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9 Statistical Foundations (9, E.1, E.2, E.5)

9.1 Samples and Populations

• Data are often collected by taking a random sample from a population.

Random sample data are needed if the goal is to draw *statistical inferences* (conclusions) from the data about the larger population.

9.2 Statistics, the Mean and Standard Error of a Statistic, and the Sampling Distribution of a Statistic

• A *statistic* is a numerical value computed from a set of data.

Usually, the statistic **summarizes** some feature of the data (e.g. its central value or its spread).

Statistics are often used to *estimate* the corresponding feature of the **population**.

For example, with *numerical* data:

- the sample mean $ar{X}$ is used to estimate the population mean μ
- the sample median \tilde{X} is used to estimate the population median $\tilde{\mu}$
- the sample standard deviation S is used to estimate the population standard deviation σ .

and with *categorical* data:

- the sample proportion \hat{P} is used to estimate the population proportion P.
- Two different random samples from the same population will produce different values of a given statistic.

This chance variation in the value of a statistic is called sampling variation.

- The *mean of a statistic* is the value the statistic would take *on average* over repeatedly drawing samples from the **same population**.
- The *standard error of a statistic* is a value that measures the magnitude of its sampling variation, and is interpreted as the size of a **typical deviation** of the **statistic** away from its **mean**.

A smaller standard error indicates the statistic is a more precise estimate of the corresponding population parameter.

• The sampling distribution of a statistic describes the pattern of the sampling variation.

More formally, it's the **probability distribution** of the **statistic**, indicating the **values** the statistic might take and their **probabilities**.

The **sampling distribution** can be interpreted as describing the **values** the statistic would take over repeated samples all drawn from the **same population**.

• The standard error of a statistic is just the standard deviation of the statistic's sampling distribution. The mean of the statistic is the mean of its sampling distribution.

- Two ways of determining a statistic's sampling distribution and the associated standard error:
 - Using mathematical theory.
 - Using computer simulations.

Simulations are used when the mathematical theory is too difficult to work out.

9.3 Simulation

• Simulation is used to identify the mean, standard error, and sampling distribution of a statistic when the mathematical theory for identifying them is too difficult to work out.

It's done by using a computer to generate (i.e. to simulate) a large number of random samples (say, 1,000 of them) from the **population**, each sample of a given size n, and computing the **statistic** of interest from each sample. Then:

- The **mean** of the **statistic** is the *mean* of the 1,000 simulated values of the statistic.
- The **standard error** of the **statistic** is the *standard deviation* of the 1,000 simulated values of the statistic.
- The sampling distribution of the statistic is the histogram of the 1,000 simulated values of the statistic.

In practice, it's usually *not possible* to simulate from the *actual* **population** (because we don't have data for the entire **population**). Two remedies are:

- Simulation from a **probability distribution** that you think **mimics** the **population**.
- Perform **bootstrap** simulations (more on this later).
- Consider a population represented by a *normal distribution* with mean $\mu = 50$ and standard deviation $\sigma = 15$, i.e. a N(50, 15) distribution:

```
ggplot(data.frame(x = c(0, 100)), aes(x = x)) +
  stat_function(fun = dnorm, args = list(mean = 50, sd = 15)) +
  labs(title = "Population")
```


To simulate a random sample of size n = 10 from the N(50, 15) population using the rnorm() function, type:

```
sim.sample <- rnorm(n = 10, mean = 50, sd = 15)
sim.sample

## [1] 56.76978 51.14709 53.33778 64.04903 46.32967 45.88862 52.51233
## [8] 58.09736 29.23560 32.23515</pre>
```

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The sample mean \bar{X} is

```
mean(sim.sample)
## [1] 48.96024
```

In this case the **error** in the *estimate* \bar{X} of the population mean $\mu = 50$ is only $\bar{X} - \mu = -1.03976$.

- You learned in your introductory statistics class that according to mathematical theory, if a random sample of size n is drawn from a $N(\mu, \sigma)$ population,
 - The **mean** of \bar{X} is μ .
 - The standard error of \bar{X} is σ/\sqrt{n} (which will be small when n is large).
 - The sampling distribution of \bar{X} is $N(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n})$

If the mathematical theory wasn't known, we could investigate the **mean**, **standard error**, and **sampling distribution** of \bar{X} by **simulating**, say, 1,000 **random samples**, each of size n=10, from the **population** and storing their \bar{X} values in a 1,000-element *vector* named sim.sample_means:

```
# Create an empty vector to be filled in during loop iterations:
sim.sample_means <- rep(NA, 1000)

# Generate a new sample of size n = 10 during each loop iteration, save it's mean:
for(i in 1:1000) {
    sim.sample <- rnorm(n = 10, mean = 50, sd = 15)
    sim.sample_means[i] <- mean(sim.sample)
}</pre>
```

The **mean** of the **statistic** \bar{X} is the *mean* of the 1,000 simulated \bar{X} values:

```
sim.mean.xbar <- mean(sim.sample_means)
sim.mean.xbar
## [1] 49.84055</pre>
```

Note that this is quite close to the **mean** obtained via **mathematical theory**, $\mu = 50$.

The standard error of the statistic \bar{X} is the standard deviation of the 1,000 simulated \bar{X} values:

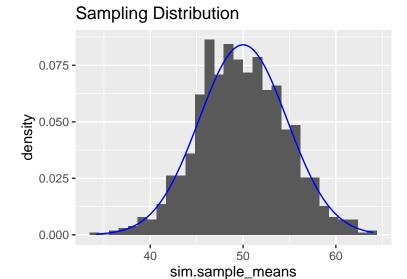
```
sim.se.xbar <- sd(sim.sample_means)
sim.se.xbar
## [1] 4.76193</pre>
```

Note that this is quite close to the **standard error** obtained via **mathematical theory**, $\sigma/\sqrt{n} = 15/\sqrt{10} = 4.74342$.

The sampling distribution of the statistic \bar{X} is depicted by a histogram of the 1,000 simulated \bar{X} values:

```
ggplot(data = data.frame(sim.sample_means)) +
  geom_histogram(mapping = aes(x = sim.sample_means, y = stat(density))) +
  geom_function(fun = dnorm, args = list(mean = 50, sd = 15/sqrt(10)), color = "blue") +
  labs(title = "Sampling Distribution")
```

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Note that this closely resembles the $N(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n}) = N(50, 15/\sqrt{10})$ sampling distribution obtained via math**ematical theory** (and shown as the blue curve with the histogram).

Section 9.3 Exercises

Exercise 1 This exercise involves simulations.

- a) Using a for() loop and rnorm(), simulate 1,000 random samples of size n = 10 from a N(50, 15) population (i.e. $\mu = 50$ and $\sigma = 15$), compute the sample mean \bar{X} of each sample, and store the \bar{X} values in a 1,000-element vector named, say, sim.sample_means. Report your R command(s).
- b) Now use mean() and sd() to compute the mean and standard error of the 1,000 \bar{X} values. Report these two values.
- c) Recall that if a random sample of size n is drawn from a $N(\mu, \sigma)$ population, the sampling distribution of \bar{X} (obtained via mathematical theory) is $N(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n})$.

Compare the two values of Part a to the theoretical mean and standard error, μ and σ/\sqrt{n} , of the sampling distribution of \bar{X} .

d) Make a histogram of the 1,000 simulated X values. Compare the shape, center, and spread of the histogram to the theoretical $N(\mu, \sigma/\sqrt{n})$ sampling distribution of \bar{X} .

Exercise 2 Simulate 1,000 random samples of size n = 5 from a N(50, 15) population (i.e. $\mu = 50$ and $\sigma = 15$), and compute the four statistics below for each sample.

In each case: 1) Report the mean and standard error of the simulated statistic values, and 2) Plot the simulated values in a histogram and describe the shape, center, and spread of this sampling distribution.

- a) The sample median \tilde{X} (use median()).
- b) The sample standard deviation S (use sd()).
- c) The sample minimum $X_{(1)}$ (use min()).
- d) The sample maximum $X_{(n)}$ (use max()).

9.4 The Bootstrap

• When we aren't able to simulate from a probability distribution we think mimics the population (because we don't know which probability distribution mimics the population), an alternative is to perform **bootstrap** simulations to identify the mean, standard error, and sampling distribution of a statistic.

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The **bootstrap** (B. Efron) refers to using the **original data set** (that's a **random sample** from the **population**) to **mimic** the **population**, then **resampling** (with **replacement**) from that **original data set**.

The resamples are drawn with replacement from the original data set using the same sample size n as the original data set:

Bootstrap:

- 1. Given a set of original data of size n, resample n observations with replacement from the data.
- 2. Compute the value of the statistic of interest from the resample.
- 3. Repeat steps 1 and 2 many, B, times (e.g. B = 1,000).
- 4. Use the mean, standard deviation, and histogram of the B values of the statistic as the mean, standard error, and sampling distribution of the statistic.

