Simple Linear Regression

Introduction

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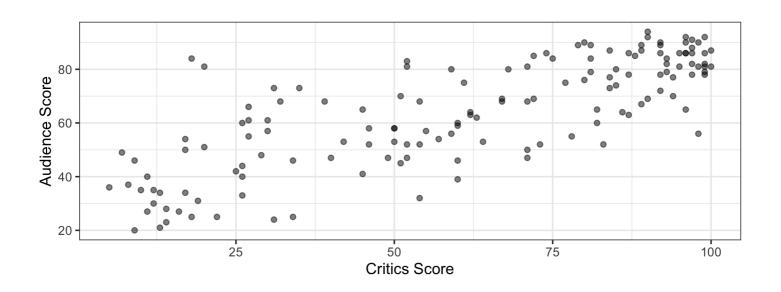
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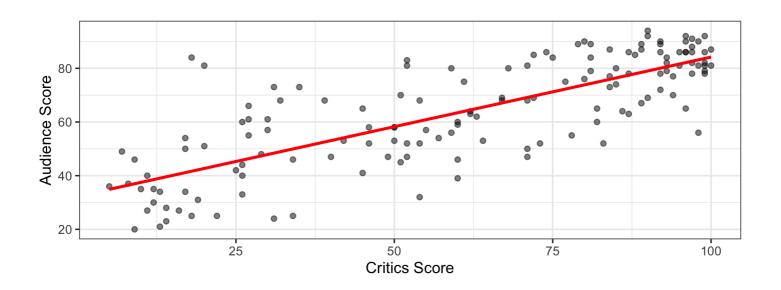
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The data set contains the "Tomatometer" score (**critics**) and audience score (**audience**) for 146 movies rated on rottentomatoes.com.



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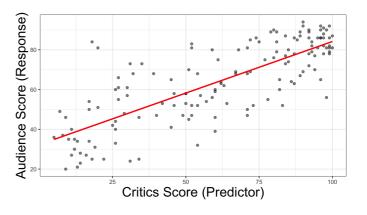
We want to fit a line to describe the relationship between the critics score and audience score.



Terminology

The **response**, *Y*, is the variable describing the outcome of interest.

The **predictor**, *X*, is the variable we use to help understand the variability in the response.



Regression model

A **regression model** is a function that describes the relationship between the response, Y, and the predictor, X.

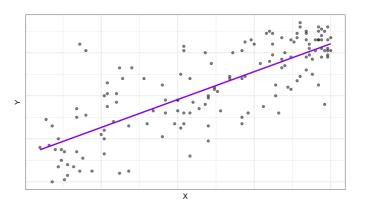
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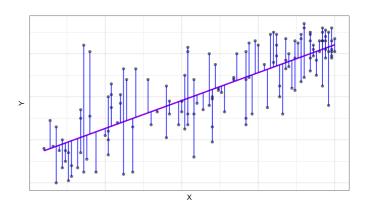
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Simple linear regression

When we have a quantitative response, Y, and a single quantitative predictor, X, we can use a **simple linear regression** model to describe the relationship between Y and X.

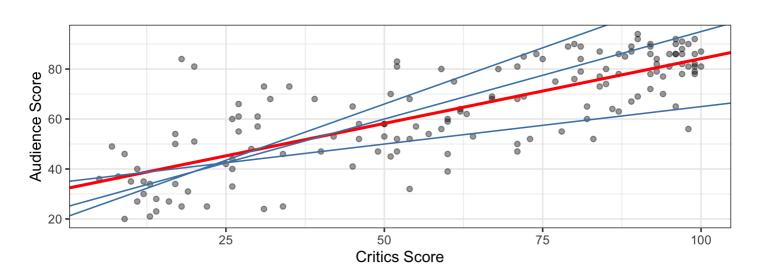
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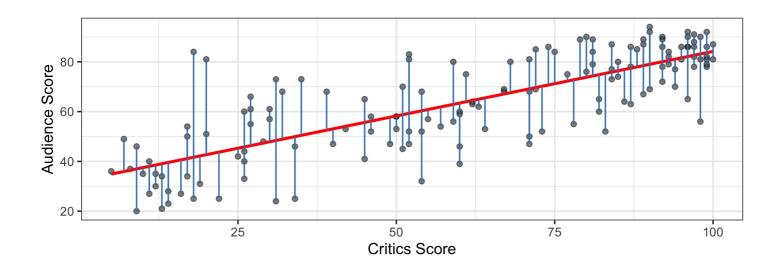
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How do we choose values for $\hat{\beta}_1$ and $\hat{\beta}_0$?



Residuals



residual = observed – predicted = $y - \hat{y}$

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 The least squares line is the one that minimizes the sum of squared residuals

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Otherwise, don't interpret the intercept!

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- We interpreted the slope and intercept.
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 - Intercept: If x is 0, then we expect y to be $\hat{\beta}_0$ units.