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Simple linear regression

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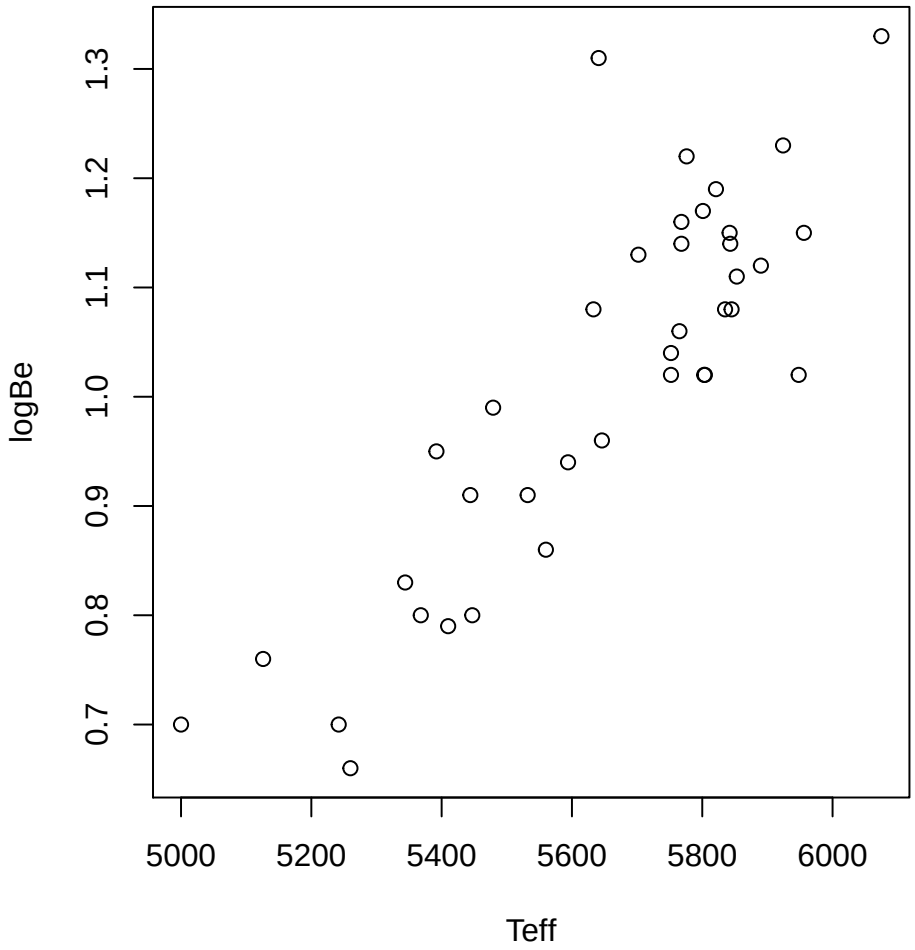
Study relationship between two variables with data $(x_1, Y_1), \ldots, (x_n, Y_n)$.

Example: Log of beryllium abundance versus temperature of 38 stars (see [1]).

