Introduction to R: Simple linear regression

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Introduction

Slides, code and tutorials

This part of the interactive book contains all R code that was used to produce the results and output presented in chapter 3 (modeling: simple linear regression) in the course's slides. We include YouTube tutorials as a part of the book and links to the relevant tutorials are provided in different chapters. Note that these tutorials were not developed especially for this book, they cover the same topics using different examples.

R ?

No previous knowledge about R is required. We use the R function lm() to a fit simple linear regression model R and the cars dataset cars is used for illustraion. The model can be fitted using the function glm() as well.

Slides

Slide for this part of the course are avilable online in the >eR-BioStat website. See RourseModeling.

The cars data

The cars data gives the speed of cars (the response) and the distances taken to stop (the predictor). Note that the data were recorded in the 1920s.

```
x<-cars$speed
y<-cars$dist
head(cars)
## speed dist</pre>
```

```
## 1
          4
## 2
               10
          7
## 3
               4
          7
## 4
               22
## 5
          8
               16
## 6
          9
               10
```

Fitting Simple Linear regression Model in R

YouTube tutorials: Simple linear regression in R

R - Simple Linear Regression (part 1)

For a YouTube tutorial about simple linear regression in R by Jalayer Academy see YTREgression1a.

R - Simple Linear Regression (part 2)

For a YouTube tutorial about simple linear regression by Jalayer Academy in R see YTREgression1b.

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For a YouTube tutorial about simple linear regression in R by MarinStatsLectures see YTREgression2.

The lm() Function

The R function which we use to fit a linear regression model is lm(). A General call of the function has the form of $lm(dependent\ variable \sim predictor)$.

Scatterplot

Figure @ref(fig:fig1) shows the scatterplot of Y versus X.

```
plot(x, y)
title("Y vs. X")
```

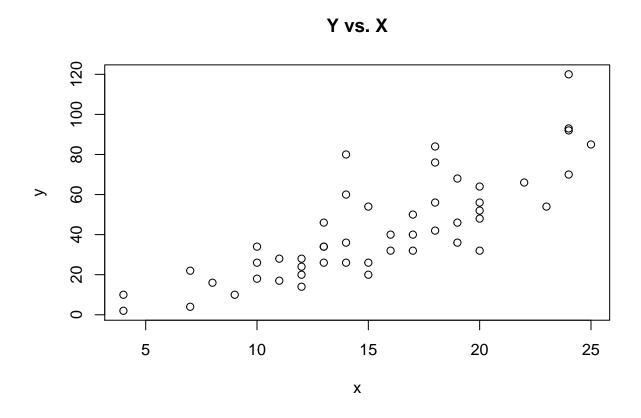


Figure 1: Speed versus stopping ditance.

Fitting the regression model in R

In order to fit a simplie linear regression model,

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \varepsilon_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

we use the lm() function in the following way:

```
fit.LM \leftarrow lm(y \sim x)
```

The object fit.LM contains the results of the estimated model.

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ x)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept) x
## -17.579 3.932
```

Parameter estimates: inference

Parameter estimates, standard errors, t-tests (and p-values) are obtained using the function summary()

```
summary(fit.LM)
```

fit.LM

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y \sim x)
##
## Residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
                            9.215 43.201
## -29.069 -9.525 -2.272
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -17.5791
                           6.7584 -2.601
                                            0.0123 *
                3.9324
                           0.4155
                                    9.464 1.49e-12 ***
## x
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 15.38 on 48 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.6511, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6438
## F-statistic: 89.57 on 1 and 48 DF, p-value: 1.49e-12
```

We use the function anova() in order to obtain the ANOVA Table and F-test.

```
anova(fit.LM)
```

Residuals and model diagnostic

Data and fitted model

The object fit.LM\$fit contains the fitted values.

```
fit.LM$fit
```

```
##
                      2
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  -1.849460 -1.849460
                         9.947766
                                   9.947766 13.880175 17.812584 21.744993 21.744993
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## 61.069080 61.069080 61.069080 68.933898 72.866307 76.798715 76.798715 76.798715
          49
## 76.798715 80.731124
```

Figure @ref(fig:fig2)shows the scaterplot of Y versus X and the fitted values.

```
plot(x, y)
lines(x, fit.LM$fit)
title("data and fitted model")
```

Note that the straight (the fitted model) line is

$$\hat{Y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i.$$

Distribution of the residuals

The object fit.LM\$resid contains the residuals: $e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$.

fit.LM\$resid

```
##
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##
     3.849460
                11.849460
                             -5.947766
                                         12.052234
                                                      2.119825
                                                                 -7.812584
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     4.255007
                12.255007
                             -8.677401
                                          2.322599
                                                    -15.609810
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##
    -1.609810
                -7.542219
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                                                     12.457781
                                                                -11.474628
##
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    22.525372
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                                        -6.798715
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                                                                              43.201285
##
            50
##
     4.268876
```

data and fitted model

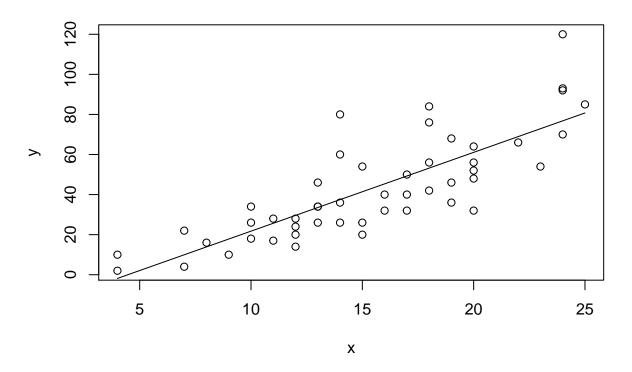


Figure 2: Data and fitted model.

Histogram and normal probability plot for the residuals are shown in Figure @ref(fig:fig3).

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
hist(fit.LM$resid)
qqnorm(fit.LM$resid)
```

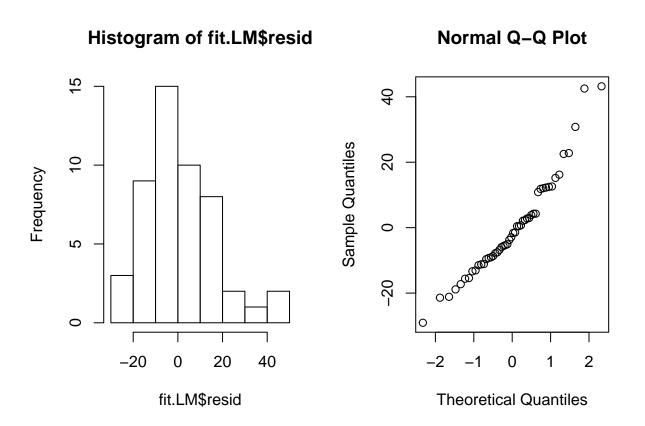


Figure 3: Distribution of the residuals.

Note that the set of diagnostic plots can be produced using the function plot() with the object fit.LM . plot(fit.LM)

