

# Lecture 14

## Quantitative Political Science

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# Agenda

1. Finishing up correlation
2. Linear regression
3. Sum of squares

# Finishing up correlation

- Recall the correlation measure:

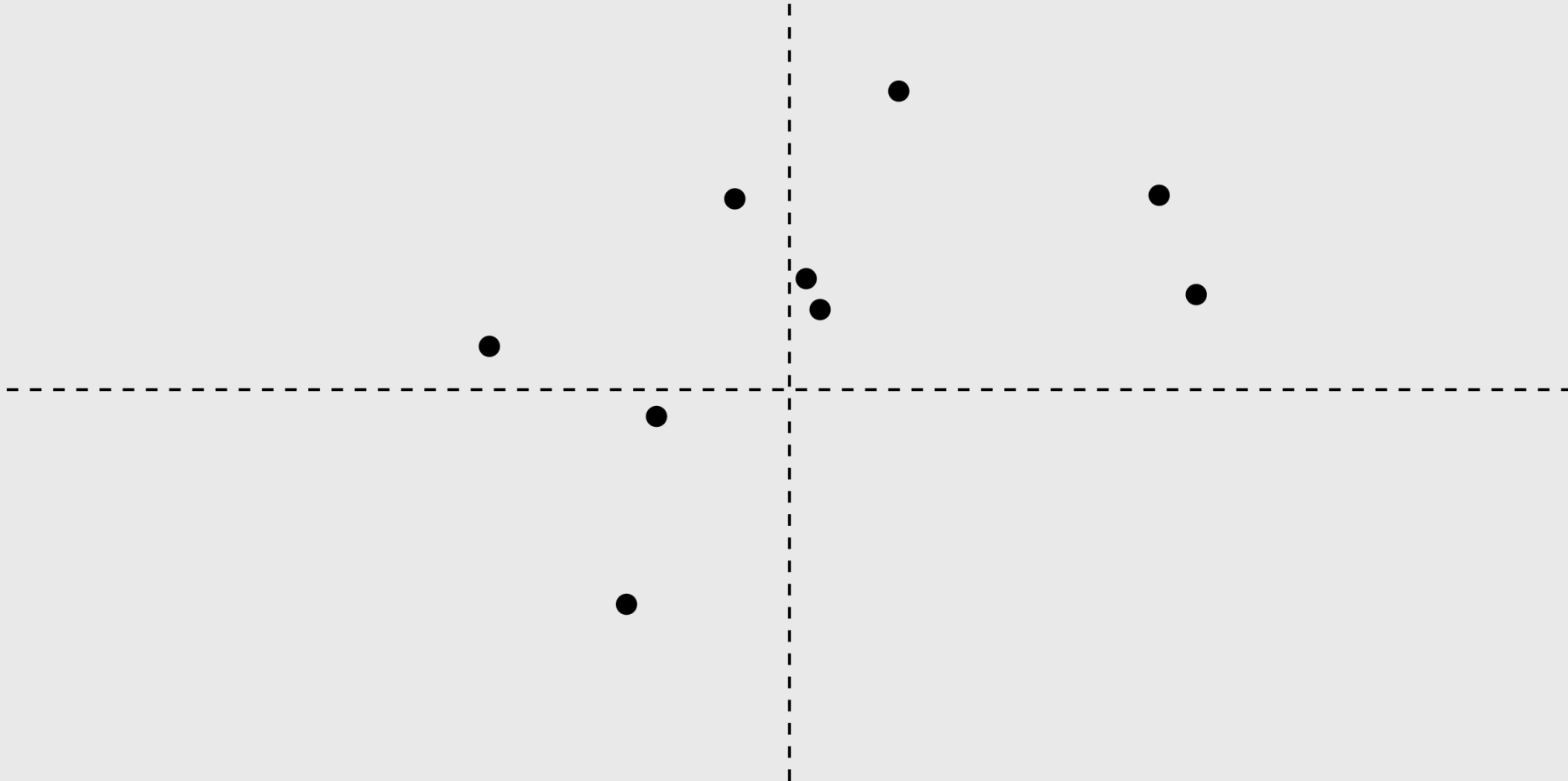
$$r = \frac{\sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sqrt{\sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \sum_i (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}}$$

- The quantities in this formula appear a **lot** in regression, so much that they have their own symbols
  - $(S_{xy} = \sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}))$
  - $(S_{xx} = \sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2)$
  - $(S_{yy} = \sum_i (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2)$
- Thus we can rewrite as  $(r = \frac{S_{xy}}{\sqrt{S_{xx}S_{yy}}})$

