

Multiple linear regression

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Answers for this lab must be submitted before **October 28th at 5pm on Moodle**. In your answer for each question, please include the R code used (if applicable) and the results obtained.

1. Sablefish catches in Alaska

The file `sablefish.csv` contains data from Kimura (1988) on catches of sablefish per unit effort in four locations in Alaska for each of the six years between 1978 and 1983.

```
sable <- read.csv("sablefish.csv")
str(sable)
```

```
## 'data.frame':  24 obs. of  3 variables:
## $ year      : int  1978 1978 1978 1978 1979 1979 1979 1979 1980 1980 ...
## $ location: chr  "Shumagin" "Chirikof" "Kodiak" "Yakutat" ...
## $ catch    : num  0.236 0.204 0.241 0.232 0.14 0.202 0.228 0.268 0.286 0.275 ...
```

- a) Convert the year and location to factors in R, then perform an ANOVA to determine if abundance varies significantly from year to year ($\alpha = 0.05$). From the diagnostic graphs, verify that the assumptions of the ANOVA model are met.

Note: We suppose here that the effects are additive. Also, since there is only one measurement for each combination of a year and a location, it is not possible to estimate an interaction.

- b) Re-analyze the model in (a) with the linear regression function `lm`. Use the appropriate contrasts to determine the mean catch and the deviation from this mean for each year.
- c) According to the results in (b), which location has the greatest mean catch?
- d) Using the *emmeans* package, illustrate the estimated mean catch for each year with confidence intervals. Then, using a multiple comparisons test, indicate between which years the catch varies significantly.

2. Metabolism of a fish according to salinity

The dataset `sardinella.csv` comes from a study by Wohlschlag (1957), “Differences in metabolic rates of migratory and resident freshwater forms of an Arctic Whitefish”. It contains weight (*log_weight*) and oxygen consumption (*log_O2*) measurements for individuals of *Coregonus sardinella* caught in freshwater or marine environments.

```
sardinella <- read.csv("sardinella.csv")
str(sardinella)
```

```
## 'data.frame':  22 obs. of  3 variables:
## $ environment: chr  "marine" "marine" "marine" "marine" ...
## $ log_O2      : num  1.59 1.4 1.47 1.66 1.55 ...
## $ log_weight  : num  2.5 2.04 2.15 2.35 2.24 ...
```

- a) Estimate the additive effects of environment and weight on the oxygen consumption of this fish. How do you interpret each of the parameters of the model?

- b) Repeat the model in (a) with a standardized version of the predictor *log_weight* (*norm_weight*). What is the interpretation of the coefficients now?
- c) Repeat the model in (b) by adding the interaction between the weight (standardized) and the environment. Is this interaction meaningful? What is the interpretation of the coefficients?