

ANOVA/Regression I Session 1 : Simple Linear Regression

In this session we are going to work in STATA and we want to load the *sbpage* dataset. The next step is to open a *log* file to save all the text-output, which later can be loaded into a text editor or word processor. To open it click on the **Open Log** button from the toolbar and give a filename, we can call it *lab1.log* and then click on the **Open** button, a Stata Log (white) window will appear and in there all the text output will be saved. For now we can close the Stata Log window by clicking on the **X** on the top right corner of this window. You can temporarily suspend output from being written to the log by clicking on the **Close/Suspend Log** button (it is the same as the **Open Log** button), select the **Suspend log file** option and then click **OK**. Then you can open the log-file again by clicking on the **Close/Resume Log** button (it is the same as the **Open Log** button), select **Resume suspended log file** option and then click **OK**.

Saving the graph in Word:

A way to save the graph in Word is to copy the graph to the clipboard and then to import it into Word or another Windows application. Follow the below steps:

1. Display your graph in the Stata Graph window.
2. Click on the title bar of the Stata Graph window.
3. Choose **Copy Graph** from the **Edit** menu.
4. In the other Windows application, you can then choose **Paste** from the **Edit** menu.

Now we have a dataset and a log-file so let's start the analysis.

1. *Sbpage* Dataset:

To view the data you can type:

```
list
```

If the dataset is too big and you don't want to list all the observations you can view the first 10 observations with the following command:

```
list in 1/10
```

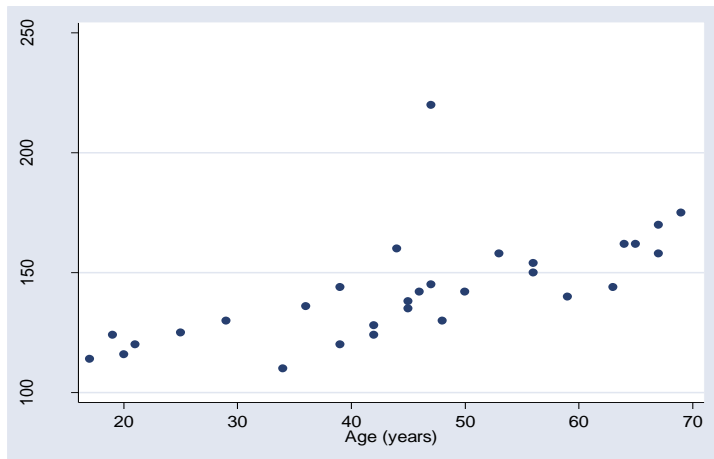
We have two variables of interest, systolic blood pressure (*sbp*) and *age*. We can set labels to the variables *sbp* and *age*:

```
label var sbp "Systolic Blood Pressure (mm Hg)"
```

```
label var age "Age (years)"
```

We want to explore the association between systolic blood pressure and age, so first we produce a *scatter diagram*:

scatter sbp age



a. From the above scatter-plot what can you tell about the relationship between *sbp* and *age* ? What would you suspect to be the sign of the slope?

To regress *sbp* on *age*, the command is the following:

```
regress sbp age
```

Source	SS	df	MS			
Model	6394.02269	1	6394.02269	Number of obs =	30	
Residual	8393.44398	28	299.765856	F(1, 28) =	21.33	
Total	14787.4667	29	509.912644	Prob > F =	0.0001	
				R-squared =	0.4324	
				Adj R-squared =	0.4121	
				Root MSE =	17.314	

sbp	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
age	.9708704	.2102157	4.618	0.000	.5402629	1.401478
_cons	98.71472	10.00047	9.871	0.000	78.22969	119.1997

b. Please find the following quantities from the output:

$\hat{\beta}_0 =$ $\hat{\beta}_1 =$ So the estimated least-square line is $\hat{Y} =$ + X
 $\sqrt{MSE} =$ Coefficient of Determination or $R^2 =$

c. Test the null hypothesis of no linear association. What is the association between the *F-test* of the model and the *t-test* of the slope?

STATA by default calculates 95% confidence intervals if we would like to change them to 90% we should add the option *level(#)* after the regress command as following:

```
regress sbp age, level(90)
```

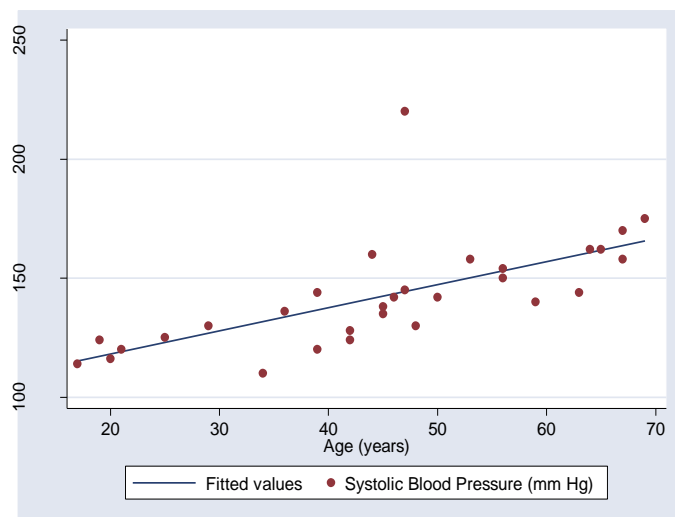
Source	SS	df	MS			
Model	6394.02269	1	6394.02269	Number of obs =	30	
Residual	8393.44398	28	299.765856	F(1, 28) =	21.33	
				Prob > F =	0.0001	
				R-squared =	0.4324	
				Adj R-squared =	0.4121	
				Root MSE =	17.314	

