



Semester 1 Assessment, 2021

School of Mathematics and Statistics

## MAST30025 Linear Statistical Models

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### Permitted Materials

- This exam and/or an offline electronic PDF reader, one or more copies of the masked exam template made available earlier, blank loose-leaf paper and a Casio FX-82 calculator.
- One double sided A4 page of notes (handwritten only).

### Instructions to Students

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**Question 1 (10 marks)**

Let  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{bmatrix} 5 & 4 \\ 10 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$ .

- (a) **[3 marks]** Show that  $A$  is positive definite.

- (b) **[3 marks]** Find all possible values of  $c$  such that  $c(A - I)$  is idempotent.

- (c) **[2 marks]** Find a conditional inverse for  $B$ .

- (d) **[2 marks]** Let  $\mathbf{y} = (y_1, y_2)^T$ . Find  $\frac{\partial \mathbf{y}^T B \mathbf{y}}{\partial \mathbf{y}}$  in terms of  $y_1$  and  $y_2$ .

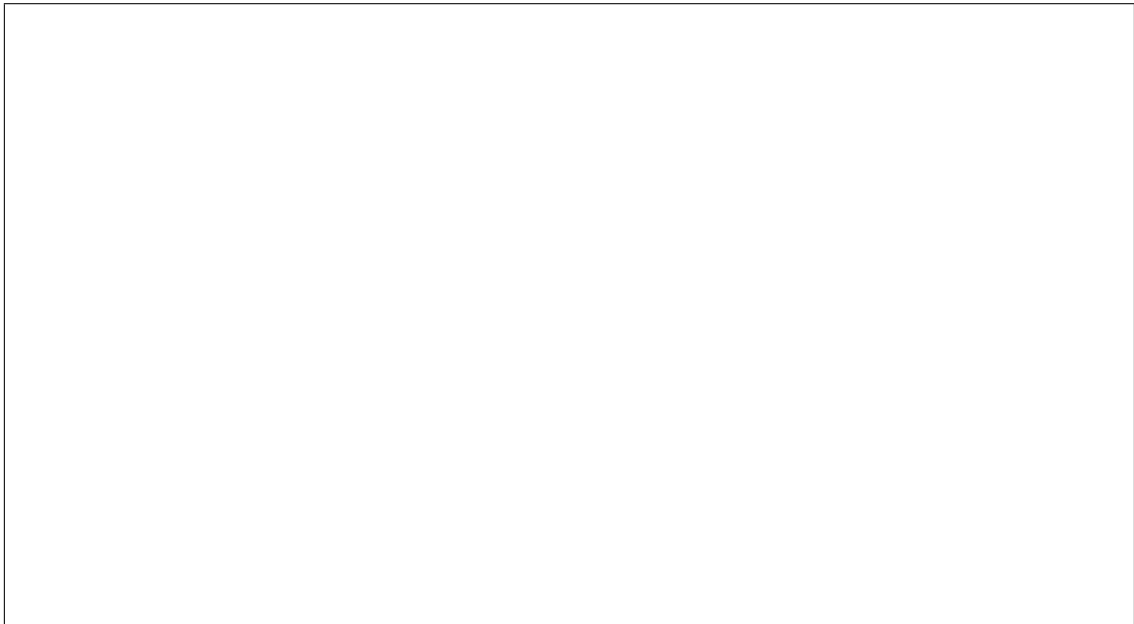
