

1. The article “Cotton Square Damage by the Plant Bug *Lygus hesperus*...,” in *J. Econ. Entom.*, 1988, describes an experiment to relate the age x of cotton plants (in days) to the percentage of damaged squares y . Obtain the equation of the least-squares line.

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> rbind(x,y)
x    9   12   12   15   18   18   21   21   27   30   30   33
y   11   12   23   30   29   52   41   65   60   72   84   93

> c( sum(x), sum(y), sum(x^2), sum(x*y), sum(y^2) )
[1]    246    572    5742   14022   35634
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There are $n = 12$ points. We compute

$$\begin{aligned}\bar{x} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = \frac{246}{12} = 20.5 \\ \bar{y} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i = \frac{572}{12} = 47.667 \\ S_{xx} &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 = 5742 - \frac{246^2}{12} = 699 \\ S_{xy} &= \sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i - \frac{1}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i \right) = 14022 - \frac{246 \cdot 572}{12} = 2296 \\ \hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = \frac{2296}{699} = 3.285 \\ \hat{\beta}_0 &= \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x} = 47.667 - 3.285 \cdot 20.5 = -19.676\end{aligned}$$

Thus the least squares line is

$$y = -19.676 + 3.285x.$$

2. Given n data points (x_i, y_i) , suppose that we try to fit a linear equation $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$. For the simple regression model, what are the assumptions on the data $\{(x_i, y_i)\}$? Show that $\hat{\beta}_1$, the least squares estimator for β_1 , can be expressed as a linear combination $\sum_{j=1}^n c_j Y_j$, where the c_j 's don't depend on the Y_i 's. Show that $\hat{\beta}_1$ is normally distributed with mean β_1 .

We assume in linear regression that

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \epsilon_i, \quad \text{where } \epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2) \text{ are IID normal variables.}$$

Note that $\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) = 0$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\beta}_1 &= \frac{S_{xy}}{S_{xx}} = \frac{1}{S_{xx}} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y}) = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}} y_i - \frac{\bar{y}}{S_{xx}} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}} y_i = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i y_i\end{aligned}$$

where $c_i = (x_i - \bar{x})/S_{xx}$. It follows that $\hat{\beta}_1$ is a normal random variable as it is the linear combination of independent normal random variables. Its mean

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(\hat{\beta}_1) &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}} \mathbb{E}(Y_i) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}} (\beta_1 + \beta_1 x_i + 0) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{S_{xx}} (\beta_1 + \beta_1 \bar{x} + \beta_1 (x_i - \bar{x})) \\ &= \frac{\beta_1 + \beta_1 \bar{x}}{S_{xx}} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}) + \frac{\beta_1}{S_{xx}} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \\ &= 0 + \beta_1. \end{aligned}$$

3. The effect of manganese on wheat growth was studied in "Manganeses Deficiency and Toxicity Effects on Growth . . . in Wheat," *Agronomy Journal*, 1984. A quadratic regression model was used to relate plant height (in cm) and $\log_{10}(\text{added Mn})$, added Mn (in μM). State the model and the assumptions on the data. Is there strong evidence that $\beta_2 < -2$? State the null and alternative hypotheses. State the test statistic and rejection region. Carry out the test at significance level .05. Predict the Height of the next observation when $\log_{10}(\text{added Mn}) = 3$. What is the standard error of your prediction? [Hint: the estimated standard deviation of $\hat{\beta}_1 + 3\hat{\beta}_2 + 9\hat{\beta}_2$ is $s_{Y.3} = 0.850$.]

logMn	-1.0	-0.4	0	0.2	1.0	2.0	2.8	3.2	3.4	4.0
Height	32	37	44	45	46	42	42	40	37	30

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lm(formula = Height ~ logMn + I(logMn^2))
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Residuals:

	Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
	-3.4555	-0.6675	0.1139	1.1278	2.2578

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	41.7422	0.8522	48.979	3.87e-10
logMn	6.5808	1.0016	6.570	0.000313
I(logMn^2)	-2.3621	0.3073	-7.686	0.000118

Residual standard error: 1.963 on 7 degrees of freedom

Multiple R-squared: 0.898, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8689

F-statistic: 30.81 on 2 and 7 DF, p-value: 0.000339

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: Height

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
logMn	1	9.822	9.822	2.5483	0.1544437
I(logMn^2)	1	227.698	227.698	59.0770	0.0001176
Residuals	7	26.980	3.854		

The model and assumptions on the data is that there are β_0 , β_1 and β_2 such that for all i ,

$$y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log_{10} x_i + \beta_2 (\log_{10} x_i)^2 + \epsilon_i$$

where the $\epsilon_i \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$ are IID normal variables.

