

# Week4: Univariate Linear Regression

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# Announcements

- Lab answers available on Blackboard.
- Homework deadline extended: March 1st.

# Outline

- Correlation Analysis
- Univariate Linear Regression
- Application of Linear Regression with R
  - Correlation Analysis
  - Definition of Formula
  - Univariate Linear Regression
- Lab

# Correlation Analysis

# Correlation

**Definition:** The degree to which two or more attributes or measurements on the same group of elements show a tendency to vary together.

# Pearson Correlation

## Definitions:

- Variance of X:  $V(X)$
- Expected Value of X:  $E(.)$
- mean of X:  $\mu_X$

- Covariance

$$\sigma_{XY} = E[(X - \mu_X)(Y - \mu_Y)] = E(XY) - \mu_X\mu_Y$$

- Pearson Correlation

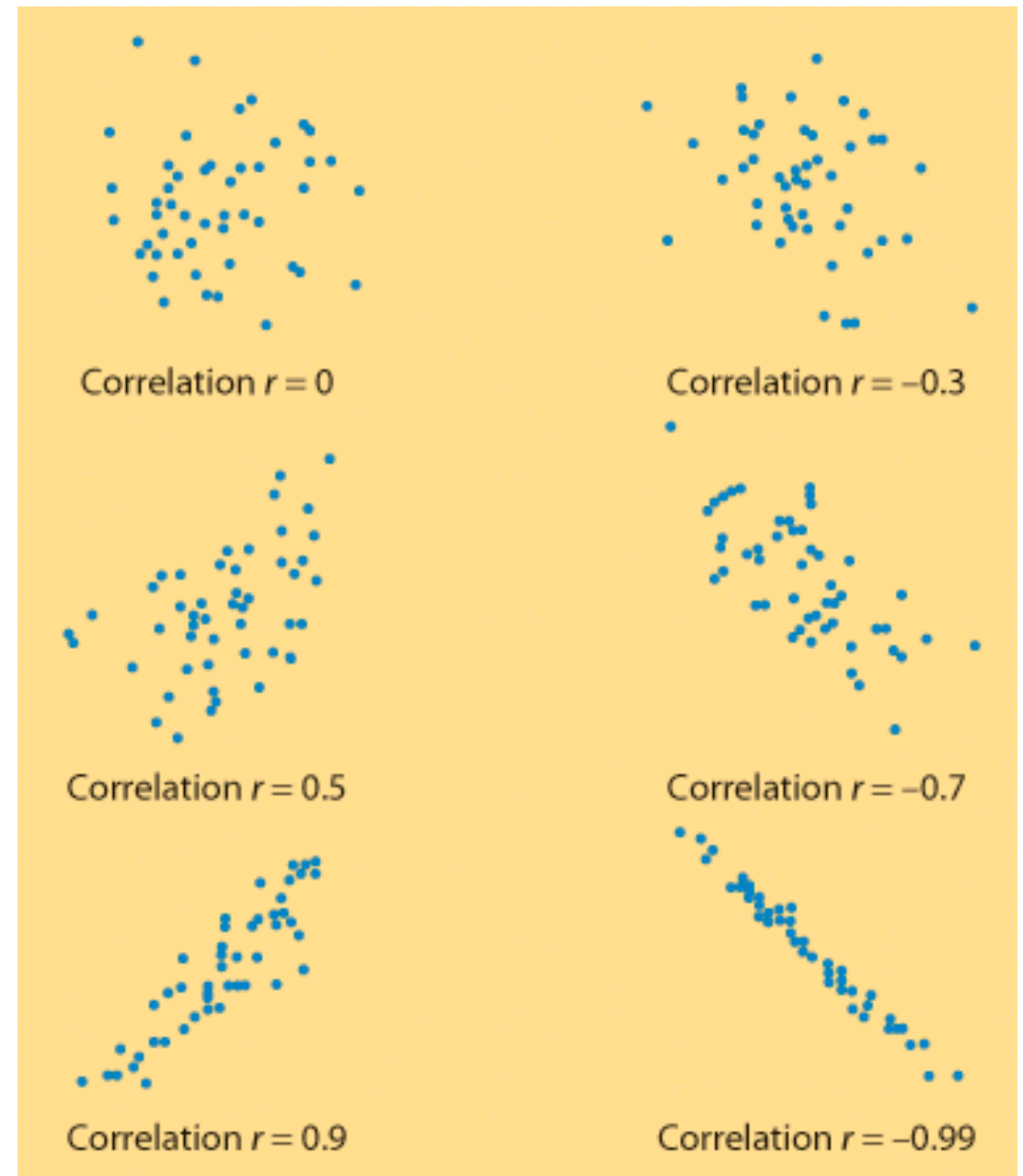
$$\rho_{XY} = \frac{\text{cov}(X, Y)}{\sqrt{V(X)V(Y)}} = \frac{\sigma_{XY}}{\sigma_X\sigma_Y}$$

# Pearson Correlation

- We can approximate the strength and direction of the relation by a correlation estimation method.
- Pearson correlation method defines correlation as follows:

***Strength:*** how closely the points follow a straight line.

***Direction:*** is positive when individuals with higher  $X$  values tend to have higher values of  $Y$ .

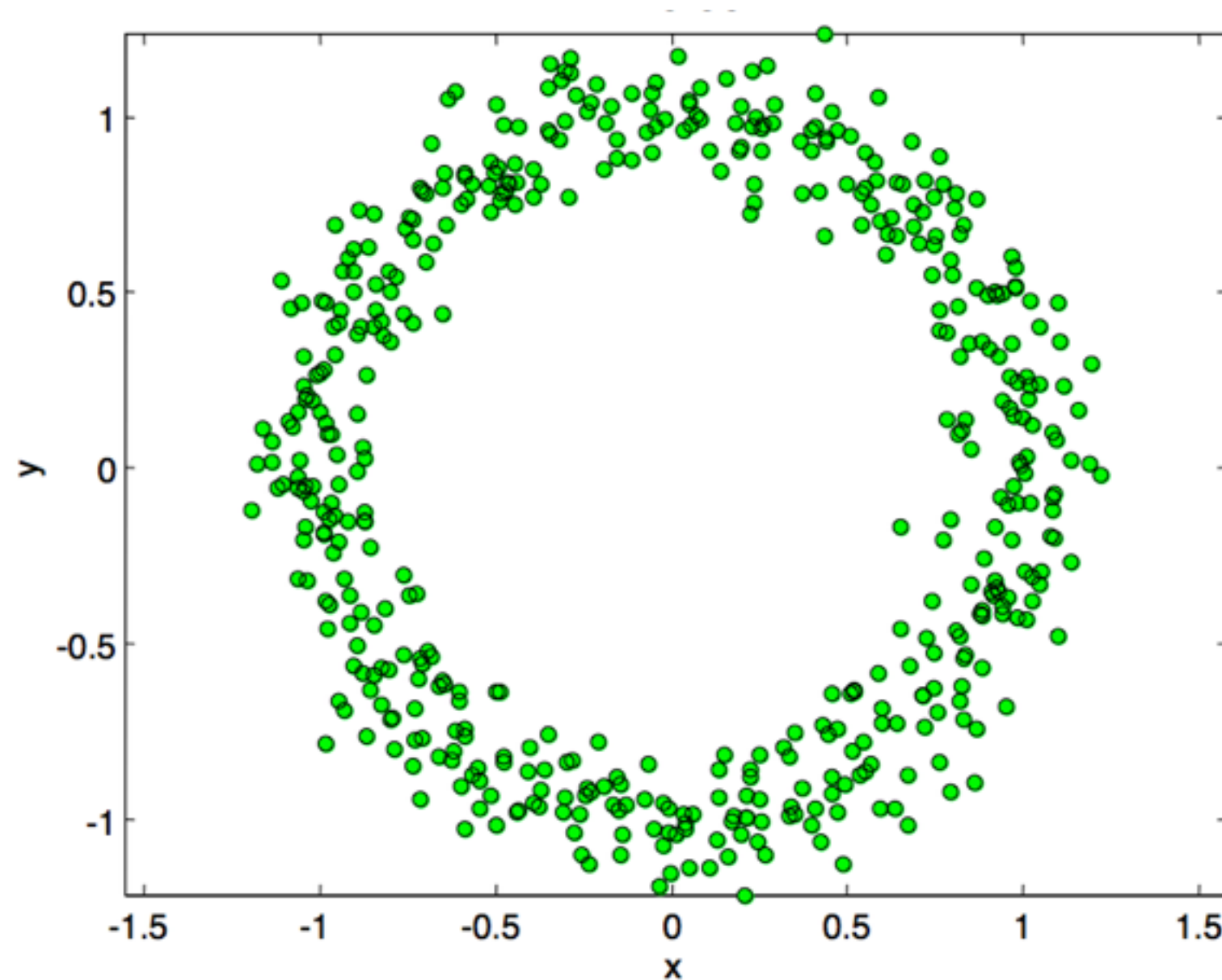


# Properties of the Pearson Correlation Coefficient

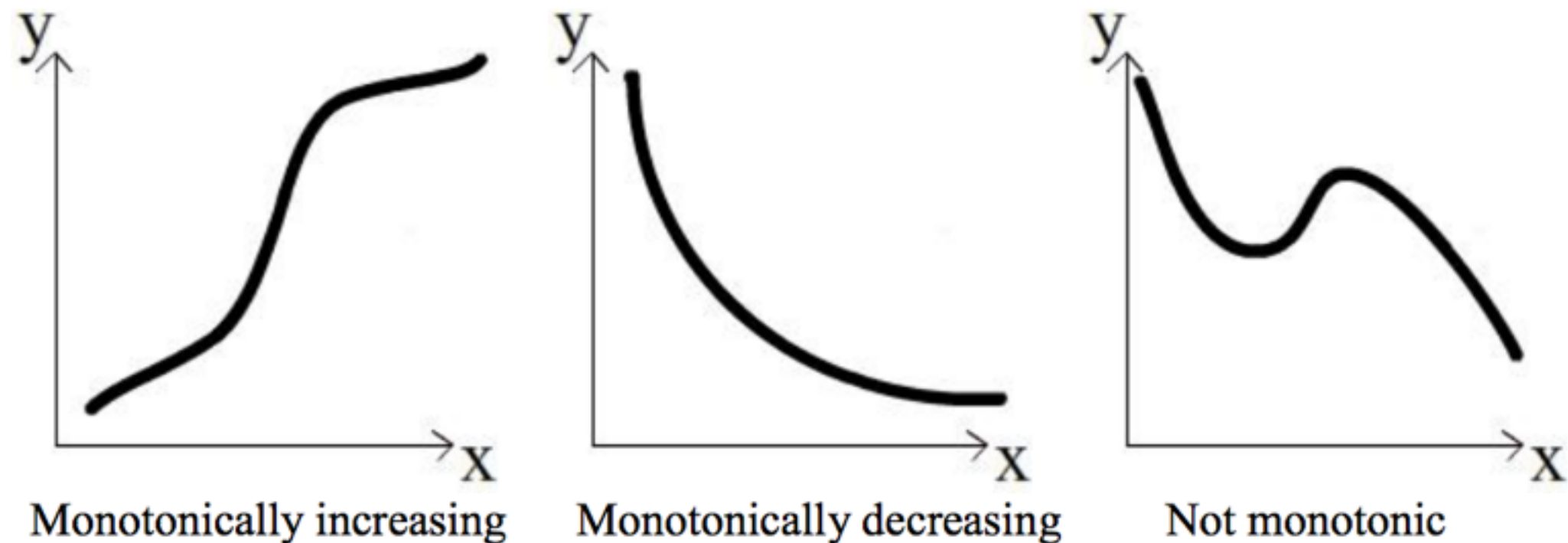
- Pearson Correlation coefficient measures only linear relationship.
- Works well if both of the variables are normally distributed.
- High correlation does not imply causality.



- No correlation does not imply lack of patterns.



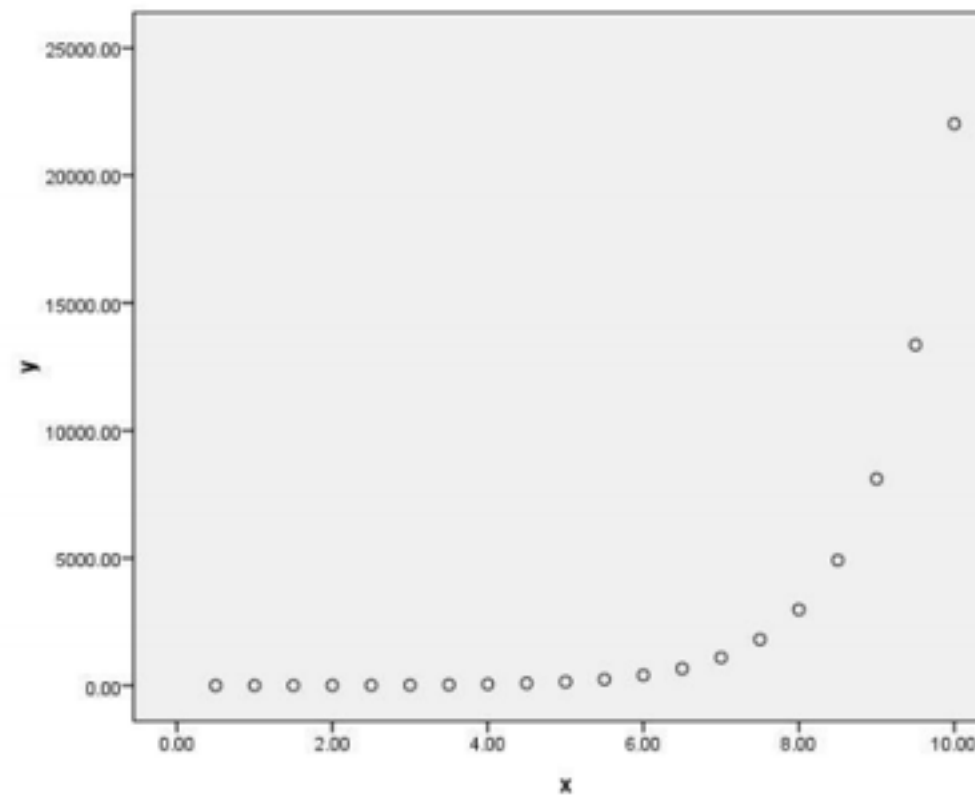
# Spearman's Rank Correlation



- Monotonically increasing - as the x variable increases the y variable never decreases.
- Monotonically decreasing - as the x variable increases the y variable never increases.
- Not monotonic - as the x variable increases the y variable sometimes decreases and sometimes increases.

