# 401-hw3

library(readr)

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```
library(car)

## Warning: package 'car' was built under R version 4.3.3

## Loading required package: carData

library(carData)
```

### Problem 2

a. Here, y depends on both x and w, and x depends on w. This configuration represents a **fork** because w affects both x and y.

```
# Set seed for reproducibility
set.seed(123)

# Generate the data
n <- 500
w <- runif(n, min = 0, max = 5)
delta <- rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 1)
x <- w + delta
epsilon <- rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 1)
y <- 4 + 2 * x - 3 * w + epsilon

# Correlation matrix
data <- data.frame(x = x, w = w, y = y)
cor_matrix <- cor(data)

# Basic descriptive statistics
summary_stats <- summary(data)

list(correlation_matrix = cor_matrix, summary_statistics = summary_stats)</pre>
```

```
## $correlation_matrix
##
                 Χ
## x
    1.0000000000 0.8189365 -0.0006478424
     0.8189364870 1.0000000 -0.5304605791
## y -0.0006478424 -0.5304606 1.0000000000
##
## $summary_statistics
##
          Х
##
   Min.
          :-1.546
                    Min.
                            :0.002327
                                               :-7.3449
                                        Min.
   1st Qu.: 1.138
                     1st Qu.:1.229984
                                        1st Qu.:-0.1165
##
   Median : 2.472
##
                     Median :2.382781
                                        Median : 1.6234
##
   Mean
         : 2.498
                     Mean
                           :2.476418
                                        Mean
                                             : 1.5896
                     3rd Qu.:3.664487
   3rd Qu.: 3.908
##
                                        3rd Qu.: 3.3221
                          :4.997023
##
   Max.
         : 6.943
                     Max.
                                        Max.
                                              :10.1170
```

```
# Linear regression of y on x
model1 <- lm(y ~ x, data = data)
# Summary of the model to check coefficients
summary(model1)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               10 Median
                               30
                                      Max
## -8.9352 -1.7057 0.0338 1.7308 8.5278
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 1.5920148 0.2064629
                                      7.711 6.85e-14 ***
              -0.0009786 0.0676899 -0.014
                                               0.988
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.649 on 498 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 4.197e-07, Adjusted R-squared: -0.002008
## F-statistic: 0.000209 on 1 and 498 DF, p-value: 0.9885
```

```
# Extracting 95% confidence interval for the coefficient of x confint(model1, "x", level = 0.95)
```

```
## 2.5 % 97.5 %
## x -0.1339717 0.1320145
```

c. The large p-value of 0.988 means we fail to reject the null hypothesis that the coefficient of x is 0, which suggests that the coefficient of x is not statistically significant at the 0.05 significance level. The 95% CI (-0.1339717, 0.1320145) does not cover the true slope of 2 for x.

```
# Linear regression of y on x and w
model2 <- lm(y ~ x + w, data = data)

# Summary of the model to check coefficients
summary(model2)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x + w, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                10 Median
                                30
                                       Max
## -2.5871 -0.7032 -0.0118 0.6028 3.1817
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 4.03394
                           0.09146
                                     44.11
                                             <2e-16 ***
                                     43.90
## X
                1.98951
                           0.04532
                                             <2e-16 ***
               -2.99402
                           0.05582 -53.63
                                             <2e-16 ***
## W
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.018 on 497 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8527, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8521
## F-statistic: 1438 on 2 and 497 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
# 95% confidence interval for the coefficient of x in the second model confint(model2, "x", level = 0.95)
```

```
## 2.5 % 97.5 %
## x 1.900471 2.078544
```

d. The small p-value that is < 2.2e-16 means we can reject the null hypothesis that the coefficient of x is 0, which suggests that the coefficient of x is significant at the 0.05 significance level. The 95% CI (1.900471, 2.078544) cover the true slope of 2 for x.

```
# Calculate VIF
vif_values <- vif(model2)
vif_values
```

```
## x w
## 3.036348 3.036348
```

e. The VIF for x is 3.036348 and the VIF for w is also 3.036348.

## **Problem 3**

a. In this case, w depends on y, which depends on x. This is a **collider** structure since y is an effect of both x and w.

