

# 2.3 – Simple Linear Regression

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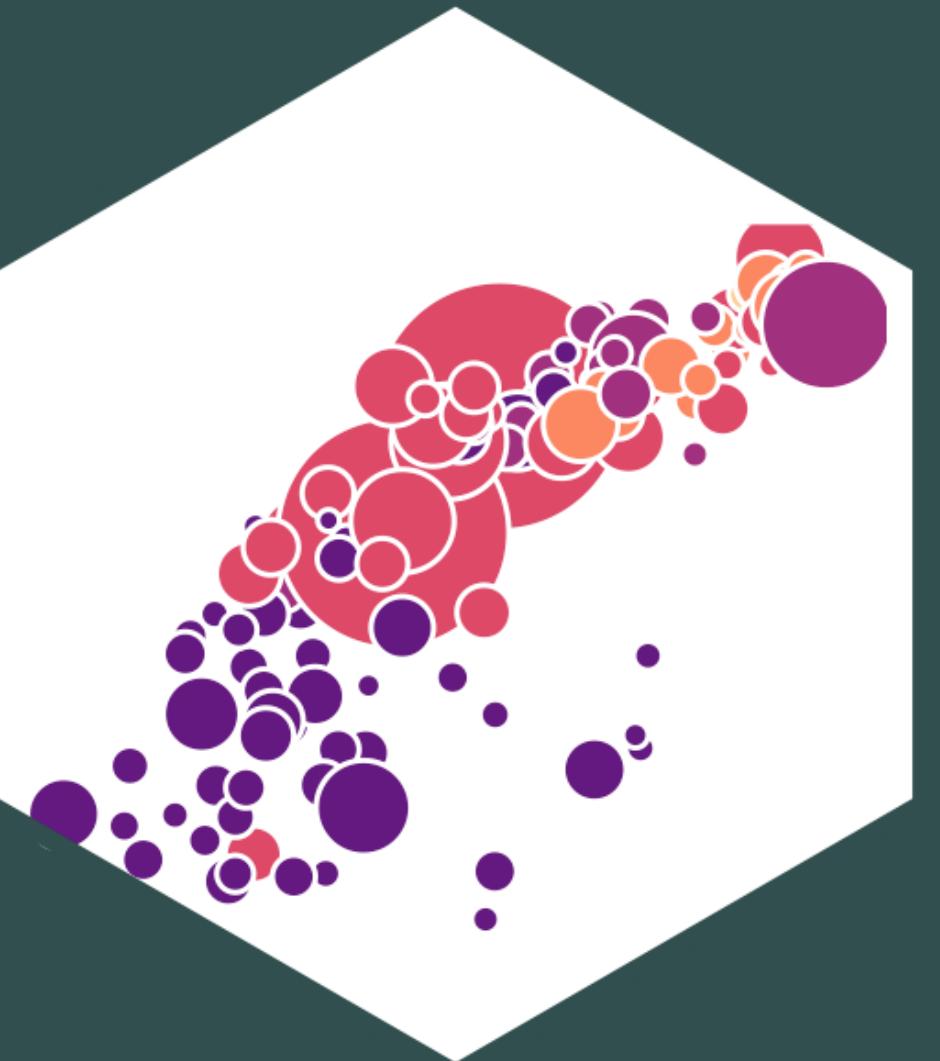
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# Exploring Relationships

# Bivariate Data and Relationships I

- We looked at single variables for descriptive statistics
- Most uses of statistics in economics and business investigate relationships *between* variables

## Examples

- # of police & crime rates
- healthcare spending & life expectancy
- government spending & GDP growth
- carbon dioxide emissions & temperatures



# Bivariate Data and Relationships II

- We will begin with **bivariate** data for relationships between  $X$  and  $Y$
- Immediate aim is to explore **associations** between variables, quantified with **correlation** and **linear regression**
- Later we want to develop more sophisticated tools to argue for **causation**



# Bivariate Data: Spreadsheets I

	<b>...1 Country</b> <dbl> <chr>	<b>ISO</b> <chr>	<b>ef</b> <dbl>
1	Albania	ALB	7.40
2	Algeria	DZA	5.15
3	Angola	AGO	5.08
4	Argentina	ARG	4.81
5	Australia	AUS	7.93
6	Austria	AUT	7.56
7	Bahrain	BHR	7.60
8	Bangladesh	BGD	6.35
9	Belgium	BEL	7.51
10	Benin	BEN	6.22

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- **Rows** are individual observations (countries)
- **Columns** are variables on all individuals



# Bivariate Data: Spreadsheets II

```
1 econfreedom %>%
  2   glimpse()
```

Rows: 112

Columns: 6

```
$ ...1      <dbl> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 1...
$ Country    <chr> "Albania", "Algeria", "Angola", "Argentina", "Australia", "A...
$ ISO         <chr> "ALB", "DZA", "AGO", "ARG", "AUS", "AUT", "BHR", "BGD", "BEL...
$ ef          <dbl> 7.40, 5.15, 5.08, 4.81, 7.93, 7.56, 7.60, 6.35, 7.51, 6.22, ...
$ gdp         <dbl> 4543.0880, 4784.1943, 4153.1463, 10501.6603, 54688.4459, 476...
$ continent   <chr> "Europe", "Africa", "Africa", "Americas", "Oceania", "Europe...
```



# Bivariate Data: Spreadsheets III

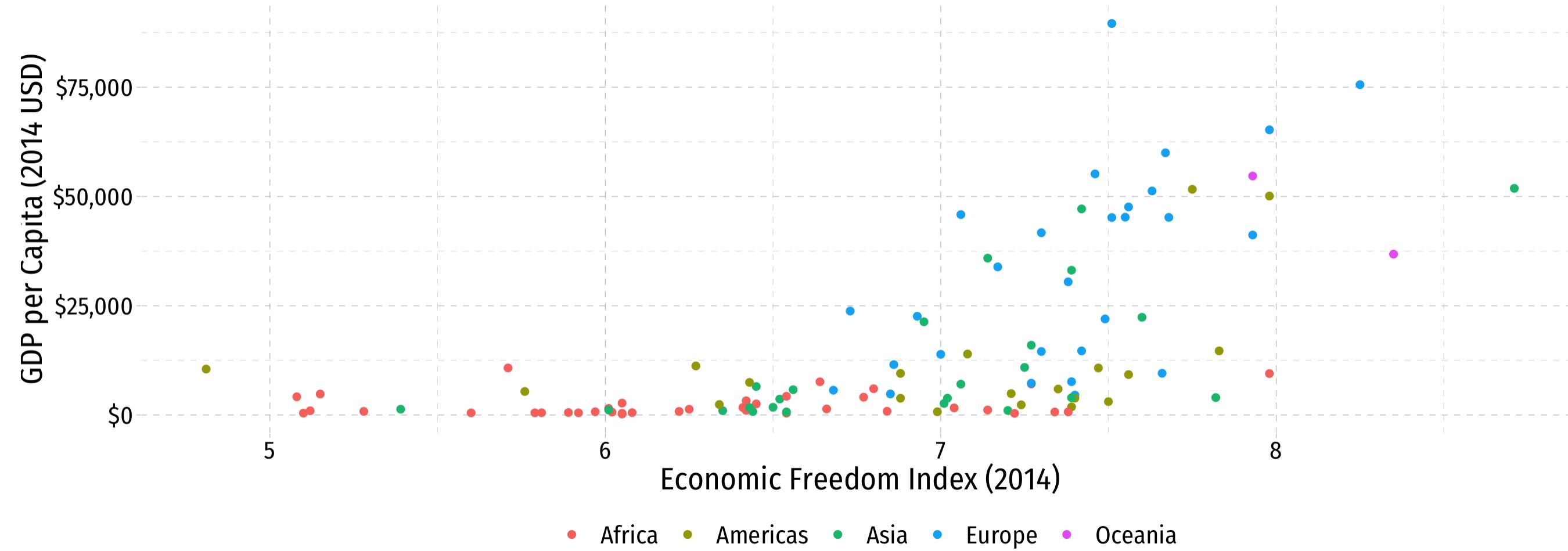
```
1 source("summaries.R")
2 econfreedom %>%
3   summary_table(ef, gdp)
```

Variable	Obs	Min	Q1
	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
ef	112	4.81	6.42
gdp	112	206.71	1307.46
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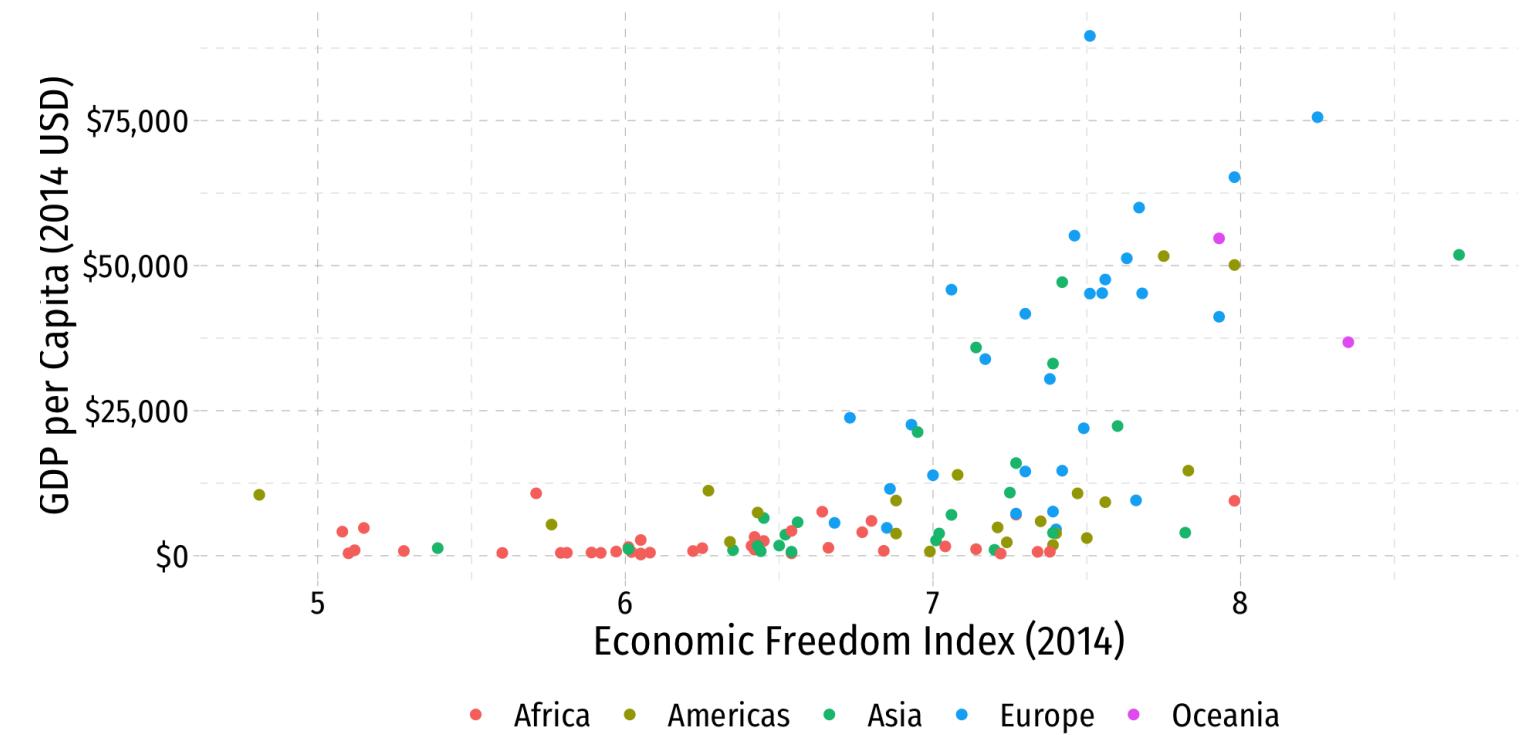
# Bivariate Data: Scatterplots I

Plot    Code



# Bivariate Data: Scatterplots II

- Look for **association** between independent and dependent variables
  1. **Direction**: is the trend positive or negative?
  2. **Form**: is the trend linear, quadratic, something else, or no pattern?
  3. **Strength**: is the association strong or weak?
  4. **Outliers**: do any observations deviate from the trends above?



