

A UNIVARIATE FORMULATION OF THE MULTIVARIATE LINEAR MODEL

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Abstract

Both Goldberger [1964, p. 246] and Zellner [1962] present a univariate formulation of the multivariate linear model, but they deal only with estimation and do not consider hypothesis testing.

The Model

We consider a matrix $\underline{Y}_{N \times p}$ of N observations on each of p random variables, for which the expected value is

$$E(\underline{Y}_{N \times p}) = \underline{X}_{N \times q} \underline{B}_{q \times p} \quad (1)$$

Define

$$\underline{y}_{N \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{y}_1 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{y}_p \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{and} \quad \underline{b}_{q \times 1} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_p \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

where \underline{y} is the $Np \times 1$ vector of the p columns \underline{y}_j of \underline{Y} written one under the other, and \underline{b} is the $qp \times 1$ vector of the p columns of \underline{B} written in the same manner. Then the familiar multivariate linear model (1) is equivalent to

$$E(\underline{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{X} & & & \underline{0} \\ & \underline{X} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ \underline{0} & & & \underline{X} \end{bmatrix} \underline{b} \quad (3)$$

Using Kronecker multiplication of matrices to write

$$\begin{bmatrix} \underline{X} & & & \\ & \underline{X} & & \\ & & \ddots & \\ & & & \underline{X} \end{bmatrix} = \underline{I} \otimes \underline{X}$$

gives (3) as

$$E(\underline{y}) = (\underline{I} \otimes \underline{X})\underline{\beta} . \quad (4)$$

The model (1) customarily includes the property that for $\underline{Y} = \{y_j\}$ $j = 1, \dots, p$ the covariance structure is

$$\text{cov}(y_i y_j') = \sigma_{ij} \underline{I}_N, \quad \text{for } i, j = 1, \dots, p. \quad (5)$$

Hence for \underline{y} of (3) and (4)

$$\text{var}(\underline{y}) = \begin{bmatrix} \sigma_{11} \underline{I}_N & \cdots & \sigma_{1p} \underline{I}_N \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ \sigma_{p1} \underline{I}_N & \cdots & \sigma_{pp} \underline{I}_N \end{bmatrix} = \underline{V} \otimes \underline{I}_N \quad (6)$$

where $\underline{V} = \{\sigma_{ij}\}$ for $i, j = 1, \dots, p$. Through (4) and (6) we now have a univariate formulation of the multivariate linear model.

Estimation

Generalized least squares estimation of $\underline{\beta}$, based on (4) and (6) gives

$$(\underline{I}_p \otimes \underline{X})' (\underline{V} \otimes \underline{I}_N)^{-1} (\underline{I}_p \otimes \underline{X}) \underline{\beta} = (\underline{I}_p \otimes \underline{X})' (\underline{V} \otimes \underline{I}_N)^{-1} \underline{y} . \quad (7)$$

Recalling the following properties of Kronecker products,

$$(\underline{A} \otimes \underline{B})' = \underline{A}' \otimes \underline{B}'; \quad (\underline{A} \otimes \underline{B})(\underline{P} \otimes \underline{Q}) = \underline{AP} \otimes \underline{BQ}; \quad \text{and } (\underline{A} \otimes \underline{B})^{-1} = \underline{A}^{-1} \otimes \underline{B}^{-1} ,$$

this last only when all the inverses exist, we have from (7)

$$(\underline{I}_p \otimes \underline{X}')(\underline{V}^{-1} \otimes \underline{I}_N)(\underline{I}_p \otimes \underline{X})\hat{\underline{\beta}} = (\underline{I} \otimes \underline{X}')(\underline{V}^{-1} \otimes \underline{I}_N)\underline{y}$$

$$\therefore (\underline{V}^{-1} \otimes \underline{X}'\underline{X})\hat{\underline{\beta}} = (\underline{V}^{-1} \otimes \underline{X}')\underline{y}$$

$$\hat{\underline{\beta}} = [\underline{V} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}](\underline{V}^{-1} \otimes \underline{X}')\underline{y},$$

and thus

$$\hat{\underline{\beta}} = [\underline{I} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{y}. \quad (8)$$

Hence from (2)

$$\hat{b}_i = (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}'\underline{y}_i \quad \text{for } i=1, \dots, p, \quad (9)$$

and so

$$\underline{B} = (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}'\underline{Y}, \quad (10)$$

as expected.

