

6. Multiple Linear Regression

SLR: 1 predictor X , **MLR:** more than 1 predictor

Example data set:

$Y_i =$ #points scored by UF football team in game i

$X_{i1} =$ #games won by opponent in their last 10 games

$X_{i2} =$ #healthy starters for UF (out of 22) in game i

i	points	X_{i1}	X_{i2}
1	47	6	18
2	24	9	16
3	60	3	19
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots

Simplest Multiple Linear Regression (MLR) Model:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

- $\epsilon_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$
- $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2,$ and σ^2 are unknown parameters
- X_{ij} 's are known constants.

SLR: $E(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$

β_1 is the change in $E(Y)$ corresponding to a unit increase in X .

MLR: $E(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2$

When we have more than 1 predictor, we have to worry about how they affect each other.

Suppose we fix $X_{i1} = 5$ (games won by i th opponent):

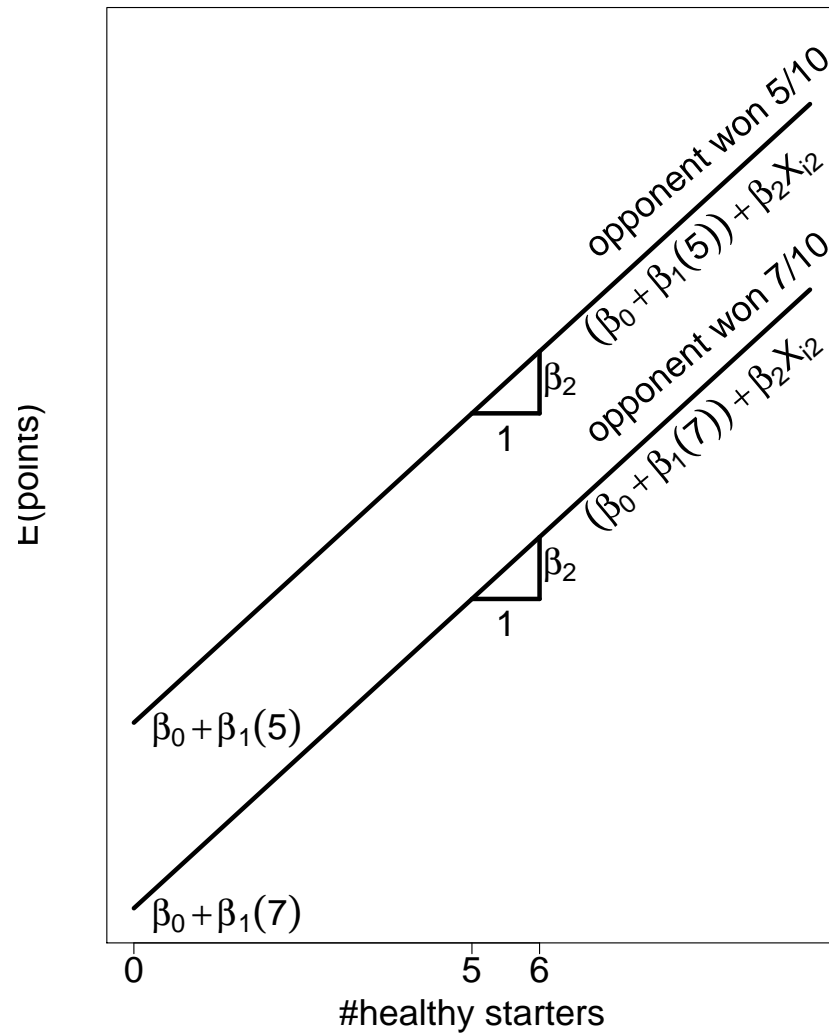
$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_i) &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(5) + \beta_2 X_{i2} \\ &= (\beta_0 + \beta_1(5)) + \beta_2 X_{i2} \end{aligned}$$

Suppose we fix $X_{i1} = 7$:

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_i) &= \beta_0 + \beta_1(7) + \beta_2 X_{i2} \\ &= (\beta_0 + \beta_1(7)) + \beta_2 X_{i2} \end{aligned}$$

We've got SLR models with different intercepts but equal slopes.

