

# The General Linear Model

See  
ch 7

Scalar form For  $i=1, \dots, n$

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_k x_{ik} + \epsilon_i \quad \text{where}$$

$\beta_j$  are unknown constants

$x_{ij}$  are observable, known constants

$\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n$  are unobservable random variables with  
 $E(\epsilon_i) = 0, \text{Var}(\epsilon_i) = \sigma^2, \text{Cov}(\epsilon_i, \epsilon_j) = 0$  for  $i \neq j$   
 $\sigma^2$  unknown

$Y_i$  are observable random variables

Matrix form

$$Y = X\beta + \epsilon \quad \text{where}$$

$\beta$  is a  $(k+1) \times 1$  vector of ~~observable~~ <sup>unknown</sup> constants

$X$  is an  $n \times (k+1)$  matrix of observable constants

$\epsilon$  is an  $n \times 1$  random vector with

$$E(\epsilon) = 0, \text{Cov}(\epsilon) = \sigma^2 I_n$$

$\sigma^2$  unknown

$Y$  is an  $n \times 1$  observable random vector

$\beta$  values are called REGRESSION COEFFICIENTS

Meaning of the regression coefficients

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_k x_{ik} + \epsilon_i$$

$$E(Y_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_k x_{ik} \quad \text{Really } E(Y_i | x_{i1}, \dots, x_{ik})$$

Imagine a sub-population of  $Y$  values at each combination of  $x$  values. THIS IS THE POPULATION MEAN.

For  $k=1$ , a straight line.

For  $k>1$ , a (hyper) plane

$\beta_0$  is the intercept

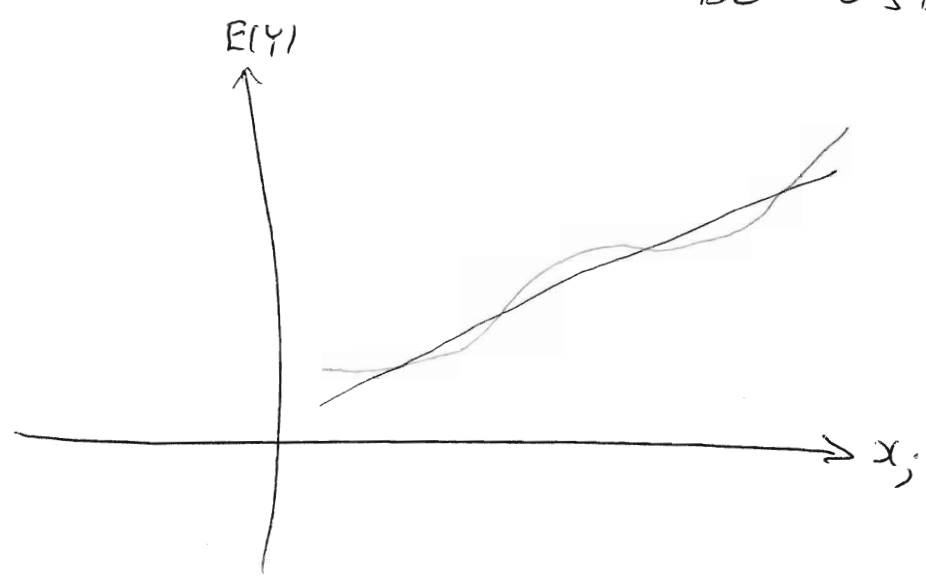
$$\frac{\partial E(Y)}{\partial x_j} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \dots + \beta_j x_j + \dots + \beta_k x_k) = \beta_j$$

HOLDING CONSTANT = CONTROLLING FOR "Partial" regression coefficient

It's more: For fixed values of  $x_l, l \neq j$

$$E(Y) = (\beta_0 + \sum_{l \neq j} \beta_l x_l) + \beta_j x_j \quad \text{STRAIGHT LINE}$$

NOT REALLY TRUE, BUT OFTEN CLOSE ENOUGH TO BE USEFUL



"All models are wrong, but some are useful"

