STA721 Homework 1

Work the following problems from Christensen (C) and Wakefield (W)

- 1. 1.5.8 (C) (see link to eBook on Calendar)
- 2. We showed that $\mathbf{P_X} = \mathbf{X}(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}^T$ was an orthogonal projection on the column space of \mathbf{X} and that $\hat{\mathbf{Y}} = P_{\mathbf{X}}\mathbf{Y}$. While useful for theory, the projection matrix should never be used in practice to find the MLE of $\boldsymbol{\mu}$ due to 1) computational complexity (inverses and matrix multiplication) and instability. To find $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ we solve $\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{P_X}\mathbf{Y}$ which leads to the *normal equations* $(\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X})\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{Y}$ and solving the system of equations for $\boldsymbol{\beta}$. Instead consider the following for \mathbf{X} $(n \times p, p < n)$ of rank p
 - (a) Any \mathbf{X} may be written via a singular value decomposition as $\mathbf{U}\boldsymbol{\Lambda}\mathbf{V}^T$ where \mathbf{U} is a $n\times p$ orthonormal matrix ($\mathbf{U}^T\mathbf{U}=\mathbf{I}_p$ and columns of \mathbf{U} form an orthonormal basis (ONB) for $C(\mathbf{X})$), $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$ is a $p\times p$ diagonal matrix and \mathbf{V} is a $p\times p$ orthogonal matrix ($\mathbf{V}^T\mathbf{V}=\mathbf{V}\mathbf{V}^T=\mathbf{I}_p$. Note the difference between *orthonormal* and *orthogonal*. Show that \mathbf{P}_X may be expressed as a function of \mathbf{U} only and provide an expression for $\hat{\mathbf{Y}}$. Similarly, find an expression for $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ in terms of \mathbf{U} , $\boldsymbol{\Lambda}$ and \mathbf{V} . Your result should only require the inverse of a diagonal matrix!
 - (b) **X** may be written in a (reduced or thinned) QR decomposition as a matrix **Q** that is a $n \times p$ orthonormal matrix (which forms an ONB for $C(\mathbf{X})$) and **R** which is a $p \times p$ upper triangular matrix (i.e all elements below the diagonal are 0) where $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{Q}\mathbf{R}$. The columns of **Q** are an ONB for the $C(\mathbf{X})$. Show that $\mathbf{P}_{\mathbf{X}}$ may be expressed as a function of **Q** alone. Show that the the normal equations reduce to solving the triangular system $\mathbf{R}\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{Z}$ where $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{Q}^T\mathbf{Y}$. Because **R** is upper triangular, show that $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ may be obtained be back-solving (and avoiding the matrix inverse of $\mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{X}$.
 - (c) Any symmetric matrix \mathbf{A} may be written via a Cholesky decomposition as $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T$ where \mathbf{L} is lower triangular. If $\mathbf{Z} = \mathbf{X}^T\mathbf{Y}$ show that we can solve two triangular systems $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{L}^T\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{Z}$ by solving for \mathbf{w} using $\mathbf{L}\mathbf{w} = \mathbf{Z}$ using a forward substitution and then for $\hat{\boldsymbol{\beta}}$ using $\mathbf{L}^T\boldsymbol{\beta} = \mathbf{w}$ avoiding any matrix inversion.
 - (d) Use R to find Q and U for the matrices in problems 1.5.8 in Christensen. Does Q equal U? See help pages via help(qr) and help(svd) for function documentation.
 - (e) Prove that the two projection matrices obtained by the SVD and the QR method are the same. (Hint: review Theorems in Christensen Appencicies about uniqueness of projections)

Note: The Cholesky method is the fastest in terms of $O(np^2 + p^3/3)$ floating point operations (flops), but is numerically unstable if the matrix is poorly conditioned. R

uses the QR method $(O(2np^2-2p^3/3)$ flops in the function lm.fit() (which is the workhorse underneath the lm() function. Generalized QR algorithms can handle rank deficient case. The SVD method is the most expensive $O(2np^2+11p^3)$ but can handle the rank deficient case. There are generalized Cholesky and QR methods for the rank deficient case.