(Alternatively, the **mean** of the **statistic** could be taken to be the original value of the statistic as computed from the original data).

Data Set: iris

This famous (Fisher and Anderson's) **iris** data set, built in to R, gives the measurements in centimeters of the variables sepal length and width and petal length and width, respectively, for 50 flowers from each of three species of iris. The species are *Iris setosa*, *versicolor*, and *virginica*.

The five variables are:

```
Sepal.Length The sepal length (cm)
Sepal.Width The sepal width (cm)
Petal.Length The petal length (cm)
Petal.Width The petal width (cm)
Species The species (Iris setosa, versicolor, or virginica).
```

• The following function (from the "dplyr" package) is useful for generating the bootstrap resamples.

```
slice_sample() # Generate a random sample of n rows from a data frame
```

• For example, consider the famous built-in iris data set:

```
head(iris)
##
     Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width Species
## 1
             5.1
                         3.5
                              1.4
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 2
              4.9
                                                  0.2 setosa
                         3.0
                                      1.4
## 3
              4.7
                         3.2
                                      1.3
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 4
              4.6
                          3.1
                                      1.5
                                                  0.2 setosa
## 5
              5.0
                          3.6
                                      1.4
                                                   0.2 setosa
              5.4
                          3.9
                                       1.7
                                                   0.4 setosa
```

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The sample mean petal width is $\bar{X} = 1.199$:

```
mean(iris$Petal.Width)
## [1] 1.199333
```

and this value ($\bar{X} = 1.199$) is an **estimate** of the (unknown) **population mean** petal width μ .

We want to know how **reliable** this **estimate** is. In other words, we'd like to know it's **standard error**.

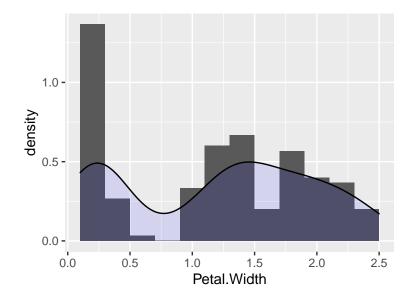
If we knew the iris petal width data were a random sample from a population that could be mimicked by a $N(\mu, \sigma)$ distribution, we could simulate samples from that normal distribution and assess the reliability of the estimate $\bar{X} = 1.199$ by determining its standard error as in Section 9.3.

However:

- We wouldn't know the values of μ and σ , so we'd have to use estimates of their values for performing the simulations.
- More importantly, we *don't know* whether the petal width population can be mimicked by a normal (bell-shaped) distribution.

In fact, the sample looks like it came from a **non-normal** (i.e. non-bell-shaped) population:

```
ggplot(data = iris, mapping = aes(x = Petal.Width, y = stat(density))) +
  geom_histogram(binwidth = 0.2) +
  geom_density(fill = "blue", alpha = 0.1)
```



So instead, we'll determine the **standard error** of our estimate ($\bar{X} = 1.199$) of μ using the **bootstrap** method.

For illustrative purposes, consider first a single bootstrap resample (i.e. B=1):

```
##
     Sepal.Length Sepal.Width Petal.Length Petal.Width
## 1
              6.4
                           2.9
                                         4.3
                                                      1.3 versicolor
              7.0
                           3.2
                                                      1.4 versicolor
## 2
                                         4.7
                           3.2
                                                      0.2
## 3
              4.7
                                         1.3
                                                              setosa
## 4
              5.9
                           3.2
                                         4.8
                                                      1.8 versicolor
## 5
              5.8
                           2.8
                                         5.1
                                                      2.4 virginica
## 6
              7.0
                           3.2
                                         4.7
                                                      1.4 versicolor
```

Setting replace = TRUE in slice_sample() indicates sampling with replacement. This allows the resample to include duplicates of rows from the original (iris) data set. Above, the 51st row from the original (iris) data set appears twice (labeled 2 and 6) in the resample.

The sample mean of this single resample from the original (iris) sample is $\bar{X} = 1.266$:

```
boot.sample_mean <- mean(resamp$Petal.Width)
boot.sample_mean
## [1] 1.266</pre>
```

Now we'll take B=1,000 bootstrap resamples, storing their \bar{X} values in a 1,000-element *vector* named boot.sample_means:

The **mean** of the **statistic** \bar{X} is the *mean* of the 1,000 simulated \bar{X} values:

```
boot.mean.xbar <- mean(boot.sample_means)
boot.mean.xbar

## [1] 1.199012</pre>
```

(Alternatively, the **mean** of the **statistic** \bar{X} could be taken to be the original value $\bar{X} = 1.199$ as computed from the original iris data).

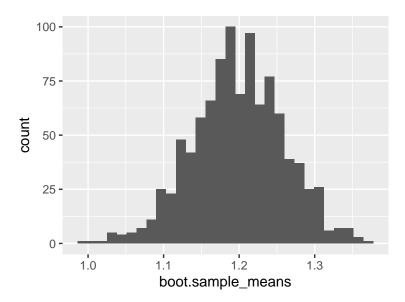
The standard error of the statistic \bar{X} is the standard deviation of the 1,000 simulated \bar{X} values:

```
boot.se.xbar <- sd(boot.sample_means)
boot.se.xbar
## [1] 0.06044396</pre>
```

Interpretation: The standard error, 0.06, measures the magnitude of the sampling variation in the original estimate $\bar{X} = 1.199$ of the population mean petal width μ , and thus indicates how reliable this estimate is. Because the standard error 0.06 is small relative to the estimate $\bar{X} = 1.199$, the estimate is reliable.

The sampling distribution of the statistic \bar{X} is depicted by a histogram of the 1,000 values:

```
ggplot(data = data.frame(boot.sample_means)) +
  geom_histogram(mapping = aes(x = boot.sample_means))
```



The fact that the sampling distribution of \bar{X} is approximately normal, despite the population being non-normal, is a consequence of the *Central Limit Theorem*.

Section 9.4 Exercises

Exercise 3 This exercise uses the famous built-in iris data set.

Use the **bootstrap** method to simulate B = 1,000 resamples each of size n = 150 from the original iris data set, and using the Petal.Width variable, compute the four statistics below for each **bootstrap** resample.

In each case: 1) Report the **mean** and **standard error** of the simulated statistic values, and 2) Plot the simulated values in a histogram and describe the shape, center, and spread of this **sampling distribution**.

- a) The sample median \tilde{X} (use median()).
- b) The sample standard deviation S (use sd()).
- c) The sample minimum $X_{(1)}$ (use min()).
- d) The sample maximum $X_{(n)}$ (use max()).

9.5 Outliers

- An **outlier** is an observation that falls outside the overall pattern of observations in a data set.
- For example, the following data represent **numbers of deaths by lightning strikes** in the U.S. for each of the years 1959 2005 (in time order), as compiled by the *National Climatic Data Center* and the *National Weather Service*.

```
Year <- 1959:2005

Deaths <- c(75, 48, 61, 48, 150, 49, 57, 39, 27, 51, 46, 50, 62, 51, 50, 58, 38, 34, 59, 44, 24, 39, 40, 33, 49, 33, 34, 32, 35, 30, 23, 39, 36, 25, 20, 32, 43, 52, 42, 44, 46, 51, 47, 51, 44, 33, 38)

LightningData <- data.frame(Year, Deaths)
```

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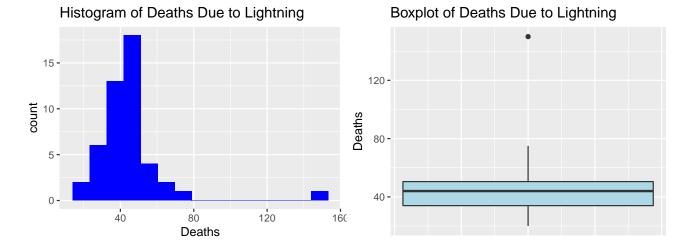


Figure 1

```
## Histogram
ggplot(data = LightningData) +
  geom_histogram(mapping = aes(x = Deaths), fill = "blue", bins = 15) +
  ggtitle("Histogram of Deaths Due to Lightning")
```

```
## Boxplot
ggplot(data = LightningData) +
  geom_boxplot(mapping = aes(y = Deaths), fill = "lightblue") +
  ggtitle("Boxplot of Deaths Due to Lightning") +
  theme(axis.text.x = element_blank(), axis.ticks.x = element_blank())
```

Regarding the **outlier** (150 deaths in 1963), a National Weather Service report states:

"On December 8, 1963 the crash of a jetliner killing 81 people near Elkin, Maryland, was attributed to lightning by the Civil Aeronautics Board investigators."

