

Applied Statistical Analysis

EDUC 6050

Week 8

Finding clarity using data

Homework and Such

Research Portfolio: How's it coming along?

Any questions about the remainder of the class?

Today

1. Relationships! 
2. Correlation and Intro to Regression
3. Chapter 13 in Book

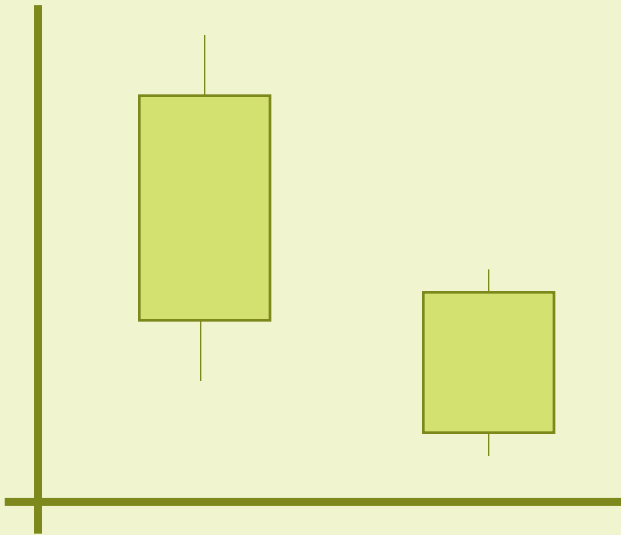
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sxYrzzy3cq8>

Comparing Means

Is one group different than the other(s)?

- Z-tests
- T-tests
- ANOVA

We compare the means and use the variability to decide if the difference is significant

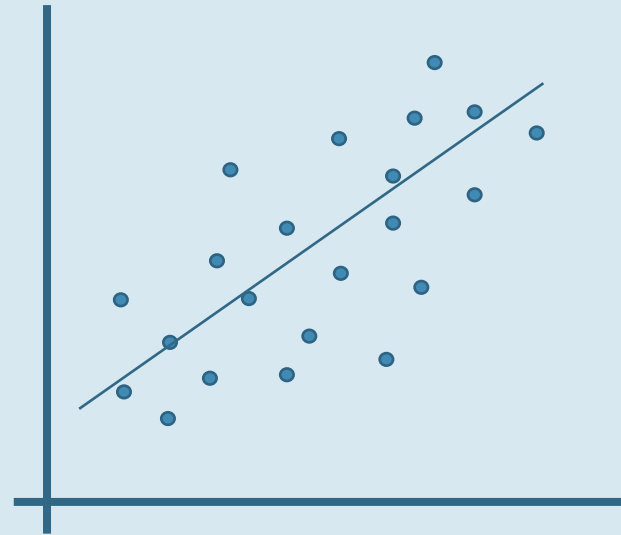


Assessing Relationships

Is there a relationship between the two variables?

- Correlation
- Regression

We look at how much the variables “move together”



Correlation

- It is a **whole class** of methods
- Generally used with **observational** designs
- Has similar assumptions to t-test
- Is a measure of effect size
- Very related (and **based on**) **z-scores**
- Tells us **direction** and **strength** of a relationship between *two* variables

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Diagram illustrating the formula for correlation coefficient r :

- Z_x is labeled as "z-score of variable x" (blue text).
- Z_y is labeled as "z-score of variable y" (yellow text).

