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A Decision-Making Approach  
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**Chapter 14**  
Multiple Regression Analysis  
and Model Building

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Chapter Goals

**After completing this chapter, you should be able to:**

- understand model building using multiple regression analysis
- apply multiple regression analysis to business decision-making situations
- analyze and interpret the computer output for a multiple regression model
- test the significance of the independent variables in a multiple regression model

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Chapter Goals *(continued)*

**After completing this chapter, you should be able to:**

- use variable transformations to model nonlinear relationships
- recognize potential problems in multiple regression analysis and take the steps to correct the problems.
- incorporate qualitative variables into the regression model by using dummy variables.

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### The Multiple Regression Model

Idea: Examine the linear relationship between 1 dependent (y) & 2 or more independent variables ( $x_i$ )

**Population model:**

Y-intercept      Population slopes      Random Error

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \dots + \beta_kx_k + \epsilon$$


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**Estimated multiple regression model:**

Estimated (or predicted) value of y      Estimated intercept      Estimated slope coefficients

$$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + \dots + b_kx_k$$

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### Multiple Regression Model

**Two variable model**

$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2$

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### Multiple Regression Model

**Two variable model**

$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2$

$e = (y - \hat{y})$

The best fit equation,  $\hat{y}$ , is found by minimizing the sum of squared errors,  $\sum e^2$

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### Multiple Regression Assumptions

**Errors (residuals) from the regression model:**

$$e = (y - \hat{y})$$

- The errors are normally distributed
- The mean of the errors is zero
- Errors have a constant variance
- The model errors are independent

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### Model Specification

- Decide what you want to do and select the dependent variable
- Determine the potential independent variables for your model
- Gather sample data (observations) for all variables

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### The Correlation Matrix

- Correlation between the dependent variable and selected independent variables can be found using Excel:
  - Tools / Data Analysis... / Correlation
- Can check for statistical significance of correlation with a t test

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### Example

- A distributor of frozen desert pies wants to evaluate factors thought to influence demand
  - Dependent variable: Pie sales (units per week)
  - Independent variables: Price (in \$)  
Advertising (\$100's)
- Data is collected for 15 weeks



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### Pie Sales Model


Week	Pie Sales	Price (\$)	Advertising (\$100s)
-1	-350	-5.50	-3.3
-2	-460	-7.50	-3.3
-3	-350	-8.00	-3.0
-4	-430	-8.00	-4.5
-5	-350	-6.80	-3.0
-6	-380	-7.50	-4.0
-7	-430	-4.50	-3.0
-8	-470	-6.40	-3.7
-9	-450	-7.00	-3.5
-10	-490	-5.00	-4.0
-11	-340	-7.20	-3.5
-12	-300	-7.90	-3.2
-13	-440	-5.90	-4.0
-14	-450	-5.00	-3.5
-15	-300	-7.00	-2.7

Multiple regression model:

$$\widehat{\text{Sales}} = b_0 + b_1 (\text{Price}) + b_2 (\text{Advertising})$$

Correlation matrix:

	Pie Sales	Price	Advertising
Pie Sales	1		
Price	-0.44327	1	
Advertising	-0.55632	-0.03044	1



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### Interpretation of Estimated Coefficients

- Slope ( $b_1$ )
  - Estimates that the average value of  $y$  changes by  $b_1$  units for each 1 unit increase in  $X_1$  holding all other variables constant
  - Example: if  $b_1 = -20$ , then sales ( $y$ ) is expected to decrease by an estimated 20 pies per week for each \$1 increase in selling price ( $x_1$ ), net of the effects of changes due to advertising ( $x_2$ )
- y-intercept ( $b_0$ )
  - The estimated average value of  $y$  when all  $x_i = 0$  (assuming all  $x_i = 0$  is within the range of observed values)

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### Pie Sales Correlation Matrix

	•Pie Sales	•Price	•Advertising
•Pie Sales	•1		
•Price	•-0.44327	•1	
•Advertising	•0.55632	•0.03044	•1

- Price vs. Sales :  $r = -0.44327$ 
  - There is a negative association between price and sales
- Advertising vs. Sales :  $r = 0.55632$ 
  - There is a positive association between advertising and sales



