(\frac{X_t - \bar{X}}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \right) (X_t - \bar{X}) = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \\ & = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Result 1: $E(b_2) = \beta_2$.

Proof: Since $Y_t = \beta_1 + \beta_2 X_t + e_t$,

$$\begin{aligned} b_2 & = \sum_{t=1}^T w_t (\beta_1 + \beta_2 X_t + e_t) \\ & = \beta_2 + \sum_{t=1}^T w_t e_t \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.4})$$

from the facts that $\sum_{t=1}^T w_t = 0$ and $\sum_{t=1}^T w_t X_t = 1$. Therefore,

$$E(b_2) = \beta_2 + \sum_{t=1}^T w_t E(e_t) = \beta_2$$

since $E(e_t) = 0$.

Result 2: $Var(b_2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}$.

Proof: $Var(b_2) = Cov(b_2, b_2) = Cov\left(\beta_2 + \sum_{j=1}^T w_j e_j, \beta_2 + \sum_{t=1}^T w_t e_t\right)$

$$= Cov\left(\sum_{j=1}^T w_j e_j, \sum_{t=1}^T w_t e_t\right) \quad \text{since } \beta_2 \text{ is constant}$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^T \sum_{t=1}^T w_j w_t Cov(e_j, e_t)$$

$$= \sum_{t=1}^T w_t^2 Cov(e_t, e_t) \quad \text{since } Cov(e_j, e_t) = 0 \text{ for } j \neq t$$

$$= \sum_{t=1}^T w_t^2 Var(e_t) = \sum_{t=1}^T w_t^2 \sigma^2 = \sigma^2 \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}{\left(\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})\right)^2}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}.$$

Result 3: $E(b_1) = \beta_1$.

Proof: $b_1 = \bar{Y} - b_2 \bar{X} = \left(\beta_1 + \beta_2 \bar{X} + \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{T} e_t\right) - b_2 \bar{X} = \beta_1 - (b_2 - \beta_2) \bar{X} + \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{T} e_t$.

Hence, $E(b_1) = \beta_1 - (E(b_2) - \beta_2) \bar{X} + \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{T} E(e_t) = \beta_1$ since $E(b_2) = \beta_2$ and $E(e_t) = 0$.

Result 4: $Cov(\bar{Y}, b_2) = 0$.

Proof: $Cov(\bar{Y}, b_2) = Cov\left(\sum_{j=1}^T \frac{1}{T} Y_j, \sum_{t=1}^T w_t Y_t\right) = \sum_{j=1}^T \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{T} w_t Cov(Y_j, Y_t)$

$$= \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{T} w_t Cov(Y_t, Y_t) \quad \text{since } Cov(Y_j, Y_t) = 0 \text{ for } j \neq t$$

$$= \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{T} w_t Var(Y_t) = \sum_{t=1}^T \frac{1}{T} w_t \sigma^2 = 0 \quad \text{since } \sum_{t=1}^T w_t = 0.$$

Result 5: $Var(b_1) = \frac{\sigma^2 \sum_{t=1}^T X_t^2}{T \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}$.

Proof: $Var(b_1) = Cov(b_1, b_1) = Cov(\bar{Y} - b_2 \bar{X}, \bar{Y} - b_2 \bar{X})$

$$= Cov(\bar{Y}, \bar{Y}) + Cov(-b_2 \bar{X}, -b_2 \bar{X}) + Cov(\bar{Y}, -b_2 \bar{X}) + Cov(-b_2 \bar{X}, \bar{Y})$$

$$= Cov(\bar{Y}, \bar{Y}) + \bar{X}^2 Cov(b_2, b_2) - \bar{X} Cov(\bar{Y}, b_2) - \bar{X} Cov(b_2, \bar{Y})$$

$$= Var(\bar{Y}) + \bar{X}^2 Var(b_2) \quad \text{since } Cov(\bar{Y}, b_2) = 0$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^2}{T} + \frac{\sigma^2 \bar{X}^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} = \frac{\sigma^2 \sum_{t=1}^T X_t^2}{T \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}.$$

