

Week 8: Simple Linear Regression

Modeling Linear Associations Between Variables

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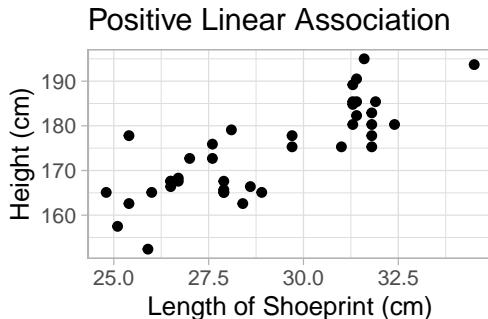
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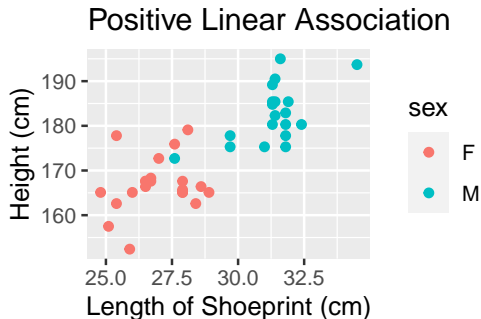
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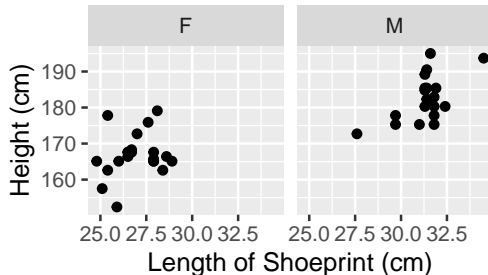
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Positive Linear Association



Histogram Visualization of Variable Association

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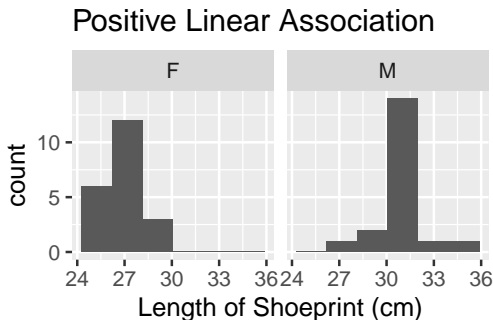
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# {r, fig.width=3, fig.height=2}
heights %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=shoePrint)) +
  geom_histogram(bins=6) +
  facet_wrap(~sex) +
  labs(title="Positive Linear Association",
        x="Length of Shoeprint (cm)")
```



Sample Correlation r : Linear Association in (x_i, y_i)

① First, **Correlation is not Causation**

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{2} \quad r &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}} \\ &= \frac{(n-1)s_{xy}}{\sqrt{(n-1)s_x^2(n-1)s_y^2}} \\ &= \frac{s_{xy}}{s_x s_y} = \frac{\text{Cov}(x, y)}{\text{SD}(x)\text{SD}(y)} \end{aligned}$$

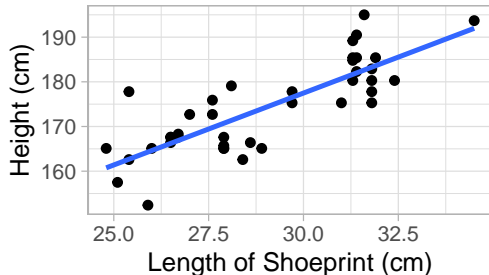
```
cor(heights$shoePrint, heights$height)
```

```
## [1] 0.812948
```

- Play “guess the correlation” at <http://www.istics.net/Correlations/>

```
# {r, fig.width=3, fig.height=2}  
heights %>% ggplot(aes(  
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  geom_smooth(method=lm, se=FALSE) +  
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```

