

1. (a) Let $Y = X\beta + \epsilon$ where $\epsilon \sim MVN(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 I)$. This means that $Y|X \sim MVN(X\beta, \sigma^2 I)$. From here we see that

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{L}(\beta) &= \det(2\pi\sigma^2 I)^{-1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2}(Y - X\beta)^T (\sigma^2 I)^{-1} (Y - X\beta) \right\} \\ &= \det(2\pi\sigma^2 I)^{-1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (Y - X\beta)^T (Y - X\beta) \right\}\end{aligned}$$

Moreover, we can write the log-likelihood as follows

$$\begin{aligned}\log \mathcal{L}(\beta) &= -\frac{1}{2} \log(\det(2\pi\sigma^2 I)) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (Y - X\beta)^T (Y - X\beta) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \log(\det(2\pi\sigma^2 I)) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [Y^T Y - Y^T X\beta - \beta^T X^T Y + \beta^T X^T X\beta]\end{aligned}$$

Differentiating with respect to β we get

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d}{d\beta} \log \mathcal{L}(\beta) &= -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} [-2Y^T X + 2\beta^T X^T X] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} [Y^T X - \beta^T X^T X]\end{aligned}$$

Having calculated this quantity, we can now calculate its inner product.

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{d}{d\beta} \log \mathcal{L}(\beta) \right)^T \left(\frac{d}{d\beta} \log \mathcal{L}(\beta) \right) &= \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} [Y^T X - \beta^T X^T X] \right)^T \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} [Y^T X - \beta^T X^T X] \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} (X^T Y - X^T X\beta) (Y^T X - \beta^T X^T X) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} (X^T Y Y^T X - X^T Y \beta^T X^T X \\ &\quad - X^T X \beta Y^T X + X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X)\end{aligned}$$

We are now ready to compute the Fisher information matrix.

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{I}(\beta) &= \mathbb{E} \left[\frac{1}{\sigma^4} (X^T Y Y^T X - X^T Y \beta^T X^T X - X^T X \beta Y^T X + X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X) \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \left\{ \mathbb{E}[X^T Y Y^T X] - \mathbb{E}[X^T Y \beta^T X^T X] - \mathbb{E}[X^T X \beta Y^T X] + \mathbb{E}[X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X] \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \left\{ \mathbb{E}[(X^T Y)(X^T Y)^T] - X^T \mathbb{E}(Y) \beta^T X^T X - X^T X \beta \mathbb{E}[Y^T] X + X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \left\{ \mathbb{E}[(X^T Y)(X^T Y)^T] - X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X - X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X + X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \left\{ \mathbb{V}[X^T Y] + \mathbb{E}[X^T Y] \mathbb{E}[X^T Y]^T - X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \left\{ X^T \mathbb{V}[Y] X + (X^T X \beta)(X^T X \beta)^T - \beta^T X^T X X^T X \beta \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^4} \left\{ \sigma^2 X^T X + X^T X \beta \beta^T X^T X - \beta^T X^T X X^T X \beta \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^T X\end{aligned}$$

- (b) Under the Fisher regularities, we can calculate the Fisher information matrix in the following way.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{I}(\beta) &= -\mathbb{E} \left[\frac{d^2 \log \mathcal{L}(\beta)}{d\beta d\beta^T} \right] \\
 &= -\mathbb{E} \left[\frac{d}{d\beta^T} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^2} [Y^T X - \beta^T X^T X] \right) \right] \\
 &= -\mathbb{E} \left[-\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^T X \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^T X
 \end{aligned}$$

- (c) From (a) and (b), we can establish the Cramer-Roa Lower Bound for the variance of an unbiased estimator of β as

$$[\mathcal{I}(\beta)]^{-1} = \left[\frac{1}{\sigma^2} X^T X \right]^{-1} = \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$$

Now, from the standard linear model, we arrive at the estimator $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$. Here, we see that

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{\beta}|X] = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbb{E}[Y|X] = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T X \beta = \beta$$

which shows that this estimator $\hat{\beta}$ is unbiased for β . Moreover, we can calculate the variance in a similar way

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathbb{V}(\hat{\beta}|X) &= \mathbb{V}[(X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y|X] \\
 &= (X^T X)^{-1} X^T \mathbb{V}[Y|X] X (X^T X)^{-1} \\
 &= \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1} X^T X (X^T X)^{-1} \\
 &= \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we see that $\hat{\beta}$ is an unbiased estimator that attains the Cramer-Roa lower bound and is therefore a UMVUE.

2. (a) Suppose that $Y = X\beta + \epsilon$ where the vector of errors is given by $\epsilon \sim MVN(0, \Sigma)$ where $\Sigma = \text{diag}(\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots, \sigma_n^2)$. As in problem one, we see that $Y|X \sim MVN(X\beta, \Sigma)$. From here we can write the likelihood as follows.

$$\mathcal{L}(\beta) = \det(2\pi\Sigma)^{-1/2} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} (Y - X\beta)^T \Sigma^{-1} (Y - X\beta) \right\}$$

where $\Sigma^{-1} = \text{diag}(1/\sigma_1^2, 1/\sigma_2^2, \dots, 1/\sigma_n^2)$.

(b) Using the likelihood above, we can compute the log-likelihood as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}\log \mathcal{L}(\beta) &= -1/2 \log[\det(2\pi\Sigma)] - 1/2(Y - X\beta)^T \Sigma^{-1}(Y - X\beta) \\ &= -1/2 \log[\det(2\pi\Sigma)] - 1/2 \left\{ Y^T \Sigma^{-1} Y - Y^T \Sigma^{-1} X \beta - \beta^T X^T \Sigma^{-1} Y + \beta^T X^T \Sigma^{-1} X \beta \right\}\end{aligned}$$

Now differentiating with respect to β^T we get

$$\frac{d}{d\beta^T} \log \mathcal{L}(\beta) = -\frac{1}{2} \left\{ -2X^T \Sigma^{-1} Y + 2X^T \Sigma^{-1} X \beta \right\}$$

Setting equal to zero and solving for $\hat{\beta}$ we get the following.

$$\begin{aligned}-\frac{1}{2} \left\{ -2X^T \Sigma^{-1} Y + 2X^T \Sigma^{-1} X \hat{\beta} \right\} &= 0 \\ X^T \Sigma^{-1} Y - X^T \Sigma^{-1} X \hat{\beta} &= 0 \\ X^T \Sigma^{-1} X \hat{\beta} &= X^T \Sigma^{-1} Y \\ \hat{\beta} &= (X^T \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1} X^T \Sigma^{-1} Y\end{aligned}$$

Here we assumed that $X^T \Sigma^{-1} X$ is invertible (which occurs when X is full rank) and repeatedly used the fact that Σ was symmetric. This shows that that $\hat{\beta}$ is the same estimate found from using the weighted squared error loss function.