Regression using R A CSCAR Workshop

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### Workshop Goals

- 1. To review the theory and practice of regression
- 2. To get experience performing regression analyses in R

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## Outline

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- Simple Regression
- Diagnostics
- Categorical Predictors
- ANCOVA (Interactions)
- Multiple Regression
- Model Selection

## What is Regression?

A technique for learning about the relationship between independent variables, X, and a dependent variable Y.

$$X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p \to Y$$
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### Terminology

- X: independent variable, covariate, predictor
- Y: dependent variable, response, outcome

## Questions Answered by Regression

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What factors influence student achievement?

How effective are various treatments for depression?

Does income depend on gender?

## Simple Linear Regression

Simple linear regression explores the relationship between a **single predictor**, X, and a response variable Y.

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Example

The relationship between height and wingspan

## Height and Wingspan Data

height	wingspan
70.2	69.9
66.1	69.6
68.9	70.6
65.8	70.4
63.2	68.3
69.7	71.9

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## The Simple Linear Regression Model

## Review: Statistics and Parameters

### Statistics

- A statistic is a summary measure of a sample
- Examples
  - 1. Sample Mean  $(\bar{X})$
  - 2. Sample Standard Deviation (s)

### Parameters

• A parameter is a characteristic of a population

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- Examples
  - 1. Population Mean ( $\mu$ )
  - 2. Population Standard Deviation ( $\sigma$ )

### **Review of Lines**

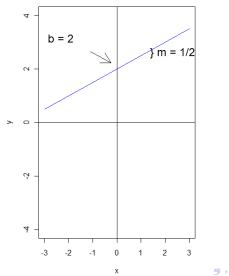
Common notation:

$$y = mx + b \tag{2}$$

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- *m* is the slope
- *b* is the y-intercept

$$y = .5x + 2$$



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## Simple Linear Regression Model

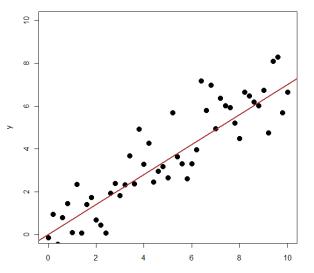
 Assumes a linear relationship between X and the expected value of Y

$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X \tag{3}$$

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- *E* stands for "expected"
- β<sub>0</sub> is the intercept
- $\beta_1$  is the slope, or "effect" of X

# E[Y] and Y versus X



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### **Two Equations**

#### Expected

$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X \tag{4}$$

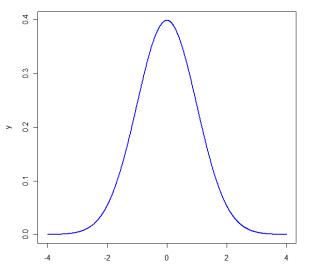
### Individual

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon \tag{5}$$

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- $\epsilon$  is the **error**
- $\epsilon$  is normally distributed with mean 0 and variance  $\sigma^2$
- $\sigma^2$  is the error variance

## Normal Distribution



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## Normal Distribution

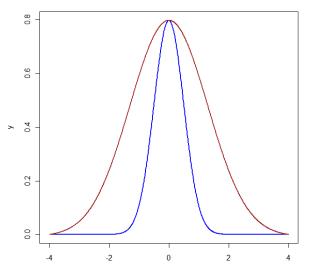
Two Components

- $\mu$  denotes the center of the distribution
- $\sigma$  denotes the standard deviation of the distribution

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-  $\sigma^2$  denotes the variance of the distribution

## Same Mean, Different $\sigma^2$

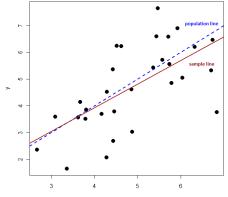


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## Population and Sample Lines



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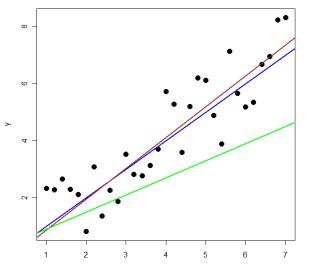
## **Regression Parameters and Statistics**

Parameter	Statistic	Alternate Notation
$\beta_{0}$	$\hat{\beta}_{0}$	$b_0$
$\beta_1$	$\hat{\beta}_1$	$b_1$
$\sigma^2$	$\hat{\sigma}^2$	$s^2$

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- $\hat{\beta}_0$  estimated intercept
- $\hat{\beta}_1$  estimated slope
- $\hat{\sigma}^2$  estimated error variance
- *n* sample size

## Which Line Is Best?

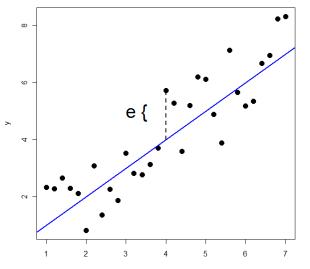


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## Residuals



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## Residuals and Least Squares

### Residuals

- Definition: the vertical distance between a point and the line
- Each point has a residual
- The residual of the  $i^{th}$  person is denoted  $e_i$

#### Method of Least Squares

• The Least Squares regression line is the line that minimizes the sum of the squared residuals (RSS)

$$\Sigma e_i^2$$
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## Least Squares Equations

Slope

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\Sigma(X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\Sigma(X_i - \bar{X})^2}$$
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#### Intercept

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X} \tag{8}$$

**Residual Variance** 

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{\Sigma e_i^2}{n-2} \tag{9}$$

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## Population and Sample Lines

#### Means

• Population

$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X \tag{10}$$

• Sample

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X \tag{11}$$

### Individual

• Population

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon \tag{12}$$

• Sample

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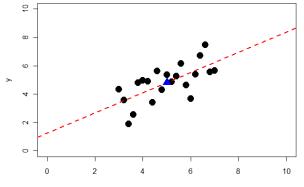
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## Properties of Least Squares Regression Line

- Residuals sum to zero:  $\Sigma e_i = 0$
- Line passes through the middle  $(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})$  of the data
- Estimates  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  are unbiased **if** model is correct

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## Least Squares Fit



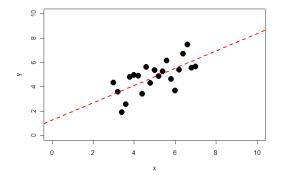
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## Prediction

