

- $\hat{\mu}(Y|X=x) = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$ : estimated mean airtime as a function of distance
- $\mu(Y|X=x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x$ : true mean airtime as a function of distance (unknown) in population of all flights
- $\hat{\beta}_0$  is our best estimate of the population intercept,  $\beta_0$
- $\hat{\beta}_1$  is our best estimate of the population slope,  $\beta_1$
- $\hat{\mu}(Y|X=x)$  is our best estimate of the population mean as a function of distance,  $\mu(Y|X=x)$ .
- To get the estimate of mean airtime for a particular distance, plug that into  $\hat{\mu}(Y|X=x)$ ; e.g. X=500 miles.
- Is just a point estimate enough? No. We can get a confidence interval for a particular distance:

$$(\hat{\mu}(Y|X=x) - t^*SE(\hat{\mu}), \hat{\mu}(Y|X=x) + t^*SE(\hat{\mu}))$$

For 95% of samples like this, the corresponding interval will contain the population mean at x = 500.

- $SE(\hat{\mu}) = \hat{\sigma}\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} + \frac{(x_0 + \bar{x})^2}{(n-1)s_x^2}}$ , where  $\hat{\sigma} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (y_i \bar{y})^2}{n-2}}$  and  $s_x^2 = \frac{1}{n-1}\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i \bar{x})^2$ .
- Note:  $SE(\hat{\mu})$  smallest if  $x_0$  (the value we are plugging in for x) is near  $\bar{x}$
- Can use Scheffe or Bonferroni if want estimates at multiple x values