Plot of $E(Y)$ vs X_2 for fixed values of X_1



By this model, we assumed that, for any fixed value of X_{i1} (opponent wins), the change in $E(Y)$ corresponding to the addition of 1 healthy starter is β_2 for all games.

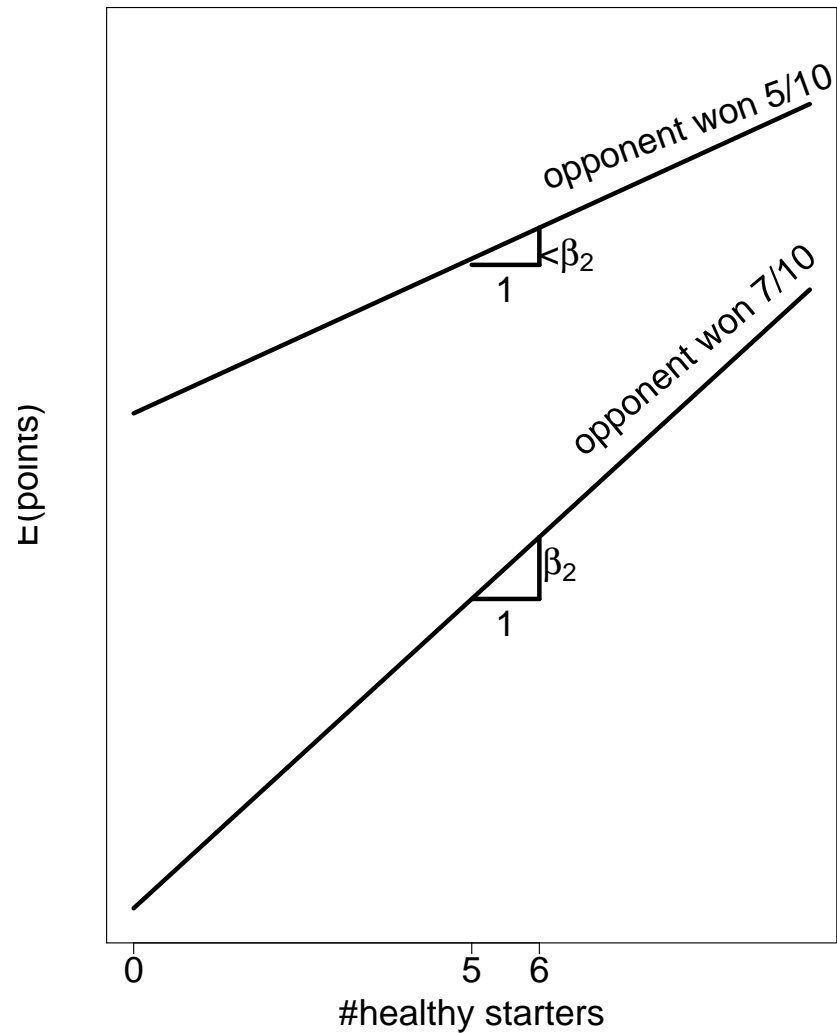
Is this reasonable?

Suppose AU is winless in their last 10 games. Our model says that if we add 1 healthy starter, we expect that UF scores β_2 more points.

Suppose BU won their last 10 games. Again, if we add 1 healthy starter, we expect to score β_2 more points.

Starters probably won't play against AU, so we expect to gain nothing if a starter becomes healthy.

Maybe the plot should look like:



Smaller slope since starters are less important against bad teams.

Q: How can we change our model to allow for this?

