

Agenda:

1. p-values
2. classical linear model
3. method of moments

Recap:

Linear model w/ Gaussian (normal) errors

$$\underbrace{y}_{n \times 1} \mid \underbrace{X}_{n \times p} \sim N(X\beta^*, \sigma^2 I_n) \text{ for some vector of "true" regression coeff's } \beta^* \in \mathbb{R}^p$$

Under the lin. model w/ Gaussian errors: $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$

$$\hat{\beta} - \beta^* \mid X \sim N(0, \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1})$$

Hypothesis testing under normality:

want to test $H_0: \beta_j^* = 0$

reject H_0 if $\left| \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \cancel{\beta_j^*} 0}{SE(\hat{\beta}_j)} \right| > t_\alpha$ (rejection statement for hypothesis test)

Type 1 error rate: t is chosen so that

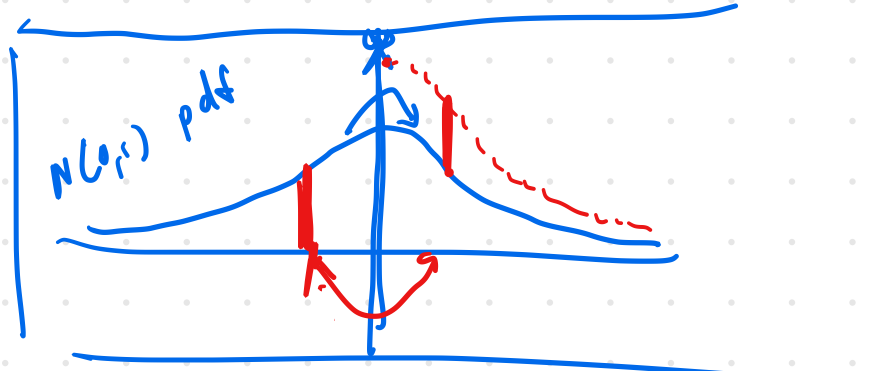
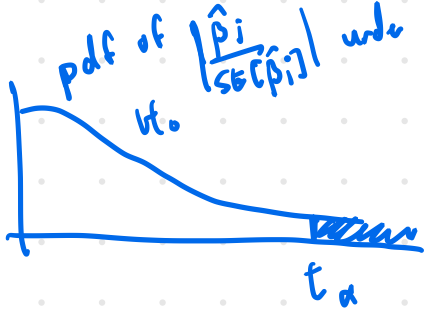
$$P_0 \left(\left| \frac{\hat{\beta}_j - \cancel{\beta_j^*} 0}{SE(\hat{\beta}_j)} \right| > t_\alpha \right) = \boxed{\alpha} \text{ - usually } 0.05 \quad \left(t \text{ is the } (1-\alpha) \text{ quantile of } \left| \frac{\hat{\beta}_j}{SE(\hat{\beta}_j)} \right| \text{ under } H_0 \right)$$

The correct value of t_α is about z (for $\alpha \approx 0.05$).

The rejection statement is equivalent to

$$\underbrace{\text{reject if}}_{\text{p-value}} \left(\left| \frac{\hat{\beta}_j}{SE(\hat{\beta}_j)} \right| \right) \leq \alpha, \text{ where } F \text{ is the CDF of a } \left| \frac{\hat{\beta}_j}{SE(\hat{\beta}_j)} \right| \text{ under } H_0$$

In the z-test F is the CDF of $|z|$, where $z \sim N(0,1)$



Classical linear model:

Condition (linearity): $y = X\beta + \epsilon$

"definition of error terms as $\epsilon = y - X\beta$ "

exogeneity: $E[\epsilon | X] = 0$

spherical error variance: $E[\epsilon\epsilon^T | X] = \sigma^2 I_n$

} comparable to Gaussian error terms condition

Aside: covariance of random vector

If $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

then $\text{var}[x] \equiv E[(x - \mu)^2]$

$\mu \equiv E[x]$

If $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ is random vector

then $\text{Var}[x] = E[(x - \mu)(x - \mu)^T]$

$\mu = E[x]$

$[\text{Var}[x]]_{ij} = E[(x_i - \mu_i)(x_j - \mu_j)]$

$E[\epsilon\epsilon^T | X] = \sigma^2 I_n$ { homoskedasticity: $E[\epsilon_i^2 | X] = \sigma^2$ for all $i=1, \dots, n$
no serial correlation: $E[\epsilon_i \epsilon_j | X] = 0$ for $i \neq j$

method of moments:

$E[x_i; \epsilon_i] = E[x_i (y_i - x_i' \beta^*)]$

$= E[E[x_i; \epsilon_i | X]]$

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(Tower property
law of total expectations)

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