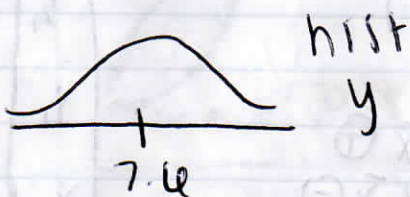
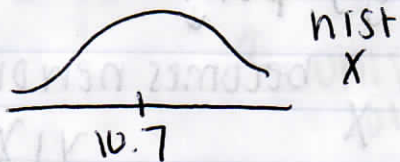
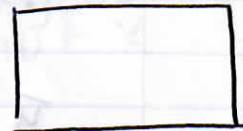


Lecture # 16:

Correlation and Regression

$y =$  tail length (cm)  
 $x =$  wing length (cm)

sample



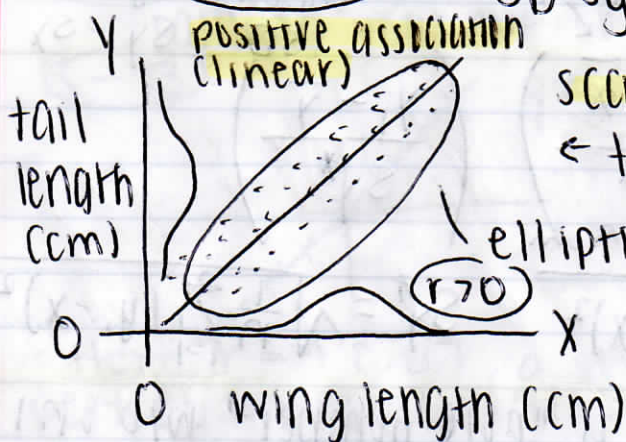
Y	X
7.4	10.4
7.6	10.8
⋮	⋮
8.3	10.4

$n = 12$

$\bar{y} = 7.6$        $\bar{x} = 10.7 \text{ cm}$

$SD s_y = 0.35$        $SD s_x = 0.43 \text{ cm}$

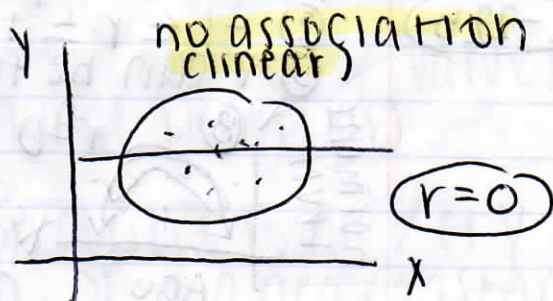
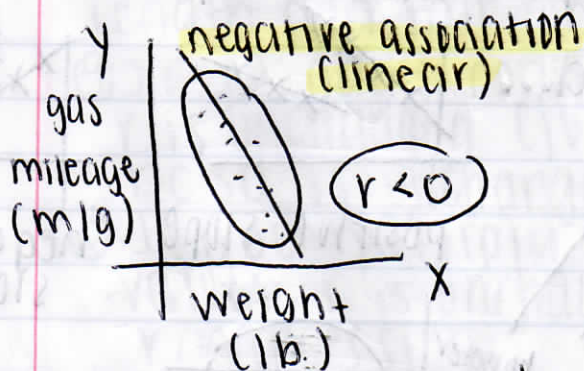
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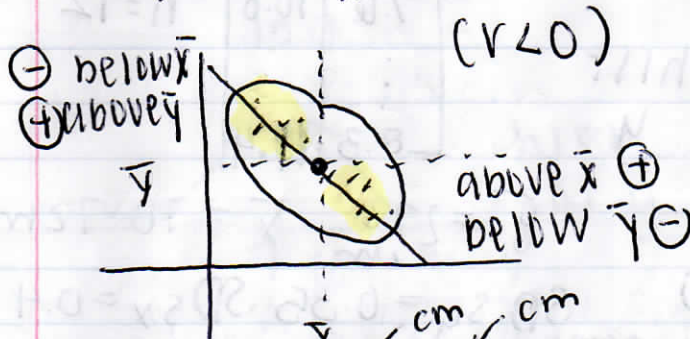
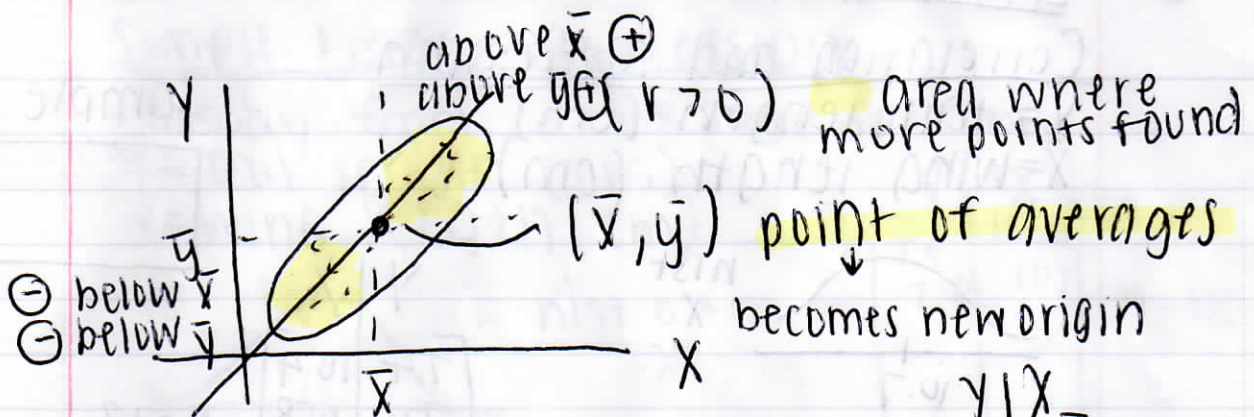
scatterplot (scatter diagram)  
← typical w/ 2 normal curves