```
set.seed(123)
# Generate the data
n <- 500
x \leftarrow runif(n, min = 0, max = 5)
delta \leftarrow rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 1)
y \leftarrow x + delta
epsilon \leftarrow rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 1)
w \leftarrow 4 + 2 * x + 3 * y + epsilon
# Correlation matrix
data \leftarrow data.frame(x = x, y = y, w = w)
cor_matrix <- cor(data)</pre>
# Basic descriptive statistics
summary_stats <- summary(data)</pre>
list(correlation_matrix = cor_matrix, summary_statistics = summary_stats)
## $correlation_matrix
##
## x 1.0000000 0.8189365 0.9138879
## y 0.8189365 1.0000000 0.9691315
## w 0.9138879 0.9691315 1.0000000
##
## $summary_statistics
##
          Х
                              У
                               :-1.546
## Min.
           :0.002327 Min.
                                          Min. :-0.4431
## 1st Qu.:1.229984 1st Qu.: 1.138
                                          1st Qu.: 9.8428
## Median :2.382781 Median : 2.472
                                          Median :16.2572
## Mean
           :2.476418 Mean : 2.498
                                          Mean
                                                 :16.4698
## 3rd Qu.:3.664487 3rd Qu.: 3.908
                                          3rd Qu.:22.7563
## Max.
           :4.997023 Max. : 6.943
                                          Max.
                                                 :34.1036
# Linear regression of y on x
model1 \leftarrow lm(y \sim x, data = data)
```

# Set seed for reproducibility

# Summary of the model to check coefficients

summary(model1)

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
        Min
                  10
                       Median
                                    30
                                            Max
## -2.82796 -0.61831 0.03553 0.69367 2.68062
##
## Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -1.552e-05 9.044e-02
                                        0.00
## X
                1.009e+00
                          3.168e-02
                                       31.84
                                               <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.006 on 498 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.6707, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 1014 on 1 and 498 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Extracting 95% confidence interval for the coefficient of x
confint(model1, "x", level = 0.95)
##
         2.5 %
                 97.5 %
```

```
## x 0.9465387 1.071016
```

c. The small p-value that is < 2.2e-16 means we can reject the null hypothesis that the coefficient of x is 0, which suggests that the coefficient of x is significant at the 0.05 significance level. The 95% CI (0.9465387, 1.071016) cover the true slope of 1 for x.

```
# Linear regression of y on x and w
model2 \leftarrow lm(y \sim x + w, data = data)
# Summary of the model to check coefficients
summary(model2)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x + w, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
                  10
                       Median
                                    30
                                            Max
## -0.92548 -0.20067 -0.00282 0.22810
                                       0.88489
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -1.211061
                           0.034308
                                    -35.30
                                            <2e-16 ***
## X
               -0.498835
                           0.025007
                                    -19.95
                                              <2e-16 ***
## W
                0.300218
                           0.004551
                                      65.97
                                              <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.3225 on 497 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9662, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 7113 on 2 and 497 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
# 95% confidence interval for the coefficient of x in the second model confint(model2, "x", level = 0.95)
```

```
## 2.5 % 97.5 %
## x -0.547967 -0.4497033
```

d. The small p-value that is < 2.2e-16 means we can reject the null hypothesis that the coefficient of x is 0, which suggests that the coefficient of x is significant at the 0.05 significance level. The 95% CI (-0.547967, -0.4497033) does not cover the true slope of 1 for x.

```
# Calculate VIF
vif_values <- vif(model2)
vif_values</pre>
```

```
## x w
## 6.067631 6.067631
```

e. The VIF for x is 6.067631 and the VIF for w is also 6.067631.

```
# R-squared and residual standard error for both models
r_squared_model1 <- summary(model1)$r.squared
se_model1 <- summary(model1)$sigma

r_squared_model2 <- summary(model2)$r.squared
se_model2 <- summary(model2)$sigma

list(
   model1 = list(R_squared = r_squared_model1, Residual_SE = se_model1),
   model2 = list(R_squared = r_squared_model2, Residual_SE = se_model2)
)</pre>
```

```
## $model1
## $model1$R_squared
## [1] 0.670657
##

## $model1$Residual_SE
## [1] 1.006324
##
##
## $model2
## $model2$R_squared
## [1] 0.9662433
##
## $model2$Residual_SE
## [1] 0.3225004
```

f. Model 2 is the better model as it explains more of the variability in y and has lower prediction error on average. Since the VIF values from Model 2 are around 3.04 for both predictors, multicollinearity is present but moderate. This suggests some dependence between predictors, which could affect coefficient stability and interpretability, although it isn't excessively high.