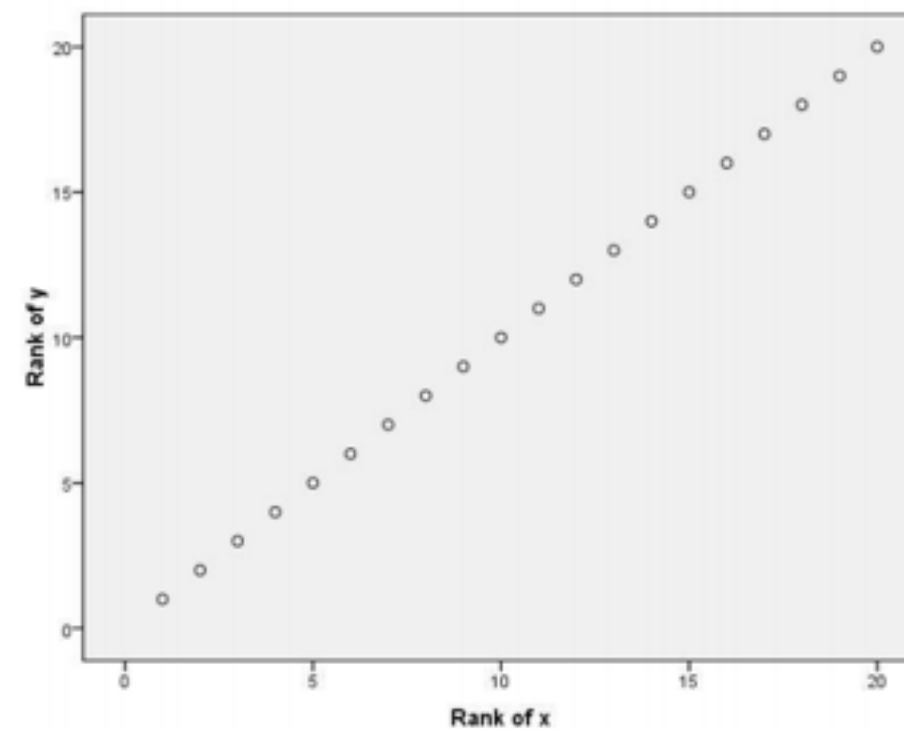
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1	.5	1.6
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3	1.5	4.5
4	2.0	7.4
5	2.5	12.2
6	3.0	20.1
7	3.5	33.1
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9	4.5	90.0
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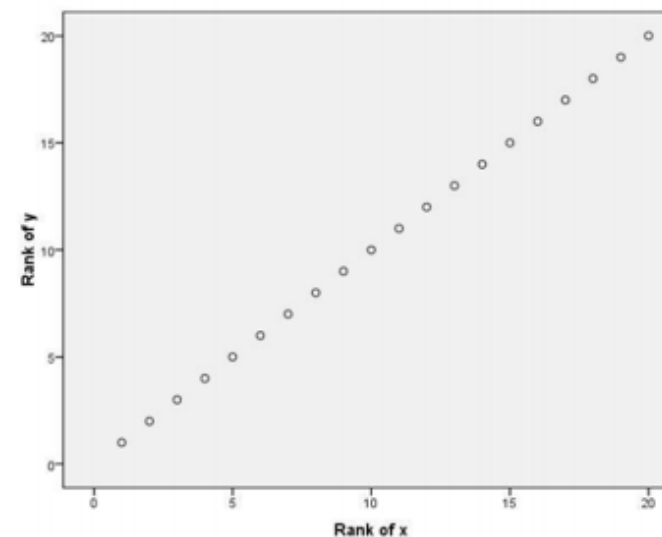
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	x	Rank of x	y	Rank of y
1	.5	1	1.6	1
2	1.0	2	2.7	2
3	1.5	3	4.5	3
4	2.0	4	7.4	4
5	2.5	5	12.2	5
6	3.0	6	20.1	6
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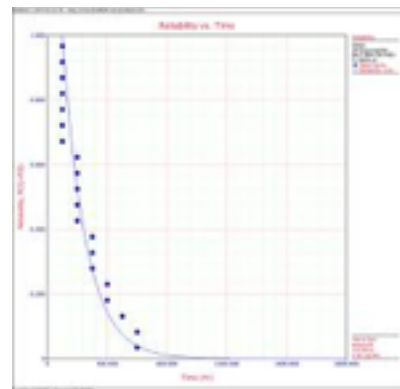
**Formula:** 
$$\rho = 1 - \frac{6 \sum d_i^2}{n(n^2 - 1)}$$

$d_i$ : Rank difference  
 $n$ : number of samples

# Comparison of Spearman and Pearson Correlation

- Spearman checks monotonic relationship.
- Pearson checks linear relationship.
- If you want to explore your data it is best to compute both.
- Spearman > Pearson implies monotonic non linear relationship.

- Example:



# Statistical Significance of Correlation

- Significance tests: May the event be seen by chance or not?
  - Direction: Is there a positive or negative relationship?
    - We form null and alternate hypothesis
    - We use t-test to check the significance of correlation direction.
    - Based on  $n-2$ (degree of freedom) and desired probability critical probability value there is a **threshold**.
    - If  $t > \text{threshold}$  the direction is significance.

$$H_0 : \rho = 0$$

$$H_1 : \rho > 0$$

$$t = r \sqrt{\frac{n-2}{1-r^2}}$$

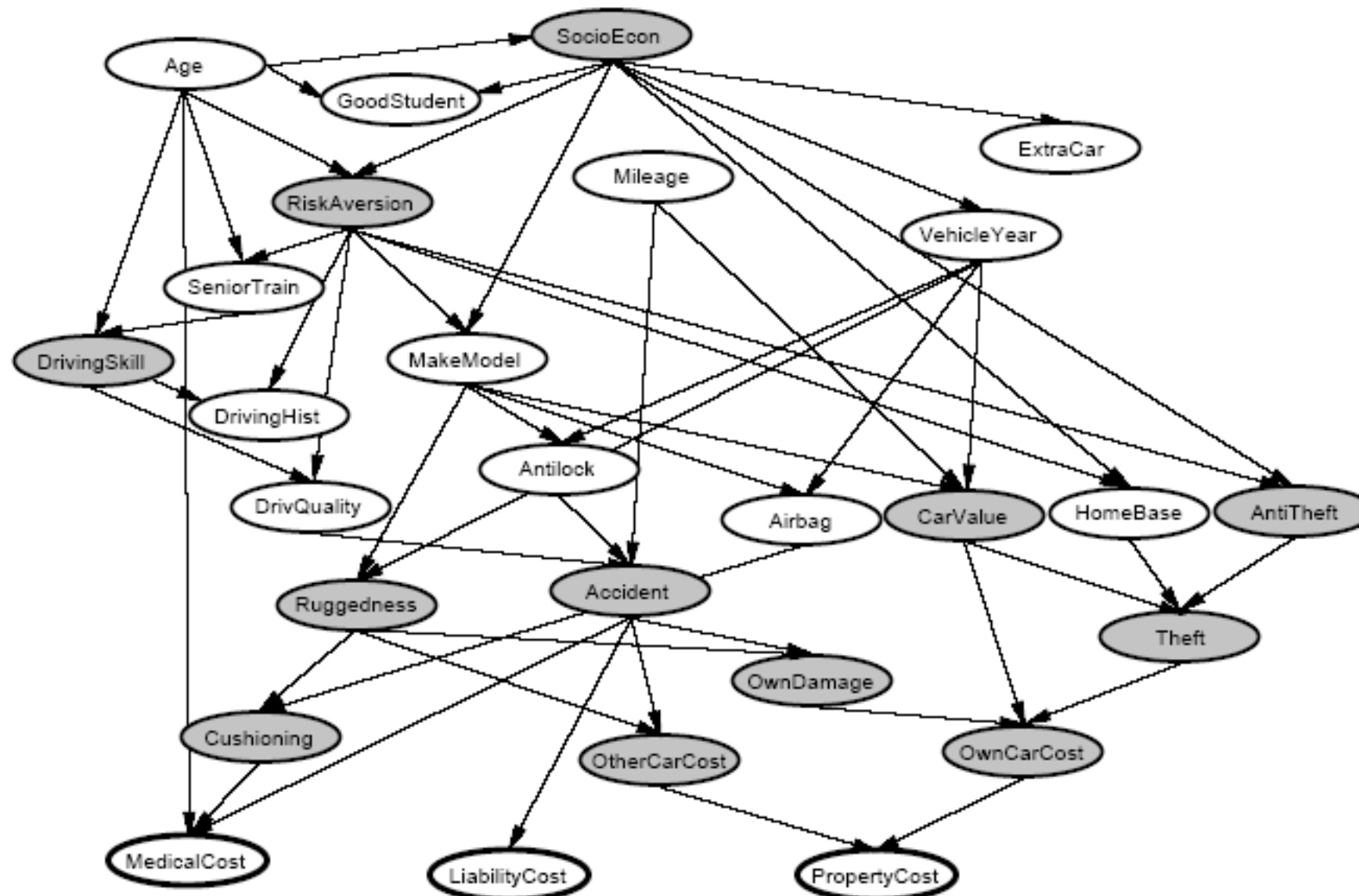
**r**: correlation

**t**: number of samples

- Strength: How strong is the relation? (high, low, very high etc.)
  - There are different guidelines for different disciplines.

