# Multiple Regression

Lecture 07



#### Aims

- Understand When To Use Multiple Regression.
- Understand the multiple regression equation and what the betas represent.
- Understand Different Methods of Regression
  - Hierarchical
  - Stepwise
  - Forced Entry
- Understand How to do a Multiple Regression on PASW/SPSS
- Understand how to Interpret multiple regression.
- Understand the Assumptions of Multiple Regression and how to test them



### What is Multiple Regression?

- Linear Regression is a model to predict the value of one variable from another.
- Multiple Regression is a natural extension of this model:
  - We use it to predict values of an outcome from several predictors.
  - It is a hypothetical model of the relationship between several variables.

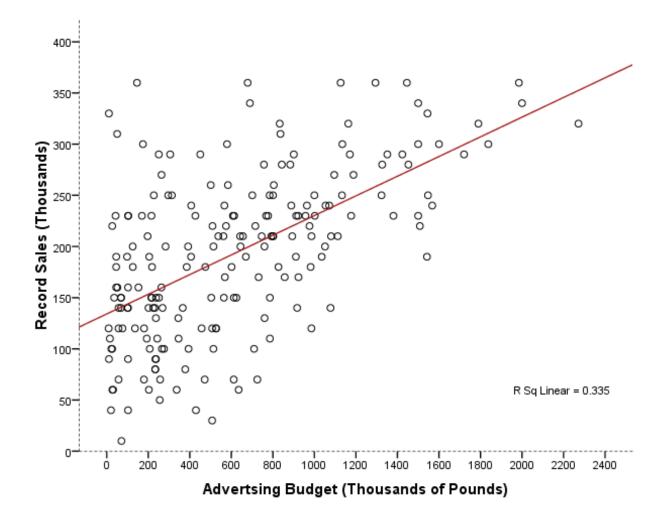


# Regression: An Example

- A record company boss was interested in predicting record sales from advertising.
- Data
  - 200 different album releases
- Outcome variable:
  - Sales (CDs and Downloads) in the week after release
- Predictor variables
  - The amount (in £s) spent promoting the record before release (see last lecture)
  - Number of plays on the radio (new variable)



#### The Model with One Predictor





#### Multiple Regression as an Equation

 With multiple regression the relationship is described using a variation of the equation of a straight line.

$$y = b_0 + b_1 X_1 + b_2 X_2 + \dots + b_n X_n + \varepsilon_i$$



# $b_0$

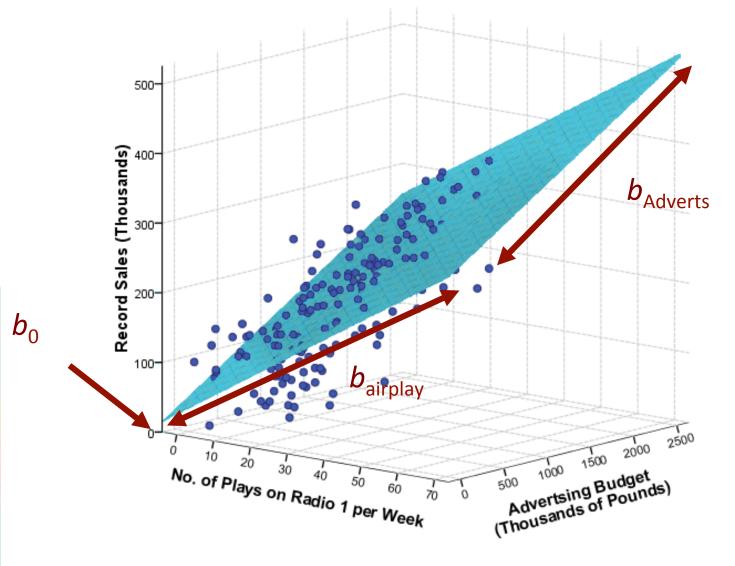
- $b_0$  is the intercept.
- The intercept is the value of the Y variable when all Xs = 0.
- This is the point at which the regression plane crosses the Yaxis (vertical).

#### **Beta Values**

- $b_1$  is the regression coefficient for variable 1.
- $b_2$  is the regression coefficient for variable 2.
- $b_n$  is the regression coefficient for  $n^{th}$  variable.