# Quantifying Relationships

# Covariance

- For any two variables, we can measure their **sample covariance**,  $cov(X, Y)$  or  $s_{X,Y}$  to quantify how they vary *together*<sup>1</sup>

$$s_{X,Y} = E[(X - \bar{X})(Y - \bar{Y})]$$

- Intuition: if  $x_i$  is above the mean of  $X$ , would we expect the associated  $y_i$ :
  - to be **above** the mean of  $Y$  also ( $X$  and  $Y$  covary **positively**)
  - to be **below** the mean of  $Y$  ( $X$  and  $Y$  covary **negatively**)
- Covariance is a common measure, but the units are meaningless, thus we rarely need to use it so **don't worry about learning the formula**



# Covariance, in R

```
1 econfreedom %>%
2   summarize(covariance = cov(ef, gdp))
```

```
# A tibble: 1 × 1
  covariance
  <dbl>
1 8923.
```

8923 what, exactly?



# Correlation

- Better to *standardize* covariance into a more intuitive concept: **correlation**,  $r_{X,Y} \in [-1, 1]$

$$r_{X,Y} = \frac{s_{X,Y}}{s_X s_Y} = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{sd(X)sd(Y)}$$

- Simply weight covariance by the product of the standard deviations of  $X$  and  $Y$
- Alternatively, take the average<sup>1</sup> of the product of standardized (Z-scores for) each  $(x_i, y_i)$  pair:<sup>2</sup>

$$r = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{x_i - \bar{X}}{s_X} \right) \left( \frac{y_i - \bar{Y}}{s_Y} \right)$$

$$r = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n Z_X Z_Y$$

1. Over n-1, a *sample* statistic!

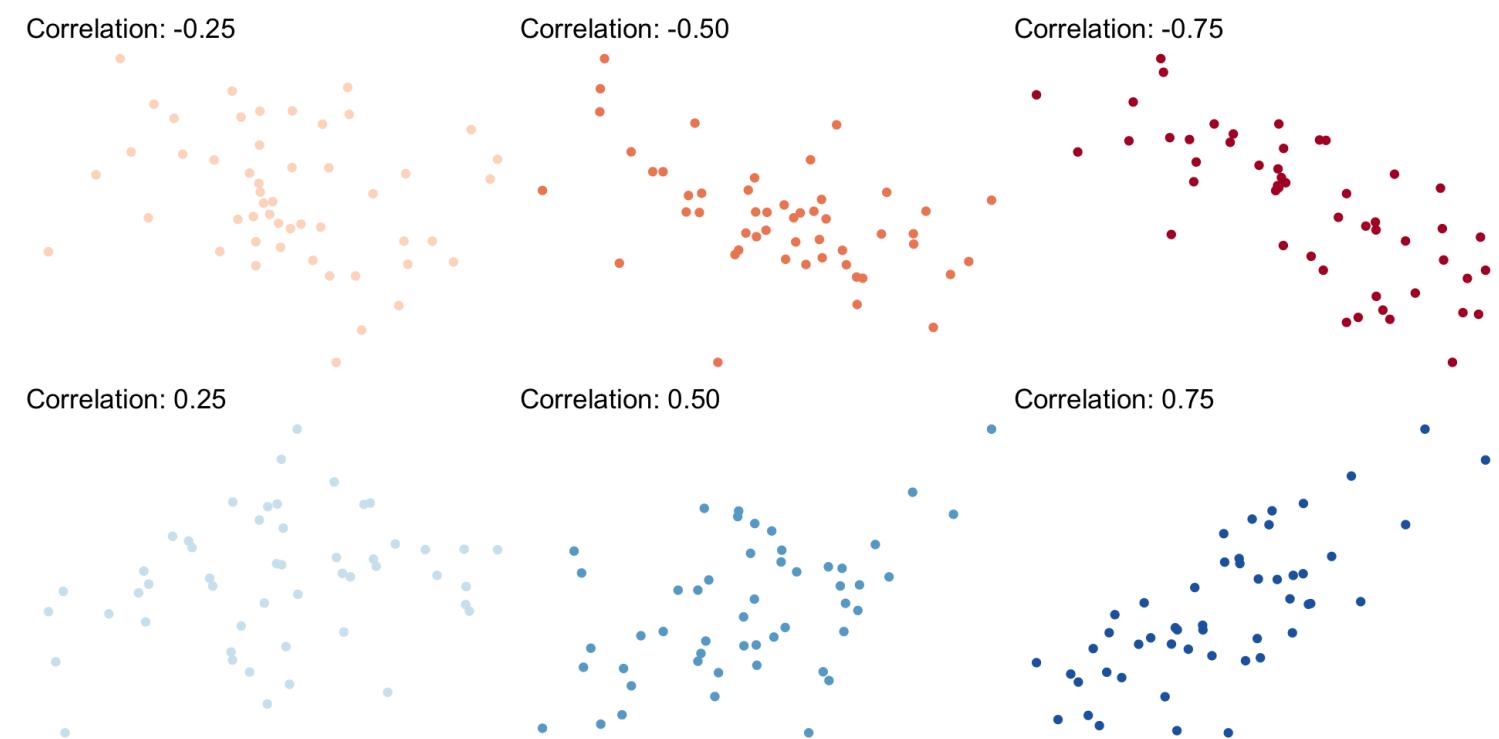


# Correlation: Interpretation

- Correlation is standardized to

$$-1 \leq r \leq 1$$

- Negative values  $\implies$  negative association
- Positive values  $\implies$  positive association
- Correlation of 0  $\implies$  no association
- As  $|r| \rightarrow 1 \implies$  the stronger the association
- Correlation of  $|r| = 1 \implies$  perfectly linear



# Guess the Correlation!



Guess the Correlation Game



# Correlation and Covariance in R

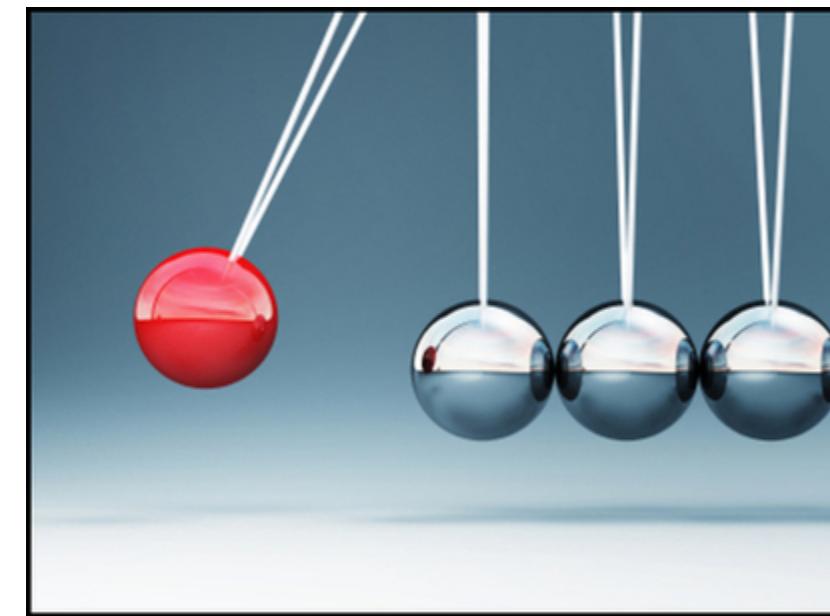
```
1 econfreedom %>%
2   summarize(covariance = cov(ef, gdp),
3             correlation = cor(ef, gdp))
```

```
# A tibble: 1 × 2
  covariance correlation
    <dbl>        <dbl>
1     8923.      0.587
```

