

1.3 Exercises 3: Date 3.5.2013

1. Derive the relation between the F-statistic and the coefficient of determination.
2. Show that $e'e = y'My = u'Mu$ with $M = I - X(X'X)^{-1}X'$, $e = y - X\hat{\beta}$ the vector of residuals of the regression $y = X\beta + u$ with β the unknown parameter vector, u the unknown error vector and $\hat{\beta}$ the least squares estimator.
3. Let $y = X\beta + u$, $\hat{y} = X\hat{\beta}$ and $e = y - X\hat{\beta} = y - \hat{y}$, with $\hat{\beta} = (X'X)^{-1}X'y$ the least squares estimator. Show that the decomposition of the total sum of squares $y'y$ into the explained sum of squares $\hat{y}'\hat{y}$ and the residual sum of squares $e'e$ holds.
4. Use the data file **cps78.xls** Read the information in "Info". Estimate a multiple linear regression model

$$WAGE_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 AGE_i + \beta_2 ED_i + \beta_3 FE_i + \beta_4 UNION_i + u_i \quad (6)$$

where *ED* stands for years of formal education, *FE* for female, and *UNION* for union membership. Which values do you obtain for $(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\beta}_3, \hat{\beta}_4)$? How do you interpret the estimated coefficients? For each coefficient find out if it is significantly different from zero (95% level).

Plot the residuals against the years of education (*ED*). Group the residuals e_i according to the years of education and estimate the variance of the u_i within each group by computing the sample variance of the e_i in each group. Does the assumption of a constant variance σ^2 for all u_i seem justified?

5. Estimate the regression as in (6), but replace the dependent variable $WAGE_i$ by $LNWAGE_i$.

$$LNWAGE_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 AGE_i + \beta_2 ED_i + \beta_3 FE_i + \beta_4 UNION_i + u_i \quad (7)$$

This model explains obviously the natural logarithm of *WAGE*. Which values do you obtain now for $(\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2, \hat{\beta}_3, \hat{\beta}_4)$? How do you now interpret the estimated coefficients in this equation? Repeat the estimation of group variances as in the previous exercise. Do you notice a difference?

6. Test in equation (7) if **all** slope coefficients simultaneously are different from zero against the alternative that at least one coefficient is non-zero.
7. Test if women earn significantly less than men. Formulate the null- and the alternative hypothesis and use a type one error probability of $\alpha = 5\%$.
8. Investigate in (7) how much hourly wage increase somebody would get on average for one more year of formal education. Calculate a 95%-confidence interval and interpret the result.
9. Test (at the 95% level) in the estimated equation (7) if union members receive a higher wage than non-union members.
10. Someone might argue that years of experience should also play a role for the personal wage. Add the variable *EX* to the model (7) and estimate the revised equation to find out about this issue. Test the coefficients against zero. Do you encounter any problem?