

Day 2 Regression

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1. Regression Introduction

Regression analysis is a conceptually simple method for investigating functional relationships among variables. Regression Analysis By Example by Samprit Chatterjee, Ali S. Hadi and Bertram Price available online from the MQ library.

EXAMPLE: A new Real Estate agent in Macquarie, ACT wants to come up with a sale price for a house based on some physical characteristics.

She has some past sales data on houses that sold in 2018. Note that I have de-identified the records by removing the addresses. I have the data saved in the file **Macquarie2018.csv**.

I use the `readr` package which is part of the Tidyverse to get the data into R. Make sure you change your Directory in R to the one where you have saved this data set. Google `readr` r for documentation for more details about this package.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(ggpubr)
library(olsrr)

mydata<-read_csv("Macquarie2018.csv")
mydata
```

```
## # A tibble: 15 x 8
##   Contract_Date Price Block_Size Bedrooms Bathrooms Ensuites Garages
##   <chr>        <dbl>     <dbl>      <dbl>     <dbl> <lgl>    <dbl>
## 1 12/10/2018   605000     780       NA        NA NA      NA
## 2 14/07/2018   645000     761       4        1 NA      2
## 3 22/05/2018   670000     433       3        1 NA      0
## 4 15/01/2018   682000    1173      NA        NA NA      NA
## 5 27/11/2018   700000     698      NA        NA NA      NA
## 6 24/09/2018   710000     971      NA        NA NA      NA
## 7 24/01/2018   721000     453       3        2 NA      0
## 8 2/06/2018    723000     850       3        1 NA      2
## 9 5/12/2018    785000     871       3        1 NA      1
## 10 2/11/2018   800000     929       3        1 NA      NA
## 11 28/02/2018  848000    1039      NA        NA NA      NA
## 12 15/02/2018  860000     941       3        1 NA      1
## 13 21/09/2018  868000     808       3        1 NA      1
## 14 8/12/2018   877500    1179      4        2 NA      2
## 15 9/11/2018   900000     808      NA        NA NA      NA
## # ... with 1 more variable: Carports <dbl>
```

Response (Dependent variable, Outcome variable): Price (Y)

Predictors (Explanatory variables, independent variables, covariates, regressors): Block Size (X_1), Bedrooms (X_2), Bathrooms (X_3), Ensuites (X_4), Garages (X_5), Carports (X_6).

Regression Model:

$$Y = f(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6) + \varepsilon$$

This is used as an approximation to the true relationship between Y and $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6$.

The function $f(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)$ describes relationship between Y and $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6$.

ε is assumed to be random error representing the discrepancy between Y and $f(X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5, X_6)$.

Linear regression model:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \cdots + \beta_6 X_6 + \varepsilon$$

$$E(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \cdots + \beta_6 X_6$$

The $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_6$ are called regression parameters or coefficients, are unknown constants that need to be estimated from the data.

1.2 STEPS IN REGRESSION ANALYSIS

Statement of the problem

Question/s to be addressed by the analysis must be carefully thought out.

EXAMPLE: Determine the sale price for some houses in Macquarie.

Selection of potentially relevant variables

Select a set of variables that are thought to explain or predict the response variable. Usually use those suggested by experts in the area of study.

EXAMPLE: The Real Estate Agent might think Block Size strongly influences house sale price.

Usually record data as follows

Observation Number	Response (Y)	Predictor 1 (X_1)	Predictor 2 (X_2)	...	Predictor p (X_p)
1	y_1	x_{11}	x_{12}	...	x_{1p}
2	y_2	x_{21}	x_{22}	...	x_{2p}
3	y_3	x_{31}	x_{32}	...	x_{3p}
:	:	:	:	:	:
n	y_n	x_{n1}	x_{n2}	...	x_{np}

Each **row** corresponds to an **observation**. Each **column** corresponds to a **variable**. For each observation we have one value for the response variable and one value for each of the p predictors.

We can classify the variables as **quantitative** or **qualitative** (categorical) and further divide categorical variables as being ordinal or nominal (no ordering in the categories).

EXAMPLE: In the Maquarie Real Estate example, except for Contract Date, all variables can be considered to be quantitative.

Model specification

$$Y = f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p) + \varepsilon$$

Need to select the form of the function $f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$. Could be specified initially by experts in the field of study based on their knowledge or judgements (objective and / or subjective). Hypothesized model can be rejected or not rejected by the analysis of the collected data.

Only the form of the function $f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p)$ needs to be specified. The function may be classified as linear or nonlinear. Do the regression parameters enter the equation linearly or nonlinearly?

Various Classifications of Regression Analysis

Type of Regression	Conditions
Univariate	Only one quantitative response variable
Multivariate	Two or more quantitative response variables
Simple	Only one predictor variable
Multiple	Two or more predictor variables
Linear	All parameters enter the equation linearly, possibly after transformation of the data
Nonlinear	The relationship between the response and some of the predictors is nonlinear or some of the parameters appear nonlinearly, but no transformation is possible to make the parameters appear linearly
Analysis of Variance	All predictors are qualitative variables
Analysis of Covariance	Some predictors are quantitative variables and others are qualitative variables
Logistic	The response variable is qualitative

(Page 15, Regression Analysis by Example, Third Edition by Samprit Chatterjee, Ali S. Hadi and Bertram Price (2000).)

Choice of fitting model

The Least Squares method is most commonly used. Under certain conditions this method produces estimators with desirable properties. We will use least squares or weighted least squares most of the time.

Model fitting

Estimation of regression parameters or fitting the model to the collected data using the chosen method of fitting. It is usual to denote estimates of the regression parameters $\beta_0, \beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_p$ by $\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2, \dots, \hat{\beta}_p$.

If fitting a multiple linear regression to the data the estimated regression becomes

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2 + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p X_p. \quad (*)$$

Note that \hat{Y} (said Y-hat) is called the fitted value.

The i-th fitted value is

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} + \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p x_{ip}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

We can use (*) to predict the response variable for any values of the predictor variables not observed in our data, the obtained \hat{Y} is called the **predicted value**.

Do not predict the response variable for a set of predictor variables outside the range of the data.

Model validation and criticism

The assumptions made about the data to fit a particular model need to be checked. This can only be done after the model has been fitted to the data.

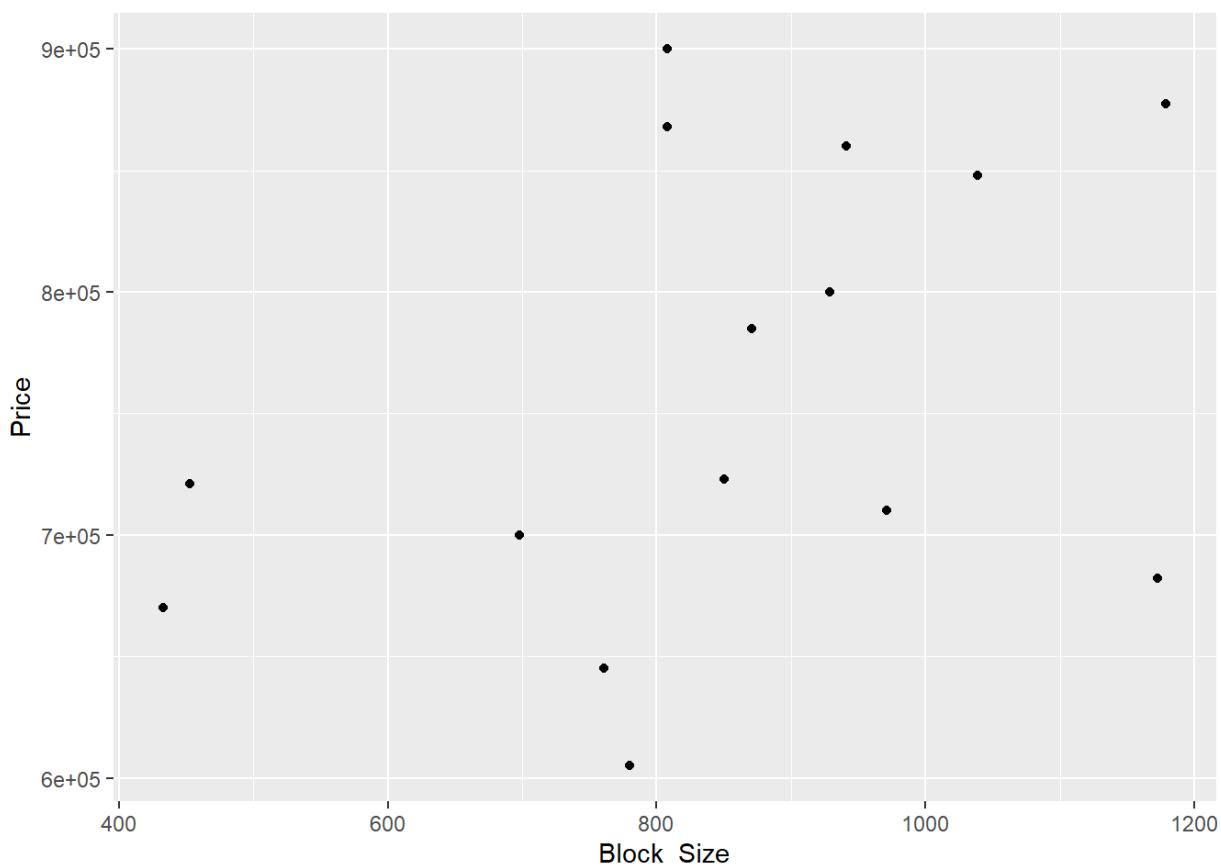
If model assumptions do not hold the analysis produced (we will use the **lm** function in R) will not be valid. There is no point looking at p-values if the model assumptions do not hold.

You always need to check that the model assumptions hold when fitting a model to the data.

Using the chosen model(s) for the solution to the posed problem

EXAMPLE: Suppose that the new Macquarie Real Estate Agent has the feeling that house price is closely related to block size.

```
ggplot(mydata,aes(x=Block_Size,y=Price))+geom_point()
```



The agent feels that the relationship looks linear. A simple linear regression is fitted to the data by a first year Statistics student. The simple linear regression model is

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i$$

with $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$, $Var(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ and $Cov(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0$. We can also assume that $\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ (i.e., the ε is normally distributed with zero mean and constant variance σ^2).

This normality assumption is not needed for the least squares estimation but it is necessary for the standard confidence intervals and hypothesis tests.

We fit the model by estimating values for the parameters β_0 , β_1 and σ^2 .

```
fit<-lm(Price ~ Block_Size,data=mydata)
```

To get the estimated values of β_0 and β_1 :

```
fit
```

```
## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = Price ~ Block_Size, data = mydata)
## 
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)  Block_Size
##       616624        169
```

To get more detailed output from the model fitted to the data:

```
summary(fit)
```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = Price ~ Block_Size, data = mydata)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max
## -143435 -53988  21187  58718 146833
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 616624.3    98136.8   6.283 2.82e-05 ***
## Block_Size     169.0      112.6   1.501    0.157
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 90700 on 13 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1476, Adjusted R-squared:  0.08207
## F-statistic: 2.252 on 1 and 13 DF,  p-value: 0.1574

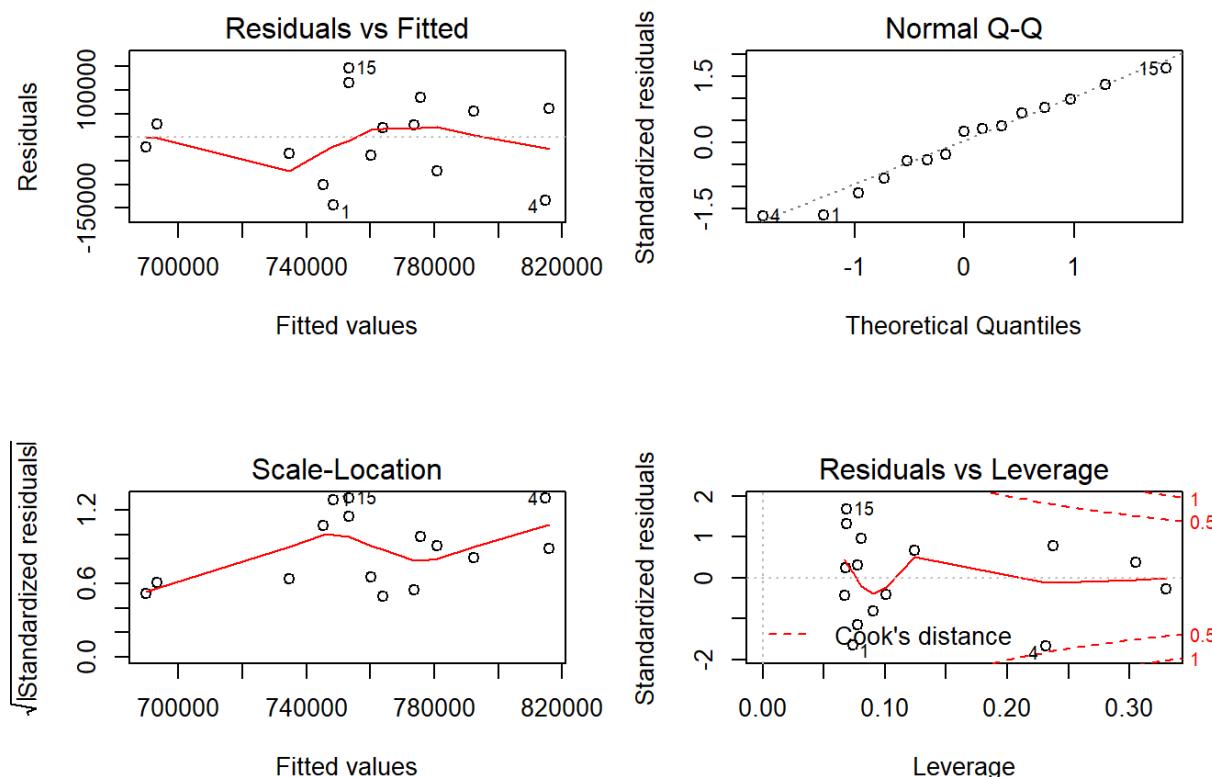
```

More importantly, before looking at any p-values, look at the diagnostic plots.

```

par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(fit)

```



For you to be satisfied that the model is adequate and that you can proceed to make inference the Residual vs Fitted values plot should look like a random scatter about zero and the Normal Q-Q plot should look linear. Even if we fit a multiple linear regression we still look at these two plots to assess model adequacy.

Suppose you thought the model is adequate (it isn't).

The regression equation is

$$\hat{Y} = 616614.3 + 169.0x$$

where Y = Price and x = Block Size.

You see that the Adjusted R-Squared is 0.08207 and that the F Statistic p-value is 0.1574, if the model is adequate and the normality assumption holds you can make the following statements:

The Block Size accounts for 8.2% of the variation in Price. The regression is not significant (p-value=0.157).

1.3 COVARIANCE AND CORRELATION COEFFICIENT

We are interested in studying the relationship between a response variable Y and a single predictor X . The covariance between Y and X measures the direction of the linear relationship between Y and X but tells us nothing about the strength of the relationship since it changes if we change the unit of measurement. If $Cov(Y, X) > 0$ then there is a positive relationship between Y and X but if $Cov(Y, X) < 0$ the relationship is negative.

The correlation coefficient between Y and X is scale invariant so it measures both the direction and strength of the linear relationship between Y and X .

EXAMPLE: Anscomb (1973) used four data sets to illustrate the importance of investigating the data using scatter plots and not relying totally on the correlation coefficient. The four data sets are given below. Explore the data graphically and obtain the correlation

coefficient for each data set. ($r^2 = \frac{\sum(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum(x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum(y_i - \bar{y})^2}$)

Data	Set 1		Data	Set 2		Data	Set 3		Data	Set 4	
	$x1$	$y1$		$x2$	$y2$		$x3$	$y3$		$x4$	$y4$
10	8.04	10	9.14	8	6.77	10	7.46	8	6.58	8	5.76
8	6.95	8	8.14	9	8.77	13	12.74	8	7.71	9	8.84
13	7.58	13	8.74	11	9.26	11	7.81	8	8.47	14	9.96
9	8.81	9	8.77	14	8.10	14	8.84	8	7.04	6	7.24
11	8.33	11	9.26	6	6.13	12	8.15	8	5.25	4	4.26
14	9.96	14	8.10	4	3.10	19	5.39	19	12.5	12	10.84
6	7.24	6	6.13	4	3.10	7	6.42	8	5.56	7	4.82
4	4.26	4	3.10	12	9.13	7	6.42	8	7.91	5	5.68
12	10.84	12	9.13	5	4.74	5	5.73	8	6.89		

The file **Anscombe.csv** contains this data.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(readr)
mydata1<-read_csv("Anscomb.csv")
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   x1 = col_double(),
##   y1 = col_double(),
##   x2 = col_double(),
##   y2 = col_double(),
##   x3 = col_double(),
##   y3 = col_double(),
##   x4 = col_double(),
##   y4 = col_double()
## )
```

```
mydata1
```

```

## # A tibble: 11 x 8
##       x1     y1     x2     y2     x3     y3     x4     y4
##   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1     10  8.04    10  9.14    10  7.46     8  6.58
## 2      8  6.95     8  8.14     8  6.77     8  5.76
## 3     13  7.58    13  8.74    13 12.7     8  7.71
## 4      9  8.81     9  8.77     9  7.11     8  8.84
## 5     11  8.33    11  9.26    11  7.81     8  8.47
## 6     14  9.96    14  8.1     14  8.84     8  7.04
## 7      6  7.24     6  6.13     6  6.08     8  5.25
## 8      4  4.26     4  3.1      4  5.39    19 12.5
## 9    12 10.8     12  9.13    12  8.15     8  5.56
## 10     7  4.82     7  7.26     7  6.42     8  7.91
## 11     5  5.68     5  4.74     5  5.73     8  6.89

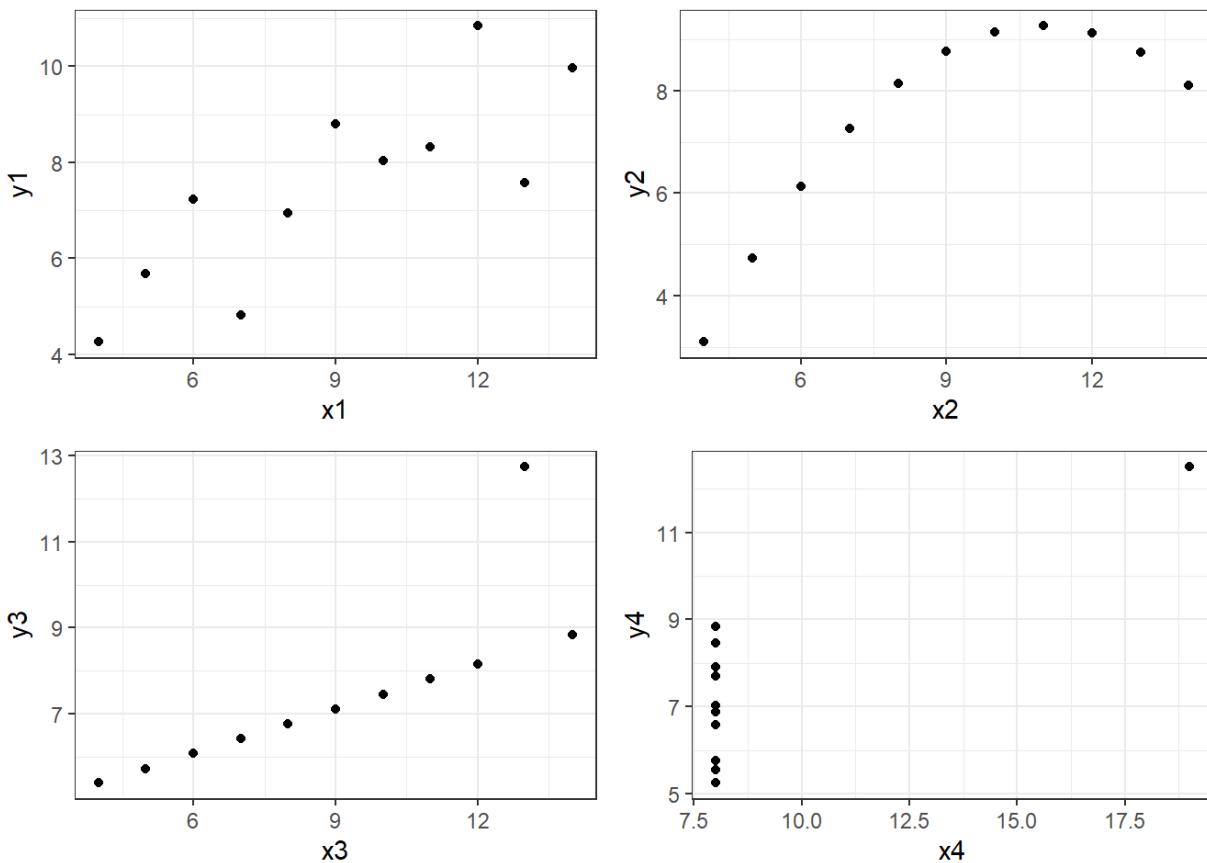
```

Now we want to see what each data set looks like.

```

p1<-ggplot(mydata1,aes(x=x1,y=y1))+geom_point()+theme_bw()
p2<-ggplot(mydata1,aes(x=x2,y=y2))+geom_point()+theme_bw()
p3<-ggplot(mydata1,aes(x=x3,y=y3))+geom_point()+theme_bw()
p4<-ggplot(mydata1,aes(x=x4,y=y4))+geom_point()+theme_bw()
ggarrange(p1,p2,p3,p4,ncol=2,nrow=2)

```



Base R has the `cor()` function to produce correlations and the `cov()` function to produce covariances. The default is Pearson's correlation.

