Hanford Part #1a

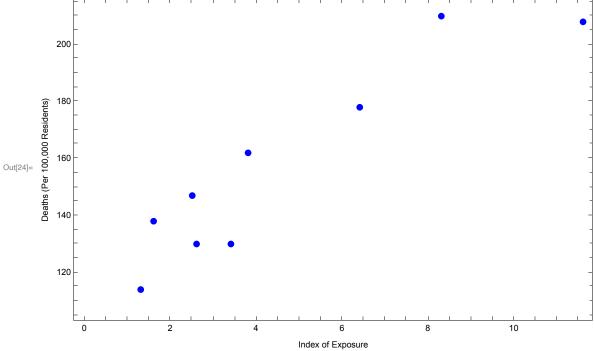
Introduction

In an article taken from the Journal of Environmental Health, May-June 1965, Volume 27, Number 6, pages 883-897, author Robert Fadely explains that the Atomic Energy Plant in Hanford, Washington has been a plutonium production facility since the Second World War. Some of the waste have been stored underground in the same area. Radioactive waste has been seeping into the Columbia River, and eight Oregon counties and the city of Portland have been exposed to radioactive contamination. The table below lists the number of cancer deaths per 100,000 residents for Portland and these counties. The table also includes an index of exposure that measures the proximity of the residents to the contamination. The index is based on the assumption that city or county exposure is directly proportional to river frontage and inversely proportional both to the distance from Hanford, WA site and to the square of the county's or city's average distance from the river.

Data Table

	Locations	Umatilla	Morrow	Gilliam	Sherman	Wasco	Hood River	Portland	Columbia	Clatsop
Out[22]=	Index	2.5	2.6	3.4	1.3	1.6	3.8	11.6	6.4	8.3
	Deaths	147	130	130	114	138	162	208	178	210

Plotting Data



Least Squares Line Calculation

In[25]:= n = Length[index]

The calculation of the slope follows equation with summations: $\frac{n(\sum xy) - \sum x \sum y}{n \sum x^2 - (\sum x)^2}$.

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Out[26] = 9.27386

 $\mathsf{Out}[25] = 9$

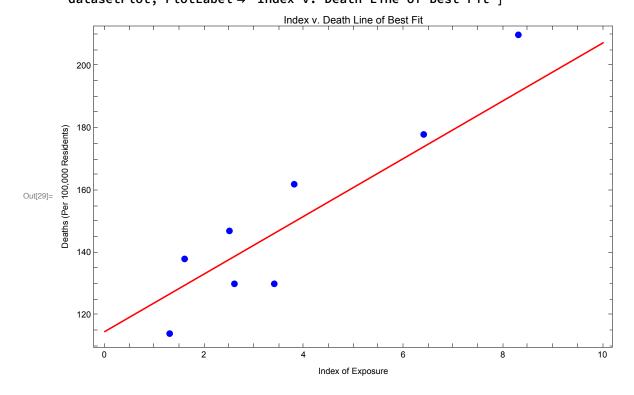
The calculation of the y-intercept follows this equation with summations: $\frac{\sum y-m \sum x}{n}$.

$$\ln[27] := b = \frac{\left(\sum_{a=1}^{n} deaths[a]\right) - m\left(\sum_{a=1}^{n} index[a]\right)}{n}$$

Out[27] = 114.682

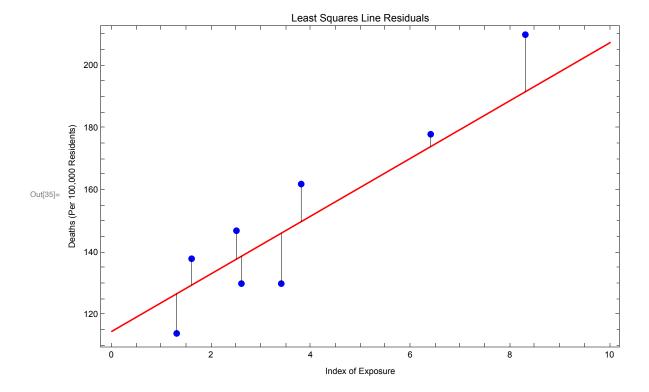
 $ln[28]:= f[x_] = m(x) + b (*This is the linear regression model*)$

Out[28]= 114.682 + 9.27386 x



Least Squares Line Residuals

Residuals Plot



Residuals Summation

$$ln[33]:= residualsSum = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (f[index[i]] - deaths[i])$$

$$Out[33]:= 0.$$

In[34]:= ClearAll

Out[34]= ClearAll