# Describing Relationships Among Variables 

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## Outline

## Polynomial Regression

## Multiple Regression

## Polynomial Regression

- Simple linear regression: fit a line:

$$
y_{i} \approx b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i}
$$

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- Polynomial regression: fit a polynomial:

$$
y_{i} \approx b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i}+b_{2} x_{i}^{2}+b_{3} x_{i}^{3}+\cdots+b_{p-1} x_{i}^{p-1}
$$

- The $p$ coefficients $b_{0}, b_{1}, \ldots, b_{p-1}$ are estimated by minimizing the loss function below using the least squares principle:

$$
S\left(b_{0}, \ldots, b_{p-1}\right)=\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(y_{i}-\left(b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i}+\cdots+b_{p-1} x_{i}^{p-1}\right)\right)^{2}
$$

- In practice, we make a computer find the coefficients for us. This class uses JMP 10, a statistical software tool.


## Example: fly ash cylinders

- A researcher studied the compressive strength of concrete-like fly ash cylinders. The cylinders were made with varying amounts of ammonium phosphate as an additive.
- We want to investigate the relationship between the amount ammonium phosphate added and compressive strength.

Additive Concentrations and Compressive Strengths for Fly Ash Cylinders

| $x$, Ammonium <br> Phosphate (\%) | $y$, Compressive <br> Strength (psi) |  | $x$, Ammonium <br> Phosphate (\%) | $y$, Compressive <br> Strength (psi) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 1221 |  | 3 | 1609 |
| 0 | 1207 |  | 3 | 1627 |
| 0 | 1187 |  | 3 | 1642 |
| 1 | 1555 |  | 4 | 1451 |
| 1 | 1562 |  | 4 | 1472 |
| 1 | 1575 |  | 4 | 1465 |
| 2 | 1827 |  | 5 | 1321 |
| 2 | 1839 | 5 | 1289 |  |
| 2 | 1802 |  | 5 | 1292 |

## Simple linear regression fit: $\widehat{y}_{i}=1498.4-.6381 x_{i}$

| $x$ | $y$ | $\hat{y}$ | $e=y-\hat{y}$ | $x$ | $y$ | $\hat{y}$ | $e=y-\hat{y}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 1221 | 1498.4 | -277.4 | 3 | 1609 | 1496.5 | 112.5 |
| 0 | 1207 | 1498.4 | -291.4 | 3 | 1627 | 1496.5 | 130.5 |
| 0 | 1187 | 1498.4 | -311.4 | 3 | 1642 | 1496.5 | 145.5 |
| 1 | 1555 | 1497.8 | 57.2 | 4 | 1451 | 1495.8 | -44.8 |
| 1 | 1562 | 1497.8 | 64.2 | 4 | 1472 | 1495.8 | -23.8 |
| 1 | 1575 | 1497.8 | 77.2 | 4 | 1465 | 1495.8 | -30.8 |
| 2 | 1827 | 1497.2 | 329.8 | 5 | 1321 | 1495.2 | -174.2 |
| 2 | 1839 | 1497.2 | 341.8 | 5 | 1289 | 1495.2 | -206.2 |
| 2 | 1802 | 1497.2 | 304.8 | 5 | 1292 | 1495.2 | -203.2 |

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## Quadratic fit: $\widehat{y}_{i}=1242.9+382.7 x-76.7 x_{i}^{2}$

Regression Analysis

The regression equation is $y=1243+383 x-76.7 x x^{* *} 2$

| Predictor | Coef | StDev | T | P |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Constant | 1242.89 | 42.98 | 28.92 | 0.000 |
| x | 382.67 | 40.43 | 9.46 | 0.000 |
| X**2 | -76.661 | 7.762 | -9.88 | 0.000 |
| S = 82.14 | R-Sq $=86.7 \%$ | R-Sq $($ adj $)=84.9 \%$ |  |  |

Analysis of Variance

| Source |  | DF | SS | MS | F | P |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Regression | 2 | 658230 | 329115 | 48.78 | 0.000 |  |
| Residual | Error | 15 | 101206 | 6747 |  |  |
| Total |  | 17 | 759437 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Source | DF | Seq SS |  |  |  |  |
| x | 1 | 21 |  |  |  |  |
| X**2 | 1 | 658209 |  |  |  |  |

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## Quadratic fit: $\widehat{y}_{i}=1242.9+382.7 x-76.7 x_{i}^{2}$



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## $R^{2}=86.7 \%$

- The parabolic fit explained $86.7 \%$ of the variation in compressive strength.

