

Week 5 homework problems

1. The **Mandel** data set in the **alr4** package contains eight artificial observations in a response **y** and two predictors **x1** and **x2**. Use this data set to do the following:
 - a. Write the multiple linear regression model $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{e}$ in terms of the actual data. (In other words, write the model equation but substitute the response vector in place of **y**, the parameter vector in place of $\boldsymbol{\beta}$, and the design matrix in place of **X**.)
 - b. Fit the model by calculating the OLS estimators using $(\mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{X})^{-1} \mathbf{X}^\top \mathbf{y}$.
 - c. Calculate the estimate of σ^2 using $RSS = (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})^\top (\mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}})$.
 - d. Calculate the estimated variance-covariance matrix of the OLS estimators.

2. The **wm2** data in the **alr4** package contains windspeed data for a location in South Dakota where developers were considering siting a wind turbine. Variables measured were **Date**, **CSpd** (the windspeed at the site), **RSpd** (the windspeed at a nearby reference site), **RDir** (the wind direction at the reference site), and **Bin** (a discretization of **RDir**).
 - a. Fit the MLR model (using `lm()`) that uses **CSpd** as response and **RSpd** and **RDir** as predictors. Report the estimated model.
 - b. Provide an interpretation of the regression coefficients you reported in the estimated model, including the intercept.
 - c. Report the fitted model's estimate for σ^2 and use it to find the value of *RSS*.
 - d. Obtain the effects plot for each predictor.