

Multiple Linear Regression

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Linear Regression

- Generalisation of Anova (DoE)
- Now including hypothesis tests
- Linear regression is a stepping stone into Machine Learning

Introduction, Example

- Job for statistician of a company: Analysis, to work out strategy how to increase sales of a certain product
- Company provides data on advertising budget and sales
- Data set **Advertising** consists of:
 - ▶ **sales** of this product in 200 different markets
 - ▶ Advertising budget of this product in these markets for three different media: **TV**, **radio** and **newspaper**
- Code:

```
adv <- read.csv("../Data/Advertising.csv")[, -1]
head(adv, 3)

##      TV radio newspaper sales
## 1 230.1  37.8      69.2  22.1
## 2  44.5  39.3      45.1  10.4
## 3  17.2  45.9      69.3   9.3
```

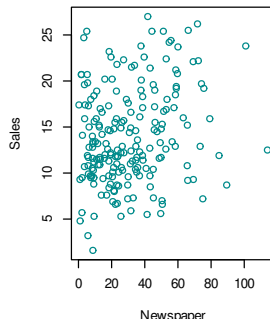
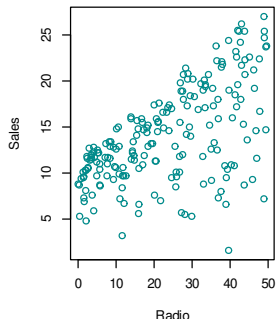
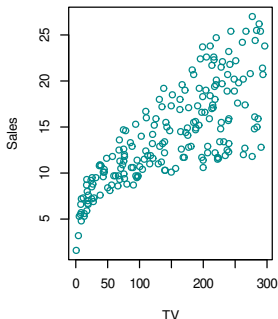
• Data shown in scatter plots:

```
TV <- adv[, 1]
Radio <- adv[, 2]
Newspaper <- adv[, 3]
Sales <- adv[, 4]

plot(Sales ~ TV, col = "darkcyan", xlab = "TV", ylab = "Sales")

plot(Sales ~ Radio, col = "darkcyan", xlab = "Radio", ylab = "Sales")

plot(Sales ~ Newspaper, col = "darkcyan", xlab = "Newspaper",
      ylab = "Sales")
```



- For company not possible to directly increase sales of the product
- But it can control advertising spending in the three media
- Aim: Establish a link between advertising and sales so that companies can adjust their advertising budgets to indirectly increase sales
- Aim: Develop a *model* as accurately as possible, so that on the basis of the three media budgets the sale of the product can be *predicted*
- **TV**: Clear relationship between advertising and sales of product
- The more money invested in advertising, the greater the sales figures
- Question: What *form* does this relationship take?
- **newspaper**: No relationship at all: No need for newspaper advertising

- Mathematical view: Look for function f which determines the sale Y depending on the advertising budgets X_1 (TV), X_2 (radio) and X_3 (newspaper):

$$Y \approx f(X_1, X_2, X_3)$$

- Relationship above: No equal sign, since scatter plots do *not* represent graphs of a function
- Function f can only display the relationship between X_1 , X_2 , X_3 and Y *approximately*
- Notation:
 - ▶ Variable Y : *Response variable*
 - ▶ X_1 , X_2 and X_3 : *Predictors, explanatory variable*

- Generally: Quantitative response variable Y and p different predictors X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p
- Assume: There is *somehow* a relationship between Y and X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p

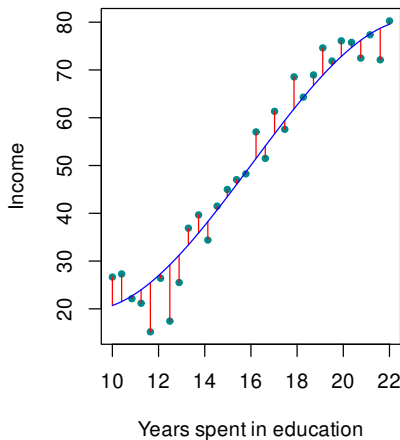
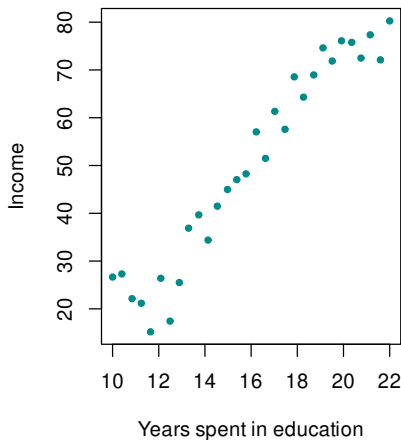
- General form:

$$Y = f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p) + \varepsilon$$

- f fixed but *unknown* function of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p
- Quantity ε : *Random error term* independent of X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p with mean
- Meaning of error term ε : Following example

Example: Income

- Figure left: **income** of 30 individuals as a function of **education** (in years)
- Graph indicates: **income** can be calculated from **education**



