

Question 1) Model fit is often determined by R^2 so let's dig into what this perspective of model fit is all about. Download `demo_simple_regression_rsqr.R` from Canvas – it has a function that runs a regression simulation. This week, the simulation also reports R^2 along with the other metrics from last week.

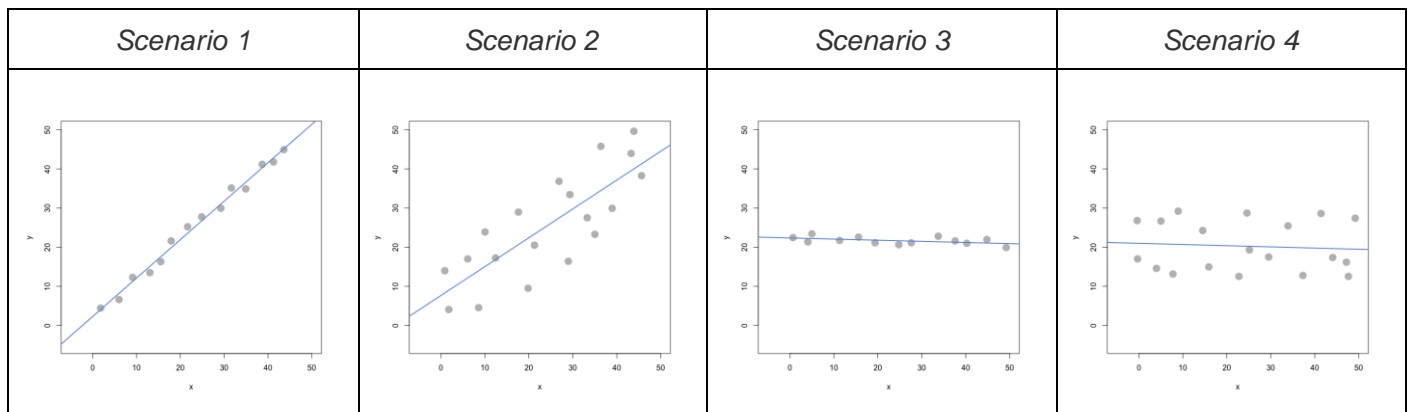
To answer the questions below, understand each of these four scenarios by simulating them:

Scenario 1: Consider a very narrowly dispersed set of points that have a negative or positive steep slope

Scenario 2: Consider a widely dispersed set of points that have a negative or positive steep slope

Scenario 3: Consider a very narrowly dispersed set of points that have a negative or positive shallow slope

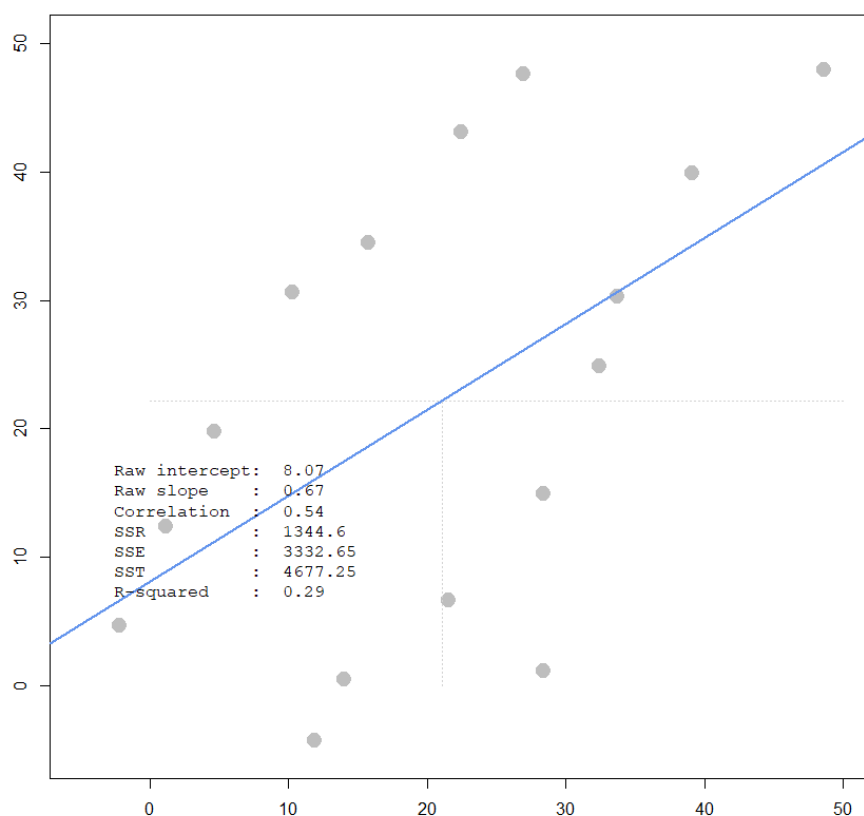
Scenario 4: Consider a widely dispersed set of points that have a negative or positive shallow slope



a. Let's dig into what regression is doing to compute model fit:

i. Plot Scenario 2, storing the returned points: `pts <- interactive_regression_rsqr()`

```
pts<-interactive_regression_rsqr()
```



