

# Prediction

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# Logistics

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What sequences of events occur frequently ?

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After coming out of the bedroom in the morning, Bob turns off the bedroom lights, then goes to the kitchen where he makes coffee, and then leaves the house.

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- Probabilistic sequence models

If Bob turns on the TV in the evening then he will 80% of the time go to the kitchen to make popcorn.

# What to Predict

- Behavior of Individuals
  - Location
  - Tasks / goals
  - Actions
- Behavior of the Environment
  - Device behavior (e.g. heating, AC)
  - Interactions

# Example: Location Prediction

- Where will Bob go next?
- $\text{Location}_{t+1} = f(x)$
- Input data  $x$ :
  - $\text{Location}_t, \text{Location}_{t-1}, \dots$
  - Time, date, day of the week
  - Sensor data

# Example: Location Prediction

Time	Date	Day	Location <sub>t</sub>	Location <sub>t+1</sub>
6:30	02/25	Monday	Bedroom	Bathroom
7:00	02/25	Monday	Bathroom	Kitchen
7:30	02/25	Monday	Kitchen	Garage
17:30	02/25	Monday	Garage	Kitchen
18:00	02/25	Monday	Kitchen	Bedroom
18:10	02/25	Monday	Bedroom	Living room
22:00	02/25	Monday	Living room	Bathroom
22:10	02/25	Monday	Bathroom	Bedroom
6:30	02/26	Tuesday	Bedroom	Bathroom

# Example: Location Prediction

- Learned pattern
  - If Day = Monday...Friday  
& Time > 0600  
& Time < 0700  
& Location<sub>t</sub> = Bedroom  
Then Location<sub>t+1</sub> = Bathroom

