

STATS 500 Homework 1

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1. Chapter 1, problem 2 (page 12)

The dataset `uswages` is drawn as a sample from the Current Population Survey in 1988. Make a numerical and graphical summary of the data, commenting on any features that you find interesting.

Take a look at the data:

```
> uswages[1:10,]
      wage educ exper race smsa ne mw so we pt
6085 771.60  18   18   0   1  1  0  0  0  0
23701 617.28  15   20   0   1  0  0  0  1  0
16208 957.83  16    9   0   1  0  0  1  0  0
2720  617.28  12   24   0   1  1  0  0  0  0
9723  902.18  14   12   0   1  0  1  0  0  0
22239 299.15  12   33   0   1  0  0  0  1  0
14379 541.31  16   42   0   1  0  0  1  0  1
12878 148.39  16    0   0   1  0  1  0  0  1
23121 273.19  12   36   0   1  0  0  0  1  1
13086 666.67  12   37   0   0  0  1  0  0  0
dim(uswages)
[1] 2000  10
```

Comment:

There are two thousands of people in the data.

Summary of data:

```
> summary(uswages)
      wage      educ      exper      race      smsa
Min.   : 50.39 Min.   : 0.00 Min.   :-2.00 Min.   :0.000 Min.   :0.000
1st Qu.:308.64 1st Qu.:12.00 1st Qu.: 8.00 1st Qu.:0.000 1st Qu.:1.000
Median :522.32 Median :12.00 Median :15.00 Median :0.000 Median :1.000
Mean   :608.12 Mean   :13.11 Mean   :18.41 Mean   :0.078 Mean   :0.756
3rd Qu.:783.48 3rd Qu.:16.00 3rd Qu.:27.00 3rd Qu.:0.000 3rd Qu.:1.000
Max.   :7716.05 Max.   :18.00 Max.   :59.00 Max.   :1.000 Max.   :1.000

      ne      mw      so      we      pt
Min.   :0.000 Min.   :0.0000 Min.   :0.0000 Min.   :0.00 Min.   :0.0000
1st Qu.:0.000 1st Qu.:0.0000 1st Qu.:0.0000 1st Qu.:0.00 1st Qu.:0.0000
Median :0.000 Median :0.0000 Median :0.0000 Median :0.00 Median :0.0000
Mean   :0.229 Mean   :0.2485 Mean   :0.3125 Mean   :0.21 Mean   :0.0925
3rd Qu.:0.000 3rd Qu.:0.0000 3rd Qu.:1.0000 3rd Qu.:0.00 3rd Qu.:0.0000
Max.   :1.000 Max.   :1.0000 Max.   :1.0000 Max.   :1.00 Max.   :1.0000
```

Comment:

The wages range is (50.4-7716.1), which is a pretty big range.

The median and mean number of "educ" are both around 13, which means most of the people in this data do not have a college degree.

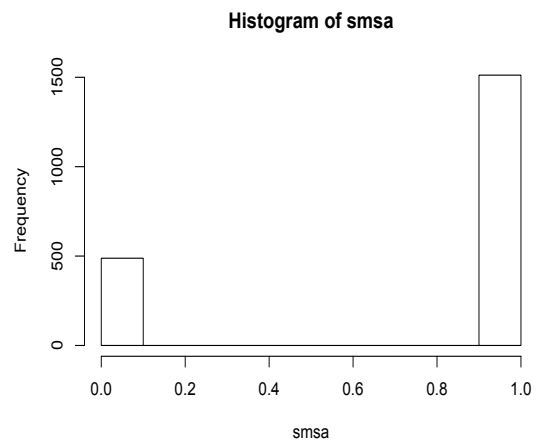
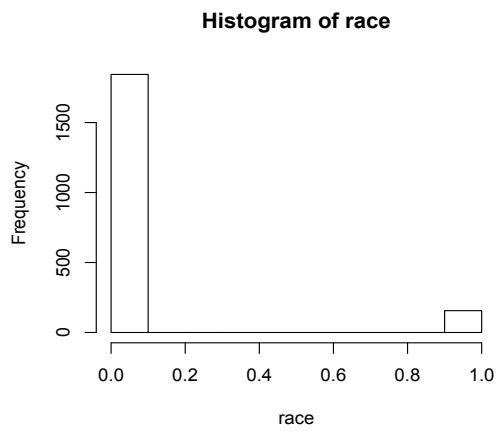
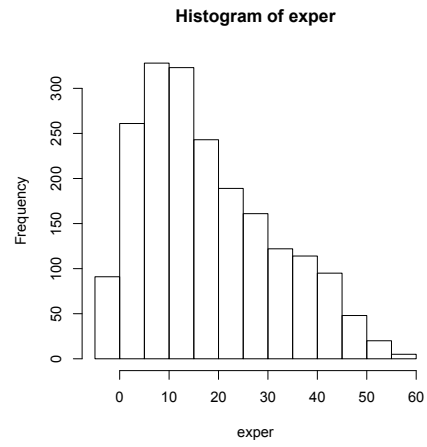
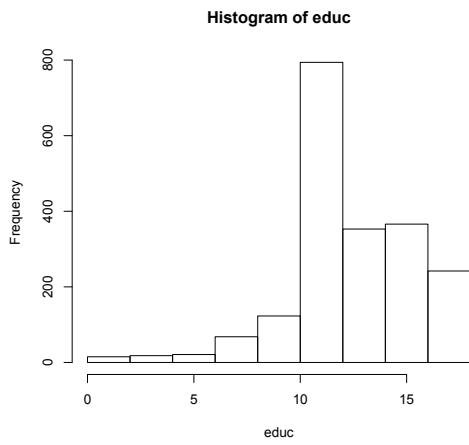
Most of the people in data work more than 15 years and they are mostly black people, also live in Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Just 9.25% of the people in data take part-time job.