elliptical shape (bivariate normal)

most scatterplots we see in class



• Karl Pearson & Francis Galton (1890s)



y	x
$y_1$	$x_1$
$y_i$	$x_i$
$y_n$	$x_n$

n

mean  $\bar{y}$   $\bar{x}$   
SD  $s_y$   $s_x$

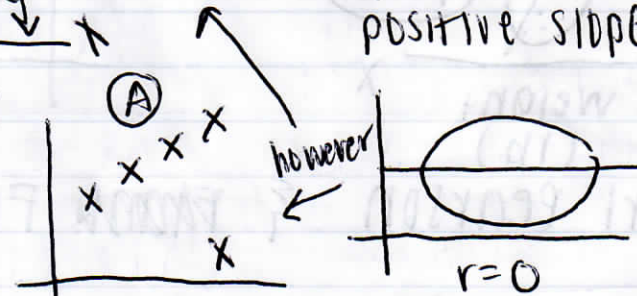
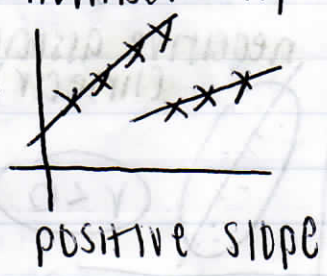
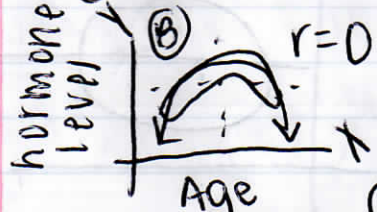
$$r = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{x_i - \bar{x}}{s_x^*} \right) \left( \frac{y_i - \bar{y}}{s_y^*} \right)$$

