

Inference for simple linear regression

Randomization test for the slope

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Case study: Sandwich store

Chain sandwich store

Hypothetical population

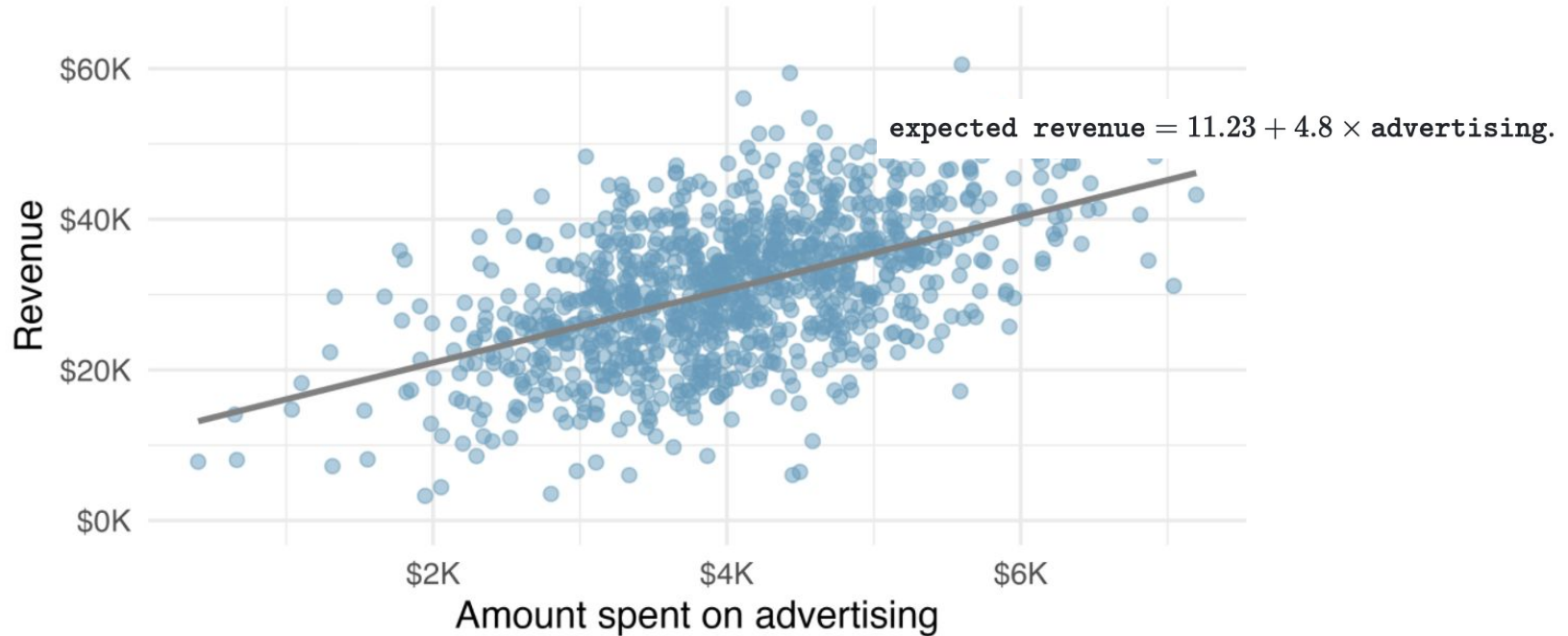


Figure 24.1: Revenue as a linear model of advertising dollars for a population of sandwich stores, in thousands of dollars.

