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Preface to the Third Edition

The second edition had 10 chapters; this edition has 26. On the whole (but not entirely) we have chosen to use smaller chapters, and so distinguish more between different types of material. The tabulation below shows the major relationships between second edition and third edition sections and chapters.

Material dropped consists mainly of second edition Sections 6.8 to 6.13 and 6.15, Sections 7.1 to 7.6, and Chapter 8. New to this edition are Chapters 16 on multicollinearity, 18 on generalized linear models, 19 on mixture ingredients, 20 and 21 on the geometry of least squares, 25 on robust regression, and 26 on resampling procedures. Small revisions have been made even in sections where the text is basically unchanged. Less prominence has been given to printouts, which nowadays can easily be generated due to the excellent software available, and to references and bibliography, which are now freely available (either in book or computer form) via the annual updates in Current Index to Statistics. References are mostly given in brief either in situ or close by, at the end of a section or chapter. Full references are in a bibliography but some references are also given in full in sections or within the text or in exercises, whenever this was felt to be the appropriate thing to do. There is no precise rule for doing this, merely the authors' predilection. Exercises have been grouped as seemed appropriate. They are intended as an expansion to the text and so most exercises have full or partial solutions; there are a very few exceptions. One hundred and one true/false questions have also been provided; all of these are in "true" form to prevent readers remembering erroneous material. Instructors can reword them to create "false" questions easily enough. Sections 24.5 and 24.6 have some duplication with work in Chapter 20, but we decided not to eliminate this because the sections contain some differences and have different emphases. Other smaller duplications occur; in general, we feel that duplication is a good feature, and so we do not avoid it.

Our viewpoint in putting this book together is that it is desirable for students of regression to work through the straight line fit case using a pocket calculator and then to proceed quickly to analyzing larger models on the computer. We are aware that many instructors like to get on to the computer right away. Our personal experience is that this can be unwise and, over the years, we have met many students who enrolled for our courses saying "I know how to put a regression on the computer but I don't understand what I am doing." We have tried to keep such participants constantly in mind.

We have made no effort to explain any of the dozens of available computing systems. Most of our specific references to these were removed after we received reviews of an earlier draft. Reviewers suggested we delete certain specifics and replace them by others. Unfortunately, the reviewers disagreed on the specifics! In addition, many specific program versions quickly become obsolete as new versions are issued. Quite often students point out to us in class that "the new version of BLANK does (or doesn't!) do that now." For these reasons we have tried to stay away from advocating any particular way to handle computations. A few mild references to MINITAB (used in our University of Wisconsin classes) have been retained but readers will find it easy to ignore these, if they wish.

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- 2. After skipping through the introductory screens, select a path for installing the files. The default directory for the file installation is C:\REGRESS. You may edit this selection to choose a different drive or directory. Press Enter when done.
- **3.** The files will be installed to the selected directory.

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