

Dunn book reading group Chapter 02

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Dunn Ch02 notes

2.1 Linear regression (special case of GLM)

- Notation and assumptions
 - Least squares
 - Multiple regression
 - Examples in R
 - Variations and model selection
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2.2 Definitions

- random component y
- systematic component: p explanatory vars x_1, x_2, \dots, x_p
- Assumption of constant variance (across) **or**
- known *prior weights* exist

$$u_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_{1i}, \beta_2 x_{2i}, \dots, \beta_p x_{pi} \quad (2.1)$$

(aka multiple linear regression)

$$E[y_i] = u_i$$

$$\text{var}[y_i] = \sigma^2 / w_i \text{ specify prior weights}$$

β_0 the *intercept* (y value when all explanatory vars are zero)

$$\mu = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 \text{ simple, plain old linear regression (i.e., all prior weights == 1)}$$

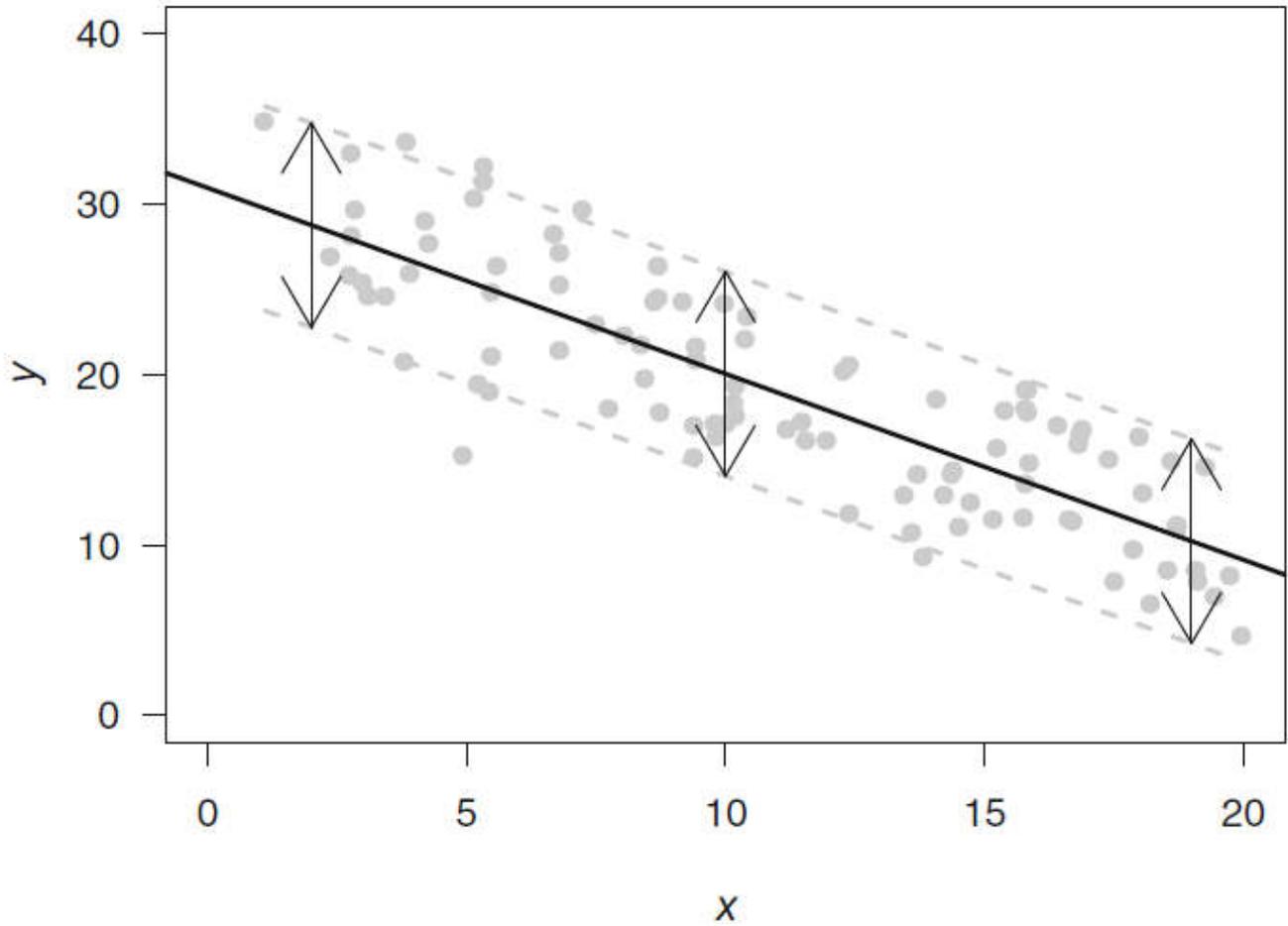
Assumptions

* **SUITABILITY** same regression model valid for all obs.