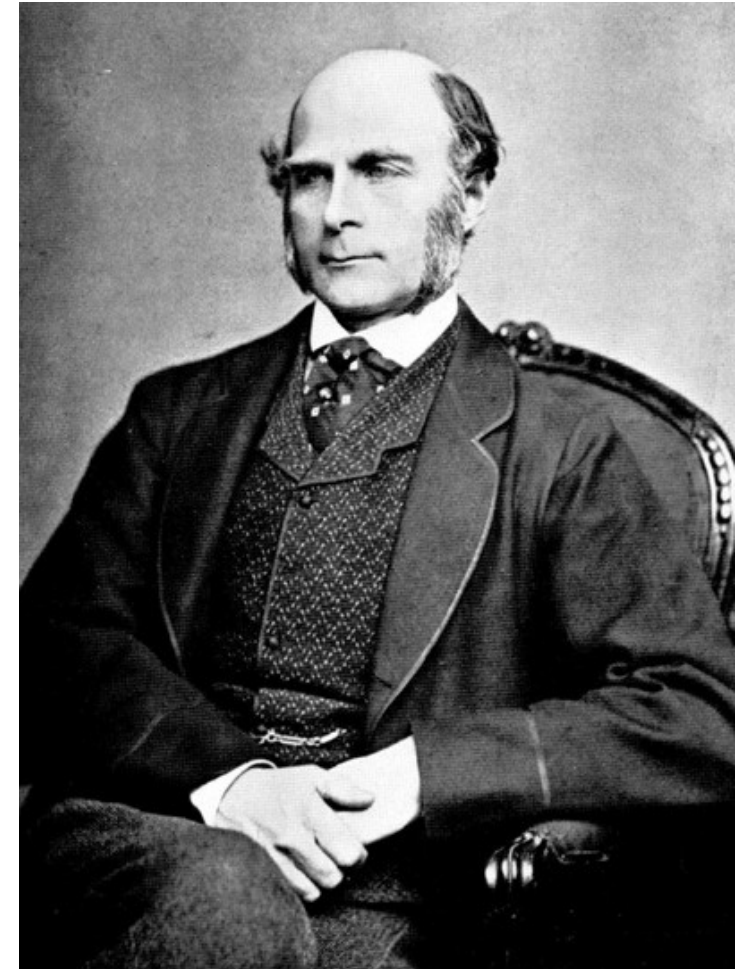


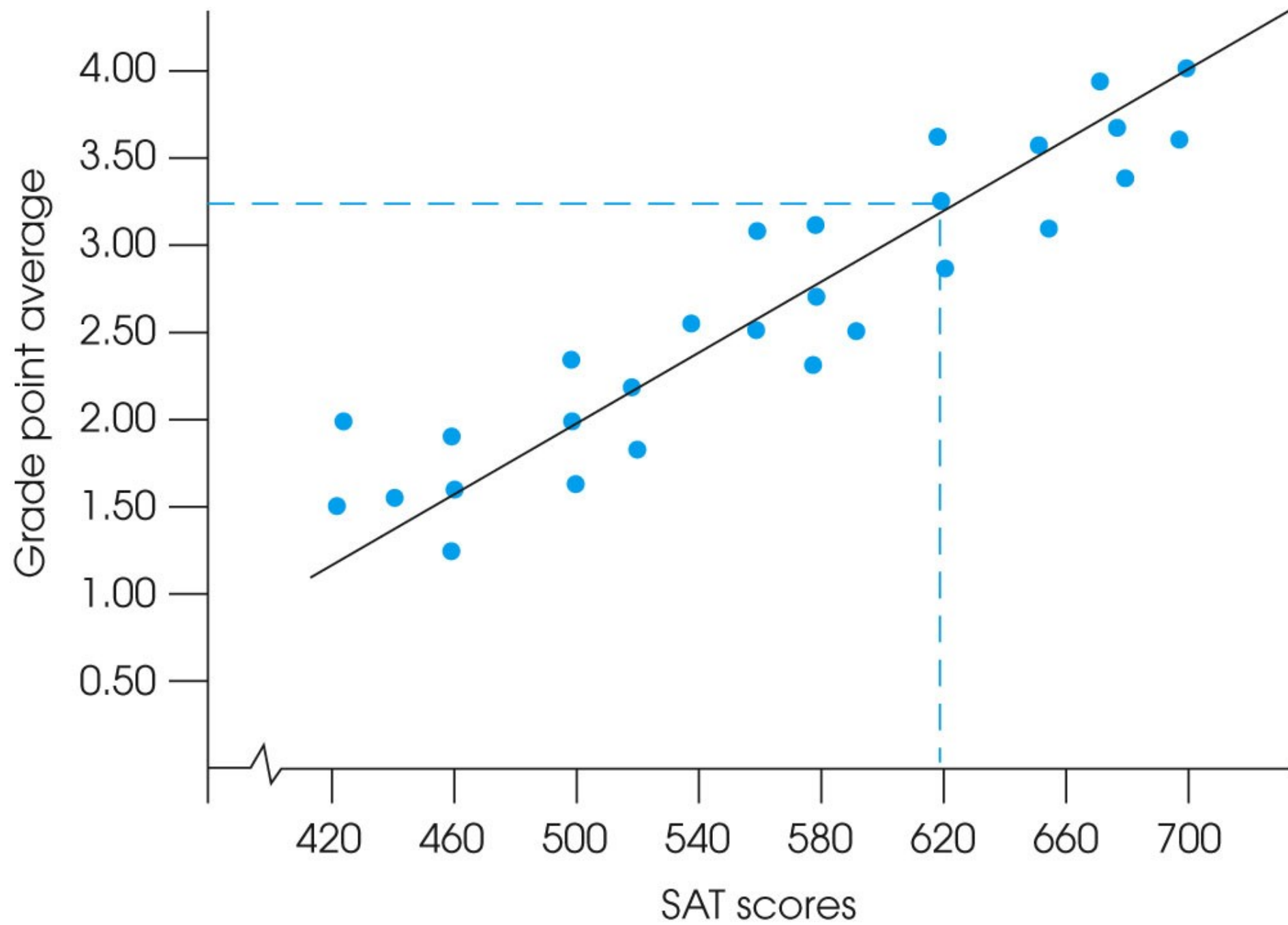
# Prediction Techniques

- Classification-Based Approaches
  - Nearest Neighbor
  - Neural Networks
  - Bayesian Classifiers
  - Decision Trees
- Sequential Behavior Modeling
  - Hidden Markov Models
  - Temporal Belief Networks

