

THE FULL RANK CASE FOR A LINEARISABLE MODEL

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Abstract. We consider a model which can be reduced to a linear one by substitution. For this model, we obtain a full rank case theorem for uniquely fitting written in terms of initial matrix of sample data.

Definition 1

Let be Y a variable which depends on influence of some factors expressed by other p variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p . The regression is a search method for dependence of variable Y on variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p and consist in determination of a functional connection f such that

$$Y = f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p) + \varepsilon \quad (1)$$

where ε is a random term (error) which include all factors that can not be quantificated by f and which satisfies the conditions:

a) $E(\varepsilon) = 0$

b) $Var(\varepsilon)$ has a small value

Formula (1) with conditions a) and b) is called regressional model, variable Y is called the endogene variable and variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p are called the exogene variables.

Definition 2

The next regression is called a parametric regression

$$f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p) = f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p)$$

Otherwise the regression is called a nonparametric regression.

The regression bellow is called a linear regression

$$f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p) = \sum_{k=1}^p \alpha_k X_k$$

Remark 3 If function f from regressional models is linear with respect to the parameters $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p$, that is

$$f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p; \alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p) = \sum_{k=1}^p \alpha_k \varphi_k(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$$

than regression can be reduced to linear one.

Definition 4

It is called the linear regressional model between variable Y and variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p , the model

$$Y = \sum_{k=1}^p \alpha_k X_k + \varepsilon \quad (2)$$

Remark 5.

The linear regression problem consists in study of variable Y behavior with respect to the factors X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p the study made by “evaluation” of regression parameters $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p$ and random term ε .

Let be considered a sample of n data

$$y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_p) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1p} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2p} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{np} \end{pmatrix}, n \gg p$$

Then one can make the problem of evaluations for regression parameters $\alpha^T = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_p) \in \mathbb{R}^p$ and for error term $\varepsilon^T = (\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, from these data.

From this point of view the fitting of theoretic model can offering solutions. Matriceal the model (2) can be written in form

$$y = x\alpha + \varepsilon \quad (2')$$

and represent the linear regression theoretical model.

By fitting this models using a condition of minimum results the fitted model

$$y = xa + e \quad (2'')$$

where $a^T \in \mathbb{R}^p, e^T \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

It is desirable that residues e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n to be minimal. Then can be realised using the least squares criteria.

Definition 6.

It is called the least squares fitting, the fitting which corresponds to the solutions (a,e) of the system $y = xa + e$, which minimise the expression

$$e^T e = \sum_{k=1}^n e_k^2$$

Theorem 7.(full rank case)

If $\text{rang}(x) = p$ then the fitting solution by least squares criteria is uniquely given by

$$a = (x^T x)^{-1} x^T y$$

Remark 8.

In this paper we consider the next model

$$y = \alpha_1 x_1 x_2 + \alpha_2 x_2 x_3 + \dots + \alpha_{p-1} x_{p-1} x_p + \varepsilon \quad (3)$$

where $y^T = (y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $\alpha^T = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots, \alpha_{p-1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{p-1}$,
 $\varepsilon^T = (\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and x is the sample data/sample variables matrix

$$x \in M_{n,p}, x = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & \dots & x_{1p-1} & x_{1p} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & \dots & x_{2p-1} & x_{2p} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \dots & x_{np-1} & x_{np} \end{pmatrix}$$

With substitutions $x_i x_{i+1} = z_i, \forall i = \overline{1, p-1}$, we obtain the new matrix,

$$z \in M_{n,p-1}, z = (z_1, z_2, \dots, z_{p-1}) = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \cdot x_{12} & x_{12} \cdot x_{13} & \dots & x_{1p-1} \cdot x_{1p} \\ x_{21} \cdot x_{22} & x_{22} \cdot x_{23} & \dots & x_{2p-1} \cdot x_{2p} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{n1} \cdot x_{n2} & x_{n2} \cdot x_{n3} & \dots & x_{np-1} \cdot x_{np} \end{pmatrix}$$

and the linear model $y = \alpha_1 z_1 + \alpha_2 z_2 + \dots + \alpha_{p-1} z_{p-1} + \varepsilon$, which after the least squares fitting becomes $y = a_1 z_1 + a_2 z_2 + \dots + a_{p-1} z_{p-1} + e$, where $a^T = (a_1, a_2, \dots, a_{p-1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{p-1}$, $e^T = (e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The fitting uniquely solutions results from $\text{rang}(z) = p-1$ (see theorem 7).