```

attach(mydata1)
cor(x1,y1)

```

```

## [1] 0.8164205

```

```

cor(x2,y2)

```

```

## [1] 0.8162365

```

```
cor(x3,y3)
```

```
## [1] 0.8162867
```

```
cor(x4,y4)
```

```
## [1] 0.8165214
```

To two decimal places, all 4 sets of data have 0.82 correlation yet the plots don't all look linear. Just because you have a high correlation is not a sufficient reason to fit a straight line to the data. Even though Data Set 2 has high positive correlation it is obvious from the plot of y_2 vs x_2 that a perfect nonlinear relationship describes the relationship between the two variables better. Looking at the plot of y_3 versus x_3 it is obvious if it wasn't for the second last data point the relationship would be perfectly linear with a positive slope. Look at the last plot, if it wasn't for the point on its own there would be no relationship between y_4 and x_4 , such a point is called highly influential because if it was removed the curve fitted would be very different. Only the plot of y_1 versus x_1 could be considered to be approximately linear.

1.4 THE SIMPLE LINEAR REGRESSION MODEL

If the scatter plot of response variable (Y) against predictor variable (X) is approximately linear we use it to study the relationship between Y and X . The response variable Y is of primary importance.

Model: $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i$ with $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$, $Var(\varepsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ and $Cov(\varepsilon_i, \varepsilon_j) = 0$.

This model represents a linear relationship between the variables x and y , with uncorrelated 'errors' with constant variance. The 'errors' are not mistakes but represent the variation in the response that is not accounted for by the explanatory variable. We can also assume that $\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ but this assumption is not needed for the least squares estimation but it is necessary for the standard confidence intervals and hypothesis tests. We 'fit the model' by estimating values for the parameters β_0 (intercept), β_1 (slope) and σ^2 . Now

$$E(Y|X = x) = \mu_{Y|x} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

which means "The expected value of the random variable Y , given that X is fixed at the value x , is equal to $\beta_0 + \beta_1 x$ ".

1.4.1 Least squares estimation

The least squares estimates of β_0 and β_1 are those values $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ that minimise the 'residual sum of squares' function

$$S(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i))^2.$$

The least squares estimates $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ are $\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$, $\hat{\beta}_1 = S_{XY}/S_{XX}$ where $S_{XX} = \sum(x_i - \bar{x})^2$, $S_{XY} = \sum(x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})$, and $S_{YY} = \sum(y_i - \bar{y})^2$.

We define the fitted values by $\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$, and residuals by $e_i = \hat{y}_i - y_i$.

We estimate the variance σ^2 by

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{SSE}{n - 2}$$

where $SSE = \sum e_i^2 = \sum(y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = (S_{YY} - \hat{\beta}_1 S_{XY})$.

1.4.2 Properties of the estimators

$$E(\hat{\beta}_1) = \beta_1,$$

$$Var(\hat{\beta}_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{S_{XX}}(1),$$

$$E(\hat{\beta}_0) = \beta_0,$$

$$Var(\hat{\beta}_0) = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{S_{XX}} \right)(2),$$

$$E(\hat{y}_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i,$$

$$Var(\hat{y}_i) = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_i - \bar{x})^2}{S_{XX}} \right).$$

The variance consists of two parts:

The first reflects the fact that the fit is based on a line obtained from a sample of n values.

The second depends on how far the x -value is from the average of the x 's, and reflects the fact that the regression line is most accurate near the average of the x 's, and least accurate at the extremes.

Replacing σ^2 in (2) and (1) by $\hat{\sigma}^2$ we get unbiased estimators of the variances of $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$.

1.4.3 Tests of hypotheses

Hypothesis tests concerning the slope

Test $H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_1^0$ against $H_1 : \beta_1 \neq \beta_1^0$ using test statistic $t_1 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1^0}{s.e.(\hat{\beta}_1)}$ which has a t_{n-2} distribution if H_0 is true.

Rejection region: $|t| \geq t_{n-2;\alpha/2}$ where $\alpha = 0.05$ if testing at 5% significance level.

P-value: p-value > α

EXAMPLE: Regressing Price on Block Size. Done earlier, saved as "fit".

```
summary(fit)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = Price ~ Block_Size, data = mydata)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max  
## -143435  -53988   21187   58718  146833  
##  
## Coefficients:  
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)  
## (Intercept) 616624.3    98136.8   6.283 2.82e-05 ***  
## Block_Size     169.0      112.6   1.501    0.157  
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 90700 on 13 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1476, Adjusted R-squared:  0.08207  
## F-statistic: 2.252 on 1 and 13 DF,  p-value: 0.1574
```

If the model assumptions and normality assumption hold (which they don't) we would conclude that since the p-value associated with the coefficient of Block Size is 0.157 so we do not reject the hypothesis $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ in favour of $H_1 : \beta_1 \neq 0$. In a report you would write something like "Insufficient evidence to support house prices being influenced by block sizes in Macquarie (p=0.157)". Different journals have different requirements for reporting statistical results. You need to make sure you extract all the information for the style you have to use, for example APS style requires more (see <https://apastyle.apa.org/> (<https://apastyle.apa.org/>) or do a google search if the information isn't there).

A Test Using Correlation Coefficient

Test $H_0 : \rho = 0$ versus $H_1 : \rho \neq 0$ using test statistic $t = \frac{r}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)/(n-2)}}$ which has a t_{n-2} distribution when H_0 is true.

This is also equivalent to testing $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ against $H_1 : \beta_1 \neq 0$ in a simple linear regression of Y on X .

Hypothesis tests concerning the intercept

Test of $H_0 : \beta_0 = \beta_0^0$ against $H_1 : \beta_0 \neq \beta_0^0$ is based on $t_0 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_0 - \beta_0^0}{s.e.(\hat{\beta}_0)}$ which has a t_{n-2} distribution if H_0 is true

EXAMPLE:

Back to regressing Price on Block Size. The previous output had a p-value of 2.82e-05 (0.0000282) so if the model is adequate and normality assumption holds you would conclude that the intercept is significant (testing $H_0 : \beta_0 = 0$ against $H_1 : \beta_0 \neq 0$).

Confidence Intervals and Prediction Intervals

Sometimes you don't just want to quote a p-value but provide a confidence interval. This output is available from lm in R. For more details see <https://stat.ethz.ch/R-manual/R-devel/library/stats/html/confint.html> (<https://stat.ethz.ch/R-manual/R-devel/library/stats/html/confint.html>)

```
confint(fit)
```

```
##              2.5 %    97.5 %
## (Intercept) 404612.65155 828635.9089
## Block_Size     -74.30034   412.2767
```

This is giving you a default 95% confidence interval for the intercept and slope. You would write something like the "95% confidence interval is (-74.3,412.3) for Block Size", since the confidence interval contains zero there is insufficient evidence that Block Size influences Price. Again, only report this information if the model assumptions hold (residual versus fitted values plot looks like a random scatter about zero and the normal probability plot looks linear).

To get prediction intervals you need to create a new data frame that sets the Block Size. The example below is only getting a default 95% prediction interval for a block of size 800 m².

```
newdata<-data.frame(Block_Size=800)
predict(fit,newdata,interval="predict")
```

```
##      fit     lwr     upr
## 1 751814.8 549136.4 954493.3
```

For details on how confidence interval or prediction intervals are calculated from formula look at CHP which is available online from the library.

If the model assumptions hold then the predicted price for a block size of 800 m² is \$751,814.8 and the 95% prediction interval is (\$549,136.4, \$954,493.3).

1.4.6 Analysis of variance (ANOVA)

ANOVA is a technique where the total variability in a set of data is split up into components assigned to various sources of variability:

The total variability is measured by $SS_{yy} = \sum(y_i - \bar{y})^2$, also called SST or 'total sums of squares'.

The SST can be split into SSR or 'sums of squares' and SSE or 'sums of squares' as follows:

$$\sum(y_i - \bar{y})^2 = \sum(\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 + \sum(y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

$$SST = SSR + SSE$$

If SSR is large compared to SSE, the regression explains most of the variability in Y and hence is worthwhile.

If SSR is small compared to SSE, the regression is not explaining much of the variability in Y .

The comparisons must take into account the degrees of freedom for each component, and so are made using 'mean squares' (sums of squares divided by degrees of freedom), denoted by MS. The test for significance of the regression is carried out by comparing the ratio of Regression Mean Square (MSR) and RMS to the $F_{1,n-2}$ distribution. To carry out the test, we must assume that the errors $\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$. The calculations are displayed in an analysis of variance table:

Source	df	SS	MS	F
Regression	1	SSR	$MSR = \frac{SSR}{1}$	$F = \frac{MSR}{MSE}$
Residual	$n - 2$	SSE	$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n-2}$	
Total	$n - 1$	SST		

Formally we have H_0 : the regression is not significant, against H_1 : the regression is significant. Reject H_0 at the α level of significance if $F > F_{1,n-2;\alpha}$.

Assumptions must be checked before drawing statistical conclusions from the analyses. We will be looking at residual plots in more detail in the next section. Residual plots are one way of checking assumptions.

1.4 Revision of Matrix Algebra

When we extend the simple linear regression to the multiple linear regression the mathematics is simplified if we use matrix algebra.

DEFN: An $m \times n$ matrix has m rows and n columns: $A = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{pmatrix}$.

If the entries are all real we can write $A \in R^{m \times n}$.

DEFN: The transpose of a matrix A , denoted by A^T or A' , is obtained by interchanging the rows & columns of A :

$$A^T = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & \cdots & a_{m1} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{m2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ a_{1n} & a_{2n} & \cdots & a_{nm} \end{pmatrix}.$$

DEFN: A square matrix has $m = n$; i.e., number of rows equals number of columns.

Special square matrices:

$$D = \begin{pmatrix} d_1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & d_2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & d_3 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & d_n \end{pmatrix}, \text{ also written}$$

$$D = \text{diag}\{d_1, d_2, \dots, d_n\}.$$

Identity matrix: Is a diagonal matrix with all diagonal entries equal to 1. We write I_n for the $n \times n$ identity matrix.

For simple 2×2 matrices I am going to illustrate matrix addition, subtraction and multiplication which just scales up for larger matrices. Note the entry by entry nature of the operations.

Matrix operations

$$\text{Addition: } \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & a_{12} + b_{12} \\ a_{21} + b_{21} & a_{22} + b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that matrices must all have the same number of rows and columns for addition to be defined.

$$\text{Subtraction: } \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} - b_{11} & a_{12} - b_{12} \\ a_{21} - b_{21} & a_{22} - b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that matrices must all have the same number of rows and columns for subtraction to be defined.

$$\text{Multiplication: } \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} \end{pmatrix}$$

Matrix multiplication is only defined if the number of columns of the first matrix equals the number of rows of the second matrix; i.e., for $A_{m \times n} \times B_{p \times q}$ to exist we must have $n = p$. The resulting matrix will have dimension $m \times q$.

$$\text{Note that } \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \times \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{pmatrix} \text{ and in general } A \times I = A \text{ hence the term } \text{identity matrix}.$$

Matrix inversion

For a scalar k , the inverse of k is k^{-1} defined as $k \times k^{-1} = 1$.

For a square matrix A , the inverse of A is A^{-1} where $A \times A^{-1} = I$.

1.6 SIMPLE LINEAR REGRESSION IN MATRIX FORM

Model: $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \varepsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n$.

Each observation rewritten as:

$$y_1 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \varepsilon_1$$

$$y_2 = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_2 + \varepsilon_2$$

$$y_n = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_n + \varepsilon_n$$

Compact form: $Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$ where $y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$, $X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_1 \\ 1 & x_2 \\ \vdots & \vdots \\ 1 & x_n \end{pmatrix}$, $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \end{pmatrix}$, & $\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \varepsilon_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{pmatrix}$.

Least squares estimates $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$:

$$\hat{\beta} = \begin{pmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{pmatrix} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y.$$

Regression through the origin

Models with $\beta_0 = 0$ can arise in several ways. Most obvious is if $x = 0$ must imply that $y = 0$. Regression through the origin can be carried out using the same model $Y = X\beta + \varepsilon$ by defining the X matrix without the first column of 1's.

1.7 MULTIPLE LINEAR REGRESSION

1.7.1 EXAMPLE

Heatflux: As part of a test of solar thermal energy, the total heat flux from homes is measured. Researchers wish to examine whether total heat flux (Heatflux) can be predicted by insulation (Insulation), by the position of the focal points in the east (East), south (South), and north (North) directions, and by the time of day (Time). The data are from the book by D.C. Montgomery and E.A. Peck, published by John Wiley & Sons in 1982, titled "Introduction to Linear Regression Analysis". You can find this data in the file **heatflux.csv**.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(ggpubr)

heat_flux<-read_csv("heatflux.csv")
```

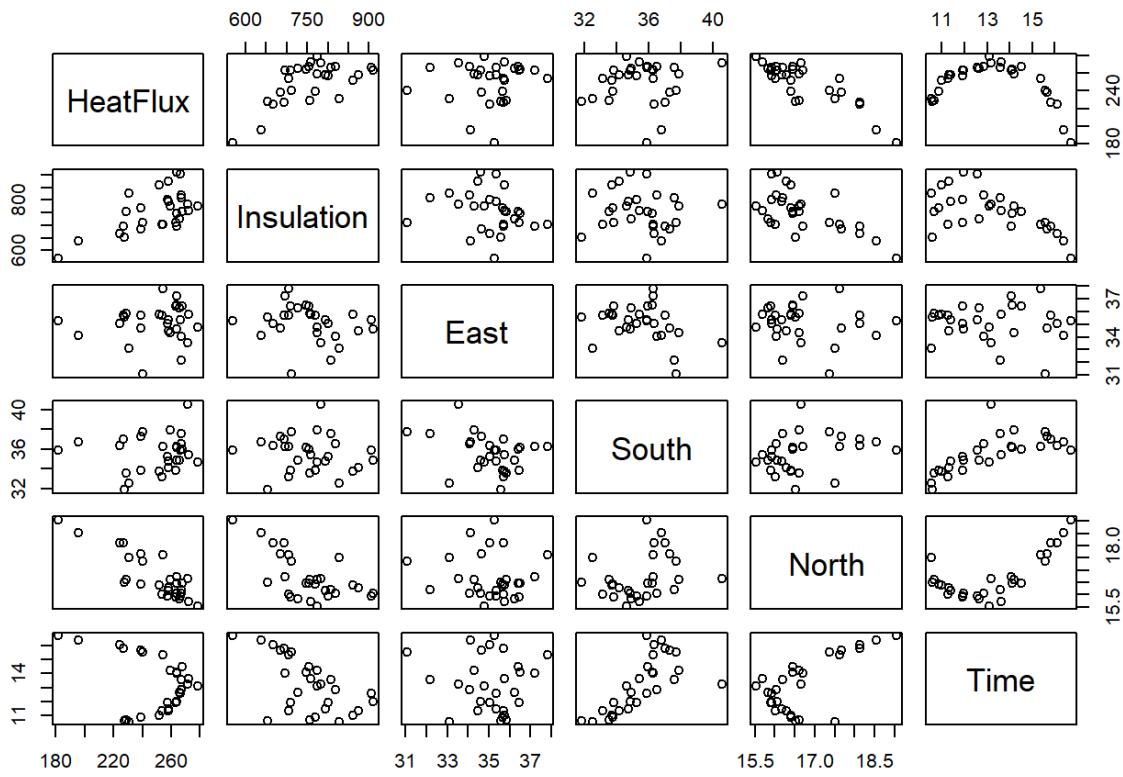
```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   HeatFlux = col_double(),
##   Insulation = col_double(),
##   East = col_double(),
##   South = col_double(),
##   North = col_double(),
##   Time = col_double()
## )
```

```
heat_flux
```

```
## # A tibble: 29 x 6
##   HeatFlux Insulation East South North Time
##       <dbl>      <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1     272.      783.  33.5  40.6  16.7  13.2
## 2     264.      748.  36.5  36.2  16.5  14.1
## 3     239.      684.  34.7  37.3  17.7  15.7
## 4     231.      828.  33.1  32.5  17.5  10.5
## 5     252.      860.  35.8  33.7  16.4  11
## 6     258.      875.  34.5  34.1  16.3  11.3
## 7     264.      909.  34.6  34.8  16.1  12.0
## 8     266.      906.  35.4  35.9  15.9  12.6
## 9     229.      756.  35.8  33.5  16.6  10.7
## 10    239.      769.  35.7  33.8  16.4  10.8
## # ... with 19 more rows
```

Lets explore the data quickly graphically. The response variable is HeatFlux and we have five potential predictors Insulation, East, South, North, and Time.

```
pairs(heat_flux)
```

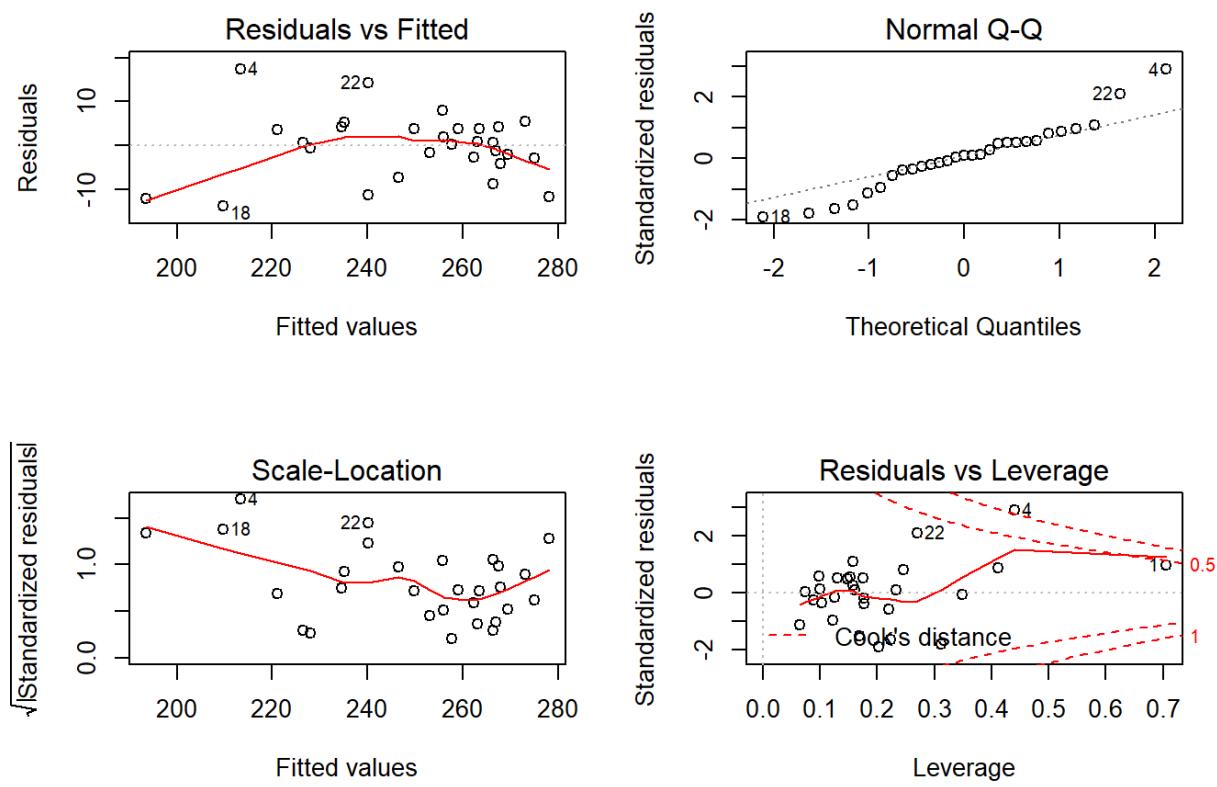


Note that HeatFlux appears to be approximately linearly related to all predictors except time. We will fit a multiple linear regression of HeatFlux (Y) on the predictors Insulation (X_1), East (X_2), South (X_3), North (X_4), and Time (X_5).

Suggested Model: $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4 + \beta_5 X_5 + \varepsilon$

We will now fit this model in R and look at various outputs which I will intersperse with comments.

```
fit<-lm(HeatFlux ~ Insulation + East + South + North + Time,data=heat_flux)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(fit)
```



Looking at the Residual vs Fitted values plot, ignore the Loess smoother line fitted, if it wasn't for a couple of points you probably would think this looks like a random scatter about zero so model adequate and proceed to check the normality assumption. The Normal Q-Q plot looks approximately linear so might be prepared to say the normality assumption holds. We are now in a position to make inference. Recall that you cannot test any hypotheses or obtain confidence intervals if the model assumptions do not hold.

```
summary(fit)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = HeatFlux ~ Insulation + East + South + North + Time,  
##      data = heat_flux)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max  
## -13.6848  -2.7688   0.6273   3.9166  17.3962  
##  
## Coefficients:  
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)  
## (Intercept) 325.43612  96.12721  3.385  0.00255 **  
## Insulation   0.06753   0.02899  2.329  0.02900 *  
## East         2.55198   1.24824  2.044  0.05252 .  
## South        3.80019   1.46114  2.601  0.01598 *  
## North       -22.94947   2.70360 -8.488 1.53e-08 ***  
## Time         2.41748   1.80829  1.337  0.19433  
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 8.039 on 23 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8988, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8768  
## F-statistic: 40.84 on 5 and 23 DF,  p-value: 1.077e-10
```

The p-value for the F statistic is very small (much smaller than 0.05) so the regression is significant which means that at least one of the predictors is needed in the model. The five predictors explain for 87.7% of the variability in the response HeatFlux.

1.7.2 Multiple linear regression: matrix form

Model: $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \cdots + \beta_p X_p + \varepsilon$

Matrix form: $y = X\beta + \varepsilon$, where $y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ \vdots \\ y_n \end{pmatrix}$, $X = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_{11} & x_{12} & \cdots & x_{1p} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ 1 & x_{n1} & x_{n2} & \cdots & x_{np} \end{pmatrix}$, $\beta = \begin{pmatrix} \beta_0 \\ \beta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{pmatrix}$ and $\varepsilon = \begin{pmatrix} \varepsilon_1 \\ \vdots \\ \varepsilon_n \end{pmatrix} \sim N(\mathbf{0}, \sigma^2 \mathbf{I})$.

Matrix X is called the data matrix or model matrix or the design matrix. The data matrix (X) displays the predictor data, one column for each predictor variable, together with a column of 1s (if there is an intercept in the model), and it shows the experimental design if the levels of the predictor variables are planned. Each row in the matrix X shows the information on all predictors for one case.

The least squares estimates of the regression coefficients β are those values $\hat{\beta}$ that minimise the 'residual sum of squares' function $SSE(\beta) = (y - X\beta)^T(y - X\beta)$.

Normal equations: $(X^T X)\hat{\beta} = X^T y$

Solution: $\hat{\beta} = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T y$ (provided the inverse exists).

The $(p+1) \times (p+1)$ matrix $(X^T X)$ is a symmetric matrix whose elements consist of sums of squares and sums of cross products of the elements in the columns of X . The nature of $(X^T X)$ plays an important role in the properties of the estimators $\hat{\beta}$ and will often be a large factor in the success or failure of the least squares estimation procedure.

Fitted values: $\hat{y} = X\hat{\beta}$

Residuals: $e = y - \hat{y}$.

Residual sum of squares: $SSE = (y - X\hat{\beta})^T(y - X\hat{\beta}) = y^T y - \hat{\beta}^T(X^T X)\hat{\beta}$

Unbiased estimate of σ^2 : $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n-p-1}(y - X\hat{\beta})^T(y - X\hat{\beta}) = \frac{1}{n-p-1} \sum (y - \hat{y}_i)^2$

Properties of the least squares estimators

$$E(\hat{\beta}) = E(X^T X)^{-1} X^T y = \beta.$$

$$Var(\hat{\beta}) = \sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}.$$

If we assume that ε has a normal distribution, then $\hat{\beta}$ also has a normal distribution with mean β and variance $\sigma^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$.

