# Introduction to the Course

INTRODUCTION TO LINEAR MODELING IN PYTHON



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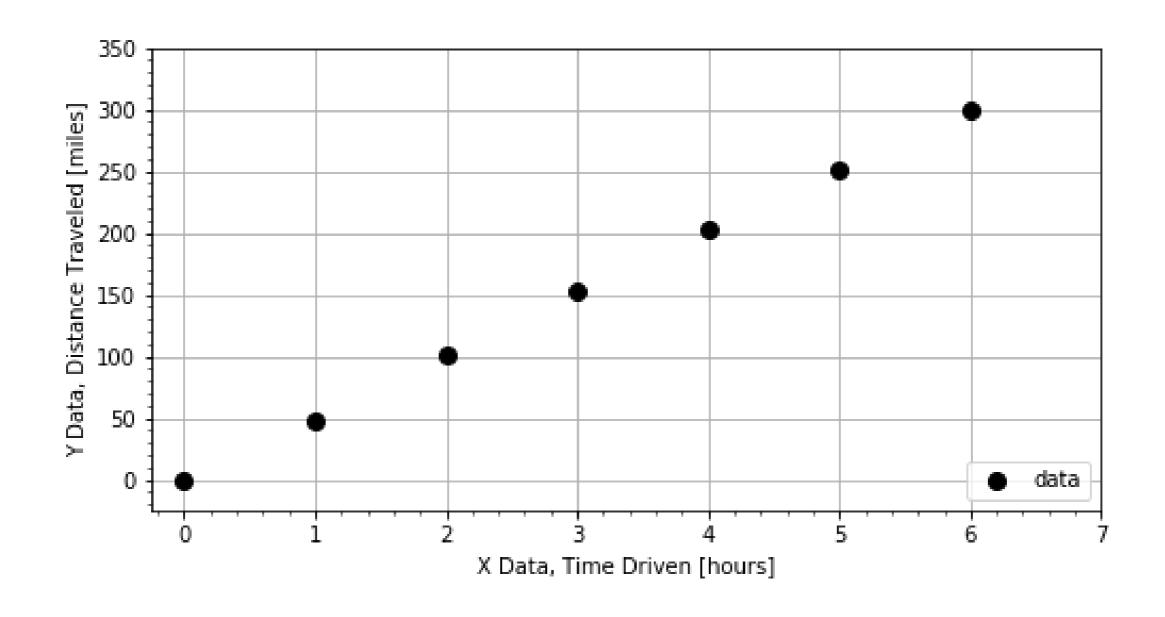
## Introduction to Chapter 1

#### **Chapter Roadmap:**

- Motivating Examples
- Data Visualization
- Descriptive Statistics



## **Example Trip Data**





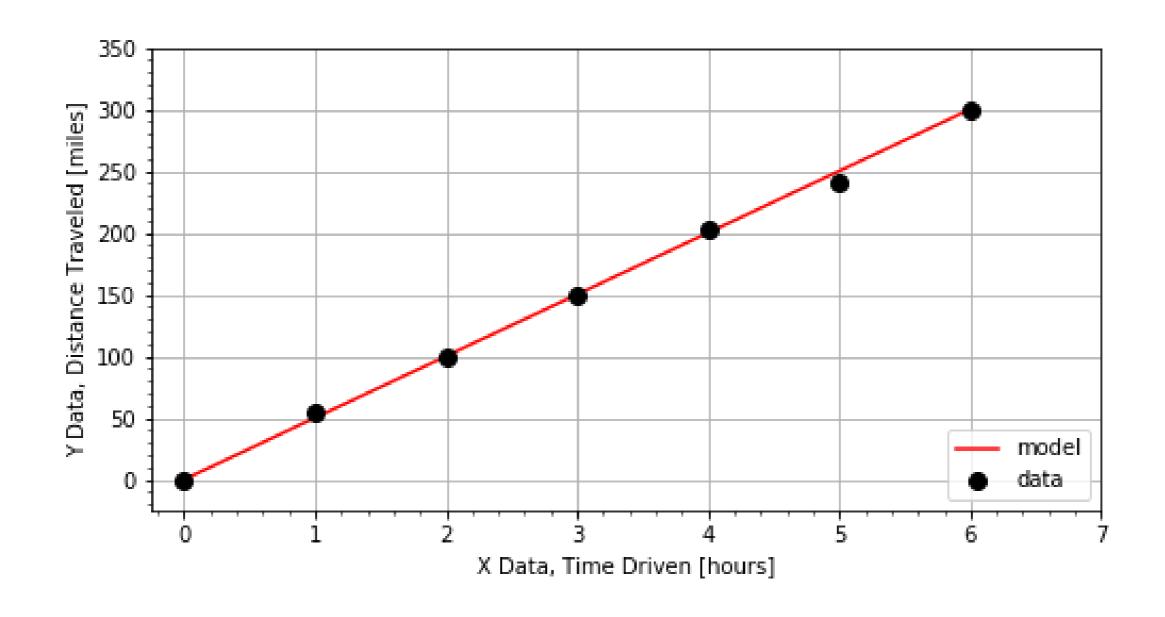
#### Models as Descriptions

```
# Range of y data, in miles
y_range = np.max(y) - np.min(y) = 300 - 0 = 300

# Range of x data, in hours
x_range = np.max(x) - np.min(x) = 6 - 0 = 6

# Estimating the speed
mph = y_range / x_range = 300 / 6 = 50
```

