

LINEAR REGRESSION CALCULATIONS

GENERAL

Least squares linear regression is a statistical method for finding a straight line that best fits a set of data points, thus providing a relationship between two variables. The HP-80 Trend Line (**TL**) calculation performs linear regression calculations, but requires that input data be evenly spaced and in chronological order. If data is not evenly spaced, the calculations described below can be used to develop a regression line.

Given the observations of two variables, the HP-80 user can solve for the *slope* (m), and *y-intercept* (b) of the standard regression line equation, $y = mx + b$. From this equation, the dependent variable (y) can be predicted for any given independent variable (x). In addition, the following procedures calculate the *correlation coefficient* (r), which measures the linear relationship between the two variables ($-1 \leq r \leq 1$), the *coefficient of determination* (r^2), which indicates the goodness of fit of the line to the data points ($0 \leq r \leq 1$), and the *standard error* (s) of the estimate of y on x , which is a measure of the scatter about the regression line of y on x .

The following symbolic values will be used to demonstrate the keystroke sequences below.

Input data: $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_n, y_n)$

where n = number of observations
 x = independent variable
 y = dependent variable

Notation:

$\sum x_i = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$	sum of x values
$\sum y_i = y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n$	sum of y values
$\sum x_i^2 = x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \dots + x_n^2$	sum of squares of x values
$\sum y_i^2 = y_1^2 + y_2^2 + \dots + y_n^2$	sum of squares of y values
$\sum x_i y_i = x_1 y_1 + x_2 y_2 + \dots + x_n y_n$	sum of $x y$ products
σ_x = standard deviation of x values	
σ_y = standard deviation of y values	
m = slope	
b = y -intercept	
r = correlation coefficient	
r^2 = coefficient of determination	
s = standard error of the estimate of y on x	

GENERATING TREND LINE AND ESTIMATING VALUES

Keystrokes:

- Solve for Σx_i and store it; solve for Σx_i^2 and σ_x and write these down.

$\text{[gold key]} \text{ [CLEAR] [CLx]} x_1 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} x_2 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} \dots x_n \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} \text{ [STO]} \longrightarrow \Sigma x_i$
 $\text{[R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [R}\downarrow\text{]} \longrightarrow \Sigma x_i^2$ write this down*
 $\text{[R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [}\bar{x}\text{]} \text{ [x}\downarrow\text{y]} \longrightarrow \sigma_x$ write this down
- Solve for Σy_i , Σy_i^2 , and σ_y and write these down.

$\text{[gold key]} \text{ [CLEAR] [CLx]} y_1 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} y_2 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} \dots y_n \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} \longrightarrow \Sigma y_i$ write this down*
 $\text{[R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [R}\downarrow\text{]} \longrightarrow \Sigma y_i^2$ write this down
 $\text{[R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [}\bar{x}\text{]} \text{ [x}\downarrow\text{y]} \longrightarrow \sigma_y$ write this down
- Solve for $\Sigma x_i y_i$ and write it down.

$x_1 \text{ [SAVE}\uparrow\text{]} y_1 \text{ [}\times\text{]} x_2 \text{ [SAVE}\uparrow\text{]} y_2 \text{ [}\times\text{]} \text{ [}\text{+}\text{]} \dots x_n \text{ [SAVE}\uparrow\text{]} y_n \text{ [}\times\text{]} \text{ [}\text{+}\text{]} \longrightarrow \Sigma x_i y_i$ write this down
- Leaving $\Sigma x_i y_i$ on the display, continue as follows to calculate the slope (m). Write this answer down.

$\text{[RCL]} \Sigma y_i \text{ [}\times\text{]} n \text{ [}\div\text{]} \text{ [}\text{-}\text{]} \Sigma x_i^2 \text{ [RCL]} \text{ [SAVE}\uparrow\text{]} \text{ [}\times\text{]} n \text{ [}\div\text{]} \text{ [}\text{-}\text{]} \text{ [}\div\text{]} \longrightarrow m$ write this down*
- Calculate, store and write down the y-intercept (b).

$\text{[RCL]} \text{ [}\times\text{]} \Sigma y_i \text{ [x}\downarrow\text{y]} \text{ [}\text{-}\text{]} n \text{ [}\div\text{]} \longrightarrow b$ write this down*
- Now the slope (m) and y-intercept (b) can be properly located in the operational stack and storage register so the **TL** key can be used to find the corresponding y value for any given x value (x_k).

$m \text{ [SAVE}\uparrow\text{]} \text{ [SAVE}\uparrow\text{]} \text{ [SAVE}\uparrow\text{]} b \text{ [STO]}$
- $x_k \text{ [n]} \text{ [TL]} \longrightarrow y_k$
 (This step may be repeated for any x value)

*These intermediate results must be written down in order to complete this set of keystroke procedures; i.e., in order to determine the equation for the regression line. All other results are optional, in that they are only required for computing the correlation coefficient (r), coefficient of determination (r^2), and standard error (s) in the following section.

(NOTE: If a high degree of accuracy is desired, press $\text{[gold key]} \text{ [6]}$ before writing down intermediate results.)

Example:

A commercial land appraiser has examined 4 vacant lots in the downtown section of a local community, all of which have the same depths but different frontages and values as shown below. Based on this data, what is the relationship between frontage and lot value? What predicted value would a lot have with a 65 foot frontage? With a 50 foot frontage?