### The Model with Two Predictors



# Methods of Regression

#### Hierarchical:

 Experimenter decides the order in which variables are entered into the model.

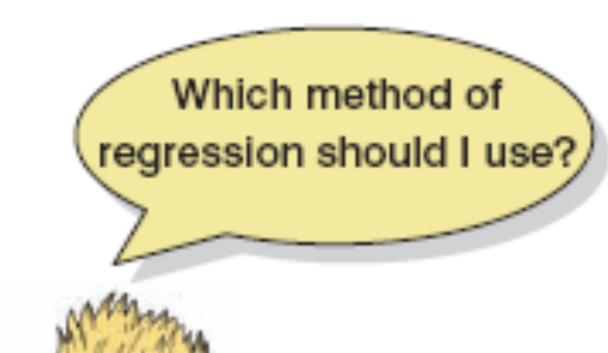
#### Forced Entry:

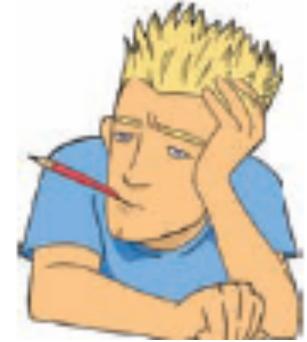
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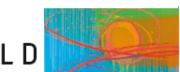
#### • Stepwise:

 Predictors are selected using their semipartial correlation with the outcome.









# Hierarchical Regression

- Known predictors (based on past research) are entered into the regression model first.
- New predictors are then entered in a separate step/block.
- Experimenter makes the decisions.



### Hierarchical Regression

- It is the best method:
  - Based on theory testing.
  - -You can see the unique predictive influence of a new variable on the outcome because known predictors are held constant in the model.
- Bad Point:
  - Relies on the experimenter knowing what they're doing!





#### Forced Entry Regression

- All variables are entered into the model simultaneously.
- The results obtained depend on the variables entered into the model.
  - It is important, therefore, to have good theoretical reasons for including a particular variable.



# Stepwise Regression I

- Variables are entered into the model based on mathematical criteria.
- Computer selects variables in steps.
- Step 1
  - SPSS looks for the predictor that can explain the most variance in the outcome variable.

**Previous Exam** 

Difficulty

Variance explained (1.7%)

Exam Performance

Variance explained (1.3%)

Variance accounted for by Revision Time (33.1%)

Revision Time

#### **Correlations**

			First Year		
		Exam Mark	Exam	Difficulty of	Revision
		(%)	Grade	Question	Time
Exam Mark (%)	Pearson Correlation	1.000	.130**	113*	.575**
	Sig. (2-tailed)		.005	.014	.000
	N	474	474	474	474
First Year Exam Grade	Pearson Correlation	.130**	1.000	01	.047
	Sig. (2-tailed)	.005		<b>^</b>	.303
	N	474	474	474	474
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<sup>\*\*.</sup> Correlation is significant at the 0.01 level (2-tailed).

<sup>\*</sup> Correlation is significant at the 0.05 level (2-tailed).

# Stepwise Regression II

#### • Step 2:

- Having selected the 1<sup>st</sup> predictor, a second one is chosen from the remaining predictors.
- -The *semi-partial correlation* is used as a criterion for selection.





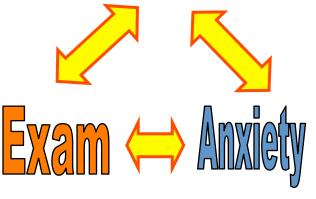
#### Semi-Partial Correlation

- Partial correlation:
  - measures the relationship between two variables, controlling for the effect that a third variable has on them both.
- A semi-partial correlation:
  - Measures the relationship between two variables controlling for the effect that a third variable has on only one of the others.

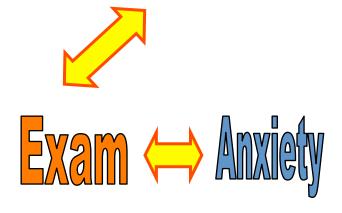




# Revision



Revision



Partial Correlation

Semi-Partial Correlation

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#### Semi-Partial Correlation in Regression

- The semi-partial correlation
  - Measures the relationship between a predictor and the outcome, controlling for the relationship between that predictor and any others already in the model.
  - It measures the unique contribution of a predictor to explaining the variance of the outcome.