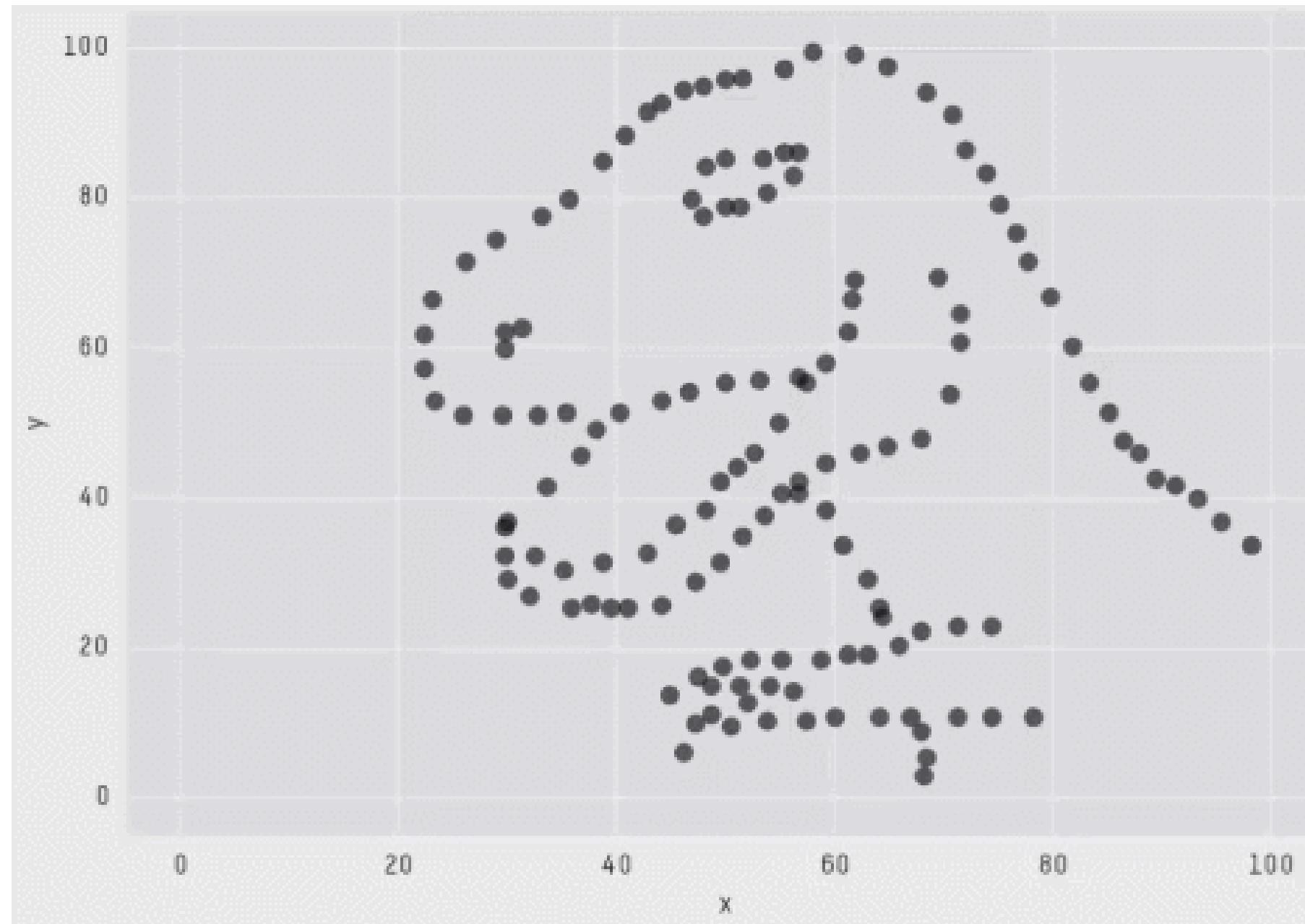


# Correlation and Endogeneity

- Your Occasional Reminder: **Correlation does not imply causation!**
  - I'll show you the difference in a few weeks (when we can actually talk about causation)
- If  $X$  and  $Y$  are strongly correlated,  $X$  can still be **endogenous**!
- See [today's appendix page](#) for more on Covariance and Correlation



# Always Plot Your Data!



X Mean : 54.2659224  
Y Mean : 47.8313999  
X SD : 16.7649829  
Y SD : 26.9342120  
Corr. : -0.0642526



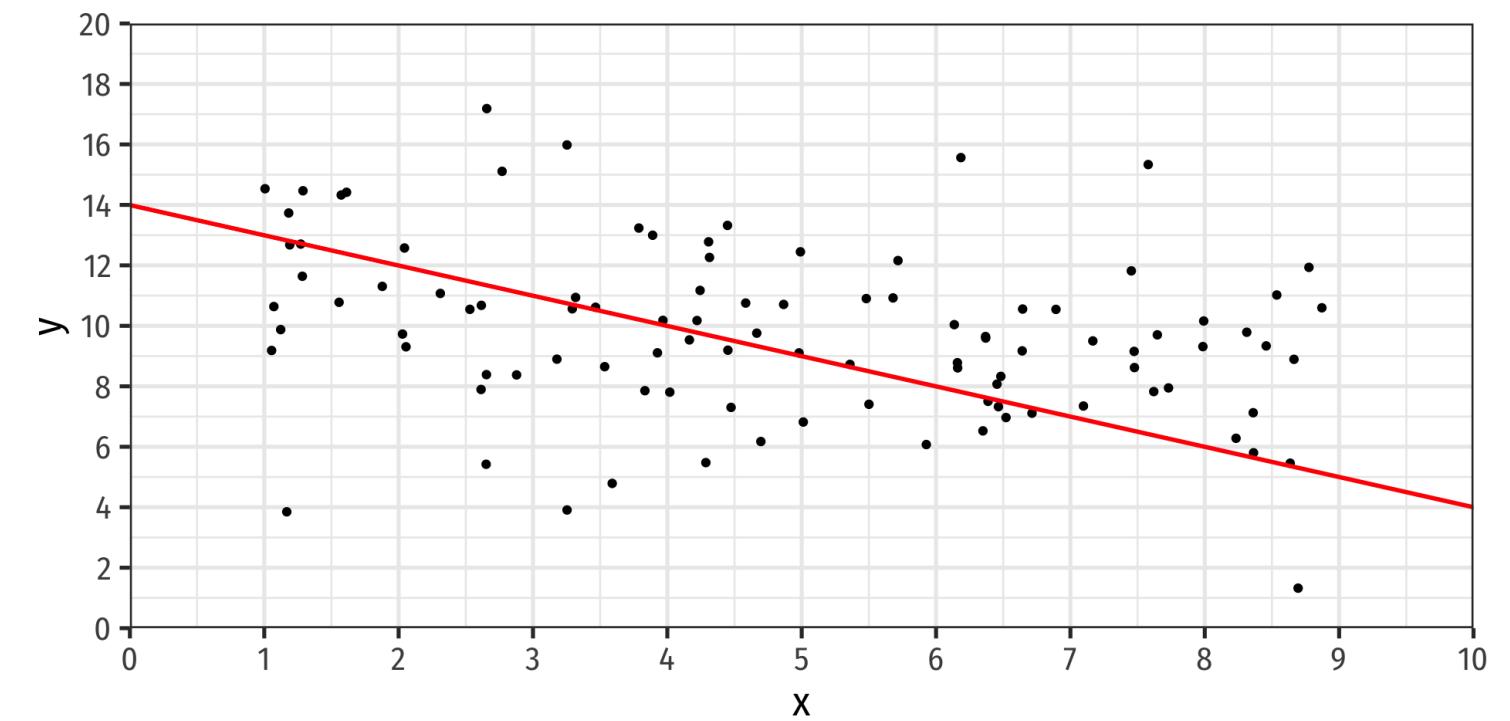
# Linear Regression

# Fitting a Line to Data

- If an association appears linear, we can estimate the equation of a line that would “fit” the data

$$Y = a + bX$$

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  - $a$ : vertical intercept
  - $b$ : slope

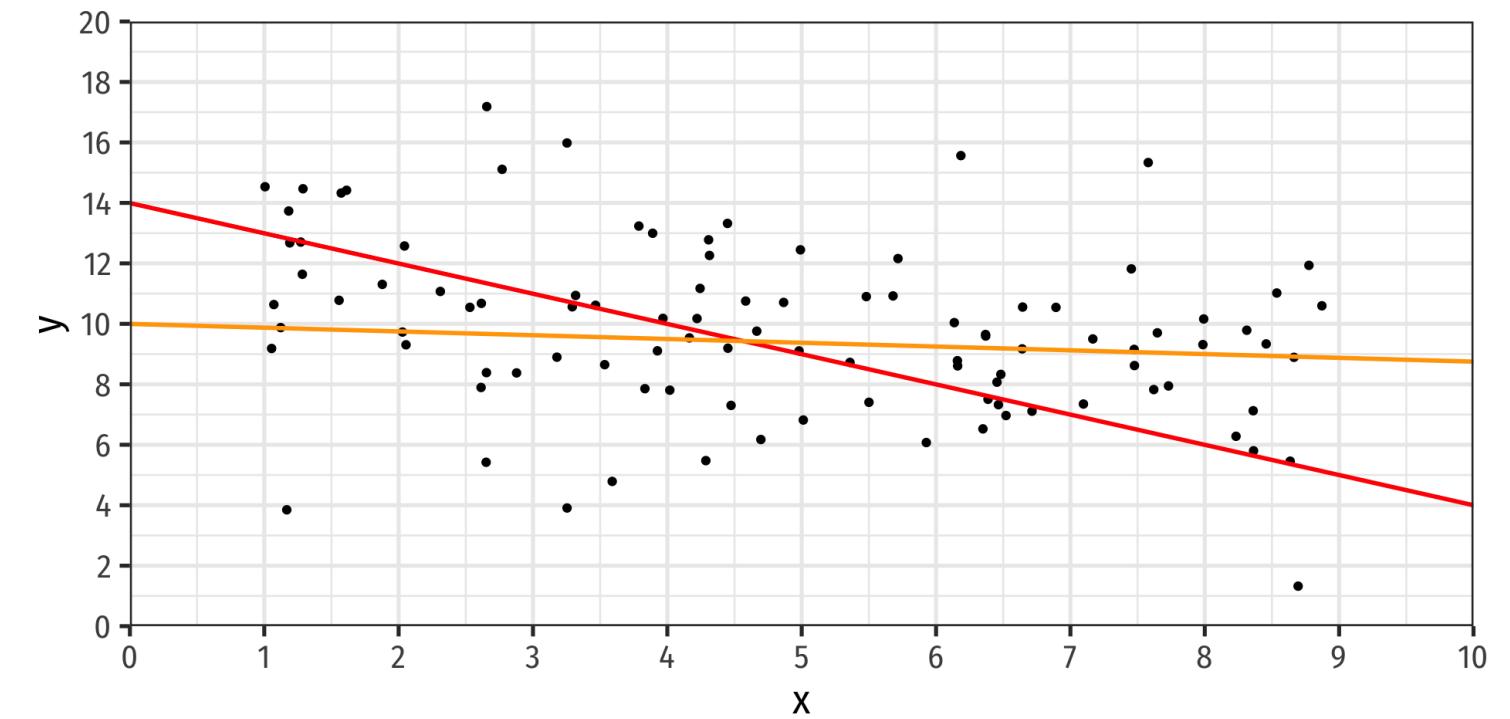


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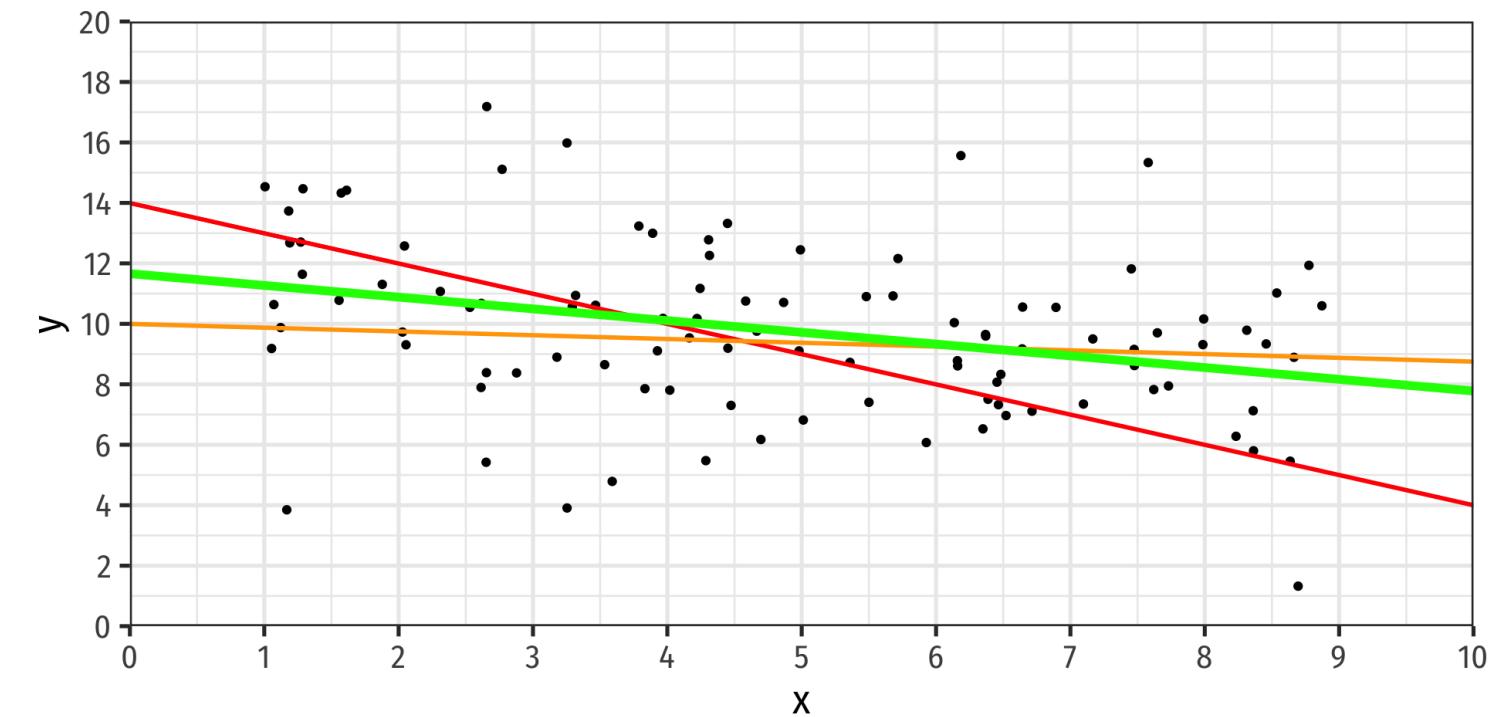


