

Solution 1

(a) The $F_{1,8}$ critical value for a test at level 5% is 5.32.

Forward selection At each step we consider adding the variable that most reduces RSS.

- Initial model : $y = \beta_0 + \epsilon$
- Step 1 : $y = \beta_0 + \beta_4x_4 + \epsilon$, $F = (2715.8 - 883.9)/1 \div 47.9/(13 - 5) = 305.95 > 5.32$.
- Step 2 : $y = \beta_0 + \beta_4x_4 + \beta_1x_1 + \epsilon$, $F = 135.13 > 5.32$.
- Step 3: $y = \beta_0 + \beta_4x_4 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \epsilon$, $F = 4.47 < 5.32$.

Final model : $y = \beta_0 + \beta_4x_4 + \beta_1x_1 + \epsilon$.

Backward selection For each step, we consider removing the variable inducing the lowest RSS increase.

- Initial model : $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \beta_3x_3 + \beta_4x_4 + \epsilon$
- Step 1: $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \beta_4x_4 + \epsilon$, $F = (48 - 47.9)/1 \div 47.9/(13 - 5) = 0.0167 < 5.32$.
- Step 2 : $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \epsilon$, $F = 1.65 < 5.32$.
- Step 3 : $y = \beta_0 + \beta_2x_2 + \epsilon$, $F = 141.70 > 5.32$.

Final model : $y = \beta_0 + \beta_2x_2 + \beta_1x_1 + \epsilon$.

(b) i) Mallows C_p is similar to AIC: the model with lowest C_p is preferred. To compute the missing C_p , we need to know s^2 , which can be found using any known C_p , or

$$s^2 = \frac{\|e_{\text{full}}\|^2}{n - p} = \frac{\text{RSS}_{\text{full}}}{13 - 5} = \frac{47.9}{8} = 5.99.$$

The completed table is:

Model	RSS	C_p	Model	RSS	C_p	Model	RSS	C_p
----	2715.8	442.58	1 2 --	57.9	2.67	1 2 3 --	48.1	3.03
			1 - 3 -	1227.1	197.94	1 2 - 4	48.0	3.02
1 ----	1265.7	202.39	1 -- 4	74.8	5.49	1 - 3 4	50.8	3.48
- 2 --	906.3	142.37	- 2 3 -	415.4	62.38	- 2 3 4	73.8	7.325
-- 3 -	1939.4	314.90	- 2 - 4	868.9	138.12			
--- 4	883.9	138.62	-- 3 4	175.7	22.34	1 2 3 4	47.9	5

ii) Forward selection leads to $y = \beta_0 + \sum_{i \in \{1,2,4\}} \beta_i x_i$, whereas backward selection gives $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \epsilon$. The latter has the lowest C_p , so can be regarded as best overall.

Solution 2

(a) The log-likelihood function is easily derived from the normal density function, and we ignore the additive constants $-n \log(2\pi)/2$.

$\ell(\beta, \sigma^2)$ is maximised with respect to β by minimising the sum of squares, and we saw in the week 1 lectures that (under the conditions given) that the given formula for $\hat{\beta}$ is the least

squares (and therefore the maximum likelihood) estimate. This does not depend on σ^2 , so it is the overall MLE for β , and

$$\ell(\hat{\beta}, \sigma^2) \equiv -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ n \log \sigma^2 + (y - X\hat{\beta})^T (y - X\hat{\beta}) / \sigma^2 \right\},$$

differentiation of which leads to the given formula for $\hat{\sigma}^2$ (note that this gives a maximum of the log-likelihood). Moreover $y - X\hat{\beta} = (I_n - H)y$, giving the other formulae for $\hat{\sigma}^2$. Finally,

$$\text{AIC} = -2\{\ell(\hat{\beta}, \hat{\sigma}^2 - (p+1))\} = n \log \hat{\sigma}^2 + n + 2p + 2 \equiv n \log \hat{\sigma}^2 + 2p \equiv n \log \text{RSS}_p + 2p,$$

as required.

- (b) We can add any constant we like to AIC and leave the results unchanged, so consider

$$\text{AIC} - n \log \hat{\sigma}_0^2 = n \log \left\{ 1 + (\hat{\sigma}^2 - \hat{\sigma}_0^2) / \hat{\sigma}_0^2 \right\} + 2p \approx n \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2 - \hat{\sigma}_0^2}{\hat{\sigma}_0^2} + 2p = \frac{\text{RSS}_p}{\hat{\sigma}_0^2} + 2p - n,$$

with the approximation valid when $(\hat{\sigma}^2 - \hat{\sigma}_0^2) / \hat{\sigma}_0^2$ is not too large. As the last expression is C_p , minimising either this or AIC will tend to give the same model.

Solution 3

- (a) This is just (twice) the difference in log-likelihood functions, and as

$$2 \sum_{j=1}^n \log g(Y_j^+) = -n \log \sigma^2 - \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum_{j=1}^n (Y_j^+ - \mu_j)^2$$

we easily obtain the first expression. To take the inner expectation we note that

$$\mathbb{E}_g^+ \{(Y_j^+ - \mu_j)^2\} = \sigma^2, \quad \mathbb{E}_g^+ \{(Y_j^+ - \hat{\mu}_j)^2\} = \sigma^2 + (\hat{\mu}_j - \mu_j)^2,$$

and substituting these into the first expression gives the second one.

- (b) In this case $\hat{\beta} \sim \mathcal{N}_p\{\beta, \sigma^2(X^T X)^{-1}\}$ is independent of the residual sum of squares S^2 , and $n\hat{\sigma}^2 = (n-1)S^2 \stackrel{D}{=} \sigma^2 \chi_{n-p}^2$. Hence $\hat{\mu} - \mu = X(\hat{\beta} - \beta)$ is independent of $\hat{\sigma}^2$, and

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (\hat{\mu}_j - \mu_j)^2 = (\hat{\mu} - \mu)^T (\hat{\mu} - \mu) = (\hat{\beta} - \beta)^T X^T X (\hat{\beta} - \beta) \sigma^2 \chi_p^2,$$

owing to the general result that if $Z \sim \mathcal{N}_p(\gamma, \Omega)$ then $(Z - \gamma)^T \Omega^{-1} (Z - \gamma) \sim \chi_p^2$. The expectation is

$$\mathbb{E}_g \left[\sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ \log \hat{\sigma}^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2} + \frac{(\mu_j - \hat{\mu}_j)^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2} - \log \sigma^2 - 1 \right\} \right],$$

and this reduces to

$$n \mathbb{E}_g(\log \hat{\sigma}^2) + n \sigma^2 \mathbb{E}_g(1/\hat{\sigma}^2) + \mathbb{E}_g\{(\hat{\mu} - \mu)^T (\hat{\mu} - \mu)\} \mathbb{E}_g(1/\hat{\sigma}^2) - n \log \sigma^2 - n,$$

using the independence of $\hat{\mu}$ and σ^2 . Now

$$\mathbb{E}_g(1/\hat{\sigma}^2) = \mathbb{E}_g \left\{ \frac{n}{\sigma^2 V_{n-p}} \right\} = \frac{n}{\sigma^2 (n-p-2)}, \quad \mathbb{E}_g\{(\hat{\mu} - \mu)^T (\hat{\mu} - \mu)\} = p \sigma^2,$$

where V_ν has the χ_ν^2 distribution, and this yields the given expression.

Additive constants not depending on p can be ignored. and dropping such terms yields the final expression.

- (c) This also just uses some Taylor series expansions for small p/n .