# **Assignment 1**

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## **Problem 1**

$$A = egin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B = egin{bmatrix} 1/4 & 1/4 \ 1/4 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad C = egin{bmatrix} 5 & 0 \ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Is B a symmetric matrix?
- (b) Is C a diagonal matrix? Write yes or no.
- (c) Find the transpose of A.
- (d) Define the 3 matrices in R and find A + B + C.

#### **Answer:**

- (a) B is a symmetric matrix (Yes).
- (b) C is diagonal matrix (Yes).
- (c) The transpose of A is given as:

$$[A]_{i,j} = [A]_{ji}^T 
ightarrow A^T = egin{bmatrix} 4 & 3 \ 3 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

with i, j stand for the i-th row and the j-th column for A, respectively.

(d)

$$A+B+C=egin{bmatrix} 4+rac{1}{4}+5 & 3+rac{1}{4}+0 \ 3+rac{1}{4}+0 & 1+1+1 \end{bmatrix}=egin{bmatrix} rac{37}{4} & rac{13}{4} \ rac{13}{4} & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Corresponding R-code:

```
[,1] [,2]
[1,] TRUE TRUE
[2,] TRUE TRUE
[,1] [,2]
[1,] 9.25 3.25
[2,] 3.25 3.00
```

## Problem 2

A criminologist studying the relationship between the level of education and crime rate in medium-sized U.S counties collected the data given in the file Crime rate.txt for a random sample of 84 counties; the second column is the percentage of the individuals in the county having at least a high-school diploma, and the first column is the crime rate (crimes reported per 100,000 residents) last year. The criminologist wants to build a linear model to see if the crime rate depends on the percentage of high school diplomas.

- (a) Read the data into R using the function read.table(). This works exactly like read.csv(), but it can read data from files that are not necessarily a csv file. Make sure you use the appropriate value of the header argument (TRUE or FALSE).
- (b) An expert decided that the observations with less 80% rate of high school diploma may not be reliable. So, we will only use the part of the data for which this rate is at least 80%. Use R to find this subset of the data. How many observations does it have? Find the average crime rate from this data set.
- (c) Use this subset of the data to obtain the correlation between crime rate and high school diploma percentage. Also use a hypothesis testing method to test if the correlation is significantly different from zero at 1% level. You must write the null and the alternative hypotheses, justify your reason to accept/reject the null hypothesis at a pre-specified level, and write your final conclusion.
- (d) Use the original data set (not the subset obtained in part (b)) to answer this question and the following questions. Create a scatter plot of the two variables with the crime rate in the Y-axis. Make the points green solid dots and make their size 80% of the default. Put appropriate axis labels. The axis labels should be 75% of the default size. Add an appropriate title. Then use the points() function to make the data points coming from counties with less 80% high school diploma rate orange. You must include the plot in your answer.
- (e) Find the average crime rate in the counties with less than 80% of a high-school diploma. Find the same average for counties with more than or equal to 80% of high school diplomas.

#### **Answer:**

(a) Corresponding R-code:

```
In [ ]: dat <- read.table('../datasets/Crime rate.txt', header = TRUE)
head(dat)</pre>
```

Crime	Diplomapct
8487	74
8179	82
8362	81
8220	81
6246	87
9100	66

(b) Corresponding R-code:

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In [ ]: new_dat <- subset(dat, Diplomapct >= 80)
    dim(new_dat)
    mean(new_dat$Crime)
```

- 1.40
- 2. 2

6231.125

There are 40 observations where the rate of highschool diplomas is at least 80%.

The average crime rate of this subset, containing only data points whose diploma rate is at least 80%, is 6231.125.

- (c) To conduct a hypothesis test between two variables crime rate and highschool diploma's rate do determine whether their correlation is significantly different from zero at 1% level, we first need to determine our null  $(H_o)$  and alternative  $(H_a)$  hypothesis as well as our significant level.
  - $H_o$ :  $\rho = 0$ .
  - $H_1: \rho \neq 0$ .
  - Significant level: 1%

with the assumption that both variables follow a bivariate normal distribution. Corresponding R-code:

```
In [ ]: cor(new_dat$Crime, new_dat$Diplomapct)
    cor.test(new_dat$Crime, new_dat$Diplomapct, conf.level = 0.95)
```

-0.319768642081719

#### Pearson's product-moment correlation

The correlation coefficient of these variables is approximately -0.3198.

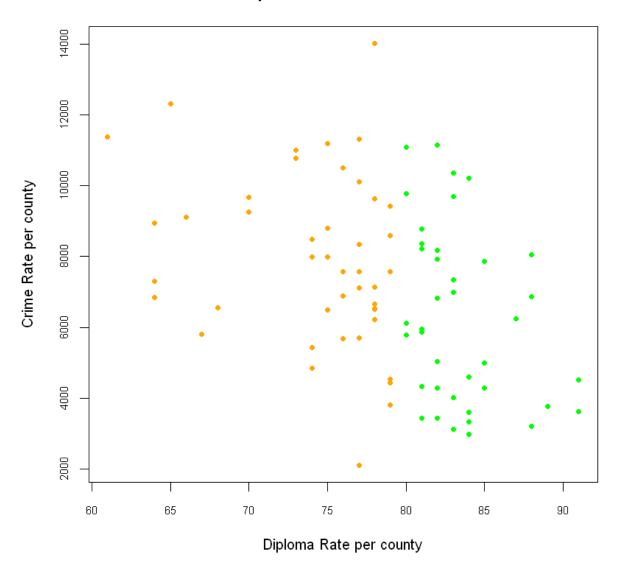
According to results of the t-test, the p-value is 0.4428 that is greater than the significant level (1%). Hence, we fail to reject our null hypothesis ( $H_o$ ).

### (d) Corresponding R-code:

```
In [ ]:
    plot(dat$Diplomapct, dat$Crime,
        xlab = "Diploma Rate per county", ylab = "Crime Rate per county",
        cex.axis = 0.75,
        pch = 16, col = "green", cex = 0.8,
        main = "Diploma vs. Crime Rates")

lessthan80 <- subset(dat, dat$Diplomapct < 80)
    points(lessthan80$Diplomapct, lessthan80$Crime,
        col = "orange",
        cex = 0.8,
        pch = 16)</pre>
```

# Diploma vs. Crime Rates



## (e) Corresponding R-code:

```
In [ ]: lessthan80 <- subset(dat, Diplomapct < 80)
   mean(lessthan80$Crime)
   atleast80 <- subset(dat, Diplomapct >= 80)
   mean(atleast80$Crime)
```

7911.27272727273

6231.125

The average crime rate in the counties with a rate of having a high-school diploma less than 80% is approximately 7911.2727.

The average crime rate in the counties with a rate of having a high-school diploma at least 80% is approximately 6231.125

# **Problem 3**

A contract engineer at DuPont Corp. studied the rate at which a spilled volatile liquid will spread across the surface (Chemical Engineering Progress, January 2005). Assume 50 gallons of methanol spills onto a level surface outdoors. The engineer used derived empirical formulas (assuming a state of turbulent free convection) to calculate the mass (in pounds) of the spill after a period of time ranging from 0 to 60 minutes. You will find the data in the file LIQUIDSPILL.Rdata.

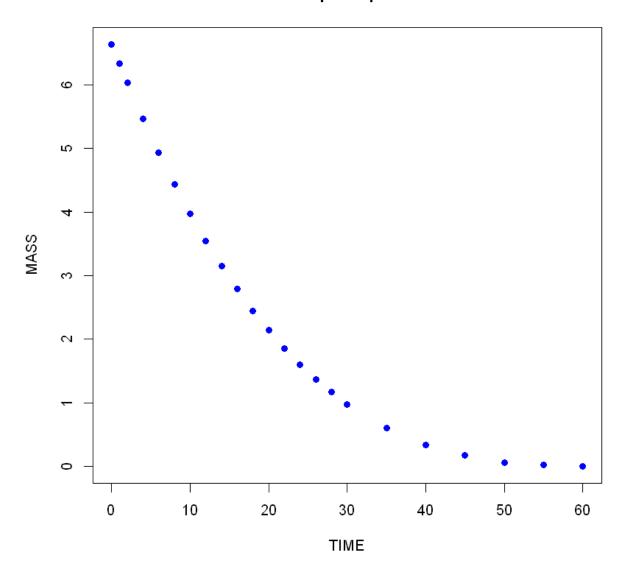
- (a) Create an appropriate scatter plot with the time in the horizontal axis and mass in the vertical axis. Use appropriate axis labels.
- (b) Based on the plot, does it seem like there is a relationship between the two variables? If yes, is it a linear relationship?

#### **Answer:**

(a) Corresponding R-code:

```
In [ ]: dat <- get(load("../datasets/LIQUIDSPILL.Rdata"))
plot(dat$TIME, dat$MASS,
    main = "Liquid Spill",
    xlab = "TIME", ylab = "MASS",
    pch = 16, col = "blue", cex = 1.0)</pre>
```

# Liquid Spill



(b) Based on the plot, there is a relationship between these two variables, and this relationship is non-linear. Noted that the Pearson correlation efficient computed for these two variables yields an interesting result: approximately -0.924, which indicates a strong negative linear correlation.

```
In [ ]: cor(dat$TIME, dat$MASS)
-0.923763440025986

In [ ]:
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