```
if(!require("pacman")) install.packages("pacman")
pacman::p_load(tidyverse, reshape, reshape2, gplots, ggmap, cowplot, data.table, ggplot2, GGally, caret
Airfare.data = fread("Airfares.csv")
#Airfare.data = Airfare.data[,-19]
str(Airfare.data)
## Classes 'data.table' and 'data.frame': 638 obs. of 18 variables:
## $ S_CODE : chr
                    "*" "*" "*" "ORD" ...
                                                                                         MA" "Chicag
                    "Dallas/Fort Worth TX" "Atlanta
## $ S_CITY : chr
                                                                 GA" "Boston
## $ E CODE : chr
                    "*" "*" "*" ...
                                        TX" "Baltimore/Wash Intl MD" "Baltimore/Wash Intl MD" "Baltim
## $ E CITY : chr "Amarillo
## $ COUPON : num 1 1.06 1.06 1.06 1.06 1.01 1.28 1.15 1.33 1.6 ...
             : int 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 2 ...
## $ NEW
## $ VACATION: chr "No" "No" "No" "No" ...
            : chr "Yes" "No" "No" "Yes" ...
## $ SW
## $ HI
             : num 5292 5419 9185 2657 2657 ...
## $ S INCOME: num 28637 26993 30124 29260 29260 ...
## $ E_INCOME: num 21112 29838 29838 29838 ...
             : int 3036732 3532657 5787293 7830332 7830332 2230955 3036732 1440377 3770125 1694803 ...
## $ S_POP
              : \mathtt{int} \quad 205711 \ 7145897 \ 7145897 \ 7145897 \ 7145897 \ 7145897 \ 7145897 \ 7145897 \ 7145897 \ \dots 
## $ E_POP
## $ SLOT
             : chr "Free" "Free" "Free" "Controlled" ...
           : chr "Free" "Free" "Free" "Free" ...
## $ GATE
## $ DISTANCE: int 312 576 364 612 612 309 1220 921 1249 964 ...
             : int 7864 8820 6452 25144 25144 13386 4625 5512 7811 4657 ...
## $ PAX
             : num 64.1 174.5 207.8 85.5 85.5 ...
   $ FARE
## - attr(*, ".internal.selfref")=<externalptr>
Airfare = Airfare.data[, -c(1,2,3,4)] # Removing first 4 columns
summary(Airfare)
##
       COUPON
                                     VACATION
                                                          SW
                        NEW
## Min. :1.000
                   Min. :0.000
                                   Length:638
                                                     Length:638
##
  1st Qu.:1.040
                 1st Qu.:3.000
                                   Class : character
                                                     Class : character
## Median :1.150
                 Median:3.000
                                   Mode :character
                                                     Mode :character
                   Mean :2.754
## Mean :1.202
##
```

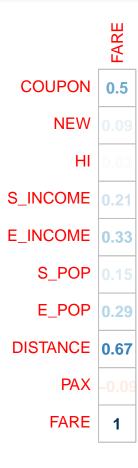
```
3rd Qu.:1.298
                 3rd Qu.:3.000
## Max. :1.940
                 Max. :3.000
##
        ΗI
                    S_{INCOME}
                                   E_{INCOME}
                                                  S_POP
## Min. : 1230
                                              Min. : 29838
                 Min. :14600
                                Min. :14600
## 1st Qu.: 3090
                 1st Qu.:24706
                                1st Qu.:23903
                                              1st Qu.:1862106
## Median : 4208
                 Median :28637
                                Median :26409
                                              Median :3532657
## Mean : 4442
                 Mean :27760
                                Mean :27664
                                              Mean :4557004
##
   3rd Qu.: 5481
                  3rd Qu.:29694
                                3rd Qu.:31981
                                              3rd Qu.:7830332
## Max. :10000
                 Max. :38813
                                Max. :38813
                                              Max. :9056076
##
      E POP
                       SLOT
                                        GATE
                                                        DISTANCE
## Min. : 111745 Length:638
                                   Length:638
                                                     Min. : 114.0
## 1st Qu.:1228816 Class:character Class:character
                                                     1st Qu.: 455.0
## Median :2195215 Mode :character Mode :character
                                                     Median: 850.0
## Mean :3194503
                                                      Mean : 975.7
```

```
3rd Qu.:1306.2
    3rd Qu.:4549784
           :9056076
                                                                      :2764.0
##
    Max.
                                                              Max.
                          FARE
##
         PAX
           : 1504
                            : 42.47
##
    Min.
                    Min.
    1st Qu.: 5328
                    1st Qu.:106.29
##
##
    Median : 7792
                    Median :144.60
    Mean
           :12782
                    Mean
                           :160.88
    3rd Qu.:14090
                    3rd Qu.:209.35
##
    Max.
           :73892
                    Max.
                            :402.02
```

Question 1)

Create a correlation table and scatterplots between FARE and the predictors. What seems to be the best single predictor of FARE? Explain your answer.

```
Airfare.corr = select_if(Airfare, is.numeric) # selecting the one which are numeric coorelation = corrplot(cor(Airfare.corr)[, 10 , drop = FALSE], method = "number" , cl.pos='n')
```

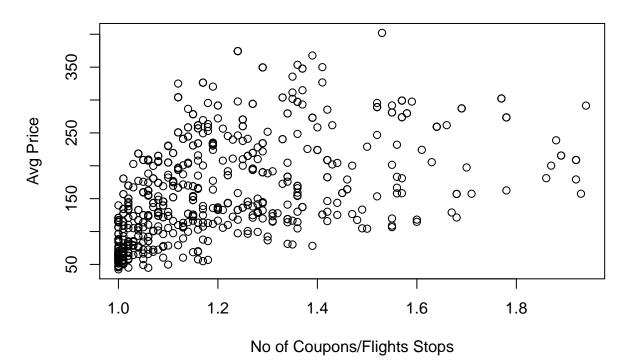


Answer 1)

From the above plot, it can be clearly seen that Distance is the best predictor of FARE with correlation value of 0.67. Since the correlation value is positive, it means that Distance and FARE are positively correlated, that is, with increase in Distance, FARE also increases. Below, we have created individual scatter plots to observe the behaviors of all the predictors with FARE.

