

# ES/STT 7140: Homework 6

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## Question 1 TBD.

a)

```
# Load the data
url <- paste0("http://users.stat.ufl.edu/~presnell/Courses/",
              "sta4504-2000sp/R/Data/crabs.dat")
crabs <- read.table(url, header = TRUE)
head(crabs) # print first few observations

# Scatterplot of raw data
plot(
  formula = satell ~ weight,
  data = crabs,
  xlab = "Width (cm)",
  ylab = "Number of satellites"
)
```

b) For a female crab, let  $\mu$  be the expected number of satellites and  $x = \text{width}$ . Using the R code below, fit a Poisson loglinear model of the form

$$\log(\mu) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

. For a one-unit increase in width (e.g., one centimeter), what is the multiplicative effect on  $\hat{\mu}$  for a 1-cm increase in width?

```
# Fit a Poisson loglinear model
fit <- glm(satell ~ width, data = crabs, family = poisson(link = "log"))
summary(fit) # print model summary
```

**Question 2** The R data frame `ldeaths` contains monthly death rates from three lung diseases in the UK over a period of several years (see `?ldeaths` for details and a reference). One possible model for the data is that they can be treated as Poisson random variables with a seasonal component and a long term trend component, as follows:

$$E(\text{deaths}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 t + \alpha \sin(2\pi \times \text{toy}/12 + \phi),$$

where  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\alpha$ , and  $\phi$  are parameters,  $t$  is time since the start of the data, and  $\text{toy}$  is time of year, in months (January being month 1). The data can be loaded into R using the following snippet of code:

```
death <- as.numeric(ldeaths)
month <- rep(1:12, 6)
time <- 1:72
```

By making use of properties of sines and cosines (i.e., basic trigonometry), we can get this model into a form suitable for fitting using `glm()`, and fit it using the following code:

```
fit <- glm(death ~ sin(month/12*2*pi) + cos(month/12*2*pi),
          family = poisson(link = "identity"))
summary(fit)
```

Use the following code to plot the raw data time series on a plot, with the predicted time series overlaid. Additionally, the code also constructs a scatterplot of the (deviance) residuals versus the fitted values and a

Q-Q plot of the residuals. Based on these plots alone, does the model appear to provide an adequate fit to the data? Write your answer using a paragraph (i.e., 5 – 7 complete sentences).

```
# Plot fitted mean response
plot(time, death, type = "l")
lines(time, fitted(fit), col = 2)

# Residual plots
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
plot(fit, which = 1:2)
```