# Visualizing a Model

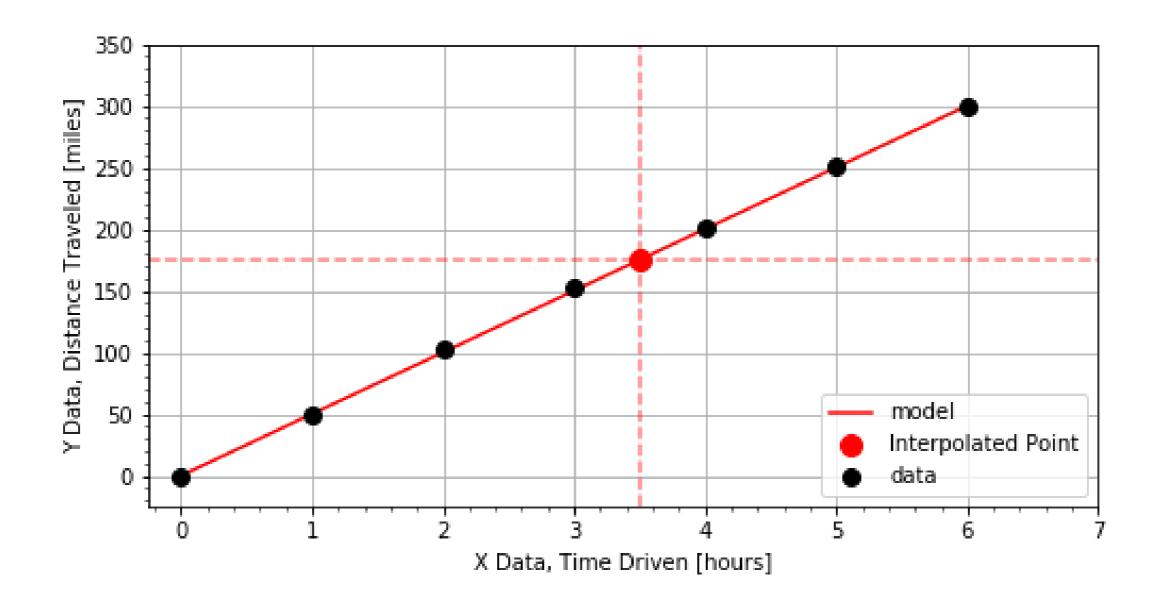




#### **Model Predictions**

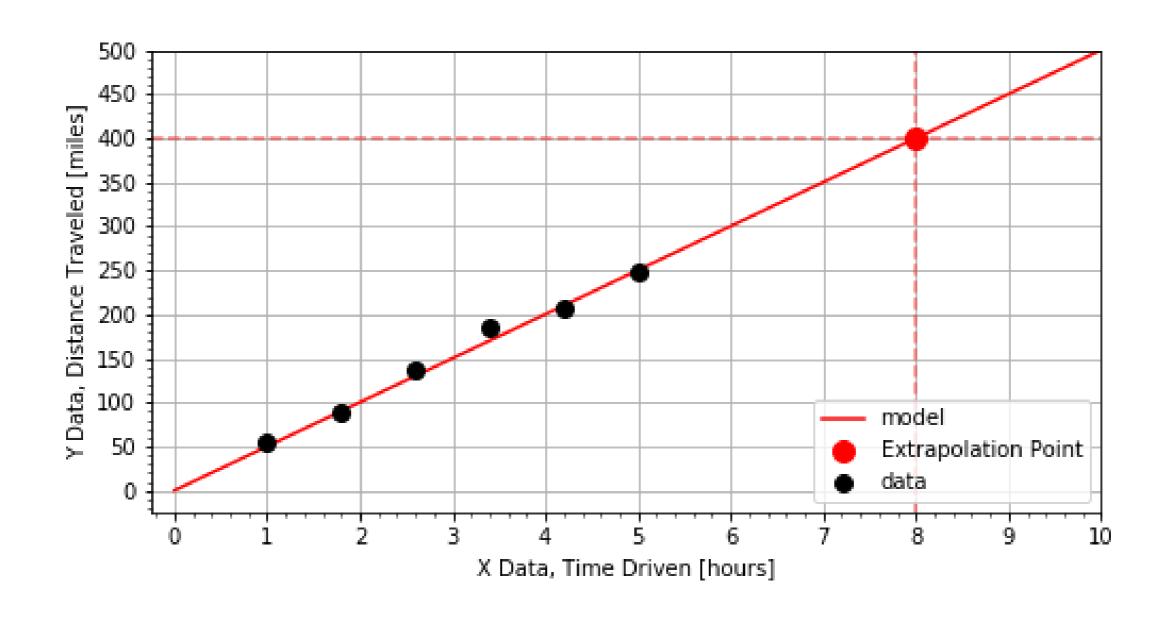
```
# Model as python expression
miles = 50*hours
# Model predicts distance is 300 miles at 6 hours
time = 6
distance = 50 * time = 50 * 6 = 300
def model(time):
    return 50*time
predicted_distance = model(time=10)
```

# Interpolation





# Extrapolation





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# Visualizing Linear Relationships

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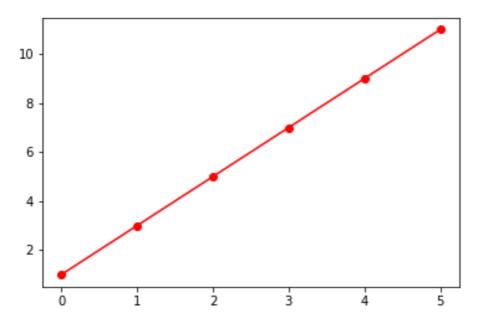
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#### **Quick Plots**

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.plot(x, y, 'r-o')
```

```
plt.show()
```



## **Object Interface**

```
# Import the pyplot module
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

# Create figure and axis objects
fig, axis = plt.subplots()