The sampling variance of $\hat{\underline{\beta}}$ from (8) is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{var}(\hat{\underline{\beta}}) &= \text{var}\{[\underline{I} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{y}\} \\ &= [\underline{I} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}'](\underline{V} \otimes \underline{I}_N)[\underline{I} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']' \\ &= \underline{V} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

so that

$$\text{cov}(\hat{b}_i, \hat{b}_j) = \sigma_{ij}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}. \quad (12)$$

From (9)

$$\underline{y}_i - \underline{X}\hat{b}_i = [\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{y}_i \quad (13)$$

with expected value zero. Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 E[(\underline{y}_i - \underline{X}\hat{\underline{b}}_i)'(\underline{y}_j - \underline{X}\hat{\underline{b}}_j)] &= E\{\underline{y}_i'[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']^2\underline{y}_j\} \\
 &= \text{tr}\{[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']E(\underline{y}_j\underline{y}_i')\} \\
 &= \text{tr}\{[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}'][\underline{X}\underline{b}_i\underline{b}_j'\underline{X}' + \sigma_{ij}\underline{I}_N]\} \\
 &= \sigma_{ij}(N - q).
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence an unbiased estimator of σ_{ij} is

$$\hat{\sigma}_{ij} = \underline{y}_i'[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{y}_j / (N - q) \quad (14)$$

and correspondingly that for \underline{V} is

$$\hat{\underline{V}} = \frac{1}{N - q} \underline{y}'[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{y}. \quad (15)$$

Independence under normality

Let \underline{e}_i' denote the i^{th} row of \underline{I}_N , and similarly write

$$\underline{E}_i = [0 \cdots 0 \quad \underline{I}_N \quad 0 \cdots 0]_{N \times Np}$$

a partitioned matrix which is null except for the i^{th} $N \times N$ submatrix being \underline{I}_N .

Then (14) is

$$(N - q)\hat{\sigma}_{ij} = \underline{y}'\underline{E}_i[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{E}_j'\underline{y}. \quad (16)$$

Now assume normality,

$$\underline{y} \sim N[(\underline{I} \otimes \underline{X})\underline{\xi}, \underline{V} \otimes \underline{I}_N], \quad (17)$$

and use the theorem (e.g., Searle [1971], p. 59) that when $\underline{x} \sim N(\underline{\mu}, \underline{W})$, then $\underline{K}\underline{x}$ and $\underline{x}'\underline{A}\underline{x}$ are independent if and only if $\underline{K}\underline{W}\underline{A} = \underline{0}$. Applying this to (8) and (16), using (17), we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [\underline{I} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}'](\underline{V} \otimes \underline{I})\underline{E}_1[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{E}_j \\
 &= [\underline{V} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}'] \left[\begin{array}{l} \text{A matrix that is null except} \\ \text{for } \underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}' \text{ as its } ij^{\text{th}} \text{ submatrix} \end{array} \right] \\
 &= \underline{0}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\hat{\underline{\beta}}$ and $\hat{\sigma}_{ij}$ are independent; and so therefore are $\hat{\underline{\beta}}$ and $\hat{\underline{V}}$.

Hypothesis testing

When, in univariate analysis $\underline{y} \sim N(\underline{X}\underline{b}, \sigma^2\underline{I})$, the F-statistic for testing the hypothesis $H: \underline{K}'\underline{b} = \underline{m}$ is, for \underline{K}' being of full row rank q ,

$$F = Q/q\hat{\sigma}^2$$

with

$$Q = (\underline{K}'\hat{\underline{b}} - \underline{m})'[\underline{K}'(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{K}]^{-1}(\underline{K}'\hat{\underline{b}} - \underline{m})$$

and

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \underline{y}'[\underline{I} - \underline{X}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{X}']\underline{y}/[N - r(\underline{X})],$$

\underline{X} being of full column rank. Adapted to our situation here Q is

$$Q = (\underline{K}'\hat{\underline{\beta}} - \underline{m})'\{\underline{K}'[\underline{V} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}]\underline{K}\}^{-1}(\underline{K}'\hat{\underline{\beta}} - \underline{m}). \quad (18)$$

Further development of Q in (18) depends on the form of \underline{K}' . We consider the hypothesis discussed in Anderson [1956] where, on partitioning \underline{B} as

$$\underline{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{B}_1 \\ \underline{B}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \begin{array}{l} \underline{B}_1 \text{ of order } q_1 \times p \\ \underline{B}_2 \text{ of order } q_2 \times p \end{array} \quad (19)$$

with $q_1 + q_2 = q$, we test

$$H: \underline{B}_1 = \underline{B}_{10}. \quad (20)$$

Writing the matrices of (20) as vectors in the manner of (2) the hypothesis is restated as

$$H: \underline{b}_1 = \underline{b}_{10} \quad (21)$$

where \underline{b}_1 of order $q_1 p \times 1$ has the p columns of \underline{B}_1 written one under the other; and similarly for the columns of \underline{B}_{10} in \underline{b}_{10} . It is then not difficult to see that (21) can be expressed as

$$H: \underline{K}' \underline{b} = \underline{b}_{10} \quad (22)$$

for

$$(\underline{K}')_{q_1 p \times q_1 p} = \underline{I}_p \otimes [\underline{I}_{q_1} \quad \underline{O}_{q_1 \times q_2}]. \quad (23)$$