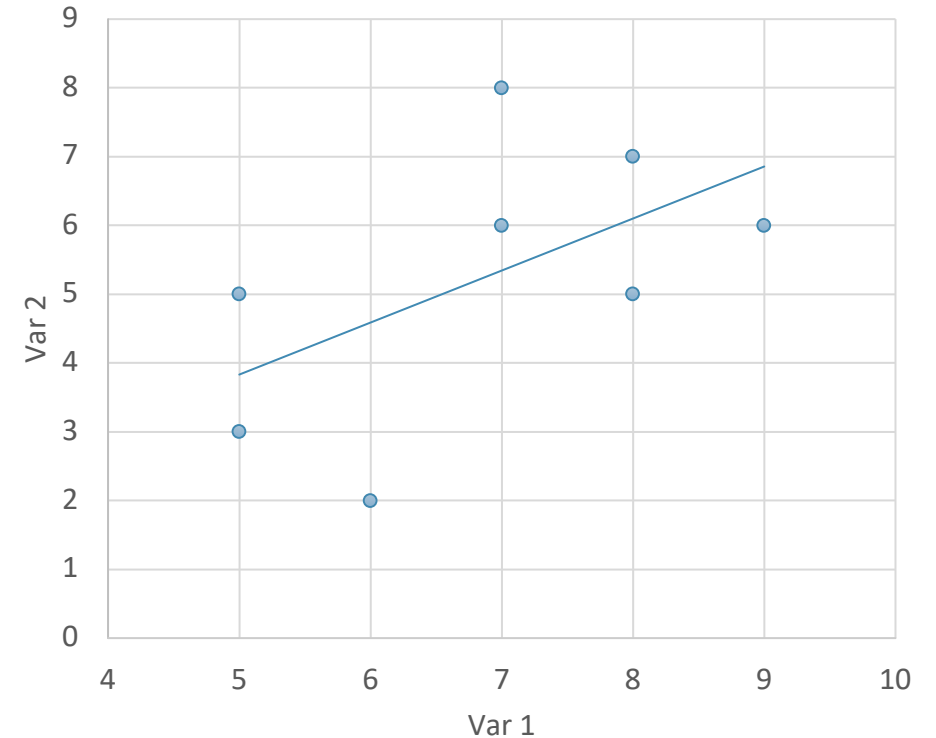
General Requirements

1. Two or more continuous variables,
2. Not necessarily directional (one causes the other)

ID	Var 1	Var 2
1	8	7
2	6	2
3	9	6
4	7	6
5	7	8
6	8	5
7	5	3
8	5	5

General Requirements

1. Two or more continuous variables,
2. Not necessarily directional (one causes the other)
3. Linear Relationship (or at least monotonic)



Hypothesis Testing with Correlation

The same 6 step approach!

1. Examine Variables to Assess Statistical Assumptions
2. State the Null and Research Hypotheses (symbolically and verbally)
3. Define Critical Regions
4. Compute the Test Statistic
5. Compute an Effect Size and Describe it
6. Interpreting the results

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Individuals are independent of each other (one person's scores does not affect another's)

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- 2. Appropriate measurement of variables for the analysis**
3. Normality of distributions
4. Homogeneity of data




Here we need interval/ratio variables

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 3. Normality of distributions
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- Multivariate normality (the two variables are jointly normal)

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Examine Variables to Assess Statistical Assumptions

Basic Assumptions

1. Independence of data

2. Appropriateness of the model

for the data

3. Normality of residuals

4. Homoscedasticity

Variance around the line should be roughly equal across the whole line

1 Examine Variables to Assess Statistical Assumptions

Examining the Basic Assumptions

1. **Independence:** random sample
2. **Appropriate measurement:** know what your variables are
3. **Normality:** Histograms, **Q-Q**, skew and kurtosis
4. **Homoscedastic:** Scatterplots

2 State the Null and Research Hypotheses (symbolically and verbally)

Hypothesis Type	Symbolic	Verbal	Difference between means created by:
Research Hypothesis	$\rho \neq 0$	There is a relationship between the variables	True relationship
Null Hypothesis	$\rho = 0$	There is no <i>real</i> relationship between the variables.	Random chance (sampling error)

3 Define Critical Regions

How much evidence is enough to believe the null is not true?

generally based on an $\alpha = .05$

Use the table in the book (page 610)
Based on α and df

If we have an $N = 10$ and $\alpha = .05$, then:

$$r_{critical}(8) = 0.632$$

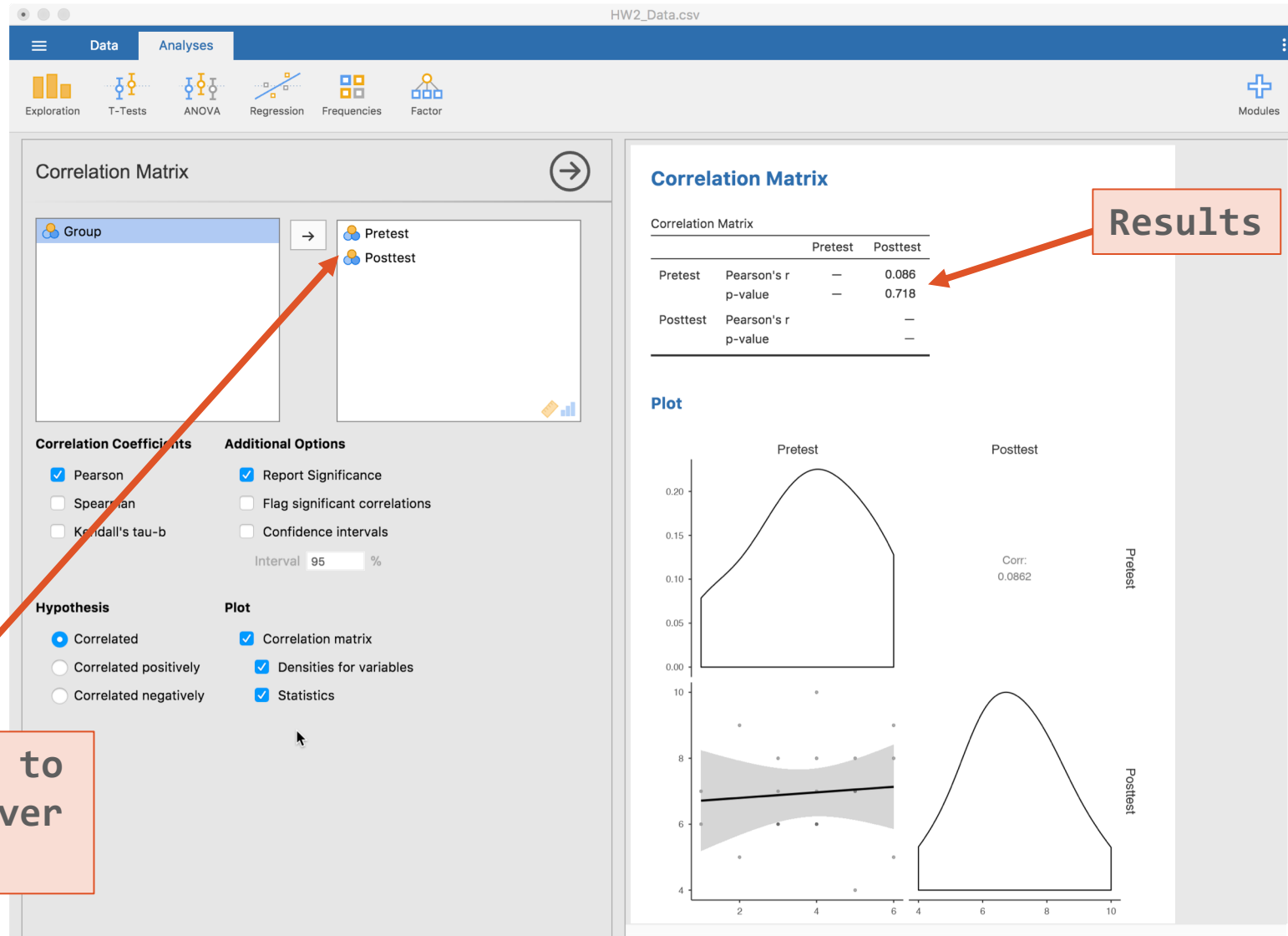
Compute the Test Statistic

The screenshot shows the SPSS software interface. The 'Data' tab is active, and the 'Analyses' menu is open. The 'Correlation Matrix' and 'Linear Regression' options are visible. A red arrow points from the 'Group' column header in the data grid to the 'Correlation Matrix' option. A red box highlights the 'Group' column header with the text 'Matrix'.

Click on
"Correlation Matrix"

