

Stat 431 Assignment 1 Spring 2021

Due by 4:00pm EDT on Friday May 28, 2021 via Crowdmark

Question 1 [10 marks] Adapted from Problems 6.9-6.14 of Kutner et al. (2005)

A large, national grocery retailer tracks productivity and costs of its facilities closely. Data were collected from a single distribution center for a one-year period. Each observation represents one week of activity. The variables included are the number of cases shipped (X_1), the indirect costs of the total labour hours as a percentage (X_2), a qualitative predictor called holiday that is coded 1 if the week has a holiday and 0 otherwise (X_3), and the total labour hours (Y).

The data are available as the `GroceryRetailer` data set in the `ALSM` R library. The code below will load the library and the data and display the internal structure of the data object.

```
> # install.packages('ALSM') # Should only need to run once, comment out
> # afterwards
> library(ALSM)
Warning: package 'ALSM' was built under R version 4.0.5
Warning: package 'leaps' was built under R version 4.0.5
Warning: package 'SuppDists' was built under R version 4.0.5
Warning: package 'car' was built under R version 4.0.5
> data(GroceryRetailer)
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> str(GroceryRetailer)
'data.frame': 52 obs. of 4 variables:
 $ y : int 4264 4496 4317 4292 4945 4325 4110 4111 4161 4560 ...
 $ x1: int 305657 328476 317164 366745 265518 301995 269334 267631 296350 277223 ...
 $ x2: num 7.17 6.2 4.61 7.02 8.61 6.88 7.23 6.27 6.49 6.37 ...
 $ x3: int 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 ...
```