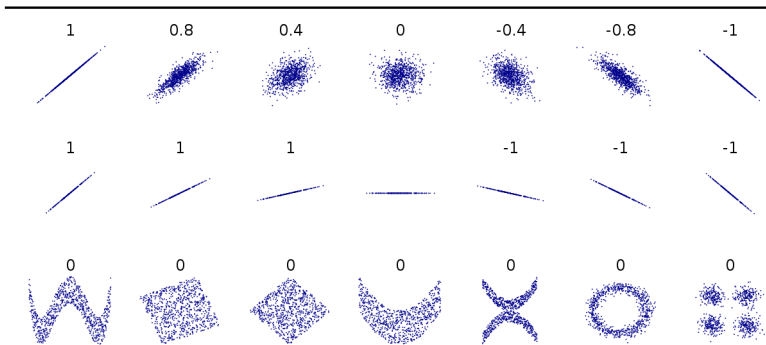
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- The denominator scales the numerator so that the total $-1 \leq r \leq 1$ always
- r measures *linear association*, with $r > 0$ *positive* and $r < 0$ means *negative*

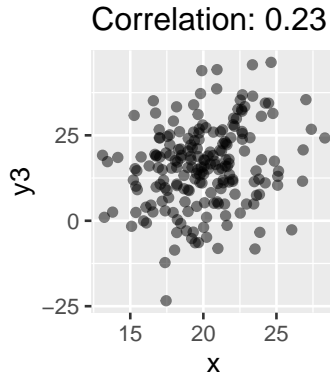
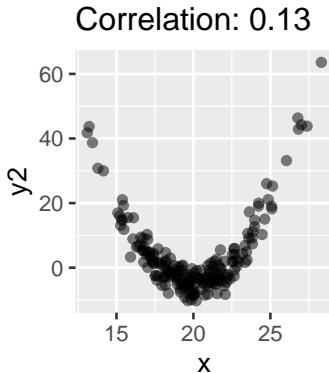
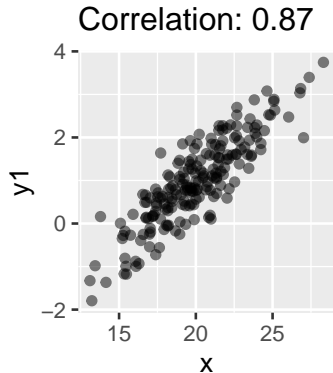


Why no Scale?

Does it
matter?

Sample Correlation r : Linear Association in (x_i, y_i)

Is x more strongly associated with y_1 , y_2 , or y_3 ?



Correlation is not Causation but it is also only measures **LINEAR** Association

Simple Linear Regression is a Normal Model

$$E[Y_i|x_i] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$$

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, \quad \epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

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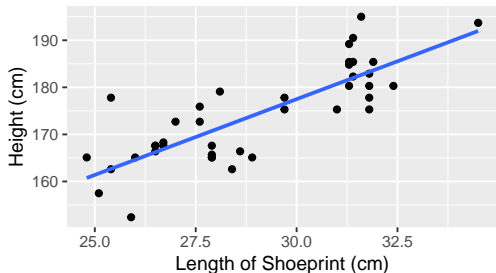
Parameters of the Normal Model

- β_0 : 'Y if x is 0' **intercept parameter**
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- ϵ_i : the 'noise' or 'error' term
- x_i : predictor, feature, covariate, or explanatory or independent variable; as if a parameter was known without error
- Y_i : response, outcome or dependent variable

```
# https://ggplot2.tidyverse.org/reference/geom\_smooth.html
```

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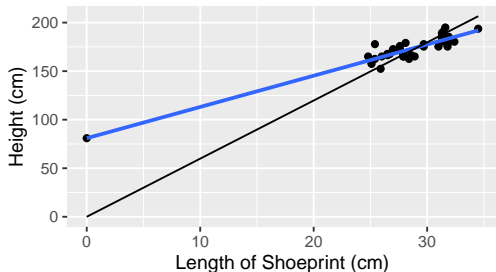
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```
intercept <- lm(height~shoePrint, data=heights)$coeff[1]
# "-1" means a "zero intercept" model going through (0,0)
lm(height ~ -1 + shoePrint, data=heights)$coeff[1] ->
  slope_if_intercept_is_0; coef0 <- slope_if_intercept_is_0