**Question 2 (13 marks)**

Let

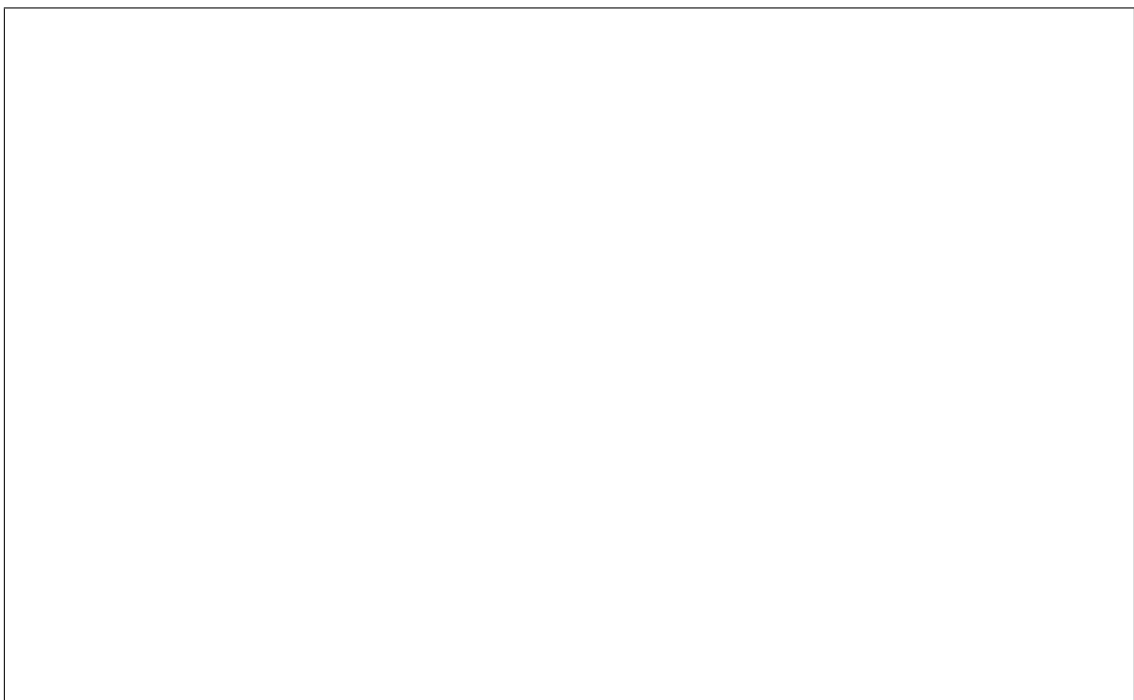
$$\mathbf{y} = \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ y_3 \end{bmatrix} \sim MVN \left( \begin{bmatrix} 4 \\ 2 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \right),$$

and  $\mathbf{z} = (y_1, y_2)^T \sim MVN(\boldsymbol{\mu}, V)$ .

- (a)
- [2 marks]**
- Find
- $\boldsymbol{\mu}$
- and
- $V$
- .



- (b)
- [3 marks]**
- Describe the distribution of
- $\begin{bmatrix} y_1 + y_2 \\ y_1 - 2y_2 \end{bmatrix}$
- .



- (c) [4 marks] Describe the distribution of  $\frac{2}{3}(y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_1y_2)$ .

- (d) [4 marks] Describe the distribution of  $\frac{2}{3}(y_1^2 + y_2^2 + y_1y_2) + \frac{1}{2}y_3^2$ .

**Question 3 (17 marks)**

In this question, we study the number of sales of hot dogs in a stadium over 20 days. This dataset contains the variables:

- **sale** ( $y$ ): the number of hot dogs sold on the day
- **temp** ( $x_1$ ): the maximum temperature on the day
- **nppl** ( $x_2$ ): the number of people in the stadium on the day (in thousands).