Here the distribution of the residual mean square is given by $\frac{(n-p-1)^2 \hat{\sigma}^2}{\sigma^2} \sim \chi_{n-p-1}^2$. The estimated variance of $\hat{\beta}$ is given by $\hat{\sigma}^2 (X^T X)^{-1}$, and standard errors are obtained as $\hat{\sigma}$ multiplied by the square root of the diagonal elements of the $(X^T X)^{-1}$ matrix.

Predictions and fitted values

If we observe a vector of predictors x (including a 1) for which we don't know the response, the predicted response is $\hat{y} = x^T \hat{\beta}$ with standard error of prediction s. e. pred = $s\sqrt{1 + x^T(X^T X)^{-1}x}$. Similarly, the estimated mean response when the predictors take the value x is $\hat{y} = x^T \hat{\beta}$ with standard error of fit s. e.(fit) = $s\sqrt{x^T(X^T X)^{-1}x}$.

2.1 HYPOTHESIS TESTS

We wish to test whether

the overall regression is significant; i.e., are all the predictors taken together useful in the prediction of Y ?

Should a particular predictor be in the regression model?

should a set of predictors be added to the regression model? (This situation arises when a group of predictors belong together.)

In general, we have a null model (reduced model), in which some or all of the predictors are left out of the model (i.e. some or all of β_i 's are hypothesised to be zero) and a full model which has all the predictors in the model (i.e. all β_i 's present). The general form of the test statistic is:

$$F = \frac{\hat{\sigma}_0^2}{\hat{\sigma}^2}$$

where $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is the usual estimate of σ^2 under the full model and $\hat{\sigma}_0^2$ is the estimate of σ^2 under the null model (reduced model). If the null model holds $\hat{\sigma}_0^2$ equals σ^2 and if the null model does not hold then it is greater than σ^2 . Having more parameters in the model will always reduce the residual variation. Therefore $\sigma^2 \leq \hat{\sigma}_0^2$. If the null model holds we would expect F to be approximately equal to 1 and if the full model holds we would expect F to be greater than 1. If F is large the full model has reduced the residual variation substantially, the additional predictors are useful in the prediction of the y whereas if F is close to 1 then the additional predictors in the full model have not reduced the residual variation by much so we would use the null model.

2.1.1 Test for overall significance of the regression

If we had p predictors the full model would be

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{i1} + \beta_2 x_{i2} + \cdots + \beta_p x_{ip} + \varepsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n.$$

If we are interested in testing whether the regression is significant or not we are interested in testing whether some of the predictors (X_i 's) are useful or not. The null model would be that none of the predictors are useful:

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \varepsilon_i, i = 1, \dots, n.$$

We test the hypothesis $H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \cdots = \beta_p = 0$ against $H_1 : \text{at least one } \beta_i \neq 0$. In matrix notation

$$H_0 : \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ versus } H_1 : \begin{pmatrix} \beta_1 \\ \beta_2 \\ \vdots \\ \beta_p \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Here the regression mean square would be used to estimate σ^2 under the full model and the residual mean square would be used to estimate σ^2 under the null model. The test statistic is

$$F = \frac{MSR}{MSE} = \frac{SSR/p}{SSE/(n-p-1)}$$

which under the null hypothesis has a $F_{p,n-p-1}$ distribution. We reject H_0 in favour of H_1 if F lies in the upper tail of this distribution.

Computations can be summarised in the ANOVA table:

Source	df	SS	MS	F
Regression	p	SSR	$MSR = \frac{SSR}{p}$	$F = \frac{MSR}{MSE}$
Residual	$n - p - 1$	SSE	$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n-p-1} = \hat{\sigma}^2$	
Total	$n - 1$	SST		

where SST , SSR and SSE are defined as before. We have exactly the same decomposition as before that

$$SST = SSR + SSE$$

Now, $R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST}$ is the proportion of the variance explained by the regression.

We can show that

$$F = \frac{R^2/p}{(1-R^2)/(n-p-1)}.$$

A small value of R^2 will result in a small value of F and we will not reject H_0 in favour of H_1 . A value of R^2 close to 1 will result in a large value of F and we will reject H_0 in favour of H_1 .

We already have seen an example of testing whether the regression is significant.

2.1.2 Selecting the “best” model*

There is no unique criterion for choosing the “best” model. We want as simple a model as possible that adequately explains what is going on (“principle of parsimony”). The more parameters in the model, the closer the fitted values will be to the observed data and the higher R^2 will be but the standard errors of the estimates $\hat{\beta}_i$ will increase because we are estimating more parameters on the same amount of information. We trade off between (i) Few X ’s (small p): lower R^2 but more precise β_i ’s and (ii) Many X ’s (large p): higher R^2 but less precise β_i ’s. We try to find that set of predictors which give an acceptable model fit, or R^2 . If a predictor does not add to the model’s explanation of the variation of Y in a significant way, it is not added to the model, even though it would have reduced R^2 .

Comparing two models

The **reduced model** is the model with the smallest number of parameters. We want to test H_0 : reduced model is appropriate against H_1 : full model is appropriate. To formally test this we need to fit the reduced model and record from the output the Residual (Error) Sum of Squares and its associated degrees of freedom, which we denote by SSE_{RM} and DF_{RM} respectively. The same information is required from fitting the full model, label the residual sum of squares and its associated degrees of freedom by SSE_{FM} and DF_{FM} . The appropriate test statistic is

$$T = \frac{(SSE_{RM} - SSE_{FM}) / (DF_{RM} - DF_{FM})}{SSE_{FM} / DF_{FM}}.$$

We reject H_0 in favour of H_1 at the $100\alpha\%$ significance level if $T > F_{DF_{RM}-DF_{FM}, DF_{FM}; \alpha}$. This is only valid if the model assumptions hold. We will look at regression diagnostics in detail the next section.

Partial F-tests

Assume that we have n observations. The full model has all the p predictors in it. The reduced model has one predictor removed, say the i ’th predictor. We use the same test statistic as above and reject $H_0 : \beta_i = 0$ in favour of $H_1 : \beta_i \neq 0$ at the $\alpha 100\%$ significance level if $T > F_{1, n-p-1; \alpha}$. You can think of the partial F tests as assessing variables as if they were the last being added to the model.

An equivalent way of testing $H_0 : \beta_i = 0$ versus $H_1 : \beta_i \neq 0$ is using $t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_i}{S.E.(\hat{\beta}_i)}$ which has a t_{n-p-1} distribution if H_0 is true. R routine **lm** gives you the partial F-tests in this way. The disadvantage of partial F-tests is that they are not independent tests.

EXAMPLE: Heat Flux revisited

```
summary(fit)
```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = HeatFlux ~ Insulation + East + South + North + Time,
##      data = heat_flux)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min      1Q  Median      3Q     Max
## -13.6848 -2.7688  0.6273  3.9166 17.3962
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) 325.43612   96.12721   3.385  0.00255 ** 
## Insulation    0.06753   0.02899   2.329  0.02900 *  
## East          2.55198   1.24824   2.044  0.05252 .  
## South          3.80019   1.46114   2.601  0.01598 *  
## North         -22.94947   2.70360  -8.488 1.53e-08 *** 
## Time           2.41748   1.80829   1.337  0.19433    
## --- 
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## 
## Residual standard error: 8.039 on 23 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8988, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8768 
## F-statistic: 40.84 on 5 and 23 DF,  p-value: 1.077e-10

```

The Partial F-tests p-values are given in the $\text{Pr}(>|t|)$ column. You only look at these if the model assumptions hold. Suppose they do, then you would conclude at the 5% significance level that the predictors Insulation and South are significant.

Sequential F tests

Assume that we have n observations. Variables are added to the model in a particular order and at each step the most recent predictor being entered into the model is tested for significance. R function `lm` can provide the output. All you need do is divide the sequential sum of squares by the residual mean sum of squares for the full model and compare with $F_{1,n-p-1}$. The advantage of the sequential F tests are that they are independent tests. The disadvantage is that the tests may be highly dependent on the order in which the predictors enter the model.

```

library(stats)
fit5<-lm(heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East + heat_flux$South + heat_flux$North +heat_flux$x$Time)
fit4<-lm(heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East + heat_flux$South + heat_flux$North)
fit30<-lm(heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East + heat_flux$South)
fit2<-lm(heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East)
fit1<-lm(heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation)
fit0<-lm(heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ 1)
anova(fit0,fit1,fit2,fit30,fit4,fit5,test="F")

```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
## 
## Model 1: heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ 1
## Model 2: heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation
## Model 3: heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East
## Model 4: heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East +
##           heat_flux$South
## Model 5: heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East +
##           heat_flux$South + heat_flux$North
## Model 6: heat_flux$HeatFlux ~ heat_flux$Insulation + heat_flux$East +
##           heat_flux$South + heat_flux$North + heat_flux$Time
## 
##   Res.Df   RSS Df Sum of Sq    F    Pr(>F)    
## 1     28 14681.9
## 2     27  8898.1  1   5783.8 89.4964 2.155e-09 ***
## 3     26  8086.4  1    811.7 12.5602 0.0017316 ** 
## 4     25  6904.9  1   1181.5 18.2822 0.0002832 *** 
## 5     24  1601.9  1   5303.0 82.0574 4.772e-09 *** 
## 6     23  1486.4  1    115.5 1.7873 0.1943335    
## --- 
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

Insulation, East, South and North are significant (at 1% significance level or 0.5% significance level) according to the Sequential F Test.

EXERCISE Try different orderings of the predictors.

Using R Square (R^2)

When a linear regression model is fitted using function `lm` in R you can extract R^2 .

```
summary(fit)$r.squared
```

```
## [1] 0.8987602
```

R Square gives the “proportion of variation in the response data that is explained by the model”. An acceptable value for R^2 depends on the context of the model fitting. R Square (R^2) is a dangerous criterion for model comparisons, any additional model terms will automatically increase it.

Note that Multiple R-squared given earlier is the same as R-squared in the `lm` function.

Using Adjusted R Square (R_{ADJ}^2)

When a linear regression model is fitted using `lm` in R you can always obtain R_{ADJ}^2 (Adjusted R-Squared). This is

$R_{ADJ}^2 = 1 - \frac{n-1}{n-p}(1 - R^2)$ which does not necessarily increase if more terms are added to the model. The model with the largest R_{ADJ}^2 is usually chosen.

EXAMPLE For the Heat Flux data using all the predictors the Adjusted R-squared is 0.8768. See earlier output.

Using $\hat{\sigma}^2$, the residual mean square (MSE)

We choose the model with the smallest $\hat{\sigma}^2$ or if the next smallest $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is close to the smallest $\hat{\sigma}^2$ but the model has less terms in it we would choose it.

Mallows C_p (A Criterion Based Method)

Predicted values obtained from a regression equation based on a subset of variables are generally biased. We use the mean square error of the predicted value to judge the performance of an equation. The measure standardized total mean squared error of prediction for the observed data by

$$J_p = \frac{1}{\sigma^2} \sum MSE(\hat{y}_i)$$

where $MSE(\hat{y}_i)$ is the i th predicted value from an equation with p terms (number of parameters in equation) and σ^2 is the variance of the random errors. This statistic places special emphasis on observed data, and good subsets will result in small values.

We can estimate the value of this statistic from the data by Mallows' C , calculated from:

$$C_p = \frac{SSE_p}{\hat{\sigma}^2} + (2p - n)$$

where $\hat{\sigma}^2$ is from the linear model with the full set of q variables.

Mallows' C_p has these properties: (i) it is easily calculated from usual regression summaries, (ii) it measures the difference in fitting errors between the full and the subset models, (iii) it has a random and a fixed component giving a trade off between better fit and more parameters, and (iv) it can be used to compare subset models - although it is not necessarily true that a smaller value means a better subset model, any model with $C_p \leq p$ will be a good model.

We can use leaps to obtain the Mallows' C_p . Note that when p equals the number of predictors in the full model that Mallows' C_p always equals p .

```
require(leaps)
```

```
## Loading required package: leaps
```

```
x<-cbind(heat_flux$Insulation,heat_flux$East,heat_flux$South,heat_flux$North,heat_flux$Time)
y<-heat_flux$HeatFlux
leaps(x,y)
```

```

## $which
##    1    2    3    4    5
## 1 FALSE FALSE FALSE TRUE FALSE
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##
## $label
## [1] "(Intercept)" "1"           "2"           "3"           "4"
## [6] "5"
##
## $size
## [1] 2 2 2 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 5 5 5 5 5 6
##
## $Cp
## [1] 38.492277 112.687090 174.174842 199.329010 199.803490 9.097518
## [7] 17.846129 37.462451 40.490491 102.126871 107.320539 114.607262
## [13] 120.046927 174.732260 196.395794 7.596312 9.717698 9.950942
## [19] 10.149946 19.842738 38.941581 85.844637 100.383642 101.484104
## [25] 102.842597 5.787266 8.179844 9.424426 10.764344 76.054147
## [31] 6.000000

```

According to Mallow's C_p none of the models are any good.

Multicollinearity

When predictors are related to each other, regression modelling can be very confusing. Estimated effects can change in magnitude and even sign. Two predictors are collinear if $c_1x_1 + c_2x_2 = c_0$ for constants c_1, c_2, c_0 . The definition of collinearity extends to several predictors. More important, however, is approximate collinearity, when predictors are closely but not exactly related and the equation holds approximately. In some packages (e.g. Minitab) a message is given if you perform a regression where there is too much collinearity. If the collinearity is extreme, a variable will be dropped before the calculations are carried out. If the collinearity is exact, this causes no loss of information, and if the collinearity is approximate, only a small amount of information is lost.

Alternatively, we can ask for variance inflation factors (VIFs) associated with each predictor. These come from the formula for the variance of the parameter estimates $Var(\hat{\beta}_i) = \sigma^2 \left(\frac{1}{1-R_i^2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{S_{X_i} X_i} \right)$, with R_i^2 the square of the multiple correlation between X_i and the other X' s, and $1/(1 - R_i^2)$ being the amount by which the variance is increased, or inflated, due to collinearity. If none of the VIFs are greater than 10 then collinearity is not a problem.

EXAMPLE Revisiting Heat Flux example.

```
library(car)
```

```
## Loading required package: carData
```

```
##  
## Attaching package: 'car'
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':  
##  
##     recode
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':  
##  
##     some
```

```
model1<-lm(HeatFlux~Insulation + East + South + North + Time,data=heat_flux)  
vif(model1)
```

```
## Insulation      East      South      North      Time  
##  2.319035    1.355448   3.175970   2.612066   5.370059
```

All VIFs are less than 10 so there is no multicollinearity problem.

Multiple correlation coefficient

The multiple correlation coefficient $R_{Y|X_1, \dots, X_p}$ is a measure of the association between Y and X_1, \dots, X_p jointly. Its square is what we have called R^2 . We can interpret $R_{Y|X_1, \dots, X_p}$ as the correlation between Y and the regression equation involving X_1, \dots, X_p . It is defined as $R_{Y|X_1, \dots, X_p} = \frac{\sum(y_i - \bar{y})(\hat{y}_i - \bar{\hat{y}})}{\sqrt{\sum(y_i - \bar{y})^2} \sqrt{\sum(\hat{y}_i - \bar{\hat{y}})^2}}$ where $\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} + \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p x_{ip}$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, is the fitted value or predicted value for y_i and $\bar{\hat{y}} = \frac{1}{n} \sum \hat{y}_i$ is the mean of the fitted values. (It turns out that $\bar{\hat{y}} = \bar{y}$ always.)

Also, $R_{Y|X_1, \dots, X_p}^2 = \frac{SST - SSE}{SST} = \frac{SSR}{SST}$ and it is interpreted as the proportion of total variation (SST) that is explained by the regression involving X_1, \dots, X_p (SSR).

Variable selection

To combat collinearity or to find a parsimonious model we may wish to select only some of the predictor variables available. Assume that we have n cases with values observed on k predictor variables X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k and a response Y . Let p = the number of predictors in a selected subset (including the intercept) and assume all necessary transformations have been carried out.

The full model can be written as $Y = X_1\beta_1 + X_2\beta_2 + \epsilon$ (vector notation, with X_1 an n by p matrix) and the subset model $Y = X_1\beta_1 + \epsilon$ is obtained by putting $\beta_2 = 0$. The subset model is tested against the full model using a generalised F-test, as usual.

Source	df	SS	MS	F
Reg with (β_1, β_2)	k	$SSR(\beta_1, \beta_2)$		
Reg with (β_1)	$p - 1$	$SSR(\beta_1)$		
Reg with $(\beta_2 \beta_1)$	$k + 1 - p$	$SSR(\beta_1, \beta_2) - SSR(\beta_1)$	MSR	F^*
Residual	$n - k - 2$	SSR	$MSE = \hat{\sigma}^2$	
Total	$n - 1$	SST		

Selecting variables on substantive grounds

The most important method for selecting variables is based on a knowledge of the situation and the variables being studied.

EXAMPLE: The variables HT (height) and WT (weight) can be combined into BMI (body mass index = weight per height squared).

EXAMPLE: A number of test scores can be combined into an average.

EXAMPLE: Weisberg (1981) gives an example ‘Highway data’, from a Masters thesis modelling the automobile accident rate in terms of 13 independent variables. Here there are $2^{13} = 8192$ possible subset models, which can be reduced by considering two points: (i) Three variables, FAI, PA and MA, should be kept together since they are indicator variables for different types of highways, with a

fourth type indicated if each of these variables equals zero and (ii) The variable LEN, length of segment under study, is required by definition. This now gives a total of 512 possible subset models, still a large number but much fewer than originally.

Stepwise methods of variable selection

Often we have to use the data to find a reasonable subset of the predictors for use in a model. A stepwise procedure is a systematic way of examining only a few subsets of each size and choosing a path through all possible models.

Forward selection

We begin with a simple regression model with the best single predictor (largest R^2 , F or t). We then add the predictor that increases R^2 the most, or would have the largest F or t of any of the other variables. We continue thus, but stop when you reach a subset of predetermined size, or when no other variable has an F greater than F to enter, or if any variable would cause unacceptable collinearity.

Backward elimination

We begin with the full model. We then remove the variable with the smallest F or t , the variable that would reduce R^2 the least. We continue thus, but stop when you reach a subset of predetermined size, or when all variables remaining in the model have F greater than F to remove.

Stepwise

This is a combination of the previous two methods. We start with one variable, as in forward selection, and at each step take one of four options: add a variable, remove a variable, exchange two variables or stop. If there are at least two variables in the model, remove a variable if it has F less than F to remove. If there are at least two variables in the model, remove a variable if this would result in a larger R^2 than obtained previously with that many variables. Exchange a variable in the model with one not in the model if this would increase R^2 . Add a variable if it has the largest F greater than F to enter and the collinearity tolerance is OK.

Remarks

- Stepwise methods entail less computing than Best Subsets Regression.
- Order in which variables enter or leave the equation should not be interpreted as reflecting the relative importance of the variables.
- If data is noncollinear all three methods should give nearly the same selection of variables.
- CHP recommend Backward Elimination over Forward Selection because the full variable set is calculated and available for inspection even though it may not be used in the final equation.
- Backward Elimination copes better with multicollinearity.
- Residual plots for various “best” models fitted to data should always be examined and if found to be unsatisfactory the model should not be used.

EXAMPLE: Squid data (This data set is from Classical and Modern Regression with Applications by R.H. Myers published in 1990.) An experiment was conducted to study the size of squid eaten by sharks and tuna.

The regressors are characteristics of the beak or mouth of the squid. They are X_1 = Beak length in inches, X_2 = Wing length in inches, X_3 = Beak to notch length, X_4 = Notch to wing length, and X_5 = Width in inches. The response (Y) is the weight of the squid in pounds. These data are given below.

Y	X_1	X_2	X_3	X_4	X_5	Y	X_1	X_2	X_3	X_4	X_5
1.95	1.31	1.07	0.44	0.75	0.35	1.90	1.33	1.10	0.48	0.77	0.38
2.90	1.55	1.49	0.53	0.90	0.47	8.56	1.86	1.47	0.60	1.01	0.65
0.72	0.99	0.84	0.34	0.57	0.32	4.49	1.58	1.34	0.52	0.95	0.50
0.81	0.99	0.83	0.34	0.54	0.27	8.49	1.97	1.59	0.67	1.20	0.59
1.09	1.05	0.90	0.36	0.64	0.30	6.17	1.80	1.56	0.66	1.02	0.59
1.22	1.09	0.93	0.42	0.61	0.31	7.54	1.75	1.58	0.63	1.09	0.59
1.02	1.08	0.90	0.40	0.51	0.31	6.36	1.72	1.43	0.64	1.02	0.63
1.93	1.27	1.08	0.44	0.77	0.34	7.63	1.68	1.57	0.72	0.96	0.68
0.64	0.99	0.85	0.36	0.56	0.29	7.78	1.75	1.59	0.68	1.08	0.62
2.08	1.34	1.13	0.45	0.77	0.37	10.15	2.19	1.86	0.75	1.24	0.72
1.98	1.30	1.10	0.45	0.76	0.38	6.88	1.73	1.67	0.64	1.14	0.55

We first fit the model $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4 + \beta_5 X_5 + \varepsilon$ to the above data.

Before doing this we should first obtain a matrix scatter plot of the data.

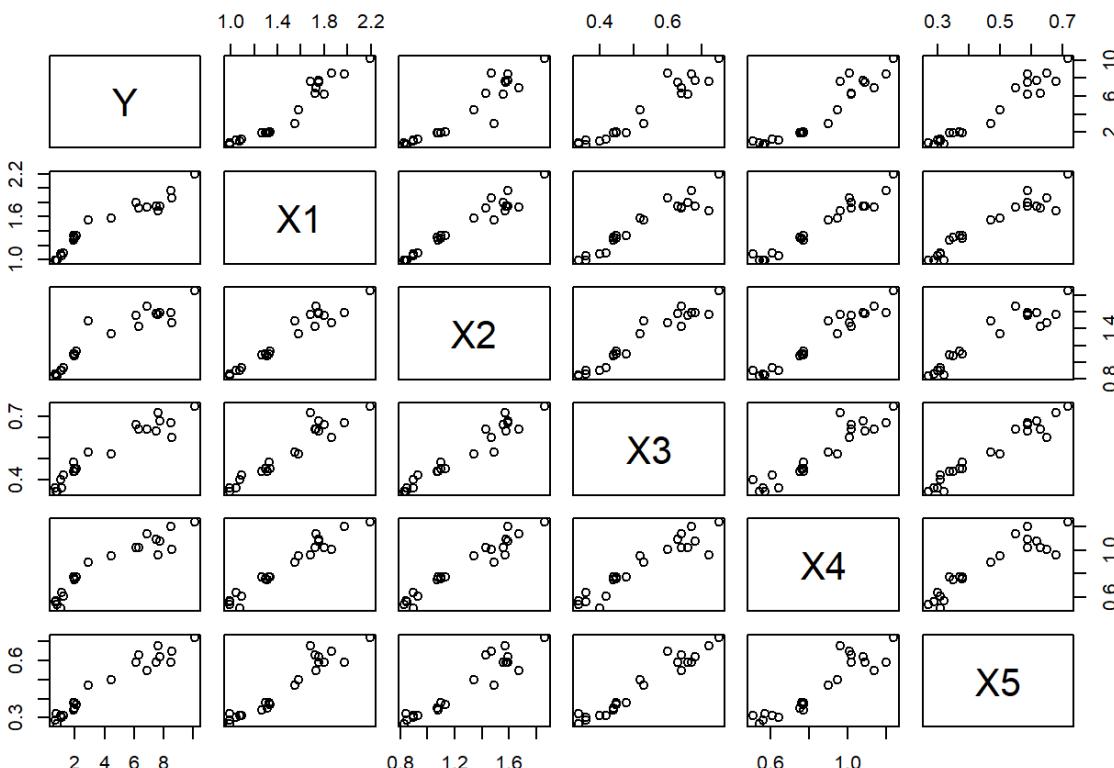
```
library(tidyverse)
library(ggpubr)
squid<-read_csv("Squid.csv")
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   Y = col_double(),
##   X1 = col_double(),
##   X2 = col_double(),
##   X3 = col_double(),
##   X4 = col_double(),
##   X5 = col_double()
## )
```

squid