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- Note: for polynomial regression (and later, multiple regression) $R^{2}$ does not equal the squared correlation $r_{x y}$ between $x$ and $y$.
- Instead, $R^{2}=r_{y \hat{y}}$ :

$$
r_{y \widehat{y}}=\frac{\sum\left(y_{i}-\bar{y}\right)\left(\hat{y}_{i}-\overline{\hat{y}}_{i}\right)}{\sqrt{\sum\left(y_{i}-\bar{y}\right)^{2}} \sqrt{\sum\left(\hat{y}_{i}-\overline{\hat{y}}_{i}\right)^{2}}}
$$

## Residuals for the quadratic fit have less of a pattern than those of

 the linear fit.

Percent Ammonium Phosphate

## Cubic fit: $\widehat{y}_{i}=1188+633 x-214 x^{2} 2+18.3 x^{3}$

Regression Analysis

The regression equation is
$y=1188+633 x-214 x * * 2+18.3 x^{\star *} 3$

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| Predictor | Coef | StDev | T | P |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Constant | 1188.05 | 28.79 | 41.27 | 0.000 |
| x | 633.11 | 55.91 | 11.32 | 0.000 |
| x**2 | -213.77 | 27.79 | -7.69 | 0.000 |
| x** 3 | 18.281 | 3.649 | 5.01 | 0.000 |
| $S=50.88$ | $\mathrm{R}-\mathrm{Sq}=$ |  | (adj) = |  |

Analysis of Variance

| Source | DF | SS | MS | F | P |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Regression | 3 | 723197 | 241066 | 93.13 | 0.000 |
| Residual Error | 14 | 36240 | 2589 |  |  |
| Total | 17 | 759437 |  |  |  |

Cubic fit: $\widehat{y}_{i}=1188+633 x-214 x^{2} 2+18.3 x^{3}$


## $R^{2}$ rose to $95.2 \%$, and the residual plot improved.

Residual Plot for Cubic Fit: Residuals vs. Percent Ammonium Phosphat


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## Multiple Regression

- Multiple Regression: regression on multiple variables:

$$
y_{i} \approx b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}+b_{2} x_{i, 2}+b_{3} x_{i, 3}+\cdots+b_{p-1} x_{i, p-1}
$$

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- The $p$ coefficients $b_{0}, b_{1}, \ldots, b_{p-1}$ are estimated by minimizing the loss function below using the least squares principle:

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S\left(b_{0}, \ldots, b_{p}\right)=\sum_{i=1}^{n}\left(y_{i}-\left(b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}+\cdots+b_{p-1} x_{i, p-1}\right)\right)^{2}
$$

- In practice, we make a computer find the coefficients for us. This class uses JMP 10.


## Example: New York rivers data

- Nitrogen content is a measure of river pollution.

| Variable | Definition |
| :--- | :--- |
| $Y$ | Mean nitrogen concentration (mg/liter) based on samples taken <br> at regular intervals during the spring, summer, and fall months |
| $X_{1}$ | Agriculture: percentage of land area currently in agricultural use |
| $X_{2}$ | Forest: percentage of forest land |
| $X_{3}$ | Residential: percentage of land area in residential use |
| $X_{4}$ | Commercial/Industrial: percentage of land area in either |
|  | commercial or industrial use |

- I will fit each of:

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1} \\
& \widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}+b_{2} x_{i, 2}+b_{3} x_{i, 3}+b_{4} x_{i, 4}
\end{aligned}
$$

and evaluate fit quality.