Goal of prediction is to predict the Y value for a **new** observation



## Fitted Line: $\hat{Y} = 0.7 + 1.3X$



• For every unit increase in X,  $\hat{Y}$  increases by 1.3

## Prediction

#### Least Squares Line

$$\hat{Y} = 0.7 + 1.3X \tag{14}$$

Prediction at X = 4

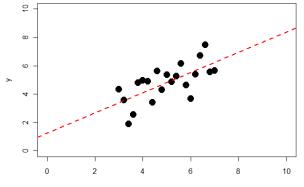
$$\hat{Y} = 0.7 + 1.3(4) = 5.9 \tag{15}$$

Prediction at X = 5

 $\hat{Y} = 0.7 + 1.3(5) = 7.2$  (16)

 $7.2 - 5.9 = 1.3 \tag{17}$ 

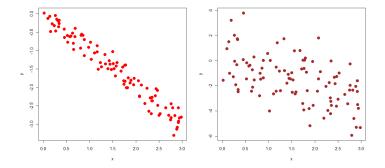
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## Strength of Relationship

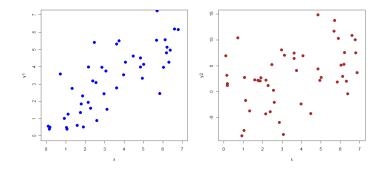


## Correlation

- The correlation coefficient, *r*, measures the strength of the linear relationship between *Y* and *X*
- r is between -1 and 1
- r = -1 indicates an exact negative linear relationship
- r = 1 indicates an exact positive linear relationship
- r = 0 indicates no linear relationship
- The regression line slope  $\hat{\beta}_1$  is related to r through the equation  $\hat{\beta}_1 = r * sd_P(Y)/sd_P(X)$ .

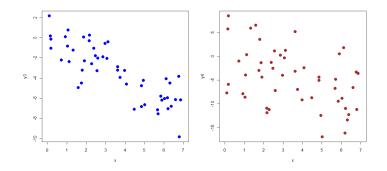
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## Correlation: r = 0.8, r = 0.4

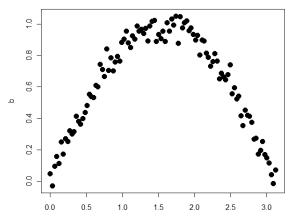


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### Correlation: r = -0.8, r = -0.4



## Correlation: $r \approx 0$



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### **Common Question**

#### How much of the variation in Y is explained by X?



• The squared correlation coefficient ( $r^2$  or  $R^2$ ) is the proportion of variation in Y accounted for by the linear relationship with X

$$R^{2} = 1 - \sum e_{i}^{2} / \sum (Y_{i} - \bar{Y})^{2} = 1 - SSError/SSTotal$$
 (18)

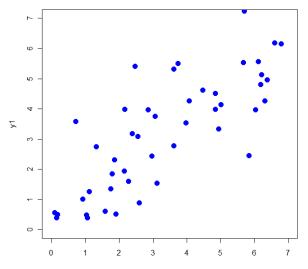
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- R<sup>2</sup> is between 0 and 1
- $R^2$  is a commonly reported measure of model fit
- $SSError = (1 R^2)SSTotal$

### Terminology

• R<sup>2</sup>: Coefficient of Determination

# Proportion of Variation Explained = 0.64



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## Proportion of Variation Explained

•  $R^2 = .64$  indicates 64% of the variation in Y is accounted for by the line

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### Summary of Simple Linear Regression

- A simple linear regression assumes that  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$
- The Least Squares method estimates  $\hat{eta}_0$ ,  $\hat{eta}_1$ , and  $\hat{\sigma}^2$
- The least squares equation,  $\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X$ , can be used for prediction

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• The correlation measures the strength of the **linear** relationship

# Inference

- We have discussed how to estimate regression coefficients.
- How precise are these estimates?
- **Statistical Inference** is the process of drawing conclusions from data

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Two Types of Inference

- 1. Confidence Intervals
- 2. Hypothesis Tests

# Standard Error

- All estimates have variability associated with them
- The **standard error** of an estimate gives an idea of how much the statistic would vary from sample to sample

Standard Error of  $\hat{\beta}_1$ 

$$se(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{\Sigma(X_i - \bar{X})^2}} = \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{(n-1)\operatorname{Var}(X)}}$$
 (19)

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# Confidence Intervals Overview

- Confidence intervals give a range of reasonable values for a parameter
- Example: Instead of saying only that  $\hat{\beta}_1 = 4$ , we could say that a 95% confidence interval for  $\beta_1$  is (3.2, 4.8)

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# Confidence Interval for $\beta_1$

• Take best guess, and go up and down "a few" std. errors  $\hat{eta}_1 \pm t^\star se(\hat{eta}_1)$  (20)

#### $t^{\star}$ depends on

- 1. Confidence Level (90%, 95%, etc)
- 2. Sample Size

## Confidence Intervals and Hypothesis Tests

- Confidence intervals give range of reasonable values for  $\beta_1$
- Hypothesis tests help us decide if a particular value (usually 0) is reasonable
- Hypothesis tests use test statistics to make a decision
- A **test statistic** is a summary of the data that helps us make a decision

### Hypothesis Tests

• How do we know if X has **any** effect on Y?

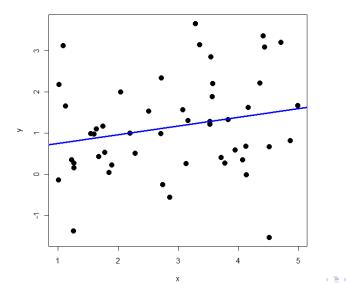
$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon \tag{21}$$

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• If 
$$\beta_1 = 0$$
, then X has no effect on Y

• A common hypothesis test is  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  versus  $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$ .

# Intuition of Hypothesis Test



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### t-test for Regression Coefficient

#### Hypotheses

- $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$
- $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$

### Find Test Statistic

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{se(\hat{\beta}_1)} \tag{22}$$

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#### P-value

• The **P-value** is the probability of getting such an extreme result if *H*<sub>0</sub> is true.

# Distributions

### Definition

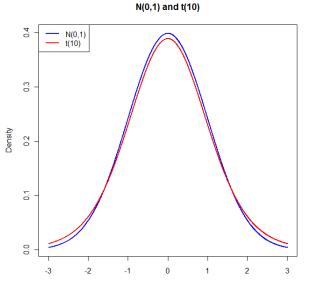
• A **distribution** describes the possible values of a random quantity.