## Problem 4

a. In this case, w is influenced by x, and y depends on w. This configuration resembles a **pipe**, where the relationship flows from x to w and then to y.

```
set.seed(123)
# Generate the data
n <- 500
x \leftarrow runif(n, min = 0, max = 5)
delta \leftarrow rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 1)
w \leftarrow x + delta
epsilon \leftarrow rnorm(n, mean = 0, sd = 1)
y \leftarrow 2 * w + epsilon
# Correlation matrix
data \leftarrow data.frame(x = x, w = w, y = y)
cor_matrix <- cor(data)</pre>
# Basic descriptive statistics
summary_stats <- summary(data)</pre>
list(correlation_matrix = cor_matrix, summary_statistics = summary_stats)
## $correlation_matrix
##
## x 1.0000000 0.8189365 0.7871243
## w 0.8189365 1.0000000 0.9602132
## y 0.7871243 0.9602132 1.0000000
##
## $summary_statistics
##
          Х
           :0.002327 Min. :-1.546
                                                :-4.744
## Min.
                                         Min.
##
   1st Qu.: 2.116
## Median :2.382781 Median : 2.472
                                         Median : 4.848
## Mean
           :2.476418 Mean : 2.498
                                         Mean
                                              : 5.019
## 3rd Qu.:3.664487 3rd Qu.: 3.908
                                         3rd Qu.: 7.667
## Max.
           :4.997023 Max. : 6.943
                                         Max.
                                                :14.767
# Linear regression of y on x
model1 \leftarrow lm(y \sim x, data = data)
```

# Set seed for reproducibility

# Summary of the model to check coefficients

summary(model1)

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                 10 Median
                                  30
                                          Max
  -7.0346 -1.2424 -0.0477 1.3816 6.7231
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 0.03391
                             0.20180
                                       0.168
                                                 0.867
## X
                 2.01295
                             0.07068
                                      28.479
                                                <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.245 on 498 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.6196, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic:
                   811 on 1 and 498 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Extracting 95% confidence interval for the coefficient of x
confint(model1, "x", level = 0.95)
##
        2.5 %
                 97.5 %
## x 1.874081 2.151829
 c. The small p-value that is < 2.2e-16 means we can reject the null hypothesis that the coefficient of x is 0, which
    suggests that the coefficient of x is significant at the 0.05 significance level.
# Linear regression of y on x and w
model2 \leftarrow lm(y \sim x + w, data = data)
# Summary of the model to check coefficients
summary(model2)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x + w, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                 10 Median
                                  30
                                          Max
  -2.5871 -0.7032 -0.0118 0.6028 3.1817
##
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
```

d. The large p-value of 0.915 means we cannot reject the null hypothesis that the coefficient of x is 0, which suggests that the coefficient of x is not significant at the 0.05 significance level.

0.711

0.915

<2e-16 \*\*\*

## (Intercept) 0.033938

## Signif. codes:

0.005985

1.989508

## x

## W

##

## ---

0.091461

0.055822

## Residual standard error: 1.018 on 497 degrees of freedom

## F-statistic: 2938 on 2 and 497 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

## Multiple R-squared: 0.922, Adjusted R-squared:

0.045317 43.902

0.371

0.107

0 '\*\*\* 0.001 '\*\* 0.01 '\* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

e. The R squared of the first model is 0.6196, and the R squared of the second model is 0.922. Therefore, Model 2 is the better model as it explains more of the variability in y on average.

#### Problem 5

a.

 $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \epsilon$ , where the true regression coefficients are  $\beta_0 = 2$ ,  $\beta_1 = 2$ ,  $\beta_2 = 0.3$ , and the standard deviation of errors is 1 since  $\epsilon \sim N(0, 1)$ .

```
set.seed(1)
x1 <- runif(100) # part a
x2 <- 0.5*x1 + rnorm(100)/10
y <- 2 + 2*x1 + .3*x2 + rnorm(100)
cor(x1,x2)</pre>
```

```
## [1] 0.8351212
```

b. The correlation between x1 and x2 is 0.8351212.

