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Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Attempt FIVE questions in all.
3. Use of a non-programmable scientific calculator is allowed.
4. Use of Statistical Tables is allowed.

1. (a) What is the key difference between a linear regression model and a nonlinear regression model?
(b) Give one example of a nonlinear model that can be transformed to a linear model.
(c) In logistic regression, what does the odds ratio represent? Write the logit function.
(d) State the null hypothesis for a test of independence in a two-way contingency table using a log-linear model.
(e) What is overdispersion in Poisson regression? Name one common cause.
(f) What are the main challenges in the estimation of parameters in a nonlinear regression model compared to linear regression?

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2. (a) Discuss the origins of nonlinear regression models in detail. Explain the difference between intrinsically linear and intrinsically nonlinear models with suitable examples.
(b) Consider the nonlinear growth model $Y = \frac{\theta_1}{1 + \theta_2 e^{-\theta_3 X}} + \varepsilon$ (logistic growth curve). Can this model be transformed to a linear model? If yes, show the transformation and state the limitations. If no, explain why not.

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3. (a) What are the common methods for estimating parameters in nonlinear regression models?
(b) The following data represent the length (Y) of a fish as a function of its age (X in years):

X	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Y	3.5	5.8	7.2	8.1	8.6	8.9	9.1	9.2

It is hypothesized that $Y = \alpha(1 - e^{-\beta X}) + \varepsilon$. Using (i) a suitable transformation (if possible), or (ii) without transformation, estimate α and β . Also, predict the length at age 10 years.

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4. (a) Define the logistic regression model for multiple predictors. Explain the concept of link function in the context of GLM and identify the link function used in logistic regression.
- (b) A study examines the effect of a new drug on recovery (1=recovered, 0=not recovered). Data are as follows:

Dose (mg)	Recovered	Not Recovered	Total
0	10	90	100
10	30	70	100
20	50	50	100
30	70	30	100

Fit a logistic regression model with dose as predictor. Estimate the coefficients, interpret the odds ratio, and find the ED50 (dose at which recovery probability = 0.5).

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5. (a) Describe the Poisson regression model for count data. Explain the role of an offset variable with a real-life example.
- (b) Define deviance in Poisson regression. How is the analysis of deviance used to compare nested Poisson models?

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6. (a) Write a note on goodness-of-fit tests for Poisson regression models. Describe the deviance-based tests.
- (b) The number of insurance claims (Y) for 10 policyholders is recorded along with age (X_1 in years) and car type ($X_2 = 1$ for sports car, 0 otherwise). Fitted Poisson model gives:

$$\ln(\hat{\mu}) = -1.2 + 0.03 \times \text{Age} + 0.8 \times \text{CarType}$$

$$\text{SE}(\hat{\beta}_{\text{Age}}) = 0.01, \text{SE}(\hat{\beta}_{\text{CarType}}) = 0.25.$$

(i) Test whether Age is significant at 5% level.

(ii) Interpret the coefficient of CarType.

(iii) Predict the expected number of claims for a 30-year-old sports car owner.

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7. (a) Explain log-linear models for three-way contingency tables. Write the models for:
- mutual independence,
 - joint independence,
 - conditional independence.
- (b) A $2 \times 2 \times 2$ table for variables X (Gender: M/F), Y (Treatment: Yes/No), Z (Recovery: Yes/No) is given:

Gender	Treatment	Recovered	Not Recovered
M	Yes	40	10
M	No	15	35
F	Yes	35	15
F	No	20	30

Test the hypothesis of conditional independence of Treatment and Recovery given Gender using a log-linear model. Compute expected frequencies and likelihood ratio test statistic.

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