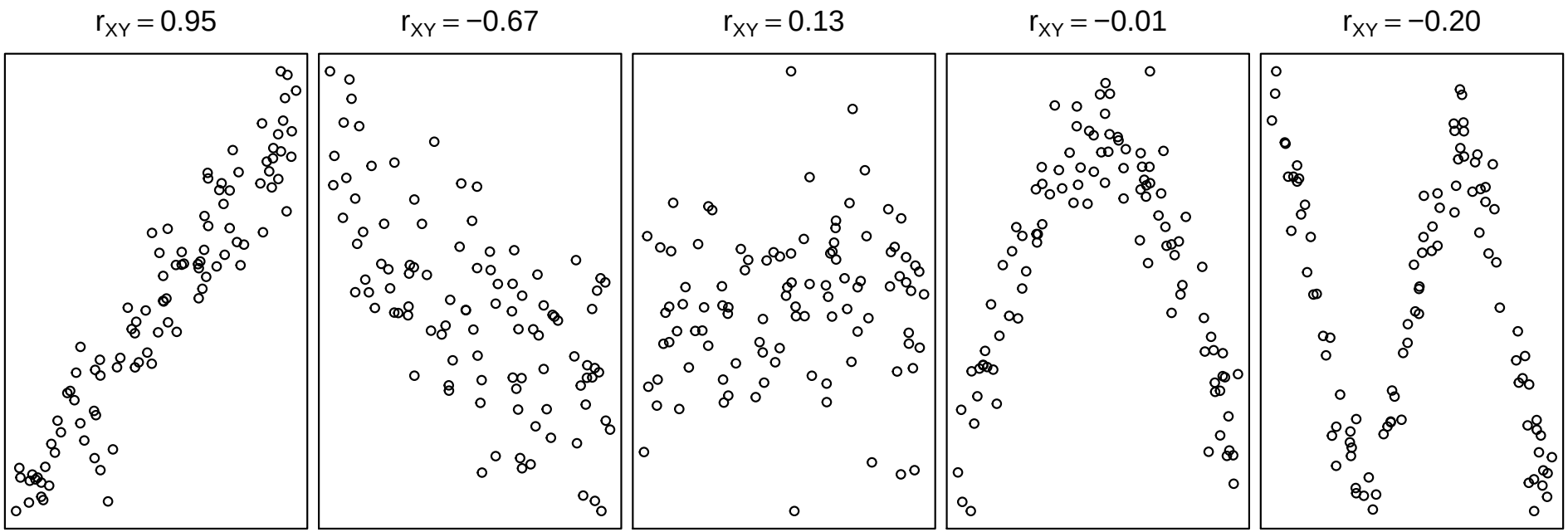


Pearson's correlation coefficient

For data pairs $(x_1, Y_1), \ldots, (x_n, Y_n)$, the Pearson correlation coefficient is

$$r_{xY} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x}_n)(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sqrt{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 \sum_{i=1}^{n}(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)^2}}.$$

- We have $r_{xY} \in [-1, 1]$.
- Values close to zero indicates weak linear relationship.
- Can use `cor()` function in R.



Exercise: Compute Pearson's correlation coefficient on the `beryllium data`.

Simple linear regression model

For data pairs $(Y_1, x_1), \ldots, (Y_n, x_n)$, suppose

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

for $i = 1, \ldots, n$, where

- $x_1, \ldots, x_n$ are fixed real numbers
- $Y_1, \ldots, Y_n$ are independent random variables
- β_0 and β_1 are unknown constants
- $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_n$ are iid errors with
  - $\mathbb{E}\varepsilon_i = 0$
  - $\text{Var}\, \varepsilon_i = \sigma^2$

  for $i = 1, \ldots, n$.

Goal: Estimate the unknown constants β_0 and β_1 and the error variance σ^2.

Least-squares estimators of simple linear regression coefficients

Provided $\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 > 0$, the function

$$Q_n(\beta_0, \beta_1) := \sum_{i=1}^{n}[Y_i - (\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i)]^2$$

is (uniquely) minimized at

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{Y}_n - \hat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}_n$$
$$\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x}_n)(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)}{\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2} = r_{xY} \cdot \frac{s_Y}{s_x}.$$

In above $s_Y^2 = (n-1)^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)^2$ and $s_x^2 = (n-1)^{-1}\sum_{i=1}^{n}(x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2$.

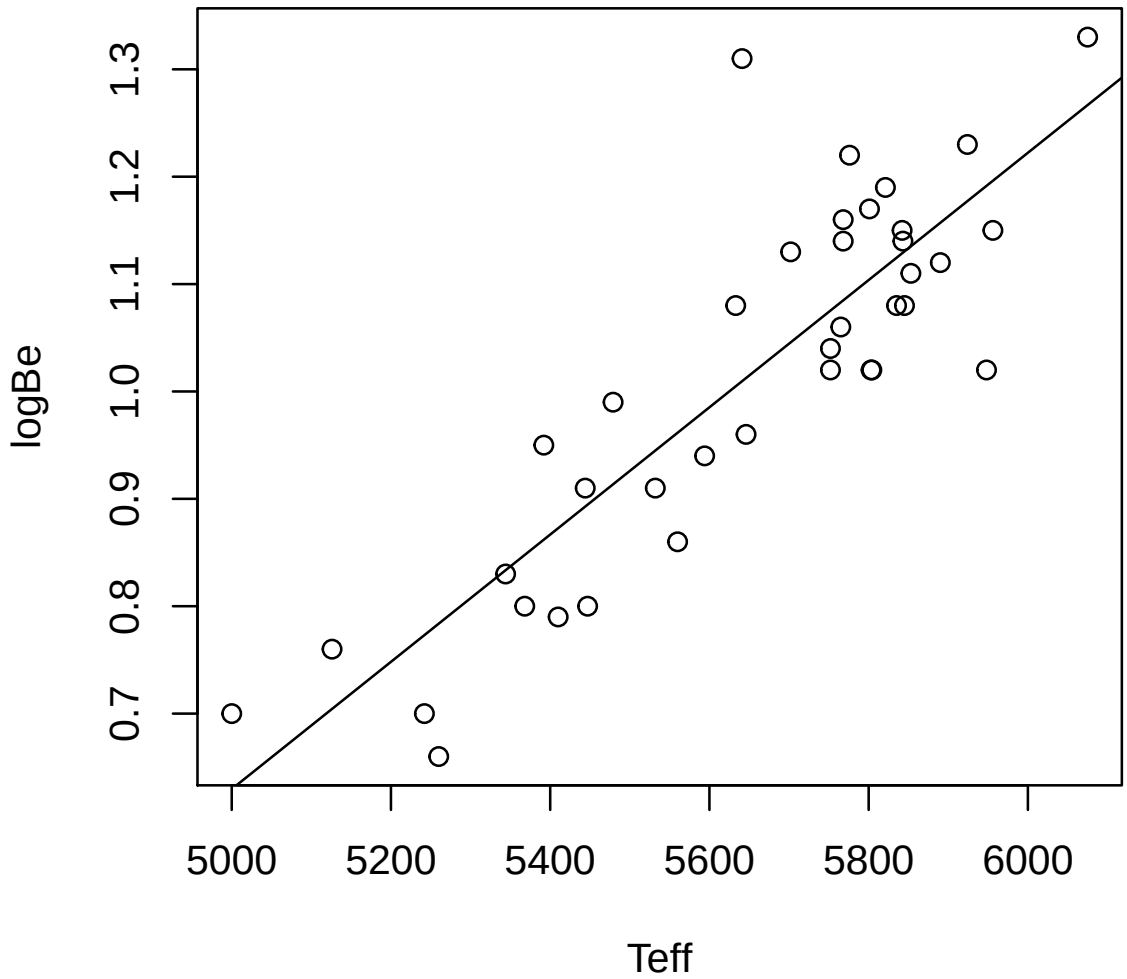
Exercise: Compute $\hat{\beta}_0$ and $\hat{\beta}_1$ for the beryllium data and plot the LS line.

```
# load the data
load(url("https://people.stat.sc.edu/gregorkb/data/beryllium.Rdata"))

# pull x and Y from the beryllium data frame
x <- beryllium$Teff
Y <- beryllium$logN_Be

# compute the least-squares regression coefficients
x_bar <- mean(x)
b1 <- cor(x,Y) * sd(Y) / sd(x)
b0 <- mean(Y) - b1*x_bar

# make a scatterplot with the least-squares line overlaid
plot(Y ~ x , xlab="Teff", ylab = "logBe")
abline(b0,b1)
```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6000
Teff