The data are stored in the **saledata** data frame and the following R calculations performed:

```
> X = cbind(rep(1,n), saledata$temp, saledata$nppl)
> y = saledata$sales
>
> t(X)%*%X
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,] 20.0  -4.8 33.8
[2,] -4.8 1104.8 6.6
[3,] 33.8   6.6 70.0
```

```
> solve(t(X)%*%X)
```

```
      [,1] [,2] [,3]
[1,] 0.278 0.00202 -0.1345
[2,] 0.002 0.00092 -0.0011
[3,] -0.134 -0.00106 0.0794
```

```
> t(X)%*%y
```

```
      [,1]
[1,] 319
[2,] 2381
[3,] 661
```

```
> t(y)%*%y
```

```
      [,1]
[1,] 11271
```

```
> qt(0.975,15:20)
```

```
[1] 2.131 2.120 2.110 2.101 2.093 2.086
```

```
> qf(0.95,1,15:20)
```

```
[1] 4.543 4.494 4.451 4.414 4.381 4.351
```

```
> qf(0.95,2,15:20)
```

```
[1] 3.682 3.634 3.592 3.555 3.522 3.493
```

```
> qf(0.95,3,15:20)
```

```
[1] 3.287 3.239 3.197 3.160 3.127 3.098
```

- (a) **[2 marks]** Calculate the least squares estimates of the parameters.

- (b) **[2 marks]** Calculate the sample variance  $s^2$ .

- (c) [**2 marks**] Calculate a 95% confidence interval for the parameter corresponding to `temp`.

- (d) [**3 marks**] Test for model relevance at the 5% significance level.



- (e) [4 marks] Consider the linear model without an intercept,

$$y = \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \varepsilon.$$

Calculate the least squares estimates of the parameters.

- (f) [4 marks] Test the hypothesis  $H_0 : \beta_0 = 0$  in the full model (including the intercept), using an  $F$ -test at the 5% significance level.

**Question 4 (8 marks)**

Consider the general full rank linear model  $\mathbf{y} = X\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ . For given inputs  $\mathbf{x}^*$ , we wish to predict the difference of two responses with these inputs,

$$\begin{aligned} y_1^* &= (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_1^*, \\ y_2^* &= (\mathbf{x}^*)^T \boldsymbol{\beta} + \varepsilon_2^*, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\varepsilon_1^* \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\varepsilon_2^* \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  and is independent of  $\varepsilon_1^*$ . Let  $\mathbf{b}$  be the least squares estimator of  $\boldsymbol{\beta}$  and  $s^2$  be the sample variance.

- (a) [1 mark] Write down the predictor of  $y_1^* - y_2^*$ .

- (b) [2 marks] Find the distribution of the prediction error.

- (c) **[3 marks]** Formulate a  $t$ -distributed random variable based on the prediction error, and specify its degrees of freedom.

- (d) **[2 marks]** Based on (c), construct a  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  prediction interval for  $y_1^* - y_2^*$ .

**Question 5 (16 marks)**

A small university collected data on the salary of its faculty members in the early 1980s. The dataset contains the following variables:

- **degree:** Highest qualification (Masters or PhD)
- **rank:** Faculty position (Asst, Assoc, or Prof)
- **sex:** Gender (Male or Female)
- **year:** Years in current rank
- **ysdeg:** Years since highest degree
- **salary:** Current salary (\$k/yr)

We wish to model the salary of the faculty members in terms of the other variables. The following R calculations are produced:

```
> model <- lm(salary ~ ., data=salary)
> model2 <- lm(salary ~ . * sex, data=salary)
> anova(model, model2)
```

**Analysis of Variance Table**

```
Model 1: salary ~ degree + rank + sex + year + ysdeg
Model 2: salary ~ (degree + rank + sex + year + ysdeg) * sex
```

	Res.Df	RSS	Df	Sum of Sq	F	Pr(>F)
1	45	258.86				
2	40	241.45	5	17.406	0.5767	0.7174

```
> summary(model)
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = salary ~ ., data = salary)
```

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-4.0452	-1.0947	-0.3615	0.8132	9.1931

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	15.74605	0.80018	19.678	< 2e-16 ***
degreePhD	1.38861	1.01875	1.363	0.180
rankAssoc	5.29236	1.14540	4.621	3.22e-05 ***
rankProf	11.11876	1.35177	8.225	1.62e-10 ***
sexFemale	1.16637	0.92557	1.260	0.214
year	0.47631	0.09491	5.018	8.65e-06 ***
ysdeg	-0.12457	0.07749	-1.608	0.115