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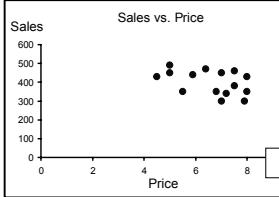
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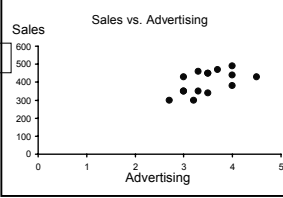
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### Scatter Diagrams



Sales vs. Price



Sales vs. Advertising



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### Estimating a Multiple Linear Regression Equation

- Computer software is generally used to generate the coefficients and measures of goodness of fit for multiple regression
- Excel:
  - Tools / Data Analysis... / Regression
- PHStat:
  - PHStat / Regression / Multiple Regression...

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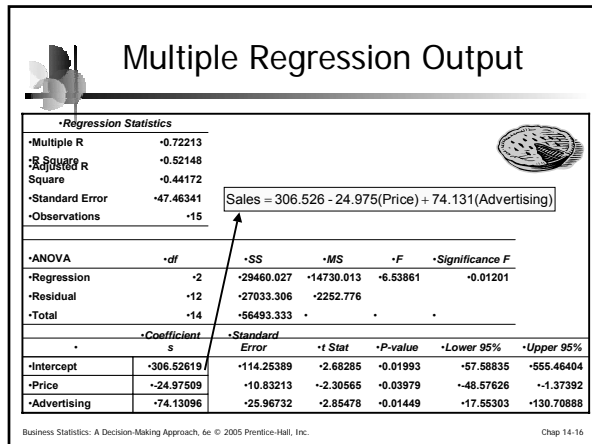
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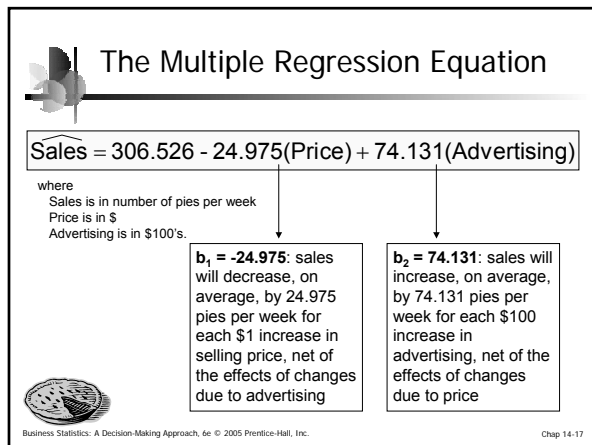
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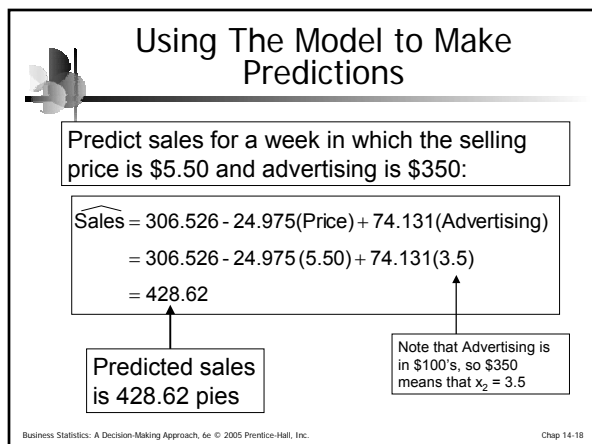
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### Predictions in PHStat

- PHStat | regression | multiple regression ...