sbp	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[90% Conf. Interval]	
age	.9708704	.2102157	4.618	0.000	.6132659	1.328475
_cons	98.71472	10.00047	9.871	0.000	81.70261	115.7268

d. What did change in the output? Give the new confidence intervals of the slope and the intercept, did they become wider or narrower and why?

We can produce a graph of the estimated regression line on the scatter diagram:

```
twoway (lfit sbp age) (scatter sbp age)
```

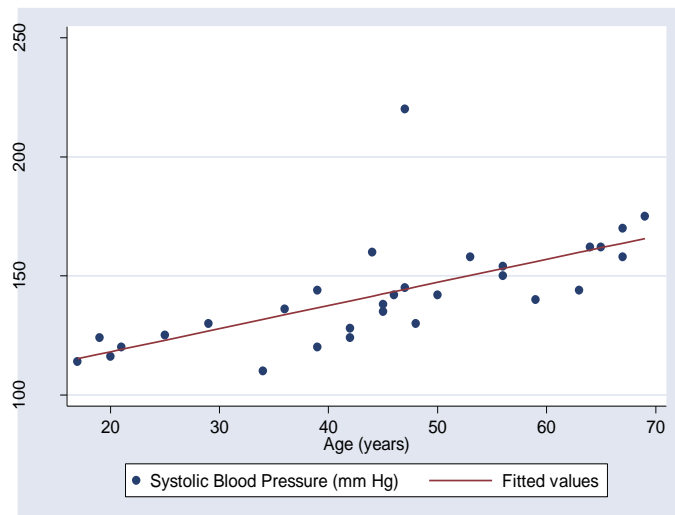


We can get the same graph using the fitted values :

```
predict sbphat
```

```
sort sbphat
```

```
twoway (scatter sbp age) (line sbphat age)
```



Now we want to construct 95% confidence intervals about the regression line using fitted values and their standard error ($S_{\hat{y}}$):

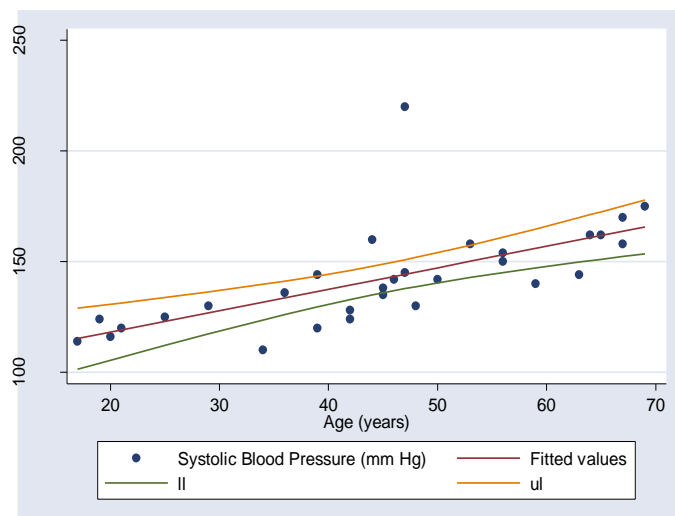
```
predict s, stdp
```

```
gen ul=sbphat+invttail(28,0.025)*s
```

```
gen ll=sbphat-invttail(28,0.025)*s
```

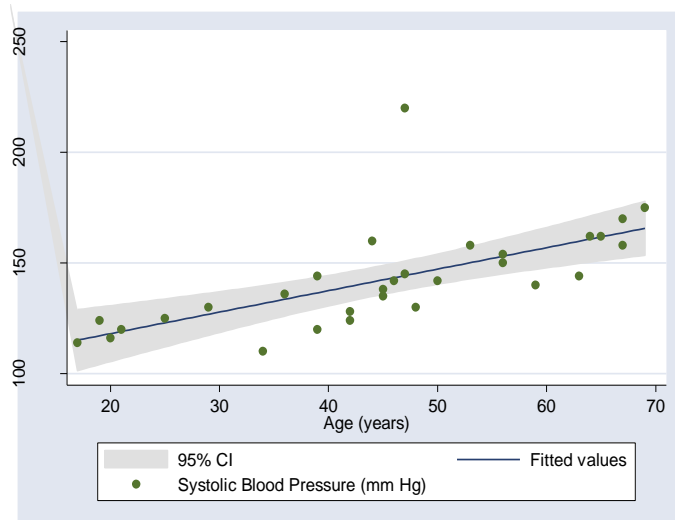
```
sort ul
```

```
twoway (scatter sbp age) (line sbphat age) (line ll age) ///  
(line ul age)
```