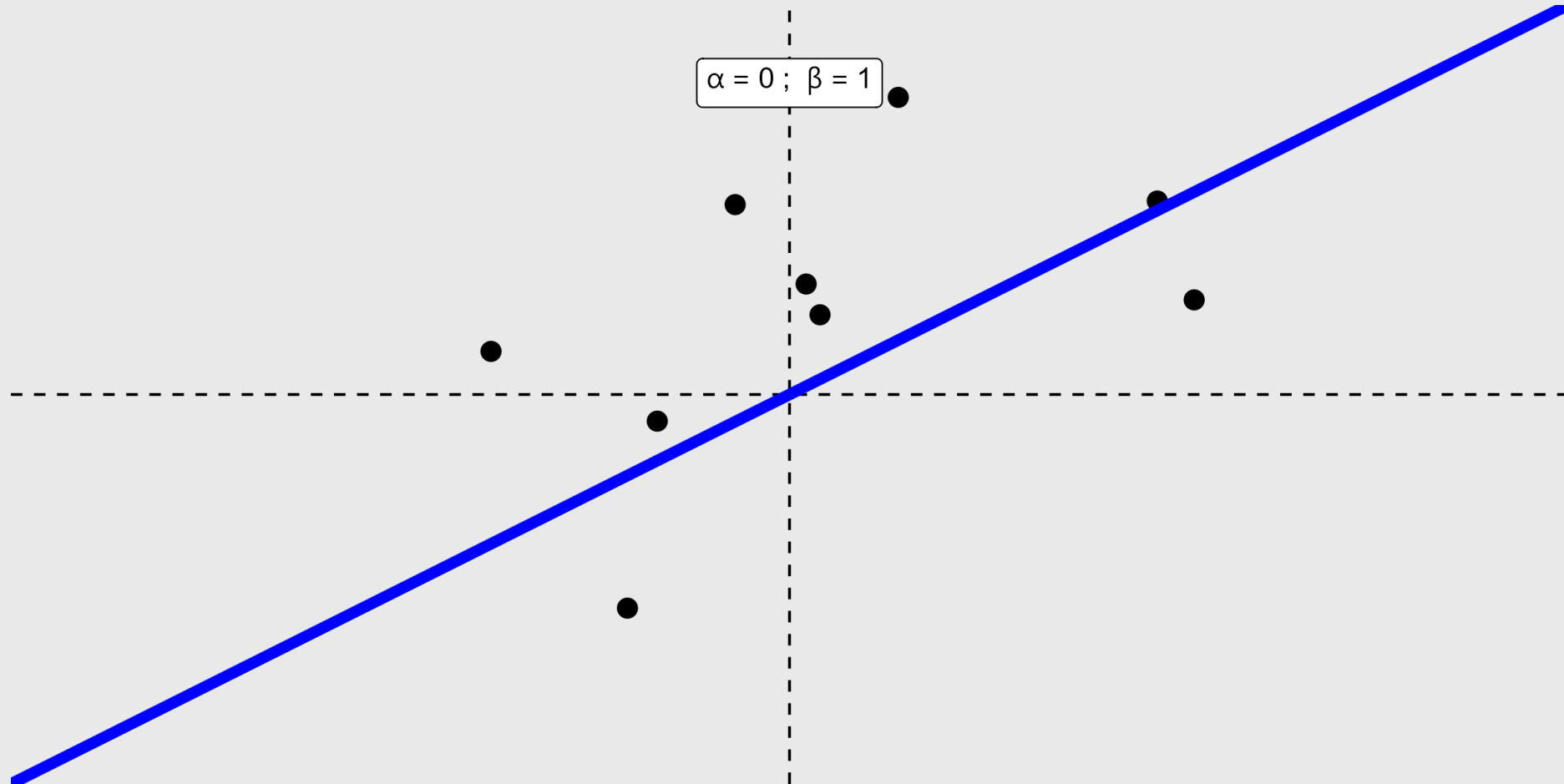
# Linear Regression

- Want to say something about the line itself
- Start with **geometry**
  - $(y = a + bx)$  or  $(y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x)$  or  $(y = \alpha + \beta_1 x)$
  - $(a)$  or  $(\beta_0)$  or  $(\alpha)$  is the **intercept**
  - $(b)$  or  $(\beta_1)$  is the **slope**
- Many lines we could draw...we want the "best"

