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BACHELOR OF STATISTICS AND FINANCIAL MATHEMATICS

SFM212

LINEAR REGRESSION ANALYSIS

Time : 3 hours

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Candidates should attempt ALL questions in section A and at most TWO questions in section B.

**SECTION A (40 marks)**

Candidates may attempt ALL questions being careful to number them A1 to A4

- A1.** (a) Briefly describe the following terms used in regression analysis.
- (i) Analysis of variance, [2]
- (ii) Lack of fit, [2]
- (b) Outline any four assumptions of the least squares technique. [4]
- A2.** Given that  $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$  is a design matrix,
- (a) Show that  $\hat{\beta}$  can be expressed as  $\hat{\beta} = AY$ , where  $A$  is to be determined. [3]
- (b) Show that  $E(\hat{\beta}) = \beta$ . [4]
- (c) Show that  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$ . [6]
- A3.** The following is a partial edited multiple regression SPSS output relating price to age, audience size, and attendance.

ANOVA Model 1: Dependent Variable :Price

	Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
Regression	5288169.883	b	1762723.294	d	.000
Residual	a	20	c		
Total	5724333.333	23			

  

	Coefficients				
	Parameter Estimate	Standard Error	Beta	t-value	Sig.
Constant	20.8	7.046		22.826	.000
Age	6.2	.0	.194	2.472	.000
Audience Size	0.3	.025	.952	2.113	.000
Attendance	9.8	2.999	.678	2.9090	.078

- (a) Write down the equation of the fitted regression line. [4]  
 (b) Find the values of  $a, b, c$  and  $d$  in the ANOVA table. [7]  
 (c) Test the significance of the regression model, using  $\alpha = 0.05$ . [4]

A4. The regression model for parameters  $X$  and  $Y$  is defined as  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$ . Given that the confidence interval for  $Y_0$  at  $X = 80$  is  $(364.65 \quad 385.90)$ , Test the hypothesis given below:

$$H_0 : Y_0 = 320$$

$$H_1 : Y_0 \neq 320$$

[4]

### SECTION B (60 marks)

Candidates may attempt TWO questions being careful to number them B5 to B7.

B5. Consider the following data set, where  $Y$  is the dependent variable and  $X$  is the explanatory variable

X	4	8	5	9	10
Y	2	3	4	6	8

Suppose the data can be described by model  $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + e_i$  where  $e_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  and  $\text{Cov}(e_i, e_j) = 0$  for  $i \neq j$ .

- (a) Express the above model in matrix form. [1]  
 (b) Obtain the design matrix  $X$ ,  $[X'X]$ ,  $[X'Y]$  and  $[X'X]^{-1}$ . [1,2,2,3]  
 (c) Find the least squares estimator of  $\beta$ . [3]  
 (d) Construct the ANOVA table and test for significance of the regression line using  $\alpha = 0.05$ . [10]  
 (e) Test the hypothesis  $H_0 : \beta_0 = 0$  versus  $H_1 : \beta_0 \neq 0$  at  $\alpha = 0.05$ . [3]  
 (f) Estimate  $Y$  at  $X = 7$  and find the 95% confidence interval for this mean response. [2,3]

B6. To study the per capita consumption of chicken in response to income in Zimbabwe, you are given data below, where  $Y$  denotes per capita consumption of chickens ( $Kg$ ) and  $X$  denotes real disposable income per capita (\$).

Y	36	72	48	51	80	40	55	72	39	47
X	240	450	250	320	450	250	330	430	240	320

- (a) Fit the regression model to this data using the method of least squares. [7]
- (b) Construct the ANOVA table and test for significance of the regression line. Use  $\alpha = 0.05$ . [10]
- (c) State the conditions required for the lack of fit test. [2]
- (d) Test for lack of fit at  $\alpha = 0.05$ , clearly stating  $H_0$  and  $H_1$ . [8]
- (e) Calculate the coefficient of variation and interpret your answer. [3]

- B7.** (a) Outline the problems associated with auto-correlation. [6]
- (b) Suppose we wish to determine whether four different tips produce different readings on a hardness testing machine. There are four tips and four available metal coupons. Each tip is tested once on each coupon resulting in a randomized complete block design. The data obtained is given below:

Type of tip	Coupon (Block)			
	1	2	3	4
1	9.3	9.4	9.6	10.0
2	9.4	9.3	9.8	9.9
3	9.2	9.4	9.5	9.7
4	9.7	9.6	10.0	10.2

- (i) Write the appropriate model for this data (define all the terms used). [5]
- (ii) Can we conclude at 5% that the type of tip affects mean hardness reading? [10]
- (c) Distinguish Latin square from randomised block design. [4]
- (d) Explain the procedure for testing and assessing regression model validity. [5]

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