

# Ch6. Multiple Regression: Estimation

## 1 The model

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{ik} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \cdots, n, \quad (1)$$

The assumptions for  $\epsilon_i$  and  $y_i$  are analogous to as those for simple linear regression, namely

1.  $E(\epsilon_i) = 0$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \cdots, n$ , or, equivalently,  $E(y_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \cdots + \beta_k x_{ik}$ .
2.  $var(\epsilon_i) = \sigma^2$  for all  $i = 1, 2, \cdots, n$ , or, equivalently,  $var(y_i) = \sigma^2$ .
3.  $cov(\epsilon_i, \epsilon_j) = 0$  for all  $i \neq j$ , or, equivalently,  $cov(y_i, y_j) = 0$ .

In matrix form, the model can be written as

$$\begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1k} \\ 1 & x_{21} & x_{22} & \cdots & x_{2k} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{nk} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_k \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \cdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$$

or

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}.$$

The assumption on  $\epsilon_i$  or  $y_i$  can be expressed as

1.  $E(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = 0$  or  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ .
2.  $cov(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$  or  $cov(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ .

The matrix is  $n \times (k + 1)$  and is called the design matrix. In this chapter, we assume that  $n > k + 1$  and  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{X}) = k + 1$ .

## 2 Estimation of $\beta$ and $\sigma^2$

### 2.1 Least squares estimator for $\beta$

The least squares approach is to seek the estimators of  $\beta$  which minimize the sums of squares of deviations of the  $n$  observed  $y$ 's from their predicted values  $\hat{y}$ , i.e., minimize

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\epsilon}_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2.$$

**Theorem 2.1** *If  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \epsilon$ , where  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $n \times (k + 1)$  of rank  $k + 1 < n$ , then the least squares estimator of  $\beta$  is*

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}.$$

PROOF: Exercise.

### 2.2 Properties of the least squares estimator $\hat{\beta}$

**Theorem 2.2** *If  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\beta$ , then  $\hat{\beta}$  is an unbiased estimator for  $\beta$ .*

PROOF:

$$\begin{aligned} E(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) &= E[(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}] \\ &= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'E(\mathbf{y}) \\ &= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} \\ &= \boldsymbol{\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 2.3** *If  $\text{cov}(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ , the covariance matrix for  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  is given by  $\sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$ .*

PROOF: Exercise.

**Theorem 2.4** *(Gauss-Markov Theorem) If  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $\text{cov}(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ , the least squares estimators  $\hat{\beta}_j$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$ , have minimum variance among all linear unbiased estimators, i.e., the least squares estimators  $\hat{\beta}_j$ ,  $j = 0, 1, \dots, k$  are best linear unbiased estimators (BLUE).*

PROOF: We consider a linear estimator  $A\mathbf{y}$  of  $\beta$  and seek the matrix  $A$  for which  $A\mathbf{y}$  is a minimum variance unbiased estimator of  $\beta$ . Since  $A\mathbf{y}$  is to be unbiased for  $\beta$ , we have

$$E(A\mathbf{y}) = AE(\mathbf{y}) = AX\beta = \beta,$$

which gives the unbiasedness condition

$$AX = I$$

since the relationship  $AX\beta = \beta$  must hold for any positive value of  $\beta$ .

The covariance matrix for  $A\mathbf{y}$  is

$$\text{cov}(A\mathbf{y}) = A(\sigma^2 I)A' = \sigma^2 AA'.$$

The variance of the  $\beta_j$ 's are on the diagonal of  $\sigma^2 AA'$ , and therefore we need to choose  $A$  (subject to

$AX = I$ ) so that the diagonal elements of  $AA'$  are minimized. Since

$$\begin{aligned} AA' &= [A - (X'X)^{-1}X' + (X'X)^{-1}X'] [A - (X'X)^{-1}X' + (X'X)^{-1}X']' \\ &= [A - (X'X)^{-1}X'] [A - (X'X)^{-1}X']' + (X'X)^{-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Note in the last equality,  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{I}$  is used. Since  $[\mathbf{A} - (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'][\mathbf{A} - (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}']'$  is positive semidefinite, the diagonal elements are great than or equal to zero. These diagonal elements can be made equal to zero by choosing  $\mathbf{A} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$ . (This value of  $\mathbf{A}$  also satisfies the unbiasedness condition  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{I}$ ). The resulting minimum variance estimator of  $\beta$  is

$$\mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y},$$

which is equal to the least square estimator  $\hat{\beta}$ .

**Remark:** The remarkable feature of the Gauss-Markov theorem is its distributional generality. The result holds for any distribution of  $\mathbf{y}$ ; normality is not required. The only assumptions used in the proof are  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\beta$  and  $cov(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ . If these assumptions do not hold,  $\hat{\beta}$  may be biased or each  $\hat{\beta}_j$  may have a larger variance than that of some other estimator.

