

Inference on transformed variables

INFERENCE FOR LINEAR REGRESSION IN R



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Interpreting coefficients - linear

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon, \text{ where } \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$$

$$E[Y_X] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X$$

$$E[Y_{X+1}] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot (X + 1)$$

$$\beta_1 = E[Y_{X+1}] - E[Y_X]$$

Interpreting coefficients - nonlinear X

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \ln(X) + \epsilon, \text{ where } \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$$

$$E[Y_{\ln(X)}] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \ln(X)$$

$$E[Y_{\ln(X)+1}] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot (\ln(X) + 1)$$

$$\beta_1 = E[Y_{\ln(X)+1}] - E[Y_{\ln(X)}]$$

Interpreting coefficients - nonlinear Y

$$\ln(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X + \epsilon, \text{ where } \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$$

$$E[\ln(Y)_X] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot X$$

$$E[\ln(Y)_{X+1}] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot (X + 1)$$

$$\beta_1 = E[\ln(Y)_{X+1}] - E[\ln(Y)_X]$$

Interpreting coefficients - both nonlinear

$$\ln(Y) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot \ln(X) + \epsilon, \text{ where } \epsilon \sim N(0, \sigma_\epsilon)$$

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Interpreting coefficients - both natural log (special case)

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$$E[\ln(Y)_{\ln(X)+1}] = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \cdot (\ln(X) + 1)$$

$$\beta_1 = E[\ln(Y)_{\ln(X)+1}] - E[\ln(Y)_{\ln X}]$$

OR (when X and Y are both transformed using natural log):

$$\beta_1 = \text{percent change in } Y \text{ for each 1\% change in } X$$

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Multicollinearity

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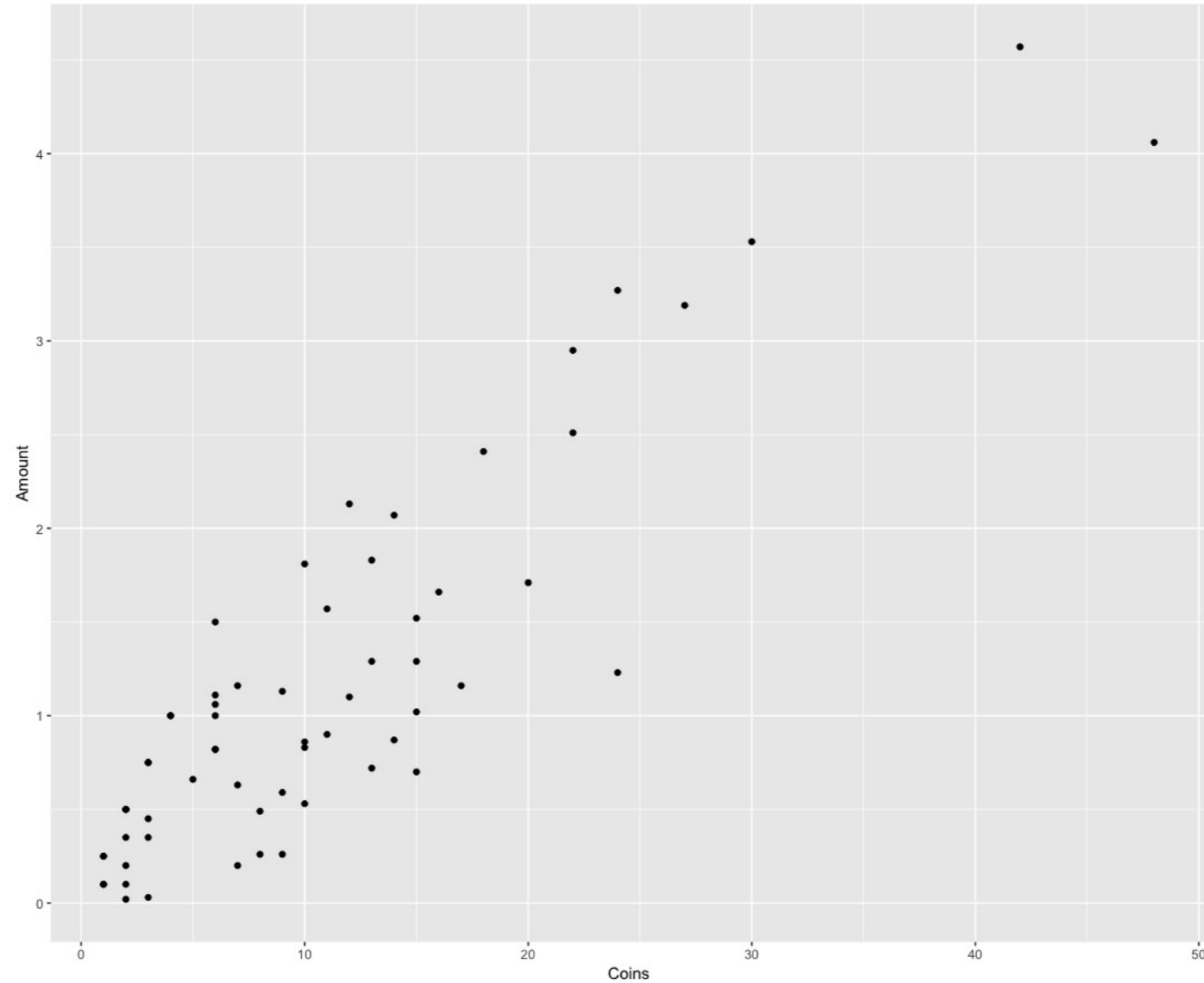
Regressing dollar amount on coins

```
head(change)
```

```
A tibble: 6 x 7
```

```
  Coins  Qrts Dimes Nickels Pennies Small Amount
  <int> <int> <int>  <int>  <int> <int>  <dbl>
1     2     1     1     0     0     1  0.35
2     3     3     0     0     0     0  0.75
3     2     0     0     2     0     2  0.10
4     4     4     0     0     0     0  1.00
5     2     2     0     0     0     0  0.50
6    13     3     4     2     4    10  1.29
```