- But: Function f which links predictors and response variables, usually unknown
- In this situation: *Estimate* f from the data
- Data set simulated: Function f known (blue curve) in right figure
- Some observations are above, others below the blue curve
- Red vertical lines: Represent the error term ε
- Overall, errors have an empirical mean close to 0
- Aim of the regression: *Estimate* function f

- Estimation in stochastics: Calculation of values
- Estimation is an approximation of true quantity
- Estimated quantity is marked with hat $\hat{}$
- \hat{Y} : Estimate of unknown quantity Y
- \hat{f} : Estimate of unknown function f

Example

- Predictors X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p : Values of various characteristics of a blood sample that the patient's family doctor can determine in his laboratory
- Response variable Y : Measure of the risk that the patient will suffer severe side effects when using a particular drug
- Physician: Wants to predict Y based on X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p when prescribing a drug Y so that he does not prescribe a drug to patients who are at high risk for side effects of this drug - i.e. where Y is large

Questions for example of the advertising

- Which media contribute to the sale of the product?
- Which media have the greatest influence on sales ?
- What increase in sales does a particular increase in TV advertising result in?

Estimate of f

- Several procedures to estimate f
- Here only *parametric method*
- Procedure:
 - ▶ Assume functional form of f
 - ▶ Simplest assumption: f linear in X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p :

$$f(X_1, X_2, \dots, X_p) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$$

- ▶ Choice of model: Procedure that fits the data into the model *best*
- ▶ Linear Model: Estimate parameter $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$
- ▶ Parameter so that

$$Y \approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p$$

- ▶ Most common method for determining $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$: *Least squares method*

Examples

- Example **advertising**: Linear model:

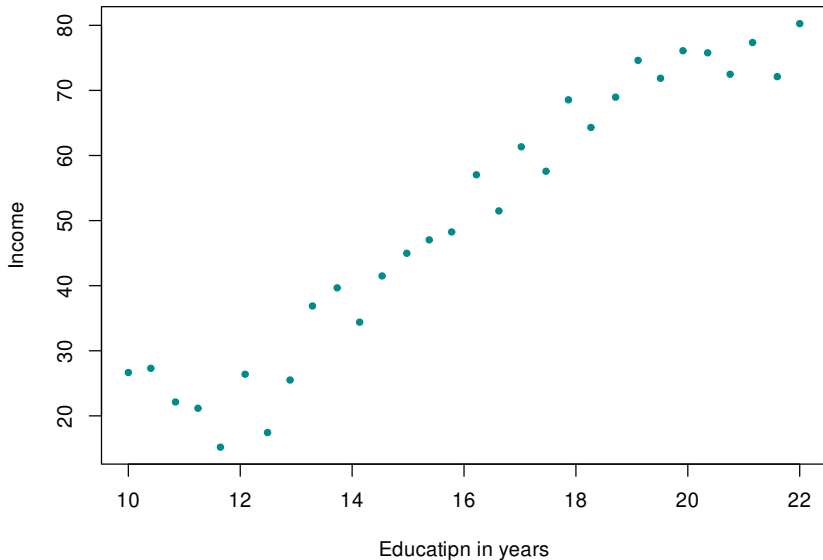
$$\text{Sales} \approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{TV} + \beta_2 \cdot \text{radio} + \beta_3 \cdot \text{newspaper}$$

- Example **Income**: Linear model:

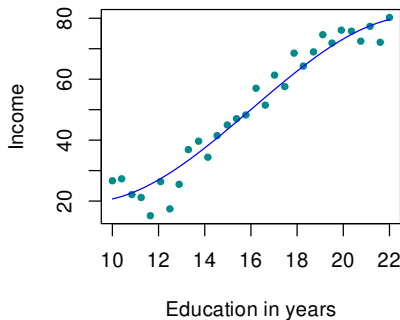
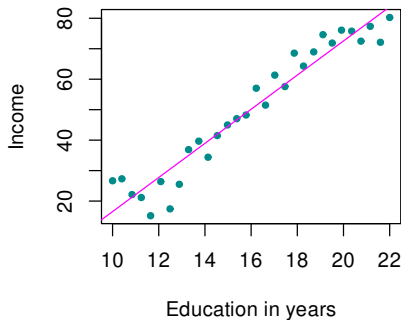
$$\text{Income} \approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{Education}$$

Example

- Data set `income`:



- Question: Which *model* to choose, or which shape should f have



- From data: Linear model (top left):

$$f(X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

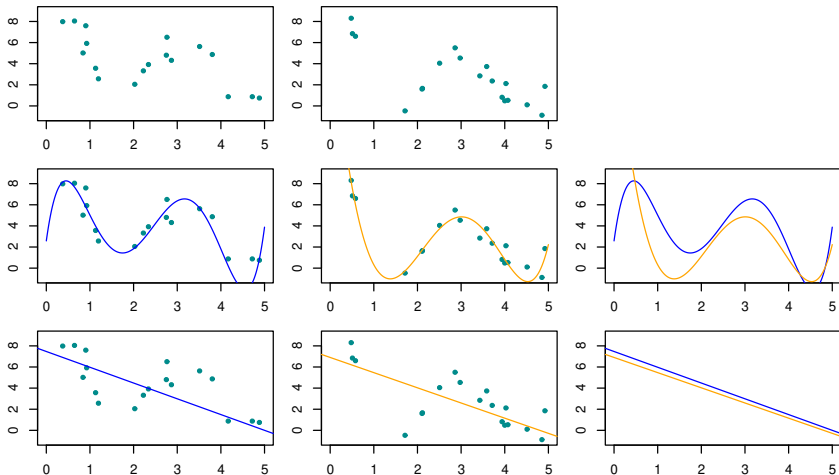
- Also cubic model (polynomial 3rd degree) possible (top right):

$$f(X) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \beta_2 X^2 + \beta_3 X^3$$