- The *fitted values* are

$$\hat{Y}_i = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \ldots, n.$$

- The *residuals* are

$$\hat{\varepsilon}_i = Y_i - \hat{Y}_i \quad \text{for } i = 1, \ldots, n.$$

Our estimator of σ^2 will be $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \dfrac{1}{n-2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \hat{\varepsilon}_i^2$.

Draw pictures: Illustrate what the residuals and fitted values are.

Sampling distribution of $\hat{\beta}_1$

Provided $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_n \overset{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$, we have

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \sim \text{Normal}(\beta_1, \sigma^2/S_{xx}) \quad \text{and} \quad (n-2)\hat{\sigma}^2/\sigma^2 \sim \chi^2_{n-2}$$

from which follows

$$\frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - \beta_1}{\hat{\sigma}/\sqrt{S_{xx}}} \sim t_{n-2}.$$

In the above $S_{xx} = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2$.

A $(1-\alpha)100\%$ CI for β_1 is given by

$$\hat{\beta}_1 \pm t_{n-2,\alpha/2}\hat{\sigma}/\sqrt{S_{xx}}.$$

Exercise: Build a 95% CI for β_1 for the beryllium data.

```
n <- length(Y)
Sxx <- sum((x - x_bar)^2)
sigma_hat <- sqrt( sum(e_hat^2)/(n-2))

lo <- b1 - qt(.975,n-2) * sigma_hat / sqrt(Sxx)
up <- b1 + qt(.975,n-2) * sigma_hat / sqrt(Sxx)

# easy way:
confint(lm(Y ~ x))
```

Let $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i$ for $i = 1, \ldots, n$, where $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_n \overset{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$.

Tests about β_1

Define the test statistic

$$T_{\text{test}} = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1}{\hat{\sigma}/\sqrt{S_{xx}}}.$$

Then the following tests have $P(\text{Type I error}) \leq \alpha$.

H_0: $\beta_1 \geq 0$ H_1: $\beta_1 < 0$	H_0: $\beta_1 = 0$ H_1: $\beta_1 \neq 0$	H_0: $\beta_1 \leq 0$ H_1: $\beta_1 > 0$
Reject H_0 if $T_{\text{test}} < -t_{n-2,\alpha}$	Reject H_0 if $\lvert T_{\text{test}} \rvert > t_{n-2,\alpha/2}$	Reject H_0 if $T_{\text{test}} > t_{n-2,\alpha}$
$p\text{-val} = P(T < T_{\text{test}})$	$p\text{-val} = 2 \cdot P(T > \lvert T_{\text{test}} \rvert)$	$p\text{-val} = P(T > T_{\text{test}})$

Discuss: Draw pictures of how to get the p-values.

Exercise: Get the p-value for testing H_0: $\beta_1 = 0$ for the beryllium data.

Exercise: Use the `lm()`, `summary()`, the `confint()` functions in R to obtain

1. the least-squares estimators
2. the p-value for testing H_0: $\beta_1 = 0$ vs H_1: $\beta_1 \neq 0$
3. confidence intervals for β_0 and β_1

for the beryllium data.

Consider the assumptions of the model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i, \qquad i = 1, \ldots, n.$$

where $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_n \overset{\text{ind}}{\sim} \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$.

(A.1) The responses are Normally distributed around the regression line.

To check: Look at a QQ plot of the residuals.

(A.2) The responses have the same variance for all values of the covariate.

To check: Look at the residuals versus fitted values plot.

(A.3) The covariate and the response are linearly related.

