

Understand Regression Output

Example! The Winter Olympics



Does a country's
latitude affect their
medal tally?

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Y variable: Number of medals

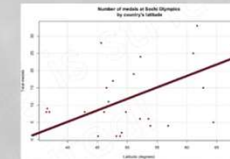
X variables: Latitude

Average elevation

Log population

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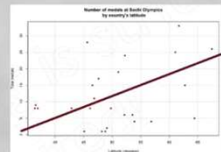
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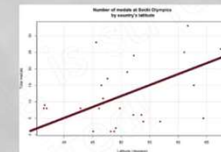
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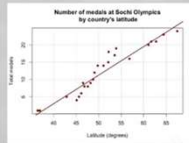
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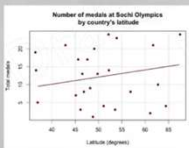
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- From our sample, can we **INFER** that the true effect is positive?

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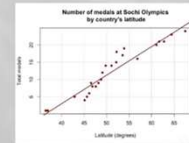
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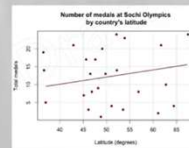
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What is "significance"?

- Start with hypothesis that the gradient is 0
(ie. there is no relationship)

$$H_0: \beta = 0$$

- Use a sample to see if there is enough evidence to reject this null hypothesis.

If so, we can infer:

$$H_1: \beta \neq 0$$

(ie. we infer that the variable is significant!)

The Winter Olympics!

Can we infer a relationship between

Number of medals won by a country → AND →

1. The country's latitude
2. The country's average elevation
3. The country's population

$$\text{number of medals}_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1(\text{latitude}_i) + \beta_2(\text{elevation}_i) + \beta_3(\log \text{population}_i)$$

The ANOVA section

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The ANOVA section

How much variation is there in the dependent variable?

Total medals: 33, 28, 26, 25, ... 3, 1, 1, 1

Average: 11.3 medals

$$\begin{aligned} SS &= \sum (x_i - \bar{X})^2 \\ &= (33 - 11.3)^2 + \\ &\quad (28 - 11.3)^2 + \\ &\quad \dots \\ &= 1393.76 \end{aligned}$$

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$$F_{3,21} = 146.42/45.45 \\ = 3.22$$

Reject H_0
at 5% level of sig.

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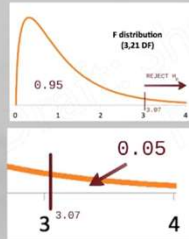
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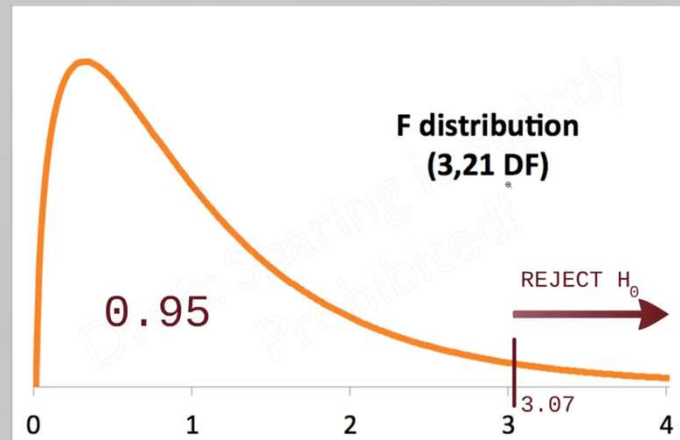
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At 1% -> NO!

There is a 4.34% probability that the improvements we are seeing with our 3 variable model is due to random chance alone.



