

1. Introduction to Linear Regression

Linear Regression

The command `regress` is used to perform **linear regressions**. The first variable after the regress command is always the **dependent variable** (left-hand-side variable), and the **list of the independent variables** that we chose to include in the estimation model follows (right-hand-side variables).

Linear Regression

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. clear  
. use hs1, clear  
. regress write read female
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Source	SS	df	MS	Number of obs = 200		
Model	7856.32118	2	3928.16059	F(2, 197)	=	77.21
Residual	10022.5538	197	50.8759077	Prob > F	=	0.0000
-----+-----				R-squared	=	0.4394
Total	17878.875	199	89.843593	Adj R-squared	=	0.4337
-----+-----				Root MSE	=	7.1327
write	Coef.	Std. Err.	t	P> t	[95% Conf. Interval]	
read	.5658869	.0493849	11.46	0.000	.468496	.6632778
female	5.486894	1.014261	5.41	0.000	3.48669	7.487098
_cons	20.22837	2.713756	7.45	0.000	14.87663	25.58011