

Getting a Line on the Pattern

**That is,
Least Squares Regression
Line**

How thick are the pages of your textbook?

- Do Pinching Pages Activity
 - Keep the data: we will use this data together for further analysis

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How thick are the pages of your textbook?

- Using the data from the Pinching Pages activity, we can determine
 - the thickness of the pages in the textbook
 - the thickness of the front cover.

Least Squares Regression Line

- Sum of the squared errors (SSE) is as small as possible
 - Sum and mean of the residuals is zero
 - Variation in the residuals is as small as possible
 - The line contains the point of averages (\bar{x}, \bar{y}) .

Least Squares Regression Line

- For the least squares regression line $y = mx + b$,

- Slope:

$$m = \frac{n(\sum xy) - (\sum x)(\sum y)}{n(\sum x^2) - (\sum x)^2}$$

- Y-coordinate of y-intercept:

$$b = \frac{\sum y - m(\sum x)}{n}$$

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- Y-coordinate of y-intercept:

$$b = \bar{y} - m\bar{x}$$

Pinching Pages Activity -

Measurement made using *Statistics in Action - Understanding a World of Data*, Ann E. Watkins, Richard L. Scheaffer, George W. Cobb, Key Curriculum Press, 2004 (ISBN: 1-931914-27-3)

# sheets of paper	Thickness, in	Thickness, cm
50	0.25	0.7
100	0.375	1.0
150	0.5	1.3
200	0.625	1.6
250	0.75	1.9

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- Using the data below, determine the least squares line that can be used to determine the thickness of one cover, the end page, and x sheets of paper in "Statistics in Action"
 - Measured in centimeters AND
 - measured in inches

x	y (in)	y (cm)
50	0.25	0.7
100	0.375	1
150	0.5	1.3
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Define the variables, x and y

- X is the number of sheets of paper in "Statistics in Action".
- Y is the thickness, in centimeters, of one cover, the end page, and x sheets of paper in "Statistics in Action".

Use the Least Squares Line

- Determine the thickness of one page of the text "Statistics in Action"
 - What is "one page"?
- Can you determine the thickness of one cover of the text "Statistics in Action"?

Use the Least Squares Line

- Can you determine the thickness of one cover of the text "Statistics in Action"?
 - If you can then what is the thickness of the cover?
 - If you cannot then explain why you cannot. What, if anything, can you determine? Briefly explain.