Applied and Mathematical Statistics Homework Five



Figure 1: A tractor pulling a chisel plow in Slovenia. Figure source: Petar Milošević http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/File:Traktor_na_oranju.JPG.

Please do these explorations before class on Thursday.

These problems concern the dataset found in the file bank_data.csv on the course web page. This is data from the world bank for the year 2000. The columns contain:

- GNI: Gross national income per capita
- tractors: number of tractors per 100 sq. km of arable land
- male_lit: male literacy rate
- female_lit: female literacy rate
- total_lit: total literacy rate

Note: I removed a few outliers: Iceland, Lichtenstein, Monaco, and a few other little counties. Iceland has an insane number of tractors—over 12,000 per 100 km²—which seems impossible.¹ Lichtenstein, Monaco, etc., have a really large GNI so I excluded them.

We will use a linear regression to investigate the following questions:

- 1. How does GNI depend on female literacy rate?
- 2. How does GNI depend on male literacy rate?
- 3. How does GNI depend on tractors?
- 4. How does female literacy rate depend on male literacy rate?

For each question, do the following:

- 1. Plot the data
- 2. Form a linear model
- 3. Plot the regression line on the same plot as the data
- 4. Look at a summary of 1m and interpret: How good is the line? Is there a statistically significant relation between the two variables? What does the relationship mean?

¹Is there even *any* arable land in Iceland? What do Icelanders do with so many tractors?