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### **Regression Distributions**

- Normal $(\mu, \sigma)$
- t(*df*)
- F(*df*<sub>1</sub>, *df*<sub>2</sub>)

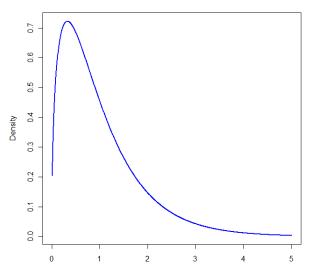
## Standard Normal and t Distributions



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$$F(df_1 = 3, df_2 = 100)$$





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### Distribution of t Statistic

### Hypotheses

- $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$
- $H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$

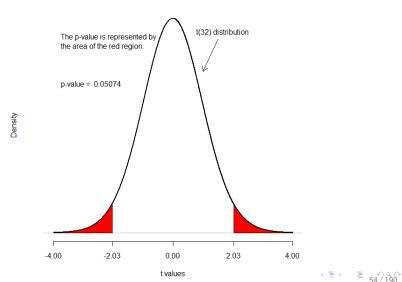
Distribution of Test Statistic

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{se(\hat{\beta}_1)} \sim t(df = n - 2) \tag{23}$$

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### P-value

#### A two-tailed p-value



### Results

	Est	Std Err	95% CI	t stat	P-val
Intercept	0.54	0.43	(-0.33, 1.40)	1.25	0.22
Predictor	0.21	0.14	(-0.06, 0.49)	1.55	0.13

$$R^2 = 0.19, \ \hat{\sigma} = 0.35$$

• Always report confidence intervals in addition to P-values!

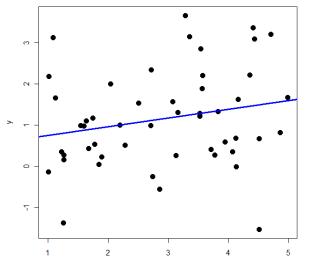


### Question

• Does the model explain more variation in *Y* than would be expected by chance?



# Intuition of Overall Test



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### Decomposition of Variance

**Total Variation** 

$$ext{SSTotal} = \sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

Variation Explained by Model

$$\mathrm{SSReg} = \sum (\hat{Y}_i - \bar{Y})^2$$

Variation Due to Error

$$\mathrm{SSError} = \sum (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2$$

Decomposition

SSTotal = SSReg + SSError

## F Test

### Hypotheses

- $H_0$ : Model explains no variation in Y
- *H*<sub>a</sub>: Model explains some variation in *Y*

Test Statistic

$$F = \frac{\text{SSReg}/1}{\text{SSError}/(n-2)}$$

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# Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) table

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	P-val
Regression	1	32.27	32.27	5.34	0.0264
Error	38	229.60	6.04		

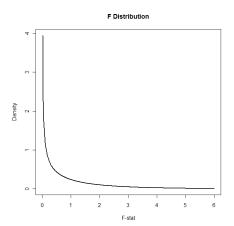
### Conclusion

Since p ≤ 0.05, conclude that the model explains some variation in Y.

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# F Distribution

• In Simple Linear Regression  $F \sim F(1, n-2)$ 



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### Simple Regression Results

#### Table: Coefficients

	Est	Std Err	95% CI	t stat	P-val
Intercept	2.85	0.39	(2.05, 3.64)	7.26	0.000
Predictor	1.27	0.55	(0.16, 2.39)	2.31	0.026

Table: ANOVA Table

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	P-val
Regression	1	32.27	32.27	5.34	0.0264
Error	38	229.60	6.04		

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### Confidence Bands For Regression Line

#### Two Lines

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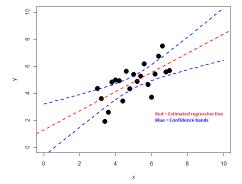
$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X \tag{25}$$

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#### Question

• How close is the fitted line to the true line?

### Confidence Bands for Regression Line



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### Confidence Bands for Regression Line

#### Narrow Intervals

- 1. X close to  $\bar{X}$
- 2. Large n
- 3. Small  $\hat{\sigma}$

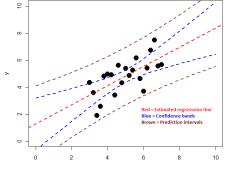
### Formula

Best Guess 
$$\pm$$
 (A few)\*std. errors

$$\hat{y} \pm t^{\star} \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x - \bar{x})^2}{\Sigma(x_i - \bar{x})^2}}$$
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### **Prediction Intervals**



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# Prediction Intervals

### Narrow Prediction Intervals

- 1. X close to  $\bar{X}$
- 2. Large n
- 3. Small  $\hat{\sigma}$
- 4. Prediction intervals are wider than confidence bands for population line.

### Formula

Best Guess 
$$\pm$$
 (A few)\*std. errors

$$\hat{y} \pm t^{\star} \hat{\sigma} \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x - \bar{x})^2}{\Sigma(x_i - \bar{x})^2}}$$
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# Summary of Regression Inferences

- Estimated regression coefficients have a sampling error.
- Confidence intervals and hypothesis tests are tools for making inferences in the presence of sampling error.
- Confidence bands quantify uncertainty in the estimated regression line.
- Prediction intervals quantify uncertainty in the estimated value of *y* for a given value of *x*.

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### Computer Lab #1

Simple Regression



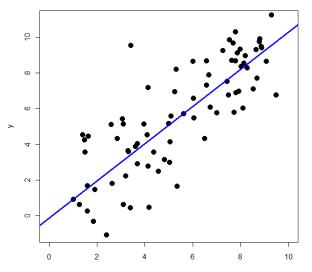


#### Are the results meaningful and appropriate?

Look at the following 3 graphs: Are they the same?



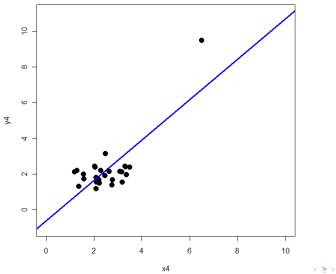
$$\hat{\beta}_1 = 1, r^2 = 0.8$$



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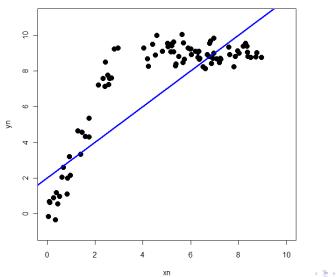
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$$\hat{\beta}_1 = 1, r^2 = 0.8$$



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# **Regression Assumptions**

- Sample is representative of population
- The relationship between X and E[Y] is linear
- The errors are independent
- The errors have constant variance
- The errors are normally distributed
  - Not important with large sample sizes!

