

Review of: "Decoding the Correlation Coefficient: A Window into Association, Fit, and Prediction in Linear Bivariate Relationships"

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While correlation can provide valuable insights into the interactions between different factors, relying solely on correlation for prediction in linear regression models can lead to several deficiencies, particularly when correlation is misleading or misinterpreted.

One of the most critical misconceptions surrounding correlation is the confusion of causation with correlation. A major pitfall to be cautious of is the phenomenon of spurious correlations. Multicollinearity can result in unstable coefficient estimates and complicate the interpretation of the model's impact. Correlation is sensitive to outliers, non-linear relationship and time lags relationship.

While correlation quantifies the strength and direction of linear relationships, it doesn't provide insights into the predictive power of the model. A high correlation between variables does not guarantee accurate predictions, as other factors such as model complexity and data quality come into play.

The sample size can also impact the reliability of correlation estimates. Smaller samples might yield correlations that are more susceptible to randomness and may not accurately represent the true population relationship.

In conclusion, while correlation is a valuable tool for exploratory analysis, relying solely on it for prediction in linear regression models is fraught with pitfalls. In this short article (research note), the author is suggesting to not to rely on the correlation r alone and suggest to multiply it by $(x/(a+bx))$. The idea is commonly known and logically acceptable. The concept warrants thorough and in-depth examination, accompanied by comprehensive mathematical substantiation.