Week	Pie Sales	Price	Advertising
1	350	5.5	3.3
2	480	7.5	3.3
3	350	8	3
4	430	8	4.5
5	350	6.8	3
6	380	7.5	4
7	430	4.5	3
8	470	6.4	3.7
9	450	7	3.5
10	480	5	4
11	340	7.2	3.5
12	300	7.9	3.2
13	440	5.9	4
14	450	5	3.5
15	300	7	2.7

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### Predictions in PHStat

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Confidence and Prediction Estimate Intervals	
Data	
Confidence Level	95%
Price given value	5.5
Advertising given value	3.5
Statistic	2.178813
Predicted Y (Ŷhat)	428.6216
For Average Predicted Y (Ŷhat)	
Interval Half Width	32.50306
Confidence Interval Lower Limit	391.1185
Confidence Interval Upper Limit	466.1246
For Individual Response Y	
Interval Half Width	110.0041
Prediction Interval Lower Limit	318.6174
Prediction Interval Upper Limit	538.6257

Input values

Predicted ŷ value

Confidence interval for the mean ŷ value, given these x's

Prediction interval for an individual ŷ value, given these x's

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### Multiple Coefficient of Determination

- Reports the proportion of total variation in y explained by all x variables taken together

$$R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST} = \frac{\text{Sum of squares regression}}{\text{Total sum of squares}}$$

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### Multiple Coefficient of Determination (continued)

Regression Statistics	
Multiple R	0.72213
R Square	0.52148
Adjusted R Square	0.44172
Standard Error	47.46341
Observations	15

$$R^2 = \frac{SSR}{SST} = \frac{29460.0}{56493.3} = .52148$$

52.1% of the variation in pie sales is explained by the variation in price and advertising

ANOVA					
	df	SS	MS	F	Significance F
Regression	2	29460.027	14730.013	6.53861	0.01201
Residual	12	27033.306	2252.776		
Total	14	56493.333			

	Coefficient	Standard Error	t Stat	P-value	Lower 95%	Upper 95%
Intercept	-306.52619	114.25389	-2.68285	0.01993	-57.58835	-555.46404
Price	-24.97509	10.83213	-2.30565	0.03979	-48.57626	-1.37392
Advertising	74.13096	25.96732	2.85478	0.01449	17.55303	130.70888

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### Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>

- R<sup>2</sup> never decreases when a new x variable is added to the model
  - This can be a disadvantage when comparing models
- What is the net effect of adding a new variable?
  - We lose a degree of freedom when a new x variable is added
  - Did the new x variable add enough explanatory power to offset the loss of one degree of freedom?

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### Adjusted R<sup>2</sup> (continued)

- Shows the proportion of variation in y explained by all x variables adjusted for the number of x variables used

$$R_A^2 = 1 - (1 - R^2) \left( \frac{n - 1}{n - k - 1} \right)$$

(where n = sample size, k = number of independent variables)

- Penalize excessive use of unimportant independent variables
- Smaller than R<sup>2</sup>
- Useful in comparing among models

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### Multiple Coefficient of Determination (continued)

Regression Statistics	
Multiple R	0.72213
R Square	0.52148
Adjusted R Square	0.44172
Standard Error	47.46341
Observations	15

$R^2_A = .44172$

44.2% of the variation in pie sales is explained by the variation in price and advertising, taking into account the sample size and number of independent variables

ANOVA					
	df	SS	MS	F	Significance F
Regression	2	29460.027	14730.013	6.53861	0.01201
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### Is the Model Significant?

- F-Test for Overall Significance of the Model
- Shows if there is a linear relationship between all of the x variables considered together and y
- Use F test statistic
- Hypotheses:
  - $H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \dots = \beta_k = 0$  (no linear relationship)
  - $H_A:$  at least one  $\beta_i \neq 0$  (at least one independent variable affects y)

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### F-Test for Overall Significance (continued)

- Test statistic:

$$F = \frac{\frac{SSR}{k}}{\frac{SSE}{n-k-1}} = \frac{MSR}{MSE}$$

where F has (numerator)  $D_1 = k$  and (denominator)  $D_2 = (n - k - 1)$  degrees of freedom

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### F-Test for Overall Significance (continued)

Regression Statistics				
Multiple R	0.72213			
Adjusted R Square	0.52148			
Square	0.44172			
Standard Error	47.46341			
Observations	15			

$$F = \frac{MSR}{MSE} = \frac{14730.0}{2252.8} = 6.5386$$

**With 2 and 12 degrees of freedom**      **P-value for the F-Test**

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### F-Test for Overall Significance (continued)