- Many other models conceivable
- But which is the “correct” one?
- Wrong question
- Function f unknown: It is up to us to choose the “best” model
- Statistics: Assisting in decision-making
- Which model is the “better” one in our example?
- Cubic model seems to fit better, but is more complicated
- Simpler linear model (slightly less accurate) has an advantage: The parameters β_0 and β_1 can be interpreted geometrically:
 - ▶ β_0 is the y intercept
 - ▶ β_1 the slope of line
- Parameters in cubic model are *not* interpretable (except β_0)

Remarks

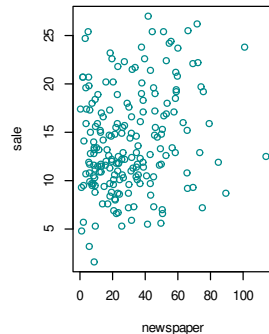
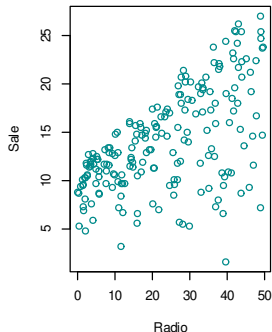
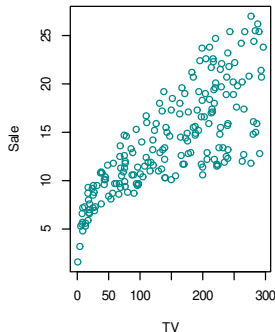
- More complicated models do *not* have to be the better models
- Phenomenon: *Overfitting*



- Errors or outliers are taken too much into account
- In a lot of cases: Linear model sufficient
- Keep it simple often works best

Linear regression

- Data set **advertising**:



- **Sales** for a given product (in units of one thousand products sold) as a function of advertising budgets (in units of one thousand CHF) for **TV**, **radio** and **newspaper**

- Based on this data: Statisticians draw up a marketing plan that should lead to higher sales next year
- What information is useful for drawing up such recommendations?

Simple regression model

- *Simple linear regression*: Very simple procedure to obtain a quantitative output Y on the basis of a single predictors X
- Assumption: Approximately linear relationship between X and Y
- Mathematically: Linear relationship:

$$Y \approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 X$$

- „ \approx ” stands for „is approximately modelled by”

Example

- Example **Advertising**: Quantity X **TV** and quantity Y **sales**
- According to the linear regression model, it follows

$$\text{sales} \approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{TV}$$

- Variables β_0 and β_1 are unknown constants representing the intercept and slope of the linear model
- β_0 and β_1 : *Coefficients* or *parameters* of model

- Coefficients are estimated from the given data
- Estimates $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ for the model coefficients
- If these coefficients are known, future sales can be predicted on the basis of a specific advertising budget for TV
- Calculation by means of:

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

where \hat{y} denotes the prediction of Y based on the input $X = x$

Example

- Example **Advertising**: $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ and determine the regression line:

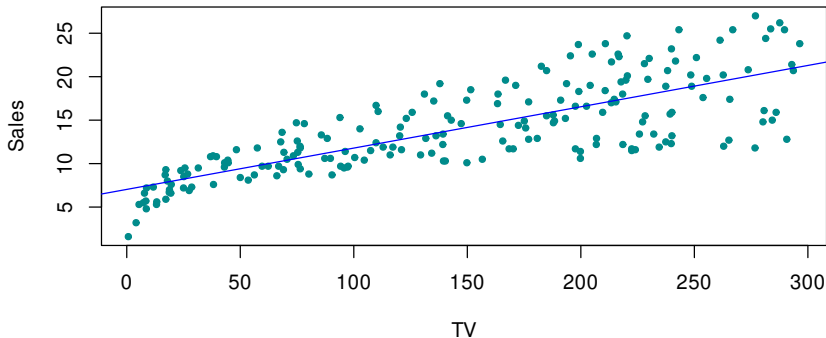
```
lm(Sales ~ TV)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Sales ~ TV)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)          TV
##      7.03259      0.04754
```

- Value under **Intercept**: $\hat{\beta}_0$: y intercept
- Value under **TV**: $\hat{\beta}_1$ of regression line
- Linear Model:

$$Y \approx 7.03 + 0.0475X$$

- According to approximation: For additional CHF 1000 advertising expenses 47.5 additional units of the product are sold
- Scatter plot with regression line

```
plot(TV, Sales, col = "darkcyan", xlab = "TV", ylab = "Sales",  
     pch = 20)  
  
abline(lm(Sales ~ TV), col = "blue")
```



