

Instructions

- (1) Please read the instruction carefully. Also take this habit with you into the exam room.
- (2) Please read each question carefully and answer the questions straightforwardly. Always provide economic reasons at least a paragraph for your analysis, or a graph when necessary, even when the question does not indicate so.
- (3) Handing and submitting assignments are only available via BE Moodle.

Answering the questions and preparing answer sheets

- (1) Answers are to be handwritten, in either digital or analog form, in a blank canvas or any clean paper. Make sure that your handwriting is clearly visible and readable.
- (2) There is no need to rewrite the question. Just indicate the question number clearly for each of the answer, such as 1.a).
- (3) Default decimal point is 4.
- (4) Choose precise wordings, especially when you want to interpret the meaning of a test, confidence interval, or coefficients.
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For all questions, answer up to 4 decimal places

Question 1. (15 points) Given this information

$$\begin{aligned}
 n &= 18 & \sum_{i=1}^n X_i &= 388.00 & \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i &= 50.90 \\
 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i)^2 &= 9,620.00 & \sum_{i=1}^n X_i Y_i &= 1,254.90 \\
 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 &= 211.00 & \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 &= 2.5844 \\
 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) &= 20.58 & \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i^2 &= 0.5781
 \end{aligned}$$

Use the above sample information to answer all the following questions. Show explicitly all formulas and calculations.

- From regression model: $Y_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 X_i + u_i$, $u_i \sim NIID(0, \sigma^2)$, **find the estimators** of β_1 and β_2 with OLS method. Interpret the intercept and slope coefficients.
- Compute the value of R^2 and explain its meaning.
- If $X_i = 30$, estimate the value of $\hat{Y}_i$ and explain its meaning.
- Calculate the estimators of $\text{var}(u_i)$, $\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_1)$ and $\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2)$.
- What are the 90-percent confident intervals for β_2 ? Interpret the meaning.
- Test the hypothesis whether the slope coefficients are different from zero at 0.05 level of significance.

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ a) } \hat{\beta}_2 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(\bar{y}_i - \bar{y})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = \frac{20.58}{211} = 0.0975$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n y_i}{n} = \frac{50.9}{18} = 2.8278$$

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{n} = \frac{388}{18} = 21.5556$$

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_2 \bar{x} = 2.8278 - 0.0975(21.5556) = 0.7261$$

$\therefore$ The coefficient when $x=0$, we expect that $\hat{y} = 0.7261$
and if x_i increase by 1 unit, we can expect
that $\hat{y}$ will increase on average by 0.0975

$$\text{b) } R^2 = 1 - \frac{RSS}{TSS} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = 1 - \frac{0.5781}{2.5844} = 0.7763$$

$R^2 = 0.7763 \therefore x$ variable can explain 77.63% of variation in y .

$$\text{c) From the SRF, } \hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 x_i = 0.7261 + 0.0975 x_i$$

$$x_i = 30$$

$$E(\hat{y} | x_i = 30) = 0.7261 + 0.0975(30) = 3.6511$$

$$\text{d) } \text{var}(u_i) = \sigma^2 = \frac{\sum \hat{u}_i^2}{n - K} = \frac{0.5781}{18 - 2} = 0.0361$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{\sum x_i^2}{n \sum x_i^2} \sigma^2 = \frac{9620}{18(211)} \cdot 0.0361 = 0.0914$$

$$\text{var}(\hat{\beta}_2) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum x_i^2} = \frac{0.0361}{211} = 0.0002$$

$$e) \quad se(\hat{\beta}_2) = \sqrt{var(\hat{\beta}_2)} = \sqrt{0.0002} = 0.0141$$

$$t_{0.05} = 1.746 \text{ for } \alpha = 0.1$$

$$Pr(0.0975 - (1.746 \cdot 0.0141) \leq \beta_2 \leq 0.0975 + (1.746 \cdot 0.0141)) = 1 - 0.1$$

$$Pr(0.0729 \leq \beta_2 \leq 0.1221) = 0.9$$

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$$f) \quad ① H_0 : \beta_2 = 0 \quad ② \alpha = 0.05$$

$$H_a : \beta_2 \neq 0$$

$$③ \text{ From e, } se(\hat{\beta}_2) = 0.0141$$

$$\text{Find } t_{cal} = \frac{0.0975 - 0}{0.0141} = 6.9149$$

$$④ \text{ Upper bound : } t_{\alpha/2} = t_{0.025}(18) = 2.12$$

$$\text{Lower bound : } -t_{\alpha/2} = -t_{0.025}(18) = -2.12$$

$$⑤ \quad t_{cal} \text{ lied beyond ci } (6.9149 > 2.12)$$

so, we can reject the null hypothesis

This shows that 95% of the time, β_2 is not zero.