A: Add an interaction term

$$E(Y_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \beta_3 X_{i1} X_{i2}$$

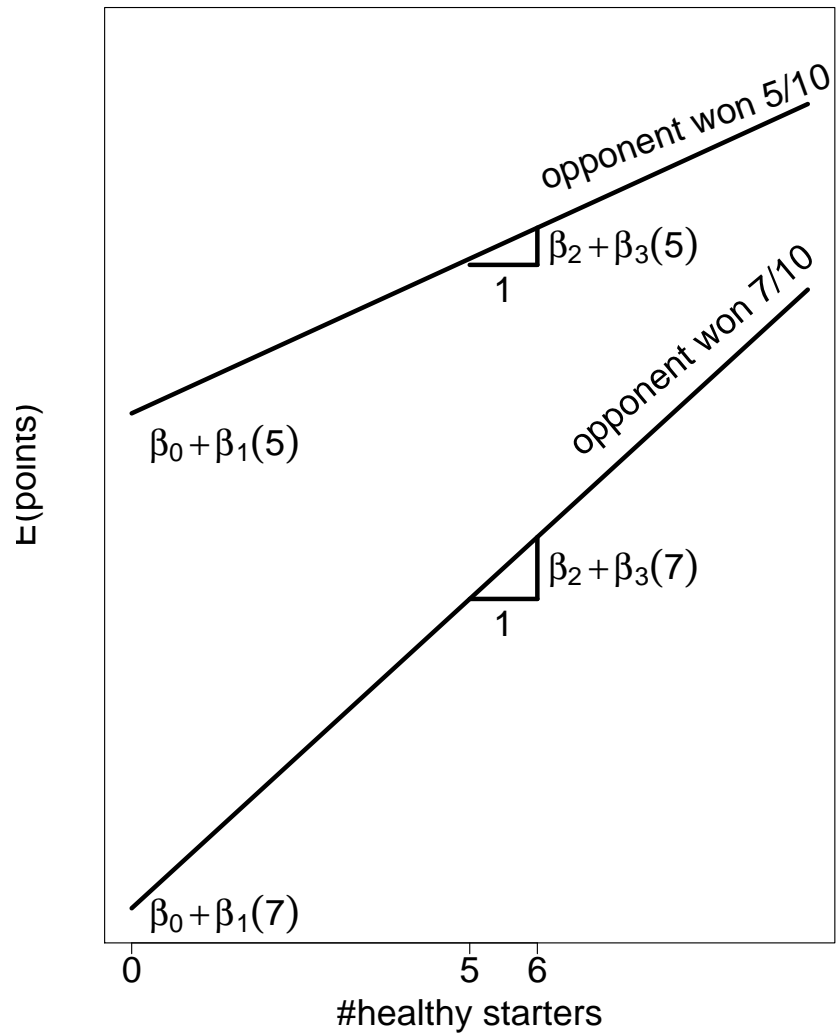
This function is not a simple plane any more!

When $X_{i1} = 5$:

$$E(Y_i) = (\beta_0 + \beta_1(5)) + (\beta_2 + \beta_3(5))X_{i2}$$

When $X_{i1} = 7$:

$$E(Y_i) = (\beta_0 + \beta_1(7)) + (\beta_2 + \beta_3(7))X_{i2}$$



Now the gain in expected points corresponding to the addition of 1 healthy starter depends on X_{i1} as it should.

$$\beta_1 < 0,$$

$$\beta_2 > 0, \beta_3 > 0$$

General Linear Regression Model

Data $(X_{i1}, X_{i2}, \dots, X_{i,p-1}, Y_i), i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Model Equation and Assumptions

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \dots + \beta_{p-1} X_{i,p-1} + \epsilon_i$$

- $\epsilon_i \stackrel{iid}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$
- $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{p-1}$ and σ^2 are unknown param's
- X_{ij} 's are known constants.

Two cases:

1. $p - 1$ different predictors
2. some of the predictors are functions of the others

(a) polynomial regression

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 X_i^2 + \epsilon_i$$

Let $Z_{i1} = X_i$ and $Z_{i2} = X_i^2$ then

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Z_{i1} + \beta_2 Z_{i2} + \epsilon_i$$

(b) interaction effects

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \beta_3 X_{i1} X_{i2} + \epsilon_i$$

Let $X_{i3} = X_{i1} X_{i2}$ and we're back to the general linear regression model

(c) both of (a) and (b)

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \beta_3 X_{i1}^2 + \beta_4 X_{i2}^2 + \beta_5 X_{i1} X_{i2} + \epsilon_i$$