Hypothesis test: Statistical significance of β_1

- Most common hypothesis test: Testing the *null hypothesis*

H_0 : There is *no* relationship between X and Y

- *Alternative hypothesis*

H_A : There is *a* relationship between X and Y

- Mathematically:

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$$

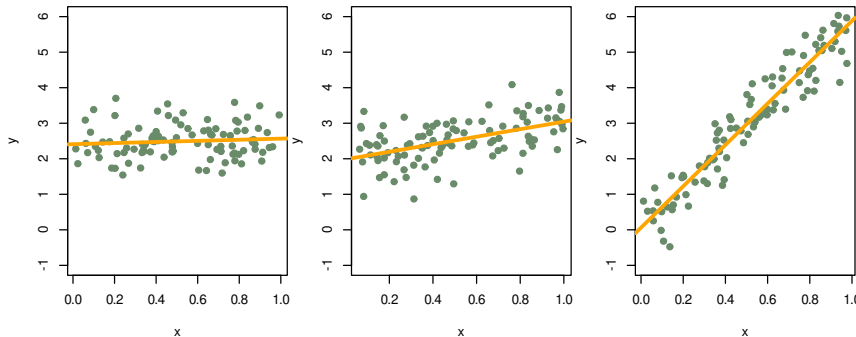
- Alternative:

$$H_A : \beta_1 \neq 0$$

- $\beta_1 = 0$, then:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \varepsilon$$

- Sketch:



- Y does *not* depend on X
- Testing null hypothesis: $\hat{\beta}_1$ sufficiently far from 0 so that β_1 is not 0
- With t test

Example

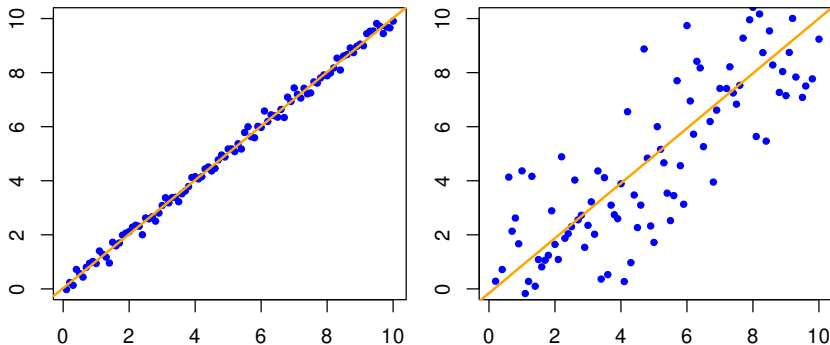
- p value of β_1 in the example **advertising** calculate:

```
summary(lm(Sales ~ TV))  
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = Sales ~ TV)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -8.3860 -1.9545 -0.1913  2.0671  7.2124   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept)  7.032594   0.457843   15.36   <2e-16 ***  
## TV           0.047537   0.002691   17.67   <2e-16 ***  
## ---  
## Signif. codes:  
## 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1  
##  
## Residual standard error: 3.259 on 198 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6119, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6099   
## F-statistic: 312.1 on 1 and 198 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Entry **Coefficients** under **Pr(>|t|)**: p value $2 \cdot 10^{-16}$
- By far less than 0.05
- Reject null hypotheses $\beta_1 = 0 : \beta_1 \neq 0$
- Clear indications of the link between **TV** and **sales**

Evaluation of the accuracy of the model: R^2

- Null hypothesis rejected: *To what extent does the model fit the data?*
- Figure:



- ▶ Left: Ascending line fits points very well with
- ▶ Right: Ascending line fits does *not* points well

- Accuracy of linear regression estimated by the *residual standard error* (RSE) and the R^2 statistics
- R^2 more important
- R^2 -statistics: Value between 0 and 1
- It indicates to what proportion of the variability in Y is explained by X using the model
- Value close to 1: A large proportion of the variability is explained by the regression. The model therefore describes the data very well.
- Value close to 0: Regression does not explain variability of response variable
- Again: Graphical “derivation” (lecture notes)

Remarks:

- Empirical correlation only indicates the accuracy of *linear* regressions
- R^2 can be used for *any* regression
- Standard interpretation of R^2 : “Proportion of the variability which is explained by the model”
- However: Pretty useless
- See <https://data.library.virginia.edu/is-r-squared-useless/?s=03>

Example

- In example of TV advertising the R^2 value is 0.61

