

## 15.4 Inferences in Correlation

### GOALS:

1. Recognize the assumptions for regression inferences
2. Understand that the computed statistic, the correlation coefficient,  $r$ , is an estimate of the population correlation coefficient,  $\rho$
3. Perform a t-test to determine if two variables are linearly correlated: if  $\rho \neq 0$ ,  $\rho > 0$ , or  $\rho < 0$

Study Ch. 15.4, # 99, 101, 109-113, 114

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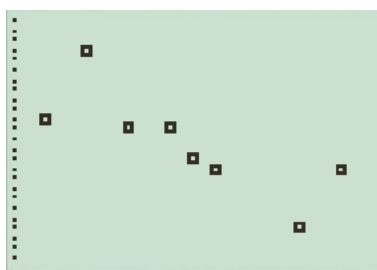
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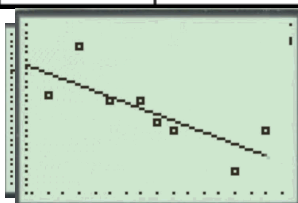
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estimating  $\beta_0$   $\beta_1$  population parameters

$$\hat{y} = 94.867 - 0.846 x$$

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$$r^2=0.6005 \quad \rho^2$$

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 $\beta_1, \beta_0$ 

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## Assumptions for Regression Inferences:

1. **Population regression line exists:**

for each predictor variable, x, there is a population response variable

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$$

2. **Equal standard deviations:**

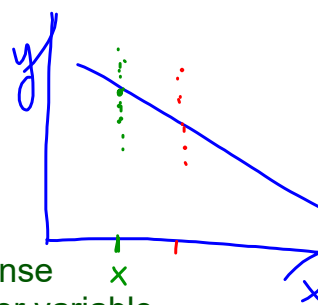
the conditional standard deviations of the response variable is the same for all values of the predictor variable.

3. **Normal populations:**

for each value of the predictor variable, the conditional distribution of the response variable is a normal distribution.

4. **Independent observations:**

observations of the response variable are independent of each other.