With $Z_{i1} = X_{i1}$, $Z_{i2} = X_{i2}$, $Z_{i3} = X_{i1}^2$, $Z_{i4} = X_{i2}^2$, $Z_{i5} = X_{i1} X_{i2}$ this transforms to the general linear regression model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 Z_{i1} + \beta_2 Z_{i2} + \beta_3 Z_{i3} + \beta_4 Z_{i4} + \beta_5 Z_{i5} + \epsilon_i$$

General Linear Model in Matrix Terms

$$\mathbf{Y}_{n \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix} \quad \mathbf{X}_{n \times p} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & X_{11} & X_{12} & \dots & X_{1,p-1} \\ 1 & X_{21} & X_{22} & \dots & X_{2,p-1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \dots & \vdots \\ 1 & X_{n1} & X_{n2} & \dots & X_{n,p-1} \end{bmatrix}$$
$$\boldsymbol{\beta}_{p \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_{p-1} \end{bmatrix} \quad \boldsymbol{\epsilon}_{n \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \epsilon_1 \\ \epsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \epsilon_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Model:

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\epsilon}$$

Assumptions:

- $\boldsymbol{\epsilon} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$
- $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ and σ^2 are unknown parameters
- \mathbf{X} is a $(n \times p)$ matrix of fixed known constants

Least Squares Estimates:

$$\mathbf{b}_{p \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 \\ b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_{p-1} \end{bmatrix} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y}$$

Fitted Values:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\mathbf{Y}}_{n \times 1} &= \begin{bmatrix} \hat{Y}_1 \\ \hat{Y}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \hat{Y}_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_0 + b_1 X_{11} + \dots + b_{p-1} X_{1,p-1} \\ b_0 + b_1 X_{21} + \dots + b_{p-1} X_{2,p-1} \\ \vdots \\ b_0 + b_1 X_{n1} + \dots + b_{p-1} X_{n,p-1} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} \end{aligned}$$

Residuals:

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{e}_{n \times 1} &= \mathbf{Y} - \hat{\mathbf{Y}} = \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} \\ &= (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{H})\mathbf{Y}\end{aligned}$$

with the $(n \times n)$ hat matrix $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$

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Formulas are exactly the same. Remember

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SSTO} &= \text{SSR} + \text{SSE} \\ \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{Y}_i - \bar{Y})^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2 \end{aligned}$$

but their degrees of freedom (*df*) change:

- SSTO still has $n - 1$ *df*
- SSR now has $p - 1$ because of the p param's in \hat{Y}_i
- SSE therefore has $n - p$ *df*

ANOVA Table for MLR:

Source variat.	Sum of Squares (SS)	df	mean SS
Regr.	$SSR = \sum_i (\hat{Y}_i - \bar{Y})^2$	$p - 1$	$\frac{SSR}{p-1}$
Error	$SSE = \sum_i (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2$	$n - p$	$\frac{SSE}{n-p}$
Total	$SSTO = \sum_i (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$	$n - 1$	

Overall F-Test for Regression Relation

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \cdots = \beta_{p-1} = 0$$

H_A : not all β_j ($j = 1, \dots, p - 1$) equal zero.

H_0 states that all predictors X_1, \dots, X_{p-1} are useless (no relation between Y and the set of X variables), whereas H_A says that at least one is useful.

Test Statistic

$$F^* = \frac{\text{MSR}}{\text{MSE}}$$

Rejection Rule: reject H_0 , if $F^* > F(1 - \alpha; p - 1, n - p)$

Note: when $p - 1 = 1$, this is the F-test for $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ in the SLR.

Coefficient of Multiple Determination: it's the same as in SLR's,

$$R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SSTO} = 1 - \frac{SSE}{SSTO}$$

It measures the relative reduction in the total variation (SSTO) due to the MLR.

Inferences about Regression Parameters

Since with $\mathbf{C}_{p \times n} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'$ we can write

$$\mathbf{b} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & \cdots & c_{1n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots \\ c_{p1} & \cdots & c_{pn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus, every element of \mathbf{b} is a linear combination of the Y 's and is therefore a normal r.v.