Lot Frontage (feet)	Lot Value
70.8	\$10,100.00
60.0	\$ 8,219.00
85.0	\$15,000.00
75.2	\$11,120.00

Procedure:

- $\text{[gold key]} \text{ [CLEAR] [CLx]} 70.8 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} 60 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} 85 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} 75.2 \text{ [}\Sigma\text{+]} \text{ [STO]} \longrightarrow 291.00$
 (Σx_i , write this down)
 $\text{[R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [R}\downarrow\text{]} \longrightarrow 21492.68$
 (Σx_i^2 , write this down)
 $\text{[R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [R}\downarrow\text{]} \text{ [}\bar{x}\text{]} \text{ [x}\downarrow\text{y]} \longrightarrow 10.37$
 (σ_x , write this down)

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2. \square/\square (gold key) \square/\square CLEAR \square/\square CLX 10100 \square/\square $\Sigma+$ 8219 \square/\square $\Sigma+$ 15000 \square/\square $\Sigma+$ 11120 \square/\square $\Sigma+$ \longrightarrow 44439.00
 (Σy_i , write this down)
- \square/\square R \uparrow \square/\square R \uparrow \longrightarrow 518216361.0
 (Σy_i^2 , write this down)
- \square/\square R \uparrow \square/\square R \uparrow \square/\square \bar{x} \square/\square \bar{y} \longrightarrow 2858.33
 (σ_y , write this down)
3. 70.8 \square/\square SAVE \uparrow 10100 \square/\square \times 60 \square/\square SAVE \uparrow 8219 \square/\square \times \square/\square + 85 \square/\square SAVE \uparrow 15000
 \square/\square \times \square/\square + 75.2 \square/\square SAVE \uparrow 11120 \square/\square \times \square/\square + \longrightarrow 3319444.00
 ($\Sigma x_i y_i$, write this down)
4. \square/\square RCL 44439 \square/\square \times 4 \square/\square \div \square/\square - 21492.68 \square/\square RCL \square/\square SAVE \uparrow \square/\square \times 4 \square/\square \div \square/\square - \square/\square \div \longrightarrow 268.30
 (slope, m, write this down)
5. \square/\square RCL \square/\square \times 44439 \square/\square \bar{y} \square/\square - 4 \square/\square \div \longrightarrow -8408.80
 (y-intercept, b, write this down)

(The equation of the regression line is: $y = \$268.30x - \8408.80)

6. 268.30 \square/\square SAVE \uparrow \square/\square SAVE \uparrow \square/\square SAVE \uparrow 8408.80 \square/\square CHS \square/\square STO \longrightarrow -8408.80
7. 65 \square/\square n \square/\square TL \longrightarrow 9030.70
 (\$9,030.70, projected value of lot with 65 foot frontage)
- 50 \square/\square n \square/\square TL \longrightarrow 5006.20
 (\$5,006.20, projected value of lot with 50 foot frontage)

CORRELATION COEFFICIENT AND COEFFICIENT OF DETERMINATION

Keystrokes:

1. Calculate the correlation coefficient (r).
 m \square/\square SAVE \uparrow \square/\square σ_x \square/\square \times \square/\square σ_y \square/\square \div \longrightarrow r
2. Leaving the correlation coefficient on the display, find the coefficient of determination (r^2).
 2 \square/\square y^x \longrightarrow r^2

Example:

Using the data from the previous example, what is the correlation coefficient (r) and coefficient of determination (r^2)? The required values written down from that example are:

$$m = 268.30$$

$$\sigma_x = 10.37$$

$$\sigma_y = 2858.33$$

Procedure:

1. 268.30 \square/\square SAVE \uparrow 10.37 \square/\square \times 2858.33 \square/\square \div \longrightarrow .97
 (correlation coefficient, r)
2. 2 \square/\square y^x \longrightarrow .95
 (coefficient of determination, r^2)

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STANDARD ERROR OF THE ESTIMATE OF y ON x

Keystrokes:

- Σy_i^2 [SAVE] b [SAVE] Σy_i [X] [-] m [SAVE]
- $\Sigma x_i y_i$ [X] [-] n [SAVE] 2 [-] \div [gold key] $\sqrt{\frac{x}{y}}$ → s

Example:

Using the data from the first example, what is the standard error(s) of the estimate of y on x?

Given values or values written down from intermediate calculations are:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma y_i^2 &= 518216361.0 \\ b &= -8408.80 \\ m &= 268.30 \\ \Sigma y_i &= 44439.00 \\ \Sigma x_i y_i &= 3319444.00 \\ n &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Procedure:

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|----|---|---|-------------------------------|
| 1. | 518216361 [SAVE] 8408.8 [CHS] [SAVE] 44439 [X] [-] 268.3 [SAVE] | → | 268.30 |
| 2. | 3319444 [X] [-] 4 [SAVE] 2 [-] \div [gold key] $\sqrt{\frac{x}{y}}$ | → | 802.56
(standard error, s) |

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Equations:

$$m = \frac{\Sigma x_i y_i - \frac{\Sigma x_i \Sigma y_i}{n}}{\Sigma x_i^2 - \frac{(\Sigma x_i)^2}{n}}$$

$$b = \frac{1}{n} (\Sigma y_i - m \cdot \Sigma x_i)$$

$$r = \frac{m \sigma_x}{\sigma_y}$$

$$s = \left[\frac{\Sigma y_i^2 - b \Sigma y_i - m \Sigma x_i y_i}{n - 2} \right]^{1/2}$$

$$\sigma_x = \left[\frac{\Sigma (x_i - \bar{x})^2}{n - 1} \right]^{1/2}$$

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