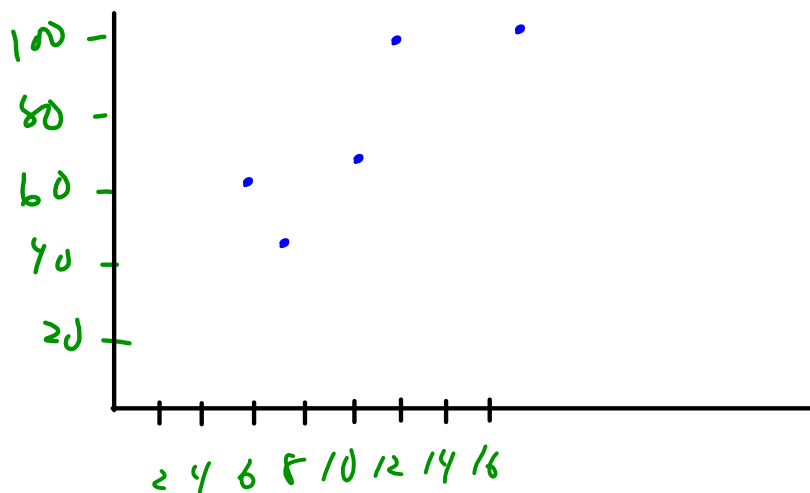
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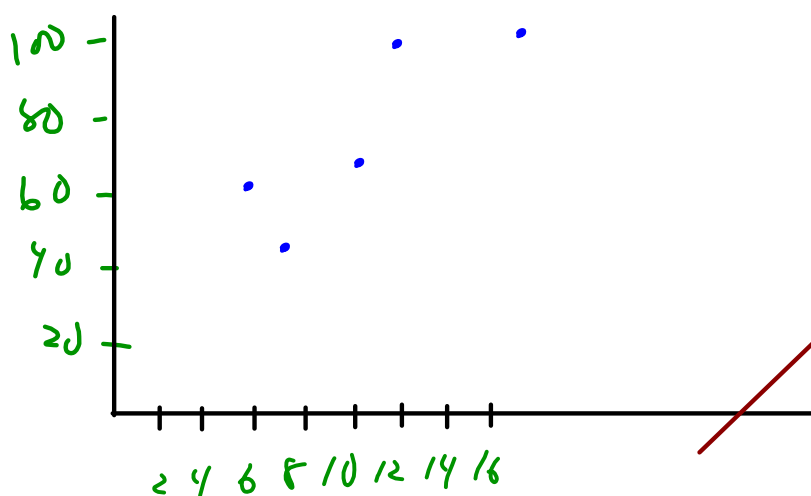
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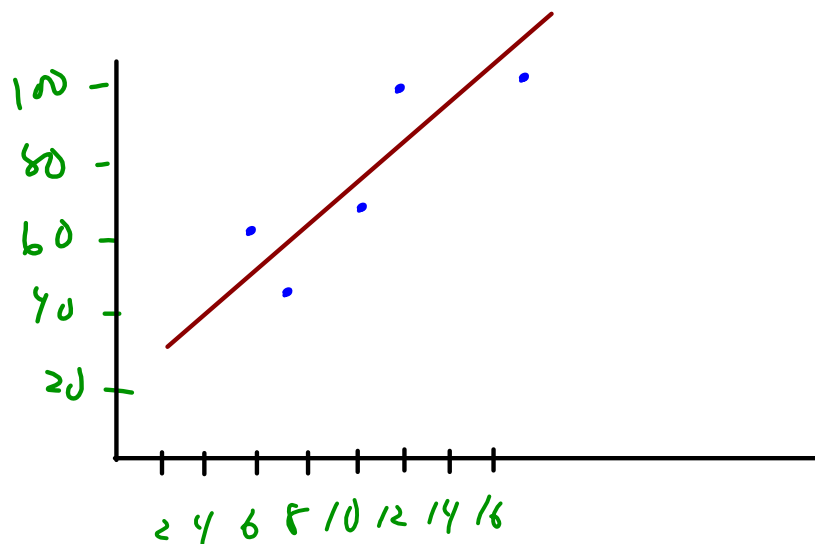
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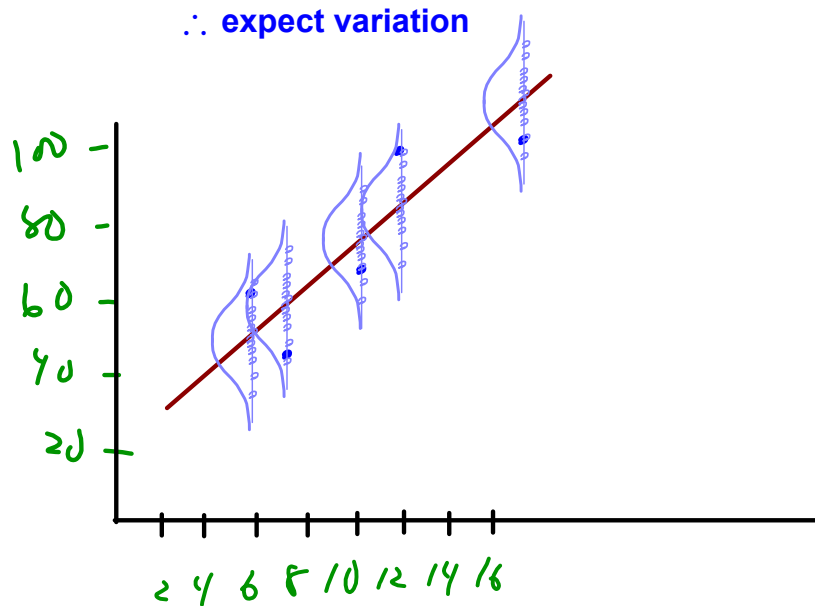
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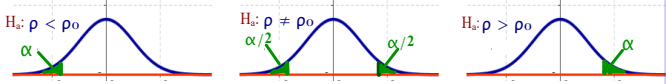
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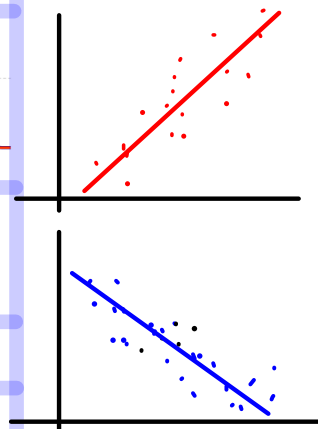
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Test	Correlation $t$ - Test
1.	State the Null and Alternative Hypotheses: $H_0, H_a$ $H_0: \rho = 0$ $H_a: \rho < 0$ or $\rho \neq 0$ or $\rho > 0$
2.	Decide the significance level, $\alpha$ , and sketch 
3.	Compute the test statistic: $t$ $df = n - 2$ $t = \frac{r}{\sqrt{\frac{1-r^2}{n-2}}}$
4.	Find the P-value
5.	Decision: Rej. $H_0$ if $P \leq \alpha$
6.	Interpret results

$$-1 \leq \rho \leq 1$$



$$\frac{a}{\pm b} = a \cdot b$$

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**Correlation t-Test**(assumptions: population regr. line, =stdev,  
normal distribution, independent observations)

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**LinRegT-Test**

Xlist: L1 (list where entered x values)

Ylist: L2 (list where entered y values)

