



# Linear Regression

## Module I: A Bird's Eye View

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# Introduction



Linear regression models the relationship between a response variable and one or more predictor variables

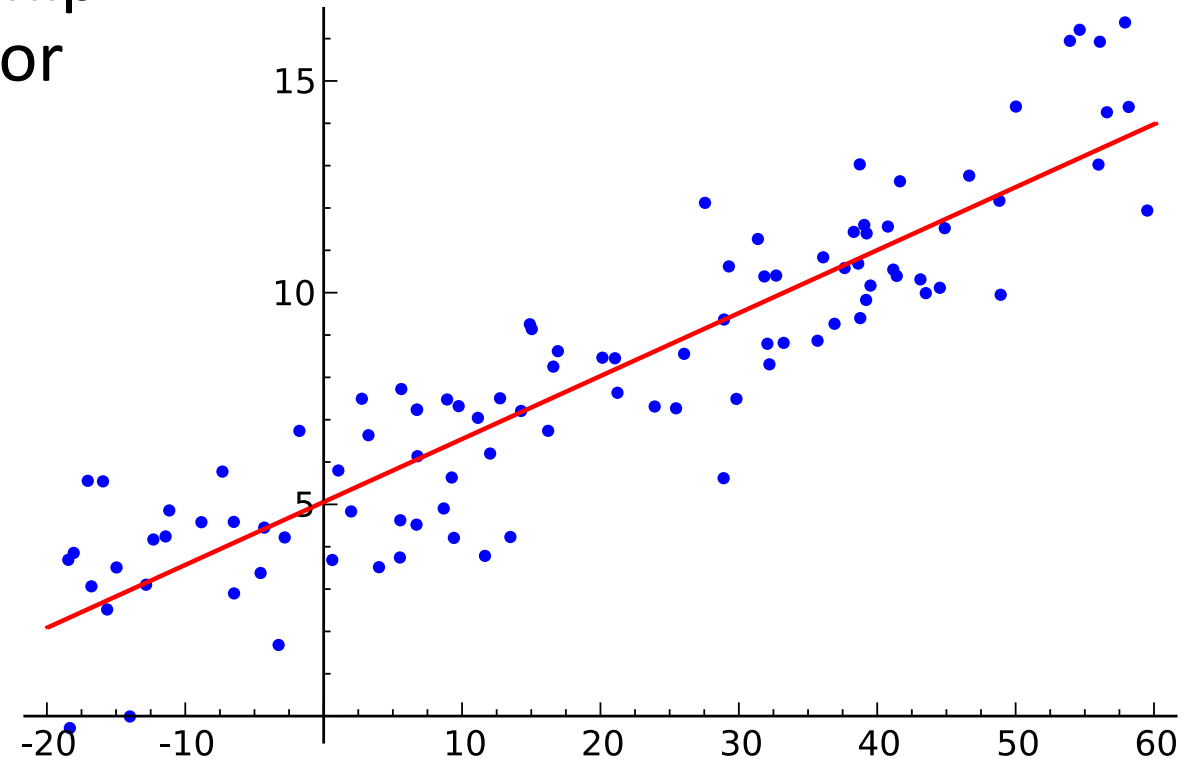
$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + \epsilon_i$$

Labels for the equation:

- Dependent Variable:  $Y_i$
- Population Y intercept:  $\beta_0$
- Population Slope Coefficient:  $\beta_1$
- Independent Variable:  $X_i$
- Random Error term:  $\epsilon_i$

Components:

- Linear component:  $\beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i$
- Random Error component:  $\epsilon_i$

