

Math 361

Graphs for Two quantitative variables – Inv. 5.6

Class Objectives

- Learning appropriate methods for **collecting**, **analyzing**, and **interpreting** numerical information
- Gaining a basic understanding of the field of statistics (i.e., **definitions** and **theorems**)
- Learning to **apply** course material to answer your own research question or evaluate existing statistical evidence

Course Feedback

Your course feedback is very valuable to me in improving the course for future students.

I've used previous feedback to:

- Shorten homework assignments
- Create detailed lecture slides to supplement workbook
- Choose a course grading scheme (1 project, 2 midterms)
- Write a few detailed handouts to supplement the workbook
- Provide sets of completely worked out examples to review before each quiz

Please help me to continue to improve the course by giving comments in the online course evals.

Chapter 5: two quantitative variables

Descriptive statistics:

- **Graph** = scatterplot
- **Numerical summaries** =
correlation coefficient, R^2 , or regression slope

Inferential Methods:

Read the rest of Chapter 5 or take Math 362

Inv. 5.6: Cat Jumping

Researchers were interested in the jumping ability of domestic cats. They recorded the take-off velocity for 18 cats along with several characteristics:

- Takeoff velocity (cm/sec)
- Body mass (grams)
- Hind limb length (cm)
- Muscle mass (grams)
- Sex

Inv. 5.6: Cat Jumping

	ID	Sex	bodymass	hindlimb	musclemass	percentbodyfat	velocity
1	A	F	3640	29.10	51.15	29	334.5
2	B	F	2670	28.55	46.05	17	387.3
3	C	M	5600	31.74	95.90	31	410.8
4	D	F	4130	26.90	55.65	39	318.6
5	E	F	3020	26.11	57.20	15	368.7
6	F	F	2660	26.69	48.67	11	358.8
7	G	F	3240	26.74	64.55	21	344.6
8	H	M	5140	27.71	78.80	35	324.6
9	I	F	3690	25.47	54.60	33	301.4
10	J	F	3620	28.18	55.50	15	331.8
11	K	F	5310	28.45	68.80	42	312.6
12	L	M	5560	28.65	79.80	37	316.8
13	M	M	3970	29.82	69.40	20	375.6
14	N	F	3770	26.66	60.25	26	372.4
15	O	F	5100	27.84	60.70	41	314.3
16	P	F	2950	27.89	55.65	25	367.5

Response Variable: take-off velocity

1 quantitative variable...

- what numerical summaries would you like to see?

- what type of graph?