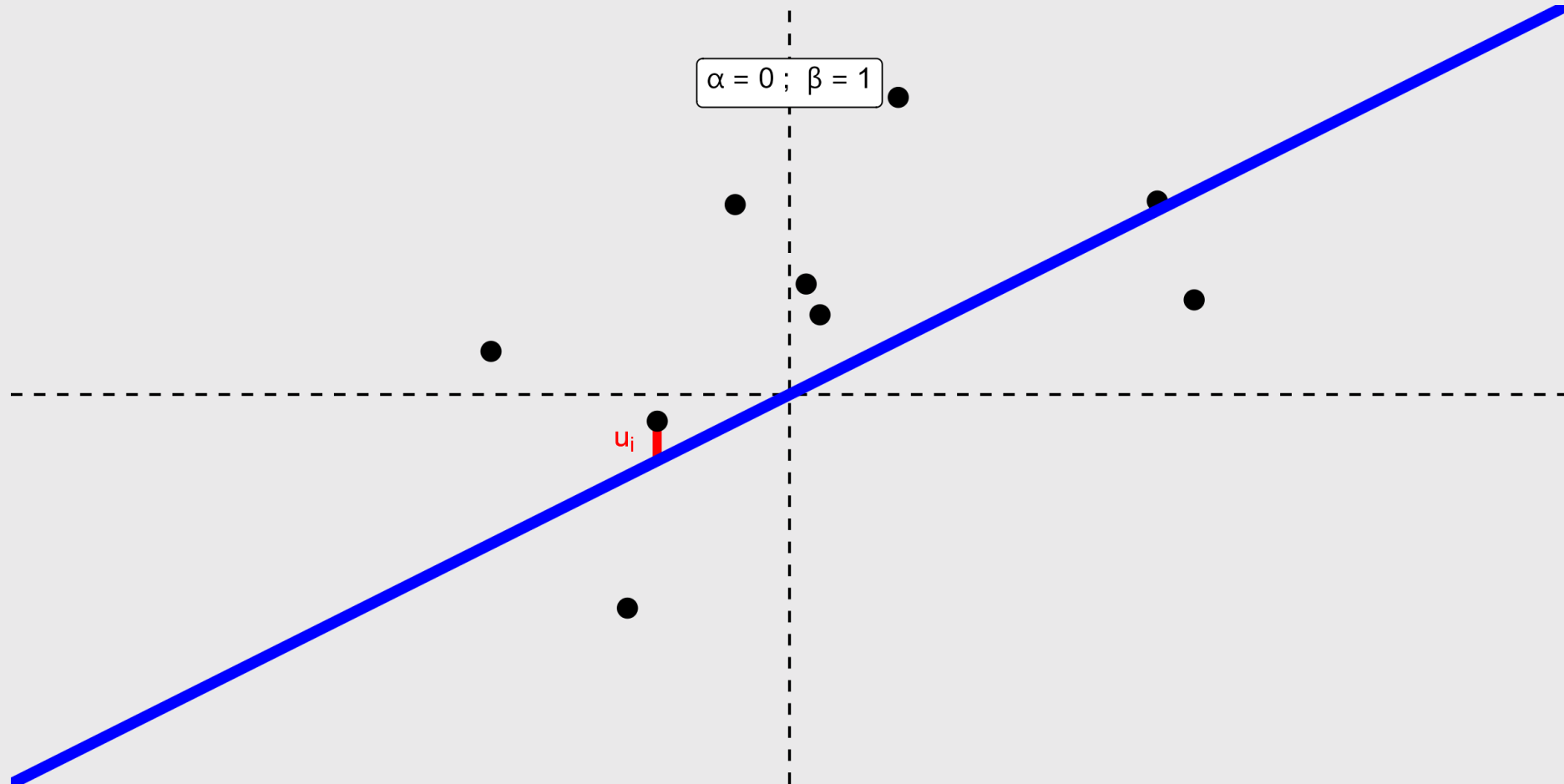
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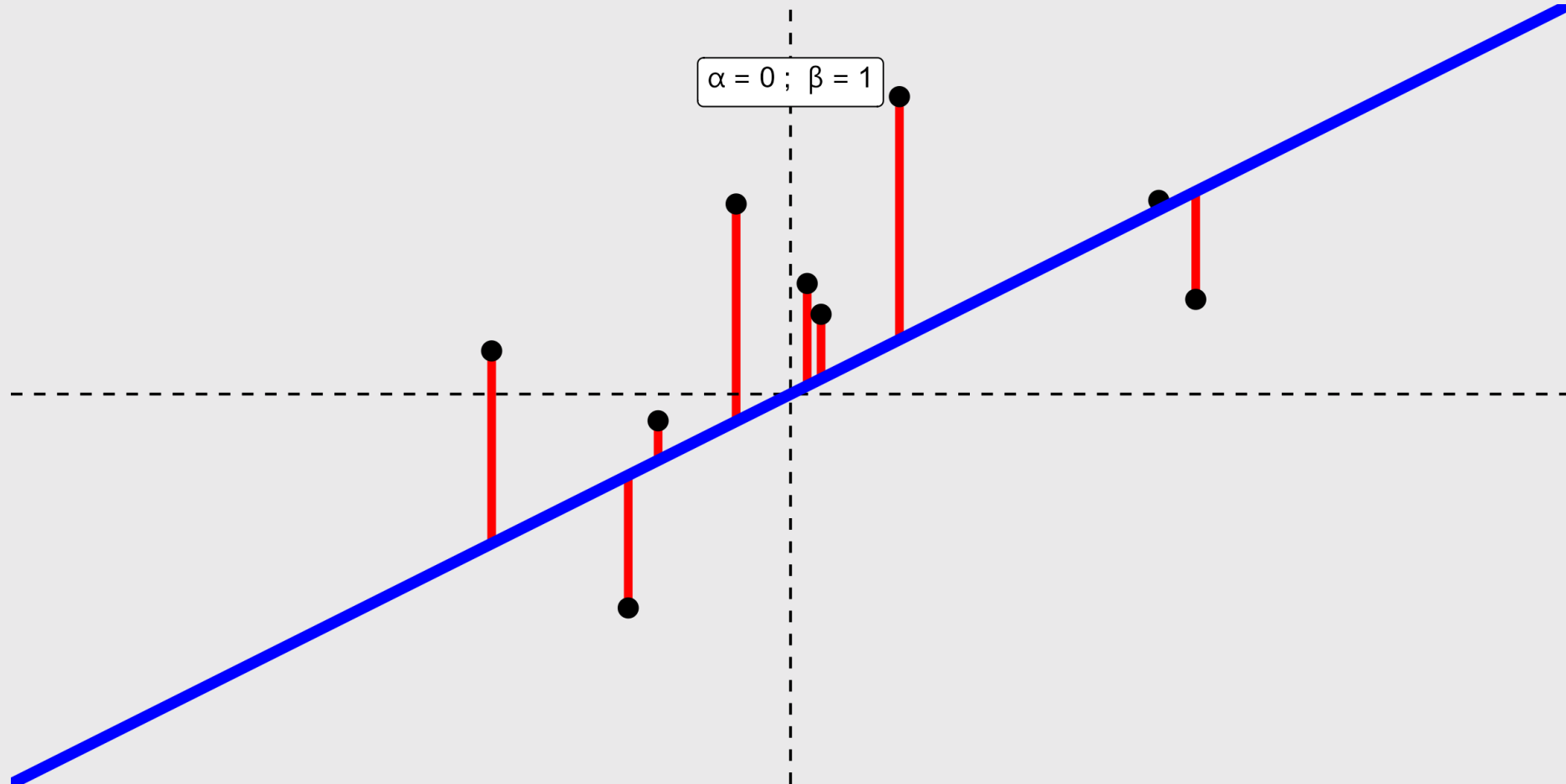


