

# Introduction to Regression

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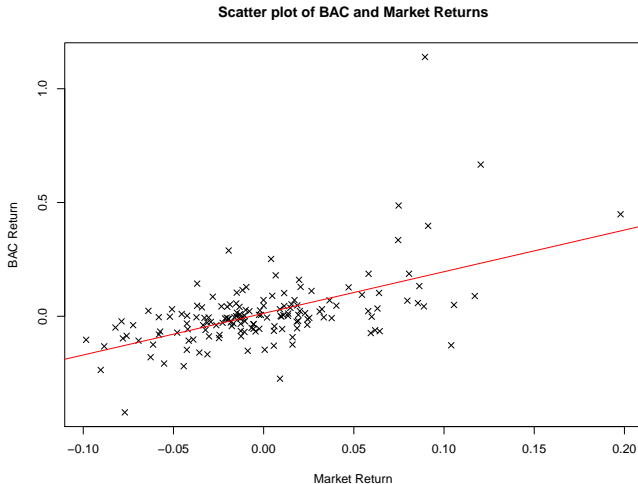
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# Caution!

*“Essentially all models are wrong, but some are useful”*

(Box, 1987, p. 424)

# S&P 500 and BAC



# Solution 1

$$y_t = a + bx_t + u_t$$

Minimise the residuals

$$\text{Min} \sum_{t=1}^{t=T} u_t^2$$

$$\text{Min} \sum_{t=1}^{t=T} (y_t - a - bx_t)^2$$

Take, partial derivative to get the conditions.

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$$\frac{\delta u}{\delta a} = \sum_{t=1}^{t=T} 2(y_t - a - bX_t) = 0$$

$$\frac{\delta u}{\delta b} = \sum_{t=1}^{t=T} 2X_t(y_t - a - bX_t) = 0$$

Re-arrange

$$\hat{b} = \frac{\sum x \sum y - \frac{\sum x \sum y}{T}}{\sum x^2 - \frac{(\sum x)^2}{T}}$$

$$\hat{a} = \bar{Y} - b\bar{X}$$



# Solution: matrix form

In matrix form

$$\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{u}$$

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta}$$

$$\mathbf{u}'\mathbf{u} = (\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{u})'(\mathbf{X}\boldsymbol{\beta} + \mathbf{u})$$

Taking derivative and re-arranging (see textbook for proof)

$$\boldsymbol{\beta} = (\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{X})^{-1}\mathbf{X}'\mathbf{y}$$

# Regression Table

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	$\Pr(> t )$
(Intercept)	0.0130	0.0105	1.23	0.2203
SPY.R	1.8303	0.2240	8.17	0.0000

The Adjusted  $R^2$  is 0.29, therefore nearly 30% of the BAC returns are explained by the returns of the market. 95% confidence intervals for the  $\beta$  are 1.39 to 2.27.

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