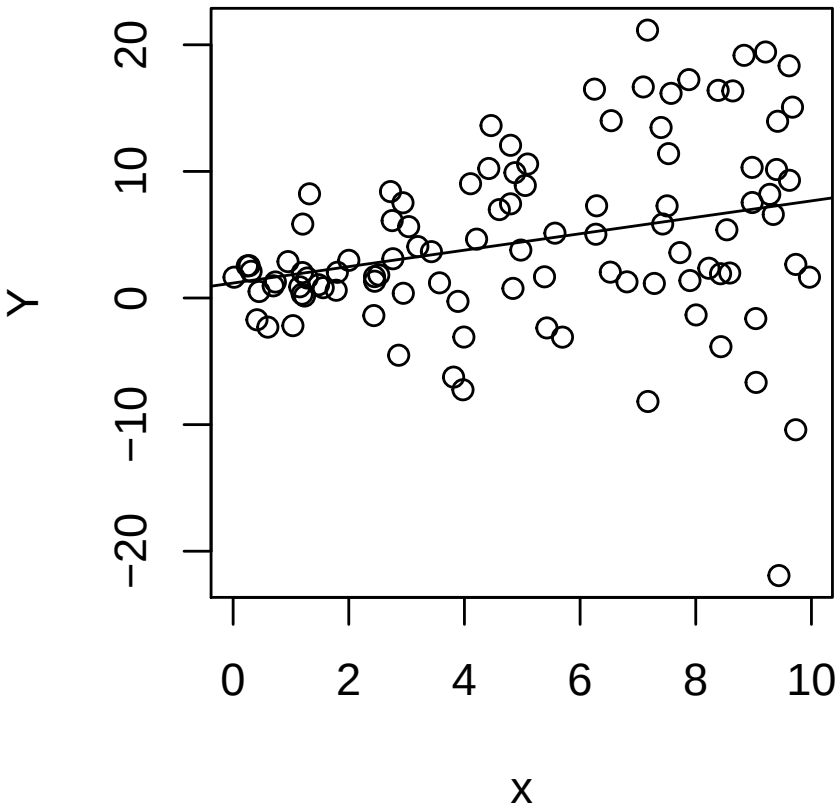
To check: Look at the residuals versus fitted values plot.

(A.4) The responses are independent from each other.

Cannot check: Trust the experimental design/beyond scope of course.

Use `plot()` on the output of `lm()`.