```
summary(lm(Sales ~ TV))$r.squared  
## [1] 0.6118751
```

- Thus almost two thirds of the variability in **Sales** is explained by **TV** with linear regression

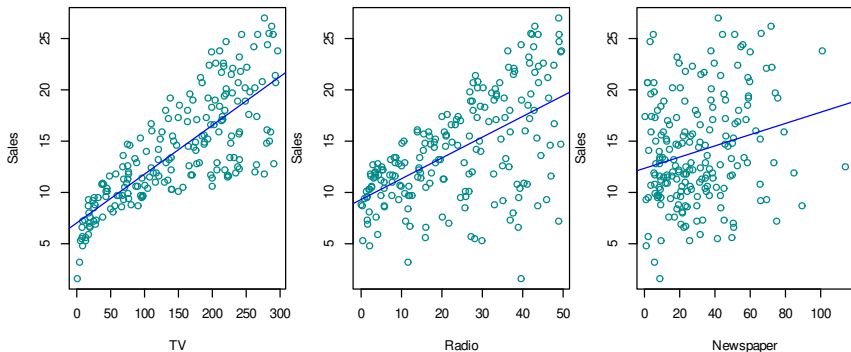
Multiple Linear Regression

- Simple linear regression: Useful procedure to predict output based on *one* single predictor
- In practice: Output often depends on more than one predictor

Example

- Dataset **Advertising**: Have seen relationship between **TV** advertising and **Sales**
- Data on advertising for **Radio** and **Newspaper** also available
- Question: Do one or both of these advertising expenses affect sales?
- Extend analysis of sales figures: Consider both additional inputs

- Possible: Perform a simple regression for each separate advertising budget
- Figure:



- Parameters and other important data in tables below
- Simple regression from **TV** to **Sales**:

	Coefficient	Std.error	t statistics	p value
Intercept	7.033	0.458	15.36	< 0.0001
TV	0.048	0.003	17.67	< 0.0001

- Simple regression from **Radio** to **Sales**:

	Coefficient	Std.error	t statistics	p value
Intercept	9.312	0.563	16.54	< 0.0001
Radio	0.203	0.020	9.92	< 0.0001

- Simple regression from **Newspaper** to **Sales**:

	Coefficient	Std.error	t statistics	p value
Intercept	12.351	0.621	19.88	< 0.0001
Newspaper	0.055	0.017	3.30	< 0.0001

- Separate simple linear regressions: Not satisfactory
- First: Not clear how to make a prediction for sales for given values of three predictors:
 - ▶ Each input linked to sales by *different regression equation*
- Second: Each of three regression equations ignores other two predictors for determining coefficients
- May lead to very misleading estimates of effect on sales of advertising expenses for each medium if three predictors are correlated

- Better: All predictors directly taken into account
- Each predictor is assigned *own* slope coefficient in *one* equation
- General: p different predictors
- *Multiple linear regression model:*

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_1 + \beta_2 X_2 + \dots + \beta_p X_p + \varepsilon$$

- X_j : j -th predictor
- β_j : Relationship between *this* predictor and response variable Y
- β_j : Average change of response variable when changing X_j by one unit, *if all other predictors are kept constant*
- In other words: Slope in direction of X_j

Example

- Multiple linear regression model for dataset **Advertising**:

$$\text{Sales} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{TV} + \beta_2 \cdot \text{Radio} + \beta_3 \cdot \text{Newspaper} + \varepsilon$$

- So:

$$\text{Sales} \approx \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{TV} + \beta_2 \cdot \text{Radio} + \beta_3 \cdot \text{Newspaper}$$

- Multiple linear model generalises simple linear model
- Calculations and interpretations for multiple model similar, although usually more complicated than linear model
- Graphical methods: Virtually no use for multiple linear regression
- Data points for previous example: Not possible, as three axes are already needed for predictors

Example: Income

- Graphical representation possible for two predictors
- Dataset **Income**