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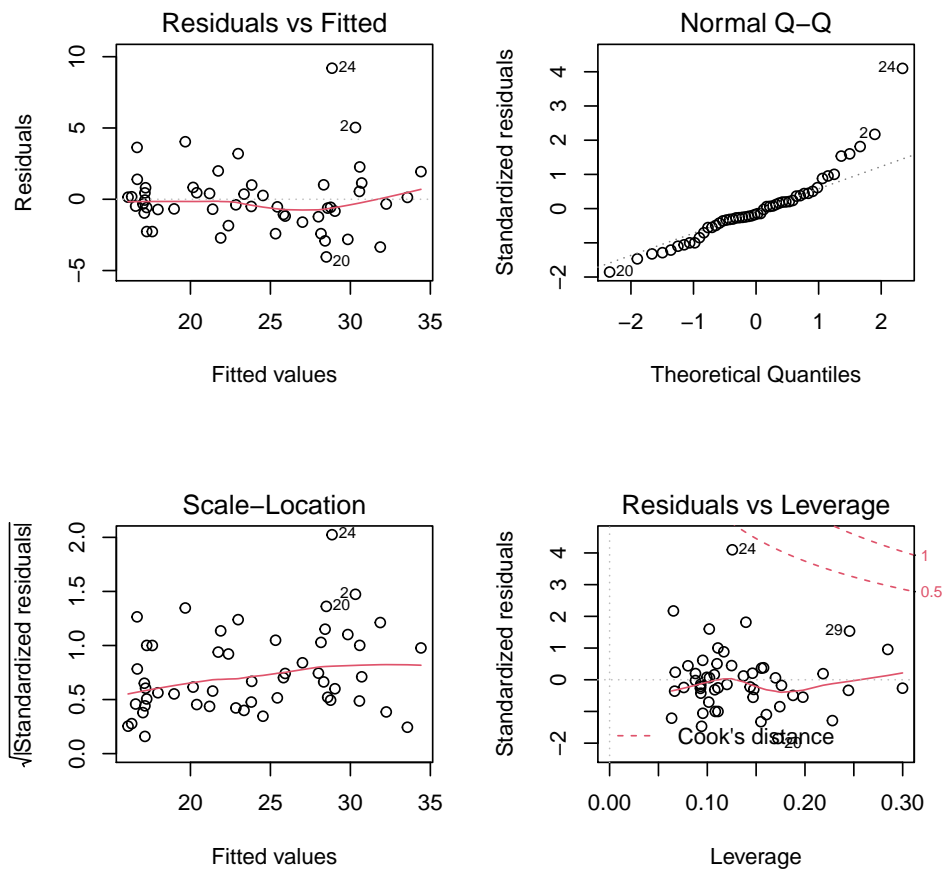
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Residual standard error: 2.398 on 45 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.855, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8357

F-statistic: 44.24 on 6 and 45 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

```
> par(mfrow=c(2,2))
> plot(model)
```



```
> model3 <- step(model)
```

Start: AIC=97.46

```
salary ~ degree + rank + sex + year + ysdeg
```

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
- sex	1	9.13	267.99	97.265
<none>			258.86	97.462
- degree	1	10.69	269.55	97.566
- ysdeg	1	14.87	273.73	98.366
- year	1	144.87	403.73	118.574
- rank	2	399.79	658.65	142.025

Step: AIC=97.27

```
salary ~ degree + rank + year + ysdeg
```

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
- degree	1	6.68	274.68	96.547
- ysdeg	1	7.87	275.87	96.771
<none>			267.99	97.265
- year	1	147.64	415.64	118.085
- rank	2	404.11	672.10	141.077

Step: AIC=96.55

```
salary ~ rank + year + ysdeg
```

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
- ysdeg	1	2.31	276.99	94.983
<none>			274.68	96.547
- year	1	141.11	415.78	116.104
- rank	2	478.54	753.22	145.002