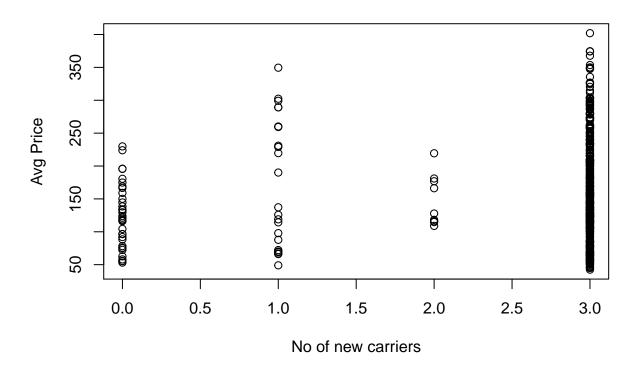
plot(x = Airfare COUPON, y = Airfare FARE, type = "p", main = "Relation between No of Coupons/Flights St

Relation between No of Coupons/Flights Stops and respective Fare



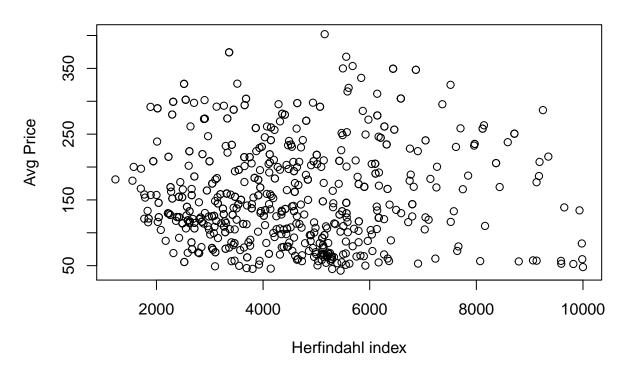
plot(x = Airfare\$PARE, type = "p", main = "Relation between No of new carriers and Fare

Relation between No of new carriers and Fare



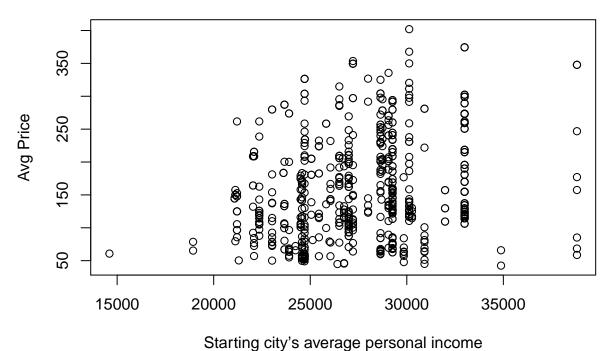
plot(x = Airfare\$HI, y = Airfare\$FARE,type = "p", main = "Relation between Herfindahl index and respect

Relation between Herfindahl index and respective Fare



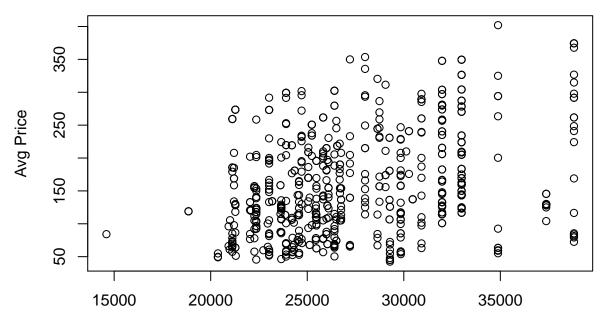
plot(x = Airfare\$S_INCOME, y = Airfare\$FARE, type = "p", main = "Relation between Starting city's average

Relation between Starting city's average personal income and Fare



plot(x = Airfare\$E_INCOME, y = Airfare\$FARE,type = "p", main = "Relation between Ending city's average)

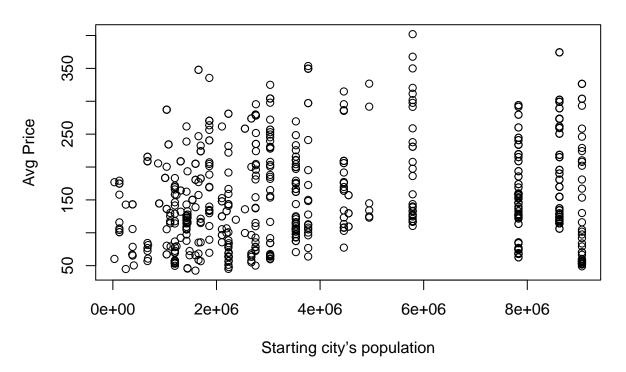
telation between Ending city's average personal income and respective



