

Practice Problem: Regression

The following dataset contains datapoints for the number of hours a student studied and the grade they earned on the exam.

Hours of Study	Grade on Exam
2	50
3	71
4	87
5	95

$$\text{Avg} = 3.5$$

$$\text{Avg} = 75.75$$

$$\hat{y}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$$

$$\beta_0 = \text{Avg}(y) - (\beta_1)(\text{Avg}(x))$$

$$\beta_1 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \text{Avg}(x))(y_i - \text{Avg}(y))}{\sum (x_i - x)^2}$$

$$R^2 = \frac{\text{Var}(\text{mean}) - \text{Var}(\text{fit})}{\text{Var}(\text{mean})}$$

- Find the equation for the least-squares regression line for this dataset **by hand** and show your work.

If you want, you may use excel to set up a table similar to this:

x	y	xy	x ²	y ²
1	30	30	1	900
2	45	90	4	2025
3	51	153	9	2601
4	57	228	16	3249
5	60	300	25	3600
6	65	390	36	4225
7	70	490	49	4900
8	71	568	64	5041
Σx	Σy	Σxy	Σx^2	Σy^2
36	449	2249	204	26541

$$\beta_0 = 75.75 - (\beta_1)(3.5) \quad ; \quad \beta_1 = \frac{38.63 + 2.38 + 5.63 + 28.88}{2.25 + 0.25 + 0.25 + 2.25}$$

$$\beta_0 = 58.25$$

$$\beta_1 = 5$$

$$\hat{y} = 58.25 + 5x$$

- Using your regression model, predict the exam grade for someone who studied for 30 minutes.

$$x = 0.5$$

$$\hat{y} = 58.25 + (5)(0.5) = 60.75$$

- Calculate the R^2 of your model **by hand** and show your work.
You may use a table in excel if you want.

$$\text{Var}(\text{fit}) = \frac{333.06 + 5.06 + 76.56 + 138.06}{4} = 138.19$$

$$\text{Var}(\text{mean}) = \frac{663.06 + 22.56 + 126.56 + 370.56}{4} = 295.69$$

$$R^2 = \frac{295.69 - 138.19}{295.69}$$

$$R^2 = 0.533$$