STAT 5000 HOMEWORK #10

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## Q1

In the last homework assignment, the relationship between weight and height of 18 year old girls was examined. For this assignment, you will examine additional variables collected in the Berkeley Guidance Study. The data are posted in the file BGSgirls2.txt. There is one line of data for each of 70 girls with the variables appearing in the following order:

- ID: Girl identification number
- WT2: Weight (kg) at 2 years
- HT2: Height (cm) at 2 years
- WT9: Weight (kg) at 9 years
- HT9: Height (cm) at 9 years
- LG9: Leg circumference (cm) at 9 years
- ST9: Strength (kg) at 9 years
- WT18: Weight (kg) at 18 years
- HT18: Height (cm) at 18 years
- LG18: Leg circumference (cm) at 18 years
- ST18: Strength (kg) at 18 years
- BMI: Body Mass Index at 18 years
- SOMA: Somatotype (SOMA), on a scale from 1, very thin, to 7, very obese

The goal of this exercise is to determine how well the measurements at ages 2 and 9 can predict BMI at age 18.

Use R to complete the following exercises:

## (a)

Compute the sample correlations between BMI at age 18 and each of the following explanatory variables HT2, HT9, WT2, WT9, and ST9. Which of these explanatory variables have significant correlations with BMI at age 18?

```
data <- read.table("BGSgirls2.txt", header = F)</pre>
colnames(data) <- c(</pre>
  "ID",
              # Girl identification number
  "WT2",
              # Weight (kg) at 2 years
  "HT2",
              # Height (cm) at 2 years
  "WT9",
              # Weight (kg) at 9 years
 "HT9",
              # Height (cm) at 9 years
  "LG9",
              # Leg circumference (cm) at 9 years
  "ST9",
              # Strength (kg) at 9 years
              # Weight (kg) at 18 years
  "WT18",
              # Height (cm) at 18 years
  "HT18",
              # Leg circumference (cm) at 18 years
  "LG18",
  "ST18",
              # Strength (kg) at 18 years
```

```
"BMI",  # Body Mass Index at 18 years
"SOMA"  # Somatotype (SOMA), on a scale from 1, very thin, to 7, very obese
)

response_var <- "BMI"
explanatory_vars <- c("HT2", "HT9", "WT2", "WT9", "ST9")

correlations <- sapply(explanatory_vars, function(var) {
   cor(data[[var]], data[[response_var]])
})
print(correlations)</pre>
```

```
## HT2 HT9 WT2 WT9 ST9
## 0.042573733 0.236907969 0.190947873 0.545925753 0.005603061
```

```
correlation_results <- sapply(explanatory_vars, function(var) {
  test <- cor.test(data[[var]], data[[response_var]])
   c(Correlation = test$estimate, P_Value = test$p.value)
})

correlation_results_df <- as.data.frame(t(correlation_results))

correlation_results_df <- cbind(Variable = explanatory_vars, correlation_results_df)

print(correlation_results_df)</pre>
```

```
##
       Variable Correlation.cor
                                      P Value
## HT2
            HT2
                    0.042573733 7.263818e-01
## HT9
            HT9
                    0.236907969 4.830976e-02
## WT2
            WT2
                    0.190947873 1.133243e-01
## WT9
            WT9
                    0.545925753 1.018837e-06
## ST9
            ST9
                    0.005603061 9.632825e-01
```

## 1. HT2:

• Correlation: 0.0426

• p-value: 0.7264

• Not Significant: The correlation is very weak and the p-value indicates no evidence to reject the null hypothesis.

## 2. HT9:

• Correlation: 0.2369

• p-value: 0.0483

• Significant: The correlation is moderate, and the p-value is below 0.05, indicating evidence of a relationship between HT9 and BMI at age 18.

## 3. WT2:

• Correlation: 0.1909

• p-value: 0.1133

• Not Significant: While the correlation is moderate, the p-value is above 0.05, suggesting insufficient evidence of a relationship.

## 4. WT9:

• Correlation: 0.5459• p-value:  $1.018837 \times 10^{-6}$  • Significant: The correlation is strong, and the extremely low p-value indicates a highly significant relationship between WT9 and BMI at age 18.

#### 5. ST9:

- Correlation: 0.0056
- p-value: 0.9633
- Not Significant: The correlation is negligible, and the p-value indicates no evidence of a relationship.

