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Scatterplots, Correlation, Coefficient of Determination

Correlation – is a measure of the strength of a linear relationship among two variables (numerical). If the slope of the best-fit line is positive, the correlation will be positive. If the slope of the best-fit line is negative, the correlation will be negative. The correlation is a value between -1 and 1. Closer to -1 or 1 is a strong correlation, and closer to 0 represents a weak linear correlation.

In general, we can think of correlations as being strong, moderate or weak.

|r| > 0.7 or 0.8 the correlation is considered strong

0.4 < |r| < 0.7 the correlation is considered moderate

|r| < 0.4 the correlation is considered to be weak.

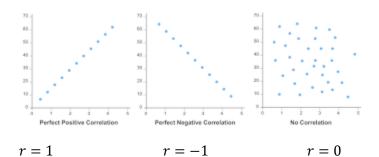
Coefficient of Determination  $r^2$  or  $R^2$  is a measure how much the relationship between two variables can explain the variability of the y-variable.

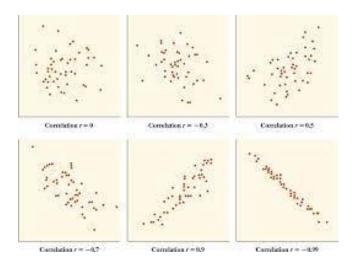
Is a value between 0 and 1, and it can be interpreted as a percent:

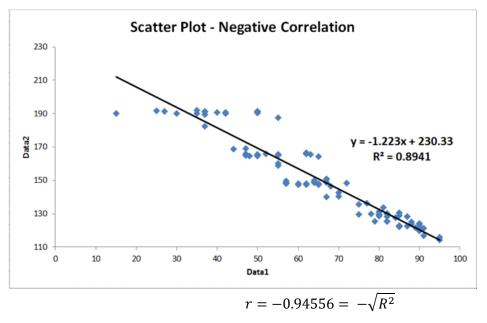
Suppose the  $R^2 = 0.75$ , then we would that the variability in the y-variable can be explained (reduced) but knowing about the relationship to the x-variability. If we know the value of x, we can better predict the value of y. Knowing the value of x reduces the uncertainty in our prediction of y by 75%.

 $R^2 > 0.5 \text{ or } 0.6$  is a strong relationship  $0.2 < R^2 < 0.5$  is a moderate relationship  $R^2 < 0.2$  is a weak relationship

The Greek population variable for correlation is  $\rho$ .







y = 0.0241x - 413.28 R<sup>2</sup> = 0.7359

x is cost, and y is units The variability in units produced can be reduced by 73.59% because of the relationship with cost.

For each dollar increase in cost the number of units produced increases by 0.0241.

Final Exam:

Some emphasis on this last material for HW 7 because it hasn't been tested before

The rest of the exam (most of it) will be based on Exam 1 and Exam 2.