# Prediction: Sir Francis Galton

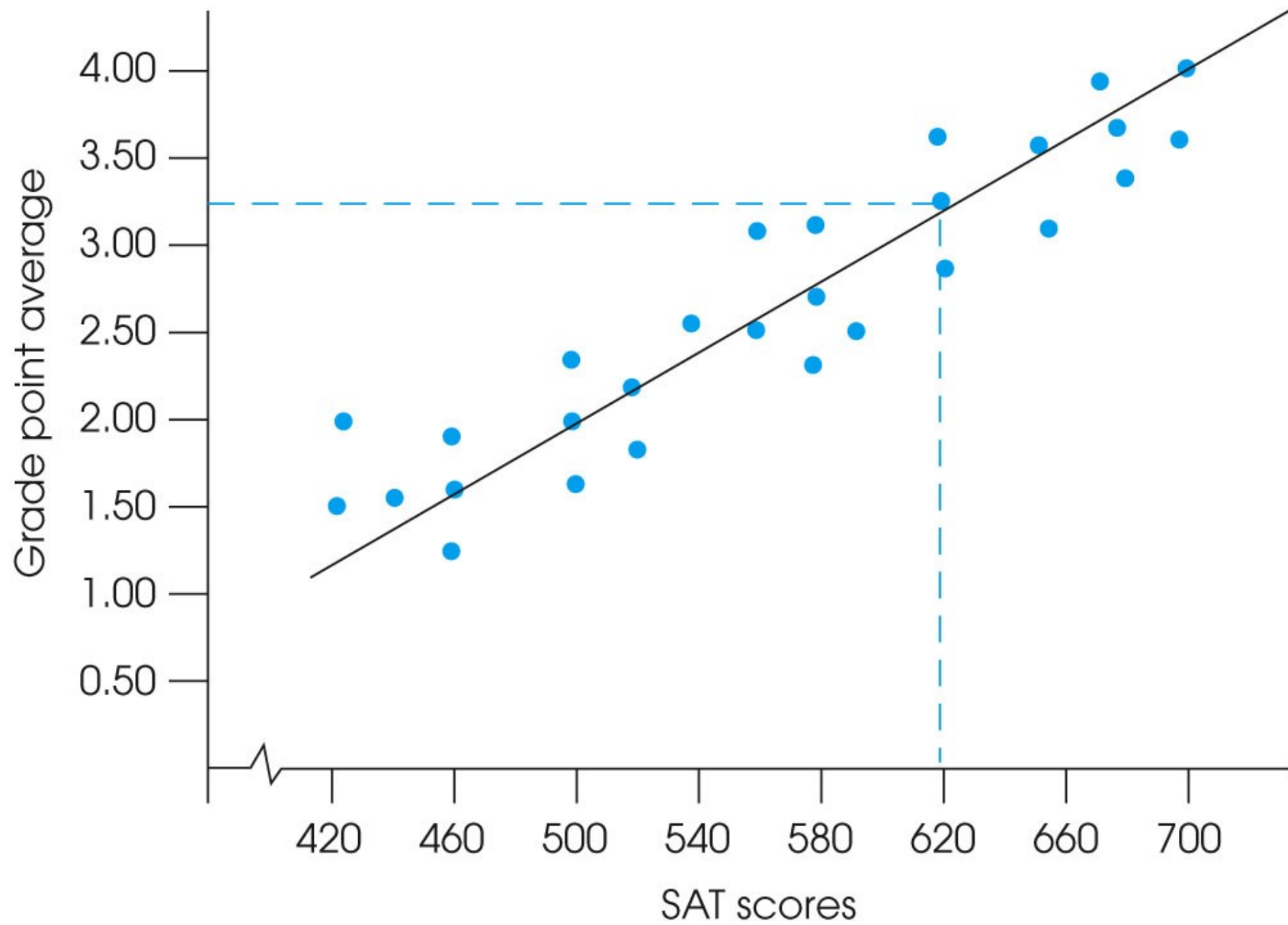
- 1822 – 1911 (knighted in 1909)
- A pioneer in making predictions
- Particular interest in heredity (father of eugenics)
- Charles Darwin's half-cousin





