## STAT 216 Coursepack



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### Preface

This coursepack accompanies the textbook for STAT 216: Montana State Introductory Statistics with R, which can be found at https://mtstateintrostats.github.io/IntroStatTextbook/. The syllabus for the course (including the course calendar), data sets, and links to D2L Brightspace, Gradescope, and the MSU RStudio server can be found on the course webpage: https://math.montana.edu/courses/s216/. Other notes and review materials are linked in D2L.

Each of the activities in this workbook is designed to target specific learning outcomes of the course, giving you practice with important statistical concepts in a group setting with instructor guidance. In addition to the in-class activities for the course, video notes are provided to aid in taking notes while you complete the required videos. Bring this workbook with you to class each class period, and take notes in the workbook as you would your own notes. A well-written completed workbook will provide an optimal study guide for exams!

All activities and labs in this coursepack will be completed during class time. Parts of each lab will be turned in on Gradescope. To aid in your understanding, read through the introduction for each activity before attending class each day.

STAT 216 is a 3-credit in-person course. In our experience, it takes six to nine hours per week outside of class to achieve a good grade in this class. By "good" we mean at least a C because a grade of D or below does not count toward fulfilling degree requirements. Many of you set your goals higher than just getting a C, and we fully support that. You need roughly nine hours per week to review past activities, read feedback on previous assignments, complete current assignments, and prepare for the next day's class. A typical week in the life of a STAT 216 student looks like:

- Prior to class meeting:
  - Read assigned sections of the textbook, using the provided reading guides to take notes on the material.
  - Watch the provided videos, taking notes in the coursepack.
  - Read through the introduction to the day's in-class activity.
  - Read through the week's homework assignment and note any questions you may have on the content.
- During class meeting:
  - Work through the guided activity, in-class activity or weekly lab with your classmates and instructor, taking detailed notes on your answers to each question in the activity.
- After class meeting:
  - Complete any parts of the activity you did not complete in class.
  - Review the activity solutions in the Math and Stat Center, and take notes on key points.
  - Complete any remaining assigned readings for the week.
  - Complete the week's homework assignment.

# Exploratory Data Analysis and Inference for Two Quantitative Variables

### 1.1 Vocabulary Review and Key Topics

Review the Golden Ticket posted in the resources at the end of the coursepack for a summary of two quantitative variables.

#### 1.1.1 Key topics

Module 13 will cover exploratory data analysis and both simulation-based and theory-based methods of inference for two quantitative variables. The **summary measure** for two quantitative variables is either the **slope** of a regression line or the **correlation** between the two variables.

- Notation for a sample regression slope:  $b_1$
- Notation for a population regression slope:  $\beta_1$
- Notation for a sample correlation: r
- Notation for a population correlation:  $\rho$

Types of plots for two quantitative variables:

• Scatterplot

#### 1.1.2 Vocabulary

#### Plotting two quantitative variables

• Scatterplot: plots (x, y) pairs of observations with the explanatory variable on the x-axis and the response variable on the y-axis. R code to create a scatterplot:

- If there is a third categorical variable, you can use color or shape to include the third variable on the scatterplot.
- Four characteristics of scatterplots:
  - Form (linear or non-linear)
  - Direction (positive or negative)
  - Strength (weak, moderate, or strong)

- Outliers?

#### Sample statistics for two quantitative variables

- Least-squares regression line: a line fit to the data which minimizes the squared vertical distances from the observed y-value to the line
  - Notation for the fitted least-squares regression line:

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

or

$$re\widehat{sponse} = b_0 + b_1 \times explanatory$$

To write the equation of the regression line in context of the problem, include descriptive names of the response and explanatory variables for "y/response" and "x/explanatory" above.

- $-b_0$  is the y-intercept of the regression line: the predicted value of the response variable when the explanatory variable is equal to zero.
- $b_1$  is the **slope** of the regression line: the *predicted* increase/decrease in the response variable associated with a one-unit increase in the explanatory variable.
- The distance from an observation's y-value (observed response) to its fitted value,  $\hat{y}$  (the value on the line) is called a **residual**:

$$residual = observed - fitted = y - \hat{y}$$

- A least-squares regression line is a special case of a **linear model**.
- R code to find the least-squares regression line (fit the linear model):

```
linearmodel <- lm(response~explanatory, data=object)
round(summary(linearmodel)$coefficients,3) # Display coefficients</pre>
```

- Correlation: measures the magnitude and direction of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables.
  - Parameter notation:  $\rho$
  - Sample notation: r
  - R code to find the **correlation** matrix between variables:

# Melinda add code

• Coefficient of determination: measures the proportion of total variability in the response variable that is explained by the linear relationship with the explanatory variable. The coefficient of determination can be calculated in three ways:

$$r^2 = (r)^2 = \frac{SST - SSE}{SST} = \frac{s_y^2 - s_{residual}^2}{s_y^2}$$

#### Hypotheses

Hypotheses involving two quantitative variables can be expressed either in terms of the slope or the correlation. When either the slope or correlation is equal to zero, there is no linear relationship between the two quantitative variables (the null hypothesis).

• Hypotheses in notation for slope:

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

$$H_A:\beta_1\left\{\begin{array}{l}<\\\neq\\<\end{array}\right\}0$$

Hypotheses in notation for correlation:

$$\begin{split} H_0: \rho &= 0 \\ H_A: \rho \left\{ \begin{array}{l} < \\ \neq \\ < \end{array} \right\} 0 \end{split}$$

#### Simulation-based inference for two quantitative variables

- Conditions necessary to use simulation-based methods for inference for two quantitative variables:
  - **Independence**: observational units (the (x, y) pairs) must be independent of one another.
  - Linearity: the form of the relationship (if any) between the two variables must be linear.
- Simulation-based methods to create the null distribution: R code for simulation methods to find the p-value using the regression\_test function in the catstats package.

• Simulation-based methods to create the bootstrap distribution: R code to find the simulation-based confidence interval using the regression\_bootstrap\_CI function from the catstats package.

```
regression_bootstrap_CI(response~explanatory, # response ~ explanatory
  data = object, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = xx, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "xx", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

#### 1.1.2.1 Theory-based methods for two quantitative variables

- Conditions necessary to use theory-based methods for inference for two quantitative variables:
  - **Independence** (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): observational units (the (x, y) pairs) must be independent of one another. | Check this assumption by investigating the sampling method and determining if the observational units are related in any way.
  - Linearity (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): the form of the relationship (if any) between the two variables must be linear.
     Check this assumption by examining the scatterplot of the two variables, and a scatterplot of the residuals (on the y-axis) versus the fitted values (on the x-axis). The pattern in the residuals vs. fitted plot should display a horizontal line.

- Constant variability (for theory-based methods only): the variability of points around the least squares line remains roughly constant | Check this assumption by examining a scatterplot of the residuals (on the y-axis) versus the fitted values (on the x-axis). The variability in the residuals around zero should be approximately the same for all fitted values.
- Nearly normal residuals (for theory-based methods only): residuals must be nearly normal.
   Check this assumption by examining a histogram of the residuals, which should appear approximately normal.
- Standard error of the slope of the least-squares regression line  $(SE(b_1))$ : obtain the value of the standard error of the slope from the linear model (lm) R output.
- Standardized slope:

$$T = \frac{\text{slope estimate} - nullvalue}{SE} = \frac{b_1 - 0}{SE(b_1)}.$$

- The p-value can be found from the linear model (1m) R output or by using the pt function in R to find the area under a t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom where T is as or more extreme as the value observed (in the direction of  $H_A$ ).
- Margin of error: half the width of the confidence interval. For a regression slope, the margin of error is:

$$ME = t^* \times SE(b_1)$$

where  $t^*$  is the **multiplier**, corresponding to the desired confidence level found from a t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom.

- Use the qt function in R to find the  $t^*$  multiplier with n-2 degrees of freedom.
- To find the endpoints of a confidence interval, add and subtract the margin of error to the sample statistic. The confidence interval for a population slope is:

$$b_1 \pm ME$$

### 1.2 Video Notes: Regression and Correlation

Read Chapters 6, 7, 8, 21, and 22 in the course textbook. Use the following videos to complete the video notes for Module 13.

#### 1.2.1 Course Videos

- 6.1
- 6.2
- 6.3
- Ch 7
- 21.1
- 21.3
- 21.4TheoryTests
- 21.4TheoryIntervals

#### Summary measures and plots for two quantitative variables - Videos 6.1 - 6.3

Example: Data were collected from 1236 births between 1960 and 1967 in the San Francisco East Bay area to better understand what variables contributed to child birthweight, as children with low birthweight often suffer from an array of complications later in life ("Child Health and Development Studies," n.d.). There were some missing values in the study and with those observations removed we have a total of 1223 births.