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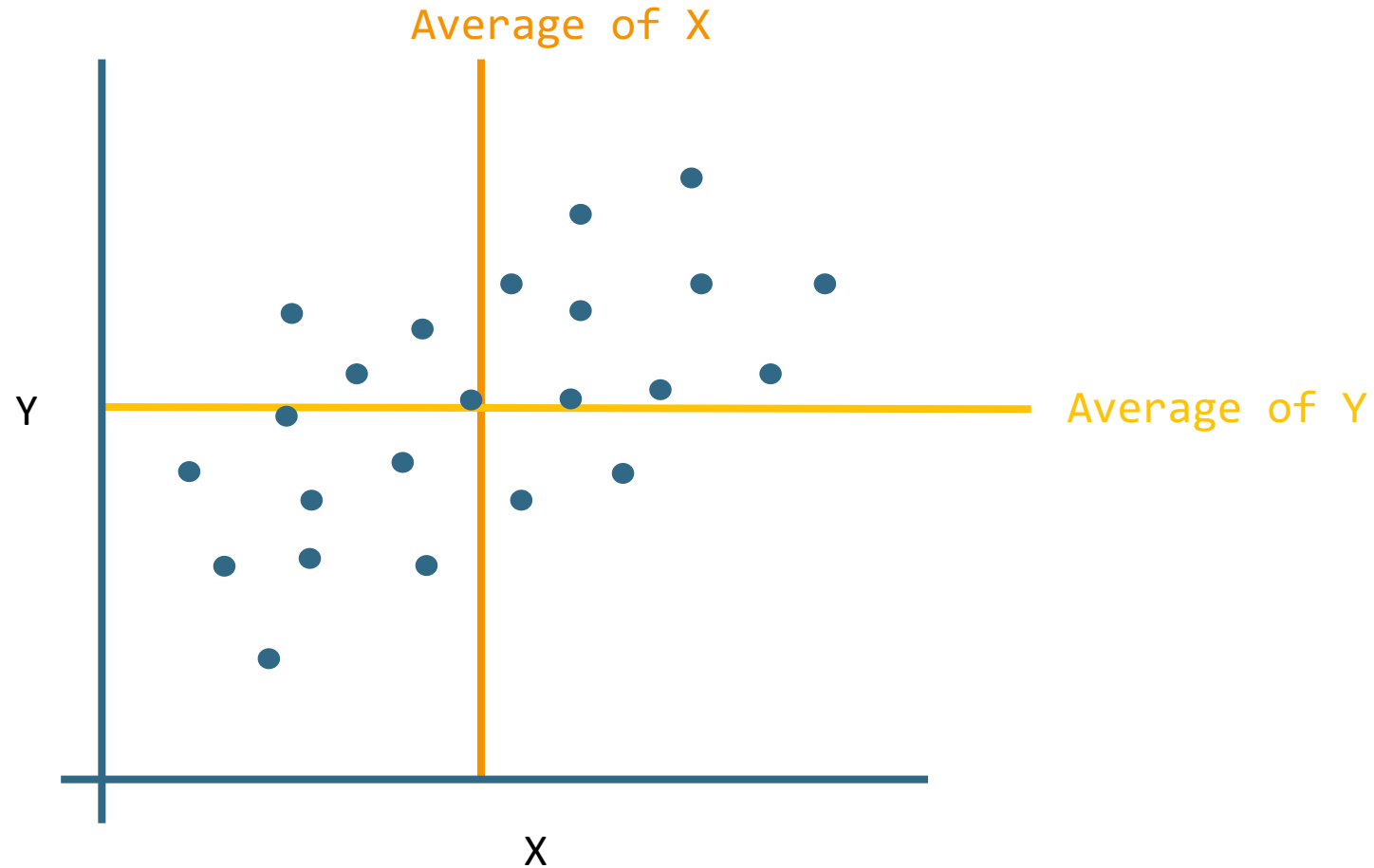


