It is to explore and study of the relationship between two variables $(\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y})$ with the objective of formulating an equation between the two variables and using that equation to predict one from the other. ( $\boldsymbol{x}$ is also called independent, explanatory, or predictor variable)
( $\boldsymbol{y}$ is also called dependent, response variable). So, a response variable is the variable whose value can be explained by the predictor variable.

## Steps

1. To find the nature of the relationship (Linear or non-linear, positive, or negative relationship or no relationship) by doing a scatter diagram, $\boldsymbol{y}$ versus $\boldsymbol{x}$
2. To measure the strength of this relationship by computing the correlation coefficient $=r$
3. Finding slope and $\mathbf{y}$-intercept for equation of the best fitted- line (regression equation $=y=a x+b$ ) between $\boldsymbol{x}, \boldsymbol{y}$ variables.
4. Using the regression equation to estimate or predict one variable from the other.

## Nature of relationship:

Positive: Both variables either increasing or decreasing $x \uparrow \uparrow y$ or $x \downarrow \downarrow y$
Negative: When one variable increases the other one decreases or vice versa. $x \uparrow \downarrow y$ or $x \downarrow \uparrow y$
What do you think is the nature of relationship between $\boldsymbol{x}$ and $\boldsymbol{y}$ variables? Answers at the bottom

|  | Independent, Explanatory, or Predictor variable | $y$ <br> Dependent, or response variable | Nature of relationship Positive, Negative |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Hours of study per week for stat class | Stat test score | + , - , None |
| 2 | Mortgage rate | Number of loans refinanced | + , - None |
| 3 | Average height of the parents | Height of the sons or daughters | +, -, None |
| 4 | No. of absences in a semester for stat class | Stat test scores | +, -, None |
| 5 | Daily temperature in summer | Water or electric consumption | +, - , None |
| 6 | \$ amount spent on advertisement | Monthly sales | +, - , None |
| 7 | Fat consumption | Cholesterol level | +, -, None |
| 8 | Number of years of education | Monthly salary | +, -, None |
| 9 | Number of hours watching TV/week | GPA | +, - , None |
| 10 | Ice cream sales | Number of drownings | +, - , None |

1)     + 2)             - 
1)     + 
2)     - 
3)     + 
4)     + 
5)     + 
6) none (Lurking variable)

## Steps to do a Correlation and Regression problem

1. Constructing a Scatter diagram and comment on its nature (linear or non-linear, positive or negative, strong or weak relationship).

## Why do we need a scatter diagram?

a) To see if data exhibit a linear pattern or not
b) To see if linear pattern is positive or negative
c) To see how closely (strongly or perfectly) data are clustered around the a straight line.
d) To detect any outlier (a point that is lying far away from the other data points).

Different Possible shapes of a Scatter Diagram



Strong Positive Linear Correlation


Positive Linear Correlation


No Correlation

$r=-1$
Perfect Negative Linear Correlation


Strong Negative Linear Correlation


Negative Linear Correlation


Non linear relationship

Very important: If pattern of data is not linear (looks like a curve) or it has an outlier, or it show no pattern then linear regression method is not valid and not applicable.

2 Computing $\boldsymbol{r}=$ Correlation Coefficient (the measurement of strength of relationship between 2 variables) by formula given by $r=\frac{n \sum x y-\sum x \sum y}{\sqrt{n \sum x^{2}-\left(\sum x\right)^{2}} \sqrt{n \sum y^{2}-\left(\sum y\right)^{2}}}=$ or using Ti calculator and comment on its strength. The value of $\boldsymbol{r}$ is always between $-1 \leq r \leq 1$


## Linear Correlation Coefficient and scatter Diagram


3. Computing $\bar{x}, \bar{y}, s_{x}, s_{y}$,
4. Using the formula or TI calculator to computing Slope ( $\boldsymbol{a}$ ) and y-intercepts ( $\boldsymbol{b}$ ) for the regression equation $\boldsymbol{y}=\boldsymbol{a} \boldsymbol{x}+\boldsymbol{b}$ by formula Slope $=\boldsymbol{a}=\frac{n\left(\sum x y\right)-\left(\sum x\right)\left(\sum y\right)}{n\left(\sum x^{2}\right)-\left(\sum x\right)^{2}}$ and $\boldsymbol{y}$-itc $=\boldsymbol{b}=\frac{\left(\sum y\right)\left(\sum x^{2}\right)-\left(\sum x\right)\left(\sum x y\right)}{n\left(\sum x^{2}\right)-\left(\sum x\right)^{2}}$
5. Using $\boldsymbol{a}, \boldsymbol{b}$ and inputting them into regression equation $\boldsymbol{y}=\boldsymbol{a} \boldsymbol{x}+\boldsymbol{b}$, then use this equation to estimate or predict one variable from the other. Estimated values are labeled as $y^{\prime}$ (y -prime) and $x^{\prime}$ ( x -prime).

## Guideline for using the regression line:

1. If there is no significant linear correlation, do not use the regression equation.
2. When using the regression equation for prediction, stay within the range of the available sample data.
3. A Regression equation based on old data is not necessarily valid now.

Marginal Change (Slope): in a variable is the amount that it changes in y -variable when the x -variable increases by one unit.
Outlier: is a point that is lying far away from the other data points.