Step: AIC=94.98

```
salary ~ rank + year
```

	Df	Sum of Sq	RSS	AIC
<none>			276.99	94.983
- year	1	161.95	438.95	116.923
- rank	2	632.06	909.05	152.780

```

> summary(model3)

Call:
lm(formula = salary ~ rank + year, data = salary)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.4620 -1.3028 -0.2992  0.7835  9.3816

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  16.20327     0.63868   25.370 < 2e-16 ***
rankAssoc     4.26228     0.88289    4.828 1.45e-05 ***
rankProf     9.45452     0.90583   10.437 6.12e-14 ***
year          0.37570     0.07092    5.298 2.90e-06 ***
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Residual standard error: 2.402 on 48 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.8449,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.8352
F-statistic: 87.15 on 3 and 48 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

> linearHypothesis(model3, c(0,-1,1,-10), 0)

Linear hypothesis test

Hypothesis:
- rankAssoc + rankProf - 10 year = 0

Model 1: restricted model
Model 2: salary ~ rank + year

      Res.Df  RSS Df Sum of Sq    F Pr(>F)
1        49 284.38
2        48 276.99  1     7.3901 1.2806 0.2634

> person <- data.frame(degree='PhD', rank='Asst', sex='Female', year=4, ysdeg=10)
> predict(model3, person, interval='confidence', level=0.95)

      fit      lwr      upr
1 17.70605 16.56736 18.84474

> qt(0.975,45:50)

[1] 2.014103 2.012896 2.011741 2.010635 2.009575 2.008559

> qf(0.95,2,45:50)

[1] 3.204317 3.199582 3.195056 3.190727 3.186582 3.182610

```

- (a) **[4 marks]** Based on the diagnostic plots, comment on the fit of the linear model. Suggest a possible transformation for consideration that might improve the fit.

- (b) **[2 marks]** Interpret the output of the `anova` function in the context of the study.



- (c) **[2 marks]** Calculate a confidence interval for the average difference in salary between females and males.

- (d) **[2 marks]** Interpret the output of the `step` function in the context of the study.

- (e) **[2 marks]** Interpret the output of the `linearHypothesis` function in the context of the study.

- (f) **[4 marks]** Based on `model3`, calculate a 95% *prediction* interval for the salary of a female assistant professor with a PhD for 10 years, who has been in her position for 4 years.

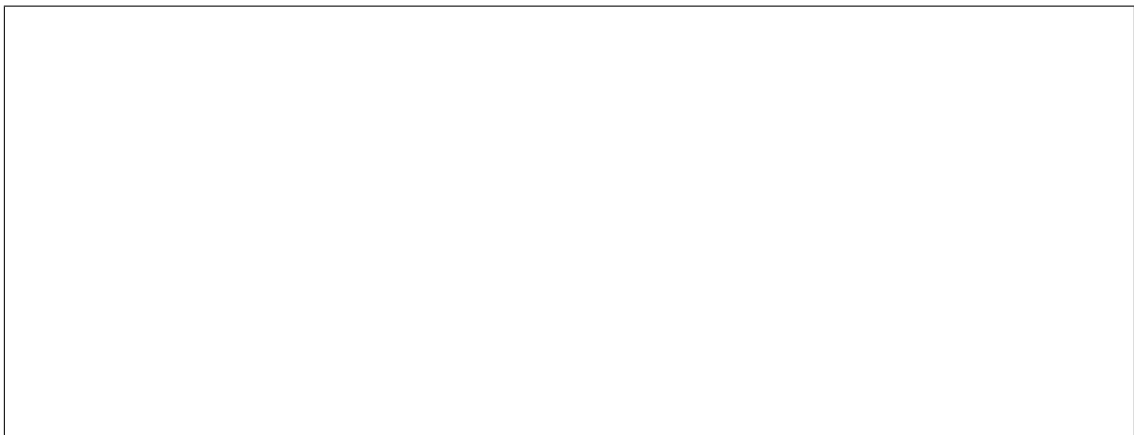
**Question 6 (12 marks)**

Consider the general linear model,  $\mathbf{y} = X\boldsymbol{\beta} + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}$ . This model may be of full or less than full rank.