* **LINEARITY** model is linear...

* **INDEPENDENCE** of observations

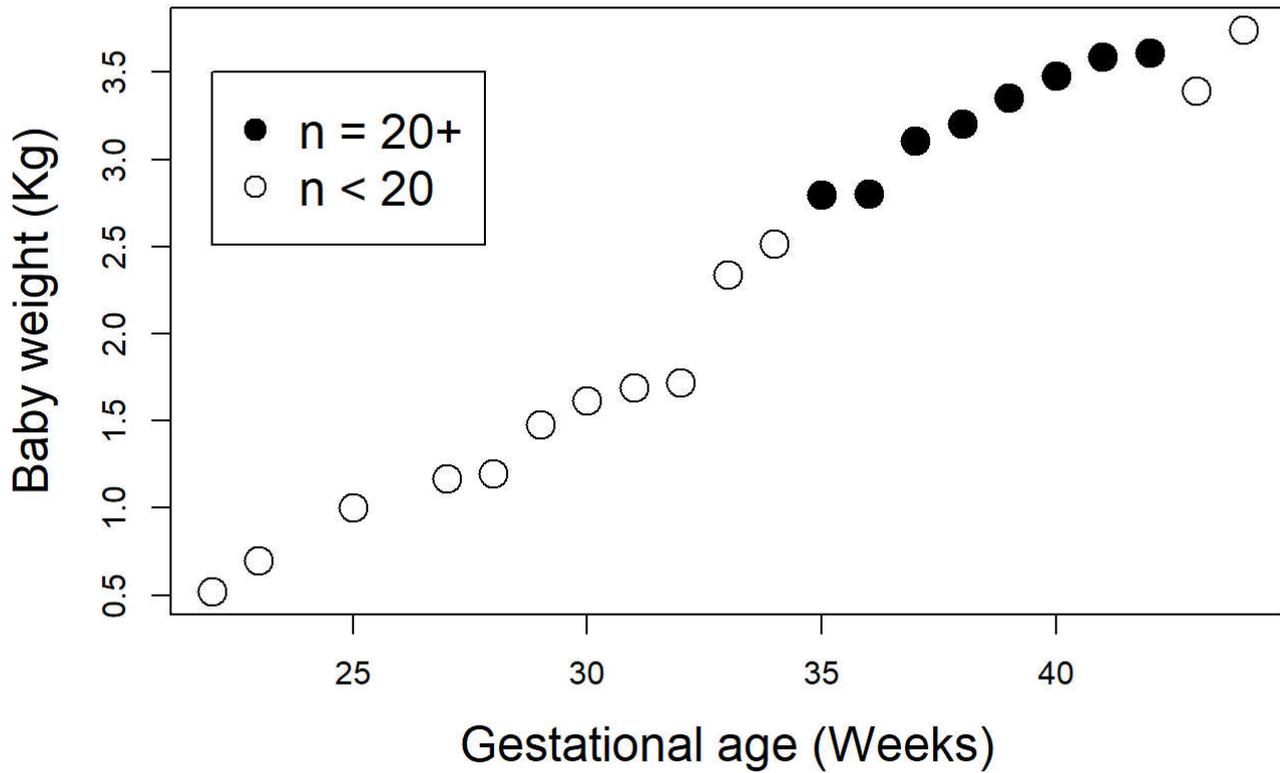
* **CONSTANT VARIANCE**



Example 2.1

```
library(GLMsData); data(gestation); str(gestation)
```

```
Weight = human birthweight (Kg); Age = gestational age (weeks)
```



