

# Level II R04 Introduction to Linear Regression



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The standard error of estimate of the regression model in Table 1 is *closest* to:

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Which of Nouvier's inferences regarding the regression model is *least likely* correct?

- A) I
- B) II
- C) III

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The predicted value of DMG's stock return for the S&P index return of 0.06623 is *closest* to:

- A) 0.032
- B) 0.055.
- C) 0.064.

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4 **The following information relates to question 8.**

Sonia Ahsan, a research analyst at Toplink Securities, is evaluating the behavior of the total return of GLI Corp.'s stock with respect to the total return of a local large cap market index. She uses the firm's software to conduct a regression analysis of the variables to understand the relationship between them. The result of the analysis is given in Table 4.

**Table 4: Results of the Simple Regression**

Regression Statistics	
Multiple R	0.9284
R-squared	0.8619
Standard error of estimate	0.0181
Observations	60

ANOVA	Degrees of Freedom (df)	Sum of Squares (SS)
Regression	1	0.1192
Residual	58	0.0191
Total	59	0.1383

	Coefficients	Standard Error	t-statistic
Intercept	0.000500	0.000445	1.1215

$b_1$	0.800500	0.042153	19.0060
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Based on the result given above, the F-statistic to test whether the slope coefficient is different from 0 is *closest* to:

- A) 361.97
- B) 180.04.
- C) 19.01.

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Based on the information given in Tables 5 & 6, the *most* accurate interpretation is:

- A) U.S. Treasury bills have a statistically significant linear relationship with Sensex returns.
- B) there is a small but positive correlation between Sensex and U.S. T-bills.

C) The variation in U.S. T-bills does not explain the variation in Sensex returns.

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Using Table 6, and two-tail t-tests to determine if the coefficients are equal to zero, at the 0.05 significance level, the null hypotheses are *most likely*:

- A) rejected for both the intercept and the slope.
- B) accepted for the slope but rejected for the intercept.
- C) accepted for the intercept but rejected for the slope.

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Using the regression equation given in Table 6, if the U.S.T-bill is 2% thus  $\ln(1 + 0.02) = 0.0198$ , the predicted value of the Sensex return is *closest* to:

- A) 2.01%.
- B) 1.10%.
- C) 0.90%.

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**The following information relates to next question.**

During one of her lectures, Hala Amman, a finance professor points out that regression is used in analysis in finance. As an exercise, Amman presents the results of a regression of returns ( $R_t$ ) of the Brazilian stock exchange against the US dollar/Brazilian real exchange rate ( $E_t$ ). The data covers 64 daily observations in the study. Table 7 reports the results of the regression.

**Table 7: Regression Results:  $R_t = b_0 + b_1E_t + \varepsilon_t$** 

	Coefficient	Standard Error
Constant ( $b_0$ )	0.0027	0.0049
USD/BRL exchange rate ( $b_1$ )	-0.3180	0.1272
Number of observations	64	

Critical $t$ -value at the 5% level of significance (two-tailed test that the coefficient equals zero)	2
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In the regression results presented above, the coefficient of the USD/BRL exchange rate is *most accurately* described as:

- A) Significantly different from zero
- B) not significantly different from zero.
- C) indeterminate because of insufficient information.