- ii. Run a linear model of x and y points to confirm the R^2 value reported by the simulation:

```
regr <- lm(y ~ x, data=pts)
summary(regr)
```

Call:
lm(formula = y ~ x, data = pts)

Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-25.900	-13.060	1.602	10.350	21.553

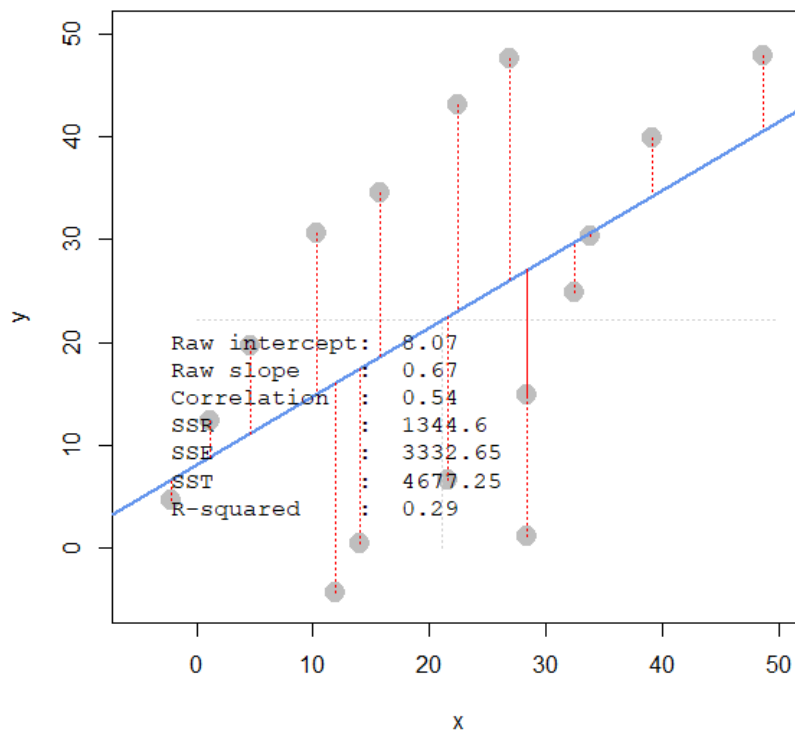
Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	8.0718	7.0748	1.141	0.2730
x	0.6691	0.2816	2.377	0.0323 *

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Residual standard error: 15.43 on 14 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.2875, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2366
F-statistic: 5.648 on 1 and 14 DF, p-value: 0.03228

- iii. Add line segments to the plot to show the regression residuals (errors) as follows:



- iv. Use only `pts$x`, `pts$y`, `y_hat` and `mean(pts$y)` to compute SSE, SSR and SST, and verify R^2

```
> sse <- sum((pts$y - y_hat)^2)
> sse
[1] 3332.649
> ssr <- sum((y_hat - mean(pts$y))^2)
> ssr
[1] 1344.6
> sst <- sse + ssr
> sst
[1] 4677.249
> r_square <- ssr/sst
> r_square
[1] 0.2874767
```

- b. Comparing scenarios 1 and 2, which do we expect to have a stronger R^2 ?

Scenario 1

- c. Comparing scenarios 3 and 4, which do we expect to have a stronger R^2 ?

Scenario 3

- d. Comparing scenarios 1 and 2, which do we expect has bigger/smaller SSE, SSR, and SST?

(do not compute SSE/SSR/SST here – just provide your intuition)

Scenario 1 might has bigger SSR,SST and smaller SSE.

- e. Comparing scenarios 3 and 4, which do we expect has bigger/smaller SSE, SSR, and SST?

(do not compute SSE/SSR/SST here – just provide your intuition)

Scenario 3 might has smaller SSR,SST and smaller SSE.