$H_0: \beta_1 = \beta_2 = 0$   
 $H_A: \beta_1$  and  $\beta_2$  not both zero  
 $\alpha = .05$   
 $df_1 = 2$      $df_2 = 12$

**Critical Value:**  
 $F_{\alpha} = 3.885$   
 $\alpha = .05$

$F_{.05} = 3.885$

Do not reject  $H_0$       Reject  $H_0$

**Test Statistic:**  

$$F = \frac{MSR}{MSE} = 6.5386$$

**Decision:**  
Reject  $H_0$  at  $\alpha = 0.05$

**Conclusion:**  
 The regression model does explain a significant portion of the variation in pie sales  
 (There is evidence that at least one independent variable affects y)

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### Are Individual Variables Significant?

- Use t-tests of individual variable slopes
- Shows if there is a linear relationship between the variable  $x_i$  and y
- Hypotheses:
  - $H_0: \beta_i = 0$  (no linear relationship)
  - $H_A: \beta_i \neq 0$  (linear relationship does exist between  $x_i$  and y)

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### Are Individual Variables Significant?

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$H_0: \beta_i = 0$  (no linear relationship)  
 $H_A: \beta_i \neq 0$  (linear relationship does exist between  $x_i$  and  $y$ )

Test Statistic:

$$t = \frac{b_i - 0}{s_{b_i}} \quad (df = n - k - 1)$$

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### Are Individual Variables Significant?

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Regression Statistics	
Multiple R	-0.72213
Adjusted R Square	-0.52148
Standard Error	-47.46341
Observations	15

t-value for Price is  $t = -2.306$ , with p-value .0398

t-value for Advertising is  $t = 2.855$ , with p-value .0145

ANOVA					
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### Inferences about the Slope: t Test Example

$H_0: \beta_i = 0$   
 $H_A: \beta_i \neq 0$

d.f. =  $15 - 2 - 1 = 12$   
 $\alpha = .05$   
 $t_{\alpha/2} = 2.1788$

	Coefficients	Standard Error	t Stat	P-value
Price	-24.97509	10.83213	-2.30565	0.03979
Advertising	74.13096	25.96732	2.85478	0.01449

The test statistic for each variable falls in the rejection region (p-values < .05)

**Decision:** Reject  $H_0$  for each variable

**Conclusion:** There is evidence that both Price and Advertising affect pie sales at  $\alpha = .05$

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### Confidence Interval Estimate for the Slope

Confidence interval for the population slope  $\beta_1$   
(the effect of changes in price on pie sales):

$$b_i \pm t_{\alpha/2} s_{b_i}$$

where t has  $(n - k - 1)$  d.f.

	Coefficient	Standard Error	t Stat	P-value	Lower 95%	Upper 95%
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Example: Weekly sales are estimated to be reduced by between 1.37 to 48.58 pies for each increase of \$1 in the selling price

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### Standard Deviation of the Regression Model

- The estimate of the standard deviation of the regression model is:

$$s_\varepsilon = \sqrt{\frac{SSE}{n - k - 1}} = \sqrt{MSE}$$

- Is this value large or small? Must compare to the mean size of y for comparison

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### Standard Deviation of the Regression Model (continued)

Regression Statistics	
Multiple R	0.72213
Adjusted R Square	0.52148
Standard Error	47.46341
Observations	15

The standard deviation of the regression model is 47.46

ANOVA					
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### Standard Deviation of the Regression Model (continued)

- The standard deviation of the regression model is 47.46
- A rough prediction range for pie sales in a given week is  $\pm 2(47.46) = 94.2$
- Pie sales in the sample were in the 300 to 500 per week range, so this range is probably too large to be acceptable. The analyst may want to look for additional variables that can explain more of the variation in weekly sales



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### Multicollinearity

- Multicollinearity: High correlation exists between two independent variables
- This means the two variables contribute redundant information to the multiple regression model

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### Multicollinearity (continued)

- Including two highly correlated independent variables can adversely affect the regression results
  - No new information provided
  - Can lead to unstable coefficients (large standard error and low t-values)
  - Coefficient signs may not match prior expectations

