Assignment 01

Regression and Mathematics

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This goal of this assignment is to review ideas from regression and mathematics that will be useful for the remainder of the course. Turn in a printed version of your responses to each of the questions on this assignment. Please adhere to the following guidelines for further formatting your assignment:

- All graphics should be set to an appropriate aspect ratio and sized so that they do not take up more room than necessary. They should also have an appropriate caption.
- Any typed mathematics (equations, matrices, vectors, etc.) should be appropriately typeset within the document.
- Syntax or computer output should not be included in your assignment unless it is specifically asked for.

This assignment is worth 20 points.

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Use for Questions 1–2

Using expectation and summation rules, mathematically confirm the following:

1. $\mathbb{E}\left[\hat{Y}_i \times \epsilon_i\right] = 0$

2. $\sum \left(X_i - \bar{X}\right)^2 = \sum X^2 - \dfrac{\left(\sum X\right)^2}{n}$

Use for Questions 3–4

Suppose that the means and standard deviations of Y and X are the same. $\bar{Y} = \bar{X}$ and $S_Y = S_X$.

3. Mathematically show that $\hat{\beta}_{1(Y|X)} = \hat{\beta}_{1(X|Y)} = r_{XY}$; where $\hat{\beta}_{1(Y|X)}$ is the least-squares slope for the simple regression of Y on X, $\hat{\beta}_{1(X|Y)}$ is the least-squares slope for the simple regression of X on Y, and r_{XY} is the simple correlation between X and Y.

4. Also show that the intercepts for the two regressions are the same (i.e., $\hat{\beta}_{0(Y|X)} = \hat{\beta}_{0(X|Y)}$).

Use for Questions 5–6

Imagine that X is father's height and Y is son's height for a sample of father-son pairs. Suppose that $\bar{Y} = \bar{X}$ and $S_Y = S_X$, and that the regression of son's heights on father's heights is linear. Lastly, suppose that $0 < r_{XY} < 1$ (i.e., father's and son's heights are positively correlated, but not perfectly).

5. Mathematically show that the expected height of a son whose father is shorter than average is also less than average, but to a smaller extent; likewise a a son whose father is taller than average is also taller than average, but to a smaller extent. This idea of "regression to the mean" was the reason Galton chose the word "regression" to describe this methodology.

6. What is the expected height for a father whose son is shorter than average?

Use for Questions 7–10

Davis regressed subjects' reported weights on their actual weights and obtained the following coefficient-level output:

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## # A tibble: 2 x 5
##   term          estimate std.error statistic   p.value
##   <chr>            <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>
## 1 (Intercept)     -0.948     0.858     -1.11 2.70e-  1
## 2 weight           1.01      0.0128    79.2  1.95e-142
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7. Imagine the predictor-variable (`weight`) values in Davis' regression are transformed according to: $X' = X - 10$ and that Y (`repwt`) is regressed on X'. How does the coefficient-level output for the slope change? Explain. (*Hint:* Use rules of variances and covariances. Also feel free to check your response using the *davis-corrected.csv* data.)

8. Imagine the predictor-variable (`weight`) values in Davis' regression are transformed according to: $X' = 10(X - 1) = 10X - 10$. and that Y (`repwt`) is regressed on X'. How does the coefficient-level output for the slope change? Explain. (*Hint:* The SE is a square root of a variance.)

9. Imagine the outcome-variable (`repwt`) values in Davis' regression are transformed according to: $Y' = 5Y + 2$. and that Y' is regressed on X (`weight`). How does the coefficient-level output for the slope change? Explain.

10. In general, how are confidence intervals and hypothesis tests for the slope affected by linear transformations of X and Y.