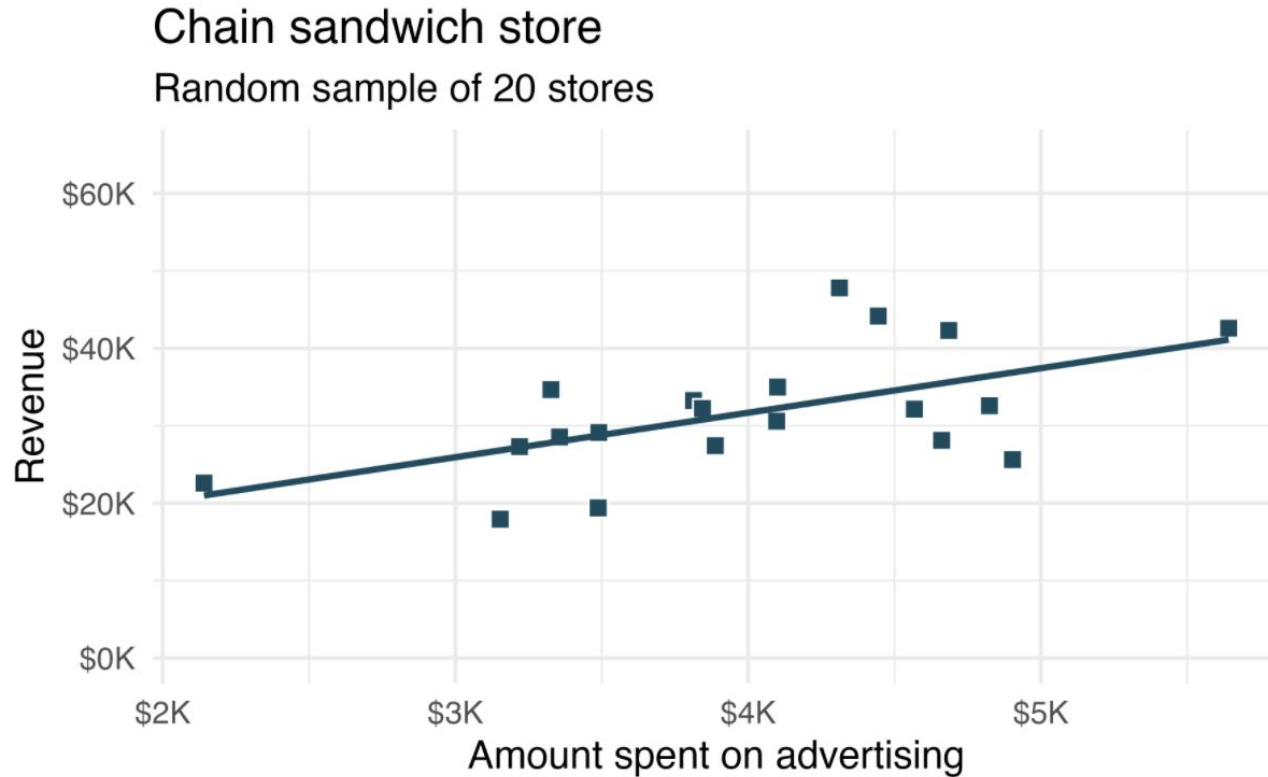


Figure 24.2: A random sample of 20 stores from the entire population. A linear trend between advertising and revenue continues to be observed.