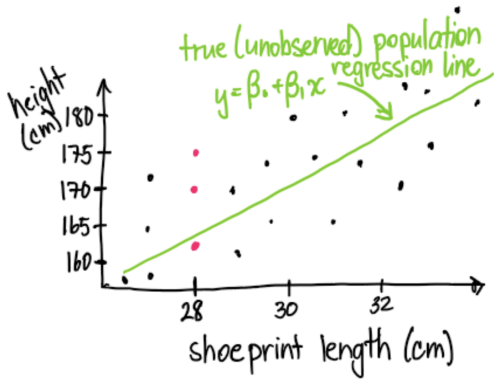
heights %>% add_row(tibble(shoePrint=0, height=intercept)) %>%
  ggplot(aes(x=shoePrint,y=height)) + geom_point() +
  geom_smooth(method=lm, se=FALSE) +
  geom_segment(aes(x=x, y=y, xend=xend, yend=yend),
    data=tibble(x=0, y=0, xend=34.5, yend=34.5*coef0)) +
  labs(title="Simple Linear Regression", y="Height (cm)",
    x="Length of Shoeprint (cm)")
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Simple Linear Regression



Simple Linear Regression is a Normal Model

For $x_i = x_j$ we will have $y_i \neq y_j$



Person 1: $(x_1, y_1) = (28, 162.5)$

Person 2: $(x_2, y_2) = (28, 170)$

Person 3: $(x_3, y_3) = (28, 175)$

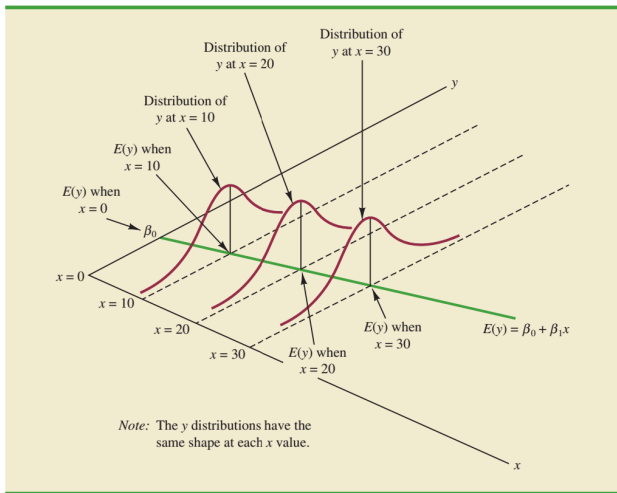
* Same x values, but obs. values of y (height) aren't all the same.

The expected value is $E[Y_i] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i$ but the actual value is

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i \text{ where } \epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$

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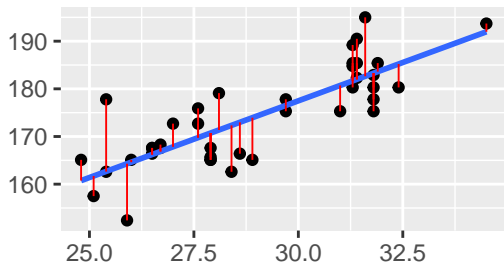
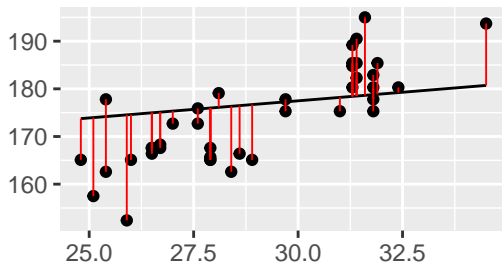


Fitting Simple Linear Regression Models

$$\min_{\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2 = \min_{\hat{\beta}_0, \hat{\beta}_1} \sum_{i=1}^n \hat{\epsilon}_i^2$$

where $\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$
estimates $E[Y_i | x_i] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$

Method of Least Squares: minimize the sum of the squared residuals



- Why square the *residual* $\hat{\epsilon}_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i$?
- $\hat{\beta}_0 = 80.930$ and $\hat{\beta}_1 = 3.219$
- What are the *three largest residuals* under the fit model on the right?

Fitting Simple Linear Regression Models

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta}_1 &= r \frac{s_y}{s_x} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}} \\ &= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2} \\ \hat{\beta}_0 &= \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}\end{aligned}$$

What is the *predicted* expected value of Y_i if $x_i = 30$ cm? **How** much taller on average are people with 5 cm larger shoe prints?

