Lecture 20 - Regression: Inference, Outliers, and Intervals

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Types of outliers in linear regression

Is regression robust? Think about how the regression line would change with and without "outlier(s)".



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Without the outlier there is *no* relationship between X and Y (Cor(X, Y) = 0).



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What would have happened if the outlier was directly above the other points?



With and without

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 $R = -0.091, R^2 = 0.0083$

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Data are available on the log of the surface temperature and the log of the light intensity of 47 stars in the star cluster CYG OB1.





Hertzsprung-Russell Diagram



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Inference for linear regression

In 1966 Cyril Burt published a paper called "The genetic determination of differences in intelligence: A study of monozygotic twins reared apart" The data consist of IQ scores for [an assumed random sample of] 27 identical twins, one raised by foster parents, the other by the biological parents.



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Checking conditions (II)

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Back to Nature vs nurture



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We are interested in inference on β_1 which we estimate using the point estimate b_1 .

It turns out that after normalizing our point estimate has a T distribution with n - 2 degrees of freedom.

$$T_{df=n-2} = \frac{b_1 - \beta_1}{SE}$$

where,

$$SE_{b_1} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} \frac{s_e}{s_x} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-1}} \frac{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^n \epsilon_i^2}}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}}$$

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- The ultimate goal is to have independent observations and you know how to check for those by now.

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ANOVA Model:

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