```
babies <- read.csv ("data/babies.csv") %>%
   drop_na(bwt) %>%
   drop na(gestation)
glimpse(babies)
#> Rows: 1,223
#> Columns: 8
#> $ case
              <int> 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, ~
#> $ bwt
              <int> 120, 113, 128, 108, 136, 138, 132, 120, 143, 140, 144, 141,
#> $ qestation <int> 284, 282, 279, 282, 286, 244, 245, 289, 299, 351, 282, 279,
#> $ parity
              #> $ age
              <int> 27, 33, 28, 23, 25, 33, 23, 25, 30, 27, 32, 23, 36, 30, 38, ~
#> $ height
              <int> 62, 64, 64, 67, 62, 62, 65, 62, 66, 68, 64, 63, 61, 63, 63, ~
              <int> 100, 135, 115, 125, 93, 178, 140, 125, 136, 120, 124, 128, 9~
#> $ weight
#> $ smoke
              <int> 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0, 0, 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 0, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1, 0, ~
```

Here you see a glimpse of the data. The 1223 rows correspond to the sample size. The case variable is labeling each pregnancy 1 through 1223. Then 7 variables are recorded. birthweight (bwt), length of gestation in days, parity is called an indicator variable telling us if the pregnancy was a first pregnancy (labeled as 0) or not (labeled as 1) were recorded about the child and pregnancy. The age, height, and weight were recorded for the mother giving birth, as was smoke, another indicator variable where 0 means the mother did not smoke during pregnancy, and 1 indicates that she did smoke while pregnant.

#### Type of plot

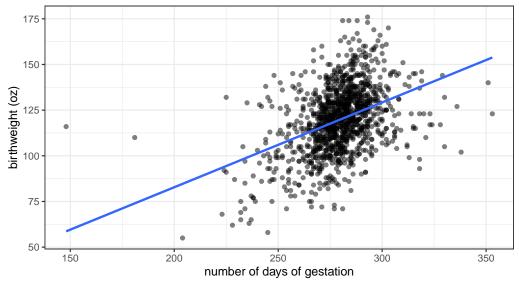
A is used to display the relationship between two variables.

Four characteristics of the scatterplot:

- Form:
- Direction:
- Strength:
- Outliers:
  - Influential points: outliers that change the regression line; far from the line of regression
  - High leverage points: outliers that are extreme in the x- axis; far from the mean of the x-axis

The following shows a scatterplot of length of gestation as a predictor of birthweight.

## Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight for Births between 1960 and 1967 in San Francisco



Describe the scatterplot using the four characteristics of a scatterplot.

The summary measures for two quantitative variables are:

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•						

#### Notation:

- Population slope:
- Population correlation:
- Sample slope:
- Sample correlation:

#### Correlation

Correlation is always between the values of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_.

- Measures the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_ of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables.
- The stronger the relationship between the variables the closer the value of \_\_\_\_\_\_ is to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- The sign gives the

The following code creates a correlation matrix between different quantitative variables in the data set.

```
babies %>%
  select(c("gestation", "age", "height", "weight", "bwt")) %>%
  cor(use="pairwise.complete.obs") %>%
  round(3)
```

The value of correlation between gestation and birthweight is \_\_\_\_\_\_. This shows a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ relationship between gestation and birthweight.

#### Slope

- Least-squares regression line:  $\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1 \times x$  (put y and x in the context of the problem) or  $\widehat{response} = b_0 + b_1 \times \text{explanatory}$
- $\hat{y}$  or response is
- $b_0$  is
- $b_1$  is
- x or explanatory is

• The estimates for the linear model output will $\xi$ the	give the value of the	and
• Interpretation of slope: an increase in theincrease/decrease in the		
• Interpretation of the y-intercept: for a value o value for the variable would b	f 0 for the	
• We can predict values of the value using the least squares equation line.	variable by plugging in a given _	variable
• A prediction of a response variable value for an	explanatory value outside the r	ange of x values is called
• To find how far the predicted value deviates from	m the actual value we find the $\_$	
• To find the least squares regression line the line	with the SSE	is found.
SSE = sum of squared errors		
<ul> <li>To find SSE, the residual for each data p summed together</li> </ul>	point is found, squared and all t	the squared residuals are
The linear model output for this study is given below	:	
# Fit linear model: y ~ x		
<pre>babiesLM &lt;- lm(bwt ~ gestation, data=babies)</pre>		
<pre>round(summary(babiesLM)\$coefficients,3) # Dis</pre>	splay coefficient summary	
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr	c(> t )	
#> (Intercept) -10.064 8.322 -1.209	0.227	
#> gestation 0.464 0.030 15.609	0.000	
Write the least squares equation of the line.		
Interpret the slope in context of the problem.		
Interpret the y-intercept in context of the problem.		

Predict the birthweight for a birth with a baby born at 310 days gestation.

Calculate the residual for a birth of a baby with a birthweight of 151 ounces and born at 310 days gestation.

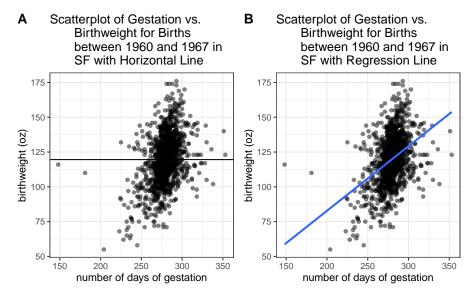
Is this value (310, 151) above or below the line of regression? Did the line of regression overestimate or underestimate the birthweight?

#### Coefficient of Determination

The coefficient of determination can be found by squaring the value of correlation, using the variances for each variable or using the SSE (sum of squares error) and SST (sum of squares total)

• 
$$r^2 = (r)^2 = \frac{SST - SSE}{SST} = \frac{s_y^2 - s_{residual}^2}{s_y^2}$$

• The coefficient of determination measures the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of total variation in the \_\_\_\_\_ variable that is explained by the changes in the \_\_\_\_\_ variable.



The value for SST was calculated as 406753.48. The value for SSE was calculated as 339092.13. Calculate the coefficient of determination between gestation and birthweight.

Interpret the coefficient of determination between gestation and birthweight.

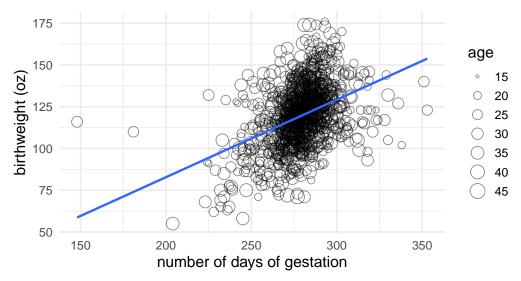
#### Multivariable plots - Video Chapter7

Aesthetics: visual property of the objects in your plot

- Position on the axes: groups for \_\_\_\_\_\_ variables, or a number line if the variable is
- Color or shape to represent \_\_\_\_\_\_ variables
- Size to represent \_\_\_\_\_\_ variables

Adding the quantitative variable maternal age to the scatterplot between gestation and birthweight.

# Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight by Age for Births between 1960 and 1967 in San Francisco

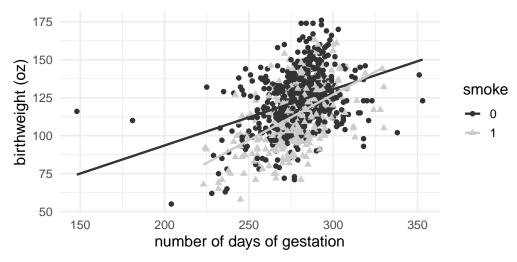


Let's add the categorical variable, whether a mother smoked, to the scatterplot between gestation and birthweight.

