

## BS805 Fall 2022 Week 8

Be sure to follow the *Assessment Guideline 1: Writing up Homework* at the end of the syllabus in preparing the homework for submission.

Homework assignments need to be uploaded to Blackboard by November 9<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM.

In each homework report, be sure to include an introductory and a summary paragraph.

Use the rehydration data again from assignment 5 to complete this assignment. Recall that the data on this study are available for you in the file *dehydration\_f22.xlsx* in the Assignments folder for Class 5. The variables are ID, rehydration score, dose, age, and weight.

1. Run three multiple linear regressions predicting rehydration score.
  - a) In model A, predict rehydration score from dose, age, and weight. Also, perform a collinearity diagnostic analysis for this model. Summarize all results.
  - b) In model B, predict rehydration score from dose and age and perform collinearity diagnostics. What has changed by removing weight from the model?
  - c) In model C, predict rehydration score from dose and weight and perform collinearity diagnostics. What has changed by removing age from the model?
  - d) Which analysis do you prefer among models A), B), and C)? Why do you prefer the model that you chose?
2. Construct three new continuous variables called *dose1*, *dose2*, and *dose3* with which you will be able to perform a piecewise linear analysis:

*dose1* – those who received a dose of 0 through  $< 1$ ;  
*dose2* – those who received a dose of 1 through less than 2;  
*dose3* – those who received a dose greater than or equal to 2.

Perform analyses examining the relationship of rehydration score and dose below.

- a) Statistically compare the mean rehydration scores between the dose groups and summarize your results.
- b) Using simple linear regression, perform an analysis of the linear association of rehydration score and dose (continuous). Summarize these results.
- c) Perform a piecewise linear model using *dose1*, *dose2*, and *dose3* to predict rehydration score. Summarize the results. Does the piecewise model generate a higher  $R^2$  than a simple linear regression model? Is the overall model statistically significant at the 0.05 level? What are the estimated individual slopes for *dose1*, *dose2*, and *dose3* and were they statistically significant predictors of rehydration

score? Is the slope for *dose1* equal to the slope for *dose2* and is the slope for *dose2* equal to the slope for *dose3*?

- d) Generate a plot to visually compare the simple linear regression to the piecewise linear model.
- e) Which analysis among 2. a), b), and c) do you prefer for these data? Why? Present specific numeric evidence to support your choice.