Chain sandwich store

Random sample of 20 stores

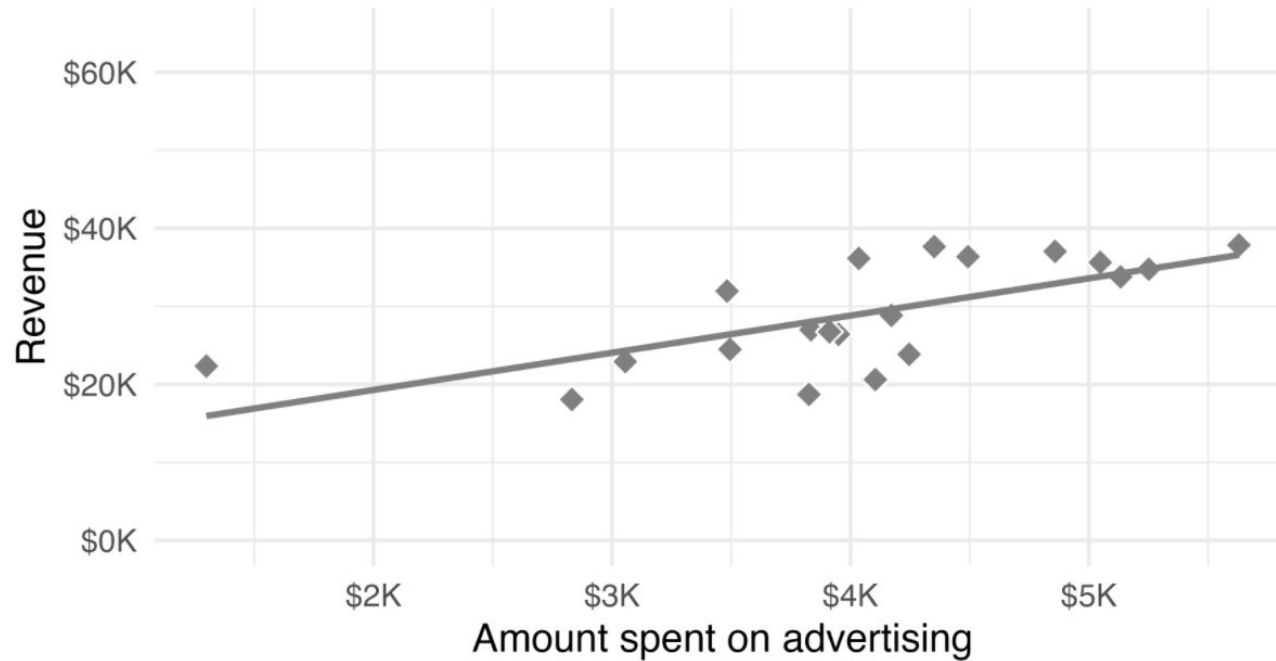
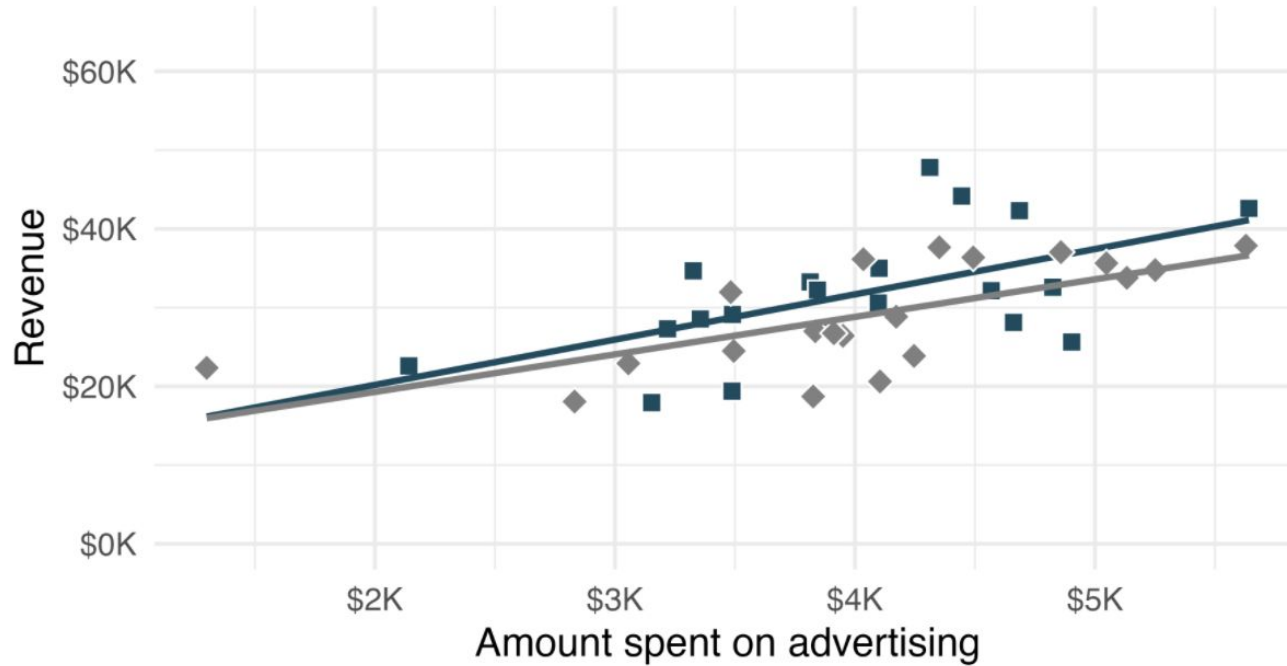