 $\beta$  and  $\rho$ :  $\neq 0$   $< 0$   $> 0$ 

Calculate

Results include:

test  $t$ ,  $p$ ,  $df$ ,  $a$  and  $b$  for regression equation,  
 $s$ ,  $r$ ,  $r^2$  $s$  is standard error of the estimate, the  
average difference between observed value  
and the predicted value:

$$s_e = \sqrt{\frac{SSE}{n-2}} \longleftrightarrow \Sigma(y - \hat{y})^2$$

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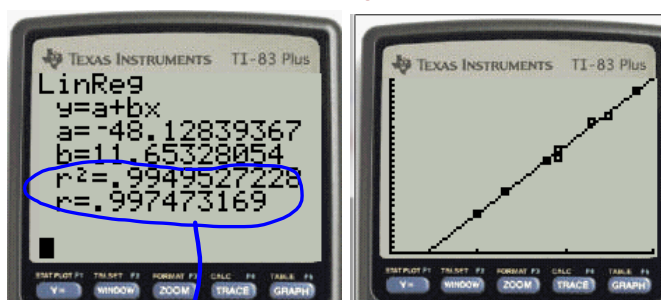
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solution w/o confidence

From Ch 14: Easy to conclude that this is a strong positive linear relationship.

**BUT, What confidence do we have?****Is this sample  $r$  a good estimate of the population parameter,  $\rho$ ?**

Note that  $r$  alone is not always easily interpreted. With only 2 points, would get perfect correlation. Larger samples generally result in lower  $r$ . If  $r = 0.4$  or  $-0.35$ , should we decide that not linearly correlated? It doesn't seem likely that it is, but maybe it's just highly variable. So --- need a confidence level or significance level.

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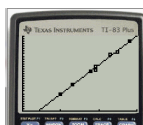
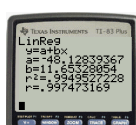
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Calculate



NPP,length



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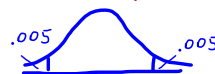
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1. Assump met.  $H_0: p = 0$   $H_a: p \neq 0$ 2.  $\alpha = 0.01$  2-tailed

$$3. t = \frac{r}{\sqrt{\frac{1-r^2}{n-2}}} = \frac{0.9975}{\sqrt{\frac{1-0.9950}{8}}} = 39.712$$

4.  $p = 1.778 (10^{-10}) = 0.000$ 5.  $p = 0.0000 < 0.10 = \alpha \therefore \text{rej. } H_0$ 

6. Conclude: Age and crown-rump length are linearly correlated.

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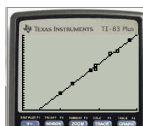
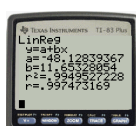
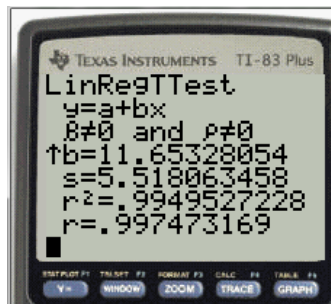
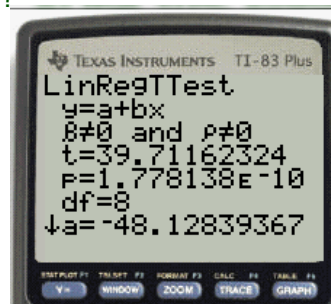
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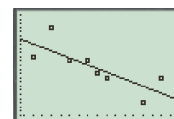
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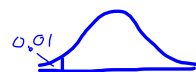
Concl. That study time is NOT neg. correlation.  
to test given. At  $\alpha = 0.01$

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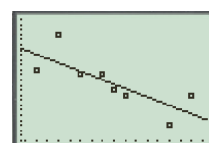
test  $t = -3.00294$ ,  $p = 0.01196$ ,  $df = 6$ , $a = 94.867$  and  $b = -0.846$  for regression equation, $s = 3.538$ ,  $r = -0.7749$ ,  $r^2 = 0.6005$ 1. Assump met.  $H_0: \rho = 0$   $H_a: \rho < 0$ 2.  $\alpha = 0.01$  left-tailed

$$3. \quad t = \frac{r}{\sqrt{\frac{1-r^2}{n-2}}} = \frac{-0.7749}{\sqrt{\frac{1-0.6005}{6}}} = -3.003$$

4.  $p = 0.01196$ 5.  $p = 0.01196 > 0.01 = \alpha$   $\therefore$  do NOT rej.  $H_0$ 