Amount vs. coins - plot

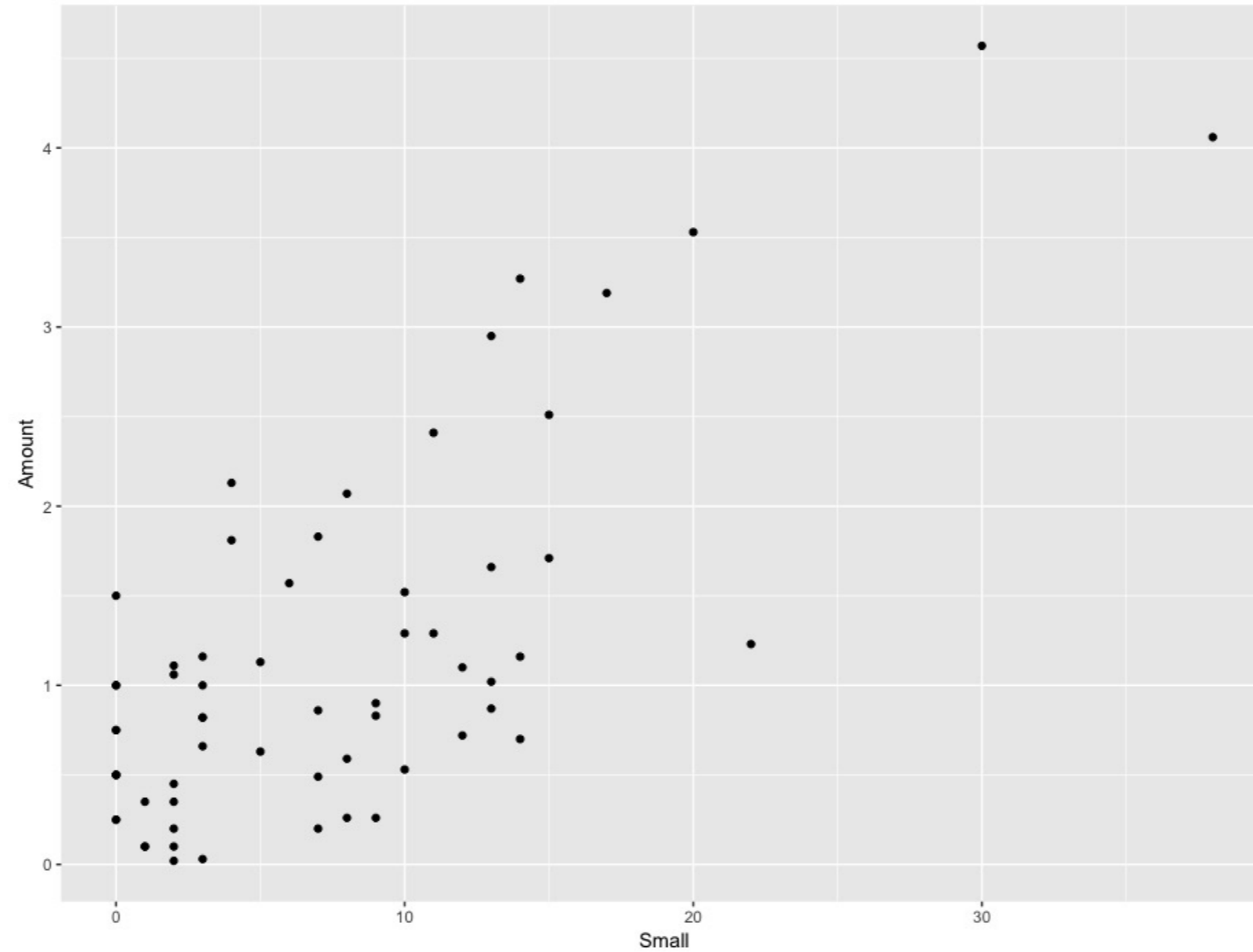


Amount vs. coins - linear model

```
lm(Amount ~ Coins, data = change) %>% tidy()
```

```
      term estimate std.error statistic  p.value
1 (Intercept)  0.1449   0.0902     1.61 1.13e-01
2      Coins   0.0945   0.0063    14.99 6.01e-22
```

Amount vs. small coins - plot



Amount vs. small coins - linear model

```
lm(Amount ~ Small, data = change) %>% tidy()
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
1	(Intercept)	0.4225	0.1244	3.40	1.22e-03
2	Small	0.0989	0.0118	8.38	1.10e-11

Amount vs. coins and small coins

$$\hat{\text{Amount}} = -0.00554 + 0.25862 \cdot \text{Coins} - 0.21611 \cdot \text{Small Coins}$$

```
lm(Amount ~ Coins + Small, data = change) %>% tidy()
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
1	(Intercept)	-0.00554	0.02735	-0.202	8.40e-01
2	Coins	0.25862	0.00682	37.917	3.95e-43
3	Small	-0.21611	0.00864	-25.021	4.17e-33

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Multiple linear regression

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Bathrooms negative coefficient

```
lm(log(price) ~ log(bath), data=LAhomes) %>% tidy()
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
1	(Intercept)	12.23	0.0280	437.2	0.00e+00
2	log(bath)	1.43	0.0306	46.6	9.66e-300

```
lm(log(price) ~ log(sqft) + log(bath), data=LAhomes) %>% tidy()
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