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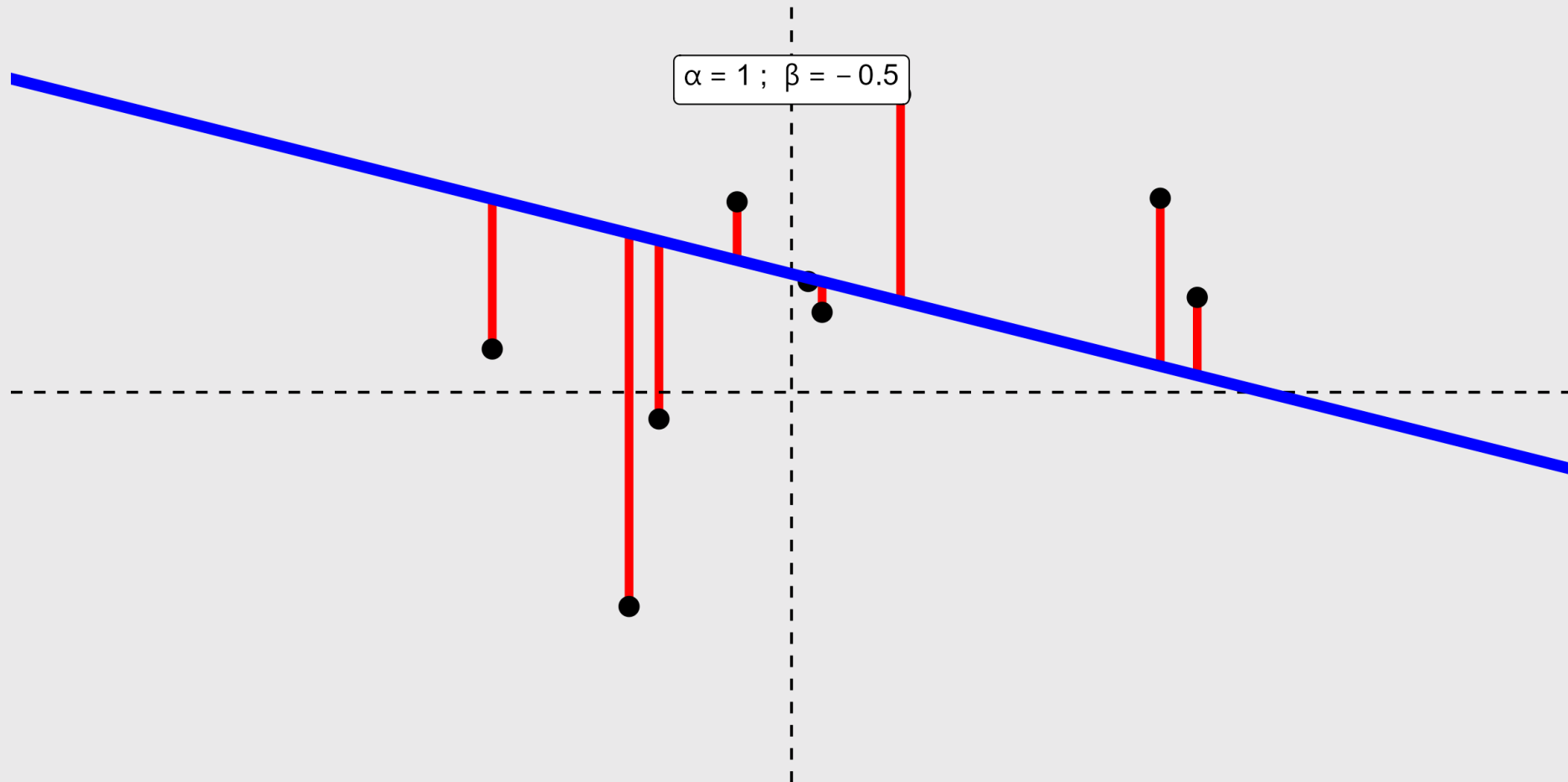
- **Residual:** mistake made by a line  $(u_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i)$