• Comments:

- Outlying data values should be **checked for accuracy** (e.g. typos). Inaccuracies should be corrected.
- Outliers may reveal **important insights**. Outliers **shouldn't** be dropped unless there's a clear rationale.
- Robust statistical procedures are ones that aren't unduly affected by outliers (or other data irregularities).
- *Multivariate outliers* might not show up in graphs. Instead, *multivariate outlier detection* procedures are needed to identify them.

Section 9.5 Exercises

Exercise 4 Multivariate outliers may not show up in graphs that don't show all the variables simultaneously.

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Here are lengths (cm) and weights (g) of n = 10 snakes, one of which is an **outlier**.

SnakeID	Length	Weight
1	85.7	331.9
2	64.5	121.5
3	84.1	382.2
4	82.5	287.3
5	78.0	224.3
6	65.9	380.4
7	81.3	245.2
8	71.0	208.2
9	86.7	393.4
10	78.7	228.3

```
SnakeID <- 1:10
Ln <- c(85.7, 64.5, 84.1, 82.5, 78.0, 65.9, 81.3, 71.0, 86.7, 78.7)
Wt <- c(331.9, 121.5, 382.2, 287.3, 224.3, 380.4, 245.2, 208.2, 393.4, 228.3)
Snakes <- data.frame(SnakeID, Ln, Wt)</pre>
```

a) Can you identify the **outlier** in either of these **univariate** graphs (histograms)?

b) Can you identify the **outlier** in this **bivariate** graph (scatterplot)? If so, which snake (SnakeID) is the **outlier**?

```
ggplot(data = Snakes) +
  geom_point(mapping = aes(x = Ln, y = Wt)) +
  ggtitle("Scatterplot of Weights vs Lengths")
```

9.6 Statistical Models: Explaining Variation (9, E.1, E.2)

- 9.6.1 Simple Linear Regression: One Explanatory Variable
 - $Regression\ models$ describe variation in a response variable Y as a function of an explanatory variable X.
 - A *simple linear regression analysis* involves obtaining the **equation** of the **line** that best fits a scatterplot. The **equation** is useful for:
 - 1. **Predicting** the value of **Y** from a given value **X** (by plugging the X into the **equation** of the line).
 - 2. Quantifying a typical change in Y associated with a given change in X (using the slope of the line).

• We can carry out a **regression analysis** using the "linear model" function:

The resulting *fitted regression line* has an **equation** of the form

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X.$$

The intercept $\hat{\beta}_0$ and slope $\hat{\beta}_1$ are referred to as the *coefficients* of the fitted model.

• One way to obtain **predicted** values of Y is to use the following function.

```
predict() # Returns the predicted response (Y) values from a fit-
# ted regression model and a data frame of explanatory
# (X) values.
```

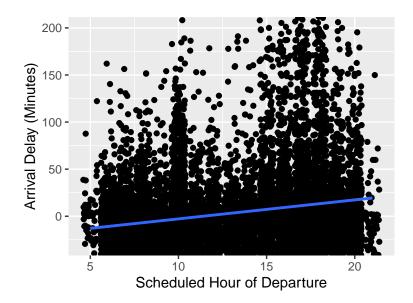
• Consider, as an example, the flights data (from the "nycflights13" package).

We'll investigate how the arrival delay (arr_delay) depends on the scheduled departure hour (hour) for flights to San Francisco. A plot of these variables is below.

```
library(nycflights13)

SF <- filter(.data = flights, dest == "SFO", !is.na(arr_delay))

ggplot(data = SF, mapping = aes(x = hour, y = arr_delay)) +
    geom_point(position = "jitter") +
    geom_smooth(method = "lm") +
    xlab("Scheduled Hour of Departure") + ylab("Arrival Delay (Minutes)") +
    coord_cartesian(ylim = c(-30, 200))</pre>
```



We carry out the **regression analysis** by typing:

```
my.reg <- lm(arr_delay ~ hour, data = SF)
summary(my.reg)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = arr_delay ~ hour, data = SF)
## Residuals:
##
     Min
            1Q Median
                            3Q
                                  Max
                          9.83 993.66
## -97.32 -25.22 -9.17
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                            1.23275 -18.60
## (Intercept) -22.93267
                                              <2e-16
                                      22.01
## hour
                 2.01487
                            0.09154
                                               <2e-16
##
## Residual standard error: 46.82 on 13171 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.03548, Adjusted R-squared: 0.03541
## F-statistic: 484.5 on 1 and 13171 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

In the output, the coefficients of the equation of the fitted line are in the Estimate column. Thus

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = -22.93$$
 and $\hat{\beta}_1 = 2.01$,

so the **equation** is:

$$\hat{Y} = -22.93 + 2.01X$$

Using the equation, we **predict** the **arrival delay** for a flight whose scheduled departure is at **hour 15** by plugging **15** into the equation. Thus the **predicted delay** is:

$$\hat{Y} = -22.93 + 2.01(15) = 7.22$$

minutes, i.e.

```
-22.93 + 2.01 * 15
## [1] 7.22
```

Each additional hour in the scheduled departure time typically delays the arrival by an additional 2.01 minutes (the slope).

• Another way to get **predicted values** from a **fitted model** is to use **predict()**.

To use predict(), we store the X value(s) for which we want to predict Y in a *data frame*. For example, to predict the **delay** for a flight whose scheduled departure is at **hour 15**, we create a *data frame* (predict) containing the value **15** as the **hour**:

```
newHour <- data.frame(hour = 15)
newHour

## hour
## 1 15</pre>
```

After fitting the model to the data in SF, saving the result as my.reg (as was done above), and creating the newHour data frame, we get the predicted arrival delay by typing:

```
predict(my.reg, newdata = newHour)

## 1
## 7.290446
```

Thus the **predicted arrival delay** is **7.29** minutes (which only differs from the earlier result because of round-off error).

For predict(), the variable name (hour above) in the new data frame (newHour above) needs to be the same as in the data frame used to build the model (SF above).

Section 9.6 Exercises

Exercise 5 Here are the data on lengths and weights of snakes (minus the outlier) from Exercise 4:

```
SnakeID <- 1:9
Ln <- c(85.7, 64.5, 84.1, 82.5, 78.0, 81.3, 71.0, 86.7, 78.7)
Wt <- c(331.9, 121.5, 382.2, 287.3, 224.3, 245.2, 208.2, 393.4, 228.3)
Snakes <- data.frame(SnakeID, Ln, Wt)</pre>
```

This command produces a scatterplot of the data:

```
ggplot(data = Snakes, mapping = aes(x = Ln, y = Wt)) +
geom_point() +
geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE) +
ggtitle("Scatterplot of Weights vs Lengths")
```

Obtain the equation of the fitted regression line, with Wt as the response (Y) and Ln as the explanatory variable (X), by typing:

```
my.reg <- lm(Wt ~ Ln, data = Snakes)
summary(my.reg)</pre>
```

a) From the output of summary(), the equation of the fitted line is:

$$\hat{Y} = -601.08 + 10.99X$$

Obtain the **predicted** weight for a snake whose length is 80 cm in two ways:

- 1. By plugging 80 into the equation for X.
- 2. By using predict().

Report both sets of your R commands for obtaining the **predicted** weight.

b) What's a typical change in weight for each 1 cm elongation? What about for a 5 cm elongation?

Exercise 6 This exercise uses the flights data (from the "nycflights13" package).

We'll investigate how the **departure delay** (dep_delay) depends on the **scheduled departure hour** (hour) for flights to San Francisco.

Create the SF data set:

```
library(nycflights13)

SF <- filter(.data = flights, dest == "SFO", !is.na(arr_delay))</pre>
```

This command produces a plot showing the relationship between **departure delay** and **scheduled hour of departure**:

```
ggplot(data = SF, mapping = aes(x = hour, y = dep_delay)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm") +
  xlab("Scheduled Hour of Departure") + ylab("Departure Delay (Minutes)") +
  coord_cartesian(ylim = c(-30, 200))
```

- a) Use lm() and summary() to obtain the equation of the fitted regression line, with with dep_delay as the response (Y) and hour as the explanatory variable (X). Report the equation of the fitted line.
- b) Obtain the **predicted** departure delay for a flight whose departure hour is 15 in two ways:

- 1. By plugging 15 into the equation for X.
- 2. By using predict().

Report both sets of your R commands for obtaining the **predicted** departure delay.

- c) By how many minutes does the departure delay increase for each additional hour in the scheduled departure?
- The vertical deviations of the points in the scatterplot away from the fitted line are called *residuals*.

Consider again the Snakes data frame from Exercise 5.

