



## Lecture 3

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# Simple Linear Regression



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# Selected Topics

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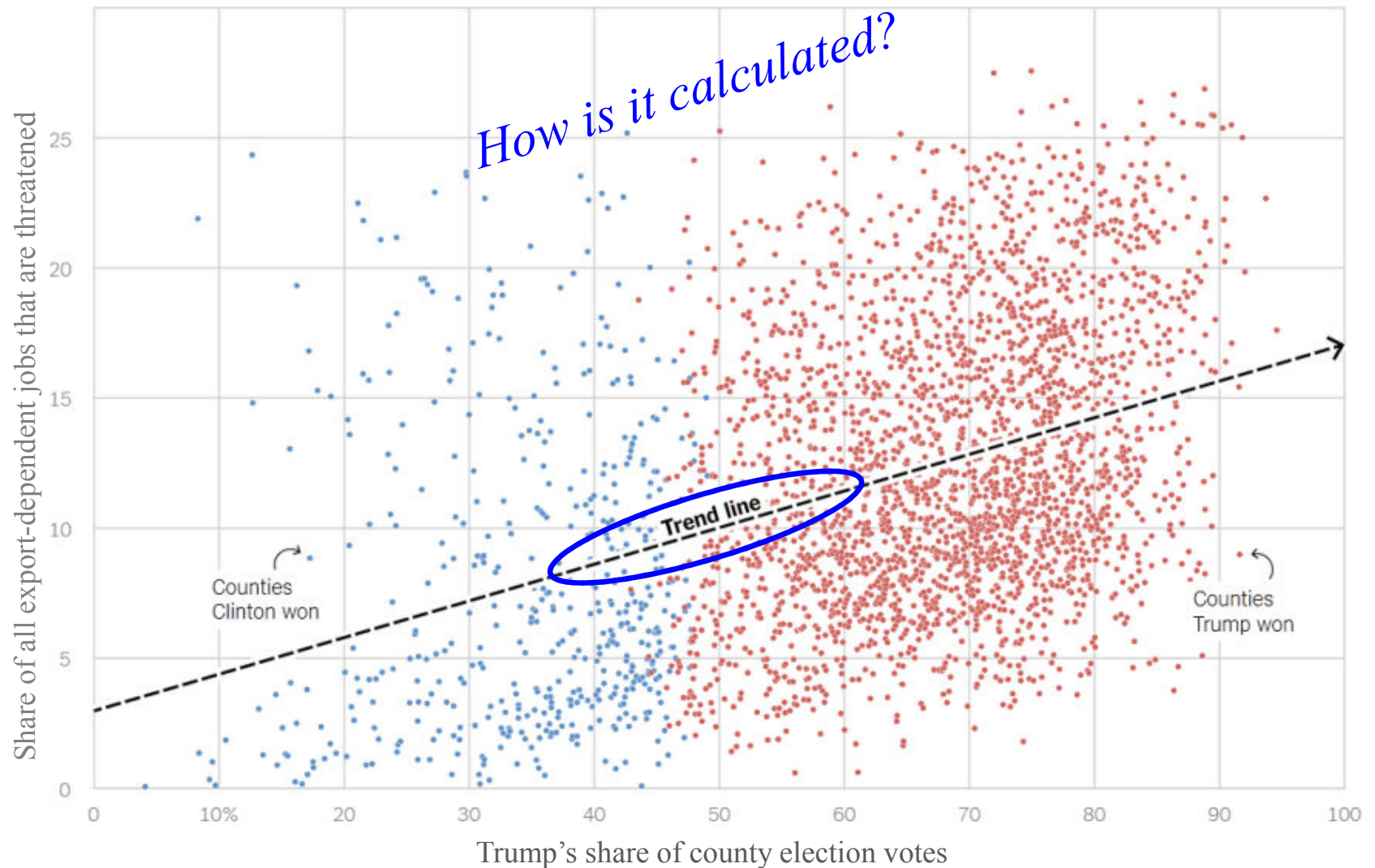
1. The Least Squares Method
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# Trend Line?

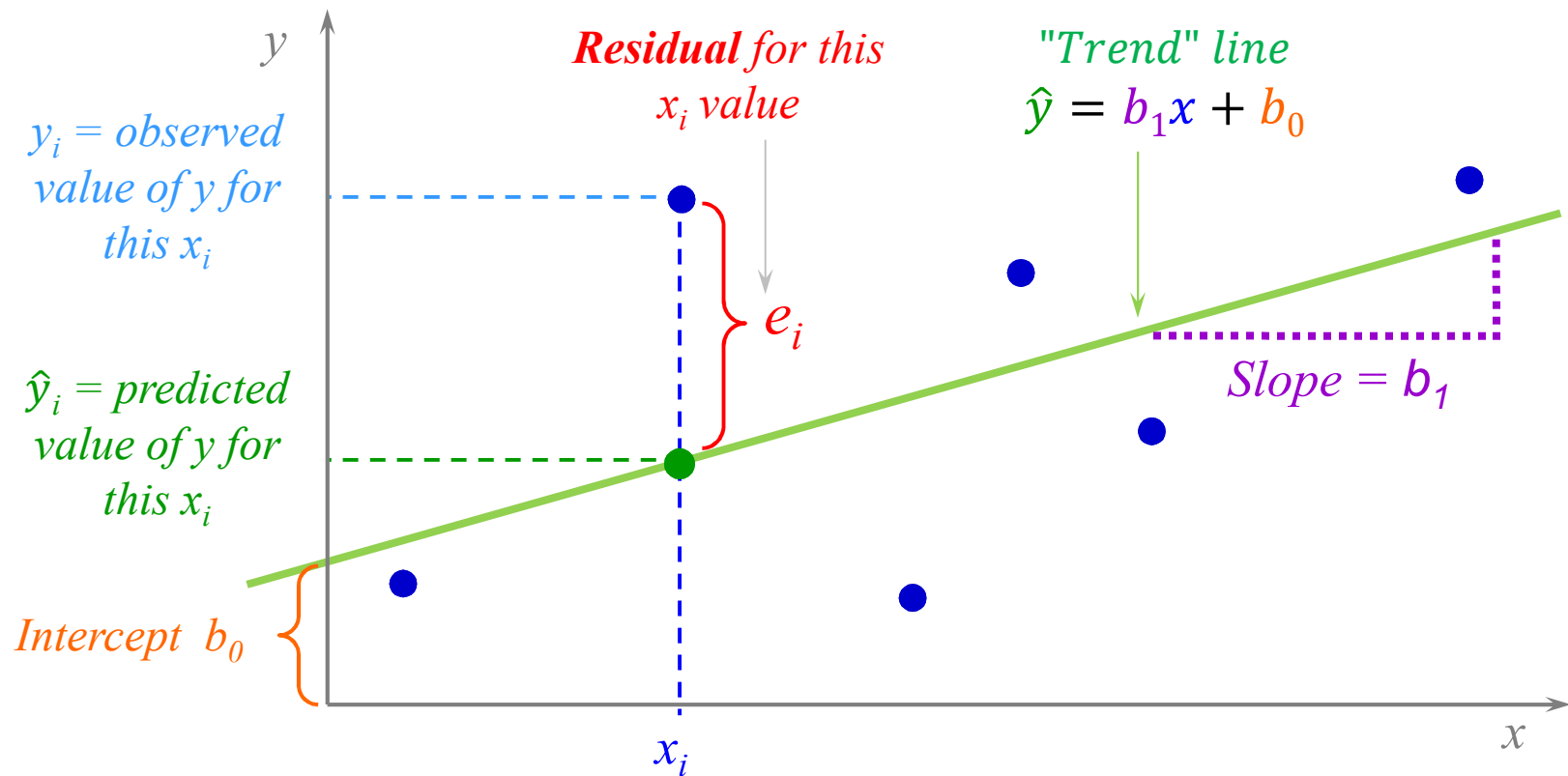


Percentage of export-dependent jobs affected by retaliatory tariffs, by U.S. counties  
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# The Least Squares Method

Given pairs of points  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , calculate *intercept*  $b_0$  and *slope*  $b_1$  so that the line  $\hat{y} = b_1 x + b_0$  is “the best” linear representative for points  $(x_i, y_i)$ .