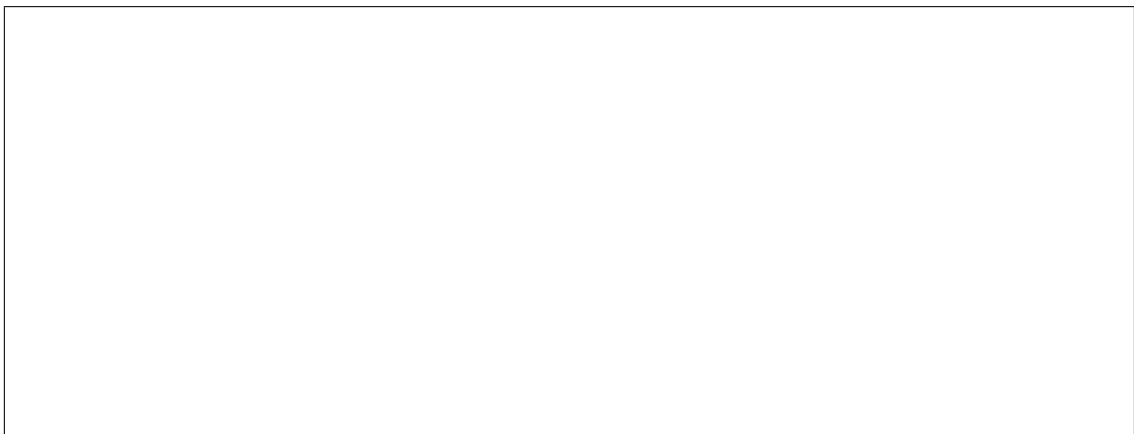
- (a) [2 marks] State the distributional assumption used in fitting a linear model and explain how it may be verified.



- (b) [2 marks] Define the hat matrix and explain its importance in the theory of linear models.



- (c) [2 marks] State the correction factor for a corrected sum of squares, and explain its use in testing for model relevance.



- (d) **[2 marks]** Outline the similarities and differences between Akaike's information criterion and the Bayesian information criterion.

- (e) **[2 marks]** State two differences between a conditional inverse and a regular inverse.

- (f) **[2 marks]** Define interaction between two categorical predictors, and explain how to model it.

**Question 7 (14 marks)**

In this question, we consider the balanced incomplete block design. We use the standard notation that  $I_n$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix and  $J_n$  is the  $n \times n$  matrix with all elements equal to 1.

- (a) [2 marks] Under what circumstances should one prefer a balanced incomplete block design to a complete block design, and vice versa?

- (b) [2 marks] Write down a design matrix and parameter vector for a balanced incomplete block design with 3 treatments and 3 blocks, each of size 2. Ensure that subjects in the same block are placed consecutively.

- (c) **[3 marks]** Calculate the reduced design matrix  $X_{2|1}$  for your design. You are given that the hat matrix corresponding to the nuisance parameters has the block structure

$$H_1 = X_1(X_1^T X)^c X_1^T = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} J_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & J_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & J_2 \end{bmatrix}.$$

- (d) **[4 marks]** It can be shown that the reduced design matrix  $X_{2|1}$  for this model satisfies

$$X_{2|1}^T X_{2|1} = \frac{3}{2} \left[ I_3 - \frac{1}{3} J_3 \right].$$

Show that

$$(X_{2|1}^T X_{2|1})^c = cI$$

for some constant  $c$ , and find the value of  $c$ .

- (e) **[3 marks]** Using your answers above, show directly that the reduced normal equations for this design does not have the same solution as the normal equations for a completely randomised design of 6 experimental units over 3 treatments.

**End of Exam — Total Available Marks = 90**