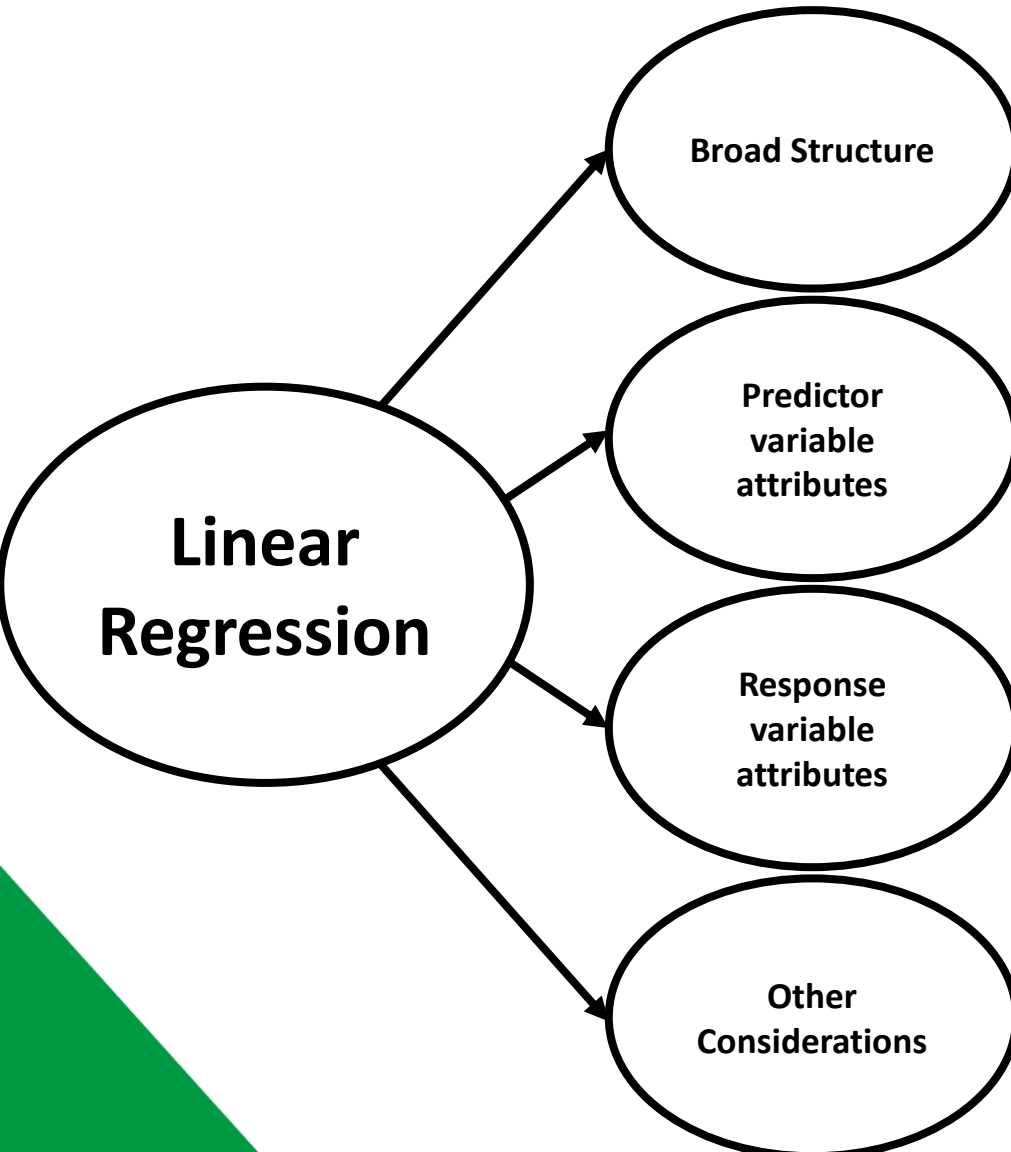
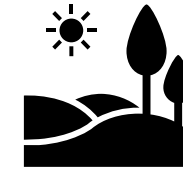


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# Landscape



- Single response and single predictor (simple linear regression)
- Single response and multiple predictors (multiple linear regression)
- Multiple responses and predictors (multivariate linear regression)
  
- Numerical/categorical (recoding)
- Higher order terms (polynomial regression)
- Fixed and random predictor variables (mixed model)
- Nested predictor variables (hierarchical model)
  
- Normally distributed (Gaussian regression)
- Categorical response (Logistic or Ordinal regression)
- Count data (Poisson, Negative Binomial, or Quasi Poisson regression)
- Time to event (Cox regression)
  
- Non-mean (Quantile regression)
- Censoring (Tobit regression)
- Collinearity or overfitting issues (Ridge, Lasso, Elastic net, Principle Components, or Partial Least Squares regression)
- Time trends or similar gradients (Piecewise, Join-point regression)

# Structures and Uses

**Broad Structure**

- Single response and single predictor (simple linear regression)
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Can Y be predicted by X?

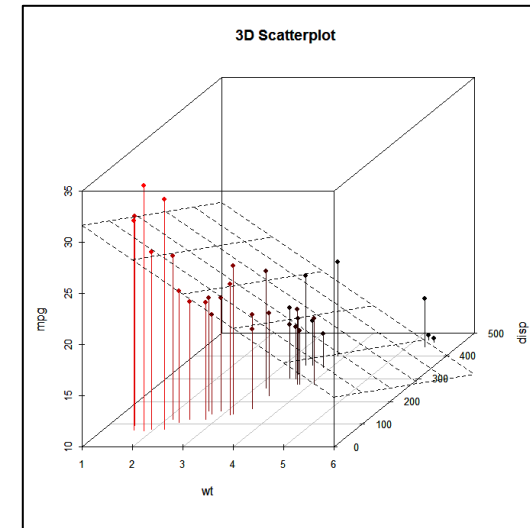
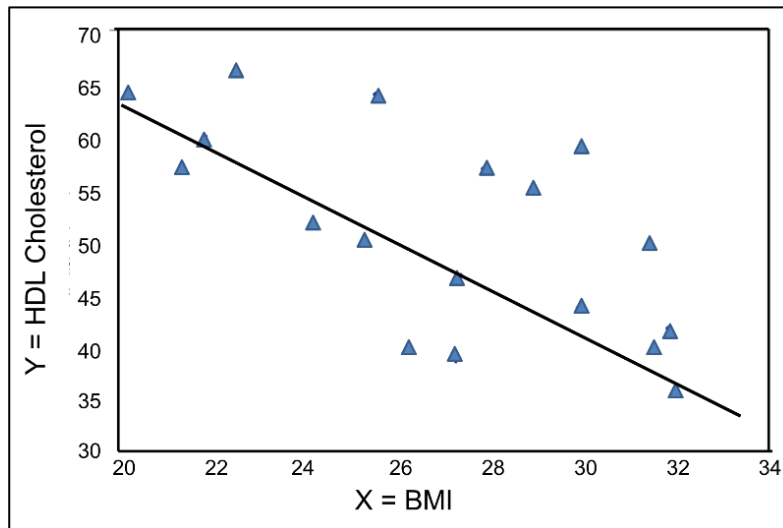
Can Y be predicted by X1, X2, X3...?

