# STAT-285 Homework 9 Solutions

# Section 13.4 Question 41 / 10

Study Objective: Investigate how eccentricity and axial length in eyes are related to cone cell packing density.

#### Formulation: Let

- $Y_i$  denote the *i*th measurement of cone cell packing density (cells/mm<sup>2</sup>), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , with n = 192.
- $X_{i1}$  denote the *i*th measurement of eccentricity (mm), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .
- $X_{i2}$  denote the *i*th measurement of axial length (mm), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

The relationship between  $Y_i$  with  $X_{i1}$  and  $X_{i2}$  is specified to be

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_{i1} + \beta_2 X_{i2} + \varepsilon_i,$$

where  $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$ ,  $Var(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ , and  $\varepsilon_i$  is independent from  $X_{i1}$  and  $X_{i2}$ . Here,  $\beta_0$ ,  $\beta_1$ ,  $\beta_2$ , and  $\sigma^2$  are unknown parameters.

### Part A /2

We are told that  $R^2 = 0.834$ . This means that 83.4% of the variability in Y can be explained by  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ .

To carry out a test of model utility, we consider the following hypothesis test:

**Hypothesis Test**:  $H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$  vs.  $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$  or  $\beta_2 \neq 0$ .

**Test Statistic**:

$$F = \frac{R^2/k}{(1-R^2)/(n-k-1)} \sim F(k, n-k-1)$$

under  $H_0$ . Here, k = 2 is the number of independent variables included in the model. Plugging in the corresponding values results in  $F_{obs} = 474.7771$ . Since  $P_{H_0}(F > F_{obs}) = 1.9962 \times 10^{-74}$ , we reject  $H_0$  for essentially any value of  $\alpha$ .

## Part B /1

We are given  $\hat{E}(Y|X_1, X_2) = 35821.792 - 6294.729X_1 - 348.037X_2$ . That is,  $\hat{\beta}_0 = 35821.792$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1 = -6294.729$ , and  $\hat{\beta}_2 = -348.037$ . Then

 $\hat{E}(Y|1,25) = 35821.792 - 6294.729(1) - 348.037(25) = 20826.14$ 

### Part C /2

Note that

$$\beta_1 = E(Y|X_1 + 1, X_2) - E(Y|X_1, X_2).$$

The model implies by holding axial length fixed, the expected cone cell packing density will decrease by  $6,294.729 \text{ cells/mm}^2$  for every 1 mm increase in eccentricity.

### Part D /3

A 95% confidence interval for  $\beta_1$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \pm t_{0.025}(189)\hat{S}\hat{E}(\hat{\beta}_1) = -6294.729 \pm 1.9726 \times 203.702 \approx [-6696.551, -5892.907]$$

**Interpretation**: Holding axial length constant, we are 95% confident that the average *decrease* in cone cell packing density by increasing eccentricity by 1 mm is between 5,892.907 and 6,696.551

## Part E /2

**Hypothesis Test**:  $H_0: \beta_2 = 0$  vs.  $H_a: \beta_2 \neq 0$ .

We will conduct the hypothesis test by computing a 95% confidence interval for  $\beta_2$ :

$$\hat{\beta}_2 \pm t_{0.025}(189)\hat{S}\hat{E}(\hat{\beta}_2) = -348.037 \pm 1.9726 \times 134.350 \approx [-613.05515, -83.01885].$$

Since  $0 \notin [-613.05515, -83.01885]$ , we reject  $H_0$  with  $\alpha = 0.05$ , and conclude that the effect of axial length on cone cell packing density is statistically significant.

# Section 13.2 Question 15 / 14

**Study Objective**: Investigate how frying time is related to moisture content in tortilla chips.

#### Formulation: Let

•  $Y_i$  denote the *i*th measurement of moisture content (%), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , with n = 8.

•  $X_i$  denote the *i*th measurement of frying time (sec), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

The relationship between  $Y_i$  and  $X_i$  is specified as

$$Y_i = f(X_i) + \varepsilon_i,$$

where  $f(\cdot)$  is some function,  $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$ ,  $Var(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ , and  $\varepsilon_i$  is independent from  $X_i$ .