# Linear Regression

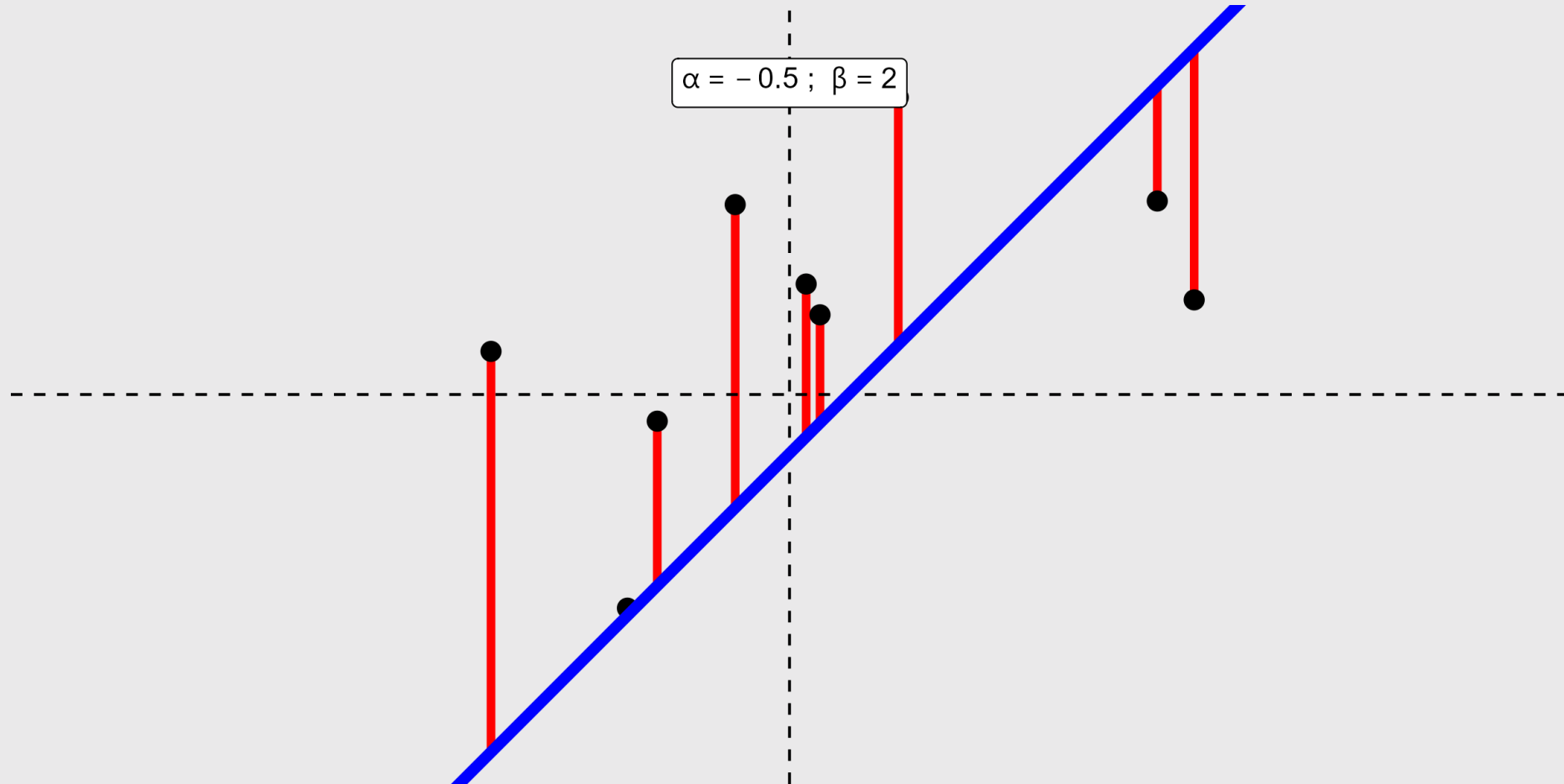




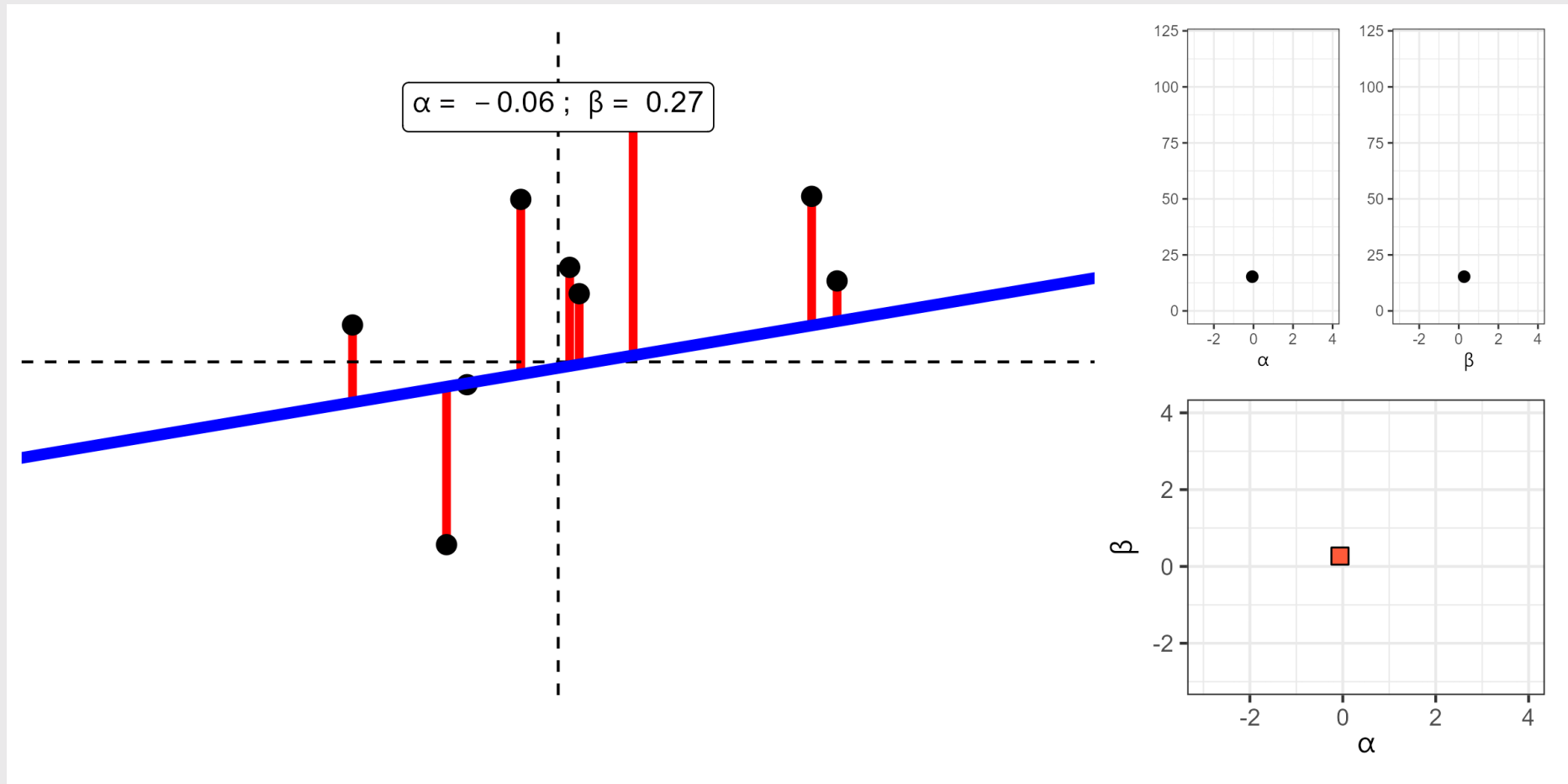
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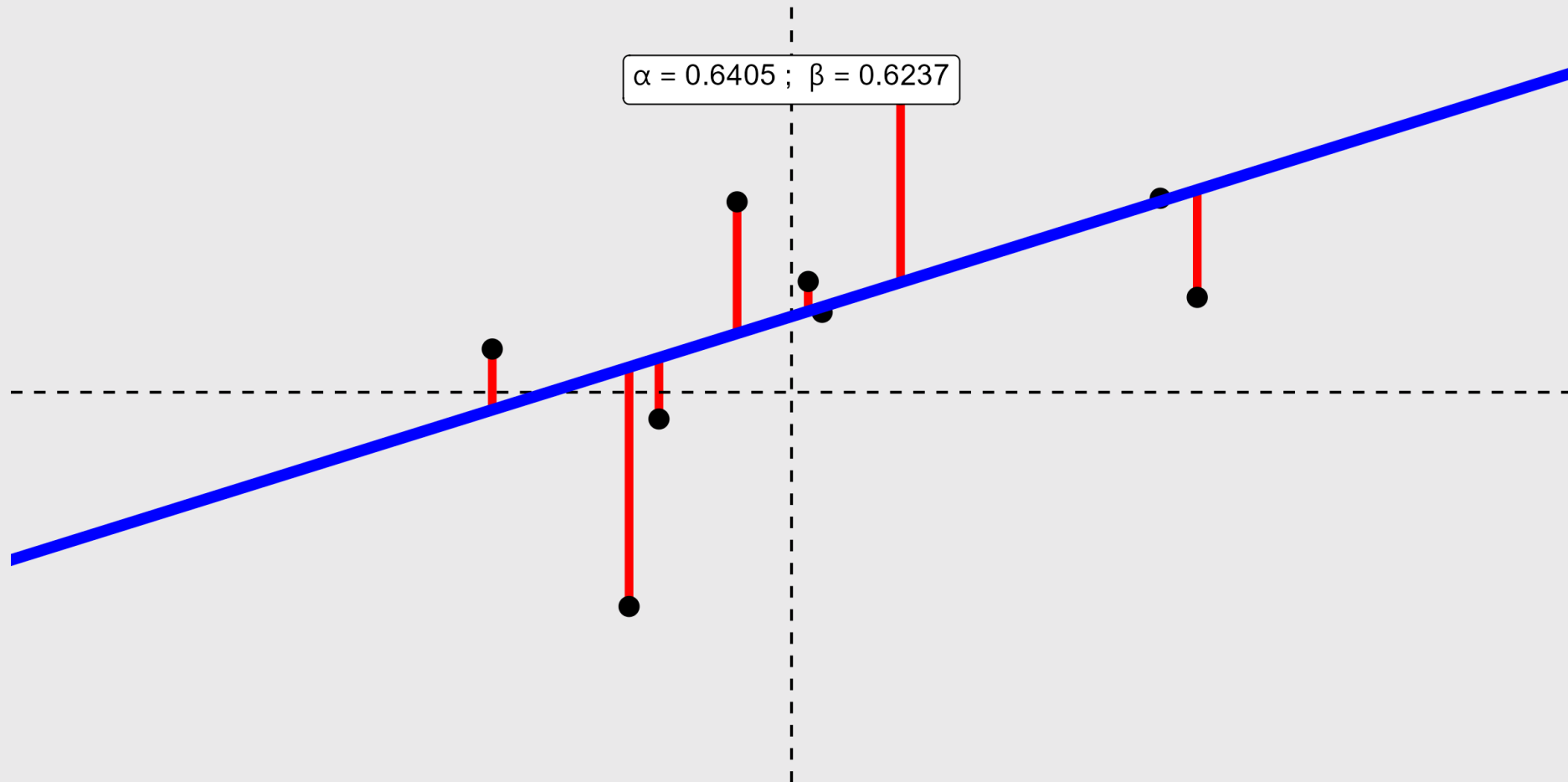


# Linear Regression

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summary(lm(Y~X))
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##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = Y ~ X)  
##  
## Residuals:  
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max   
## -2.02214 -0.51682  0.02647  0.51386  1.58939   
##  
## Coefficients:  
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)      
## (Intercept)   0.6405     0.3875   1.653   0.142      
## X             0.6237     0.4099   1.522   0.172      
##  
## Residual standard error: 1.151 on 7 degrees of freedom  
## Multiple R-squared:  0.2486,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.1412   
## F-statistic: 2.316 on 1 and 7 DF,  p-value: 0.1719
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# Linear Regression



# Residuals

- $u_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$
- Line of best fit is the one that minimizes these mistakes
- Could minimize  $|y_i - \hat{y}_i|$  but absolute values are an absolute pain to work with
- Instead, minimize  $(y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$
- Or more accurately, minimize all of them:  $SSR = \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$
- **Sum of Squared Residuals (SSR)**