1	(Intercept)	2.514	0.2619	9.601	2.96e-21
2	log(sqft)	1.471	0.0395	37.221	1.19e-218
3	log(bath)	-0.039	0.0453	-0.862	3.89e-01

Bathrooms non-significant coefficient

```
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Price on bed and bath

```
lm(log(price) ~ log(bath) + bed, data=LAhomes) %>% tidy()
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
1	(Intercept)	11.965	0.0384	311.67	0.00e+00
2	log(bath)	1.076	0.0465	23.14	2.38e-102
3	bed	0.189	0.0193	9.82	4.01e-22

Large model on price

```
lm(log(price) ~ log(sqft) + log(bath) + bed, data=LAhomes) %>% tidy()
```

	term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
1	(Intercept)	1.5364	0.2894	5.310	1.25e-07
2	log(sqft)	1.6456	0.0454	36.215	6.27e-210
3	log(bath)	0.0165	0.0452	0.365	7.15e-01
4	bed	-0.1236	0.0167	-7.411	2.03e-13

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Summary

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Linear regression as model

- It estimates an underlying population model
- It might be linear or might need variable transformations
- All of LINE conditions should be checked
- Other variable relationships should be carefully considered

Linear regression as an inferential technique

- Hypothesis testing using a mathematical model (t-tests)
- Hypothesis testing using randomization tests
- Confidence intervals using a mathematical model
- Confidence intervals using bootstrapping

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