

Regression, correlation and hypothesis testing 1A

1 a As noted at the beginning of Section 1.1, the equation $Y = 1.2 + 0.4X$ can be rewritten as $\log y = 1.2 + 0.4 \log x$, which is of the form $\log y = \log a + n \log x$ and so $y = ax^n$.

b $Y = 1.2 + 0.4X$

$$\Rightarrow \log y = 1.2 + 0.4 \log x$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 10^{1.2 + 0.4 \log x} = 10^{1.2} \times 10^{0.4 \log x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 10^{1.2} \times 10^{\log x^{0.4}} = 10^{1.2} \times x^{0.4}$$

Therefore $a = 10^{1.2} \approx 15.8$ (3 s.f.) and $n = 0.4$

2 a As noted at the beginning of Section 1.1, the equation $Y = 0.4 + 1.6X$ can be rewritten as $\log y = 0.4 + 1.6x$, which is of the form $\log y = \log k + x \log b$ and so $y = kb^x$.

b $Y = 0.4 + 1.6X$

$$\Rightarrow \log y = 0.4 + 1.6x$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 10^{0.4 + 1.6x} = 10^{0.4} \times 10^{1.6x}$$

$$\Rightarrow y = 10^{0.4} \times (10^{1.6})^x$$

Therefore $k = 10^{0.4} \approx 2.51$ (3 s.f.) and $b = 10^{1.6} \approx 39.8$.

3 In the linear model $Y = mX + c$, where m and c are constants, $Y = \log y$ and $X = \log x$, so $\log y = m \log x + c$

Therefore $c = \log a$

The point $(0, 172)$ lies on the line, so $c = 172$ and $\log a = 172 \Rightarrow a = 10^{172}$

$(23, 109)$ lies on $Y = mX + 172$:

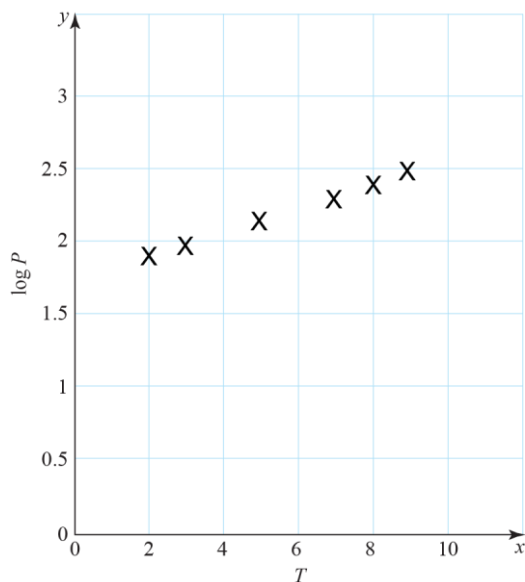
$$109 = 23m + 172$$

$$\Rightarrow 23m = 109 - 172$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{-63}{23} \approx -2.739 \text{ (3 d.p.)}$$

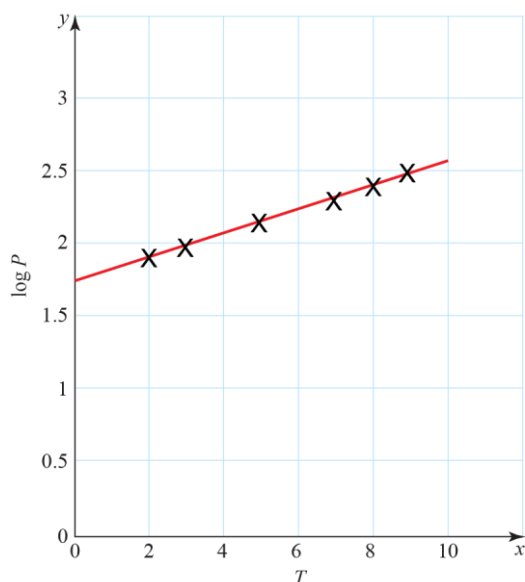
4 a

<i>T</i>	2	3	5	7	8	9
log <i>P</i>	1.86	1.93	2.10	2.25	2.33	2.41



- b** The points seem to lie on a straight line with a positive gradient, which suggests a strong positive correlation.
- c** Yes – the variables show a linear relationship when log *P* is plotted against *T*.

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If $\log P = mT + c$ then $P = 10^c(10^m)^T$. Measuring the gradient and intercept from the line of best fit with computer provides $c = 1.69927$ and $m = 0.07901$. These then give $a = 50.0345502089$ and $b = 1.19949930315$. Allow c between 1.65 and 1.8 so that a can be between 44.7 and 63.1. Since the gradient is small, it is better found using the original data points. Allow m between 0.077 and 0.082 so that b can be between 1.19 and 1.21.

