# Linear Regression 1 DS351

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**Example**: X = TV advertising budgets and Y =sales of a product

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$$\approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 \times TV$$
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Assumption: There are  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  that works for all possible *sales* and TV.

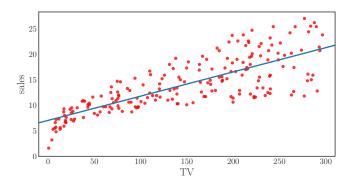
Since we do not have all possible sales and TV...

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x,$$

where  $\hat{y}$  is a prediction of Y.

What's the difference between X and x?

$$X =$$
 a random variable  $x =$  an observed value.



Let  $e_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$ . We want to minimize the *residual sum of squares* (RSS)

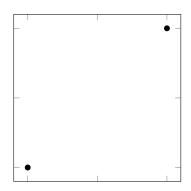
$$\mathsf{RSS} = e_1^2 + e_2^2 + \ldots + e_n^2,$$

or equivalently

$$\mathsf{RSS} = (y_1 - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_1)^2 + (y_2 - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_2)^2 + \ldots + (y_n - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_n)^2.$$

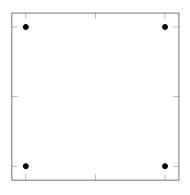
Why not minimize the sum of absolute errors (SAE) instead?

$$SAE = |e_1| + |e_2| + \ldots + |e_n|.$$



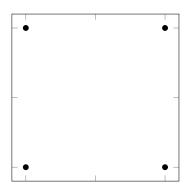
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- SSR:

### SAE vs RSS



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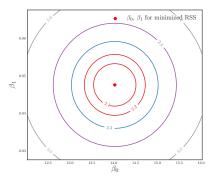
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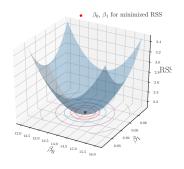


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### Back to RSS

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## Least square coefficient estimate

 $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  that minimize

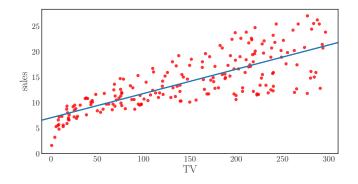
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The solution is

$$\hat{\beta}_{1} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \bar{x})(y_{i} - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (x_{i} - \bar{x})^{2}}$$
$$\hat{\beta}_{0} = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_{1}\bar{x},$$

where

$$\bar{x} = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \ldots + x_n}{n}$$
$$\bar{y} = \frac{y_1 + y_2 + \ldots + y_n}{n}$$



$$\hat{\beta}_0 = 7.03, \quad \hat{\beta}_1 = 0.0475.$$

An additional \$1,000 spent on TV advertising is associated to 47.5 more units in sales.

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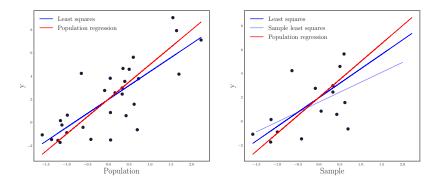
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- $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  were computed from a sample, not a population.
- ▶ How close are  $\hat{\beta}_0$  and  $\hat{\beta}_1$  to  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ ?



- ▶ 30 generated points from  $Y = 2 + 3X + \epsilon$  where  $\epsilon \sim N(0,2)$ .
- ▶ The red line is the population regression line: Y = 2 + 3X
- ▶ The blue line is the *least square* line of the population.
- ► The light blue line is the *least square* line of the sample.

#### Confidence interval

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there is **95%** probability that  $I_i$  contains  $\beta_i$ .

#### Residual standard error

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However, most of the time we don't know  $\sigma!$ 

Replace  $\sigma^2$  by the *residual standard error* (RSE)

RSE = 
$$\sqrt{\frac{\text{RSS}}{n-2}} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{n-2}}$$
,

which satisfies  $\mathbf{E}(RSE^2) = \sigma^2$ .

## salse vs TV regression

The 95% confidence interval of  $\beta_0$  is

$$I_0 = [6.135, 7.935]$$

and the 95% confidence interval of  $\beta_1$  is

$$I_1 = [0.042, 0.053]$$

What this means is that

- Without any advertising, the sales will fall somewhere between 6,130 and 7,935 units.
- ► For each \$1,000 additional TV advertising, there will be an increase in sale between 42 and 53 units on average.

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Statistical way of making a decision: hypothesis test.

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 (no relationship)  
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Since  $\beta_1=0$  implies  $Y=\beta_0+\epsilon$  which means that Y does not depend on X.

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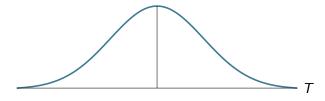
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How can we make a decision? Look at the *t-statistic*.

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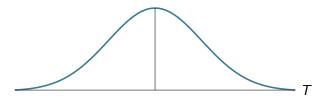
If |t| is sufficiently large then we will reject  $H_0$ .

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	$\hat{eta}_i$	$SE(\hat{eta}_i)$	t-statistic	<i>p</i> -value
Intercept	7.0325	0.4578	15.36	< 0.0001
TV	0.0475	0.0027	17.67	< 0.0001

We conclude that  $\beta_0 \neq 0$  and  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ .

## Accuracy of the model

#### 1. Residual standard error

RSE = 
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- ▶ In sales vs TV regression is, RSE = 3.26.
- ▶ Any prediction from the **true regression line**  $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$  is off from the actual sales by 3,260 units on average.

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#### 2. $R^2$ statistic

$$R^2 = \frac{\mathsf{TSS} - \mathsf{RSS}}{\mathsf{TSS}}$$

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- In sales vs TV regression,  $R^2 = 0.612$ , so about two-thirds of the variance in Y is explained by a regression in TV.