# Regression Line

- Add hats  $\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$  to reflect **estimates** instead of population parameters (just like  $\theta$  versus  $\hat{\theta}$ )
- Substitute this into our definition of  $u_i$

$$\begin{aligned} u_i &= y_i - \hat{y}_i \\ &= y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) \\ u_i^2 &= [y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)]^2 \\ \sum_i u_i^2 &= \sum_i [y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)]^2 \end{aligned}$$

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- Set equal to zero to find the minimum

$$-2 (\sum_i x_i y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 \sum_i x_i - \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_i x_i^2) = 0$$

# Normal Equations

Solving for zero and rearranging yields the Normal Equations

$$\begin{aligned} n\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_i x_i &= \sum_i y_i \\ \hat{\beta}_0 \sum_i x_i + \hat{\beta}_1 \sum_i x_i^2 &= \sum_i x_i y_i \end{aligned}$$

- In matrix notation

$$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_i x_i \\ \sum_i x_i & \sum_i x_i^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i y_i \\ \sum_i x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

- Rearranging

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\beta}_0 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} n & \sum_i x_i \\ \sum_i x_i & \sum_i x_i^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \sum_i y_i \\ \sum_i x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

# Aside on Matrix Math

- Read chapter 6 in Brenton's [book](#)
- For us today, you need to understand matrix **multiplication** and **inversion**
- Multiplication: Let  $\mathbf{A}$  be an  $(n \times m)$  matrix and  $\mathbf{B}$  be an  $(m \times n)$  matrix.
  - Denote elements in  $\mathbf{A}$  as  $a_{ij}$  and elements in  $\mathbf{B}$  as  $b_{ij}$ , where  $(i)$  index rows and  $(j)$  indexes columns
  - Matrix multiplication creates a new matrix  $\mathbf{AB}$  whose  $(ij)$ th element is the **dot product** of the  $(i)$ th row of  $\mathbf{A}$  and the  $(j)$ th column of  $\mathbf{B}$ .

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} b_{11} & b_{12} \\ b_{21} & b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11}b_{11} + a_{12}b_{21} & a_{11}b_{12} + a_{12}b_{22} \\ a_{21}b_{11} + a_{22}b_{21} & a_{21}b_{12} + a_{22}b_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Aside on Matrix Math

- Do these:

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ -5 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 10 \\ 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{AB} = \begin{bmatrix} ? & ? \\ ? & ? \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 10 \\ 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 5 \end{bmatrix} \text{ and } \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 4 \\ -1 & 10 \end{bmatrix}$$

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# Aside on Matrix Math

The inverse of a  $2 \times 2$  matrix  $\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}$  is  $\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det \mathbf{A}} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{ad-bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$

so

$\begin{bmatrix} n & \sum x_i \\ \sum x_i & \sum x_i^2 \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{n \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum x_i^2 & -\sum x_i \\ -\sum x_i & n \end{bmatrix}$

# Normal Equations

$$\begin{bmatrix} \widehat{\beta}_0 \\ \widehat{\beta}_1 \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{n \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2} \begin{bmatrix} \sum x_i^2 & -\sum x_i \\ -\sum x_i & n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \sum y_i \\ \sum x_i y_i \end{bmatrix}$$

- Which means

$$\widehat{\beta}_0 = \frac{\sum x_i^2 \sum y_i - \sum x_i \sum x_i y_i}{n \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2}$$

- and

$$\widehat{\beta}_1 = \frac{n \sum x_i y_i - \sum x_i \sum y_i}{n \sum x_i^2 - (\sum x_i)^2}$$

# Normal Equations

- Simplifying

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$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\beta}_0 &= \frac{n \overline{y} \sum x_i^2 - \overline{x} \sum x_i y_i}{n \sum x_i^2 - \left( n \overline{x} \right)^2} \\ \widehat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{n \sum x_i y_i - n^2 \overline{x} \overline{y}}{n \sum x_i^2 - \left( n \overline{x} \right)^2} \end{aligned}$$


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# Normal Equations

- Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_{xx} &= \sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2 = \sum_i X_i^2 - \sum_i 2X_i \bar{X} + \sum_i \bar{X}^2 \\
 &= \sum_i X_i^2 - 2\bar{X} \sum_i X_i + n\bar{X}^2 = \sum_i X_i^2 - 2n\bar{X}^2 + n\bar{X}^2 = \sum_i X_i^2 - n\bar{X}^2
 \end{aligned}$$



# Normal Equations

- (Trivially, this also gives us  $(S_{yy} = \sum_i Y_i^2 - n\bar{Y}^2)$ )
- Also note that

$$\begin{aligned} S_{xy} &= \sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) \\ &= \sum_i X_i Y_i - \sum_i X_i \bar{Y} - \sum_i \bar{X} Y_i + \sum_i \bar{X} \bar{Y} \\ &= \sum_i X_i Y_i - n \bar{X} \bar{Y} \end{aligned}$$

# Normal Equations

- Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} \end{aligned}$$

- Note that  $\frac{\text{cov}(x,y)}{\text{var}(x)} = \frac{\frac{S_{xy}}{n}}{\frac{S_{xx}}{n}}$
- So

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\text{cov}(x,y)}{\text{var}(x)}$$

# Normal Equations

- For  $\widehat{\beta}_0$ , start with the derivative set to zero

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$$\begin{aligned}
 -2 \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\beta}_0 - \widehat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) &= 0 \quad \parallel \quad \sum_{i=1}^n \widehat{\beta}_0 - \widehat{\beta}_1 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i &= 0 \quad \parallel \quad n \bar{y} - n \widehat{\beta}_0 - n \widehat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} \\
 &= 0 \quad \parallel \quad \widehat{\beta}_0 &= \bar{y} - \widehat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}, \text{and so} \quad \parallel \quad \widehat{\beta}_0 &= \bar{y} - \\
 &\quad \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} \bar{x} \quad \parallel \quad \widehat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}}
 \end{aligned}$$