Figure 24.3: A different random sample of 20 stores from the entire population. Again, a linear trend between advertising and revenue is observed.

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Two random samples of 20 stores



there is **variability** in the regression line from sample to sample.

Figure 24.4: The linear models from the two different random samples are quite similar, but they are not the same line.

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Many random samples of 20 stores

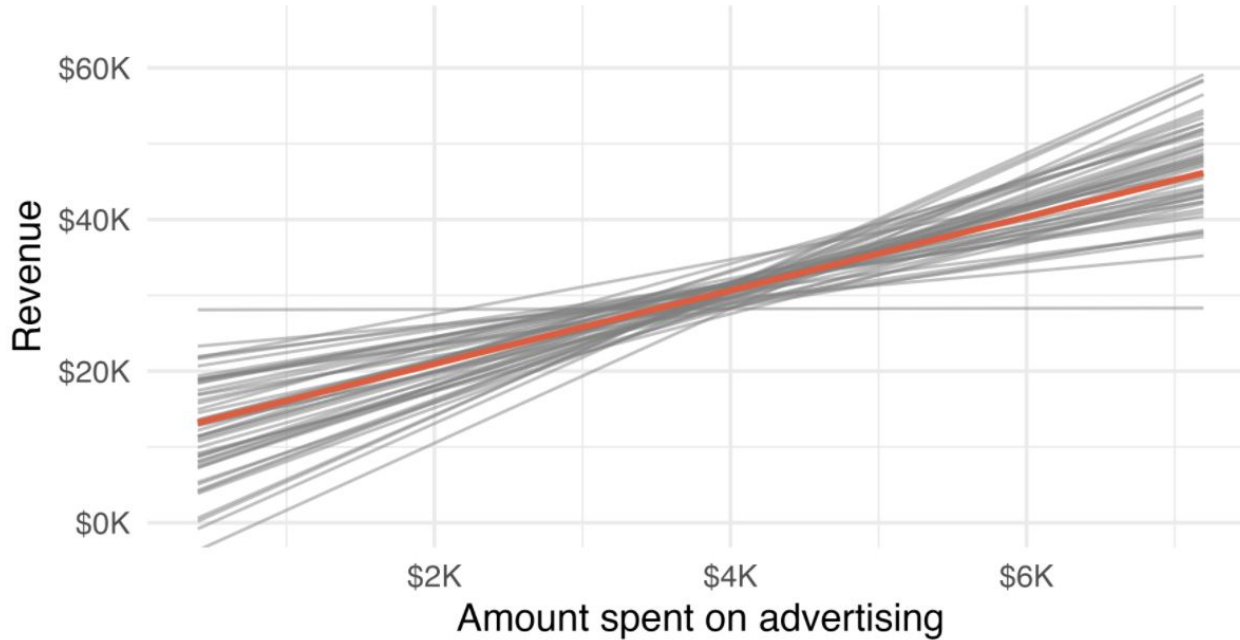


Figure 24.5: If repeated samples of size 20 are taken from the entire population, each linear model will be slightly different. The red line provides the linear fit to the entire population.

