

**BIST 0610J, Spring 2022**  
**Homework #1**  
**due Tue., 2/8/2022**

Total 80 Points

1. (40 points) A person's muscle mass is expected to decrease with age. To explore this relationship in women, a nutritionist randomly selected 60 women (15 women from each 10-year age group, beginning with age 40 and ending with age 79). Let  $X$  be age, and  $Y$  a measure of muscle mass. The data "muscle.csv" (the 1st column includes  $Y$  and the 2nd for  $X$ ) can be found on Canvas.

(a) (5 points) Draw a scatter plot of  $Y$  vs.  $X$ . Comment on the relationship between  $Y$  and  $X$  in a sentence or two.

(b) Is there a linear association between  $Y$  and  $X$ ?

i. (3 points) Please justify your answer with the estimate of correlation coefficient, and assess it for significance by providing 95% confidence interval.

ii. (2 points) Summarize the result in a sentence or two.

(c) (5 points) Fit the following model using PROC REG,

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i, \quad \epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2).$$

Provide  $\hat{\beta}_1$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_0$ ,  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1)$ ,  $\text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_0)$ , and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ .

(d) (6 points) Give interpretations for  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  you obtained in (c), and provide 95% confidence intervals for  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ , respectively.

- (e) (6 points) One wants to know if mean muscle mass is **linearly** associated with age. Perform an appropriate test:
- list  $H_0$  and  $H_a$ ;
  - write out the test statistic (formula);
  - state the test statistic's distribution under  $H_0$ ;
  - compute the test statistic;
  - draw a conclusion.
- (f) (8 points) Please calculate the mean value of  $X$ , denote by  $\bar{X}$ . For each  $X_i$ , compute a new variable  $X_i^* = X_i - \bar{X}$ .
- i. Fit a simple linear regression model  $Y_i = \beta_0^* + \beta_1^* X_i^* + \epsilon_i^*$  with  $\epsilon_i^* \sim N(0, \sigma^{*2})$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, 60$ , and provide estimates of  $\beta_0^*$ ,  $\beta_1^*$  and  $\sigma^{*2}$ .
  - ii. Give interpretations for  $\hat{\beta}_0^*$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1^*$ .
  - iii. Compare  $\hat{\beta}_0^*$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1^*$  & their standard errors and estimate of  $\sigma^{*2}$  with  $\hat{\beta}_0$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1$  & their standard errors and estimate of  $\sigma^2$  from the model in (c). Summarize your findings.
  - iv. What is the advantage of using  $X_i^*$  over  $X_i$ ?
- (g) (5 points) Determine the ANOVA table for the straight-line regression of  $Y$  on  $X$ , and test the significance of the straight line regression using an F-test.
2. (18 points) Consider a 'regression-through-the-origin' model,  $Y_i = \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$ , where  $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .
- (a) (4 points) Derive a least squares estimator of  $\beta_1$  for this model. Show all your work
  - (b) (10 points) Provide the mean squared error (mse) for  $\hat{\beta}_1$ . Show all your work. (hint:  $\text{mse}(\hat{\beta}_1) = \text{Var}(\hat{\beta}_1) + \text{bias}(\hat{\beta}_1)^2$ )
  - (c) (4 points) What is the distribution of  $\hat{\beta}_1$ ? Justify your answer.

3. (12 points) The following table gives rat body weights (in grams) and latency to seizure (in minutes), following injection of 40 mg/kg of body weight of metrazol.

| Latency | Weight | Latency | Weight |
|---------|--------|---------|--------|
| 2.30    | 348    | 2.00    | 409    |
| 1.95    | 372    | 1.70    | 413    |
| 2.90    | 378    | 2.00    | 415    |
| 2.30    | 390    | 2.95    | 423    |
| 1.10    | 392    | 1.25    | 428    |
| 2.50    | 395    | 2.05    | 464    |
| 1.30    | 400    | 3.70    | 468    |

- (a) (4 points) Using regression-through-the-origin model, provide  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ , and test for  $\beta_1 = 0$ .
- (b) (4 points) Consider a regression model with intercept,  $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$ , and test for  $\beta_0 = 0$  and for  $\beta_1 = 0$ . Provide  $\hat{\beta}_0$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$ , and test for  $\beta_0 = 0$  and  $\beta_1 = 0$ , respectively.
- (c) (4 points) Provide comments on your findings from (a) and (b).
4. (10 points) Prove the following expression is true.

$$t^2 = F$$

where  $t$  is t-test statistic and  $F$  is F-test statistic, both for testing  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  vs.  $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$  in a simple linear regression.