Result 6:
$$\text{Cov}(b_1, b_2) = \frac{-\sigma^2 \bar{X}}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}.$$

Proof:
$$\text{Cov}(b_1, b_2) = \text{Cov}(\bar{Y} - b_2 \bar{X}, b_2) = \text{Cov}(\bar{Y}, b_2) - \bar{X} \text{Cov}(b_2, b_2) = -\bar{X} \text{Var}(b_2)$$

$$= \frac{-\sigma^2 \bar{X}}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}.$$

The Gauss-Markov Theorem (The OLS estimators are BLUEs)

Proof: We only prove the slope term b_2 . It is also true for the intercept term b_1 . Consider a general linear combination of the Y s that takes the form $\tilde{\beta}_2 = \sum_{t=1}^T d_t Y_t$, where d_t is nonrandom. The best linear unbiased estimator (BLUE) has the two properties: (1) $\tilde{\beta}_2$ is unbiased and (2) $\text{Var}(\tilde{\beta}_2)$ is the smallest within the class of linear and unbiased estimators. Define $a_t = d_t - w_t$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\beta}_2 &= \sum_{t=1}^T (w_t + a_t) Y_t = \sum_{t=1}^T w_t Y_t + \sum_{t=1}^T a_t Y_t = b_2 + \sum_{t=1}^T a_t (\beta_1 + \beta_2 X_t + e_t) \\ &= b_2 + \beta_1 \sum_{t=1}^T a_t + \beta_2 \sum_{t=1}^T a_t X_t + \sum_{t=1}^T a_t e_t \\ E(\tilde{\beta}_2) &= E(b_2) + \beta_1 \sum_{t=1}^T a_t + \beta_2 \sum_{t=1}^T a_t X_t + \sum_{t=1}^T a_t E(e_t) \\ &= b_2 + \beta_1 \sum_{t=1}^T a_t + \beta_2 \sum_{t=1}^T a_t X_t \end{aligned}$$

For $\tilde{\beta}_2$ to be unbiased, we need this to be b_2 , which can happen if and only if

$$\sum_{t=1}^T a_t = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{t=1}^T a_t X_t = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\tilde{\beta}_2) &= \text{Cov}(\tilde{\beta}_2, \tilde{\beta}_2) = \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{j=1}^T (w_j + a_j) Y_j, \sum_{t=1}^T (w_t + a_t) Y_t\right) \\ &= \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{j=1}^T w_j Y_j, \sum_{t=1}^T w_t Y_t\right) + \text{Cov}\left(\sum_{j=1}^T a_j Y_j, \sum_{t=1}^T a_t Y_t\right) + 2\text{Cov}\left(\sum_{j=1}^T w_j Y_j, \sum_{t=1}^T a_t Y_t\right) \\ &= \text{Cov}(b_2, b_2) + \sum_{t=1}^T a_t^2 \text{Var}(Y_t) + 2\sum_{t=1}^T w_t a_t \text{Var}(Y_t) \quad \text{since } \text{Cov}(Y_j, Y_t) = 0 \text{ for } j \neq t \\ &= \text{Var}(b_2) + \sum_{t=1}^T a_t^2 \sigma^2 + 2\sum_{t=1}^T w_t a_t \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

The third term is zero since $\sum_{t=1}^T w_t a_t = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X}) a_t}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T X_t a_t - \bar{X} \sum_{t=1}^T a_t}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} = 0$.

Because $\sum_{t=1}^T a_t^2 \sigma^2 \geq 0$, we have proved the Gauss-Markov theorem. That is,

$$\text{Var}(\tilde{\beta}_2) \geq \text{Var}(b_2).$$

Result 7: $\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t = 0$.

Proof: $\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t = \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \hat{Y}_t) = \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - b_1 - b_2 X_t) = \sum_{t=1}^T Y_t - \sum_{t=1}^T b_1 - \sum_{t=1}^T b_2 X_t$
 $= T\bar{Y} - \sum_{t=1}^T (\bar{Y} - b_2 \bar{X}) - b_2 \sum_{t=1}^T X_t = T\bar{Y} - (T\bar{Y} - b_2 T\bar{X}) - b_2 T\bar{X} = 0$.