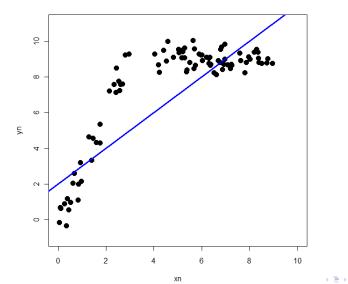
# Checking Linearity Assumption

- Scatter plot of Y versus X
- **Residual plots**: residuals (e) versus predicted values  $(\hat{Y})$

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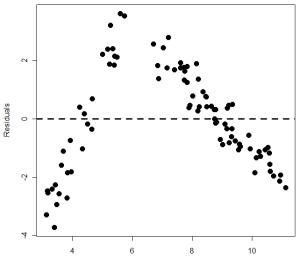
• Residuals should be randomly scattered around 0

# Checking Form: Scatter Plot of Y versus X



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# Checking Form: Residual Plots



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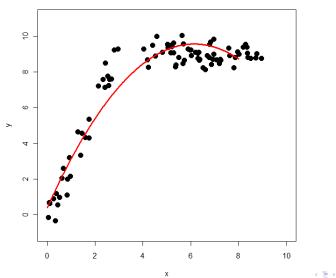
### **Remedial Measures**

What if the diagnostic plots show linearity is violated?

One solution: model the relationship quadratically

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \beta_2 X^2 + \epsilon \tag{28}$$

# A quadratic fit



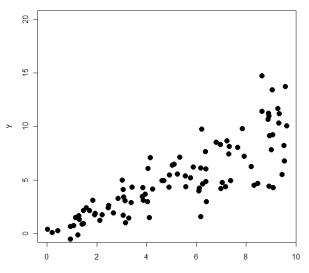
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### Checking Constant Variance

#### Is the assumption of constant variance met?



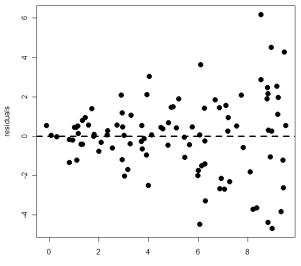
# Scatterplot #1 – Constant Variance?



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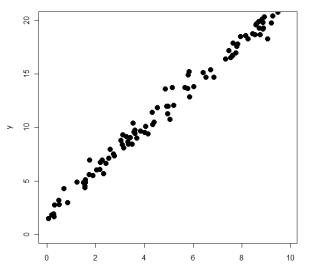
# Residual plot #1 – Constant Variance?



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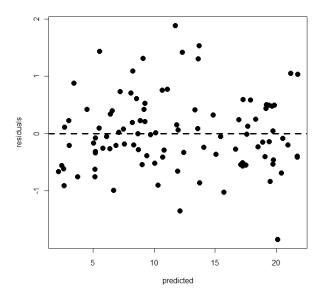
## Scatterplot #2 – Constant Variance?



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# Residual plot #2 - Constant Variance?



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## Heteroscedasticity

- Homoscedasticity is when errors have same variance.
- Heteroscedasticity is when errors have different variance.
- A common example of heteroscedasticity is when there is a **mean-variance relationship.**

• Heteroscedasticity threatens the accuracy of inferences.

## Transformations

Replaces variable with some function of that variable

Examples

- 1.  $Y \rightarrow \sqrt{Y}$
- 2.  $X \rightarrow \log(X)$

A tranformation may help with:

- 1. Heteroscedasticity
- 2. Lack of fit to a straight line

### Transformation Example

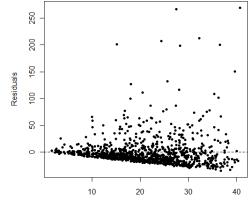
	Y	$X_1$
1	14.9	3.8
2	34.2	4.5
3	4.0	3.4
4	94.9	3.1
5	28.0	2.6
6	2.7	2.8

# **Original Model**

$$\hat{Y} = 24.5 + 7.72X_1 \tag{29}$$

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## Residuals versus Predicted



Predicted Y

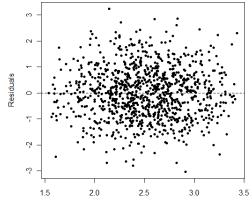
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### Transformed Model

• Use log(Y) as outcome, and regress against  $X_1$ .

$$\log(\hat{Y}) = 2.65 + 0.33X_1 \tag{30}$$

## Residuals versus Predicted



Predicted Y

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## Back Transforming

$$\log(\hat{Y}) = 2.65 + 0.33X_1 \tag{31}$$
$$\hat{Y} = e^{2.65}e^{.33X_1} \tag{32}$$

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#### Interpretation

• For every unit increase in  $X_1$ ,  $\hat{Y}$  increases by factor of  $e^{.33} = 1.39$  or (39%).

# Which Transformation?

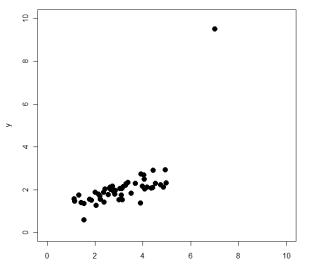
### $\sqrt{Y}$ or log(Y) or $Y^3$ or $Y^2$ or $Y^{-1}$

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Considerations

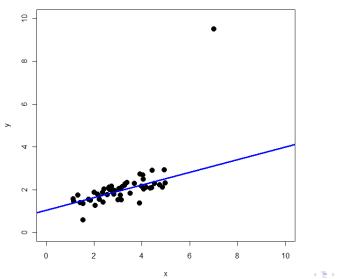
- 1. Quality of Fit
- 2. Interpretability

# Outliers



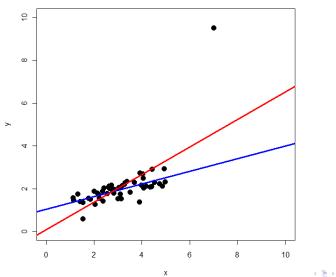
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### **Outlier Effects**

- Model 1: Without Outlier
- Model 2: With Outlier

	M1	M2
$\hat{\beta}_{0}$	0.91	0.00
$\hat{\beta}_1$	0.32	0.67
<i>r</i> <sup>2</sup>	0.64	0.50
$\hat{\sigma}$	0.26	0.83

### Leverage and Influence

- Leverage measures how far each point is from  $\bar{X}$ .
- Influence measures how each point changes the fitted line.

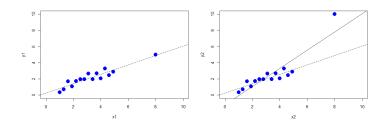
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- High Influence  $\implies$  High Leverage
- High Leverage  $\implies$  High Influence ?

