

Data analysis with R software

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Imaginary example in R: `lm(y ~ age + gender + age*gender)`

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	2.0	...		
age	0.1	...		
genderFemale	3.0	...		
age:genderFemale	-0.2	...		

Age	Gender	Linear predictor	Prediction
0	Male	$2.0 + 0 \times 0.1 + 0 \times 3.0 + (-0.2) \times 0 \times 0 =$	2.0
0	Female	$2.0 + 0 \times 0.1 + 1 \times 3.0 + (-0.2) \times 0 \times 0 =$	5.0
40	Male	$2.0 + 40 \times 0.1 + 0 \times 3.0 + (-0.2) \times 40 \times 0 =$	6.0
40	Female	$2.0 + 40 \times 0.1 + 1 \times 3.0 + (-0.2) \times 40 \times 1 =$	1.0

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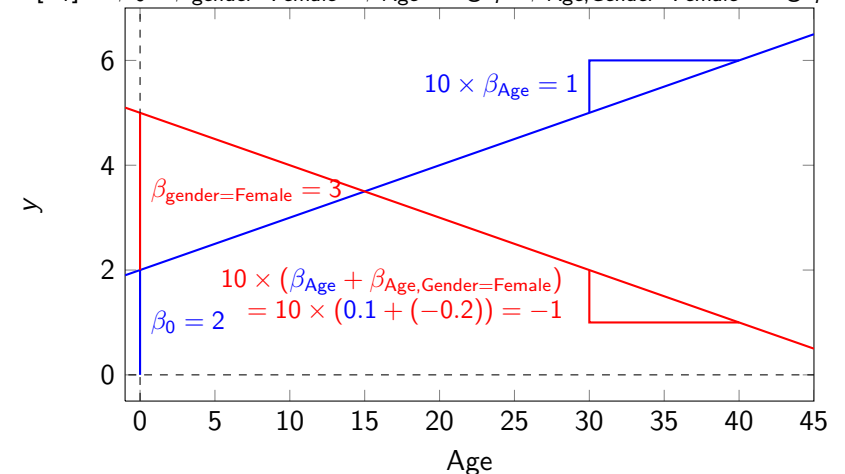
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$$\mathbb{E}[Y_i] = \beta_0 + \beta_{\text{gender=Female}} + \beta_{\text{Age}} \times \text{Age}_i + \beta_{\text{Age,Gender=Female}} \times \text{Age}_i$$



Example of interaction of two categorical covariates

Using Nhanes data. Regress weight on gender, smoking (har1, "Have you smoked 100+ cigarettes in life") and their interaction.

```
> fit1 <- with(nhanes, lm(ham6s_kg ~ hssex + har1 + hssex*har1))  
> round(summary(fit1)$coefficients, d=2)
```

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	79.27	0.64	124.74	0.00
hssexFemale	-8.05	1.10	-7.35	0.00
har1No (HAR14)	-1.94	1.06	-1.83	0.07
hssexFemale:har1No (HAR14)	-1.62	1.51	-1.07	0.28

Gender	Smoking	Linear predictor	Prediction
Male	Yes	$79.27 + 0 \times -8.05 + 0 \times -1.94 + 0 \times -1.62 = 79.27$	
Female	Yes	$79.27 + 1 \times -8.05 + 0 \times -1.94 + 0 \times -1.62 = 71.22$	
Male	No (HAR14)	$79.27 + 0 \times -8.05 + 1 \times -1.94 + 0 \times -1.62 = 77.33$	
Female	No (HAR14)	$79.27 + 1 \times -8.05 + 1 \times -1.94 + 1 \times -1.62 = 67.65$	