

Theory of Linear Models

Exercises 4

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1. In the variance components model given in lectures, write down the set of values which can be taken by the variance component σ_1^2 .
2. Write down the form of a generalized linear model with a normal distribution and a log link function. Explain the difference between this and a Box-Cox transformation with $\lambda = 0$.
3. Consider the two candidate models

$$Y_i = \theta_0 e^{\theta_1 x_i} + \epsilon_i$$

and

$$\log Y_i = \log \theta_0 + \theta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i,$$

where $\epsilon \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$ in each case.

- (a) Explain the similarities and differences between these two models.
- (b) How should an experimenter decide between them?
- (c) Suggest a more general model that could be used instead of either of these.