- (a) **[2 marks]** Fit the main effects linear regression model $E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3$. State the estimated regression equation. Give precise interpretations for $\hat{\beta}_1$, $\hat{\beta}_2$, and $\hat{\beta}_3$.

```
> model <- lm(y ~ x1 + x2 + x3, data = GroceryRetailer)
> summary(model)

Call:
lm(formula = y ~ x1 + x2 + x3, data = GroceryRetailer)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-264.05 -110.73  -22.52   79.29  295.75

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  4264.00    100.00   42.64 <2e-16 ***
x1          305657.0    10000.00  30.57 <2e-16 ***
x2           7.17000    0.100000   71.70 <2e-16 ***
x3            0.00000    0.000000    0.00  1.000000
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

>
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(Intercept)  4.150e+03  1.956e+02  21.220 < 2e-16 ***
x1           7.871e-04  3.646e-04   2.159  0.0359 *
x2          -1.317e+01  2.309e+01  -0.570  0.5712
x3           6.236e+02  6.264e+01   9.954  2.94e-13 ***
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 143.3 on 48 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.6883,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.6689
F-statistic: 35.34 on 3 and 48 DF,  p-value: 3.316e-12

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The estimated regression Equation $E[\hat{y}] = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 x_2 + \hat{\beta}_3 x_3$ is $E[\hat{y}] = 4150 + 0.0007871x_1 - 13.17x_2 + 623.6x_3$

Precise interpretation for β s:

β_1 =Expected change in total labour hour associated with a one unit increase in the number of cases shipped (x_1) with fixed indirect costs of the total labour hours percentage and holiday predictor.

β_2 =Expected change in total labour hour associated with a one percentage increase in the indirect costs of the total labour hours as percentage (x_2) with a fixed number of cases shipped and holiday predictor.

β_3 =Expected change in total labour hour for holidays ($x_{i3} = 1$) versus non-holidays ($x_{i3} = 0$) with fixed number of cases shipped and percentage of indirect costs of the total labour hours.

- (b) [2 marks] Plot the (standardized) residuals against \hat{Y} , x_1 , x_2 , and x_3 on four separate graphs. Also prepare a normal quantile-quantile plot. Summarize your findings from these plots with respect to whether model assumptions appear to be satisfied or not. Be specific.

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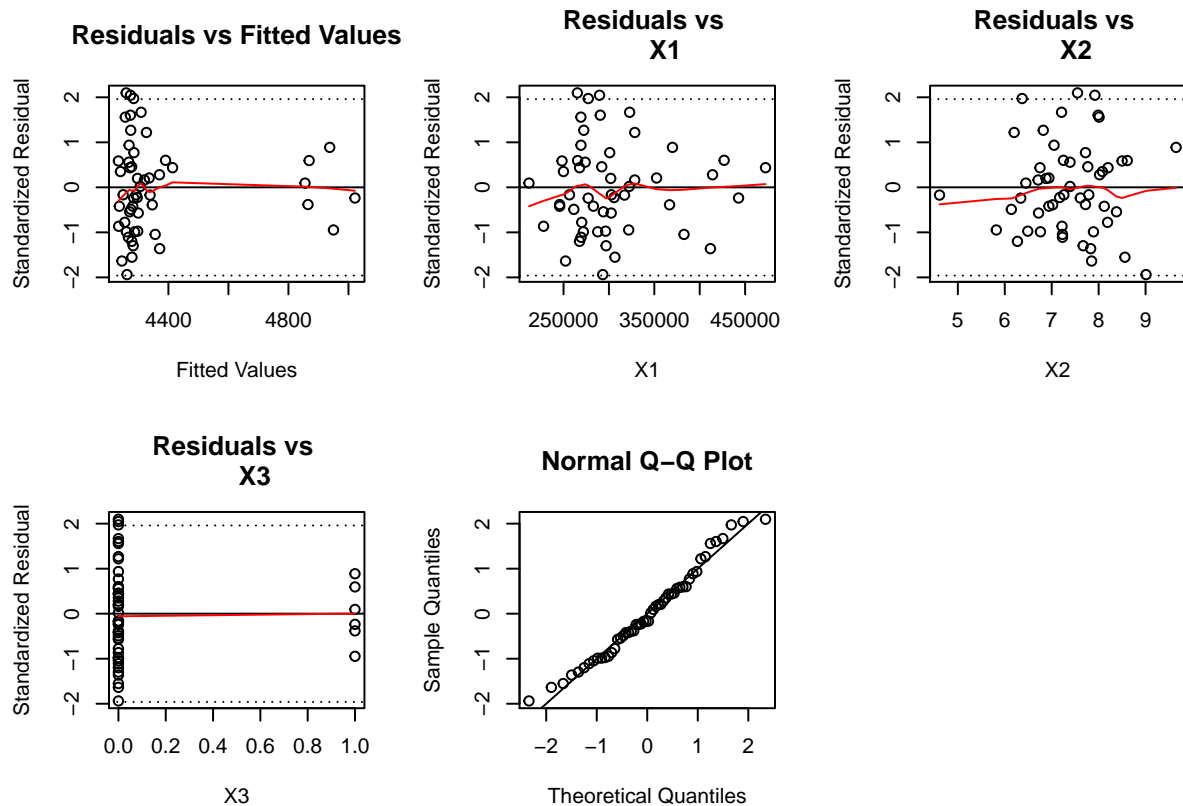
> par(mfrow = c(2, 3))
> plot(model$fitted.values, rstandard(model), main = "Residuals vs Fitted Values",
+      ylab = "Standardized Residual", xlab = "Fitted Values")
> abline(h = 0)
> abline(h = 1.96, lty = 3)
> abline(h = -1.96, lty = 3)
> lines(lowess(model$fitted.values, rstandard(model)), col = "red")
>
> plot(GroceryRetailer$x1, rstandard(model), main = "Residuals vs
+      X1", ylab = "Standardized Residual",
+      xlab = "X1")
> abline(h = 0)
> abline(h = 1.96, lty = 3)
> abline(h = -1.96, lty = 3)
> lines(lowess(GroceryRetailer$x1, rstandard(model)), col = "red")
>
> plot(GroceryRetailer$x2, rstandard(model), main = "Residuals vs
+      X2", ylab = "Standardized Residual",
+      xlab = "X2")
> abline(h = 0)
> abline(h = 1.96, lty = 3)
> abline(h = -1.96, lty = 3)
> lines(lowess(GroceryRetailer$x2, rstandard(model)), col = "red")
>
> plot(GroceryRetailer$x3, rstandard(model), main = "Residuals vs
+      X3", ylab = "Standardized Residual",

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+       xlab = "X3")
> abline(h = 0)
> abline(h = 1.96, lty = 3)
> abline(h = -1.96, lty = 3)
> lines(lowess(GroceryRetailer$x3, rstandard(model)), col = "red")
>
> qqnorm(rstandard(model))
> abline(0, 1)

