## Warmup 4/(3! - 25?)

1) On the post-it note, write down your height (feet and inches is fine) your shoe size (say whether it's a men's or women's size). No name necessary.
2) Remember, the "!" symbol is "factorial" and it means to take 3 . $2 \cdot 1$. Based on today's date, guess what you think the "?" symbol does.
3) Write an equation in slope-intercept form.


- Please come during PLT to take your volume quiz!!!


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## Scatter Plots \& Lines of Best Fit

Objective:

- Use scatter plots and lines of best fit to analyze the relationship between two sets of data.


## Do you think there is a relationship between...

- A person's high school GPA and their college GPA???

High School versus College GPA


## Do you think there is a relationship between...

- A husband's age and a wife's age?



## Do you think there is a relationship between...

- The length of the title of a movie and the amount of money it made?



## Do you think there is a relationship between...

- The birth height of a boy and the month they were born?



## Do you think there is a relationship between...

- People's height and shoe size?
- I WILL MAKE A SCATTER PLOT AND SHOW YOU TOMORROW!!!
- Scatter Plot - Shows the relationship between 2 variables
- Each "dot" is 1 piece of data
- The more dots you have, the more reliable conclusions you can draw from it!!!
- Examples - height vs shoe size
-Amount of time studying vs. test grade
-\# of hours of sleep and GPA
-Days left in school and temperature outside
- Types of Correlations
- Positive - the dots mostly increase from left to right
- Negative - the dots mostly decrease from left to right
- No correlation - there is no pattern

Positive


Negative


Positive - If one increases, the other increases. If one goes decreases, the other decreases.
(looks like a positive slope)

Negative - If one increases, the other decreases.
(looks like a negative slope)

17 Which scatterplot displays a negative relationship over the entire set of data?


38 The graphs show the student enrollment at a school from 2004 through 2011. Which graph best shows a negative correlation between the number of students and the years from 2004 through 2011?
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Student Enrollment
Year
Student
G

Student Enrollment


## "Shapes" of correlations

Linear relatiorrstip


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Linear
(NOTE: the dots don't make a perfect straight line, but the overall pattern is straight)

## Nonlinear

(left: exponential, right: quadratic)

Linear
SAT Scores


## Quadratic



## Exponential

DDT Concentration in Trout in Lake Michigan


## STRONG vs. WEAK Correlation...

- Besides positive/negative, you can also judge a scatter plot based on how strong the correlation is.

A positive or negative correlation is characterised by a straight line with a positive /negative gradient. The strength of the correlation depends on the spread of points around the imagined line.


Strong negative
Moderate Positive




# What kind of correlation would you expect? 

- height vs shoe size
- Amount of food you have eaten and how hungry you are
- \# of hours of sleep and GPA
- Days left in school in the springtime and temperature outside
- \# of letters in your first name and \# of letters in your last name
- Amount of time studying vs. test grade


## Predicting Correlations

WRONG WAY TO THINK ABOUT CORRELATIONS:

- "But...you could study for 100 hours and still do really bad!!!"


## RIGHT WAY TO THINK ABOUT CORRELATIONS:

- What would be the overall pattern if we asked a million people???

Yes, there can always be outliers. But you should not focus on the outliers. Focus on the overall pattern instead.

## Line of Best Fit

- A line that represents the "average" of the data shows the overall pattern
- Should have approximately the same number of dots above and below it

50 Which graph shows the most accurate line of best fit for the given data?



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