```
babies <- babies %>%
    mutate(smoke = factor(smoke)) %>%
    na.omit()

babies %>% # Data set pipes into...
    ggplot(aes(x = gestation, y = bwt, color = smoke))+ #Specify variables
    geom_point(aes(shape = smoke), size = 2) + #Add scatterplot of points
    labs(x = "number of days of gestation", #Label x-axis
        y = "birthweight (oz)", #Label y-axis
        title = "Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight by
        Smoking Status for Births between 1960 and 1967
        in San Francisco") +
    #Be sure to title your plots
    geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + #Add regression line
    scale_color_grey()
```

## Scatterplot of Gestation vs. Birthweight by Smoking Status for Births between 1960 and 1967 in San Francisco



Does the relationship between length of gestation and birthweight appear to depend upon maternal smoking status?

Is the variable smoking status a potential confounding variable?

Adding a categorical p	oredictor:	
• Look at the regre	ression line for each level of the	
• If the slopes are _ help explain the	, the two predictor variables do not	to
	, there is an interaction between the categorical p between the two quantitative variables.	redictor and
1.2.2 Concept C	Check	
Be prepared for group following on the whitel	discussion in the next class. One member from the table should write the anaboard.	nswers to the
1. What are the thr	ree summary measures for two quantitative variables?	
2. What are the fou	ur characteristics used to describe a scatterplot?	
	categorical predictor variable to a scatterplot of two quantitative variables, who compare across the categories to assess the change in the relationship between	

#### 1.2.3 Video Notes: Inference for Two Quantitative Variables

Example: Oceanic temperature is important for sea life. The California Cooperative Oceanic Fisheries Investigations has measured several variables on the Pacific Ocean for more than 70 years hoping to better understand weather patterns and impacts on ocean life. ("Ocean Temperature and Salinity Study," n.d.) For this example, we will look at the most recent 100 measurements of salt water salinity (measured in PSUs or practical salinity units) and the temperature of the ocean measured in degrees Celsius. Is there evidence that water temperature in the Pacific Ocean tends to decrease with higher levels of salinity?

#### Hypothesis Testing - Video 21.1

Null hypothesis assumes "no effect", "no difference", "nothing interesting happening", etc.

```
Always of form: "parameter" = null value
```

 $H_A:$ 

 $H_0$ :

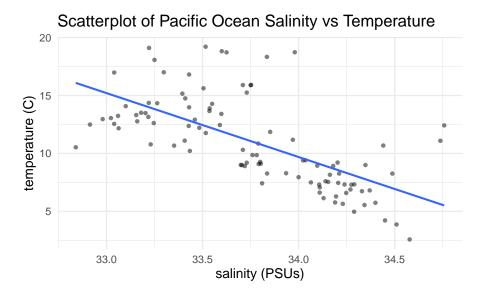
• Research question determines the alternative hypothesis.

Write the null and alternative for the ocean study:

In notation:

 $H_0$ :

 $H_A:$ 



Describe the four characteristics of the scatterplot:

#### Linear model output:

```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients, 3)

#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 197.156 21.478 9.18 0
#> Salnty -5.514 0.636 -8.67 0

Correlation:
cor(T_degC~Salnty, data=water)
```

#> [1] -0.6588365

Write the least squares equation of the line in context of the problem:

Interpret the value of slope in the context of the problem:

Report and describe the correlation value:

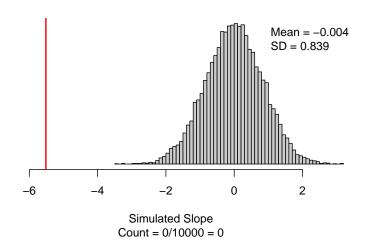
Calculate and interpret the coefficient of determination:

#### Simulation-based method

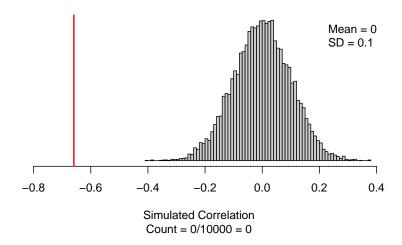
#### Conditions:

- Independence: the response for one observational unit will not influence another observational unit
- Linear relationship:
- Simulate many samples assuming  $H_0: \beta_1 = 0$  or  $H_0: \rho = 0$ 
  - Write the response variable values on cards
  - Hold the explanatory variable values constant
  - Shuffle a new response variable to an explanatory variable
  - Plot the shuffled data points to find the least squares line of regression
  - Calculate and plot the simulated slope or correlation from each simulation
  - Repeat 1000 times (simulations) to create the null distribution
  - Find the proportion of simulations at least as extreme as  $b_1$  or r

#### To test slope:



To test correlation:



Explain why the null distribution is centered at the value of zero:

Interpretation of the p-value:

- Statement about probability or proportion of samples
- Statistic (summary measure and value)
- Direction of the alternative
- Null hypothesis (in context)

#### Conclusion:

- Amount of evidence
- Parameter of interest
- Direction of the alternative hypothesis

#### Confidence interval - Video 21.3

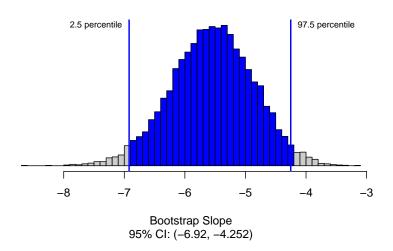
To estimate the true slope (or true correlation) we will create a confidence interval.

#### Simulation-based method

- Write the explanatory and response value pairs on cards
- Sample pairs with replacement n times
- Plot the resampled data points to find the least squares line of regression
- Calculate and plot the simulated slope (or correlation) from each simulation
- Repeat 1000 times (simulations) to create the bootstrap distribution
- Find the cut-offs for the middle X% (confidence level) in a bootstrap distribution.

Returning to the ocean example, we will estimate the true slope between salinity and temperature of the Pacific Ocean.

```
set.seed(216)
regression_bootstrap_CI(T_degC~Salnty, # response ~ explanatory
  data = water, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = 0.95, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "slope", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

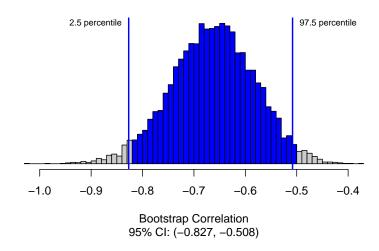


Confidence interval interpretation:

- How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
- Parameter of interest
- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups

Now we will estimate the true correlation between salinity and temperature of the Pacific Ocean.

```
set.seed(216)
regression_bootstrap_CI(T_degC~Salnty, # response ~ explanatory
  data = water, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = 0.95, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "correlation", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```



Confidence interval interpretation:

- How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
- Parameter of interest
- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups

#### Theory-based method - Video 21.4to21.5TheoryTests

Conditions:

- Linearity (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): the data should follow a linear trend.
  - Check this assumption by examining the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the two variables, and \_\_\_\_\_\_. The pattern in the residual plot should display a horizontal line.

- Independence (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods)
  - One\_\_\_\_\_\_for an observational unit has no impact on
- Constant variability (for theory-based methods only): the variability of points around the least squares line remains roughly constant
  - Check this assumption by examining the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The
     variability in the residuals around zero should be approximately the same for all fitted values.
- Nearly normal residuals (for theory-based methods only): residuals must be nearly normal
  - Check this assumption by examining a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, which should appear approximately normal

#### Example:

It is a generally accepted fact that the more carats a diamond has, the more expensive that diamond will be. The question is, how much more expensive? Data on thousands of diamonds were collected for this data set. We will only look at one type of cut ("Ideal") and diamonds less than 1 carat. Does the association between carat size and price have a linear relationship for these types of diamonds? What can we state about the association between carat size and price?

#### Scatterplot:

```
Diamonds %% # Pipe data set into...

ggplot(aes(x = carat, y = price))+ # Specify variables

geom_point(alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points

labs(x = "carat", # Label x-axis

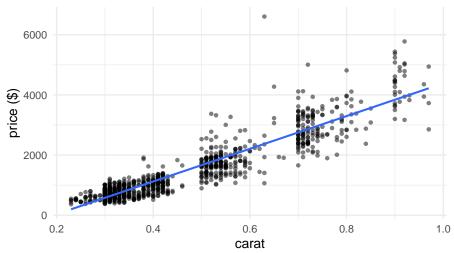
y = "price ($)", # Label y-axis

title = "Scatterplot of Diamonds Carats vs Price") +

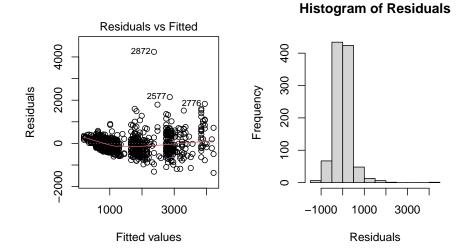
# Be sure to title your plots

geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) # Add regression line
```

## Scatterplot of Diamonds Carats vs Price

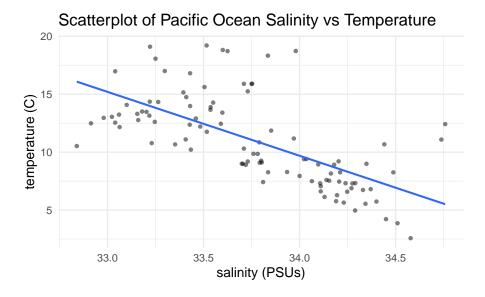


#### Diagnostic plots:

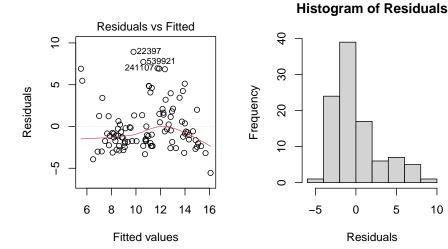


Check the conditions for the ocean data:

#### Scatterplot:



#### Diagnostic plots:



Like with paired data the t-distribution can be used to model slope and correlation.

• For two quantitative variables we use the -distribution with degrees of freedom to approximate the sampling distribution.

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Theory-based test:

#> (Intercept)

#> Salnty

- Calculate the standardized statistic
- Find the area under the t-distribution with n-2 df at least as extreme as the standardized statistic

Equation for the standardized slope:

Calculate the standardized slope for the ocean data

197.156

-5.514

21.478

0.636

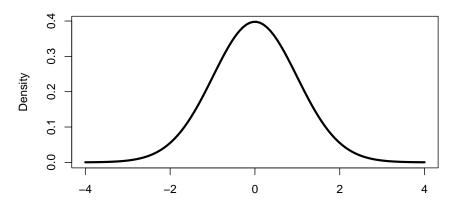
```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)</pre>
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients,3)
#>
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
```

0

9.18

-8.67

#### t-distribution with 98 df



Interpret the standardized statistic:

To find the theory-based p-value:

```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)</pre>
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients,3)
#>
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 197.156
                             21.478
                                       9.18
                                                    0
                 -5.514
                              0.636
                                      -8.67
                                                    0
#> Salnty
or
pt(-8.670, df = 98, lower.tail=TRUE)
#> [1] 4.623445e-14
```

#### Theory-based method

• Calculate the interval centered at the sample statistic statistic  $\pm$  margin of error

```
lm.water <- lm(T_degC~Salnty, data=water) # lm(response~explanatory)</pre>
round(summary(lm.water)$coefficients, 3)
#>
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept)
                 197.156
                               21.478
                                          9.18
#> Salnty
                  -5.514
                                0.636
                                         -8.67
                                                       0
Using the ocean data, calculate a 95% confidence interval for the true slope.
   • Need the t^* multiplier for a 95% confidence interval from a t-distribution with _____
qt(0.975, df=98, lower.tail = TRUE)
#> [1] 1.984467
```

## 1.2.4 Concept Check

Be prepared for group discussion in the next class. One member from the table should write the answers to the following on the whiteboard.

- 1. Explain why theory-based methods should not be used to analyze the salinity study?
- 2. What is the proper notation for the population slope? Population correlation?

### 1.3 Activity 26: Moneyball — Linear Regression

#### 1.3.1 Learning outcomes

- Identify and create appropriate summary statistics and plots given a data set with two quantitative variables.
- Use scatterplots to assess the relationship between two quantitative variables.
- Find the estimated line of regression using summary statistics and R linear model (lm()) output.
- Interpret the slope coefficient in context of the problem.

#### 1.3.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will review summary measures and plots for two quantitative variables. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Scatterplot
- Least-squares line of regression
- Slope and y-intercept
- Residuals

To review these concepts, see Chapter 6 & 7 in the textbook.

#### 1.3.3 Moneyball

The goal of a Major League baseball team is to make the playoffs. In 2002, the manager of the Oakland A's, Billy Bean, with the help of Paul DePodesta began to use statistics to determine which players to choose for their season. Based on past data, DePodesta determined that to make it to the playoffs, the A's would need to win at least 95 games in the regular season. In order to win more games, they would need to score more runs than they allowed. The Oakland A's won 20 consecutive games and a total of 103 games for the season. The success of this use of sports analytics was portrayed by the 2011 movie, Moneyball. In this study, we will see if there is evidence of a positive linear relationship between the difference in the number of runs scored minus the number of runs allowed (RD) and the number of wins for Major League baseball teams in the years before 2002. Some of the variables collected in the data set baseball consist of the following:

Variable	Description
RA	Runs allowed
RS	Runs scored
OBP	On-base percentage
SLG	Slugging percentage
BA	Batting average
00BP	Opponent's on-base percentage
OSLG	Opponent's slugging percentage
W	Number of wins in the season
RD	Difference of runs scored minus runs allowed

```
moneyball <- read.csv("data/baseball.csv") # Reads in data set
moneyball$RD <- moneyball$RS - moneyball$RA
moneyball <-
    moneyball %>% # Pipe data set into
    subset(Year < 2002) # Select only years before 2002</pre>
```

#### Vocabulary review

- Use the provided R script file to create a scatterplot to examine the relationship between the difference in number of runs scored minus number of runs allowed and the number of wins by filling in the variable names (RD and W) for explanatory and response in line 14. Note, we are using the difference in runs scores minus runs allowed to predict the number of season wins.
- Highlight and run lines 1–20.

```
moneyball %>% # Data set pipes into...
    ggplot(aes(x = explanatory, y = response))+ # Specify variables
    geom_point() + # Add scatterplot of points
    labs(x = "Difference in number of runs", # Label x-axis
        y = "Number of Season wins", # Label y-axis
        title = "Scatterplot of Run Difference vs. Number of Season Wins for MLB Teams") +
# Be sure to tile your plots
geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) # Add regression line
```

- 1. Assess the four features of the scatterplot that describe this relationship.
- Form (linear, non-linear)
- Direction (positive, negative)
- Strength
- Unusual observations or outliers
- 2. Based on the plot, does there appear to be an association between run difference and number of season wins? Explain your answer.

#### Slope

The linear model function in R (lm()) gives us the summary for the least squares regression line. The estimate for (Intercept) is the y-intercept for the line of least squares, and the estimate for budget\_mil (the x-variable name) is the value of  $b_1$ , the slope.

• Run lines 24–25 in the R script file to reproduce the linear model output found in the coursepack.

