MSG500-MVE190 Linear Statistical Models 2020

This is an anticipation of the topics that are expected to be covered this year (list is based on the 2019 course, so deviations may occur), and hence potential exam questions in addition to more data-analysis oriented questions

Simple linear regression

- 1. The least squares principle
- 2. The 5 basic assumptions
- 3. Informal illustration of the Simpson's paradox
- 4. Derivation of least squares (LS) estimators for simple linear regression (SLR)
- 5. Interpretation of the regression parameters
- 6. Proving the unbiasedness of LS estimators
- 7. Deriving the variance of the estimator of the slope coefficient for SLR and what affects said variance
- 8. Diagnostic plots to check the 5 basic assumptions
- 9. The concept of leverage values: their construction and use.
- 10. Derive the expectation and variance of \hat{Y}_i
- 11. Derive the expectation of residuals. State the variance of residuals (derivation not required for SLR but we did derive it for multiple linear regression).
- 12. Define the Standardized residuals
- 13. Estimation of the variance of the error term via MSE
- 14. Prove unbiasedness of MSE
- 15. "sums of squares" and decomposition of the total variability into SS(Reg) and SS(Error), with derivations
- 16. R-squared and its interpretation
- 17. Sampling distribution of the estimate of the slope parameters
- 18. Definition and construction of the t-test and the standard error for the slope parameter
- 19. P-value: definition and use
- 20. Construction of confidence intervals for the regression parameters
- 21. Confidence interval for E(Y0)=E(Y|x=x0), construction and interpretation
- 22. Construction and interpretation of prediction intervals for new hypothetical observations

NOT needed to prove: it is not needed to prove that residuals and covariate x have cov(e,x)=0. It is not needed to prove that residuals and fitted responses have $cov(e, \hat{Y})=0$.

Multiple linear regression

- 1. Matrix notation for multiple linear regression (MLR)
- 2. Interpretation of the parameters and formula of the LS estimators for MLR
- 3. Properties of the parameter estimates for MLR
- 4. Distributions for the regression parameter estimates, distributions for \hat{Y}_0 and for \hat{Y}_{pred0}
- 5. Confidence intervals for the regression parameters and for E(Y0). Also prediction intervals for Y_{pred0}
- 6. The concept of multicollinearity: what it is, what causes it and remedies

- 7. The variance inflation factor (VIF)
- 8. T-test: construction and interpretation
- 9. Global F-test: construction and interpretation
- 10. What are nested models?
- 11. Partial F-test (also denoted "F-test for subset selection"): construction and interpretation
- 12. The ANOVA table
- 13. Automatic variable selection via the backward search
- 14. The variance-bias tradeoff in the prediction, and variance of the prediction
- 15. The pMSE (prediction MSE) and its estimation via training and testing data
- 16. Exhaustive variables selection using "all subsets regression" and the estimated pMSE
- 17. Categorical covariates and dummy-coding: two different parametrizations for the levels of categorical covariates
- 18. Interpretation of the parameters for levels of categorical covariates
- 19. Models with continuous and categorical covariates: same slopes but different intercepts
- 20. Interaction terms and their interpretation
- 21. R-squared and adjusted R-squared
- 22. Definition of Kullback-Leibler criterion, the definition, interpretation and use of Akaike's AIC and BIC
- 23. K-fold cross validation: the algorithm and its use
- 24. Leave-one-out cross validation (LOOCV): definition and use (but not the derivation of the LOOCV formula)
- 25. Limitations of LOOCV
- 26. Leverage and "hat matrix" for MLR. Detection of potentially influential observations.
- 27. Properties of residuals (derivation of the variance of the e_i), standardized, studentized residuals, detection of outliers. Cook's distance and DFBETAs: their definition and use

Generalised linear models

- 1 Generalised linear models (GLMs): definition and features
- 2 Definition of the exponential family (EF): we also proved that the Gaussian distribution is a member of the EF.
- 3 Definition of Poisson distribution
- 4 Poisson regression: construction and interpretation of the parameters
- 5 Construction of the Newton-Raphson algorithm to obtain maximum likelihood estimators (MLEs)
- 6 The hessian matrix for GLMS
- 7 Standard errors for GLMS
- 8 Asymptotic properties of MLEs
- 9 Confidence intervals for parameters of GLMs and in particular Poisson regression
- 10 Confidence intervals for predictions of Poisson regression
- 11 The Wald test
- 12 Deviance for GLMs and likelihood ratio test
- 13 Estimating rates using Poisson regression via an offset term
- 14 Negative binomial distribution and regression, also with an offset term
- 15 Pearson's and standardized Pearson's residuals and the Cook's distance