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#### Coefficientsa

		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients		
Model		В	Std. Error	Beta	t	Sig.
1	(Constant)	-10.863	3.069		-3.539	.000
	Revision Time	3.400	.222	.575	15.282	.000
2	(Constant)	-24.651	5.858		-4.208	.000
	Revision Time	3.371	.221	.570	15.241	.000
	First Year Exam Grade	.175	.063	.103	2.756	.006

a. Dependent Variable: Exam Mark (%)

#### **Excluded Variables**<sup>c</sup>

					Partial		Collinearity Statistics
Model		Beta In	t	Sig.	Correlation		Tolerance
1	First Year Exam Grade	.103 <sup>a</sup>	2.756	.006		.126	.998
	Difficulty of Question	.024 <sup>a</sup>	.624	.533		.029	.944
2	Difficulty of Question	.024 <sup>b</sup>	.631	.528		.029	.944

a. Predictors in the Model: (Constant), Revision Time

b. Predictors in the Model: (Constant), Revision Time, First Year Exam Grade

C. Dependent Variable: Exam Mark (%)

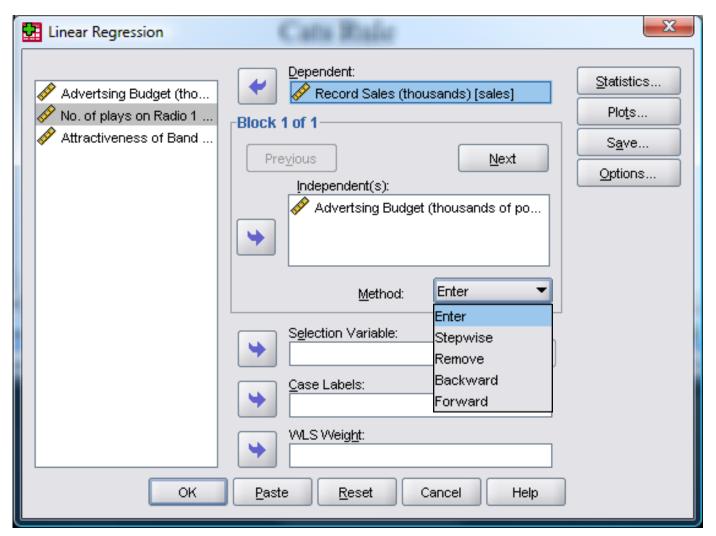
#### Problems with Stepwise Methods

- Rely on a mathematical criterion.
  - Variable selection may depend upon only slight differences in the Semi-partial correlation.
  - These slight numerical differences can lead to major theoretical differences.
- Should be used only for exploration