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- This process is called **linear regression**



# Population Linear Regression Model

- Linear regression lets us **estimate** the slope of the **population** regression line between  $X$  and  $Y$  using **sample** data
- We can make **statistical inferences** about what the true population slope coefficient is
  - eventually & hopefully: a **causal inference**
- slope =  $\frac{\Delta Y}{\Delta X}$ : for a 1-unit change in  $X$ , how many units will this *cause*  $Y$  to change?



# Class Size Example

## Example

What is the relationship between class size and educational performance?



# Class Size Example: Data Import

```
1 # Load the Data  
2  
3 # install.packages("haven") # install for first use  
4  
5 # Packages  
6 library("haven") # load for importing .dta files  
7  
8 # Import and save as ca_school  
9  
10 ca_school <- read_dta("../files/data/caschool.dta")
```

Data are student-teacher-ratio and average test scores on Stanford 9 Achievement Test for 5th grade students for 420 K-6 and K-8 school districts in California in 1999, (Stock and Watson, 2015: p. 141)



# Class Size Example: Data

```
1 ca_school %>%
2   glimpse()
```

Rows: 420

Columns: 21

```
$ observat <dbl> 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18...
$ dist_cod <dbl> 75119, 61499, 61549, 61457, 61523, 62042, 68536, 63834, 62331...
$ county    <chr> "Alameda", "Butte", "Butte", "Butte", "Butte", "Fresno", "San...
$ district   <chr> "Sunol Glen Unified", "Manzanita Elementary", "Thermalito Uni...
$ gr_span    <chr> "KK-08", "KK-08", "KK-08", "KK-08", "KK-08", "KK-08", "KK-08"...
$ enr1_tot   <dbl> 195, 240, 1550, 243, 1335, 137, 195, 888, 379, 2247, 446, 987...
$ teachers   <dbl> 10.90, 11.15, 82.90, 14.00, 71.50, 6.40, 10.00, 42.50, 19.00, ...
$ calw_pct   <dbl> 0.5102, 15.4167, 55.0323, 36.4754, 33.1086, 12.3188, 12.9032, ...
$ meal_pct   <dbl> 2.0408, 47.9167, 76.3226, 77.0492, 78.4270, 86.9565, 94.6237, ...
$ computer   <dbl> 67, 101, 169, 85, 171, 25, 28, 66, 35, 0, 86, 56, 25, 0, 31, ...
$ testscr    <dbl> 690.80, 661.20, 643.60, 647.70, 640.85, 605.55, 606.75, 609.0...
$ comp_stu   <dbl> 0.34358975, 0.42083332, 0.10903226, 0.34979424, 0.12808989, 0...
```



# Class Size Example: Data

<b>observat</b> <code>&lt;dbl&gt;</code>	<b>dist_cod</b> <code>&lt;dbl&gt;</code>	<b>county</b> <code>&lt;chr&gt;</code>
1	75119	Alameda
2	61499	Butte
3	61549	Butte
4	61457	Butte
5	61523	Butte
6	62042	Fresno
7	68536	San Joaquin
8	63834	Kern
9	62331	Fresno
10	67306	Sacramento

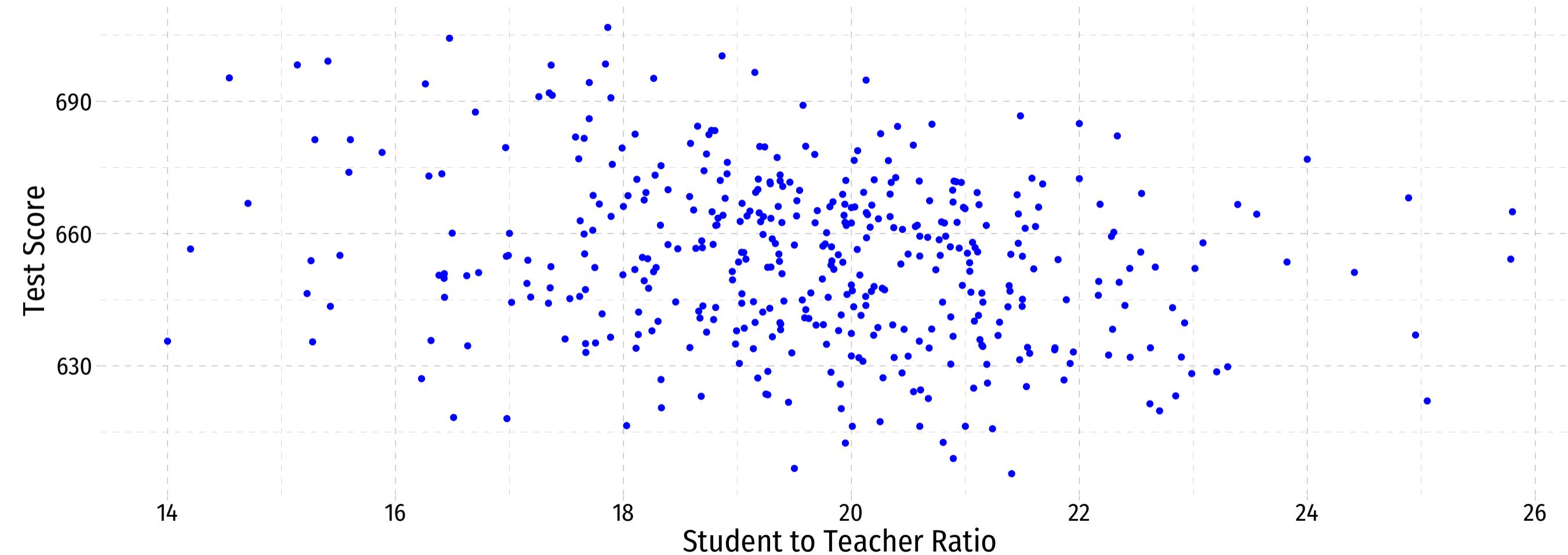
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# Class Size Example: Scatterplot

Plot

Code



# Class Size Example: Slope I

- If we *change* ( $\Delta$ ) the class size by an amount, what would we expect the *change* in test scores to be?

$$\beta = \frac{\text{change in test score}}{\text{change in class size}} = \frac{\Delta \text{test score}}{\Delta \text{class size}}$$

- If we knew  $\beta$ , we could say that changing class size by 1 student will change test scores by  $\beta$



# Class Size Example: Slope II

- Rearranging:

$$\Delta \text{test score} = \beta \times \Delta \text{class size}$$



# Class Size Example: Slope III

- Rearranging:

$$\Delta \text{test score} = \beta \times \Delta \text{class size}$$

- Suppose  $\beta = -0.6$ . If we shrank class size by 2 students, our model predicts:

$$\Delta \text{test score} = -2 \times \beta$$

$$\Delta \text{test score} = -2 \times -0.6$$

$$\Delta \text{test score} = 1.2$$

Test scores would improve by 1.2 points, *on average.*



# Class Size Example: Slope and Average Effect

$$\text{test score} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times \text{class size}$$

- The line relating class size and test scores has the above equation
- $\beta_0$  is the **vertical-intercept**, test score where class size is 0
- $\beta_1$  is the **slope** of the regression line
- This relationship only holds **on average** for all districts in the population, *individual* districts are also affected by other factors



# Class Size Example: Marginal Effect

- To get an equation that holds for *each* district, we need to include other factors

$$\text{test score} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{class size} + \text{other factors}$$

- For now, we will ignore these until Unit III
- Thus,  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{class size}$  gives the **average effect** of class sizes on scores
- Later, we will want to estimate the **marginal effect (causal effect)** of each factor on an individual district's test score, holding all other factors constant



# Econometric Models: Overview I

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

- $Y$  is the **dependent variable** of interest
  - AKA “response variable,” “regressand,” “Left-hand side (LHS) variable”
- $X_1$  is an **independent variable**
  - AKA “explanatory variable”, “regressor,” “Right-hand side (RHS) variable”, “covariate”
- Our data consists of a spreadsheet of observed values of  $(X_{1i}, X_{2i}, Y_i)$