Ending city's average personal income

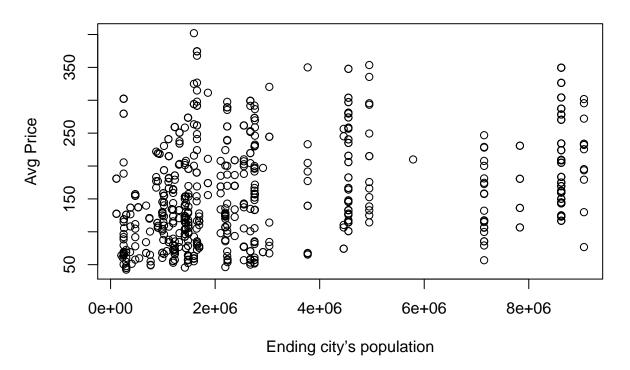
plot(x = Airfare\$S_POP, y = Airfare\$FARE, type = "p", main = "Relation between Starting city's population")

Relation between Starting city's population and Fare



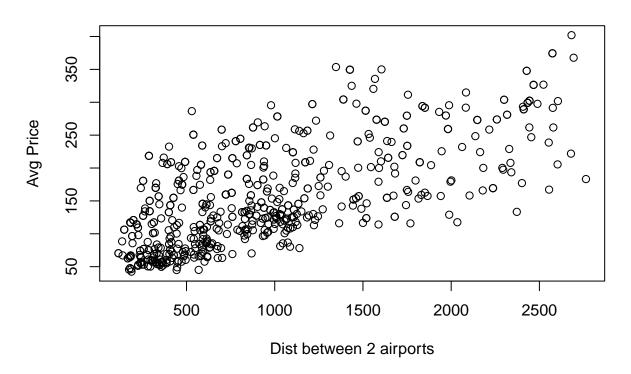
plot(x = Airfare\$E_POP, y = Airfare\$FARE, type = "p", main = "Relation between Ending city's population")

Relation between Ending city's population and respective Fare



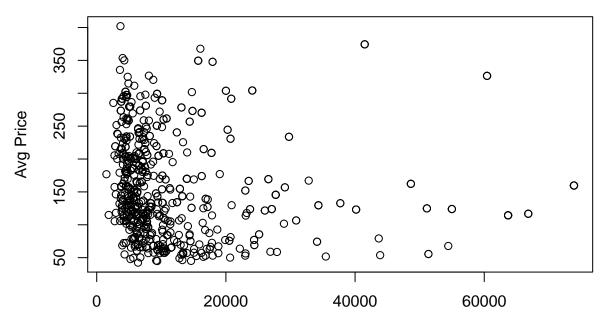
plot(x = Airfare\$DISTANCE, y = Airfare\$FARE, type = "p", main = "Relation between Distance and Fare", xl

Relation between Distance and Fare



plot(x = Airfare\$PAX, y = Airfare\$FARE, type = "p", main = "Relation between Number of passengers on tha

Relation between Number of passengers on that route and respective



Number of passengers on that route

Question 2)

Explore the categorical predictors by computing the percentage of flights in each category. Create a pivot table with the average fare in each category. Which categorical predictor seems best for predicting FARE? Explain your answer.

```
# PivotTable
air <- Airfare
Vacation_Pivot <- air %>%
        dplyr::select(VACATION,FARE) %>%
        group_by(VACATION) %>%
        summarise(VCount = length(VACATION), VTotal = nrow(air), VPercent = percent(length(VACATION)/nro
Vacation_Pivot
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
     VACATION VCount VTotal VPercent AvgFare
##
     <chr>
                      <int> <chr>
                                        <dbl>
##
               <int>
                        638 73.4%
                                         174.
## 1 No
                 468
## 2 Yes
                 170
                        638 26.6%
                                         126.
SW_Pivot <- air %>%
       dplyr:: select(SW,FARE) %>%
```

```
group_by(SW) %>%
        summarise(WCount = length(SW), WTotal = nrow(air), WPercent = percent(length(SW)/nrow(air)), Avg
SW_Pivot
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
    SW
           WCount WTotal WPercent AvgFare
     <chr> <int> <int> <chr>
                                    <dbl>
## 1 No
              444
                     638 69.6%
                                    188.
## 2 Yes
              194
                     638 30.4%
                                     98.4
Gate_Pivot <- air %>%
        dplyr::select(GATE,FARE) %>%
        group_by(GATE) %>%
        summarise(GCount = length(GATE),GTotal = nrow(air), GPercent = percent(length(GATE)/nrow(air)),
Gate_Pivot
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
##
    GATE
               GCount GTotal GPercent AvgFare
                 <int> <int> <chr>
                                          <dbl>
     <chr>
                           638 19.4%
                                           193.
## 1 Constrained
                   124
                           638 80.6%
## 2 Free
                    514
                                           153.
Slot_Pivot <- air %>%
       dplyr::select(SLOT,FARE) %>%
       group_by(SLOT) %>%
       summarise(SCount = length(SLOT),STotal = nrow(air), SPercent = percent(length(SLOT)/nrow(air)),
Slot_Pivot
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
##
              SCount STotal SPercent AvgFare
    SLOT
                <int> <int> <chr>
                                         <dbl>
     <chr>
                  182
                         638 28.5%
                                          186.
## 1 Controlled
## 2 Free
                          638 71.5%
                  456
                                          151.
```

Answer 2)

As seen above, there are 4 categorical predictors - VACATION, SW, GATE and SLOT. SW is a low-cost entrant and the average FARE is lowest for SW (98.38227), where it is serving the routes(YES). therefore, SW seems to be the most significant categorical predictor for calculating average FARE.