$\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ estimates of β_0 and β_1 and the Response ~ Predictor Notation

```
least_squares_fit <- lm( height ~ shoePrint , data=heights) # "response ~ predictor"
# least_squares_fit %>% summary() %>% broom::tidy() # library(broom)
summary(least_squares_fit)$coefficients
```

##	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
## (Intercept)	80.930409	10.8933945	7.429310	6.504368e-09
## shoePrint	3.218561	0.3740081	8.605591	1.863474e-10

Simple Linear Regression can be Interpreted

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i$$

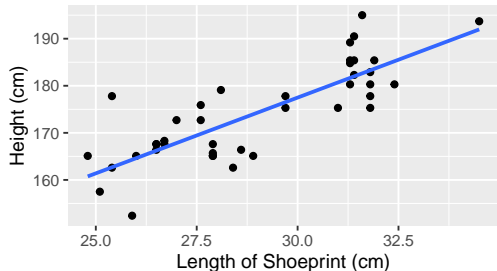
$$\hat{y}_i = 80.93 + 3.22x_i$$

$$\hat{\epsilon}_i = y_i - (80.93 + 3.22x_i)$$

all based on the idea (model) that

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon \quad / \quad y_i \sim N(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i, \sigma^2)$$

Simple Linear Regression



The **parameters** of a **regression model** are often called **regression coefficients**

The *slope coefficient* is interpreted as "difference in Y per unit change in x"

"Height *increases* by 3.22 cm **on average** per 1 cm *increase* in shoePrint length"

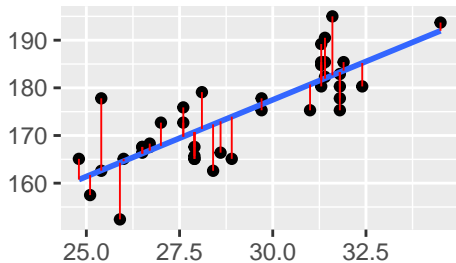
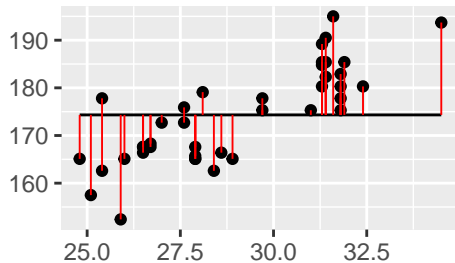
Linear model $\hat{\beta}_1 = r \frac{s_y}{s_x}$ associations are not causal: **"correlation is not causation"**

Should we predict (extrapolate) the expected value of Y_i using this data if $x_i = 10$ cm?

The Coefficient of Determination R^2

$$R^2 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2 - \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = 1 - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = r^2$$

The “Proportion of Variation Explained” is a *Measure of Model Fit*

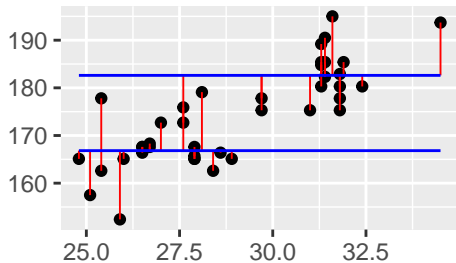
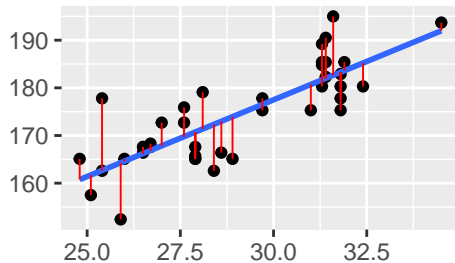


- What is the proportion reduction in the *squared residuals*?
[R^2 is equal to r^2 only for Simple Linear Regression]

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Which of these looks like a better explanatory model?



- What is the proportion reduction in the *squared residuals* for each?
[The two lines are "Male" and "Female": is this Simple Linear Regression?]