The purpose of our paper is to give an analogouse theorem based on initial sample variables.

Theorem 9.

If $\text{rang}(x) = p$, $p \in \{2, 3\}$, and if the sample data are not nulls than uniquely exist the least squares fitting solution $a = (x_*^T x_*)^{-1} x_*^T y$ where $x_* = (x_1 * x_2, \dots, x_{p-1} * x_p)$ and $x_i * x_j$ is the natural product between the vectors x_i and x_j that is the vector which can be obtained by multiplications one components of the two vectors.

Proof

Case $p = 2$:

The sample matrix is $x \in M_{n,2}$, $x = (x_1, x_2)$, $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} \\ \dots & \dots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} \end{pmatrix}$ and the model

$$y = \alpha_1 x_1 x_2 + \varepsilon.$$

We make the substitution $x_1 x_2 = z$, which results $y = \alpha_1 z + \varepsilon$.

Because the sample data are not nulls it results $\text{rang}(z)=1$, where $z = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} \cdot x_{12} \\ x_{21} \cdot x_{22} \\ \dots \\ x_{n1} \cdot x_{n2} \end{pmatrix}$.

One can observe that is sufficient that for a single unit of sample, data must be differed from zero. According to theorem 7 if $\text{rang}(z)=1$ then uniquely exist $a_1 = a = (z^T z)^{-1} z^T y = (x_*^T x_*)^{-1} x_*^T y$ where $x_* = (x_1 * x_2) \in M_{n,1}$.

Case $p = 3$:

The sample matrix is $x \in M_{n,3}$, $x = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$, $x = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots \\ x_{n1} & x_{n2} & x_{n3} \end{pmatrix}$

and the model

$y = \alpha_1 x_1 x_2 + \alpha_2 x_2 x_3 + \varepsilon$. We use the substitutions $x_1 x_2 = z_1, x_2 x_3 = z_2$ and we obtain $y = \alpha_1 z_1 + \alpha_2 z_2 + \varepsilon$. If $\text{rang}(x) = 3$ then results that at least one minor of three order is differed from zero and let be this one (without restrict the generality)

$$d = \begin{vmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} \end{vmatrix}.$$

If $d_3 \neq 0$, developing by the second column results that at least one of the three minor from the development is not null and let be, by example, this one

$$d_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x_{11} & x_{13} \\ x_{21} & x_{23} \end{vmatrix} \neq 0. \text{ On the other way we calculate a minor of two order from } z, \text{ by}$$

example

$$\begin{aligned} d_{2_z} &= \begin{vmatrix} z_{11} & z_{12} \\ z_{21} & z_{22} \end{vmatrix} = z_{11} z_{22} - z_{12} z_{21} = x_{11} x_{12} x_{22} x_{23} - x_{12} x_{13} x_{21} x_{22} = x_{12} x_{22} (x_{11} x_{23} - x_{13} x_{21}) = \\ &= x_{12} x_{22} \cdot d_2 \end{aligned}$$

Because from the hypothesis, the sample data are not nulls and $\text{rang}(x)=3$,

$d_2 \neq 0$ then results that $d_{2_z} \neq 0$, so $\text{rang}(z)=2$. According to theorem 7 it results

that uniquely exists the solution $a = (z^T z)^{-1} z^T y = (x_*^T x_*)^{-1} x_*^T y$ where $x_* = (x_1 * x_2, x_2 * x_3)$.

Remark 10.

A weak condition, namely $\text{rang}(x) = p - 1, p \in \{2, 3\}$ is not sufficient because this is not implied that $\text{rang}(z) = p - 1$. However, it can be given an intermediary condition between $\text{rang}(x) = p - 1$ and $\text{rang}(x) = p$.

Theorem 11.

If in sample data matrix there exists a minor of second order differed from zero, at least, which not contains elements from second column, then $a = (x_*^T x_*)^{-1} x_*^T y$ with $x_* = (x_1 * x_2, x_2 * x_3)$.

