
Subject: Re: linfit and regress questions

Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Sun, 11 Nov 2007 16:37:51 GMT

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On Nov 11, 10:27 am, rlaybe...@hotmail.com wrote:

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Subject: Re: linfit and regress questions

Posted by [rlayberry](#) on Sun, 11 Nov 2007 16:42:27 GMT

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Posted by [Vince Hradil](#) on Sun, 11 Nov 2007 16:49:25 GMT

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Posted by [rlyberry](#) on Mon, 12 Nov 2007 10:02:52 GMT

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thanks hradilv, you've saved me a few hours!

Subject: Re: linfit and regress questions
 Posted by [Craig Markwardt](#) on Tue, 13 Nov 2007 03:16:00 GMT
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Of course this all assumes the data are meant to be equally weighted
(no error bars, or all error bars are equal).

Craig