The coefficients  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  are computed from points  $(x_i, y_i)$  in such a way that *they minimize the sum of the residuals squared!*



# The Least Squares Method

“...they minimize the sum of the residuals squared”:

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - (b_1 x_i + b_0))^2 \\ &= \underbrace{\min}_{\text{over all } a, m} \boxed{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - (mx_i + a))^2} \quad \text{function } Q(a, m)\end{aligned}$$

Rephrased: Among all lines  $mx + a$  that can be used to predict  $y$  as a linear function of  $x$  the prediction line

$$\hat{y} = b_1 x + b_0$$

has the smallest sum of the residuals squared.

Question: How can we compute  $b_0$  and  $b_1$ ?

Basic Calculus: To find the minimum of the function  $Q(a, m)$  take derivatives with respect to  $a$  and  $m$  and set them equal to zero.



# The Least Squares Method

The solutions are  $b_1 = m_{min} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$  **Note:**  $cor(x,y)$  and the slope  $b_1$  have the same sign.

$$b_0 = a_{min} = \bar{y} - b_1 \bar{x}$$

Note 1: Point  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  lies on the prediction line  $\hat{y} = b_1 x + b_0$ :

$$b_0 + b_1 \bar{x} = \bar{y} - b_1 \bar{x} + b_1 \bar{x} = \bar{y}$$

Note 2: Average of the predictions  $\hat{y}_1, \dots, \hat{y}_n$  is  $\bar{y}$ :

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (b_1 x_i + b_0) = b_0 + b_1 \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = b_0 + b_1 \bar{x},$$

which equals  $\bar{y}$  by Note 1.

Note 3: Sum of the residuals  $e_1, e_2, \dots, e_n$  is zero:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i) = \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i}_{\bar{y}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{y}_i}_{=\bar{y}, \text{ by Note 2}} = \bar{y} - \bar{y} = 0,$$



# Measures of Variation

Another corollary of the *Least Square Method* is that

$$\begin{array}{c} \sim \text{Sample} \\ \text{Variance} \\ \text{of } y\text{'s} \end{array} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 + \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 \begin{array}{c} \sim \text{Sample} \\ \text{Variance} \\ \text{of } \hat{y}\text{'s} \end{array}$$

**SST**

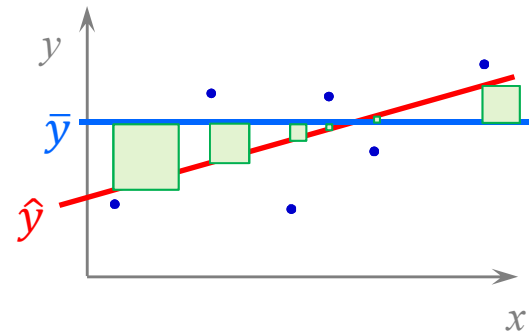
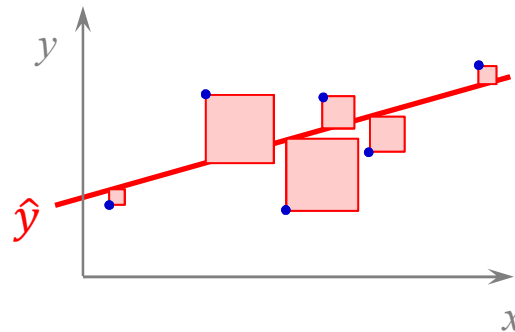
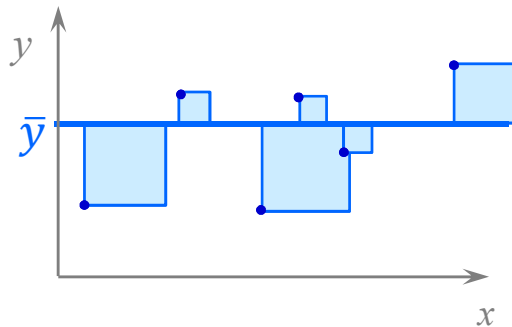
Total sum of squares  
(Total Variation)

**SSE**

Error sum of squares  
(Unexplained Variation)

**SSR**

Regression sum of squares  
(Explained Variation)  
(proportional to variation of  $x_i$ 's)





# Measures of Variation

All three quantities,  $SST$ ,  $SSE$ , and  $SSR$ , are non-negative and

$$0 \leq SSR \leq SST \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad 0 \leq \frac{SSR}{SST} \leq 1 \quad \text{Larger the ratio the prediction is better.}$$

$$0 \leq SSE \leq SST \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad 0 \leq \frac{SSE}{SST} \leq 1 \quad \text{Smaller the ratio the prediction is better.}$$

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We define *Coefficient of Determination*  $r^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST}$ .

Clearly  $0 \leq r^2 \leq 1$ , and the prediction is better for  $r^2$ 's closer to 1.

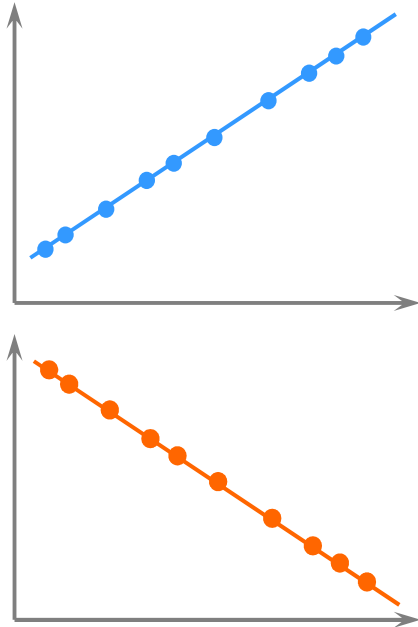
Notice that  $r^2 = 1 - \frac{SSE}{SST}$  (since  $SST = SSE + SSR$ ).

Thus  $r^2$  is the portion of total variation in the dependent variable that is explained by variation in the independent variable.





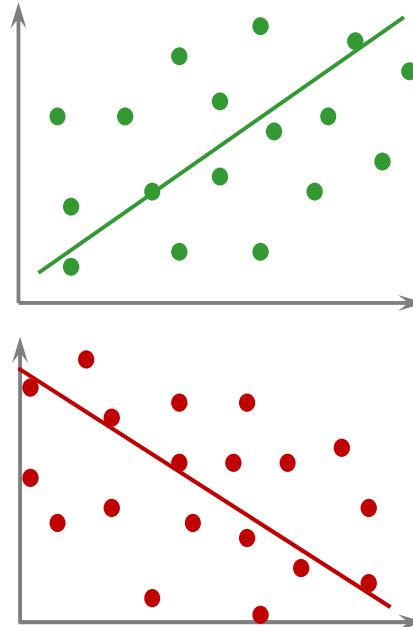
## Examples of $r^2$



$$r^2 = 1$$

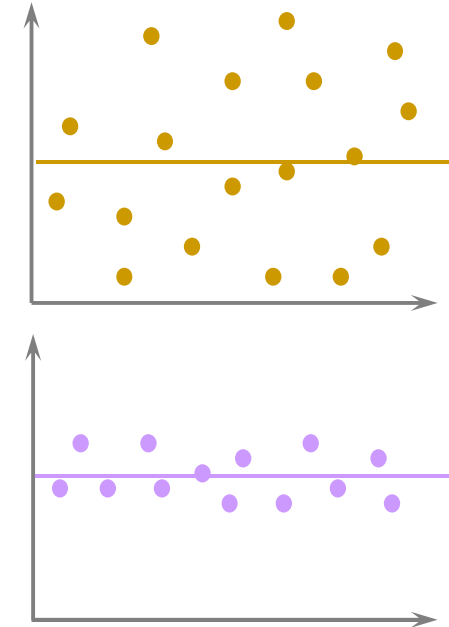
Perfect linear  
relationship  
between  $x$  and  $y$ :  
100% of the variation in  
 $y$  is explained by  
variation in  $x$ .