Question 3)

Create data partition by assigning 80% of the records to the training dataset. Use rounding if 80% of the index generates a fraction. Also, set the seed at 42.

```
# converting dummy variables

nrows<-NROW(Airfare)
Sample_size <-nrows*.8

set.seed(42)
train.index <- sample(c(1:638), Sample_size)
Airfare.training <- Airfare[train.index, ]
Airfare.test <- Airfare[-train.index, ]
summary(Airfare.training)</pre>
```

```
COUPON
##
                          NEW
                                       VACATION
                                                              SW
##
   Min.
           :1.000
                    Min.
                            :0.000
                                     Length:510
                                                         Length:510
##
    1st Qu.:1.040
                    1st Qu.:3.000
                                     Class : character
                                                         Class : character
   Median :1.150
                    Median :3.000
                                     Mode :character
                                                         Mode :character
##
   Mean
          :1.204
                    Mean
                           :2.749
##
    3rd Qu.:1.300
                    3rd Qu.:3.000
           :1.930
##
    Max.
                    Max.
                            :3.000
##
          ΗI
                        S_INCOME
                                        E_INCOME
                                                          S_POP
##
   Min.
           : 1230
                    Min.
                            :14600
                                     Min.
                                            :14600
                                                      Min.
                                                             : 29838
    1st Qu.: 3091
                    1st Qu.:24706
                                     1st Qu.:23903
##
                                                      1st Qu.:1862106
##
   Median : 4197
                    Median :28637
                                     Median :26409
                                                      Median :3532657
##
    Mean
          : 4468
                            :27854
                                            :27601
                    Mean
                                     Mean
                                                      Mean
                                                             :4532113
##
    3rd Qu.: 5537
                    3rd Qu.:29846
                                     3rd Qu.:31981
                                                      3rd Qu.:7830332
##
   Max.
           :10000
                    Max.
                            :38813
                                     Max.
                                             :38813
                                                      Max.
                                                             :9056076
##
        E POP
                           SLOT
                                               GATE
                                                                 DISTANCE
##
   Min.
           : 111745
                      Length:510
                                          Length:510
                                                              Min.
                                                                      : 114.0
   1st Qu.:1228816
                      Class : character
                                          Class : character
                                                              1st Qu.: 457.2
   Median :2195215
                      Mode : character
                                          Mode :character
                                                              Median: 865.0
##
                                                                      : 989.8
##
    Mean
           :3161555
                                                              Mean
    3rd Qu.:4549784
##
                                                              3rd Qu.:1389.0
##
   Max.
           :9056076
                                                              Max.
                                                                      :2764.0
##
         PAX
                          FARE
##
   Min.
           : 1504
                    Min.
                            : 42.47
##
   1st Qu.: 5284
                    1st Qu.:107.60
  Median : 7792
                    Median :143.44
##
   Mean
          :12584
                    Mean
                            :161.34
##
    3rd Qu.:13957
                    3rd Qu.:209.35
           :73892
##
   {\tt Max.}
                    Max.
                            :402.02
# 14 cols
# COUPON NEW VACATION SW HI S_INCOME E_INCOME
```

Question 4)