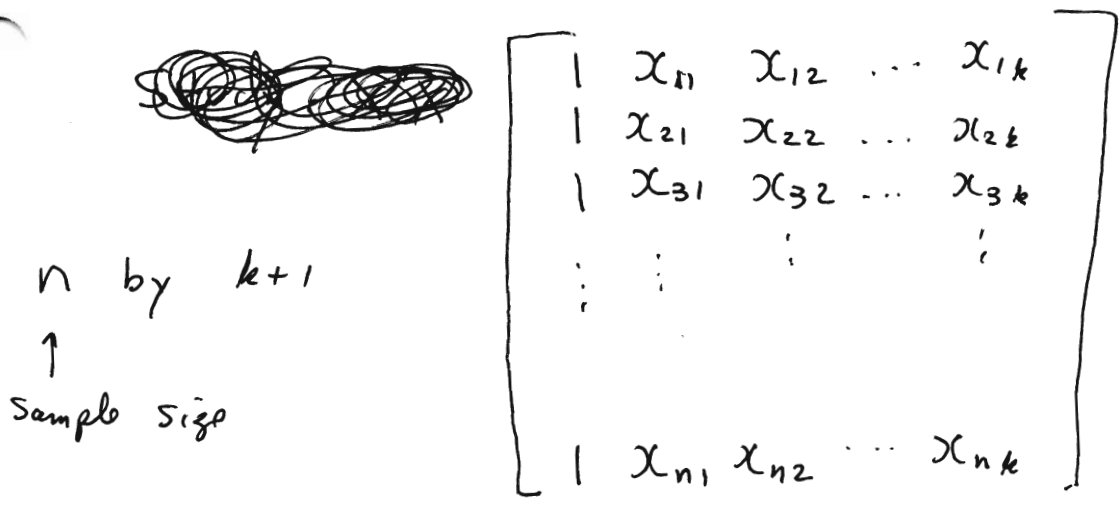
Sometimes not close - try to detect

Say "Controlling for" the other variables

- $\beta_i > 0$   $x_i$  positively related to  $Y$
- $\beta_i < 0$   $x_i$  neg " " " }
- $\beta_i = 0$  unrelated } need tests

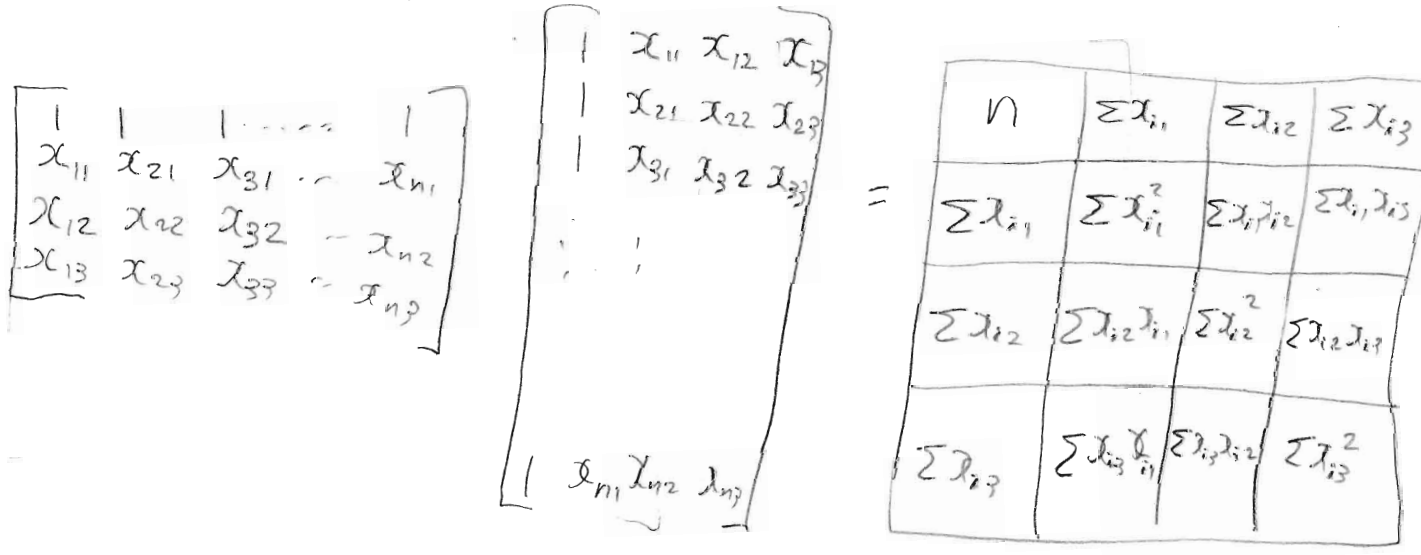
MODEST GOAL - Use really mean  $x_i$  related to average  $Y$ .

The  $X$  matrix holds the independent variables.



Study  $X'X$  You'll see it a lot

- Symmetric:  $(X'X)' = X'X'' = X'X$
- Sums of Squares & cross-products (SSCP)



$(k+1) \times (k+1)$

- At least non-negative definite:

$$a'X'Xa = (Xa)'Xa = Z'Z = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i^2 \geq 0 \quad \text{save}$$

$\uparrow$   $\uparrow$   
 $n \times (k+1)$   $(k+1) \times 1$

- Suppose the columns (independent variables) are linearly independent. This means the IVs are not redundant. No IV is a linear combination of the others (6 quiz marks ~~run~~ two quiz are)

Def  $(X'X)a = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$  save

Theorem  $(X'X)^{-1}$  exists if and only if the columns of  $X$  are linearly independent

Proof: First linear ind  $\Rightarrow$  existence of inverse

Suppose cols of  $X$  are linearly independent. Since  $a'X'Xa \geq 0$ , showing  $a'X'Xa = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$  will show positive definite.

Let  $a'X'Xa = 0 \Rightarrow Xa = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$  by linear independence

Hence  $X'X$  is pos def  $\Rightarrow$  eigenvalues all pos

$\Rightarrow (X'X)^{-1}$  exists.

Now  $(X'X)^{-1}$  hence li.