# Introduction to Linear Regression

- Any straight line can be represented by an equation of the form  $y = mx + b$ , where  $m$  and  $a$  are constants.
- $m$ : slope, determines the direction and degree to which the line is tilted (  $= \Delta y - \Delta x$  )
- $b$ : the Y-intercept, determines the point where the line crosses the Y-axis



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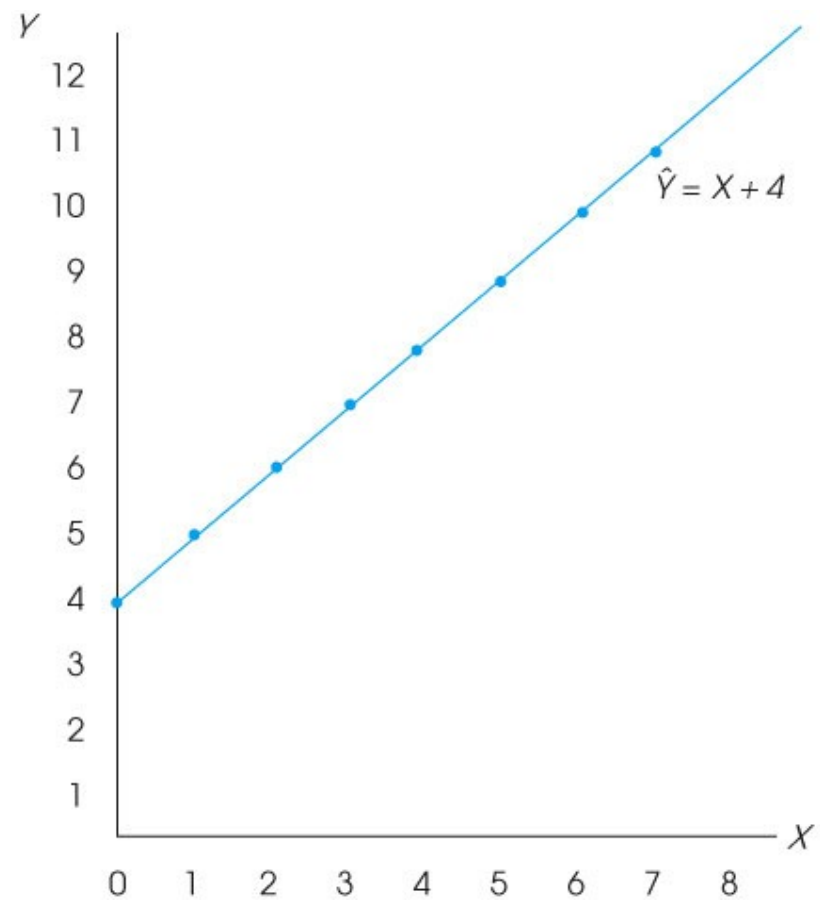