## Example: New York rivers data

| Row | River | $Y$ | $X_{1}$ | $X_{2}$ | $X_{3}$ | $X_{4}$ |
| ---: | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| 1 | Olean | 1.10 | 26 | 63 | 1.2 | 0.29 |
| 2 | Cassadaga | 1.01 | 29 | 57 | 0.7 | 0.09 |
| 3 | Oatka | 1.90 | 54 | 26 | 1.8 | 0.58 |
| 4 | Neversink | 1.00 | 2 | 84 | 1.9 | 1.98 |
| 5 | Hackensack | 1.99 | 3 | 27 | 29.4 | 3.11 |
| 6 | Wappinger | 1.42 | 19 | 61 | 3.4 | 0.56 |
| 7 | Fishkill | 2.04 | 16 | 60 | 5.6 | 1.11 |
| 8 | Honeoye | 1.65 | 40 | 43 | 1.3 | 0.24 |
| 9 | Susquehanna | 1.01 | 28 | 62 | 1.1 | 0.15 |
| 10 | Chenango | 1.21 | 26 | 60 | 0.9 | 0.23 |
| 11 | Tioughnioga | 1.33 | 26 | 53 | 0.9 | 0.18 |
| 12 | West Canada | 0.75 | 15 | 75 | 0.7 | 0.16 |
| 13 | East Canada | 0.73 | 6 | 84 | 0.5 | 0.12 |
| 14 | Saranac | 0.80 | 3 | 81 | 0.8 | 0.35 |
| 15 | Ausable | 0.76 | 2 | 89 | 0.7 | 0.35 |
| 16 | Black | 0.87 | 6 | 82 | 0.5 | 0.15 |
| 17 | Schoharie | 0.80 | 22 | 70 | 0.9 | 0.22 |
| 18 | Raquette | 0.87 | 4 | 75 | 0.4 | 0.18 |
| 19 | Oswegatchie | 0.66 | 21 | 56 | 0.5 | 0.13 |
| 20 | Cohocton | 1.25 | 40 | 49 | 1.1 | 0.13 |

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$\widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}:$ pollution vs. agricultural land.

- Bivariate Fit of Nitrogen By Agr

- It looks like the data could be roughly linear, although there are too few points to be sure.
$\widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}:$ pollution vs. agricultural land.

Linear Fit

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## $\widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}$ : pollution vs. agricultural land.



## Conclusions: $\widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}$

- A low $R^{2}$ means the model isn't very useful for predicting the pollution of other New York rivers outside our dataset.
- However, the lack of a pattern in the residual plot shows that the model is valid.
- The residuals depart from a bell shape slightly, but not enough to interfere with statistical inference.
$\widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}+b_{2} x_{i, 2}+b_{3} x_{i, 3}+b_{4} x_{i, 4}$
- Response Nitrogen
- Summary of Fit

| RSquare | 0.709398 |
| :--- | ---: |
| RSquare Adj | 0.631904 |
| Root Mean Square Error | 0.264919 |
| Mean of Response | 1.1575 |
| Observations (or Sum Wgts) | 20 |

- Analysis of Variance
$\left.\begin{array}{lrrrr} & & \begin{array}{r}\text { Sum of } \\ \text { Squares }\end{array} & \text { Mean Square } & \text { F Ratio } \\ \text { Source } & \text { DF } & \text { Squar } & 0.5698462 & 0.642462\end{array}\right) 9.1542$.

| F Parameter Estimates |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Term | Estimate | Std Error | t Ratio | Prob>lt\| |
| Intercept | 1.7222135 | 1.234082 | 1.40 | 0.1832 |
| Agr | 0.0058091 | 0.015034 | 0.39 | 0.7046 |
| Forest | -0.012968 | 0.013931 | -0.93 | 0.3667 |
| Rsdntial | -0.007227 | 0.03383 | -0.21 | 0.8337 |
| ComIndl | 0.3050278 | 0.163817 | 1.86 | 0.0823 |

Full model: observed pollution values vs fitted values

- Bivariate Fit of Nitrogen By Predicted Nitrogen


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## Full model: residual plots

## Residual Nitrogen



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## Conclusions: full model

- A higher $R^{2}$ indicates that the full model is more useful for predicting river pollution than the agriculture-only model.
- The residual plots show that the full model is valid too.


## An even bigger model

- From the scatterplot of $y$ on $x_{4}$, it looks like $x_{4}$ needs at least a quadratic term.

- I can fit the model:

$$
\widehat{y}_{i}=b_{0}+b_{1} x_{i, 1}+b_{2} x_{i, 2}+b_{3} x_{i, 3}+b_{4} x_{i, 4}+c x_{i, 4}^{2}
$$

which is a combination of polynomial regression and multiple regression.

