

This note explores estimating correlation of a sample taken from a bivariate normal distribution.

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Data Set Used in this Analysis :

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# Math 3082          Loblolly Data    Feb. 24, 2014
#
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# and the modulus of rupture (kilopascals)
"SpecGrav" "ModulusRupture"
.414 29186
.383 29266
.399 26215
.402 30162
.442 38867
.422 37831
.466 44576
.500 46097
.514 59698
.530 67705
.569 66088
.558 78486
.577 89869
.572 77369
.548 67095
.581 85156
.557 69571
.550 84160
.531 73466
.550 78610
.556 67657
.523 74017
.602 87291
.569 86836
.544 82540
.557 81699
.530 82096
.547 75657
.585 80490
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> tt=read.table("M3082DataLoblolly.txt",header=T)
Error in file(file, "rt") : cannot open the connection
In addition: Warning message:
In file(file, "rt") :
  cannot open file 'M3082DataLoblolly.txt': No such file or directory
> tt=read.table("M3082DataLoblolly.txt",header=T)
> attach(tt)
> tt
  SpecGrav ModulusRupture
1    0.414          29186
2    0.383          29266
3    0.399          26215
4    0.402          30162
5    0.442          38867
6    0.422          37831
7    0.466          44576
8    0.500          46097
9    0.514          59698
10   0.530          67705
11   0.569          66088
12   0.558          78486
13   0.577          89869
14   0.572          77369
15   0.548          67095
16   0.581          85156
17   0.557          69571
18   0.550          84160
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19	0.531	73466
20	0.550	78610
21	0.556	67657
22	0.523	74017
23	0.602	87291
24	0.569	86836
25	0.544	82540
26	0.557	81699
27	0.530	82096
28	0.547	75657
29	0.585	80490

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> ##### RUN ANOVA ON DATA #####
> f1=lm(ModulusRupture~SpecGrav)
> summary(f1); anova(f1)
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Call:

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lm(formula = ModulusRupture ~ SpecGrav)
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Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-14335	-3970	732	4940	13582

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-93319	10808	-8.634	3.00e-09 ***
SpecGrav	305346	20640	14.794	1.80e-14 ***

Signif. codes: 0 *** 0.001 ** 0.01 * 0.05 . 0.1 1

Residual standard error: 6930 on 27 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.8902, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8861

F-statistic: 218.9 on 1 and 27 DF, p-value: 1.797e-14

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: ModulusRupture

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
SpecGrav	1	1.0511e+10	1.0511e+10	218.87	1.797e-14 ***
Residuals	27	1.2966e+09	4.8022e+07		

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> ##### SCATTER PLOT WITH REGRESSION LINE #####
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> plot(ModulusRupture~SpecGrav)
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> abline(f1,col=3)
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> ##### TEST H0: RHO=0 VS Ha: RHO NE 0 #####
> r=cor(ModulusRupture,SpecGrav); r; r^2
[1] 0.943497
[1] 0.8901864

> cor.test(ModulusRupture,SpecGrav)

Pearson's product-moment correlation

data: ModulusRupture and SpecGrav
t = 14.7943, df = 27, p-value = 1.799e-14
alternative hypothesis: true correlation is not equal to 0
95 percent confidence interval:
 0.8819758 0.9734028
sample estimates:
      cor
0.943497

> ##### REDO BY HAND #####
> # cor test by hand
> cov(ModulusRupture,SpecGrav)
[1] 1229.367
> xbar=mean(SpecGrav);xbar
[1] 0.519931
> ybar=mean(ModulusRupture);ybar
[1] 65439.86
> n=length(SpecGrav); n
[1] 29
> Sxx=sum(SpecGrav^2)-xbar^2/n;Sxx
[1] 7.94293
> Sxx=sum(SpecGrav^2)-n*xbar^2;Sxx
[1] 0.1127319
> Sxy=sum(SpecGrav*ModulusRupture)-n*xbar*ybar;Sxy
[1] 34422.28
> Syy=sum(ModulusRupture^2)-n*ybar^2;Syy
[1] 11807324805
> Sxy/sqrt(Sxx*Syy)
[1] 0.943497

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> ##### t - TEST FOR CORRELATION #####

> t=r/sqrt((1-r^2)/(n-2));t
[1] 14.79430
> qt(.025,n-2,lower.tail=F)
[1] 2.051831
> 2*pt(t,n-2,lower.tail=F)
[1] 1.796901e-14

> ##### Z-test H0: rho=.9 Ha: rho>.9 #####

> r0=.9
> z=sqrt(n-3)*(log((1+r)/(1-r))-log((1+r0)/(1-r0)))/2;z
[1] 1.513159
> qnorm(.05,lower.tail=F)
[1] 1.644854
> pnorm(z,lower.tail=F)
[1] 0.0651196

> ##### 2-sided CI on rho #####

> za=qnorm(.025,lower.tail=F);za
[1] 1.959964
> v=log((1+r)/(1-r))/2;v
[1] 1.768974
> cl=v-za/sqrt(n-3);cu=v+za/sqrt(n-3);c(cl,cu)
[1] 1.384594 2.153355
> (exp(2*cl)-1)/(exp(2*cl)+1);tanh(cl)
[1] 0.8819758
[1] 0.8819758
> c(tanh(cl),tanh(cu))
[1] 0.8819758 0.9734028
>

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