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Can Weight be predicted by Height?

Can Cancer Risk be predicted by Smoking Rate, BMI, and Age?

Can Ice Cream, Canned Food, and Hotdog sales be predicted by Temperature, Storm Chance, and Gas Price?



# Structures and Uses

**Predictor variable attributes**

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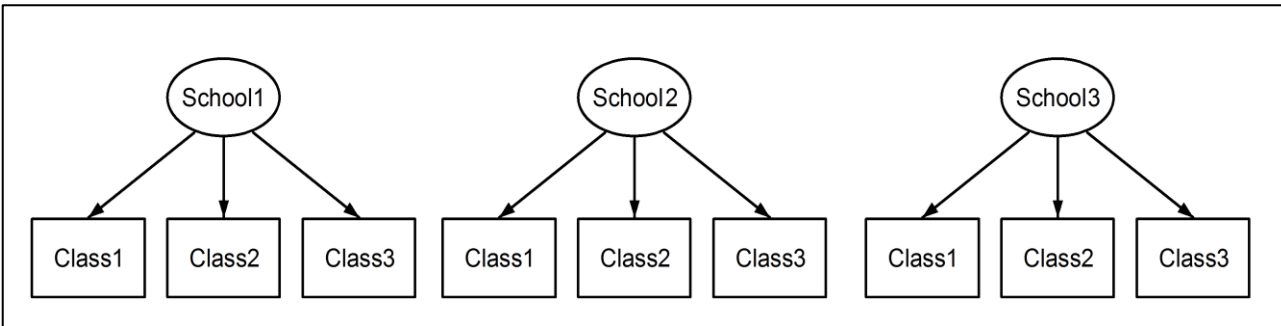
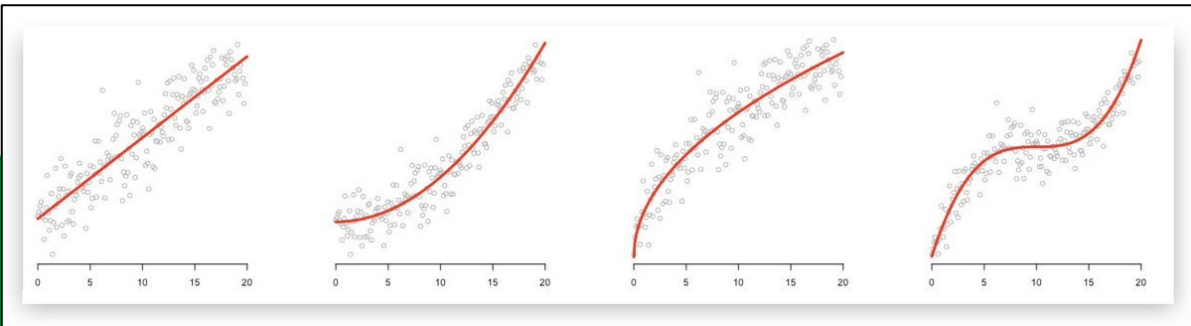
Level of race	New variable 1 (x1)	New variable 2 (x2)	New variable 3 (x3)
1 (Hispanic)	1	0	0
2 (Asian)	0	1	0
3 (African American)	0	0	1
4 (white)	0	0	0

**Fixed effects:**

- All categories {of interest} are present in the model
- **Example:** 4 treatment groups