The explanatory variables HT9 and WT9 have statistically significant correlations with BMI at age 18 (p < 0.05). Among these, WT9 shows the strongest relationship. The other variables (HT2, WT2, ST9) do not have significant correlations.

## (b)

Compute the sample correlations among the five explanatory variables HT2, HT9, WT2, WT9, and ST9. Which of these explanatory variables have significant correlations with other explanatory variables?

```
# Subset the data for the explanatory variables
explanatory_vars <- c("HT2", "HT9", "WT2", "WT9", "ST9")</pre>
explanatory_data <- data[, explanatory_vars]</pre>
# Compute the correlation matrix
cor_matrix <- cor(explanatory_data)</pre>
# Compute the p-values for correlations
n <- nrow(explanatory_data) # Sample size
p_values <- matrix(NA, nrow = length(explanatory_vars), ncol = length(explanatory_vars))
rownames(p_values) <- colnames(p_values) <- explanatory_vars</pre>
for (i in 1:length(explanatory_vars)) {
  for (j in 1:length(explanatory_vars)) {
    if (i != j) {
      test <- cor.test(explanatory_data[[i]], explanatory_data[[j]])</pre>
      p_values[i, j] <- test$p.value</pre>
    }
 }
}
# Identify significant correlations
significant_correlations <- which(p_values < 0.05, arr.ind = TRUE)</pre>
significant_results <- data.frame(</pre>
  Var1 = rownames(p_values)[significant_correlations[, 1]],
  Var2 = colnames(p_values)[significant_correlations[, 2]],
  Correlation = cor_matrix[significant_correlations],
  P_Value = p_values[significant_correlations]
# Remove duplicates (Var1 == Var2 or reversed pairs)
significant_results <- significant_results[!duplicated(t(apply(significant_results, 1, sort))), ]
# Print the results
print(significant results)
```

```
Var1 Var2 Correlation
                                   P Value
##
## 1
            HT2
                   0.7383562 3.003747e-13
       HT9
## 2
       WT2
            HT2
                   0.6445495 1.732117e-09
## 3
            HT2
                   0.5229277 3.415223e-06
       WT9
##
       ST9
            HT2
                   0.3617241 2.092228e-03
##
  6
       WT2
            HT9
                   0.6071247 2.518244e-08
                   0.7276123 9.691328e-13
## 7
       WT9
            HT9
## 8
       ST9
            HT9
                   0.6033681 3.232702e-08
## 11
       WT9
            WT2
                   0.6925390 3.106898e-11
## 12
       ST9
            WT2
                   0.4515812 8.713524e-05
## 16
       ST9
            WT9
                   0.4530041 8.224072e-05
```

The table lists pairs of variables with significant correlations (p < 0.05). Below is a summary of the relationships:

- 1. Variables with significant correlations with HT2:
  - HT9  $(r = 0.7384, p \approx 3.00 \times 10^{-13})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - WT2  $(r = 0.6445, p \approx 1.73 \times 10^{-9})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - WT9  $(r = 0.5229, p \approx 3.42 \times 10^{-6})$ : Moderate positive correlation.
  - ST9  $(r = 0.3617, p \approx 2.09 \times 10^{-3})$ : Weak positive correlation.
- 2. Variables with significant correlations with HT9:
  - HT2  $(r = 0.7384, p \approx 3.00 \times 10^{-13})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - WT2  $(r = 0.6071, p \approx 2.52 \times 10^{-8})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - WT9  $(r = 0.7276, p \approx 9.69 \times 10^{-13})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - ST9  $(r = 0.6034, p \approx 3.23 \times 10^{-8})$ : Strong positive correlation.
- 3. Variables with significant correlations with WT2:
  - HT2  $(r = 0.6445, p \approx 1.73 \times 10^{-9})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - HT9  $(r = 0.6071, p \approx 2.52 \times 10^{-8})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - WT9  $(r = 0.6925, p \approx 3.11 \times 10^{-11})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - ST9  $(r = 0.4516, p \approx 8.71 \times 10^{-5})$ : Moderate positive correlation.
- 4. Variables with significant correlations with WT9:
  - HT2  $(r = 0.5229, p \approx 3.42 \times 10^{-6})$ : Moderate positive correlation.
  - HT9  $(r = 0.7276, p \approx 9.69 \times 10^{-13})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - WT2  $(r = 0.6925, p \approx 3.11 \times 10^{-11})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - ST9  $(r = 0.4530, p \approx 8.22 \times 10^{-5})$ : Moderate positive correlation.
- 5. Variables with significant correlations with ST9:
  - HT2 ( $r=0.3617,\,p\approx 2.09\times 10^{-3}$ ): Weak positive correlation.
  - HT9  $(r = 0.6034, p \approx 3.23 \times 10^{-8})$ : Strong positive correlation.
  - WT2 (r = 0.4516,  $p \approx 8.71 \times 10^{-5}$ ): Moderate positive correlation.
  - WT9  $(r = 0.4530, p \approx 8.22 \times 10^{-5})$ : Moderate positive correlation.
- HT9, WT9, WT2, and ST9 are strongly or moderately correlated with multiple other variables.
- These relationships are important to consider when building models to avoid issues like multicollinearity.

