

Preliminary Examination:
LINEAR MODELS

Answer all questions and show all work.

1. Consider a completely randomized experiment in which a total of 10 rats were randomly assigned to 5 treatment groups with 2 rats in each treatment group. Suppose the different treatments correspond to different doses of a drug in milliliters per gram of body weight as indicated in the following table.

Treatment	1	2	3	4	5
Dose of Drug (mL/g)	0	2	4	8	16

Suppose for $i = 1, \dots, 5$, and $j = 1, 2$, Y_{ij} denotes the weight at the end of the study of the j th rat from the i treatment group. Further more, suppose

$$Y_{ij} = \mu_i + \epsilon_{ij},$$

where μ_1, \dots, μ_5 are unknown parameters and the ϵ_{ij} terms are *i.i.d.* $N(0, \sigma^2)$ for some unknown parameter $\sigma^2 > 0$. Use the R code and partial output provided with this exam to give numerical answer the following questions.

- Provide the BLUE of μ_2 .
- Determine the standard error of the BLUE of μ_2 .
- Conduct a test for $H_0 : \mu_1 = \mu_2$ vs. $H_a : \mu_1 \neq \mu_2$. Provide a test statistic, the distribution of the test statistic under H_0 and H_a , respectively.
- Does a simple linear regression model with body weight as a response and dose as a *quantitative* explanatory variable fit these data adequately? Provide a matrix \mathbf{A} and a vector \mathbf{c} so that the null hypothesis of the test can be written as $H_0 : \mathbf{A}'\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{c}$, where $\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\mu_1, \dots, \mu_5)'$. Also provide a test statistic, its distribution under H_0 .

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> plot(d,y) #See plot on the back of this page.
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> dose=as.factor(d)
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> o1=lm(y~dose)
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> summary(o1)
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Coefficients:
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	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	351.000	6.576	53.372	4.37e-08	***
dose2	-10.000	9.301	-1.075	0.331406	
dose4	-6.000	9.301	-0.645	0.547277	
dose8	-17.000	9.301	-1.828	0.127119	
dose16	-70.500	9.301	-7.580	0.000634	***

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> anova(o1)
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Analysis of Variance Table
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Response: y
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	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
dose		6505.6			
Residuals		432.5			

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> is.numeric(d)
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[1] TRUE
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> o2=lm(y~d)
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> anova(o2)
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Analysis of Variance Table
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Response: y
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	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
d		5899.6			
Residuals		1038.5			

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> o3=lm(y~d+dose)
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> anova(o3)
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Analysis of Variance Table
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Response: y
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	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
d					0.0004245 ***
dose					0.1907591
Residuals					

2. Let Y_0, Y_1, \dots, Y_n follow a general linear model,

$$Y_i = \mathbf{x}_i' \boldsymbol{\beta} + \delta_i; i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

where the vector $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ is p -dimensional; $\mathbf{x}_0, \mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n$ are known covariates, and $\delta_0, \delta_1, \dots, \delta_n$ are mean-zero error terms. Write $\mathbf{Y} \equiv (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)'$, $\mathbf{X} \equiv (\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_n)'$, and $\boldsymbol{\delta} \equiv (\delta_1, \dots, \delta_n)'$. Notice that Y_0 is NOT part of \mathbf{Y} and plays a special role in this question.

Define

$$\Sigma_{YY} = \text{var}(\mathbf{Y}), \boldsymbol{\sigma}_{Y_0} = \text{cov}(\mathbf{Y}, Y_0), \sigma_{00} = \text{var}(Y_0).$$

The parameters $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ are unknown, but assume that Σ_{YY} , $\boldsymbol{\sigma}_{Y_0}$, and σ_{00} are known. Suppose that \mathbf{Y} is observed with measurement error and the data are:

$$\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{Y} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon},$$

where $\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n)'$ is independent of \mathbf{Y} , and $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n$ are *i.i.d.* random variables with mean zero and known variance σ_ε^2 . Notice that there is NO observation Z_0 . We wish to make inference on Y_0 and $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ based on the data \mathbf{Z} using only first- and second-moment assumptions. (In the case of Y_0 we call the inference prediction, and in the case of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ we call the inference estimation.)