S_POP E_POP SLOT GATE DISTANCE PAX FARE

Using leaps package, run stepwise regression to reduce the number of predictors. Discuss the results from this model.

```
modelLr = lm(FARE ~., data = Airfare.training)
options(scipen = 999)
modelLr.stepwise <- step(modelLr, direction = "both")</pre>
## Start: AIC=3652.06
## FARE ~ COUPON + NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S INCOME + E INCOME +
      S_POP + E_POP + SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                              RSS
                                     AIC
## - COUPON
                     911 622732 3650.8
## - NEW
                     1459 623280 3651.3
              1
## - S_INCOME 1
                     1460 623281 3651.3
## <none>
                            621821 3652.1
## - E INCOME 1
                    17499 639320 3664.2
## - SLOT
                    17769 639590 3664.4
              1
## - PAX
              1
                    24441 646263 3669.7
## - E_POP
                    28296 650118 3672.8
              1
## - GATE
                    28881 650702 3673.2
              1
## - S POP
                    36680 658501 3679.3
              1
## - HI
                    76469 698290 3709.2
              1
## - SW
                   105205 727026 3729.8
              1
## - VACATION 1
                   113382 735204 3735.5
## - DISTANCE 1
                   417379 1039200 3912.0
## Step: AIC=3650.81
## FARE ~ NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S_INCOME + E_INCOME + S_POP +
      E_POP + SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                              RSS
                                      AIC
## - S_INCOME 1
                    1261 623994 3649.8
## - NEW
                     1678 624410 3650.2
              1
## <none>
                            622732 3650.8
## + COUPON
                     911 621821 3652.1
              1
## - E_INCOME 1
                    17126 639859 3662.6
## - SLOT
              1
                    18407 641139 3663.7
## - GATE
                    29285 652018 3672.2
              1
## - E POP
              1
                    29484 652217 3672.4
## - PAX
                    34128 656860 3676.0
              1
## - S POP
              1
                    36089 658821 3677.5
## - HI
              1
                    78594 701326 3709.4
## - SW
                   107735 730468 3730.2
              1
## - VACATION 1
                   114276 737009 3734.7
## - DISTANCE 1
                   824468 1447200 4078.9
##
## Step: AIC=3649.84
## FARE ~ NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP +
      SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
##
                              RSS
                                     AIC
## - NEW
              1
                     1697 625690 3649.2
## <none>
                            623994 3649.8
## + S INCOME 1
                     1261 622732 3650.8
## + COUPON
                     713 623281 3651.3
              1
```

```
## - E POP
                   28559 652552 3670.7
## - GATE
                   29766 653759 3671.6
              1
## - PAX
              1
                   32869 656863 3674.0
## - S POP
                  41722 665715 3680.8
              1
## - HI
              1
                  79501 703495 3709.0
## - SW
              1
                  126837 750831 3742.2
## - VACATION 1
                  128080 752073 3743.1
                  826967 1450960 4078.2
## - DISTANCE 1
## Step: AIC=3649.22
## FARE ~ VACATION + SW + HI + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP + SLOT +
      GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                             RSS
                                    AIC
## <none>
                          625690 3649.2
## + NEW
                    1697 623994 3649.8
## + S INCOME 1
                    1280 624410 3650.2
                    907 624783 3650.5
## + COUPON
              1
## - E INCOME 1
                   15649 641339 3659.8
## - SLOT
                   19217 644907 3662.6
              1
                   28766 654456 3670.1
## - E_POP
              1
## - GATE
                   29165 654856 3670.5
              1
## - PAX
                32706 658396 3673.2
              1
## - S POP
              1
                 42648 668338 3680.9
## - HI
                  78891 704581 3707.8
              1
                126577 752267 3741.2
## - SW
              1
## - VACATION 1
                  127066 752756 3741.5
## - DISTANCE 1
                  825966 1451656 4076.4
summary(modelLr.stepwise)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = FARE ~ VACATION + SW + HI + E INCOME + S POP + E POP +
      SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX, data = Airfare.training)
## Residuals:
      Min
               1Q Median
                              3Q
                                    Max
## -99.148 -22.077 -2.028 21.491 107.744
## Coefficients:
##
                                Std. Error t value
                                                             Pr(>|t|)
                   Estimate
## (Intercept) 42.0764345686 14.7566725244
                                            2.851
                                                             0.004534 **
## VACATIONYes -38.7574569132 3.8500841929 -10.067 < 0.00000000000000002 ***
## SWYes
              -40.5282166043 4.0337560764 -10.047 < 0.00000000000000002 ***
               0.0082681499 0.0010423739 7.932
                                                    0.000000000000143 ***
## HI
## E INCOME
                0.0014446281 0.0004089281
                                          3.533
                                                             0.000450 ***
               0.0000041850 0.0000007176 5.832
                                                    0.0000000098509604 ***
## S_POP
## E POP
               0.0000037791 0.0000007890
                                           4.790
                                                    0.0000022053722984 ***
## SLOTFree
              -16.8515659965 4.3045728245 -3.915
                                                             0.000103 ***
## GATEFree
             -21.2165142735 4.3991611435 -4.823
                                                   0.0000018824635124 ***
```

16167 640161 3660.9

20012 644006 3663.9

- E INCOME 1

1

- SLOT

DISTANCE

Answer 4)

We can see in the output that there are 4 models created and at every step, R has reduced one column. Finally, the last model where 3 columns- COUPON, S_INCOME, NEW (respectively) have been reduced, gives the lowest AIC and explains 77.59% of the data which is decent enough. All the colums in the model are significant, bt looking at the p-values and astericks.

Question 5)

Repeat the process in (4) using exhaustive search instead of stepwise regression. Compare the resulting best model to the one you obtained in (4) in terms of the predictors included in the final model.

```
search <- regsubsets(FARE ~ ., data = Airfare.training, nbest = 1 , nvmax = dim(Airfare.training)[2],
sum <- summary(search)

# show models
sum$which</pre>
```

```
##
      (Intercept) COUPON
                           NEW VACATIONYes SWYes
                                                     HI S INCOME E INCOME
## 1
                                     FALSE FALSE FALSE
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 2
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                     FALSE
                                            TRUE FALSE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 3
             TRUE
                  FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE FALSE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 4
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                 TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 5
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                  TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 6
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 7
             TRUE
                  FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                  TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 8
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                     TRUE
## 9
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                   TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                    FALSE
## 10
             TRUE FALSE FALSE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                  TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                     TRUE
## 11
             TRUE
                  FALSE
                          TRUE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                   TRUE
                                                           FALSE
                                                                     TRUE
                  FALSE
## 12
             TRUE
                          TRUE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                  TRUE
                                                            TRUE
                                                                     TRUE
## 13
             TRUE
                    TRUE TRUE
                                      TRUE
                                            TRUE
                                                  TRUE
                                                            TRUE
                                                                     TRUE
      S_POP E_POP SLOTFree GATEFree DISTANCE
##
                                               PAX
## 1
     FALSE FALSE
                     FALSE
                              FALSE
                                        TRUE FALSE
## 2 FALSE FALSE
                     FALSE
                              FALSE
                                        TRUE FALSE
## 3 FALSE FALSE
                     FALSE
                              FALSE
                                        TRUE FALSE
     FALSE FALSE
                     FALSE
                                        TRUE FALSE
## 4
                              FALSE
                      TRUE
## 5 FALSE FALSE
                              FALSE
                                        TRUE FALSE
```

```
FALSE FALSE
                     TRUE
                               TRUE
                                        TRUE FALSE
## 7
      TRUE TRUE
                    FALSE
                                        TRUE TRUE
                              FALSE
      TRUE TRUE
                                        TRUE TRUE
## 8
                    FALSE
                              FALSE
      TRUE TRUE
## 9
                               TRUE
                                        TRUE TRUE
                     TRUE
## 10 TRUE TRUE
                     TRUE
                               TRUE
                                        TRUE
                                             TRUE
## 11 TRUE TRUE
                     TRUE
                               TRUE
                                        TRUE TRUE
## 12 TRUE TRUE
                     TRUE
                               TRUE
                                        TRUE TRUE
## 13 TRUE TRUE
                      TRUE
                               TRUE
                                        TRUE TRUE
# show metrics
sum$adjr2 # the 12th model is best
    [1] 0.4156589 0.5777302 0.6948231 0.7210558 0.7340429 0.7536799 0.7574419
    [8] 0.7637820 0.7707638 0.7759090 0.7760679 0.7760708 0.7759476
##
          # the 10th model is best
sum$cp
    [1] 818.89220 451.53899 187.21153 128.72255 100.26346 56.99127 49.46286
##
        36.20326 21.56831 11.08605 11.73270 12.72670
          ### adj Rsq is maximum 0.7760708 in 12th model, but according to Mallow's cp, we get the best
sum$rsq
    [1] 0.4168069 0.5793894 0.6966218 0.7232479 0.7366555 0.7565835 0.7607777
    [8] 0.7674947 0.7748171 0.7803115 0.7809073 0.7813501 0.7816700
coefficient <- coef(search,12)</pre>
exhaustive.lm.model <- lm(FARE~NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S_INCOME + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP + SLOT +
options(scipen = 999)
exhaustive.lm.model.pred <- predict(exhaustive.lm.model,Airfare.test)</pre>
AccuracyES <- accuracy(exhaustive.lm.model.pred, Airfare.test$FARE)
```