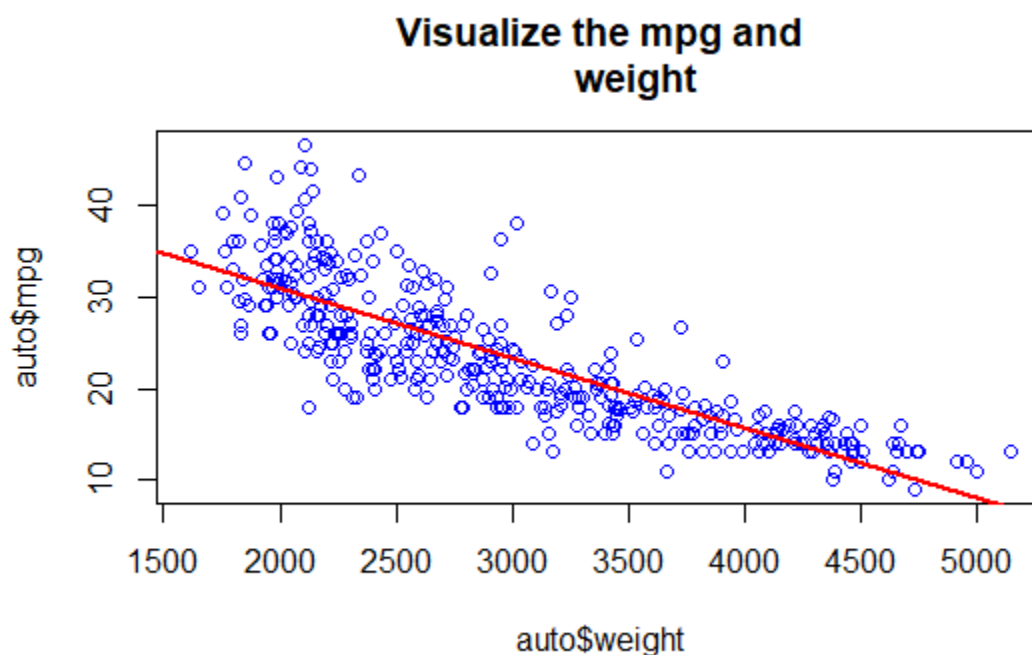
Question 2) We're going to take a look back at the early heady days of global car manufacturing, when American, Japanese, and European cars competed to rule the world. Take a look at a data set (auto-data.txt). We are interested in explaining what kind of cars have higher fuel efficiency (measured by mpg).

1. mpg: miles-per-gallon (dependent variable)
2. cylinders: cylinders in engine
3. displacement: size of engine
4. horsepower: power of engine
5. weight: weight of car
6. acceleration: acceleration ability of car
7. model_year: year model was released
8. origin: place car was designed (1: USA, 2: Europe, 3: Japan)
9. car_name: make and model names

This data set has some missing values ('?' in data set), and it lacks a header row with variable names:

- a. Let's first try exploring this data and problem:
 - i. Visualize the data in any way you feel relevant (report only relevant/interesting ones)

```
> auto <- read.table("auto-data.txt", header=FALSE, na.strings = "?")
> names(auto) <- c("mpg", "cylinders", "displacement", "horsepower",
+                 "weight", "acceleration", "model_year", "origin", "car_name")
>
> plot(auto$mpg~auto$weight,col="blue",main = "Visualize the mpg and
+       weight")
> regr<-lm(mpg~weight,data=auto)
> abline(regr,col='red',lwd='2')
```



- ii. Report a correlation table of all variables, rounding to two decimal places

```
> round(cor(auto[, -9], use="pairwise.complete.obs"), 2)
```

	mpg	cylinders	displacement	horsepower	weight	acceleration	model_year	origin
mpg	1.00	-0.78	-0.80	-0.78	-0.83	0.42	0.58	0.56
cylinders	-0.78	1.00	0.95	0.84	0.90	-0.51	-0.35	-0.56
displacement	-0.80	0.95	1.00	0.90	0.93	-0.54	-0.37	-0.61
horsepower	-0.78	0.84	0.90	1.00	0.86	-0.69	-0.42	-0.46
weight	-0.83	0.90	0.93	0.86	1.00	-0.42	-0.31	-0.58
acceleration	0.42	-0.51	-0.54	-0.69	-0.42	1.00	0.29	0.21
model_year	0.58	-0.35	-0.37	-0.42	-0.31	0.29	1.00	0.18
origin	0.56	-0.56	-0.61	-0.46	-0.58	0.21	0.18	1.00

- iii. From the visualizations and correlations, which variables seem to relate to mpg?

Weight seems to relate to mpg.

- iv. Which relationships might not be linear? (*don't worry about linearity for rest of this HW*)

cylinders & model_year, weight & model_year, acceleration & model_year, acceleration & origin.

- v. Are any of the independent variables highly correlated ($r > 0.7$) with others?

mpg & displacement, cylinders & displacement, cylinders & horsepower, cylinders & weight, displacement & weight.

