

Regression models for one-way analysis of variance

Analyses of variance and covariance can be analyzed in linear regression terms. For example, consider the one-way analysis of variance model

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \varepsilon_{ij}, \begin{cases} i=1, \dots, a \\ j=1, \dots, n \end{cases}$$

can be recast as a simple linear regression model by defining $X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if group } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad i=1, \dots, a-1.$

Thus expressed the one-way ANOVA model becomes $Y_{ij} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \dots + \beta_{a-1} X_{a-1} + \varepsilon_{ij}$ that is,

$$\text{Group 1: } Y_{1j} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

$$\text{Group 2: } Y_{2j} = \beta_0 + \beta_2 + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

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$$\text{Group } a-1: Y_{(a-1)j} = \beta_0 + \beta_{(a-1)} + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

$$\text{Group } a: Y_{aj} = \beta_0 + \varepsilon_{ij}$$

Regression models for one-way ANOVA

This regression model is equivalent to the ANOVA model. To see this consider that

$$\mu_i = \begin{cases} \beta_0 + \beta_i, & \text{if } i=1, \dots, a-1 \\ \beta_0, & \text{if } i=a \end{cases}$$

The usual null hypothesis in regression $H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_k = 0$ (with $k=a-1$), means that

$$\begin{aligned} \beta_1 = \mu_1 - \mu &= 0 \Rightarrow \mu_1 = \mu = \mu_a \\ &\vdots \\ \beta_k = \mu_k - \mu &= 0 \Rightarrow \mu_k = \mu = \mu_a \end{aligned}$$

is thus equivalent to the null hypothesis of the analysis of variance $H_0: \mu_1 = \mu_2 = \dots = \mu_a$.

The previous coding scheme is called *reference coding scheme*, since one level of the fixed (categorical) factor is the *reference* level, while the rest are defined as deviations from it. In the model above, we chose level a as the reference level but we could have easily chosen level 1 (or 2 or 3). The critical point is that coding a factor with a levels requires $a-1$ coding variables¹.

¹ This is in the case of a regression model with an intercept. If no intercept exists, then a coding variables must be used.

Example: Drug potency data

Consider the example with the potency (dosage at death) of four cardiac substances (Table 17-7 in the text). The usual ANOVA model is given by the following STATA output:

```
. oneway potency sub,tab
```

Substance	Summary of mean Dosage at Death		
	Mean	Std. Dev.	Freq.
1	25.9	3.0713732	10
2	22.2	3.4896673	10
3	20	2.9439203	10
4	19.6	2.9514591	10
Total	21.925	3.9248551	40

Analysis of Variance

Source	SS	df	MS	F	Prob > F
Between groups	249.875	3	83.2916667	8.55	0.0002
Within groups	350.90	36	9.74722222		
Total	600.775	39	15.4044872		

Bartlett's test for equal variances: chi2(3) = 0.3439 Prob>chi2 = 0.952

The estimates of the coefficients are given by the `regress` option as follows:

```
. anova potency drugid, reg
```

Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	40
Model	249.875	3	83.2916667	F(3 , 36)	=	8.55
Residual	350.90	36	9.74722222	Prob > F	=	0.0002
Total	600.775	39	15.4044872	R-squared	=	0.4159
				Adj R-squared	=	0.3672
				Root MSE	=	3.1221
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potency	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
_cons	19.6	.9872802	19.853	0.000	17.5977	21.6023
drugid						
1	6.3	1.396225	4.512	0.000	3.468324	9.131676
2	2.6	1.396225	1.862	0.071	-.2316757	5.431676
3	.4	1.396225	0.286	0.776	-2.431676	3.231676
4	(dropped)					

