

Math 5090–001, Fall 2009
Solutions to Assignment 9

Chapter 15, Problem 1. Routine [answers in back].

Chapter 15, Problem 8. (a) Theorem 15.3.1 tells us that

$$E\hat{\beta}_0 = \beta_0, \quad \text{Var}\hat{\beta}_0 = \frac{\sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}{n \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}.$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}\hat{\beta}_0 &= \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \cdot \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \\ &= \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left(1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Because

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i^2 - 2X_i\bar{X} + (\bar{X})^2) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - n(\bar{X})^2, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Var}\hat{\beta}_0 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} \left(1 - \frac{n(\bar{X})^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right).$$

The result follows from this and the fact that $E(\hat{\beta}_0^2) = \text{Var}\hat{\beta}_0 + (E\hat{\beta}_0)^2$.

(b) This follows directly from Theorem 15.3.1 and the fact that $E(\hat{\beta}_1^2) = \text{Var}\hat{\beta}_1 + (E\hat{\beta}_1)^2$.

(c) First of all,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i^2 - n(\bar{Y})^2.$$

Therefore,

$$\mathbb{E} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(Y_i^2) - n\mathbb{E}[(\bar{Y})^2].$$

Now,

$$\mathbb{E}(Y_i^2) = \text{Var}(Y_i) + (\mathbb{E}Y_i)^2 = \sigma^2 + (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i)^2.$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}(Y_i^2) = n\sigma^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i)^2.$$

Also,

$$\mathbb{E}[(\bar{Y})^2] = \text{Var}(\bar{Y}) + (\mathbb{E}\bar{Y})^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{n} + (\beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X})^2.$$

It follows that

$$\mathbb{E} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 = (n-1)\sigma^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 - n(\bar{Z})^2,$$

where $Z_i := \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$. Since

$$\sum_{i=1}^n Z_i^2 - n(\bar{Z})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (Z_i - \bar{Z})^2 = \beta_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2,$$

the result follows.

(d) First of all, note that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_i)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left([Y_i - \bar{Y}] - [\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i - \bar{Y}] \right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i - \bar{Y})^2 - 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})(\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i - \bar{Y}). \end{aligned}$$

Because $\bar{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}$ [p. 502], $\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i - \bar{Y} = \hat{\beta}_1 (X_i - \bar{X})$.

Plug in the previous display to find that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_i)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 + \hat{\beta}_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 - 2\hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})(X_i - \bar{X}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \left[-\hat{\beta}_1 + 2 \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})(X_i - \bar{X})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

Since (p. 502)

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})(X_i - \bar{X})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2},$$

it follows that

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 - \hat{\beta}_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2.$$

Take expectations next:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_i)^2 &= \overbrace{(n-1)\sigma^2 + \beta_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2}^{\text{by (c)}} - \mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}_1^2) \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \\ &= (n-1)\sigma^2 + \beta_1^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 - \left\{ \beta_1^2 + \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right\} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2, \end{aligned}$$

by (b). Therefore, it follows that

$$\mathbb{E} \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_i)^2 = (n-2)\sigma^2,$$

which is the claim.