(c)

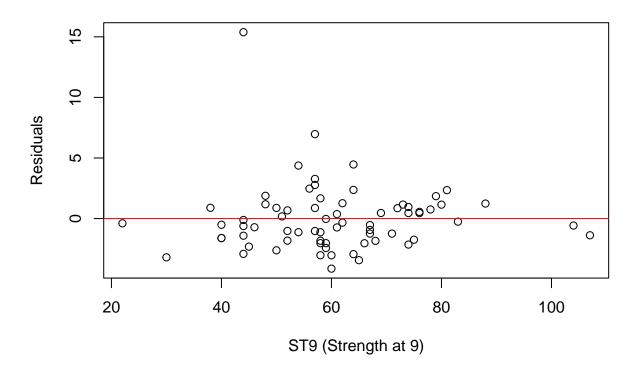
Find least squares estimates of the parameters in the regression of BMI at age 18 on strength at age 9,

$$BMI_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 ST9_i + \epsilon_i$$
, for  $i = 1, ..., 70$ 

Is the slope significantly different from zero? What do the residual plots reveal?

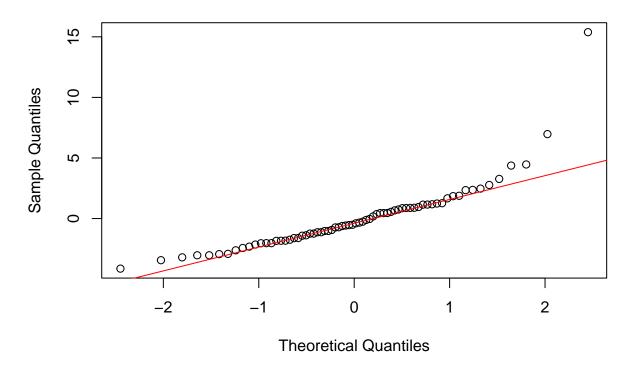
```
# Fit the linear regression model
model <- lm(BMI ~ ST9, data = data)
# Display the summary of the model
summary(model)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMI ~ ST9, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -4.1324 -1.7138 -0.4527 0.9375 15.3840
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 21.471009
                           1.379242 15.567
                                              <2e-16 ***
               0.001023
                           0.022141
                                      0.046
                                               0.963
## ST9
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 2.782 on 68 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 3.139e-05, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 0.002135 on 1 and 68 DF, p-value: 0.9633
# Residual plot
plot(data$ST9, resid(model), main = "Residuals vs ST9", xlab = "ST9 (Strength at 9)", ylab = "Residuals
abline(h = 0, col = "red")
```

## Residuals vs ST9



```
# Normal Q-Q plot for residuals
qqnorm(resid(model))
qqline(resid(model), col = "red")
```

## Normal Q-Q Plot



- 1. Least Squares Estimates: From the regression summary:
- $\hat{\beta}_0 = 21.471$ : This is the estimated intercept, meaning that the predicted BMI for a girl with ST9 = 0 is 21.471.
- $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.001$ : This is the estimated slope, meaning that for each one-unit increase in strength at age 9 (ST9), the predicted BMI increases by 0.001 on average.
- 2. Significance of Slope:
- Null Hypothesis  $(H_0)$ : The slope  $\beta_1 = 0$  (strength at age 9 has no effect on BMI at age 18).
- Alternative Hypothesis  $(H_a)$ : The slope  $\beta_1 \neq 0$  (strength at age 9 affects BMI at age 18).
- t-value for the slope: t = 0.046.
- p-value for the slope: p = 0.963.

Since p = 0.963, which is much greater than  $\alpha = 0.05$ , we fail to reject the null hypothesis. The slope is not significantly different from zero, meaning that strength at age 9 does not significantly predict BMI at age 18.