We test

$$\mathcal{H}_0 : \beta_2 = -2 \quad \text{versus} \quad \mathcal{H}_a : \beta_2 < -2$$

The test statistic is

$$t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_2 - (-2)}{s_{\hat{\beta}_2}}$$

which is distributed as a t -distribution with $n - k - 1$ degrees of freedom. The rejection region at the α -level of significance is that we reject \mathcal{H}_0 in favor of \mathcal{H}_a if $t < t(\alpha, n - k - 1) = t(.05, 10 - 2 - 1) = -1.895$. Computing using the output

$$t = \frac{-2.3621 + 2}{0.3073} = -1.1783$$

Thus, we cannot reject the null hypothesis. Equivalently, the p -value is $\mathbb{P}(T < -1.1783) = .056$ from Table A8 with $\nu = 7$. The evidence that $\beta_2 < -2$ is not significant at the $\alpha = .05$ level.

If the next $\log_{10}(x_{n+1}) = 3$ then the predicted value of Height is

$$\begin{aligned} y_{n+1} &= \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 \log_{10} x_i + \hat{\beta}_2 (\log_{10} x_i)^2 = \beta_0 + 3\hat{\beta}_1 + 9\hat{\beta}_2 \\ &= 41.7422 + 3 \cdot 6.5808 + 9 \cdot (-2.3621) = \boxed{40.2257} \end{aligned}$$

The standard error of the prediction is

$$s_{y_{n+1}} = \sqrt{s^2 + s_{Y \cdot 3}^2} = \sqrt{(1.963)^2 + (0.850)^2} = \boxed{2.139}$$

4. A study "Forecasting Engineering Manpower..." in Journal of Management Engineering, 1995, presented data on construction costs (in \$ 1000) and person hours of labor required for several projects. Consider Model 1: $CO = \beta_0 + \beta_1 PH$ (solid line) and Model 2: $\log(CO) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \log(PH)$ (dashed line). R© was used to generate tables and plots. Discuss the two models with regard to quality of fit and whether the model assumptions are satisfied. Compare at least five features in the tables and plots. Which is the better model and why?

PH	939	5796	289	283	138	2698	663	1069	6945	4159	1266	1481	4716
CO	251	4690	124	294	138	1385	345	355	5253	1177	802	945	2327

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lm(formula = CO ~ PH)
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Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-1476.5	-165.9	151.6	277.5	899.4

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-235.32047	253.19026	-0.929	0.373
PH	0.69461	0.07854	8.844	2.49e-06

Residual standard error: 627.4 on 11 degrees of freedom
 Multiple R-squared: 0.8767, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8655
 F-statistic: 78.21 on 1 and 11 DF, p-value: 2.488e-06

Analysis of Variance Table

Response: CO

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
PH	1	30782367	30782367	78.208	2.488e-06
Residuals	11	4329561	393596		

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lm(formula = log(CO) ~ log(PH))
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Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-0.73469	-0.34931	-0.00141	0.44173	0.53340

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-0.07446	0.75726	-0.098	0.923
log(PH)	0.92546	0.10417	8.884	2.38e-06

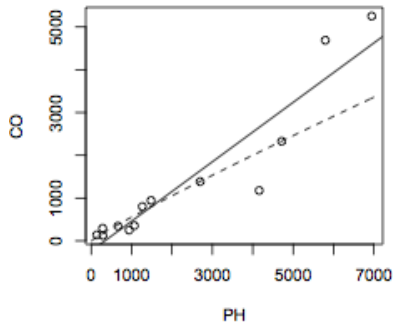
Residual standard error: 0.4519 on 11 degrees of freedom
 Multiple R-squared: 0.8777, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8666
 F-statistic: 78.93 on 1 and 11 DF, p-value: 2.378e-06

Analysis of Variance Table

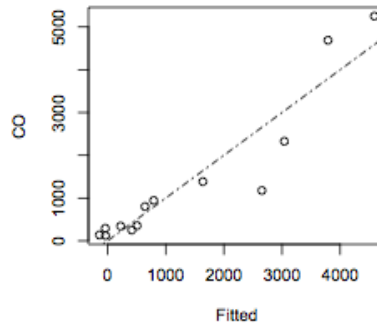
Response: log(CO)