**Corollary 2.1** *If  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\beta$  and  $cov(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ , the best linear unbiased estimator of  $\mathbf{a}'\beta$  is  $\mathbf{a}'\hat{\beta}$ , where  $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$ .*

A fourth property of  $\hat{\beta}$  is the following: the predicted value  $\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_1 + \cdots + \hat{\beta}_k x_k = \hat{\beta}' \mathbf{x}$  is invariant to simple linear changes of scale on the  $x$ 's, where  $\mathbf{x} = (1, x_1, x_2, \cdots, x_k)'$ .

**Theorem 2.5** *If  $\mathbf{x} = (1, x_1, \cdots, x_k)'$  and  $\mathbf{z} = (1, c_1 x_1, \cdots, c_k x_k)$ , then  $\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}' \mathbf{x} = \hat{\beta}'_z \mathbf{z}$ , where  $\hat{\beta}'_z$  is the least squares estimator from the regression of  $y$  on  $\mathbf{z}$ .*

PROOF: We can write  $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{D}$ , where  $\mathbf{D} = \text{diag}(1, c_1, c_2, \cdots, c_k)$ . Substituting  $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{D}$  into  $\hat{\beta}'_z$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta}'_z &= [(\mathbf{X} \mathbf{D})' (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{D})]^{-1} (\mathbf{X} \mathbf{D})' \mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{D}^{-1} (\mathbf{X}' \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{y} \\ &= \mathbf{D}^{-1} \hat{\beta}'. \end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\hat{\beta}'_z \mathbf{z} = (\mathbf{D}^{-1} \hat{\beta}')' \mathbf{D} \mathbf{x} = \hat{\beta}' \mathbf{x}.$$

## 2.3 An estimator for $\sigma^2$

By assumption 1,  $E(y_i) = \mathbf{x}'_i\boldsymbol{\beta}$ , and by assumption 2,  $\sigma^2 = E[y_i - E(y_i)]^2$ , we have

$$\sigma^2 = E(y_i - \mathbf{x}'_i\boldsymbol{\beta})^2.$$

Hence,  $\sigma^2$  can be estimated by

$$\begin{aligned} s^2 &= \frac{1}{n - k - 1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mathbf{x}'_i\boldsymbol{\beta})^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n - k - 1} (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}) \\ &= \frac{SSE}{n - k - 1}. \end{aligned}$$

With the denominator  $n - k - 1$ ,  $s^2$  is an unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .

**Theorem 2.6** *If  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $cov(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ , then*

$$E(s^2) = \sigma^2.$$



PROOF: Exercise.

**Corollary 2.2** *An unbiased estimator of  $cov(\hat{\beta})$  is given by*

$$\widehat{cov}(\hat{\beta}) = s^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}.$$

**Theorem 2.7** *If  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\beta$ ,  $cov(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$ , and  $E(\epsilon_i^4) = 3\sigma^4$  for the linear model  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \epsilon$ , then  $s^2$  is the best (minimum variance) quadratic unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$ .*

PROOF: See Graybill (1954) or Wang and Chow (1994, pp.161-163).

### 3 The model in centered form

In matrix form, the centered model for the linear multiple regression becomes

$$\mathbf{y} = (\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{X}_c) \begin{pmatrix} \alpha \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix} + \epsilon,$$

where  $\mathbf{j}$  is a vector of 1's,  $\boldsymbol{\beta}_1 = (\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_k)'$ ,

$$\mathbf{X}_c = \left( \mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{J} \right) \mathbf{X}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} x_{11} - \bar{x}_1 & x_{12} - \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & x_{1k} - \bar{x}_k \\ x_{21} - \bar{x}_1 & x_{22} - \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & x_{2k} - \bar{x}_k \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ x_{n1} - \bar{x}_1 & x_{n2} - \bar{x}_2 & \cdots & x_{nk} - \bar{x}_k \end{pmatrix}.$$

The matrix  $\mathbf{I} - \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{J}$  is sometimes called the centering matrix.

The corresponding least squares estimator becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\alpha} \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_1 \end{pmatrix} &= [(\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{X}_c)'(\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{X}_c)]^{-1}(\mathbf{j}, \mathbf{X}_c)' \mathbf{y} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} n & 0 \\ 0 & \mathbf{X}_c' \mathbf{X}_c \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} n\bar{y} & \mathbf{X}_c' \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} \bar{y} \\ (\mathbf{X}_c' \mathbf{X}_c)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_c' \mathbf{y} \end{pmatrix}. \end{aligned}$$

# 4 Normal model

## 4.1 Assumptions

Normality assumption:

$$\mathbf{y} \text{ is } N_n(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I}) \text{ or } \boldsymbol{\epsilon} \text{ is } N_n(0, \sigma^2\mathbf{I}).$$

Under normality,  $\text{cov}(\mathbf{y}) = \text{cov}(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{I}$  implies that the  $y$ 's are independent as well as uncorrelated.

