

# Computer Printout Practice

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1. The Minnesota Dept. of Transportation hoped that they could measure the weights of big trucks without actually stopping the vehicles by using a newly developed "weight-in-motion" scale. To see if the new device was accurate, they conducted a calibration test. They weighed several trucks when stopped (static weight). They weighed them again while the trucks were moving to see how well the new scale could estimate the weight. A regression printout is shown below:

The regression equation is

Static Weight = 10.9 + 0.638 Weight in Motion (thousands of pounds)

Predictor	Coef	StDev	T	P
Constant	10.854	1.982	5.48	0.001
Weight i	0.63791	0.06103	10.45	0.000

S = 1.041      R-Sq = 93.2%      R-Sq(adj) = 92.3%

a. What is the value of the correlation coefficient? \_\_\_\_\_

b. Interpret the correlation coefficient in the context of the situation.

c. Interpret the slope in the context of the situation.

d. What is the predicted static weight for a truck that weighs 28,000 pounds?

e. What is the residual for the truck that has a static weight of 27.8 and weight-in-motion of 25.1 (thousand pounds)?

f. Interpret  $r^2$  in the context of the situation.

2. Times and distances of olympian athletes competing in two heptathlon events were recorded: the high jump and the 800 meters race. A linear regression was performed on the data, and the computer output is below.

$$\text{High Jump (meters)} = 2.6809416 - 0.0067136(\text{800-m time (in seconds)})$$

<b>Term</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	<b>Std Error</b>	<b>t Ratio</b>	<b>Prob&gt; t </b>
Intercept	2.6809416	0.422459	6.35	<.0001
800-m (sec)	-0.006714	0.003094	-2.17	0.0401
RSquare		0.164012		
RSquare Adj		0.12918		
Root Mean Square Error		0.061688		
Mean of Response		1.764615		
Observations (or Sum Wgts)		26		

a. Define the explanatory and response variables.

- b. Write the equation of the least-squares regression line.
- c. What is the value of  $r$ ? \_\_\_\_\_
- d. Interpret  $r$  in the context of the problem.
- e. What is the predicted high jump for a 800 meter race time of 139.56 seconds?
- f. What is the residual for an olympian that has a 800-meter time of 133.69 seconds and a high jump of 1.7 meters?
- g. Does the regression line under- or over-predict the high jump distance of the athlete in (f)? Explain.
- h. Find  $r^2$  and interpret in context.

## Answers:

- 1
  - a.  $r = .965$
  - b. Assuming the association is linear,  $r = .965$  indicates there is a strong, positive linear association between static weight and weight in motion.
  - c. For every additional thousand pounds of weight in motion of a big truck, our model would predict approximately an additional 638 pounds of static weight.
  - d.  $\approx 28,764$  pounds
  - e.  $\approx 934$  pounds (depending on rounding)
  - f. 93.2% of the variation in static weight can be attributed to the linear model on weight in motion.
  
2.
  - a. The explanatory variable is the 800-meter race times, and the response variable is the high jump distances.
  - b.  $\overbrace{\text{high jump distance}} = 2.681 - .0067(\text{800m time in seconds})$
  - c.  $-.405$
  - d. Assuming the association is linear,  $r = .405$  indicates there is a weak, negative association between heptathlon athletes' times in the 800 meter race and their high jump distances.
  - e.  $\approx 1.744$  meters
  - f.  $\approx -.0834$  meters
  - g. The regression line would over-predict the high jump distance. A negative residual indicates the actual high jump distance is below the least squares line, thus the line has over-predicted the high jump value.
  - h. 16.4% of the variation in high jump distances of olympic heptathlon athletes can be attributed to a linear model on their 800-meter race times.