F distribution (3,21 DF)



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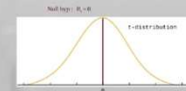
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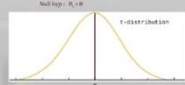


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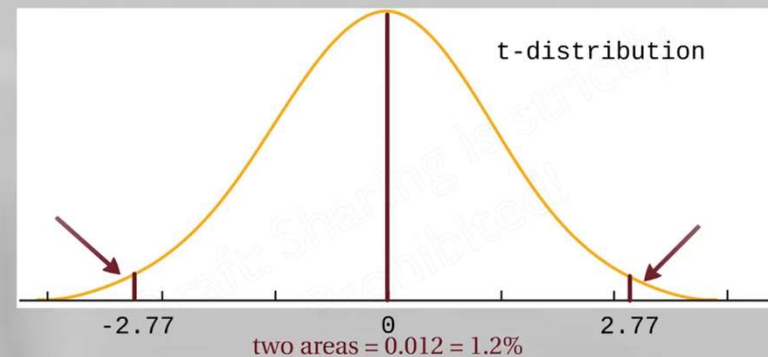
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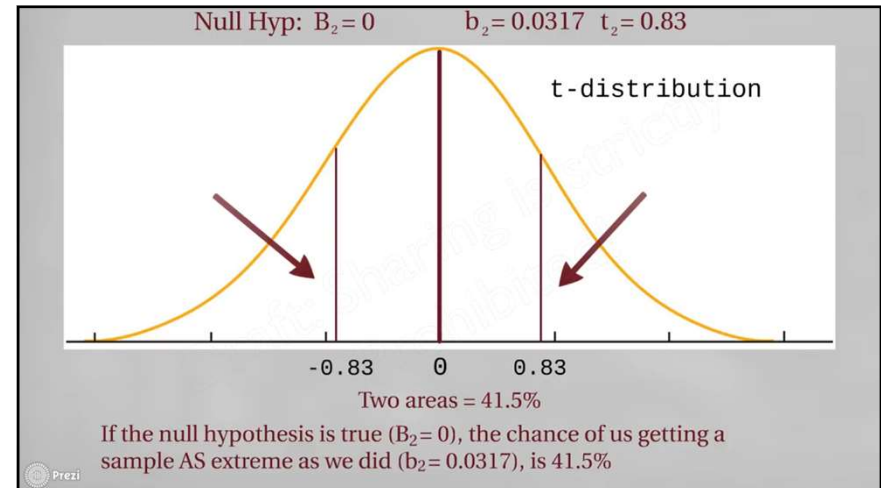
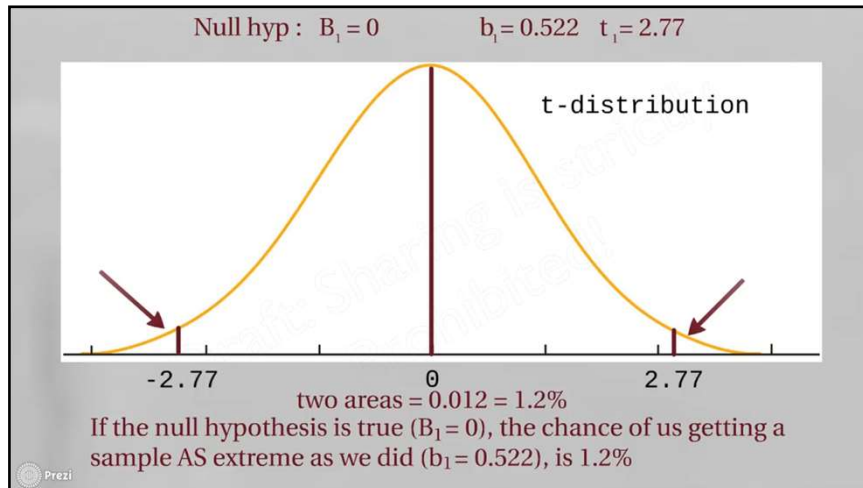
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Latitude} \rightarrow t_1 &= b_1 / SE_1 \\ &= 0.522 / 0.189 \\ &= 2.77 \end{aligned}$$

$$p_1 =$$



Null hyp : $B_1 = 0$ $b_1 = 0.522$ $t_1 = 2.77$





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Elevation $\rightarrow t_2 = b_2 / SE_2$
 $= 0.0317 / 0.0038$
 $= 0.83$

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THANK YOU!