# Econometric Models: Overview II

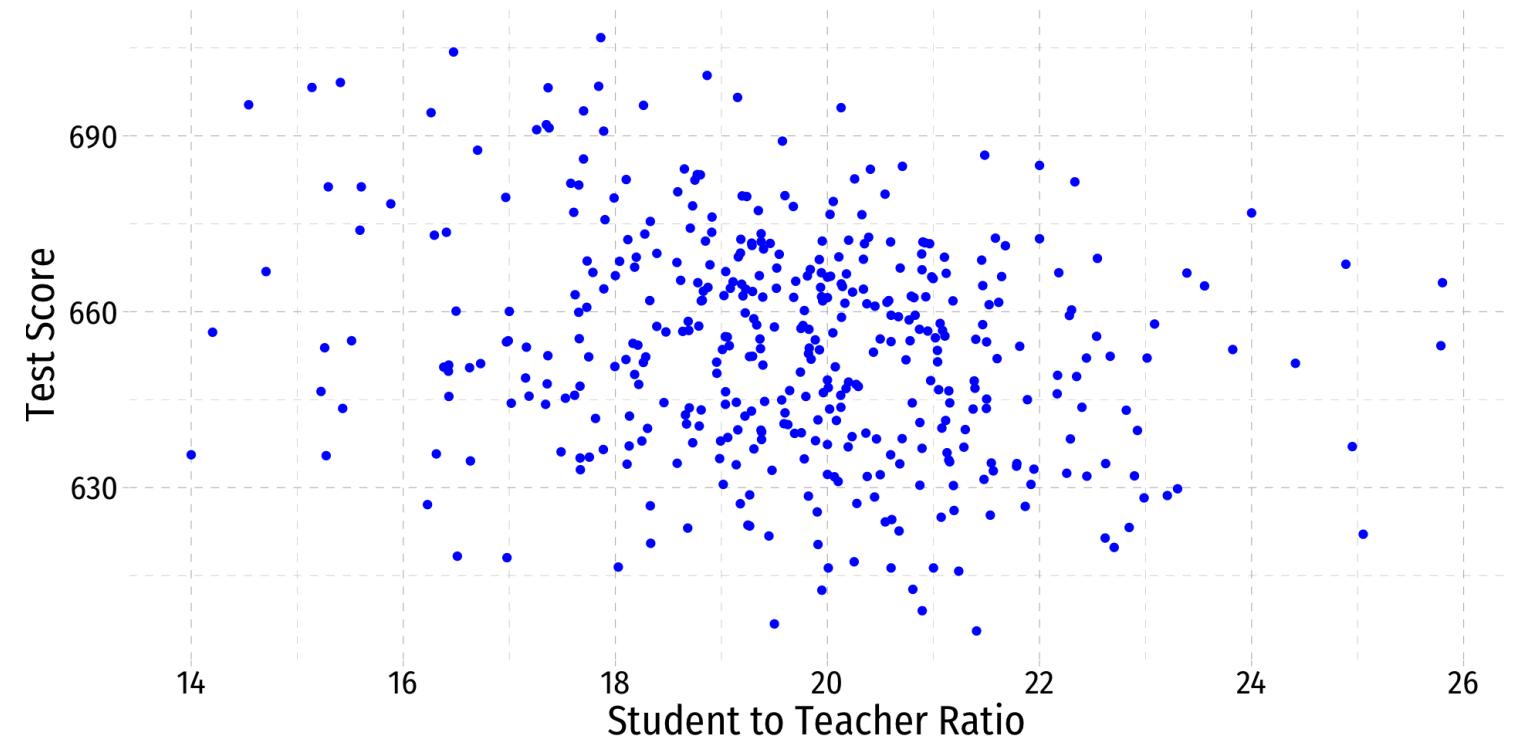
$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + u$$

- To model, we “**regress Y on  $X_1$** ”
- $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  are **parameters** that describe the population relationships between the variables
  - unknown! to be estimated
- $u$  is a random **error term**
  - **'U'nsobservable**, we can't measure it, and must model with assumptions about it



# The Population Regression Model

- How do we draw a line through the scatterplot? We do not know the “**true**”  $\beta_0$  or  $\beta_1$
- We do have data from a **sample** of class sizes and test scores
- So the real question is, **how can we estimate  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ ?**

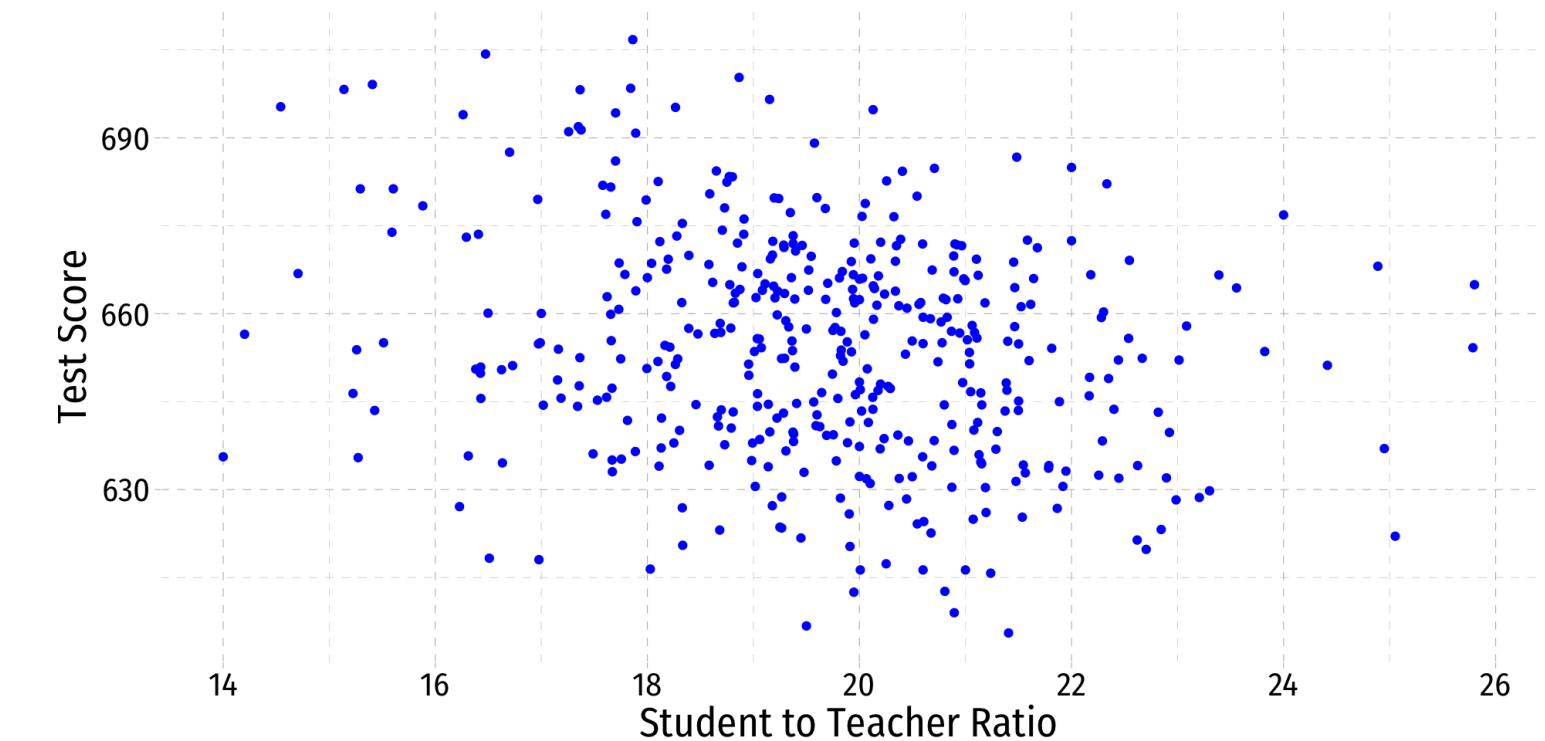


# Deriving OLS Estimators

# Actual, Predicted, and Residual Values

- With a simple linear regression model, for each associated  $X$  value, we have

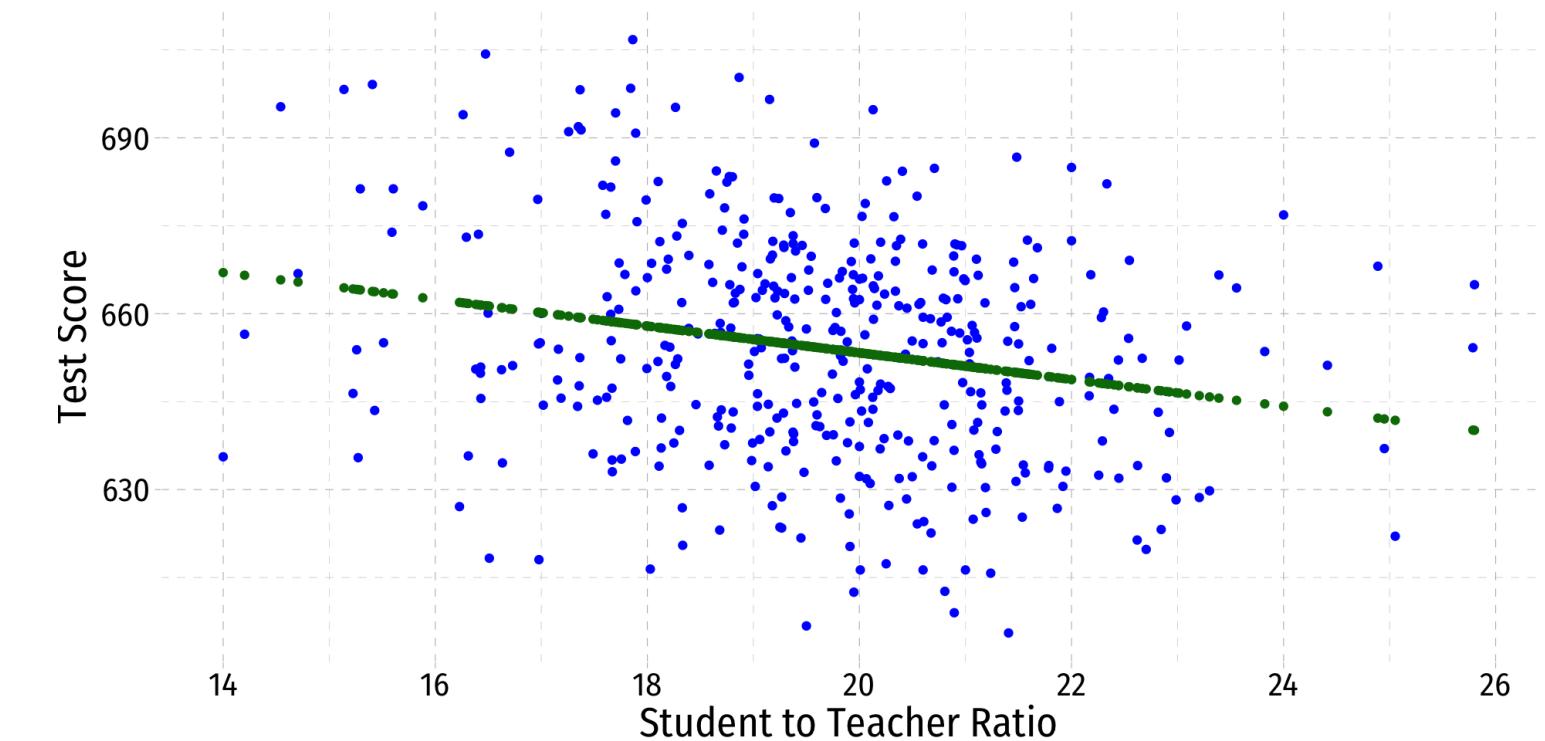
1. The **observed** (or **actual**) values of  $Y_i$



# Actual, Predicted, and Residual Values

- With a simple linear regression model, for each associated  $X$  value, we have

- The **observed** (or **actual**) values of  $Y_i$
- Predicted** (or **fitted**) values,  $\hat{Y}_i$