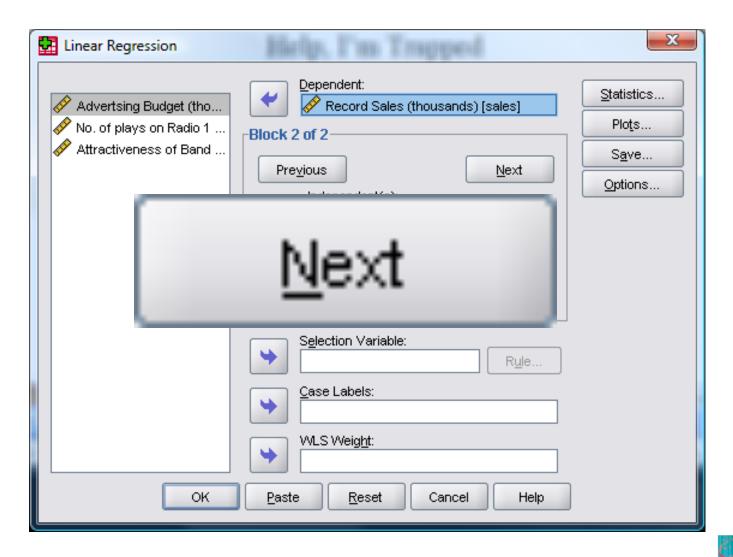




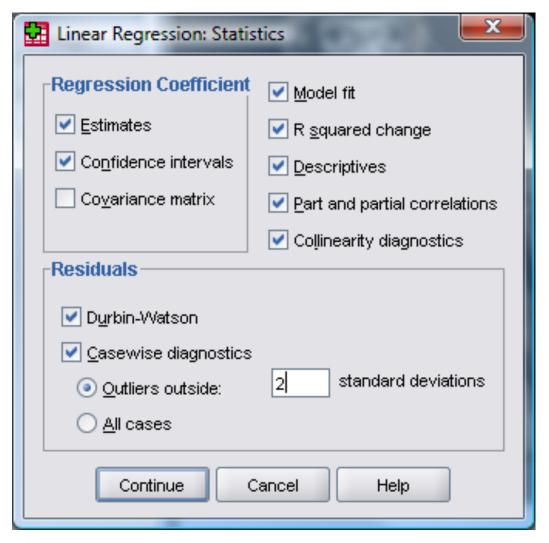
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### Regression Statistics



#### Standardized Standardized Adjusted Studentized S.E. of mean predictions ✓ Deleted Studentized deleted -Distances Influence Statistics Mahalanobis Df<u>B</u>eta(s) ✓ Standardized DfBeta(s) ✓ Cook's Leverage values DfFit Prediction Intervals Standardized DfFit Co<u>v</u>ariance ratio Mean Individual 95 % Confidence Interval: Coefficient statistics Create coefficient statistics Create a new dataset Dataset name: RecordDiagnostics Write a new data file. File... Export model information to XML file Browse... ✓ Include the covariance matrix Continue Cancel Help

Residuals

Unstandardized

Linear Regression: Save

-Predicted Values

✓ Unstandardized

# Regression Diagnostics

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#### **Output: Model Summary**

#### Model Summary

				Std. Error		Change Statistics				
Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	of the Estimate	R Square Change	F Change	df1	df2	Sig. F Change	Durbin-Watson
1	.578ª	.335	.331	65.9914	.335	99.587	1	198	.000	
2	.815	.665	.660	47.0873	.330	98.447	2	198	.000	1.950

- a. Predictors: (Constant), Advertising Budget (thousands of pounds)
- b. Predictors: (Constant), Advertising Budget (thousands of pounds), Attractiveness of Band, No. of plays on Radio 1 per week
- c. Dependent Variable: Record Sales (thousands)

#### R and $R^2$

- R
  - The correlation between the observed values of the outcome, and the values predicted by the model.
- $\bullet$   $R^2$ 
  - Yhe proportion of variance accounted for by the model.
- Adj. *R*<sup>2</sup>
  - An estimate of  $R^2$  in the population (*shrinkage*).



#### Output: ANOVA

#### ANOVA<sup>c</sup>

Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression Residual Total	433687.833 362264.167 1295952.0	1 198 199	433687.833 4354.870	99.587	.000 <sup>a</sup>
2	Regression Residual Total	361377.418 434574.582 1295952.0	3 196 199	287125.806 2217.217	129.498	.000 <sup>b</sup>

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#### Analysis of Variance: ANOVA

#### The F-test

- -looks at whether the variance explained by the model  $(SS_M)$  is significantly greater than the error within the model  $(SS_R)$ .
- —It tells us whether using the regression model is significantly better at predicting values of the outcome than using the mean.





### Output: betas

#### Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients			95% Confidence	e Interval for B
Model		В	Std. Error	Beta	t	Siq.	Lower Bound	Upper Bound
1	(Constant)	134.140	7.537		17.799	.000	119.278	149.002
	Advertsing Budget (thousands of pounds)	.096	.010	.578	9.979	.000	.077	.115
2	(Constant)	-26.613	17.350		-1.534	.127	-60.830	7.604
	Advertsing Budget (thousands of pounds)	.085	.007	.511	12.261	.000	.071	.099
	No. of plays on Radio 1 per week	3.367	.278	.512	12.123	.000	2.820	3.915
	Attractiveness of Band	11.086	2.438	.192	4.548	.000	6.279	15.894

a. Dependent Variable: Record Sales (thousands)

#### How to Interpret Beta Values

#### Beta values:

the change in the outcome associated with a unit change in the predictor.