Answer 5)

By comparing the model selected by exhaustive search and the model in 4th question above, we see that they are very similar. Exactly same 12 columns have been included/ excluded in the model. Rsquare: by considering values of all the models, we see that the 12th model has the highest Rsquare and adjusted Rsquare:0.77607.

#cp: we see that the 10th model has the best cp. since the difference with 11th model 11.08605-11 is lowest in the 10th model, we select the 10th model.

Question 6)

Compare the predictive accuracy of both models—stepwise regression and exhaustive search—using measures such as RMSE.

```
MACHINE_LEARNING_MODELS = c("Stepwise Regression", "Exhaustive Search")
ERROR = rbind(AccuracySR, AccuracyES)

df = cbind(MACHINE_LEARNING_MODELS, ERROR)
df
```

```
## Test set "Stepwise Regression" "3.06081020839502" "36.8617049624065" "3.06081020839502" "36.8617049624065" "3.44349560217131" "36.4118412058548" "4# Test set "27.7056762277249" "-5.93806225686087" "21.6214206121135" "47.2649304928755" "-5.39424849356953" "21.1002899245629"
```

Answer 6)

By looking at the RMSE values of both methods, we see that the difference is not very high. since the RMSE value for exhaustive search method model is lower, we can say that it has a slightly better fit than the other.

Question 7)

Using the exhaustive search model, predict the average fare on a route with the following characteristics: COUPON = 1.202, NEW = 3, VACATION = No, SW = No, HI = 4442.141, $S_{INCOME} = \$28,760$, $E_{INCOME} = \$27,664$, $S_{POP} = 4,557,004$, $E_{POP} = 3,195,503$, SLOT = Free, GATE = Free, PAX = 12,782, DISTANCE = 1976 miles.

AND

Question 8)

Predict the reduction in average fare on the route in question (7.), if Southwest decides to cover this route [using the exhaustive search model above].

```
## [1] "Exhaustive_pred_value_SWO"
```

modelLr\$coefficients["HI"]*4442.141 +

```
modelLr$coefficients["E_INCOME"]*27664 +
                             modelLr$coefficients["S_POP"]*4557004 +
                             modelLr$coefficients["E_POP"]*3195503 +
                             modelLr$coefficients["DISTANCE"]*1976 +
                             modelLr$coefficients["PAX"]*12782 +
                             modelLr$coefficients["(Intercept)"]
print("Exhaustive_pred_value_SW1")
## [1] "Exhaustive_pred_value_SW1"
print(Exhaustive_pred_value_SW1)
## VACATIONYes
##
      218.6155
# 218.6155
avg_reduction_fare <- Exhaustive_pred_value_SWO-Exhaustive_pred_value_SW1
print("AVERAGE REDUCTION FARE")
## [1] "AVERAGE REDUCTION FARE"
print(avg_reduction_fare)
## VACATIONYes
      38.95665
##
#38.95665
```

Answer 7 and 8)

We see that there is a reduction in Fare of \$38.95 when Southwest airline is not serving versus when it is serving the route.

Question 9)