$$s_x^* = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

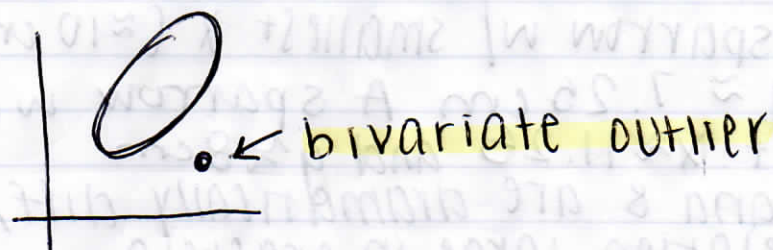
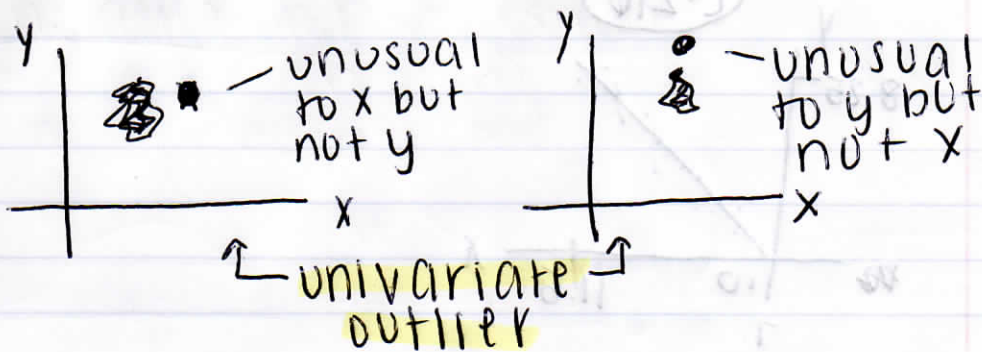
$$s_y^* = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (y_i - \bar{y})^2}$$

correlation between x and y

- ① r is always a "pure number" w/o units
- ②  $-1 \leq r \leq +1$
- ③ r can be fooled...



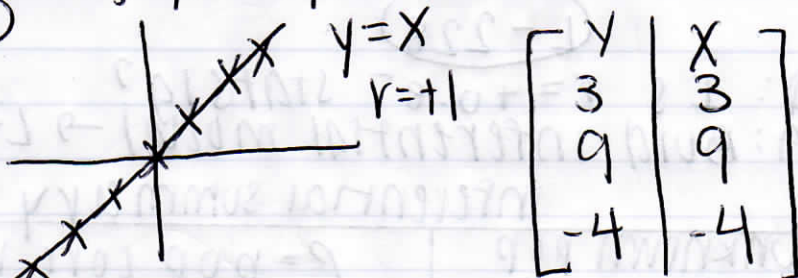
-fooled by outliers (A) or nonlinearity (B)



(R-73) - page of scatterplots

- training your eye to read correlation values

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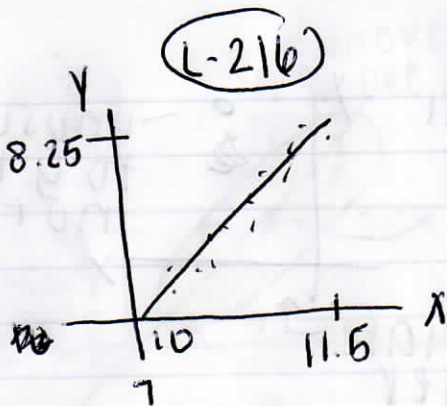


• Here  $r = +0.87$ , a strong but not perfect linear attraction between wing length and tail length

④ If you add a constant to all x or y values, r is unchanged (just change location) bc SD is unchanged

⑤ If you multiply a constant to all x or y values, r is unchanged, or if a neg constant, r changes sign

Q: Is an R of +0.87 large in practical terms? (is it practical?)



A: A sparrow w/ smallest  $x$  ( $\approx 10$  cm) has  $y \approx 7.25$  cm. A sparrow with largest  $x \approx 11.25$  and  $y \approx 8$  cm - 7.5 and 8 are dramatically diff, so correlation large in practice (sharply different from 0)

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Q: Is  $r = +0.87$  statsig?

A: Build inferential model  $\rightarrow$  L-229

inferential summary

pop	unknown pop $\rho$ of interest	$\rho =$ pop corr between wing and tail length in this species
sample	estimate of $\rho$	$r = +0.87$
imag. data	give or take for <del>var</del> $r$ as est. of $\rho$	$SE(r) = 0.081$
	95% CI for $\rho$	approx (0.71, 1.0) exact (0.59, 0.96)

\*L-231  $\rightarrow$  L-244 : extra credit material

$\rightarrow$  take home final - formula on R-25

$$+0.87 \pm (2)(0.081)$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{approx 95% CI for } \rho \\ \hline 0.71 \quad 0.87 \quad 1.0 \end{array}$$

A: Diff is statsig!