

MA329 Statistical linear models 23-24

Assignment 3 (Due date: Nov 3, 11pm. For late submission, each day costs 10 percent)

1. (10 marks) Consider a nonsingular $n \times n$ matrix \mathbf{A} whose elements are functions of the scalar x . Also consider the full-rank $p \times n$ matrix \mathbf{B} . Let $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{B}'(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}')^{-1}\mathbf{B}$. Show that

$$\frac{\partial \mathbf{H}}{\partial x} = -\mathbf{H} \frac{\partial \mathbf{A}}{\partial x} \mathbf{H}$$

2. (20 marks) Let $\mathbf{X} \sim N_3(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$, where $\mathbf{X}' = (X_1, X_2, X_3)$, $\boldsymbol{\mu}' = (3, -2, 0)$ and

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 0 & -3 \\ 0 & 9 & 0 \\ -3 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Are X_2 and $2X_1 - X_3$ independent? Explain.
- (b) Find the distribution of $\begin{pmatrix} 2X_1 - 5X_3 \\ X_1 + X_2 \end{pmatrix}$.
- (c) Find the conditional distribution of X_3 , given that $X_1 = 1$ and $X_2 = -2$.
3. (10 marks) Let $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, Y_2, Y_3)'$. $E(\mathbf{Y}) = (2, 3, 4)'$ and the covariance matrix of \mathbf{Y} is

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 & -1 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Let $U = \sum_{i=1}^3 (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$. Find the expected value of U .

4. (10 marks) Let $\mathbf{Y} = (Y_1, \dots, Y_n)'$. $E(\mathbf{Y}) = \mu \mathbf{1}$ and the covariance matrix of \mathbf{Y} is $\sigma^2 \mathbf{I}$. Let

$$U = \sum_{i < j} (Y_i - Y_j)^2.$$

Find the expected value of U , and find a constant k such that kU is an unbiased estimator of σ^2 .