

Exercise 7C.1

Linear regression was used to investigate the relationship between age (years) and systolic blood pressure (mmHg) in a sample of adults ranging from 29 to 69 years old. Stata output is below.

. regress sbp age					
Source	SS	df	MS		
Model	6110.10173	1	6110.10173	Number of obs = 29	
Residual	2469.34654	27	91.4572794	F(1, 27) = 66.81	
Total	8579.44828	28	306.408867	Prob > F = 0.0000	
				R-squared = 0.7122	
				Adj R-squared = 0.7015	
				Root MSE = 9.5633	
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sbp	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]
age	.9493225	.1161445	8.17	0.000	.7110137 1.187631
_cons	97.07708	5.527552	17.56	0.000	85.73549 108.4187
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(a) Calculate the sample correlation between age and SBP.

(b) If we convert age from years to months, will the sample correlation change? Will the slope estimate change? Will the R^2 change?

Exercise 7C.2

A summary of some of the variables in the New Hampshire student survey data is on the next page. Use this to answer the questions.

- (a) If I perform a linear regression using the miles away from school a student lives (`miles`) to predict his/her GPA (`gpa`), will the slope estimate be positive or negative?

- (b) If I perform a linear regression using the miles away from school a student lives (`miles`) to predict his/her GPA (`gpa`), what will the coefficient of determination for the regression be?

- (c) If I perform a linear regression using the miles away from school a student lives (`miles`) to predict his/her drinking score (`drink`), will the slope estimate be positive or negative?

- (d) If I perform a linear regression using the miles away from school a student lives (`miles`) to predict his/her drinking score (`drink`), what will the coefficient of determination for the regression be?

- (e) If I perform a linear regression using drinking score (`drink`) to predict the miles away from school a student lives (`miles`), what will the coefficient of determination for the regression be?

Output for problem on previous page:

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. corr gpa drink miles
(obs=206)

      |     gpa     drink     miles
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    gpa |   1.0000
  drink |  -0.2591   1.0000
  miles |   0.1558  -0.2702   1.0000
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