

Each scatter point's coordinate is (x_i, y_i) . Each black line represents error E_i .

Now we want to find the red best fit line $y = b_1 x + b_o$.

Minimize the square of the errors E_i

$$E_{LR} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} E_i^2 = \sum (y_i - b_1 x_i - b_o)^2$$

We want to find the minimized E_{LR} with b_1 and b_o

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial E_{LR}}{\partial b_1} &= \sum \frac{\partial}{\partial b_1} (y_i - b_1 x_i - b_o)^2 = 0 \\ &= \sum -2x_i (y_i - b_1 x_i - b_o) = 0 \\ &= \sum -x_i (y_i - b_1 x_i - b_o) - (1) \\ \frac{\partial E_{LR}}{\partial b_0} - (y_i - b_1 x_i - b_o) = 0 - (2) \end{split}$$

We want to solve (1) and (2) for b_0 and b_1

Refine (1),

(1):
$$\sum b_1 x_i^2 + \sum b_o x_i = \sum y_i x_i$$

(2): $\sum b_1 x_i + \sum b_o = \sum y_i$

Turn to matrix form:

$$\begin{pmatrix} \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i \\ \sum x_i & n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_o \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum y_i x_i \\ \sum y_i \end{pmatrix} \\
\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_o \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \sum x_i^2 & \sum x_i \\ \sum x_i & n \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \sum y_i x_i \\ \sum y_i \end{pmatrix} \\
\begin{pmatrix} b_1 \\ b_o \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{n \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2} \begin{pmatrix} n & -\sum x_i \\ -\sum x_i & \sum x_i^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \sum y_i x_i \\ \sum y_i \end{pmatrix} \\
b_1 = \frac{n \sum y_i x_i - \sum x_i \sum y_i}{n \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2} \\
\text{Now using (2)}$$

Now using (2),

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} b_o = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i - \sum_{i=1}^{n} b_1 x_i$$

$$nb_o = \sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i - b_1 \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i$$

$$b_o = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} y_i}{n} - \frac{b_1 \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i}{n}$$

$$b_o = \bar{y} - b_1 \bar{x}$$

,where \bar{y} and \bar{x} are averages of the scattered coordinates