

USING MALLOW'S C-STATISTIC WITH SOFTWARE

In arc:

- Run the full model.
- Select “Examine submodels” from the model menu.
- Use the options:
 - “Add to base model (Forward selection)”
 - “Delete from full model (Backward selection)”
- The first option will:
 - Start with the “base model” (specified by user)
 - Fit all submodels obtained by *adding* just one term to the base model
 - Give C_1 for each such submodel
 - Add the term giving *lowest* C_1
 - Repeat with the new model (one additional term) as base model
- The second option will:
 - Start with all terms in the full model
 - Fit all submodels obtained by *deleting* just one term from the full model
 - Give C_1 for each such submodel
 - Drop the term giving the smallest C_1
 - Repeat with the new model (one less term)
- Use *both* options, since each might give some submodels not given by the other.

Other software:

- Varies.
- Features called “Forward selection” and “Backward elimination” might *not* give C_1 . (*Note:* Some software has features with these names that decide to add or delete terms based on F or t-statistics. These are *not* recommended – see pp. 280-283.)
- Features with other names (e.g., “Best subsets”) might give C_1
- You can run a submodel and calculate C_1 by hand, but using a built-in feature is more convenient if available, since you get C_1 for several submodels at once.