

Chapter 3: Bivariate statistical series

Study of the regression - Conditional distributions

Example

Let's take the previous example

$X \backslash Y$	5	7	9	11	13	$n_{i.}$	\bar{Y}/x_i	σ_{Y/x_i}
1				1	4	5	12.6	0.80
2			2	7	1	10	10.8	1.08
4			9	1		10	9.2	0.60
6	2	8	6	1		17	7.71	1.52
9	5	2	1			8	6	1.41
$n_{.j}$	7	10	18	10	5	50		
X/y_j	8.14	6.6	4.72	2.5	1.2			
σ_{X/y_j}	1.36	1.20	1.48	1.32	1.33			

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To draw the regression corridor of Y in X we join the points

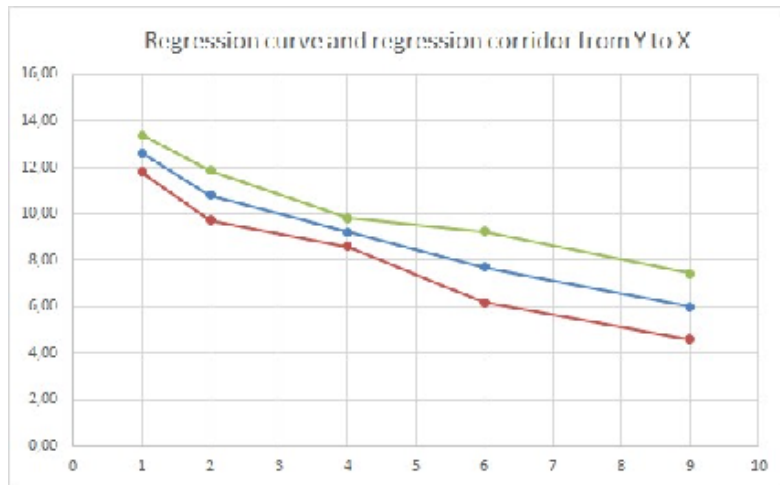
$$(x_i; \bar{Y}/x_i - \sigma_{Y/x_i}) = \{(1; 11.80), (2; 9.72), (4; 8.60), (6; 6.18), (9; 4.59)\}$$

then the points

$$(x_i; \bar{Y}/x_i + \sigma_{Y/x_i}) = \{(1; 13.40), (2; 11.88), (4; 9.80), (6; 9.23), (9; 7.41)\}.$$

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We have the following relationship called variance decomposition

$$\sigma_Y^2 = \overline{\sigma_{Y/X}^2} + \sigma_{\overline{Y/X}}^2.$$

where

$$\overline{\sigma_{Y/X}^2} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \cdot \sigma_{Y/x_i}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^l n_{ij} (y_j - \overline{Y/x_i})^2$$

is the average conditional variance of Y with respect to X (also called the variance around the regression corridor) is the average of the conditional variances, and

$$\sigma_{\overline{Y/X}}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \cdot (\overline{Y/x_i} - \overline{Y})^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^k n_i \cdot (\overline{Y/x_i})^2 - \overline{Y}^2$$

is the variance of conditional means.

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For the previous example we have $\bar{Y} = 8.84$,

$$\begin{aligned}\overline{\sigma_{Y/X}^2} &= (5 \cdot 0.64 + 10 \cdot 1.16 + 10 \cdot 0.36 + 17 \cdot 2.33 + 8 \cdot 2.00) / 50 \\ &= 1.48\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_{Y/X}^2 &= (5 \cdot 12.60^2 + 10 \cdot 10.80^2 + 10 \cdot 9.20^2 + 17 \cdot 7.71^2 + 8 \cdot 6^2) / 50 - \\ &= 3.96\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{then } \overline{\sigma_{Y/X}^2} + \sigma_{Y/X}^2 = 5.44 \simeq \sigma_Y^2 = 5.41$$

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Study of the regression - Correlation ratio

Definition

We call the Pearson correlation ratio the real number

$$\eta^2_{Y/X} = \frac{\sigma^2_{Y/X}}{\sigma^2_Y}.$$

It's the percentage of variability (of the variable Y) due to the differences between the modalities (of the variable X).

Remark

- 1 $0 \leq \eta^2_{Y/X} \leq 1$.
- 2 If $\eta^2_{Y/X} = 0 \iff \sigma^2_{Y/X} = 0$ then the regression curve of Y in X is horizontal, this means that the variable Y is uncorrelated on average with the variable X .
- 3 If $\eta^2_{Y/X} = 1 \iff \sigma^2_{Y/X} = 0$ then Y is totally linked to X .

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Theorem

The linear correlation coefficient and the Pearson correlation ratio realize the following relationship $\rho^2(X, Y) \leq \eta_{Y/X}^2$.