Using leaps package, run backward selection regression to reduce the number of predictors. Discuss the results from this model.

```
modelLr = lm(FARE ~., data = Airfare.training)
bsearch <- step(modelLr, direction = "backward")</pre>
## Start: AIC=3652.06
## FARE ~ COUPON + NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S_INCOME + E_INCOME +
      S_POP + E_POP + SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                               RSS
                                      AIC
## - COUPON
            1
                      911 622732 3650.8
## - NEW
                    1459 623280 3651.3
              1
```

```
## - S_INCOME 1 1460 623281 3651.3
                         621821 3652.1
## <none>
## - E INCOME 1
                 17499 639320 3664.2
## - SLOT
                  17769 639590 3664.4
         1
## - PAX
             1
                  24441 646263 3669.7
## - E POP 1
                 28296 650118 3672.8
## - GATE
                 28881 650702 3673.2
            1
## - S POP
                 36680 658501 3679.3
            1
                 76469 698290 3709.2
## - HI
             1
## - SW
             1 105205 727026 3729.8
## - VACATION 1 113382 735204 3735.5
## - DISTANCE 1
                417379 1039200 3912.0
##
## Step: AIC=3650.81
## FARE ~ NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S_INCOME + E_INCOME + S_POP +
##
     E_POP + SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
            Df Sum of Sq
                            RSS
                                   AIC
## - S INCOME 1
                1261 623994 3649.8
                   1678 624410 3650.2
## - NEW
             1
## <none>
                         622732 3650.8
## - E INCOME 1
                  17126 639859 3662.6
## - SLOT
                  18407 641139 3663.7
          1
## - GATE
             1
                  29285 652018 3672.2
## - E_POP
            1 29484 652217 3672.4
## - PAX
            1
                 34128 656860 3676.0
## - S_POP
             1 36089 658821 3677.5
                 78594 701326 3709.4
## - HI
             1
## - SW
             1 107735 730468 3730.2
## - VACATION 1 114276 737009 3734.7
## - DISTANCE 1
                  824468 1447200 4078.9
##
## Step: AIC=3649.84
## FARE ~ NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP +
##
      SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
            Df Sum of Sq
                            RSS
                                  AIC
## - NEW
                   1697 625690 3649.2
             1
## <none>
                         623994 3649.8
## - E_INCOME 1
                 16167 640161 3660.9
## - SLOT
                  20012 644006 3663.9
         1
## - E POP
                  28559 652552 3670.7
             1
            1 29766 653759 3671.6
## - GATE
## - PAX
            1 32869 656863 3674.0
## - S POP
                 41722 665715 3680.8
            1
## - HI
                 79501 703495 3709.0
             1
## - SW
             1
                  126837 750831 3742.2
## - VACATION 1
               128080 752073 3743.1
## - DISTANCE 1
               826967 1450960 4078.2
##
## Step: AIC=3649.22
## FARE ~ VACATION + SW + HI + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP + SLOT +
##
      GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
```

```
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                             RSS
                                   AIC
## <none>
                          625690 3649.2
## - E INCOME 1
                   15649 641339 3659.8
## - SLOT
                   19217 644907 3662.6
             1
## - E POP
             1
                   28766 654456 3670.1
## - GATE
             1
                   29165 654856 3670.5
## - PAX
             1
                  32706 658396 3673.2
## - S POP
             1
                  42648 668338 3680.9
## - HI
              1
                   78891 704581 3707.8
## - SW
              1
                  126577 752267 3741.2
## - VACATION 1
                  127066 752756 3741.5
## - DISTANCE 1
                  825966 1451656 4076.4
summary(bsearch) # Which variables were dropped?
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = FARE ~ VACATION + SW + HI + E INCOME + S POP + E POP +
      SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX, data = Airfare.training)
##
## Residuals:
               1Q Median
                              3Q
      Min
                                    Max
## -99.148 -22.077 -2.028 21.491 107.744
##
## Coefficients:
##
                   Estimate
                               Std. Error t value
                                                             Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 42.0764345686 14.7566725244
                                            2.851
                                                             0.004534 **
## VACATIONYes -38.7574569132 3.8500841929 -10.067 < 0.00000000000000002 ***
## SWYes
             -40.5282166043 4.0337560764 -10.047 < 0.00000000000000002 ***
               0.0082681499 0.0010423739
## HI
                                           7.932
                                                   0.00000000000143 ***
               0.0014446281 0.0004089281
## E_INCOME
                                          3.533
                                                             0.000450 ***
## S_POP
               0.0000041850 0.0000007176 5.832
                                                   0.000000098509604 ***
## E POP
               0.0000037791 0.0000007890 4.790
                                                   0.0000022053722984 ***
             -16.8515659965 4.3045728245 -3.915
## SLOTFree
                                                             0.000103 ***
## GATEFree
             -21.2165142735 4.3991611435 -4.823
                                                   0.0000018824635124 ***
               ## DISTANCE
## PAX
              -0.0007619280 0.0001491869 -5.107
                                                   0.0000004660838631 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 35.41 on 499 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7803, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7759
## F-statistic: 177.2 on 10 and 499 DF, p-value: < 0.00000000000000022
```

```
#coupon, new, s_income
# this backward selection model, with the lowest AIC, also dropped the same 3 variables - coupon, new,
```

Answer 9)

Looking at the results, we can say the following:

p-value is quite low for all the columns, which means all the columns are significant enough.

By looking at the Ajusted R-squared, we see that the model explains 77.59% of the data.

By looking at the coefficients, we see that there is a negative linear relation between FARE and predictors- VACATIONYes, SWYes, SLOTFree, GATEFre and PAX. Rest of the predictors have a positive linear relation with FARE.

Question 10)