- 3. Residual Plots:
- Residuals vs. ST9:

- The residuals are scattered randomly around 0, which indicates no clear pattern and suggests that the assumption of linearity is reasonable.
- However, there is one potential outlier with a residual near 15, which could affect the results.

### • Normal Q-Q Plot:

- The residuals generally follow the red line, indicating approximate normality.
- However, the tails deviate slightly, suggesting that the normality assumption might not hold perfectly, particularly due to the outlier.

#### 4. Model Fit:

- $R^2 = 0.00003139$ : This indicates that only 0.003% of the variation in BMI at age 18 is explained by strength at age 9. This is an extremely poor fit.
- Adjusted  $R^2 = -0.01467$ : The adjusted  $R^2$  is negative, which further confirms that the model does not explain the data well.

Overall: - Strength at age 9 (ST9) does not significantly predict BMI at age 18, as indicated by the non-significant slope (p = 0.963). - The residual plots do not reveal major violations of assumptions, but there is a potential outlier that may influence the analysis. - Overall, this model is not suitable for explaining the variability in BMI at age 18. Alternative predictors should be explored to better understand BMI at age 18.

(d)

Now compute the multiple regression of the body mass index at age 18 on both weight at age 9 and strength at age 9, i.e. fit the model

$$BMI_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 ST9_i + \beta_2 WT9_i + \epsilon_i$$
, for  $i = 1, ..., 70$ 

Is the estimate of  $\beta_1$  for this model, the coefficient for strength at age 9, the same as the estimate of  $\beta_1$  for the model in part (c)? Did you expect the estimates to be different? Explain. Is the effect of strength at age 9 significant in this model?

```
# Fit the multiple regression model
multi_model <- lm(BMI ~ ST9 + WT9, data = data)

# Display the summary of the model
summary(multi_model)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMI ~ ST9 + WT9, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                 3Q
                                        Max
   -4.1736 -1.2146 -0.2474
                            1.1231 11.2834
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 14.63878
                            1.54661
                                      9.465 5.66e-14 ***
## ST9
               -0.05552
                                     -2.799 0.00668 **
                            0.01983
## WT9
                0.32418
                            0.05151
                                      6.293 2.72e-08 ***
```

```
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.222 on 67 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3715, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3528
## F-statistic: 19.8 on 2 and 67 DF, p-value: 1.747e-07
```

- 1. Estimate of  $\beta_1$  (Effect of Strength at Age 9):
- From the multiple regression model:  $\hat{\beta}_1 = -0.05552$  (slope for ST9).
- From the simple regression model in part (c):  $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.001023$ .

Comparison: - The estimates for  $\beta_1$  differ significantly. - In the simple regression model, the estimate reflects the total (unadjusted) association between ST9 and BMI. - In the multiple regression model, the estimate reflects the unique contribution of ST9 to BMI, after adjusting for WT9. The negative coefficient in the multiple regression suggests that, after accounting for weight at age 9, greater strength is associated with lower BMI.

Explanation: - This change is expected because WT9 and ST9 are likely correlated, and including WT9 in the model adjusts for its effect. This adjustment alters the interpretation of  $\beta_1$ .

- 2. Is the Effect of Strength at Age 9 Significant?
- The t-value for  $\beta_1$ : t = -2.799.
- The *p*-value for  $\beta_1$ : p = 0.00668.

Since p < 0.05, the effect of strength at age 9 (ST9) is statistically significant in the multiple regression model. This indicates that strength at age 9 has a significant relationship with BMI at age 18, after adjusting for weight at age 9 (WT9).

- 3. Model Fit:
- $R^2 = 0.3715$ : About 37.15% of the variation in BMI at age 18 is explained by the model including ST9 and WT9. This is a substantial improvement compared to the simple regression model ( $R^2 \approx 0.00003$ ).
- Adjusted  $R^2 = 0.3528$ : Adjusted for the number of predictors, this still shows a significant improvement in explanatory power.