#### Standardised beta values:

 tell us the same but expressed as standard deviations.



#### **Beta Values**

- $b_1 = 0.087$ .
  - So, as advertising increases by £1,
    record sales increase by 0.087 units.
- $b_2$ = 3589.
  - So, each time (per week) a song is played on radio 1 its sales increase by 3589 units.

# Constructing a Model

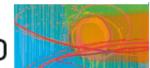
$$y = b_0 + b_1 X_1 + b_2 X_2$$
  
Sales = 41124 + 0.087Adverts + 3589plays

£1 Million Advertising, 15 plays

Sales = 
$$41124 + (0.087 \times 1,000,000) + (3589 \times 15)$$

$$=41124 + 87000 + 53835$$

$$=181959$$



#### Standardised Beta Values

- $\beta_1 = 0.523$ 
  - As advertising increases by 1 standard deviation, record sales increase by 0.523 of a standard deviation.
- $\beta_2 = 0.546$ 
  - When the number of plays on radio increases by 1 s.d. its sales increase by 0.546 standard deviations.

## Interpreting Standardised Betas

 As advertising increases by £485,655, record sales increase by 0.523 × 80,699 = 42,206.

 If the number of plays on radio 1 per week increases by 12, record sales increase by 0.546 × 80,699 = 44,062.



## Reporting the Model

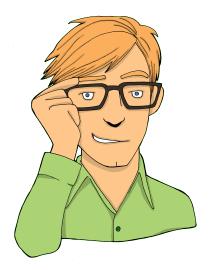
TABLE 7.2 How to report multiple regression

	В	SE B	β
Step 1			
Constant	134.14	7.54	
Advertising Budget	0.10	0.01	.58*
Step 2			
Constant	-26.61	17.35	
Advertising Budget	0.09	0.01	.51*
Plays on BBC Radio 1	3.37	0.28	.51*
Attractiveness	11.09	2.44	.19*



# How well does the Model fit the data?

- There are two ways to assess the accuracy of the model in the sample:
- Residual Statistics
  - Standardized Residuals
- Influential cases
  - Cook's distance



#### Standardized Residuals

- In an average sample, 95% of standardized residuals should lie between ± 2.
- 99% of standardized residuals should lie between ± 2.5.
- Outliers
  - Any case for which the absolute value of the standardized residual is 3 or more, is likely to be an outlier.



### Cook's Distance

- Measures the influence of a single case on the model as a whole.
- Weisberg (1982):
  - Absolute values greater than 1 may be cause for concern.



### Generalization

- When we run regression, we hope to be able to generalize the sample model to the entire population.
- To do this, several assumptions must be met.
- Violating these assumptions stops us generalizing conclusions to our target population.

### Straightforward Assumptions

- Variable Type:
  - Outcome must be continuous
  - Predictors can be continuous or dichotomous.
- Non-Zero Variance:
  - Predictors must not have zero variance.
- Linearity:
  - The relationship we model is, in reality, linear.
- Independence:
  - All values of the outcome should come from a different person.



### The More Tricky Assumptions

- No Multicollinearity:
  - Predictors must not be highly correlated.
- Homoscedasticity:
  - For each value of the predictors the variance of the error term should be constant.
- Independent Errors:
  - For any pair of observations, the error terms should be uncorrelated.
- Normally-distributed Errors



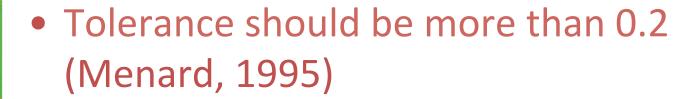


# Multicollinearity

 Multicollinearity exists if predictors are highly correlated.

 This assumption can be checked with collinearity diagnostics.