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### Some Indications of Severe Multicollinearity

- Incorrect signs on the coefficients
- Large change in the value of a previous coefficient when a new variable is added to the model
- A previously significant variable becomes insignificant when a new independent variable is added
- The estimate of the standard deviation of the model increases when a variable is added to the model

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### Detect Collinearity (Variance Inflationary Factor)

VIF<sub>j</sub> is used to measure collinearity:

$$VIF_j = \frac{1}{1 - R_j^2}$$

R<sub>j</sub><sup>2</sup> is the coefficient of determination when the j<sup>th</sup> independent variable is regressed against the remaining k - 1 independent variables

If VIF<sub>j</sub> > 5, x<sub>j</sub> is highly correlated with the other explanatory variables

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### Detect Collinearity in PHStat

PHStat / regression / multiple regression ...  
Check the "variance inflationary factor (VIF)" box

*Regression Analysis	
*Price and all other X	
*Regression Statistics	
*Multiple R	-0.030437581
*R Square	-0.000926446
*Adjusted R Square	-0.075925366
*Standard Error	*1.21527235
*Observations	*15
*VIF	*1.000927305

Output for the pie sales example:

- Since there are only two explanatory variables, only one VIF is reported
  - VIF is < 5
  - There is no evidence of collinearity between Price and Advertising

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### Qualitative (Dummy) Variables

- Categorical explanatory variable (dummy variable) with two or more levels:
  - yes or no, on or off, male or female
  - coded as 0 or 1
- Regression intercepts are different if the variable is significant
- Assumes equal slopes for other variables
- The number of dummy variables needed is (number of levels - 1)

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### Dummy-Variable Model Example (with 2 Levels)

Let:

$y = \text{pie sales}$        $\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2$

$x_1 = \text{price}$

$x_2 = \text{holiday}$  ( $x_2 = 1$  if a holiday occurred during the week)  
 ( $x_2 = 0$  if there was no holiday that week)

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### Dummy-Variable Model Example (with 2 Levels) (continued)

$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2(1) = (b_0 + b_2) + b_1x_1$	Holiday
$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2(0) = b_0 + b_1x_1$	No Holiday

Different intercept      Same slope

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### Interpretation of the Dummy Variable Coefficient (with 2 Levels)

**Example:**  $\text{Sales} = 300 - 30(\text{Price}) + 15(\text{Holiday})$

Sales: number of pies sold per week  
 Price: pie price in \$

Holiday:  $\begin{cases} 1 & \text{If a holiday occurred during the week} \\ 0 & \text{If no holiday occurred} \end{cases}$

$b_2 = 15$ : on average, sales were 15 pies greater in weeks with a holiday than in weeks without a holiday, given the same price



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### Dummy-Variable Models (more than 2 Levels)

- The number of dummy variables is **one less than the number of levels**
- Example:  
 $y = \text{house price}$  ;  $x_1 = \text{square feet}$
- The style of the house is also thought to matter:  
 Style = ranch, split level, condo

Three levels, so two dummy variables are needed



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### Dummy-Variable Models (more than 2 Levels) *(continued)*


Let the default category be "condo"

$$x_2 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if ranch} \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases} \quad x_3 = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if split level} \\ 0 & \text{if not} \end{cases}$$

$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x_1 + b_2x_2 + b_3x_3$

$b_2$  shows the impact on price if the house is a ranch style, compared to a condo

$b_3$  shows the impact on price if the house is a split level style, compared to a condo



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### Interpreting the Dummy Variable Coefficients (with 3 Levels)

Suppose the estimated equation is

$$\hat{y} = 20.43 + 0.045x_1 + 23.53x_2 + 18.84x_3$$

For a condo:  $x_2 = x_3 = 0$   
 $\hat{y} = 20.43 + 0.045x_1$

For a ranch:  $x_3 = 0$   
 $\hat{y} = 20.43 + 0.045x_1 + 23.53$

For a split level:  $x_2 = 0$   
 $\hat{y} = 20.43 + 0.045x_1 + 18.84$

With the same square feet, a split-level will have an estimated average price of 18.84 thousand dollars more than a condo

With the same square feet, a ranch will have an estimated average price of 23.53 thousand dollars more than a condo.

