

Correlation Coefficient

- $$r = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sqrt{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2 \sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2}} = \frac{SSXY}{\sqrt{SSX \cdot SSY}}$$
 - recall that $\hat{\beta}_1 = \frac{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})(y_i - \bar{y})}{\sum (x_i - \bar{x})^2} = \frac{SSXY}{SSX}$
 - $\rightarrow \hat{\beta}_1 = r \frac{S_Y}{S_X}$

- Properties

- $-1 \leq r \leq 1$
- r does not depend on units of measurement (dimensionless)
- $r \approx 0 \rightarrow$ no *linear* relationship between X and Y
- larger $|r|$ means a stronger *linear* relationship
- $r^2 = \frac{\sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2 - \sum (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2}{\sum (y_i - \bar{y})^2} = \frac{SSY - SSE}{SSY}$

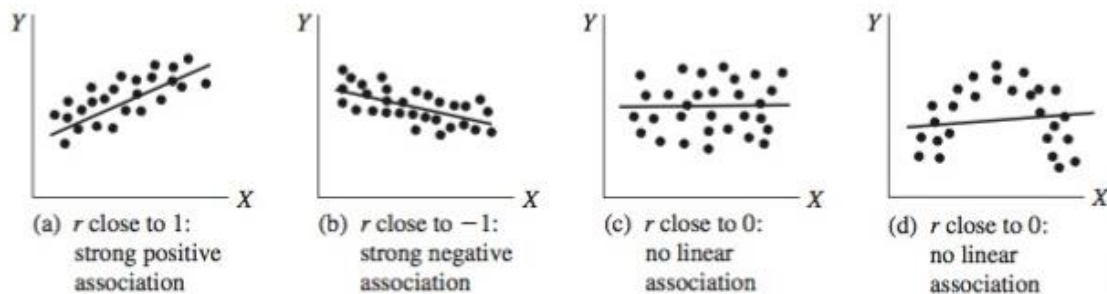
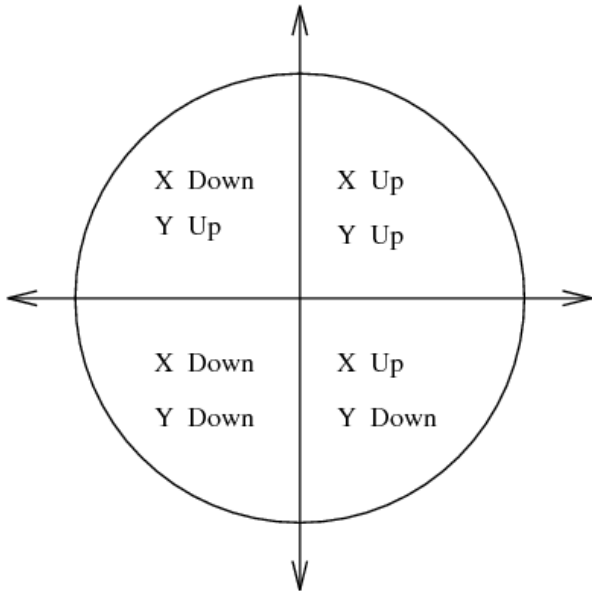


FIGURE 6.1 Correlation coefficient as a measure of association

Transformations and Tukey's "Rule of the Bulge"

- Observe which way the curve bulges as suggested by a scatterplot of the data
- Transform y or x (or both) according to the signs of the corresponding quadrant:
up \rightarrow powers >1
down \rightarrow powers <1 (including logarithm)



Correlation Coefficient - Inference

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- Testing Hypotheses about ρ , the *population* correlation coefficient

- $H_0: \rho=0$

- Sampling distribution of r is symmetric & approx. normal

- $t = \frac{r\sqrt{n-2}}{\sqrt{1-r^2}}$ with $n-2$ d.f. is equivalent to testing $H_0: \beta_1=0$ with $t = \frac{\hat{\beta}_1 - 0}{SE(\hat{\beta}_1)}$

- $H_0: \rho = \rho_0$ where $\rho_0 \neq 0$

- Sampling distribution of r is *NOT* symmetric or approx. normal

- Fisher's "Z-transformation" gives an approx. normally distributed statistic

$$\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+r}{1-r}\right) \sim N\left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+\rho}{1-\rho}\right), \frac{1}{n-3}\right)$$

- Testing $H_0: \rho = \rho_0$ $Z = \frac{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln(1+r/1-r) - \frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln(1+\rho_0/1-\rho_0)}{1/\sqrt{n-3}} \sim N(0,1)$

- 100(1- α)% CI for $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+\rho}{1-\rho}\right)$: $\frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+r}{1-r}\right) \pm z_{\alpha/2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-3}} = (L_z, U_z)$

- 100(1- α)% CI for ρ : (L_ρ, U_ρ) = (lower endpoint, upper endpoint)

- Find L_z & U_z above and solve for L_ρ & U_ρ in $L_z = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+L_\rho}{1-L_\rho}\right)$ $U_z = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+U_\rho}{1-U_\rho}\right)$

- $\rightarrow (L_\rho, U_\rho) = \left(\frac{e^{2L_z} - 1}{e^{2L_z} + 1}, \frac{e^{2U_z} - 1}{e^{2U_z} + 1}\right)$

- $H_0: \rho_1 = \rho_2$ (for 2 independent samples)

- let $W_1 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+r_1}{1-r_1}\right)$ and $W_2 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \ln\left(\frac{1+r_2}{1-r_2}\right)$

- $Z = \frac{W_1 - W_2}{\sqrt{1/(n_1-3) + 1/(n_2-3)}} \sim N(0,1)$

Bivariate Normal Distribution

$$f(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi\sigma_x\sigma_y\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} e^{\frac{-1}{2(1-\rho^2)}\left(\left(\frac{x-\mu_x}{\sigma_x}\right)^2 - 2\rho\left(\frac{x-\mu_x}{\sigma_x}\right)\left(\frac{y-\mu_y}{\sigma_y}\right) + \left(\frac{y-\mu_y}{\sigma_y}\right)^2\right)}$$

$$E(Y | X = x) = \mu_y + \rho \frac{\sigma_y}{\sigma_x} (x - \mu_x)$$

$$\hat{\mu}_{Y|X=x} = \bar{y} + r \frac{s_y}{s_x} (x - \bar{x})$$