Bring variables to be correlated over here

Results

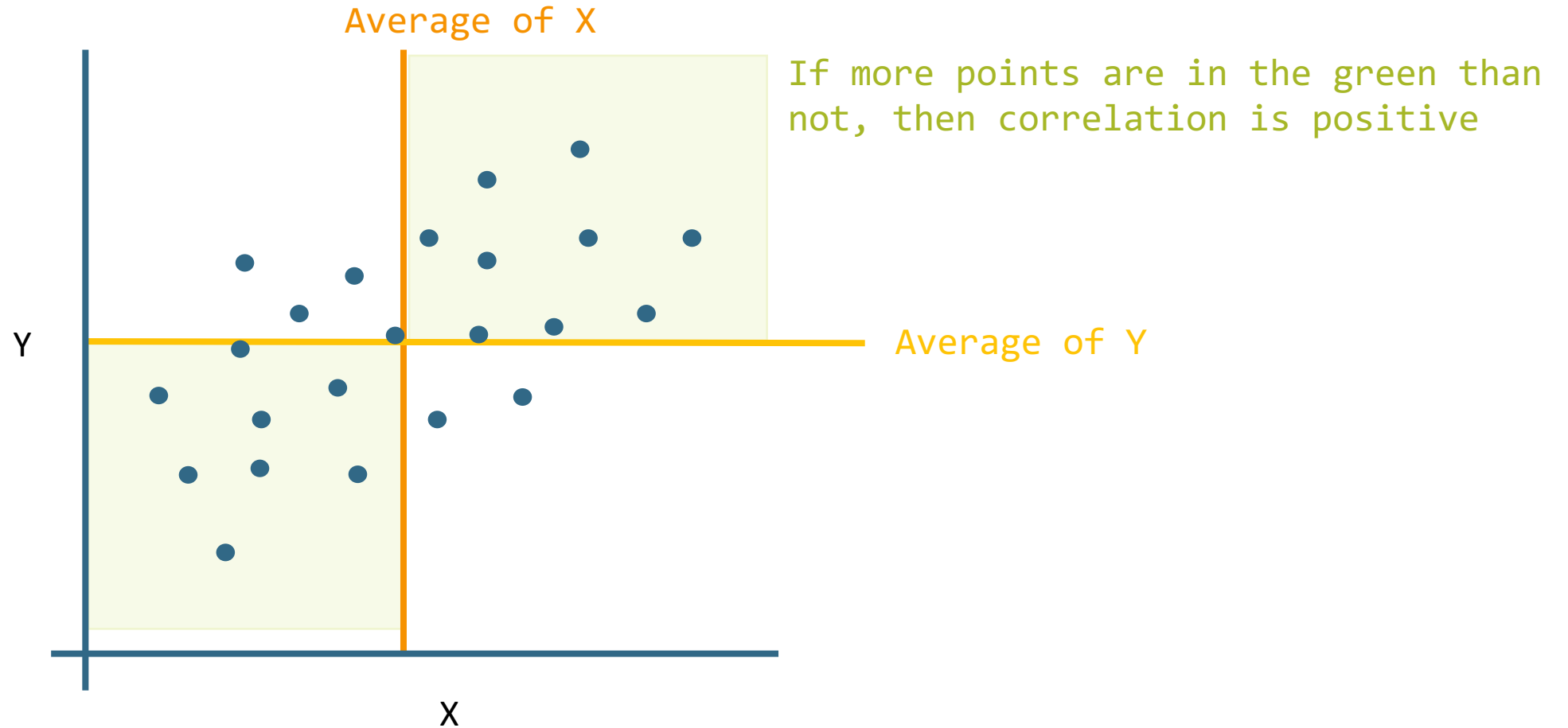
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