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
log(PH)	1	16.1185	16.1185	78.932	2.378e-06
Residuals	11	2.2463	0.2042		

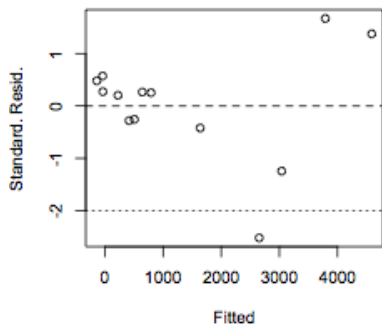
Model 1. CO~PH



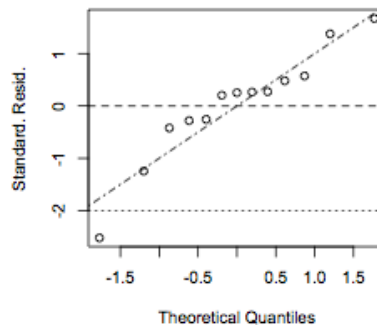
Model 1. Observed vs. Fitted



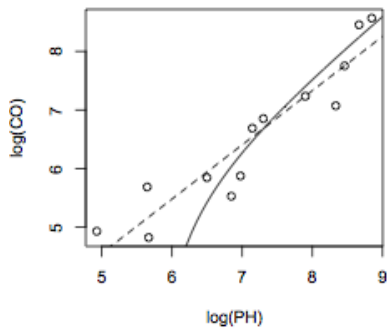
Model 1. Standard. Resid. vs Fitted



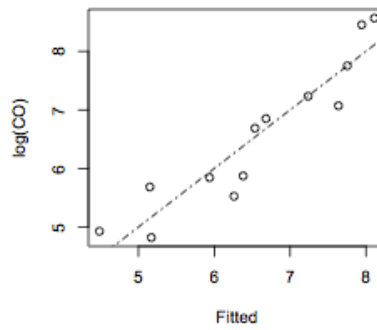
Model 1. Q-Q Norm. of Standard. Resid.



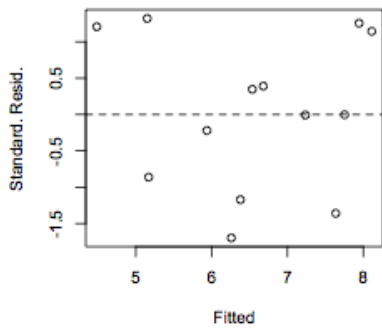
Model 2. log(CO)~log(PH)



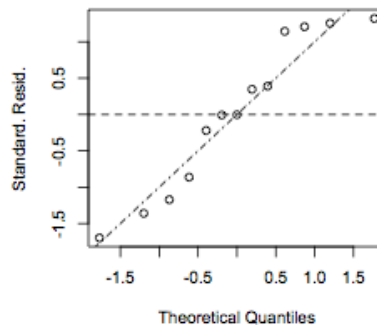
Model 2. Observed vs. Fitted



Model 2. Standard. Resid. vs Fitted



Model 2. Q-Q Norm. of Standard. Resid.



The **R**© output on the exam was incorrect since it was analysis of a different data set. The correct analysis is given here. However the diagnostic graphs given on the exam were correct ones.

First of all, the coefficient of determination, which gives the fraction of the variation accounted for the model is $R^2 = 0.8767$ for the first model and $R^2 = 0.8777$ for the second, which is a hair better but virtually the same. (On the original exam, we had $R^2 = .9188$ on the first model and $R^2 = .9704$ on the second model, which is slightly better. The adjusted R_a^2 tells us the same information as R^2 because both models have the same number of variables.)

Second, looking at the scatter plots (Panels 1 and 5) we see that in Model 1, many points bunch up on the line near zero in Model 1 whereas they have a more uniform looking spread around the dashed line in Model 2.

