

- 1 – (a). Randomized experiment since there are two randomly assigned groups: those taking magnesium; and those taking placebo.
- 1 – (b). Explanatory variables are mg of magnesium and time. Response variable is amount of blood pressure.
- 1 – (c). This depends if the subjects were grouped by similarity. For example, if the subjects were all around a similar age, exercise activity, diet, and so on; were all very similar. Also the subjects have to be a good representation of the population, then you can say that taking magnesium can result in lower blood pressure.
- 2 – (a). Observational since the amount of time parents or care-givers spent reading to the child during the first four years of the child's life is not controlled by the researcher.
- 2 – (b). Explanatory variables is the amount of time parents read to the child. The response variable is the child's score on placement test.
- 2 – (c). No, since correlation does not imply causation.
- 2 – (d). A possible confounding variable would be the child's IQ.
- 3 – (a). Explanatory: handedness (categorical). Binary
Response: gender (categorical). Binary
- 3 – (b). Explanatory: sleeping time (quantitative); exam1 score (quantitative); number of quizzes (quantitative)
Response: time on final exam (quantitative)
- 3 – (c). Explanatory: gender (categorical). Binary
Response: major (categorical)
- 3 – (d). Explanatory: political inclination (categorical. can be binary if only consider liberal and conservative);
time sleeping (quantitative).
Response: gender (categorical). Binary.
- 4 – (a). $Y = 300 + 5X + \text{epsilon}$
- 4 – (b). Statistical since each member has varying visiting patterns, hence there is a random component.
5. Yes. From visual inspection, there seems to be linear relationship between weight and wing length.
- 6 – (a). Intercept: 1.3655
The data of sparrows have a starting weight of 1.3655. It was no meaningful interpretation.
- 6 – (b). Slope: 0.4674.
There is a positive linear relationship between wing length and weight.
- 7 – (a). Predicted weight is: 15.38761

7 – (b). Residual is: 0.6123911

8.

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# read in data set
sparrow <- read.csv("data/Sparrows.csv")

# create full model
fit <- lm("Weight ~ WingLength", data = sparrow)

# plot the data and regression line
plot(sparrow$WingLength, sparrow$Weight)
abline(fit, col='red')

# print out coefficient
print(fit)

Call:
lm(formula = "Weight ~ WingLength", data = sparrow)

Coefficients:
(Intercept)  WingLength
      1.3655       0.4674
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* Results from R code is the same as in the book.

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# filter sparrow for control treatment only
sparrow_control <- sparrow[sparrow$Treatment == 'control', ]

# create model for control data
fit_control <- lm("Weight ~ WingLength", data=sparrow_control)

# plot control data and regression line
plot(sparrow_control$WingLength, sparrow_control$Weight)
abline(fit_control, col='red')

# print out coeffs
print(fit_control)

Call:
lm(formula = "Weight ~ WingLength", data = sparrow_control)

Coefficients:
(Intercept)  WingLength
      0.5789       0.4961
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9 – (a). Full equation: $Y_{full} = 1.3655 + 0.4674 * X_{full} + \epsilon$
Control equation: $Y_{ctrl} = 0.5789 + 0.4961 * X_{ctrl} + \epsilon$
Compare: slopes are similar, but the intercepts are different.

9 – (b). Predicted: 15.46241
Residual: 0.5375944

9 – (c). The control gave a better predicted weight. This can be seen by comparing the residuals.