

# Section 12.2 — Linear Regression

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# Definition

## Definition (Least-Squares Regression Line)

The **least-squares regression line** is the line for which the best average variation from the data is the smallest. It is sometimes called the line of best fit. It is given by

$$\hat{y} = b_0 + b_1x$$

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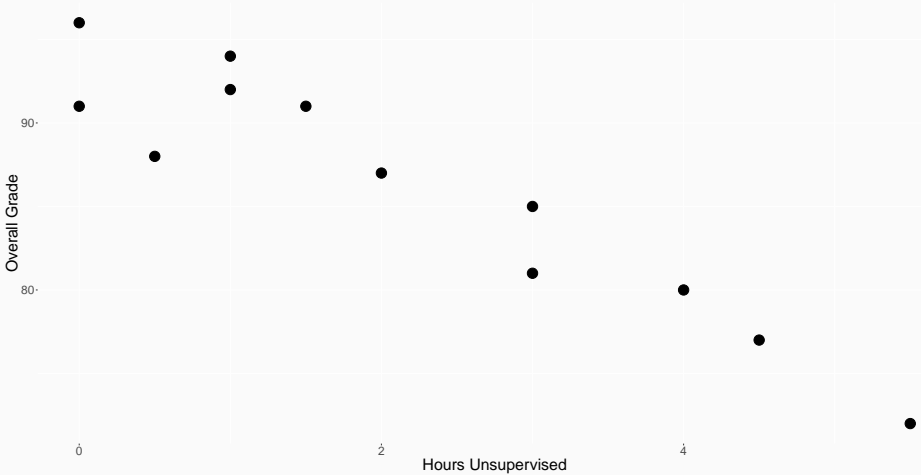
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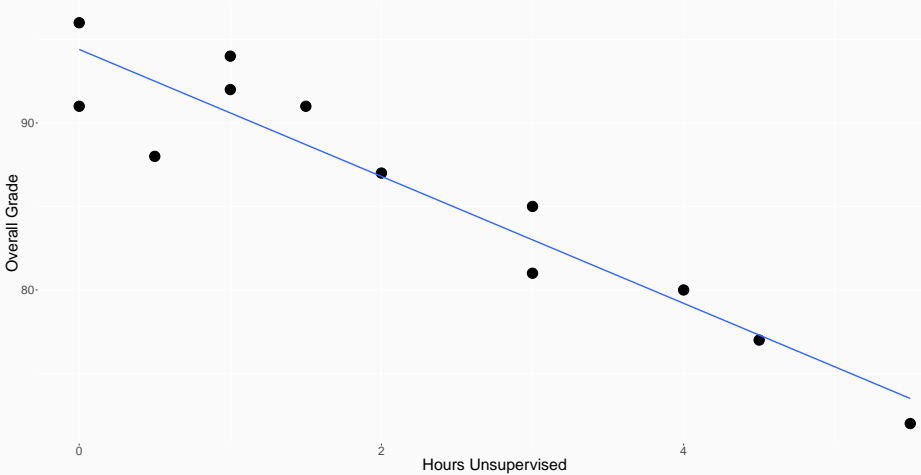
Hours Unsupervised	0	0	0.5	1.0	1.0	1.5
Overall Grade Average	96	91	88	92	94	91
Hours Unsupervised	2.0	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.5	5.6
Overall Grade Average	87	85	81	80	77	72



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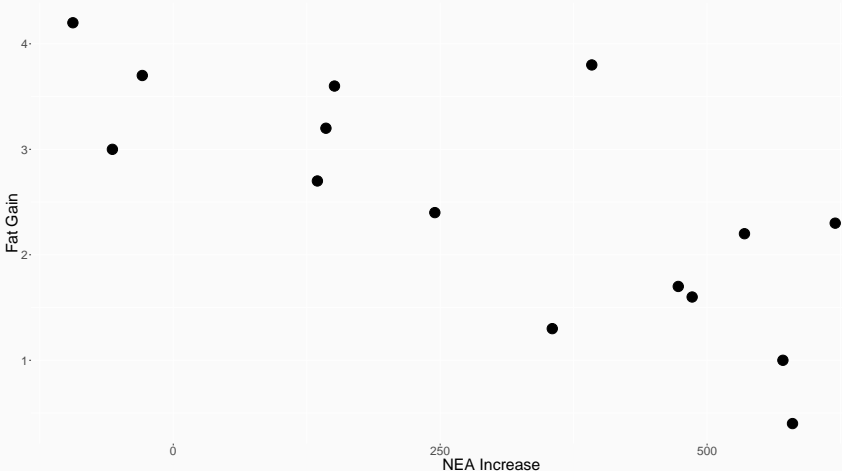
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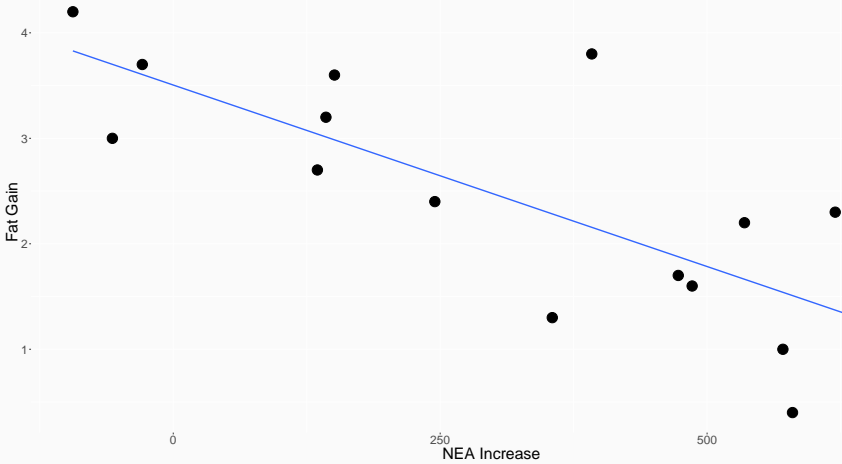
NEA increase (cal)	-94	-57	-29	135	143	151	245	355
Fat gain (kg)	4.2	3.0	3.7	2.7	3.2	3.6	2.4	1.3
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- The population is different than that from which the sample data were drawn.