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## **Analysis of Variance - Quiz**

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## Question 1

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Give the bounds for this measure of goodness-of-fit:

$$a \leq SSR/SST \leq b$$

Lower Bound (a)

0			

**✓ Answer**: 0

0

Upper Bound (b)



✓ Answer: 1

1

**Explanation** 

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- Module 9: Single and Multivariate Linear Models

The Linear Model due Nov 28, 2016 05:00 IST

Both the sum of squared residuals and total sum of squares will be positive, and the SSR is a lower bound on the SST. Both the SSR and SST must be positive because they are both sums of squared quantities, and squared quantities must always be positive. We chose the estimate of Y that goes into the SSR in order to minimize the sum of squared residuals, so we know that  $SSR \leq SST$ .

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Correct (1/1 point)

## Question 2

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Why do we divide SSR (sum of squared residuals) by SST (sum of total squares) to get a measure of goodness-of-fit?

- a. On its own, SSR does not measure goodness of fit.
- b. On its own, SSR generally results in values that are too large.
- c. Dividing by SST makes the measure unit-free
- d. We can divide SSR by SST, but it's actually better to subtract.

## **Explanation**

The Multivariate Linear  Model due Nov 28, 2016 05:00 IST  Module 9: Homework	The sum of squared residuals $(SSR)$ on its own <b>does</b> measure goodness-of-fit. That's what we minimized in order to find the ordinary least squares (OLS) estimator. However, the $SSR$ would be in the units of $X$ and $Y$ , which is inconvenient if we ever want to convert between units. Dividing by the $SST$ , which has the same units as the $SSR$ , makes the measure units-free.
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