Is there a relationship between hours of study and test scores?

|  | $\boldsymbol{x}=$ Hours Study/week | $\boldsymbol{y}=$ Test Score | $\boldsymbol{x}^{\mathbf{2}}$ | $\boldsymbol{y}^{\mathbf{2}}$ | $\boldsymbol{x} \boldsymbol{y}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 5 | 72 | 25 | 5184 | 360 |
| 2 | 10 | 88 | 100 | 7764 | 880 |
| 3 | 13 | 92 | 169 | 8464 | 1196 |
| 4 | 8 | 80 | 64 | 6400 | 640 |
|  | $\Sigma x=\mathbf{3 6}$ | $\Sigma y=\mathbf{3 3 2}$ | $\Sigma x^{2}=\mathbf{3 5 8}$ | $\Sigma y^{2}=\mathbf{2 7 7 9 2}$ | $\Sigma x y=\mathbf{3 0 7 6}$ |

1. Use the data and plot the data as a scatter diagram and comment on the pattern of the points.


## Strong Positive

## Linear Correlation

2. Compute the correlation coefficient and comment on that: a very strong positive linear correlation.

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r=\frac{n \sum x y-\sum x \sum y}{\sqrt{n \sum x^{2}-\left(\sum x\right)^{2}} \sqrt{n \sum y^{2}-\left(\sum y\right)^{2}}}=\frac{(4)(3076)-(36)(332)}{\sqrt{4(358)-(36)^{2}} \sqrt{4(27792)-(332)^{2}}}=\frac{12304-11952}{\sqrt{136} \sqrt{944}}=\frac{352}{358.307}=0.9824
$$

3. Compute the slope and $y$-intercept and write the equation of regression line.

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { Slope }=\boldsymbol{a}=\frac{n\left(\sum x y\right)-\left(\sum x\right)\left(\sum y\right)}{n\left(\sum x^{2}\right)-\left(\sum x\right)^{2}}=\frac{4(3076)-(36)(332)}{4(358)-(36)^{2}}=\frac{12304-11952}{1432-1296}=\frac{352}{136}=\mathbf{2 . 5 8 8}=\mathbf{2 . 5 9} \\
& \boldsymbol{y}-\boldsymbol{i t c}=\boldsymbol{b}=\frac{\left(\sum y\right)\left(\sum x^{2}\right)-\left(\sum x\right)\left(\sum x y\right)}{n\left(\sum x^{2}\right)-\left(\sum x\right)^{2}}=\frac{(332)(358)-(36)(3076)}{4(358)-(36)^{2}}=\frac{118856-110736}{1432-1296}=\frac{8120}{136}=\mathbf{5 9 . 7 1}
\end{aligned}
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$$
y=a x+b=2.59 x+59.71
$$

4. Explain the slope based on the regression equation and the in relation of x and y variables.

In general for every additional hour of study per week the score goes up by 2.59 points.
5. Compute average and standard deviation for both x and y variables.

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\overline{\boldsymbol{x}}=36 / 4=\mathbf{9} \text { hrs } \quad \boldsymbol{s}_{\boldsymbol{x}}=3.37 \quad \overline{\boldsymbol{y}}=332 / 4=\mathbf{8 3} \quad \boldsymbol{s}_{\boldsymbol{y}}=8.87
$$

6. If one student studies 10 hours a week, use Reg. Equ. to estimate her test score. $x=10 \mathrm{hrs}, y^{\prime}=85.61$

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x=10 \mathrm{hrs}, \quad y^{\prime}=85.61
$$

7. If one student has test score of 90, use Reg. Equ. to estimate number of hours he spends studying per week.
and if $y=90, x^{\prime}=11.69 \mathrm{hrs}$

Input $x$-values in L1and $y$-values in $L 2$


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Result: Scattered Plot


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Results


More Practice

|  | $\boldsymbol{x}=$ Hours Study/week | $\boldsymbol{y}=$ Test Score | $\boldsymbol{x}^{2}$ | $\boldsymbol{y}^{2}$ | $\boldsymbol{x} \boldsymbol{y}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 5 | 72 |  |  |  |
| 2 | 10 | 88 |  |  |  |
| 3 | 13 | 92 |  |  |  |
| 4 | 8 | 80 |  |  |  |
| 5 | 6 | 77 |  |  |  |
| 6 | 4 | 64 |  | $\sum x^{2}=410$ | $\sum y^{2}=37817$ |
|  | $\sum x=46$ | $\sum y=473$ | $x y=3794$ |  |  |

1. Use the data and plot the data as a scatter diagram and comment on the pattern of the points.


Comment: A very strong positive linear correlation.
2. Compute the correlation coefficient and comment on that $\quad r=0.963$ Very strong...?
3. Compute the slope and y-intercept and write the equation of regression line. Slope $=\mathrm{a}=2.92, \quad \mathrm{y}$-itc $=$ b $=56.41$

$$
y=a x+b=2.92 x+56.41
$$

4. Explain the slope based on the regression equation and the in relation of $x$ and $y$ variables.

In general for every additional hour of study per week the score goes up by 2.92 points.
5. Compute average and standard deviation for both x and y variables. $\overline{\boldsymbol{x}}=7.67, \overline{\boldsymbol{y}}=78.83, \quad \boldsymbol{s}_{\boldsymbol{x}}=3.386$, $\boldsymbol{s}_{\boldsymbol{y}}=10.28$
6. If one student studies 6 hours a week, use Reg. Equ. to estimate her test score. $\quad x=6, y^{\prime}=73.93$
7. If one student has test score of 85 , use Reg. Equ. to estimate number of hours he spends studying per week. $y=85, \quad x^{\prime}=9.79$