Result 8: $\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t X_t = 0$.

Proof: $\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t X_t = \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - b_1 - b_2 X_t) X_t = \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - (\bar{Y} - b_2 \bar{X}) - b_2 X_t) X_t$
 $= \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y}) X_t - b_2 \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X}) X_t$
 $= \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y})(X_t - \bar{X}) - b_2 \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})(X_t - \bar{X})$
since $\sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y}) \bar{X} = \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X}) \bar{X} = 0$
 $= 0$ since $b_2 = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y})(X_t - \bar{X})}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}$

Result 9: $E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = E\left[\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t^2 / (T - 2)\right] = \sigma^2$.

Proof: $\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t^2 = \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - b_1 - b_2 X_t)^2 = \sum_{t=1}^T [(\beta_1 + \beta_2 X_t + e_t) - (\bar{Y} - b_2 \bar{X}) - b_2 X_t]^2$
 $= \sum_{t=1}^T [(\beta_1 + \beta_2 X_t + e_t) - (\beta_1 + \beta_2 \bar{X} - \bar{e} - b_2 \bar{X}) - b_2 X_t]^2$ $\bar{e} = \sum_{t=1}^T e_t / T$
 $= \sum_{t=1}^T [\beta_2 (X_t - \bar{X}) + (e_t - \bar{e}) - b_2 (X_t - \bar{X})]^2$
 $= \sum_{t=1}^T [-(b_2 - \beta_2)(X_t - \bar{X}) + (e_t - \bar{e})]^2$
 $= (b_2 - \beta_2)^2 \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - \bar{e})^2 - 2(b_2 - \beta_2) \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})(e_t - \bar{e})$
 $= (b_2 - \beta_2)^2 \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - \bar{e})^2 - 2(b_2 - \beta_2) \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X}) e_t$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= (b_2 - \beta_2)^2 \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - \bar{e})^2 - 2(b_2 - \beta_2)^2 \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 \\
&\hspace{15em} \text{since } b_2 = \beta_2 + \frac{\sum (X_t - \bar{X})e_t}{\sum (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \\
&= -(b_2 - \beta_2)^2 \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - \bar{e})^2
\end{aligned}$$

Take expectation on both sides to have

$$\begin{aligned}
E\left(\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t^2\right) &= -E\left[(b_2 - \beta_2)^2\right] \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 + E\left[\sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - \bar{e})^2\right] \\
&= -\text{Var}(b_2) \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 + E\left[\sum_{t=1}^T (e_t - \bar{e})^2\right] \\
&= \frac{-\sigma^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2 + (T-1)\sigma^2 \\
&= (T-2)\sigma^2
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, $E\left[\frac{\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t^2}{(T-2)}\right] = \sigma^2$.

Given a value of the explanatory variable, X_{T+1} , we would like to predict a value of the dependent variable, Y_{T+1} . The least squares **predictor** is:

$$\hat{Y}_{T+1} = b_1 + b_2 X_{T+1}.$$

The corresponding prediction error is defined as:

$$f = \hat{Y}_{T+1} - Y_{T+1} = (b_1 - \beta_1) + (b_2 - \beta_2)X_{T+1} + e_{T+1}.$$

The least squares estimator of **mean response**, μ_{T+1} , when $X = X_{T+1}$ is

$$\hat{\mu}_{T+1} = b_1 + b_2 X_{T+1}$$

Its estimation error is given by

$$\hat{\mu}_{T+1} - E(Y_{T+1}) = (b_1 - \beta_1) + (b_2 - \beta_2)X_{T+1}.$$

Result 10: $E(f) = 0$ and $\text{Var}(f) = \sigma^2 \left(1 + \frac{1}{T} + \frac{(X_{T+1} - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2}\right)$.