Interpretation of results

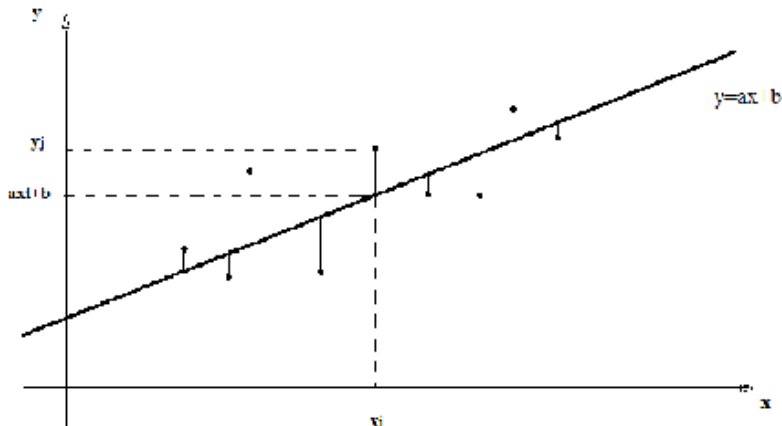
- 1 If $\rho^2(X, Y) \leq \eta_{Y/X}^2 \leq 0.1$ then Y and X are not correlated.
- 2 If $\rho^2(X, Y) \leq 0.1 < \eta_{Y/X}^2 < 0.9$ then Y is partially linked to X but this link is not linear.
- 3 If $0.1 < \rho^2(X, Y) \leq \eta_{Y/X}^2 < 0.9$ then Y is partially linked to X and this link is linear.
- 4 If $0.1 < \rho^2(X, Y) \leq 0.9 \leq \eta_{Y/X}^2$ then Y is linked to X and this link is functional but not linear.
- 5 If $0.9 < \rho^2(X, Y) \leq \eta_{Y/X}^2$ then Y is linearly related to X .

For the previous example we have $\eta_{Y/X}^2 = \frac{3.96}{5.41} \simeq 0.7319$ and $\rho^2(X, Y) \simeq 0.7029$.

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The linear fit consists in replacing the scatterplot by a line such that the estimated y -values along it, for the different x_i values are very close to the y_j values.



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Definition

When $\rho^2(X, Y) > 0,9$ there exists a linear relationship between X and Y of the form $Y = aX + b$ which is called the regression line of Y in X and which minimize the sum

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^k \sum_{j=1}^l n_{ij} (y_j - ax_i - b)^2.$$

The condition $\rho^2(X, Y) > 0,9$ is mandatory to confirm the linearity of the relationship between X and Y but we can still determine a regression line for values less than 0,9.

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Theorem

The regression line from Y to X is the line of the form $Y = aX + b$ with

$$a = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X^2} \text{ et } b = \bar{Y} - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X^2} \bar{X}.$$

Remark

We can also determine the regression line from X to Y of the form $X = a'Y + b'$, où

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The two lines pass through the mean point (\bar{X}, \bar{Y}) .

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Example

We consider the previous example. The equation of the regression line from Y to X is determined.

We have $\rho^2(X, Y) \approx 0,7029 < 0,9$ the fit is not actually linear but there is a strong enough correlation that we can still fit it by a line of the form $(D_{Y/X}) : y = ax + b$ where $a = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X^2}$ and $b = \bar{Y} - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X^2} \bar{X}$, such that

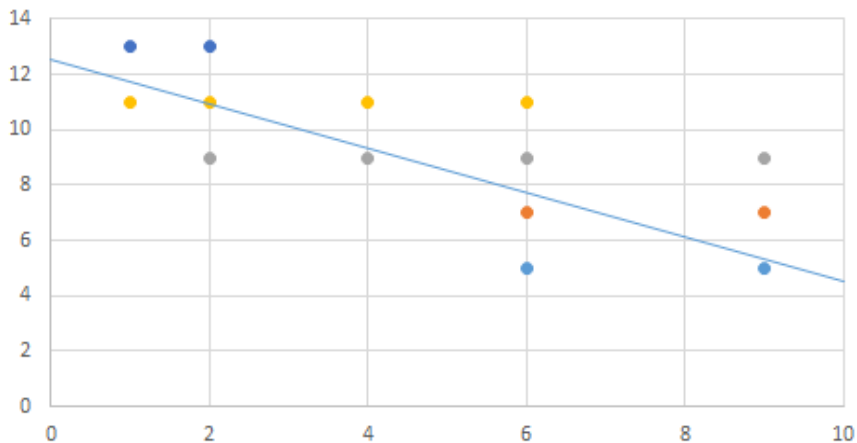
$$a = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X^2} = \frac{-4,9552}{2,54^2} \approx -0,7681$$

$$b = \bar{Y} - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X^2} \bar{X} = 8,84 + 0,7681 \cdot 4,78 = 12,5115$$

hence the equation of the regression line from Y to X is

$$(D_{Y/X}) : y = -0,7681x + 12,5115.$$

Scatter plot and regression line



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We determine the equation of the regression line from X to Y .

$(D_{X/Y}) : x = a'y + b'$ such that:

$$a' = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_Y^2} = \frac{-4,9552}{2,3269^2} \approx -0,9152$$

$$\begin{aligned} b' &= \bar{X} - \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_Y^2} \bar{Y} = 4,78 + 0,9152 \times 8,84 \\ &= 12,8704 \end{aligned}$$

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