Exercise: Check the diagnostic plots for the beryllium data.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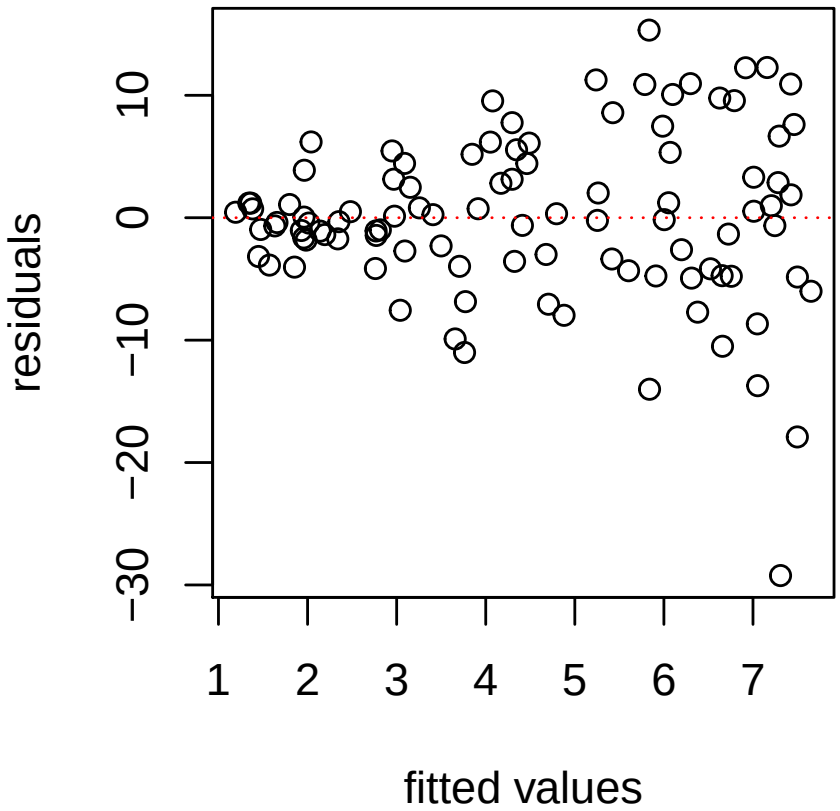
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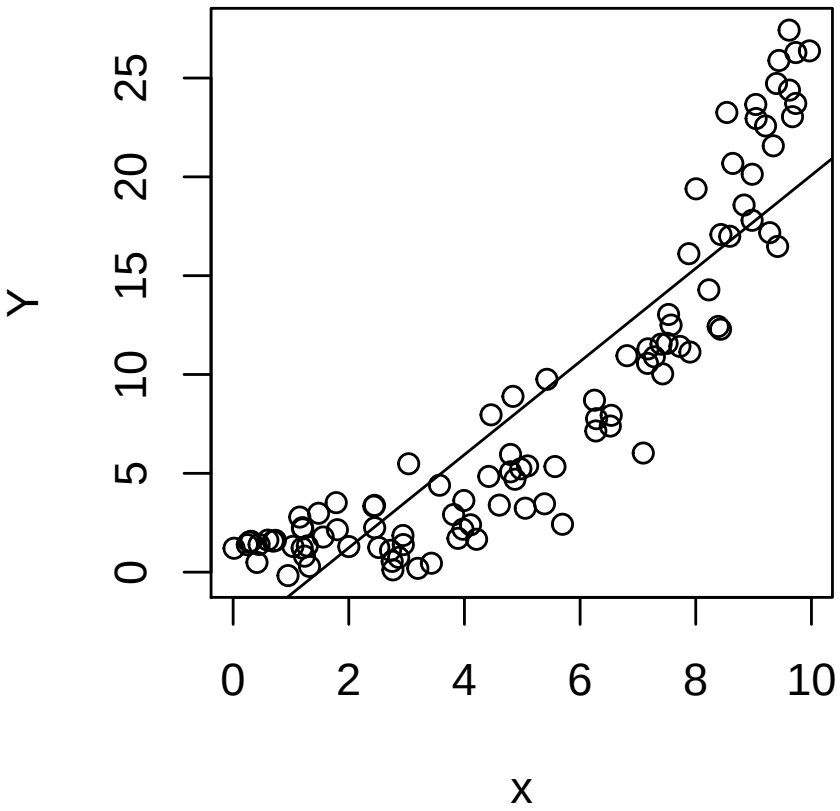