**Random effects:**

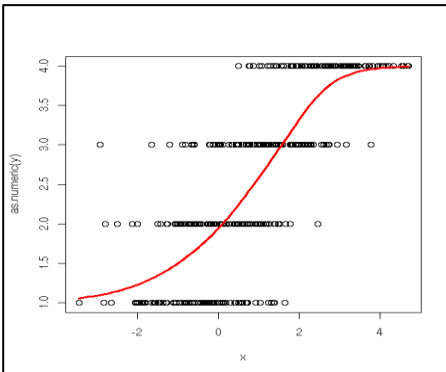
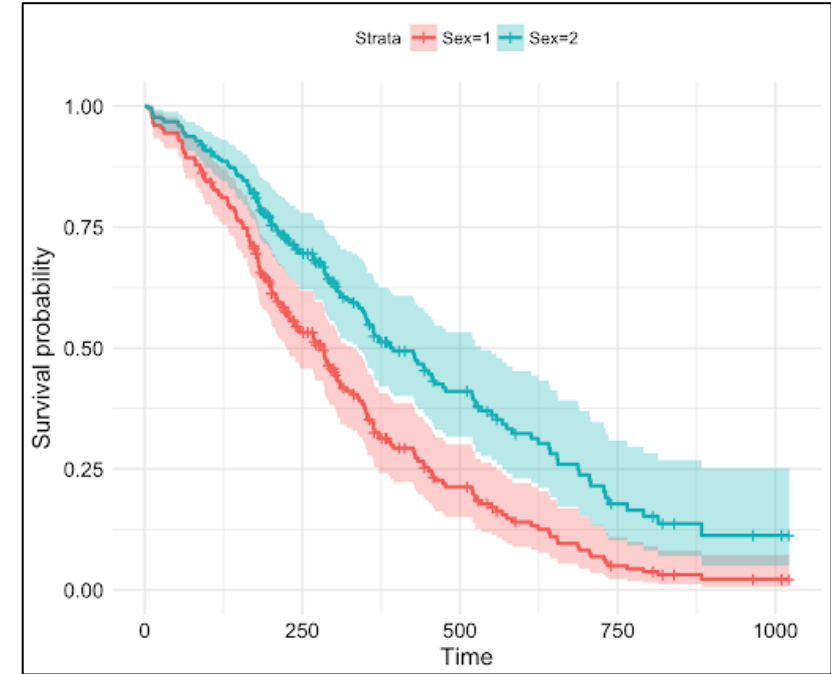
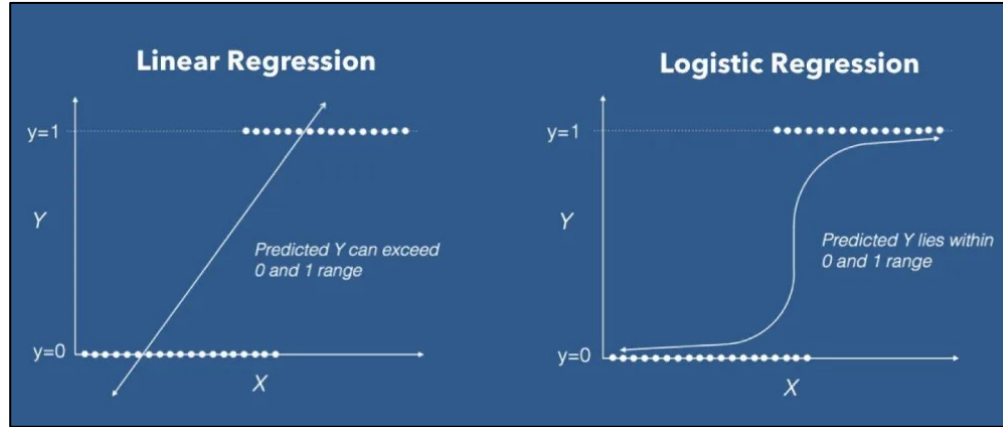
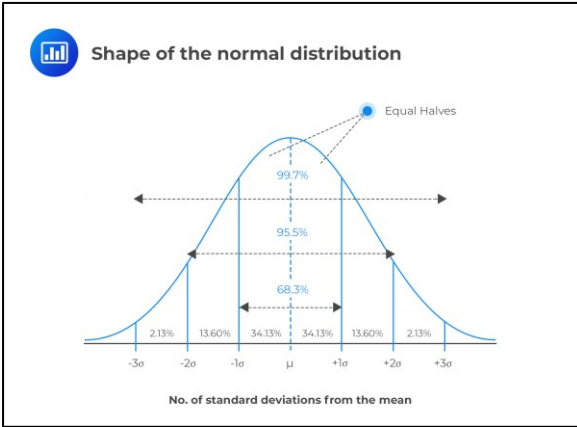
- Categories present in the model are subset of the total number of categories
- **Example:** 4 state hospitals



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**Response variable attributes**

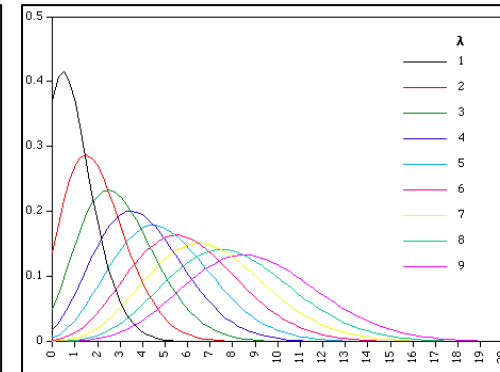
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**Poisson Distribution Formula**

$$P(X = x) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda}}{x!}$$

where  
 $x = 0, 1, 2, 3, \dots$   
 $\lambda$  = mean number of occurrences in the interval  
 $e$  = Euler's constant  $\approx 2.71828$