```
# Fit linear model: y ~ x
moneyballLM <- lm(W~RD, data=moneyball)
round(summary(moneyballLM)$coefficients, 3) # Display coefficient summary

#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 80.881  0.131 616.675  0
#> RD  0.106  0.001 81.554  0
```

3. Write out the least squares regression line using the summary statistics provided above in context of the problem.

4.	Interpret	the	value	of	slope	in	context	of	the	problem.	
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- 5. Using the least squares line from question 3, predict the number of season wins for a MLB team that has a run difference of -66 runs.
- 6. Predict the number of season wins for a MLB team that has a run difference of 400 runs.
- 7. The prediction in question 6 is an example of what?

#### Residuals

The model we are using assumes the relationship between the two variables follows a straight line. The residuals are the errors, or the variability in the response that hasn't been modeled by the regression line.

$$\implies$$
 Residual = actual y value - predicted y value

$$e = y - \hat{y}$$

- 8. The MLB team *Florida Marlins* had a run difference of -66 runs and 79 wins for the season. Find the residual for this MLB team.
- 9. Did the line of regression overestimate or underestimate the number of wins for the season for this team?

#### Correlation

The following output shows a correlation matrix between several pairs of quantitative variables.

• Highlight and run lines 29–33 to produce the same table as below.

```
#> RD BA SLG W
#> RD 1.000 0.442 0.428 0.939
#> BA 0.442 1.000 0.814 0.416
#> SLG 0.428 0.814 1.000 0.406
#> W 0.939 0.416 0.406 1.000
```

- 10. Report the value of correlation between the run difference and the number of season wins.
- 11. Calculate the coefficient of determination between the run difference and the number of season wins.
- 12. Interpret the value of coefficient of determination in context of the study.

#### 1.3.4 Take-home messages

- 1. Two quantitative variables are graphically displayed in a scatterplot. The explanatory variable is on the x-axis and the response variable is on the y-axis. When describing the relationship between two quantitative variables we look at the form (linear or non-linear), direction (positive or negative), strength, and for the presence of outliers.
- 2. There are three summary statistics used to summarize the relationship between two quantitative variables: correlation (r), slope of the regression line  $(b_1)$ , and the coefficient of determination  $(r^2)$ .

#### 1.3.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

## 1.4 Activity 27: IPEDS (continued)

#### 1.4.1 Learning outcomes

- Identify and create appropriate summary statistics and plots given a data set with two quantitative variables.
- Find the estimated line of regression using summary statistics and R linear model (lm()) output.
- Interpret the slope coefficient in context of the problem.
- Calculate and interpret  $r^2$ , the coefficient of determination, in context of the problem.
- Find the correlation coefficient from R output or from  $r^2$  and the sign of the slope.

#### 1.4.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will review summary measures and plots for two quantitative variables. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Least-squares line of regression
- Slope and y-intercept
- Residuals
- Correlation (r)
- Coefficient of determination (r-squared)

To review these concepts, see Chapter 6 in the textbook.

### 1.4.3 The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS)

We will continue to assess the IPEDS data set collected on a subset of institutions that met the following selection criteria (Education Statistics 2018):

- Degree granting
- United States only
- Title IV participating
- Not for profit
- 2-year or 4-year or above
- Has full-time first-time undergraduates

Some of the variables collected and their descriptions are below. Note that several variables have missing values for some institutions (denoted by "NA").

Variable	Description
UnitID	Unique institution identifier
Name	Institution name
State	State abbreviation
Sector	whether public or private
LandGrant	Is this a land-grant institution (Yes/No)
Size	Institution size category based on total student enrolled for credit, Fall 2018:
	Under 1,000, 1,000 - 4,999, 5,000 - 9,999, 10,000 - 19,999, 20,000 and above
Cost_OutofState	Cost of attendance for full-time out-of-state undergraduate students

Variable	Description
Cost_InState	Cost of attendance for full-time in-state undergraduate students
Retention	Retention rate is the percent of the undergraduate students that re-enroll in the next year
Graduation_Rate	6-year graduation rate for undergraduate students
SATMath_75	75th percentile Math SAT score
ACT_75	75th percentile ACT score

The code below reads in the needed data set, IPEDS 2018.csv, and filters out the 2-year institutions.

• Highlight and run lines 1-11 to load the data set and filter out the 2-year institutions.

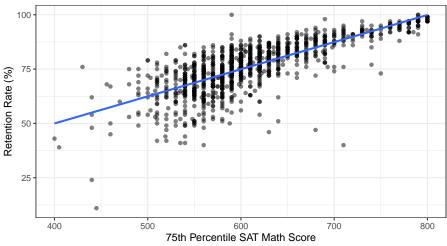
```
IPEDS <- read.csv("https://www.math.montana.edu/courses/s216/data/IPEDS_2018.csv")
IPEDS <- IPEDS %>%
  filter(Sector != "Public 2-year") #Filters the data set to remove Public 2-year
IPEDS <- IPEDS %>%
  filter(Sector != "Private 2-year") #Filters the data set to remove Private 2-year
IPEDS <- na.omit(IPEDS)</pre>
```

To create a scatterplot of the 75th percentile Math SAT score by retention rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions...

- Enter the variable SATMath\_75 for explanatory and Retention for response in line 16.
- Highlight and run lines 15–21.

```
IPEDS %>% # Data sest pipes into...
ggplot(aes(x = SATMath_75, y = Retention))+ # Specify variables
geom_point(alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points
labs(x = "75th Percentile SAT Math Score", # Label x-axis
    y = "Retention Rate (%)", # Label y-axis
    title = "Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for
    4-year US Higher Education Institutions") +
# Be sure to title your plots with the type of plot, observational units, variable(s)
geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + # Add regression line
theme_bw()
```

## Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions



1. Describe the relationship between 75th percentile SAT Math score and retention rate.

#### Slope of the Least Squares Linear Regression Line

There are three summary measures calculated from two quantitative variables: slope, correlation, and the coefficient of determination. We will first assess the slope of the least squares regression line between 75th percentile SAT Math score and retention rate.

• Enter Retention for response and SATMath\_75 for explanatory in line 25

0.003 40.485

• Highlight and run lines 25–26 to fit the linear model.

0.125

```
# Fit linear model: y ~ x
IPEDSLM <- lm(Retention~SATMath_75, data=IPEDS)
round(summary(IPEDSLM)$coefficients,3) # Display coefficient summary

