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科目：迴歸分析

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1. (20 pts) Consider data  $\{(x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_n, y_n)\}$ . Suppose that the postulated regression model is

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

where

$$\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2).$$

In fact, the true model is

$$y_i = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 x_i + \alpha_2 x_i^2 + \alpha_3 x_i^3 + e_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

where  $e_1, \dots, e_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \sigma_0^2)$ . Let  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  denote the least squares estimators of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ , respectively.

- (a) (10 pts) Suppose that  $n = 5m$  and  $x_{5j-k} = -k + 2$  where  $1 \leq j \leq m$  and  $k = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ . Determine  $E(\hat{\beta}_0)$ ,  $E(\hat{\beta}_1)$ , and  $Var(\hat{\beta}_1)$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ .
- (b) (10 pts) Suppose that  $\alpha_0 = \alpha_1 = \alpha_2 = 0$ ,  $n = 4m + 1$ , and  $x_i = (i - 1)/m - 2$ . Find  $E(r_1)$ ,  $E(r_{m+1})$ ,  $E(r_{2m+1})$ , and  $Var(r_{2m+1})$  where  $r_i = y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$ .
2. (25 pts) Consider the multiple linear regression model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_p x_{ip} + \epsilon_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

where

$$\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2).$$

Let  $\hat{\beta}_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_p$  denote the least squares estimators and  $\hat{Y}_{x_1, \dots, x_p} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \sum_{j=1}^p \hat{\beta}_j x_j$  which is the predicted value of  $Y$  at  $(x_1, \dots, x_p)$ .

- (a) (10 pts) When  $p = 1$ , write

$$Y_i = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1(x_{i1} - \bar{x}_{.1}) + \epsilon_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

where  $\bar{x}_{.1} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i1}/n$ . Write  $\hat{\alpha}_0$  and  $\hat{\alpha}_1$  in terms of  $\hat{\beta}_0$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1$ , and  $\bar{x}_{.1}$  and determine  $Var(\hat{Y}_{\bar{x}_{.1}})$ . Moreover, show that  $Var(\hat{Y}_x) \geq \sigma^2/n$ .

- (b) (15 pts) For general  $p$ , show that  $Var(\hat{Y}_{x_1, \dots, x_p}) \geq \sigma^2/n$  and determine whether  $Var(\hat{Y}_{x_1, \dots, x_p}) = \sigma^2/n$  for some  $(x_1, \dots, x_p)$ .

3. (20 pts) Suppose

$$Y_i = \beta_0 x_{i0} + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \dots + \beta_{p-1} x_{i,p-1} + \epsilon_i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq n,$$

where  $\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n \stackrel{i.i.d.}{\sim} N(0, \sigma^2)$ . Write  $\mathbf{X}$  as the  $n \times p$  design matrix with the  $i$ th row  $(x_{i0}, x_{i1}, \dots, x_{i,p-1})$ . Assume  $\mathbf{X}$  is full rank. Let  $r$  be a nonzero positive constant.

- (a) (8 pts) Let  $\hat{\beta}_{r0}, \hat{\beta}_{r1}, \hat{\beta}_{r2}, \dots, \hat{\beta}_{r,p-1}$  denote the maximum likelihood estimates of  $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_{p-1}$  under the constraint  $\beta_0^2 + \beta_1^2 + \dots + \beta_{p-1}^2 \leq r^2$ . Determine  $\hat{\beta}_{r0}, \hat{\beta}_{r1}, \hat{\beta}_{r2}, \dots, \hat{\beta}_{r,p-1}$ .

(b) (12 pts) When  $p = 2$  and

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{X} = n \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho \\ \rho & 1 \end{pmatrix},$$

determine the maximum likelihood estimates of  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  under the constraint  $|\beta_0| + |\beta_1| \leq \tau$ .

4. (15 pts) Consider

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \beta_2 (x_i - x) \delta_i + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $\delta_i = I(x_i > x)$ ,  $I(\cdot)$  is the indicator function, and  $\epsilon_i$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , are uncorrelated random errors.  $x$  is unknown but  $x_{(1)} < x < x_{(n)}$ . Devise a method to estimate  $\beta_2$  and explain why it works.

5. (20 pts) Suppose that

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (x_{i1} - \bar{x}_{.1}) + \beta_2 (x_{i2} - \bar{x}_{.2}) + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Here  $\bar{x}_{.j}$  denotes the average of  $x_{1j}, \dots, x_{nj}$ . Someone suggests to find the least squares estimates of  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ , and  $\beta_2$  by the following two-stage procedure:

(a) Determine the least squares estimates of

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 (x_{i1} - \bar{x}_{.1}) + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

(b) Regress the residual from (1) on  $(x_{i1} - \bar{x}_{.2})$ .

Does this two-stage procedure leads to the usual least squares estimates of  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ , and  $\beta_2$ ? Justify your answer.