```



Comments: Since there are total 52 obs in the dataset, we expect maximum 2 points outside the interval $(-1.96, 1.96)$. For all four points, we can see that all plots have exactly 2 points outside the range despite that a few points are at the boundary. For the fitted values, most of the data are located at the left. For x_1 , we see that data are positioned slightly at left. For x_2 , there is a large cluster of points in the middle of the range. For x_3 , because of the nature of the data, all points are at 0 or 1. For all four plots, the lowess lines are going around 0, despite that lines of x_1 and x_2 are slightly off on the left side. From first four graphs, we will say that the model assumption can be satisfied, but we need a more direct visualization of residuals. Therefore, we check the qq-plot. In this plot, data density is high in the middle around 0 and low at tails. This really satisfies the shape of normal distribution. Therefore, we conclude that the model assumptions appear to satisfy.

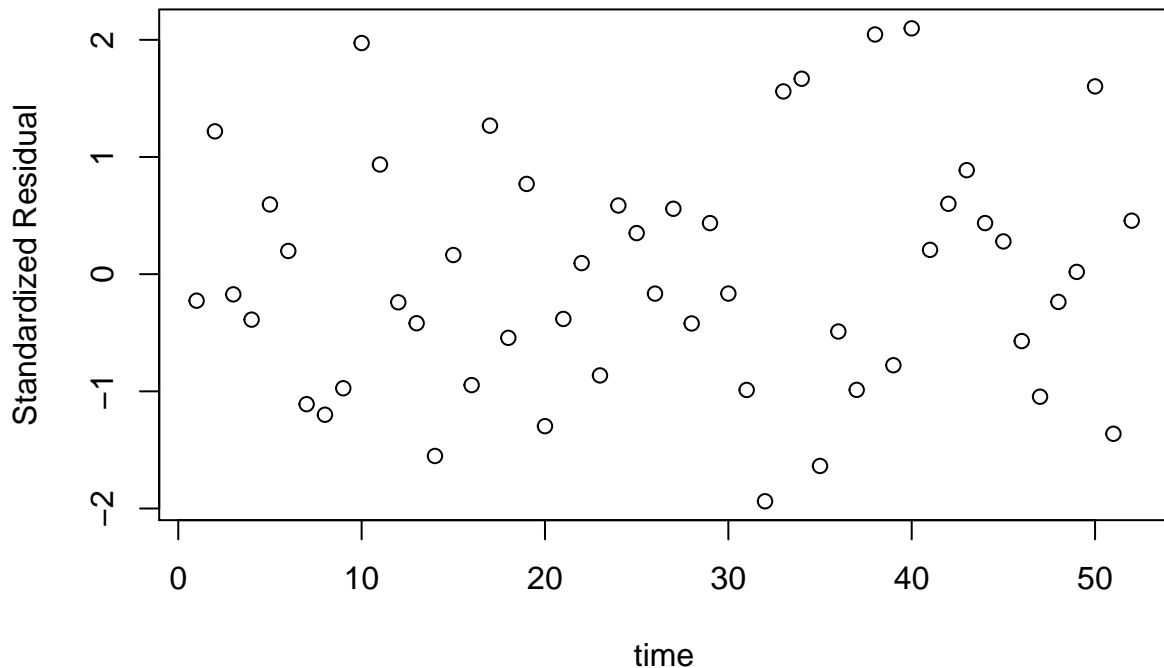
- (c) [2 marks] Plot the (standardized) residuals versus time. The order of observations in the data represents sequential weeks. Is there any indication that the error terms are correlated? Discuss.

```

> plot(rstandard(model), main = "Residuals versus Time", ylab = "Standardized Residual",
+       xlab = "time")