( $SSE = 0$  since  $\hat{y}_i = y_i$ )



$$0 < r^2 < 1$$

Weaker linear  
relationships  
between  $x$  and  $y$ :  
Some but not all of the  
variation in  $y$  is explained  
by variation in  $x$ .



$$r^2 = 0$$

NO linear relationship  
between  $x$  and  $y$ :  
The value of  $y$  does not  
depend on  $x$ . (None of the  
variation in  $y$  is explained  
by variation in  $x$ ).

( $SSR = 0$  since  $\hat{y} = \text{const. } \bar{y}$ )



# Correlation, $r^2$ , Adjusted $r^2$

Another corollary of the *Least Square Method* is:

$$r^2 = \text{cor}(x, y)^2 = \text{cor}(\hat{y}, y)^2$$

Note: identity makes sense when we have only one predictor  $x$ .

*Adjusted  $r^2$*  is primarily designed for multiple predictors:

$$r^2_{\text{adj}} = 1 - \frac{n-1}{n-p-1} (1 - r^2),$$

where  $p$  is the number of predictors excluding the constant term.

It takes into account the fact that  $r^2$  automatically increases when additional predictors are added to the model.



# On Least Squares Method Optional

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - y_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (b_0 + b_1 x_i - y_i)^2 = \underbrace{\min}_{\text{over all } a, m} \boxed{\sum_{i=1}^n (a + m x_i - y_i)^2}$$

function  $Q(a, m)$

Partial derivatives:

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial a}(a, m) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n (a + m x_i - y_i)$$

$$\frac{\partial Q}{\partial m}(a, m) = 2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (a + m x_i - y_i)$$

$b_0$  and  $b_1$  are the values of  $a$  and  $m$  when the two equations above are set to 0.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (b_0 + b_1 x_i - y_i) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - y_i) = 0 \quad (1)$$

Note: The sum of residuals is 0.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_i (b_0 + b_1 x_i - y_i) = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \sum_{i=1}^n x_i (\hat{y}_i - y_i) = 0 \quad (2)$$



# Corollary: $SST = SSE + SSR$ Optional

$$\begin{aligned} SST &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n ((y_i - \hat{y}_i) + (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}))^2 \\ &= \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}_{SSE} + \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2}_{SSR} + 2 \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})}_{\text{"Cross term" equals 0}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - y_i)(b_1 x_i + b_0 - \bar{y}) \\ &= b_1 \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)}_{= 0, \text{ by (2)}} + (b_0 - \bar{y}) \underbrace{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)}_{= 0, \text{ by (1)}} = 0 \end{aligned}$$



# When should Least Square Method be used?

Recap: Given pairs of points  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , the *Least Squares Method* calculates *intercept*  $b_0$  and *slope*  $b_1$  so that the line  $\hat{y} = b_1 x + b_0$  has the *smallest sum of the residuals squared* among all lines that can be used to predict  $y$  as a *linear function* of  $x$ .

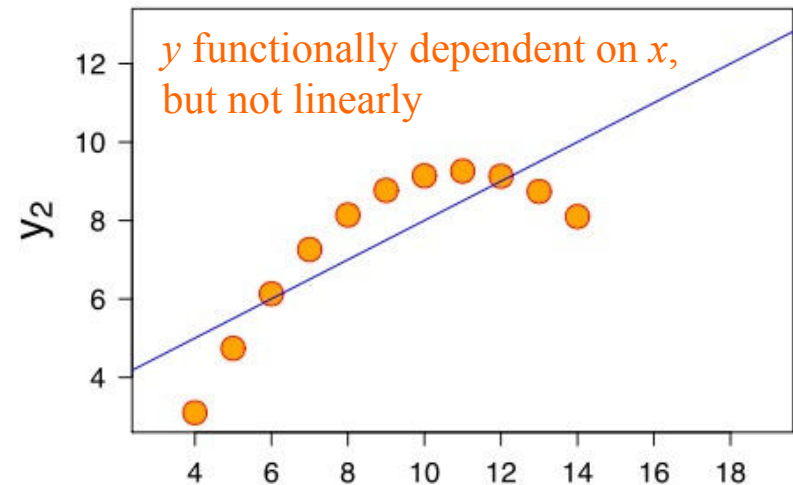
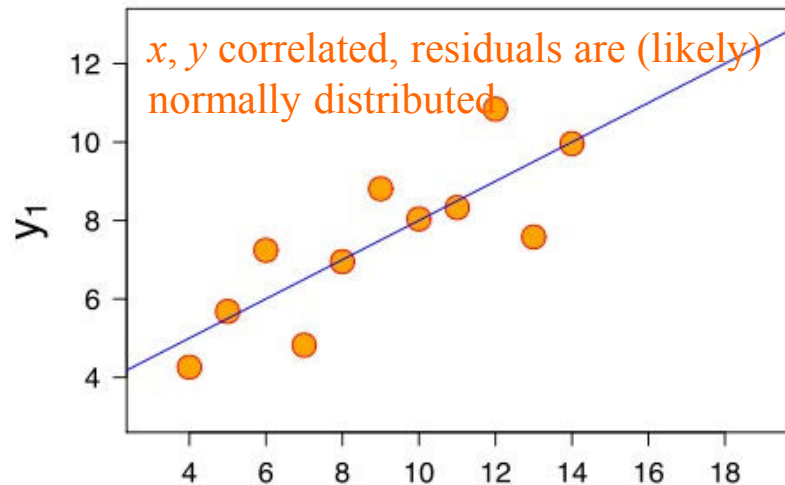
Hence the intent is to use it for cases when there is a linear relationship between  $x$  and  $y$ .

Think: why would you use a line to predict  $y$  as a function of  $x$  (or vice versa) if their relationship was not linear?

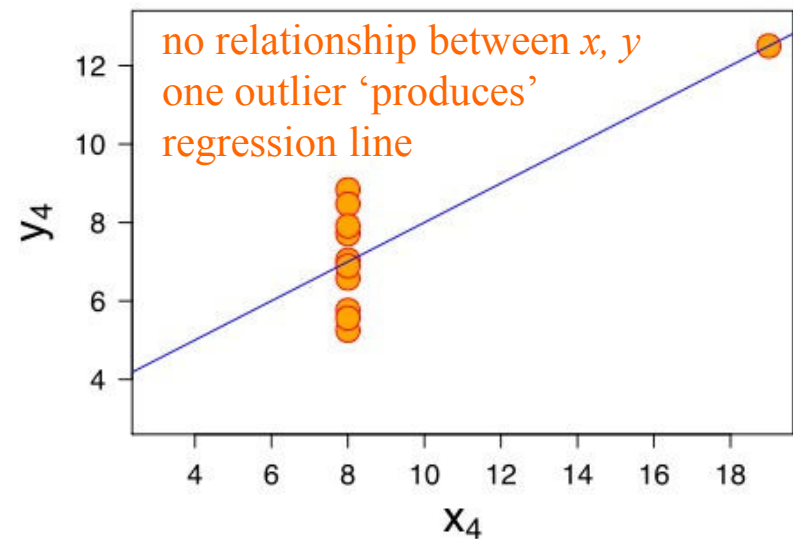
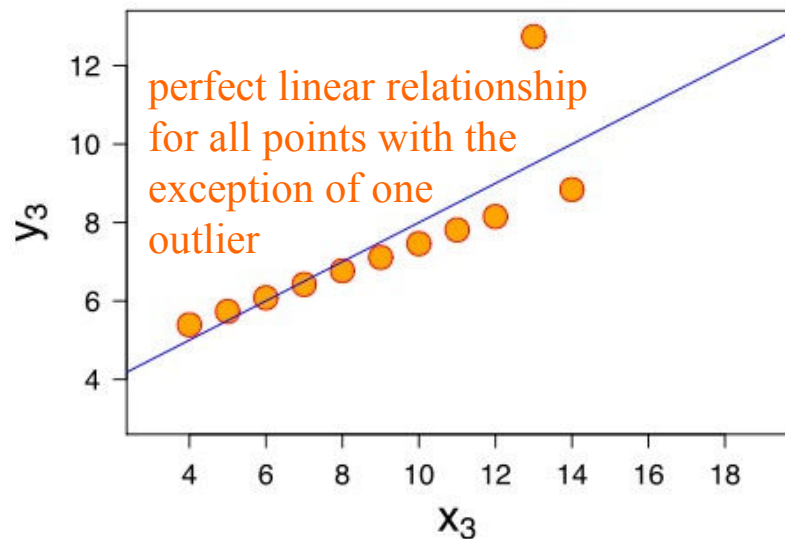
The method, however, is “blind” to this requirement: it will calculate the intercept and the slope no matter what the relationship between  $x$  and  $y$  is.