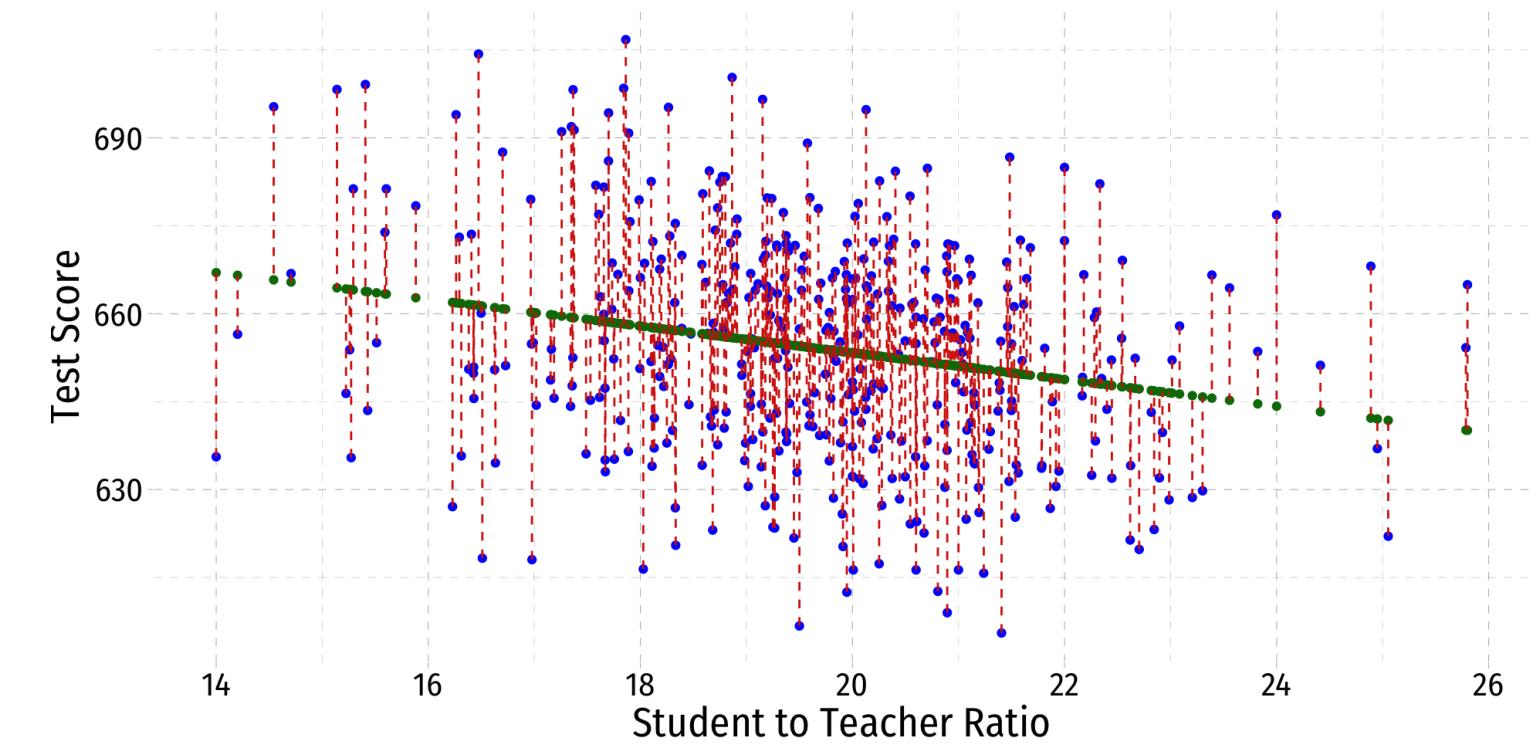


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  - The **observed** (or **actual**) **values** of  $Y_i$
  - Predicted** (or **fitted**) **values**,  $\hat{Y}_i$
  - The **residual** (or **error**),  $\hat{u}_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$  ... the difference between predicted and observed values

$$Y_i = \hat{Y}_i + \hat{u}_i$$

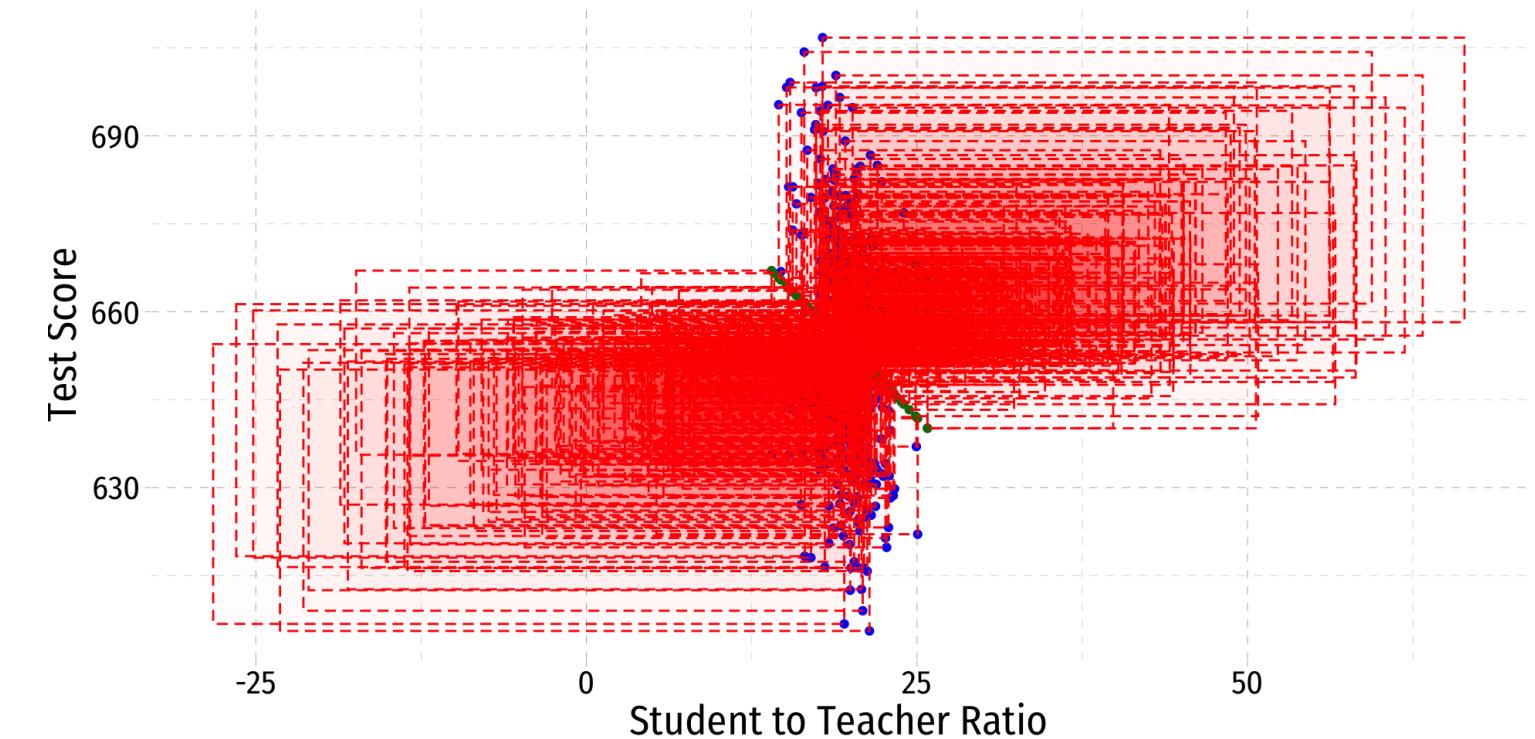
$$\text{Observed}_i = \text{Model}_i + \text{Error}_i$$





# Deriving OLS Estimators

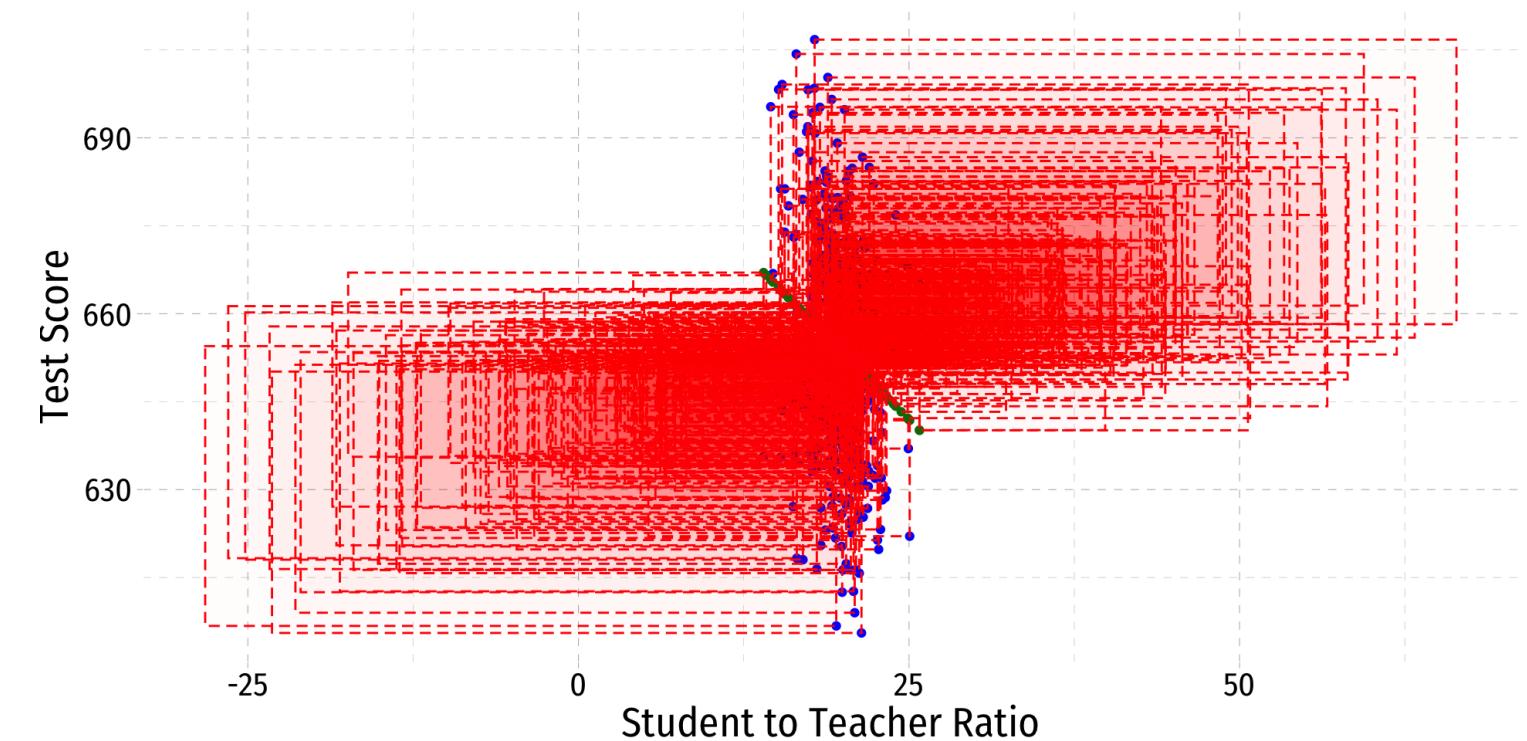
- Take the residuals  $\hat{u}_i$  and square them (why)?