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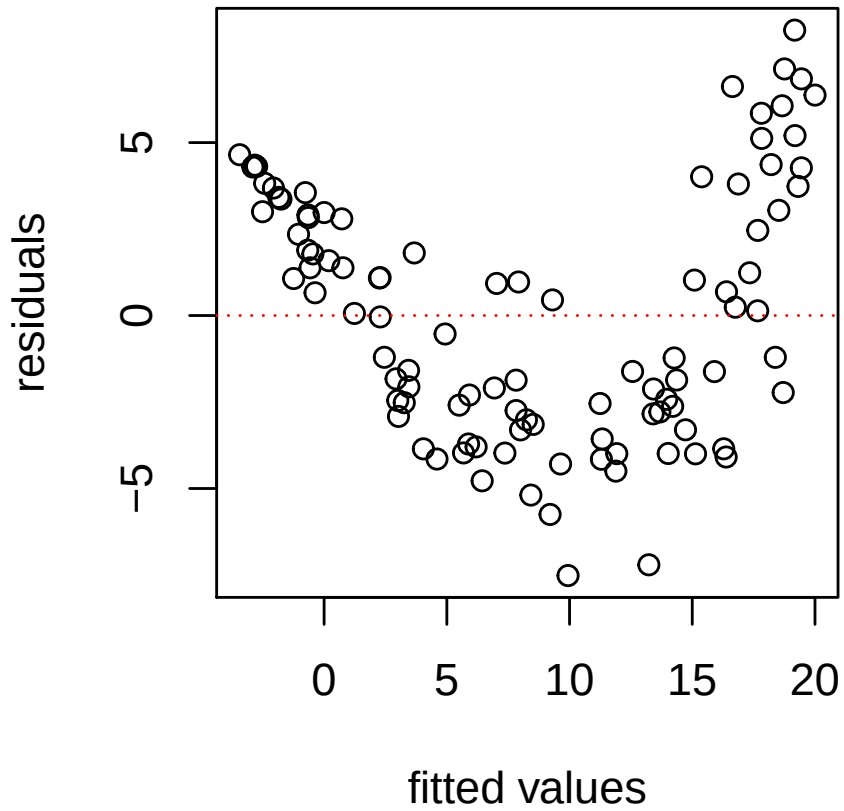
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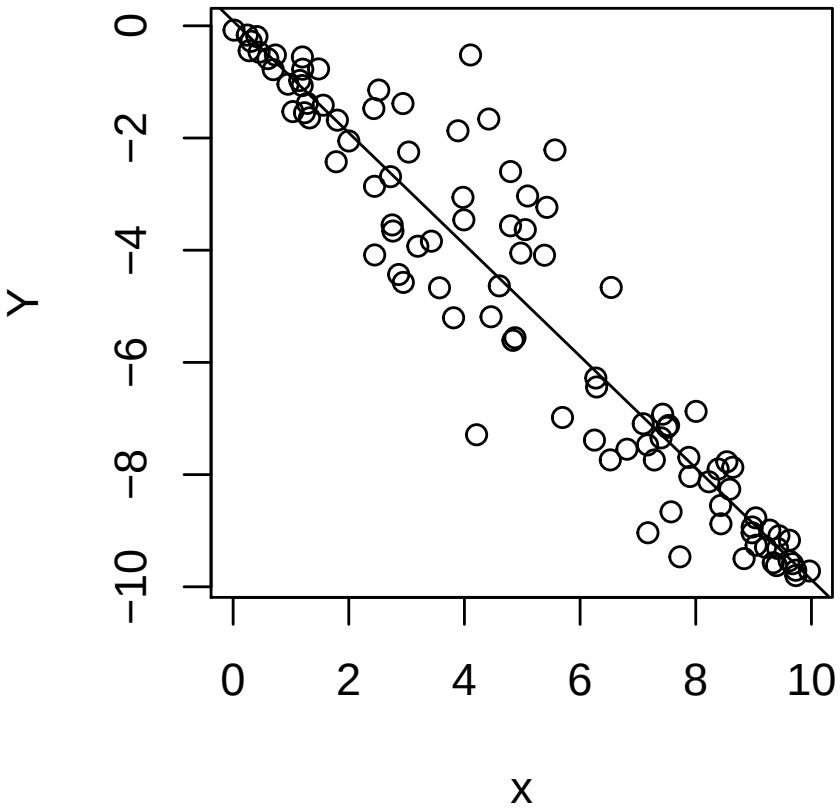
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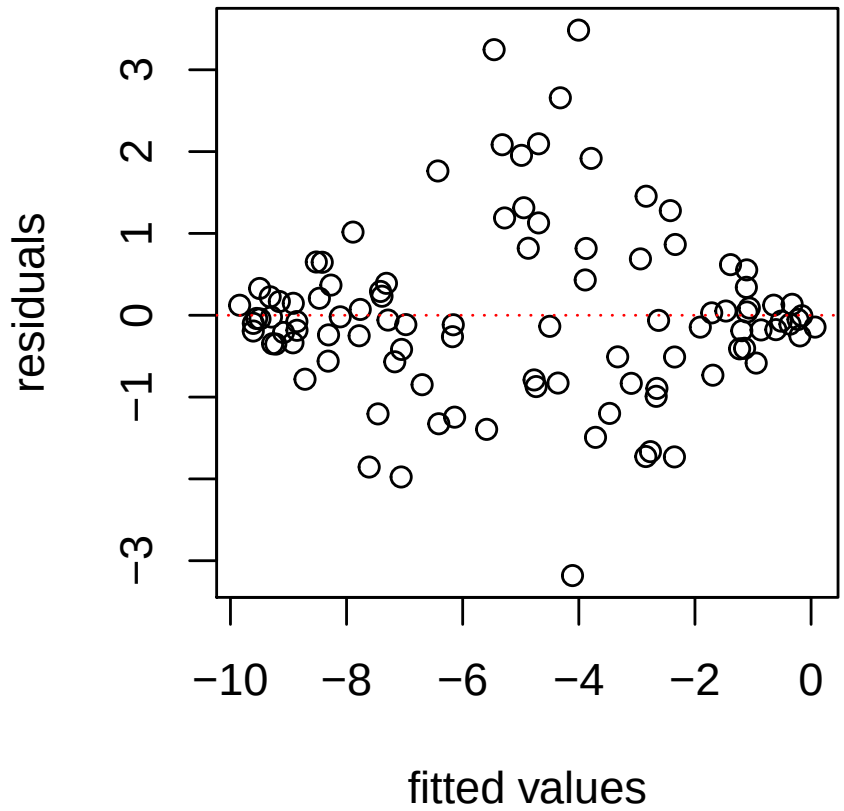