Where level 4 has been “dropped”, it is, in other words, the reference level

The equivalent regression model is given by the following STATA commands:

```
. char drugid[omit] 4

. xi: reg potency i.drugid
i.drugid           Idrugi_1-4      (naturally coded; Idrugi_4 omitted)

Source |       SS          df          MS
-----+-----+-----+
Model |   249.875      3   83.2916667
Residual |   350.90       36   9.74722222
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Total |   600.775      39   15.4044872

Number of obs =      40
F(  3,    36) =     8.55
Prob > F      =  0.0002
R-squared      =  0.4159
Adj R-squared =  0.3672
Root MSE       =  3.1221

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potency |     Coef.    Std. Err.          t      P>|t|      [95% Conf. Interval]
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Idrugi_1 |     6.3    1.396225      4.512    0.000      3.468324    9.131676
Idrugi_2 |     2.6    1.396225      1.862    0.071     -.2316757   5.431676
Idrugi_3 |     .4    1.396225      0.286    0.776     -2.431676   3.231676
_cons |   19.6    .9872802     19.853    0.000     17.5977   21.6023
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```

Where the reference level is again drugid 4 (due to the `.char drugid[omit] 4` statement) and all other levels are deviations from that level.

Comments:

1. STATA always defines the last level as the reference level by default after the `anova` command.
2. The command `xi varname` by contrast defines the level with the *lowest* numerical value as the default reference level. We can manipulate which level is the reference level by defining the `omit` variable with the command `char varname[omit] #` where “#” is the numerical value corresponding to the desired reference level. An alternative case is to define as the reference level the most frequent (prevalent) level. To do this we use the command `char _dta[omit] "prevalent"`. Finally, in case of string variables the command becomes `char _dta[omit] "string_literal"` where `string_literal` is the string level that we want to define as reference.
3. The `xi` command defines $a-1$ variables `Ivarname_i`, ($i=1,\dots,a-1$), such that `Ivarname_i=(varname==i)`.
4. The regression can then be carried out by these variables. To invoke them we use the umbrella term `i.varname`.

The previous regression output could have been produced by the following commands:

```
. gen Idrugi_1=(drugid==1)

. gen Idrugi_2=(drugid==2)

. gen Idrugi_3=(drugid==3)

. reg potency I*
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs	=	40
Model	249.875	3	83.2916667	F(3 , 36)	=	8.55
Residual	350.90	36	9.74722222	Prob > F	=	0.0002
Total	600.775	39	15.4044872	R-squared	=	0.4159
				Adj R-squared	=	0.3672
				Root MSE	=	3.1221

potency	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
Idrugi_1	6.3	1.396225	4.512	0.000	3.468324 9.131676
Idrugi_2	2.6	1.396225	1.862	0.071	-.2316757 5.431676
Idrugi_3	.4	1.396225	0.286	0.776	-2.431676 3.231676
_cons	19.6	.9872802	19.853	0.000	17.5977 21.6023

```
.list potency drugid I*
```

	potency	drugid	Idrugi_1	Idrugi_2	Idrugi_3
1.	29	1	1	0	0
2.	28	1	1	0	0
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9.	26	1	1	0	0
10.	28	1	1	0	0
11.	17	2	0	1	0
12.	25	2	0	1	0
13.	24	2	0	1	0
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27.	20	3	0	0	1
28.	17	3	0	0	1
29.	25	3	0	0	1
30.	21	3	0	0	1
31.	18	4	0	0	0
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37.	20	4	0	0	0
38.	17	4	0	0	0
39.	19	4	0	0	0
40.	17	4	0	0	0

Regression models for general two-way ANOVA

In the two-way and general ANOVA the reference coding scheme is implemented as follows:

$$Y = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^{a-1} \alpha_i X_i + \sum_{j=1}^{b-1} \beta_j Z_j + \sum_{i=1}^{a-1} \sum_{j=1}^{b-1} \gamma_{ij} X_i Z_j \varepsilon_{ij}$$

where $X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if treatment } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad i=1, \dots, a-1$ and $Z_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if block } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad j=1, \dots, b-1$, with a and b the number of treatments and blocks respectively.

