

# Regression Analysis

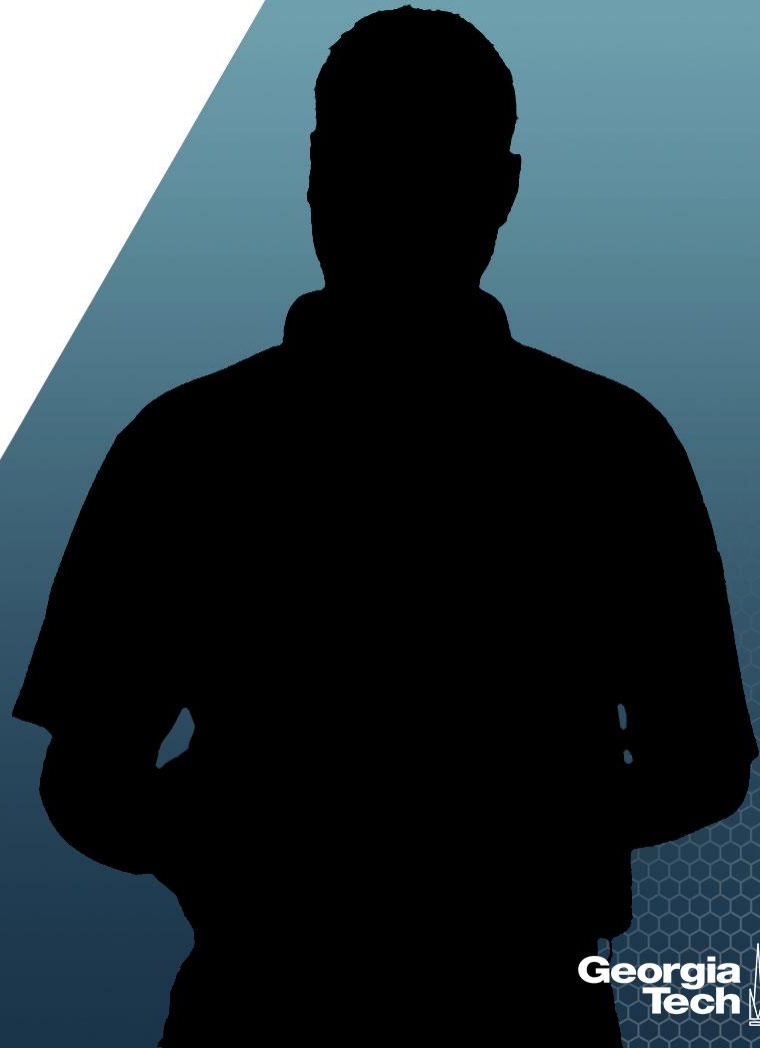
## Simple Linear Regression

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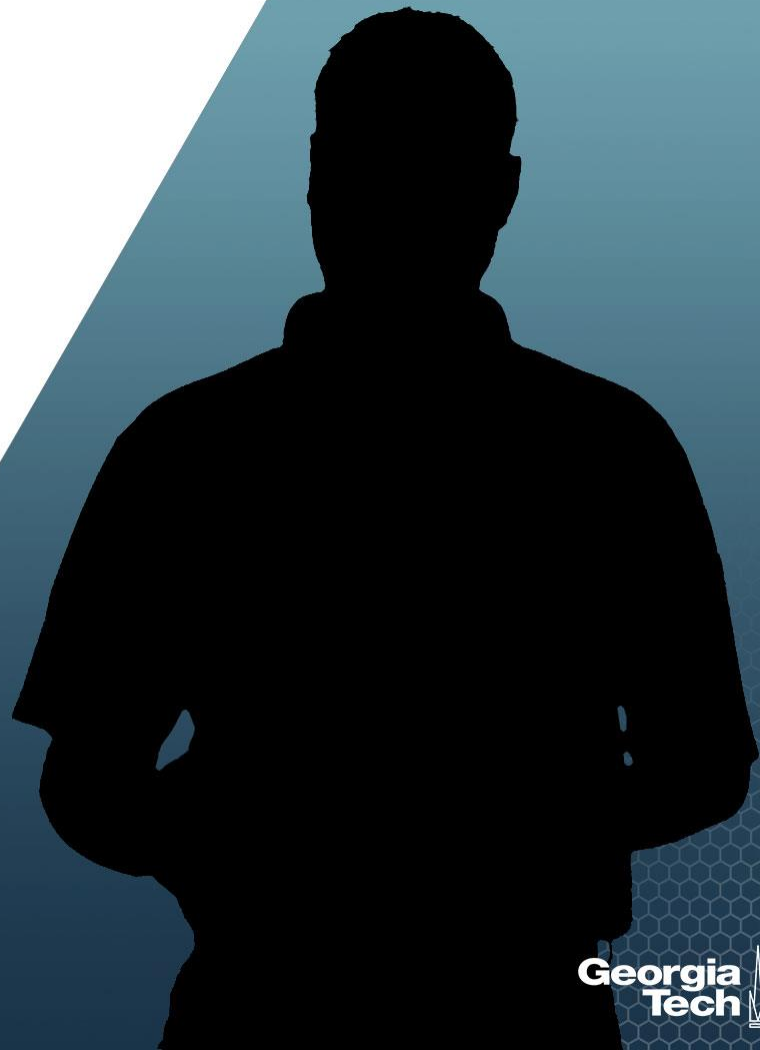
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Testing the Theory of Purchasing  
Power Parity (Part 1)