```

Residuals versus Time



Comments: From the plot, we see that the residuals are uniformly distributed in the range. We don't see a clear pattern in the graph. Therefore, there is no indication that the error terms are correlated.

Regardless of your conclusions above, assume that the regression model is appropriate.

- (d) [2 marks] Compute a 95% confidence interval for the regression parameter for holiday week. You can use the estimate and its standard error obtained from the R `summary()` object but you must show the details of the calculation (i.e. formula, values, result).

```
> summary(model)$coeff
              Estimate Std. Error   t value    Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  4.149887e+03 1.955654e+02 21.2199453 4.902653e-26
x1           7.870804e-04 3.645540e-04  2.1590228 3.587650e-02
x2          -1.316602e+01 2.309173e+01 -0.5701616 5.712274e-01
x3           6.235545e+02 6.264095e+01  9.9544230 2.940869e-13
> qt(0.975, 48)
[1] 2.010635
> 623.55 + c(-1, 1) * qt(0.975, 48) * 62.64
[1] 497.6038 749.4962
```

Steps:

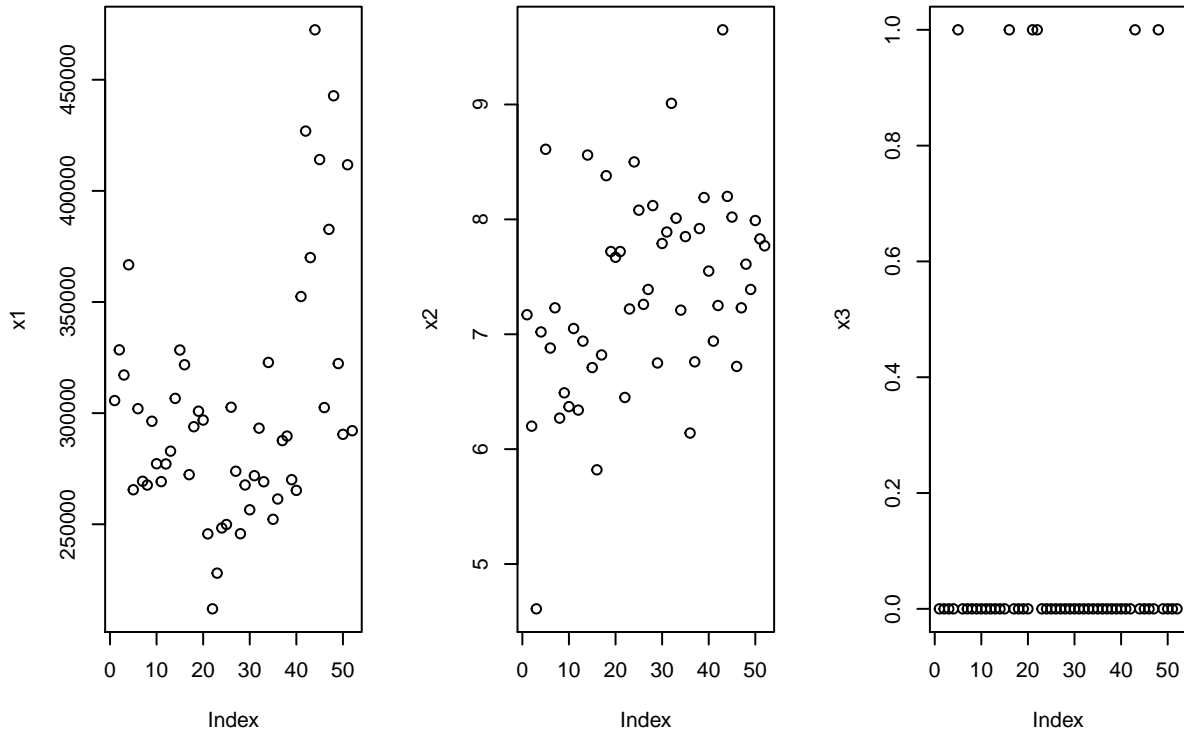
$$\hat{\beta}_3 \pm t_{52-3-1}se(\hat{\beta}_3) = 623.55 \pm 2.011(62.64) = (497.6038, 749.4962)$$