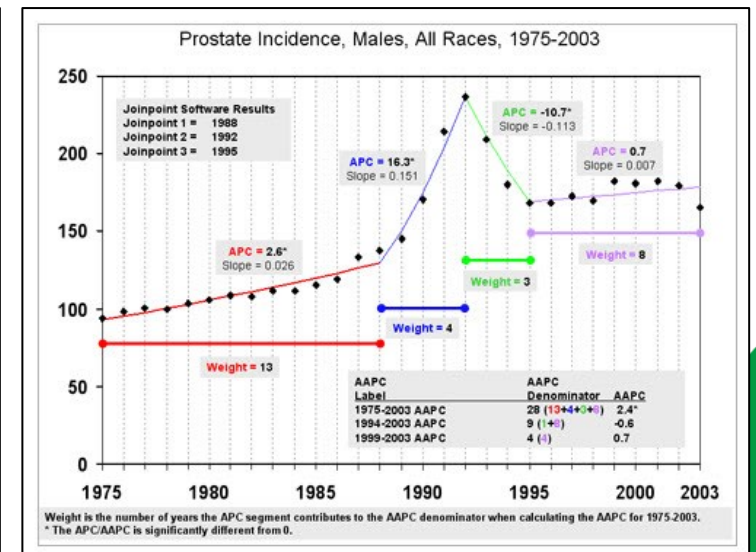
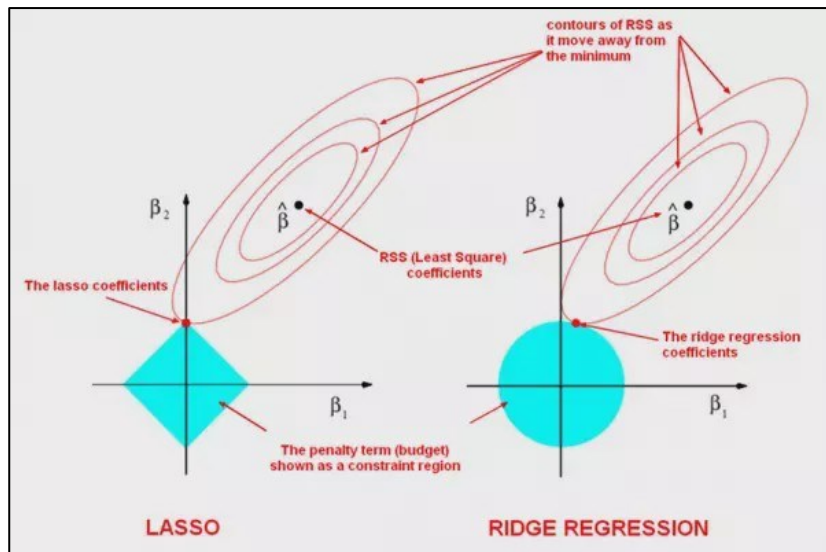
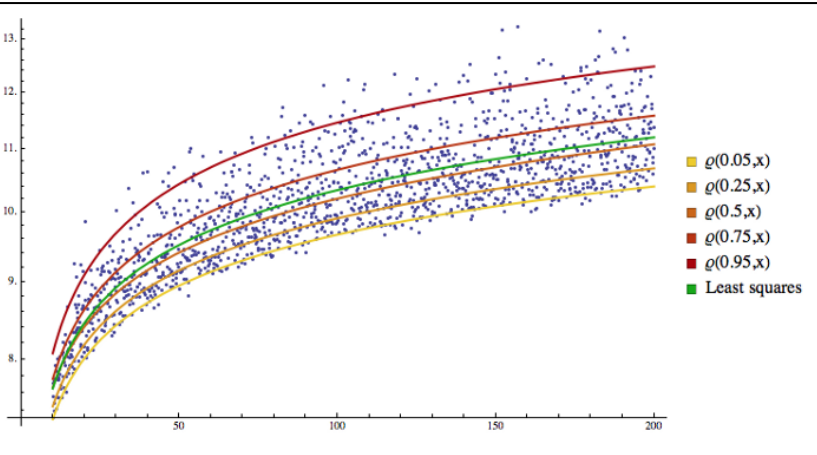
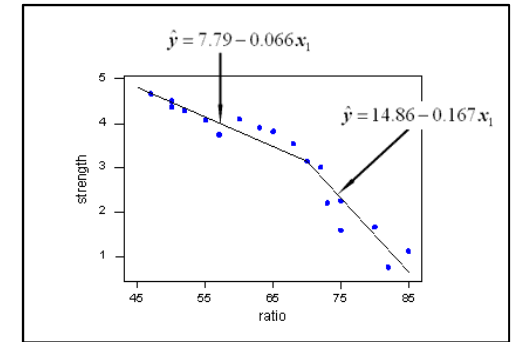
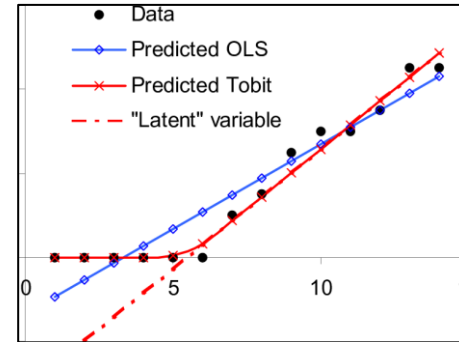
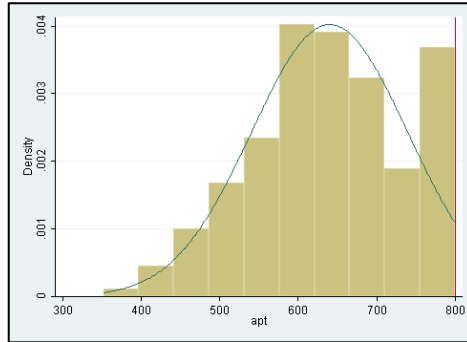


