

Regression basics

dark horse of statistics

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Why do we need it?

- ▶ *Forecast* future
- ▶ *Explain* present and the past

Applications

- ▶ Social Sciences (in broad sense)
- ▶ Economics
- ▶ Natural Sciences (originally came from Physics)
- ▶ Business
- ▶ Medicine (Pharmacology)
- ▶ Urban Studies
- ▶ Criminology
- ▶ etc

Formal representation

Things in «real» abstract world:

$$\hat{y} = \beta X \quad (1)$$

Things we are doing in statistics:

$$\hat{y} = \beta X + \hat{\epsilon} \quad (2)$$