## 4.2 Maximum likelihood estimators for $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ and $\sigma^2$

**Theorem 4.1** *If  $\mathbf{y}$  is  $N_n(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$ , where  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $n \times (k + 1)$  of rank  $k + 1 < n$ , the maximum likelihood estimators of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $\sigma^2$  are*

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y},$$
$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})'(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}).$$

PROOF: Exercise.

The maximum likelihood estimator  $\hat{\beta}$  is the same as the least squares estimator  $\hat{\beta}$ . The estimator  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  is biased since the denominator is  $n$  rather  $n - k - 1$ . We often use the unbiased estimator  $s^2$  to estimate  $\sigma^2$ .

### 4.3 Properties of $\hat{\beta}$ and $\hat{\sigma}^2$

**Theorem 4.2** Suppose  $\mathbf{y}$  is  $N_n(\mathbf{X}\beta, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$ , where  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $n \times (k+1)$  of rank  $k+1 < n$  and  $\beta = (\beta_0, \dots, \beta_k)'$ . Then the maximum likelihood estimators  $\hat{\beta}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  have the following distributional properties:

- (i)  $\hat{\beta}$  is  $N_{k+1}(\hat{\beta}, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1})$ .
- (ii)  $n\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2$  is  $\chi^2(n - k - 1)$ , or equivalently,  $(n - k - 1)s^2/\sigma^2$  is  $\chi^2(n - k - 1)$ .
- (iii)  $\hat{\beta}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  (or  $s^2$ ) are independent.

PROOF: (i) Since  $\mathbf{y}$  is normal,  $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$  is a linear function of  $\mathbf{y}$ ,  $E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta$  and  $cov(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$ ,  $\hat{\beta} \sim N_{k+1}(\beta, \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1})$ .

(ii)

$$n\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2 = \frac{\mathbf{y}'}{\sigma} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})\mathbf{X}') \frac{\mathbf{y}}{\sigma},$$

and  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})\mathbf{X}'$  is idempotent, hence  $n\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2$  is  $\chi^2(n - k - 1)$ .

(iii) Since  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$  and

$$n\hat{\sigma}^2 = \mathbf{y}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})\mathbf{X}')\mathbf{y},$$

and that  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})\mathbf{X}') = \mathbf{O}$ , we have  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  (or  $s^2$ ) are independent.

**Theorem 4.3** *If  $\mathbf{y}$  is  $N_n(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$ , then  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  are jointly sufficient for  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $\sigma^2$ .*

PROOF: Using the Neyman factorization theorem. For details, see Rencher and Schaalje (2008, pp.159-160).

Since  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$  are jointly sufficient for  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $\sigma^2$ , no other estimators can improve on the information they extract from the sample to estimate  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $\sigma^2$ . Thus, it is not surprising that  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  and  $s^2$  are minimum variance unbiased estimators.

**Theorem 4.4** If  $\mathbf{y}$  is  $N_n(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2\mathbf{I})$ , then  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$  and  $s^2$  have minimum variance among all unbiased estimators.

PROOF: See Graybill (1976, P.176) or Christensen (1996, pp.25-27).

## 5 $R^2$ in fixed- $x$ regression

The proportion of the total sum of squares due to regression is measured by

$$R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST} = 1 - \frac{SSE}{SST},$$

where  $SST = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2$ ,  $SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 = \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}' \mathbf{X}' \mathbf{y} - n\bar{y}^2$ , and

$$SST = SSR + SSE,$$

where  $SSE = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$ .

The  $R^2$  is called the *coefficient of determination* or the *squared multiple correlation*. The positive square root  $R$  is called the *multiple correlation coefficient*. If the  $x$ 's were random,  $R$  would estimate a population multiple correlation.

We list some properties of  $R^2$  and  $R$ .

1. The range of  $R^2$  is  $0 \leq R^2 \leq 1$ . If all the  $\hat{\beta}_j$ 's were zero, except for  $\hat{\beta}_0$ ,  $R^2$  would be zero. (This event has probability zero for continuous data.) If all the  $y$ -values fell on the fitted surface, that is, if  $y_i = \hat{y}_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then  $R^2$  would be 1.
2.  $R = r_{y\hat{y}}$ ; that is, the multiple correlation is equal to the simple correlation between the observed  $y_i$ 's and the fitted  $\hat{y}_i$ 's.
3. Adding a variable  $x$  to the model increases (can not decrease) the value of  $R^2$ .
4. If  $\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_k = 0$ , then

$$E(R^2) = \frac{k}{n-1}.$$

Note that the  $\hat{\beta}_j$ 's will not be zero when the  $\beta_j$ 's are zero.

