

Math & Stat for MBA

Problem Set #2

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Answer 4-1

These are explanatory variables, x_1, \dots, x_k

Even though all the observations on x_i is multiplied by λ , other variables are not affected because each variable is independent.

Assume that x_1 is multiplied by λ .

Other variables are not changed, so we can simply think them as constant.

$$\Rightarrow y = \beta_1 + \beta_2 X + \epsilon$$

$$\hat{\beta} = \frac{1}{T \sum x_t^2 - (\sum x_t)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum x_t^2 \cdot \sum y_t - \sum x_t \cdot \sum x_t y_t \\ T \sum x_t y_t - \sum x_t \sum y_t \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_1 \\ \hat{\beta}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\hat{\beta}' = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \times \frac{1}{T \sum x_t^2 - (\sum x_t)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \lambda^2 (\sum x_t^2 \cdot \sum y_t - \sum x_t \sum x_t y_t) \\ \lambda (T \sum x_t y_t - \sum x_t \sum y_t) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}'_1 \\ \hat{\beta}'_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$\hat{\beta}'_1 = \hat{\beta}_1$, $\hat{\beta}'_2 = \frac{1}{\lambda} \hat{\beta}_2$ \Rightarrow There is not any change on constant.
But, the corresponding regression coefficient is multiplied by $1/\lambda$

From the point of view, if a particular explanatory variable is measured in thousands of kgs instead of millions of kgs, the corresponding coefficient is multiplied by $1/1000$ and other variables is not changed.

Answer 4-2 i) $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_k X_k + \epsilon$, replace X_1 by $X_1 + \lambda$

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(X_1 + \lambda) + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_k X_k + \epsilon \\ &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_k X_k + \epsilon + \beta_1 \lambda, \quad \epsilon' = \epsilon + \beta_1 \lambda \\ Y &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_k X_k + \epsilon' \end{aligned}$$

There is the translation of X_1 axis by λ .

So, we add $\beta_1 \lambda$ to ϵ to explain this change.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } Y &= A \cdot P^\alpha \cdot L^\beta \cdot M^\gamma \\ \log Y &= \log A + \alpha \log P + \beta \log L + \gamma \log M \end{aligned}$$

Assume that P is measure in thousands of dollars instead of millions of dollars.
Now then, P is multiplied by 1000.

$$\begin{aligned} \log Y &= \log A + \alpha \log 1000P + \beta \log L + \gamma \log M \\ &= \log A + \alpha \log 1000 + \alpha \log P + \beta \log L + \gamma \log M \\ &= \log A' + \alpha \log P + \beta \log L + \gamma \log M \end{aligned}$$

There is not any change in the corresponding coefficient.

We can say that, the corresponding coefficient is independent of the units in which the variable is measured.

Answer 5-2 These are two regression models

$$\text{Model 1: } Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon'$$

$$\text{Model 2: } Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \beta_2 X^2 + \beta_3 X^3 + \epsilon$$

$$RSS = \sum (Y_i - \hat{Y})^2 = \sum \hat{\epsilon}_i^2$$

$$RSS \text{ for Model 1: } \sum \hat{\epsilon}'^2 = \sum (\beta_2 X^2 + \beta_3 X^3 + \hat{\epsilon})^2$$

$$RSS \text{ for Model 2: } \sum \hat{\epsilon}^2$$

Most of cases, the RSS of Complicated model is lower than that of Simple model. In Simple model, we restrict the corresponding coefficient of other Complicated variables as 0. With restriction, It is nearly impossible to find the minimum value of $\sum \hat{\epsilon}^2$

In this case, we already know that the true relationship between X and Y is linear, $\beta_2 = \beta_3 = 0$. So, we would expect RSS for them to be the same.

$$\sum \hat{\epsilon}^2 \approx \sum \hat{\epsilon}^2$$

Answer 5-2

When X and Y is non-linear, β_2, β_3 might not be 0. We would expect RSS for Model 1 is higher than other.

$$\sum \hat{\epsilon}^2 = \sum (\hat{\beta}_2 x_2 + \hat{\beta}_3 x_3 + \hat{\epsilon})^2 \geq \sum \hat{\epsilon}^2$$