# Caution: Anscombe's Quartet



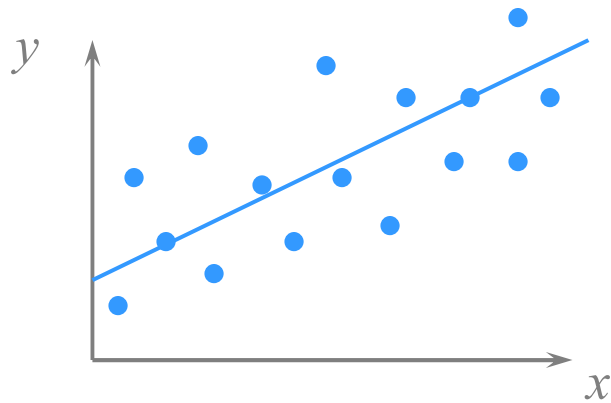
The four  $y$  samples have the same mean of 7.5, variance 4.12, correlation (with  $x$ ) of 0.816 and regression line  $y = 3 + 0.5x$  (example by Francis Anscombe).



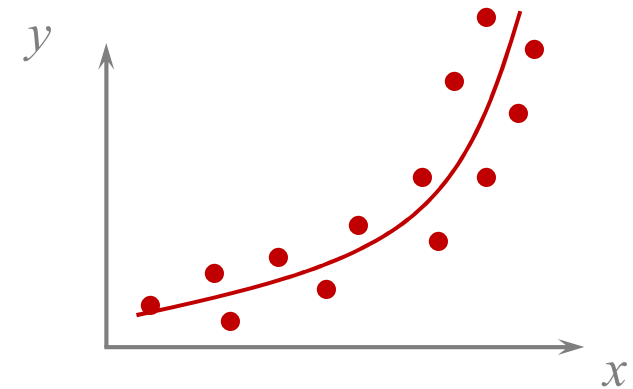
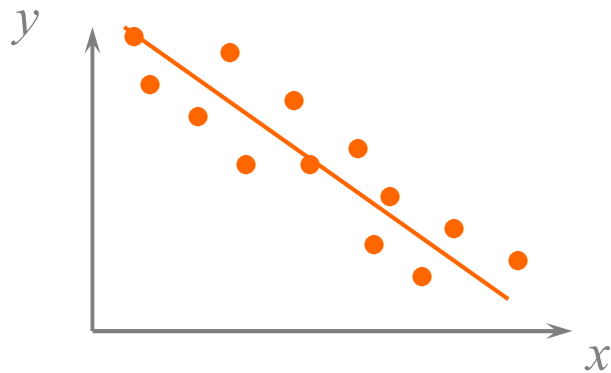
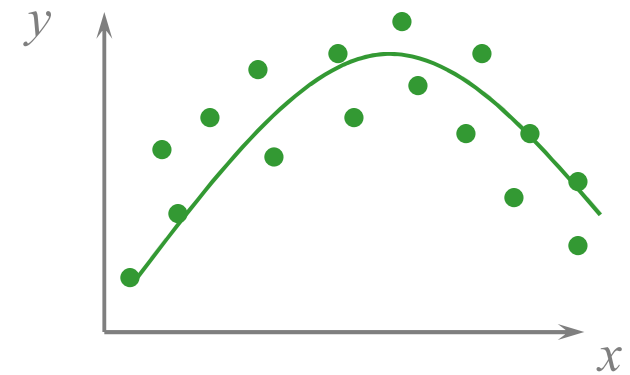


# Types of Relationships

## *Linear relationships*



## *Non-linear relationships*



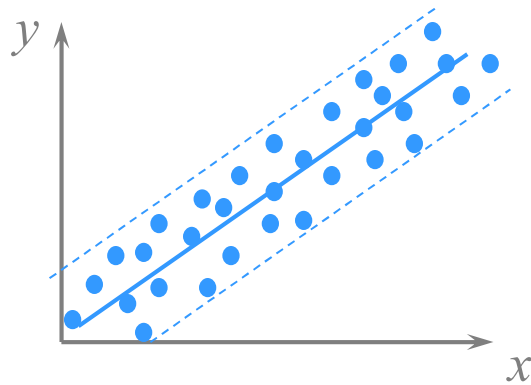


# Linear Relationships

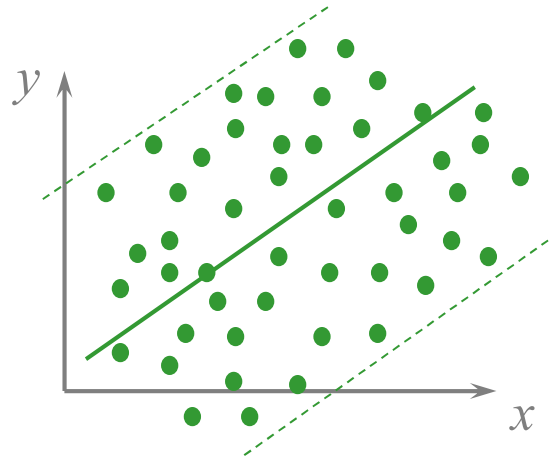
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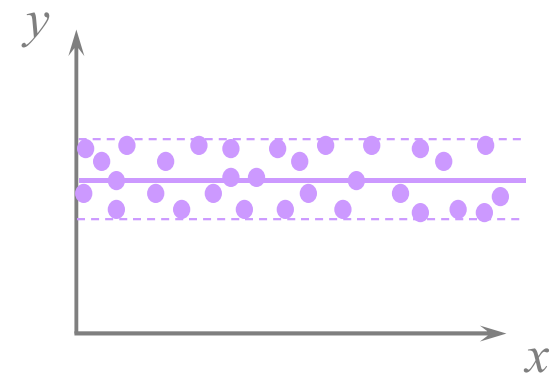
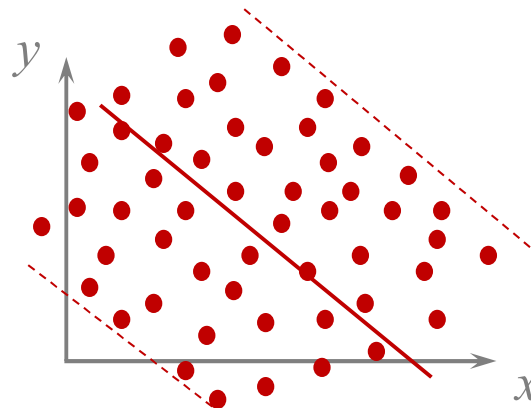
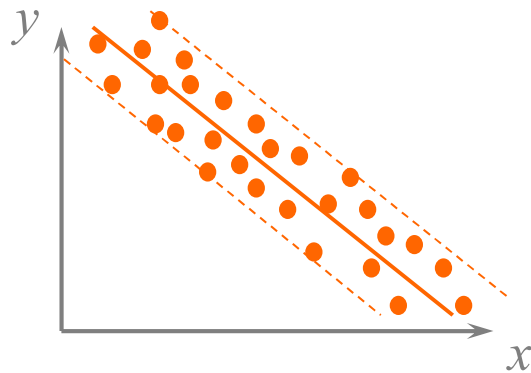
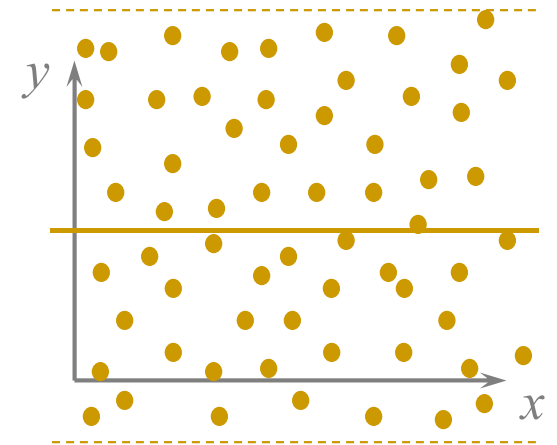
*Strong relationships*