```
In <- read.csv("../Data/Income2.csv")[, -1]  
head(In)
```

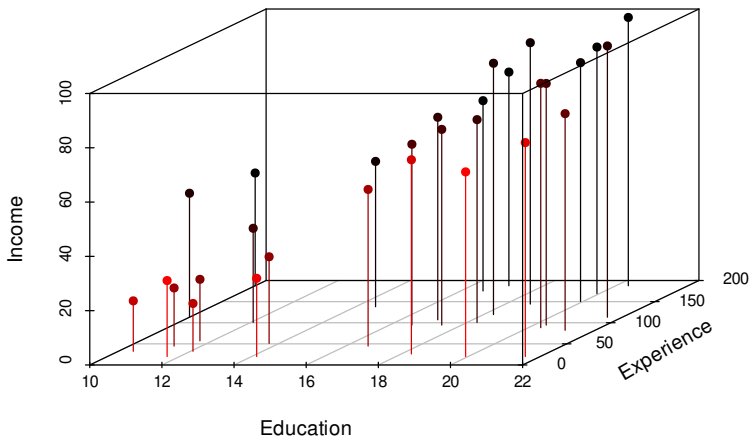
##	education	experience	income
## 1	21.58621	113.1034	99.91717
## 2	18.27586	119.3103	92.57913
## 3	12.06897	100.6897	34.67873
## 4	17.03448	187.5862	78.70281
## 5	19.93103	20.0000	68.00992
## 6	18.27586	26.2069	71.50449

- So far: **Education** single predictor
- Income also depends on **Experience** (number of professional months)

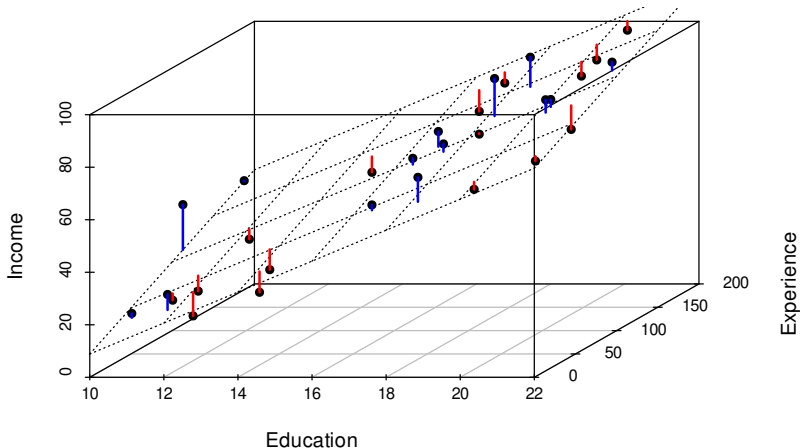
- Multiples linear model:

$$\text{Income} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \text{Education} + \beta_2 \cdot \text{Experience} + \varepsilon$$

- Data points in 3d space:



- Analogous simple linear regression model: Look for *plane* that fits data points best



- Procedure analogous to simple linear regression
- Determine plane such that sum of squares of distances of data points from plane becomes minimal
- Lines:
 - ▶ Blue: Points above plane
 - ▶ Red: Points below plane
- Differences from point to plane: *Residuals*
- Use again: *Least squares method*

- Estimate of β_0, β_1 and β_2 with R:

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = -50.086, \quad \hat{\beta}_1 = 5.896, \quad \hat{\beta}_2 = 0.173$$

```
coef(lm(Income ~ Education + Experience))  
## (Intercept)    Education    Experience  
## -50.0856387     5.8955560     0.1728555
```

- Multiple linear model:

$$\text{Income} \approx -50.086 + 5.896 \cdot \text{Education} + 0.173 \cdot \text{Experience}$$

Interpretation of Coefficients

- $\hat{\beta}_0 = -50.086$:

- ▶ If person has no education and no experience, earns CHF -50 086
- ▶ Interpretation makes no sense of course

- $\hat{\beta}_1 = 5.896$:

- ▶ With constant experience, you earn CHF 5896 more for each year of additional education

- $\hat{\beta}_2 = 0.173$:

- ▶ With a constant education, you earn CHF 173 more per additional month of work experience

General: Estimation of Regression Coefficients

- Like simple linear regression: Regression coefficients $\beta_0, \beta_1, \dots, \beta_p$ generally unknown
- Estimation from data:

$$\hat{\beta}_0, \quad \hat{\beta}_1, \quad \dots, \quad \hat{\beta}_p$$

- Based on estimates, one can make predictions:

$$\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_1 + \hat{\beta}_2 x_2 + \dots + \dots + \hat{\beta}_p x_p$$

- Estimate parameters: Use again least squares method

- dialling $\beta_0, \beta_1 \dots, \beta_p$ so that the sum of the residual squares RSS

$$\begin{aligned}\text{RSS} &= \sum_{i=1}^n r_i^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_p x_{ip})^2\end{aligned}$$

is minimised

- Where x_{ij} is i -th observation of j -th predictor
- principle same as for simple linear regression

Example

- R: Multiple linear regression model for Advertising:

```
coef(lm(Sales ~ TV + Radio + Newspaper))  
##      (Intercept)           TV           Radio      Newspaper  
##  2.938889369    0.045764645    0.188530017   -0.001037493
```

- It follows:

$$\text{Sales} \approx 2.94 + 0.046 \cdot \text{TV} + 0.189 \cdot \text{Radio} - 0.001 \cdot \text{Newspaper}$$

- Coefficients:

- ▶ For given advertising expenses for radio and newspapers, an additional CHF 1000 of advertising expenses for TV will result in sale of about 46 more units
- ▶ For given TV and newspaper advertising expenses, an additional CHF 1000 of advertising expenses for radio will result in sale of approximately 189 more units
- ▶ Interesting: For newspaper you would sell *less* products if you invested *more*

- Table: Other important values:

	coefficient	Std.error	t statistics	p value
Intercept	2.939	0.3119	9.42	< 0.0001
TV	0.046	0.0014	32.81	< 0.0001
Radio	0.189	0.0086	21.89	< 0.0001
Newspaper	-0.001	0.0059	-0.18	0.8599

- Code: Replace `coef` by `summary`