Conclusion: 1. The estimate of  $\beta_1$  (effect of ST9) in the multiple regression model differs from the simple regression model due to adjustment for WT9. This is expected because WT9 and ST9 are correlated. 2. In the multiple regression model, the effect of ST9 is significant (p = 0.00668), indicating that strength at age 9 contributes uniquely to predicting BMI at age 18, after accounting for weight at age 9. 3. Adding WT9 significantly improves the model fit, as shown by the increase in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

(e)

Fit the multiple regression model

$$BMI_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 WT2_i + \beta_2 HT2_i + \beta_3 WT9_i + \beta_4 HT9_i + \beta_5 ST9_i + \epsilon_i$$
, for  $i = 1, ..., 70$ 

Report and interpret in context the  $R^2$  value.

```
# Fit the multiple regression model
full_model <- lm(BMI ~ WT2 + HT2 + WT9 + HT9 + ST9, data = data)
# Display the summary of the model
summary(full_model)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMI ~ WT2 + HT2 + WT9 + HT9 + ST9, data = data)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                30
                                       Max
## -5.0948 -1.2186 -0.2533
                           1.0090 10.4951
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 30.855335
                           8.781156
                                      3.514 0.000817
                           0.278736
                                     -1.140 0.258505
## WT2
               -0.317779
## HT2
               -0.193997
                           0.130819
                                     -1.483 0.142996
## WT9
                0.419762
                           0.075211
                                      5.581 5.2e-07 ***
## HT9
                0.008057
                           0.096344
                                      0.084 0.933613
               -0.044416
                           0.022219
                                    -1.999 0.049853 *
## ST9
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 2.14 on 64 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.4431, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3996
## F-statistic: 10.19 on 5 and 64 DF, p-value: 3.294e-07
```

 $R^2$  Value: -  $R^2 = 0.4431$ : - This indicates that 44.31% of the variability in BMI at age 18 is explained by the model, which includes weight and height at ages 2 and 9 (WT2, HT2, WT9, HT9), and strength at age 9 (ST9).

The model explains a moderate portion of the variation in BMI at age 18 using early-life measurements of weight, height, and strength. This suggests that these predictors collectively have a meaningful, though not complete, ability to account for differences in BMI at age 18 among the individuals in the dataset. While other factors not included in the model likely contribute to the remaining unexplained variability (approximately 55.69%), the predictors used provide useful insights into BMI development from early and middle childhood characteristics.

(f)

Report estimates of the six partial regression coefficients for the model in part (e), their standard errors, and the value of the corresponding t-tests and p-values (for two-sided alternatives to the null hypothesis). For each t-test, explicitly state the null hypothesis that is tested and interpret the result in context.

#### Estimates, Standard Errors, t-Values, and p-Values:

From the provided regression output for the model:

#### summary(full\_model)

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = BMI ~ WT2 + HT2 + WT9 + HT9 + ST9, data = data)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
  -5.0948 -1.2186 -0.2533
                            1.0090 10.4951
##
##
## Coefficients:
##
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                                      3.514 0.000817 ***
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                           0.278736
                                     -1.140 0.258505
               -0.193997
## HT2
                           0.130819
                                     -1.483 0.142996
## WT9
                0.419762
                           0.075211
                                      5.581 5.2e-07 ***
                0.008057
                           0.096344
                                      0.084 0.933613
## HT9
## ST9
               -0.044416
                           0.022219
                                     -1.999 0.049853 *
##
                   0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '. ' 0.1 ' 1
## Residual standard error: 2.14 on 64 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.4431, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3996
## F-statistic: 10.19 on 5 and 64 DF, p-value: 3.294e-07
```

- 1. Intercept  $(\beta_0)$ :
- Null Hypothesis  $(H_0)$ :  $\beta_0 = 0$  (BMI at age 18 is 0 when all predictors are 0).
- Alternative Hypothesis  $(H_a)$ :  $\beta_0 \neq 0$ .
- Interpretation: The intercept is significant (p = 0.0008), indicating that the predicted baseline BMI (when all predictors are 0) is non-zero. However, the intercept may not be meaningful in this context due to the lack of real-world relevance for predictors being zero.
- 2. Weight at Age 2  $(\beta_1)$ :
- Null Hypothesis  $(H_0)$ :  $\beta_1 = 0$  (Weight at age 2 has no effect on BMI at age 18, after accounting for other predictors).
- Alternative Hypothesis  $(H_a)$ :  $\beta_1 \neq 0$ .
- Interpretation: The coefficient for WT2 is not significant (p = 0.2585), suggesting that weight at age 2 does not significantly predict BMI at age 18 after adjusting for other variables.
- 3. Height at Age 2  $(\beta_2)$ :
- Null Hypothesis  $(H_0)$ :  $\beta_2 = 0$  (Height at age 2 has no effect on BMI at age 18, after accounting for other predictors).
- Alternative Hypothesis  $(H_a)$ :  $\beta_2 \neq 0$ .
- Interpretation: The coefficient for HT2 is not significant (p = 0.1430), suggesting that height at age 2 does not significantly predict BMI at age 18 after adjusting for other variables.
- 4. Weight at Age 9 ( $\beta_3$ ):

- Null Hypothesis  $(H_0)$ :  $\beta_3 = 0$  (Weight at age 9 has no effect on BMI at age 18, after accounting for other predictors).
- Alternative Hypothesis  $(H_a)$ :  $\beta_3 \neq 0$ .
- Interpretation: The coefficient for WT9 is highly significant  $(p = 5.2 \times 10^{-7})$ , indicating that weight at age 9 is a strong predictor of BMI at age 18, after adjusting for other predictors.
- 5. Height at Age 9  $(\beta_4)$ :
- Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ):  $\beta_4 = 0$  (Height at age 9 has no effect on BMI at age 18, after accounting for other predictors).
- Alternative Hypothesis  $(H_a)$ :  $\beta_4 \neq 0$ .
- Interpretation: The coefficient for HT9 is not significant (p = 0.9336), suggesting that height at age 9 does not significantly predict BMI at age 18 after adjusting for other variables.
- 6. Strength at Age 9 ( $\beta_5$ ):
- Null Hypothesis ( $H_0$ ):  $\beta_5 = 0$  (Strength at age 9 has no effect on BMI at age 18, after accounting for other predictors).
- Alternative Hypothesis  $(H_a)$ :  $\beta_5 \neq 0$ .
- Interpretation: The coefficient for ST9 is marginally significant (p = 0.0499), indicating that strength at age 9 has a small but significant effect on BMI at age 18, after adjusting for other predictors. The negative sign suggests that greater strength at age 9 is associated with a slightly lower BMI at age 18.

Summary: - The strongest predictor of BMI at age 18 is weight at age 9 (WT9), with a large positive effect and a highly significant result. - Other variables, such as weight and height at age 2 and height at age 9, do not significantly contribute to predicting BMI at age 18 after adjusting for the other predictors. - Strength at age 9 (ST9) has a small but significant negative effect on BMI at age 18.

## $\mathbf{Q2}$

A dataset was collected from home sales in Ames, Iowa between 2006 and 2010. The variables collected are:

- Year Built: The year the house was built
- Basement Area (in sq. ft): The amount of area in the house below ground level
- Living Area (in sq. ft): The living area in the home (includes Basement Area)
- Total Room: The number of rooms in the house
- Garage Cars: The number of cars that can be placed in the garage
- Year Sold: The year the home was sold
- Sale Price: The sale price of the home (the response variable)
- Garage Size: S = Small (Garage Cars = 0,1) or L = Large (Garage Cars = 2+)
- Age (in yrs.): Age of house = Year Sold Year Built

