

STOR 455 Homework #4

20 points - Due Thursday 10/5 at 12:30pm

Theory Part

Below is an ANOVA table of a simple linear model. Complete this table by filling in missing values.

	Df	Sum of Squares	Mean of Squares	F value
Model	1	4.260	4.260	20.882
Residuals	212	42.974	0.204	20.882
Total	213	47.234	0.223	20.882

Computing Part

Instructions: You may (and should) collaborate with other students. However, you must complete the assignment by yourself. You should complete this assignment in an R Notebook, including all calculations, plots, and explanations. Make use of the white space outside of the R chunks for your explanations rather than using comments inside of the chunks. For your submission, you should knit the notebook to PDF (it is usually smoother first knit to Word then save the file as pdf) and submit the file to Gradescope. The submitted PDF should not be longer than 20 pages.

Situation: Suppose that you are interested in purchasing a used vehicle. How much should you expect to pay? Obviously the price will depend on the type of vehicle that you get (the model) and how much it's been used. For this assignment you will investigate how the price might depend on the vehicle's year and mileage.

Data Source: To get a sample of vehicles, begin with the UsedCars CSV file (posted on Sakai). The data was acquired by scraping TrueCar.com for used vehicle listings on 9/24/2017 and contains more than 1.2 million used vehicles. For this assignment you will choose a vehicle *Model* from a US company for which there are at least 100 of that model listed for sale in North Carolina. Note that whether the companies are US companies or not is not contained within the data. It is up to you to determine which *Make* of vehicles are from US companies. After constructing a subset of the UsedCars data under these conditions, check to make sure that there is a reasonable amount of variability in the years for your vehicle, with a range of at least six years.

Directions: The code below should walk you through the process of selecting data from a particular model vehicle of your choice. Each of the following two R chunks begin with `{r, eval=FALSE}`. `eval=FALSE` makes these chunks not run when I knit the file. **Before you knit these chunks, you should revert them to `{r}`.**

```
library(readr)
```

```
# This line will only run if the UsedCars.csv is stored in the same directory as this notebook!  
UsedCars <- read_csv("UsedCars.csv")
```

```
## Rows: 1048575 Columns: 9
## -- Column specification -----
## Delimiter: ","
## chr (5): City, State, Vin, Make, Model
## dbl (4): Id, Price, Year, Mileage
##
## i Use 'spec()' to retrieve the full column specification for this data.
## i Specify the column types or set 'show_col_types = FALSE' to quiet this message.
```

```
StateHW4 = "NC"
```

```
# Creates a dataframe with the number of each model for sale in North Carolina
Vehicles = as.data.frame(table(UsedCars$Model[UsedCars$State==StateHW4]))
```

```
# Renames the variables
names(Vehicles)[1] = "Model"
names(Vehicles)[2] = "Count"
```

```
# Restricts the data to only models with at least 100 for sale
# Vehicles from non US companies are contained in this data
# Before submitting, comment this out so that it doesn't print while knitting
Enough_Vehicles = subset(Vehicles, Count>=100)
Enough_Vehicles
```

```
##           Model Count
## 21      200Limited  191
## 34              3   477
## 74              5   174
## 130      AcadiaAWD  103
## 131      AcadiaFWD  259
## 139      Accord    776
## 141      AccordEX-L 132
## 149      Altima2.5  779
## 153      Altima4dr  131
## 245      CamaroCoupe 322
## 247      Camry4dr   106
## 251      CamrySE    133
## 284      ChallengerR/T 123
## 309      CherokeeLatitude 108
## 315      Civic     509
## 324      CivicLX    135
## 355      ColoradoCrew 112
## 384      Cooper     237
## 394      Corvette2dr 101
## 405      CR-VEX     127
## 406      CR-VEX-L   231
## 407      CR-VLX     115
## 423      Cruze1LT   120
## 434      CruzeSedan  185
## 438      CTS        132
## 464      DartSXT    124
## 500      EdgeSEL    205
## 504      Elantra4dr  178
## 508      ElantraSE   164
```

## 521	EnclaveLeather	144
## 545	EquinoxAWD	129
## 546	EquinoxFWD	454
## 550	ES	220
## 563	EscapeFWD	219
## 568	EscapeSE	230
## 570	EscapeTitanium	133
## 573	ESES	109
## 598	ExplorerLimited	138
## 603	ExplorerXLT	258
## 606	F-1502WD	225
## 607	F-1504WD	623
## 613	F-150Lariat	142
## 623	F-150XLT	332
## 685	FocusHatchback	161
## 689	FocusSE	181
## 690	FocusSedan	195
## 707	ForteLX	115
## 734	FusionSE	414
## 737	FusionTitanium	115
## 754	G37	124
## 801	Grand	1066
## 874	IS	158
## 876	Jetta	115
## 902	LaCrosseFWD	109
## 962	Malibu1LT	121
## 973	MalibuLS	121
## 974	MalibuLT	243
## 997	Mazda3i	128
## 1062	Mustang2dr	138
## 1070	MustangFastback	152
## 1071	MustangGT	151
## 1102	OdysseyEX-L	176
## 1109	OptimaEX	142
## 1111	OptimaLX	317
## 1161	PatriotSport	132
## 1166	PilotEX-L	122
## 1244	Ram	289
## 1305	RogueS	149
## 1307	RogueSV	148
## 1311	Rover	190
## 1316	RX	237
## 1318	RXXRX	119
## 1352	Santa	386
## 1367	SedonaLX	111
## 1372	SentraS	149
## 1375	SentraSV	159
## 1389	Sierra	770
## 1390	Silverado	1807
## 1410	Sonata2.4L	224
## 1411	Sonata4dr	208
## 1428	SorentoLX	263
## 1431	Soul+	114
## 1433	SoulAutomatic	155

```
## 1463      SRXLuxury  109
## 1476      Suburban4WD 166
## 1479      Super    428
## 1483      Tacoma4WD 127
## 1488      Tahoe2WD  103
## 1490      Tahoe4WD  217
## 1506      TerrainFWD 212
## 1540      Town     250
## 1544      Transit   159
## 1548      TraverseFWD 162
## 1577      Tundra    109
## 1607      Versa     114
## 1625      Wrangler   604
## 1731      Yukon     176
## 1734      Yukon4WD   135
```

```
# Delete the ** below and enter the model that you chose from the Enough_Vehicles data.
ModelOfMyChoice = "Civic"
```

```
# Takes a subset of your model vehicle from North Carolina
MyVehicles = subset(UsedCars, Model==ModelOfMyChoice & State==StateHW4)
```

```
# Check to make sure that the vehicles span at least 6 years.
range(MyVehicles$Year)
```

```
## [1] 2005 2017
```