NB, imbalance of observations

gestation

##	Age	Births	Weight	SD
## 1	22	1	0.520	NA
## 2	23	1	0.700	NA
## 3	25	1	1.000	NA
## 4	27	1	1.170	NA
## 5	28	6	1.198	0.121
## 6	29	1	1.480	NA
## 7	30	3	1.617	0.589
## 8	31	6	1.693	0.319
## 9	32	7	1.720	0.438
## 10	33	7	2.340	0.313
## 11	34	7	2.516	0.572
## 12	35	29	2.796	0.448
## 13	36	43	2.804	0.444
## 14	37	114	3.108	0.344
## 15	38	222	3.204	0.444
## 16	39	353	3.353	0.427
## 17	40	401	3.478	0.408
## 18	41	247	3.587	0.440
## 19	42	53	3.612	0.371
## 20	43	9	3.390	0.408
## 21	44	1	3.740	NA

```
sum(gestation$Births)
```

```
## [1] 1513
```

##2.2 Simple regression and Least-Squares

For our model, birth **Weight ~ Age**

$$\mu_i = y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i$$

residual error in our model $e_i = y_i - \mu_i = y_i - \beta_0 - \beta_1 x_i$ (2.3)

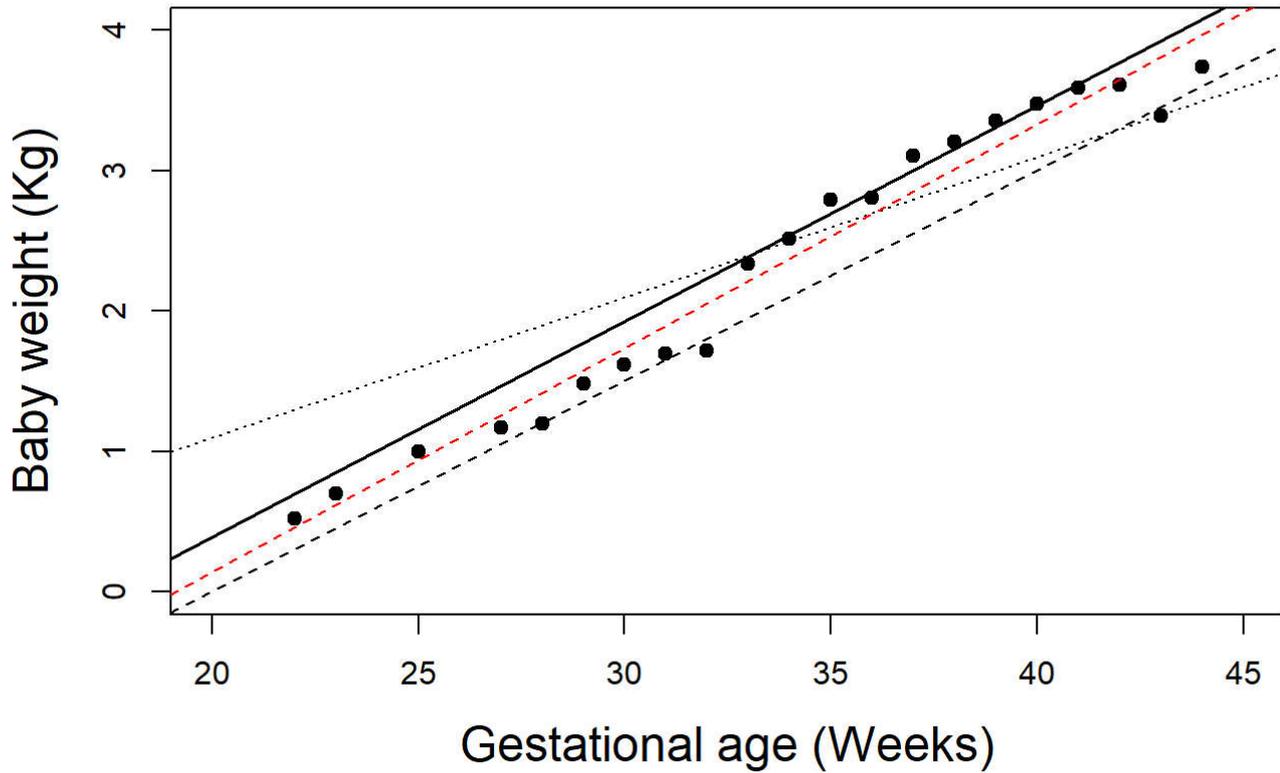
Sum of Squares equation in “general form” explicitly including prior weights

$$S(\beta_0, \beta_1) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i (y_i - u_i)^2 \text{ (SSE)}$$