### Leverage and Influence

High Leverage





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### Cook's Distance

- Each point i = 1, ..., n has a Cook's Distance.
- Measures impact of deleting each point
- "Large" values of Cook's Distance warrant investigation.

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- Rules of thumb for "large"
   1. D<sub>i</sub> > 1
  - 2.  $D_i > 4/n$

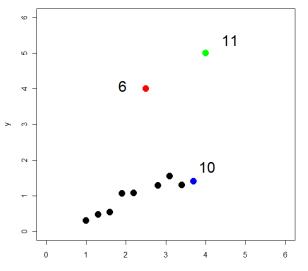
# **DFFITS and DFBETA**

- **DFFITS**: effect of deleting each observation on fitted values
  - 1. Rule of thumb for "large":  $|DFFITS| > 2\sqrt{p/n}$ , where p is the number of parameters in the model.

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- **DFBETA**: effect of deleting each observation on coefficient estimates
  - 1. Rules of thumb for "large": |DFBETA| > 1 or  $|DFBETA| > 2/\sqrt{n}$ .
- Cook's, DFFITS, and DFBETA are Leave-One-Out diagnostics.

### Example of Influence Diagnostics



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### Example of Influence Diagnostics

	Obs	Lev	DFBETA	DFFITS	Cook
	1	0.32	0.01	0.01	0.00
	2	0.24	0.08	0.08	0.00
	3	0.17	-0.04	-0.04	0.00
	4	0.13	-0.16	-0.20	0.02
	5	0.10	-0.01	-0.02	0.00
*	6	0.09	0.30	0.84	0.21
	7	0.10	-0.01	-0.14	0.01
	8	0.13	0.06	-0.30	0.05
	9	0.17	0.13	-0.35	0.06
*	10	0.24	0.38	-0.74	0.25
*	11	0.32	-0.93	1.54	0.82

# What to do with influential points?

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- 1. Investigate!
- 2. Consider robust methods.
- 3. Do **not** remove without consideration.

### Error Distribution

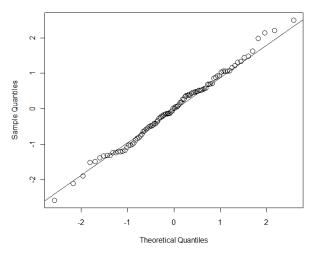
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• Regression assumes errors are normally distributed

• Assess with QQ plot and histogram

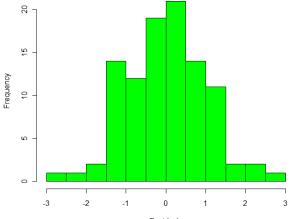
### QQ plot of residuals







# Histogram of residuals



Residuals

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# The Normality Assumption

- The assumption is **not** that Y is normal
- The assumption is that Y varies from its mean normally (i.e. the errors are normal)
- Because of the **Central Limit Theorem**, error normality is **not** crucial in large samples

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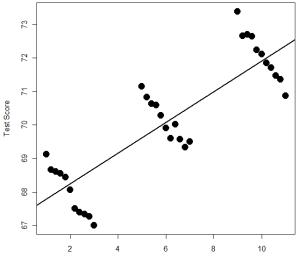
### Omitted Variables and Confounding

Omitted variables can obscure the relationship between X and Y

Reading Score vs Hours of TV



# Reading Score vs Hours TV

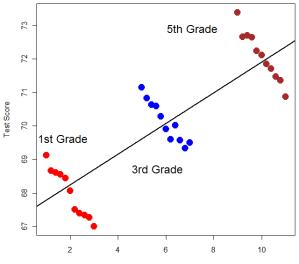


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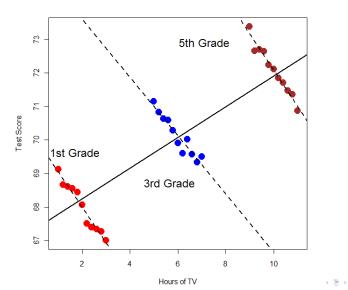
## Reading Score vs Hours TV



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### Reading Score vs Hours TV



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# Confounders

### Definition

• A **confounder** is a variable correlated with both X and Y

### Potential Problems

- Reverse direction of a relationship
- Create false appearance of a relationship
- Create inaccurate estimates

### Correlation $\Rightarrow$ Causation

• Regression results are associative rather than causal.

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## **Causal Inference**

### Motivation

• How does a new medical treatment affect patient outcomes?

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### Methods for Causal Inference

- Statistical Adjustment
- Matching
- Propensity Scores

# **Categorical Predictors**

### Motivating Example

Suppose you are interested in understanding how average horsepower differs between three types of cars: Japanese American, and European.

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# **Dummy Variables**

### Common Method

- If a categorical variable has k levels, use k 1 dummy variables.
- Let one category (Japanese) be the reference category.

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- Compare other categories to reference category.
- If country = American, then  $X_1 = 1$ , else  $X_1 = 0$ .
- If country = European, then  $X_2 = 1$ , else  $X_2 = 0$ .

# **Dummy Variables**

Level	$X_1$	$X_2$
Japanese	0	0
American	1	0
European	0	1

# Model

Average Horsepower by Country

$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 \tag{33}$$

- $X_1 = 1$  if car is American
- X<sub>2</sub> = 1 if car is European

#### Parameter Interpretations

- $\beta_0$ : Average horsepower for Japanese cars
- $\beta_0 + \beta_1$ : Average horsepower for American cars
- $\beta_0 + \beta_2$ : Average horsepower for European cars

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# Hypothesis Testing

#### Model

$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 \tag{34}$$

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 $H_0:\beta_1=0$ 

• Do Japanese and American cars have same mean horsepower?

 $H_0: \beta_2 = 0$ 

• Do Japanese and European cars have same mean horsepower?

# ANOVA Output

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	p-value
(Intercept)	80.51	0.85	95.11	< 0.001
car="American"	29.25	1.20	24.44	< 0.001
car="European"	1.84	1.20	1.54	0.130

# **Overall Test**

• The dummy variable approach compares each category to a reference level

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• What about an overall test for significance of country?

Hypotheses

• 
$$H_0: \mu_J = \mu_A = \mu_E$$

•  $H_a$ : at least one  $\mu_j$  is different

### Alternative Expression

- $H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$
- $H_a$ :  $\beta_1 \neq 0$  or  $\beta_2 \neq 0$

### **Overall F Test**

#### Table: ANOVA Table

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	P-val
country	2	17445.63	8722.82	343.30	< .001
Residuals	87	2210.55	25.41		

### Conclusion

• There is strong evidence that horsepower depends on country.