#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 0.059 1.898 0.031 0.975
```

2. Write out the least squares regression line using the summary statistics from the R output in context of the problem.

0.000

**Slope Interpretation**: An increase of one point in SAT Math 75th percentile score is associated with an increase in retention rate, on average, of 0.125 percentage points for 4-year higher education institutions.

- 3. Predict the retention rate for a 4-year US higher education institution with a 75th percentile SAT Math score of 440.
- 4. Calculate the residual for a 4-year US higher education institution with a 75th percentile SAT Math score of 440 and a retention rate of 24%.

#### Correlation

#> SATMath 75

Correlation measures the strength and the direction of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables. The closer the value of correlation to +1 or -1, the stronger the linear relationship. Values close to zero indicate a very weak linear relationship between the two variables.

The following output creates a correlation matrix between several pairs of quantitative variables.

## cor(use="pairwise.complete.obs") %>% round(3)

#>		Retention	${\tt Cost\_InState}$	${\tt Graduation\_Rate}$	Salary	SATMath_75	ACT_75
#>	Retention	1.000	0.388	0.832	0.698	0.767	0.768
#>	Cost_InState	0.388	1.000	0.563	0.365	0.502	0.514
#>	<pre>Graduation_Rate</pre>	0.832	0.563	1.000	0.683	0.817	0.833
#>	Salary	0.698	0.365	0.683	1.000	0.747	0.706
#>	SATMath_75	0.767	0.502	0.817	0.747	1.000	0.920
#>	ACT_75	0.768	0.514	0.833	0.706	0.920	1.000

5. What is the value of correlation between SATMath\_75 and Retention?

#### Coefficient of determination (squared correlation)

Another summary measure used to explain the linear relationship between two quantitative variables is the coefficient of determination  $(r^2)$ . The coefficient of determination,  $r^2$ , can also be used to describe the strength of the linear relationship between two quantitative variables. The value of  $r^2$  (a value between 0 and 1) represents the **proportion of variation in the response that is explained by the least squares line with the explanatory variable**. There are two ways to calculate the coefficient of determination:

Square the correlation coefficient:  $r^2 = (r)^2$ 

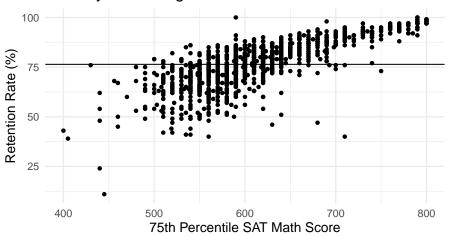
Use the variances of the response and the residuals: 
$$r^2 = \frac{s_y^2 - s_{RES}^2}{s_y^2} = \frac{SST - SSE}{SST}$$

- 6. Use the correlation, r, found in question 5, to calculate the coefficient of determination between SATMath\_75 and Retention,  $r^2$ .
- 7. The variance of the response variable, Retention in \$MM, is  $s_{Retention}^2 = 138.386~\%^2$  and the variability in the residuals is  $s_{RES}^2 = 56.934~\%^2$ . Use these values to calculate the coefficient of determination.

In the next part of the activity we will explore what the coefficient of determination measures.

In the first scatterplot, we see the data plotted with a horizontal line. Note that the regression line in this plot has a slope of zero; this assumes there is no relationship between SATMath\_75 and Retention. The value of the y-intercept, 76.387, is the mean of the response variable when there is no relationship between the two variables. To find the sum of squares total (SST) we find the residual  $(residual = y - \hat{y})$  for each response value from the horizontal line (from the value of 76.387). Each residual is squared and the sum of the squared values is calculated. The SST gives the total variability in the response variable, Retention.

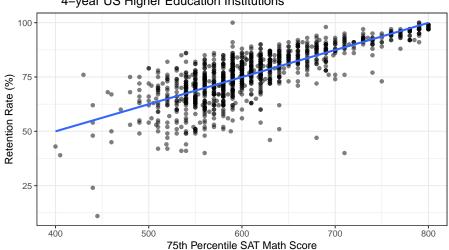
Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions with Horizo



The calculated value for the SST is 158451.8.

This next scatterplot, shows the plotted data with the best fit regression line. This is the line of best fit between budget and revenue and has the smallest sum of squares error (SSE). The SSE is calculated by finding the residual from each response value to the regression line. Each residual is squared and the sum of the squared values is calculated.

Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4–year US Higher Education Institutions



The calculated value for the SSE is 65133.022.

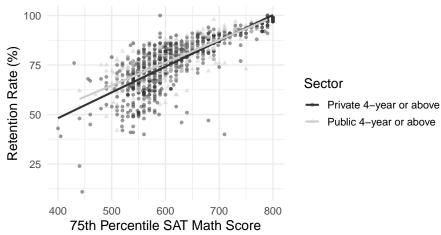
- 8. Calculate the value for  $r^2$  using the values for SST and SSE provided below each of the previous graphs.
- 9. Write a sentence interpreting the coefficient of determination in context of the problem.

#### Multivariable plots

When adding another categorical predictor, we can add that variable as shape or color to the plot. In the following code we have added the variable Sector, whether the 4-year institution is public or private.

```
IPEDS %>% # Data sest pipes into...
    ggplot(aes(x = SATMath_75, y = Retention, shape = Sector, color=Sector))+ # Specify variables
    geom_point(alpha=0.5) + # Add scatterplot of points
    labs(x = "75th Percentile SAT Math Score", # Label x-axis
        y = "Retention Rate (%)", # Label y-axis
        title = "Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for
        4-year US Higher Education Institutions") +
    # Be sure to title your plots with the type of plot, observational units, variable(s)
    geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) + # Add regression line
    scale_color_grey()
```

# Scatterplot of SAT Math Score vs. Retention Rate for 4-year US Higher Education Institutions



10. Does the relationship between 75th percentile SAT math score and retention rate of 4-year institutions change depending on the level of sector?

# 1.4.4 Take-home messages

- 1. The sign of correlation and the sign of the slope will always be the same. The closer the value of correlation is to -1 or +1, the stronger the linear relationship between the explanatory and the response variable.
- 2. The coefficient of determination multiplied by  $100 \ (r^2 \times 100)$  measures the percent of variation in the response variable that is explained by the relationship with the explanatory variable. The closer the value of the coefficient of determination is to 100%, the stronger the relationship.
- 3. We can use the line of regression to predict values of the response variable for values of the explanatory variable. Do not use values of the explanatory variable that are outside of the range of values in the data set to predict values of the response variable (reflect on why this is true.). This is called **extrapolation**.

#### 1.4.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

# 1.5 Activity 28: Prediction of Crocodilian Body Size

## 1.5.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving two quantitative variables, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Describe and perform a simulation-based hypothesis test for slope or correlation.
- Interpret and evaluate a p-value for a simulation-based hypothesis test for a slope or correlation.
- Use bootstrapping to find a confidence interval for the slope or correlation.
- Interpret a confidence interval for a slope or correlation.

# 1.5.2 Terminology review

In today's activity, we will use simulation-based methods for hypothesis tests and confidence intervals for a linear regression slope or correlation. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Correlation
- Slope
- Regression line

To review these concepts, see Chapter 21 in the textbook.

# 1.5.3 Crocodilian Body Size

Much research surrounds using measurements of animals to estimate body-size of extinct animals. Many challenges exist in making accurate estimates for extinct crocodilians. The term crocodilians refers to all members of the family Crocodylidae ("true" crocodiles), family Alligatoridae (alligators and caimans) and family Gavialidae (gharial, Tomistoma). The researchers in this study (O'Brien 2019) state, "Among extinct crocodilians and their precursors (e.g., suchians), several methods have been developed to predict body size from suites of hard-tissue proxies. Nevertheless, many have limited applications due to the disparity of some major suchian groups and biases in the fossil record. Here, we test the utility of head width (HW) as a broadly applicable body-size estimator in living and fossil suchians." Data were collected on 76 male and female individuals of different species. Is there evidence that head width (measured in cm) is a good predictor of total body length (measured in cm) for crocodilians?

- Download the R script file from D2L and upload to the RStudio server
- Open the file and run lines 1 8 to load the dataset

```
# Read in data set
croc <- read.csv("https://math.montana.edu/courses/s216/data/Crocodylian_headwidth.csv")
croc <- croc %>%
    na.omit()
```

To create a scatterplot to examine the relationship between head width and total body length we will use HW\_cm as the explanatory variable and TL\_cm as the response variable.

- Enter the name of the explanatory and response variable in line 14
- Highlight and run lines 13 20

1. Describe the features of the plot, addressing all four characteristics of a scatterplot.

If you indicated there are potential outliers, which points are they?

# Hypotheses

When analyzing two quantitative variables we can either test regression slope or correlation. In both cases, we are testing that there is a linear relationship between variables.

- 2. Write the null hypothesis in words.
- 3. Write the null hypothesis to test slope in notation.
- 4. Write the null hypothesis to test correlation in notation.
- 5. Write the alternative hypothesis in words.

#### Summarize and visualize the data

To create the linear model output and find the value of correlation for the linear relationship...

- Enter the the name of the explanatory and response in line 25
- Highlight and run lines 25 27