Example: For

$$\underline{B}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{B}_{10} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{110} & b_{120} \\ b_{210} & b_{220} \end{bmatrix} \quad \underline{B}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} b_{31} & b_{32} \\ b_{41} & b_{42} \\ b_{51} & b_{52} \end{bmatrix}$$

the hypothesis $H: \underline{B}_1 = \underline{B}_{10}$ is,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} \\ b_{21} \\ b_{31} \\ b_{41} \\ b_{51} \\ b_{12} \\ b_{22} \\ b_{32} \\ b_{42} \\ b_{52} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{110} \\ b_{210} \\ b_{120} \\ b_{220} \end{bmatrix} .$$

To substitute (23) into (18) define

$$\underline{L} = \begin{bmatrix} \underline{I}_{q_1} & 0 \\ 0 & \underline{I}_{q_1 \times q_1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

so that

$$\underline{K}' = \underline{I} \otimes \underline{L} .$$

Then in (18)

$$\underline{K}'[\underline{V} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}]\underline{K} = \underline{V} \otimes \underline{L}(\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}\underline{L}' . \quad (25)$$

Now partition $\underline{X} = [\underline{X}_1 \quad \underline{X}_2]$ conformable with the partitioning in (19) so that on also using (24) in (25) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \underline{K}'[\underline{V} \otimes (\underline{X}'\underline{X})^{-1}]\underline{K} &= \underline{V} \otimes [\underline{I} \quad 0] \begin{bmatrix} \underline{X}'_1\underline{X}_1 & \underline{X}'_1\underline{X}_2 \\ \underline{X}'_2\underline{X}_1 & \underline{X}'_2\underline{X}_2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{I} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \underline{V} \otimes \underline{P}_{11 \cdot 2}^{-1} \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

where $\underline{P}_{11 \cdot 2}$ is, from the inverse of a partitioned matrix, defined as

$$\underline{P}_{11 \cdot 2} = \underline{X}'_1\underline{X}_1 - \underline{X}'_1\underline{X}_2(\underline{X}'_2\underline{X}_2)^{-1}\underline{X}'_2\underline{X}_1 . \quad (27)$$

Hence (26) and (22) used in (18) gives

$$\begin{aligned} Q &= (\underline{K}'\hat{\underline{\beta}} - \underline{\beta}_{10})'(\underline{V} \otimes \underline{P}_{11 \cdot 2}^{-1})^{-1}(\underline{K}'\hat{\underline{\beta}} - \underline{\beta}_{10}) \\ &= (\hat{\underline{\beta}}_1 - \underline{\beta}_{10})'(\underline{V}^{-1} \otimes \underline{P}_{11 \cdot 2})^{-1}(\hat{\underline{\beta}}_1 - \underline{\beta}_{10}) . \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

By general linear model theory, for \underline{V} known, this has a distribution proportional to a χ^2 . But it contains \underline{V}^{-1} and cannot be so used when \underline{V} is unknown, as is usually the case. In the univariate case $\underline{V}^{-1} = 1/\sigma^2$ and we estimate σ^2 by $\hat{\sigma}^2$, for which $\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2$ has a χ^2 -distribution independent of that of Q ; then the σ^2 's

cancel in $Q/(q\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2)$ and we are left with $Q/q\hat{\sigma}^2$ as an F-statistic. But in (28) no such cancelling of \underline{V}^{-1} can occur. However, suppose we replace \underline{V}^{-1} by $\hat{\underline{V}}^{-1}$ and consider

$$\hat{Q} = (\hat{\underline{b}}_{-1} - \underline{b}_{-10})' (\hat{\underline{V}}^{-1} \otimes \underline{P}_{-11.2}) (\hat{\underline{b}}_{-1} - \underline{b}_{-10}). \quad (29)$$

Consider the distributional properties of terms in (29). First, it is not difficult to show that under $H: \underline{b}_{-1} = \underline{b}_{-10}$

$$\hat{\underline{b}}_{-1} - \underline{b}_{-10} \sim N(\underline{0}, \underline{V} \otimes \underline{P}_{-11.2}^{-1}). \quad (30)$$