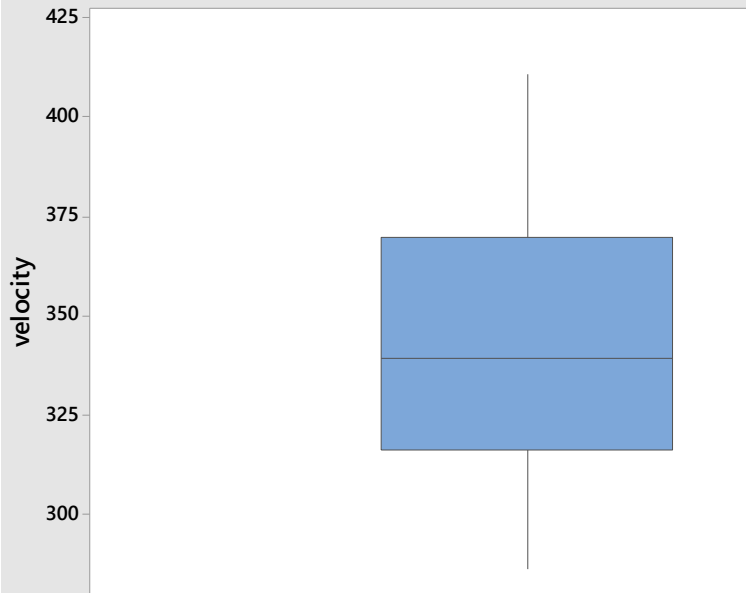
Take-off Velocity

Statistics

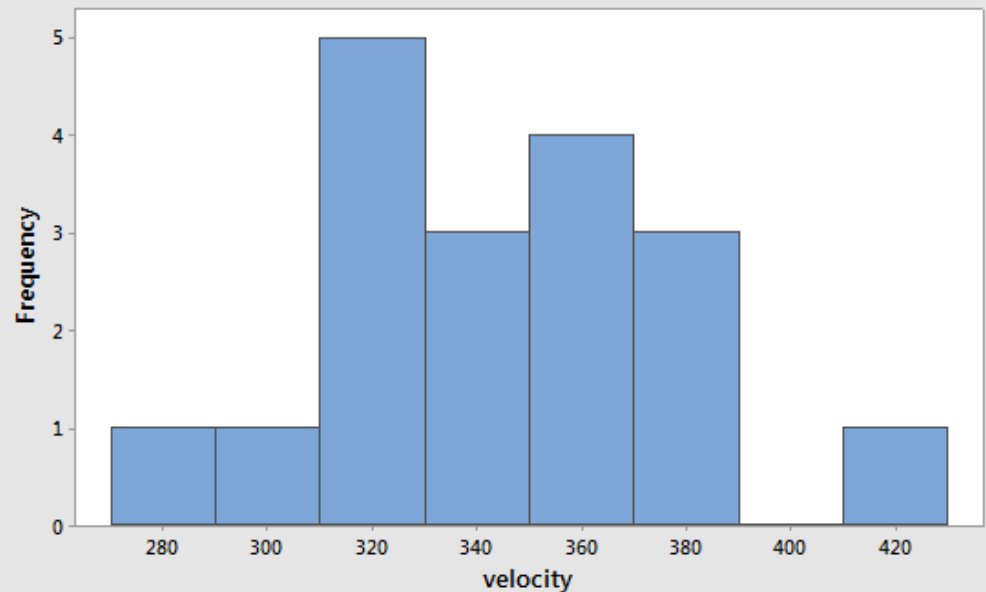
Variable	N	N*	Mean	SE Mean	StDev	Minimum	Q1	Median	Q3	Maximum
velocity	18	0	343.28	7.80	33.08	286.30	316.18	339.55	369.63	410.80

median \pm 1.5 IQR

Boxplot of velocity



Histogram of velocity



Describe the distribution of take-off velocities

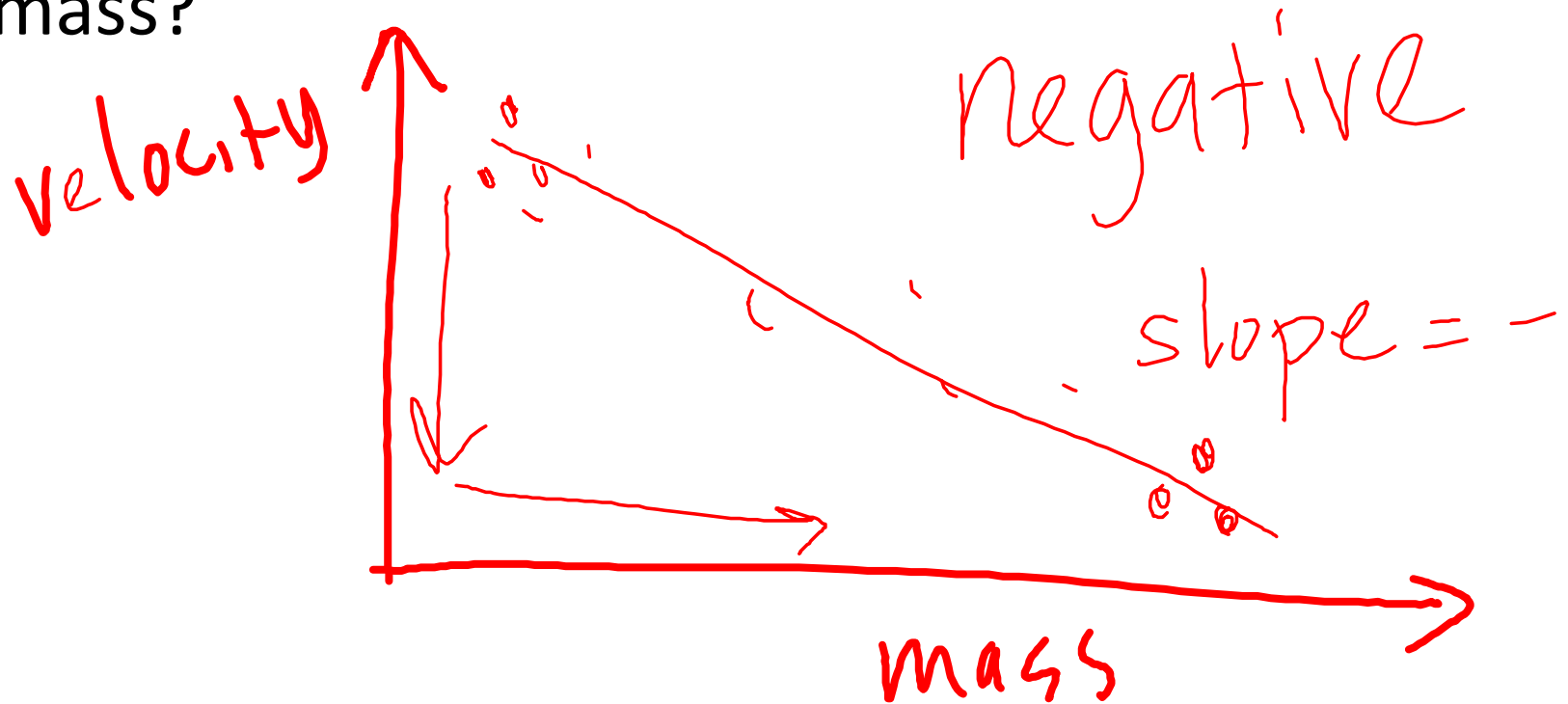
- Center?
- Spread?
- Shape
- Unusual observations?