# Prepare initial style options
options = dict(marker='o', color='blue')
```

#### **Object Interface**

```
# Call the plot method on the axis object
line = axis.plot(x, y, **options)
# Modify the axis object with set methods
  = axis.set_ylabel('Times')
  = axis.set_xlabel('Distances')
# Display figure
plt.show()
```

## Visualizing Linear Data

• two points:

$$\circ$$
 (x1,y1) = (0,0)

$$\circ$$
 (x2, y2) = (2,3)

change in x and y:

$$\circ$$
 dy = (y2 - y1) = 3 - 0

$$\circ$$
 dx = (x2 - x1) = 2 - 0

• slope = rise-over-run

$$\circ$$
 slope = dy/dx = 3/2

• intercept:

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 when x=0: y1 = 0



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# Quantifying Linear Relationships

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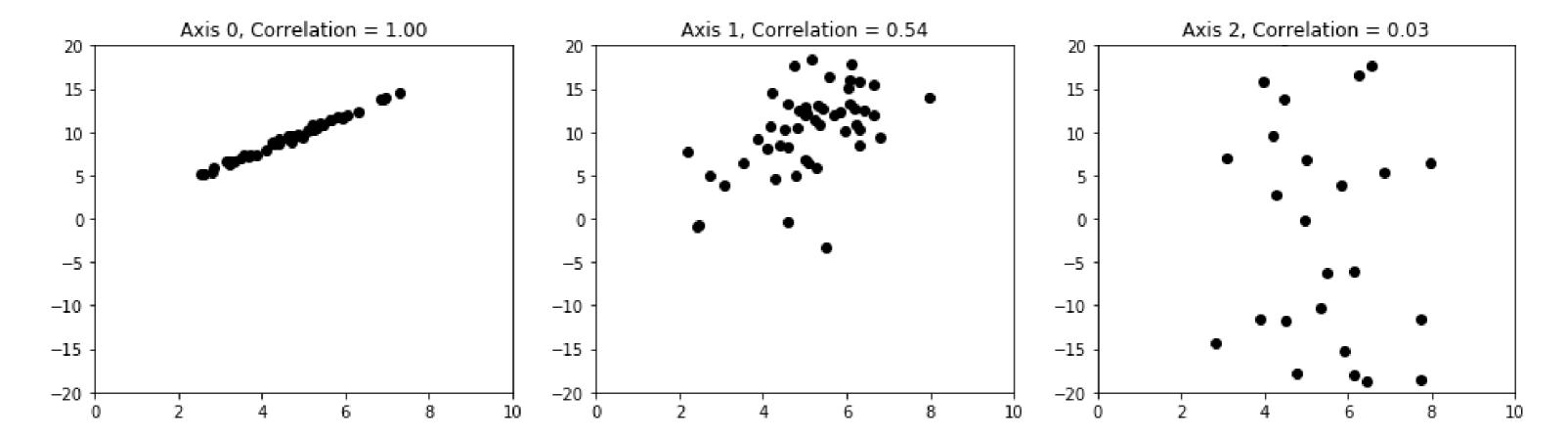


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#### **Pre-Visualization**



## Review of Single Variable Statistics