- a. Derive the expression for $\Sigma_{ZZ} \equiv \text{var}(\mathbf{Z})$ in terms of the parameters defined above.
- b. We first consider inference on $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ (i.e., estimation).
 - b-i. Give the Generalized Least Squares (GLS) estimator $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS}$. [Assume that all necessary matrix inverses exist.]
 - b-ii. Consider any linear estimator,

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{A}) \equiv \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Z},$$

where \mathbf{A} is a $p \times n$ matrix. Now define the $p \times p$ matrix,

$$Q(\mathbf{A}) \equiv E\{(\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Z})(\boldsymbol{\beta} - \mathbf{A}\mathbf{Z})'\}.$$

We wish to minimize $\mathbf{k}'Q(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{k}$ with respect to \mathbf{A} for any given \mathbf{k} , where \mathbf{A} is restricted to satisfy $E(\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}(\mathbf{A})) = \boldsymbol{\beta}$. Show that $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}_{GLS}$ is a solution to this optimization problem. [Hint: Minimize $\mathbf{k}'Q(\mathbf{A})\mathbf{k}$ with respect to $\mathbf{a} \equiv \mathbf{A}'\mathbf{k}$.]

- c. We now consider inference on Y_0 (i.e., prediction)
 - c-i. Assume $\boldsymbol{\beta}$ is known in this part (this assumption will be relaxed in the next part). Define the loss function,

$$L(Y_0, \hat{Y}_0) = (\hat{Y}_0 - Y_0)^2.$$

The optimal linear predictor is obtained by minimizing $E(L(Y_0, \hat{Y}_0))$; you may assume that it is given by,

$$\hat{Y}_0(\boldsymbol{\beta}) = \mathbf{x}_0' \boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\sigma}'_{Y_0} \Sigma_{ZZ}^{-1} (\mathbf{Z} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}).$$

Give an expression for the mean squared prediction error,

$$M_1(\beta) \equiv E(\hat{Y}_0(\beta) - Y_0)^2.$$

How does $M_1(\beta)$ vary with β ?

- c-ii. In reality, β is unknown. One way to deal with this is to “plug in” an estimator, $\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}) \equiv \mathbf{AZ}$, to yield the estimated predictor, $\hat{Y}_0(\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}))$, and the estimated mean squared prediction error, $M(\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}))$. Show that $\hat{Y}_0(\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}))$ is of the form,

$$\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{A})'\mathbf{Z},$$

and give a formula for $\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{A})$. Also give a formula for $M_1(\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}))$.

- d. Now, $M_1(\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}))$ does not account for the variability in $\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A})$. From (c)-ii, recall that $\hat{Y}_0(\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A})) = \mathbf{b}(\mathbf{A})'\mathbf{Z}$, where $\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}) = \mathbf{AZ}$. It is not hard to show (but you do NOT have to show it here) that any linear unbiased predictor can be written as $\hat{Y}_0(\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A}))$ where $\hat{\beta}(\mathbf{A})$ is an unbiased estimator of β . You may assume that (*no need to prove*)

$$\begin{aligned} M_2(\mathbf{A}) &\equiv E(\mathbf{b}(\mathbf{A})'\mathbf{Z} - Y_0)^2 \\ &= \sigma_{00} - \sigma'_{Y_0} \Sigma_{ZZ}^{-1} \sigma_{Y_0} + (\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{X}'\Sigma_{ZZ}^{-1} \sigma_{Y_0})' \mathbf{Q}(\mathbf{A}) (\mathbf{x}_0 - \mathbf{X}'\Sigma_{ZZ}^{-1} \sigma_{Y_0}). \end{aligned}$$

- d-i. Use this to find the Best Linear Unbiased Predictor (BLUP), Y_0^* , of Y_0 .
d-ii. Derive the expression for $M^* \equiv E[(Y_0^* - Y_0)^2]$. Compare the two expressions, $M_1(\hat{\beta}_{GLS})$ and M^* .