*Weak relationships*



*NO relationship*



$r^2$  'closer' to 1

$r^2$  'closer' to 0

$r^2 = 0$





# Simple Linear Regression

Linear relationship between *two* random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ :

The diagram shows the equation  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$  with several labels and arrows pointing to the terms:

- $Y$  is labeled *Dependent Variable* (green).
- $\beta_0$  is labeled *y-intercept* (orange).
- $\beta_1$  is labeled *Slope* (purple).
- $X$  is labeled *Predictor (Independent Variable)* (blue).
- $\epsilon$  is labeled *Noise* (red).
- The terms  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 X$  are grouped by a bracket and labeled *Linear component  $\hat{Y}$*  (black).
- The term  $\epsilon$  is grouped by a bracket and labeled *Random Error component* (red).

The main assumption is that population  $Y$  linearly depends on population  $X$ . Further assumptions about the random error component will be elaborated later.

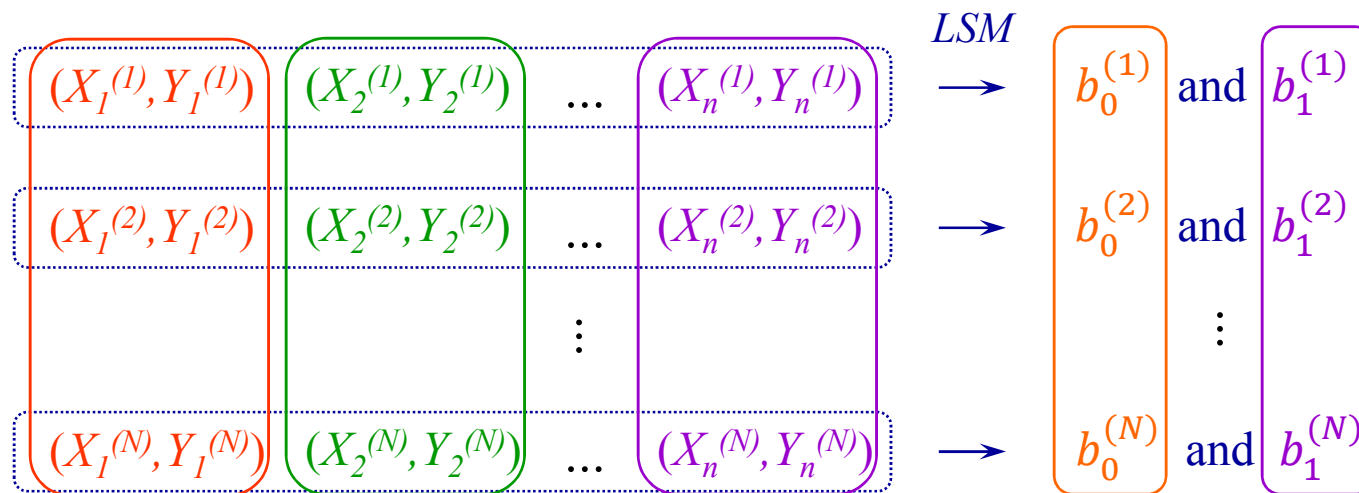
Note: There are three *random variables* above:  $X$  and  $Y$  represent their respective populations and the random error made by linear approximation is captured by  $\epsilon$ . The coefficients *Slope* and *Intercept* are numbers.



# Simple Linear Regression and the LSM

The *LSM* deals with pairs of numbers; *SLR* involves two random variables.

Suppose  $(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$  is a sample from the (*joint*) distribution of  $(X, Y)$ . Recall the ‘representatives’ from chapter 2:



It would be reasonable to expect that the average of all  $b_0$ 's is ‘close’ to the true regression slope  $\beta_1$  (and the same for the intercepts).

To meet these ‘reasonable expectations’ we need to impose additional requests on the simple regression model.



# Simple Linear Regression Assumptions

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the Simple Linear Regression equation:

- $Y$ : Dependent Variable
- $\beta_0$ : y-intercept
- $\beta_1$ : Slope
- $X$ : Predictor (Independent Variable)
- $\varepsilon$ : Noise
- $\beta_0 + \beta_1 X$ : Linear component
- $\varepsilon$ : Random Error component

The relationship between  $Y$  and  $X$  is assumed to follow *LINE*:

*Linearity*: Relationship between  $X$  and  $Y$  is linear.

*Independence of Errors*: Given sample  $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$  the errors

$$\varepsilon_i = Y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i)$$

are a sample from  $\varepsilon$ , hence independent.

*Normality of Error*:  $\varepsilon$  has a normal distribution with population mean zero.

*Equal Variance (homoscedasticity)*: The variance of  $\varepsilon$  is constant with respect to  $X$ .

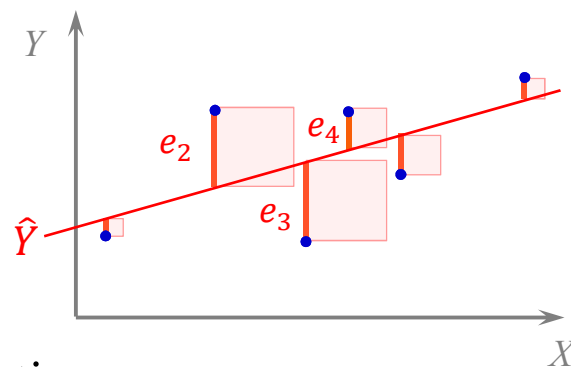
$\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$  with unknown variance  $\sigma^2$  called *regression variance*.



# Residuals

Recall: residuals  $e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$ .

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \hat{Y}_i)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2$$



For sample  $(X_1, Y_1), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$  notice the distinction:

**Errors:**  $\varepsilon_i = Y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i)$

Sample from  $\varepsilon$   
( $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \dots, \varepsilon_n$  are independent r.v.'s)

**Residuals:**  $e_i = Y_i - (b_0 + b_1 X_i)$

Dependent r.v.'s with sum 0 (from LSM),  
since  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  are r.v.'s completely dependent  
on  $(X_i, Y_i)$  (i.e., computed from them)

Problem: We do not know the values of the error terms  $\varepsilon_i$  and we only know the residuals  $e_i$  which approximate the error terms.

Given  $X_i$ 's and  $Y_i$ 's, we check the regression assumptions by examining various plots of residuals for *linearity*, *independence*, *homoscedasticity*, and finally for *normality* assumption.

The most practical way to conduct this is the *Graphical Analysis of Residuals*: scatter-plot of the residuals vs. values of  $X_i$ 's or the fitted values  $\hat{Y}_i$ 's.



# Graphical Analysis of Residuals

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These are mainly scatter plots, typically of the residuals vs. values of  $X_i$ 's or the fitted values  $\hat{Y}_i$ 's.

Unfortunately these visual inspections are typically better at telling when the model assumption is not valid than when it is.

Typically the order of checking is *linearity*, *independence*, *homoscedasticity*, and lastly *normality*.

*Linearity* check: plot the residuals vs. values of  $X_i$ 's (simple regression).

*Independence* check: plot residuals against any variables used in the technique:  $X_i$ 's,  $\hat{Y}_i$ 's or  $Y_i$ 's. A pattern that is not random suggests lack of independence.