- (e) [2 marks] Based on the given data, would you consider a shipment of 400,000 cases with an indirect percentage of 7.2 on a nonholiday week to be within the scope of the model? What about a shipment of 400,000 cases with an indirect percentage of 9.9 on a nonholiday week? Support your answers by preparing a relevant plot. If appropriate, use the fitted regression model to predict the total labour hours for these weeks.

```

> par(mfrow = c(1, 3))
> plot(GroceryRetailer$x1, ylab = "x1")
> plot(GroceryRetailer$x2, ylab = "x2")
> plot(GroceryRetailer$x3, ylab = "x3")

```



Comment: From three graphs, we see that the maximum of x1 is over 450000, therefore 400000 falls in a reasonable range. The maximum of x2 is above 9 and the mean is around 7.4. I will say that 7.2 falls in a reasonable range but 9.9 is out of range. We do not need to care about holidays as both 0 or 1 can happen. So, the first case is in the scope of the model but the second is not.

The predicted total labour hours for the first case is:

```

> 4150 + 0.0007871 * 4e+05 - 13.17 * 7.2 + 623.6 * 0
[1] 4370.016

```

Question 2 [10 marks] Adapted from Problem 8.6 of Casella and Berger

Suppose we have two independent samples: X_1, \dots, X_n are iid Exponential random variables with mean θ_1 and Y_1, \dots, Y_n are iid Exponential random variables with mean θ_2 .

- (a) [2 marks] Find the likelihood and log likelihood functions for the parameter vector $\theta = (\theta_1, \theta_2)^T$.

Likelihood Function:

$$\begin{aligned} L(\theta_1, \theta_2) &= \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta_1} \exp\left(-\frac{x_i}{\theta_1}\right) \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{\theta_2} \exp\left(-\frac{y_j}{\theta_2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\theta_1^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_1}\right) \frac{1}{\theta_2^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\theta_2}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{(\theta_1 \theta_2)^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_1} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\theta_2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Log Likelihood Function:

$$\begin{aligned} l(\theta_1, \theta_2) &= \log(L(\theta_1, \theta_2)) \\ &= \log\left(\frac{1}{(\theta_1 \theta_2)^n} \exp\left(-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_1} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\theta_2}\right)\right) \\ &= -n \log(\theta_1) - n \log(\theta_2) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_1} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\theta_2} \end{aligned}$$

- (b) [2 marks] Obtain the score vector and information matrix and find the maximum likelihood estimator of θ .

Score Vector:

$$\begin{aligned} S(\theta_1, \theta_2) &= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{\partial l}{\partial \theta_1} \\ \frac{\partial l}{\partial \theta_2} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{n}{\theta_1} + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_1^2} \\ -\frac{n}{\theta_2} + \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\theta_2^2} \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{n}{\theta_1} + \frac{n\bar{x}}{\theta_1^2} \\ -\frac{n}{\theta_2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\theta_2^2} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Information Matrix:

$$\begin{aligned}
I(\theta_1, \theta_2) &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_1^2} & -\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_1 \partial \theta_2} \\ -\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_2 \partial \theta_1} & -\frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta_2^2} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{n}{\theta_1^2} + \frac{2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta_1^3} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{n}{\theta_2^2} + \frac{2 \sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\theta_2^3} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{n}{\theta_1^2} + \frac{2n\bar{x}}{\theta_1^3} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{n}{\theta_2^2} + \frac{2n\bar{y}}{\theta_2^3} \end{bmatrix}
\end{aligned}$$