```
# Mean
mean = sum(x)/len(x)
# Deviation, sometimes called "centering"
dx = x - np.mean(x)
# Variance
variance = np.mean(dx*dx)
# Standard Deviation
stdev = np.sqrt(variance)
```

#### Covariance

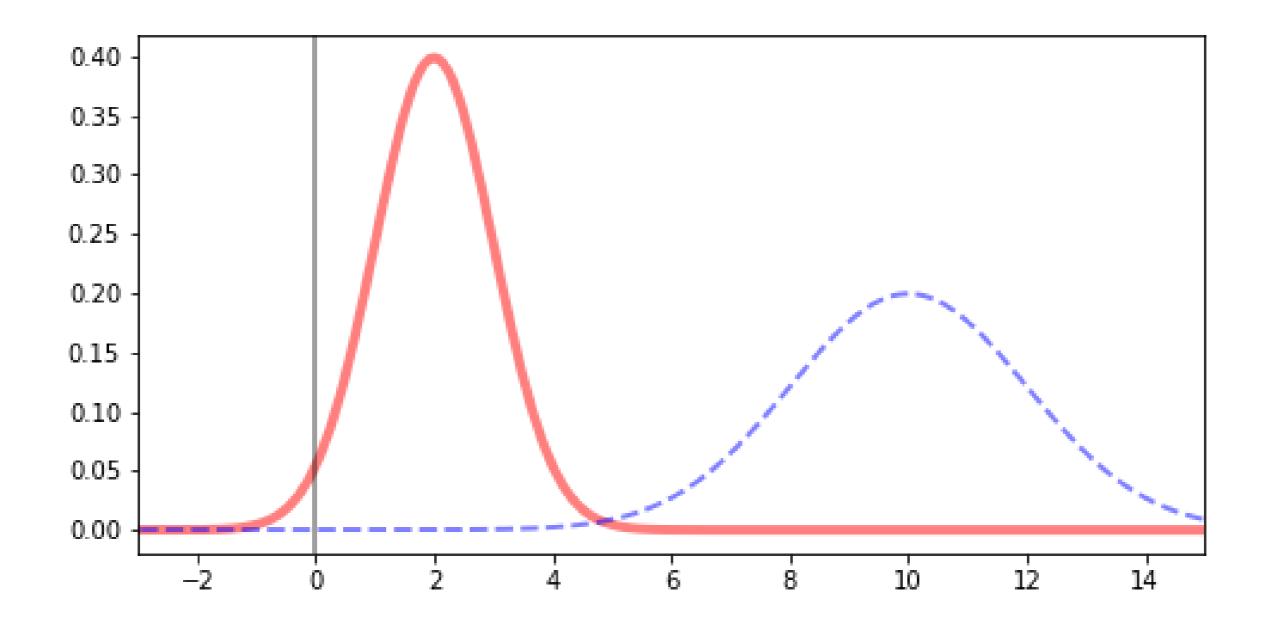
```
# Deviations of two variables
dx = x - np.mean(x)
dy = y - np.mean(y)
# Co-vary means to vary together
deviation_products = dx*dy
# Covariance as the mean
covariance = np.mean(dx*dy)
```

#### Correlation

```
# Divide deviations by standard deviation
zx = dx/np.std(x)
zy = dy/np.std(y)

