

Beta is Correlation for Normalised Variables under Linear Regression

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Consider $Y = a + bX + c\epsilon$.

We have ϵ as the standard normally distributed random variable.

This means $\epsilon \approx \mathcal{N}(0,1)$.

Also, X is normally distributed $X \approx \mathcal{N}(m_x, \sigma_x)$

$$\mathbb{E}(Y) = m_y = a + b \mathbb{E}(X) = a + bm_x$$

Consider Pearson's coefficient.

$$\rho_{XY} = \frac{\mathbb{E}((X - \mathbb{E}(X))(Y - \mathbb{E}(Y)))}{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}(X) \mathbb{V}(Y)}}$$

$$\text{We have } \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}(X))(Y - \mathbb{E}(Y))] = b\sigma_x^2$$

Therefore we have:

$$\rho_{XY} = \frac{b\sigma_x}{\sigma_y}$$