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Many random samples of 20 stores

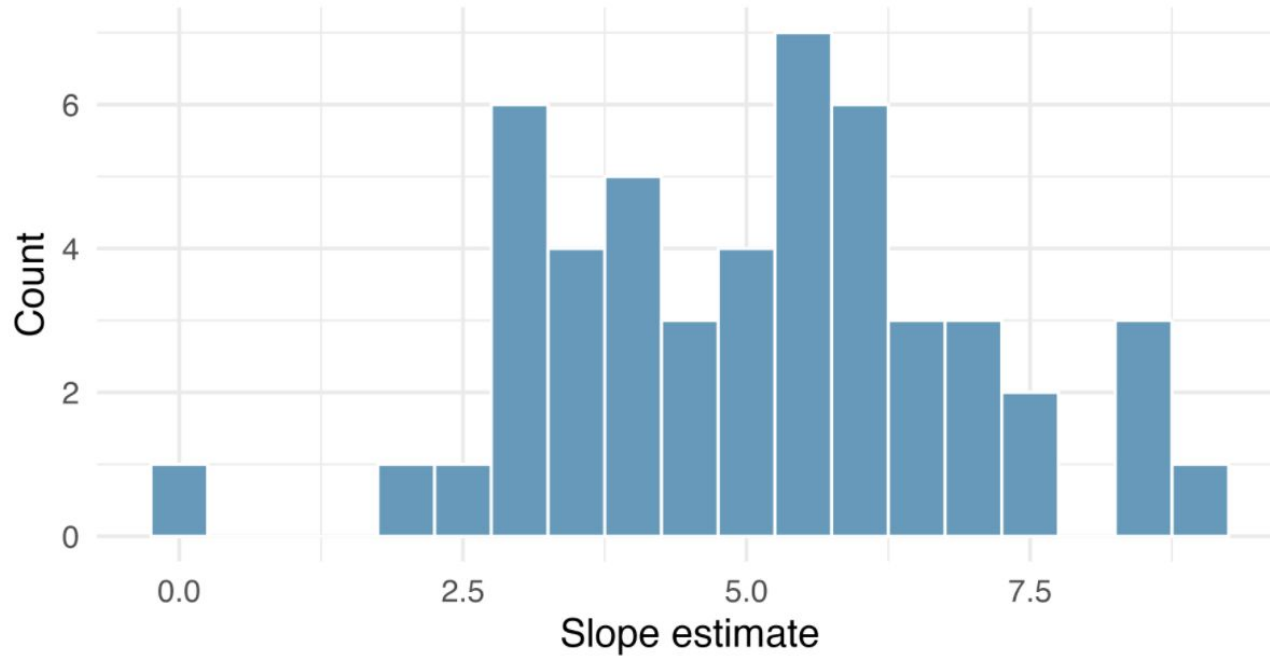


Figure 24.6: Variability of slope estimates taken from many different samples of stores, each of size 20.