# In Real Projects....

There are more than 2 variables.



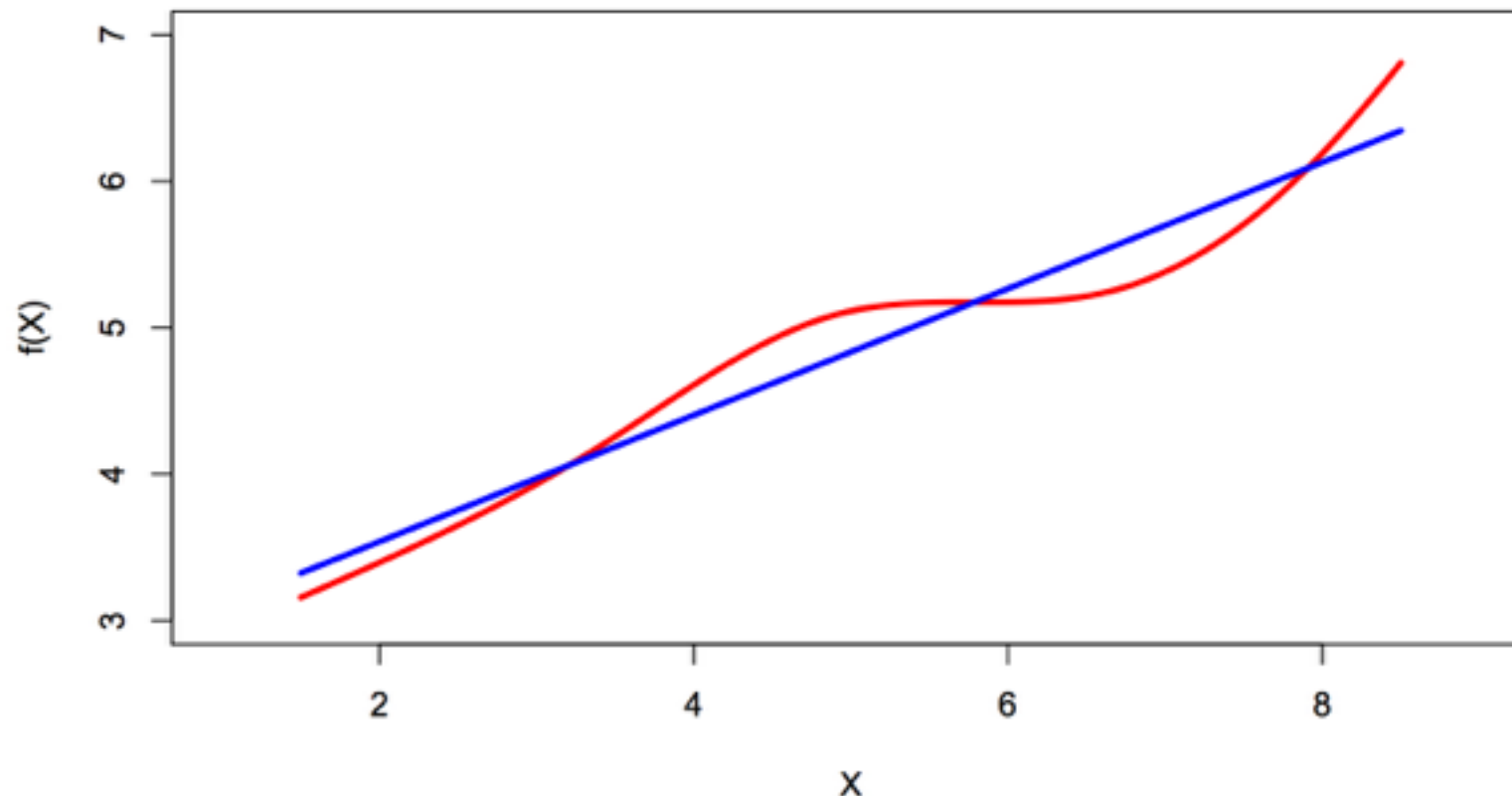


# Univariate Linear Regression

“Essentially, all models are wrong, but some are useful.”

–George Box

# Linear Regression

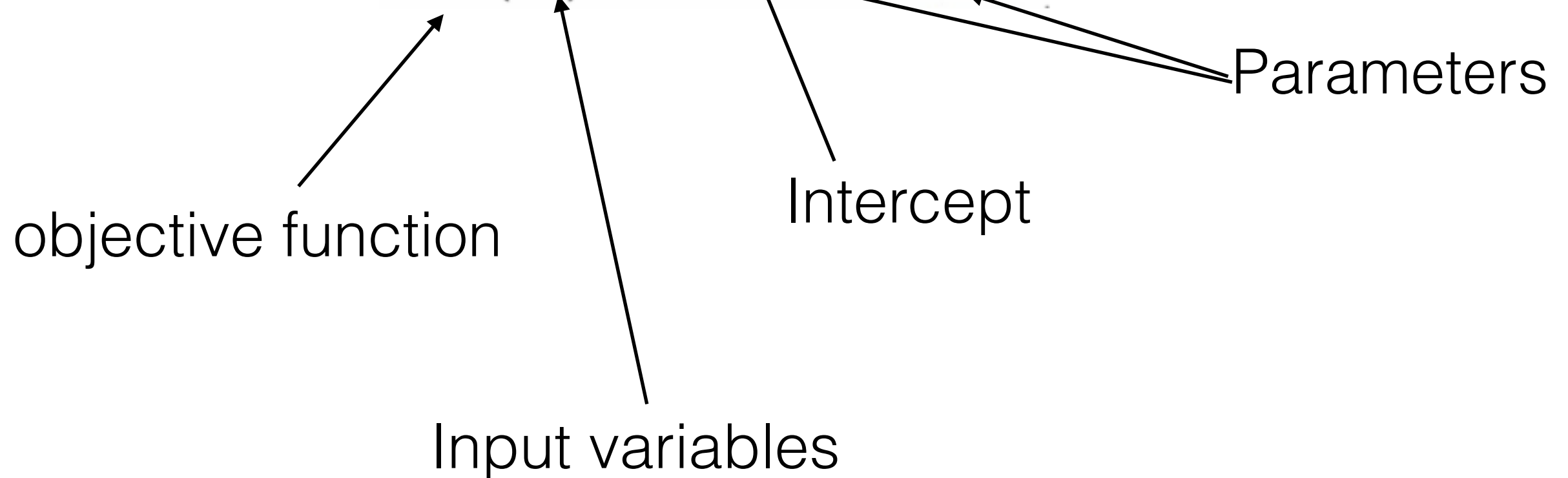


- Linear regression is a simple approach to supervised learning. It assumes that the dependence of  $Y$  on  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p$  is linear.
- True regression functions are never linear!
- Although it may seem overly simplistic, linear regression is extremely useful both conceptually and practically.