Set $S(\theta_1, \theta_2) = 0$, then:

$$\begin{aligned}
-\frac{n}{\theta_1} + \frac{n\bar{x}}{\theta_1^2} &= 0 \text{ and } -\frac{n}{\theta_2} + \frac{n\bar{y}}{\theta_2^2} = 0 \\
\hat{\theta}_1 &= \bar{x} \text{ and } \hat{\theta}_2 = \bar{y}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Therefore, } \hat{\theta} &= \begin{bmatrix} \bar{x} \\ \bar{y} \end{bmatrix} \\
I(\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2) &= \begin{bmatrix} -\frac{n}{\hat{\theta}_1^2} + \frac{2n\bar{x}}{\hat{\theta}_1^3} & 0 \\ 0 & -\frac{n}{\hat{\theta}_2^2} + \frac{2n\bar{y}}{\hat{\theta}_2^3} \end{bmatrix} \\
&= \begin{bmatrix} \frac{n}{\bar{x}^2} & 0 \\ 0 & \frac{n}{\bar{y}^2} \end{bmatrix} > 0 \text{ since } x_i, y_i \geq 0 \text{ and } \theta_1, \theta_2 > 0 \text{ and } n > 0
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\hat{\theta}$ is the MLE of θ .

- (c) [3 marks] Consider a likelihood ratio test of $H_0 : \theta_1 = \theta_2$ versus $H_a : \theta_1 \neq \theta_2$. Show that the test statistic can be written as a function of $T = \bar{X}/(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})$. Note: $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Perform the test with observed data $n = 100$, $\bar{x} = 3$, $\bar{y} = 4$. Report the p-value. Do you reject the null hypothesis?

$$\begin{aligned}
r(\theta) &= l(\theta) - l(\hat{\theta}_1, \hat{\theta}_2) \\
&= -n \log(\theta) - n \log(\theta) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\theta} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\theta} + n \log(\hat{\theta}_1) + n \log(\hat{\theta}_2) + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i}{\hat{\theta}_1} + \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n y_j}{\hat{\theta}_2} \\
&= -n \log(\theta) - n \log(\theta) - \frac{n\bar{X}}{\theta} - \frac{n\bar{Y}}{\theta} + n \log(\bar{X}) + n \log(\bar{Y}) + \frac{n\bar{X}}{\bar{X}} + \frac{n\bar{Y}}{\bar{Y}} \\
&= -2n \log(\theta) - \frac{n(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})}{\theta} + n \log(\bar{X}\bar{Y}) + 2n \\
&= -n \log\left(\left(\frac{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}{2}\right)^2\right) - \frac{n(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})}{\frac{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}{2}} + n \log(\bar{X}\bar{Y}) + 2n \quad \text{Since } \hat{\theta} = \frac{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}{2} \\
&= -n \log\left(\frac{(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})^2}{4}\right) + n \log(\bar{X}\bar{Y}) \\
&= n \log\left(\frac{4\bar{X}\bar{Y}}{(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})^2}\right) \\
&= n \log\left(4 \frac{\bar{X}}{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}} \frac{\bar{Y}}{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}\right) \\
&= n \log\left(4 \frac{\bar{X}}{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}} \frac{1 - \bar{X}}{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}\right) \\
&= n \log(4T(1 - T)) \quad \text{where } T = \frac{\bar{X}}{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the test statistic $-2r(\theta_1, \theta_2) = -2n \log(4T(1 - T))$