Now run a backward selection model using stepAIC() function. Discuss the results from this model, including the role of AIC in this model.

```
#MASS package
modelLr = lm(FARE ~., data = Airfare.training)
b stepaic search <- stepAIC(modelLr, direction = "backward")</pre>
## Start: AIC=3652.06
## FARE ~ COUPON + NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S_INCOME + E_INCOME +
##
       S POP + E POP + SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
              Df Sum of Sq
                                RSS
                                       AIC
## - COUPON
                        911
               1
                            622732 3650.8
## - NEW
                             623280 3651.3
               1
                       1459
## - S_INCOME
                       1460
                             623281 3651.3
               1
## <none>
                             621821 3652.1
## - E_INCOME
                      17499
                             639320 3664.2
               1
## - SLOT
               1
                      17769
                             639590 3664.4
## - PAX
                      24441
                             646263 3669.7
               1
## - E POP
               1
                      28296
                             650118 3672.8
## - GATE
               1
                      28881
                             650702 3673.2
## - S POP
               1
                      36680
                             658501 3679.3
## - HI
               1
                      76469
                             698290 3709.2
## - SW
                    105205
                             727026 3729.8
               1
## - VACATION
               1
                     113382 735204 3735.5
## - DISTANCE
                    417379 1039200 3912.0
## Step: AIC=3650.81
## FARE ~ NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S_INCOME + E_INCOME + S_POP +
##
       E_POP + SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
              Df Sum of Sq
                                RSS
                                       AIC
## - S_INCOME
                       1261
                             623994 3649.8
               1
## - NEW
                       1678
                             624410 3650.2
               1
## <none>
                             622732 3650.8
## - E_INCOME
                      17126
                             639859 3662.6
               1
## - SLOT
               1
                      18407
                             641139 3663.7
## - GATE
                            652018 3672.2
               1
                      29285
```

```
## - E POP
                    29484 652217 3672.4
             1
## - PAX
                    34128 656860 3676.0
              1
## - S POP
              1
                    36089 658821 3677.5
## - HI
                    78594 701326 3709.4
              1
## - SW
              1
                   107735 730468 3730.2
## - VACATION 1
                   114276 737009 3734.7
## - DISTANCE 1
                   824468 1447200 4078.9
##
## Step: AIC=3649.84
## FARE ~ NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP +
      SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                              RSS
                                     AIC
## - NEW
                     1697 625690 3649.2
## <none>
                            623994 3649.8
## - E_INCOME 1
                    16167 640161 3660.9
## - SLOT
                    20012 644006 3663.9
              1
## - E POP
              1
                    28559 652552 3670.7
## - GATE
                    29766 653759 3671.6
              1
## - PAX
              1
                    32869 656863 3674.0
## - S POP
              1
                    41722 665715 3680.8
## - HI
              1
                    79501 703495 3709.0
## - SW
                   126837 750831 3742.2
              1
## - VACATION 1
                   128080 752073 3743.1
## - DISTANCE 1
                   826967 1450960 4078.2
## Step: AIC=3649.22
## FARE ~ VACATION + SW + HI + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP + SLOT +
      GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                              RSS
                                     AIC
## <none>
                            625690 3649.2
## - E_INCOME 1
                    15649 641339 3659.8
## - SLOT
                    19217 644907 3662.6
              1
## - E POP
              1
                    28766 654456 3670.1
## - GATE
                    29165 654856 3670.5
              1
## - PAX
              1
                    32706 658396 3673.2
## - S POP
                    42648 668338 3680.9
              1
## - HI
              1
                    78891 704581 3707.8
## - SW
                   126577 752267 3741.2
              1
## - VACATION 1
                   127066 752756 3741.5
## - DISTANCE 1
                   825966 1451656 4076.4
summary(b_stepaic_search)
##
## lm(formula = FARE ~ VACATION + SW + HI + E_INCOME + S_POP + E_POP +
      SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX, data = Airfare.training)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
## -99.148 -22.077 -2.028 21.491 107.744
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
##
                                 Std. Error t value
                                                               Pr(>|t|)
                    Estimate
## (Intercept) 42.0764345686 14.7566725244
                                             2.851
                                                               0.004534 **
## VACATIONYes -38.7574569132 3.8500841929 -10.067 < 0.00000000000000000 ***
## SWYes
              -40.5282166043
                              4.0337560764 -10.047 < 0.0000000000000000 ***
## HI
                                             7.932
                                                     0.000000000000143 ***
                0.0082681499 0.0010423739
## E INCOME
                0.0014446281 0.0004089281
                                             3.533
                                                               0.000450 ***
## S POP
                0.0000041850 0.0000007176
                                             5.832
                                                     0.0000000098509604 ***
## E POP
                0.0000037791
                               0.0000007890
                                             4.790
                                                     0.0000022053722984 ***
## SLOTFree
              -16.8515659965 4.3045728245 -3.915
                                                               0.000103 ***
## GATEFree
              -21.2165142735
                               4.3991611435
                                            -4.823
                                                     0.0000018824635124 ***
## DISTANCE
                               0.0028704349 25.666 < 0.000000000000000 ***
                0.0736714582
                                                     0.0000004660838631 ***
## PAX
               -0.0007619280
                              0.0001491869 -5.107
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 35.41 on 499 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7803, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7759
## F-statistic: 177.2 on 10 and 499 DF, p-value: < 0.000000000000000022
```

b_stepaic_search\$anova

```
## Stepwise Model Path
## Analysis of Deviance Table
##
## Initial Model:
## FARE ~ COUPON + NEW + VACATION + SW + HI + S_INCOME + E_INCOME +
       S_POP + E_POP + SLOT + GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
## Final Model:
## FARE ~ VACATION + SW + HI + E INCOME + S POP + E POP + SLOT +
##
       GATE + DISTANCE + PAX
##
##
           Step Df Deviance Resid. Df Resid. Dev
##
## 1
                                   496
                                         621821.3 3652.059
      - COUPON 1 911.0487
                                   497
                                         622732.4 3650.805
## 3 - S_INCOME
                                   498
                                         623993.5 3649.837
                1 1261.1907
         - NEW 1 1696.6579
                                   499
                                         625690.2 3649.222
```

Answer 10)

If we compare the model above, bsearch, and this model, we see that both are exactly same with same value for AIC. We see that with every step, one insignificant variable is getting eliminated thus lowering the value of AIC. We finally compare the values of AIC and choose the model with the lowest AIC for the best fit.