

# Basic statistics: regression

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## ❑ What is regression?

Regression equation can be used for quantitative prediction of data.

$$y = mx + b$$



dependent variable  
or  
predictand



independent variable  
or  
predictor

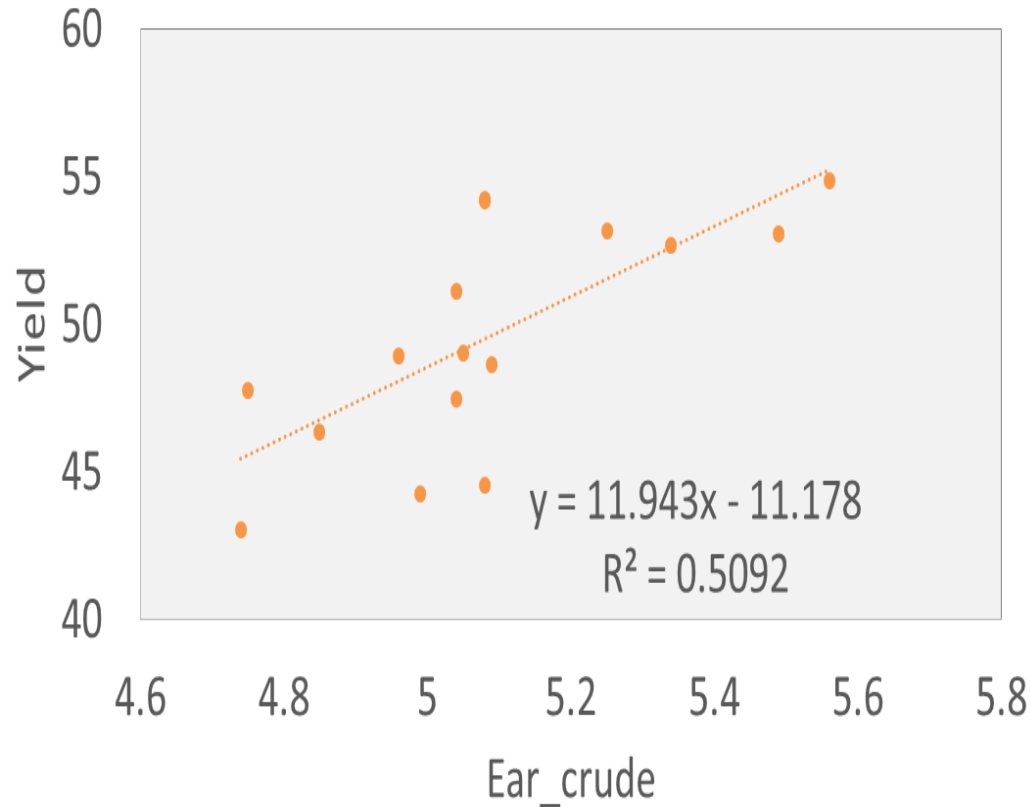
## □ What is $R^2$ ?

- ✓ It is the ratio of the sum squares of regression to the total sum squares.
- ✓  $R^2 = U/S_{yy}$
- ✓  $R^2$ -value measures the **percentage of variation** in the values of the **predictand (dependent variable)** that can be explained by the **variation in the predictor (independent variable)**.
- ✓  $R^2$ -value varies from 0 to 1.

### Example:

A value of **0.7654** means that **76.54%** of the variance in  $y$  (predictand) can be explained by the changes in  $X$  (predictor). The **remaining 23.46%** of the **variation** in  $y$  is presumed to be **due to random variability**.

## □ Regression



Relationship between maize ear diameter and yield

linear regression model is  $Y = -11.178 + 11.943X$

If ear diameter increased each 1 cm, yield will increase 11.94 kg.