

# MATHEMATICAL DERIVATION OF LEAST SQUARES

EQUATION :  $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$

$$S = \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i))^2$$

Partial Derivative (w.r.t.  $\beta_0$ )

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta_0} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \beta_0} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)^2 \right]$$

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Differentiating the squared quantity in

parentheses. Since the quantity is a composite

Use chain rule - to obtain partial

derivative of  $S$ . ( $y_i, \beta_1, x_i$  - constants)

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta_0} = \sum_{i=1}^n [-2 (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i)]$$

(-1)

$$\frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta_0} = -2 \sum_{i=1}^N (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i) \quad (-1)$$

$$\left[ \frac{\partial S}{\partial \beta_0} \Rightarrow 0 \right]$$

$$-2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i) = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n \beta_0 + \beta_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n y_i = n \beta_0 + \beta_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$$

(by n)  
both  
sides

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{y_i}{n} - \beta_1 \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{n} = \beta_0$$

$$\boxed{\beta_0 = \bar{y} - \beta_1 \bar{x}}$$