```
Snakes
##
     SnakeID
               Ln
## 1
           1 85.7 331.9
## 2
           2 64.5 121.5
## 3
           3 84.1 382.2
## 4
           4 82.5 287.3
## 5
           5 78.0 224.3
## 6
           6 81.3 245.2
## 7
           7 71.0 208.2
## 8
           8 86.7 393.4
## 9
           9 78.7 228.3
```

After fitting the **regression line** to the data:

```
my.reg <- lm(Wt ~ Ln, data = Snakes)
```

the **residuals** are the *vertical line segments* shown in Fig. 2.

We can obtain the **residuals** (using my.reg from above) via my.reg\$residuals. Below, we add them as a new column in Snakes:

```
library(dplyr) # For mutate()
Snakes <- mutate(Snakes, Residuals = my.reg$residuals)</pre>
```

- A line fits the data "well" if the **residuals** are **small**. The "best" line (according to the *least squares criterion*) is the one that minimizes the **sum of squared residuals**.
- The *fitted values*, which we'll denote by \hat{Y}_i , are defined as

$$\hat{Y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_i,$$

where the X_i 's are the observed values of the explanatory variable (in the data set that the line was fitted to).

In Fig. 2, the **fitted values** are the y-coordinates of the points **on** the **fitted line** where the residual segments meet it.

We can obtain the **fitted values** (using my.reg from above) via my.reg\$fitted.values. Below, we add them as a new column in Snakes:

```
Snakes <- mutate(Snakes, FittedVals = my.reg$fitted.values)</pre>
```

Scatterplot of Weights vs Lengths

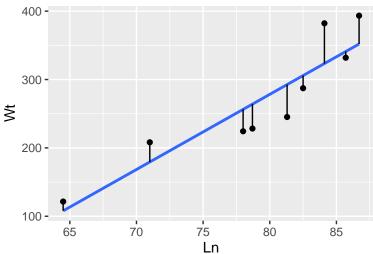


Figure 2

• Note that the ith **residual**, which we'll denote by e_i , can be written as

$$e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i,$$

where Y_i is the observed value of the response variable (in the data set that the line was fitted to) and \hat{Y}_i is the *i*th fitted value.

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Exercise 7 Here are the data on lengths and weights of snakes (minus the outlier) from Exercise 4:

```
SnakeID <- 1:9
Ln <- c(85.7, 64.5, 84.1, 82.5, 78.0, 81.3, 71.0, 86.7, 78.7)
Wt <- c(331.9, 121.5, 382.2, 287.3, 224.3, 245.2, 208.2, 393.4, 228.3)
Snakes <- data.frame(SnakeID, Ln, Wt)</pre>
```

Fit the linear regression model to the data:

```
my.reg <- lm(Wt ~ Ln, data = Snakes)</pre>
```

a) What class of object is returned by lm()? Find out by typing:

```
class(my.reg)
```

b) The "lm" class of objects is a special case of the "list" class. What does the following return?

```
is.list(my.reg)
```

c) How many objects are contained in the my.reg list? Find out by looking at their names:

```
names(my.reg)
```

d) Recall that the **equation** of the fitted line is

$$\hat{Y} = -601.08 + 10.99X$$

so the **nine** fitted values are defined as

$$\hat{Y}_i = -601.08 + 10.99X_i$$

where the X_i 's are the lengths of the nine snakes in the Snakes data frame.

What would a plot of the fitted values versus the lengths look like? Try it, and describe the result:

```
library(dplyr)  # For mutate()

Snakes <- mutate(Snakes, FittedVals = my.reg$fitted.values)

ggplot(data = Snakes, mapping = aes(x = Ln, y = FittedVals)) +
    geom_point() +
    ggtitle("Scatterplot of Fitted Values vs Lengths")</pre>
```

e) What would a plot of the **residuals** versus the **lengths** look like? Try it (with a horizontal line at y = 0) and describe the result:

```
Snakes <- mutate(Snakes, Residuals = my.reg$residuals)

ggplot(data = Snakes, mapping = aes(x = Ln, y = Residuals)) +
   geom_point() +
   geom_hline(yintercept = 0) +
   ggtitle("Scatterplot of Residuals vs Lengths")</pre>
```

f) Show that the **residuals** sum to zero:

```
sum(Snakes$Residuals)
```

9.6.2 Measuring the Fit of a Simple Linear Regression Model: SSE, MSE, and \mathbb{R}^2

- A model fits the data "well" if the **residuals** are **small**.
- One measure of how well the model fits is the *residual sum of squares* (also called *sum of squared errors*), denoted **SSE**:

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i^2 ,$$

where e_i is the *i*th **residual**.

A smaller SSE indicates a better fit.

One way to obtain the SSE is as follows (using the Snakes data, with residuals, from above):

```
my.sse <- sum(Snakes$Residuals^2)
my.sse
## [1] 11164.58</pre>
```

• SSE depends on the number of observations n, so it's better to measure the fit by the **mean squared residual** (also called **mean squared error**), denoted **MSE** and defined as:

$$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n-2} .$$

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MSE is the "average" squared residual (but using n-2 instead of n).

• MSE is measured in the *squared* units of Y (e.g. if Y is measured in dollars, MSE is measured in dollars *squared*).

Its square root, $\sqrt{\text{MSE}}$, called the *residual standard error* (or *root mean squared residual* or *root mean squared error*), is easier to interpret because it's measured in the same units as Y.

A smaller $\sqrt{\text{MSE}}$ indicates a better fit.

For example, here (again) are the results of the regression of weights on lengths of snakes:

```
my.reg <- lm(Wt ~ Ln, data = Snakes)
summary(my.reg)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Wt ~ Ln, data = Snakes)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
  -47.395 -32.020 -9.061 28.826
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -601.083
                           154.333
                                    -3.895 0.005939
## Ln
                 10.992
                             1.942
                                     5.660 0.000767
##
## Residual standard error: 39.94 on 7 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8207, Adjusted R-squared: 0.795
## F-statistic: 32.03 on 1 and 7 DF, p-value: 0.0007667
```

From the output, the residual standard error is $\sqrt{\text{MSE}} = 39.94$.

• The residual standard error depends on the units of Y (e.g. dollars vs euros, inches vs cm, etc.), so it's sometimes desirable instead to measure the fit by the \mathbb{R}^2 , defined as:

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\text{SSE}}{(n-1)\text{Var}(Y_i\text{'s})} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2},$$

where $Var(Y_i)$'s) is the *variance* (squared standard deviation) of the Y_i 's.

 \mathbb{R}^2 always falls between 0 and 1. A larger \mathbb{R}^2 indicates a better fit.

For example, from the output of summary() above, the R^2 (labeled Multiple R-squared) is $R^2 = 0.8207$, indicating a good fit of the line to the snakes data.

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Exercise 8 This exercise uses the flights data (from the "nycflights13" package).

From Exercise 6, here are the plot and linear regression of **departure delay** on **scheduled departure hour** for flights to San Francisco (using the SF data frame from Exercise 6):

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```
ggplot(data = SF, mapping = aes(x = hour, y = dep_delay)) +
   geom_point() +
   geom_smooth(method = "lm") +
   xlab("Scheduled Hour of Departure") + ylab("Departure Delay (Minutes)") +
   coord_cartesian(ylim = c(-30, 200))

my.reg <- lm(dep_delay ~ hour, data = SF)

summary(my.reg)</pre>
```

- a) From the output of summary(), what's the value of the residual standard error?
- b) From the output of summary(), what's the value of \mathbb{R}^2 (labeled Multiple R-squared)?
- c) Using the criteria below (and the \mathbb{R}^2 from part b), how well does the linear model fit the data (poor, medium, or good)?

R^2	Model Fit		
0.0 to 0.25	Poor		
0.25 to 0.65	Medium		
0.65 to 1.0	Good		

9.6.3 Multiple Regression: Multiple Explanatory Variables

- Multiple regression models describe variation in a response variable Y as a function of several explanatory variables X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_p .
- A multiple regression analysis involves obtaining the equation of the plane or "hyperplane" that best fits the data. The equation is useful for:
 - 1. Predicting the value of Y from given values of X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_p .
 - 2. Quantifying a typical change in Y associated with given changes in X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_p .

9.6.4 Multiple Regression with Two Explanatory Variables

- When p = 2 (i.e. two explanatory variables), a multiple regression analysis involves obtaining the **equation** of the **plane** that best fits the data in a three-dimensional scatterplot.
- We carry out the analysis and view the results using lm() and summary(), as before.

The resulting *fitted regression model* is the equation of a plane, i.e. having the form

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2.$$

The intercept is $\hat{\beta}_0$, and $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_2$ are referred to as *coefficients* of the fitted model.

Data Set: waterUsage The waterUsage data contain, for n = 28 U.S. cities, the four variables: City Name of the city. Water The city's water consumption (log of millions of liters/day). Population The population of the city (in millions, year 2000) Wealth A measure of the city's wealth (z-score of the city's median income).

