

**Homework #4** (due October 25, 2012)

**1.** Let  $\mathbf{X} = A\theta + \mathbf{e}$  where  $A$  is a known  $n \times p$  matrix,  $\theta$  a parameter and  $\mathbf{e}$  ( $n \times 1$ ) vector of errors with zero mean and covariance matrix  $\sigma^2 V$  with a known  $V > 0$ .

Find the (generalized) LSE of  $\theta$  and show that it is BLUE.

**2.** Assuming in the setup of Problem 1 that  $\mathbf{e} \sim N(0, \sigma^2 V)$ , calculate the matrix of Fisher information in  $\mathbf{X}$  about  $\theta$  and find if the LSE is efficient.

**3.** Assuming in the setup of Problem 1 that the pdf of  $\mathbf{e}$  is  $f(\mathbf{x})$ , find the matrix of Fisher information in  $\mathbf{X}$  about  $\theta$  in terms of  $f$ .