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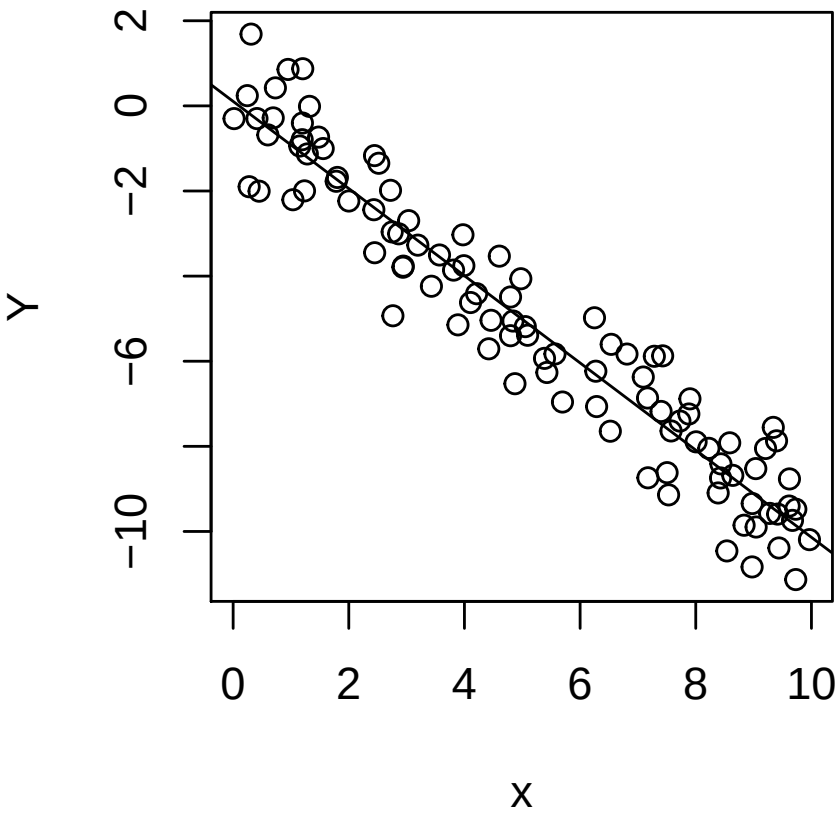
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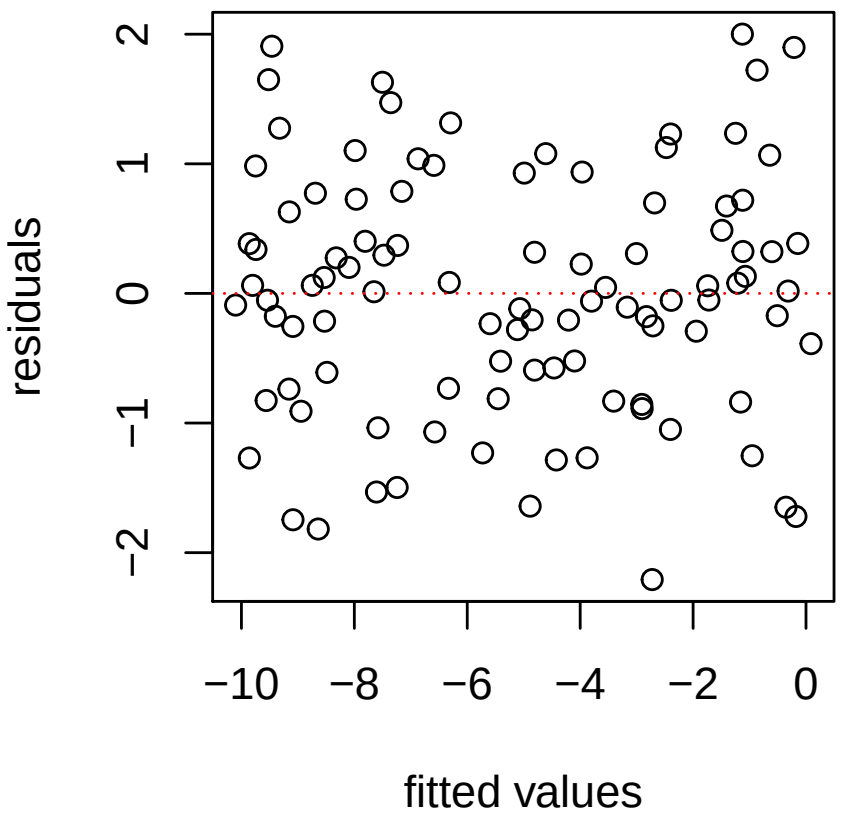
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Coefficient of determination