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City	Water Usage (Y)	Wealth (X_1) Por	oulation (X_2)	
New York	9.2	2.8	21.3	
Los Angeles	9.1	0.1	16.4	
Chicago	8.4	-0.2	9.2	
DC/Baltimore	8.1	1.8	6.5	
San Francisco	8.0	1.9	6.3	
:	:	:	:	
Stockton	5.7	-0.9	0.6	
Mobile	6.4	-1.5	0.5	
Wat	"Minneap "Portlan "Las_Veg "Dayton_ "Albuque "Mobile" er = c(9.2, 9. 7.6, 6.	1, 8.4, 8.1, 8 8, 7.2, 6.7, 6	", "Pittsburgh' _Antonio", "Salce", "Jacksonv: "Albany_Schenee, "Little_Rock' .0, 7.9, 7.9, .7, 7.1, 6.7,	", "St_Louis lt_Lake_City ille", ctady", ", "Stocktor 7.6, 7.6, 7.6, 7.

For example, using the waterUsage data set, we can obtain the *fitted regression model*, with response variable water consumption (Y) and both wealth (X_1) and population size (X_2) as explanatory variables, by typing:

```
my.reg <- lm(Water ~ Wealth + Population, data = waterUsage)</pre>
summary(my.reg)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Water ~ Wealth + Population, data = waterUsage)
## Residuals:
##
                1Q
       Min
                     Median
                                   3Q
## -0.95881 -0.50504 0.06659 0.40889 0.58966
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 6.47674 0.14084 45.987 < 2e-16
                          0.12603
                                   0.876
## Wealth
               0.11042
                                             0.389
## Population 0.15835
                          0.02633
                                   6.014 2.78e-06
##
## Residual standard error: 0.5063 on 25 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7441, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7237
## F-statistic: 36.35 on 2 and 25 DF, p-value: 3.985e-08
```

In the output, the **coefficients** of the **equation** of the fitted model are in the **Estimate** column. Thus the **equation** is:

$$\hat{Y} = 6.48 + 0.11 X_1 + 0.16 X_2.$$

This is the **equation** of the **plane** shown below.

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3D Scatterplot of Water Usage

Figure 3

Using the equation, we **predict** the **water usage** for a city whose **wealth** is **1.5** and whose **population** is **3.0** by plugging **1.5** and **3.0** into the equation. Thus the **predicted water usage** is:

$$\hat{Y} = 6.48 + 0.11(1.5) + 0.16(3.0) = 7.1$$
.

The coefficient $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.11$ says each one-unit increase in a city's wealth leads to a water usage *increase* of 0.11 units when population is fixed (held constant).

- In general, when p = 2 (i.e. two explanatory variables),
 - 1. The *intercept* $\hat{\beta}_0$ is the predicted value of Y when X_1 and X_2 are both zero.
 - 2. The *coefficient* $\hat{\beta}_1$ quantifies the change in Y for each one-unit change in X_1 , while X_2 is fixed (held constant).
 - 3. The *coefficient* $\hat{\beta}_2$ quantifies the change in Y for each one-unit change in X_2 , while X_1 is fixed (held constant).
- Another way to get predicted values from a fitted model is to use predict().

To use predict(), we store X_1 and X_2 values for which we want to predict Y in a data frame, for example:

```
newWealthPop <- data.frame(Wealth = 1.5, Population = 3.0)
newWealthPop

## Wealth Population
## 1 1.5 3</pre>
```

After fitting the model to the data in waterUsage, saving the result as my.reg, and creating the newWealthPop data frame, we get the predicted water usage by typing:

```
predict(my.reg, newdata = newWealthPop)

## 1
## 7.117426
```

Thus the **predicted water usage** is **7.1** units (the same as the earlier result).

Data Set: portraitSales

The portraitSales data set (below) was provided by Dwaine Studios, Inc., a portrait studio that specializes in portraits of children and operates in 21 cities. The data set includes information for each city about sales, number of persons under age 16, and per capita income.

Portrait sales (in thousands of dollars). Number of persons under age 16 (in thousands of persons) Under16

Per capita disposable personal income (in thousands of dollars). Income

```
Sales <- c(174.4, 164.4, 244.2, 154.6, 181.6, 207.5, 152.8, 163.2,
           145.4, 137.2, 241.9, 191.1, 232.0, 145.3, 161.1, 209.7,
           146.4, 144.0, 232.6, 224.1, 166.5)
Under16 \leftarrow c(68.5, 45.2, 91.3, 47.8, 46.9, 66.1, 49.5, 52.0, 48.9,
             38.4, 87.9, 72.8, 88.4, 42.9, 52.5, 85.7, 41.3, 51.7,
             89.6, 82.7, 52.3)
Income \leftarrow c(16.7, 16.8, 18.2, 16.3, 17.3, 18.2, 15.9, 17.2, 16.6, 16.0,
            18.3, 17.1, 17.4, 15.8, 17.8, 18.4, 16.5, 16.3, 18.1, 19.1,
portraitSales <- data.frame(Sales, Under16, Income)</pre>
```

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Exercise 9 This exercise uses the portraitSales data from above.

- a) Use lm() to fit a multiple regression model with portrait Sales as the response (Y) and number of persons Under16 (X_1) and per capita Income (X_2) as explanatory variables. Then use summary() to obtain the results. Write out the equation of the fitted plane.
- b) Obtain the **predicted** sales for a city whose number of persons under 16 is **45.0** thousand and whose per capita income is 17.0 thousand dollars in two ways:
 - 1. By plugging 45.0 and 17.0 into the equation for X_1 and X_2 .
 - 2. By using predict().
- c) How much does sales increase for each additional 1.0 thousand people under 16 (holding income constant)?
- d) How much does sales increase for each additional 1.0 thousand dollars in per capita income (holding number of people under 16 constant)?

Multiple Regression with More than Two Explanatory Variables

- When p > 2 (i.e. more than two explanatory variables), a multiple regression model is no longer a plane in three dimensions, it's a "hyperplane" in higher dimensions, which shares many features of a plane.
- We carry out the analysis and view the results using lm() and summary(), as before.

The resulting *fitted regression model* is the **equation** of a "hyperplane", i.e. having the form

$$\hat{Y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 X_2 + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p X_p.$$

The intercept is $\hat{\beta}_0$, and $\hat{\beta}_1, \hat{\beta}_2, \dots, \hat{\beta}_p$ are referred to as *coefficients* of the fitted model.

• Scatterplot matrices and correlation matrices, produced by the following functions, are useful for exploring and summarizing the data.

```
pairs() # Make a scatterplot matrix of variables in a data frame.

cor() # Make a correlation matrix of variables in a data frame.
```

Data Set: waste

The waste data below were used for the design of an efficient waste incinerator. On each of n = 30 waste specimens, six variables were recorded:

Specimen ID number identifying the waste specimen (1-30)

EnergyContent The energy content of the specimen (kcal/kg), a measure of

burnability

Plastics Plastics in the specimen (percent, by weight)
Paper Paper in the specimen (percent, by weight)
Garbage Garbage in the specimen (percent, by weight)
Water Moisture in the specimen (percent, by weight)

Municipal Waste Composition

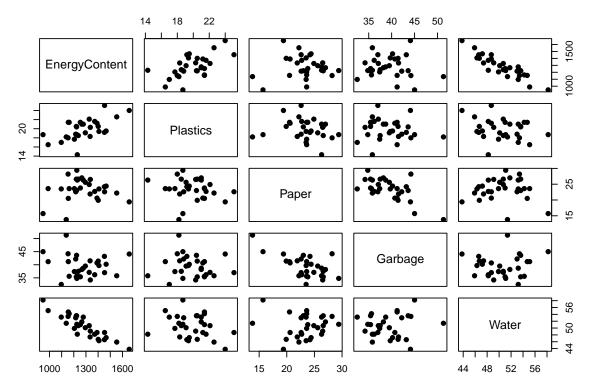
Waste	Energy				
Specimen	Content	Plastics	Paper	Garbage	Water
1	947	18.69	15.65	45.01	58.21
2	1407	19.43	23.51	39.69	46.31
3	1452	19.24	24.23	43.16	46.63
4	1553	22.64	22.20	35.76	45.85
5	989	16.54	23.56	41.20	55.14
	-			-	
:	:	:	:	:	:
29	1391	21.25	20.63	40.72	48.67
30	1372	21.62	22.71	36.22	48.19

```
waste <- data.frame(Specimen = 1:30,</pre>
                    EnergyContent = c(947, 1407, 1452, 1553, 989, 1162, 1466,
                        1656, 1254, 1336, 1097, 1266, 1401, 1223, 1216, 1334,
                        1155, 1453, 1278, 1153, 1225, 1237, 1327, 1229, 1205,
                        1221, 1138, 1295, 1391, 1372),
                    Plastics = c(18.7, 19.4, 19.2, 22.6, 16.5, 21.4, 19.5, 24.0,
                        21.4, 20.3, 17.0, 21.0, 20.5, 20.4, 18.8, 18.3, 21.4,
                        25.1, 21.0, 18.0, 18.7, 18.5, 22.1, 14.3, 17.7, 20.5,
                        18.2, 19.1, 21.2, 21.6),
                    Paper = c(15.7, 23.5, 24.2, 22.2, 23.6, 23.6, 24.4, 19.4,
                        23.8, 26.5, 23.5, 27.0, 19.9, 23.0, 22.6, 21.9, 20.5,
                        22.6, 26.3, 28.2, 29.4, 26.6, 24.9, 26.3, 23.6, 26.6,
                        13.8, 25.6, 20.6, 22.7),
                    Garbage = c(45.0, 39.7, 43.2, 35.8, 41.2, 35.6, 40.2, 44.1,
                        35.4, 34.2, 32.5, 38.2, 41.4, 43.6, 42.2, 41.5, 41.2,
                        37.0, 38.7, 44.2, 34.8, 37.5, 37.1, 35.8, 37.4, 35.4,
                        51.3, 39.5, 40.7, 36.2),
                    Water = c(58.2, 46.3, 46.6, 45.9, 55.1, 54.2, 47.2, 43.8,
                        51.0, 49.1, 53.2, 51.8, 46.7, 53.6, 53.0, 47.4, 54.7,
                        48.7, 53.2, 53.4, 51.1, 50.7, 50.7, 48.2, 49.9, 53.6,
                        51.4, 50.1, 48.7, 48.2))
```