# Univariate Linear Regression

Formally we define the problem as follows:

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$



# Regression Problem

**Goal:** Minimize cost function.

$$h_{\theta}(x) = \theta_0 + \theta_1 x$$

$$J(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m (h_{\theta}(x^{(i)}) - y^{(i)})^2$$

Cost function



(estimation-actual)<sup>2</sup>



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Find theta for which  $\frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta) = 0$

# How do we find the coefficients?

## Approach 1: Closed Form Solution

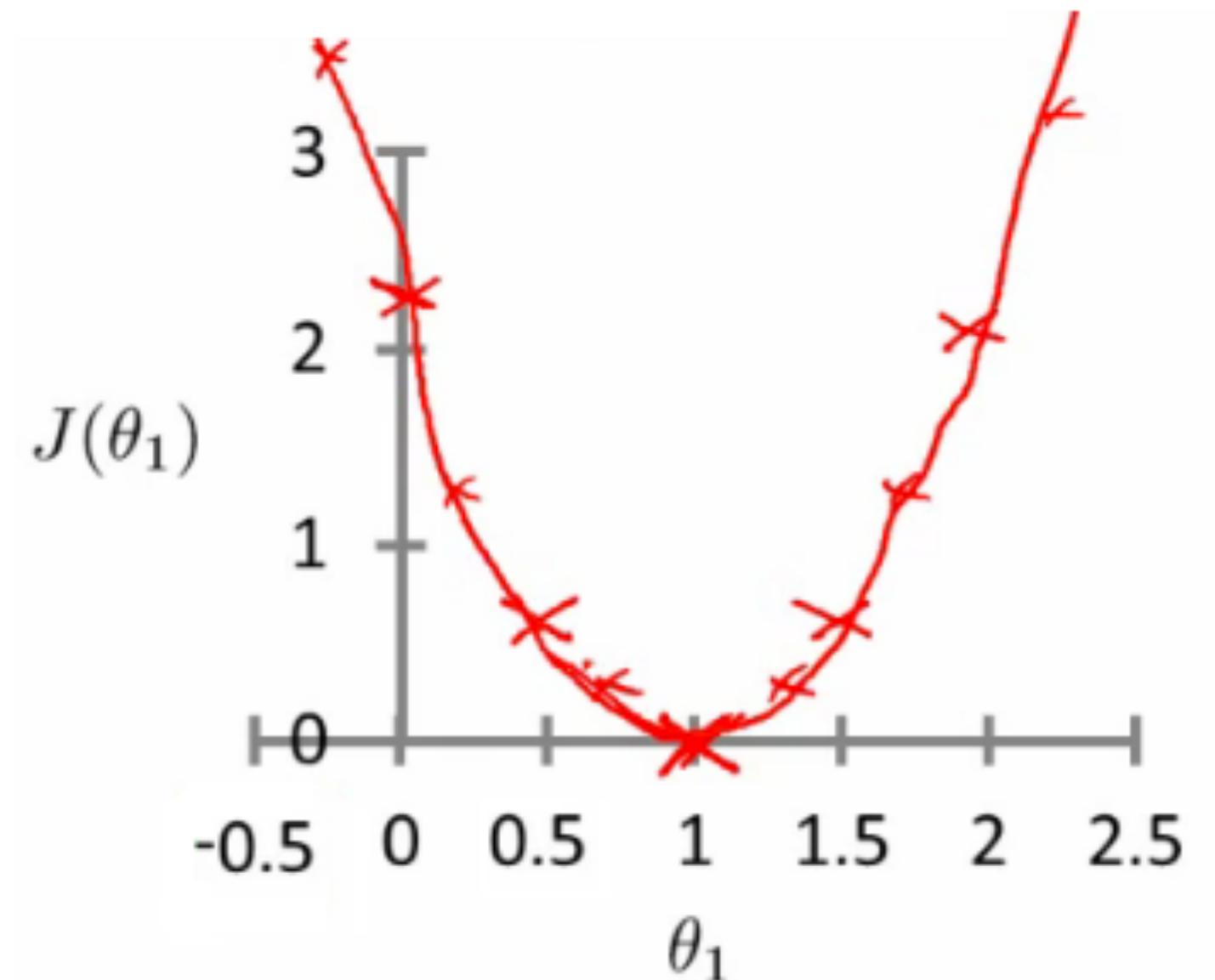
- Calculate theta that minimizes the cost function in a single step.

$$\theta = (X^T X)^{-1} X^T Y$$

X : Feature matrix Y : Target vector
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- Approach 2: Gradient Descent





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- Do the following until convergence:

$$\theta_j := \theta_j - \alpha \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta_j} J(\theta)$$

### alpha term

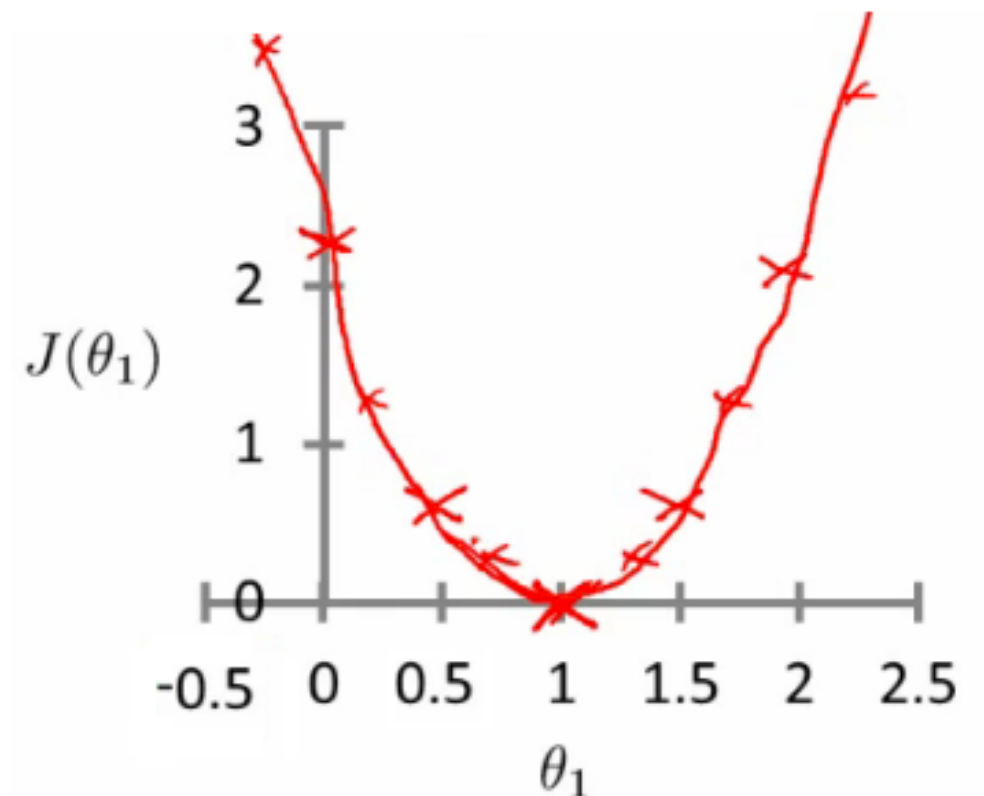
What happens if alpha is too small or too large?