## Part A /2

Figure 1 presents a scatter plot of  $Y_i$  vs.  $X_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, 8$ . We can see that the relationship between X and Y appears to be a *power* relationship.



Figure 1: Scatter plot of Y vs. X for data from Section 13.2 Question 15.

### Part B /2

Figure 2 presents a scatter plot of  $\log Y_i$  vs.  $\log X_i$ , for  $i = 1, \dots, 8$ . We can see that the relationship between  $\log X$  and  $\log Y$  appears to be linear. That is, the following appears to be appropriate for this data:

$$\log Y_i = \alpha_0 + \alpha_1 \log X_i + \varepsilon_i$$

## Part C /2

From the linear model suggested from **Part B**:



**Figure 2:** Scatter plot of  $\log Y$  vs.  $\log X$  for data from Section 13.2 Question 15, and the estimated least squares line.

$$Y = \exp\{\alpha_0 + \log X_i^{\alpha_1} + \varepsilon_i\}$$
  
=  $\exp\{\alpha_0\}X_i^{\alpha_1}\exp\{\varepsilon_i\}$   
=  $\beta_0 X_i^{\alpha_1}\varepsilon_i^*,$ 

where  $\beta_0 = \exp\{\alpha_0\}$  and  $\varepsilon^* = \exp\{\varepsilon\}$ .

# Part D /5

Although the wording of the question is kind of confusing, we are asked to provide a (95%) prediction interval of Y given X = 20. By fitting a regression line, illustrated in Figure 2, we have

$$\hat{E}(\log Y_i | \log X_i) = 4.638 - 1.049 \log X_i.$$

A point estimate for the predicted value of  $\log Y$  given  $\log X = \log 20$  is

$$E(\log Y_i | \log 20) = 4.638 - 1.049(\log 20) = 1.4953$$

Other quantities we need are

$$\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6} \sum_{i=1}^{8} (\log Y_i - \hat{E}(\log Y_i | \log 20))^2} = 0.1449,$$
$$\overline{\log X} = \sum_{i=1}^{8} \log X_i / 8 = 3.0171$$
$$S_{\log X, \log X} = \sum_{i=1}^{8} (\log X_i)^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{8} \log X_i\right)^2 / 8 = 2387.5$$

So that a 95% prediction interval for  $\log Y$  given  $\log X = \log 20$  is

$$\hat{E}(\log Y_i|\log 20) \pm t_{0.025}(n-2)\hat{\sigma}\sqrt{1+\frac{1}{n}+\frac{(\log 20-\overline{\log X})^2}{S_{\log X,\log X}}}$$
$$= 1.4953 \pm 2.4469 \times 0.1449\sqrt{1+\frac{1}{8}+\frac{(\log 20-3.0171)^2}{2387.5}}$$
$$\approx [1.1192, 1.8714].$$

Therefore, an approximate 95% prediction interval for Y given X = 20 is

$$[\exp\{1.1192\}, \exp\{1.8714\}] = [3.0624, 6.4973].$$

### Part E /3

Figure 3 illustrates a scatter plot of the residuals vs. the fitted values, as well as a Normal Q-Q plot of the residuals. We can see that

- The residual corresponding to the third observation is quite large relative to the others.
- There is no apparent trend within in the scatter plot.
- Aside from the residuals pertaining to observations 1 and 3, all of the other points are near the reference line.



#### Figure 3:

**Left**: Scatter plot of the residuals  $\hat{e}_i = \log Y_i - \hat{E}(\log Y_i | \log X_i)$  vs.  $\hat{E}(\log Y_i | \log X_i)$ . **Right**: Normal Q-Q plot of  $\hat{e}_i$ 

# Section 13.3 Question 29 /8

Study Objective: Investigate how viscosity (MPa  $\cdot$  s) is related to free-flow % in high-alumina refractory castables.