Inv. 5.6, part c.

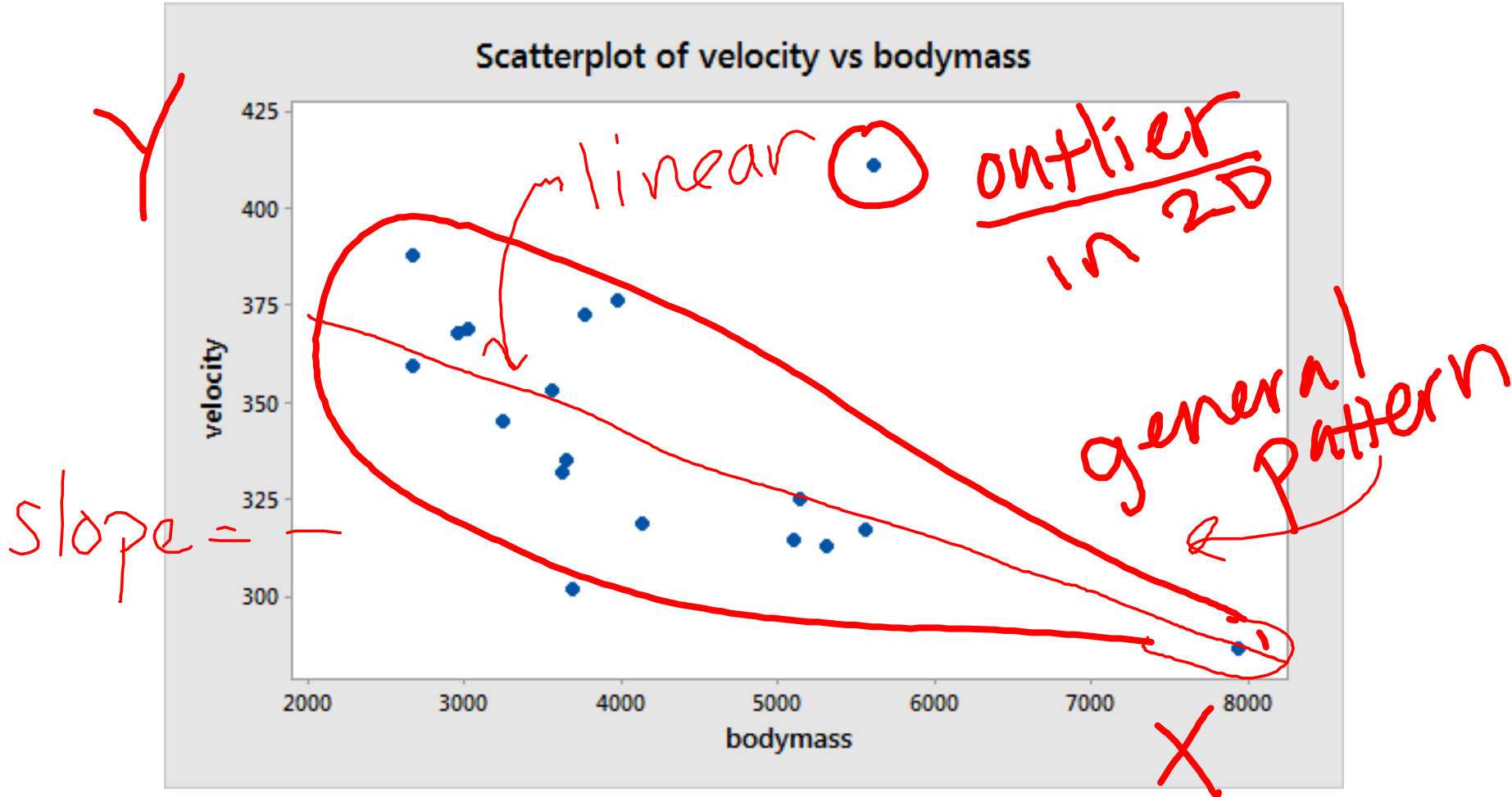
If you were to randomly select a cat, what's your best guess for its takeoff velocity?

