Centered IVs without Interactions

Notes

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Part 1 - Simulate Data

```
# Two X, X_1 and X_2
X_1<-rnorm(100, mean=2.5, sd=1)
head(X_1)

## [1] 2.431812 2.919058 2.075795 2.808850 1.647900 3.173214

X_2<-rnorm(100, mean=1.5, sd=1)
head(X_2)

## [1] 0.8972387 -0.0258751 1.9739896 1.2475595 3.3406035 2.3671040

# One Y

Y<-rnorm(100, mean=3, sd=1)
head(Y)</pre>
```

[1] 2.1156326 2.9362302 4.6251768 2.4087498 3.1848438 0.9605331

Part 2 - Multiple Linear Regression without Centering

```
result_1<-lm(Y~X_1+X_2)
summary(result_1)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Y \sim X_1 + X_2)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                   3Q
## -2.48473 -0.67783 0.01868 0.64825 2.06747
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 2.9844910 0.3305983 9.028 1.69e-14 ***
## X_1
              -0.0441251 0.1079806 -0.409
                                              0.684
## X_2
              -0.0002323 0.1149368 -0.002
                                              0.998
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' 1
## Residual standard error: 1.003 on 97 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.001744, Adjusted R-squared: -0.01884
## F-statistic: 0.08475 on 2 and 97 DF, p-value: 0.9188
```

Part 3 - Centering X_1 and X_2

```
X_1_cen<-scale(X_1,scale = FALSE)</pre>
X_2_cen<-scale(X_2,scale = FALSE)</pre>
head(X_1_cen)
##
               [,1]
## [1,] 0.09052253
## [2,] 0.57776783
## [3,] -0.26549479
## [4,] 0.46756045
## [5,] -0.69338978
## [6,] 0.83192380
head(X_2_cen)
##
              [,1]
## [1,] -0.4831643
## [2,] -1.4062781
## [3,] 0.5935866
## [4,] -0.1328435
## [5,] 1.9602005
## [6,] 0.9867010
```

Part 4 - Multiple Linear Regression with Centering

```
result_2<-lm(Y~X_1_cen+X_2_cen)
summary(result_2)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Y \sim X_1_cen + X_2_cen)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                 1Q Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -2.48473 -0.67783 0.01868 0.64825 2.06747
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 2.8808607 0.1002953 28.724
                                              <2e-16 ***
## X_1_cen
              -0.0441251 0.1079806
                                     -0.409
                                               0.684
## X_2_cen
              -0.0002323 0.1149368 -0.002
                                               0.998
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conclusion

For multiple linear regression without interactions, centering IVs only changes the intercept.