Randomization

test for the slope

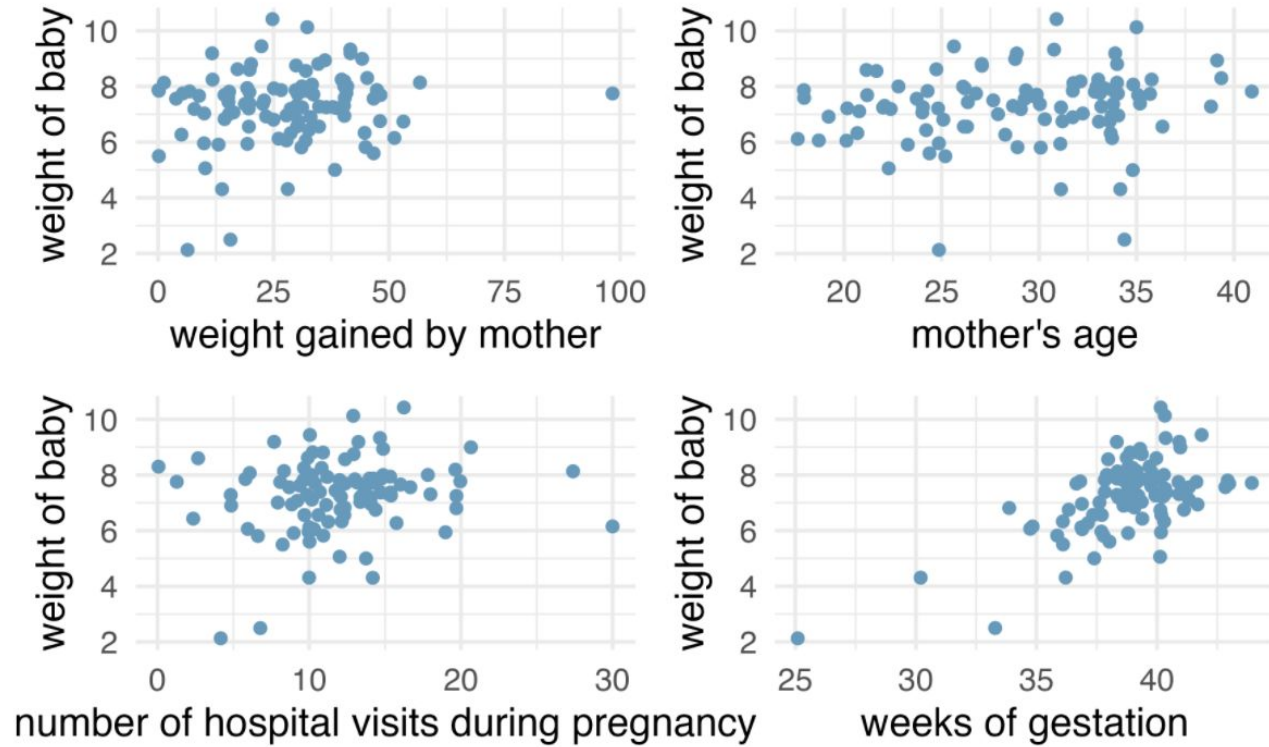


Figure 24.7: Weight of baby at birth (in lbs) as plotted by four other birth variables (mother's weight gain, mother's age, number of hospital visits, and weeks gestation).

Hypotheses

$$H_0: \beta_1 = 0$$

There is no linear relationship
between weight and weeks.

