

DATA SCIENCE WITH R

REGRESSION

★ Regression Analysis ★



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We know that the effect of a decrease in price is an increase in sales -

What if we also want to know, by how much? What is the increase in sales because of a 15% discount in price?

That is the quantification of the impact



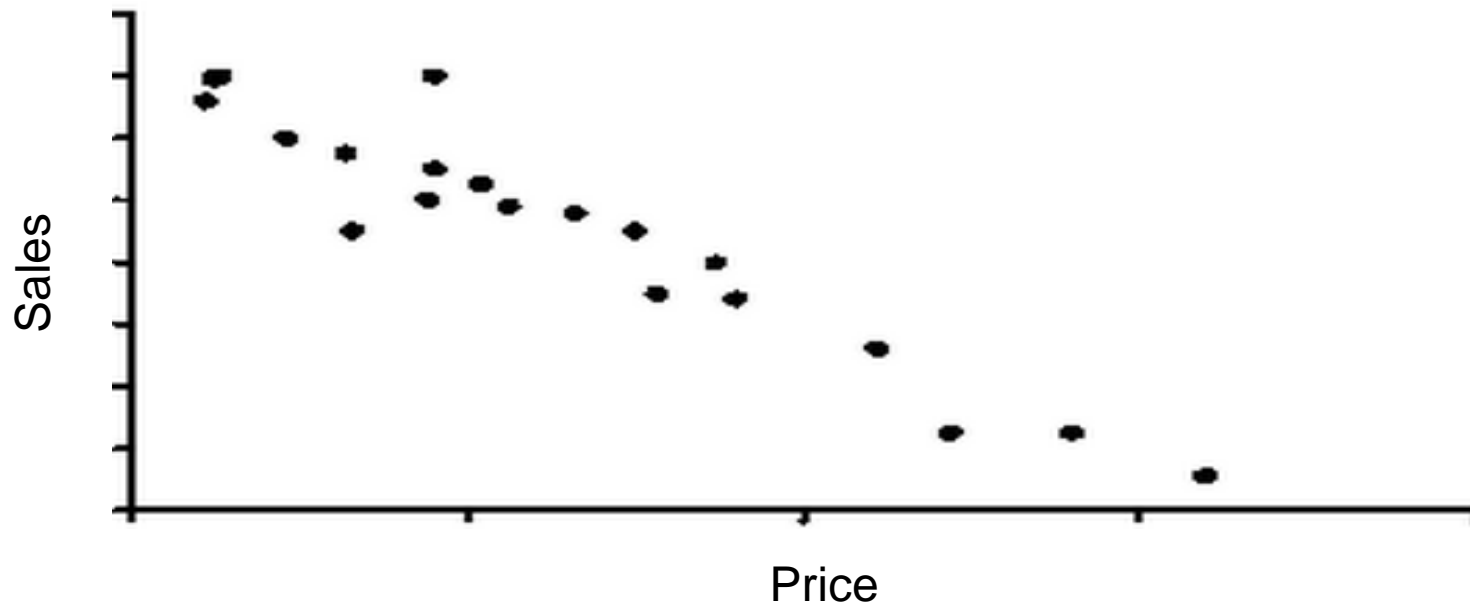
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To Be Continued

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