Proof

By example $d_2 = \begin{vmatrix} x_{11} & x_{13} \\ x_{21} & x_{23} \end{vmatrix} = x_{11}x_{23} - x_{13}x_{21} \neq 0$ and

$$d_{2_z} = \begin{vmatrix} x_{11}x_{12} & x_{12}x_{13} \\ x_{21}x_{22} & x_{22}x_{23} \end{vmatrix} = x_{12}x_{22}(x_{11}x_{23} - x_{13}x_{21}) \neq 0$$

Remark 12.

These theorems can not be generalised for any p . A similar theorem with 11 can be given in general case if we define the pseudominor in follow sense.

Definition 13.

Let be $x \in M_{n,p}$. We call the pseudo-minor of $p - 1$ order from matrix x , formed by the first $p - 1$ rows of x , the expression

$$d^f = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{p-1}} (-1)^{\text{sign}\sigma} (x_{1\sigma(1)} \cdot x_{2\sigma(2)} \cdot \dots \cdot x_{p-1\sigma(p-1)}) (x_{1\sigma(1)+1} \cdot x_{2\sigma(2)+1} \cdot \dots \cdot x_{p-1\sigma(p-1)+1}) =$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_{p-1}} \left[(-1)^{\text{sign}\sigma} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{p-1} x_{i\sigma(i)} \cdot \prod_{i=1}^{p-1} x_{i\sigma(i)+1} \right]$$

Remark 14.

In calculus of d we apply the ordinary formula for a determinant of $p - 1$ order only that the elements from products appearing in determinant are product of elements which are from minor of $p - 1$ obtained by elimination of the first column and from minor of $p - 1$ order obtained by elimination of last column.

$$d_3^f = \begin{vmatrix} x_{11} & x_{12} & x_{13} & x_{14} \\ x_{21} & x_{22} & x_{23} & x_{24} \\ x_{31} & x_{32} & x_{33} & x_{34} \end{vmatrix} = (x_{11}x_{22}x_{33})(x_{12}x_{23}x_{34}) + (x_{13}x_{21}x_{32})(x_{14}x_{22}x_{33}) +$$

$$+ (x_{31}x_{12}x_{23})(x_{32}x_{13}x_{24}) - (x_{13}x_{22}x_{31})(x_{14}x_{23}x_{32}) - (x_{11}x_{23}x_{32})(x_{12}x_{24}x_{33}) -$$

$$- (x_{33}x_{12}x_{21})(x_{34}x_{13}x_{22})$$

By example, d_3^f is the pseudo-minor of $p-1$ order from matrix $x \in M_{n,p}$ ($p=4$), formed with the first three rows of this matrix.

Theorem 15.

If in sample data matrix there exist at least one pseudo-minor of $p-1$ order different from zero then exists uniquely fitting solution $a = (x_*^T x_*)^{-1} x_*^T y$ with $x_* = (x_1 * x_2, x_2 * x_3, \dots, x_{p-1} * x_p)$.

Proof

Let be the pseudo-minor of $p-1$ order, different from zero, formed with the first $p-1$ rows, without restrict the generality ($d_{p-1}^f \neq 0$).

With substitutions $x_j x_{j+1} = z_j, \forall j = \overline{1, p-1}$, we obtain matrix $z = (z_{ij})_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq n \\ 1 \leq j \leq p-1}}, z_{ij} = x_{ij} \cdot x_{i,j+1}$

We calculate the minor of $p-1$ from z formed with the first $p-1$ rows:

$$d_z = \sum_{\sigma \in S_{p-1}} (-1)^{sign\sigma} (z_{1\sigma(1)} \cdot z_{2\sigma(2)} \cdot \dots \cdot z_{p-1\sigma(p-1)}) =$$

$$= \sum_{\sigma \in S_{p-1}} (-1)^{sign\sigma} (x_{1\sigma(1)} \cdot x_{1\sigma(1)+1}) (x_{2\sigma(2)} \cdot x_{2\sigma(2)+1}) \cdot \dots \cdot (x_{p-1\sigma(p-1)} \cdot x_{p-1\sigma(p-1)+1}) = d_{p-1}^f \neq 0$$

So $rang z = p-1$ and $a = (z^T z)^{-1} z^T y = (x_*^T x_*)^{-1} x_*^T y$.

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