```
#Linear model
lm.croc <- lm(response~explanatory, data=croc) #lm(response~explanatory)
round(summary(lm.croc)$coefficients, 5)
#Correlation
cor(croc$HW_cm, croc$TL_cm)</pre>
```

6. Using the output from the evaluated R code, write the equation of the regression line in the context of the problem using appropriate statistical notation.

7. Interpret the estimated slope in context of the problem.

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

In this activity, we will focus on using simulation-based methods for inference in regression.

#### Simulation-based hypothesis test

Let's start by thinking about how one simulation would be created on the null distribution using cards. First, we would write the values for the response variable, total length, on each card. Next, we would shuffle these y values while keeping the x values (explanatory variable) in the same order. Then, find the line of regression for the shuffled (x, y) pairs and calculate either the slope or correlation of the shuffled sample.

We will use the regression\_test() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the null distribution of shuffled slopes (or shuffled correlations) and compute a p-value. We will need to enter the response variable name and the explanatory variable name for the formula, the data set name (identified above as croc), the summary measure for the test (either slope or correlation), number of repetitions, the sample statistic (value of slope or correlation), and the direction of the alternative hypothesis.

The response variable name is TL\_cm and the explanatory variable name is HW\_cm for these data.

- 8. What inputs should be entered for each of the following to create the simulation to test regression slope?
- Direction ("greater", "less", or "two-sided"):
- Summary measure (choose "slope" or "correlation"):
- As extreme as (enter the value for the sample slope):

• Number of repetitions:

Using the R script file for this activity...

- Enter your answers for question 8 in place of the xx's to produce the null distribution with 1000 simulations.
- Highlight and run lines 32–37.

- 9. Report the p-value from the R output.
- 10. Suppose we wanted to complete the simulation test using correlation as the summary measure, instead of slope. Which two inputs in #8 would need to be changed to test for correlation? What inputs should you use instead?
- 11. Change the inputs in lines 32–37 to test for correlation instead of slope. Highlight and run those lines, then report the new p-value of the test.
- 12. The p-values from the test of slope (#9) and the test of correlation (#11) should be similar. Explain why the two p-values should match. *Hint: think about the relationship between slope and correlation!*

#### Simulation-based confidence interval

We will use the regression\_bootstrap\_CI() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the bootstrap distribution of sample slopes (or sample correlations) and calculate a confidence interval.

- Fill in the missing values in the provided R script file to find a 95% confidence interval for slope.
- Highlight and run lines 42–46.

```
regression_bootstrap_CI(response~explanatory, # response ~ explanatory
  data = croc, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = xx, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "xx", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

13.	Report	the	bootstrap	95%	confidence	interval	in	interval	notation.
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14. Interpret the interval in question 13 in context of the problem. Hint: use the interpretation of slope in your confidence interval interpretation.

#### Communicate the results and answer the research question

15. Based on the p-value and confidence interval, write a conclusion in context of the problem.

# 1.5.4 Take-home messages

- 1. The p-value for a test for correlation should be approximately the same as the p-value for the test of slope. In the simulation test, we just change the statistic type from slope to correlation and use the appropriate sample statistic value.
- 2. To interpret a confidence interval for the slope, think about how to interpret the sample slope and use that information in the confidence interval interpretation for slope.
- 3. To create one simulated sample on the null distribution when testing for a relationship between two quantitative variables, hold the x values constant and shuffle the y values to new x values. Find the regression line for the shuffled data and plot the slope or the correlation for the shuffled data.
- 4. To create one simulated sample on the bootstrap distribution when assessing two quantitative variables, label n cards with the original (response, explanatory) values. Randomly draw with replacement n times. Find the regression line for the resampled data and plot the resampled slope or correlation.

#### 1.5.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on today's activity and material covered.

# 1.6 Activity 29: Golf Driving Distance

## 1.6.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving two quantitative variables, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Assess the conditions to use the normal distribution model for a slope.
- Find the T test statistic (T-score) for a slope based off of lm() output in R.
- Find, interpret, and evaluate the p-value for a theory-based hypothesis test for a slope.
- Create and interpret a theory-based confidence interval for a slope.
- Use a confidence interval to determine the conclusion of a hypothesis test.

## 1.6.2 Terminology review

In this week's in-class activity, we will use theory-based methods for hypothesis tests and confidence intervals for a linear regression slope. Some terms covered in this activity are:

- Slope
- Regression line

To review these concepts, see Chapter 21 in the textbook.

# 1.6.3 Golf driving distance

In golf the goal is to complete a hole with as few strokes as possible. A long driving distance to start a hole can help minimize the strokes necessary to complete the hole, as long as that drive stays on the fairway. Data were collected on 354 PGA and LPGA players in 2008 ("Average Driving Distance and Fairway Accuracy" 2008). For each player, the average driving distance (yards), fairway accuracy (percentage), and sex was measured. Use these data to assess, "Does a professional golfer give up accuracy when they hit the ball farther?"

• Download the R script file from D2L and open in the RStudio server

```
# Read in data set
golf <- read.csv("https://math.montana.edu/courses/s216/data/golf.csv")</pre>
```

#### Plot review.

To create a scatterplot showing the relationship between the driving distance and percent accuracy for professional golfers:

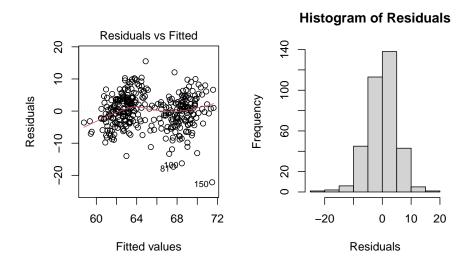
- Enter the name of the explanatory and response in line 10
- Highlight and run lines 1 16

#### Conditions for the least squares line

When performing inference on a least squares line, the follow conditions are generally required:

- Independent observations (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): individual data points must be independent.
  - Check this assumption by investigating the sampling method and determining if the observational units are related in any way.
- Linearity (for both simulation-based and theory-based methods): the data should follow a linear trend.
  - Check this assumption by examining the scatterplot of the two variables, and a scatterplot of the residuals (on the y-axis) versus the fitted values (on the x-axis). The pattern in the residual plot should display a horizontal line.
- Constant variability (for theory-based methods only): the variability of points around the least squares line remains roughly constant
  - Check this assumption by examining a scatterplot of the residuals (on the y-axis) versus the fitted values (on the x-axis). The variability in the residuals around zero should be approximately the same for all fitted values.
- Nearly normal residuals (for theory-based methods only: residuals must be nearly normal.
  - Check this assumption by examining a histogram of the residuals, which should appear approximately normal.

The scatterplot generated earlier and the residual plots shown below will be used to assess these conditions for approximating the data with the t-distribution.



1. Are the conditions met to use the t-distribution to approximate the sampling distribution of the standardized statistic? Justify your answer.

#### Ask a research question

2. Write out the null hypothesis in words to test the slope.

3. Using the research question, write the alternative hypothesis in notation to test the slope.

#### Summarize and visualize the data

The linear model output for this study is shown below.

```
lm.golf <- lm(Percent_Accuracy~Driving_Distance, data=golf) # lm(response~explanatory)
round(summary(lm.golf)$coefficients, 3)</pre>
```

```
#> Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
#> (Intercept) 103.586 3.329 31.119 0
#> Driving_Distance -0.142 0.012 -11.553 0
```

4. Report the summary statistic (sample slope) for the linear relationship between driving distance and percent accuracy of golfers. Use proper notation.

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

Hypothesis test To find the value of the standardized statistic to test the slope we will use,

$$T = \frac{\text{slope estimate} - nullvalue}{SE} = \frac{b_1 - 0}{SE(b_1)}.$$

We will use the linear model R output above to get the estimate for slope and the standard error of the slope.

- 5. Calculate the standardized statistic for slope. Identify where this calculated value is in the linear model R output.
- 6. The p-value in the linear model R output is the two-sided p-value for the test of significance for slope. Report the p-value to answer the research question.
- 7. Based on the p-value, how much evidence is there against the null hypothesis?

Confidence interval Recall that a confidence interval is calculated by adding and subtracting the margin of error to the point estimate.

point estimate 
$$\pm t^* \times SE$$
(estimate).

When the point estimate is a regression slope, this formula becomes

$$b_1 \pm t^* \times SE(b_1)$$
.

The  $t^*$  multiplier comes from a t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom. The sample size for this study is 354 so we will use the degrees of freedom 352 (n-2).

- $\bullet\,$  Enter the percentile needed to find the multiplier for a 95% confidence interval for xx
- Enter the degrees of freedom for yy
- Highlight and run line 35

```
qt(xx, yy, lower.tail = TRUE) # 95% t* multiplier
```

- 8. Calculate the 95% confidence interval for the true slope.
- 9. Interpret the 95% confidence interval in context of the problem.