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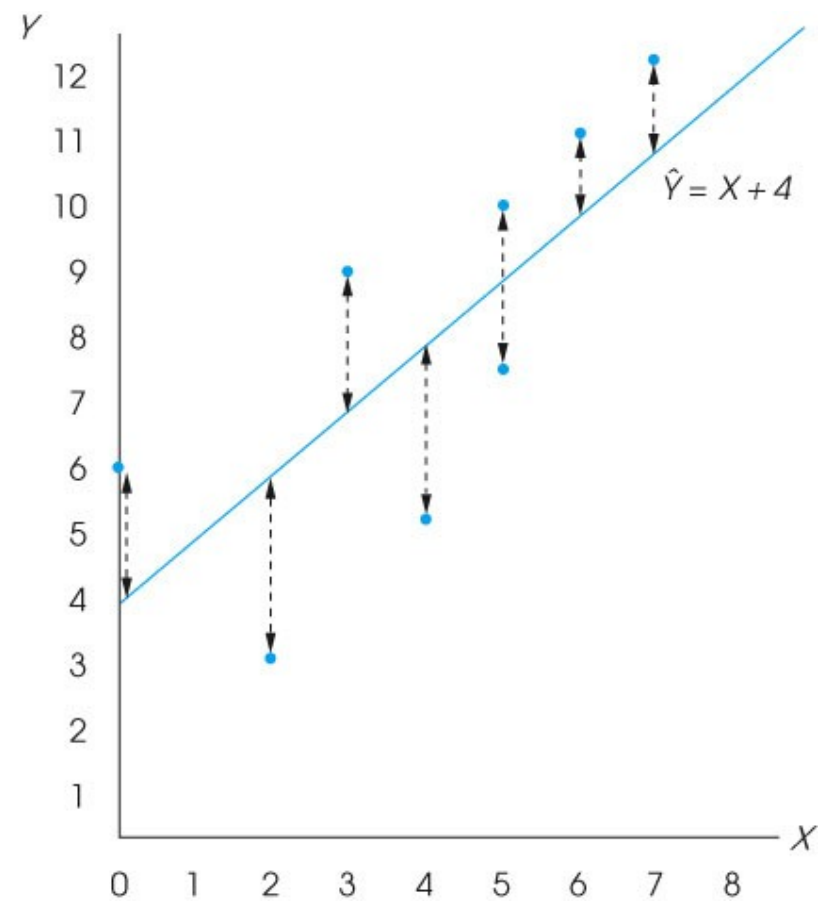
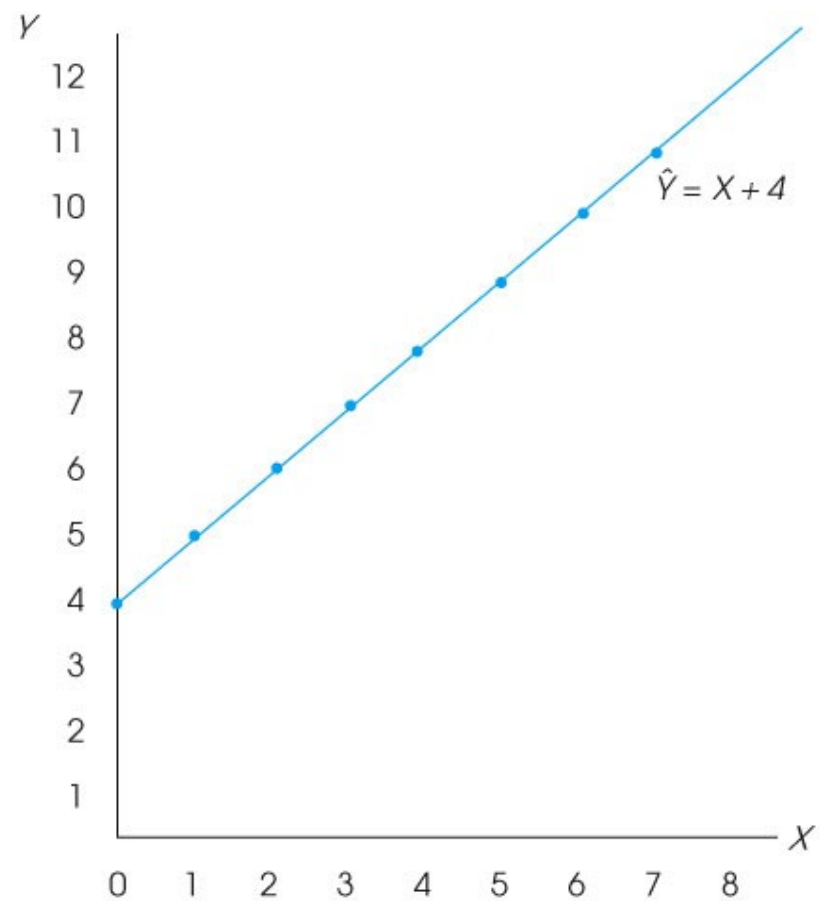
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- Simple linear regression: find the equation of the straight line that produces the minimum sum of squared errors.







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- Can use this 'line' to make predictions about the values of unseen or new data