

**STA 302 / 1001 H - Fall 2005**

**Test 1**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Time: 90 minutes
- Aids allowed: calculator.
- A table of values from the  $t$  distribution is on the last page (page 8).
- Total points: 50

**Some formulae:**

$$b_1 = \frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2} = \frac{\sum X_i Y_i - n\bar{X}\bar{Y}}{\sum X_i^2 - n\bar{X}^2}$$

$$b_0 = \bar{Y} - b_1 \bar{X}$$

$$\text{Var}(b_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

$$\text{Var}(b_0) = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{X}^2}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right)$$

$$\text{Cov}(b_0, b_1) = -\frac{\sigma^2 \bar{X}}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$

$$\text{SSTO} = \sum(Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

$$\text{SSE} = \sum(Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2$$

$$\text{SSR} = b_1^2 \sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2 = \sum(\hat{Y}_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

$$\sigma^2\{\hat{Y}_h\} = \text{Var}(\hat{Y}_h) = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(X_h - \bar{X})^2}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right) \quad \sigma^2\{\text{pred}\} = \text{Var}(Y_h - \hat{Y}_h) = \sigma^2 \left( 1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(X_h - \bar{X})^2}{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2} \right)$$

$$r = \frac{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sqrt{\sum(X_i - \bar{X})^2 \sum(Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}}$$

$$\text{Working-Hotelling coefficient: } W = \sqrt{2 F_{2, n-2; 1-\alpha}}$$

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1. (10 points) A simple linear regression model is fit on  $n$  observed data points.

(a) What is the difference between  $\beta_1$  and  $b_1$ ?

(b) What does it mean if  $R^2 = 1$ ?

(c) In lecture we showed  $\sum_{i=1}^n e_i = 0$  and  $\sum_{i=1}^n e_i X_i = 0$ . Show that  $\sum_{i=1}^n e_i \hat{Y}_i = 0$ . (You may use the results shown in class if they are helpful.)

(d) Explain why the result in (c) implies that the residuals and predicted values are uncorrelated and why this is useful.

2. (8 points) In order to carry out linear regression analyses, in addition to the assumption that a linear model is appropriate for the data, we have made the following assumptions:

- the expectation of the random errors is zero
- the variance of the errors is constant
- the errors are uncorrelated
- the errors are normally distributed

Assume that the independent variable is not random.

(a) Which of these additional assumptions are necessary to show that  $b_1$  is unbiased for  $\beta_1$ ?

(b) Derive the formula for the variance of  $b_1$  and state which of the additional assumptions are necessary for the derivation.

3. (7 points) In lecture we have considered the Snow Gauge example. In this experiment, scientists measured the number of gamma rays (the **gain**) that make it through 10 samples of each of 9 densities of polystyrene. We fit a simple regression model with the logarithm of gain (**loggain**) as the dependent variable and **density** as the independent variable to these 90 points. A scientist argues that, since 10 samples were measured at each density, taking the mean of **loggain** at that density will result in a better estimate and the regression should then be run using the 9 resulting points. Will the least squares estimates of the slope and intercept change? Will the estimate of the error variance change? If there is a change, say whether it is larger or smaller. Justify your answers.

4. (25 points) The data analysed in this question are from a random sample of records of esales of homes in 1993 in the U.S. city of Albuquerque. The data collected include many variables about the homes sold, but we will only consider how well the size of the home (in square feet of usable floor space, variable name: `sqft`) can be used to predict the selling price (in hundreds of dollars, variable name: `price`) of the home.

Some output from SAS is given below. Note that some numbers have been replaced by letters.

Descriptive Statistics					
Variable	Sum	Mean	Uncorrected SS	Variance	Standard Deviation
Intercept	116.00000	1.00000	116.00000	0	0
sqft	189751	1635.78448	337777165	238134	487.98988
price	123045	1060.73276	147252397	145518	381.46781

Analysis of Variance					
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	(A)	13229494	(B)	430.28	(C)
Error	114	(D)	30746		
Corrected Total	(E)	16734535			
Root MSE		(F)	R-Square	0.7906	
Dependent Mean		1060.73276	Adj R-Sq	0.7887	
Coeff Var		16.53058			

Parameter Estimates					
Variable	DF	Parameter Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	1	-76.20835	57.17689	-1.33	0.1852
sqft	1	0.69504	0.03351	(G)	<.0001

- (a) Find the 7 missing values (A through G) in the SAS output.

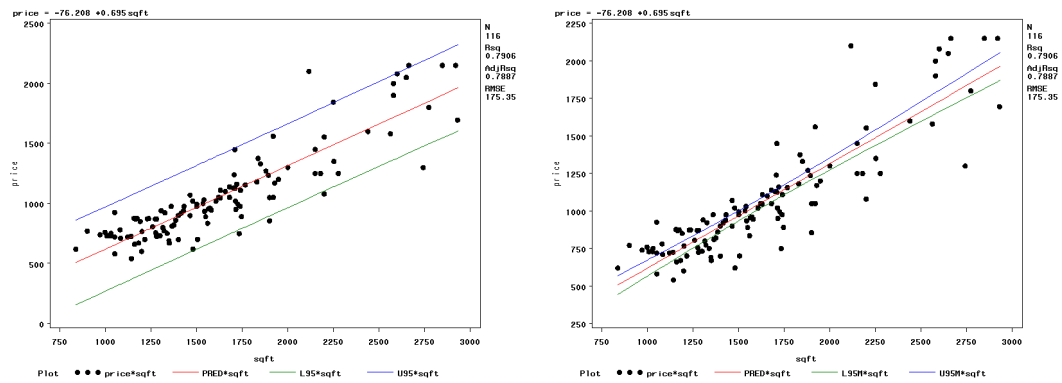
(b) How many houses are in the sample?

(c) Is the intercept statistically significantly different from 0? Justify your answer. Explain the meaning of the intercept for a real estate agent.

(d) A house with 2000 square feet of usable space came on the market (under the same market conditions as the houses used in this analysis). Predict its selling price.

(e) What is the standard error of the prediction in part (d)?

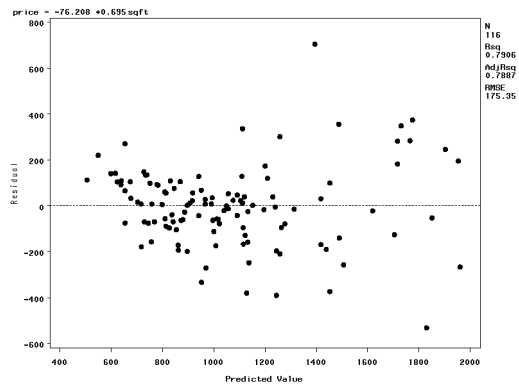
(f) Plots of the data including the regression line and 95% confidence intervals for the mean of Y and 95% prediction intervals for Y are given below.



i. Which plot is which? How do you know?

ii. For the plot on the right, show how to calculate the value on the lowest curve corresponding to  $X = 1500$ . In your answer include the numeric value.

(g) A plot of the residuals versus predicted values is below.



Describe any problems you see in the residual plot. If the plot shows that any assumptions are being violated indicate which.

(h) A student hired by the real estate board to analyse these data argues that we should consider correlation rather than regression since the predictor variable is random. Respond to this comment.

(i) Several of the homes in the random sample used in this analysis were from a new housing development. Why should this be considered in carrying out the analyses?