Proof: $E(f) = E(\hat{Y}_{T+1} - Y_{T+1}) = [E(b_1) - \beta_1] + [E(b_2) - \beta_2]X_{T+1} + E(e_{T+1}) = 0$.

$$\text{Var}(f) = E(f^2) = E[(b_1 - \beta_1) + (b_2 - \beta_2)X_{T+1} + e_{T+1}]^2$$

$$= E[(b_1 - \beta_1)^2] + E[(b_2 - \beta_2)^2]X_{T+1}^2 + E[e_{T+1}^2] + 2E[(b_1 - \beta_1)(b_2 - \beta_2)]X_{T+1}$$

Notice that all the cross-product terms involving estimated parameters and e_{T+1} become zero when expected values are taken, since $(b_1 - \beta_1)$ and $(b_2 - \beta_2)$ are linear combinations of e_1, e_2, \dots, e_T , all of which are uncorrelated with e_{T+1} .

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(f) &= \text{Var}(b_1) + X_{T+1}^2 \text{Var}(b_2) + \text{Var}(e_{T+1}) + 2X_{T+1} \text{Cov}(b_1, b_2) \\ &= \sigma^2 \left[\left(\frac{1}{T} + \frac{\bar{X}^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \right) + \frac{X_{T+1}^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} + 1 + \frac{-2\bar{X}X_{T+1}}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \right] \\ &= \sigma^2 \left[1 + \frac{1}{T} + \frac{X_{T+1}^2 - 2X_{T+1}\bar{X} + \bar{X}^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \right] = \sigma^2 \left[1 + \frac{1}{T} + \frac{(X_{T+1} - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Result 11: $E(\hat{\mu}_{T+1} - E(\hat{Y}_{T+1})) = 0$ and $\text{Var}(\hat{\mu}_{T+1}) = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{T} + \frac{(X_{T+1} - \bar{X})^2}{\sum_{t=1}^T (X_t - \bar{X})^2} \right)$.

Proof: It is the same as the Result 10 except the random error term e_{T+1} .

Result 12: $\sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{Y}_t - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \hat{Y}_t)^2$.

That is, $\text{SST} = \text{SSR} + \text{SSE}$.

Proof:
$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \bar{Y})^2 &= \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \hat{Y}_t + \hat{Y}_t - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{t=1}^T [(\hat{Y}_t - \bar{Y}) + (Y_t - \hat{Y}_t)]^2 \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{Y}_t - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \hat{Y}_t)^2 + 2\sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{Y}_t - \bar{Y})(Y_t - \hat{Y}_t) \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{Y}_t - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{t=1}^T (Y_t - \hat{Y}_t)^2 \end{aligned}$$

It is true because the cross-product term drops to zero:

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t=1}^T (\hat{Y}_t - \bar{Y})(Y_t - \hat{Y}_t) &= \sum_{t=1}^T (b_1 + b_2 X_t - \bar{Y})\hat{e}_t \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^T (b_1 - \bar{Y})\hat{e}_t + \sum_{t=1}^T b_2 X_t \hat{e}_t \\ &= (b_1 - \bar{Y})\sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t + b_2 \sum_{t=1}^T X_t \hat{e}_t \quad \text{since } \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t = \sum_{t=1}^T \hat{e}_t X_t = 0 \\ &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

The Matrix Form of Simple Linear Regression Models

Consider the simple regression model with N observations

$$y_n = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_n + \varepsilon_n, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, N \quad (\text{B1})$$

This can be written as

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_N \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{B2})$$

or

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \quad (\text{B3})$$

where

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_N \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\beta} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_N \end{bmatrix}$$

Assumptions of the linear Regression model:

(1) $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$

(2) $E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = \begin{bmatrix} E(\varepsilon_1) \\ \vdots \\ E(\varepsilon_N) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{0}$

(3) $E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}') = \begin{bmatrix} E(\varepsilon_1^2) & \dots & E(\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_N) \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ E(\varepsilon_N \varepsilon_1) & \dots & E(\varepsilon_N^2) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma^2 & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \dots & \sigma^2 \end{bmatrix} = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_N.$

(4) \mathbf{X} is an $N \times 2$ matrix with $\det(\mathbf{X}' \mathbf{X}) \neq 0$.

(5) (Optional) $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_N)$.

