

# Optimizing Multi-response Regression model

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# General linear model

$$Y = X\beta + U \quad , U \sim \text{Normal}(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

Y : vector of Response variable (single vector) contains **n observation**(rows), and X is a matrix of explanatory variable (independents, factors), and also U is a vector of random variable is required to be distributed as normal, the form in details is

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \beta_2 x_{2i} + \dots + \beta_k x_{ki} + u_i$$

$$u_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$$

The set of the parameters  $\hat{\beta}=(\beta_0,\beta_1,\dots,\beta_k)$  can be estimated by ordinary least square (OLS) method as:

$$\hat{\beta}=(x'x)^{-1}(x'y), (x'x): \text{fisher inform. matrix}$$

If the response variable increases from one dependent variable to a set of finite dependent variables, ( $r$ , vectors  $r= 2,3,\dots,\dots, R$ ), then the multiple regression model might be an another type of regression called **(Multi-response regression model, MRRM)**, hence the **(OLS)** is not capable to estimate the parameter matrix of the new model, is called **(MRREM)**.

which was proposed by (Len Beirman, & Freidman 1997) has **better performance** to detect effects and patterns for the factors( $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k$ ) that are introduced to the (MRRM) system of the responses (r.vs) **all together**. This type of estimation model requires the **linear dependency** among responses ( $Y_i$ 's) and, **independencies (Multi-collinearity)** among factors( $X_i$ 's).

$$Y_i = Z_i B_i + E_i \quad \text{----- (1)}$$

Where:

$Y_i$  is an  $(N \times 1)$  vector of observation on ( $i^{\text{th}}$ ) response.

$Z_i$  is an  $(N \times P_i)$  matrix of rank  $(P_i)$  with known function of standardized variables.

$B_i$  is a  $(P_i \times 1)$  vector of unknown constant parameters.

$E_i$  is a random error vector associated with the ( $i^{\text{th}}$ ) response.

Also we assume that:

$$E(\epsilon_i) = 0$$

$$\text{Var}(\epsilon_i) = \delta_{ii} I_N, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, r$$

$\text{Cov}(\epsilon_i, \epsilon_j) = \delta_{ij} I_N \quad i, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots, r, \quad i \neq j$  Then the  $(r \times r)$  matrix whose  $(i, \text{ and } j)^{th}$  element is  $(\delta_{ij})$  will be denoted by  $(\Sigma)$ .

Also we can rewrite the equation (1) as follow:

$$\tilde{Y} = Z B + \epsilon \quad \text{----- (2)}$$

Where:

$$\tilde{Y} = (\acute{Y}_1 : \acute{Y}_2 : \dots : \acute{Y}_r)'$$

$$B = (B'_1 : B'_2 : \dots : B'_r)'$$

$$\epsilon = (\epsilon'_1 : \epsilon'_2 : \dots : \epsilon'_r)'$$

$$Z = \text{diag}(Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_r)$$

From equation (2) we can see that ( $\epsilon$ ) has the variance-Covariance matrix:

$$\text{Var-Cov}(\epsilon) = \sum \otimes I_N \quad \text{----- (3)}$$

$$\underline{\hat{B}} = (Z' \Delta^{-1} Z)^{-1} Z' \Delta^{-1} \tilde{Y} \quad \text{----- (4)}$$

$\otimes$  : Kronecker product matrix. and Equation (2) is a (MRRM).

$\hat{B}$  is a matrix of estimators for (MRRM).

From a previous study which was done by the researcher about an agricultural experiment (feeding sweet corn with(3) types of fertilizers ( **N, P, and K** ) distributed in (3) – blocks.

and recording responses

**Y1**: average number of leaves.

**Y2**: average height .

**Y3**: average circumference.

**Y4**: average weight of sweet corn.

The multi-response model estimated by the estimated matrix of parameters ( $\hat{B}$ ) as below after **standardizing** :

$$\hat{\underline{B}} = \begin{bmatrix} -0.36446 & 0.170529 & -0.49591 & 1.008166 \\ 0.318848 & 0.613716 & 0.620585 & 0.281032 \\ -0.23337 & 0.273046 & -0.80172 & 0.187157 \\ -0.0932 & -0.06955 & 1.603784 & -0.76545 \end{bmatrix}$$

first row are estimated parameters for (Y1), second row for (Y2),... and so on. Then we get the origin (MRRM) as given below:

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{Y}_1 &= 14.460 + 0.2520 Z_1 + 0.0980 Z_2 + 0.0370 Z_3 \\ \hat{Y}_2 &= 150.413 + 0.9690 Z_1 + 0.3390 Z_2 + 0.0530 Z_3 \\ \hat{Y}_3 &= 2.37900 + 0.0370 Z_1 + 0.0120 Z_2 + 0.0070 Z_3 \\ \hat{Y}_4 &= 153.564 + 1.0230 Z_1 + 0.5720 Z_2 + 0.1700 Z_3 \end{aligned} \quad \text{----- (5)}$$

The Samuelsson optimization formula was represented by the following (LPS) :

$$\text{optimize } Z = c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 + \dots + c_nx_n$$

*subject to the linear constraints*

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 + \dots + a_{1n}x_n (\leq, \geq) b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 + a_{22}x_2 + \dots + a_{2n}x_n (\leq, \geq) b_2$$

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$$a_{m1}x_1 + a_{m2}x_2 + \dots + a_{mn}x_n (\leq, \geq) b_m$$

$$x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n \geq 0$$

This system may be solved by using **simplex method**.

For Example: in order to optimize the average weight of a sweet corn per block, this can be done by (**maximizing** the regression model for **Y4**, and taking the remainders of regression models for each **Y3, Y2, and Y1** as a **constraints**:

The first (LPS) is concerned with the average weight of sweet corn flower ( $\hat{Y}_4$ ) per block.

$$\text{Maximize } \hat{Y}_4 = 1.023Z_1 + 0.572Z_2 + 0.17Z_3$$

$$\text{St: } 0.252Z_1 + 0.098Z_2 + 0.037Z_3 \leq 18.540$$

$$0.969Z_1 + 0.339Z_2 + 0.053Z_3 \leq 72.587$$

$$0.037Z_1 + 0.012Z_2 + 0.007Z_3 \leq 3.2210$$

$$Z_1, Z_2, Z_3 \geq 0$$

The solution of the system (8) is given by:

$Z_2 = 189.183685$  and zero value for each of ( $Z_1$ , and  $Z_3$ ), by substituting these values in the objective function (Maximize  $\hat{Y}_4$ ) in the system equation (5) we get:

$$\text{Maximize } \hat{Y}_4 = \text{intercept of (Regression } \hat{Y}_4) + 0.5720 Z_2$$

Maximize  $\hat{Y}_4 = 153.564000 + 108.21310 = 261.7771$  grams, is the optimal value of weight average for the sweet corn flower per block, after feeding it with an optimal weight (189.183), grams of phosphorus, per block. In the same manner we can optimize each remainder response(  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$ ,  $Y_3$ ), by maximizing their regression model from multi-response model system, and taking the remaining regression as a constraint for the (LPS).