$$H_A: \beta_1 \neq 0$$

There is some linear relationship
between weight and weeks

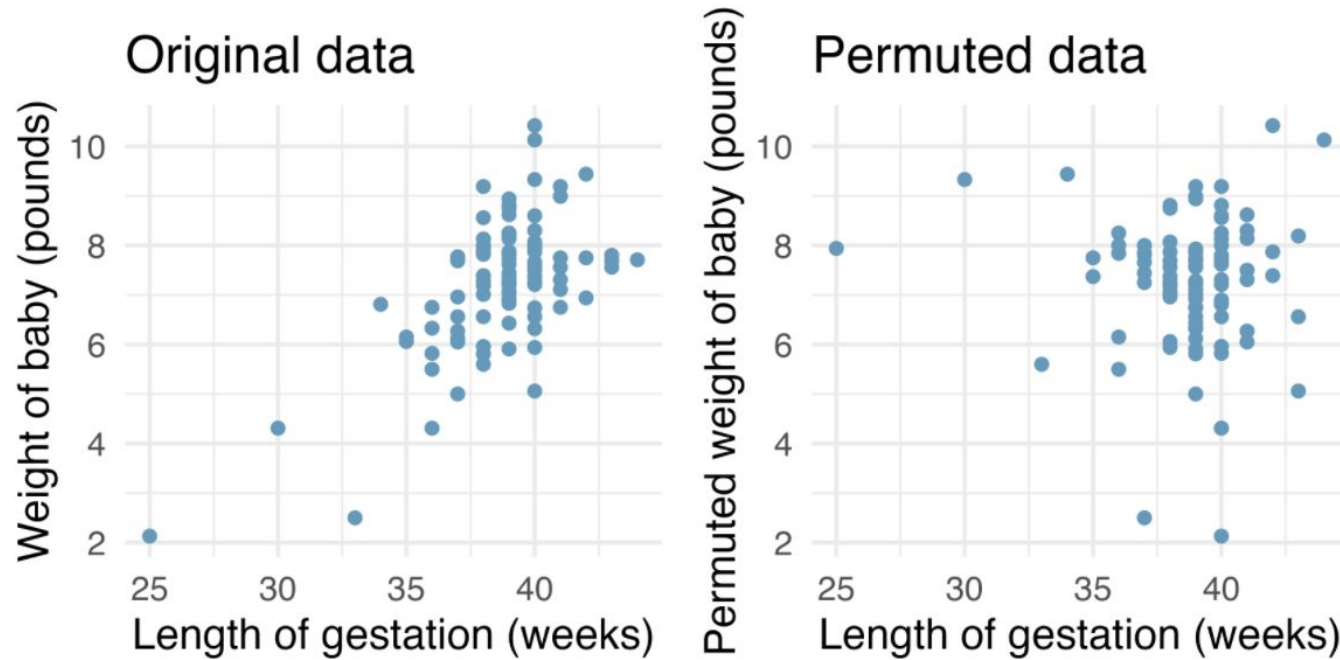


Figure 24.8: Original (left) and permuted (right) data. The permutation removes the linear relationship between `weight` and `weeks` . Repeated permutations allow for quantifying the variability in the slope under the condition that there is no linear relationship (i.e., that the null hypothesis is true).

Observed data

term	estimate	std.error	statistic	p.value
(Intercept)	-5.72	1.61	-3.54	6e-04
weeks	0.34	0.04	8.07	<0.0001

Table 24.1: The least squares estimates of the intercept and slope are given in the estimate column. The observed slope is 0.335.

