# Simple Linear Regression and Correlation

Model for designed experiment:

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i$$

- $ightharpoonup \epsilon_1, \ldots, \epsilon_n$  independent, mean 0, variance  $\sigma^2$ .
- ▶ Model for sample of pairs:  $(X_i, Y_i)$ , i = 1, ..., n sample from bivariate population.
- $E(Y_i|X_i) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$
- ▶ So if we define  $\epsilon_i = Y_i \beta_1 X_i \beta_0$  then
  - ▶ The  $\epsilon_i$  are independent mean 0 constant variance.
  - $E(\epsilon_i|X_i)=0.$





# **Bivariate Normal Populations**

X, Y have a bivariate normal distribution if they have joint density

$$f(x,y) = \frac{1}{\sigma_1 \sigma_2 \sqrt{1-\rho^2}} \exp\left[-q(x,y)/\{2(1-\rho^2)\}\right]$$

where

$$q(x,y) = \frac{(x-\mu_1)^2}{\sigma_1^2} - 2\rho \frac{(x-\mu_1)}{\sigma_1} \frac{(y-\mu_2)}{\sigma_2} + \frac{(y-\mu_2)^2}{\sigma_2^2}$$

- ▶ Marginal density of X is  $N(\mu_1, \sigma_1^2)$ .
- ▶ Marginal density of Y is  $N(\mu_2, \sigma_1^2)$ .





- ▶ This is a density if  $-1 < \rho < 1$  and  $\sigma_1, \sigma_2$  are both positive.
- Covariance of X and Y is

$$\mathrm{E}\left\{(X-\mu_1)(Y-\mu_2)\right\} = \rho\sigma_1\sigma_2$$

▶ The correlation coefficient is  $\rho$ ; that is

$$\mathrm{E}\left\{\frac{(X-\mu_1)}{\sigma_1}\frac{(Y-\mu_2)}{\sigma_2}\right\} = \rho$$

ightharpoonup Conditional distribution of Y given X = x is Normal, mean

$$\beta_0 + \beta_1 x = \mu_2 + \rho \sigma_2 \frac{x - \mu_1}{\sigma_1}$$

and variance

$$\sigma^2 = (1 - \rho)^2 \sigma_2^2.$$



#### Estimation of parameters

▶ The population means are estimated by sample means:

$$\hat{\mu}_1 = \bar{X}$$
  $\hat{\mu}_2 = \bar{Y}$ 

Population SDs are estimated by sample SDs:

$$\hat{\sigma}_1 \equiv s_x = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{n-1}}$$
  $\hat{\sigma}_2 \equiv s_y = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_i (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}{n-1}}$ 

Population correlation estimated by sample correlation:

$$\hat{\rho} \equiv r = \frac{\frac{\sum_{i} (X_{i} - \bar{X})(Y_{i} - \bar{Y})}{n-1}}{S_{X}S_{Y}}$$





#### Estimation with fixed covariates

▶ Ordinary least squares estimate of slope  $\beta_1$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = r \frac{s_y}{s_x} = \frac{\sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y})}{\sum_i (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2}$$

lacktriangle Ordinary least squares estimate of intercept  $eta_0$  is

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{X}.$$

• Ordinary least squares estimate of  $\sigma^2$  is residual mean square:

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \sum_i (Y_1 - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 X_i)^2 / (n-2).$$

This estimate is unbiased:

$$E(\hat{\sigma}^2) = \sigma^2.$$





#### Relation between the models

- ▶ In both models  $Var(\epsilon_i) = \sigma^2$ .
- In bivariate normal model

$$\operatorname{Var}(\epsilon_i) = \sigma^2 = \sigma_y^2 (1 - \rho^2).$$





# Simple linear regression: least squares, inference

- ► See *Fitting Linear Models* lecture for derivation of least squares formulas.
- ▶ The estimates  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\beta}_2$  are linear combinations of the  $Y_i$ . For instance

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \sum w_i Y_i$$

where

$$w_i = \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{\sum_i (x_i - \bar{x})^2}.$$

So

$$E(\hat{\beta}_1) = \sum_i w_i E(Y_i) = \sum_i w_i (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)$$
$$= 0 + \beta_1 \sum_i w_i x_i$$
$$= \beta_1$$





- ▶ Notice use of fact that  $\sum w_i = 0$  so  $\sum w_i \bar{X} = 0$ .
- ▶ The identity says  $\hat{\beta}_1$  is an **unbiased** estimate of  $\beta_1$ .
- ▶ We can compute the variance:

$$\operatorname{Var}(\sum_{i} w_{i} Y_{i}) = \sum_{i} w_{i}^{2} \operatorname{Var}(Y_{i})$$

$$= \sigma^{2} \frac{\sum (x_{i} - \bar{x})^{2}}{\{\sum (x_{i} - \bar{x})^{2}\}^{2}}$$

$$= \frac{\sigma^{2}}{\sum (x_{i} - \bar{x})^{2}}$$

► The square root of the variance of any estimate is called its **Standard Error**.





# Distribution Theory

- ▶ Both  $\hat{\beta}_1$  and  $\hat{\beta}_2$  are linear combinations of the normally distributed  $Y_i$ .
- So both have normal distributions.
- So you can form confidence intervals:

$$\hat{eta}_i \pm t_{n,lpha/2}$$
Estimated Standard Error

and test hypotheses using

$$t = rac{\hat{eta}_i - eta_{i,o}}{\mathsf{Estimated} \ \mathsf{Standard} \ \mathsf{Error}}$$

- **ESE** is theoretical SE with  $\sigma$  estimated.
- Use residual mean square to estimate  $\sigma^2$ .





#### Output from JMP

R Square 0.534338
Root Mean Square Error 1.96287
Mean of Response 32.44423
Estimates

Term Estimate Std Error t Ratio Prob>|t|
Intercept 11.098156 1.953928 5.68 <.0001
Distance 0.0481812 0.004389 10.98 <.0001

Can form CIs and test hypotheses like  $H_o$ :  $\beta_1 = 0$ .





# Output from JMP

#### Analysis of Variance

Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Ratio
Model	1	464.21357	464.214	120.4855
Error	105	404.55022	3.853	Prob > F
C. Total	106	868.76379		<.0001

Notice  $F = t^2$ , that is  $120.4855 = 10.98^2$ .

Always happens with 1 df F-test.