• As an example, here's a scatterplot matrix of the waste data:

```
pairs(select(waste, -Specimen),
    main = "Scatterplot Matrix of Municipal Waste Data",
    pch = 19)
```





Here's the correlation matrix:

```
cor_mat <- cor(select(waste, -Specimen))</pre>
round(cor_mat, 2)
##
                EnergyContent Plastics Paper Garbage Water
## EnergyContent
                        1.00
                              0.59 0.04 -0.09 -0.90
## Plastics
                         0.59
                                 1.00 -0.15
                                             -0.09 -0.26
## Paper
                        0.04
                                -0.15 1.00
                                             -0.63 0.00
## Garbage
                        -0.09
                                -0.09 -0.63
                                              1.00 0.07
                        -0.90 -0.26 0.00 0.07 1.00
## Water
```

The correlation matrix shows the correlations corresponding to the plots in the scatterplot matrix.

We can obtain the *fitted regression model*, with response variable energy content (Y) and plastics (X_1) , paper (X_2) , garbage (X_3) , and water (X_4) as the p=4 explanatory variables by typing:

```
my.reg <- lm(EnergyContent ~ Plastics + Paper + Garbage + Water, data = waste)

summary(my.reg)

##

## Call:
## lm(formula = EnergyContent ~ Plastics + Paper + Garbage + Water,
## data = waste)

##

## Residuals:
## Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
## -39.47 -24.05 -11.72 21.45 60.56

##

## Coefficients:</pre>
```

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 2234.508
                        178.576 12.513 2.91e-12
## Plastics
                 29.090
                             2.836
                                   10.256 1.92e-10
                 7.738
                             2.329
                                     3.323
## Paper
                                          0.00274
## Garbage
                 4.353
                             1.926
                                   2.260
                                           0.03282
                -37.291
                             1.840 -20.270
## Water
##
## Residual standard error: 31.58 on 25 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9639, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9581
## F-statistic: 166.6 on 4 and 25 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

In the output, the **coefficients** of the **equation** of the fitted model are in the **Estimate** column. Thus the **equation** is:

$$\hat{Y} = 2234.5 + 29.1 X_1 + 7.7 X_2 + 4.4 X_3 - 37.3 X_4.$$

Using the equation, we **predict** the **energy content** for a waste specimen whose **plastics** is **20**, **paper** is **25**, **garbage** is **40**, and **water** is **15** by plugging these values into the equation. Thus the **predicted energy content** is:

$$\hat{Y} = 2234.5 + 29.1(20) + 7.7(25) + 4.4(40) - 37.3(15) = 2625.5$$
.

The coefficient $\hat{\beta}_1 = 29.1$ says each one-percent increase in a waste specimen's plastics leads to an energy content *increase* of 29.1 units when paper, garbage, and water are fixed (held constant).

- In general, when p > 2, the coefficients have the same interpretation as they did when p = 2:
 - 1. The *intercept* $\hat{\beta}_0$ is the predicted value of Y when X_1, X_2, \ldots, X_p are all zero.
 - 2. For each k = 1, 2, ..., p, the **coefficient** $\hat{\beta}_k$ quantifies the **change** in Y for each **one-unit change** in X_k , while the other p 1 X_i 's are fixed (held constant).
- Another way to get predicted values from a fitted model is to use predict().

To use predict(), we store X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p values for which we want to predict Y in a data frame, for example:

After fitting the model to the data in waste, saving the result as my.reg, and creating the newWaste data frame, we get the predicted energy content by typing:

```
predict(my.reg, newdata = newWaste)

## 1
## 2624.515
```

Thus the **predicted energy content** is **2624.5** units (the same as the earlier result up to round-off error).

Data Set: cdi

The cdi data set (CDI.txt on the course website) provides selective county demographic information (CDI) for 440 of the most populous counties in the U.S. Each line of the data set has an identification number with a county name and state abbreviation and provides information on 14 variables for a single county. Counties with missing data were deleted from the data set. The information generally pertains

to the years 1990 and 1992. The 17 variables are:

ID Identification number (1-440)

County County name

State Two-letter state abbreviation
LandArea Land area (square miles)
TotPop Estimated 1990 population

PctPop18_34 Percent of 1990 CDI population aged 18-34 PctPop65 Percent of 1990 CDI population aged 65 or older

nActPhys Number of professionally active nonfederal physicians during 1990

nHospBeds Total number of beds, cribs, and bassinets during 1990

nCrimes Total number of serious crimes in 1990, including murder, rape, robbery,

aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft,

as reported by law enforcement agencies

PctHSGrad Percent of adult population (aged 25 or older) who completed 12 or more

years of school

PctBach Percent of adult population (aged 25 or older) with a bachelor's degree PctBelPov Percent of 1990 CDI population with income below poverty level

PctUnemp Percent of 1990 CDI labor force that was unemployed PerCapInc Per capita income of 1990 CDI population (dollars)

TotInc Total personal income of 1990 CDI population (in millions of dollars)

Region Geographic region classification that is used by the U.S. Bureau of the

Census, where 1=NE, 2=NC, 3=S, 4=W

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Exercise 10 This exercise uses the cdi data set (CDI.txt on the course website).

- a) Use pairs() to make a scatterplot matrix of these variables. Report your R command.
- b) Use cor() to make the correlation matrix of the data. Report your R command.
- c) Use lm() to fit a multiple regression model with number of active physicians as the response (Y) and total population (X_1) , land area (X_2) , and total personal income (X_3) as explanatory variables. Then use summary() to obtain the results. Write out the equation of the fitted model.
- d) Obtain the **predicted** number of active physicians for a county with a total population of **400,000**, a land area of **1,000** square miles, and total personal income of **8,000** million dollars in two ways:
 - 1. By plugging 400,000, 1,000, and 8,000 into the equation for X_1 , X_2 , and X_3 .
 - 2. By using predict().
- e) How much does **number of active physicians** increase for each additional **1**-person increase in total population (holding land area and total personal income constant)?
- f) How much does **number of active physicians** increase for each additional **1.0** million dollars in total personal income (holding land area and total population constant)?

Exercise 11 This exercise also uses the cdi data set (CDI.txt on the course website).

The following uses mutate() (from the "dplyr" package) to create a new variable in the cdi data frame, PopDens, containing the population density of each county:

cdi <- mutate(cdi, PopDens = TotPop/LandArea)</pre>

a) Use lm() to fit a multiple regression model with number of active physicians as the response (Y) and population density (X_1) , percent of population 65 or older (X_2) , and per capita income (X_3) as explanatory variables. Then use summary() to obtain the results. Write out the equation of the fitted model.

- b) Obtain the **predicted** number of active physicians for a county with a population density of **900** per square mile, **15** percent of its population over 65, and per capita income of **20,000** dollars in two ways:
 - 1. By plugging 900, 15, and 20,000 into the equation for X_1 , X_2 , and X_3 .
 - 2. By using predict().
- The deviations of the observations away from the fitted model are called *residuals*.

Consider (again) the waterUsage data frame (from above).

```
head(waterUsage)
##
                   City Water Wealth Population
## 1
               New_York
                           9.2
                                   2.8
## 2
            Los_Angeles
                           9.1
                                   0.1
                                              16.4
## 3
                           8.4
                                  -0.2
                                               9.2
                Chicago
## 4
          DC_Baltimore
                           8.1
                                   1.8
                                               6.5
## 5
          San_Francisco
                           8.0
                                   1.9
                                               6.3
## 6 Detroit_Ann_Arbor
                           7.9
                                   0.3
                                               5.5
```

After fitting the **regression model** to the data:

```
my.reg <- lm(Water ~ Wealth + Population, data = waterUsage)
```

the **residuals** are the *vertical line segments* shown in Fig. 3.