## The JMP Spreadsheet

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - rivers.jmp <br> - Source |  | River | X1 | X2 | X3 | X4 | Y | X4^2 |
|  | 1 | Olean | 26 | 63 | 1.2 | 0.29 | 1.1 | 0.0841 |
|  | 2 | Cassadaga | 29 | 57 | 0.7 | 0.09 | 1.01 | 0.0081 |
|  | 3 | Oatka | 54 | 26 | 1.8 | 0.58 | 1.9 | 0.3364 |
| - Columns (7/1) | 4 | Neversink | 2 | 84 | 1.9 | 1.98 | 1 | 3.9204 |
|  | 5 | Hackensack | 3 | 27 | 29.4 | 3.11 | 1.99 | 9.6721 |
| Th River | 6 | Wappinger | 19 | 61 | 3.4 | 0.56 | 1.42 | 0.3136 |
|  | 7 | Fishkill | 16 | 60 | 5.6 | 1.11 | 2.04 | 1.2321 |
| $\triangle \times 3$ | 8 | Honeoye | 40 | 43 | 1.3 | 0.24 | 1.65 | 0.0576 |
| $\triangle \mathrm{X}_{4}$ | 9 | Susquehanna | 28 | 62 | 1.1 | 0.15 | 1.01 | 0.0225 |
| $Y_{4^{\wedge} 2}+$ | 10 | Chenango | 26 | 60 | 0.9 | 0.23 | 1.21 | 0.0529 |
|  | 11 | Tioughnioga | 26 | 53 | 0.9 | 0.18 | 1.33 | 0.0324 |
|  | 12 | West_Canada | 15 | 75 | 0.7 | 0.16 | 0.75 | 0.0256 |
|  | 13 | East_Canada | 6 | 84 | 0.5 | 0.12 | 0.73 | 0.0144 |
|  | 14 | Saranac | 3 | 81 | 0.8 | 0.35 | 0.8 | 0.1225 |
| - Rows | 15 | Ausable | 2 | 89 | 0.7 | 0.35 | 0.76 | 0.1225 |
| All rows 20 | 16 | Black | 6 | 82 | 0.5 | 0.15 | 0.87 | 0.0225 |
| Selected 0 | 17 | Schoharie | 22 | 70 | 0.9 | 0.22 | 0.8 | 0.0484 |
| Excluded 0 | 18 | Raquette | 4 | 75 | 0.4 | 0.18 | 0.87 | 0.0324 |
| Hidden 0 | 19 | Oswegatchie | 21 | 56 | 0.5 | 0.13 | 0.66 | 0.0169 |
| Labelled 0 | 20 | Cohocton | 40 | 49 | 1.1 | 0.13 | 1.25 | 0.0169 |

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## - Summary of Fit

| RSquare |  |  | 0.897008 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RSquare Adj |  |  | 0.860226 |  |
| Root Mean Square Error |  |  | 0.163247 |  |
| Mean of Response |  |  | 1.1575 |  |
| Observations (or Sum Wgts) |  |  | 20 |  |
| Analysis of Variance |  |  |  |  |
| Source | DF | Sum of <br> Squares | Mean Square | F Ratio |
| Model | 5 | 3.2494798 | 0.649896 | 24.3867 |
| Error | 14 | 0.3730952 | 0.026650 | Prob $>$ F |
| C. Total | 19 | 3.6225750 |  | $<.0001^{*}$ |

## Parameter Estimates

| Term | Estimate | Std Error | t Ratio | Prob $>$ lt\| |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| Intercept | 1.2942455 | 0.765169 | 1.69 | 0.1129 |
| X1 | 0.0049001 | 0.009266 | 0.53 | 0.6052 |
| X2 | -0.010462 | 0.008599 | -1.22 | 0.2438 |
| X3 | 0.0737788 | 0.026304 | 2.80 | $0.0140^{\star}$ |
| X4 | 1.2715886 | 0.216387 | 5.88 | $<.0001^{*}$ |
| X4^2 | -0.532452 | 0.105436 | -5.05 | $0.0002^{*}$ |

The model looks valid: no pattern in the residuals


The model can be used for statistical inference: the residuals look normally distributed.