# About This Lesson



# Testing the Theory of Purchasing Power Parity



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# Regression Variables

**Response Variable:** Average annual change in the exchange rate

$$\frac{\ln(\text{Exchange Rate for 2012}) - \ln(\text{Exchange Rate for 1975})}{\text{no. years}} \% = \text{Annualized Percentage Change}$$

**Predicting Variable:** Average of the difference in annual inflation rates for a country vs U.S.

$$\frac{1}{\text{no. years}} \sum_{y=1975}^{2012} (\text{Inflation}_y(\text{U.S.}) - \text{Inflation}_y(\text{Country}))$$

Country	Inflation.difference	Exchange.rate.change	Developed
Australia	-1.2351	-3.1870	1
Austria	1.5508	1.4781	1
Belgium	1.0371	0.0395	1
Canada	0.0461	-1.6416	1
Chile	-18.4126	-20.6329	0

# Read the Data in R

**# Use read.table R command: pay attention to the file type to use the correct read file!#**

```
ppp = read.table("ppp.dat",sep="\t", header=T, row.names=NULL)
```

**## How many countries?**

```
dim(ppp)
[1] 40 4
```

**## Brazil is an outlier and it was not included in the data set initially; I am adding it back as follows**

```
Addp = data.frame("Brazil",-76,-73,0)
names(addp) = names(ppp)
```

**## Save the data variables to be recognized by R as separate variables**

```
ppp = data.frame(rbind(ppp,addp))
attach(ppp)
```

**## Re-label the 'Developed' column to differentiate between Developed and Developing countries**

```
Developed[Developed==1] = "Developed"
Developed[Developed==0] = "Developing"
```

# Exploratory Data Analysis in R

**# Evaluate the Linear Relationship: Perform a scatter plot of the two variables**

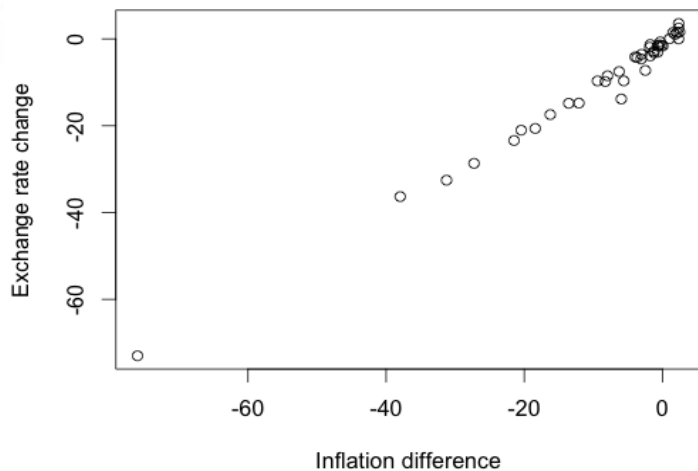
```
plot(Inflation.difference, Exchange.rate.change, main="Scatterplot of  
Exchange rate change vs Inflation difference", xlab="Inflation  
difference", ylab="Exchange rate change")
```