```
## # A tibble: 22 x 6
##       Y     X1     X2     X3     X4     X5
##   <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1  1.95  1.31  1.07  0.44  0.75  0.35
## 2   2.9   1.55  1.49  0.53  0.9   0.47
## 3   0.72  0.99  0.84  0.34  0.570 0.32
## 4   0.81  0.99  0.83  0.34  0.54  0.27
## 5   1.09  1.05  0.9   0.36  0.64  0.3
## 6   1.22  1.09  0.93  0.42  0.61  0.31
## 7   1.02  1.08  0.9   0.4   0.51  0.31
## 8   1.93  1.27  1.08  0.44  0.77  0.34
## 9   0.64  0.99  0.85  0.36  0.56  0.290
## 10  2.08  1.34  1.13  0.45  0.77  0.37
## # ... with 12 more rows
```

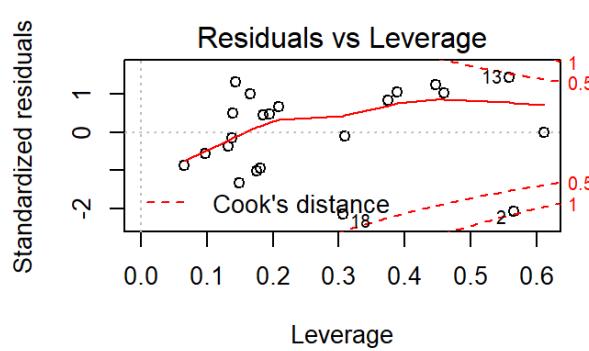
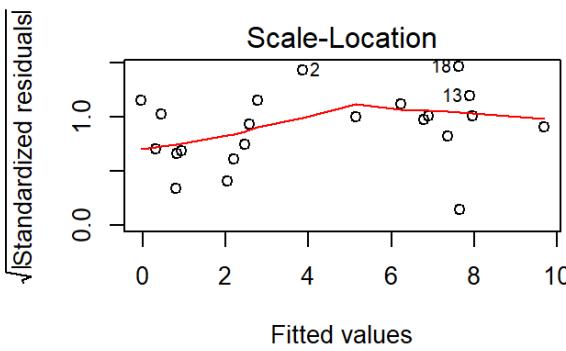
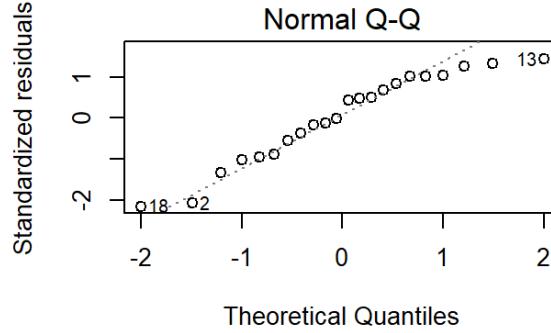
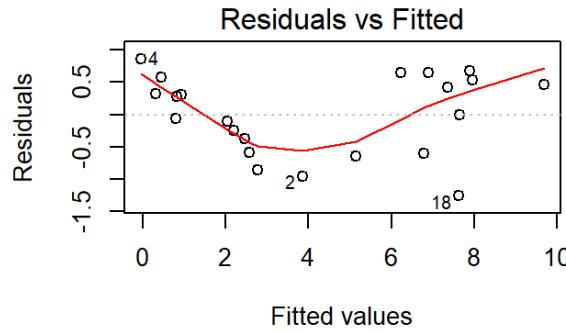
```
attach(squid)
pairs(squid)
```



The relationship between Y and each predictor separately is approximately linear with positive slope. More worrying is the obvious correlations between most of the predictors, there may be multicollinearity.

Seeing what happens when we fit the multiple linear regression.

```
fit3<-lm(squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3 + squid$X4 +squid$X5)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(fit3)
```



The model is not adequate, the Residual versus Fitted values plot does not look like a random scatter about zero. We cannot proceed to make valid inference.

For the moment, just to illustrate what to do if the model was adequate and the normality assumption held, look at the model output.

```
summary(fit3)
```

```
## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3 + squid$X4 +
##     squid$X5)
## 
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max 
## -1.2610 -0.5373  0.1355  0.5120  0.8611 
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) -6.5122    0.9336  -6.976 3.13e-06 *** 
## squid$X1     1.9994    2.5733   0.777  0.44851    
## squid$X2    -3.6751    2.7737  -1.325  0.20378    
## squid$X3     2.5245    6.3475   0.398  0.69610    
## squid$X4     5.1581    3.6603   1.409  0.17791    
## squid$X5    14.4012    4.8560   2.966  0.00911 **  
## --- 
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 
## 
## Residual standard error: 0.7035 on 16 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9633, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9519 
## F-statistic: 84.07 on 5 and 16 DF,  p-value: 6.575e-11
```

Partial F tests suggest that the “best” model contains only one predictor variable and that is X5. (Since the model assumptions are violated the above inference is dangerous.)

We could also look at the “best” model suggested by sequential F tests. The order in which the parameters are listed can affect the conclusions reached significantly. A full-scale model-building process cannot be based on sequential F tests unless there is an appropriate selection of order of variables based on subject matter expertise.

```
library(stats)
fit5<-lm(squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3 + squid$X4 +squid$X5)
fit4<-lm(squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3 + squid$X4)
fit30<-lm(squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3)
fit2<-lm(squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2)
fit1<-lm(squid$Y ~ squid$X1)
fit0<-lm(squid$Y ~ 1)
anova(fit0,fit1,fit2,fit30,fit4,fit5,test="F")
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: squid$Y ~ 1
## Model 2: squid$Y ~ squid$X1
## Model 3: squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2
## Model 4: squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3
## Model 5: squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3 + squid$X4
## Model 6: squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X2 + squid$X3 + squid$X4 + squid$X5
##   Res.Df   RSS Df Sum of Sq      F    Pr(>F)
## 1     21 215.925
## 2     20 16.779  1   199.145 402.4397 9.131e-13 ***
## 3     19 16.653  1     0.127   0.2560  0.619804
## 4     18 12.533  1     4.120   8.3249  0.010765 *
## 5     17 12.270  1     0.263   0.5325  0.476114
## 6     16  7.918  1     4.352   8.7951  0.009109 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The model suggested by the sequential F tests is $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_5 X_5 + \varepsilon$.

```
fit135<-lm(squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X3 + squid$X5)
summary(fit135)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = squid$Y ~ squid$X1 + squid$X3 + squid$X5)
##
## Residuals:
##   Min     1Q   Median     3Q    Max 
## -1.6386 -0.5084  0.1060  0.5471  0.9666
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) -6.83999  0.87718  -7.798 3.52e-07 ***
## squid$X1     3.26593  1.60373   2.036  0.0567 .  
## squid$X3     0.07094  5.48254   0.013  0.9898    
## squid$X5    13.35925  4.72866   2.825  0.0112 *  
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.7142 on 18 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9575, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9504 
## F-statistic: 135.1 on 3 and 18 DF,  p-value: 1.572e-12
```

The appropriate test statistic for testing $H_0 : Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_5 X_5 + \varepsilon$ against $H_1 : Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \beta_3 X_3 + \beta_4 X_4 + \beta_5 X_5 + \varepsilon$ is

$$T = \frac{(SSE_{RM} - SSE_{FM}) / (DF_{RM} - DF_{FM})}{SSE_{FM} / DF_{FM}}$$

We reject H_0 in favour of H_1 at the $100\alpha\%$ significance level if $T > F_{DF_{RM}-DF_{FM}, DF_{FM}; \alpha}$.

```
anova(fit5)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: squid$Y
##           Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq  F value    Pr(>F)
## squid$X1   1 199.145 199.145 402.4397 9.131e-13 ***
## squid$X2   1   0.127   0.127   0.2560  0.619804
## squid$X3   1   4.120   4.120   8.3249  0.010765 *
## squid$X4   1   0.263   0.263   0.5325  0.476114
## squid$X5   1   4.352   4.352   8.7951  0.009109 **
## Residuals 16   7.918   0.495
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
anova(fit135)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: squid$Y
##           Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq  F value    Pr(>F)
## squid$X1   1 199.145 199.145 390.3744 1.188e-13 ***
## squid$X3   1   3.525   3.525   6.9103  0.01704 *
## squid$X5   1   4.072   4.072   7.9816  0.01121 *
## Residuals 18   9.183   0.510
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Now, from the output above $SSE_{FM} = 7.918$, $DF_{FM} = 16$, $SSE_{REM} = 9.183$, and $DF_{RM} = 18$ so our test statistic

$$T = \frac{(9.183 - 7.918) / (18 - 16)}{7.918 / 16} = 1.28.$$

Need to compare this with $F_{2,18;0.05}$.

```
qf(0.95,df1=2,df2=18)
```

```
## [1] 3.554557
```

Since $T = 1.28 \not\geq 3.5546$ we cannot reject H_0 in favour of H_1 at the 5% significance level. The reduced model here is plausible.

If the model assumptions were not being met the above inference is dangerous.

Forward stepwise regression in R

Illustrated on the squid data set.

```
model<-lm(squid$Y ~ .,data=squid)
ols_step_forward_p(model,data=squid)
```

```

## Forward Selection Method
## -----
## 
## Candidate Terms:
## 
## 1. X1
## 2. X2
## 3. X3
## 4. X4
## 5. X5
## 
## We are selecting variables based on p value...
## 
## Variables Entered:
## 
## - X5
## - X4
## - X2
## 
## No more variables to be added.
## 
## Final Model Output
## -----
## 
## Model Summary
## -----
## R          0.981    RMSE        0.678
## R-Squared   0.962    Coef. Var  16.169
## Adj. R-Squared 0.955    MSE         0.460
## Pred R-Squared 0.930    MAE         0.524
## 
## RMSE: Root Mean Square Error
## MSE: Mean Square Error
## MAE: Mean Absolute Error
## 
## ANOVA
## -----
## Sum of
## Squares   DF   Mean Square      F      Sig.
## 
## Regression 207.643   3       69.214   150.44  0.0000
## Residual    8.281   18       0.460
## Total       215.925  21
## 
## 
## Parameter Estimates
## -----
##   model   Beta   Std. Error   Std. Beta     t     Sig    lower   upper
## 
## (Intercept) -5.980   0.659           -9.073  0.000  -7.365  -4.596
## X5          17.109  3.082           0.798   5.551  0.000  10.634  23.584
## X4          6.879   2.783           0.489   2.472  0.024  1.033  12.726
## X2         -2.890   2.346           -0.292  -1.232  0.234  -7.820  2.040
## 
```

```

## 
## Selection Summary
## -----
##   Variable          Adj.
## Step  Entered   R-Square   R-Square   C(p)      AIC      RMSE
## 
## 1   X5          0.9455  0.9428  5.7794  54.6672  0.7670
## 2   X4          0.9584  0.9540  2.1456  50.7185  0.6875
## 3   X2          0.9616  0.9553  2.7354  50.9387  0.6783
## 
```

Final model has X_5 , X_4 and X_2 .

Backward stepwise elimination in R

```
modelb<-lm(Y ~ .,data=squid)
ols_step_backward_p(modelb)
```

```
## Backward Elimination Method
## -----
## 
## Candidate Terms:
## 
## 1 . X1
## 2 . X2
## 3 . X3
## 4 . X4
## 5 . X5
## 
## We are eliminating variables based on p value...
## 
## Variables Removed:
## 
## - X3
## - X1
## 
## No more variables satisfy the condition of p value = 0.3
## 
## 
## Final Model Output
## -----
## 
## Model Summary
## -----
## R          0.981    RMSE        0.678
## R-Squared   0.962    Coef. Var  16.169
## Adj. R-Squared 0.955    MSE         0.460
## Pred R-Squared 0.930    MAE         0.524
## 
## -----
```

RMSE: Root Mean Square Error
MSE: Mean Square Error
MAE: Mean Absolute Error

```
## 
## ANOVA
## -----
##           Sum of
## Squares     DF   Mean Square      F      Sig.
## 
## Regression 207.643     3       69.214   150.44  0.0000
## Residual    8.281     18       0.460
## Total       215.925    21
## 
## -----
```

```
## 
## Parameter Estimates
## -----
##   model   Beta Std. Error  Std. Beta      t      Sig    lower   upper
## 
## (Intercept) -5.980    0.659          -9.073  0.000   -7.365  -4.596
##      X2     -2.890    2.346       -0.292  -1.232  0.234   -7.820   2.040
##      X4      6.879    2.783       0.489   2.472  0.024   1.033  12.726
##      X5     17.109    3.082       0.798   5.551  0.000   10.634  23.584
## 
```

```
##  
##  
##           Elimination Summary  
## -----  
##      Variable          Adj.  
## Step   Removed    R-Square    R-Square    C(p)      AIC      RMSE  
## -----  
##    1     X3        0.963     0.9543    4.1582    52.1665   0.6858  
##    2     X1        0.9616    0.9553    2.7354    50.9387   0.6783  
## -----
```

Final model has X_2 , $X - 4$ and X_5 .

Stepwise regression in R

```
models<-lm(Y ~ .,data=squid)  
ols_step_both_p(models)
```

```

## Stepwise Selection Method
## -----
## 
## Candidate Terms:
## 
## 1. X1
## 2. X2
## 3. X3
## 4. X4
## 5. X5
## 
## We are selecting variables based on p value...
## 
## Variables Entered/Removed:
## 
## - X5 added
## - X4 added
## 
## No more variables to be added/removed.
## 
## 
## Final Model Output
## -----
## 
## Model Summary
## -----
## R          0.979      RMSE       0.687
## R-Squared  0.958      Coef. Var  16.387
## Adj. R-Squared 0.954      MSE        0.473
## Pred R-Squared 0.945      MAE        0.529
## 
## -----  

## RMSE: Root Mean Square Error
## MSE: Mean Square Error
## MAE: Mean Absolute Error
## 
## ANOVA
## -----
## Sum of
## Squares   DF   Mean Square   F      Sig.
## -----  

## Regression 206.945    2      103.473   218.947  0.0000
## Residual   8.979     19      0.473
## Total      215.925   21
## 
## -----  

## 
## Parameter Estimates
## -----
## model   Beta   Std. Error   Std. Beta   t      Sig   lower   upper
## -----  

## (Intercept) -6.335  0.601      -10.543  0.000  -7.593  -5.077
## X5         15.016  2.606      0.700     5.763  0.000  9.562   20.470
## X4         4.154   1.710      0.295     2.429  0.025  0.574   7.734
## 
## -----
```

```

## 
## Stepwise Selection Summary
## -----
##           Added/          Adj.
## Step  Variable  Removed   R-Square   R-Square   C(p)    AIC    RMSE
## -----  

## 1      X5      addition  0.946     0.943    5.7790  54.6672  0.7670
## 2      X4      addition  0.958     0.954    2.1460  50.7185  0.6875
## 
```

Final model has X_5 and X_4 .

Best Subsets Regression in R

```
modelbs<-lm(Y ~ .,data=squid)
ols_step_best_subset(modelbs)
```

```
##      Best Subsets Regression
## -----
## Model Index   Predictors
## -----
##    1          X5
##    2          X4 X5
##    3          X2 X4 X5
##    4          X1 X2 X4 X5
##    5          X1 X2 X3 X4 X5
## -----
##                                            Subsets Regression Summary
## -----
##                               Adj.          Pred
## Model   R-Square     R-Square     R-Square   C(p)      AIC      SBIC      SBC      MSEP      FPE
## HSP      APC
## -----
##    1      0.9455      0.9428      0.9343    5.7794    54.6672   -8.0766   57.9403   0.6475   0.6418
## 0.0310  0.0654
##    2      0.9584      0.9540      0.9448    2.1456    50.7185  -10.5305   55.0827   0.5490   0.5370
## 0.0263  0.0547
##    3      0.9616      0.9553      0.9301    2.7354    50.9387  -9.1759   56.3940   0.5659   0.5437
## 0.0271  0.0554
##    4      0.9630      0.9543      0.9262    4.1582    52.1665  -6.9128   58.7128   0.6147   0.5772
## 0.0294  0.0588
##    5      0.9633      0.9519      0.91      6.0000    53.9501  -4.2645   61.5874   0.6898   0.6298
## 0.0330  0.0642
## -----
## AIC: Akaike Information Criteria
## SBIC: Sawa's Bayesian Information Criteria
## SBC: Schwarz Bayesian Criteria
## MSEP: Estimated error of prediction, assuming multivariate normality
## FPE: Final Prediction Error
## HSP: Hocking's Sp
## APC: Amemiya Prediction Criteria
```

Using Mallow's C_p would go for Model 3. Full model always has Mallow's $C_p = p$.

Using Adjusted R^2 would go for Model 3.

Other packages will give you the estimate of $\hat{\sigma}^2$ or $\hat{\sigma}$ for each model and you would go for the model with the smallest or close to smallest $\hat{\sigma}^2$ with the least number of parameters in it.

2.2 PARTIAL CORRELATION

Partial correlation is the correlation between two variables while controlling for the effects of one or more other variables. The partial correlation between Y and X , after controlling for Z_1, \dots, Z_p is denoted by $r_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}$. Its square is defined as follows

$$r_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}^2 = \frac{SSE_{Z_1, \dots, Z_p} - SSE_{X, Z_1, \dots, Z_p}}{SSE_{Z_1, \dots, Z_p}}. \text{ This is the reduction in sum of squares due to adding } X \text{ into the model, given } Z_1, \dots, Z_p$$

already in the model divided by the residual sum of squares for the model only having Z_1, \dots, Z_p . The quantity $r_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}$ is called the p^{th} order partial correlation coefficient. The R package **ppcor** can be used to calculate partial correlations. See <https://cran.r-project.org/web/packages/ppcor/ppcor.pdf>. If we compare the controlled correlation ($r_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}$) with the original correlation (r_{YX}) and if there is no difference, the inference is that the control variables have no effect.

Test of the partial correlation coefficient

The partial correlation coefficient is an estimate $r_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}^2$ of the population quantity $\rho_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}^2$. We test $H_0 : \rho_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}^2 = 0$ versus $H_1 : \rho_{YX|Z_1, \dots, Z_p}^2 \neq 0$ via the partial F-test with test statistic $T = \frac{(SSE_{RM} - SSE_{FM}) / (DF_{RM} - DF_{FM})}{SSE_{FM} / DF_{FM}}$ where the reduced model regresses Y on Z_1, \dots, Z_p and the full model regresses Y on X, Z_1, \dots, Z_p .

EXAMPLE: MCG (For details see <http://www.statsci.org/data/oz/afl.html> (<http://www.statsci.org/data/oz/afl.html>)).)

Want to investigate the effect on football game attendance of various covariates.

Variable	Description
MCG	Attendance at the MCG in 1000's.
Members	The sum of the memberships of the two clubs whose teams were playing the match in question in 1000's.
Top50	The number of players in the top 50 in the AFL who happened to be playing in the match in question.

After taking the effect of Members into account, what is the effect of Top50 on MCG attendance? Here $Y = \text{MCG}$, $X = \text{Top50}$ and $Z = \text{Members}$.

```
library(tidyverse)
mcg1<-read.csv("MCG1.csv")
mcg1
```

##	MCG	Other	Temp	Members	Top50	Date	Home	Away
## 1	8.653	72.921	24	12.601	5	27/03/1993	NM	Bris
## 2	49.856	60.848	21	25.991	7	3/04/1993	Ess	Carl
## 3	24.362	59.842	24	16.948	5	17/04/1993	NM	Melb
## 4	46.588	9.272	22	27.046	8	1/05/1993	Ess	Gee
## 5	29.296	74.798	17	22.874	7	8/05/1993	Rich	StK
## 6	34.372	61.938	16	51.646	8	22/05/1993	Ess	Adel
## 7	17.781	92.086	19	13.015	4	29/05/1993	Rich	Syd
## 8	37.119	23.360	13	29.945	9	12/06/1993	Carl	Gee
## 9	44.094	61.168	14	21.643	6	19/06/1993	Melb	Ess
## 10	19.057	54.887	13	21.464	7	26/06/1993	Ess	Rich
## 11	20.543	56.466	15	17.296	5	3/07/1993	Ess	Bris
## 12	40.819	58.921	14	25.597	7	10/07/1993	Melb	Gee
## 13	44.303	83.475	15	21.485	6	17/07/1993	Haw	Melb
## 14	67.035	52.635	15	25.991	7	24/07/1993	Ess	Carl
## 15	34.439	59.652	15	22.351	7	31/07/1993	Gee	NM
## 16	30.874	73.571	15	24.363	6	7/08/1993	Carl	Rich
## 17	40.229	22.244	17	23.024	7	14/08/1993	Ess	Foot
## 18	85.054	76.519	19	36.327	7	21/08/1993	Carl	Coll
## 19	31.109	44.744	20	18.329	7	28/08/1993	Foot	NM
## 20	39.492	74.084	29	43.253	6	26/03/1994	Ess	WC
## 21	27.195	54.932	19	22.001	6	2/04/1994	NM	StK
## 22	19.609	39.283	23	32.360	5	9/04/1994	Rich	WC
## 23	61.193	52.574	23	29.346	5	16/04/1994	Ess	Melb
## 24	74.330	38.515	21	39.164	7	23/04/1994	Ess	Coll
## 25	27.022	69.546	20	34.486	5	30/04/1994	NM	WC
## 26	34.601	48.464	17	20.579	5	7/05/1994	Melb	NM
## 27	35.851	23.567	15	31.942	6	14/05/1994	Coll	StK
## 28	19.333	77.328	17	13.673	3	21/05/1994	Melb	Syd
## 29	75.129	69.605	18	33.102	5	28/05/1994	Ess	Gee
## 30	52.199	40.015	14	28.265	6	11/06/1994	Melb	Carl
## 31	26.917	40.442	16	18.330	4	18/06/1994	Rich	NM
## 32	32.528	51.623	15	18.453	4	25/06/1994	Melb	Rich
## 33	50.141	64.794	15	29.223	4	2/07/1994	NM	Ess
## 34	49.878	63.899	20	17.360	6	9/07/1994	Rich	Foot
## 35	85.381	59.319	14	38.083	7	16/07/1994	Coll	Carl
## 36	38.858	53.276	14	30.768	6	23/07/1994	Ess	StK
## 37	43.132	38.007	13	29.346	4	30/07/1994	Melb	Ess
## 38	33.503	41.040	14	19.875	5	6/08/1994	Rich	StK
## 39	49.872	26.052	12	30.520	7	13/08/1994	Melb	Coll
## 40	66.555	25.553	14	34.276	10	20/08/1994	Coll	Gee
## 41	61.231	58.894	18	36.909	5	3/09/1994	Ess	Carl

Fitting the model without the controlling variable.