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**Other Considerations**

- Non-mean (Quantile regression)
- Censoring exists (Tobit regression)
- Collinearity or overfitting issues (Ridge, Lasso, Elastic net, Principle Components, or Partial Least Squares regression)
- Time trends or similar gradients (Piecewise, Join-point regression)

**Quantile regression** is an extension of linear regression that is used when the conditions of linear regression are not met (i.e., linearity, homoscedasticity, independence, or normality)



# Examples

## SPSS

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	height	stretch	heatstre	discomf	heatdisc	var
1	1.52	7	11	7	6	
2	1.72	3	5	8	7	
3	1.67	8	8	3	3	
4	1.61	6	12	6	5	
5	1.66	4	15	8	3	
6	1.78	5	11	6	4	
7	1.70	5	8	7	6	
8	1.57	6	12	5	4	
9	1.61	6	11	8	5	
10	1.60	7	14	7	5	
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### Regression

#### Variables Entered/Removed<sup>a</sup>

Model	Variables Entered	Variables Removed	Method
1	Height in metres <sup>b</sup>	.	Enter

- a. Dependent Variable: stretch  
 b. All requested variables entered.

#### Model Summary

Model	R	R Square	Adjusted R Square	Std. Error of the Estimate
1	.548 <sup>a</sup>	.300	.213	1.326

- a. Predictors: (Constant), Height in metres

#### ANOVA<sup>a</sup>

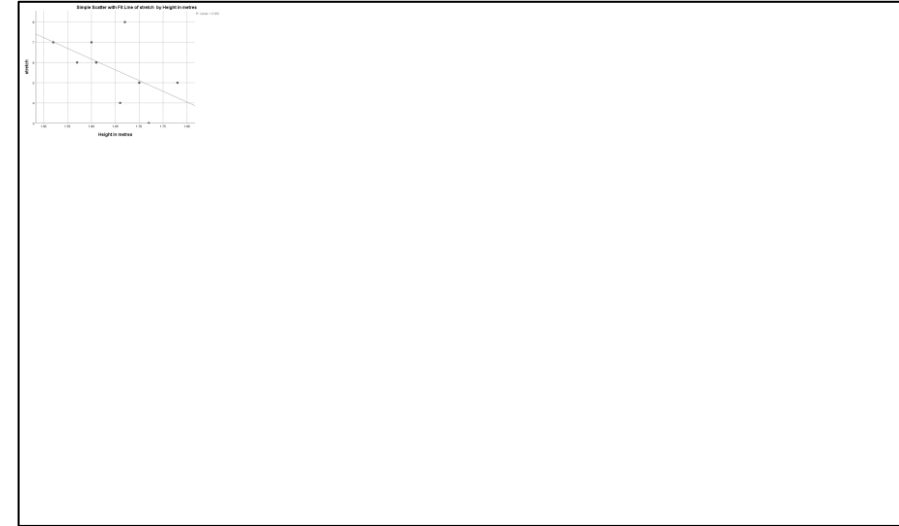
Model		Sum of Squares	df	Mean Square	F	Sig.
1	Regression	6.037	1	6.037	3.434	.101 <sup>b</sup>
	Residual	14.063	8	1.758		
	Total	20.100	9			

- a. Dependent Variable: stretch  
 b. Predictors: (Constant), Height in metres

#### Coefficients<sup>a</sup>

Model		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients	t	Sig.
		B	Std. Error	Beta		
1	(Constant)	23.174	9.438		2.455	.040
	Height in metres	-10.629	5.735	-.548	-1.853	.101