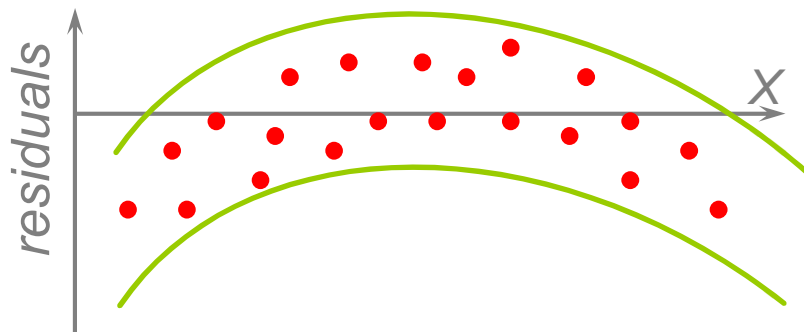
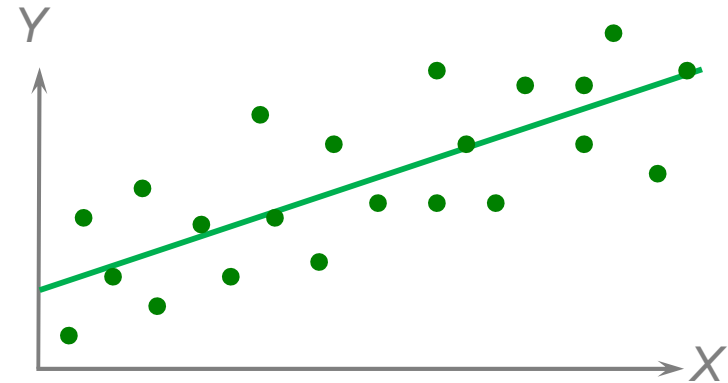
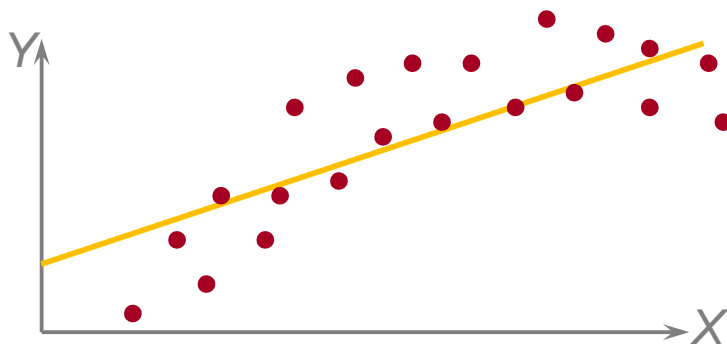
Keep in mind that the residuals sum to zero and they are not independent so the plot is really a very rough approximation!

*Homoscedasticity* check: plot residuals against fitted values  $\hat{Y}_i$ 's and observe if the spread is changing in different ranges of  $\hat{Y}_i$ 's.

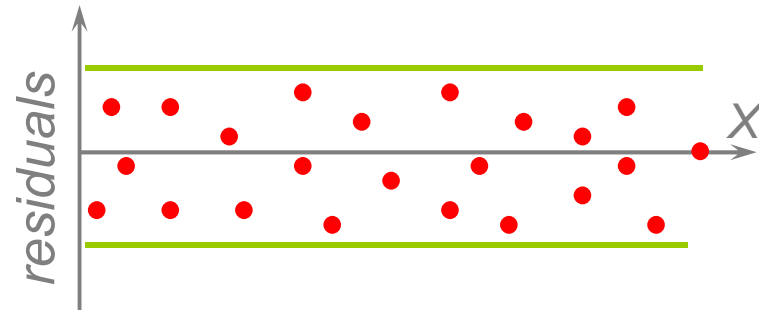
*Normality* check: Create a *quantile (q-q) plot*.



# Residual Analysis for Linearity



 *Not Linear*



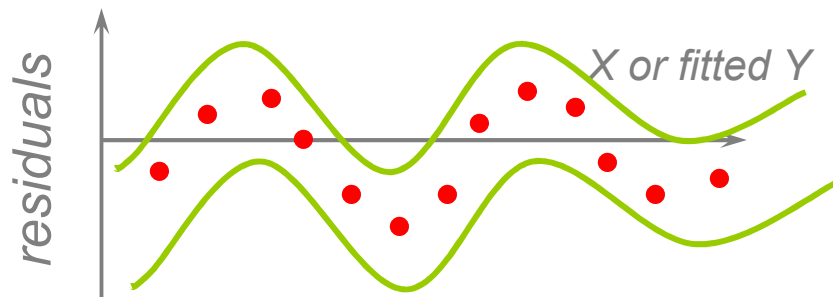
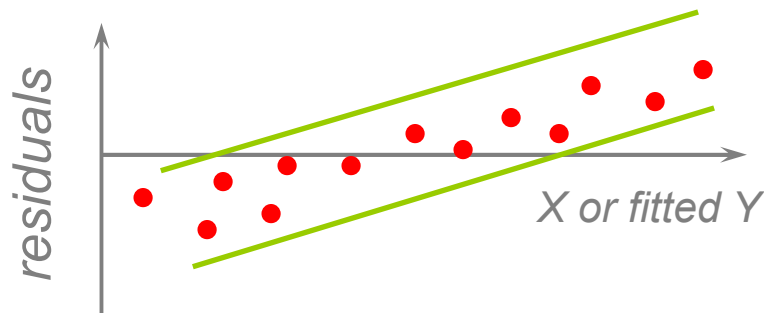
 *Linear*



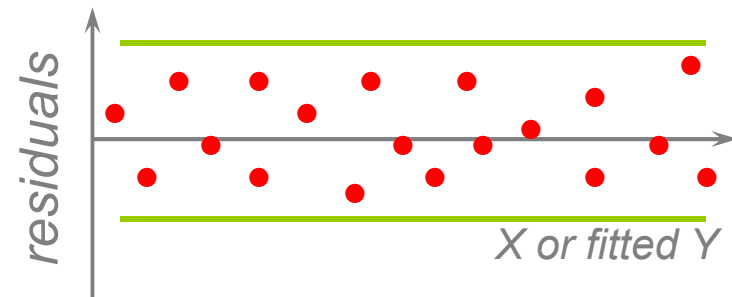
# Residual Analysis for Independence



*Not Independent*



✓ (might be)  
*Independent*

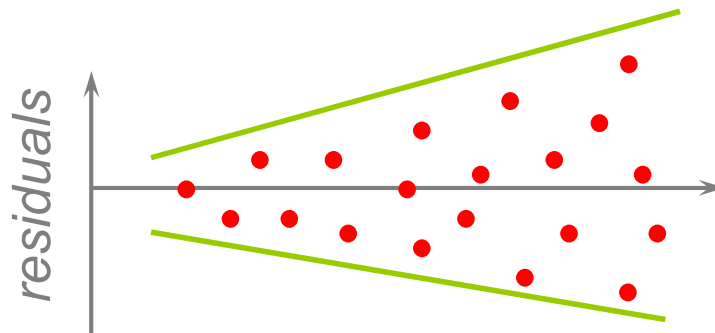
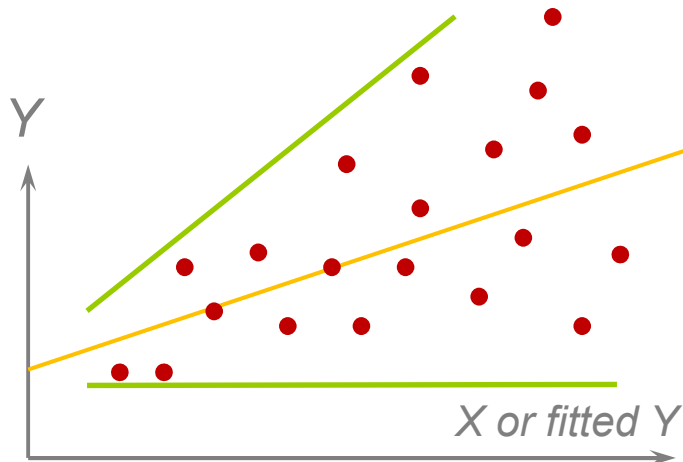