```
model <- lm(y ~ x1 + x2)
summary(model)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x1 + x2)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                10 Median
                                30
                                       Max
## -2.8311 -0.7273 -0.0537 0.6338 2.3359
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                 2.1305
                            0.2319
                                     9.188 7.61e-15 ***
## (Intercept)
## x1
                 1.4396
                                     1.996
                            0.7212
                                              0.0487 *
## x2
                 1.0097
                            1.1337
                                     0.891
                                             0.3754
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.056 on 97 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2088, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1925
## F-statistic: 12.8 on 2 and 97 DF, p-value: 1.164e-05
```

```
confint(model)
```

```
## 2.5 % 97.5 %
## (Intercept) 1.670278673 2.590721
## x1 0.008213776 2.870897
## x2 -1.240451256 3.259800
```

c.

The estimated intercept 2.1305 is very close to the true intercept of 2. The estimated coefficient for  $x_1$  is 1.4396, which is lower than the true value of 2. The estimated coefficient for  $x_2$  is 1.0097, which is higher than the true value of 0.3. The regression provides parameter estimates that are in the same general direction as the true parameters, but with discrepancies due to statistical noise and potential multicollinearity.

The coefficient of  $x_1$  is 1.4396, with a t-statistics of 1.996 and p-value is equal to 0.0487. If we do a hypothesis test with  $H_0: B_1=0$  and  $H_1: B_1\neq 0$ , since 0.0487 < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, meaning that the coefficient of x is significant at the 0.05 level. The coefficient of  $x_2$  is 1.0097, with a t-statistics of 0.891 and p-value is equal to 0.3754. If we do a hypothesis test with  $H_0: B_2=0$  and  $H_1: B_2\neq 0$ , since 0.3754 > 0.05, we fail reject the null hypothesis, meaning that the coefficient of x is not significant at the 0.05 level. Therefore, x1 is significantly different from 0.

Based on the data, the true coefficients are both covered for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  in the CI at 95 confidence level.

```
modeld <- lm(y ~ x1)
summary(modeld)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x1)
##
## Residuals:
##
        Min
                  10
                       Median
                                    30
                                            Max
## -2.89495 -0.66874 -0.07785 0.59221
                                       2.45560
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                 2.1124
                            0.2307
                                     9.155 8.27e-15 ***
## x1
                 1.9759
                            0.3963
                                     4.986 2.66e-06 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.055 on 98 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2024, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1942
## F-statistic: 24.86 on 1 and 98 DF, p-value: 2.661e-06
```

```
confint(modeld)
```

```
## 2.5 % 97.5 %
## (Intercept) 1.654488 2.570299
## x1 1.189529 2.762329
```

d.

The coefficient of  $x_1$  in this model is 1.9759, with a t-statistics of 4.986 and p-value is equal to 2.66e-06. If we do a hypothesis test with  $H_0$ :  $B_1=0$  and  $H_1$ :  $B_1\neq 0$ , since 2.66e-06 < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, meaning that the coefficient of x is significant at the 0.05 level. The estimate of coefficient is very close to 2, and with relatively large standard error.

Therefore,  $\beta_1$  is significantly different from 0. The true  $\beta_1$  is included in the 95% CI.

```
modeld <- lm(y ~ x2)
summary(modeld)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x2)
##
## Residuals:
##
        Min
                  10
                       Median
                                    30
                                            Max
## -2.62687 -0.75156 -0.03598 0.72383 2.44890
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept)
                 2.3899
                            0.1949
                                     12.26 < 2e-16 ***
                 2.8996
                                      4.58 1.37e-05 ***
## x2
                            0.6330
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.072 on 98 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.1763, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1679
## F-statistic: 20.98 on 1 and 98 DF, p-value: 1.366e-05
```

```
confint(modeld)
```

```
## 2.5 % 97.5 %
## (Intercept) 2.003116 2.776783
## x2 1.643324 4.155846
```

e.

The coefficient of  $x_2$  in this model is 2.8996, with a t-statistics of 4.58 and p-value is equal to 1.37e-05. If we do a hypothesis test with  $H_0: B_1=0$  and  $H_1: B_1\neq 0$ , since 1.37e-05 < 0.05, we reject the null hypothesis, meaning that the coefficient of x is significant at the 0.05 level. The estimate of coefficient is very close to 3, whereas our true coefficient is 0.3 for  $x_2$ .

Therefore,  $\beta_2$  is significantly different from 0. From data, we saw that both the true  $\beta_2$  and intercept parameter are not included in the 95% CI.