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# Summary: Categorical Predictors

• Categorical predictors can be included via dummy variables.

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An F test is an overall test.

# Analysis of Covariance (ANCOVA)

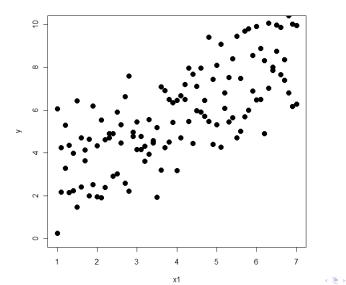
- Includes both categorical and continuous predictors
- Combination of regression and ANOVA

### Example

• Consider the case of one continuous predictor,  $X_1$ , and one binary predictor,  $X_2$ 

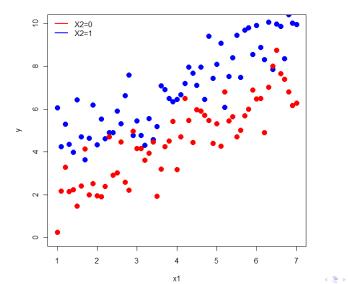
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# Y versus $X_1$



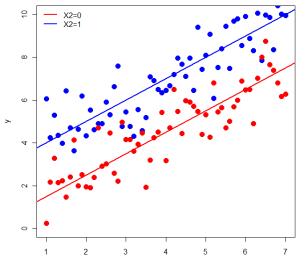
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# $X_1$ continuous, $X_2$ binary



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# $X_1$ continuous, $X_2$ binary



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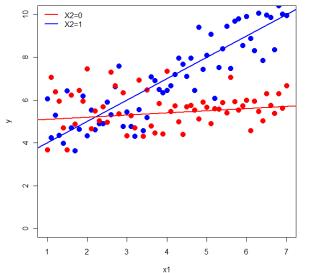
### ANCOVA Model

$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 \tag{35}$$

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- X<sub>1</sub> is continuous.
- $X_2$  is a 0/1 dummy variable.
- $\beta_1$  is the slope of the line.
- $\beta_2$  is the vertical distance between the two lines.

## What if the lines are not parallel?



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### ANCOVA Interaction Model

Effect of  $X_1$  depends on  $X_2$ 

$$E[Y] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_1 X_2$$
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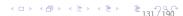
For  $X_2 = 0$ , the effect of  $X_1$  is  $\beta_1$ .

For  $X_2 = 1$ , the effect of  $X_1$  is  $\beta_1 + \beta_3$ .

Question: What is the interpretation of  $\beta_2$ ?



### Diagnostics, categorical variables, and ANCOVA (interactions)



## Simple and Multiple Regression

Simple Regression Model

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon \tag{37}$$

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Multiple Regression Model

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + ... + \beta_p X_p + \epsilon$$
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## Motivating Example

#### What factors influence student achievement?



### Goals

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- 1. Learn about relationship between  $X_1, ..., X_p$  and Y
- 2. Estimate  $\beta_i$  with  $\hat{\beta}_i$
- 3. Construct confidence intervals for  $\beta_i$
- 4. Determine strength of relationships

### Sample Data Set

Y	X1	X2	X3
8.18	9.08	3.81	11.96
7.02	10.69	5.22	11.28
9.52	10.71	3.68	13.08
8.54	8.69	2.58	11.96
7.84	7.26	2.17	12.33
0.95	10.61	3.33	13.08

# Summarize Each Variable Separately

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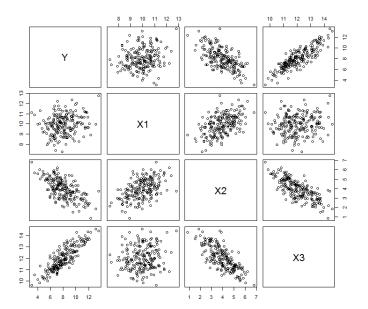
### **Graphical Summaries**

- Histogram
- Boxplot

### Numerical Summaries

- Mean
- Quartiles
- Minimum
- Maximum
- Standard Deviation

## Scatterplot Matrix



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## Correlation Matrix

	Y	X1	X2	X3
Y	1.00	0.16	-0.64	0.86
X1	0.16	1.00	0.50	0.11
X2	-0.64	0.50	1.00	-0.75
X3	0.86	0.11	-0.75	1.00

### Method: Least Squares

### Sum of Squared Residuals

$$\Sigma e_i^2 = \Sigma (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2 \tag{39}$$

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**Predicted Values** 

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2 + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p X_p$$
(40)

### Interpretations

•  $\hat{\beta}_i$  is the predicted change in Y for every one unit increase in  $X_i$ , holding all other variables constant

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2 + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p X_p$$
(41)

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### Example Interpretation

Y	X1	X2	X3
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7.02	10.69	5.22	11.28
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$$\hat{Y} = -7.02 + 0.51X_1 - 0.62X_2 + 1.04X_3 \tag{42}$$

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• The predicted value of Y increases by 0.51 for every unit increase in X<sub>1</sub>, holding all other variables constant.

## Prediction

- Use fitted line to predict Y for new observations.
- Individual with  $X_1 = 10, X_2 = 4, X_3 = 11$

$$\hat{Y} = -7.02 + 0.51X_1 - 0.62X_2 + 1.04X_3$$
 (43)

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$$\hat{Y} = -7.02 + 0.51(10) - 0.62(4) + 1.04(11) = 6.93$$
 (44)

### Results

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- 1. Coefficient estimates  $\hat{\beta}_0$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1$ , ...,  $\hat{\beta}_p$
- 2. Standard errors of coefficients
- 3. Confidence intervals for population coefficients
- 4. Results from  $H_0$ :  $\beta_i = 0$  for i > 0

# Sample Output

$$\hat{Y} = -6.15 + 0.54X_1 - 0.71X_2 + 0.96X_3$$
 (45)

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	Est	SE	Lower CI	Upper CI	t value	p-value
Int	-6.15	1.87	-9.84	-2.47	-3.29	< 0.001
X1	0.54	0.16	0.23	0.85	3.40	0.002
X2	-0.71	0.21	-1.13	-0.29	-3.33	0.003
X3	0.96	0.20	0.58	1.35	4.94	< 0.001

## Multiple Testing

- A Type I Error is *P*(reject *H*<sub>0</sub> if *H*<sub>0</sub> is true).
- Every test has an  $\alpha$  (often 5%) chance of a Type I error.
- For a **single** test, there is a 5% chance of a Type I error.
- For ten independent tests, there is a  $1-(1-0.05)^{10}\approx 40\%$  chance of at least one Type I error.