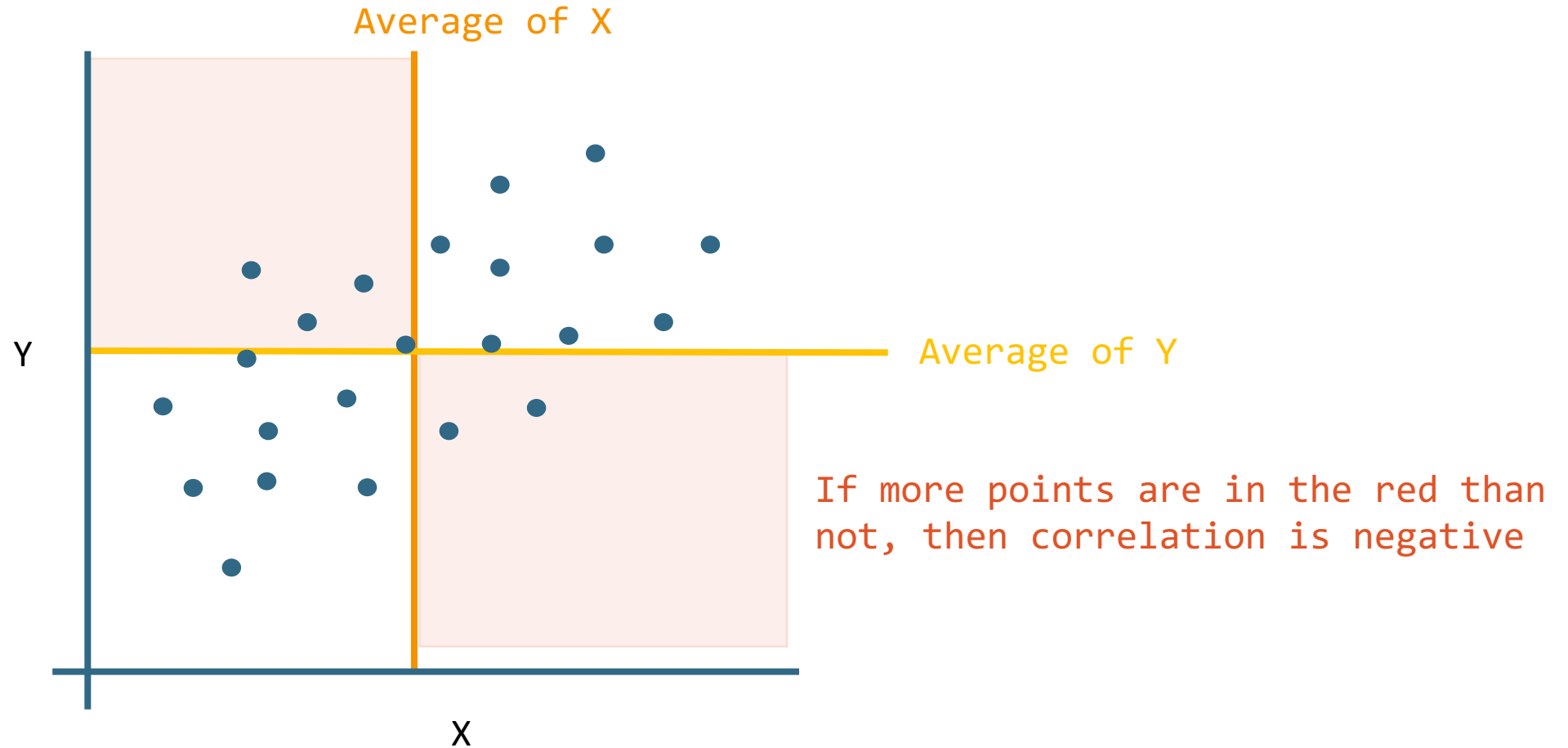
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Compute an Effect Size and Describe it