```
fit1<-lm(MCG ~ Members,data=mcg1)
```

```
summary(fit1)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = MCG ~ Members, data = mcg1)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max  
## -37.602 -8.161 -0.114  8.453 31.575  
##  
## Coefficients:  
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)  
## (Intercept) 9.6216    8.0103  1.201 0.236935  
## Members      1.2073    0.2873  4.202 0.000149 ***  
## ---  
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 15.57 on 39 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3117, Adjusted R-squared: 0.294  
## F-statistic: 17.66 on 1 and 39 DF, p-value: 0.0001488
```

```
anova(fit1)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table  
##  
## Response: MCG  
##             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)  
## Members     1 4279.8 4279.8 17.66 0.0001488 ***  
## Residuals 39 9451.5   242.3  
## ---  
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Fitting the model with the controlling variable.

```
fit2<-lm(MCG ~ Members + Top50,data=mcg1)  
summary(fit2)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = MCG ~ Members + Top50, data = mcg1)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max  
## -38.124 -9.259  0.387  8.682 30.940  
##  
## Coefficients:  
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)  
## (Intercept) 1.5101    11.1320  0.136  0.89281  
## Members     1.0728     0.3143  3.413  0.00154 **  
## Top50       1.9474     1.8584  1.048  0.30130  
## ---  
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 15.55 on 38 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared: 0.331, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2958  
## F-statistic: 9.401 on 2 and 38 DF, p-value: 0.0004818
```

```
anova(fit2)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: MCG
##           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## Members     1 4279.8 4279.8 17.7044 0.0001518 ***
## Top50       1   265.5   265.5  1.0981 0.3012961
## Residuals  38 9186.0   241.7
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

Calculating the partial correlation:

$$\begin{aligned}
T &= \frac{(SSE_{RM} - SSE_{FM}) / (DF_{RM} - DF_{FM})}{SSE_{FM} / DF_{FM}} \\
&= \frac{(9451.5 - 9186.0) / (39 - 38)}{9186.0 / 38} \\
&= 0.0280907 \\
r_{YX|Z} &= \sqrt{0.0280907} = 0.167603
\end{aligned}$$

```
cor(mcg1$MCG,mcg1$Top50)
```

```
## [1] 0.3548781
```

Now correlation between MCG and Top50 is 0.355. After controlling for Members, the correlation between MCG and Top50 has shrunk to 0.17.

3.1 CONFOUNDING

An extraneous variable is an independent variable that is not of direct interest to the study, but does have an influence on the response.

EXAMPLE: We observe the following relationship between characteristics y and x in a sample of male members of a species:

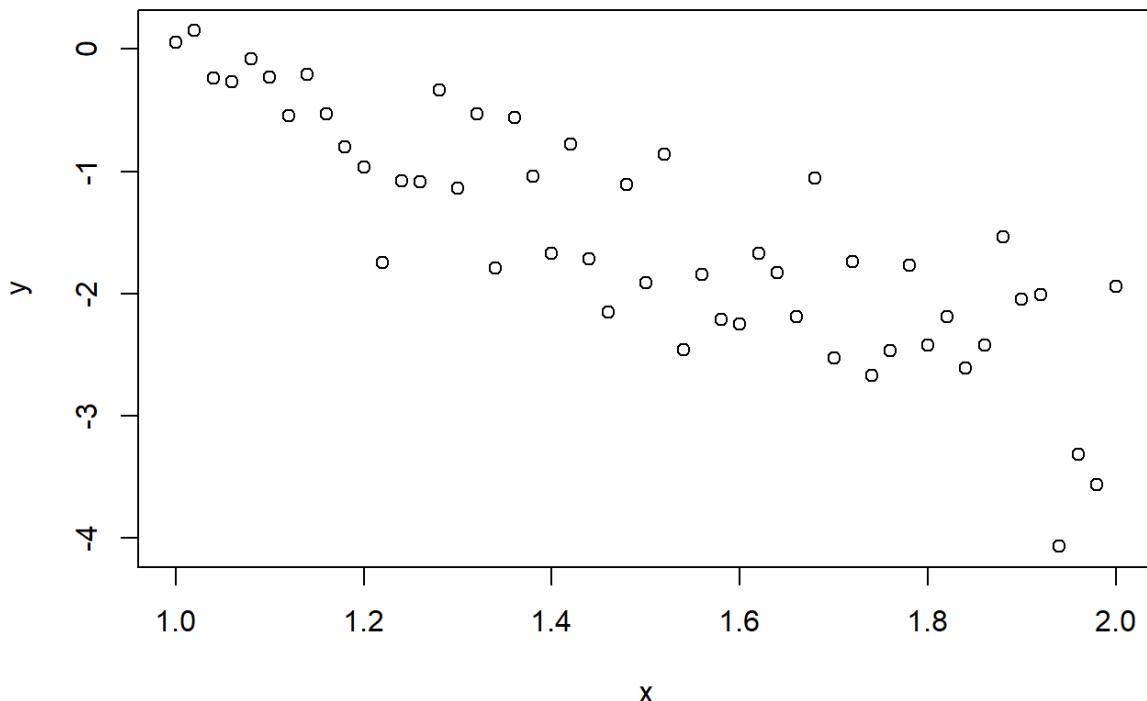
```
males<-read_csv("Males.csv")
```

```

## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##   x = col_double(),
##   y = col_double()
## )

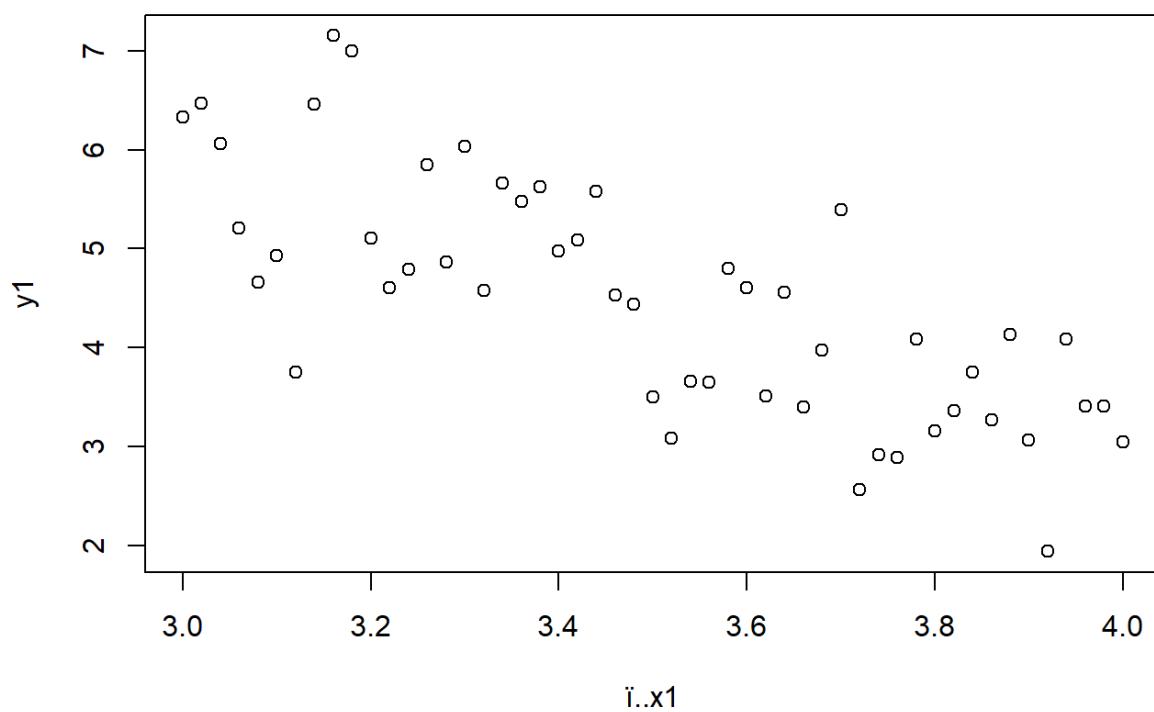
```

```
plot(males)
```



and the following for the females:

```
females<-read.csv("Females.csv")
plot(females)
```



Plots look very similar but the ranges on the x-axes and y- axes are different.

Simple linear regression for the genders separately give:

Males

```
m<-lm(y~x,data=males)
summary(m)
```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ x, data = males)
## 
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max 
## -1.33527 -0.36645  0.03395  0.36717  1.03367 
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept)  2.5815    0.3820   6.758 1.57e-08 ***
## x          -2.7407    0.2499  -10.967 8.60e-15 ***  
## ---        
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 
## 
## Residual standard error: 0.5254 on 49 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7105, Adjusted R-squared:  0.7046 
## F-statistic: 120.3 on 1 and 49 DF,  p-value: 8.599e-15

```

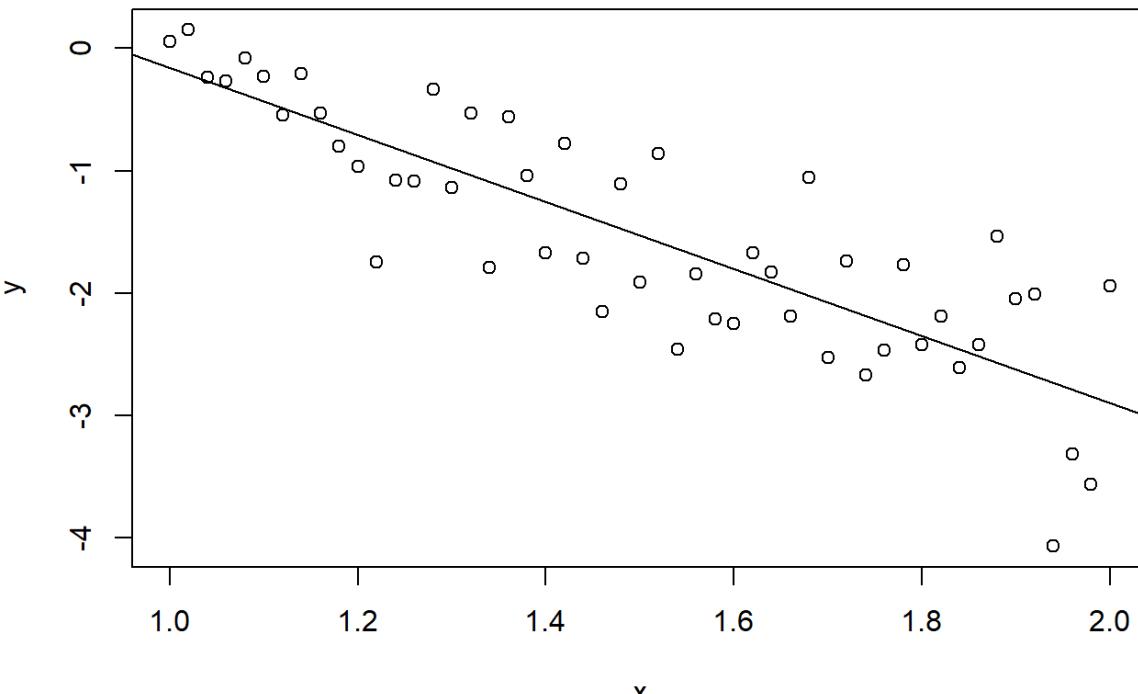
```
anova(m)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
## 
## Response: y
##           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)    
## x          1 33.199 33.199 120.28 8.599e-15 ***
## Residuals 49 13.525  0.276                        
## ---        
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 

```

```
plot(males)
abline(a=2.5815,b=-2.7407)
```



Females

```
f<-lm(y1~.,data=females)
summary(f)
```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = y1 ~ ., data = females)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max 
## -1.90342 -0.61669  0.05136  0.53750  1.61836 
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) 15.3054    1.3308 11.501 1.59e-15 ***
## i..x1       -3.0930    0.3789 -8.163 1.08e-10 ***
## ---      
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 
## 
## Residual standard error: 0.7966 on 49 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.5763, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5676 
## F-statistic: 66.64 on 1 and 49 DF,  p-value: 1.077e-10

```

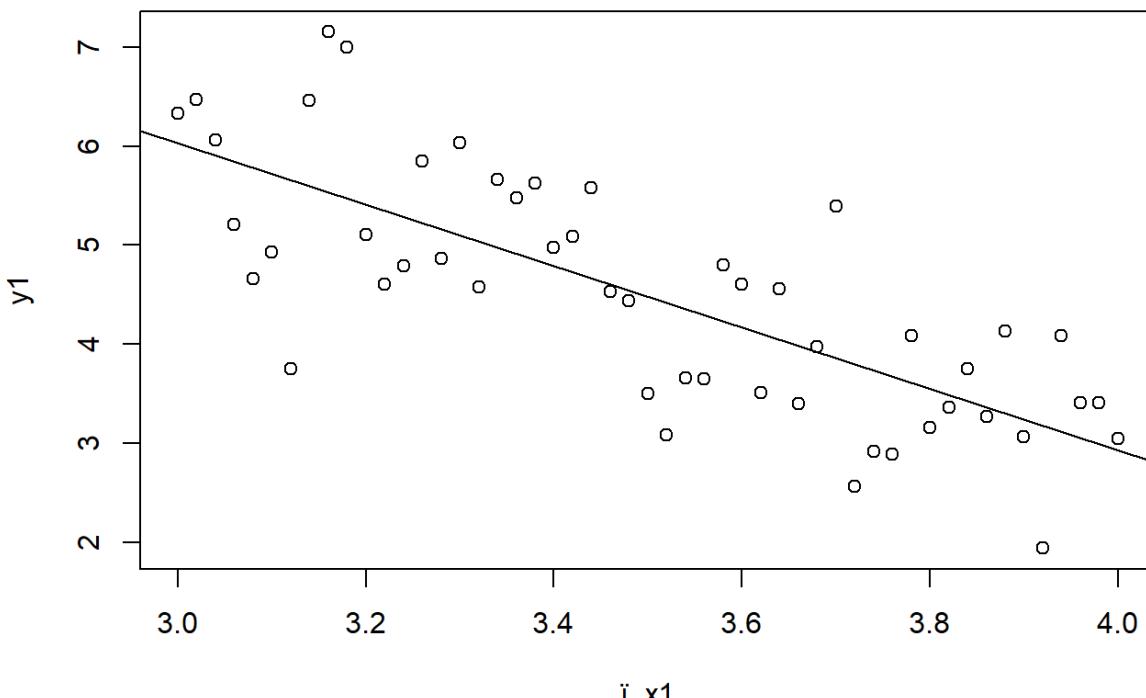
```
anova(f)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
## 
## Response: y1
##           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)    
## i..x1      1 42.286 42.286 66.637 1.077e-10 ***
## Residuals 49 31.094  0.635 
## ---      
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 

```

```
plot(females)
abline(a=15.3054,b=-3.0930)
```



Intercepts ($\hat{\beta}_0$'s) are quite different for male and female regression equations but slopes ($\hat{\beta}'_1$ s) are similar.

Reasonable to conclude that there is a negative linear relationship between Y and X, with a slope of -3. (Test $H_0 : \beta_1 = -3$ against $H_1 : \beta_1 \neq -3$ for Males and Females separately to see this.)

EXERCISE: Do this for yourself.Now we regress Y on X with the males and females together:

```
mf<-read.csv("MF.csv")
head(mf,n=10)
```

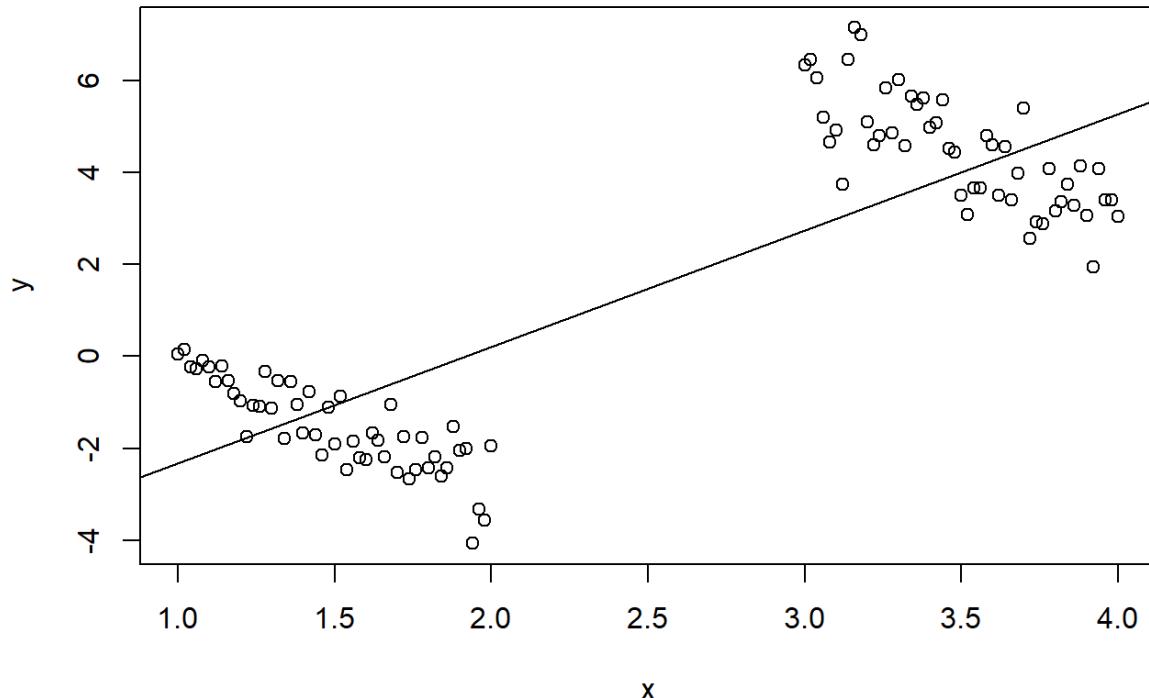
```
##   i..x          y Sex
## 1 1.00  0.05727829  1
## 2 1.02  0.15071923  1
## 3 1.04 -0.23484592  1
## 4 1.06 -0.26543879  1
## 5 1.08 -0.08266067  1
## 6 1.10 -0.22725652  1
## 7 1.12 -0.54365255  1
## 8 1.14 -0.20804359  1
## 9 1.16 -0.53029487  1
## 10 1.18 -0.80317294  1
```

```
x<-mf[,1]
y<-mf[,2]
fm1<-lm(y~x)
summary(fm1)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ x)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max 
## -4.1277 -1.4482 -0.1652  1.4083  4.0033 
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) -4.8558     0.4675 -10.39   <2e-16 ***
## x            2.5324     0.1726  14.67   <2e-16 ***
## ---    
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## 
## Residual standard error: 1.817 on 100 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6828, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6797 
## F-statistic: 215.3 on 1 and 100 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

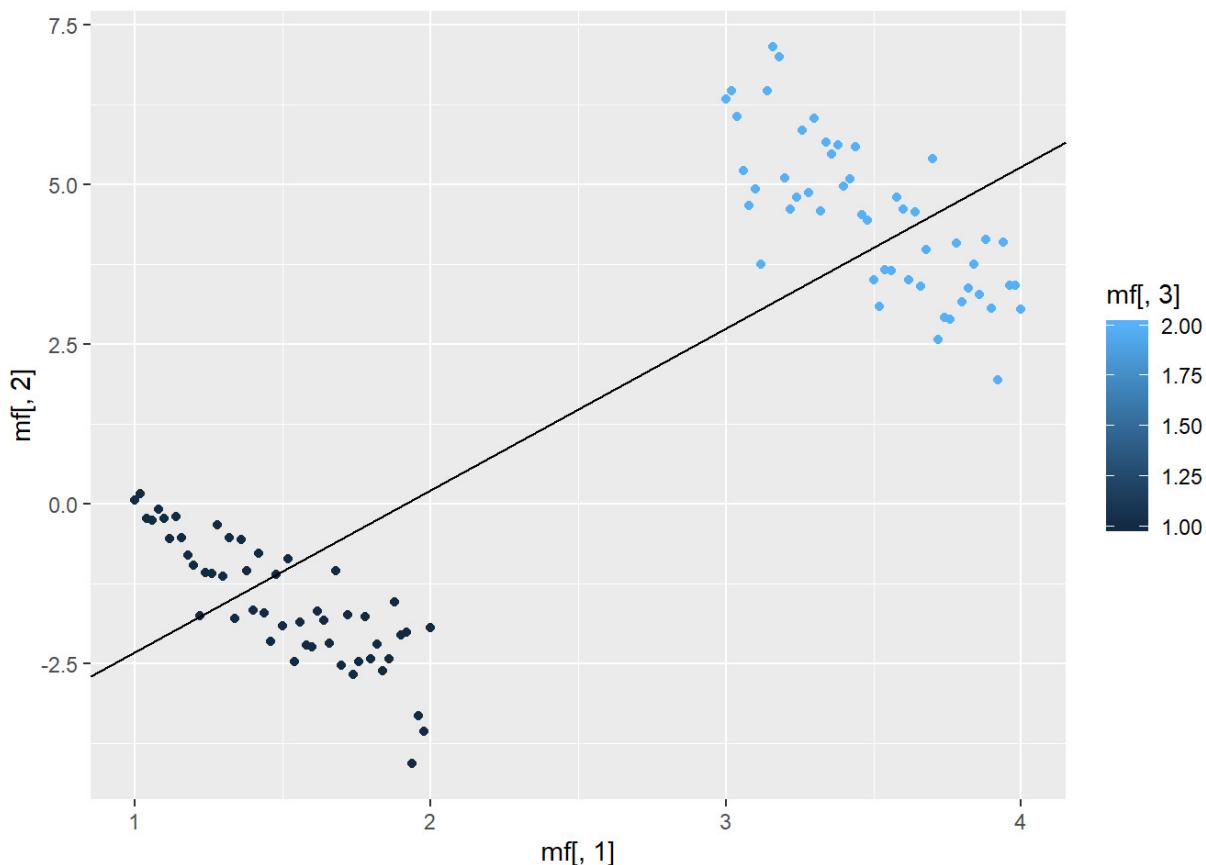
Overall regression has a slope of $\hat{\beta}_1 = 2.5324$! This is what has happened:

```
plot(x,y)
abline(a=-4.8558,b=2.5324)
```



Plot of y vs x , with genders indicated by different symbols:

```
ggplot(mf,aes(x=mf[,1],y=mf[,2],color=mf[,3]))+geom_point()+geom_abline(intercept = -4.8558, slope = 2.5324)
```



Gender is a **confounder** in the regression. A confounder is a variable in a study that may not be of direct interest, but has an association with both response and predictor(s). Confounders must be taken into account or controlled for. If not, incorrect results such as that shown above may be obtained.

