

VALIDATING LETHALITY FOR PROCESSING DRY FERMENTED MEAT PRODUCTS

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FERMENTED SAUSAGE: E. coli O157:H7 OUTBREAKS

- 1994 - Salami in CA and WA, 20 cases
- 1995 - Mettwurst in S. Australia (O111:NM), 150 cases, 1 child died. 23 HUS*
- 1998 - Genoa Salami in Ontario, 40 cases. 2 HUS

* Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome

DEVELOPING MATHEMATICAL MODELS TO PREDICT GROWTH -- MODEL A

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \beta_3 x_3 + \beta_{12} x_1 x_2 + \beta_{22} x_2^2 + \beta_{33} x_3^2 + \gamma_0$$

where: y = *E. coli* O157:H7 log reduction in uncooked fermented salami

x_1 = a_w of uncooked fermented salami

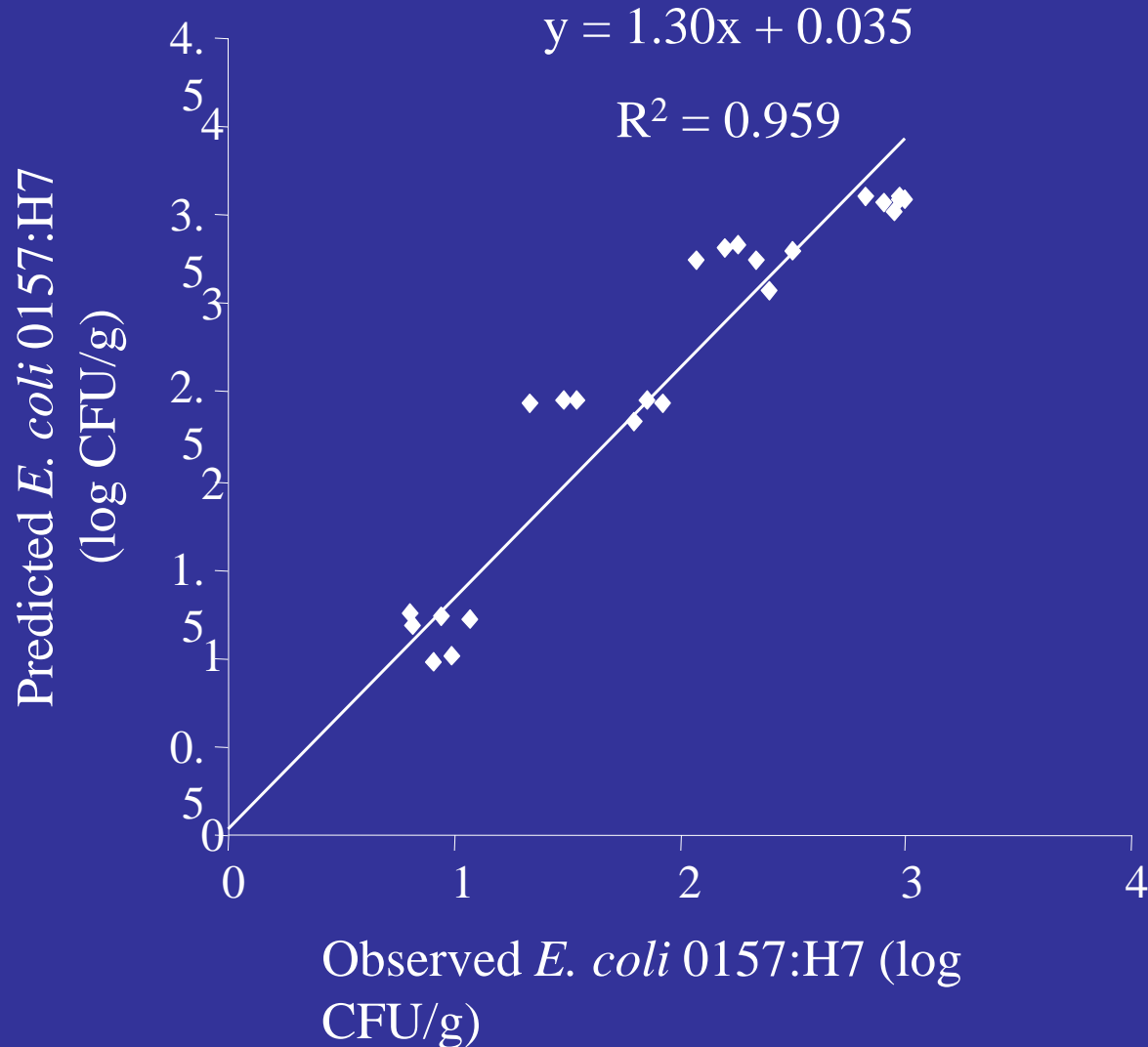
x_2 = pH of uncooked fermented salami

x_3 = time of processing at specific stages of uncooked fermented salami

