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1. In model  $Y = X\beta + \epsilon$ ,  $\epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2\Sigma)$ ,  $X \in R^{n \times p}$  has full column rank.

(1) Write out  $\hat{\beta}$ , the MVUE for  $\beta$ , and its distribution. (5 points)

$$\hat{\beta} = (\Sigma^{-1/2}X)^+ \Sigma^{-1/2}Y = (X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}X'\Sigma^{-1}Y \sim N(\beta, \sigma^2(X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}).$$

(2) Write out the two risks,  $\text{MSEM}(\hat{\beta}, \beta)$  and  $\text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}, \beta)$ . (10 points)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSEM}(\hat{\beta}, \beta) &= \text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2(X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}. \\ \text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}, \beta) &= \text{tr}(\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta})) = \sigma^2 \text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

2. Let  $\hat{\beta}(s) = s\hat{\beta}$  where  $0 < s < 1$  and  $\hat{\beta}$  is in 1 (1).

(1) Show that  $\hat{\beta}(s)$  is a linear biased estimator for  $\beta$ . (10 points)

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta}(s) &= s\hat{\beta} = s(X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}X'\Sigma^{-1}Y \text{ is a linear function of } Y. \\ \hat{\beta}(s) &\sim N(s\beta, \sigma^2 s^2 (X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}). \\ E(\hat{\beta}(s)) &= s\beta \neq \beta. \text{ So } \hat{\beta}(s) \text{ is a biased estimator for } \beta. \\ \text{Hence } \hat{\beta}(s) &\text{ is a linear biased estimator for } \beta. \end{aligned}$$

(2) Find the risk  $\text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}(s), \beta)$ . (10 points)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}(s), \beta) &= E[(\hat{\beta}(s) - \beta)'(\hat{\beta}(s) - \beta)] = \text{tr}E[(\hat{\beta}(s) - \beta)(\hat{\beta}(s) - \beta)'] \\ &= \text{tr}E[(\hat{\beta}(s) - s\beta + (s-1)\beta)(\hat{\beta}(s) - s\beta + (s-1)\beta)'] \\ &= \text{tr}[\text{Cov}(\hat{\beta}(s)) + (s-1)^2\beta\beta'] \\ &= (s-1)^2\beta'\beta + s^2\sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}). \end{aligned}$$

(3) Find a sufficient and necessary condition on  $s$  for  $\hat{\beta}(s)$  to dominate  $\hat{\beta}$  by  $\text{MSE}(\cdot, \cdot)$ .  
Hint: Write  $\text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}(s), \beta) - \text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}, \beta)$  as a function of  $s$ . (20 points)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}(s), \beta) - \text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}, \beta) &= (s-1)^2\beta'\beta + (s^2-1)\sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}) \\ &= as^2 + bs + c \end{aligned}$$

where  $a = \beta'\beta + \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1})$ ,  $b = -2\beta'\beta$  and  $c = \beta'\beta - \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1})$ .

With  $a > 0$ ,  $s_1 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{\beta'\beta - \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1})}{\beta'\beta + \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1})}$  and

$$s_2 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} = \frac{\beta'\beta + \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1})}{\beta'\beta + \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1})} = 1,$$

$$\text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}(s), \beta) - \text{MSE}(\hat{\beta}, \beta) < 0 \iff \begin{cases} 0 < s < 1, & s_1 \leq 0 \iff \beta'\beta \leq \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}) \\ s_1 \leq s < 1, & s_1 > 0 \iff \beta'\beta > \sigma^2\text{tr}((X'\Sigma^{-1}X)^{-1}) \end{cases}.$$

3. Consider Bayesian approach for estimating  $\beta$  in 1.

(1) Find likelihood function  $L(\beta)$  and  $f_1(\beta)$  such that  $L(\beta) \propto f_1(\beta)$ . (10 points)

$$\begin{aligned}
 L(\beta) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |\sigma^2 \Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left[ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (Y - X\beta)' \Sigma^{-1} (Y - X\beta) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{n/2} |\sigma^2 \Sigma|^{1/2}} \exp \left( -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} Y' \Sigma^{-1} Y \right) \exp \left( -\frac{\beta' X' \Sigma^{-1} X \beta - 2\beta' X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{2\sigma^2} \right) \\
 &\propto f_1(\beta) \quad \text{where} \\
 f_1(\beta) &= \exp \left( -\frac{\beta' X' \Sigma^{-1} X \beta - 2\beta' X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{2\sigma^2} \right).
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) With prior  $\beta \sim N(\beta_0, \Sigma_0)$ , its pdf  $f_\beta(\beta) \propto f_0(\beta)$ . This  $f_0(\beta)$  was given in the lecture. Based on the relation  $f_{\beta|Y}(\beta) \propto f_0(\beta) f_1(\beta)$ , find the posterior distribution of  $\beta$  given  $Y$ . (20 points)

With  $f_0(\beta) = \exp \left( \frac{\beta' \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta - 2\beta' \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta_0}{-2} \right)$  from class, and  $f_1(\beta)$  in (1),

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_0(\beta) f_1(\beta) &= \exp \left[ \frac{\beta' \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right) \beta - 2\beta' \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta_0 + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{\sigma^2} \right)}{-2} \right] \\
 &= \exp \left[ \frac{\beta' \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right) \beta - 2\beta' \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right) \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right)^{-1} \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta_0 + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{\sigma^2} \right)}{-2} \right] \\
 &\propto \exp \left\{ \frac{\left[ \beta - \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right)^{-1} \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta_0 + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{\sigma^2} \right) \right]' \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right) \left[ \beta - \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right)^{-1} \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta_0 + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{\sigma^2} \right) \right]}{-2} \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $\beta|Y \sim N \left( \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right)^{-1} \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta_0 + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{\sigma^2} \right), \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right)^{-1} \right)$

(3) Find the Bayesian estimator  $\hat{\beta}_B$  for  $\beta$  and express it as a weighted average of  $\beta_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}$  in 1. (15 points)

Let  $W_1 = \Sigma_0^{-1} > 0$ ,  $W_2 = \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} > 0$  and  $W = W_1 + W_2 > 0$ .

With the BLUE for  $\beta$ ,  $\hat{\beta} = (X' \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1} X' \Sigma^{-1} Y$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \hat{\beta}_B &= E(\beta|Y) = \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} \right)^{-1} \left( \Sigma_0^{-1} \beta_0 + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} Y}{\sigma^2} \right) \\
 &= (W_1 + W_2)^{-1} \left( W_1 \beta_0 + \frac{X' \Sigma^{-1} X}{\sigma^2} (X' \Sigma^{-1} X)^{-1} X' \Sigma^{-1} Y \right) \\
 &= W^{-1} (W_1 \beta_0 + W_2 \hat{\beta})
 \end{aligned}$$

is a weighted average of  $\beta_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}$  with weight matrices  $W_1$  and  $W_2$ .