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Residual Analysis and Outliers Lecture 48 Sections 13.4 - 13.5

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Exercise 13.4, page 821.

The following data represent trends in cigarette consumption per capita (in hundreds) and lung cancer mortality (per 100,000) for Canadian males:

Cigarette Consumption (x)	11.8	12.5	15.7	19.2	21.9	23.3
Mortality Rate (y)	10.4	16.5	22.9	26.6	33.8	42.8

- (b) Give the equation of the least squares regression line of y = mortality rate on x = cigarette consumption.
- (c) Interpret the slope of the regression line. (Be specific.)
- (d) Use the least squares regression equation to predict the lung cancer mortality rate when the cigarette consumption per capita is 2000.

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Solution

- (c) The slope, 2.35, means that if x increases by 1, then y increases by 2.35. That is, the mortality rate increases by 2.35 deaths per 100,000 for every additional 100 cigarettes consumed.
- (d) If cigarette consumption were 2000, the model predicts that the mortality rate would be

 $\hat{y}(20) = -15.474 + 2.35(20) = 31.6$

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lung cancer deaths per 100,000.

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• How do we know that a linear regression model is the best choice?

What other types of regression are there?

- There are many other types.
- How many would you like?
- The linear model is by far the simplest, but it is not the only choice.

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TI-83 Nonlinear Regression

- The TI-83 will do a variety of nonlinear regressions.
- Press STAT > CALC.
- The list includes
 - LinReg Linear regression:

$$\hat{y} = a + bx.$$

• QuadReg - Quadratic regression:

$$\hat{y} = ax^2 + bx + c.$$

• CubicReg - Cubic regression:

$$\hat{y} = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d.$$

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• And...

• QuartReg - Quartic regression:

$$\hat{y} = ax^4 + bx^3 + cx^2 + dx + e.$$

• LnReg - Logarithmic regression:

$$\hat{y} = a + b \ln x.$$

• ExpReg - Exponential regression:

$$\hat{y} = ab^x.$$

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• PwrReg - Power regression:

$$\hat{y} = ax^b.$$

• Logistic - Logistic regression:

$$\hat{y} = \frac{c}{1 + ae^{-bx}}$$

• SinReg - Sinusoidal regression:

$$\hat{y} = a\sin\left(bx + c\right) + d.$$

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- We can learn a bit about the nature of the model by examining the residuals.
 - This is called residual analysis.
 - First, we need to find the residuals

$$e_i = y_i - \hat{y}_i.$$

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• Then we draw a scatterplot of *x* versus *e* and see whether there is a pattern.

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• To do this on the TI-83, after finding the equation of the regression line, enter

$${\tt L}_2{-}{\tt Y}_1$$
 (${\tt L}_1$) ${\rightarrow}{\tt L}_4$

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to store the residuals in L_4 .

• Then draw a scatterplot of L₁ versus L₄.

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Example (Residual Plots)

Free lunch rate vs. graduation rate



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- If the residual plot shows no clear pattern, but just a big blob of points, then the linear model is appropriate.
- On the other hand, if the residual plot shows a distinct curvature, then the linear model may not be appropriate.

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Example (A Nonlinear	Model)
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• Consider the following data.

Х	у		Х	У		
1	2		5	12		
2	2		6	9		
2	4		6	12		
2	4		7	7		
2	5		7	9		
3	7		7	11		
3	8		8	9		
4	9		8	10		
4	10					
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Definition (Outlier)

An outlier is a point with an unusually large residual (e.g., at least 2.5 standard deviations from the mean).

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Definition (Influential Point)

An influential point is a point that exerts a inordinate influence on the regression line.

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- An outlier may or may not be influential.
- An influential point may or may not be an outlier.

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Example (Outliers and Influential Points)

• The regression line is $\hat{y} = 7.0 - 0.5x$.

x	y	\hat{y}	$y - \hat{y}$
1	6		
2	5		
3	5		
4	6		
4	4		
4	10		
5	3		
5	4		
6	3		

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	x	y	\hat{y}	$y - \hat{y}$
_	1	6	6.5	
	2	5	6.0	
	3	5	5.5	
	4	6	5.0	
	4	4	5.0	
	4	10	5.0	
	5	3	4.5	
	5	4	4.5	
	6	3	4.0	

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а	C	y	\hat{y}	$y - \hat{y}$
1	I	6	6.5	-0.5
2	2	5	6.0	-1.0
3	3	5	5.5	-0.5
2	1	6	5.0	1.0
2	1	4	5.0	-1.0
2	1	10	5.0	5.0
5	5	3	4.5	-1.5
5	5	4	4.5	-0.5
6	3	3	4.0	-1.0

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- The mean residual is 0.0 (always) and the standard deviation of these residuals is 2.0.
- Thus, the residual 5.0 is 2.5 standard deviations above the mean, an outlier.

- But, is the point (4, 10) influential?
- Remove is and see what the effect is.

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• The regression line of the remaining points is

$$\hat{y} = 6.615 - 0.564x.$$

• This is nearly the same as

$$\hat{y} = 7.0 - 0.5x.$$

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Example (Outliers and Influential Points)

Including the point (4, 10)





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Example (Outliers and Influential Points)

Excluding the point (4, 10)



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• Now change the point (4, 10) to the point (12, 12).

x	y
1	6
2	5
3	5
4	6
4	4
5	3
5	4
6	3
12	12

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• The regression line is

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$$\hat{y} = 6.615 - 0.564x$$

• Removing (12, 12) changes it to

 $\hat{y} = 2.767 + 0.55x.$

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Example (Outliers and Influential Points)

Excluding the point (12, 12)



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Including the point (12, 12)



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- Yet the residual of (12, 12) is only 2.63.
- The standard deviation of the set of residuals is 2.12.
- Therefore, (12, 12) is not an outlier, but it is influential.

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• Read Sections 13.4, 13.5, pages 823 - 834.

- Let's Do It! 13.5, 13.6.
- Exercises 8, 9, 10, page 835.