

14.2) The Regression Line

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Galton's data

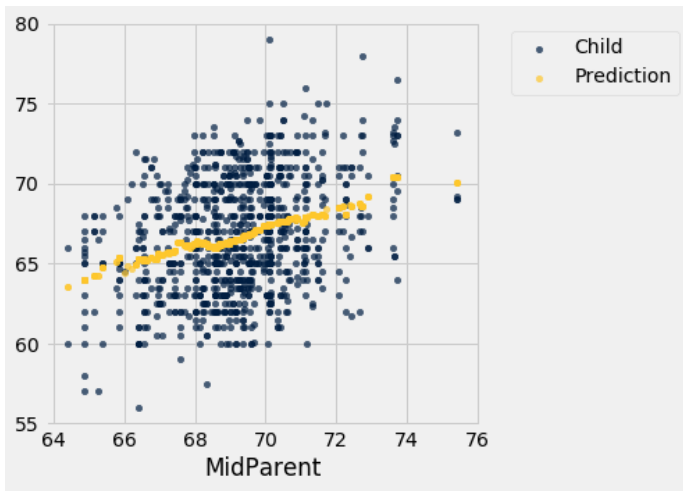
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from datascience import *
import numpy as np

path_data = 'https://github.com/data-8/textbook/raw/gh-pages/data/'
galton = Table.read_table(path_data + 'galton.csv')
heights = Table().with_columns(
    'MidParent', galton.column('midparentHeight'),
    'Child', galton.column('childHeight'))

def predict_child(mpht):
    close_points = heights.where('MidParent',
                                are.between(mpht-0.5, mpht + 0.5))
    return close_points.column('Child').mean()

heights_with_predictions = heights.with_column(
    'Prediction', heights.apply(predict_child, 'MidParent'))
```

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%matplotlib inline
import matplotlib.pyplot as plots
plots.style.use('fivethirtyeight')
heights_with_predictions.scatter('MidParent')
```



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def standard_units(xyz):  
    "Convert any array of numbers to standard units."  
    return (xyz - np.mean(xyz))/np.std(xyz)
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heights_SU = Table().with_columns(  
    'MidParent SU', standard_units(heights.column('MidParent')),  
    'Child SU', standard_units(heights.column('Child')))
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MidParent SU	Child SU
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3.45465	1.80416
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3.45465	0.686005
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3.45465	0.630097
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sd_midparent = np.std(heights.column(0))
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1.8014050969207571

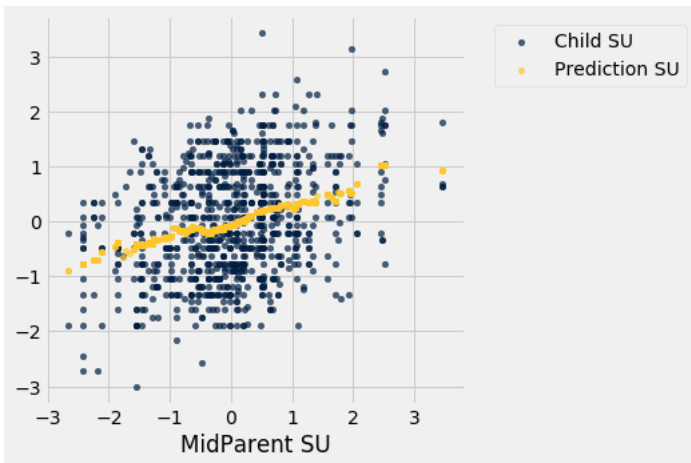
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0.5/sd_midparent
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0.277561110965367