Question 2. Using the 2015 Health and Welfare Survey from the National Statistical Office, a simple linear regression is modeled as follows,

$$outp_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 age_i + u_i$$

where $outp_i$ is how many times person i has visited hospital in 2015, from 0 to 7 times
 age_i is how old is person i , from 0 to 97 years.

We assume that both $outp_i$ and age_i are continuous, the estimation results in the following table. Answer the following questions and show your work.

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	27,886
Model	77.5444409	1	77.5444409	F(1, 27884)	=	186.96
Residual	11565.0627	27,884	.414756231	Prob > F	=	0.0000
				R-squared	=	0.0067
				Adj R-squared	=	0.0066
Total	11642.6072	27,885	.417522223	Root MSE	=	.64402

outp	Coefficient	Std. err.	t	P> t	[95% conf. interval]
age	.0031338	.0002292	Omitted		.0026846 .003583
_cons	.4279898	.0140339			.4004828 .4554969

- Test if both parameters are significantly different from zero or not. Use $\alpha = 0.05$.
- Interpret the meaning of $\hat{\beta}_2$. Does the sign of $\hat{\beta}_2$ make economic sense? Explain.
- If $outp_i$ is turned into natural logarithmic scale ($\ln$), how would you reinterpret the relationship between $\hat{\beta}_2$ and $\widehat{outp}_i$, assumed that the given coefficient given in the table above can be used to interpret this new functional form.
- If age_i variable is divided by 10, how does it affect both the coefficients, standard errors, and confidence intervals? Answer the changes of both the constant and slope (if there is).
- Find the confidence interval of mean prediction at the age of 50 years old, given that $var(\hat{Y}_0) = 0.00002$ and $\alpha = 0.01$.

Question 3. Discuss in a short paragraph why the confidence interval for both the mean prediction and individual prediction get larger as the X_0 is further away from $\bar{X}$.

② a) ① $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$ ② $\alpha = 0.05$

$H_1: \beta_1 \neq 0$

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③ $t_{cal} = \frac{0.4279898 - 0}{0.0140339} = 30.4969$

④ upper bound: $t_{\alpha/2} = t_{0.025}(27,884) = 1.96$

Lower bound: $-t_{\alpha/2} = -1.96$

⑤ $t_{cal} > \text{upper bound}$ ($30.4969 > 1.96$) so, we can reject null hypothesis.
This means that 95% of the time, β_1 is not zero.

① $H_0: \beta_2 = 0$ ② $\alpha = 0.05$

$H_1: \beta_2 \neq 0$

③ $t_{cal} = \frac{0.0031338 - 0}{0.0002292} = 13.6728$

④ upper bound: $t_{\alpha/2} = t_{0.025}(27,884) = 1.96$

Lower bound: $-t_{\alpha/2} = -1.96$

⑤ $t_{cal} > \text{upper bound}$ ($13.6728 > 1.96$) so, we can reject null hypothesis
This means that 95% of the time, β_2 is not zero

$\therefore$ We can reject null hypothesis for both tests, so we can make sure that 95 percent, β_1, β_2 are not zero

b) When people age 1 more year, we can expect that visit per year will increase on average of 0.0031 times. ($\hat{\beta}_2 = 0.0031338$)
This positive sign makes economic sense because of people age, we tend to have to visit hospital.

c) If outp_i is turned into natural logarithmic scale, or

$$\ln \text{outp}_i = \hat{\beta}_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 \text{age}_i$$

then, the interpretation of $\hat{\beta}_2$ becomes

if age_i increases by 1 year, we expect that people's visiting hospital will increase by $\hat{\beta}_2 \times 100 = 0.3134\%$.

- d) The coefficient, standard errors and confidence interval will scale up by 10 so, coefficient $\Rightarrow 0.031338$
 standard errors $\Rightarrow 0.002292$
 confidence interval $\Rightarrow 0.02845$ and 0.03983

- e) $\hat{out}_i = \beta_1 + \beta_2 age_i$
 $\hat{Y}_0 = 0.428 + 0.0031(50) = 0.583$
 $se(\hat{Y}_0) = \sqrt{var(\hat{Y}_0)} = 0.0045$
 $t_{0.005} = 2.576$
 $Pr(0.583 - (2.576 \times 0.0045) \leq Y_0 \leq 0.583 + (2.576 \times 0.0045)) = 0.99$
 $Pr(0.5714 \leq Y_0 \leq 0.5946) = 0.99$

$$(3) \quad var(\hat{Y}_0) = \sigma^2 \left[\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_0 - \bar{x})^2}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \right]$$

From the equation, if $x_0 - \bar{x}$ gets larger, or x_0 is farther away from $\bar{x}$ the variance get larger leading to larger $se(\hat{Y}_0)$

In other words, $\bar{x}$ is the central tendency of x_i , which means that the further away from $\bar{x}$, the less information of x_i is available.

The confidence interval must be larger to cope with more unknown.