We can obtain the residuals via my.reg\$residuals. Below, we add them as a new column in waterUsage:

```
waterUsage <- mutate(waterUsage, Residuals = my.reg$residuals)</pre>
```

- A model fits the data "well" if the **residuals** are **small**. The "best" model (according to the **least squares criterion**) is the one that minimizes the **sum of squared residuals**.
- The *fitted values*, which we'll denote by \hat{Y}_i , are defined as

$$\hat{Y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X_{1i} + \hat{\beta}_2 X_{2i} + \dots + \hat{\beta}_n X_{ni}$$

where the $X_{1i}, X_{2i}, \dots, X_{pi}$'s are the observed values of the explanatory variables (in the data set that the model was fitted to).

In Fig. 3, the **fitted values** are the y-coordinates of the points **on** the **fitted plane** where the residual segments meet it.

We can obtain the **fitted values** (using my.reg from above) via my.reg\$fitted.values. Below, we add them as a new column in waterUsage:

```
waterUsage <- mutate(waterUsage, FittedVals = my.reg$fitted.values)</pre>
```

• Note that the ith **residual**, which we'll denote by e_i , can be written as

$$e_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i$$

where Y_i is the observed value of the response variable (in the data set that the model was fitted to) and \hat{Y}_i is the *i*th fitted value.

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9.6.6 Measuring the Fit of a Multiple Regression Model: SSE, MSE, and R^2

- A model fits the data "well" if the **residuals** are **small**.
- One measure of how well the model fits is the *residual sum of squares* (also called *sum of squared errors*), denoted **SSE**:

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} e_i^2 ,$$

where e_i is the *i*th **residual**.

A smaller SSE indicates a better fit.

One way to obtain the SSE is as follows (using the waterUsage data, with residuals, from above):

```
my.sse <- sum(waterUsage$Residuals^2)
my.sse
## [1] 6.408783</pre>
```

• SSE depends on the number of observations n, so it's better to measure the fit by the **mean squared residual** (also called **mean squared error**), denoted **MSE** and defined as:

$$MSE = \frac{SSE}{n - (p+1)}.$$

MSE is the "average" squared residual (but using n - (p + 1) instead of n).

• MSE is measured in the *squared* units of Y (e.g. if Y is measured in dollars, MSE is measured in dollars *squared*).

Its square root, $\sqrt{\text{MSE}}$, called the *residual standard error* (or *root mean squared residual* or *root mean squared error*), is easier to interpret because it's measured in the same units as Y.

A smaller $\sqrt{\text{MSE}}$ indicates a better fit.

For example, here (again) are the results of the waterUsage regression:

```
my.reg <- lm(Water ~ Wealth + Population, data = waterUsage)</pre>
summary(my.reg)
##
## lm(formula = Water ~ Wealth + Population, data = waterUsage)
##
## Residuals:
                 1Q
                      Median
                                   30
                                           Max
## -0.95881 -0.50504 0.06659 0.40889 0.58966
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 6.47674 0.14084 45.987 < 2e-16
               0.11042
                          0.12603
                                   0.876
## Wealth
## Population 0.15835
                          0.02633
                                    6.014 2.78e-06
## Residual standard error: 0.5063 on 25 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7441, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7237
## F-statistic: 36.35 on 2 and 25 DF, p-value: 3.985e-08
```

From the output, the residual standard error is $\sqrt{\text{MSE}} = 0.5063$.

• The residual standard error depends on the units of Y (e.g. dollars vs euros, inches vs cm, etc.), so it's sometimes desirable instead to measure the fit by the \mathbb{R}^2 , defined as:

$$R^2 = 1 - \frac{\text{SSE}}{(n-1)\text{Var}(Y_i\text{'s})} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n e_i^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2},$$

where $Var(Y_i)$'s) is the *variance* (squared standard deviation) of the Y_i 's.

 \mathbb{R}^2 always falls between 0 and 1. A larger \mathbb{R}^2 indicates a better fit.

For example, from the output of summary() above, the R^2 (labeled Multiple R-squared) is $R^2 = 0.7441$, indicating a decent fit of the model to the water usage data.

Section 9.6 Exercises

Exercise 12 This exercise uses the cdi data set (CDI.txt on the course website). You'll compare the fits of the two models from Exercises 10 and 11.

After reading the data into a data frame named cdi, fit the model from Exercise 10:

```
my.reg <- lm(nActPhys ~ TotPop + LandArea + TotInc, data = cdi)
summary(my.reg)</pre>
```

Now re-create the PopDens variable and fit the model from Exercise 11:

```
cdi <- mutate(cdi, PopDens = TotPop/LandArea)
my.reg <- lm(nActPhys ~ PopDens + PctPop65 + PerCapInc, data = cdi)
summary(my.reg)</pre>
```

- a) Using the **residual standard error** in the output from **summary()**, which model fits the data better? **Hint**: A *smaller* residual standard error indicates a *better* fitting model.
- b) Using the R^2 (labeled Multiple R-squared) in the output from summary(), which model fits the data better? Hint: A larger R^2 indicates a better fitting model.
- c) Based on your answers to Parts a and b, which model would you expect to give **better predictions** of the number of active physicians in a county?

9.7 Logistic Regression: Dichotomous (0 or 1) Response Variable (E.5)

• Logistic regression is used when the response variable Y is dichotomous, that is, only takes two values (e.g. Yes/No, Healthy/Unhealthy, etc.), which we code as $\mathbf{0}$ and $\mathbf{1}$.

For a **dichotomous** response variable, we (usually) want to estimate the **probability** that Y will equal 1 as a **function** of an explanatory variable X.

Data Set: dues

The dues data set (DUES.txt on the course website) contains responses to a survey of 30 members conducted by the board of directors of a professional association to assess the effects of several possible amounts of dues increase. The two variables are:

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```
DuesIncr The amount of dues increase

NotRenew Whether the interviewee would not renew their membership at that amount of dues increase (1 if they would not renew, 0 if they would renew)
```

• For example, consider the dues data set:

```
head(dues)
##
     NotRenew DuesIncr
## 1
             0
## 2
             0
                      27
## 3
             0
                      30
## 4
             0
                      30
## 5
             0
                      31
## 6
                      32
```

We might want to model the **probability** of a person **not renewing** their membership as a **function** of the dues increase X.

A linear regression model is **not appropriate** because the line extends above and below the range of probability values 0 to 1 (see Fig. 4):

Not Renew vs Dues Increase

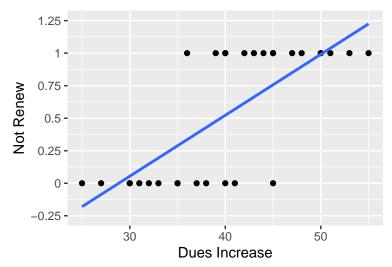


Figure 4

Here's a (more appropriate) fitted $logistic\ regression\ model$ (Fig. 5):

Not Renew vs Dues Increase

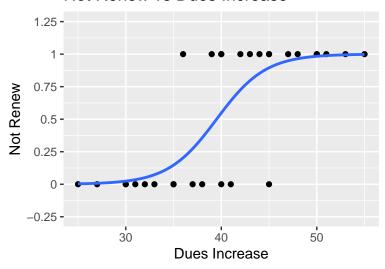


Figure 5

The curve in Fig. 5 gives the (estimated) **probability** of **not renewing** for any given value of the **dues increase** X.

• We can carry out a logistic regression analysis using the "generalized linear model" function:

```
glm() # Carry out a logistic regression analysis by fitting a logistic
# regression model to a data set. Specify family = "binomial".
# Other so-called generalized linear models use different
# family specifications.
summary() # Summarize the results of the logistic regression analysis.
```

• For example, using the dues data set, with **not renewing** as the response (Y) and dues increase as the explanatory variable (X), we carry out the **logistic regression analysis** by typing:

```
my.logreg <- glm(NotRenew ~ DuesIncr, data = dues, family = "binomial")</pre>
summary(my.logreg)
##
## glm(formula = NotRenew ~ DuesIncr, family = "binomial", data = dues)
##
## Deviance Residuals:
       Min 1Q
                       Median
                                    3Q
                                              Max
## -2.12290 -0.37290 0.08522 0.47113
##
## Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
##
## (Intercept) -15.4157 5.6780 -2.715 0.00663
## DuesIncr
               0.3902
                           0.1421
                                    2.745 0.00605
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
```