Inv. 5.6, part d

- Do you think there will be a relationship between a cat's takeoff velocity and its body mass?



A scatterplot shows the relationship between two quantitative variables



Inv. 5.6, part (e)

- Describe the relationship between take-off velocity and body mass as seen in the scatterplot.

Direction: negative

Linearity: yes

Strength: medium
moderate

later correlation

Inv. 5.6, part (f)

- Do any of the cats appear to be outliers, that is, they do not match the pattern of the majority of the cats?

Inv. 5.6, part(g) Describe the relationship

Direction?

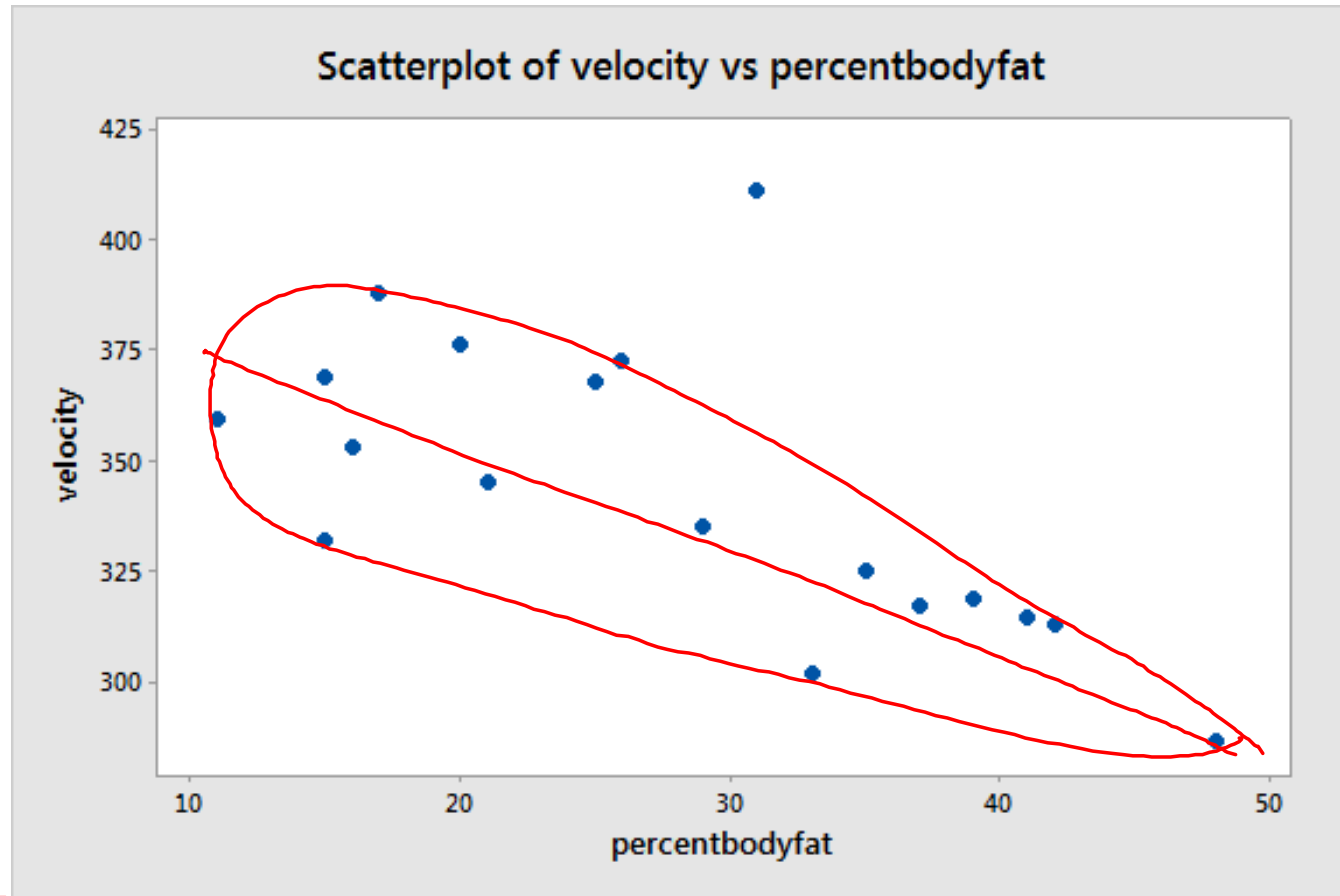
negative

Linearity?

yes

Strength?

moderate



Inv. 5.6, part (h)

What do you expect to see for

- *velocity vs. hind limb length?*

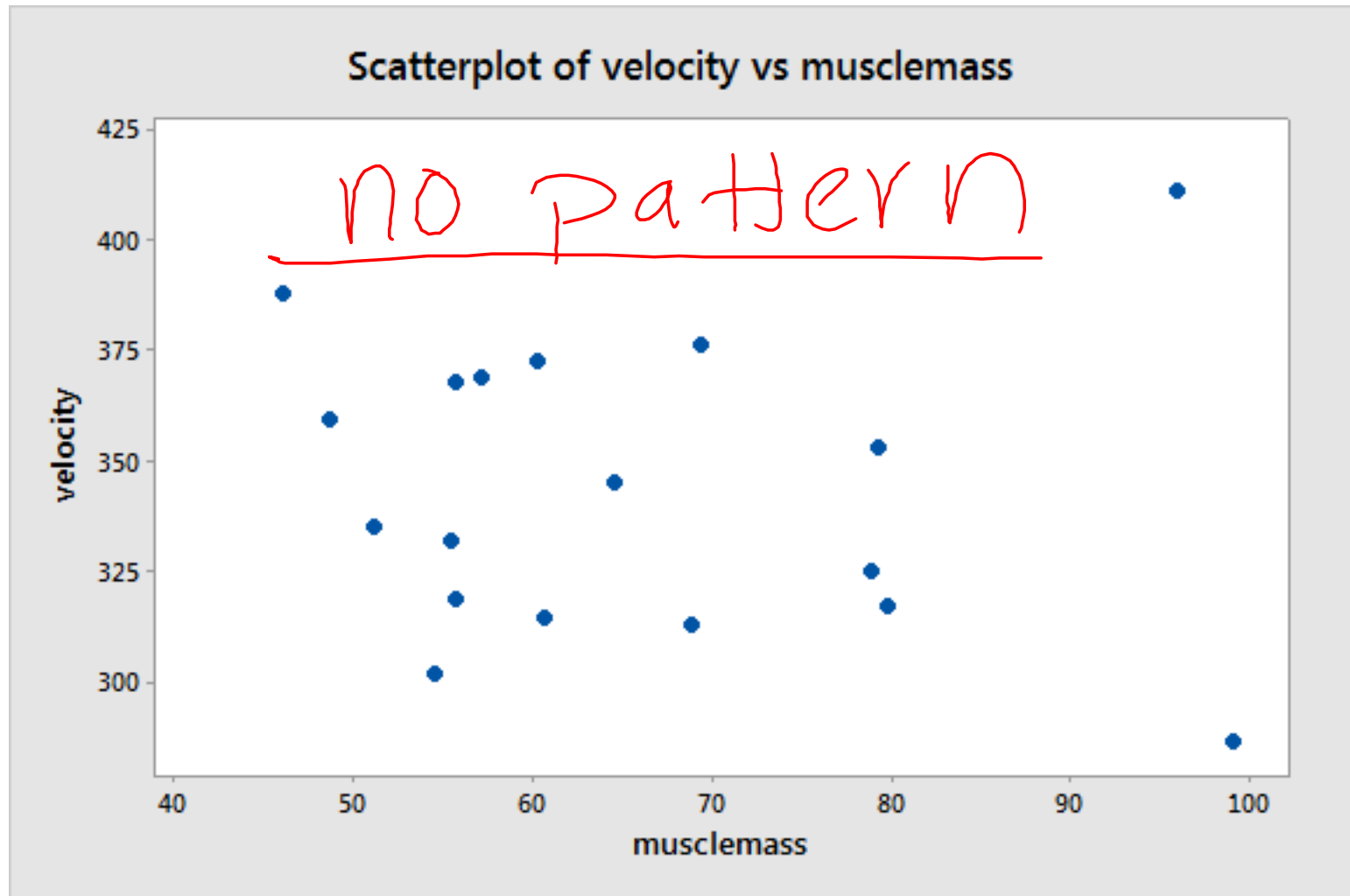
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- *velocity vs. muscle mass?*