Example 2.2 - look at the effect of different slope and intercept estimates

```
y <- gestation$Weight
x <- gestation$Age
wts <- gestation$Births
# Try these values for beta0 and beta1
beta0.A <- -0.9 #intercept
beta1.A <- 0.1 #slope
mu.A <- beta0.A + beta1.A * x
SA <- sum( wts*(y - mu.A)^2 ) #same as (SSE)
SA # goals is to minimise this!
```

```
## [1] 186.1106
```



```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: Weight
##           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## Age         1  22.1235   22.123   553.7 1.627e-15 ***
## Residuals  19   0.7592    0.040
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
## (Intercept)      Age
##   -3.049879    0.159483
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: Weight
##           Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## Age         1  157.68  157.675   262.34 1.416e-12 ***
## Residuals  19   11.42    0.601
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Weight ~ Age, data = gestation, weights = Births)
##
## Weighted Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.62979 -0.60893 -0.30063 -0.08845  1.03880
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -2.678389   0.371172  -7.216 7.49e-07 ***
## Age          0.153759   0.009493  16.197 1.42e-12 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.7753 on 19 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.9325, Adjusted R-squared:  0.9289
## F-statistic: 262.3 on 1 and 19 DF,  p-value: 1.416e-12
```

```
## (Intercept)      Age
## -2.6783891    0.1537594
```

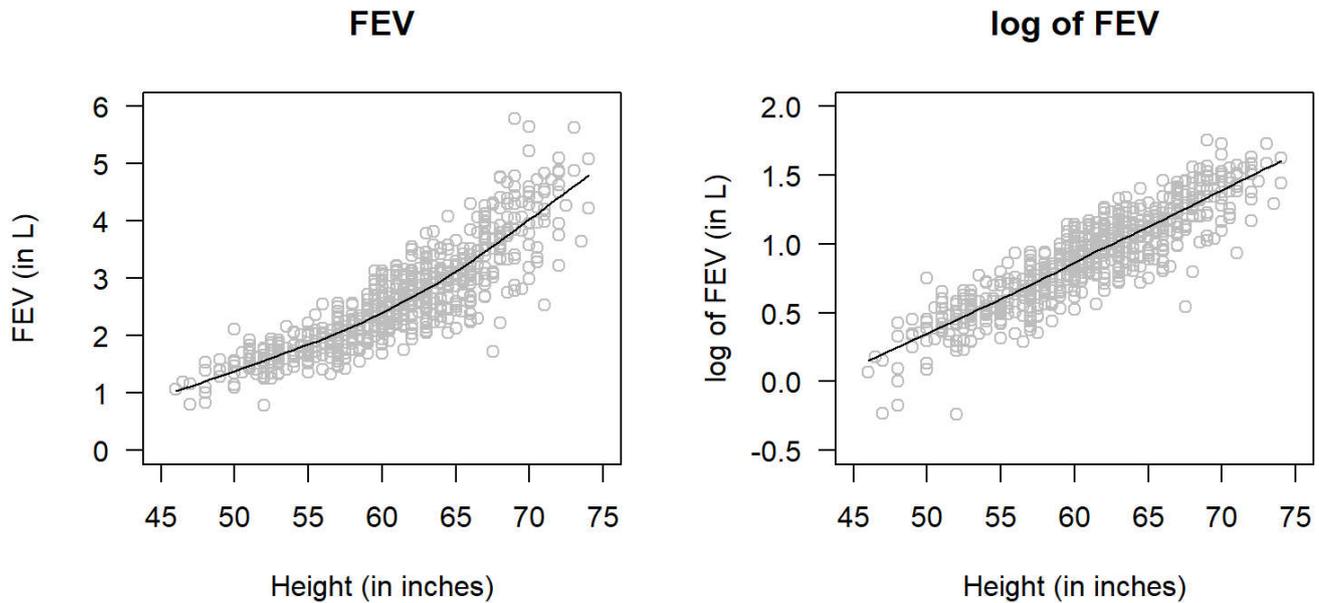
NB derivation of SSE for B_0 and B_1 :

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2.3.3 Variance estimation **NB the estimate of variance s^2 is given as Mean Sq. error for residuals using anova()**

