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SMA 360: MULTIVARIATE STATISTICAL METHODS 1

DATE: Tuesday 6th December, 2011

TIME: 8.00 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question one and any other TWO questions.

1. (a) A random vector $\tilde{x}$ has covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 9 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the eigenvalues of Σ

[3 marks]

- (b) Consider the following data matrix with three variables

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} 9 & 12 & 3 \\ 2 & 8 & 4 \\ 6 & 6 & 0 \\ 5 & 4 & 2 \\ 8 & 10 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Calculate (i) mean vector

[2 marks]

(ii) variance matrix

[3 marks]

(iii) correlation matrix

[3 marks]

- (c) Let $\tilde{x}' = (x_1, x_2, x_3)$ with mean $\mu_\mu^1 = (2, 4, -1)$ and

$$\text{covariance } \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 4 & -1 & \frac{1}{2} \\ -1 & 3 & 1 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the mean and variance of

- (i) $Y_1 = x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3$

(ii) $Y_2 = 3x_1 - 4x_2$

Are Y_1 and Y_2 independent? Give reasons.

[4 marks]

(d) Let $\tilde{x}$ have covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 25 & -2 & 4 \\ -2 & 4 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$$

Determine the standard deviation matrix D and the correlation matrix ρ .

[6 marks]

(e) Let $\tilde{x} \sim N_3(\tilde{\mu}, \Sigma)$ with $\mu_1' = (-3, 1, 4)$ and $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -2 & 0 \\ -2 & 5 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

(i) Obtain the distribution of $3x_1 - 2x_2 + x_3$

[3 marks]

Which of the following random variables are independent. Explain.

(ii) x_1 and x_3

[2 marks]

(iii) x_2 and x_3

[2 marks]

(iv) (x_1, x_2) and x_3

[2 marks]

Q2. (a) Let $\tilde{x}' = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p)$ be a p -dimensional normal density with mean $\tilde{\mu}$ and variance Σ .

Partition $\tilde{x}$ into subvectors $\tilde{x}_1$ and $\tilde{x}_2$ with orders $q \times 1$ and $(p - q) \times 1$ respectively.

Write down the conditional density function of $\tilde{x}_1$ given $\tilde{x}_{(2)}$

[3 marks]

(b) Let $\tilde{x} \sim N_3(\tilde{\mu}, \Sigma)$ where $\mu' = (1, 2, 1)$ and $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.8 & -0.4 \\ 0.8 & 1 & -0.56 \\ -0.4 & -0.56 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$

Obtain the conditional expectation and the conditional variance of x_1 and x_3 given x_2 .

[13 marks]

(c) If $\tilde{x}$ is distributed as $N_4(\mu', \Sigma)$ with $\mu' = (2, 1, 0, 1)$ and covariance matrix

$$\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 & 1 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the distribution of $\tilde{Y}' = (x_1, x_3)$ [4 marks]

Q3. (a) Define the characteristic function of a random vector $\tilde{x}$ [2 marks]

(b) Let the random vector $\tilde{x}' = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p)$ be normally distributed with mean vector $\tilde{\mu}$ and covariance matrix $\Sigma > 0$.

(i) Find the characteristic function of

$$\tilde{z} = \Sigma^{-1/2} (\tilde{x} - \tilde{\mu})$$
 [5 marks]

Hence (ii) Obtain the characteristic function of $\tilde{x}$ [5 marks]

(iii) Defining $\tilde{Y} = \tilde{a}' \tilde{x}$, $\tilde{a} \neq 0$, use the characteristic function technique to show that

$$\tilde{Y} \sim \text{Np} \left(\tilde{a}' \tilde{\mu}, \tilde{a}' \Sigma \tilde{a} \right) \text{ where } \tilde{a} \text{ is a vector of constants.}$$
 [5 marks]

(c) Let $\tilde{x} \sim N_3 \left(\tilde{\mu}, \Sigma \right)$ with $\tilde{\mu}' = (2, -3, 1)$ and $\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 3 & 2 \\ 1 & 2 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$

Obtain the distribution of $2x_1 - 3x_2 + x_3$ [3 marks]

Q4. (a) Given the data

x _j	10	5	7	19	11	8
y	15	9	3	25	7	13

Fit the linear regression model.

$$Y_j = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{j1} + \ell_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, 6$$

Specifically, calculate the least squares estimates $\hat{\beta}$, the fitted values $\hat{y}$, the residuals $\hat{\ell}$

and the residual sum of squares $\hat{\ell}' \hat{\ell}$. [10 marks]

(b) Define the following theorems with respect to a random vector

- (i) Central limit theorem
- (ii) Weak Law of Large numbers.

[4 marks]

(c) Given $\underline{x} \sim N_3(\underline{\mu}, \Sigma)$ with $\underline{\mu} = 0$

$$\text{and } \Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0.6 & -0.3 \\ 0.6 & 1.0 & -0.25 \\ -0.3 & -0.25 & 1.0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find the multiple correlation coefficient between x_1 and (x_2, x_3)

[6 marks]

- Q5. (a) Define (i) Partial correlation
(ii) Multiple correlation

(b) The multivariate normal random variable $\underline{X}$ is distributed with mean vector $\underline{\mu} = 0$ and

$$\text{has covariance matrix } \Sigma = \begin{bmatrix} 6.64 & 0.80 & -0.44 & 0.38 \\ 0.80 & 10.86 & 14.09 & 11.32 \\ -0.44 & 14.09 & 2363 & 17.19 \\ 0.38 & 11.32 & 17.19 & 21.85 \end{bmatrix}$$

(i) Let $\underline{X} = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \\ X_4 \end{pmatrix}$ be partitioned into

$$\underline{X} = \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \\ X_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } X_2 = (X_4)$$

Obtain the partial correlation between $\underline{X}_1$ given X_4 .

(ii) Obtain multiple correlation between X_4 and the variates of $\underline{X}_1$

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