# Deriving OLS Estimators

- Take the residuals  $\hat{u}_i$  and square them (why)?
- **The regression line minimizes the sum of the squared residuals (SSR)**

$$SSR = \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i^2$$



# 0-**r**dinary **L**-east **S**-quares Estimators

- The **Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) estimators** of the unknown population parameters  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ , solve the calculus problem:

$$\min_{\beta_0, \beta_1} \sum_{i=1}^n [Y_i - (\underbrace{\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i}_{\hat{Y}_i})]^2$$

$\underbrace{\phantom{0}}_{\hat{u}_i}$

- Intuitively, OLS estimators **minimize the sum of the squared residuals (distance between the actual values  $Y_i$  and the predicted values  $\hat{Y}_i$ ) along the estimated regression line**



# The OLS Regression Line

- The **OLS regression line** or **sample regression line** is the linear function constructed using the OLS estimators:

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

- $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  (“beta 0 hat” & “beta 1 hat”) are the **OLS estimators** of population parameters  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  using sample data
- The **predicted value** of Y given X, based on the regression, is  $E(Y_i|X_i) = \hat{Y}_i$
- The **residual** or **prediction error** for the  $i^{th}$  observation is the difference between observed  $Y_i$  and its predicted value,  $\hat{u}_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$



# The OLS Regression Estimators

- The solution to the SSE minimization problem yields:<sup>1</sup>

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

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2} = \frac{s_{XY}}{s_X^2} = \frac{cov(X, Y)}{var(X)}$$

<sup>1</sup> See next class' appendix page for proofs.



# (Some) Properties of OLS

1. The regression line goes through the “center of mass” point  $(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})$  • Again,  $\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}$
2. The slope,  $\hat{\beta}_1$  has the same sign as the correlation coefficient  $r_{X,Y}$ , and is related

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = r \frac{s_Y}{s_X}$$

3. The residuals sum and average to zero

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \hat{u}_i = 0$$

$$\mathbb{E}[\hat{u}] = 0$$



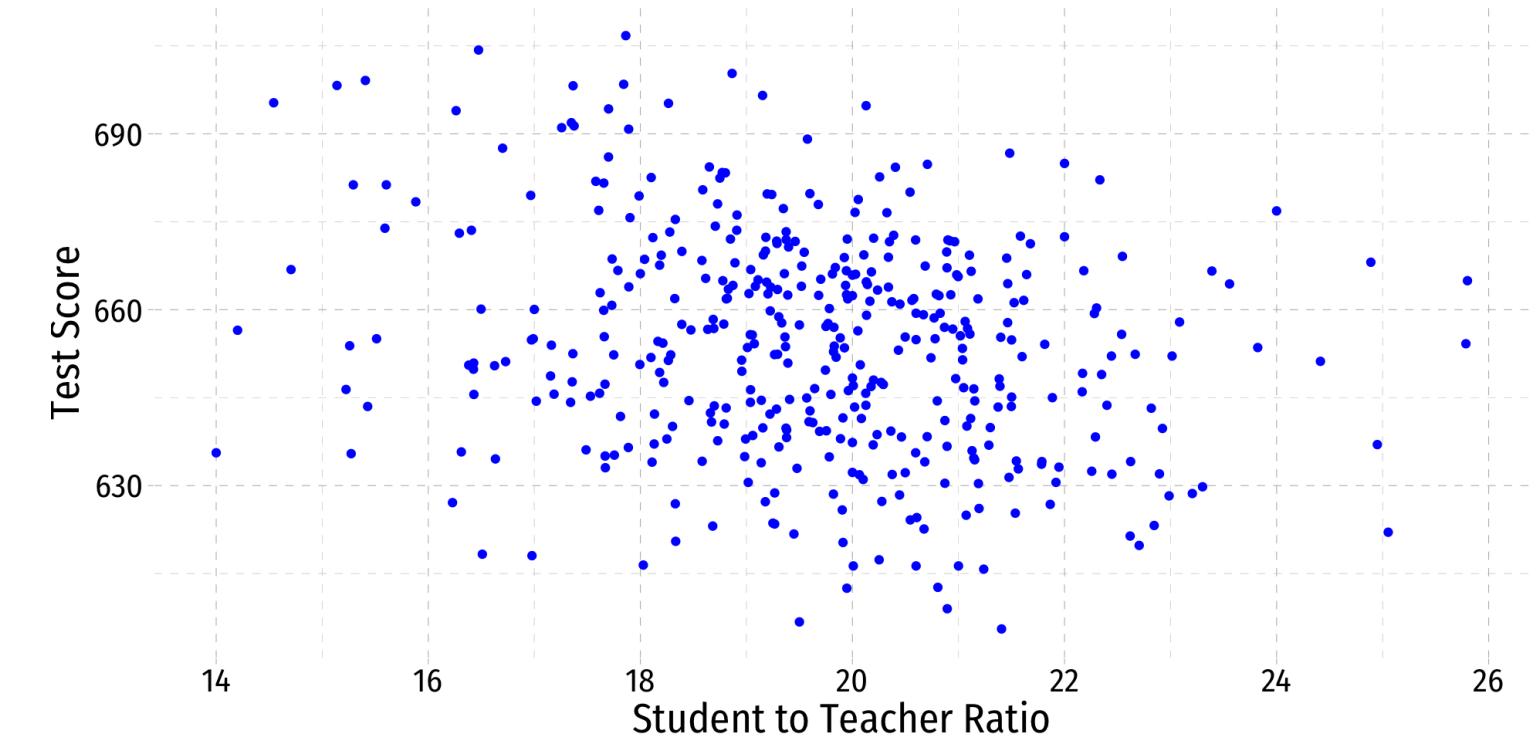
# Our Class Size Example in R

# Class Size Scatterplot (Again)

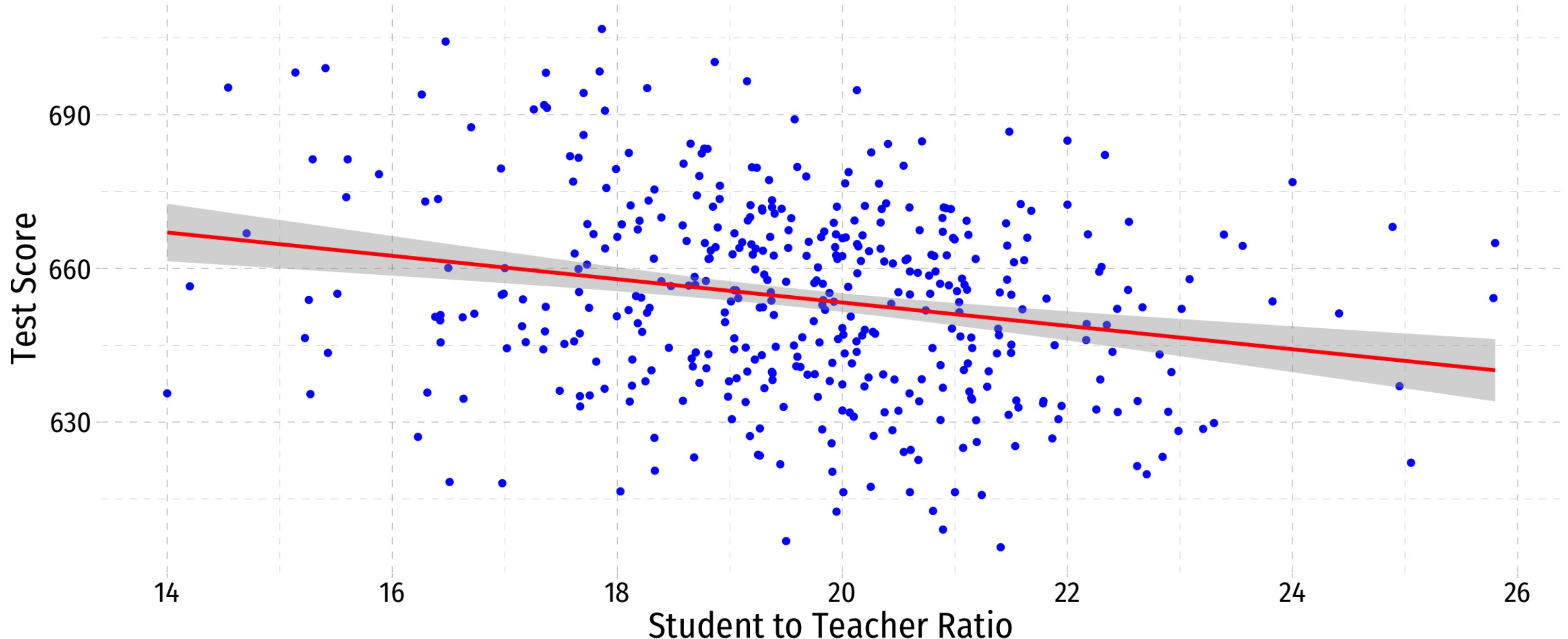
- There is some true (unknown) population relationship:

$$\text{test score}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{str}_i$$

$$\bullet \beta_1 = \frac{\Delta \text{test score}}{\Delta \text{str}} = ??$$



# Class Size Scatterplot with Regression Line



# Linear Regression in R I

```

1 # run regression of testscr on str
2 school_reg <- lm(testscr ~ str,
3                     data = ca_school)

```

Format for regression is `lm(y ~ x, data = df)`

- **y** is dependent variable (listed first!)
- **~** means “is modeled by” or “is explained by”
- **x** is the independent variable
- **df** is name of dataframe where data is stored

This is `base R` (there’s no good `tidyverse` way to do this yet...ish<sup>1</sup>)

1. `tidymodels` appears to be the new contender. It is used primarily for machine learning, but standardizes modeling, including OLS, in a tidy way. I think it’s a bit unnecessary for us to use for now.