Under the assumptions discussed before, the best (minimum variance) linear unbiased estimator (BLUE) of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ is obtained by minimizing the error sum of squares

$$\mathbf{S}(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}' \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta})' (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}) \quad (\text{B4})$$

This is known as the Gauss-Markov theorem.

Using the formulas for vector differentiation, we have

$$\frac{\partial S(\boldsymbol{\beta})}{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}} = -2\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} + 2\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}. \quad (\text{B5})$$

Setting the equation (B6) to be zero gives the normal equation

$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}. \quad (\text{B6})$$

Since the square matrix $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})$ is non-singular, the OLS estimator $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ is

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} \quad (\text{B7})$$

Substituting equation (B3) into equation (B7), we get

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = \boldsymbol{\beta} + (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$$

Since $E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) = 0$, we have $E(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \boldsymbol{\beta}$. Thus $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ is an unbiased estimator. Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) &= E(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta})(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} - \boldsymbol{\beta})' = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}')\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \\ &= \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \quad \text{since } E(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}') = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}_N. \end{aligned}$$

The $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ is unbiased and has a covariance matrix $\sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$.

According to equation (B7), the vectors of fitted values $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$ and the least squares residuals $\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$ are

$$\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{Y} \quad (\text{B8})$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = \mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{Y} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{M}_X\mathbf{Y} \quad (\text{B9})$$

where $\mathbf{P}_X = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$ and $\mathbf{M}_X = (\mathbf{I}_N - \mathbf{P}_X)$. Note that it can be shown that $\mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{P}_X = \mathbf{P}_X$ and $\mathbf{M}_X\mathbf{M}_X = \mathbf{M}_X$ (\mathbf{P}_X and \mathbf{M}_X are called **idempotent** matrices).

The total variation of the dependent variable is the sum of squared deviations from its mean (SST):

$$\text{SST} = \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{Y} - n\bar{y}^2.$$

It can be shown that total sum of squares = regression sum of squares + error sum of squares (SST = SSR + SSE), where

$$\text{SSR} = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{P}_X\mathbf{Y} - n\bar{y}^2 = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} - n\bar{y}^2 = \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} - n\bar{y}^2$$

$$\text{SSE} = \mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_N - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{M}_X\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{Y}'\mathbf{M}_X'\mathbf{M}_X\mathbf{Y} = \hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}'\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$$

The unbiased estimator of σ^2 is

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{SSE}{N-2} = \frac{\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}'\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}}{N-2} = \frac{\mathbf{Y}'(\mathbf{I}_N - \mathbf{P}_X)\mathbf{Y}}{N-2}.$$

We now calculate elements of some matrices discussed above in order to verify some results derived in earlier classes:

$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} N & \sum_{n=1}^N x_n \\ \sum_{n=1}^N x_n & \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} = \frac{1}{N\sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 - (\sum_{n=1}^N x_n)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 & -\sum_{n=1}^N x_n \\ -\sum_{n=1}^N x_n & N \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}) = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & \cdots & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & \cdots & x_N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_N \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N y_n \\ \sum_{n=1}^N x_n y_n \end{bmatrix}.$$

Base on the above results, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 \end{bmatrix} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} \\ &= \frac{1}{N\sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 - (\sum_{n=1}^N x_n)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 & -\sum_{n=1}^N x_n \\ -\sum_{n=1}^N x_n & N \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N y_n \\ \sum_{n=1}^N x_n y_n \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \frac{1}{N\sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 - (\sum_{n=1}^N x_n)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 \sum_{n=1}^N y_n - \sum_{n=1}^N x_n \sum_{n=1}^N x_n y_n \\ N \sum_{n=1}^N x_n y_n - \sum_{n=1}^N x_n \sum_{n=1}^N y_n \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

The covariance matrix of $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ is

$$\text{Var}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} = \frac{\sigma^2}{N\sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 - (\sum_{n=1}^N x_n)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_{n=1}^N x_n^2 & -\sum_{n=1}^N x_n \\ -\sum_{n=1}^N x_n & N \end{bmatrix}$$