- a. Dependent Variable: stretch





# Examples

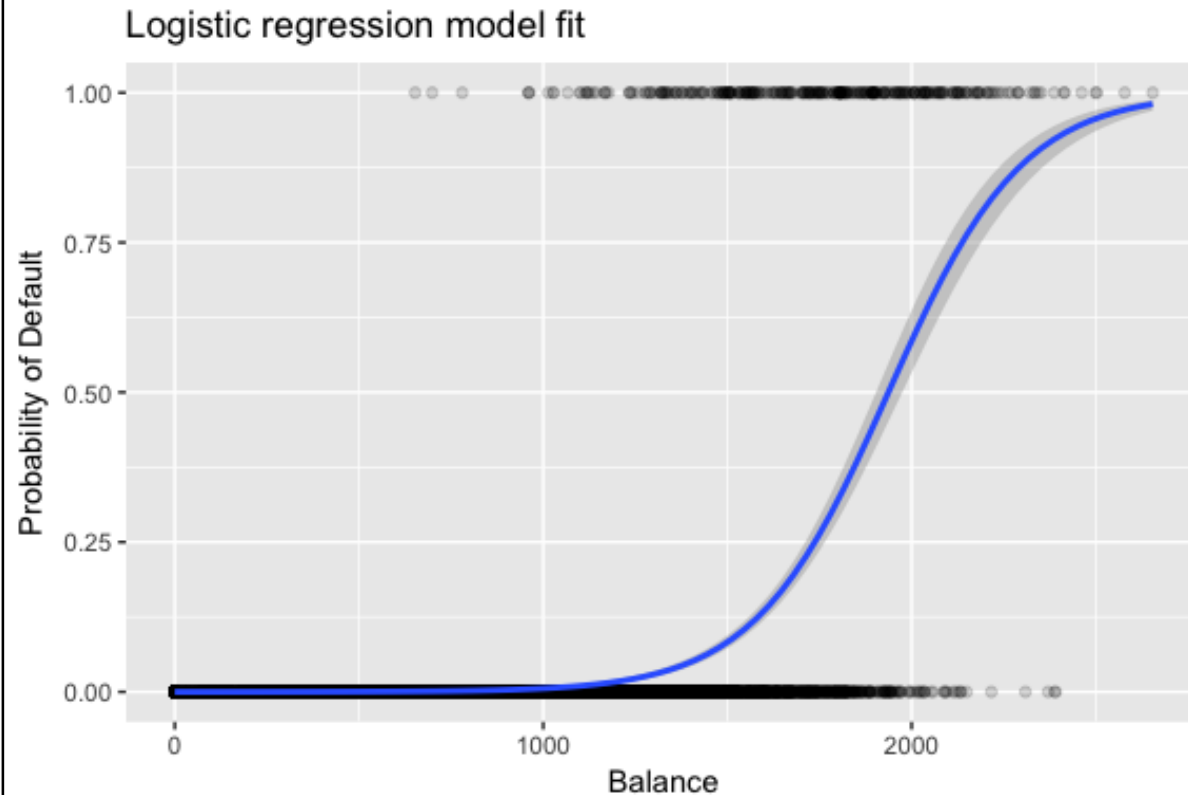
R

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model1 <- glm(default ~ balance, family = "binomial", data =  
train)
```

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summary(model1)
```

```
default %>%  
  mutate(prob = ifelse(default == "Yes", 1, 0)) %>%  
  ggplot(aes(balance, prob)) +  
  geom_point(alpha = .15) +  
  geom_smooth(method = "glm", method.args = list(family =  
"binomial")) +  
  ggtitle("Logistic regression model fit") +  
  xlab("Balance") +  
  ylab("Probability of Default")
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##  
## Call:  
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##
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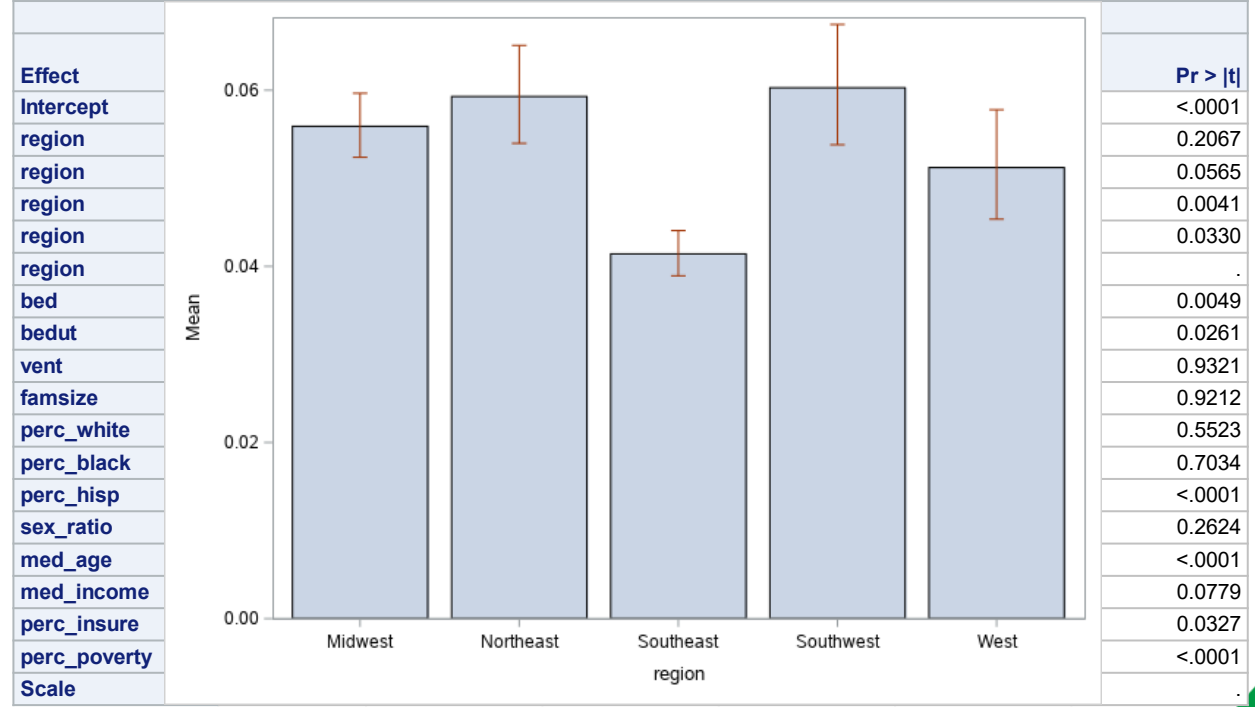
## SAS

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PROC GLIMMIX data=covid2;
  where cases>0;
  class region(ref='West');
  model dpc=region
  bed bedut vent famsize perc_white perc_black perc_hisp
  sex_ratio med_age med_income perc_insure perc_poverty
  /solution distribution=beta;
  lsmeans region/ ilink cl;
  ods output LSMeans=lsm8;
PROC SGPLOT data=lsm8;
  vbarparm category=region response=Mu/
  limitupper=UpperMu limitlower=LowerMu;
    
```