Second, $\hat{\underline{b}}_{-1}$ and $\hat{\underline{V}}$ are independent as has already been proved; and third, from the form in (15) we know that $(N - q)\hat{\underline{V}} = \underline{S}$, say, where $\underline{S} \sim W(\underline{V}, p, N - q)$ is a Wishart distribution with parameter \underline{V} , p variables and $N - q$ degrees of freedom. Furthermore, in (29), because $\underline{X}'\underline{X}$ has full rank, $\underline{P}_{-11.2}$ of (27) is positive definite; let $\underline{P}_{-11.2} = \underline{M}\underline{M}'$ say. Then from (29)

$$(N - q)\hat{Q} = (\hat{\underline{b}}_{-1} - \underline{b}_{-10})' (\underline{S}^{-1} \otimes \underline{M}\underline{M}') (\hat{\underline{b}}_{-1} - \underline{b}_{-10}). \quad (31)$$

Now define

$$(\hat{\underline{b}}_{-1} - \underline{b}_{-10})' = [\underline{w}'_1 \cdots \underline{w}'_p] \quad (32)$$

for \underline{w}'_i of order $1 \times q_1$, for $i = 1, \dots, p$. Then with $\underline{S}^{-1} = \{s^{ij}\}$ for $i, j = 1, \dots, p$, (31) is

$$(N - q)\hat{Q} = [\underline{w}'_1 \quad \underline{w}'_2 \quad \cdots \quad \underline{w}'_p] \begin{bmatrix} s^{11}_{\underline{M}\underline{M}'} & \cdots & s^{1p}_{\underline{M}\underline{M}'} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ s^{p1}_{\underline{M}\underline{M}'} & \cdots & s^{pp}_{\underline{M}\underline{M}'} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \underline{w}_1 \\ \underline{w}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \underline{w}_p \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^p \underline{w}_i' \underline{S}^{-1} \underline{w}_j \underline{M} \underline{M}' \underline{w}_j \\
 &= \sum_{i=1}^p \sum_{j=1}^p s^{ij} \underline{u}_i' \underline{u}_j \quad \text{for } \underline{u}_i = \underline{M}' \underline{w}_i \quad (33)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \text{tr}[\underline{S}^{-1} \{\underline{u}_i' \underline{u}_j\}] \\
 &= \text{tr}(\underline{S}^{-1} \underline{U}' \underline{U}) \quad \text{for } \underline{U} = \{\underline{u}_j\} \quad j = 1, \dots, p. \quad (34)
 \end{aligned}$$

Now from (32) and (30), we have in (33) $\underline{u}_i \sim N(0, \sigma_{ii} \underline{M}' \underline{P}_{11}^{-1} \underline{M}) \sim N(0, \sigma_{ii} \underline{I}_{q_1})$ because $\underline{P}_{11 \cdot 2} = \underline{M} \underline{M}'$. Hence in (34), $\underline{U}' \underline{U}$ is a Wishart matrix; and with \underline{u}_i of (33) being, through \underline{w}_i of (32), a linear combination of elements of $\hat{\underline{\beta}}_1 - \underline{\beta}_{10}$, we have $\underline{U}' \underline{U}$ being independent of \underline{S} . Hence

$$\Lambda = \frac{|\underline{S}|}{|\underline{S} + \underline{U}' \underline{U}|} = \prod_i \frac{1}{1 + \lambda_i}$$

is a Wilks' Λ -statistic, with the λ_i being latent roots of $\underline{S}^{-1} \underline{U}' \underline{U}$. Thus (34) is

$$(N - q) \hat{Q} = \text{tr}(\underline{S}^{-1} \underline{U}' \underline{U}) = \sum_i \lambda_i. \quad (35)$$

Suppose r_1^2 represents the square of a canonical correlation between the variables represented by the independent Wishart matrices \underline{S} and $\underline{U}' \underline{U}$. Then

$$|-\underline{r}_1^2 (\underline{S} + \underline{U}' \underline{U}) + \underline{U}' \underline{U}| = 0. \quad (36)$$

But by the definition of λ_i

$$|\underline{S}^{-1} \underline{U}' \underline{U} - \lambda_i \underline{I}| = 0.$$

This is equivalent to

$$|\underline{U}'\underline{U} - \lambda_1 \underline{S}| = 0,$$

i.e.,

$$|-\lambda_1(\underline{S} + \underline{U}'\underline{U}) + (1 + \lambda_1)\underline{U}'\underline{U}| = 0.$$

Comparison with (36) gives

$$r_1^2 = \lambda_1 / (1 + \lambda_1)$$

and hence from (35)

$$(N - q)\hat{Q} = \sum_1 \lambda_1 = \sum_1 r_1^2 / (1 - r_1^2).$$

Thus $(N - q)\hat{Q}$ is distributed as Hotelling's generalized T_0^2 (see, for example, Kshirsagar [1972, p. 331]).

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