Assume  $(X'X)^{-1}$  exists. Show  $Xa = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$ . Let  $Xa = 0$

$$\Rightarrow X'Xa = X'0 = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0 \quad \square$$

## Estimation by LEAST SQUARES

Estimate  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_k$  by picking values that get the observed  $y_i$  values as close as possible to their expected values.

$$\text{Minimize } \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - E(y_i))^2 = Q$$

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \beta_k x_{ik})^2$$

$$= (Y - X\beta)'(Y - X\beta)$$

Choose a plane that minimizes the sum of squared vertical distances from the points to the plane.

Try differentiating, setting  $k+1$  derivatives to zero. Cleaner in matrix notation but...

$$Q = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \beta_j x_{ij} - \dots - \beta_k x_{ik})^2$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_0} = \sum_{i=1}^n 2 (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \beta_k x_{ik}) \cdot 1 \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_1} = \sum_{i=1}^n 2 (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \beta_k x_{ik}) \cdot x_{i1} \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_2} = \sum_{i=1}^n 2 (y_i - \beta_0 - \dots - \beta_k x_{ik}) x_{i2} \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_j} = \sum 2 ( \quad ) x_{ij} \stackrel{\text{set}}{=} 0$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial \beta_k} = \sum 2 ( \quad ) x_{ik} = 0$$

Divide by 2, multiply through, rearrange to get the NORMAL EQUATIONS

# Normal Equations

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$$\sum y_i = n\beta_0 + \beta_1 \sum x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_k \sum x_{ik}$$

$$\sum x_{i1} y_i = \beta_0 \sum x_{i1} + \beta_1 \sum x_{i1}^2 + \beta_2 \sum x_{i1} x_{i2} + \dots + \beta_k \sum x_{i1} x_{ik}$$

$$\sum x_{i2} y_i = \beta_0 \sum x_{i2} + \beta_1 \sum x_{i1} x_{i2} + \beta_2 \sum x_{i2}^2 + \dots + \beta_k \sum x_{i2} x_{ik}$$

$$\vdots$$
$$\sum x_{ik} y_i = \beta_0 \sum x_{ik} + \beta_1 \sum x_{i1} x_{ik} + \beta_2 \sum x_{i2} x_{ik} + \dots + \beta_k \sum x_{ik}^2$$

$$\uparrow$$
$$X'Y$$

$$\uparrow$$
$$(X'X)\beta$$

So in matrix form, the normal equations are

$$(X'X)\beta = X'Y$$

$$\Rightarrow (X'X)^{-1} X'X \beta = (X'X)^{-1} X'Y$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1} X'Y$$

⚡ put a hat on it

Is it really a minimum?



# Least Squares

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$$\text{Minimize } Q = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_{i1} - \dots - \beta_k x_{ik})^2 \text{ over } \underline{\beta}$$
$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \underline{x}_i' \underline{\beta})^2 = (Y - X\underline{\beta})'(Y - X\underline{\beta})$$

$$= \underbrace{(Y - X\hat{\beta})}_A + \underbrace{X\hat{\beta} - X\beta}_B \quad \underbrace{(Y - X\hat{\beta})}_A + \underbrace{X\hat{\beta} - X\beta}_B = A'A + A'B + B'A + B'B$$

$$\text{Look at } A'B = (Y' - \hat{\beta}'X')(X\hat{\beta} - X\beta)$$

$$= Y'X\hat{\beta} - Y'X\beta - \hat{\beta}'X'X\hat{\beta} + \hat{\beta}'X'X\beta$$

$$= Y'X(X'X)^{-1}X'Y - Y'X\beta - [(X'X)^{-1}X'Y]'X'X\hat{\beta} + [(X'X)^{-1}Y'Y]'X'X\beta$$

$$= Y'X(X'X)^{-1}X'Y - Y'X\beta - \underbrace{Y'X(X'X)^{-1}X'X}_I \hat{\beta} + \underbrace{Y'X(X'X)^{-1}X'X}_I \beta$$

$$= Y'X(X'X)^{-1}X'Y - Y'X\beta - Y'X(X'X)^{-1}X'Y + Y'X\beta = 0$$

So  $B'A = 0' = 0$ , and

$$Q = (Y - X\hat{\beta})'(Y - X\hat{\beta}) + [X(\hat{\beta} - \beta)]'X(\hat{\beta} - \beta)$$

$$= \underbrace{(Y - X\hat{\beta})'(Y - X\hat{\beta})}_{\text{SSE}} + (\hat{\beta} - \beta)'X'X(\hat{\beta} - \beta)$$

Since  $X'X$  is positive definite (see reverse side), the second term is non-negative, and zero only when  $\hat{\beta} - \beta = 0 \Leftrightarrow \beta = \hat{\beta}$ . This minimizes the function  $Q$  over all  $\beta$ .

$$a'X'Xa = \underbrace{(Xa)'}_{1 \times n} \underbrace{(Xa)}_{n \times 1} \quad \text{SS, } \geq 0$$

Suppose  $a = 0$ .

$$\Leftrightarrow Xa = 0 \Rightarrow X'Xa = X'0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (X'X)^{-1}X'Xa = (X'X)^{-1}0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow a = 0 \quad \text{so } X'X \text{ is P.D.}$$

R

Theorem

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Now Least squares with R: Unit 6