NB the estimate of standard deviation s is given as residual standard error for residuals using summary()

##2.4 Multiple Regression *Estimation of coefficients analogous to simple linear reg.
Lung data example



Discuss appropriateness of logged y var to regression assumptions

##2.5 Matrix Notation ""

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##2.6 Linear regression in R

```
gest.wtd <- lm( Weight ~ Age, data=gestation,
weights=Births) # The prior weights
summary(gest.wtd)
```

```
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“~” = “as a function of”

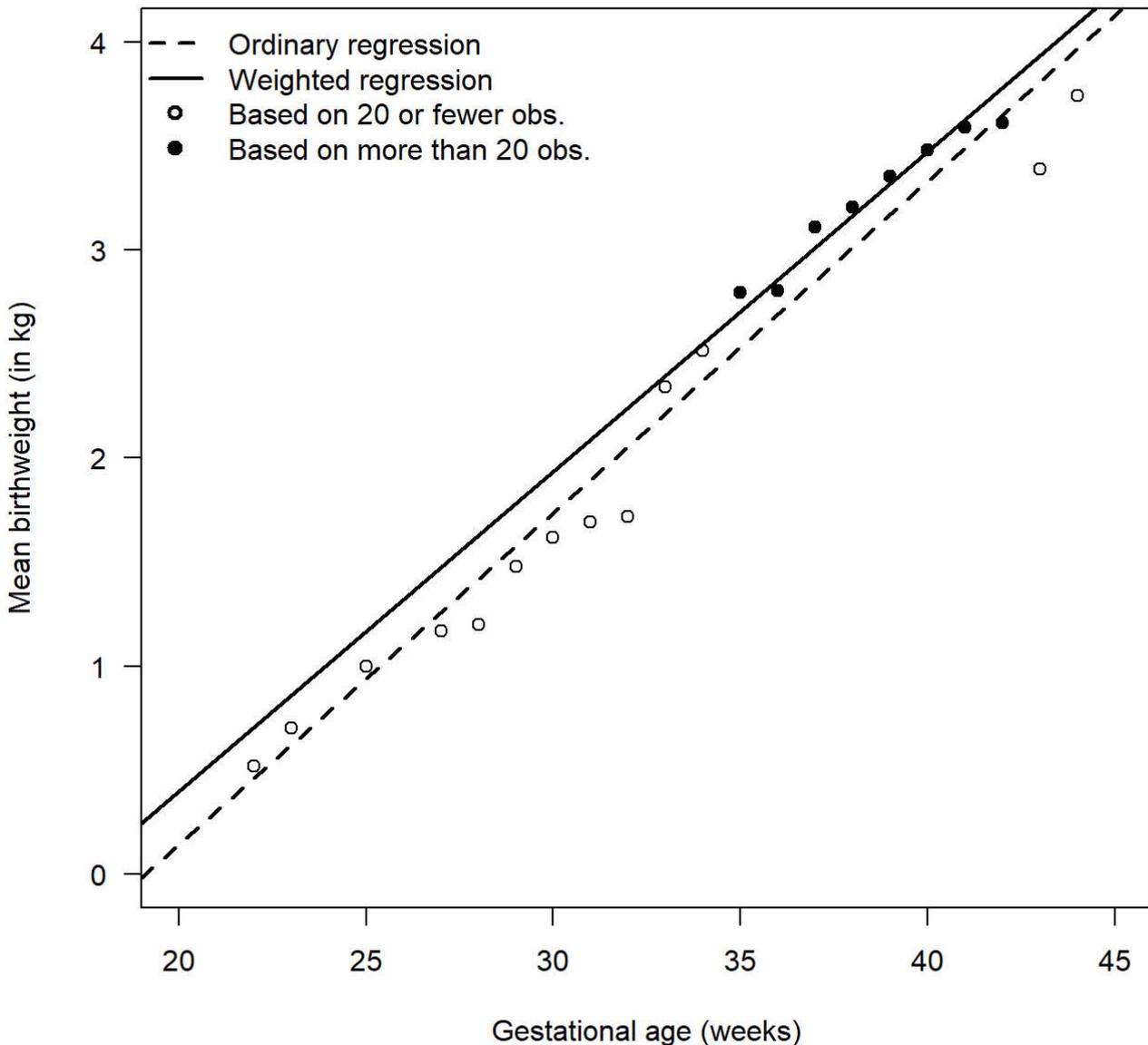
note weights

```
gest.ord <- lm( Weight ~ Age, data=gestation)
coef(gest.ord)
```

```
## (Intercept)      Age
## -3.049879      0.159483
```

Better fit with weights?