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### Nonlinear Relationships

- The relationship between the dependent variable and an independent variable may not be linear
- Useful when scatter diagram indicates non-linear relationship
- Example: Quadratic model
  - $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_j + \beta_2x_j^2 + \epsilon$
  - The second independent variable is the square of the first variable

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### Polynomial Regression Model

General form:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_j + \beta_2x_j^2 + \dots + \beta_px_j^p + \epsilon$$

- where:
  - $\beta_0$  = Population regression constant
  - $\beta_j$  = Population regression coefficient for variable  $x_j$ ;  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$
  - $p$  = Order of the polynomial
  - $\epsilon_i$  = Model error

If  $p = 2$  the model is a quadratic model:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_j + \beta_2x_j^2 + \epsilon$$

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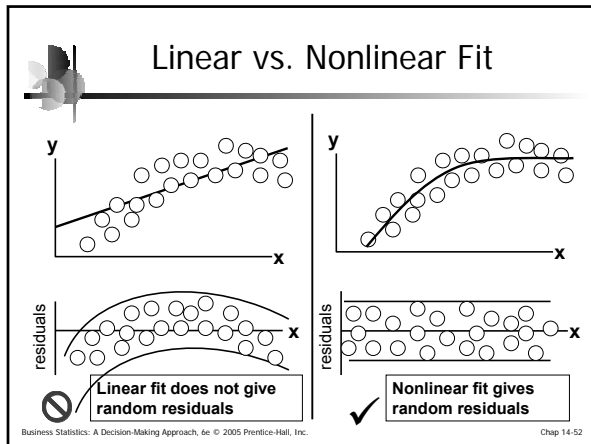
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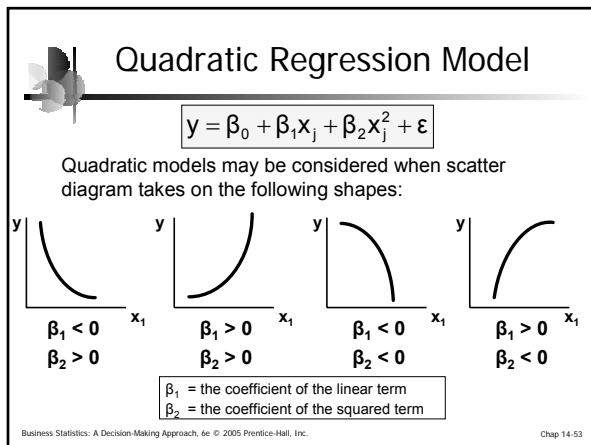
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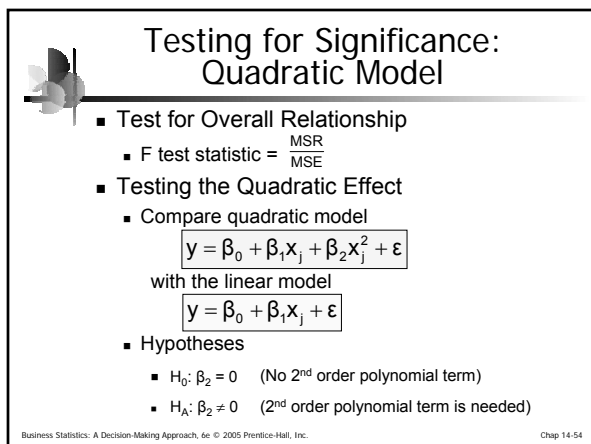
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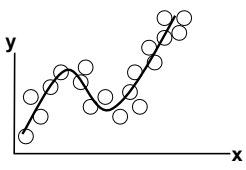
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### Higher Order Models



If  $p = 3$  the model is a cubic form:

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_j + \beta_2 x_j^2 + \beta_3 x_j^3 + \epsilon$$

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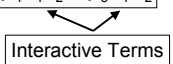
### Interaction Effects

- Hypothesizes interaction between pairs of x variables
  - Response to one x variable varies at different levels of another x variable
- Contains two-way cross product terms