**# Evaluate differences between developed and developing countries**

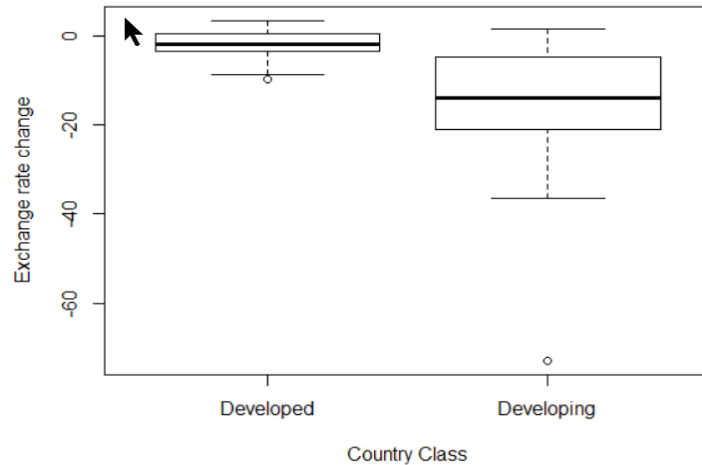
```
boxplot(Exchange.rate.change~as.factor(Developed), main="Boxplot of  
Exchange rate change by Developed vs Developing  
Countries", xlab="Country Class", ylab="Exchange rate change")
```

# Exploratory Data Analysis in R

**Scatterplot of Exchange rate change  
vs Inflation difference**



**Boxplot of Exchange rate change by Developed vs  
Developing Countries**



# Fitting Linear Regression in R

```
pppa = lm(Exchange.rate.change ~ Inflation.difference) ## regression model  
summary(pppa)
```

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t )
(Intercept)	-1.51930	0.29415	-5.165	7.43e-06
Inflation.difference	0.96185	0.01781	53.991	< 2e-16
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$\hat{\beta}_0 = -1.5193$ ,  $se(\hat{\beta}_0) = 0.2941$   
 $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.9618$ ,  $se(\hat{\beta}_1) = 0.0178$

Test for statistical significance:  
 $\beta_0$ : t-value= -5.165, p-value  $\approx 0$   
 $\beta_1$ : t-value= 53.991, p-value  $\approx 0$

Residual standard error: 1.646 on 39 degrees of freedom  
Multiple R-squared: 0.9868, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9865  
F-statistic: 2915 on 1 and 39 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

$\hat{\sigma} = 1.646$ ,  $n-2 = 39$   
 $R^2 = 98.7\%$  variability explained

# Does the Theory Hold?

The principle of purchasing power parity (PPP) states:

$$\text{Average annual change in the exchange rate} = \text{Difference in average annual inflation rates} + \text{Random error}$$

The economic theory says that  $\beta_0 = 0$ ,  $\beta_1 = 1$ .

The estimates for these coefficients are:  $\hat{\beta}_0 = -1.519$ ,  $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.9618$

**Violations of PPP theory with respect to both the intercept and the slope.**

## Testing the theory:

$\beta_0 = 0$ : Based on the t-test of statistical significance we find that  $\beta_0$  is statistically different from zero.

$\beta_1 = 1$ : We need to perform a t-test with this as the null hypothesis:

$$\text{T-value} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - 1}{\text{se}(\hat{\beta}_1)} = \frac{0.9618 - 1}{0.0178} = -2.1448$$

$$\text{p-value} = 2(1 - P(T_{39} < -2.1448)) = 0.038$$

# Hypothesis Testing in R

**# Perform the hypothesis test for slope coefficient**

**H0: slope=1**

**# use the library 'car' available in R (you need to install this library first then download it)**

```
install.packages("car")
```

```
library(car)
```

```
linearHypothesis(pppa,c(0,1),rhs=1)
```

**## Alternatively, you can compute the t-value and p-value as follows:**

```
tvalue = (0.9618-1)/0.01781
```

```
pvalue = 2*(1-pt(abs(tvalue),39))
```

**## Use the help menu to learn more about the functions used above:**

```
help(pt)
```

```
help(linearHypothesis)
```

P-value =  $2P(T_{n-2} > |t\text{-value}|)$

where

$$t\text{-value} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - 1}{\sqrt{\hat{\sigma}^2/S_{XX}}}$$

# Summary