One of the main effect sizes for correlation is r^2

$$r^2 = (r)^2$$

r^2	Estimated Size of the Effect
Close to .01	Small
Close to .09	Moderate
Close to .25	Large

6 Interpreting the results

Put your results into words

Use the example around **page 529** as a template

Let's use Jamovi

Correlation

Break Time

Intro to Regression

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The **foundation** of almost everything we do in statistics



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graph TD; A[The foundation of almost everything we do in statistics] -- red arrow --> B[Comparing group means]; A -- yellow arrow --> C[Assess relationships]; A -- orange arrow --> D[Compare means AND assess relationships at the same time];
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Comparing group means

Assess relationships

Compare means AND assess relationships at the same time

Can handle many types of outcome and predictor data types
Results are interpretable

Two Main Types of Regression

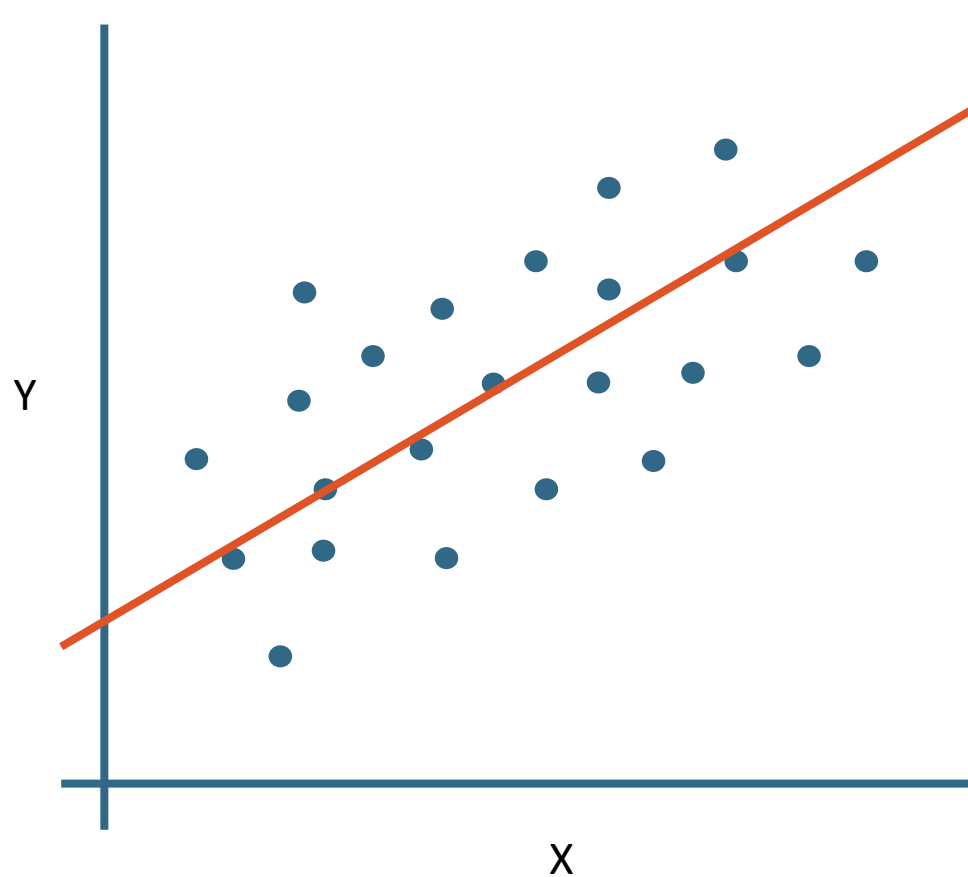
Simple

- Only one predictor in the model
- When variables are standardized, gives same results as correlation
- When using a grouping variable, same results as t-test or ANOVA

Multiple

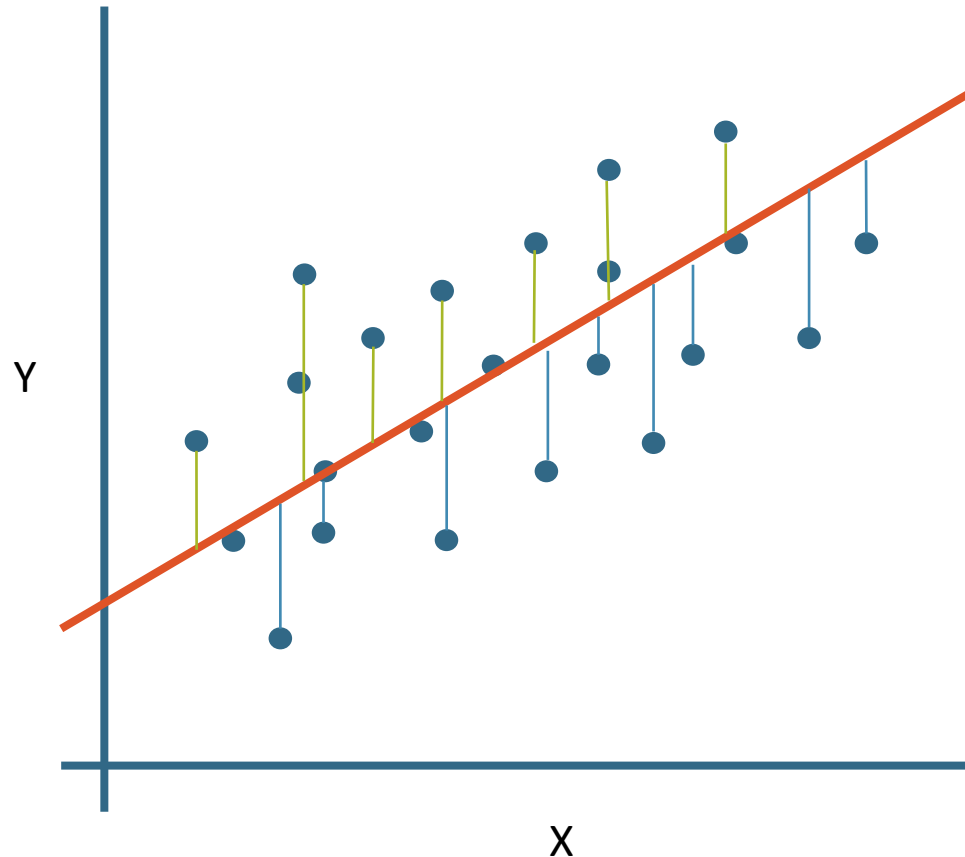
- More than one variable in the model
- When variables are standardized, gives “partial” correlation
- Predictors can be any combination of categorical and continuous