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_1^2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_4 x_1 x_2 + \beta_5 x_1^2 x_2$$



Basic Terms



Interactive Terms

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### Effect of Interaction

- Given:
 
$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_1 x_2 + \epsilon$$
  - Without interaction term, effect of  $x_1$  on  $y$  is measured by  $\beta_1$
  - With interaction term, effect of  $x_1$  on  $y$  is measured by  $\beta_1 + \beta_3 x_2$
  - Effect changes as  $x_2$  increases

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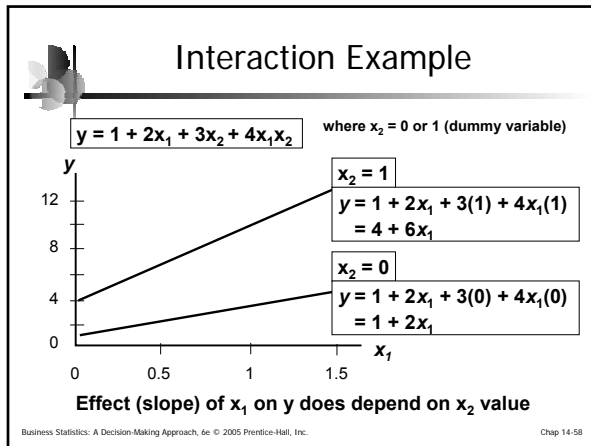
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### Interaction Regression Model Worksheet

Case, i	$y_i$	$x_{1i}$	$x_{2i}$	$x_{1i} x_{2i}$
1	1	1	3	3
2	4	8	5	40
3	1	3	2	6
4	3	5	6	30
⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮	⋮

↑  
multiply  $x_1$  by  $x_2$  to get  $x_1x_2$ , then run regression with  $y, x_1, x_2, x_1x_2$

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### Evaluating Presence of Interaction

- Hypothesize interaction between pairs of independent variables

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \beta_3x_1x_2 + \epsilon$$

- Hypotheses:
  - $H_0: \beta_3 = 0$  (no interaction between  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ )
  - $H_A: \beta_3 \neq 0$  ( $x_1$  interacts with  $x_2$ )

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## Model Building

- Goal is to develop a model with the best set of independent variables
  - Easier to interpret if unimportant variables are removed
  - Lower probability of collinearity
- Stepwise regression procedure
  - Provide evaluation of alternative models as variables are added
- Best-subset approach
  - Try all combinations and select the best using the highest adjusted  $R^2$  and lowest  $s_e$

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## Stepwise Regression

- Idea: develop the least squares regression equation in steps, either through forward selection, backward elimination, or through standard stepwise regression
- The coefficient of partial determination is the measure of the marginal contribution of each independent variable, given that other independent variables are in the model

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## Best Subsets Regression

- Idea: estimate all possible regression equations using all possible combinations of independent variables
- Choose the best fit by looking for the highest adjusted  $R^2$  and lowest standard error  $s_e$

Stepwise regression and best subsets regression can be performed using PHStat, Minitab, or other statistical software packages

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### Aptness of the Model

- Diagnostic checks on the model include verifying the assumptions of multiple regression:
  - Each  $x_i$  is linearly related to  $y$
  - Errors have constant variance
  - Errors are independent
  - Error are normally distributed

Errors (or Residuals) are given by  $e_i = (y - \hat{y})$

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### Residual Analysis

residuals vs x

Non-constant variance

residuals vs x

Constant variance

residuals vs x

Not Independent

residuals vs x

Independent

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### The Normality Assumption

- Errors are assumed to be normally distributed
- Standardized residuals can be calculated by computer
- Examine a histogram or a normal probability plot of the standardized residuals to check for normality

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### Chapter Summary

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- Developed the multiple regression model
- Tested the significance of the multiple regression model
- Developed adjusted  $R^2$
- Tested individual regression coefficients
- Used dummy variables
- Examined interaction in a multiple regression model

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### Chapter Summary

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- Described nonlinear regression models
- Described multicollinearity
- Discussed model building
  - Stepwise regression
  - Best subsets regression
- Examined residual plots to check model assumptions

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