5.  $R^2$  cannot be partitioned into  $k$  components, each of which is uniquely attributable to an  $x_j$ , unless the  $x$ 's are mutually orthogonal, that is, unless  $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_{ij} - \bar{x}_j)(x_{im} - \bar{x}_m) = 0$  for  $j \neq m$ .
6.  $R^2$  is invariant to full-rank linear transformations on the  $x$ 's and to a scale change on  $y$  (but not invariant to a joint linear transformation including  $y$  and the  $x$ 's).

Adjusted  $R^2$  ( $AdjR^2$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_a^2 = AdjR^2 &= \frac{(R^2 - k/(n-1))(n-1)}{n-k-1} \\
 &= \frac{(n-1)R^2 - k}{n-k-1} \\
 &= 1 - \frac{SSE/(n-k-1)}{SST/(n-1)}
 \end{aligned}$$



$R^2$  can also be expressed in terms of sample variances and covariances:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R^2 &= \frac{\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_1' \mathbf{X}'_c \mathbf{X}_c \hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_1}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} \\
 &= \frac{\mathbf{s}'_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} (n-1) \mathbf{S}_{xx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{yx}}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} \\
 &= \frac{\mathbf{s}'_{yx} \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{yx}}{s_y^2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_1 = (n-1)(\mathbf{X}'_c \mathbf{X}_c)^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{X}'_c \mathbf{y}}{n-1} = \left(\frac{\mathbf{X}'_c \mathbf{X}_c}{n-1}\right)^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{X}'_c \mathbf{y}}{n-1} = \mathbf{S}_{xx}^{-1} \mathbf{s}_{yx}$ . This form of  $R^2$  will facilitate a comparison with  $R^2$  for the random- $x$  case.

Geometrically,  $R$  is the cosine of the angle  $\theta$  between  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  corrected for their means. The mean of  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  is  $\bar{y}$ , the same as the mean of  $\mathbf{y}$ . Thus, the centered form of  $\mathbf{y}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{y}}$  are  $\mathbf{y} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}$ .

$$\cos \theta = \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})}{\sqrt{[(\mathbf{y} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\mathbf{y} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})][(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})]}}.$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}(\mathbf{y} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}) &= [(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}) + (\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})]'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}) \\ &= (\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}) + (\mathbf{y} - \hat{\mathbf{y}})'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}) \\ &= (\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j}) + 0.\end{aligned}$$

Hence,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\sqrt{(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\hat{\mathbf{y}} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})}}{(\mathbf{y} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})'(\mathbf{y} - \bar{y}\mathbf{j})} = \sqrt{\frac{SSR}{SST}} = R.$$

## 6 Generalized least squares: $cov(\mathbf{y}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{V}$

The model

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}, \quad E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \quad cov(\mathbf{y}) = \Sigma = \sigma^2\mathbf{V},$$

**Theorem 6.1** *Let  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$ ,  $E(\mathbf{y}) = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$ , and  $cov(\mathbf{y}) = cov(\boldsymbol{\epsilon}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{V}$ , where  $\mathbf{X}$  is a full-rank matrix and  $\mathbf{V}$  is a known positive definite matrix. For this model, we obtain the following results:*

(i) The best linear unbiased estimator (BLUE) of  $\beta$  is

$$\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{y}.$$

(ii) The covariance matrix for  $\hat{\beta}$  is

$$\text{cov}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X})^{-1}.$$

(iii) An unbiased estimator of  $\sigma^2$  is

$$s^2 = \frac{(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta})'\mathbf{V}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta})}{n - k - 1}.$$

PROOF: (i) Since  $\mathbf{V}$  is positive definite, there exists an  $n \times n$  nonsingular matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  such that  $\mathbf{V} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{P}'$ . Multiplying  $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \epsilon$  by  $\mathbf{P}^{-1}$ , we obtain

$$\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{X}\beta + \mathbf{P}^{-1}\epsilon,$$

Applying the least square approach to this transformed model, we get

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta} &= [\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{P}^{-1})'\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{X}]^{-1}\mathbf{X}'(\mathbf{P}^{-1})'\mathbf{P}^{-1}\mathbf{y} \\ &= (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{y}.\end{aligned}$$

Note that since  $\mathbf{X}$  is full rank,  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X}$  is positive definite. The estimator  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{y}$  is usually called the **generalized least squares** estimator.

(ii) and (iii) are left as exercises.

**Theorem 6.2** *If  $\mathbf{y}$  is  $N_n(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}, \sigma^2\mathbf{V})$ , where  $\mathbf{X}$  is  $n \times (k + 1)$  of rank  $k + 1$  and  $\mathbf{V}$  is a known positive definite matrix, then the maximum likelihood estimators for  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $\sigma^2$  are*

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{V}^{-1}\mathbf{y},$$
$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})'\mathbf{V}^{-1}(\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}).$$

PROOF: Exercise.