# Linear Regression in R II

```
1 # look at reg object  
2 school_reg
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = testscr ~ str, data = ca_school)
```

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	str
698.93	-2.28

- Stored as an `lm` object called `school_reg`, a type of `list` object



# Linear Regression in R II

```
1 # get full summary
2 school_reg %>% summary()
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = testscr ~ str, data = ca_school)
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-47.727	-14.251	0.483	12.822	48.540

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	698.9330	9.4675	73.825	< 2e-16 ***
str	-2.2798	0.4798	-4.751	2.78e-06 ***

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- Looking at the **summary**, there's a lot of information here!
- These objects are cumbersome, come from a much older, pre-**tidyverse** era of **base R**
- Luckily, we now have some more **tidy** ways of working with regression *output*!



# Tidy Regression with **broom**



[broom.tidyverse.org](https://broom.tidyverse.org)

- The **broom** package allows us to work with regression objects as tidier **tibbles**
- Several useful commands:

Command	Does
<code>tidy()</code>	Create tibble of regression coefficients & stats
<code>glance()</code>	Create tibble of regression fit statistics
<code>augment()</code>	Create tibble of data with regression-based variables



# Tidy Regression with broom: tidy()

- The `tidy()` function creates a *tidy tibble* of regression output

```
1 # load packages
2 library(broom)
3
4 # tidy regression output
5 school_reg %>%
6   tidy()
```



# Tidy Regression with broom: tidy()

- The `tidy()` function creates a *tidy tibble* of regression output...with confidence intervals

```

1 # load packages
2 library(broom)
3
4 # tidy regression output
5 school_reg %>%
6   tidy(conf.int = TRUE)

# A tibble: 2 × 7
  term      estimate std.error statistic  p.value conf.low conf.high
  <chr>        <dbl>     <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>
1 (Intercept)  699.      9.47      73.8  6.57e-242    680.     718.
2 str          -2.28     0.480     -4.75  2.78e- 6    -3.22     -1.34

```



# Tidy Regression with broom: glance()

- `glance()` shows us a lot of overall regression statistics and diagnostics
  - We'll interpret these in next class and beyond

```

1 # look at regression statistics and diagnostics
2 school_reg %>%
3   glance()

# A tibble: 1 × 12
#> #>   r.squared¹ adj.r.squared² sigma statistic³ p.value    df logLik     AIC     BIC deviance⁴ df.residual⁵
#> #>   <dbl>        <dbl>    <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>       <int>
1  0.0512     0.0490   18.6      22.6  2.78e-6      1 -1822.  3650.  3663.  144315.        418
# ... with 1 more variable: nobs <int>, and abbreviated variable names
#   `¹r.squared, `²adj.r.squared, `³statistic, `⁴deviance, `⁵df.residual

```



# Tidy Regression with broom: augment()

- `augment()` creates a new tibble with the data ( $X, Y$ ) and regression-based variables, including:
  - `.fitted` are fitted (predicted) values from model, i.e.  $\hat{Y}_i$
  - `.resid` are residuals (errors) from model, i.e.  $\hat{u}_i$

```

1 # add regression-based values to data
2 school_reg %>%
3   augment()

# A tibble: 420 × 8
  testscr    str .fitted .resid     .hat .sigma   .cooksdi .std.resid
  <dbl> <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl>    <dbl> <dbl>    <dbl>
1   691.  17.9     658.  32.7  0.00442   18.5  0.00689   1.76
2   661.  21.5     650.  11.3  0.00475   18.6  0.000893  0.612
3   644.  18.7     656. -12.7  0.00297   18.6  0.000700 -0.685
4   648.  17.4     659. -11.7  0.00586   18.6  0.00117  -0.629
5   641.  18.7     656. -15.5  0.00301   18.6  0.00105  -0.836
6   606.  21.4     650. -44.6  0.00446   18.5  0.0130  -2.40
7   607.  19.5     654. -47.7  0.00239   18.5  0.00794  -2.57
8   609.  20.9     651. -42.3  0.00343   18.5  0.00895  -2.28
9   612.  19.9     653. -41.0  0.00244   18.5  0.00597  -2.21
10  613.  20.8     652. -38.9  0.00329   18.5  0.00723  -2.09
# ... with 410 more rows

```



# Class Size Regression Result

- Using OLS, we find:

$$\widehat{\text{test score}}_i = 689.93 - 2.28 \text{ str}_i$$

- $\hat{\beta}_0 = 689.93$ : test score for  $\text{str} = 0$
- $\hat{\beta}_1 = -2.28$ : for every 1 unit change in  $\text{str}$ ,  $\widehat{\text{test score}}$  changes by -2.28 points

$$\text{test score}_i = 689.93 - 2.28 \text{ str}_i + \hat{u}_i$$



# Class Size Regression Residuals

```
.resid = testscr - .fitted
```

$$\hat{u}_i = \text{test score}_i - \widehat{\text{test score}}_i$$

$$\hat{u}_i = \text{test score}_i - (689.93 - 2.28 str_i)$$



# Class Size Regression: Fitted and Residual Values

```
1 aug_reg <- school_reg %>%
2   augment()
3
4 aug_reg %>%
5   dplyr::select(testscr, str, .fitted, .resid)

# A tibble: 420 × 4
  testscr    str .fitted .resid
  <dbl> <dbl>    <dbl>   <dbl>
1 691.  17.9     658.   32.7
2 661.  21.5     650.   11.3
3 644.  18.7     656.  -12.7
4 648.  17.4     659.  -11.7
5 641.  18.7     656.  -15.5
6 606.  21.4     650.  -44.6
7 607.  19.5     654.  -47.7
8 609   20.9     651.  -42.3
9 612.  19.9     653.  -41.0
10 613. 20.8     652.  -38.9
# ... with 410 more rows

testscr = .fitted + .resid
```



# Class Size Regression: An Example Data Point I

- One district in our sample is Richmond Elementary

<b>observat</b>	<b>district</b>
<dbl>	<chr>
355	Richmond Elementary
1 row   1-2 of 21 columns	

```
1 aug_reg %>%
2   slice(355) #
```

<b>testscr</b>	<b>str</b>	<b>.fitted</b>	<b>.resid</b>
<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
672.45	22	648.7772	23.67284
1 row   1-4 of 8 columns			



# Class Size Regression: An Example Data Point II

- .fitted value:

$$\widehat{\text{Test Score}}_{\text{Richmond}} = 698 - 2.28(22) \approx 648$$

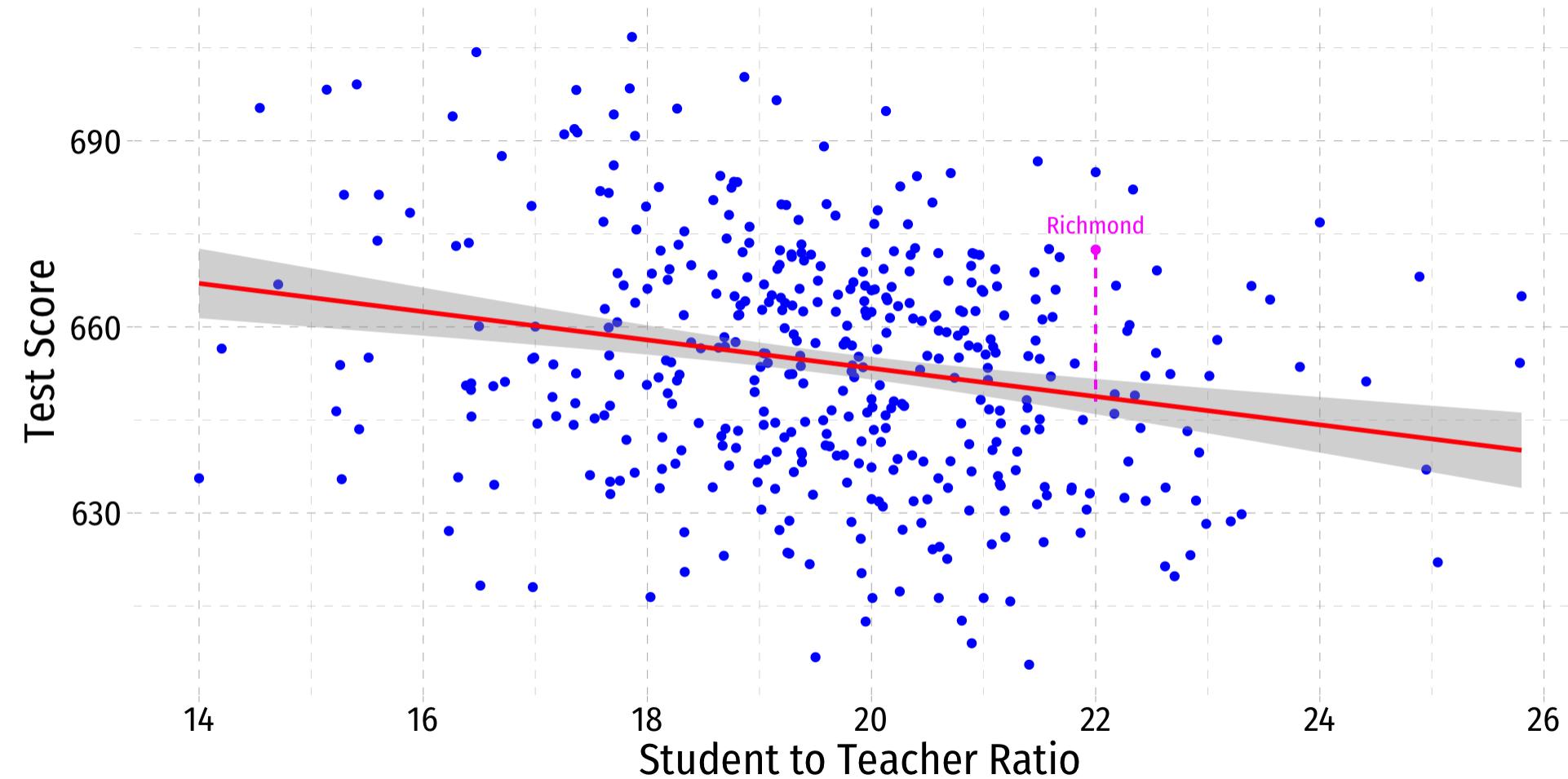
- .resid value:

$$\hat{u}_{\text{Richmond}} = 672 - 648 \approx 24$$



# Class Size Regression: An Example Data Point III

Plot    Code



# Making Predictions

- We can use the regression model to make a prediction for a particular  $x_i$

## Example

Suppose we have a school district with a student/teacher ratio of 18. What is the predicted average district test score?

$$\begin{aligned}\widehat{\text{test score}}_i &= \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \text{str}_i \\ &= 698.93 - 2.28(18) \\ &= 657.89\end{aligned}$$



# Making Predictions In R

- We can do this in R with the `predict()`<sup>1</sup> function, which requires (at least) two inputs:
  1. An `lm` object (saved regression)
  2. `newdata` with  $X$  value(s) to predict  $\hat{Y}$  for, as a `data.frame` (or `tibble`)

```
1 some_district <- tibble(str = 18) # make a dataframe of "new data"
2
3 some_district # look at it just to see
```

```
# A tibble: 1 × 1
  str
  <dbl>
1     18
```

```
1 predict(school_reg, # regression lm object
2        newdata = some_district) # a dataframe of new data)
```

```
1
657.8964
```

<sup>1</sup> See more options [here](#).



# Making Predictions In R, Manually I

- Of course we could do it ourselves...

```
1 # save tidied regression
2
3 tidy_reg <- tidy(school_reg)
```

```
1 # look at it, again
2 tidy_reg
```

# A tibble: 2 × 5

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	(Intercept)	699.	9.47	73.8	6.57e-242
2	str	-2.28	0.480	-4.75	2.78e- 6



# Making Predictions In R, Manually II

- Of course we could do it ourselves...

```
1 # extract and save beta_0
2 beta_0 <- tidy_reg %>%
3   filter(term == "(Intercept)") %>%
4   pull(estimate)
```

```
1 # check it
2 beta_0
```

```
[1] 698.933
```



# Making Predictions In R, Manually II

- Of course we could do it ourselves...

```
1 # extract and save beta_1  
2 beta_1 <- tidy_reg %>%  
3   filter(term == "str") %>%  
4   pull(estimate)  
5 # check it  
6 beta_1
```

```
[1] -2.279808
```

```
1 # predict for str = 18  
2 beta_0 + beta_1 * 18
```

```
[1] 657.8964
```

