

Instruction:

- (A) Questions in this paper should be answered by students whose **surnames** fall within the range **A-K**.
- (B) Use Excel file '**Dataset1 part IIIB**' to answer the questions asked.
- (C) A heavy ~~penalty~~ will be applied if your answers are not based on data set assigned to you.

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Instructions for Dataset1 part IIIB: Multiple Regression Analysis

A statistics lecturer took a random sample of 150 employees working in a small city and collected the following information: hourly wage, job tenure, age and level of education.

The variables in the dataset are:

- hwage (Y, hourly wage in dollar)
- tenure (X1, job tenure – length of time (in years) an employee has worked for their current employer)
- age (X2, age (in years) of an employee)
- col (X3, college completion: coded 1 if the employee has completed college and 0 if not)

The dependent variable for your analysis is **hwage**.

Answer the following questions using Dataset1 part IIIB

- (a) Estimate a regression model using X1 and X2 to predict Y (state the multiple regression equation).
- (b) Interpret the meaning of the slopes.
- (c) Predict Y when X1 = 8 and X2 = 40.
- (d) Compute a 95% confidence interval estimate of the mean Y for all employees working in the small city when X1 = 8 and X2 = 40 and interpret its meaning.
- (e) Compute a 95% prediction interval of Y for an employee working in the small city when X1 = 8 and X2 = 40 and interpret its meaning.
- (f) Plot the residuals to test the assumptions of the regression model. Is there any evidence of violation of the regression assumptions? Explain.
- (g) Determine the variance inflation factor (VIF) for each independent variable (X1 and X2) in the model. Is there reason to suspect the existence of collinearity? Why?
- (h) At the 0.05 level of significance, determine whether each independent variable (X1 and X2) makes a significant contribution to the regression model (use t tests and follow all the necessary steps). On the basis of these results, indicate the independent variables to include in the model.
- (i) Test for the significance of the overall multiple regression model (with two independent variables, X1 and X2) at 5% level of significance.

- (j) Determine whether there is a significant relationship between Y and each independent variable (X_1 and X_2) at the 5% level of significance (hint: testing portions of the multiple regression model using the partial F test).
- (k) Compute the coefficients of partial determination for a multiple regression model containing X_1 and X_2 and interpret their meaning.
- (l) Estimate a regression model using X_1 , X_2 and X_3 to predict Y (state the multiple regression equation, the regression equation for employees who have completed college, the regression equation for employees who have not completed college) and interpret the coefficient for X_3 .
- (m) Estimate a regression model using X_1 , X_2 , X_3 , an interaction between X_1 and X_2 , an interaction between X_1 and X_3 , and an interaction between X_2 and X_3 to predict Y .
- (n) Test whether the three interactions significantly improve the regression model. Assume 5% level of significance (hint: test the **joint** significance of the three interaction terms using the partial F test. If you reject the null hypothesis, test the contribution of each interaction separately (using the partial F test) in order to determine which interaction terms to include in the model).

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