region Least Squares Means												
region	Estimate	Standard Error	DF	t Value	Pr >  t	Alpha	Lower	Upper	Mean	Standard Error Mean	Lower Mean	Upper Mean
Midwest	-2.8265	0.03509	1838	-80.54	<.0001	0.05	-2.8954	-2.7577	0.05591	0.001852	0.05238	0.05965
Northeast	-2.7643	0.05079	1838	-54.43	<.0001	0.05	-2.8639	-2.6647	0.05928	0.002833	0.05397	0.06509
Southeast	-3.1417	0.03291	1838	-95.46	<.0001	0.05	-3.2063	-3.0772	0.04142	0.001307	0.03893	0.04406
Southwest	-2.7466	0.06136	1838	-44.76	<.0001	0.05	-2.8670	-2.6263	0.06028	0.003476	0.05381	0.06747
West	-2.9191	0.06509	1838	-44.84	<.0001	0.05	-3.0468	-2.7915	0.05122	0.003163	0.04536	0.05779

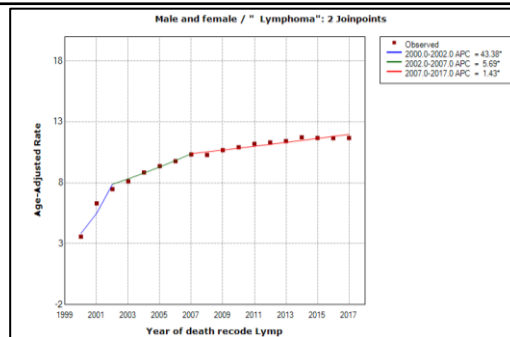
Type III Tests of Fixed Effects				
Effect	Num DF	Den DF	F Value	Pr > F
region	4	1838	17.35	<.0001
bed	1	1838	7.92	0.0049
bedut	1	1838	4.96	0.0261
vent	1	1838	0.01	0.9321
famsize	1	1838	0.01	0.9212
perc_white	1	1838	0.35	0.5523
perc_black	1	1838	0.14	0.7034
perc_hisp	1	1838	23.02	<.0001
sex_ratio	1	1838	1.26	0.2624
med_age	1	1838	68.79	<.0001
med_income	1	1838	3.11	0.0779
perc_insure	1	1838	4.57	0.0327
perc_poverty	1	1838	22.50	<.0001



# Quick Assessment

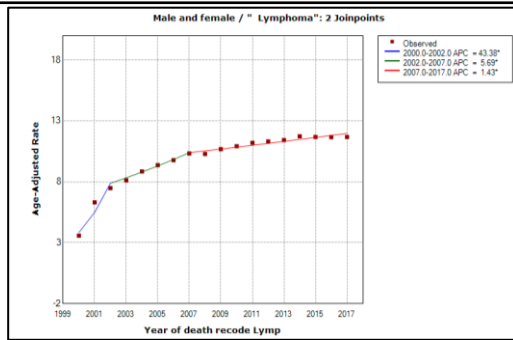
1. Multivariate linear regression involves what number of response and predictor variables?
2. Is polynomial regression linear or non-linear? Why?
3. What types of regression can be used if the response variable is not normal (doesn't follow a Gaussian distribution)? List at least two examples.
4. What type of model includes both fixed and random effects?
5. Fill in the blanks: Linear regression models the relationship between the \_\_\_\_\_ variable and one or more \_\_\_\_\_ variables

6. What type of regression is pictured to the right?



# Quick Assessment

<p>1. Multivariate linear regression involves what number of response and predictor variables?</p>	<p>More than one response variable More than one predictor variable</p>
<p>2. Is polynomial regression linear or non-linear? Why?</p>	<p>Still linear, because regression coefficients are still linear</p> $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \beta_2 X^2 + \dots + \beta_h X^h + \epsilon,$
<p>3. What types of regression can be used if the response variable is not normal (doesn't follow a Gaussian distribution)? List at least two examples.</p>	<p>Logistic, Binomial, Multinomial, Ordinal, Poisson, Negative Binomial, Quasi Poisson, Gamma, Exponential, Cox, etc.)</p>
<p>4. What type of model includes both fixed and random effects?</p>	<p>Mixed model</p>
<p>5. Fill in the blanks: Linear regression models the relationship between the _____ variable and one or more _____ variables</p>	<p>Response, Predictor</p>
<p>6. What type of regression is pictured to the right?</p>	<p>Join-point/piecewise regression</p>



# Summary and Conclusion



- Linear regression is a fundamental tool in statistical analysis
- Ranges from very basic to very sophisticated
- Understand your data to understand what the best approach is