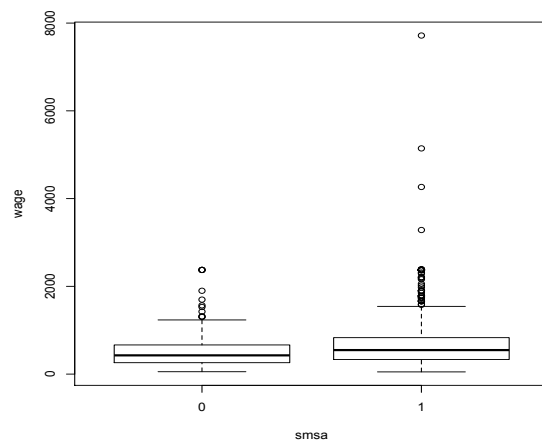
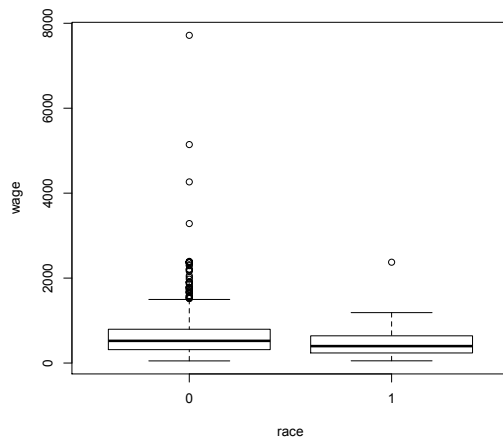
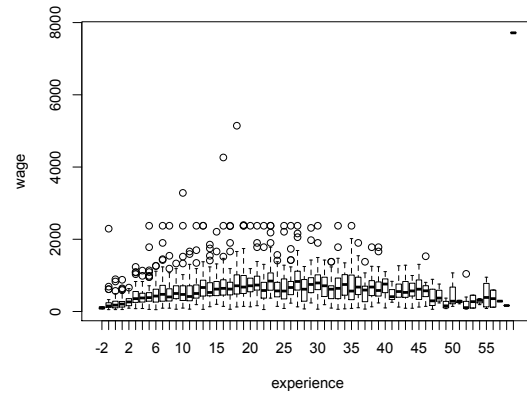
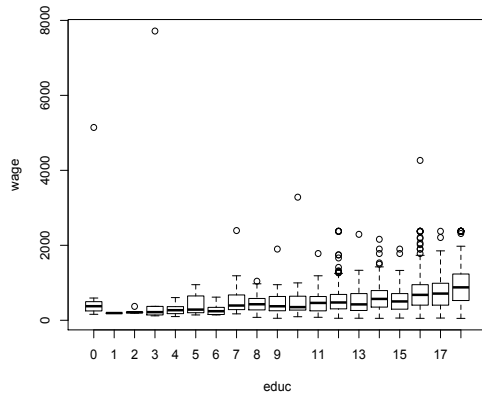
Question not solved:

How come a people get -2 years' experience?

Histograms:



How factors impact on wage:



Comment:

- 1) First diagram shows that the more education people get, the more wage they get.
- 2) Second diagram shows that in the first 20 years in career, the more experience people have, the more wage they get.
But it appears exactly opposite when people's experience is more than twenty years, especially when they have 50 years' working experience. It keep getting worse and worse.
- 3) It shows that white people have more wages than the black.
- 4) The people in Metropolitan Statistical Area get more wage than the people don't live in this area.

2. Determine which of the following models for the dependency of y on $x = (x_1; x_2; \dots; x_p)$ are linear models according to the definitions in class. If they are not linear models, determine if there are transformations that could be applied to make them linear models { if this is the case, be explicit about the transformations and the (unknown) parameters in this transformed model.

(a) $X = x_1$ and $f(x) = \beta_0 + \sin(x_1)$

This is a linear model.

(b) $X = x_1$ and $f(x) = \beta_1 e^{\beta_2 x_1}$

This is not a linear model.

Transformation: $\ln f(x) = \ln \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_1$
 $f^*(x) = \beta_1^* + \beta_2 x_1$

(c) $X = x_1$ and $f(x) = \beta_0 + \beta_1 e^{\beta_2 x_1}$

This is not a ~~linear~~ linear model.

And there is no transformation.

(d) $X = (x_1, x_2)$ and $f(x) = \beta_1 e^{\beta_2 x_1} + \beta_3 x_2$

This is not a linear model.

And There is no transformation.

(e) $X = (x_1, x_2)$ and $f(x) = \beta_1 e^{\beta_2 x_1} x_2^{\beta_3}$

This is not a linear model

Transformation: $\ln f(x) = \ln \beta_1 + \beta_2 x_1 + \beta_3 \ln x_2$
 $f^*(x) = \beta_1^* + \beta_2 x_1 + \beta_3 \ln x_2$