Logic of Regression



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find the best
fitting line

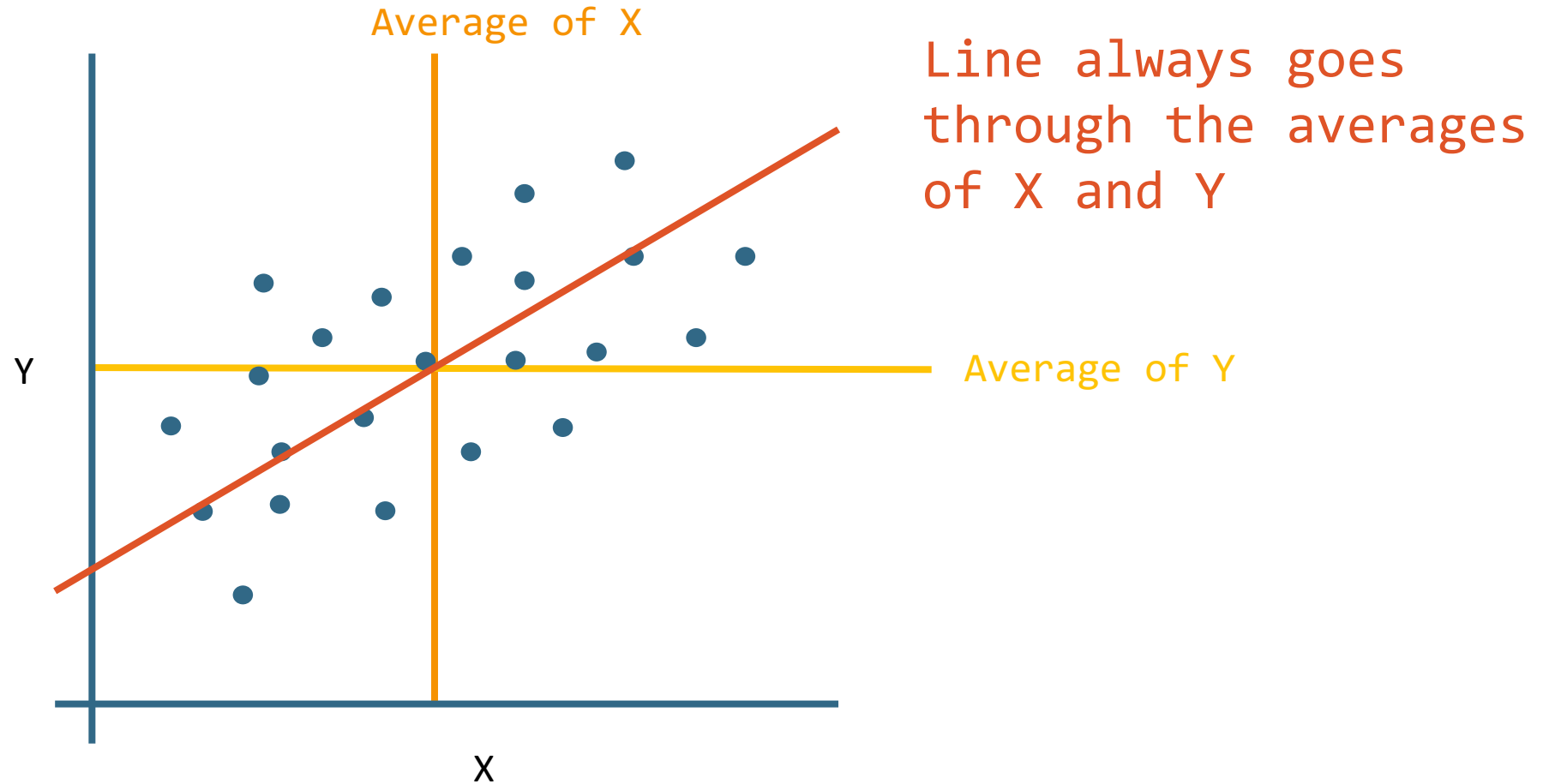
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We are trying to find the best fitting line

We do this by minimizing the difference between the points and the line (called the residuals)

Logic of Regression



Questions?

Next week:

More on Regression