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- T-tests consider each predictor separately.
- Multiple Testing Issue
- F test is an "overall" test

### F-test for Regression

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• H<sub>0</sub>: model has no predictive power for Y

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$$\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \ldots = \beta_p = 0$$

- H<sub>a</sub>: model has some predictive power
- At least one non-intercept  $\beta_i \neq 0$

### F-test for Regression

- p = (# of predictors)
- *n* = sample size
- Test statistic has a F(p, n p 1) distribution

Example

- *p* = 3, *n* = 100
- F(3,96) = 2.31, p-val = 0.081

#### Conclusion

• Not enough information (at  $\alpha = 0.05$  level) to conclude that model has any predictive ability

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# Multiple $R^2$

- Proportion of variation in Y explained by model
- If  $R^2 = 0.74$ , then 74% of the variation in Y is explained by the model.

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$$R^2 = \operatorname{cor}(\hat{Y}, Y)^2$$

# Multiple Regression Diagnostics

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- Form of Model
- Error Distribution
- Confounding
- Correlation among predictors

### Independent Predictors

• If predictors are **independent**, then multiple regression and simple regressions yield **same** estimated coefficients.

Multiple Regression

$$\hat{Y} = 0.14 + 0.48X_1 - 1.02X_2 \tag{46}$$

#### Simple Regressions

$$\hat{Y} = -5.65 + 0.48X_1$$
 (47)  
 $\hat{Y} = 4.96 - 1.02X_2$  (48)

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### **Correlated Predictors**

• If predictors are **correlated**, then multiple regression and simple regressions can yield **very different** results.

Multiple Regression  $cor(X_1, X_2) = .8$ 

$$\hat{Y} = -0.05 + 0.52X_1 + 1.03X_2 \tag{49}$$

Simple Regressions

$$\hat{Y} = 4.00 - 0.50X_1 \tag{50}$$

$$\hat{Y} = 3.08 + 0.68X_2 \tag{51}$$

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# Multicollinearity

• **Multicollinearity** is when two or more predictors are highly correlated.

#### Consequences

· Limits ability to estimate effects of individual predictors

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- · Coefficient estimates have high variability.
- Can still use model to make predictions

### Detecting Multicollinearity

1. Correlation Matrix

	Y	X1	X2	X3
Y	1.00	0.16	-0.64	0.86
X1	0.16	1.00	0.50	0.11
X2	-0.64	0.50	1.00	-0.75
X3	0.86	0.11	-0.75	1.00

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## Variance Inflation Factors

- Pairwise Correlations do not fully capture multicollinearity.
- Variance Inflation Factors (VIF) are a useful tool for quantifying collinearity in a data set.

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• Each regression coefficient has a VIF.

# Calculating VIF for $X_j$

- 1. Temporarily treat  $X_j$  as response.
- 2. Regress  $X_j$  against all other predictors.
- 3.  $R_i^2$  is the multiple  $R^2$  for this regression.
- 4. High  $R_i^2$  means  $X_j$  is affected by multicollinearity.

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# Variation in $\hat{\beta}_j$

No Collinearity

$$\operatorname{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-1)\operatorname{Var}(X_j)}$$
(52)

$$\operatorname{Var}(\hat{\beta}_j) = \frac{\hat{\sigma}^2}{(n-1)\operatorname{Var}(X_j)} * \frac{1}{1 - R_j^2}$$
(53)

VIF

$$\frac{1}{1-R_j^2} \tag{54}$$

### **VIF** Example

Predictor	Estimate	VIF
$X_1$	$\hat{eta}_1$	8.08
$X_2$	$\hat{eta}_2$	6.24
<i>X</i> <sub>3</sub>	$\hat{eta}_{3}$	3.42

- Multicollinearity increases  $Var(\hat{\beta}_1)$  by factor of 8.08 (808%).
- The standard error of  $\hat{\beta}_1$  increases by factor of  $\sqrt{8.08} = 2.84$ .

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# Large VIFs

#### How large is too large?

- Various cutoffs have been proposed:
  - 1. VIF > 5 2. VIF > 10.
- The choice depends on the goals of a particular analysis.

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#### How to fix collinearity?

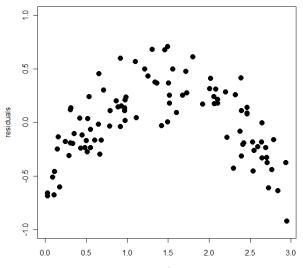
- Remove variables from model
- Ridge Regression
- More under Model Selection

### **Residual Diagnostics**

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- 1. Residual Plots:  $e_i$  versus  $\hat{Y}_i$
- 2. QQ Plot of Residuals
- 3. Plot residuals versus each predictor

# Residual versus individual predictor $(X_1)$



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## Added Variable Plots

- A scatter plot between Y and X shows only the marginal relationship.
- An **added variable plot** shows relationships after adjusting for other predictors.

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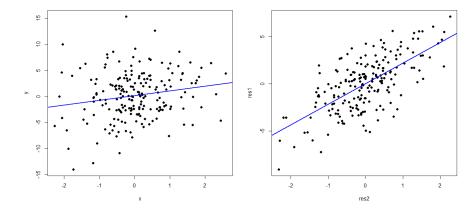
• One use of this plot is to assess confounding.

## Added Variable Plot for $X_1$

#### Steps

- 1. Regress Y on  $X_2$  and  $X_3$ .
- 2. Compute residuals from #1 (res1).
- 3. Regress  $X_1$  on  $X_2$  and  $X_3$ .
- 4. Compute residuals from #3 (res2).
- 5. Plot res1 versus res2.

### Scatter and Added Variable Plots



### Higher Order Terms

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_1^2 + \hat{\beta}_3 X_2$$
(55)

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#### Effect of $X_1$

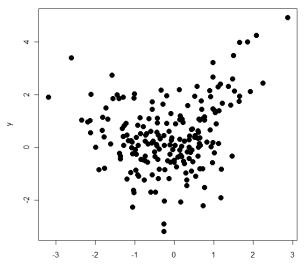
- The effect of X<sub>1</sub> is no longer constant.
- $\hat{\beta}_1$  should **not** be interpreted in isolation.
- For each unit increase in X<sub>1</sub>, the predicted value of Y increases by β<sub>1</sub> + 2β<sub>2</sub>X<sub>1</sub> + β<sub>2</sub>.