#### Formulation: Let

- $Y_i$  denote the *i*th measurement of free-flow %, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , with n = 7.
- $X_i$  denote the *i*th measurement of viscosity (MPa · s), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

The relationship between  $Y_i$  and  $X_i$  is specified to be

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 X_i^2 \varepsilon_i$$

where  $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$ ,  $Var(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ , and  $\varepsilon_i$  is independent from  $X_i$ . The question gives us  $\hat{\beta}_0 = -295.96$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1 = 2.1885$ , and  $\hat{\beta}_2 = -0.0031662$ 

## Part A /2

Table 1 displays the data and relevant quantities. The predicted values are  $\hat{Y}_i$ , the residuals are  $\hat{e}_i$ , and

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{7} \hat{e}_i^2 = 16.7718$$
$$S^2 = \frac{SSE}{n-3} = 4.1929$$

i	$X_i$	$Y_i$	$Y_i^2$	$\hat{Y}_i$	$\hat{e}_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$	$\hat{e}_i^2$
1	351	81	6,561	82.1342	-1.1342	1.2864
2	367	83	$6,\!889$	80.7771	2.2229	4.9414
3	373	79	$6,\!241$	79.8502	-0.8502	0.7229
4	400	75	$5,\!625$	72.8583	2.1417	4.5870
5	402	70	4,900	72.1567	-2.1567	4.6513
6	456	43	$1,\!849$	43.6398	-0.6398	0.4094
7	484	22	484	21.5837	0.4163	0.1733
Total	-	453	$32,\!549$	-	-	16.7718

Table 1: Data and relevant quantities for Section 13.3 Question 29

## Part B /1

Using information from Table 1,

$$SST = \sum_{i=1}^{7} Y_i^2 - \left(\sum_{i=1}^{7} Y_i\right)^2 / 7 = 3233.429$$
$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{SSE}{SST} = 0.9948$$

Approximately 99.48% of the variability in Y can be explained by X and  $X^2$ .

## Part C /1

**Hypothesis Test**:  $H_0: \beta_2 = 0$  vs.  $H_a: \beta_2 \neq 0$ .

Test Statistic:

$$T = \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{\widehat{SE}(\hat{\beta}_2)} \sim t(n-k-1)$$

under  $H_0$ . Here, k = 2 and plugging in the corresponding values results in  $T_{obs} = -6.5483$ .

Since  $P_{H_0}(|T| > |T_{obs}|) = P_{H_0}(|T| > 6.5483) \approx 0.0028$ . We therefore reject  $H_0$  with  $\alpha = 0.05$ , and conclude that the quadratic term belongs in the regression model.

### Part D /2

To have a joint confidence level of at least 95%, we use the Bonferonni procedure and specify  $\alpha$  to be

$$100(1 - 2\alpha)\% \ge 0.95$$
  
$$\Rightarrow \alpha \le 0.025$$

The textbook solution specifies  $\alpha = 0.02$ , but any value of  $\alpha \leq 0.025$  would work too.

A 98% confidence interval for  $\beta_1$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \pm t_{0.01}(n-3)\widehat{SE}(\hat{\beta}_1) = 2.1885 \pm 3.7469 \times 0.4050 \approx [0.6708, 3.7062].$$

A 98% confidence interval for  $\beta_2$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_2 \pm t_{0.01}(n-3)\hat{S}\hat{E}(\hat{\beta}_2) = -0.0031662 \pm 3.7469 \times 0.0004835 \approx [-0.0050, -0.0014]$$

## Part E /2

Using the estimated regression fit provided by the question,  $\hat{E}(Y|X=400) = 72.8583$ 

A 95% confidence interval for E(Y|X = 400) is

$$\hat{E}(Y|X = 400) \pm t_{0.025}(n-3)\hat{S}\hat{E}(\hat{E}(Y|X = 400))$$
  
= 72.8583 \pm 2.7764 \times 1.198  
\approx [69.532, 76.184]

A 95% prediction interval for a future observation with X = 400 is

$$\hat{E}(Y|X = 400) \pm t_{0.025}(n-3)\sqrt{S^2 + \widehat{SE}(\hat{E}(Y|X = 400))^2}$$
  
= 72.8583 \pm 2.7764\sqrt{4.1929 + 1.198^2}  
\approx [66.2715, 79.4450].

Due to the extra variability in predicting Y, the prediction interval is wider compared to the confidence interval.

## Section 13.4 Question 48 /8

**Study Objective**: Investigate how three levels of temperature, time of treatment, and tartaric acid concentration are related to weight loss.