Kleinbaum et al [1] state: *In general, confounding exists if meaningfully different interpretations of the relationship of interest result when an extraneous variable is ignored or included in the data analysis.*

[1] Kleinbaum, Kupper, Muller and Nizam (1998) Applied Regression Analysis and Other Multivariable Methods, Third Edition, Duxbury Press.

Controlling for a confounder

```
fit<-lm(y~.,data=mf)
summary(fit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ ., data = mf)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max 
## -1.8365 -0.4415 -0.0187  0.4624  1.6783 
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) -8.9972    0.2393 -37.59 <2e-16 ***
## i..x         -2.9168    0.2265 -12.88 <2e-16 ***
## Sex          11.8430    0.4722  25.08 <2e-16 ***
## ---    
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 
## 
## Residual standard error: 0.6734 on 99 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9569, Adjusted R-squared:  0.956 
## F-statistic: 1098 on 2 and 99 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
anova(fit)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: y
##             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)    
## i..x         1 710.81  710.81 1567.49 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Sex          1 285.24  285.24  629.03 < 2.2e-16 *** 
## Residuals  99  44.89    0.45                
## ---    
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

To put a plot with the fitted model here

How do we identify when confounding is occurring?

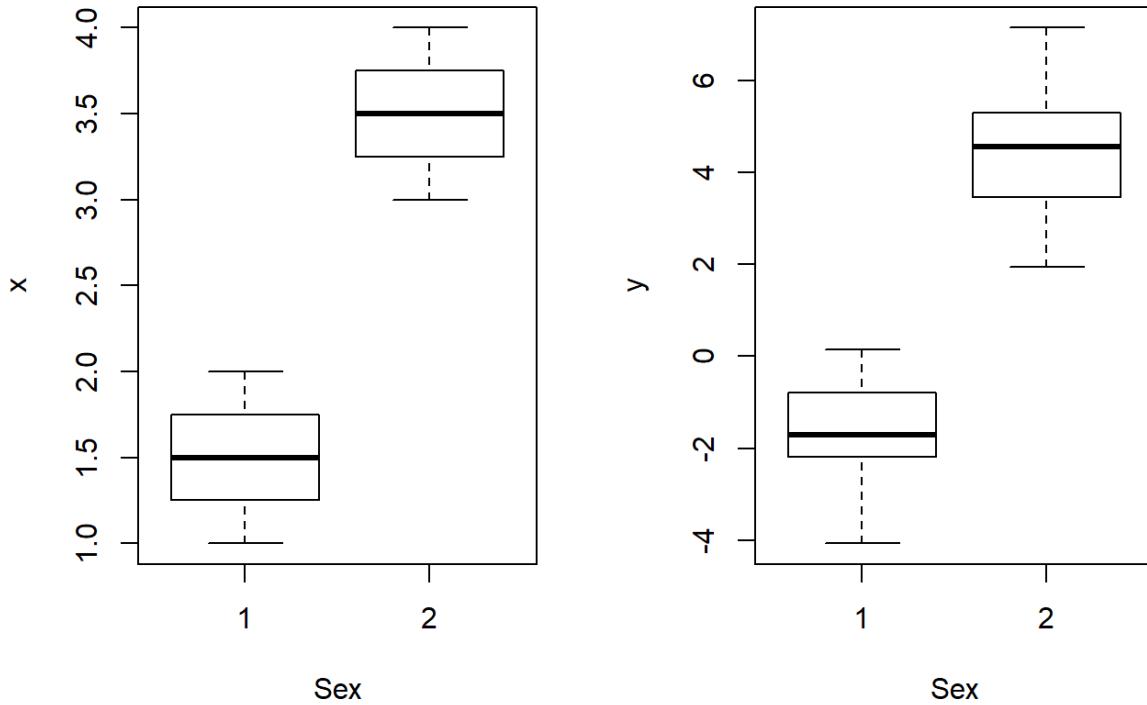
The coefficient of a predictor is very different when the confounder is added to the model.

EXAMPLE: When the model is $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \varepsilon$ for above example we get $\hat{\beta}_1 = 2.5324$. When gender is added to the model:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \beta_2 \text{gender}_i + \varepsilon$$

we get $\hat{\beta}_1 = -2.9168$. This is ample proof of confounding. No formal statistical test for the equality of the β_1 's obtained under the two models exists; we need to use judgement, in conjunction with graphical evidence such as above. Confounding happens when both response and predictor are affected by the same variable. Evidence of the cause of confounding is provided by plots of both X and Y against the confounder.

```
par(mfrow=c(1,2))
boxplot(x~Sex,data=mf)
boxplot(y~Sex,data=mf)
```



Continuous confounders

EXAMPLE: Mass and Physical Measurements for Male Subjects Michael Larner measured the weight and various physical measurements for 22 male subjects aged 16 - 30. Subjects were randomly chosen volunteers, all in reasonable good health. Subjects were requested to slightly tense each muscle being measured to ensure measurement consistency. All measurements except mass are in cm.

Variable	Description
Mass	Weight in kg
Fore	Maximum circumference of forearm
Bicep	Maximum circumference of bicep
Chest	Distance around chest directly under the armpits
Neck	Distance around neck, approximately halfway up
Waist	Distance around waist, approximately trouser line
Thigh	Circumference of thigh, measured halfway between the knee and the top of the leg
Calf	Maximum circumference of calf
Height	Height from top to toe
Shoulders	Distance around shoulders, measured around the peak of the shoulder blades

Larner, M. (1996). Mass and its Relationship to Physical Measurements. MS305 Data Project, Department of Mathematics, University of Queensland.

Say the purpose of the study was to explain men's weight (Y) as a function of their height (X_1):

```
mass<-read.csv("mass.csv")
names(mass)<-c("Mass","Fore","Bicep","Chest","Neck","Shoulder","Waist","Height","Calf","Thigh","Head")
head(mass,n=10)
```

```

##   Mass Fore Bicep Chest Neck Shoulder Waist Height Calf Thigh Head
## 1 77.0 28.5 33.5 100 38.5      114 85.0 178.0 37.5 53.0 58.0
## 2 85.5 29.5 36.5 107 39.0      119 90.5 187.0 40.0 52.0 59.0
## 3 63.0 25.0 31.0  94 36.5      102 80.5 175.0 33.0 49.0 57.0
## 4 80.5 28.5 34.0 104 39.0      114 91.5 183.0 38.0 50.0 60.0
## 5 79.5 28.5 36.5 107 39.0      114 92.0 174.0 40.0 53.0 59.0
## 6 94.0 30.5 38.0 112 39.0      121 101.0 180.0 39.5 57.5 59.0
## 7 66.0 26.5 29.0  93 35.0      105 76.0 177.5 38.5 50.0 58.5
## 8 69.0 27.0 31.0  95 37.0      108 84.0 182.5 36.0 49.0 60.0
## 9 65.0 26.5 29.0  93 35.0      112 74.0 178.5 34.0 47.0 55.5
## 10 58.0 26.5 31.0  96 35.0     103 76.0 168.5 35.0 46.0 58.0

```

```

fit<-lm(Mass~Height,data=mass)
summary(fit)

```

```

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Mass ~ Height, data = mass)
##
## Residuals:
##       Min        1Q    Median        3Q       Max
## -14.2156  -7.7434   0.1785   4.0739  18.7436
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -81.3253   61.4763  -1.323   0.201
## Height       0.8699    0.3443   2.527   0.020 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 9.781 on 20 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.242, Adjusted R-squared:  0.2041
## F-statistic: 6.385 on 1 and 20 DF, p-value: 0.02004

```

```

anova(fit)

```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: Mass
##             Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## Height       1  610.86 610.86  6.3854 0.02004 *
## Residuals  20 1913.29   95.66
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

An extraneous variable in the study is $X_2 = \text{Waist}$. Let's add it into the regression:

```

fit<-lm(Mass~Height + Waist,data=mass)
summary(fit)

```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = Mass ~ Height + Waist, data = mass)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q Median     3Q    Max
## -8.9319 -3.2881  0.6235  3.5401  5.2012
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -89.3517    26.0808  -3.426  0.00283 **
## Height       0.3439     0.1559   2.206  0.03990 *
## Waist        1.1909     0.1240   9.604  1e-08 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '****' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 4.147 on 19 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8705, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8569
## F-statistic: 63.88 on 2 and 19 DF,  p-value: 3.678e-09

```

```
anova(fit)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: Mass
##           Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## Height      1  610.86  610.86 35.514 9.788e-06 ***
## Waist       1 1586.49 1586.49 92.237 1.005e-08 ***
## Residuals  19  326.80   17.20
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '****' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

We have

Model	$\hat{\beta}_1$	p-value
$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \varepsilon_i$		
$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i} + \beta_2 x_{2i} + \varepsilon_i$		

The estimate of β_1 differs substantially depending on whether Waist is included in the model or not. Confounding is occurring because of important association between the extraneous variable (Waist) and the response variable Mass.

It is often necessary to include in a model variables not of direct interest to the research question (i.e. extraneous variables), simply because omitting them from the analysis would lead to incorrect conclusions concerning the relationship between the variables of interest.

How do we know what extraneous variables, or potential confounders, to measure in a study?

We have to rely on previous knowledge, such as that gained from previous studies, to identify which variables, besides those of direct interest, we should be measuring.

3.2 Interaction

Interaction occurs when the relationship between Y and X_1 is different at different levels of a third variable X_2 .

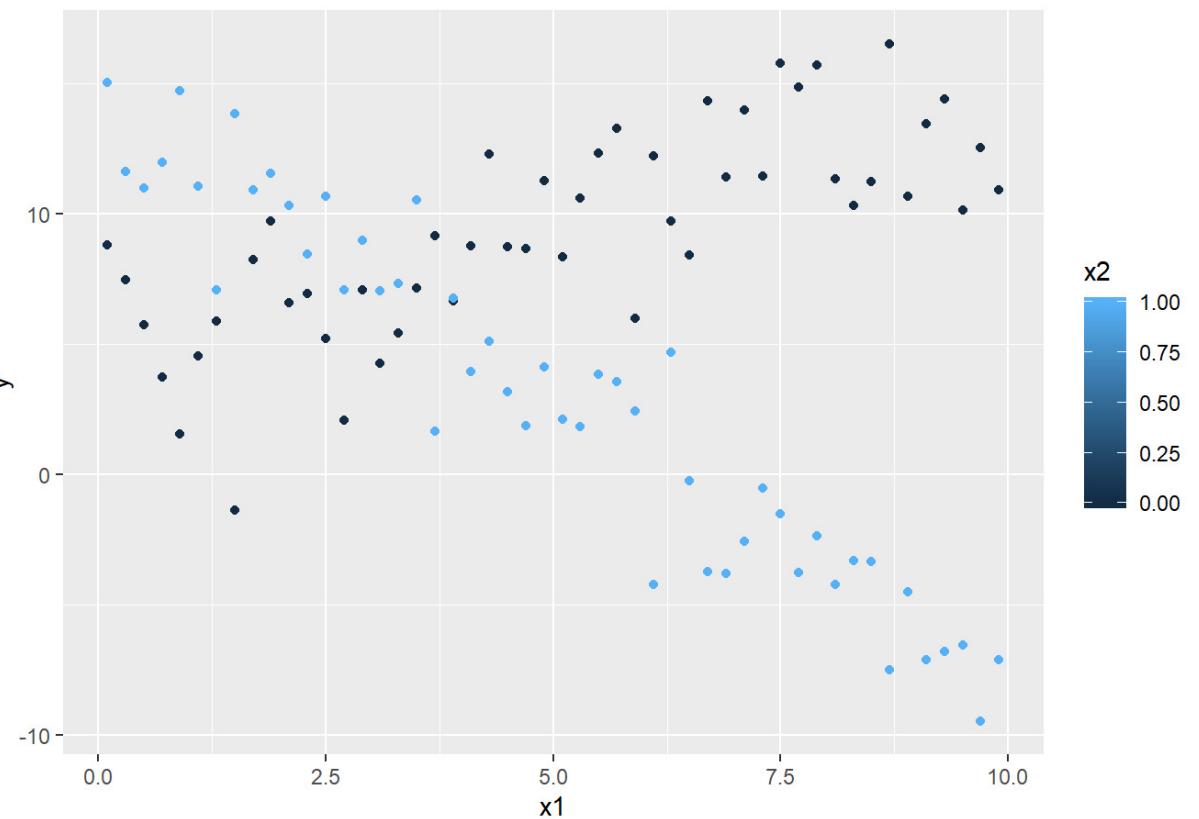
EXAMPLE: Simulated data set. There is a continuous predictor x_1 , and a categorical predictor x_2 which assumes the values 0 and 1. The variable y increases linearly with x_1 when $x_2 = 0$, and decreases linearly with x_1 when $x_2 = 1$.

```

data1<-read.csv("confounding.csv")
names(data1)<-c("y","x1","x2")
ggplot(data1,aes(x=x1,y=y,color=x2))+ggtitle("Figure 1: Interaction")+geom_point()

```

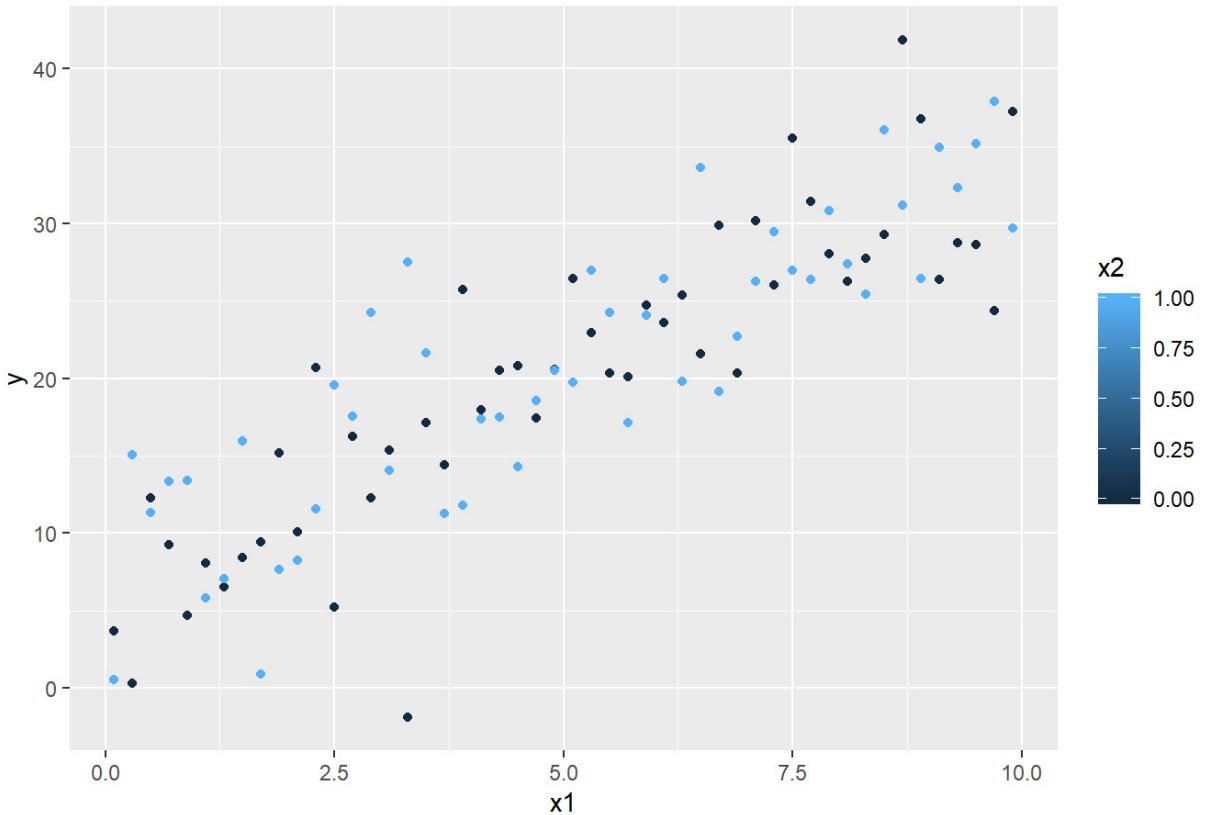
Figure 1: Interaction



An example of no interaction is:

```
data2<-read.csv("noconfounding.csv")
names(data2)<-c("y","x1","x2")
ggplot(data2,aes(x=x1,y=y,color=x2))+ggtitle("Figure 2: No interaction")+geom_point()
```

Figure 2: No interaction



Here y increases linearly with x_1 , at the same rate (slope), irrespective of the value of x_2 .

A regression of Y on X_1 and X_2 for the data in Figure 1 gives:

```
fit1<-lm(y~x1+x2,data=data1)
summary(fit1)
```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ x1 + x2, data = data1)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -12.8407  -4.2836   0.0165   4.0220   9.5455
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 12.4042     1.1830 10.485 < 2e-16 ***
## x1          -0.6230     0.1833 -3.399 0.000982 ***
## x2          -6.2591     1.0580 -5.916 4.96e-08 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '****' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 5.29 on 97 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3243, Adjusted R-squared:  0.3104
## F-statistic: 23.28 on 2 and 97 DF,  p-value: 5.539e-09

```

```
anova(fit1)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: y
##           Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## x1          1  323.32 323.32 11.554 0.0009825 ***
## x2          1  979.39 979.39 34.999 4.956e-08 ***
## Residuals 97 2714.43   27.98
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '****' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

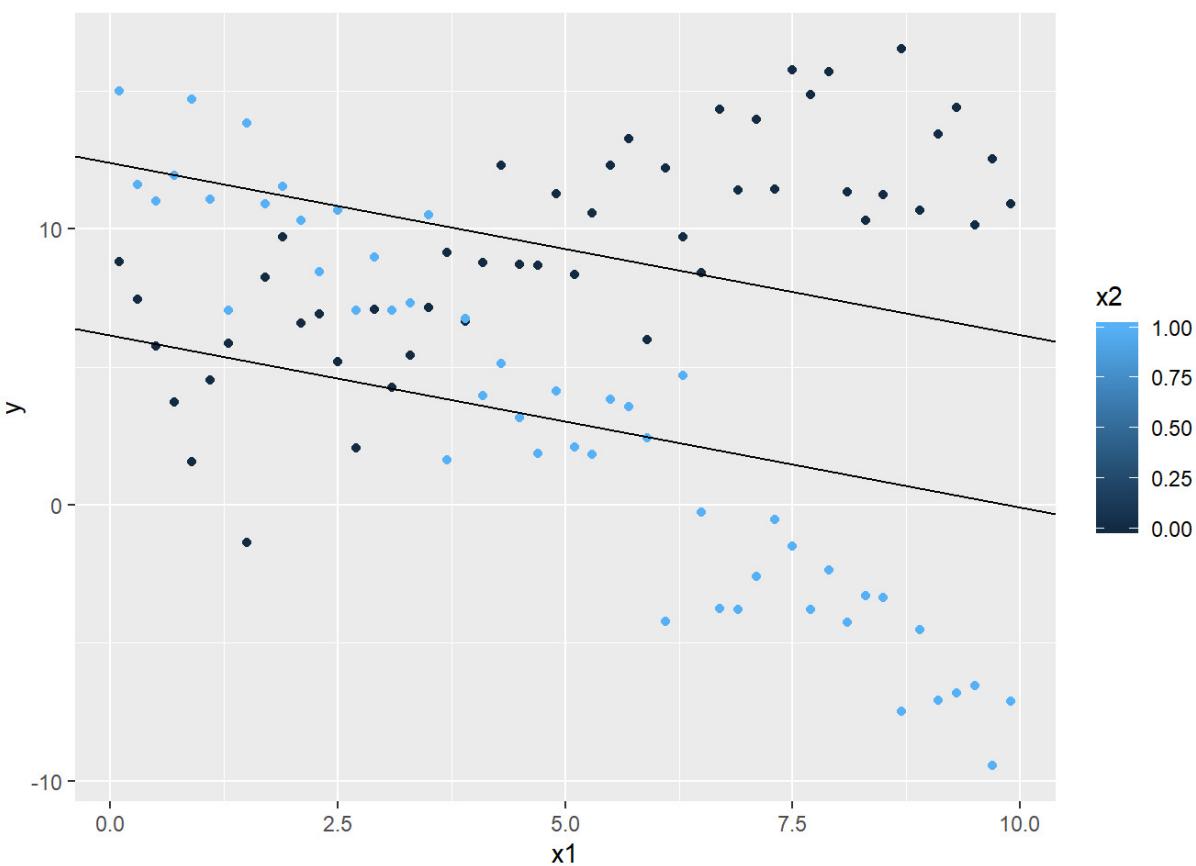
```

We are fitting a common slope, and allowing different intercepts for $x_2 = 0$ and $x_2 = 1$. We can write the model as

$$x_2 = 0 : \hat{y}_i = 12.4 - 0.623x_{1i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 = 1 : \hat{y}_i &= 12.4 - 0.623x_{1i} - 6.26 \\ &= 6.14 - 0.623x_{1i} \end{aligned}$$

```
ggplot(data1,aes(x=x1,y=y,color=x2))+geom_point()+geom_abline(intercept = 12.4, slope = -0.623) + geom_abline(intercept=6.14,slope=-0.623)
```