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```
summary(least_squares_fit)$r.squared
```

```
## [1] 0.6608845
```

```
#for Simple Linear Regression that equals  
cor(heights$shoePrint, heights$height)^2
```

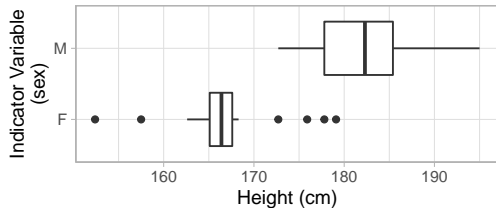
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```
least_squares_fit2 <- # different "x"  
  lm(height~sex, data=heights)
```

```
summary(least_squares_fit2)$r.squared
```

```
## [1] 0.6283874
```

```
heights %>% ggplot(aes(y=sex, x=height))+  
  geom_boxplot() + theme_light() +  
  labs(y="Indicator Variable\n(sex)",  
       x="Height (cm)")
```



How Indicator Variables Work

```
##  
## Call:  
## lm(formula = height ~ sex, data = heights)  
##  
## Coefficients:  
## (Intercept)          sexM  
##      166.82          15.79
```

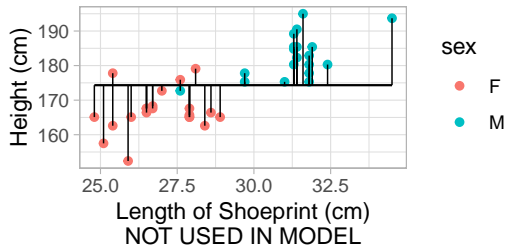
- $\hat{\beta}_1$ is called a **contrast** as it captures a difference between groups

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 I(x_i = M) + \epsilon_i$$

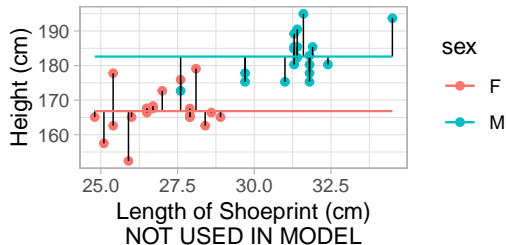
$$\hat{y}_i = 166.82 + 15.79 I(x_i = M)$$

$$\hat{y}_i = \begin{cases} 166.82[\hat{\beta}_0] + 15.79[\hat{\beta}_1] & \text{if sex} = M \\ 166.82(\hat{\beta}_0) \quad [\text{baseline}] & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

No Explanatory Variables



Using an Indicator Variable



How Indicator Variables Work

```
# default lm(height~I(sex=="M")) could specify lm(height~I(sex=="F"))  
lm(height~sex, data=heights)$coefficients
```

```
## (Intercept)          sexM  
##    166.82381      15.79198
```

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 I(x_i = M) + \epsilon_i$$

$$\hat{y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 I(x_i = M)$$

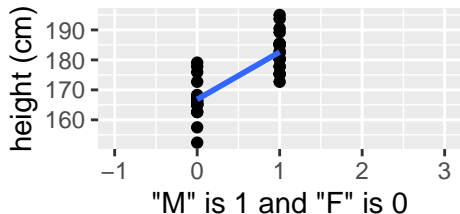
$$I(x_i = M) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if sex} = M \\ 0 & \text{[baseline] otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\hat{y}_i = \begin{cases} (\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1) & \text{if sex} = M \\ \hat{\beta}_0 & \text{[baseline] otherwise} \end{cases}$$

How Indicator Variables Work

```
tibble(sexM=as.numeric(heights$sex=="M"),
       y=heights$height) -> version_1
lm(y~sexM, data=version_1) %>%
  tidy() %>% select(-std.error)
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 4
##   term      estimate statistic  p.value
##   <chr>      <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>
## 1 (Intercept) 167.        123.  5.09e-51
## 2 sexM        15.8         8.02 1.09e- 9
```

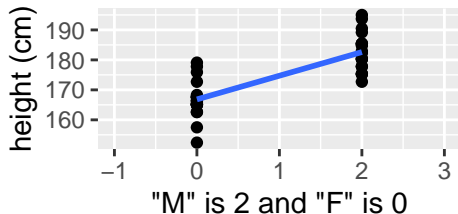


```
cor(heights$sex=="M", heights$height)
```

```
## [1] 0.7927089
```

```
tibble(sexM=2*as.numeric(heights$sex=="M"),
       y=heights$height) -> version_2
lm(y~sexM, data=version_2) %>%
  tidy() %>% select(-std.error)
```

```
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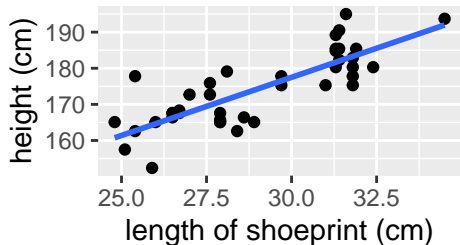
```
cor(2*(heights$sex=="M"), heights$height)
```

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How Scaling Variables Works Generally