Too small

- Take baby steps
- Takes too long

Too large

- Can overshoot the minimum and fail to converge

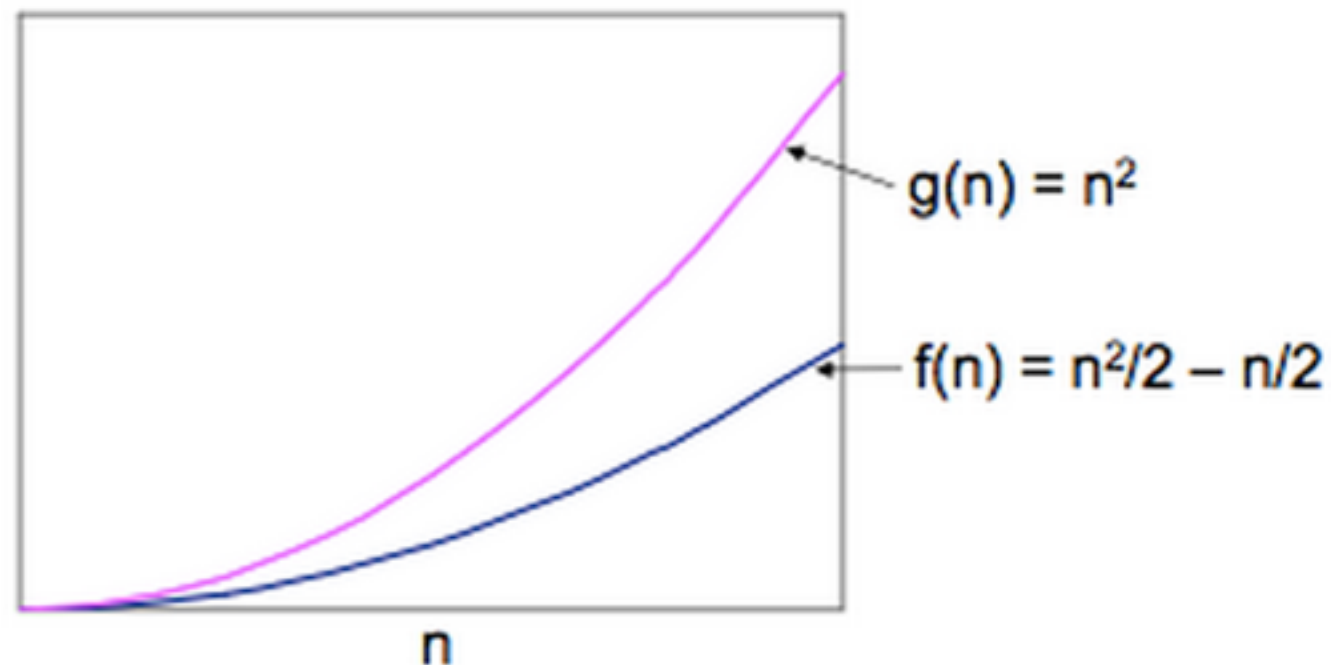


# Interlude: Very Short Introduction to Big O Notation

# Big-O Notation

- $f(n) = O(g(n))$  if there exist positive constants  $c$  and  $n_0$  such that  $f(n) \leq cg(n)$  for all  $n \geq n_0$
- Example:  $f(n) = n^2/2 - n/2$  is  $O(n^2)$ , because  
$$n^2/2 - n/2 \leq n^2 \text{ for all } n \geq 0.$$

$c = 1$        $n_0 = 0$



- Big-O notation specifies an *upper bound* on a function  $f(n)$  as  $n$  grows large.

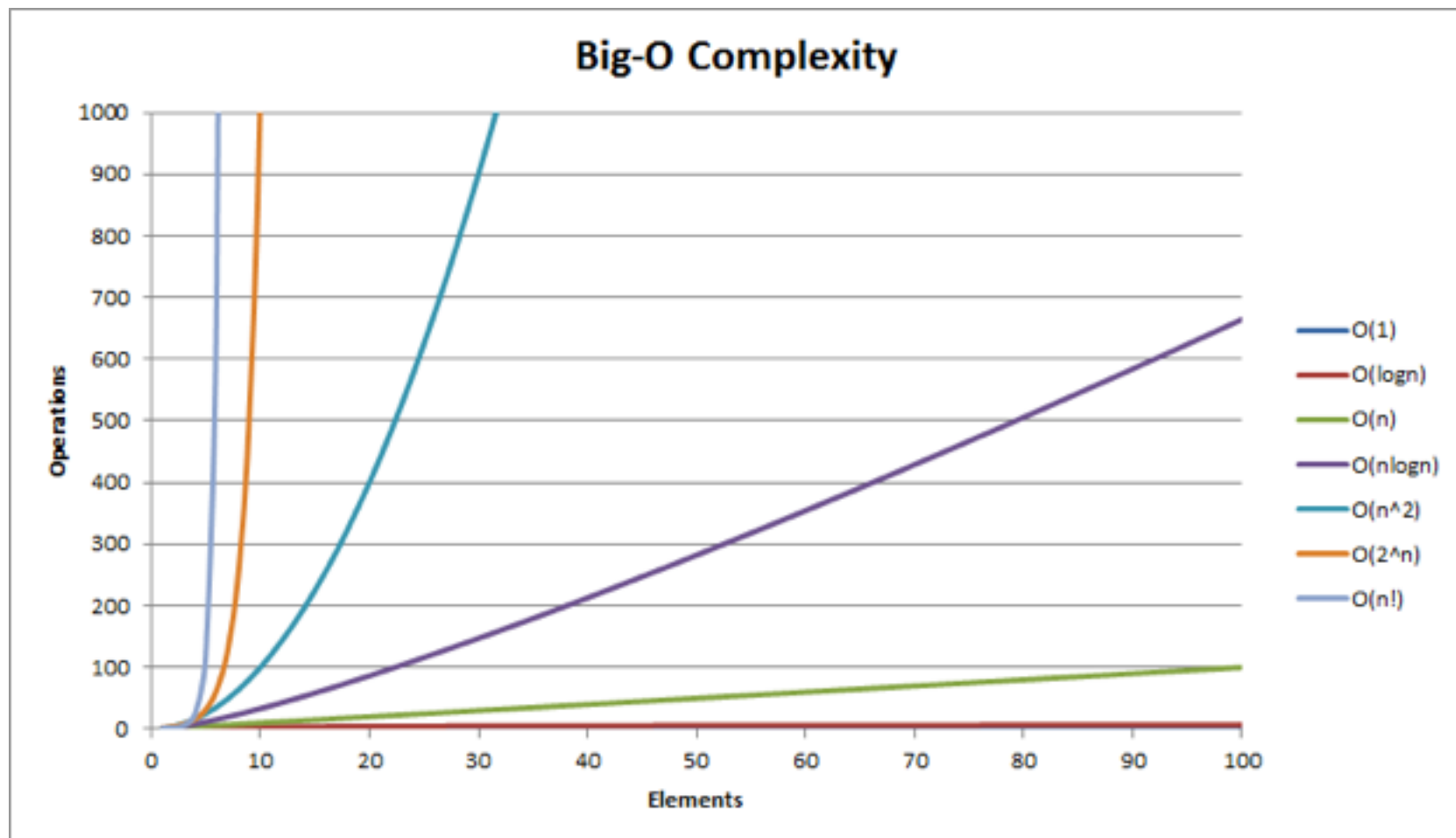
# Big-O Notation

## Examples:

Complexity	10	20	30
$n$	0.00001 sec	0.00002 sec	0.00003 sec
$n^2$	0.0001 sec	0.0004 sec	0.0009 sec
$n^3$	0.001 sec	0.008 sec	0.027 sec
$n^5$	0.1 sec	3.2 sec	24.3 sec
$2^n$	0.001 sec	1.0 sec	17.9 min
$3^n$	0.59 sec	58 min	6.5 years

# Problem of Closed Form Solution

- Calculation of  $(X^*X^T)$  and  $(X^*X^T)^{-1}$  is computationally expensive.
- Closed form solution:  **$O(N^{2.373})$**