The *coefficient of determination* for a linear regression model is defined as

$$R^2 = \frac{\text{SS}_{\text{Regression}}}{\text{SS}_{\text{Total}}}$$

In the above

$$\text{SS}_{\text{Regression}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (\hat{Y}_i - \bar{Y}_n)^2 \quad \text{and} \quad \text{SS}_{\text{Total}} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (Y_i - \bar{Y}_n)^2.$$

- $R^2 \in [0, 1]$.
- R^2 is the proportion of variability in the response "explained" by the covariate.

Predicting the value of Y_{new} of the pair $(Y_{\text{new}}, x_{\text{new}})$.

- A $(1-\alpha)100\%$ confidence interval for $\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{\text{new}}$ is given by

$$\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{\text{new}} \pm t_{n-1,\alpha/2}\hat{\sigma}\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{\text{new}} - \bar{x}_n)^2}{S_{xx}}}.$$

- A $(1-\alpha)100\%$ *prediction interval* for Y_{new} at x_{new} is given by

$$\hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x_{\text{new}} \pm t_{n-1,\alpha/2}\hat{\sigma}\sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_{\text{new}} - \bar{x}_n)^2}{S_{xx}}}.$$

Exercise: Give the following intervals

1. CI for the mean `logBE` of stars with `Teff` equal to 5700.
2. PI for the `logBE` of a star with `Teff` equal to 5700.
3. Make these intervals over a sequence of `Teff` values and plot the bounds.
4. Illustrate `predict()` function on `lm()` output.

```
plot(Y ~ x , xlab="Teff",ylab = "logBe")
abline(beta0.hat,beta1.hat)

alpha <- .05
tval <- qt(1-alpha/2,n-2)

x.seq <- seq(min(x),max(x),length=99)
se.Y.hat.new <- sigma.hat * sqrt( 1/n + (x.seq - x.bar)^2/Sxx)
loconf <- beta0.hat+beta1.hat*x.seq - tval * se.Y.hat.new
upconf <- beta0.hat+beta1.hat*x.seq + tval * se.Y.hat.new

lines(loconf~x.seq,lty=2)
lines(upconf~x.seq,lty=2)

sd.e.hat.new <- sigma.hat *sqrt(1 + 1/n + (x.seq - x.bar)^2/Sxx)
lopred <- beta0.hat + beta1.hat * x.seq - tval * sd.e.hat.new
uppred <- beta0.hat + beta1.hat * x.seq + tval * sd.e.hat.new

lines(lopred~x.seq,lty=3)
lines(uppred~x.seq,lty=3)
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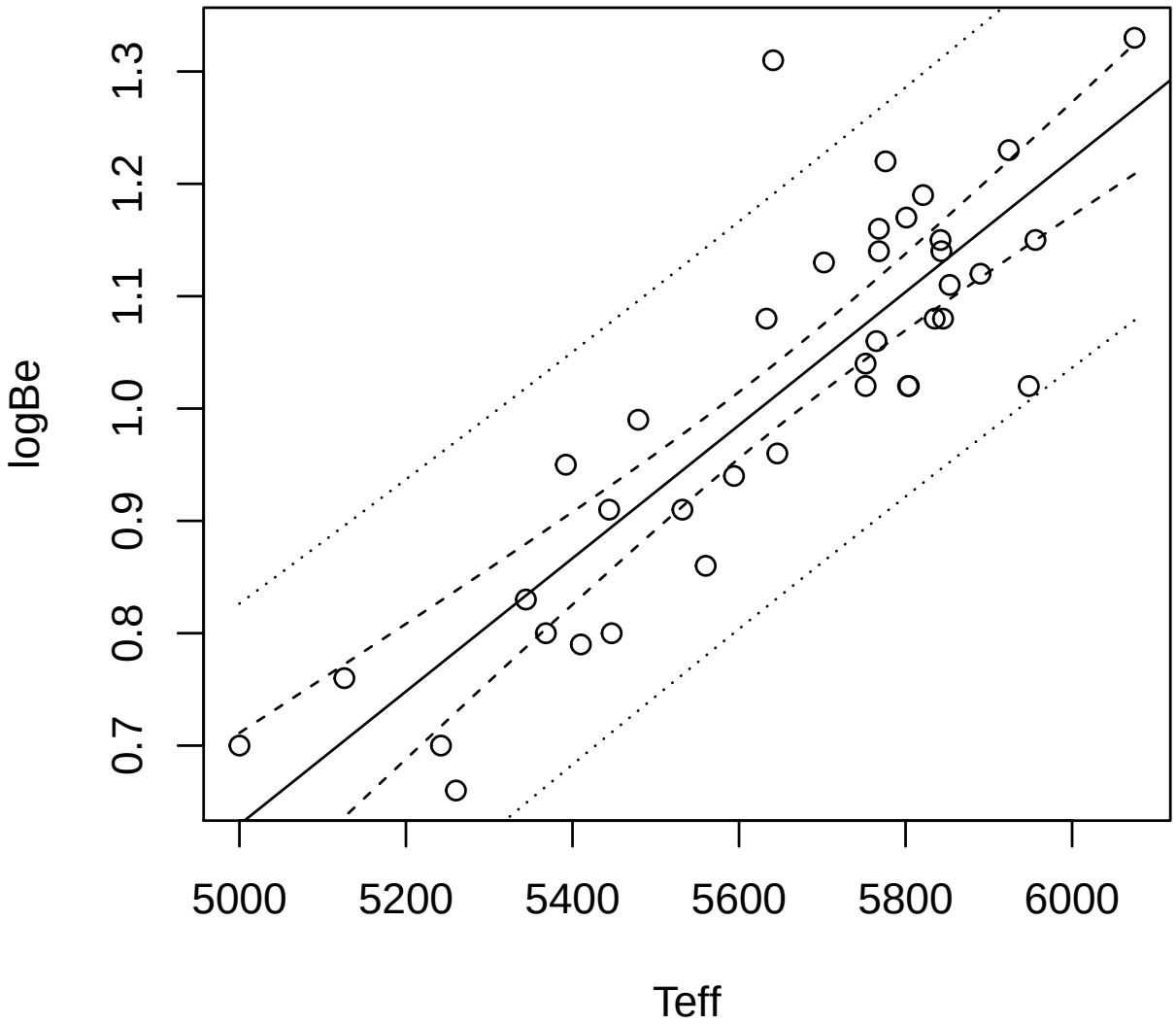
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```
# built-in way to obtain confidence or prediction intervals
lm.out <- lm(Y~x)
predict(lm.out, newdata = data.frame(x = 5700), interval = "confidence")
predict(lm.out, newdata = data.frame(x = 5700), interval = "prediction")
```

Consider the effects of outliers on the estimated regression function.

Points can be outlying in x or Y direction.

Leverage

The *leverage* of a point (Y_i, x_i) among $(Y_1, x_1), \ldots, (Y_n, x_n)$ is

$$\text{lev}_i = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2}{S_{xx}}$$

Points with high leverage have a large influence on the fitted regression line.

Consider fact: Least-squares line passes through the point $(\bar{x}_n, \bar{Y}_n)$.

Draw pictures.

Final admonition: Do not extrapolate.


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Astronomy & Astrophysics, 427(3):1085–1096, 2004.