VIF should be less than 10 (Myers, 1990)



#### **Checking Assumptions about Errors**

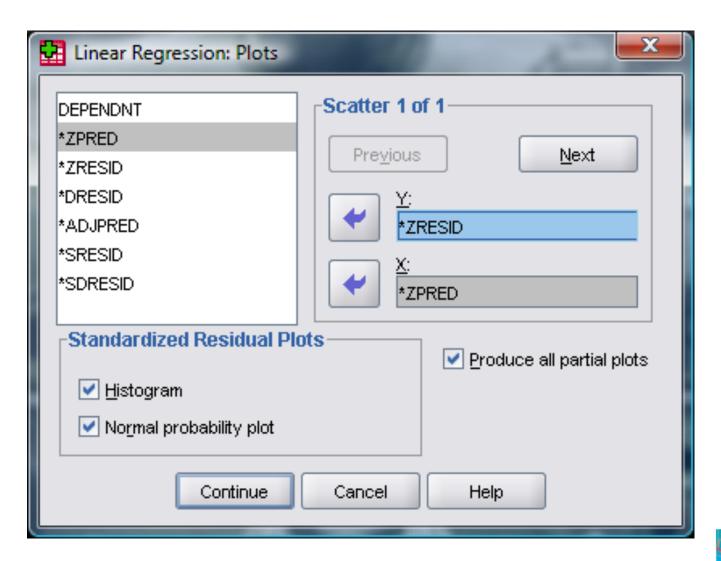
- Homoscedacity/Independence of Errors:
  - —Plot ZRESID against ZPRED.

- Normality of Errors:
  - Normal probability plot.



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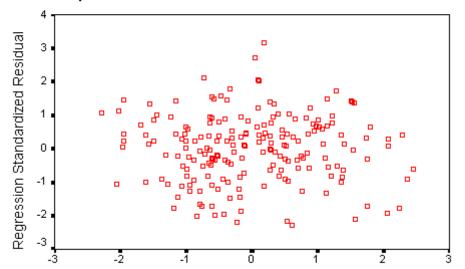
## Regression Plots



# Homoscedasticity: ZRESID vs. ZPRED

#### Scatterplot

Dependent Variable: Record Sales

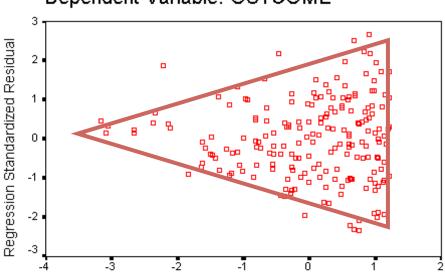


Regression Standardized Predicted Value



#### Scatterplot

Dependent Variable: OUTCOME



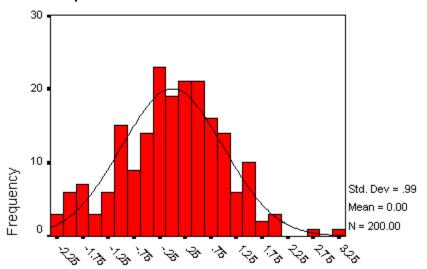
Regression Standardized Predicted Value



### Normality of Errors: Histograms

#### Histogram

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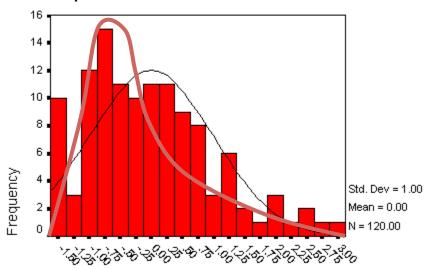


Regression Standardized Residual



#### Histogram

Dependent Variable: OUTCOME



Regression Standardized Residual

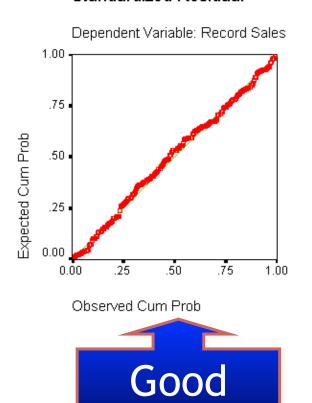


# Normality of Errors: Normal Probability Plot

Expected Cum Prob

#### Normal P-P Plot of Regression

#### Standardized Residual



Normal P-P Plot of Regression

Standardized Residual

Dependent Variable: Outcome