Variability of the statistic

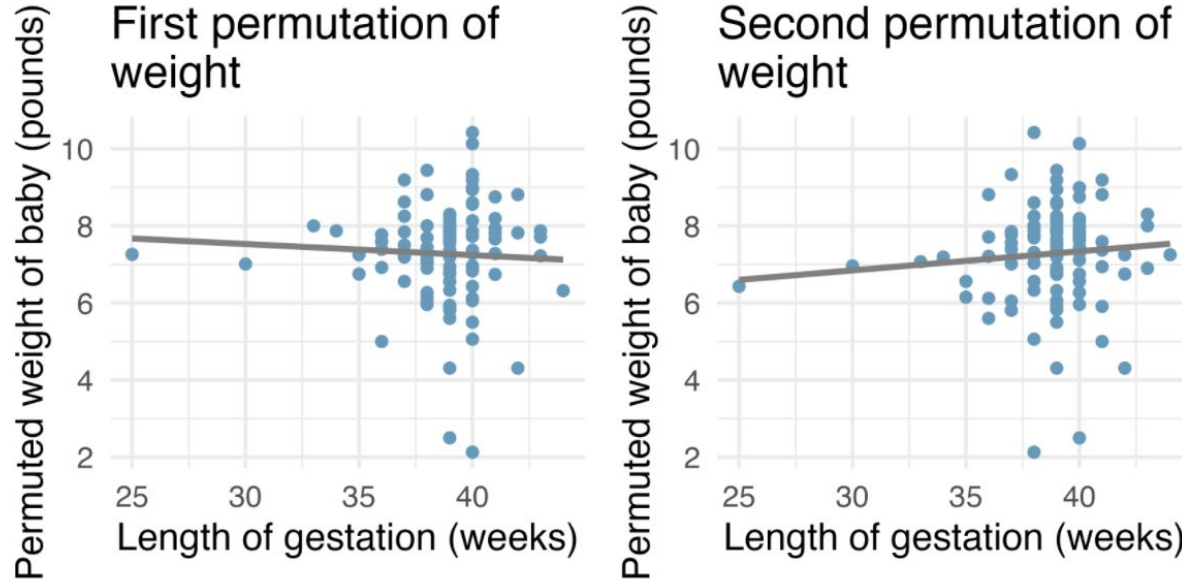


Figure 24.9: Two different permutations of the `weight` variable with slightly different least squares regression lines.

Observed statistic vs. null statistics

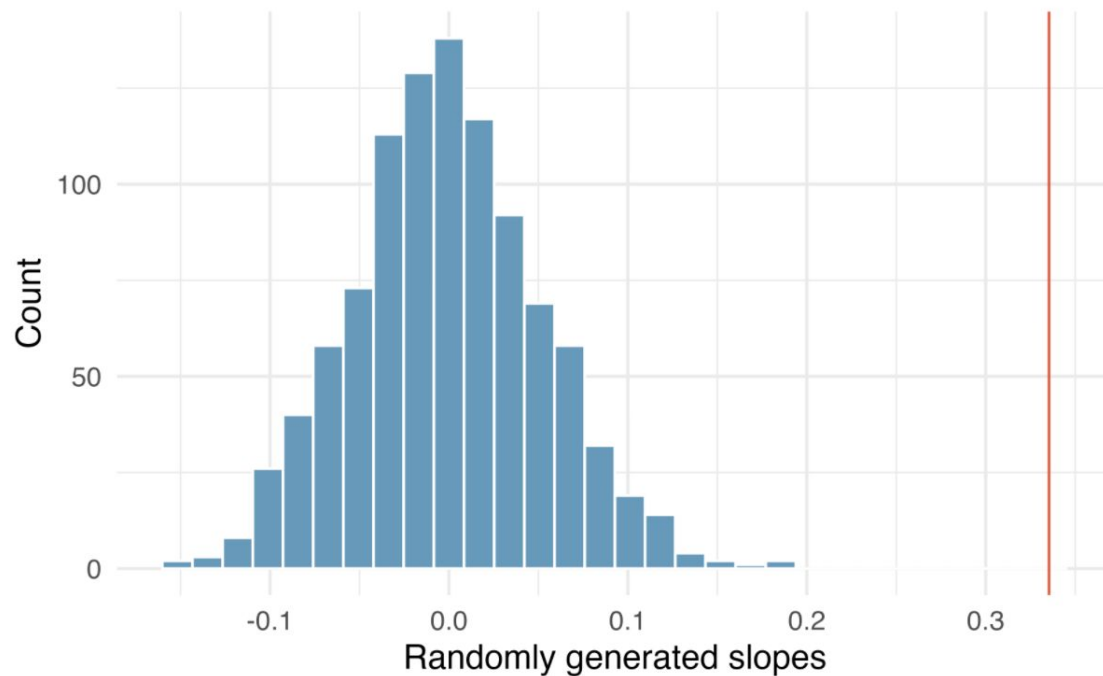
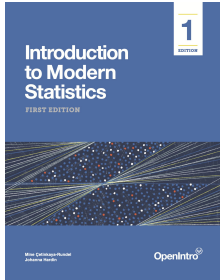


Figure 24.10: Histogram of slopes given different permutations of the `weight` variable. The vertical red line is at the observed value of the slope, 0.335.

Resources



The content of this presentation is mainly based on the excellent book “Introduction to Modern Statistics” by Mine Çetinkaya-Rundel and Johanna Hardin (2021).

The online version of the book can be accessed for free:

<https://openintro-ims.netlify.app/index.html>