In order to capture the true relationship, we include an interaction term, which is $x_1 \times x_2$:

```
fit2<-lm(y~x1*x2,data=data1)
summary(fit2)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ x1 * x2, data = data1)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q   Median     3Q    Max 
## -7.1629 -1.3032  0.0645  1.4364  4.5780 
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) 4.2929     0.6598   6.507 3.48e-09 ***
## x1          0.9992     0.1143   8.743 7.42e-14 ***
## x2          9.9634     0.9331  10.678 < 2e-16 ***
## x1:x2      -3.2445     0.1616  -20.074 < 2e-16 ***
## ---        
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## 
## Residual standard error: 2.332 on 96 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.87, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8659 
## F-statistic: 214.2 on 3 and 96 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
anova(fit2)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: y
##           Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## x1          1  323.32  323.32  59.435 1.165e-11 ***
## x2          1  979.39  979.39 180.039 < 2.2e-16 ***
## x1:x2      1 2192.20 2192.20 402.985 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Residuals  96  522.23   5.44
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

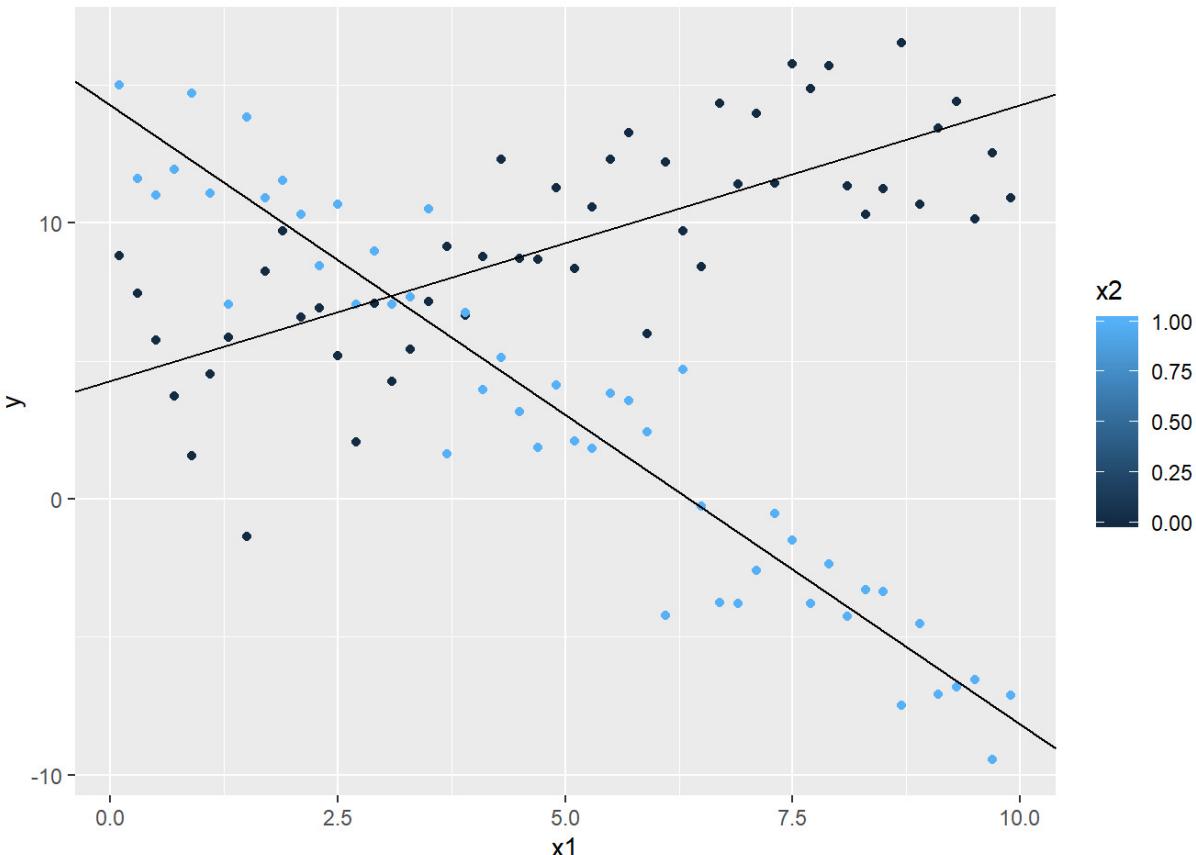
We now have the following model:

$$x_2 = 0 : \hat{y}_i = 4.29 + 0.999x_{1i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_2 = 1 : \hat{y}_i &= 4.29 + 0.999x_{1i} + 9.96 - 3.24x_{1i} \\ &= 14.25 - 2.241x_{1i} \end{aligned}$$

The fitted lines are shown with the data below:

```
ggplot(data1,aes(x=x1,y=y,color=x2))+geom_point()+geom_abline(intercept = 4.29, slope = 0.999) + geom_abline(intercept=14.25,slope=-2.241)
```



Fitting a model with an interaction term to the data in Figure 2 gives:

```
fit3<-lm(y~x1*x2,data=data2)
summary(fit3)
```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ x1 * x2, data = data2)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -16.8783 -3.0603 -0.4352  3.0126 11.3395
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 5.1814     1.3786   3.758 0.000294 ***
## x1          2.9798     0.2388  12.479 < 2e-16 ***
## x2          2.0335     1.9496   1.043 0.299551
## x1:x2      -0.2760     0.3377  -0.817 0.415830
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 4.873 on 96 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7476, Adjusted R-squared:  0.7397
## F-statistic: 94.79 on 3 and 96 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

```

```
anova(fit3)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: y
##           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## x1          1 6727.3 6727.3 283.2649 <2e-16 ***
## x2          1    10.7    10.7   0.4498 0.5041
## x1:x2      1    15.9    15.9   0.6678 0.4158
## Residuals 96 2279.9    23.7
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

The interaction term x_1x_2 is not significant. Fitting a model without the interaction term gives:

```

fit3<-lm(y~x1+x2,data=data2)
summary(fit3)

```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = y ~ x1 + x2, data = data2)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -17.1129 -3.0653 -0.6238  3.2418 11.5741
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 5.8713     1.0880   5.397 4.81e-07 ***
## x1          2.8418     0.1686  16.859 < 2e-16 ***
## x2          0.6537     0.9730   0.672    0.503
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 4.865 on 97 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7459, Adjusted R-squared:  0.7406
## F-statistic: 142.3 on 2 and 97 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

```

```
anova(fit3)
```

```

## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: y
##             Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## x1          1 6727.3 6727.3 284.2383 <2e-16 ***
## x2          1   10.7    10.7   0.4513 0.5033
## Residuals  97 2295.8     23.7
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

```

Some comments in fitting a model with interaction

In general, an m 'th order interaction involves $m + 1$ predictors.

EXAMPLE: If we have the second-order $X_1 X_2 X_3$ interaction, we would also include the first-order interactions $X_1 X_2$, $X_1 X_3$ and $X_2 X_3$ as well as the main effects X_1 , X_2 and X_3 .

*When fitting a higher-order interaction term, we always include the corresponding lower-order terms in the model.

*A model with interaction terms is more difficult to interpret than one with just main effects.

*The higher the order of the interactions, the harder the interpretation becomes.

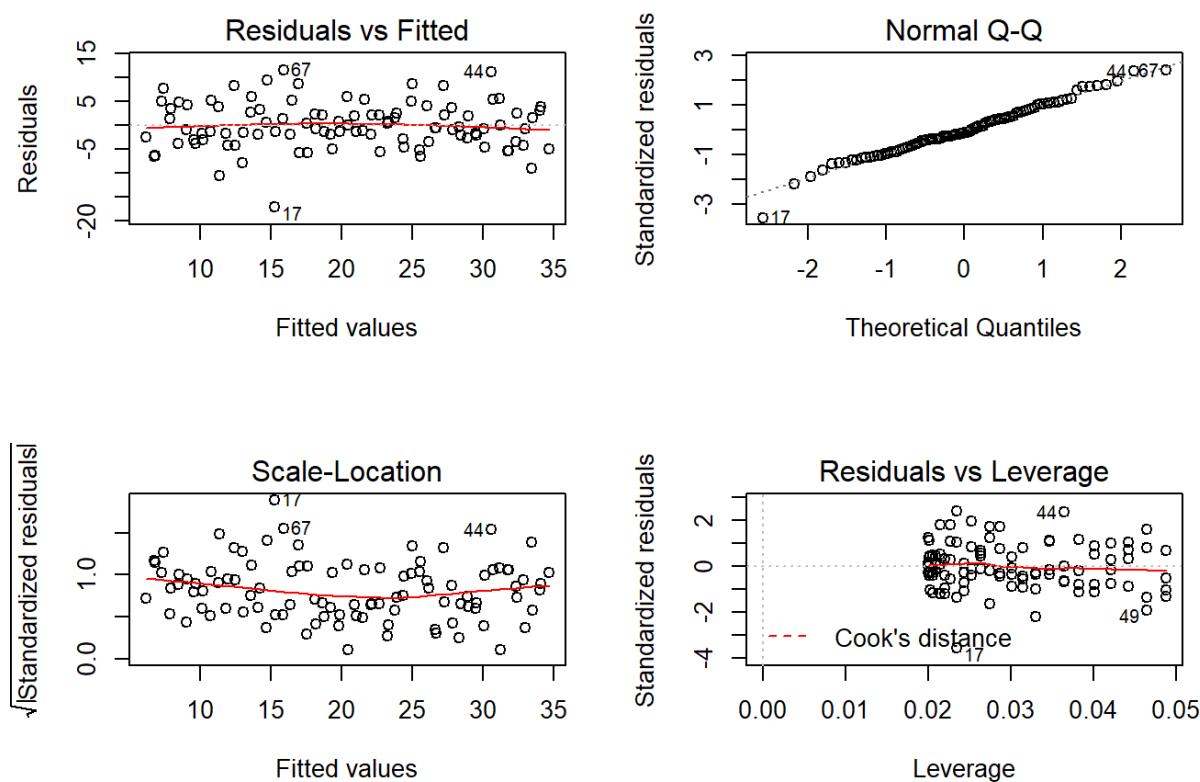
*We will always prefer a model with fewer interaction terms if the models have similar R^2_{Adj} .

Some other diagnostics

```

par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(fit3)

```



The Residuals vs Leverage (h_{ii}) plot can be used to see if you have any points with high leverage. To actually identify the points use `hatvalues(fit)` where `fit` is whatever name you gave to the model fitted to the data.

Leverage is a measure of how far away the independent variable values of an observation are from those of the other observations

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leverage_\(statistics\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leverage_(statistics)) ([https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leverage_\(statistics\)](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Leverage_(statistics)))

One rule of thumb for identifying such points is when

$$h_{ii} > 2 \frac{(p+1)}{n}.$$

We have $n = 100$ and $p = 2$ so high leverage points will have $h_{ii} > 2\frac{(2+1)}{100} = 0.06$. There are no high leverage points under the model fitted.

Influential points are captured by **Cook's distance** (D_i). An influential observation is an observation if it was removed the regression parameter estimates could be quite different. Such points are said to have high influence.

According to Cook and Weisberg we flag a case as influential if $D_i \geq F_{p+1,n-p-1;0.50}$. For this example all Cook's distances are close to zero so appears that there are no influential points.

The following can be used to obtain Cook's Distances.

```
library(car)  
cooks.distance(fit)
```

To get $D_i \geq F_{p+1,n-p-1;0.50}$ use $qf(.5, df1=p+1, df2=n-p-1)$ in R where you substitute the number values of df1 and df2.

4. Categorical Predictors

To fit models with categorical predictors with more than two values (levels) we need to use the **lm** command in R.

Example: BMD Data set

We have a sample of $n=122$ postmenopausal women, who took part in a clinical trial of hormone replacement therapy (HRT). The following variables were measured at the start of the trial:

BMD: Bone mineral density at the spine (g/cm²)

BMI : Body Mass Index (kg/m²)

AGE: Years

CALCIUM : Daily calcium intake (mg)

WTKG: Weight (kg)

HTCM: Height (cm)

MENOPYRS : Number of years since menopause

SMKCODE : Smoking status (1=none, 2= 1-10 cigarettes/day, 3= >10 cigarettes/day)

PARITY : Number of children

ALCOHOL : Alcohol intake (1= none, 2= ≤ 1 drink/day, 3= 2-3 drinks/day, 4= ≥ 4 drinks/day)

TRTPRV : Previous HRT (0=no, 1=yes)

AGEMENOP : Age at menopause

BMI_CAT : BMI category (1=underweight, 2=normal, 3=overweight, 4=obese, 5=very obese)

OSTEOFAM : Family history of osteoporosis (0=no, 1=yes)

The study was undertaken to assess the effect of HRT on bone mineral density; at the start of the trial, it is of interest to explain the relationship of BMD with the covariates.

The predictor TRTPRV takes on the value 0 if the subject had not previously taken hormone replacement therapy (HRT), and 1 if she had.

The regression of BMD against BMI and TRTPRV gives:

```
bmd<-read.csv("BMD.csv")  
names(bmd)<-c("BMD", "BMI", "AGE", "CALCIUM", "WTKG", "HTCM", "MENOPYRS", "SMKCODE", "PARITY", "ALCOHOL", "TRTPRV", "AGEMENO  
P", "BMI_CAT", "OSTEOFAM")  
fit<-lm(BMD~BMI+TRTPRV,data=bmd)  
summary(fit)
```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMD ~ BMI + TRTPRV, data = bmd)
##
## Residuals:
##    Min     1Q   Median     3Q    Max
## -0.32088 -0.08494  0.00583  0.09239  0.38783
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 0.945730  0.076010 12.442 <2e-16 ***
## BMI        0.005948  0.002867  2.075  0.0402 *
## TRTPRV     0.032468  0.028704  1.131  0.2603
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1446 on 119 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.04411,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.02805
## F-statistic: 2.746 on 2 and 119 DF,  p-value: 0.06826

```

TRTPRV is not significant ($p=0.260$), but let's consider what the regression is telling us.

If TRTPRV=0:

If TRTPRV=0:

$$BMD_i = 0.945730 + 0.005948 \text{BMI}_i$$

If TRTPRV=1:

$$\begin{aligned} BMD_i &= 0.945730 + 0.005948 \text{BMI}_i + 0.032468 \times 1 \\ &= 0.9782 + 0.005948 \text{BMI}_i \end{aligned}$$

In other words, having TRTPRV=1 results in an increase in the predicted value of BMD of 0.03247 g/cm². Note that the values of 0 and 1 assigned to TRTPRV are arbitrary, and any other coding would produce the same fitted values.

TRTPRV is a categorical predictor, or factor, with two levels. What happens when there are more than two levels? Consider the predictor SMKCODE:

Level	Description
1	Non-smoker
2	Moderate smoker: 1-10 cigarettes/day
3	Heavy smoker: >10 cigarettes/day

If we regress BMD on SMKCODE we get:

```

fit1<-lm(BMD~SMKCODE,data=bmd)
summary(fit1)

```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMD ~ SMKCODE, data = bmd)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.32688 -0.09233  0.00366  0.10306  0.41163
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 1.18137   0.02970 39.782 < 2e-16 ***
## SMKCODE     -0.05710   0.02117 -2.697 0.00801 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.143 on 120 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.05714,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.04929
## F-statistic: 7.273 on 1 and 120 DF,  p-value: 0.008007

```

SMKCODE=1: $BMD_i = 1.18 - 0.0571 \times 1 = 1.1229$

SMKCODE=2: $BMD_i = 1.18 - 0.0571 \times 2 = 1.0658$

SMKCODE=3: $BMD_i = 1.18 - 0.0571 \times 3 = 1.0087$

This means that there is a predicted decrease in BMD of 0.0571 g/cm² when SMKCODE changes from 1 to 2, and from 2 to 3. This doesn't make much sense: why should there be an equal difference in mean BMD between non-smokers and moderate smokers, as between moderate and heavy smokers?

If we had used different codings for SMKCODE, we would have obtained a totally different answer. This makes no sense at all. What we need is a model which recognises that the levels of a categorical variable are not to be taken literally as numerical values, but rather as indicators of different states that the variable can be in. For this we need the concept of an indicator variable.

Indicator variables

Going back to the BMD smoking variable, we define three indicator variables S_1 , S_2 and S_3 :

$$S_{i1} = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } i\text{'th person is a nonsmoker;} \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$S_{i2} = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } i\text{'th person is a moderate smoker;} \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$S_{i3} = \begin{cases} 1 & , \text{ if } i\text{'th person is a heavy smoker;} \\ 0 & , \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

The values of S_1 , S_2 and S_3 will then be as follows:

SMKCODE	S_1	S_2	S_3
1	1	0	0
2	0	1	0
3	0	0	1

We can then include S_1 , S_2 and S_3 in the model. The problem with this approach is collinearity. We will always have for i-th subject: $S_{i1} + S_{i2} + S_{i3} = 1$,

which means there is a perfect collinearity between the indicator variables. Another way to think of this is that we are giving the model redundant information: for example, for the i-th subject, if we have $S_{i1} = 0$ and $S_{i2} = 0$ then we know that we must have $S_{i3} = 1$. We only need to provide two bits of information about SMKCODE in order to convey all of the information. We leave out one of the indicator variables, and the level of the categorical variable corresponding to the indicator variable which we leave out, is called the **referent category**.

```

fit<-lm(BMD ~ factor(SMKCODE), data = bmd)
summary(fit)

```

```

## 
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMD ~ factor(SMKCODE), data = bmd)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.33018 -0.08980  0.00036  0.09505  0.40832
## 
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) 1.12758   0.01412  79.835 < 2e-16 ***
## factor(SMKCODE)2 -0.12711   0.04706  -2.701  0.00792 ** 
## factor(SMKCODE)3 -0.08718   0.04507  -1.934  0.05544 .  
## ---      
## Signif. codes:  0 '****' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## 
## Residual standard error: 0.1419 on 119 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.07856,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.06307 
## F-statistic: 5.073 on 2 and 119 DF,  p-value: 0.007689

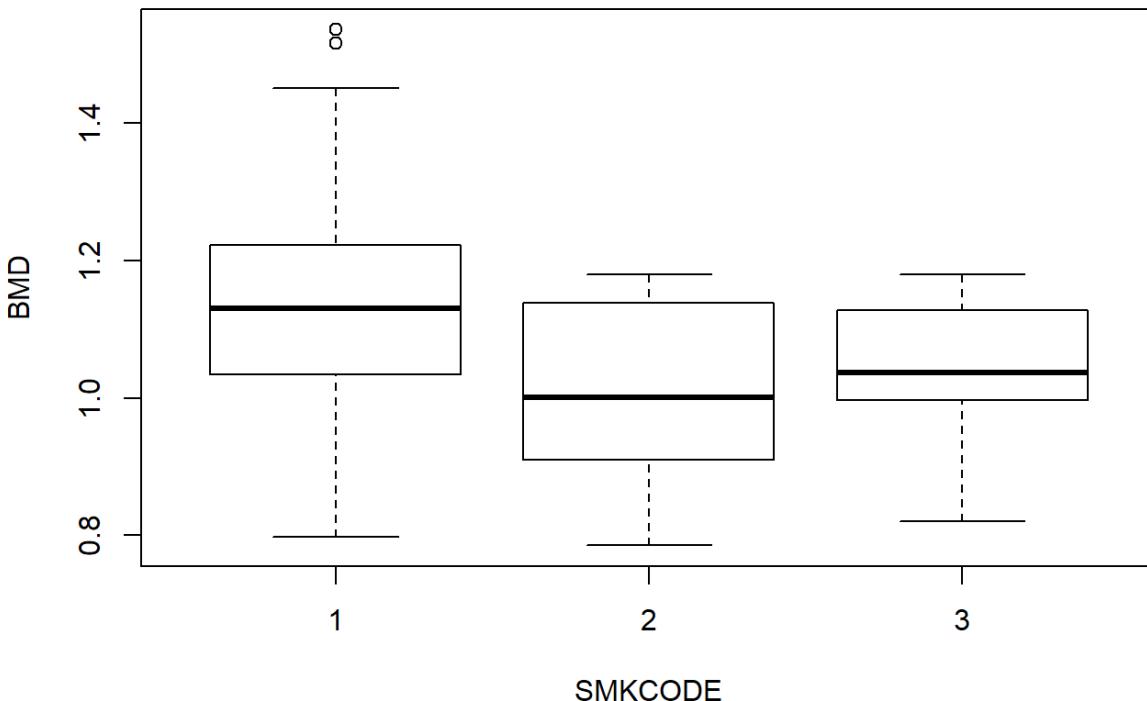
```

The referent category is S_1 , nonsmoker.