- b. Let's try an ordinary linear regression, where mpg is dependent upon all other suitable variables

(*Note: origin is categorical with three levels, so use `factor(origin)` in `lm(...)` to split it into two dummy variables*)

- i. Which factors have a 'significant' effect on mpg at 1% significance?

```
> summary(with(auto, lm(mpg~cylinders+displacement+horsepower+weight+acceleration+model_year+factor(origin))))
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = mpg ~ cylinders + displacement + horsepower + weight + acceleration + model_year + factor(origin))
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-9.0095	-2.0785	-0.0982	1.9856	13.3608

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	-1.795e+01	4.677e+00	-3.839	0.000145	***
cylinders	-4.897e-01	3.212e-01	-1.524	0.128215	
displacement	2.398e-02	7.653e-03	3.133	0.001863	**
horsepower	-1.818e-02	1.371e-02	-1.326	0.185488	
weight	-6.710e-03	6.551e-04	-10.243	< 2e-16	***
acceleration	7.910e-02	9.822e-02	0.805	0.421101	
model_year	7.770e-01	5.178e-02	15.005	< 2e-16	***
factor(origin)2	2.630e+00	5.664e-01	4.643	4.72e-06	***
factor(origin)3	2.853e+00	5.527e-01	5.162	3.93e-07	***

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Residual standard error: 3.307 on 383 degrees of freedom

(6 observations deleted due to missingness)

Multiple R-squared: 0.8242, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8205

F-statistic: 224.5 on 8 and 383 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

Displacement, weight, model_year & origin have significant effect on mpg.

- ii. Looking at the coefficients, is it possible to determine which independent variables are the *most effective* at increasing mpg? If so, which ones, and if not, why not? (hint: units!)

No, since all variables are measured in different units.

c. Let's try to resolve some of the issues with our regression model above.

- i. Create fully standardized regression results: are these values easier to interpret?

(note: consider if you should standardize origin)

```
> auto_std <- data.frame(scale(auto[,c(-8,-9)]),origin=auto[,8])
> summary(with(auto_std,lm(mpg~cylinders+displacement+horsepower+weight+acceleration+model_year+factor(origin))))
```

Call:

```
lm(formula = mpg ~ cylinders + displacement + horsepower + weight +
    acceleration + model_year + factor(origin))
```

Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1.15270	-0.26593	-0.01257	0.25404	1.70942

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)	
(Intercept)	-0.13323	0.03174	-4.198	3.35e-05	***
cylinders	-0.10658	0.06991	-1.524	0.12821	
displacement	0.31989	0.10210	3.133	0.00186	**
horsepower	-0.08955	0.06751	-1.326	0.18549	
weight	-0.72705	0.07098	-10.243	< 2e-16	***
acceleration	0.02791	0.03465	0.805	0.42110	
model_year	0.36760	0.02450	15.005	< 2e-16	***
factor(origin)2	0.33649	0.07247	4.643	4.72e-06	***
factor(origin)3	0.36505	0.07072	5.162	3.93e-07	***

Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.423 on 383 degrees of freedom
(6 observations deleted due to missingness)

Multiple R-squared: 0.8242, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8205

F-statistic: 224.5 on 8 and 383 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

- ii. Regress mpg over each *nonsignificant* independent variable, individually.
Which ones are significant if we regress mpg over them individually?

```
> summary(lm(cylinders~mpg,data = auto_std))
Call:
lm(formula = cylinders ~ mpg, data = auto_std)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-1.99021 -0.42496 -0.01343  0.46422  1.80240

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  2.256e-15   3.169e-02    0.00      1
mpg         -7.754e-01   3.173e-02  -24.43 <2e-16 ***
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.6323 on 396 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.6012, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6002
F-statistic: 597.1 on 1 and 396 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

> summary(lm(horsepower~mpg,data = auto_std))
Call:
lm(formula = horsepower ~ mpg, data = auto_std)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-1.68590 -0.40829 -0.05439  0.34054  2.51867

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -0.006847   0.031747  -0.216   0.829
mpg         -0.779522   0.031831  -24.489 <2e-16 ***
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.6285 on 390 degrees of freedom
(6 observations deleted due to missingness)
Multiple R-squared:  0.6059, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6049
F-statistic: 599.7 on 1 and 390 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

> summary(lm(acceleration~mpg,data = auto_std))
Call:
lm(formula = acceleration ~ mpg, data = auto_std)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-2.23273 -0.62713 -0.08554  0.52992  3.14952

Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -3.004e-16   4.554e-02    0.000      1
mpg          4.203e-01   4.560e-02   9.217 <2e-16 ***
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.9085 on 396 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.1766, Adjusted R-squared:  0.1746
F-statistic: 84.96 on 1 and 396 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Both of them are significant if we regress them individually.

- iii. Plot the density of the residuals: are they normally distributed and centered around zero?
(hint: get the residuals of a linear model, e.g. `regr <- lm(...)`, using `regr$residuals`)

```
> regr <- with(auto_std, lm(mpg~cylinders+displacement+horsepower+weight+acceleration+model_year+factor(origin)))  
> plot(density(regr$residuals))
```