#### Formulation: Let

- $Y_i$  denote the *i*th measurement of weight loss %, for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , with n = 15.
- $X_{i1} \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$  denote the *i*th level of temperature (in Celsius), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .
- $X_{i2} \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$  denote the *i*th level of time of treatment (minutes), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .
- $X_{i3} \in \{-1, 0, 1\}$  denote the *i*th level of tartaric acid concentration (g/L), for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ .

The relationship between  $Y_i$  and  $X_i$  is specified to be

 $Y_{i} = \beta_{0} + \beta_{1}X_{i1} + \beta_{2}X_{i2} + \beta_{3}X_{i3} + \beta_{4}X_{i1}^{2} + \beta_{5}X_{i2}^{2} + \beta_{6}X_{i3}^{2} + \beta_{7}X_{i1}X_{i2} + \beta_{8}X_{i1}X_{i3} + \beta_{9}X_{i2}X_{i3} + \varepsilon_{i},$ 

where  $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$ ,  $Var(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ , and  $\varepsilon_i$  is independent from  $\{X_{i1}, X_{i2}, X_{i3}\}$ . The question gives us the estimated parameters and relevant quantities to work with. Fitting the regression model in R results in the same estimates provided.

### Part A /2

To determine if the specified relationship is meaningful, we conduct the following hypothesis test:

**Hypothesis Test**:  $H_0: \beta_1 = \cdots = \beta_9 = 0$  vs.  $H_a:$  At least one  $\beta_j \neq 0$ , for  $j = 1, \cdots, 9$ .

Test Statistic:

$$F = \frac{R^2/k}{(1-R^2)/(n-k-1)} \sim F(k, n-k-1)$$

under  $H_0$ . Here, k = 9 is the number of independent variables included in the model. Plugging in the corresponding values results in  $F_{obs} = 8.3469$ . Since  $P_{H_0}(F > F_{obs}) = 0.0155$ , we fail to reject  $H_0$  with  $\alpha = 0.01$ .

### Part B /2

In terms of notation, let  $E(Y|\mathbf{X})$  denote the expected value of Y given  $\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_9)'$ , and  $E(Y|\mathbf{0})$  denote the expected value of Y given  $\mathbf{X} = \mathbf{0}$ .

With the estimates they provided,  $\hat{E}(Y|\mathbf{0}) = 21.9667$ , and a 95% confidence interval for  $E(Y|\mathbf{0})$  is

$$\hat{E}(Y|\mathbf{0}) \pm t_{0.025}(n-10)\widehat{SE}(\hat{E}(Y|\mathbf{0})) = 21.9667 \pm 2.5707 \times 1.248 \approx [18.7586, 25.1748].$$

# Part C /2

With  $S^2 = SSE/(n-10) = 4.6758$ , a 95% prediction interval for a future observation with X = 0 is

$$\hat{E}(Y|\mathbf{0}) \pm t_{0.025}(n-10)\sqrt{\widehat{SE}(\hat{E}(Y|\mathbf{0}))^2 + S^2} \\
= 21.9667 \pm 2.5707 \times \sqrt{1.248^2 + 4.6758^2} \\
\approx [15.5488, 28.3846].$$

## Part D /2

To determine if any of the second order predictors belong in the model, we conduct the following hypothesis test:

**Hypothesis Test**:  $H_0: \beta_4 = \cdots = \beta_9 = 0$  vs.  $H_a:$  At least one  $\beta_j \neq 0$ , for  $j = 4, \cdots, 9$ .

**Test Statistic**: Let  $SSE_F$  and  $SSE_R$  denote SSE under the full and reduced model, respectively. Since the reduced model has  $\ell = 3$  predictors, the test statistic is

$$F = \frac{(SSE_R - SSE_F)/(k-\ell)}{SSE_F/(n-k-1)} \sim F(k-\ell, n-k-1)$$

under  $H_0$ . Plugging in the corresponding values results in  $F_{obs} = 6.4316$ . Since  $P_{H_0}(F > F_{obs}) = 0.0296$ , we fail to reject  $H_0$  with  $\alpha = 0.01$ .