

COMPREHENSIVE WRITTEN EXAMINATION, PAPER III
PART 1: FRIDAY AUGUST 12, 2022 9:00 A.M.–11:00 A.M.
STOR 664 Theory Question (50 points)

Consider a regression with two predictors x_{i1} , x_{i2} , $i = 1, \dots, n$, and assume the model

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \beta_3 x_{i1} x_{i2} + \epsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n \quad (1)$$

where β_0, \dots, β_3 are unknown parameters and $\epsilon_i \sim N[0, \sigma^2]$ are independent errors with common unknown variance σ^2 . Note that the model has *just* the interaction term $\beta_3 x_{i1} x_{i2}$ but no terms in x_{i1}^2 or x_{i2}^2 . It is natural to want to test whether $H_0: \beta_3 = 0$.

Defining $S_{jk} = \sum_{i=1}^n x_{i1}^j x_{i2}^k$ let us further assume: $S_{10} = S_{01} = S_{11} = S_{12} = 0$ but that S_{20} , S_{02} , S_{21} and S_{22} are not 0.

- (a) Find explicit expressions for the least squares estimators $\hat{\beta}_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_3$ in terms of the S_{jk} 's and $\sum y_i$, $\sum y_i x_{i1}$, $\sum y_i x_{i2}$ and $\sum y_i x_{i1} x_{i2}$. [**12 points**]
- (b) Find expressions for the standard errors of $\hat{\beta}_0, \dots, \hat{\beta}_3$, in terms of n , S_{20} , S_{02} , S_{21} , S_{22} and the residual standard deviation s (assuming that s^2 is the standard unbiased estimator of σ^2). [**5 points**]
- (c) A t -test of significance level α will reject H_0 if $|\frac{\hat{\beta}_3}{s}| > C$ for some C which is a combination of n , S_{20} , S_{02} , S_{21} , S_{22} and α (alpha). Find C . (You may, if you wish, express your answer as an appropriate R function.) [**5 points**]
- (d) What is the power of the test in (c) when $\beta_3 \neq 0$? Your answer should be expressed in terms of the given parameters and relevant percentage points of the noncentral t or F distributions. (You may choose to express your answer as an R function though alternatives are also acceptable if the derivation behind your answer is clearly explained.) (*Hint*: First find the distribution of $\frac{\hat{\beta}_3^2}{s^2}$ when $\beta_3 \neq 0$.) [**16 points**]
- (e) Show that the observation with highest leverage is the index i that maximizes

$$x_{i2}^2(S_{20}S_{22} - S_{21}^2) + x_{i1}^2 S_{02}(S_{22} - 2S_{21}x_{i2} + x_{i2}^2 S_{20}).$$

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