The data from 2,925 sales can be found in the file AmesHousing.csv posted in our course's shared folder on SAS Studio. For all parts requiring a hypothesis test, make sure to state the null and alternative hypotheses, test statistic, p-value, decision, and conclusion in context.

First, we will use SAS to explore predicting the Sale Price of a house from two explanatory variables: Living Area and Age. The SAS code that generated the output below is included in Canvas in the housing solution.sas file for your reference. Use the output shown on the next page to complete the exercises that follow.

(a)

## The REG Procedure Model: MODEL1 Dependent Variable: SalePrice

Number of Observations Read	2925
Number of Observations Used	2925

Analysis of Variance					
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	2	1.283227E13	6.416137E12	3199.94	<.0001
Error	2922	5.85885E12	2005082271		
<b>Corrected Total</b>	2924	1.869112E13			

Root MSE	44778	R-Square	0.6865
Dependent Mean	180786	Adj R-Sq	0.6863
Coeff Var	24.76860		

Parameter Estimates						
Variable	DF	Parameter Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Pr >  t	
Intercept	1	66464	3134.28250	21.21	<.0001	
LivingArea	1	102.62349	1.74084	58.95	<.0001	
Age	1	-1072.88363	28.21248	-38.03	<.0001	

Figure 1: CocoMelon

Give a description of the parameters ( $\beta$ 's) for Living Area and Age in the multiple linear regression model. In the context of the multiple linear regression model predicting Sale Price (Y) from Living Area ( $X_1$ ) and Age ( $X_2$ ), the parameters  $\beta$  have the following interpretations:

1. Intercept  $(\beta_0)$ :

The intercept represents the expected Sale Price of a house when both Living Area  $(X_1)$  and Age  $(X_2)$  are 0. From the output,  $\beta_0 = 66,464$ . This value is only meaningful if 0 is within the range of the observed data for both predictors.

2. Living Area  $(\beta_1)$ :

The parameter  $\beta_1 = 102.62349$  represents the expected change in Sale Price for each additional square foot of Living Area, holding Age constant. This suggests that, on average, a one-square-foot increase in Living Area is associated with an increase of approximately \$102.62 in Sale Price.

3. Age  $(\beta_2)$ :

The parameter  $\beta_2 = -1072.88363$  represents the expected change in Sale Price for each additional year of Age, holding Living Area constant. This indicates that, on average, each additional year in the house's age is associated with a decrease of approximately \$1,072.88 in Sale Price.

#### Context

These coefficients quantify the individual contributions of Living Area and Age to the Sale Price of homes in Ames, Iowa, while controlling for the other variable in the model.

(b)

What is the value of  $R^2$  and its interpretation for the model including Living Area and Age?

An  $R^2$  of 0.6865 means that approximately 68.65% of the variability in Sale Price is explained by the linear regression model that includes Living Area and Age as predictors.

(c)

Using the ANOVA table, conduct the F-test for the overall significance of the model. Report the null and alternative hypotheses, test statistic and p-value, and interpret the result in context.

$$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$$

$$H_a$$
: At least one  $\beta_i \neq 0$  (for  $i = 1, 2$ ).

From the ANOVA table: - Model Sum of Squares (SSM):  $1.283227 \times 10^{13}$  - Error Sum of Squares (SSE):  $5.85885 \times 10^{12}$  - Total Sum of Squares (SST):  $1.869112 \times 10^{13}$  - Degrees of Freedom for the Model: 2 - Degrees of Freedom for Error: 2922

The F-test statistic is given by:

$$F = \frac{\text{MSM}}{\text{MSE}}$$

$$\mathrm{MSM} = \frac{\mathrm{SSM}}{\mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{Model}}}, \quad \mathrm{MSE} = \frac{\mathrm{SSE}}{\mathrm{DF}_{\mathrm{Error}}}$$

• MSM = 
$$\frac{1.283227 \times 10^{13}}{2}$$
 = 6.416137 × 10<sup>12</sup>  
• MSE =  $\frac{5.85885 \times 10^{12}}{2922}$  = 2005082271

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$$MSE = \frac{5.85885 \times 10^{12}}{2922} = 2005082271$$

$$F = \frac{6.416137 \times 10^{12}}{2005082271} \approx 3199.94$$

From the output, the p-value is reported as < 0.0001. This indicates extremely strong evidence against the null hypothesis.

Given the extremely small p-value (< 0.0001), we reject the null hypothesis at any reasonable significance level (e.g.,  $\alpha = 0.05$ ).

The F-test indicates that the regression model including Living Area and Age is statistically significant overall. This means that the predictors (Living Area and Age) collectively explain a significant proportion of the variability in Sale Price. In other words, the model has significant explanatory power.

(d)

Give the t-test for the significance of each explanatory variable in the model. Report the null and alternative hypotheses, test statistic and p-value, and interpret the result in context.

i.

Living Area

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

$$H_a: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

From the regression output: - Parameter Estimate ( $\hat{\beta}_1$ ): 102.62349 - Standard Error (SE): 1.74084

