

Module 10: Advanced multiple regression

(The attached PDF file has better formatting.)

*Homework assignment: Two correlated independent variables*

*Do this homework assignment after module 12, which gives the equations for the standard errors of the least squares estimators.*

We regress the Y values on the  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  values in the table below.

$X_1$	$X_2$	Y	$X_1$	$X_2$	Y
1	1	1.016	6	8	-1.076
2	6	-3.429	7	4	3.461
3	2	0.049	8	9	-2.525
4	7	-3.099	9	5	4.195
5	3	0.359	10	10	-0.746

- What is the correlation of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ ?
- What is the least squares estimator of  $\alpha$ ?
- What is the least squares estimator of  $\beta_1$ , the coefficient of  $X_1$ ?
- What is the least squares estimator of  $\beta_2$ , the coefficient of  $X_2$ ?
- What is the standard error of the least squares estimator of  $\beta_1$ , the coefficient of  $X_1$ ?
- What is the standard error of the least squares estimator of  $\beta_2$ , the coefficient of  $X_2$ ?

Show the formulas and the computations. You can check your work with Excel or other statistical software.

*Jacob:* When using the equation on page 106 and page 107, what is  $R^2$ ? Is  $R^2$  the value from the Excel regression add-in using these two explanatory variables?

*Rachel:* No, the  $R^2$  in the equation on page 106 and page 107 is the correlation of the two explanatory variables, or the  $R^2$  from a regression on one on the other. If one have more than two explanatory variables, it is the  $R^2$  from a regression of the explanatory variable under consideration on all the other explanatory variables.

*Illustration:* In this homework assignment, the  $R^2$  from the regression on the response variable on the two explanatory variables is 0.8712. The correlation of the two explanatory variables is 0.6364. Use 0.6364 in the equation, not 0.8712.