### Interactions

The model Y = β<sub>0</sub> + β<sub>1</sub>X<sub>1</sub> + β<sub>2</sub>X<sub>2</sub> + ε assumes that the effect of X<sub>1</sub> does **not** depend on X<sub>2</sub>.

- The following 3 graphs plot  $X_1$  versus Y for:
  - 1. all values of  $X_2$ ,
  - 2. only points where  $X_2 > 0$ , and
  - 3. only points where  $X_2 < 0$ .

# Y versus $X_1$

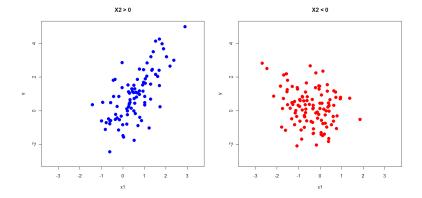


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## Y versus $X_1$



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### Interaction Model

• Interactions are usually modeled with a multiplicative term.

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2 + \hat{\beta}_3 X_1 X_2$$
(56)

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#### Effect of $X_1$

- The effect of X<sub>1</sub> depends on X<sub>2</sub>
- For each unit increase in X<sub>1</sub>, the predicted value of Y increases by β<sub>1</sub> + β<sub>3</sub>X<sub>2</sub>.

# Diagnostics

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- The sample is representative of the population.
- The relationship between X and E[Y] is linear.
- The errors are independent.
- The errors have constant variance.
- The errors are normally distributed.
  - Not important with large sample sizes!
- Correlation among predictors
- Interactions

### Model Selection

Which Model Is Best?

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_1^2 + \beta_3 X_2 + \beta_4 X_1 X_2$$
(57)  
OR

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_3 \tag{58}$$

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#### Two Considerations

- 1. Which predictors to include
- 2. Form  $(X_1 \text{ or } X_1^2 \text{ or } X_1 X_2)$

### Model Selection

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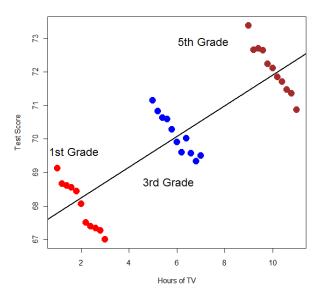
- 1. "Underfitting"
- 2. "Overfitting"
- 3. Model selection criteria

# "Underfitting"

- 1. Omitted confounders can obscure relationships of interest.
- 2. If assumptions of **linearity** and **additivity (no interaction)** do not hold, the true relationship may be missed.
- Next two slides show effect of 1) omitting a confounder, and
   falsely assuming linearity.

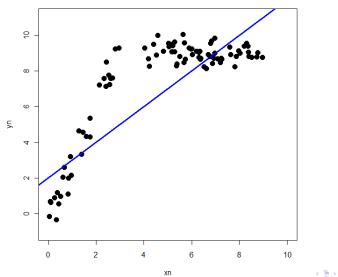
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# **Omitting A Confounder**



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## Falsely Assuming Linearity



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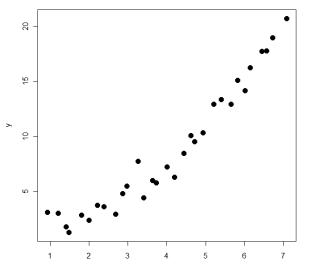
# How To Avoid Underfitting

#### Confounding

- Do not rely only on bivariate relationships.
- Measure potential confounders and include in model.

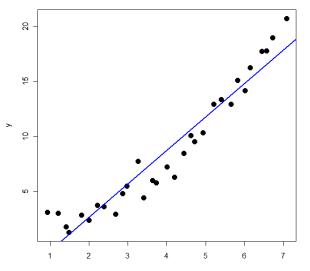
#### Complexity

• Test for interactions and non-linearities.



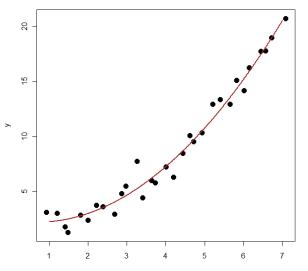
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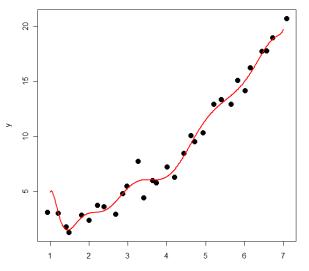
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- More complex models will always "fit" the data better.
- **Overfitting** occurs when model fits random fluctuations in data.
- Overfit models may perform well on the **training** (original) data, but may perform very poorly on **test** (new) data.
- Need to balance quality of fit and **parsimony** (simplicity)

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## Avoid Overfitting

#### Rule Of Thumb

• Rule of Thumb: no more than n/10 or n/20 parameters

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• If n = 67, no more than 3 - 6 parameters

# Adjusted $R^2$

- Adding a variable always increases  $R^2$ .
- The adjusted  $R^2$  "adjusts" for model complexity.
- Adding an additional variable can decrease the adjusted  $R^2$ .
- Adjusted  $R^2$  is a criteria for comparing two potential models.

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### Model Selection Criteria

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- 1.  $R^2 = cor(Y, \hat{Y})^2$
- 2. Adjusted  $R^2$
- 3. Akaike Information Criterion (AIC)
- 4. Bayesian Information Criterion (BIC)

### Nested Models

• Two models are **nested** if predictors in one model are subset of predictors in other.

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Nested Models

1. 
$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2$$
  
2.  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3$ 

Non-Nested Models

1. 
$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2$$
  
2.  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4$ 

### F Test for Nested Models

- If two models are **nested**, larger model will "fit" better.
- Does the improvement in fit justify additional complexity?

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• Two nested models can be compared with an F test.

### F Test for Nested Models

	Table: Example (		
	Small Model	Large Model	
р	3	5	
$\Sigma e^2$	130	120	
$F = \frac{\frac{130 - 120}{5 - 3}}{\frac{120}{100 - 5 - 1}} = 3.92$			(59)

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 $\text{p-val} = 0.023 \Rightarrow \text{choose larger model}$ 

# Criterion-Based Approach

- · Choose a set of potential models that are meaningful
- Choose a final model using a criterion such as AIC

Remember:

• Don't assume linearity and additivity (no interactions)

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- Avoid overfitting
- Look at model diagnostics

### Model Selection

Two people modeling the same data set will usually have different final models.

"All models are wrong, but some are useful."

– George Box

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### Computer Lab #3

#### Multiple regression and model selection