```
plot( Weight ~ Age, data=gestation, type="n",
      las=1, xlim=c(20, 45), ylim=c(0, 4),
      xlab="Gestational age (weeks)", ylab="Mean birthweight (in kg)" )
points( Weight[Births< 20] ~ Age[Births< 20], pch=1, data=gestation )
points( Weight[Births>=20] ~ Age[Births>=20], pch=19, data=gestation )
abline( coef(gest.ord), lty=2, lwd=2)
abline( coef(gest.wtd), lty=1, lwd=2)
legend("topleft", lwd=c(2, 2), bty="n",
      lty=c(2, 1, NA, NA), pch=c(NA, NA, 1, 19), # NA shows nothing
      legend=c("Ordinary regression", "Weighted regression",
              "Based on 20 or fewer obs.", "Based on more than 20 obs."))
```



##Smoking example 2.15 Consider fitting the Model (2.14) to the lung capacity data (lungcap), using age, height, gender and smoking status as explanatory variables, and log(fev) as the response.

```
# Recall, Smoke has been declared previously as a factor
lm( log(FEV) ~ Age + Ht + Gender + factor(Smoke), data=lungcap )
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = log(FEV) ~ Age + Ht + Gender + factor(Smoke), data = lungcap)
##
## Coefficients:
##      (Intercept)          Age           Ht          GenderM
##      -1.94400      0.02339      0.04280      0.02932
## factor(Smoke)1
##      -0.04607
```

```
mylm <- lm( log(FEV) ~ Age + Ht + Gender + factor(Smoke), data=lungcap )
summary(mylm)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = log(FEV) ~ Age + Ht + Gender + factor(Smoke), data = lungcap)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -0.63278 -0.08657  0.01146  0.09540  0.40701
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  -1.943998   0.078639  -24.721 < 2e-16 ***
## Age           0.023387   0.003348   6.984 7.1e-12 ***
## Ht            0.042796   0.001679  25.489 < 2e-16 ***
## GenderM      0.029319   0.011719   2.502 0.0126 *
## factor(Smoke)1 -0.046068   0.020910  -2.203 0.0279 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1455 on 649 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8106, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8095
## F-statistic: 694.6 on 4 and 649 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

##2.7 Interpreting regression coefficients

Challenge yourself with your own data: take responsibility for the analysis and the NUMERICAL OUTPUTS to make sense. I consider this to be the principle distinction between someone who is merely good at performing statistics, and someone who is a good scientist...

- Implications of logging our Y var in previous example
- coefficient values and predictions
- explicit interpretation of Smoke variable

```
#Coefficient est. of Smoke on Log FEV
# -0.04607
#Now, relate back to actual FEV
exp(-0.04607) #yawn not that large
```

```
## [1] 0.9549751
```

```
#help(Lungcap)
# FEV
# the forced expiratory volume in LITRES, a measure of Lung capacity; a numeric vector

#omfg this is in Litres...
```

##2.8 Inference of linear models

Author pretends to now that we have only been interested in the parameter estimates, without any actual interest in making a statistical inference.

Here is where we need to start being explicit about the distribution of residuals.

$$y_i \sim N(\mu_i, \sigma^2/w_i)$$

In practice, we formally relate this to the estimation of the model parameters, also assuming an explicit distribution.

$$\hat{\beta}_j \sim N(\beta_j, \text{var}[\hat{\beta}_j])$$

We use this estimate for hypothesis testing - this is where we get our p-value from

Is the estimate of a particular coefficient different to zero...?

```
mylm1 <- lm( log(FEV) ~ Age + Ht + Gender + factor(Smoke), data=lungcap )
confint(mylm1)
```

```
##                2.5 %        97.5 %
## (Intercept)  -2.098414941 -1.789581413
## Age          0.016812109  0.029962319
## Ht           0.039498923  0.046092655
## GenderM      0.006308481  0.052330236
## factor(Smoke)1 -0.087127344 -0.005007728
```