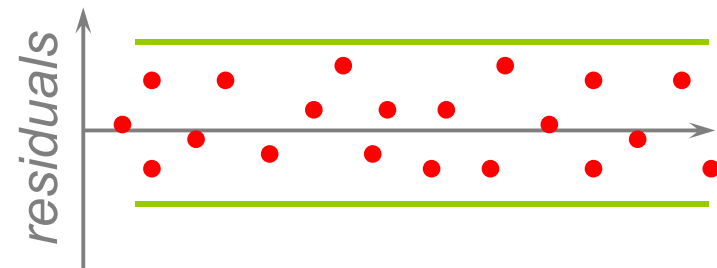
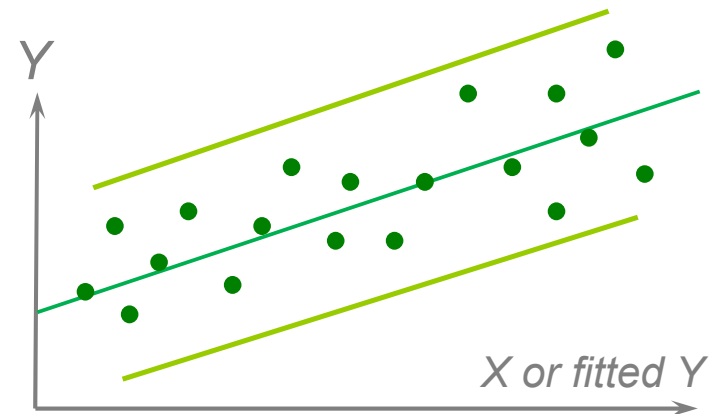
# Residual Analysis for Homoscedasticity



*Non-constant  
Variance*



*Constant  
Variance*

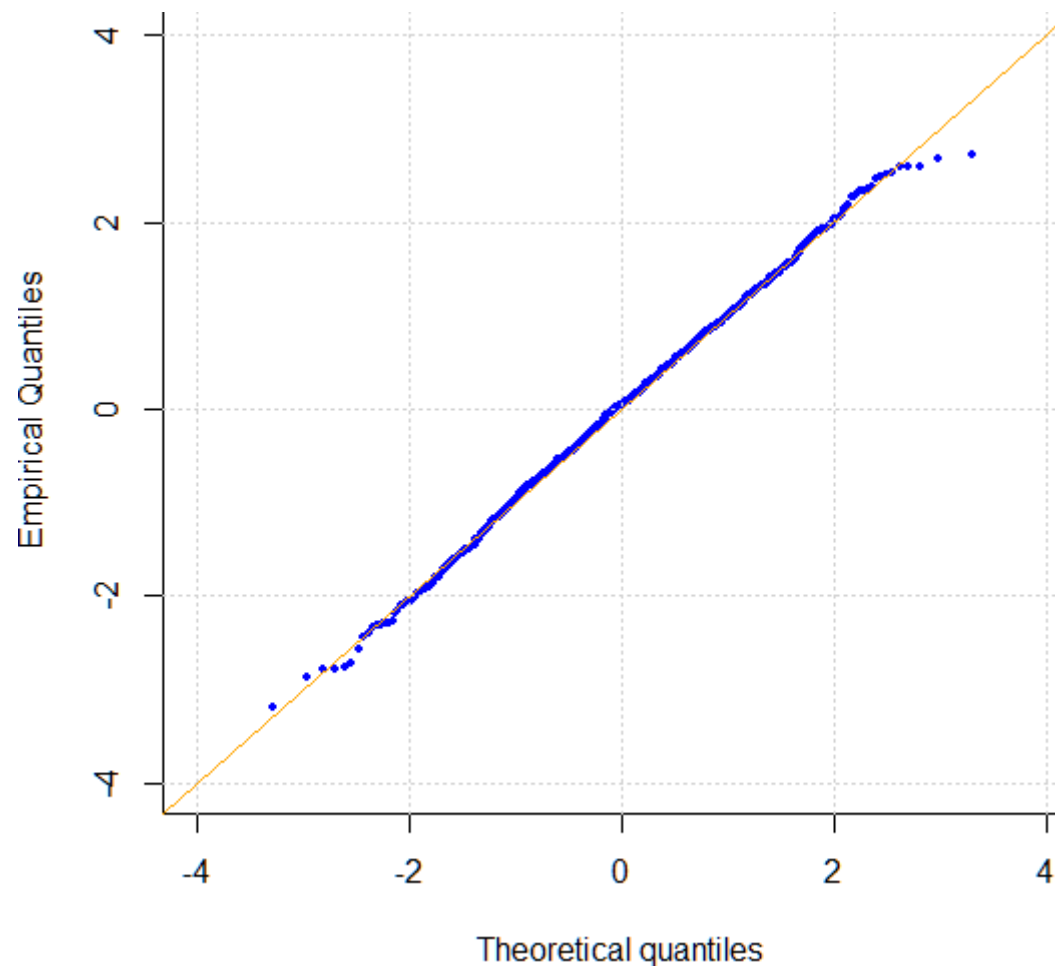






# Residual Analysis for Normality

Commonly accepted way to check whether the sample is taken from the (normal) distribution is the *(Normal) quantile plot*: normal errors will approximately display in a straight line:





# R function *lm*

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Call: `lm(formula = weight ~ height, data = women)`

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.7333	-1.1333	-0.3833	0.7417	3.1167

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-87.51667	5.93694	-14.74	1.71e-09 ***
height	3.45000	0.09114	37.85	1.09e-14 ***

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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Dependent} \\ \text{Variable} \end{array} Y(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \underbrace{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X(\omega_1)}_{\text{Linear component } \hat{Y}} + \underbrace{\varepsilon(\omega_2)}_{\text{Random Error component}} \begin{array}{c} \text{Noise} \end{array}$$

*y-intercept* (points to  $\beta_0$ )  
*Slope* (points to  $\beta_1$ )  
*Predictor (Independent Variable)* (points to  $X(\omega_1)$ )

The coefficients *Slope* and *Intercept* are numbers.

Note:  $X$  lives in an underlying *population* space. Since the random error can have different values for identical  $X$  values it is reasonable to postulate that it lives in an *independent copy* of that space.

Think of it this way: There are two “separate” sources of underlying randomness: one for  $X$  and another for the error  $\varepsilon$ .



# Regression Variance & Standard Error

Simple regression:  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$ , with  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ .

$\sigma^2$  is called the **regression variance** and (usually) is unknown.

Given a sample  $(X_i, Y_i)$  the errors  $\varepsilon_i$  are a sample from  $\varepsilon$ .

They are unknown: the residuals  $e_i$  are our best estimates.

Thus the residual *sample variance* can be used as an estimator for  $\sigma^2$ :

$$\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (e_i - \overset{0}{\cancel{\bar{e}}})^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2 = \frac{\text{SSE}}{n-1}.$$

The estimator used in practice is **Sample Regression Variance** defined as

$$S^2 = \frac{\text{SSE}}{n-2}.$$

Division by  $n-2$  instead of  $n-1$  is justified by the fact that two parameters (*slope* and *intercept*) are involved in obtaining this estimator, hence two *degrees of freedom* are ‘lost’.

**Regression (or Residual) Standard Error** ( $S$ ) is the square root of this quantity.



# Regression Coefficients

Simple regression:  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \varepsilon$ , with  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ .

$\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are numbers.

Given a sample  $(X_i, Y_i)$  the *Least Square Method* produces

$$b_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sum_{k=1}^n (X_k - \bar{X})^2} = \frac{SXY}{SSX} \quad \text{and} \quad b_0 = \bar{Y} - b_1 \bar{X}.$$

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Note:  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  are random variables dependent on errors  $\varepsilon_i$  (a sample from  $\varepsilon$ ).

Then: (1)  $b_0$  and  $b_1$  are normal random variables,

$$(2) E(b_1) = \beta_1 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Var}(b_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{SSX}$$

$$(3) E(b_0) = \beta_0 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Var}(b_0) = \frac{\bar{X}^2 \sigma^2}{SSX}$$

Note:  $b_0$  depends on  $b_1$  so it is enough to prove (1) for  $b_1$ .



