

ISE 315: Engineering Statistics

Lecture 17: Simple Linear Regression — A Full Worked Fit

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Eight steps, every one on the formula sheet. Let's do all of them once, carefully.

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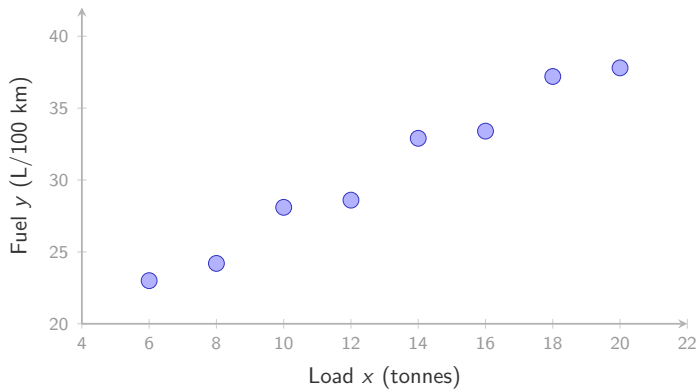
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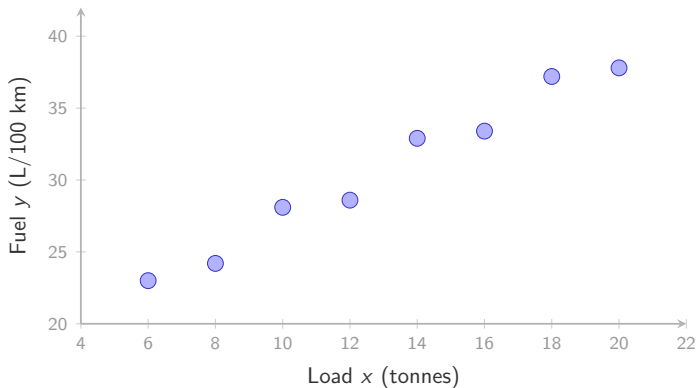
Questions we will answer:

- How much extra fuel does each additional tonne cost?
- How much scatter remains around the fitted line?

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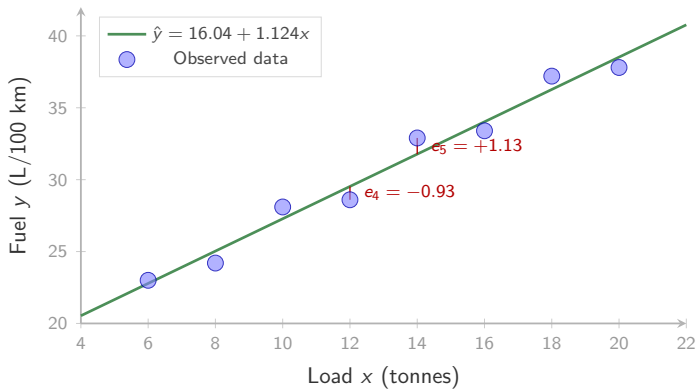
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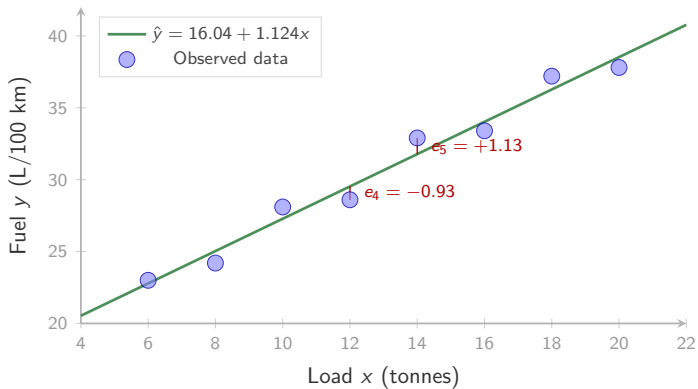
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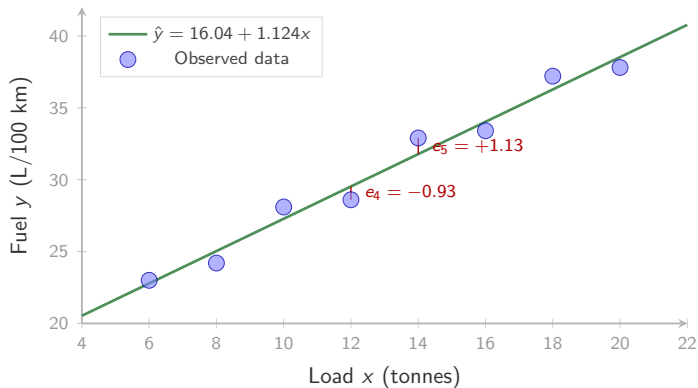
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Built-in check: $\sum e_i = 0.22 - 0.83 + 0.82 - 0.93 + 1.13 - 0.62 + 0.93 - 0.72 = 0.00$ ✓

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