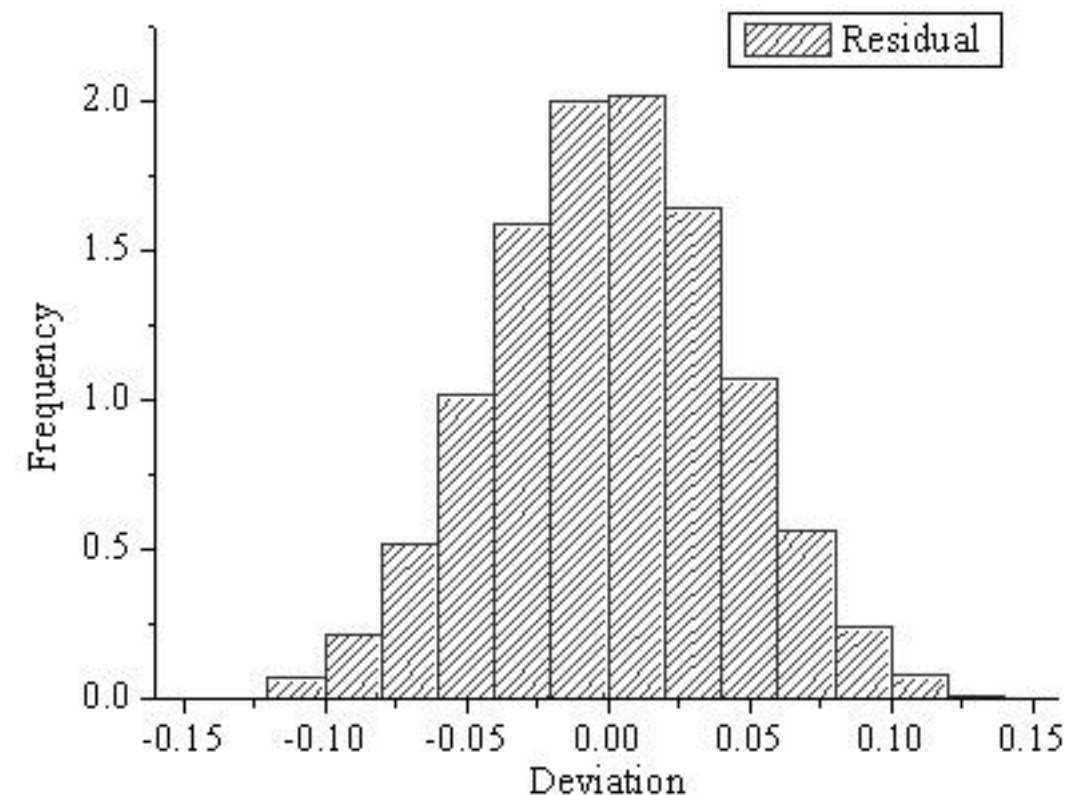
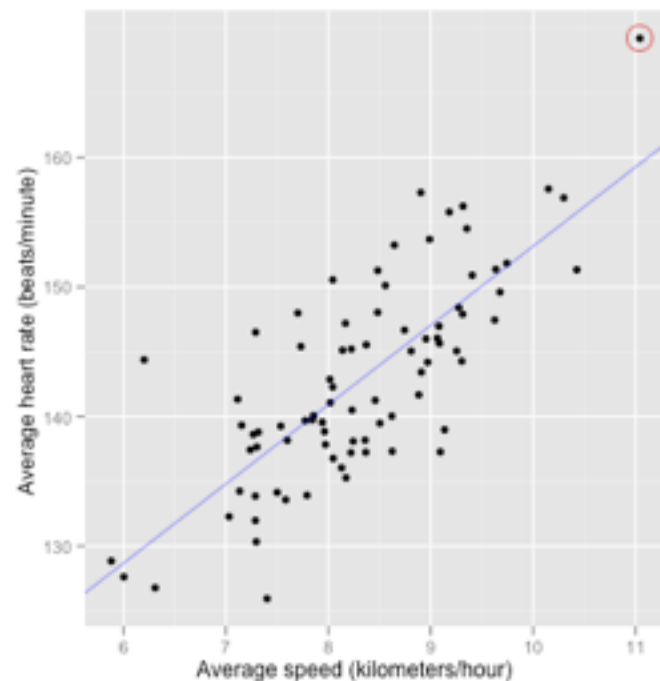
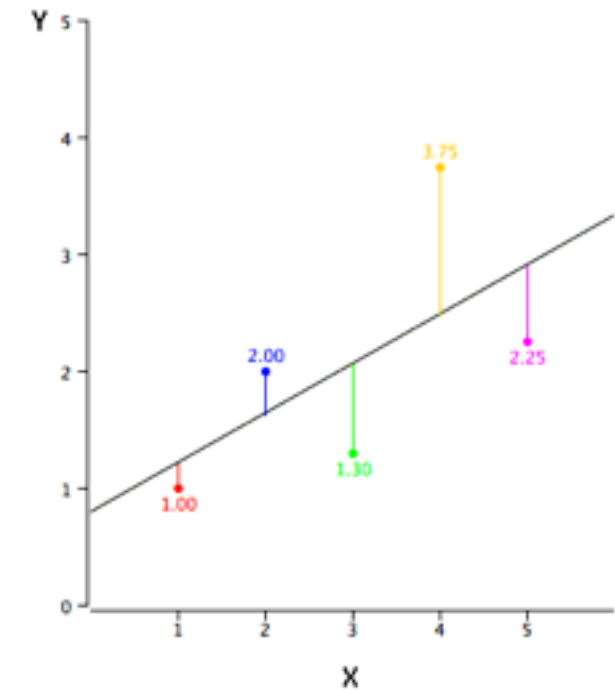


# Performance Criteria

## Distribution of Residuals

Check the distribution of errors

$$\text{error}_{(i)} = h(x_{(i)}) - y_{(i)}$$



# Performance Criteria

**RMSE** (Root mean square error)

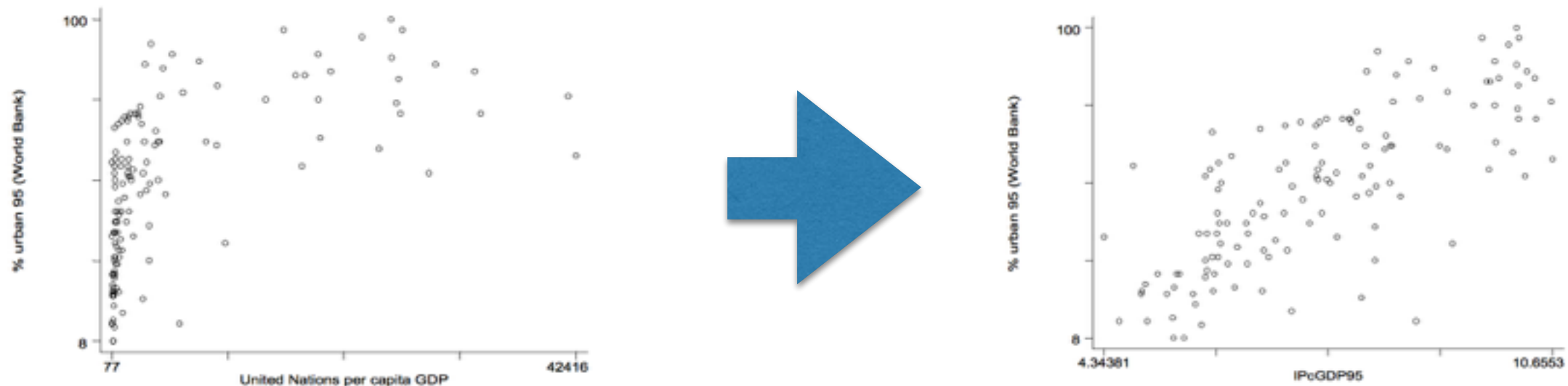
$$\text{RMSE} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (y_j - \hat{y}_j)^2}$$

**pred(X)**

- Percentage of predictions with at most X percent error rate.
- Might be used if small errors are not important.

# Changing Scales

We may be able to change the relation to linear by changing the scales of the variables.



This type of data manipulation is a simple case of **data pre-processing**.



# Setting up the Experiment

Random split strategy:

## Steps:

1. Pick 80 percent of the values randomly.
2. Train the model. Find the intercept and theta.

Example: *If theta is 2 and intercept is 32, the regression function is:  **$2*x+32$***

3. Test your regression function on the remaining 20 percent of the data.
4. Performance criteria: RMSE

# Setting up the Experiment

k-fold Cross validation strategy (better for generalizability):

## **Steps:**

1. Divide your data into k groups.
2. for group=1..k:
  - A.  $\text{training\_set} = \text{dataset} - \text{group}[k]$
  - B.  $\text{test\_set} = \text{group}[k]$
  - C. train the model. Find the intercept and theta.
  - D. Test your regression function with the test set.
3. Check the findings for every fold
4. Performance criteria: RMSE

# Summary

## Uni-variate linear regression

- **Definition:** Predict the value of a numeric variable based on a single input variable.
- **Exploratory analysis:** Check correlations
- **Preprocessing:** Changing scales
- **Algorithms:** Gradient descent, closed form solution with linear algebra
- **Experiment:** 10-fold cross validation, random split
- **Performance criteria:** RMSE,  $\text{pred}(x)$ , error distribution
- **Advantages:** Simplicity, low computation cost, explains relation between input and target variable well, good base line model
- **Disadvantage:** May not be a good fit for most data.