Again

$$\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{b}) = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{E}(\mathbf{Y}) = \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

Thus \mathbf{b} is an unbiased estimator for $\boldsymbol{\beta}$. Moreover

$$\text{Var}(\mathbf{b}) = \sigma^2(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}$$

This means that for any $k = 0, 1, \dots, p - 1$ we have

$$b_k \sim N \left(\beta_k, \sigma^2 \cdot \left[(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \right]_{k+1, k+1} \right)$$

where $[\cdot]_{jj}$ is the j th diagonal element of the matrix.

Thus

$$\frac{b_k - \beta_k}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 \cdot [(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{k+1,k+1}}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

and because the MSE now has $df = n - p$

$$\frac{b_k - \beta_k}{\sqrt{\text{MSE} \cdot [(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{k+1,k+1}}} \sim t(n - p)$$

Using this we can construct tests and CI's for each individual β_k

Test Statistic:

$$t^* = \frac{b_k}{\sqrt{\text{MSE} \cdot [(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{k+1,k+1}}}$$

Rejection Rule: reject H_0 if $t^* > t(1 - \alpha/2; n - p)$

- $(1 - \alpha)100\%$ **CI for the parameter** β_k

$$b_k \pm t(1 - \alpha/2; n - p) \sqrt{\text{MSE} \cdot [(\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}]_{k+1,k+1}}$$

- $(1 - \alpha)100\%$ **CI for the mean** of Y at $\mathbf{X}_h = (1 \ X_{h1} \ X_{h2} \ \dots \ X_{h,p-1})'$

Say we want a CI for the mean #points scored by UF when the opponent win 90% ($X_{h1} = 9$) and there are 20 healthy starters ($X_{h2} = 20$). So $\mathbf{X}_h = (1 \ 9 \ 20)'$

The point estimate of $E(Y_h) = \mathbf{X}'_h \boldsymbol{\beta}$ is

$$\hat{E}(Y_h) = \hat{Y}_h = \mathbf{X}'_h \mathbf{b}$$

Because this equals $\mathbf{X}'_h (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}'_h \mathbf{Y}$, it is a linear combination of normals and is thus normal with

$$E(\hat{E}(Y_h)) = \mathbf{X}'_h E(\mathbf{b}) = \mathbf{X}'_h \boldsymbol{\beta}$$

(unbiased) and

$$\text{Var}(\widehat{E}(Y_h)) = \mathbf{X}'_h \text{Var}(\mathbf{b}) \mathbf{X}_h = \sigma^2 \mathbf{X}'_h (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_h$$

Thus

$$\frac{\widehat{E}(Y_h) - \mathbf{X}'_h \boldsymbol{\beta}}{\sqrt{\sigma^2 \cdot \mathbf{X}'_h (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_h}} \sim N(0, 1)$$

and

$$\frac{\widehat{E}(Y_h) - \mathbf{X}'_h \boldsymbol{\beta}}{\sqrt{\text{MSE} \cdot \mathbf{X}'_h (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_h}} \sim t(n - p)$$

The CI for $\mathbf{X}'_h \boldsymbol{\beta}$ is constructed in the usual manner.

- $(1 - \alpha)100\%$ **Prediction Interval for a New Observation** at $\mathbf{X}_h = (1 \ X_{h1} \ X_{h2} \ \dots \ X_{h,p-1})'$

