

BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION
BSc. IN STATISTICS AND FINANCIAL MATHEMATICS

SFM212

LINEAR REGRESSION

Time : 3 hours

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Candidates may attempt ALL questions in Section A and at most TWO questions in Section B. Each question should start on a fresh page.

SECTION A (40 marks)

Candidates may attempt ALL questions being careful to number them A1 to A5.

A1. Define the following terms as they are used in statistics:

- (a) multi-collinearity, [2]
- (b) leverage, [2]
- (c) autocorrelation. [2]

A2. (a) State the assumptions underlying the use of the least squares technique. [2]

(b) Given a simple linear model $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + e_i$, derive the least squares estimators for β_0 and β_1 . [6]

(c) Prove that

$$\widehat{\beta}_0 \sim N\left(\beta_0, \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{S_{xx}}\right)\right).$$

[4]

A3. (a) What do you understand by Latin Square Design? [2]

(b) Give a statistical equation for the Latin Square Design. [2]

(c) Distinguish between a Latin Square Design from a Randomised Block Design. [2]

- A4.** A certain experiment was conducted and the data below was collected. The regression model assumed is

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + e_i$$

Observation	X_i	Y_i	Observation	X_i	Y_i
1	125	160	7	75	42
2	100	112	8	175	124
3	200	124	9	125	150
4	75	28	10	200	104
5	150	143	11	100	136
6	175	156	12	150	161

- (a) Construct an analysis of variance table. [4]
 (b) Test at the 5% level of significance, the lack of fit of the model. [4]

- A5.** Given that $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$.

- (a) Show that $\hat{\beta}$ can be expressed as $\hat{\beta} = AY$, where A is to be determined. [2]
 (b) Show that $E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta$. [3]
 (c) Show that $Var(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2(X^T X)^{-1}$. [3]

SECTION B (60 marks)

Candidates may attempt TWO questions being careful to number them B6 to B8.

- B6.** (a) The response time in milliseconds was determined for different types of circuits that could be used in an automatic value shut-off mechanism. The results were:

Circuit Type	Response Time				
1	09	12	10	08	15
2	20	21	23	17	30
3	06	05	08	16	07

- (i) Suggest an appropriate model for the data. [4]
 (ii) Estimate the model parameters μ and τ_i . [4]
 (iii) Test the hypothesis that the three circuit types have the same response time. (Use $\alpha = 0.05$) [10]

- (b) Assume the following table came from the analysis of a randomised block design. Given the following data set

Source	df	SS	MS	F
Treatments	4	b	e	5
Blocks	a	c	48	6
Error	20	d	f	

- (i) Determine the values of a through to f . Show all working. [6]
(ii) Provide tests of treatments and blocks with $\alpha = 0.05$. What are your conclusions? [6]

- B7. The following data shows a segment of the series on percentage wage change for Y , unemployment X_1 and percentage price changes, X_2 inflation.

Y	X_1	X_2
3	3	5
1	1	4
8	5	6
3	2	4
5	4	6

- (a) Briefly discuss the underlying assumptions of multiple regression. [4]
(b) Fit a multiple regression model to this data. [7]
(c) Calculate the fitted values and compute the residuals. [4]
(d) Construct the basic ANOVA table, hence test the significance of regression at $\alpha = 0.10$. [6]
(e) Prove that $\hat{\beta}_j \pm t_{(\frac{\alpha}{2}, n-p)} S \sqrt{C_{jj}}$, where $C_{jj} = (X^T X)^{-1}$. [5]
(f) Find 95% confidence interval for $\hat{\beta}_1$. [4]

- B8. A test is to be run on a given process for the purpose of determining the effect of an independent variable X (such as process temperature) on a certain characteristic property of finished product Y (such as density). Four observations are to be taken at each of the five settings of the independent variable X . When the test was actually run, the following results were obtained.

$$\bar{x} = 5.0; \quad \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 = 160.0; \quad \bar{y} = 3.0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) = 80; \quad \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = 83.2$$

Assume that a model of the type $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + e_i$

- (a) Calculate the fitted regression equation. [6]
- (b) Prepare the ANOVA table. [8]
- (c) Determine 95% confidence limits for the true mean value of y when $x = 5.0$. [6]
- (d) Test for the significance of the regression model. [6]
- (e) Determine a 95% confidence interval for β_1 . [4]

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