Since $n = 100$, $\bar{x} = 3$, $\bar{y} = 4$, **we will have** $-2r(\theta) = -200 \log(4 \frac{3}{7} \frac{4}{7}) \approx 4.12386$

$$\begin{aligned}
p &= P(\chi_{(1)}^2 > -2r(\theta)) \\
&= P(\chi_{(1)}^2 > 4.12386) \\
&= 0.04228256
\end{aligned}$$

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> 1 - pchisq(-200 * log(4 * 3/7 * 4/7), 1)
[1] 0.04228256
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Since $0.04228256 < 0.05$, **there is an evidence against the null hypothesis. We reject** $H_0: \theta_1 = \theta_2$. **The distributions of** X **and** Y **are likely to be not the same.**

- (d) **[3 marks]** Regardless of your conclusion in part (c) assume that the X 's and Y 's were generated from a single Exponential distribution with mean θ . Find a Wald based 95% confidence interval for θ given the observed data in part (c).

$$\begin{aligned}
l(\theta) &= -2n \log(\theta) - \frac{n(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})}{\theta} \\
I(\theta) &= \frac{\partial^2 l}{\partial \theta^2} \\
&= -\frac{2n}{\theta^2} + \frac{2n(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})}{\theta^3} \\
&= \frac{2n(\bar{X} + \bar{Y} - \theta)}{\theta^3} \\
I(\hat{\theta}) &= \frac{2n(\bar{X} + \bar{Y} - \frac{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}{2})}{(\frac{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}{2})^3} \\
&= \frac{n(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})}{\frac{(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})^3}{8}} \\
&= \frac{8n}{(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we will have Wald based 95% Wald Confidence Interval:

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\theta} \pm 1.96[I(\hat{\theta})]^{-\frac{1}{2}} &= \frac{\bar{X} + \bar{Y}}{2} \pm 1.96\left[\frac{8n}{(\bar{X} + \bar{Y})^2}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= \frac{3 + 4}{2} \pm 1.96\left[\frac{800}{(3 + 4)^2}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= 3.5 \pm 1.96\left[\frac{800}{49}\right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \\
&= (3.0149, 3.9851)
\end{aligned}$$

Question 3 [10 marks]

A random variable Y has a negative binomial distribution with parameters (μ, k) , if its probability mass function can be written as

$$f(y; \mu, k) = \binom{k+y-1}{k-1} \left(\frac{k}{\mu+k}\right)^k \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right)^y \quad y = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

where $\mu > 0$ and $k > 0$.

- (a) **[3 marks]** Show that this distribution belongs to the exponential family if k is known by identifying the canonical parameter θ , the dispersion parameter ϕ , and the functions $a(\phi)$, $b(\theta)$, $c(y; \phi)$.

$$\begin{aligned} f(y; \mu; k) &= \binom{k+y-1}{k-1} \left(\frac{k}{\mu+k}\right)^k \left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right)^y \\ &= \exp\left\{\log\left(\binom{k+y-1}{k-1}\right) + k \cdot \log\left(\frac{k}{\mu+k}\right) + y \cdot \log\left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right)\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{\log\left[\binom{k+y-1}{k-1}\right] + k \cdot \log\left(\frac{k}{\mu+k}\right) + y \cdot \log\left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right)\right\} \\ &= \exp\left\{y \cdot \log\left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right) + k \cdot \log\left(\frac{k}{\mu+k}\right) + \log\left[\binom{k+y-1}{k-1}\right]\right\} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\phi = 1, \theta = \log\left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right)$,

$$a(\phi) = 1, b(\theta) = -k \cdot \log\left(\frac{k}{\mu+k}\right) = -k \cdot \log(1 - \exp(\theta))$$

$$c(y; \phi) = \log\left[\binom{k+y-1}{k-1}\right]$$

- (b) **[3 marks]** Obtain an expressions for the mean and variance of Y and the canonical link function.