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# Properties of the Least Squares Line

- Nothing we've done yet requires assumptions about distributions of  $x$  or  $y$
- Just straight math footwork
- Some additional properties

Prop 1.  $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\Delta \hat{y}}{\Delta x}$ :

- Take derivative of  $\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$  with respect to  $x$ .
- $\frac{d\hat{y}}{dx} = \hat{\beta}_1$ . A one-unit change in  $x$  is associated with a  $\hat{\beta}_1$  unit change in  $\hat{y}$ . Or  $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\Delta \hat{y}}{\Delta x}$

Prop 2.  $\sum \hat{u}_i = 0$ :

- We define  $\hat{u}_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$  and substitute in  $\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$  to get  $\hat{u}_i = y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)$ .
- Sum it to see  $\sum \hat{u}_i = \sum y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)$ , and recall from  $\frac{\partial SSR}{\partial \hat{\beta}_0} = 0$  that  $\sum y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) = 0$ .

# Properties of the Least Squares Line

Prop 3.  $(\bar{\hat{u}} = 0)$ :

- From previous slide,  $(\sum_i \hat{u}_i = 0)$ .
- Thus  $(\frac{1}{n} \sum_i \hat{u}_i = 0)$  and therefore  $(\bar{\hat{u}} = 0)$  so  $(\bar{\hat{u}} = 0)$

Prop 4.  $(\text{cov}(x, \hat{u}) = 0)$ :

- We know from F.O.C. for  $(\hat{\beta}_1)$  that  $(\sum_i [y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i)] x_i = 0)$ .
- We defined  $(y_i - (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) = \hat{u}_i)$  so we can rewrite as  $(\sum_i \hat{u}_i x_i = 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(x, \hat{u}) &= \frac{\sum_i (\hat{u}_i)(x_i - \bar{x})}{n} = \frac{\sum_i \hat{u}_i x_i}{n} - \frac{\bar{x} \sum_i \hat{u}_i}{n} \\ &= 0 - 0 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Properties of the Least Squares Line

Prop 5.  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_i \hat{y}_i = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i y_i$

$$\begin{aligned} y_i &= \hat{y}_i + \hat{u}_i \\ \sum_i y_i &= \sum_i \hat{y}_i + \sum_i \hat{u}_i \\ \sum_i \hat{u}_i &= \sum_i \hat{y}_i + 0 \\ \frac{1}{n} \sum_i y_i &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_i \hat{y}_i \end{aligned}$$

Prop 6. The coordinate  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  is always on the line of best fit

- Note that  $\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{y} &= \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i \\ \hat{y}(\bar{x}) &= \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} + \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} \\ \hat{y}(\bar{x}) &= \bar{y} \end{aligned}$$

# Properties of the Least Squares Line

Prop 7.  $\text{cov}(\hat{y}_i, \hat{u}_i) = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{cov}(\hat{y}_i, \hat{u}_i) &= \frac{\sum (\hat{y}_i - \bar{\hat{y}})(\hat{u}_i - \bar{\hat{u}})}{n} = \\ &= \frac{\sum (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})\hat{u}_i}{n} = \frac{\sum \hat{y}_i \hat{u}_i}{n} - \frac{\bar{y} \sum \hat{u}_i}{n} = \\ &= \frac{\sum (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i) \hat{u}_i}{n} - 0 = \frac{\hat{\beta}_0 \sum \hat{u}_i + \hat{\beta}_1 \sum x_i \hat{u}_i}{n} - 0 = 0 - 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Sum of Squares

- Process of fitting least squares is **decomposing**  $(y_i)$  into two parts:  $(\hat{y}_i)$  and  $(\hat{u}_i)$
- Total sum of squares (**SST**):  $\sum_i (y_i - \bar{y})^2$
- Explained sum of squares (**SSE**):  $\sum_i (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2$
- Residual sum of squares (**SSR**):  $\sum_i \hat{u}_i^2$
- Prove:  $(SST = SSR + SSE)$



# Sum of Squares

$$\begin{aligned} SST &= \sum_i (y_i - \bar{y})^2 \\ &= \sum_i (y_i - \hat{y}_i + \hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 \\ &= \sum_i (\hat{u}_i + \hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 \\ &= \sum_i (\hat{u}_i)^2 + \sum_i (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2 + 2 \sum_i (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) \hat{u}_i \\ &= SSR + SSE + 2 \sum_i (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) \hat{u}_i \end{aligned}$$

- We just demonstrated that  $\text{cov}(\hat{y}_i, \hat{u}_i) = \frac{\sum (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y}) \hat{u}_i}{n} = 0$
- Therefore  $SST = SSR + SSE + 0$

# $(R^2)$

- $(SST = \sum_i (y_i - \bar{y})^2)$  is the sample variance of  $(y)$ .
- If  $(y)$  could be perfectly explained by a straight line over values of  $(x)$ , the  $(SSE = \sum_i (\hat{y}_i - \bar{y})^2)$  would be equal to the  $(SST)$
- Therefore  $(\frac{SSE}{SST} = 1)$ .
- This never actually happens, but we can use this ratio to measure the "goodness of fit"
  - $(R^2 = \frac{SSE}{SST})$
  - The proportion of sample variation in  $(y)$  that is explained by  $(x)$
  - $(R^2 = \frac{SSE}{SST} = 1 - \frac{SSR}{SST})$
- The name comes from the fact that, in the bivariate context,  $(R^2 = (r)^2)$