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**UNIVERSITY REGULAR EXAMINATIONS
2022/2023 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR EXAMINATIONS
FOR THE MASTERS OF SCIENCE (STATISTICS)**

COURSE CODE: STA 806

COURSE TITLE: THEORY OF LINEAR MODELS

DATE: 27 /04/2023

TIME: 8 A.M – 11 A.M

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Answer any THREE questions out of the five questions given

Time: 3 hours

QUESTION ONE (20 MKS)

- a. Show that if $E(y) = X\beta$ and $Cov(y) = \sigma^2 I$ the Least squares estimators $\beta_j, j = 0, 1, \dots, k$ have minimum variance among all linear unbiased estimators.

(6 marks)

- b. For the data given below, obtain ANOVA table and test the hypothesis that;

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0 \text{ versus}$$

$$H_1 : \text{at least one of the } \beta_j \text{'s } \neq 0, i = 1, 2$$

Use $\alpha = 0.05$

| Price in thousands of dollars (y) | Age in years (x ₁) | Square footage in thousands of square feet (x ₂) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|
| 65 | 9 | 10 |
| 70 | 9 | 8 |
| 80 | 8 | 8 |
| 90 | 9 | 8 |
| 100 | 9 | 7 |

(14 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MKS)

- a. An important practical feature of Generalized linear models is that they can all be fit to data using the same algorithm, a form of iteratively re-weighted least squares. Describe this algorithm. (11 marks)
- b. A study used logistic regression to determine characteristics associated with Y= whether a cancer patient achieved remission (1=yes). The most important explanatory variable was a labeling index (LI) that measures proliferative activity of cells after a patient receives an injection of tritiated thymidine. It represents the percentage of cells after a patient receives an injection of tritiated thymidine. It represents the percentage of cells that are "Labeled". Table (1) shows the data while Table (2) presents R glm results for $P(Y = 1 / X = x)$.

Table (1)

| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| LI | 8 | 8 | 18 | 28 | 10 | 10 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 32 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 22 | 22 | 34 | 14 | 14 | 14 | 24 |
| Remission | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Table (2)

| | Estimate | Std. Error | z-value | Pr(> z) |
|-------------|----------|------------|---------|----------|
| (Intercept) | -4.2266 | 1.8551 | -2.28 | 0.0227 |
| LI | 0.2111 | 0.0975 | 2.16 | 0.0304 |

- Write down the fitted model (2 marks)
- Is LI significant in explaining remission at 5% level of significance? (2 marks)
- Interpret the effect of LI on the odds of remission. (2 marks)
- Determine $\pi = P(Y = 1 / X = 26)$ (3 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MKS)

- a. A study is conducted to estimate the demand for housing based on current interest rate and the rate of unemployment. The data is given as follows;

| | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Units sold | 65 | 59 | 80 | 90 | 100 | 105 |
| Interest rate in (%) | 9.0 | 9.3 | 8.9 | 9.1 | 9.0 | 8.7 |
| Unemployment rate at (%) | 10 | 8 | 8.2 | 7.7 | 7.1 | 7.2 |

- Fit multiple regression model of the form $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2$ to the above data. (7 marks)
 - Test for β_0 , β_1 and β_2 (7 marks)
- b. State and explain the components of a generalized linear model (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MKS)

- a. Define Ridge estimator. Hence, show that in the orthonormal case, a ridge estimator is proportional to the least square estimator. (7 marks)
- b. Determine the expectation and variance of a ridge estimator for β hence state under what condition the ridge estimator is unbiased for β (13 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MKS)

- a. What is an exponential family? (3 marks)
- b. Show that $f(y_i) = \frac{e^{-\lambda_i} \lambda_i^{y_i}}{y_i!}$ belongs to the exponential family. (6 marks)
- c. Using the data below, fit the non linear regression model and predict the number of bacteria when dose is 16.

| | | | | | | | | |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| Dose | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Bacteria | 35500 | 21100 | 19700 | 16600 | 14200 | 10600 | 10400 | 6000 |

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|----------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Dose | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| Bacteria | 5600 | 3800 | 3600 | 3200 | 2100 | 1900 | 1500 |

(11 marks)