6. Conclude: Not sufficient evidence to conclude that a neg. linear corr exists at 1% sign. level.

$p = 0.012 > 0.01 = \alpha$  do NOT reject



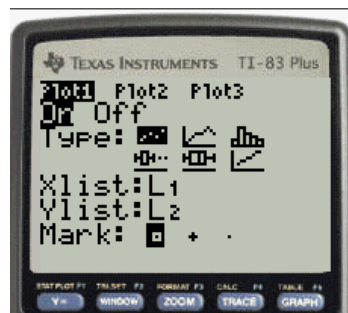
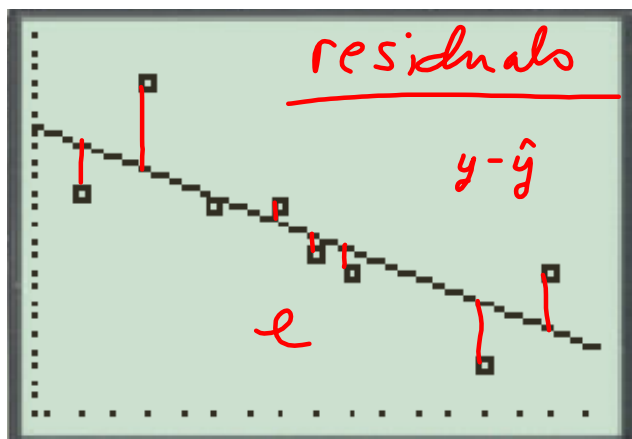
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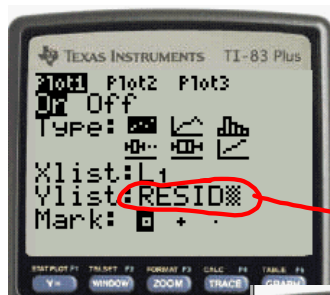
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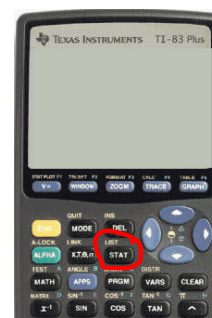
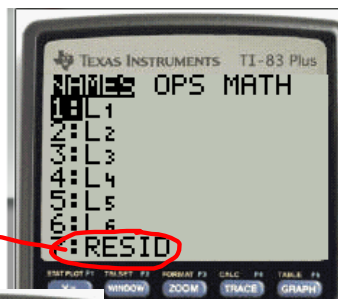
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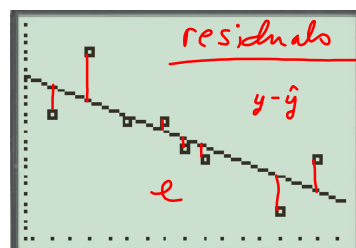
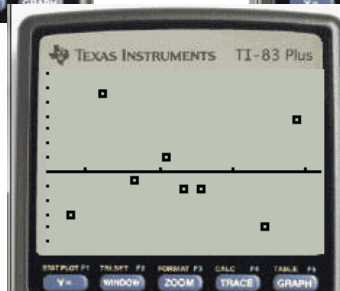
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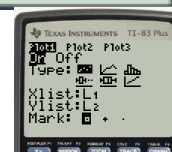


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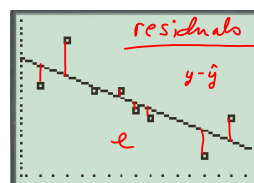
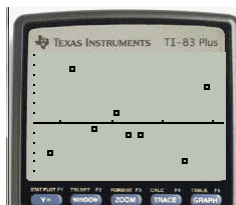


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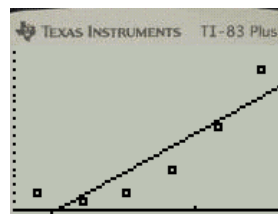
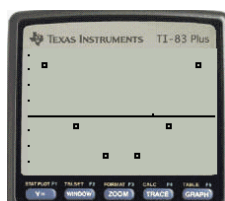
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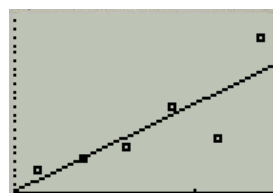
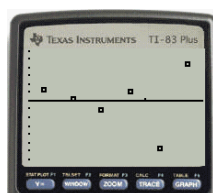
If random above  
and below axis,  
then no violations.



If not random above  
and below axis,  
then not linear.



If farther from the axis at  
one end than the other,  
may not have = stdev



Residuals:  
more examples

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Age and Blood Pressure:

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$$H_0: \rho = 0 \quad H_a: \rho > 0$$

$$\alpha = 0.01$$

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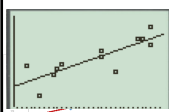
$$t = 4.594$$

$$p = 0.000495$$

$$p = 0.000495 < 0.01 = \alpha \therefore \text{reject } H_0$$



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LinRegTTest
y=a+bx
b>0 and p>0
t=4.59400907
p=4.9457735E-4
df=10
↓a=93.03043007
↑b=1.030060666
s=7.613306025
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Conclude: The age and BP are positively linearly correlated.