We can also use `lfitci` command in Stata:

```
twoway (lfitci sbp age, stdp) (scatter sbp age)
```

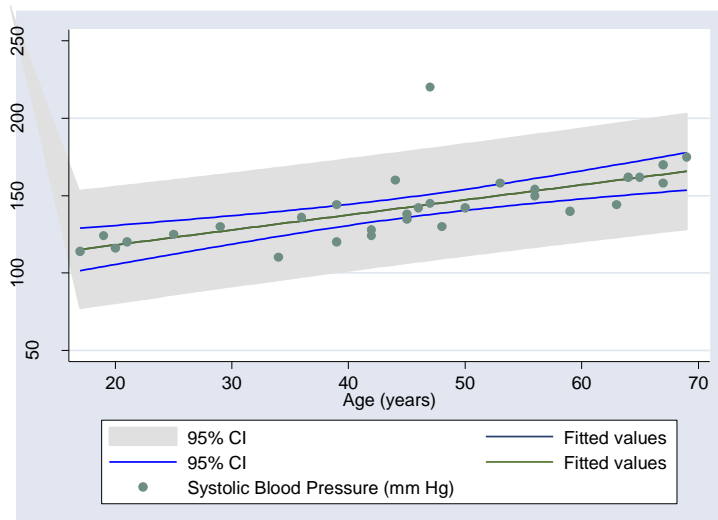


In the same way, if we want the 95% confidence intervals of a prediction you type the following set of commands using the standard error of the prediction ($S_{\hat{y}_{x_0}}$):

```
predict sf, stdf
gen ulpred=sbphat+invttail(28,0.025)*sf
gen llpred=sbphat-invttail(28,0.025)*sf
```

Next the command to get also the prediction bands in the graph follows, using `lfitci` with option `stdf`:

```
twoway (lfitci sbp age, stdf) ///
(lfitci sbp age, stdp ciplot(rline) blcolor(blue)) ///
(scatter sbp age)
```



Notice that one point, (47,220), seems quite out of place; such an observation is often called an *outlier*. One easy way to identify the outlier is to use the “**mlabel(id)**” option in the “**scatter**” command.

scatter sbp age, mlabel(id)

Now we want to refit the model without the outlier one way is the following :

```

regress sbp age if sbp!=220
                                     (In STATA “!=” stands for “not equal to”)

```

Source	SS	df	MS			
Model	6110.10173	1	6110.10173	Number of obs =	29	
Residual	2469.34654	27	91.4572794	F(1, 27) =	66.81	
Total	8579.44828	28	306.408867	Prob > F =	0.0000	
				R-squared =	0.7122	
				Adj R-squared =	0.7015	
				Root MSE =	9.5633	

sbp	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
age	.9493225	.1161445	8.174	0.000	.7110137	1.187631
_cons	97.07708	5.527552	17.562	0.000	85.73549	108.4187

e. Please find again the following quantities from the output. What can you tell this time about the fit of the model?

$\hat{\beta}_0 =$ $\hat{\beta}_1 =$ So the estimated least-square line is $\hat{Y} =$ + X
 $\sqrt{MSE} =$ Coefficient of Determination or $R^2 =$

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Solutions to Session 1: Simple Linear Regression

1. Sbpage Dataset:

a. The relationship seems to be proportional thus the sign of the slope positive, blood pressure *increases* with age.

b. $\hat{\beta}_0 = 98.71$. $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.9709$ So the estimated least-square line is $\hat{Y} = 98.71 + 0.97X$
 $\sqrt{MSE} = 17.314$. The coefficient of Determination or $R^2 = 0.4324$ or 43%

c. **critical value F:** `display invFtail(1,28, 0.05)`
p-value: `display Ftail(1,28, 21.33)`

F=21.33 > F_{1,28,0.95}=4.20 (or p-value=0.0001<0.05=α), thus reject the null hypothesis of no linear association between blood pressure and age. Alternatively, T=4.618 > t_{28,0.975}=2.048 (or p-value = 0.0001 < 0.05=α) and again reject the null hypothesis.

critical value T: `display invttail(28, 0.025)`

p-value: `display 2*ttail(28, 4.618)`

The association is the following $T^2=(4.618)^2=21.33=F$.

d. Only the confidence intervals of the slope and the intercept changed.

90% CI of slope: [.6132659 1.328475]

90% CI of intercept: [81.70261 115.7268]

They became narrower since the significance level α increased to 10% and thus the critical values of the t-distribution smaller(t_{28,0.95}=1.701 < t_{28,0.975}=2.048).

`display invttail(28, 0.05)`

`display invttail(28, 0.025)`

e. $\hat{\beta}_0 = 97.08$ $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.9493$ So the estimated least-square line is $\hat{Y} = 97.08 + 0.95X$
 $\sqrt{MSE} = 9.563$ Coefficient of Determination or $R^2 = 0.7122$ or 71%

Now the fit of the model is better, since \sqrt{MSE} is smaller (9.563 vs. 17.314) and R^2 is greater (43% vs. 71%), this model is more precise and more variability is explained when omitting the outlier from the analysis.