Call the new observation $Y_{h(new)}$ and use

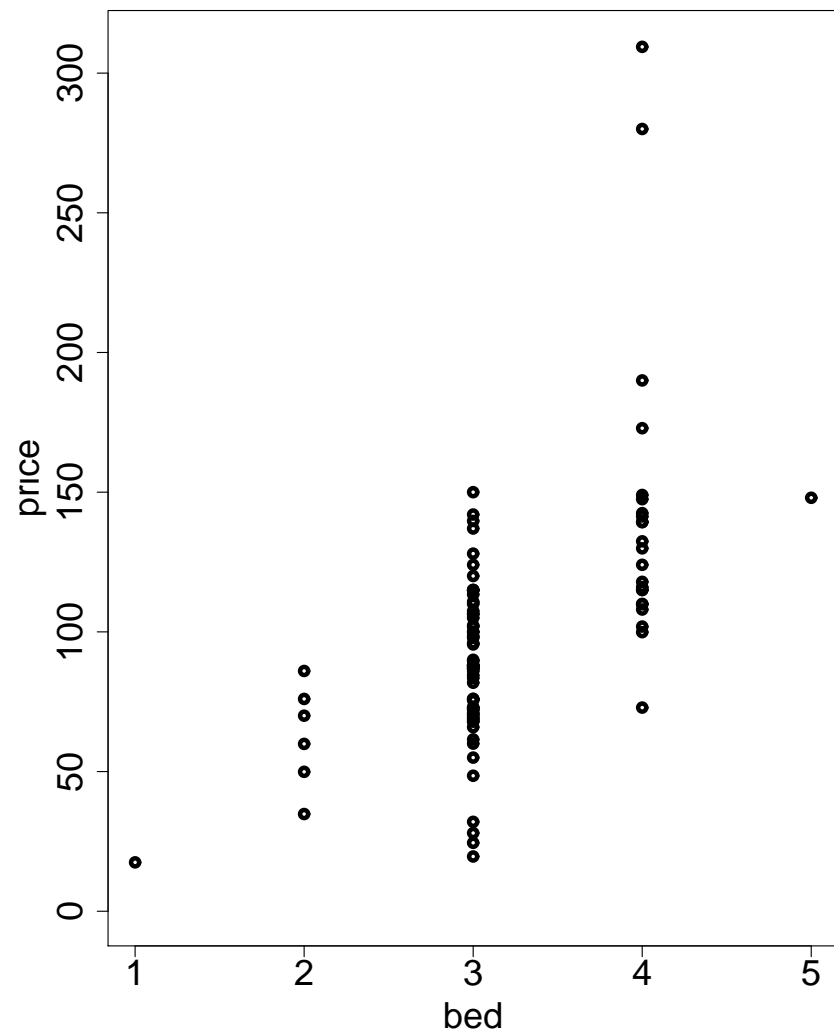
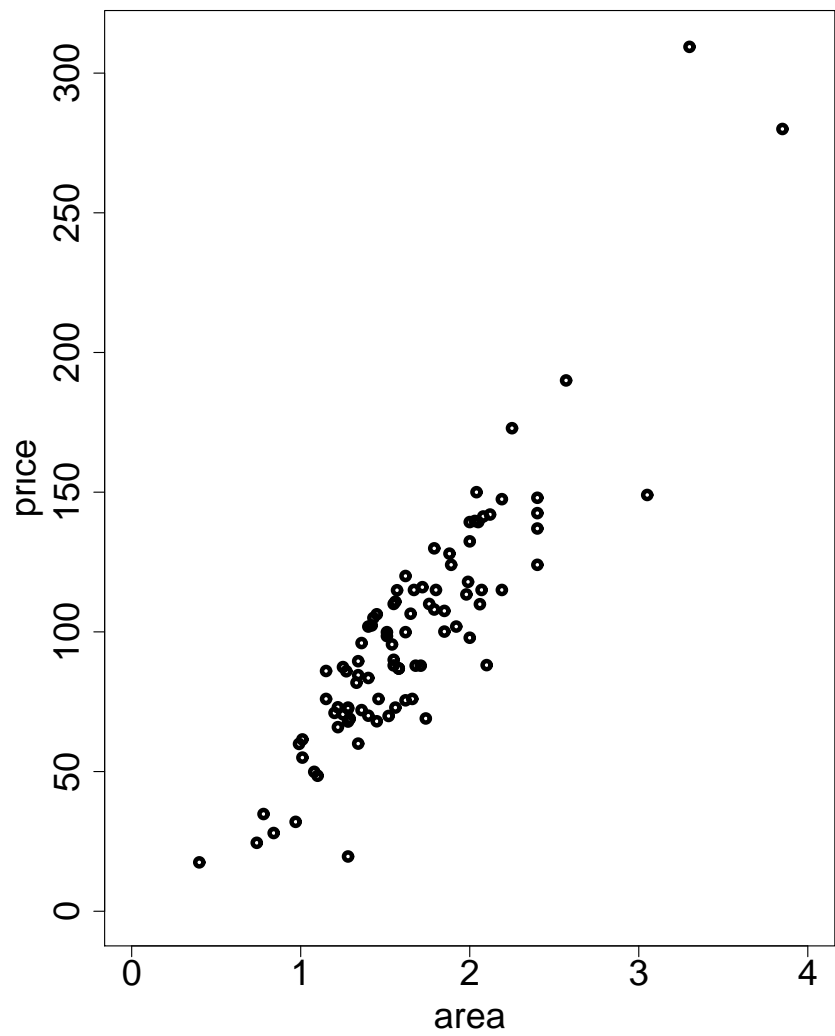
$$\frac{Y_{h(new)} - \hat{\mathbf{E}}(Y_{h(new)})}{\sqrt{\text{MSE} \cdot \left\{ 1 + \mathbf{X}'_h (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}_h \right\}}} \sim t(n - p)$$

