

A Quick Review of OLS\SLR Analytics and Assessment

Here are some SLR regression results using the *bodyfat* dataset:

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. reg brozek bmi
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	
Model	7991.50949	1	7991.50949	F(1, 250)	281.89
Residual	7087.50699	250	28.350028	Prob > F	0.0000
Total	15079.0165	251	60.0757629	R-squared	0.5300
				Adj R-squared	0.5281
				Root MSE	5.3245

brozek	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
bmi	1.546712	.0921238	16.79	0.000	1.365275 1.72815
_cons	-20.40508	2.367227	-8.62	0.000	-25.06733 -15.74283

(*brozek* is the y variable and *bmi* is the x variable)

1) The estimated OLS/SLR coefficients

a) OLS: Minimize $SSR = \sum (u_i)^2 = \sum (y_i - (b_0 + b_1 x_i))^2$ wrt b_0 and b_1 (FOCs and SOCs)

b) Slope coefficient (*bmi*):

$$i) \hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = \rho_{xy} \frac{S_y}{S_x} = 1.546712,$$

ii) Also a weighted average of the slopes of lines connecting the different data points to the sample means (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) , so $slope_i = \left[\frac{(y_i - \bar{y})}{(x_i - \bar{x})} \right]$:

$$(1) \hat{\beta}_1 = \sum_i w_i \left[\frac{(y_i - \bar{y})}{(x_i - \bar{x})} \right], \text{ where } w_i = \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{(n-1)S_{xx}} = \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{\sum_j (x_j - \bar{x})^2} \geq 0 \text{ and } \sum w_i = 1$$

c) Intercept coefficient (*_cons*): $\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} = -20.40508$

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2) SRF (Sample Regression Function; *predicted*s): $\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x = -20.41 + 1.55x$

a) average marginal effect: $\frac{d\hat{y}}{dx} = \hat{\beta}_1 = 1.55$

b) elasticity@means: $\varepsilon = \frac{d\hat{y}}{dx} \frac{\bar{x}}{\bar{y}} = \hat{\beta}_1 \frac{\bar{x}}{\bar{y}} = 1.546712 \frac{25.4369}{18.93849} = 2.08$, since

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Variable	Obs	Mean	Std. Dev.	Min	Max
brozek	252	18.93849	7.750856	0	45.1
bmi	252	25.4369	3.648111	18.1	48.9

3) The ANOVA table (w/ a constant (intercept) term in the model)

a) SST: Total Sum of Squares ... $\sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = (n-1)S_{yy} = 15,079$.

b) SSE: Explained Sum of Squares ... $\sum (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 = (n-1)S_{\hat{y}\hat{y}} = 7,992$, since $\frac{1}{n} \sum \hat{y}_i = \bar{y}$

c) SSR: Residual Sum of Squares... $\sum \hat{u}_i^2 = \sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = (n-1)S_{\hat{u}\hat{u}} = 7,088$, since $\frac{1}{n} \sum \hat{u}_i = 0$

d) Result: SST = SSE + SSR ... or $S_{yy} = S_{\hat{y}\hat{y}} + S_{\hat{u}\hat{u}}$

i) The variance of the y's is the sum of the variances of the predicted and of the residuals.

ii) Also recall that the residuals will be uncorrelated with the predicted.

4) *Goodness-of-Fit* metrics: MSE/RMSE and R^2

a) (Root) Mean Squared Error:

i) $MSE = \frac{SSR}{n-2} = \frac{7087.50699}{250} = 28.350028$

(1) sort of an average squared residual... sort of, but not quite since dividing by n-2, and not n

(2) also sort of the sample variance of the residuals... again, sort of, but not quite since dividing by n-2, and not n-1

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$$\text{ii) } RMSE = \sqrt{MSE} = \sqrt{\frac{SSR}{n-2}} = \sqrt{28.350028} = 5.3245$$

(1) sort of an average residual... sort of, but not quite... more like the square root of sort of an average squared residual... sort of, but not quite ...

b) R^2 : Coefficient of Determination:

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSR}{SST} = 1 - \frac{7087.50699}{15079.0165} = 0.5300$$

$$R^2 = \frac{SSE}{SST} = \frac{7991.50949}{15079.0165} = 0.5300$$

i) The percentage of the variance of the dependent variable *explained* by the predicted... which is to say, explained by the model

$$(1) R^2 = \frac{S_{\hat{y}\hat{y}}}{S_{yy}} = \frac{31.8387}{60.0768} = 0.5300, \text{ since ...}$$

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. corr Brozek yhat, covar
(obs=252)
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	Brozek	yhat
Brozek	60.0758	
yhat	31.8387	31.8387

ii) R^2 also effectively reflects the correlation between the dependent variable y and the independent variable x

$$(1) R^2 = \rho_{xy}^2 = \rho_{\hat{y}\hat{y}}^2 = .7280^2 = 0.5300, \text{ since ...}$$

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. corr Brozek BMI yhat
(obs=252)
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	Brozek	BMI	yhat
Brozek	1.0000		
BMI	0.7280	1.0000	
yhat	0.7280	1.0000	1.0000

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. di .7280^2
.529984
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