The coefficients α , β and γ are linked to the means μ_{ij} by the formulas:

1. $\mu = \mu_{..}$
2. $\alpha_i = \mu_{i.} - \mu_{..}, i = 1, 2, \dots, a-1$ and $-\sum_{i=1}^{a-1} \alpha_i = \mu_{a.} - \mu_{..}$
3. $\beta_j = \mu_{.j} - \mu_{..}, j = 1, 2, \dots, b-1$ and $-\sum_{j=1}^{b-1} \beta_j = \mu_{b.} - \mu_{..}$
4. $\gamma_{ij} = \mu_{ij} - \mu_{i.} - \mu_{.j} + \mu_{..}, i = 1, 2, \dots, a-1; j = 1, 2, \dots, b-1$
 $-\sum_{i=1}^{a-1} \gamma_{ij} = \mu_{aj} - \mu_{a.} - \mu_{.j} + \mu_{..}, j = 1, 2, \dots, b-1$
 $-\sum_{j=1}^{b-1} \gamma_{ij} = \mu_{ib} - \mu_{i.} - \mu_{.b} + \mu_{..}, i = 1, 2, \dots, a-1$

On the other hand, the means can be expressed in terms of the coefficients of the regression (and also are helpful for us to be able to interpret the output from statistical packages):

$$\mu_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + \beta_j + \gamma_{ij}, \quad i=1, \dots, a-1; j=1, 2, \dots, b-1$$

$$\mu_{aj} = \mu + \beta_j, \quad j=1, \dots, b-1, \quad \mu_{ib} = \mu + \alpha_i, \quad i=1, \dots, a-1, \text{ and } \mu_{ab} = \mu$$

The treatment and block marginal means are:

$$\mu_{i\cdot} = \mu + \alpha_i + \sum_{j=1}^{b-1} \left\{ \frac{\beta_j + \gamma_{ij}}{b} \right\}, \quad i=1, \dots, a-1, \text{ and } \mu_{a\cdot} = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^{b-1} \frac{\beta_j}{b}$$

$$\mu_{\cdot j} = \mu + \beta_j + \sum_{i=1}^{a-1} \left\{ \frac{\alpha_i + \gamma_{ij}}{a} \right\}, \quad j=1, \dots, b-1, \text{ and } \mu_{\cdot b} = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^{a-1} \frac{\alpha_i}{a}$$

Example: Toxic substance and industrial plant data

Recall the industrial data on exposure to three toxic substances in three different industrial plants. In this example, we have $a=3$, $b=3$ and $n=12$ and the model can be expressed as

$$Y = \mu + \sum_{i=1}^2 \alpha_i X_i + \sum_{j=1}^2 \beta_j Z_j + \sum_{i=1}^2 \sum_{j=1}^2 \gamma_{ij} X_i Z_j \varepsilon_{ij}$$

where $X_i = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if toxic substance } i \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad i = A, B, C$ and $Z_j = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if industrial plant } j \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad j = 1, 2, 3$.