```
fit <- lm(Sales ~ TV + Radio + Newspaper)

summary(fit)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Sales ~ TV + Radio + Newspaper)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -8.8277 -0.8908  0.2418  1.1893  2.8292
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  2.938889   0.311908   9.422  <2e-16 ***
## TV           0.045765   0.001395  32.809  <2e-16 ***
## Radio        0.188530   0.008611  21.893  <2e-16 ***
## Newspaper   -0.001037   0.005871  -0.177    0.86
## ---
## Signif. codes:
## 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.686 on 196 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8972, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8956
## F-statistic: 570.3 on 3 and 196 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Coefficient of separate simple linear regressions in slide 38
- Slopes of multiple linear regression for **TV** and **Radio** very similar:
 - ▶ **TV**: 0.46 (multiple), 0.48 (single)
 - ▶ **Radio**: 0.189 (multiple), 0.203 (single)
- Estimated regression coefficient $\hat{\beta}_3$ for **Newspaper** shows different behaviour:
 - ▶ Simple: 0.055 (not equal to 0)
 - ▶ Multiple: -0.001 (almost equal to 0)
- Corresponding p values:
 - ▶ Simple: < 0.0001 (highly significant)
 - ▶ Multiple: 0.86 (far from being significant)

- Simple and multiple regression coefficients can be very different
- Simple regression: Slope indicates change in response **Sales** when spending CHF 1000 more on newspaper advertising, while other two predictors **TV** and **Radio** are *ignored*
- Multiple linear regression: Slope for **Newspaper** describes change in response **Sales** when spending CHF 1000 more on newspaper advertising, while other two predictors **TV** and **radio** are hold *constant*
- Does it make sense that multiple regression does not suggest a relationship between **Sales** and **Newspaper**, but simple regression implies opposite?

- It does make sense indeed
- Table with correlation coefficients:

	TV	Radio	Newspaper	Sales
TV	1.0000	0.0548	0.0567	0.7822
Radio		1.0000	0.3541	0.5762
Newspaper			1.0000	0.2283
Sales				1.0000

- Code:

```
cor(data.frame(TV, Radio, Newspaper, Sales))
```

##	TV	Radio	Newspaper	Sales
## TV	1.00000000	0.05480866	0.05664787	0.7822244
## Radio	0.05480866	1.00000000	0.35410375	0.5762226
## Newspaper	0.05664787	0.35410375	1.00000000	0.2282990
## Sales	0.78222442	0.57622257	0.22829903	1.0000000

- Correlation coefficient **Radio** and **Newspaper**: 0.35
- What does this mean?
- Shows a tendency to invest more in advertising for **Newspaper** when advertising expenses for **Radio** is increased
- Assume: Multiple regression model *correct*
- Expenses on **Newspaper**: No direct influence on **Sales**
- Advertising expenses for **Radio**: Higher sales
- In markets where more is invested in radio advertising, expenses on **Newspaper** is also higher, as correlation coefficients of 0.35

- Simple linear regression: Only correlation between **Newspaper** and **Sales**, whereby for higher values of **Newspaper** also higher values of **Sales** are observed
- Simple linear regression only “sees” increase in **Sales**
- But: Newspaper advertising does *not* influences sales
- Higher values for **Newspaper** due to correlation also result in higher values for **Radio**: *This* quantity influences **Sales**
- **Newspaper** “takes credit” for success of **Radio** on **Sales**
- This result conflicts with intuition
- Occurs frequently in real situations

Absurd example

- Simple regression: Relationship between shark attacks and ice cream sales on a given beach
- The greater the ice cream sales, the more frequent shark attacks
- Absurd idea: Ban ice cream sales on this beach so that there are no more shark attacks
- But where is the connection?
- Reality: In hot weather more people come to beach → more ice cream sales → more shark attacks
- Confounder: Temperature
- Multiple regression model of shark attacks with ice cream sales *and* temperature: Ice cream sales no longer influence shark attacks, but air temperature does

Is there a relationship between predictors and response variable?

- Multiple linear regression with p predictors: *All* regression coefficients except β_0 are zero (no variable has influence):

$$\beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_p = 0$$

- Null hypothesis:

$$H_0 : \quad \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_p = 0$$

- Alternative hypothesis:

$$H_A : \quad \text{At least one } \beta_i \text{ is not equal to } 0$$

- Calculation of *F statistics* with *p-value*

Example

- p -value for multiple linear model for dataset **Advertising**:

```
summary(lm(Sales ~ TV + radio + newspaper, data = adv))

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Sales ~ TV + radio + newspaper, data = adv)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -8.8277 -0.8908  0.2418  1.1893  2.8292
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  2.938889   0.311908   9.422  <2e-16 ***
## TV           0.045765   0.001395  32.809  <2e-16 ***
## radio        0.188530   0.008611  21.893  <2e-16 ***
## newspaper   -0.001037   0.005871  -0.177    0.86
## ---
## Signif. codes:
## 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.686 on 196 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8972, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8956
## F-statistic: 570.3 on 3 and 196 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- R-output **p-value** in line for F -statistic: p -value for multiple linear model practically zero
- Very convincing hint: At least one predictor is responsible for an increase in **Sales** with increased advertising expenses

Example

- Why don't we just look at individual p -values?
- If one is below significance level, then we know that at least this variable has an influence
- But: Because of principle of hypothesis testing, statistically significant p -value is randomly erroneous
- Following example: No variable is significant
- All β_1 -values near 0
- But: Gives random deviations where corresponding p -values becoming significant
- Therefore: If there are many variables, one is almost always significant, although in reality there are not

- Code:

```
set.seed(4)
v <- 20
d <- 500

df <- matrix(rnorm(v * d), nrow = d)
# head(df)
df <- data.frame(df)

Y <- rnorm(d)
# Y

df$Y <- Y

fit <- lm(Y ~ ., , data = df)
summary(fit)
```


● Output:

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Y ~ ., data = df)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -2.62976 -0.66857  0.00927  0.64462  2.81840
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -0.029669   0.047272  -0.628   0.5305
## X1           -0.010970   0.048886  -0.224   0.8225
## X2           -0.036943   0.049150  -0.752   0.4526
## X3           -0.005961   0.047734  -0.125   0.9007
## X4           -0.018073   0.047726  -0.379   0.7051
## X5            0.005827   0.048524   0.120   0.9045
## X6           -0.127798   0.049554  -2.579   0.0102 *
## X7           -0.052386   0.049816  -1.052   0.2935
## X8            0.020574   0.048557   0.424   0.6720
## X9           -0.015178   0.047941  -0.317   0.7517
## X10          -0.015107   0.046988  -0.322   0.7480
## X11            0.005580   0.046517   0.120   0.9046
## X12          -0.004676   0.046583  -0.100   0.9201
## X13          -0.021652   0.049114  -0.441   0.6595
## X14          -0.093800   0.046075  -2.036   0.0423 *
## X15            0.019740   0.047451   0.416   0.6776
## X16            0.042796   0.045267   0.945   0.3449
## X17          -0.074511   0.049061  -1.519   0.1295
## X18            0.041733   0.047568   0.877   0.3808
## X19          -0.078238   0.047492  -1.647   0.1001
## X20          -0.057475   0.048156  -1.194   0.2333
## ---
## Signif. codes:
##  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1.042 on 479 degrees of freedom
```

Determination of important predictors

- First: Do predictors have any influence on response variable?
- Decision: With help of F statistics and corresponding p value
- If at least one variable influence response variable (null hypothesis rejected): *Which* predictors are these?
- Can view individual p -values as in table

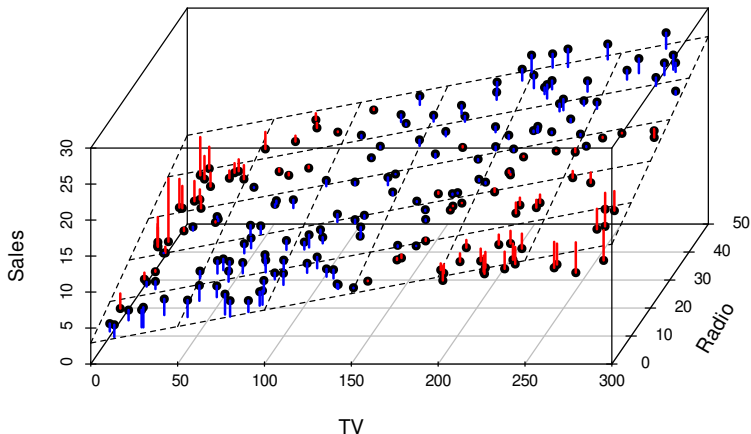
- Possible: All predictors influence response variable, but usually only a few
- Goal: Determine variables and then set up a model containing only these variables
- Interested in simplest possible model that fits data: Easier to interpret
- Which variables are important?
- Procedure: *Variable selection* (see lecture notes)

How well does model fits the data?

- Measure of determination R^2
- Dataset **Advertising** is the R^2 value 0.8972
- R^2 increases the more predictors are considered

No linear regression

- Graphical overview: Show problems with model that are invisible to numerical values:



- Three-dimensional scatter plot: Only **TV** and **Radio** taken into account
- Dotted lines: Regression plane
- Observation: Values of plane too large if advertising expenses was spent exclusively on either **TV** or **Radio**
- Back left: Advertising only for **Radio**
- Front right: Only for **TV**
- Values of plane are too low if advertising expenses is distributed equally between **TV** and **Radio**
- Nonlinear pattern: Cannot be accurately described by a linear regression
- Plot indicates *interaction* or *synergy effect*: Larger sales if advertising expenses is divided

Cancellation of assumption regarding additivity

- Interaction effects
- Example advertising:

```
fit <- lm(Sales ~ TV + Radio + TV * Radio)

summary(fit)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Sales ~ TV + Radio + TV * Radio)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -6.3366 -0.4028  0.1831  0.5948  1.5246
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  6.750e+00  2.479e-01  27.233  <2e-16 ***
## TV           1.910e-02  1.504e-03  12.699  <2e-16 ***
## Radio        2.886e-02  8.905e-03   3.241  0.0014 **
## TV:Radio      1.086e-03  5.242e-05  20.727  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:
## 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.9435 on 196 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9678, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9673
## F-statistic: 1963 on 3 and 196 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- p -values for **TV**, **Radio** and interaction term **TV · Radio**: Statistically significant
- Seems clear: All these variables should be included in model
- Possible: p value for interaction term is very small, but p values of main effects (here **TV** and **Radio**) are not