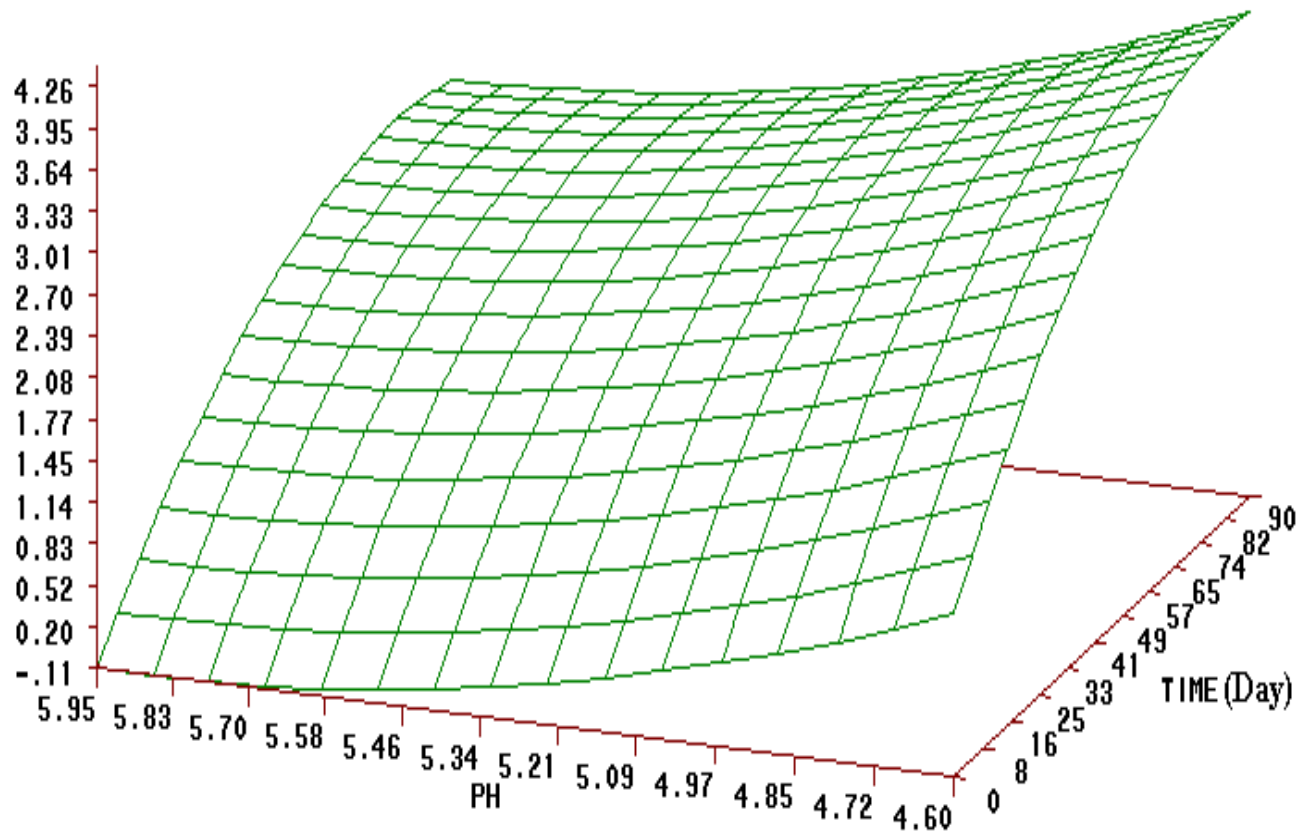
β_0 = estimate for the y intercept

$\beta_1 x_1$ = estimate for the linear effect of independent variable a_w

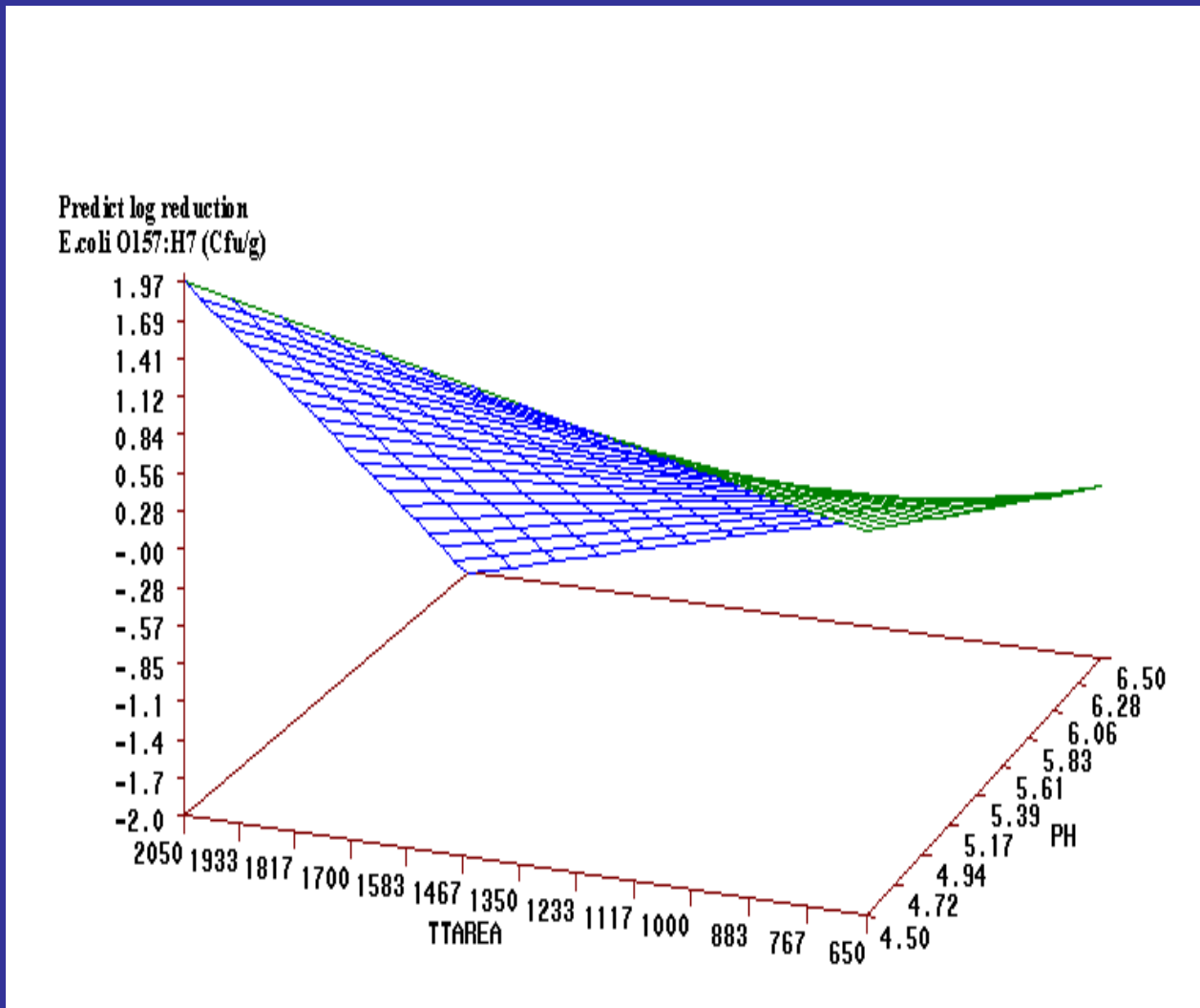
LINEAR REGRESSION - *E. COLI* O157 SURVIVAL IN FERMENTED SAUSAGE (MODEL A)



RESPONSE SURFACE GENERATED FOR MODEL A



RESPONSE SURFACE GENERATED FOR MODEL B



t_{area} = temp/time
area)

Pond et al.,
2001