The STATA output (using the `xi` command) is as follows:

```
. char plant[omit] 3
. char toxsub[omit] 3
. xi plant toxsub
. xi: reg FEV i.plant i.toxsub i.plant*i.toxsub
i.plant           Iplant_1-3  (naturally coded; Iplant_1 omitted)
i.toxsub          Itoxsu_1-3  (naturally coded; Itoxsu_1 omitted)
i.plant*i.toxsub IpXt_#-#  (coded as above)

Source |       SS          df         MS
-----+----- Number of obs =      108
      F(  8 ,    99 ) =   44.10
Model |  94.6984615      8   11.8373077
Prob > F      = 0.0000
Residual |  26.575859     99   .26844302
R-squared      = 0.7809
-----+----- Adj R-squared = 0.7632
Total | 121.27432     107   1.13340486
Root MSE      = .51811
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The estimates of the various parameters are given as follows:

FEV	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
Iplant_1	-.3891667	.2115195	-1.840	0.069	-.8088673 .0305339
Iplant_2	-.44	.2115195	-2.080	0.040	-.8597006 -.0202994
Itoxsu_1	.9925	.2115195	4.692	0.000	.5727994 1.412201
Itoxsu_2	1.989167	.2115195	9.404	0.000	1.569466 2.408867
Iplant_1	(dropped)				
Iplant_2	(dropped)				
Itoxsu_1	(dropped)				
Itoxsu_2	(dropped)				
IpXt_1_1	1.1575	.2991338	3.870	0.000	.5639538 1.751046
IpXt_1_2	-1.273333	.2991338	-4.257	0.000	-1.86688 -.679787
IpXt_2_1	1.544167	.2991338	5.162	0.000	.9506204 2.137713
IpXt_2_2	-.9091666	.2991338	-3.039	0.003	-1.502713 -.3156203
_cons	3.1375	.1495669	20.977	0.000	2.840727 3.434273

This is equivalent output with that of an analysis of variance (although possibly less easy to read) as follows:

	FEV	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
_cons		3.1375	.1495669	20.977	0.000	2.840727 3.434273
plant	1	-.3891667	.2115195	-1.840	0.069	-.8088673 .0305339
	2	-.44	.2115195	-2.080	0.040	-.8597006 -.0202994
	3	(dropped)				
toxsub	1	.9925	.2115195	4.692	0.000	.5727994 1.412201
	2	1.989167	.2115195	9.404	0.000	1.569466 2.408867
	3	(dropped)				
plant*toxsub	1 1	1.1575	.2991338	3.870	0.000	.5639538 1.751046
	1 2	-1.273333	.2991338	-4.257	0.000	-1.86688 -.679787
	1 3	(dropped)				
	2 1	1.544167	.2991338	5.162	0.000	.9506204 2.137713
	2 2	-.9091666	.2991338	-3.039	0.003	-1.502713 -.3156203
	2 3	(dropped)				
	3 1	(dropped)				
	3 2	(dropped)				
	3 3	(dropped)				

Comments:

1. Notice that by default, the first (lowest) level of the variable plant and toxic substance is used as the reference level. Also, all interactions that involve these levels are “dropped” leaving only those factors that can be estimated with the available degrees of freedom. We have however, reparametrized the model leaving out the last (highest) level, to make it identical to a two-way analysis of variance.
2. To derive the equations of the model for each plant and toxic substance we have for all cells. For the three plants and toxic substances we have:

$$\bar{Y}_{11} = 3.1375 + (-0.3892) + 0.9925 + 1.1575 = 4.8983, \bar{Y}_{12} = 3.4642, \bar{Y}_{13} = 3.1375 + (-0.3892) = 2.7483$$

$$\bar{Y}_{21} = 5.2342, \bar{Y}_{22} = 3.7775 \text{ and } \bar{Y}_{23} = 2.6975$$

$$\bar{Y}_{31} = 4.1300, \bar{Y}_{32} = 3.1267 \text{ and } \bar{Y}_{33} = 3.1375 = \mu.$$

Since there is significant interaction, we there is no need to estimate the marginal (plant/toxsub means). The cell means can also be estimated using the STATA commands,

sort plant toxsub

by plant toxsub: sum FEV

Regression models for the analysis of covariance

The analysis of covariance can also be expressed in terms of a linear regression by reparametrizing the fixed effect in the usual way. The complete ANACOVA model (including interaction) is as follows:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \beta_2 Z + \beta_3 XZ + \varepsilon$$

For example, in the gender and systolic blood pressure example, we define the model above by coding the gender variable $X_i = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if gender = female} \\ 1, & \text{if gender = male} \end{cases}$, $Z = \text{age}$ and XZ is the age/gender interaction.

With this parametrization, the model for the males and females are:

$$\text{Males: } Y_M = \underbrace{(\beta_0 + \beta_1)}_{\beta_{0M}} + \underbrace{(\beta_2 + \beta_3)Z}_{\beta_{1M}} + \varepsilon$$

$$\text{Females: } Y_F = \beta_0 + \beta_2 Z + \varepsilon.$$

The STATA output from the dummy-variable regression of the gender and systolic blood pressure example follows:

```
. char gender[omit] 1
. xi: reg SBP age i.gender i.gender*age
i.gender           Igende_0-1   (naturally coded; Igende_1 omitted)
i.gender*age       IgXage_#    (coded as above)

Source |      SS          df          MS
-----+----- Number of obs =      69
      Model |  18010.3287      3  6003.4429
Residual |  5201.4394     65  80.0221447
-----+----- F(  3,    65) =    75.02
      Total |  23211.7681     68  341.349531
                                         Prob > F      =  0.0000
                                         R-squared    =  0.7759
                                         Adj R-squared =  0.7656
                                         Root MSE     =  8.9455

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SBP	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
age	.9493225	.1086412	8.738	0.000	.732351 1.166294
Igende_0	12.96144	7.011725	1.849	0.069	-1.041936 26.96482
Igende_0	(dropped)				
age	(dropped)				
IgXage_0	.0120301	.1451933	0.083	0.934	-.2779409 .3020011
_cons	97.07708	5.170455	18.775	0.000	86.75097 107.4032

Consider the equivalent ANACOVA produced by the `anova` command in STATA (which is performing regression since all variables are continuous):

. anova SBP age Igende_0 IgXage_0, continuous(age Igende_0 IgXage_0)						
		Number of obs = 69		R-squared = 0.7759		
		Root MSE = 8.94551		Adj R-squared = 0.7656		
Source	Partial SS	df	MS	F	Prob > F	
Model	18010.3287	3	6003.4429	75.02	0.0000	
age	6110.10173	1	6110.10173	76.36	0.0000	
Igende_0	273.443297	1	273.443297	3.42	0.0691	
IgXage_0	.549356192	1	.549356192	0.01	0.9342	
Residual	5201.4394	65	80.0221447			
Total	23211.7681	68	341.349531			

. reg					
Source	SS	df	MS		
Model	18010.3287	3	6003.4429		
Residual	5201.4394	65	80.0221447		
Total	23211.7681	68	341.349531		
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SBP	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
_cons	97.07708	5.170455	18.775	0.000	86.75097 107.4032
age	.9493225	.1086412	8.738	0.000	.732351 1.166294
Igende_0	12.96144	7.011725	1.849	0.069	-1.041936 26.96482
IgXage_0	.0120301	.1451933	0.083	0.934	-.2779409 .3020011

Using the new variables `Igende_0` ($\equiv \text{gender} == 0$) and `IgXage_0` ($\equiv (\text{gender} == 0) * \text{age}$).

Notice that it would be equivalent in this case to type

anova age gender age*gender, continuous(age gender)

We see that the *t* tests in the regression are exactly equivalent to the partial (Type III) *F* tests above.

Comments:

1. The main effect, estimate of the slope of the covariate and the interaction effect are a bit easier to read from the output, since the reparametrization of the model permits direct estimation.
2. From the output, we see that the estimate of the intercept for females is $\text{_cons} = \hat{\beta}_{0F} = 97.0771$, while that of the slope for age $\hat{\beta}_{age} = 0.9493$ and the estimate of the interaction effect $\hat{\gamma}_{age \times gender} = 0.01203$ (disregard for a moment that the interaction term is not significant)
3. The t tests associated with the estimates of the slope and interaction are 8.738 (p-value < 0.0001) and 1.849 (p-value 0.069) and if we square them we get 76.353 and 3.419 respectively which are virtually equivalent to the partial (Type III) F statistics that were produced in the ANOVA output.
4. The model for males is $Y = (97.0771 + 12.9614) + (0.9493 + 0.0120)age = 109.9385 + 0.9613 \times age$, while for the females it is $Y = 97.0771 + 0.9493 \times age$.