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Y) &= b'(\theta) \\
&= -k \cdot \frac{1}{1 - \exp(\theta)} \cdot -\exp(\theta) \\
&= -k \cdot \frac{-\exp(\theta)}{1 - \exp(\theta)} \\
&= -k \cdot \frac{-\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}}{1 - \frac{\mu}{\mu+k}} \\
&= -k \cdot \frac{-\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}}{\frac{k}{\mu+k}} \\
&= \mu
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
Var(Y) &= b''(\theta) \cdot a(\phi) \\
&= \frac{k \cdot \exp(\theta)}{(1 - \exp(\theta))^2} \cdot 1 \\
&= \frac{k \cdot \frac{\mu}{\mu+k}}{(1 - \frac{\mu}{\mu+k})^2} \\
&= \frac{\frac{k\mu}{\mu+k}}{(\frac{k}{\mu+k})^2} \\
&= \frac{\mu(\mu+k)}{k}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Set } g(\mu) &= \theta = \eta = x^T b \\
&= \log\left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Therefore, the canonical link is } g(\mu) = \log\left(\frac{\mu}{\mu+k}\right)$$

- (c) **[4 marks]** Given the data y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n and the linear predictor $\eta_i = \sum_{j=0}^{p-1} x_{ij} \beta_j$ where $x_{i0} = 1$, find the specific form of the score and information function under the canonical link. Briefly describe how you would obtain maximum likelihood estimates of $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_{p-1}$ for a specified value of the parameter k .

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Since } g(\mu_i) &= x_i^T \beta, \\
\log\left(\frac{\mu_i}{\mu_i + k}\right) &= x_i^T \beta \\
\mu_i &= \exp(x_i^T \beta) \\
\mu_i &= (\mu_i + k) \exp(x_i^T \beta) \\
\mu_i &= \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta)}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\frac{\partial \eta_i}{\partial \mu_i} = \frac{k}{\mu_i(\mu_i + k)} = \frac{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2}{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}$$

$$\text{Var}(y_i) = \frac{\mu_i(\mu_i + k)}{k} = \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
W_i^{-1} &= \text{Var}(y_i) \left(\frac{\partial \eta_i}{\partial \mu_i} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2} \left(\frac{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2}{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)} \right)^2 \\
&= \frac{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2}{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)} \\
\text{Then, } W_i &= \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the score vector is:

$$\begin{aligned}
S_j(\beta) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \mu_i) \cdot W_i \cdot \frac{\partial \eta_i}{\partial \mu_i} \cdot x_{ij} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta)} \right) \cdot \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2} \cdot \frac{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2}{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)} \cdot x_{ij} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(y_i - \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta)} \right) \cdot x_{ij}
\end{aligned}$$

Since the information function is under canonical link, we will have the expected information matrix equals the observed information matrix.

Therefore, the Information matrix is:

$$\begin{aligned}
I(\beta)_{jk} &= E[I(\beta)_{jk}] \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} \cdot W_i \cdot x_{jk} \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n x_{ij} \cdot \frac{k \cdot \exp(x_i^T \beta)}{(1 - \exp(x_i^T \beta))^2} \cdot x_{jk}
\end{aligned}$$

To find maximum likelihood estimates of $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_{p-1}$ for a specified value of the parameter k , we can use Newton Raphson Method to solve them iteratively.

1. We start with an initial guess $\beta^{(0)}$

2. evaluate score vector $S(\hat{\beta}^{(r)})$ the information matrix $I(\hat{\beta}^{(r)})$ for each iteration. We can use the expected information matrix instead of observed one.
3. update coefficients by $\hat{\beta}^{(r+1)} = \hat{\beta}^{(r)} + I^{-1}(\hat{\beta}^{(r)})S(\hat{\beta}^{(r)})$
4. Repeat step 2 and step 3 until the new one is sufficiently close to the old one.
5. We get the MLE of $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_{p-1}$.