

**Inference in General Linear Model:**

- Given the response vector  $\mathbf{Y}$ , and the design matrix  $\mathbf{X}$ , the sample GLM can be written as

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon, E[\varepsilon] = 0, \text{Cov}[\varepsilon] = ((\text{cov}(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j))) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}, \text{ where} \quad (1)$$

$$E[\mathbf{Y}] = \mathbf{X}\beta, \text{Cov}(\mathbf{Y}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_N. \quad (2)$$

- If  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_N)$ , then the joint pdf of  $\varepsilon = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)$  is given by

$$f(\varepsilon | \beta, \sigma^2) = \frac{1}{(2\pi\sigma^2)^{N/2}} \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \varepsilon' \varepsilon\right\}, \text{ where } \varepsilon' \varepsilon = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta).$$

- Of course,  $\mathbf{Y} | \beta, \sigma^2 \sim N(\mathbf{X}\beta, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_N)$ .
- Maximizing the likelihood function of  $\beta$  is equivalent to the Least Squares criterion  $\min_{\tilde{\beta} \in \mathbb{R}^p} (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\tilde{\beta})'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\tilde{\beta})$ . Thus the OLS and maximum likelihood criteria are equivalent.
- In the full rank case** (the design matrix  $\mathbf{X}$  has full column rank  $p$ ), the m.l.e.  $\hat{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$  is unique, and  $E[\hat{\beta}] = \beta$ , with covariance matrix  $\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$ .
- Furthermore, since  $\hat{\beta}$  is a linear transformation of  $\mathbf{Y}$ ,  $\hat{\beta} \sim N(\beta, \sigma^2 (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1})$ .
- Hence, for any arbitrary vector  $\mathbf{a}$ ,  $\mathbf{a}'\hat{\beta} \sim N(\mathbf{a}'\beta, \sigma^2 \mathbf{a}'(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{a})$ .
- In the non-full rank case**, m.l.e. is not defined uniquely, since the likelihood function has infinitely many modes, given by  $\beta^0 = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^- \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$ , where  $(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^-$  is any generalized inverse of  $\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}$ .
- However, the m.l.e. of  $\mathbf{X}\beta$ ,  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{X}\beta^0 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^- \mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$ , is the projection of  $\mathbf{Y}$  onto  $C[\mathbf{X}]$ , the space spanned by the columns of the matrix  $\mathbf{X}$ . The matrix  $\mathbf{P}$  is unique, no matter which generalized inverse is used. In addition, since,  $\mathbf{P}\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{X}$ , and  $\mathbf{P}$  is a symmetric, idempotent matrix,  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{Y} \sim N(\mathbf{X}\beta, \sigma^2 \mathbf{P})$ .

- Furthermore, for an estimable function  $a'\beta$ , such that  $a \in C[\mathbf{X}']$ , (i.e.,  $\exists$  an  $\ell$  such that  $a = X'\ell$ , and  $a'\beta = \ell'X\beta$ ), the m.l.e. of  $a'\beta$ ,  $a'\beta^0 = \ell'X\beta^0 = \ell'\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$  is unique, since it is a linear function of  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$ , with  $a'\beta^0 = \ell'\hat{\mathbf{Y}} \sim N(a'\beta, \sigma^2\ell'\mathbf{P}\ell)$
- In addition,  $\hat{\varepsilon} = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}) = [\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}]\mathbf{Y} \sim N(0, \sigma^2(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}))$ , where  $\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}$  is the orthogonal projection matrix onto the orthogonal complement of  $C[\mathbf{X}]$ .
- Since  $\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}) = \mathbf{0}$ , Columns of  $\mathbf{P}$  are orthogonal to the rows (or columns) of  $(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P})$ , the vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$  and  $\mathbf{e}$  are orthogonal, i.e.,  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}'\mathbf{e} = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i e_i = 0$ .
- The joint distribution of  $\mathbf{X}\beta^0 = \mathbf{P}\mathbf{Y} = \hat{\mathbf{Y}}$ , and  $\mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}} = (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P})\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{e}$ , is multivariate normal, with  $Cov(\hat{\mathbf{Y}}, \mathbf{e}) = \sigma^2\mathbf{P}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}) = 0$ . Thus the vectors  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$  and  $\mathbf{e}$  are independently distributed.
- Hence the following two SS are independently distributed. In addition,
  - since  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{P}) = N - \text{rank}(\mathbf{X})$ , it follows from Result 5.14 (pp. 112) that  $SSE / \sigma^2 = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta})'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\beta}) / \sigma^2 \sim \chi_{N - \text{rank}(\mathbf{X})}^2$ .
  - since  $\text{rank}(\mathbf{P}) = \text{rank}(\mathbf{X})$ , it follows from Result 5.14 (pp. 112) that  $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}'\hat{\mathbf{Y}} / \sigma^2 = \hat{\beta}'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\hat{\beta} / \sigma^2 \sim \chi_{\text{rank}(\mathbf{X})}^2(\phi)$ , where  $\phi = \beta'\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X}\beta / 2\sigma^2$ .
- Simple linear regression model example.