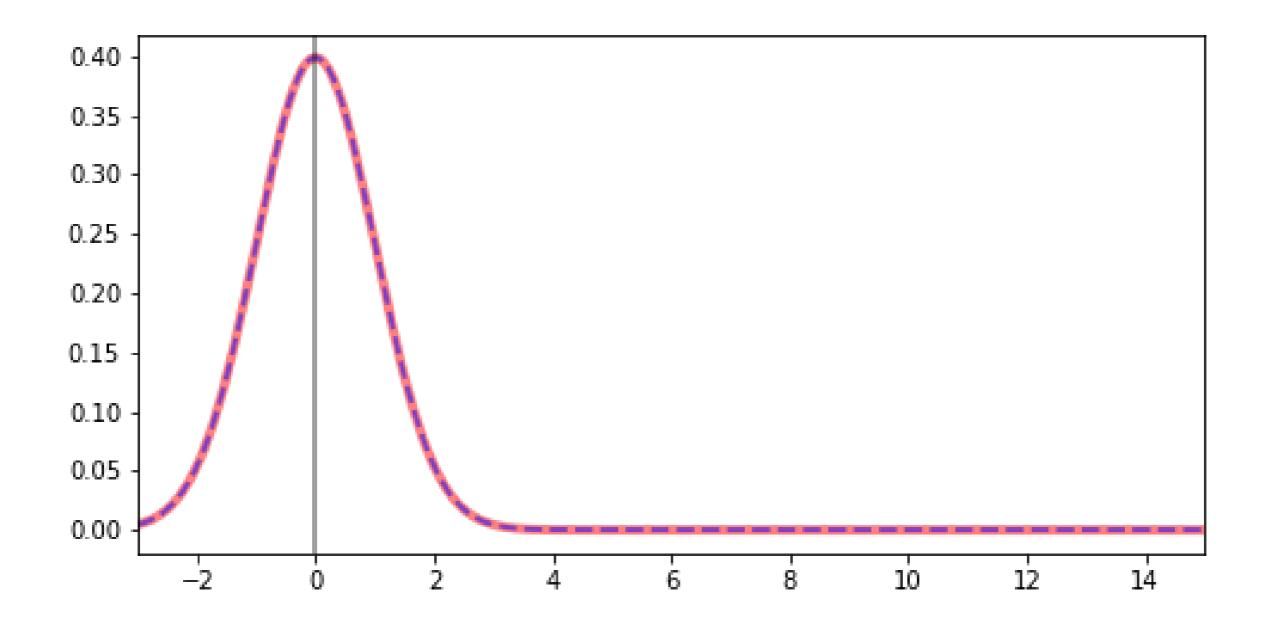
# Mean of the normalize deviations
correlation = np.mean(zx*zy)
```

#### **Normalization: Before**





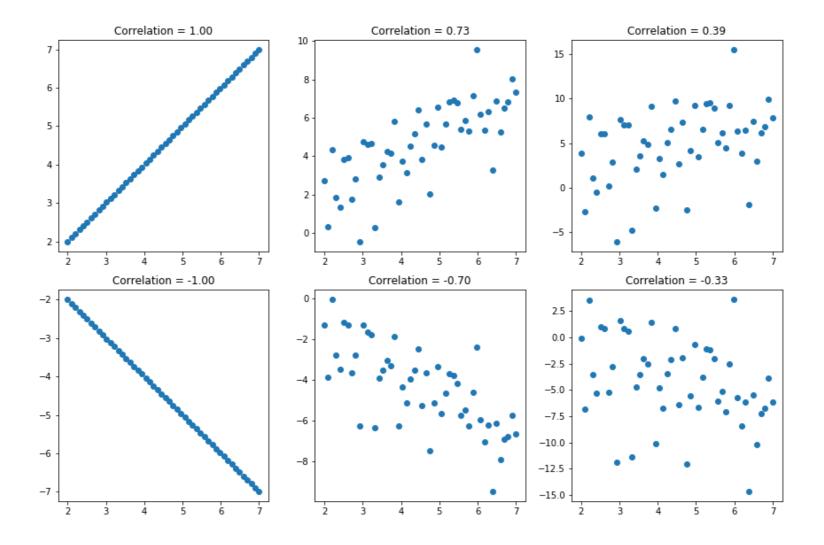
#### **Normalization: After**





## Magnitude versus Direction

Correlation values: -1 to +1



• Two Parts: Magnitude (1 to 0) versus Sign (+ or -)

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