# Proof

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$$SSX = \sum_{k=1}^n (X_k - \bar{X})^2 = \sum_{k=1}^n (X_k^2 - 2X_k\bar{X} + \bar{X}^2)$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n (X_k^2 - X_k\bar{X}) + \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{X}^2 - X_k\bar{X})$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^n X_k(X_k - \bar{X}) + \bar{X} \left[ \sum_{k=1}^n (\bar{X} - X_k) \right] = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k(X_k - \bar{X})$$
$$= n\bar{X} - \sum_{k=1}^n X_k = 0$$

$$SXY = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})Y_i - \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}) \right] \bar{Y}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \varepsilon_i)$$

$$= \beta_0 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}) \right] + \beta_1 \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n X_i(X_i - \bar{X}) \right] + \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})\varepsilon_i$$

$= SSX$

$$= \beta_1 SSX + \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})\varepsilon_i$$

$$b_1 = \frac{SXY}{SSX} = \frac{\beta_1 SSX + \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})\varepsilon_i}{SSX} = \beta_1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i - \bar{X}}{SSX} \varepsilon_i$$

$c_i$



$$b_1 = \beta_1 + \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{X_i - \bar{X}}{SSX} \varepsilon_i = \beta_1 + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varepsilon_i$$

Notice that  $\beta_1$  is a number. Furthermore, the  $X_i$ 's do not have the random component of  $\varepsilon_i$ 's. In other words, in equation above they are just numbers, and consequently so are  $\bar{X}$  and  $SSX$ . Thus  $c_i$ 's defined above are numbers.

Note: this proves that the randomness of  $b_1$  is instigated by the errors  $\varepsilon_i$ 's.

Since  $\varepsilon_i$ 's are independent  $N(0, \sigma^2)$  (they are a sample from  $\varepsilon$ )

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow b_1 = \beta_1 + \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \varepsilon_i \sim N(\beta_1, \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^2)$$

This proves (1). Clearly  $E(b_1) = \beta_1$  and

$$Var(b_1) = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n c_i^2 = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{X_i - \bar{X}}{SSX} \right)^2 = \frac{\sigma^2}{SSX^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \overset{= SSX}{=} \frac{\sigma^2}{SSX}$$

This proves (2).



$$E(b_0) = E(\bar{Y} - b_1 \bar{X}) = E(\bar{Y}) - E(b_1 \bar{X}) = E(\bar{Y}) - E(b_1) \bar{X} = E(\bar{Y}) - \beta_1 \bar{X}$$

Notice that  $\bar{Y} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X} + \bar{\varepsilon}$ , where  $\bar{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i$ .

$$\Rightarrow E(\bar{Y}) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X} + \underbrace{E(\bar{\varepsilon})}_{=0} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(b_0) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \bar{X} - \beta_1 \bar{X} = \beta_0$$

Finally,

$$Var(b_0) = Var(\bar{Y} - b_1 \bar{X}) = Var(-\bar{X} b_1) = (-\bar{X})^2 Var(b_1) = \bar{X}^2 \frac{\sigma^2}{SSX}$$

This proves (3).





## More on Regression Slope

Hence  $b_1 \sim N(\beta_1, \frac{\sigma^2}{SSX})$ . *Slope Variance*

The regression variance  $\sigma^2$  is unknown, but its unbiased estimator is the *Sample Regression Variance*  $S^2 = \frac{SSE}{n-2}$ .

Since  $SSX$  is a number in this context (does not depend on error terms), the unbiased estimator for the slope variance is

$$\frac{S^2}{SSX} = \frac{SSE}{(n-2)SSX} \quad \text{Sample Slope Variance}$$

The square root of this quantity is *Slope Standard Error* ( $S_{b1}$ ).

The following results should not be surprising:

$$\frac{b_1 - \beta_1}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{SSX}}} \sim N(0,1) \qquad \frac{b_1 - \beta_1}{S_{b1}} \sim t(n-2)$$



# Two-tailed t-test for Regression Slope

$$t_{stat} = \frac{b_1 - \beta_1}{S_{b_1}} = (b_1 - \beta_1) \sqrt{\frac{(n-2) SSX}{SSE}} \sim t(n-2)$$

Given a sample  $(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$  from  $(X, Y)$ , formulate the hypotheses

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

and compute:

the *t-statistic*

$$t_{stat} = \frac{b_1 - \beta_1}{S_{b_1}} = (b_1 - 0) \sqrt{\frac{(n-2) SSX}{SSE}}$$

the *p-value*

$$P(t(n-2) \leq -|t_{stat}|) + P(t(n-2) \geq |t_{stat}|)$$

Given the agreed significance level  $\alpha$ ,

*if p value >  $\alpha$ , accept the null hypothesis!*

*if p value  $\leq \alpha$ , reject the null hypothesis!*



## Conclusion: *R* function *lm*

Call: `lm(formula = weight ~ height, data = women)`

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.7333	-1.1333	-0.9833	-0.3833	0.8667

*Slope Standard Error*  
(see 3.33)

*t<sub>stat</sub>*  
(see 3.34)

*p-value*  
(see 3.34)

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-87.51667	5.93694	-14.74	1.71e-09 ***
height	3.45000	0.09114	37.85	1.09e-14 ***

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*Regression Standard Error* (see 3.28)



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## Optional Slides



# Regression Models

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*Linear Regression* models are used to fit a linear relationship between a *continuous* dependent variable  $Y$  and a set of one or more *continuous* predictors;

*Logistic Regression* models measure the relationship between the *categorical* dependent variable  $Y$  and a set of one or more *continuous* predictors;

*Simple Regression*: only one predictor

*Multiple Regression*: multiple predictors



# Briefly on Multiple Linear Regression

*Dependent Variable* (Outcome or Response Variable):  $Y$

*Predictors* (Independent, Input Variables, Repressors):  $X_1, \dots, X_p$

Assumes the following relationship:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p + \varepsilon,$$

where  $\beta$ 's are the *coefficients* and  $\varepsilon$  is the *noise*.

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As in simple regression, for the given sample from the random vector

$$(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p, Y)$$

the coefficients are obtained via the *Least Squares Method*.

There are also regression models with multiple dependent variables – these are usually called *Multivariate Linear Regression* models.



# Multiple Regression in R: Syntax

-	Separates response variables on the left from the explanatory variables on the right. For example, a prediction of $y$ from $x$ , $z$ , and $w$ would be coded $y \sim x + z + w$ .
+	Separates predictor variables.
:	Denotes an interaction between predictor variables. A prediction of $y$ from $x$ , $z$ , and the interaction between $x$ and $z$ would be coded $y \sim x + z + x:z$ .
*	A shortcut for denoting all possible interactions. The code $y \sim x * z * w$ expands to $y \sim x + z + w + x:z + x:w + z:w + x:z:w$ .
^	Denotes interactions up to a specified degree. The code $y \sim (x + z + w)^2$ expands to $y \sim x + z + w + x:z + x:w + z:w$ .
.	A place holder for all other variables in the data frame except the dependent variable. For example, if a data frame contained the variables $x$ , $y$ , $z$ , and $w$ , then the code $y \sim .$ would expand to $y \sim x + z + w$ .
-	A minus sign removes a variable from the equation. For example, $y \sim (x + z + w)^2 - x:w$ expands to $y \sim x + z + w + x:z + z:w$ .
-1	Suppresses the intercept. For example, the formula $y \sim x - 1$ fits a regression of $y$ on $x$ , and forces the line through the origin at $x=0$ .
I()	Elements within the parentheses are interpreted arithmetically. For example, $y \sim x + (z + w)^2$ would expand to $y \sim x + z + w + z:w$ . In contrast, the code $y \sim x + I((z + w)^2)$ would expand to $y \sim x + h$ , where $h$ is a new variable created by squaring the sum of $z$ and $w$ .
function	Mathematical functions can be used in formulas. For example, $\log(y) \sim x + z + w$ would predict $\log(y)$ from $x$ , $z$ , and $w$ .