with

$$\hat{\mathbf{E}}(Y_{h(new)}) = \mathbf{X}'_h \mathbf{b}$$

House Price Example using R

```
> houses <- read.table("houses.dat", col.names =  
+                       c("price", "area", "bed", "bath", "new"))  
> attach(houses)  
> plot(area, price); plot(bed, price)
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> model <- lm(price ~ area + bed)
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> model
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Coefficients:
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(Intercept)  area      bed  
      -22.393  76.742 -1.468
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> model.i <- lm(price ~ area + bed + area*bed)
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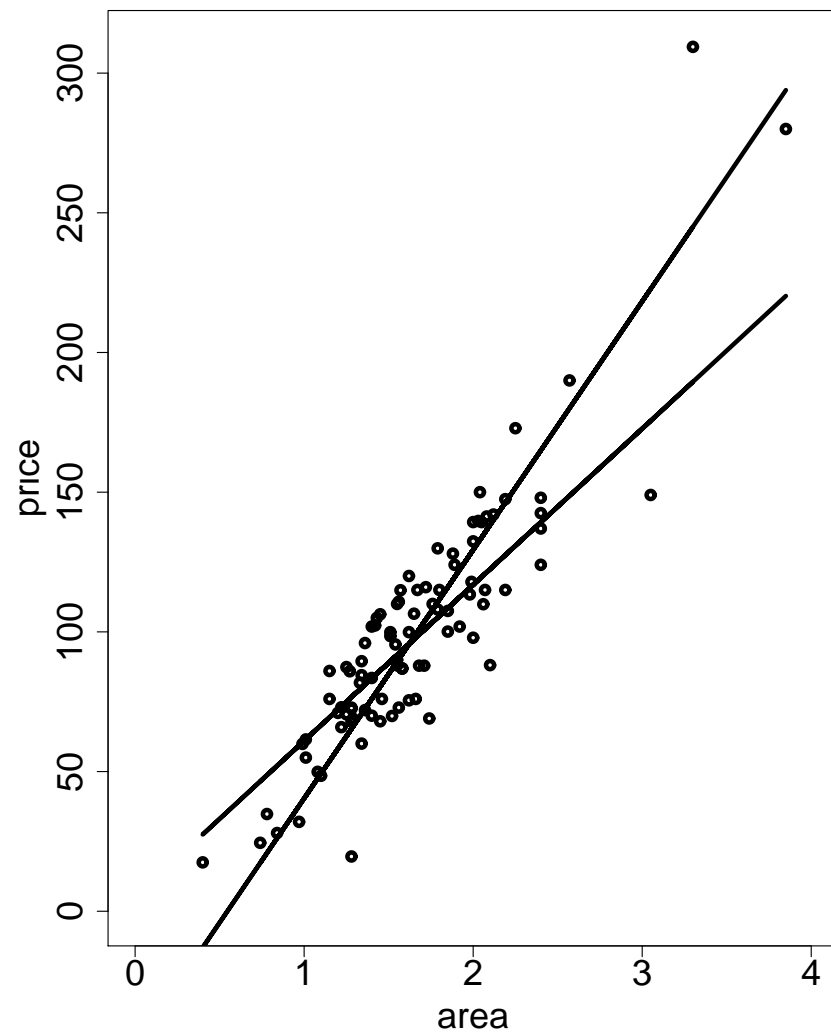
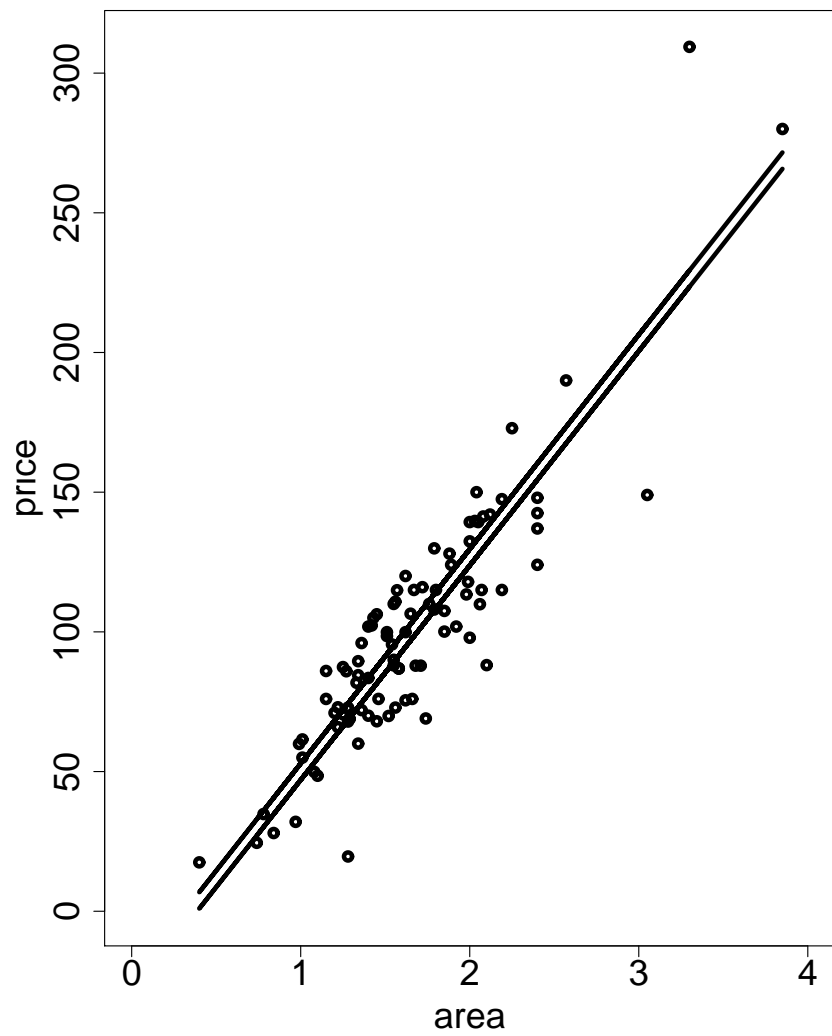
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> summary(model.i, corr=T)
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Coefficients:
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	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	18.549	26.577	0.698	0.48704	
area	47.595	18.037	2.639	0.00982	**
bed	-13.416	8.379	-1.601	0.11292	
area:bed	8.270	4.903	1.687	0.09515	.

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Residual standard error: 19.37 on 89 df Multiple R-Squared: 0.814,  
Adjusted R-squared: 0.8078 F-statistic: 129.9 on 3 and 89 df,  
p-value: 0
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> anova(model.i)
Analysis of Variance Table
Response: price
      Df Sum Sq Mean Sq  F value    Pr(>F)
area   1 145097  145097  386.6340 < 2e-16 ***
bed    1    40     40    0.1076  0.74371
area:bed 1   1068   1068    2.8453  0.09515 .
Residuals 89  33400    375
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Sig.codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1

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