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def predict_child_su(mpht_su):  
    close = 0.5/sd_midparent  
    close_points = heights_SU.where('MidParent SU',  
                                     are.between(mpht_su-close, mpht_su + close))  
    return close_points.column('Child SU').mean()
```

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heights_with_su_predictions = heights_SU.with_column(  
    'Prediction SU', heights_SU.apply(predict_child_su, 'MidParent SU'))
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heights_with_su_predictions.scatter('MidParent SU')
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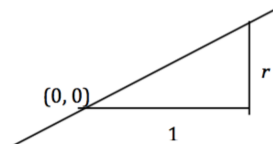


The Equation of the Regression Line

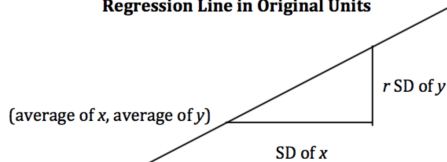
$$\hat{y} = r \cdot x$$

$$\frac{\text{estimate of } y - \text{average of } y}{\text{SD of } y} = r \times \frac{\text{the given } x - \text{average of } x}{\text{SD of } x}$$

Regression Line in Standard Units



Regression Line in Original Units



$$\text{Slope} = r \cdot \frac{\text{SD of } y}{\text{SD of } x}$$

$$\text{Intercept} = (\text{average of } y) - \text{slope} \cdot (\text{average of } x)$$


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def correlation(t, label_x, label_y):
    return np.mean(standard_units(t.column(label_x))\
                    *standard_units(t.column(label_y)))

galton_r = correlation(heights, 'MidParent', 'Child')
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0.32094989606395924

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def slope(t, label_x, label_y):
    r = correlation(t, label_x, label_y)
    return r*np.std(t.column(label_y))/np.std(t.column(label_x))

def intercept(t, label_x, label_y):
    return np.mean(t.column(label_y)) - \
           slope(t, label_x, label_y)*np.mean(t.column(label_x))

galton_slope = slope(heights, 'MidParent', 'Child')
galton_intercept = intercept(heights, 'MidParent', 'Child')
galton_slope, galton_intercept
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(0.637360896969479, 22.63624054958975)

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galton_slope*70.48 + galton_intercept
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67.55743656799862

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heights_with_predictions.where('MidParent',  
                                are.equal_to(70.48)).show(3)
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MidParent	Child	Prediction
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70.48	74	67.6342
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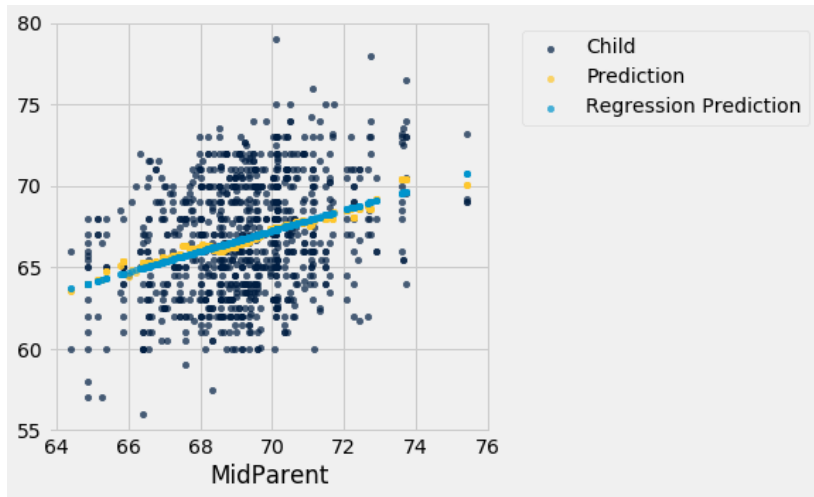
70.48	70	67.6342
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70.48	68	67.6342
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heights_with_predictions = heights_with_predictions.with_column(  
    'Regression Prediction',  
    galton_slope*heights.column('MidParent') + galton_intercept)
```

MidParent	Child	Prediction	Regression Prediction
75.43	73.2	70.1	70.7124
75.43	69.2	70.1	70.7124
75.43	69	70.1	70.7124
75.43	69	70.1	70.7124
73.66	73.5	70.4158	69.5842

```
heights_with_predictions.scatter('MidParent')
```



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def fit(table, x, y):  
    a = slope(table, x, y)  
    b = intercept(table, x, y)  
    return a * table.column(x) + b
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heights.with_column('Fitted', fit(heights,  
    'MidParent', 'Child')).scatter('MidParent')
```