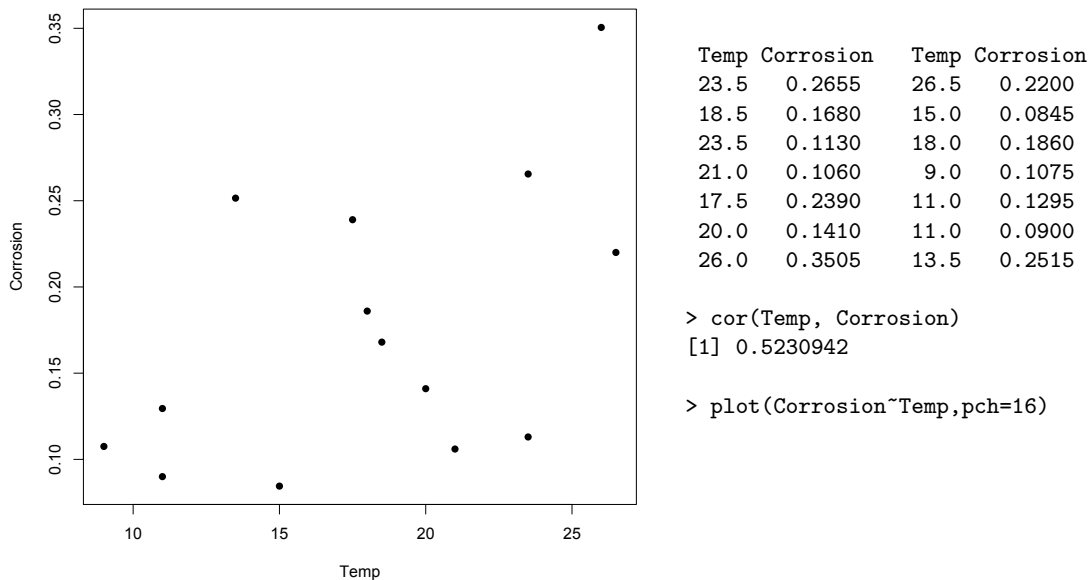
Third, comparing observed versus fitted (Panels 2 and 6), points bunch near the origin in Model 1 but have an even spread in Model 2. This suggests that the variability depends on y a lot more in Model 1.

Fourth, comparing standardized residuals versus fitted values (Panels 3 and 7), the distribution has a funnel shape for Model 1 but is much more uniform in Model 2. Also, there are no standardized residuals larger than two standard deviation in Model 2 but there are such for Model 1.

Fifth, comparing QQ-normal plots (Panels 4 and 8), both look pretty good, although there is a slight downward bow in Model 1 which is not there in Model 2. However, Model 2 has a slight “S” shape, indicating a lighter tailed distribution than normal.

In the three features, Model 2 has the advantage and they’re equally good in the first and fifth, so I would recommend Model 2 over Model 1.

5. In “The Effect of Temperature on the Marine Immersion Corrosion of Carbon Steels,” Corrosion, 2002, corrosion loss (in mm) and mean water temperature (in C°) were measured for of copper bearing steel specimens immersed in seawater in 14 random locations after one year of immersion. Is there a linear relationship between corrosion and mean temperature? State the assumptions on the data. Is there strong evidence that $\rho > \frac{1}{3}$, where ρ is the population correlation coefficient between corrosion and temperature? State the test statistic and rejection region. Carry out the test at significance level $\alpha = .05$.



The assumption for correlation tests is that the data (x_i, y_i) are IID bivariate normal variables.

The null and alternate hypotheses are

$$\mathcal{H}_0 : \rho = \rho_0 = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{versus} \quad \mathcal{H}_a : \rho > \rho_0 = \frac{1}{3}$$

The test statistic uses Fisher’s z -transform

$$f(\rho) = \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1 + \rho}{1 - \rho} \right).$$

For bivariate normal data with correlation ρ , then $f(\hat{\rho})$ is approximately distributed as normal random variable with mean $f(\rho)$ and variance $1/(n - 3)$, where $\hat{\rho}$ is the sample correlation. Hence we reject \mathcal{H}_0 in favor of \mathcal{H}_a if

$$z = \frac{f(\hat{\rho}) - f(\rho_0)}{1/\sqrt{n - 3}} > z_\alpha$$

Since the critical z -value is $z_{.05} = 1.645$, we compute

$$Z = \frac{f(.523) - f(\frac{1}{3})}{1/\sqrt{14 - 3}} = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+.523}{1-.523} \right) - \frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{1+\frac{1}{3}}{1-\frac{1}{3}} \right)}{1/\sqrt{11}} = 0.776.$$

Since $Z < z_\alpha$ we cannot reject the null hypothesis. Equivalently, the p -value is $\mathbb{P}(Z > 0.776) = \Phi(-0.776) = .2165$. The evidence that $\rho > 1/3$ is not significant at the $\alpha = .05$ level.