```
## Null deviance: 41.455 on 29 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 20.083 on 28 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 24.083
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 6
```

We'll interpret some of the output later.

• To understand the fitted logistic regression model, we'll define a function p(X) as

$$p(X) = P(Y = 1 \text{ when the value of the explanatory variable is } X)$$

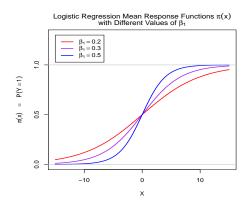
The *fitted logistic regression model* has the form

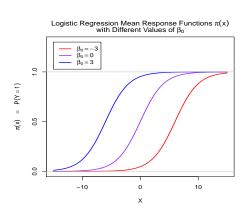
$$p(X) = \frac{e^{\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X}}{1 + e^{\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X}} \tag{1}$$

(were e is the exponential constant, e = 2.718282...).

The fitted logistic regression model has the following properties:

- 1. The fitted curve p(X) is constrained to lie between zero and one.
- 2. If $\hat{\beta}_1 > 0$, then p(X) is an increasing function of X. Also, $p(X) \to 1$ as X increases and $p(X) \to 0$ as X decreases.
- 3. If $\hat{\beta}_1 < 0$, p(X) is a decreasing function of X. Also, $p(X) \to 0$ as X increases and $p(X) \to 1$ as X decreases.
- 4. $\hat{\beta}_1$ determines the "steepness" of the "middle" part of the fitted curve p(X). A larger $\hat{\beta}_1$ results in a "steeper" curve.
- 5. $\hat{\beta}_0$ shifts the fitted curve left or right.





• Refer to the output from summary(my.logreg) above. For the dues data, the *coefficients* in the fitted logistic regression model are:

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = -15.42$$
 and $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.39$.

So the **fitted model** is

$$p(X) = \frac{e^{-15.42 + 0.39X}}{1 + e^{-15.42 + 0.39X}}.$$

This is the curve graphed in Fig. 5.

If we plug any value in for X, we get the (estimated) **probability** that a given individual **won't renew** at that **dues increase** value, e.g.

$$p(42) = \frac{e^{-15.42 + 0.39 \times 42}}{1 + e^{-15.42 + 0.39 \times 42}} = 0.72.$$

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There's a 72% chance that a given individual won't renew their membership if the dues increase is \$42.

We could also get this value using predict():

```
newDues <- data.frame(DuesIncr = 42)
predict(my.logreg, newDues, type = "response")
##     1
## 0.7254854</pre>
```

Specifying type = "response" is necessary because the default type for predict.glm() (the predict() method for "glm" objects) is "link", and for type = "link", predict.glm() returns not the value of p(X), but rather the value of the so-called logit function, defined as:

$$logit(p(X)) = log\left(\frac{p(X)}{1 - p(X)}\right).$$

It can be shown that when p(X) is defined as in (1),

$$logit(p(X)) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 X.$$

Section 9.7 Exercises

Exercise 13 This exercise uses the dues data set (DUES.txt on the course website).

Fit the **logistic regression model** to with NotRenew as the response variable (Y) and DuesIncr as the explanatory variable (X), using glm() with family = "binomial":

```
my.logreg <- glm(NotRenew ~ DuesIncr, family = "binomial", data = dues)
summary(my.logreg)</pre>
```

a) From the output of summary(), the equation of the fitted logistic regression model is:

$$p(X) = \frac{e^{-15.42 + 0.39X}}{1 + e^{-15.42 + 0.39X}}.$$

See Fig. 5.

Obtain the (estimated) **probability** that a person **won't renew** their membership if the **dues increase** is **45** dollars in two ways:

- 1. By plugging 45 into the equation for X.
- 2. By using predict().
- b) Now obtain the (estimated) probability that a person won't renew their membership if the dues increase is only 35 dollars dollars in two ways:

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- 1. By plugging 35 into the equation for X.
- 2. By using predict().

9.8 Model Complexity and Overfitting

• We'll want to know how good a given model is:

- How well does it **predict** the response variable in **original data set** (that was used to build the model and to which the model was fitted)?

```
Can use \sqrt{\text{MSE}}, R^2, etc.
```

- How well does it **predict** the response for **new** observations (**not** part of the original data set)? Can use *cross-validation* (we'll see how later).
- A model *overfits* the **original data** if it predicts the *those* responses well, but *not* responses of **new** observations.
- Overfitting results when the *complexity* of the model is *too high*.

In the context of regression, complexity refers to the number of explanatory variables in the model.

• For example, here are the data on **lengths** and **weights** of **nine** snakes:

```
SnakeID <- 1:9
Ln <- c(85.7, 64.5, 84.1, 82.5, 78.0, 81.3, 71.0, 86.7, 78.7)
Wt <- c(331.9, 121.5, 382.2, 287.3, 224.3, 245.2, 208.2, 393.4, 228.3)
Snakes <- data.frame(SnakeID, Ln, Wt)
g <- ggplot(Snakes, aes(x = Ln, y = Wt)) + geom_point()
g</pre>
```

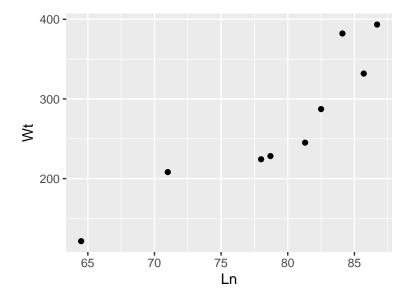


Figure 6

Below, we fit each of these *polynomial regression models* to the data:

where Y is the **weight** and X the **length** of a snake.

```
# Constant model (Model 0):
g + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ 1, se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 0")
```

```
# Linear polynomial model (Model 1):
g + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ poly(x, 1), se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 1")

# Quadratic polynomial model (Model 2):
g + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ poly(x, 2), se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 2")

# Cubic polynomial model (Model 3):
g + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ poly(x, 3), se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 3")

# Quartic polynomial model (Model 4):
g + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ poly(x, 4), se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 4")

# Quintic polynomial model (Model 5):
g + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ poly(x, 5), se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 5")
```

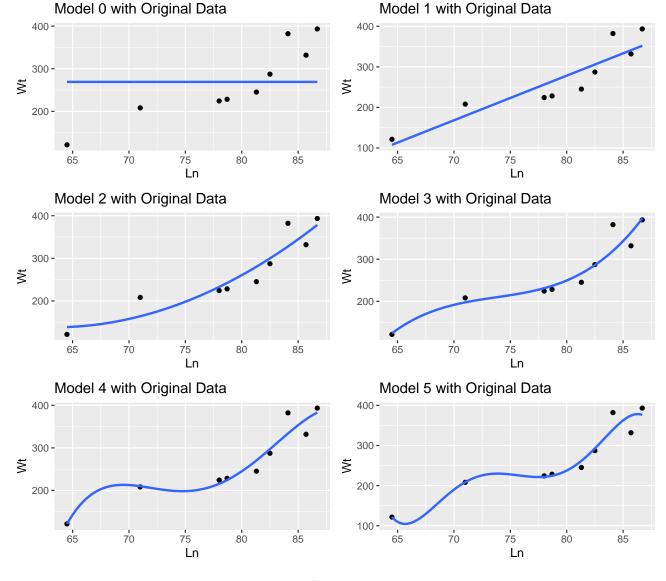


Figure 7

The models fit the **original** data progressively **better** as the model **complexity** gets **higher**, but they **don't necessarily** predict **new** observations better.

For example, here are five **new** snakes:

```
newSnakes <- data.frame(Ln = c(67, 72, 77, 81, 86),
	Wt = c(127.9, 153.7, 204.7, 300.6, 291.4))

newSnakes

## Ln Wt

## 1 67 127.9

## 2 72 153.7

## 3 77 204.7

## 4 81 300.6

## 5 86 291.4
```

The **fifth-degree** polynomial performs well in *in-sample testing* (i.e. it fits the **original data** well), but not so well in *out-of-sample testing* (i.e. it doesn't predict **new** observations very well). The **linear** model does better in **out-of-sample testing**. See Fig. 8.

```
# Setting alpha = 0.05 makes the original data nearly transparent:
g_new <- ggplot(Snakes, aes(x = Ln, y = Wt)) +
geom_point(alpha = 0.05)</pre>
```

```
# Five new observations with linear model fitted to original data:
g_new + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ poly(x, 1), se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 1 with New Snakes") +
geom_point(data = newSnakes)
```

```
# Five new observations with quintic polynomial model fitted to original data:
g_new + stat_smooth(method = "lm", formula = y ~ poly(x, 5), se = F) +
ggtitle(label = "Model 5 with New Snakes") +
geom_point(data = newSnakes)
```

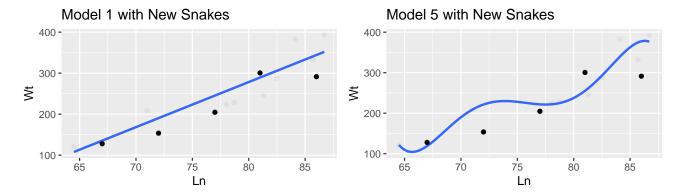


Figure 8