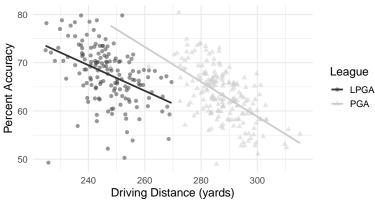
#### Communicate the results and answer the research question

10. Write a conclusion to answer the research question in context of the problem.

#### Multivariable plots

Another variable that may affect the percent accuracy is the which league the golfer is part of. We will look at how this variable may change the relationship between driving distance and percent accuracy.

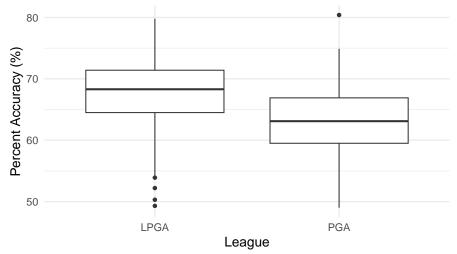
# Scatterplot of Golf Driving Distance and Percent Accuracy by League for Professional Golfers



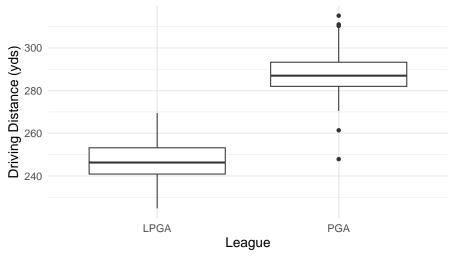
11. Does the association between driving distance and percent accuracy change depending on which league the golfer is a part of? Explain your answer.

12. Explain the association between league and each of the other two variables. Use the following plots in addition to the scatterplot from Q11 to explain your answer.

Side-by-side Box Plot of Percent Accuracy by League fo







# 1.6.4 Take-home messages

- 1. To check the validity conditions for using theory-based methods we must use the residual diagnostic plots to check for normality of residuals and constant variability, and the scatterplot to check for linearity.
- 2. To interpret a confidence interval for the slope, think about how to interpret the sample slope and use that information in the confidence interval interpretation for slope.
- 3. Use the explanatory variable row in the linear model R output to obtain the slope estimate (estimate column) and standard error of the slope (Std. Error column) to calculate the standardized slope, or T-score. The calculated T-score should match the t value column in the explanatory variable row. The standardized slope tells the number of standard errors the observed slope is above or below 0.
- 4. The explanatory variable row in the linear model R output provides a **two-sided** p-value under the Pr(>|t|) column.
- 5. The standardized slope is compared to a t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom in order to obtain a p-value. The t-distribution with n-2 degrees of freedom is also used to find the appropriate multiplier for a given confidence level.

#### 1.6.5 Additional notes

Use this space to summarize your thoughts and take additional notes on this week's activity and material covered.

# 1.7 Module 13 Lab: Big Mac Index

## 1.7.1 Learning outcomes

- Given a research question involving two quantitative variables, construct the null and alternative hypotheses in words and using appropriate statistical symbols.
- Assess the conditions to determine in theory or simulation-based methods should be used.
- Find, interpret, and evaluate the p-value for a hypothesis test for a slope or correlation.
- Create and interpret a confidence interval for a slope or correlation.

## 1.7.2 Big Mac Index

Can the relative cost of a Big Mac across different countries be used to predict the Gross Domestic Product (GDP) per person for that country? The log GDP per person and the adjusted dollar equivalent to purchase a Big Mac was found on a random sample of 55 countries in January of 2022. The cost of a Big Mac in each country was adjusted to US dollars based on current exchange rates. Is there evidence of a positive relationship between Big Mac cost (dollar\_price) and the log GDP per person (log\_GDP)?

- Upload and open the R script file for Week 13 lab.
- Upload the csv file, big\_mac\_adjusted\_index\_S22.csv.
- Enter the name of the data set for datasetname in the R script file in line 9.
- Highlight and run lines 1–9 to load the data.

```
# Read in data set
mac <- read.csv("datasetname")</pre>
```

#### Summarize and visualize the data

• To find the correlation between the variables, log\_GDP and dollar\_price highlight and run lines 13–16 in the R script file.

```
mac %>%
select(c("log_GDP", "dollar_price")) %>%
cor(use="pairwise.complete.obs") %>%
round(3)
```

- 1. Report the value of correlation between the variables.
- 2. Calculate the value of the coefficient of determination between log\_GDP and dollar\_price.
- 3. Interpret the value of the coefficient of determination in context of the problem.

In the next part of the activity we will assess the linear model between Big Mac cost and log GDP.

- Enter the variable log\_GDP for response and the variable dollar\_price for explanatory in line 22.
- Highlight and run lines 22–23 to get the linear model output.

```
# Fit linear model: y ~ x
bigmacLM <- lm(response~explanatory, data=mac)
round(summary(bigmacLM)$coefficients,3) # Display coefficient summary</pre>
```

4. Give the value of the slope of the regression line. Interpret this value in context of the problem.

#### Conditions for the least squares line

- 5. Is there independence between the responses for the observational units? Justify your answer.
- Highlight and run lines 28–33 to create the scatterplot to check for linearity.

- 6. Is the linearity condition met to use regression methods to analyze the data? Justify your answer.
- Highlight and run lines 38–42 to produce the diagnostic plots needed to assess conditions to use theory-based methods.

7. Are the conditions met to use the *t*-distribution to approximate the sampling distribution of the standardized statistic? Justify your answer.

#### Ask a research question

8. Write out the null and alternative hypotheses in notation to test *correlation* between Big Mac cost and log GDP.

 $H_0$ :

 $H_A:$ 

#### Use statistical inferential methods to draw inferences from the data

### Hypothesis test

Use the regression\_test() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the null distribution of sample correlations and compute a p-value. We will need to enter the response variable name and the explanatory variable name for the formula, the data set name (identified above as mac), the summary measure used for the test, number of repetitions, the sample statistic (value of correlation), and the direction of the alternative hypothesis.

The response variable name is log\_GDP and the explanatory variable name is dollar\_price.

- 9. What inputs should be entered for each of the following to create the simulation to test correlation?
- Direction ("greater", "less", or "two-sided"):
- Summary measure (choose "slope" or "correlation"):
- As extreme as (enter the value for the sample correlation):
- Number of repetitions:

Using the R script file for this activity, enter your answers for question 9 in place of the xx's to produce the null distribution with 10000 simulations.

- Highlight and run lines 47–53.
- Upload a copy of your plot showing the p-value to Gradescope for your group.

10. Report the p-value from the R output.

#### Simulation-based confidence interval

We will use the regression\_bootstrap\_CI() function in R (in the catstats package) to simulate the bootstrap distribution of sample correlations and calculate a confidence interval.

- Fill in the xx's in the the provided R script file to find a 90% confidence interval.
- Highlight and run lines 58–62.

```
regression_bootstrap_CI(log_GDP~dollar_price, # response ~ explanatory
  data = mac, # Name of data set
  confidence_level = xx, # Confidence level as decimal
  summary_measure = "xx", # Slope or correlation
  number_repetitions = 10000) # Number of simulated samples for bootstrap distribution
```

11. Report the bootstrap 90% confidence interval in interval notation.

# Communicate the results and answer the research question

- 12. Using a significance level of 0.1, what decision would you make?
- 13. What type of error is possible?
- 14. Interpret this error in context of the problem.
- 15. Write a paragraph summarizing the results of the study as if you are reporting these results in your local newspaper. Upload a copy of your paragraph to Gradescope for your group. Be sure to describe:
  - Summary statistic and interpretation
    - Summary measure (in context)
    - Value of the statistic
    - Order of subtraction when comparing two groups
  - P-value and interpretation
    - Statement about probability or proportion of samples
    - Statistic (summary measure and value)
    - Direction of the alternative
    - Null hypothesis (in context)
  - Confidence interval and interpretation
    - How confident you are (e.g., 90%, 95%, 98%, 99%)
    - Parameter of interest

- Calculated interval
- Order of subtraction when comparing two groups
- Conclusion (written to answer the research question)
  - Amount of evidence
  - Parameter of interest
  - Direction of the alternative hypothesis
- Scope of inference
  - To what group of observational units do the results apply (target population or observational units similar to the sample)?
  - What type of inference is appropriate (causal or non-causal)?

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