

# Homework #5

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1. **(3.12)** A student does not understand why the sum of squares SSPE is called a *pure error sum of squares* “since the formula looks like the one for an ordinary sum of squares”. Explain.
  - $SSE = \text{lack of fit error(SSLF)} + \text{pure error(SSPE)}$
  - One possibility is pure error is relatively large and the linear model appears to be adequate. That is, a major part of the SSE is pure error.
  - Another possibility is that pure error is relatively small, and the linear model appears to be inadequate. That is, pure error is a small part of the regression error, and error due to lack of fit is a large part of the SSE.
2. **(3.19)** A student fitted a linear regression function for a class assignment. The student plotted the residuals  $e_i$  against responses  $Y_i$  and found positive relation. When the residuals were plotted against the fitted values  $\hat{Y}_i$ , the student found no relation.
  - (a) How could the differences arise? Which is the more meaningful plot?