# References

- [Book] A basic statistics textbook: <http://ca.wiley.com/WileyCDA/WileyTitle/productCd-EHEP002914.html>
- Introduction to big O complexity: <http://pages.cs.wisc.edu/~vernon/cs367/notes/3.COMPLEXITY.html>
- In depth analysis of linear regression: <http://cs229.stanford.edu/notes/cs229-notes1.pdf>

## Week 4 Application Part

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# Finding Correlation Coefficients

Spearman:

```
cor(iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Petal.Length,  
    method="spearman")
```

```
## [1] 0.8818981
```

Pearson:

```
cor(iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Petal.Length,  
    method="pearson")
```

```
## [1] 0.8717538
```

# Correlation Matrix

```
cor(iris[,1:3])
```

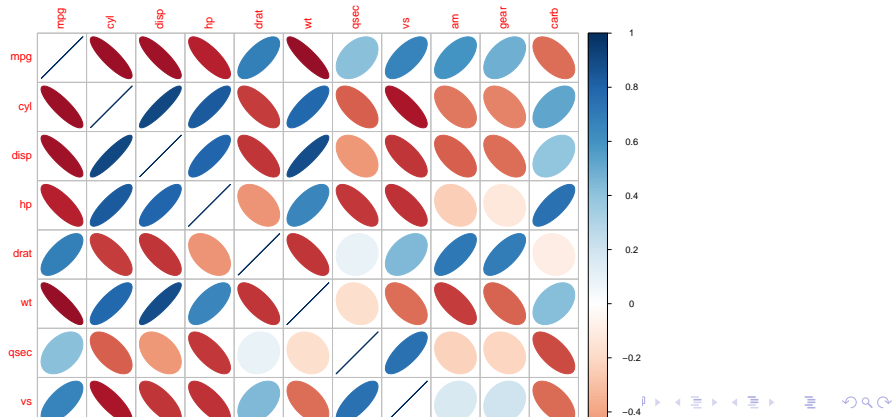
##	Sepal.Length	Sepal.Width	Petal.Length
## Sepal.Length	1.0000000	-0.1175698	0.8717538
## Sepal.Width	-0.1175698	1.0000000	-0.4284401
## Petal.Length	0.8717538	-0.4284401	1.0000000

# Visualizing Correlation

```
## Loading required package: corrplot
```

```
{r setup, echo=FALSE}rel library("knitr")  
opts_chunk$set(dev = 'pdf')
```

```
corrplot(cor(mtcars), method="ellipse")
```





# Significance of Correlation Coefficients

```
cor.test(iris$Sepal.Length, iris$Petal.Length,  
         method = c("pearson"))
```

```
##
```

```
## Pearson's product-moment correlation
```

```
##
```

```
## data: iris$Sepal.Length and iris$Petal.Length
```

```
## t = 21.646, df = 148, p-value < 2.2e-16
```

```
## alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
```

```
## 95 percent confidence interval:
```

```
## 0.8270363 0.9055080
```

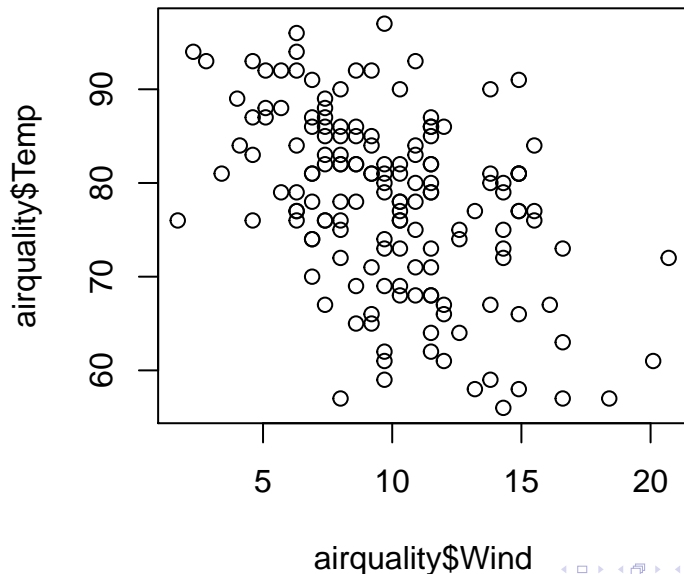
```
## sample estimates:
```

```
## cor
```

```
## 0.8717538
```

## Linear Regression: Fitting the Model

```
plot(airquality$Wind, airquality$Temp)
```



## Linear Regression: Fitting the Model

```
model_ulm <- lm(Wind~Temp, data=airquality)
summary(model_ulm)
```

```
##
```

```
## Call:
```

```
## lm(formula = Wind ~ Temp, data = airquality)
```

```
##
```

```
## Residuals:
```

```
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
```

```
## -8.5784 -2.4489 -0.2261  1.9853  9.7398
```

```
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
```

```
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
```

```
## (Intercept) 23.23369      2.11239  10.999  < 2e-16 ***
```

```
## Temp        -0.17046      0.02693   -6.331 2.64e-09 ***
```

```
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1
```

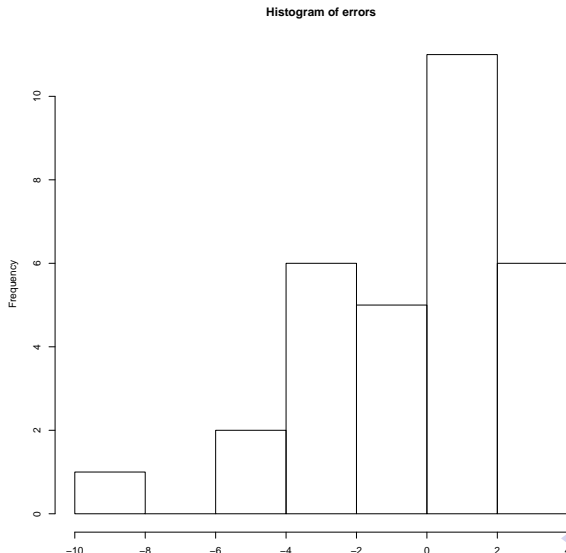
```
##
```

# Linear Regression: Prediction

```
rn_train <- sample(nrow(airquality),  
                  floor(nrow(airquality)*0.8))  
train <- airquality[rn_train,c("Wind","Temp")]  
test <- airquality[-rn_train,]  
model_ulm <- lm(Wind~Temp, data=train)  
prediction <- predict(model_ulm, interval="prediction",  
                      newdata =test)
```

# Linear Regression: Error Distribution

```
errors <- prediction[, "fit"] - test$Wind  
hist(errors)
```



## Linear Regression: RMSE

```
sqrt(sum((prediction[, "fit"] - test$Wind)^2)/nrow(test))
```

```
## [1] 3.011712
```

## Linear Regression: PRED(25)

Find the percentage of cases with less than 25 percent error:

```
rel_change <- 1 - ((test$Wind - abs(errors)) / test$Wind)
table(rel_change<0.25)["TRUE"] / nrow(test)
```

```
##      TRUE
```

```
## 0.6774194
```

## Preparation Required Libraries

```
install.packages("corrplot")  
require("corrplot")
```



## Preparation Data load

```
library(RCurl)
u <- getURL("http://vincentarelbundock.github.io/Rdatasets/
c_prices <- read.csv(text = u)
```

# Lab Questions

- 1- Find spearman correlation between hard disk space and ram.
- 2- Visualize the correlation of the numeric columns in the computer prices dataset.
- 3- Choose a single variable to predict price and build an univariate linear regression model.
- 4- Experiment with 30 percent split of the data. Report error distribution, RMSE and `pred(25)`