

# 1 Matrix based approach to regression

For our small data set we have:

$$\begin{aligned}y_1 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{11} + \varepsilon_1, \\y_2 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{21} + \varepsilon_2, \\y_3 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{31} + \varepsilon_3, \\y_4 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{41} + \varepsilon_4, \\y_5 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{51} + \varepsilon_5, \text{ where } x_{i1}, \text{ for example, is the } i\text{th observation's value of variable } x_1.\end{aligned}$$

This can be rewritten as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \\ y_4 \\ y_5 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & x_{11} \\ 1 & x_{21} \\ 1 & x_{31} \\ 1 & x_{41} \\ 1 & x_{51} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \varepsilon_3 \\ \varepsilon_4 \\ \varepsilon_5 \end{bmatrix},$$

or more briefly as:

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon.$$

For the matrix-based approach to regression, the least squares estimate of  $\beta$  is:  $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$ , and the variance of the estimate is  $Var(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma_\varepsilon^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$ . We estimate  $\sigma_\varepsilon^2$  in the simple linear regression model with  $s_\varepsilon^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 / (n - 2)$ , and in a multiple regression model with  $k$  covariates with  $s_\varepsilon^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 / (n - k - 1)$ .

For our cereal data example we have

$$\begin{aligned}110 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(0) + \varepsilon_1, \\110 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(1) + \varepsilon_2, \\150 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(3) + \varepsilon_3, \\130 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(2) + \varepsilon_4, \\120 &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(1) + \varepsilon_5, \text{ so that}\end{aligned}$$

$$\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 110 \\ 110 \\ 150 \\ 130 \\ 120 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Then we have

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 7 & 15 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 3 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 110 \\ 110 \\ 150 \\ 130 \\ 120 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 620 \\ 940 \end{bmatrix}, \text{ and}$$

$$(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 7 \\ 7 & 15 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \begin{bmatrix} 15/26 & -7/26 \\ -7/26 & 5/26 \end{bmatrix} \text{ so}$$

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} 15/26 & -7/26 \\ -7/26 & 5/26 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 620 \\ 940 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 104.62 \\ 13.85 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Also  $s.e.(\hat{\beta}_1) = \sqrt{Var(\hat{\beta}_1)} = \sqrt{\hat{\sigma}_\varepsilon^2(5/26)} = \sqrt{(41.03)(5/26)} = 2.81$ .