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**COURSE CODE: WAB 2312**

**COURSE TITLE: STATISTICAL MODELLING**

**EXAM VENUE: LAB 12**

**STREAM: ACTUARIAL**

**DATE: 26/4/24**

**EXAM SESSION: 9-11.00 AM**

**TIME: 2.00 HOURS**

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**Instructions:**

- 1. Answer question 1 (Compulsory) and ANY other 2 questions in SECTION B**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

**QUESTION ONE COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)**

- a) Briefly state four assumptions of multiple linear regression model (8marks)
- b) Briefly state three statistical properties of Linear Smoothers (6marks)
- c) Under what circumstances would you use Poisson Regression? (2marks)
- d) What are the assumptions of Poisson Regression? (6marks)
- e) The decreasing value of an item that was purchased new 2008 is listed below.

Year	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Value of item in \$	40	35.5	29.61	21.20	15.73	13.24	10.99

- i) Write an equation relating the value of the item and the year it was purchased (4mks)
- ii) Predict when the item will be worth \$ 1.92 (1mark)

- f) Use the data below to regress the data to a second order polynomial and find the value of  $\alpha$  when Temperature is 700F (3marks)

Temperature ( $^{\circ}$ F)	80	40	-40	-120	-200	-280
$\alpha$	6.47	6.24	5.72	5.09	4.30	3.33

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

Evaluate the following dataset to fit a multiple linear regression model (10marks)

Y	X <sub>1</sub>	X <sub>2</sub>
140	60	22
155	62	25
159	67	24
179	70	20
192	71	15
200	72	14
212	75	14
215	78	11

- a) Consider the simple linear regression model:  $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$  with  $\epsilon_i \sim \text{i.i.d. } N(0, \sigma^2)$ . Suppose you estimated of the parameters of this model using least squares with a dataset containing 1000 observations. Some calculations using the X matrix, Y vector, and vector of residuals (e) are provided below. Use that information to test the Null Hypothesis that  $\beta_1 = 5$  at a 95% confidence level. What do you conclude?

$$[X'X]^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 0.1 \\ 0.1 & 3 \end{pmatrix} \quad X'Y = \begin{pmatrix} -4 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad e'e = 212.91 \quad (10marks)$$

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) It is suspected from theoretical considerations that the rate of water flow from a firehouse is proportional to some power of the nozzle pressure. Assume pressure data is more accurate. You are transforming the data

Flow rate, F(gallons/min)	96	129	135	145	168	235
Pressure, p(psi)	11	17	20	25	40	55

What is the exponent of the nozzle pressure in the regression model  $F = ap^b$  (10marks)

- b) When using the transformed data model to find the constants of the regression model  $y = ae^{bx}$  To best fit  $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$ , what is the sum of the square of the residuals that is minimized (5marks)
- c) Find the transformed data model for the stress-strain curve  $\sigma = k_1 \epsilon e^{-k_1 \epsilon}$  for concrete in compression, where  $\sigma$  is the stress and  $\epsilon$  is the strain, (1mark)
- d) Fill in the missing entries of the partially completed one-way ANOVA table. (4marks)

Source	df	SS	MS = SS/df
F-statistic			
Treatments		2.124	0.708
Error	20		
Total			

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

- a) Consider the following training data:

X	y
1	3
2	1
3	0.5

Suppose the data comes from a model  $y = cx^\beta + noise$ , for unknown constants  $c$  and  $\beta$ . Use least squares linear regression to find an estimate of  $c$  and  $\beta$  (10marks)

- b) The sales of a company (in million dollars) for each year are shown in the table below.

x (year)	c) 2005	d) 2006	e) 2007	f) 2008	g) 2009
y (sales)	h) 12	i) 19	j) 29	k) 37	l) 45

- i) Find the least square regression line  $y = a x + b$ .
- ii) Use the least squares regression line as a model to estimate the sales of the company in 2012. (10marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

- a) Consider the linear model  $y = \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \varepsilon, E(\varepsilon) = 0, V(\varepsilon) = 1$  where the study variable  $y$  and the explanatory variables  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are scaled to length unity and the correlation coefficient between  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  is 0.5. Let  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  be the ordinary least squares estimators of  $\beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  respectively. Find the covariance between  $b_1$  and  $b_2$  (10marks)
- b) A company manufactures an electronic device to be used in a very wide temperature range. The company knows that increased temperature shortens the life time of the device, and a study is therefore performed in which the life time is determined as a function of temperature. The following data is found: (10marks)

Temperature in Celcius (t)	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
Life time in hours (y)	420	365	285	220	176	117	69	34	5

- I. Calculate the 95% confidence interval for the slope in the usual linear regression model, which expresses the life time as a linear function of the temperature.
- II. Can a relation between temperature and life time be documented on level 5%