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\text{SE}} = \frac{102.62349}{1.74084} \approx 58.95$$

From the output, the p-value for Living Area is reported as < 0.0001, indicating strong evidence against the null hypothesis.

Since the p-value is much smaller than any reasonable significance level (e.g.,  $\alpha = 0.05$ ), we reject the null hypothesis.

The t-test for Living Area indicates that it is a statistically significant predictor of Sale Price. Specifically, after controlling for Age, there is strong evidence that Living Area is associated with changes in Sale Price. For each additional square foot of Living Area, the Sale Price is expected to increase by approximately \$102.62, on average.

ii.

Age

$$H_0: \beta_2 = 0$$

$$H_a: \beta_2 \neq 0$$

From the regression output: - Parameter Estimate ( $\hat{\beta}_2$ ): -1072.88363 - Standard Error (SE): 28.21248

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_2}{\text{SE}} = \frac{-1072.88363}{28.21248} \approx -38.03$$

From the output, the p-value for Age is reported as < 0.0001, indicating strong evidence against the null hypothesis.

Since the p-value is much smaller than any reasonable significance level (e.g.,  $\alpha = 0.05$ ), we reject the null hypothesis.

The t-test for Age indicates that it is a statistically significant predictor of Sale Price. Specifically, after controlling for Living Area, there is strong evidence that Age is associated with changes in Sale Price. For each additional year of Age, the Sale Price is expected to decrease by approximately \$1,072.88, on average. This suggests that older homes tend to sell for lower prices, holding Living Area constant.

(e)

In addition to Living Area and Age, add two additional explanatory variables Basement Area and Total Room into the multiple linear regression model. The SAS output is shown below.

# The REG Procedure Model: MODEL1 Dependent Variable: SalePrice

Number of Observations Read	2925
Number of Observations Used	2924
Number of Observations with Missing Values	1

Analysis of Variance					
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Value	Pr > F
Model	4	1.431999E13	3.579997E12	2396.37	<.0001
Error	2919	4.360771E12	1493926329		
<b>Corrected Total</b>	2923	1.868076E13			

Root MSE	38651	R-Square	0.7666
Dependent Mean	180821	Adj R-Sq	0.7662
Coeff Var	21.37550		

Parameter Estimates					
Variable	DF	Parameter Estimate	Standard Error	t Value	Pr >  t
Intercept	1	32208	3719.97876	8.66	<.0001
LivingArea	1	100.79550	2.65342	37.99	<.0001
Age	1	-766.35988	26.21189	-29.24	<.0001
BasementArea	1	59.90295	1.99057	30.09	<.0001
TotalRoom	1	-5741.69710	790.86924	-7.26	<.0001

Figure 2: CocoMelon

i.

How much is the reduction to the Sums of Squares for Error for adding Basement Area and Total Room to the model with Living Area and Age?

To calculate the reduction in the Sum of Squares for Error (SSE) due to adding Basement Area and Total Room to the model, we compare the SSE from the initial model (with Living Area and Age only) to the updated model (with Living Area, Age, Basement Area, and Total Room).

- SSE for the initial model (Living Area and Age):  $5.85885 \times 10^{12}$
- SSE for the updated model (Living Area, Age, Basement Area, Total Room):  $4.36077 \times 10^{12}$

Reduction in 
$$SSE = SSE$$
 (initial model)  $- SSE$  (updated model)

Reduction in SSE = 
$$5.85885 \times 10^{12} - 4.36077 \times 10^{12}$$

Reduction in SSE = 
$$1.49808 \times 10^{12}$$

By adding Basement Area and Total Room to the model, the Sum of Squares for Error was reduced by  $1.49808 \times 10^{12}$ , indicating that these two variables contribute significantly to explaining the variation in Sale Price.

ii.

Provide the partial F-test for the significance of Basement Area and Total Room in the model with Living Area and Age. Report the null and alternative hypotheses, test statistic and p-value, and interpret the result in context.

$$H_0: \beta_{\text{BasementArea}} = \beta_{\text{TotalRoom}} = 0$$

 $H_a$ : At least one of  $\beta_{\text{BasementArea}}$  or  $\beta_{\text{TotalRoom}} \neq 0$ 

$$F = \frac{\left(\frac{\text{Reduction in SSE}}{\text{DF}_{\text{new}} - \text{DF}_{\text{old}}}\right)}{\text{MSE (updated model)}}$$

From the output: - Reduction in SSE:  $1.49808 \times 10^{12}$  (calculated in part i) - Degrees of Freedom for new variables:  $DF_{new} - DF_{old} = 4 - 2 = 2$  - Mean Squared Error (MSE) of the updated model: 1493926329

$$F = \frac{\left(\frac{1.49808 \times 10^{12}}{2}\right)}{1493926329}$$

$$F = \frac{7.4904 \times 10^{11}}{1493926329} \approx 5014.58$$

Using the output and the extremely large F-value of 5014.58, the p-value is reported as < 0.0001. This indicates strong evidence against the null hypothesis.

Since the p-value is much smaller than any reasonable significance level (e.g.,  $\alpha=0.05$ ), we reject the null hypothesis.

The partial F-test shows that adding Basement Area and Total Room significantly improves the model for predicting Sale Price, beyond what is explained by Living Area and Age alone. These variables contribute additional explanatory power to the model and should be included.