```
lm(height~shoePrint, data=heights) %>%  
  tidy() %>% select(-std.error)
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 4  
##   term          estimate statistic  p.value  
##   <chr>         <dbl>    <dbl>   <dbl>  
## 1 (Intercept)    80.9      7.43 6.50e- 9  
## 2 shoePrint      3.22     8.61 1.86e-10
```

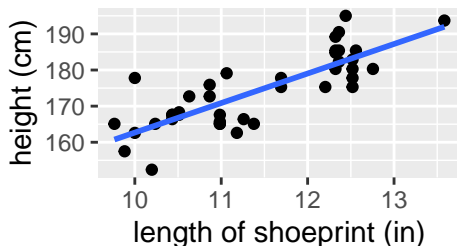


```
cor(heights$shoePrint, heights$height)
```

```
## [1] 0.812948
```

```
lm(height~I(shoePrint/2.54), data=heights) %>%  
  tidy() %>% select(-std.error)
```

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## # A tibble: 2 x 4  
##   term          estimate statistic  p.value  
##   <chr>         <dbl>    <dbl>   <dbl>  
## 1 (Intercept)    80.9      7.43 6.50e- 9  
## 2 I(shoePrint/2.54) 8.18     8.61 1.86e-10
```



```
cor(heights$shoePrint/2.54, heights$height)
```

```
## [1] 0.812948
```

Hypothesis Testing for Linear Model Regression

Will $\hat{\beta}_0 = \beta_0$? Will $\hat{\beta}_1 = \beta_1$? What would a NULL hypothesis of $H_0 : \beta_1 = 0$ mean?

How about $H_0 : \beta_0 = 0$? What are corresponding the ALTERNATIVE hypotheses here?

What's the result and interpretation of $\alpha = 0.05$ significance testing the models below?

The statistic and p.value outputs are based on $H_0 : \beta = 0$

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##   term          estimate statistic  p.value  
##   <chr>          <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>  
## 1 (Intercept)    80.9        7.43 6.50e- 9  
## 2 shoePrint      3.22        8.61 1.86e-10
```

```
lm(height~sex, data=heights) %>%  
  tidy() %>% select(-std.error)
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 4  
##   term          estimate statistic  p.value  
##   <chr>          <dbl>      <dbl>    <dbl>  
## 1 (Intercept)    167.        123. 5.09e-51  
## 2 sexM           15.8         8.02 1.09e- 9
```

- These tests depend on the $y_i \sim N(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i, \sigma^2)$ model being TRUE.
- This entails *normality*, *homoskedasticity*, *independence*, and *linearity* assumptions.

→ Confidence Intervals on Regression Coefficient values are then also possible

Next Class...

```
lm(height~shoePrint, data=heights) %>% tidy() # R2 0.6608845
```

```
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
```

##	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
##	<chr>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
## 1	(Intercept)	80.9	10.9	7.43	6.50e- 9
## 2	shoePrint	3.22	0.374	8.61	1.86e-10

```
lm(height~sex, data=heights) %>% tidy() %>% as.matrix() # R2 0.6283874
```

##	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
## [1,]	"(Intercept)"	"166.82381"	"1.357760"	"122.866909"	"5.085412e-51"
## [2,]	"sexM"	" 15.79198"	"1.970046"	" 8.016048"	"1.085391e-09"

```
lm(height~shoePrint+sex, data=heights) %>% tidy() %>% as.matrix() # R2 0.6909145
```

##	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
## [1,]	"(Intercept)"	"112.734096"	"19.8103430"	"5.690669"	"1.647767e-06"
## [2,]	"shoePrint"	" 2.007926"	" 0.7339256"	"2.735872"	"9.498622e-03"
## [3,]	"sexM"	" 7.001892"	" 3.6929712"	"1.896005"	"6.578969e-02"

```
# summary(lm(height~shoePrint+sex, data=heights))$r.squared
```