

STAT 210
Applied Statistics and Data Analysis
Problem List 9
(Due on Week 10)

Problem 1

For this exercise we use the data set `ais` in library `DAAG`. We concentrate in six variables, `bmi`, `lbm`, `ssf`, `ht`, `wcc`, and `hc`.

- (i) Use the function `scatterplotMatrix` in the package `car` to obtain a graph matrix for the variables. Use the `corrplot.mixed` function in the package `corrplot` to draw a plot of the correlation coefficients for the four variables. Use also the `ggcorr` function in the package `GGally`. Comment.
- (ii) Fit a multiple regression model for `bmi` as a function of the other variables. Print the summary table and discuss the results.
- (iii) Using a stepwise procedure, select a minimal adequate model.
- (iv) Fit also models using the adjusted R^2 and AIC as criteria. Select a minimal adequate model out of all these procedures. Justify your answer.
- (v) Draw the diagnostic plots for your final model and discuss them.

Problem 2

For this question use the data set `PL925FPr2.csv`.

- (i) Read the data and plot `vary` as a function of `varx`. Fit a simple linear regression for `vary` as a function of `varx` and add the regression line to the plot. Comment. Obtain a summary for the regression and draw the diagnostic plots. Comment on the results.
- (ii) Now you are going to use the Box-Cox transformations to improve the model. To simplify this problem, you have to choose between two transformations of the output variable `vary`, a square root or a logarithm. Use the function `boxcox` on the package `MASS` with the argument set to the model you fitted in (i). If the confidence interval in the graph includes zero, choose a logarithmic transformation for `vary`. If the confidence interval in the graph includes 0.5 then choose a square root transformation.
- (iii) Fit a new model with the transformation that you choose in (ii). Obtain a summary of the new regression and compare with the previous one. Draw the diagnostic plots and compare with the previous results.
- (iv) Write down the final model in terms of the original variables. What would be the predicted `vary` for a point with `varx` = 45? Draw a scatterplot of `vary` against `varx` and add the regression line for the first model and the curve you obtained with the second regression.

Problem 3

The data for this question is stored in the file `PL925FPr3.csv`. It has two variables, `yvar` and `xvar`. We want to look at `yvar` as a function of `xvar`.

- (a) Draw a graph. Do these variables seem to be linearly related? Calculate the correlation.
- (b) Fit a linear model and comment on the results. What is the R^2 ?
- (c) Draw residual plots using the function `residualPlots` in the `car` package. Comment on your results.
- (d) Fit a quadratic model to these data and comment on the results. What are the R^2 and adjusted R^2 ?
- (e) Draw residual plots using the `car` function `residualPlots`. Comment on your results.
- (f) Fit a cubic model to these data and comment on the results. What are the R^2 and adjusted R^2 ? Is this a better model than the quadratic model? Give reasons for your answer.
- (g) Draw a scatterplot of `yvar` as a function of `xvar` and add the quadratic regression curve that you fitted.

Problem 4

Use the data set `PL925FPr4.csv` for this problem. This set has six variables, and we are interested in building a regression model for `vary` in terms of the other variables in the set.

- (a) Start by using the function `scatterplotMatrix` in the `car` library to obtain a matrix of scatterplots for the variables in the data set. Calculate and plot the correlation matrix. Comment on what you observe.
- (b) Fit a complete linear regression model and find a minimal adequate model using backward elimination with a critical p -value of 0.05.
- (c) Find a minimal adequate model using AIC and the function `stepAIC` in the `MASS` package. Compare with the model in (b)
- (d) Find a minimal adequate model maximizing the R^2 . Compare with the models in (b) and (c).
- (e) How many different models do you have? What would you do if you had to select one of them?