3. In *regularized* regression on p predictors, we seek an estimator $\hat{\beta}_R(\Lambda)$ in the model

$$\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{X}\beta + \varepsilon, \quad E(\varepsilon|\mathbf{X}) = \mathbf{0}, \quad \text{var}(\varepsilon|\mathbf{X}) = \sigma^2 \mathbf{I}_n,$$

that minimizes,

$$SS_{\Lambda}(\beta) = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta)'(\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{X}\beta) + \beta'\Lambda'\Lambda\beta.$$

- a. Show that the least-squares estimator for β in the augmented model (with artificial observations)

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Y} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X} \\ \Lambda \end{bmatrix} \beta + \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \\ \tilde{\varepsilon} \end{bmatrix}$$

is $\hat{\beta}_R(\Lambda) \equiv \underset{\beta}{\text{argmin}} SS_{\Lambda}(\beta)$ and give the expression for it.

For parts (b)-(d), assume that $\mathbf{X} \equiv [\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_p]$ is *orthogonal* and that we now focus on one regularizing parameter λ and set $\Lambda = \sqrt{\lambda} \mathbf{I}_p$. Denote $\hat{\beta}_R(\lambda) \equiv \hat{\beta}_R(\Lambda)$.

- b. If $\hat{\beta}$ is the least-squares estimate for the model, show that

$$(\hat{\beta}_R(\Lambda))_i = s_i(\lambda) \hat{\beta}_i,$$

for $i = 1, \dots, p$ and provide the expression for $s_i(\lambda)$, called the i -th *shrinkage factor*.

- c. Define the hat matrix $\mathbf{H}(\lambda)$ with respect to $\hat{\beta}_R(\lambda)$ and show that $\mathbf{H}(\lambda)$ is symmetric but *not*, in general, idempotent.
- d. Find the *effective degrees of freedom*, defined as the trace of $\mathbf{H}(\lambda)$,

$$df(\lambda) \equiv \text{tr}(\mathbf{H}(\lambda)).$$

Verify that $df(0) = p$ (no regularization), and describe the behavior of $df(\lambda)$ as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$. [Hint: Recall that $\text{tr}(AB) = \text{tr}(BA)$.]

4. Consider the following model:

$$y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_i + e_{ij}, \quad i = 1, \dots, a, \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

where μ is the population mean of the response, α_i denotes the effect of the i th randomly selected treatment and is assumed to be distributed *i.i.d.* $N(0, \sigma_\alpha^2)$, and e_{ij} denotes the random error and is distributed *i.i.d.* $N(0, \sigma^2)$. It is also assumed that α_i and e_{ij} are independent random variables. Let $\mathbf{y} = (y_{11}, \dots, y_{an})^T$.

Let $SST = \sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^n (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_{..})^2$, $SSA = n \sum_{i=1}^a (y_i - \bar{y}_{..})^2$ and $SSE = \sum_{i=1}^a \sum_{j=1}^n (y_{ij} - \bar{y}_i)^2$.

- a. Show that the log likelihood function of $(\mu, \sigma_\alpha^2, \sigma^2)$ is

$$-\frac{N}{2} \log(2\pi) - \frac{N-a}{2} \log \sigma^2 - \frac{a}{2} \log(\sigma^2 + n\sigma_\alpha^2) - \frac{SSE}{2\sigma^2} - \frac{SSA}{2(\sigma^2 + n\sigma_\alpha^2)} - \frac{N(\bar{y}_{..} - \mu)^2}{2(\sigma^2 + n\sigma_\alpha^2)},$$

where $N = an$, $\mu \in \mathbf{R}$, $\sigma_\alpha^2 \geq 0$ and $\sigma^2 \geq 0$.

- b. Derive the REML (Restricted Maximum Likelihood) estimators of $(\sigma_\alpha^2, \sigma^2)$.