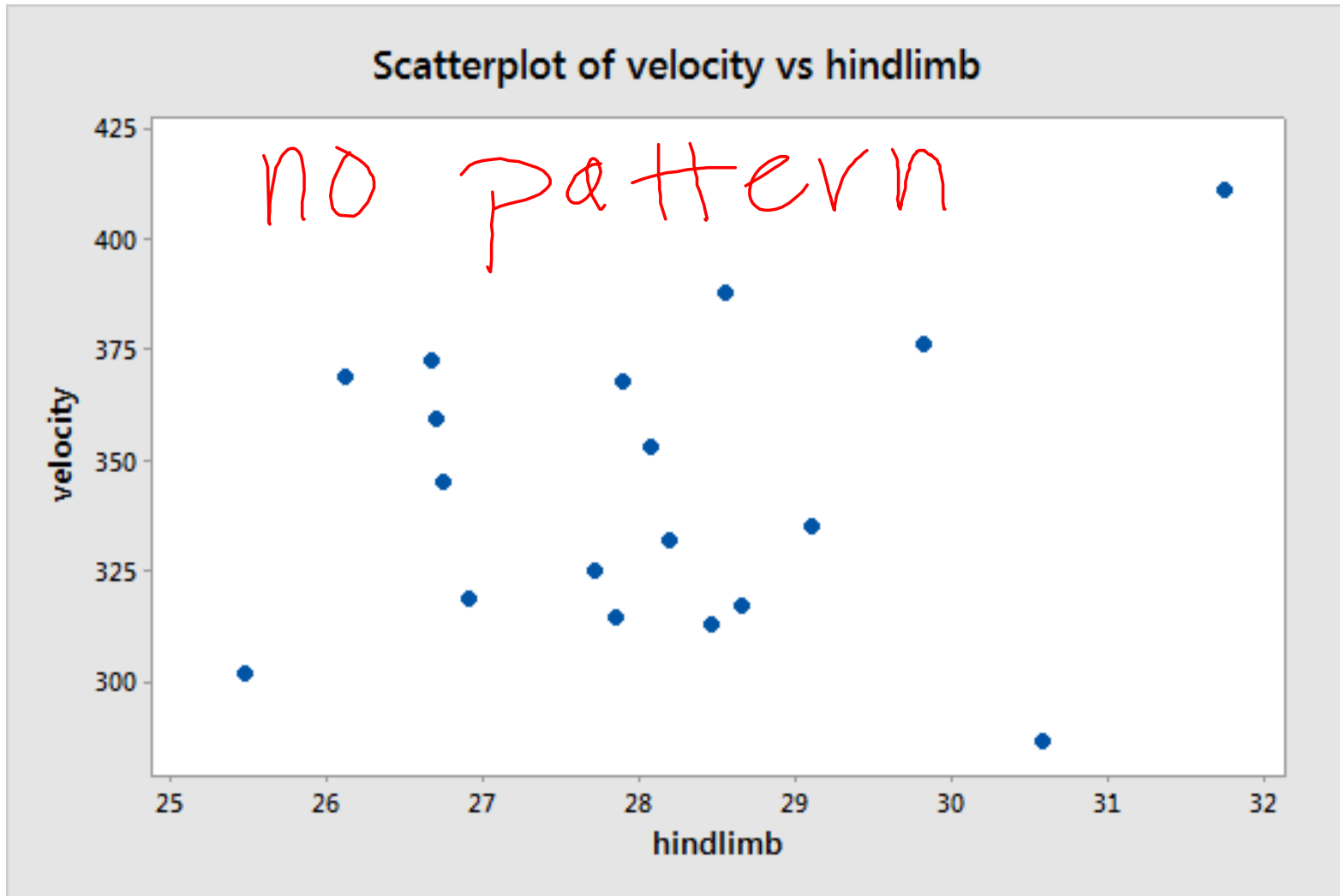
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strange

Inv. 5.6, part (h)



Inv. 5.6, part (h)



Inv. 5.6, part (i)

Scatterplot of velocity vs bodymass