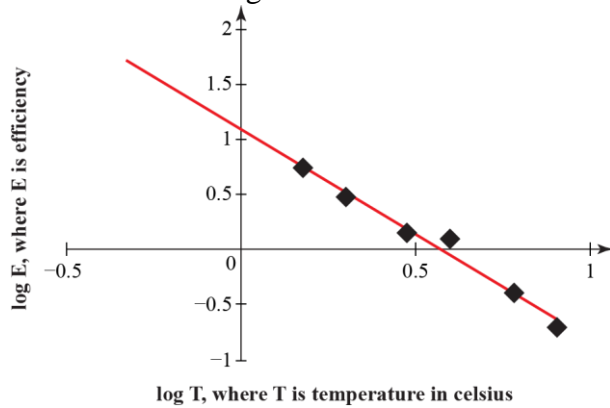
- 4 e** The approximate model is $P = 50.1 \times 1.2^T$ and so increasing T by 1 gives $50.1 \times 1.2^{T+1} = (50.1 \times 1.2^T) \times 1.2$ which means increasing T by 1 corresponds to an increase of the population by 20%. Note that T is recorded in months, and so for every month that passes, the population of moles increases by 20%.
- 5 a** The equation $t = a + bn$ is the equation of a straight line, but the data on the scatter diagram are not close to a straight line.
- b** $y = -0.301 + 0.6x$
 $\Rightarrow \log t = -0.301 + 0.6 \log n$
 $\Rightarrow t = 10^{-0.301 + 0.6 \log n} = 10^{-0.301} \times 10^{0.6 \log n}$
 $\Rightarrow t = 10^{-0.301} \times 10^{\log n^{0.6}}$
 $\Rightarrow t = 10^{-0.301} \times n^{0.6}$
 Therefore $a = 10^{-0.301} \approx 0.5$ (3 s.f.) and $k = 0.6$.
- 6** $y = 1.31x - 0.41$
 $\Rightarrow \log r = 1.31 \log c - 0.41$
 $\Rightarrow r = 10^{1.31 \log c - 0.41} = 10^{1.31 \log c} \times 10^{-0.41}$
 $\Rightarrow r = 10^{\log c^{1.31}} \times 10^{-0.41} = c^{1.31} \times 10^{-0.41}$
 Therefore $r = 0.389 \times c^{1.31}$ (3 s.f.).
- 7** $y = 0.0023 + 1.8x$
 $\Rightarrow \log m = 0.0023 + 1.8 \log h$
 $\Rightarrow m = 10^{0.0023 + 1.8 \log h} = 10^{0.0023} \times 10^{1.8 \log h}$
 $\Rightarrow m = 10^{0.0023} \times 10^{\log h^{1.8}} = 10^{0.0023} \times h^{1.8}$
 Therefore $a = 10^{0.0023} \approx 1.0$ (3 s.f.) and $n = 1.8$.
- 8 a** $y = 0.09 + 0.05x$
 $\Rightarrow \log g = 0.09 + 0.05t$
 $\Rightarrow g = 10^{0.09 + 0.05t} = 10^{0.09} \times 10^{0.05t}$
 $\Rightarrow g = 10^{0.09} \times (10^{0.05})^t$
 Therefore $a = 10^{0.09} \approx 1.23$ and $b \approx 1.12$ (3 s.f.)
- b** If you increase the temperature by 1 °C, b is the increase in the growth rate g , i.e. b is the rate of change of g per degree.
- c** 35 °C is outside of the range of data (extrapolation).

Challenge

a Construct a table of values for $\log T$ and $\log E$:

$\log T$	0.0792	0.176	0.301	0.477	0.602	0.778	0.903
$\log E$	0.954	0.74	0.477	0.146	0.0969	-0.398	-0.699

Plot the scatter diagram and draw a line of best fit:



The fact that the data are fitted by a straight line shows the validity of the relationship.

b The y-intercept of the line of best fit is 1.1 (to 2 s.f.).

So $\log a = 1.1$ (approximately)

$$a = 10^{1.1} = 12.58925\dots = 12.6$$

From the graph, the gradient of the line of best fit is approximately -1.90 (to 3 s.f.), so $b = -1.90$.

c The model is of the form $\log E = \log a + b \log T$, but the expression $\log a + b \log T$ is not defined when $T = 0$ since $\log(0)$ is undefined (it approaches $-\infty$ as $T \rightarrow 0^+$).