Another way of looking at the problem

We have performed an analysis to determine whether Smoking (a categorical variable or factor) is a significant predictor of BMD. An appropriate visual display is the boxplot:

```
boxplot(BMD~SMKCODE,data=bmd)
```



in which we can see the lower BMDs of smokers. This suggests another method of analysis: one-way analysis of variance. The model is

$$Y_{ij} = \mu + \alpha_j + \varepsilon_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, n_j; j = 1, 2, 3$$

where Y_{ij} = BMD of i -th subject in smoking group j

μ = Overall mean BMD

α_j = Effect of smoking group j

n_j = Number of subjects in smoking group j

$$\sum_{j=1}^3 \alpha_j = 0, \varepsilon_{ij} \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

```
anova(fit)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: BMD
##           Df  Sum Sq  Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## factor(SMKCODE)  2 0.20441 0.102204  5.0727 0.007689 **
## Residuals      119 2.39759 0.020148
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

5.1 ANALYSIS OF COVARIANCE

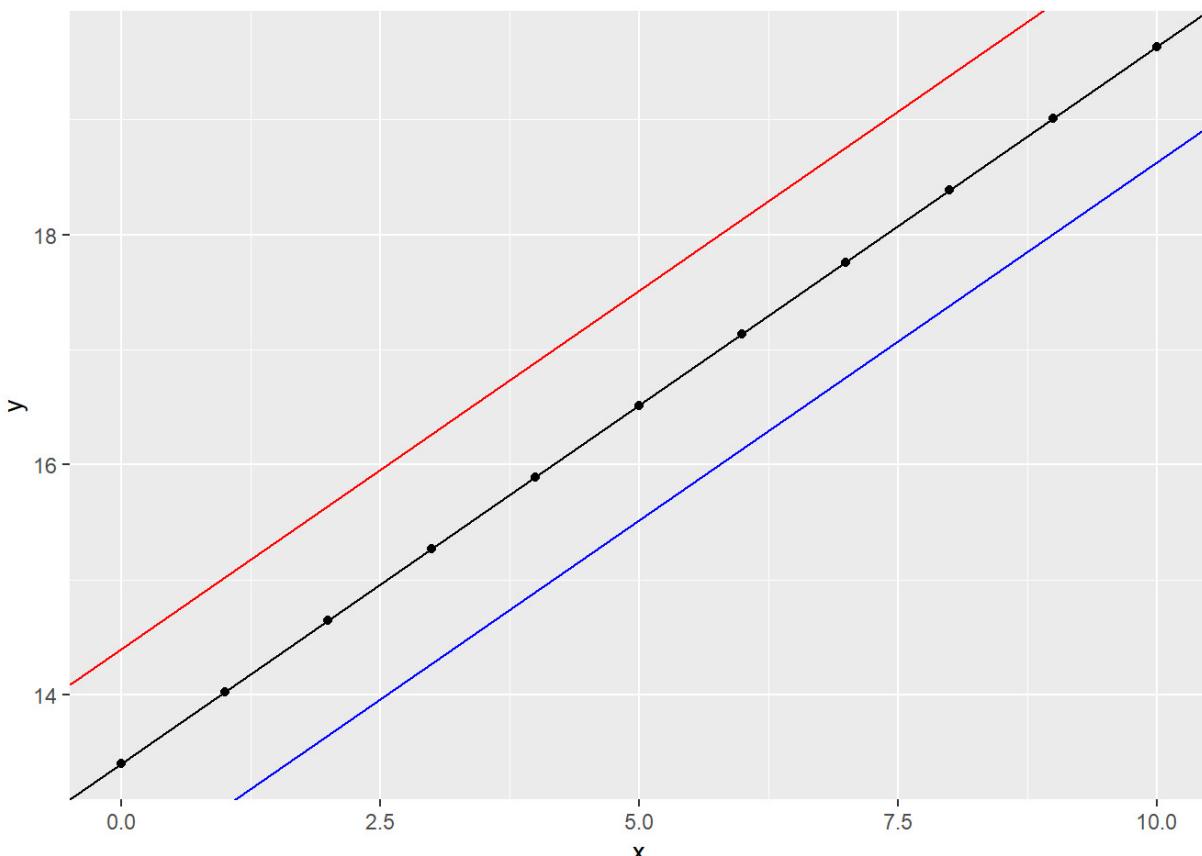
A regression based on a single, categorical predictor is equivalent to a one-way ANOVA. A regression based on more categorical variables as predictors (say m of them) would have been equivalent to an m -way ANOVA. Once we include categorical predictors in the regression framework, by using indicator variables, there is nothing stopping us from also including one or more covariates (or continuous predictors) in the model. Say we have one covariate (X) and one categorical predictor (S), which has k levels. Assuming that the last (k -th) level of S is the referent category, a possible model is

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \gamma_1 S_{i1} + \dots + \gamma_{k-1} S_{i,k-1} + \varepsilon_i, \quad (1)$$

$\varepsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ independently $i = 1, \dots, n$

What (1) is assuming is that the slope of the relationship between y and x is β_1 , irrespective of the value of S . This may be depicted, for $k = 3$, as:

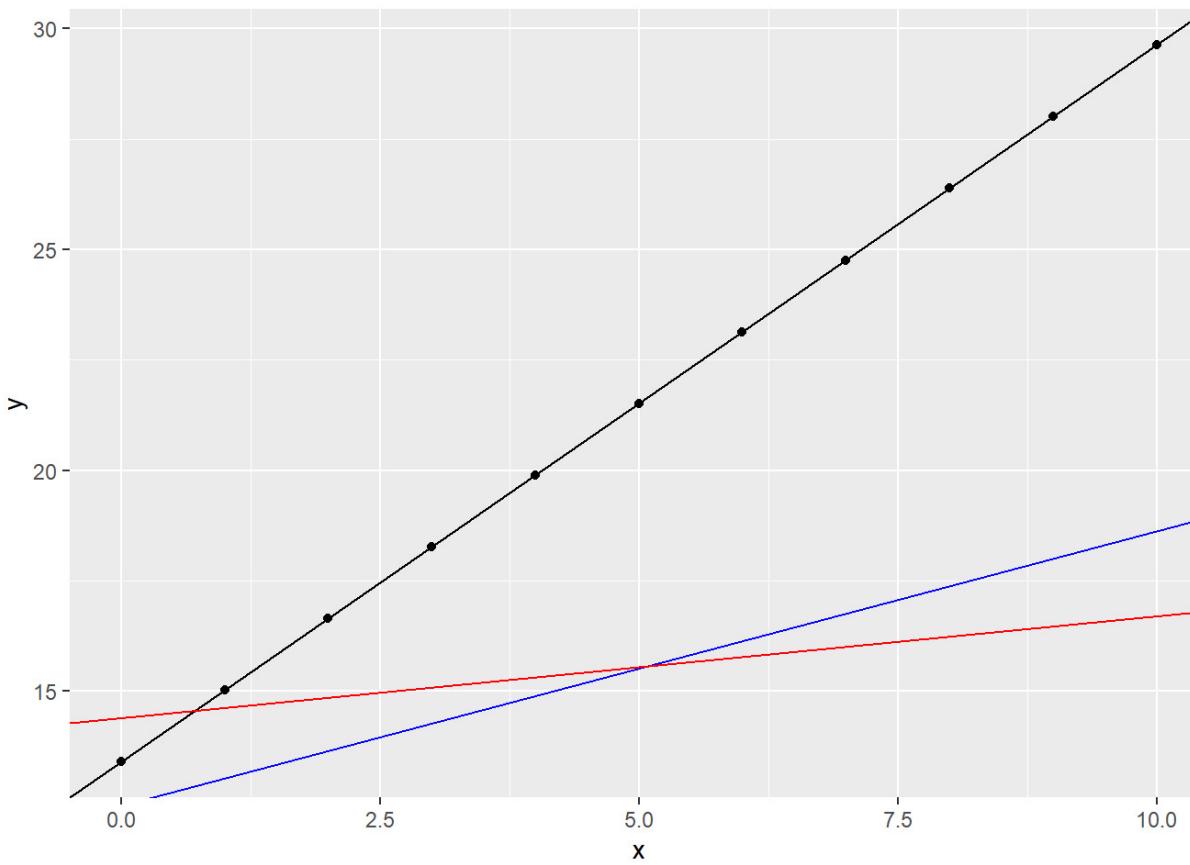
```
x<-c(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10)
y<-13.4+0.623*x
example1 <- data.frame(x, y)
ggplot(data=example1,aes(x=x,y=y))+geom_point()+geom_abline(intercept = 12.4, slope = 0.623,col="blue") +
  geom_abline(intercept=13.4,slope=0.623) +
  geom_abline(intercept=14.4,slope=0.623,col="red")
```



We say here that there is no interaction between X and S .

Another possible scenario is:

```
x<-c(0,1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10)
y<-13.4+1.623*x
example1 <- data.frame(x, y)
ggplot(data=example1,aes(x=x,y=y))+geom_point() + geom_abline(intercept = 12.4, slope = 0.623,col="blue") + geom_abline(intercept=13.4,slope=1.623) +
  geom_abline(intercept=14.4,slope=0.23,col="red")
```



The slope of the relationship between y and x depends on the value of S .

This is formulated as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_i = & \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i && \text{(covariate main effect)} \\
 & + \gamma_1 S_{i1} + \dots + \gamma_{k-1} S_{ik-1} && \text{(factor main effects)} \\
 & + \delta_1 (x_i \times S_{i1}) + \dots + \delta_{k-1} (x_i \times S_{ik-1}) && \text{(interaction terms)} \\
 & + \epsilon_i
 \end{aligned}$$

Rewrite as

$$\begin{aligned}
 y_i = & \beta_0 \\
 & + \delta_1 S_{i1} x_{i1} + \dots + \delta_{k-1} S_{ik-1} x_i + \beta_1 x_i \\
 & + \gamma_1 S_{i1} + \dots + \gamma_{k-1} S_{ik-1} \\
 & + \epsilon_i
 \end{aligned}$$

We have differential slopes for different levels of S . For the referent category k , the slope is β_1 .

No interaction hypothesis:

$$H_0 : \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \delta_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ versus } H_1 : \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \vdots \\ \delta_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

No effect of S hypothesis assuming no interaction:

$$H_0 : \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ versus } H_1 : \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_{k-1} \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

BMD example

Body mass index (BMI) is an important predictor of bone mineral density (BMD). It is a simple matter to include BMI in the model. The following is the model with no interaction, i.e. the same slope between BMD and BMI, irrespective of the subject's smoking status:

$$BMD_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot BMI_i + \gamma_2 S_{i2} + \gamma_3 S_{i3} + \varepsilon_i$$

where

BMI_i = body mass index of i-th subject and other definitions are as for model (1). The results are

```
fit<-lm(BMD ~ BMI+factor(SMKCODE), data = bmd)
summary(fit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMD ~ BMI + factor(SMKCODE), data = bmd)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max 
## -0.31668 -0.08025  0.00546  0.09665  0.39288 
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) 0.986226  0.074111 13.307 <2e-16 ***
## BMI         0.005428  0.002795  1.942  0.0545 .  
## factor(SMKCODE)2 -0.126571  0.046518 -2.721  0.0075 ** 
## factor(SMKCODE)3 -0.078738  0.044763 -1.759  0.0812 .  
## ---      
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1 
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1403 on 118 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1071, Adjusted R-squared:  0.0844 
## F-statistic: 4.718 on 3 and 118 DF,  p-value: 0.003806
```

```
anova(fit)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: BMD
##             Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)    
## BMI          1 0.08804 0.088044 4.4717 0.036566 *  
## factor(SMKCODE) 2 0.19062 0.095311 4.8408 0.009538 ** 
## Residuals    118 2.32333 0.019689                        
## ---      
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The fitted model is

$$BMD_i = 0.986 + 0.00543 \cdot BMI_i - 0.12657 \cdot S2 - 0.07874 \cdot S3$$

Interpretation of parameters:

The predicted effect on BMD of an increase of 1 kg/m² of BMI, is a increase of 0.005 g/cm².

The predicted effect on BMD of a person being a moderate smoker. compared with a nonsmoker, is a decrease of 0.127 g/cm².

The predicted effect on BMD of a person being a heavy smoker. compared with a nonsmoker, is a decrease of 0.079 g/cm².

The model with interaction is

$$BMD_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot BMI_i + \gamma_2 S_{i2} + \gamma_3 S_{i3} + \delta_2 (BMI_i \cdot S_{i2}) + \delta_3 (BMI_i \cdot S_{i3}) + \varepsilon_i$$

```
fit1<-lm(BMD ~ BMI*factor(SMKCODE), data = bmd)
summary(fit1)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMD ~ BMI * factor(SMKCODE), data = bmd)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max 
## -0.31624 -0.08058  0.00551  0.09204  0.39303
##
## Coefficients:
##             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)    
## (Intercept) 0.981566  0.079424 12.359 <2e-16 ***
## BMI         0.005607  0.003002  1.868  0.0643 .  
## factor(SMKCODE)2 -0.251757  0.265309 -0.949  0.3446  
## factor(SMKCODE)3  0.259077  0.343809  0.754  0.4526  
## BMI:factor(SMKCODE)2  0.004827  0.010065  0.480  0.6324  
## BMI:factor(SMKCODE)3 -0.013786  0.013880 -0.993  0.3227  
## ---      
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1407 on 116 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1169, Adjusted R-squared:  0.0788 
## F-statistic:  3.07 on 5 and 116 DF,  p-value: 0.01222
```

```
anova(fit1)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: BMD
##             Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)    
## BMI          1 0.08804 0.088044 4.4445 0.037166 *  
## factor(SMKCODE) 2 0.19062 0.095311 4.8114 0.009831 ** 
## BMI:factor(SMKCODE) 2 0.02542 0.012710 0.6416 0.528309  
## Residuals     116 2.29791 0.019810  
## ---      
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Model fitted:

$$\hat{BMD}_i = 0.98157 + 0.005607 BMI_i - 0.2518 S_{i2} + 0.2591 S_{i3} + 0.00483 (BMI_i \times S_{i2}) - 0.01379 (BMI_i \times S_{i3})$$

Alternatively:

$$\text{SMKCODE=1: } \hat{BMD}_i = 0.98157 + 0.005607 \cdot BMI_i$$

$$\text{SMKCODE=2: } \hat{BMD}_i = 0.98157 + 0.005607 \cdot BMI_i - 0.2518 + 0.00483 \cdot BMI_i$$

$$= 0.72977 + 0.010437 \cdot BMI_i$$

$$\text{SMKCODE=3: } \hat{BMD}_i = 0.98157 + 0.005607 \cdot BMI_i + 0.2591 - 0.01379 \cdot BMI_i$$

$$= 1.2407 - 0.008183 \cdot BMI_i$$

Interpretation of parameters:

Interaction makes interpretation more complicated.

The predicted effect on BMD of an increase of 1 kg/m² of BMI, is:

- for a nonsmoker: an increase of 0.005607 g/cm²;

- for a moderate smoker: an increase of 0.01 043 7 g/cm²;
- for a heavy smoker: a decrease of 0.008 183 g/cm².

The predicted effect on BMD of a person being a moderate smoker compared with a non-smoker: $-0.25180 + 0.00483 \cdot BMI_i$

The predicted effect on BMD of a person being a heavy smoker compared with a non-smoker: $0.2591 - 0.01379 \cdot BMI_i$

Test for interaction

Always test for interaction before main effects. If interaction is present then we need to retain the main effects in the model. We want to test

$$H_0 : \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ versus } H_1 : \begin{pmatrix} \delta_1 \\ \delta_2 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

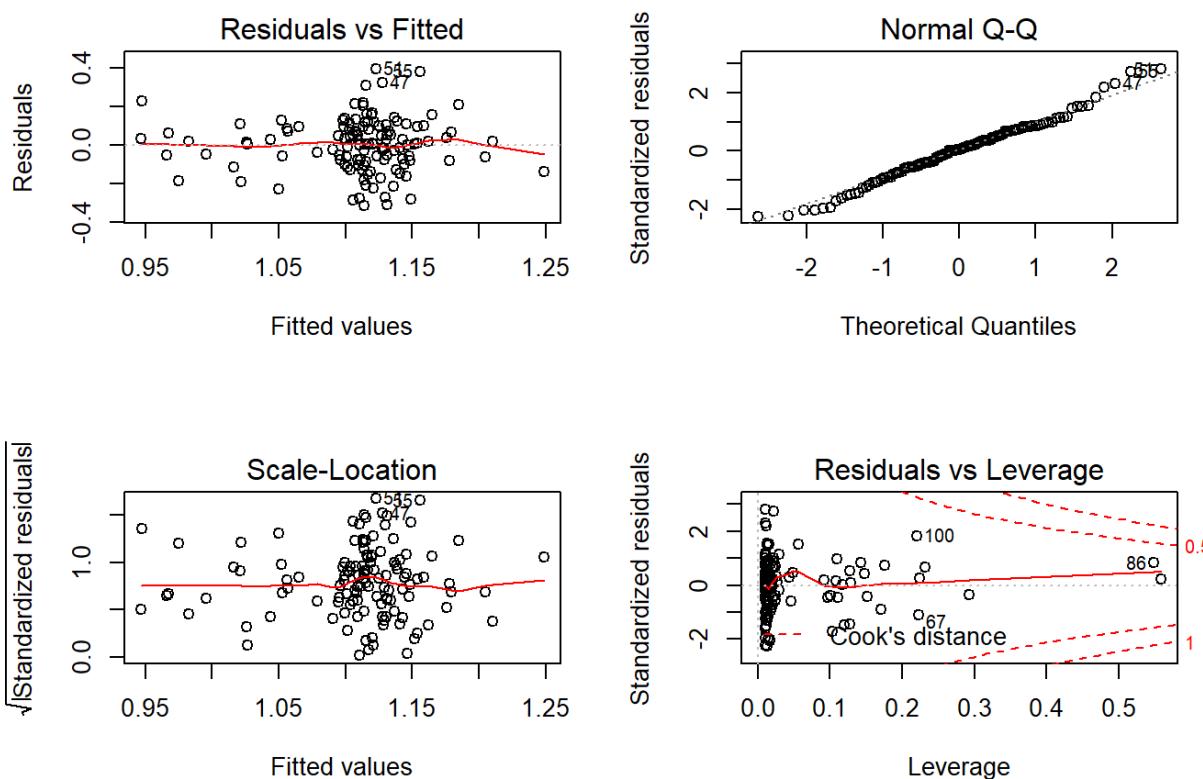
We can do this by looking at the anova of the model we fitted with interaction.

```
anova(fit1)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: BMD
##                               Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## BMI                      1 0.08804 0.088044 4.4445 0.037166 *
## factor(SMKCODE)          2 0.19062 0.095311 4.8114 0.009831 **
## BMI:factor(SMKCODE)      2 0.02542 0.012710 0.6416 0.528309
## Residuals                 116 2.29791 0.019810
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The p-value associated with the interaction term is 0.0095 which is significant. Only can say if this model assumptions hold:

```
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(fit1)
```



Might be prepared to say the model assumptions hold. Residuals versus Fitted values plot does look like a random scatter about zero and the Normal Q-Q plot looks linear.

We conclude that there is no evidence to confirm a BMI-smoking interaction effect on bone mineral density.

Test for categorical predictor (no interaction present)

In the presence of interaction, we need the main effects to be present in the model and so do not need to check for their significance.

In the absence of interaction, we test for the overall significance of the categorical predictor, again via a multiple partial F-test. (R gives you this when you obtain the anova of the model fitted without an interaction term which was fit above.)

The full model is

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i \quad (\text{covariate main effect}) \\ + \gamma_1 S_{i1} + \dots + \gamma_{k-1} S_{ik-1} \quad (\text{factor main effects}) \\ + \epsilon_i$$

We test:

$$H_0 : \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \text{ versus } H_1 : \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 \end{pmatrix} \neq \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

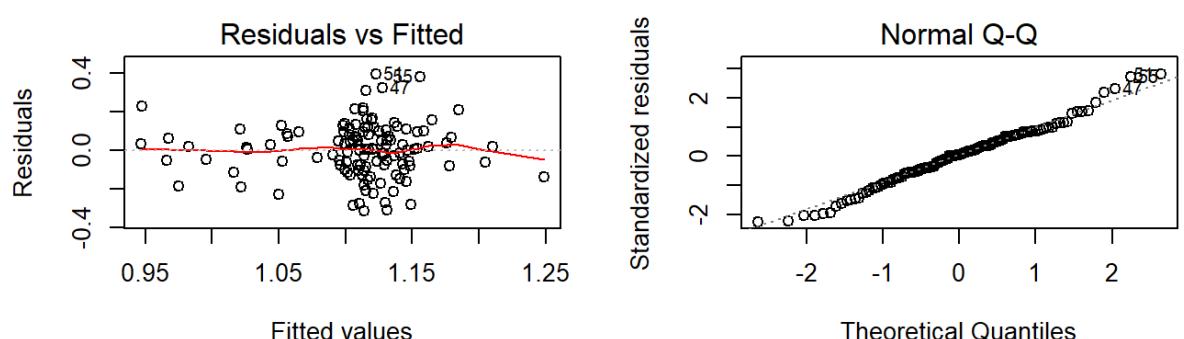
We can do this by looking at the anova of the model we fitted with no interaction earlier.

```
anova(fit)
```

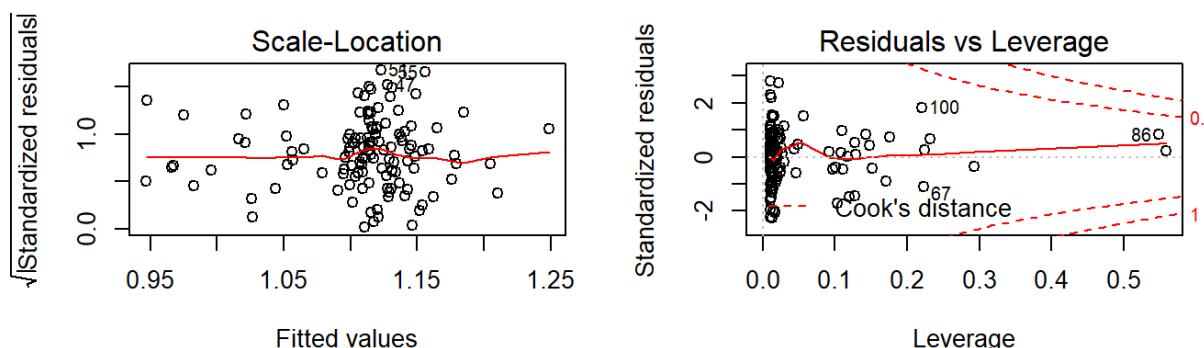
```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: BMD
##             Df  Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## BMI          1 0.08804 0.088044 4.4717 0.036566 *
## factor(SMKCODE) 2 0.19062 0.095311 4.8408 0.009538 **
## Residuals    118 2.32333 0.019689
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

The p-value associated with the is 0.0095 which is significant. We strongly reject H_0 in favour of H_1 . We conclude that Smoking is a significant predictor of BMD, after correcting (or controlling) for Body Mass Index. We only can say if this model assumptions hold:

```
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(fit1)
```



Tests for individual



```
summary(fit)
```

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = BMD ~ BMI + factor(SMKCODE), data = bmd)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max  
## -0.31668 -0.08025  0.00546  0.09665  0.39288  
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)  
## (Intercept)  0.986226  0.074111 13.307 <2e-16 ***  
## BMI         0.005428  0.002795  1.942  0.0545 .  
## factor(SMKCODE)2 -0.126571  0.046518 -2.721  0.0075 **  
## factor(SMKCODE)3 -0.078738  0.044763 -1.759  0.0812 .  
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 0.1403 on 118 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1071, Adjusted R-squared:  0.0844  
## F-statistic: 4.718 on 3 and 118 DF, p-value: 0.003806
```

Test for the significance of γ_j , compared with the referent category.

For $H_0 : \gamma_2 = 0$ we have γ_2 significant ($p=0.0075$) and for $H_0 : \gamma_3 = 0$, we have γ_3 not significant ($p=0.081$).

We conclude that moderate smokers have mean BMD levels significantly lower than nonsmokers, but that heavy smokers' mean BMD levels are not significantly different from nonsmokers. [The numbers of heavy smokers in the sample was small, making the detection of a significant difference unlikely, even if there was a significant difference in the population.]

Caution: Here we have performed two hypothesis tests, both at a 5% level of significance. Is the overall significance of our conclusion still 5%? If not, is it greater than or less than 5%?

Referent category revisited

A sensible choice for referent category will be a category which:

*for numerical stability: is not sparse; has a reasonable number of observations; and

*is a sensible point of reference in the context of the problem.

In the BMD example, we have the following frequencies for Smkcode:

Level	Number
1	101
2	10
3	11
Total	122

There are few moderate and heavy smokers relative to nonsmokers, and a comparison with reference to nonsmokers makes sense.

Transformation of variables will be covered in the last Exercise for Day 2.