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1. Consider the linear model $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$, $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \sim \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n)$ ($\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^p$, $\sigma^2 > 0$, $r(\mathbf{X}) = p$). Show that the residual vector $\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ satisfies $\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = (\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P})\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$, where $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$ (an orthogonal projector) and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$ (the least squares estimator). Use this result to calculate $\mathbf{E}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}})$, $\text{Cov}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}})$ and $\text{Cov}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}, \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$.

2. Continuation of the preceding exercise. Show that $\hat{\mathbf{y}}'\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{y}'\mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ and that $\hat{\beta}_1 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_2\bar{x}_2 - \dots - \hat{\beta}_p\bar{x}_p$, when there is a constant term in the model or when $x_{i1} = 1$ for all $i = 1, \dots, n$. Here $\bar{x}_j = (x_{1j} + \dots + x_{nj})/n$, where x_{ij} is a general element of the matrix \mathbf{X} ($i = 1, \dots, n$, $j = 1, \dots, p$), $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = [\hat{\beta}_1 \dots \hat{\beta}_p]'$ and $\hat{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{y}$. (Note also the result $\mathbf{X}'\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}} = \mathbf{0}$.)

3. In exercise 1.4 is shown that $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2 - n\bar{y}^2 = \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{J})\mathbf{y}$, where $\mathbf{y} = [y_1 \dots y_n]'$ and $\mathbf{J} = \mathbf{1}_n(\mathbf{1}_n'\mathbf{1}_n)^{-1}\mathbf{1}_n'$, or that the total sum of squares SST = $\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$ can be written as $\text{SST} = \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{J})\mathbf{y}$. Show that the regression sum of squares SSR = $\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2$ and the residual sum of squares SSE = $\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\varepsilon}_i^2$ can be written as $\text{SSR} = \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{P} - \mathbf{J})\mathbf{y}$ and $\text{SSE} = \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{I}_n - \mathbf{P})\mathbf{y}$, respectively. Here $\mathbf{P} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$ with the first column of the matrix \mathbf{X} equal to $\mathbf{1}_n = [1 \dots 1]'$ ($n \times 1$), and \hat{y}_i and $\hat{\varepsilon}_i$ typical components of the vectors $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$ and $\hat{\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}}$. This gives you one way to see the result $\text{SST} = \text{SSR} + \text{SSE}$ used to define the coefficient of determination $R^2 = 1 - \text{SSE}/\text{SST} = \text{SSR}/\text{SST}$.

4. Consider the model of exercise 1 in the special case $p = 1$ where the model can be expressed in component form as $Y_i = \beta x_i + \varepsilon_i$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, with $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ independent and $\varepsilon_i \sim \mathbf{N}(0, \sigma^2)$ and the matrix \mathbf{X} equal to the vector $\mathbf{x} = [x_1 \dots x_n]'$. (i) Show that the least squares estimator of the parameter β is

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i Y_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2}.$$

(ii) Suppose now that the fixed regressor x_i in the model and least squares estimator is replaced by the random variable X_i . Show that the least squares estimator is unbiased or that $\mathbf{E}(\hat{\beta}) = \beta$, when the independence $(X_1, \dots, X_n) \perp\!\!\!\perp (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)$ holds. Explain further why unbiasedness does not necessarily hold without this independence. (*Hint:* In part (ii) you may use the equation $Y_i = \beta X_i + \varepsilon_i$ in the expression of $\hat{\beta}$ and end up considering the expectation of $\hat{\beta} - \beta$. You may assume that all needed expectations are finite. In the last part an exact mathematical proof is not required.)

5. Consider the model of exercise 1 in the special case of a simple linear regression so that in the component form of the model reads $y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_i + \varepsilon_i$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, with $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ independent and $\varepsilon_i \sim \mathbf{N}(0, \sigma^2)$. Denote $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = [\hat{\beta}_1 \hat{\beta}_2]'$ (the least squares estimator) and $\bar{x} = (x_1 + \dots + x_n)/n$. (i) Using the theorem below, form $\text{Cov}(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$ and furthermore $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_2)$ and $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2\bar{x})$. (ii) Suppose that the values of the regressors

x_1, \dots, x_n can be chosen freely from the interval $[c, d]$. How should they be chosen if the aim is to minimize $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_2)$? Is this choice reasonable otherwise? (Note: In part (ii) an exact mathematical proof is not required and you may also assume that n is even.)

Theorem. Consider the linear model $\mathbf{Y} \sim \mathbf{N}(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I}_n)$, $\boldsymbol{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^p$, $\sigma^2 > 0$, where $r(\mathbf{X}) = p$. Then, the maximum likelihood estimators of the parameters $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ and σ , $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$, satisfy

- (i) $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \sim \mathbf{N}(\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1})$
- (ii) $n\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2 = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})/\sigma^2 \sim \chi_{n-p}^2$
- (iii) $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} \perp\!\!\!\perp \hat{\sigma}^2$.