Questions

Q1

Construct a model using two predictors *Year* and *Mileage* with *Price* as the response variable and provide the summary output. Comment on the diagnostic plots.

In the Residual versus Fitted Value plot, the relationship appears to deviate from linearity, suggesting that the linearity assumption may not hold. However, the residuals exhibit a zero-mean, indicating an approximate balance in positive and negative errors. From the histogram, it's evident that the distribution is roughly normal with an Uniform spread. While the Scale-Location plot displays a bell-shaped pattern, implying reasonably constant variance, the linearity assumption still raises concerns. In terms of independence, Price and Year+Mileage appear to be largely independent. Yet, the normal Q-Q plot reveals deviations in the upper tail portion (more degree of freedoms may cause this), indicating a potential violation of the normal distribution assumption for the errors. Further analysis and potentially nonlinear modeling may be warranted to enhance the model's fit.

```
#
library(olsrr)

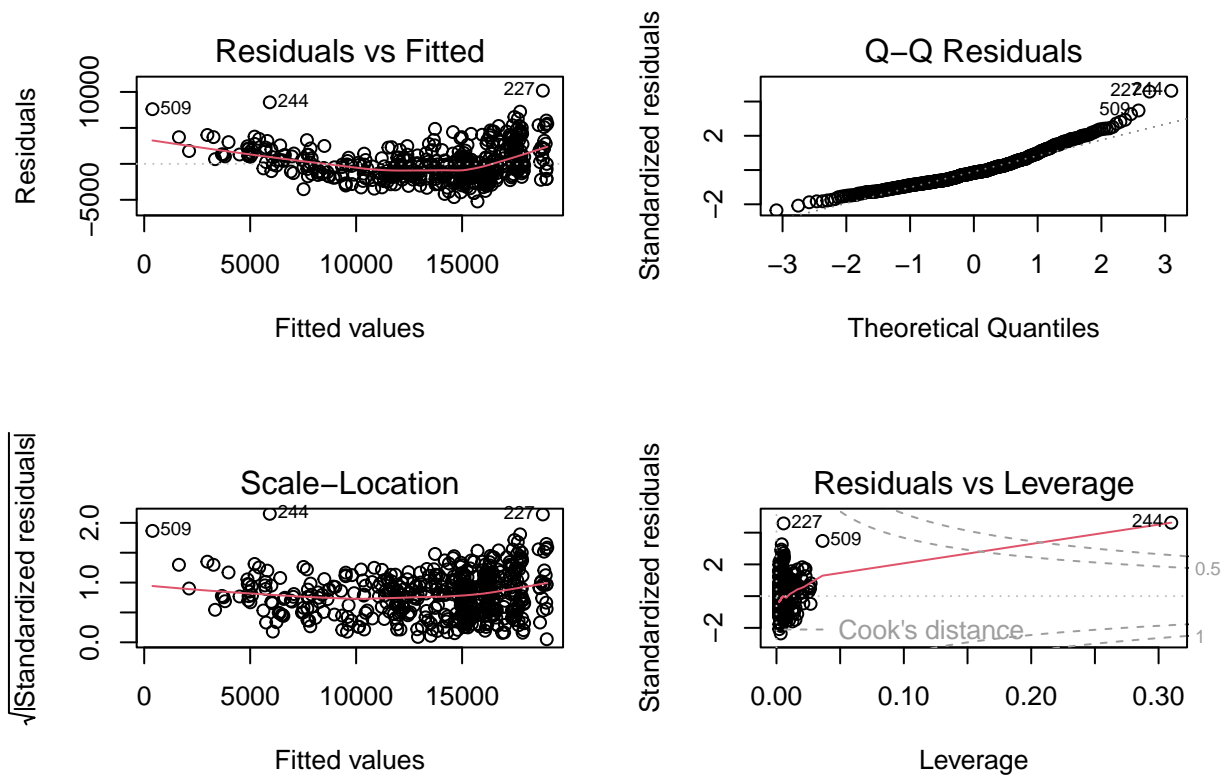
##
## Attaching package: 'olsrr'

## The following object is masked from 'package:datasets':
##
##      rivers

modq1 = lm(Price~Mileage+Year, data=MyVehicles)
summary(modq1)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Price ~ Mileage + Year, data = MyVehicles)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -5227.9 -1589.0  -352.8   1182.2  10177.8
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -2.101e+06  1.138e+05 -18.460  < 2e-16 ***
## Mileage      -2.561e-02  3.587e-03  -7.139 3.29e-12 ***
## Year          1.051e+03  5.646e+01  18.617  < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2227 on 506 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7517, Adjusted R-squared:  0.7507
## F-statistic: 765.7 on 2 and 506 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16

par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(modq1)
```

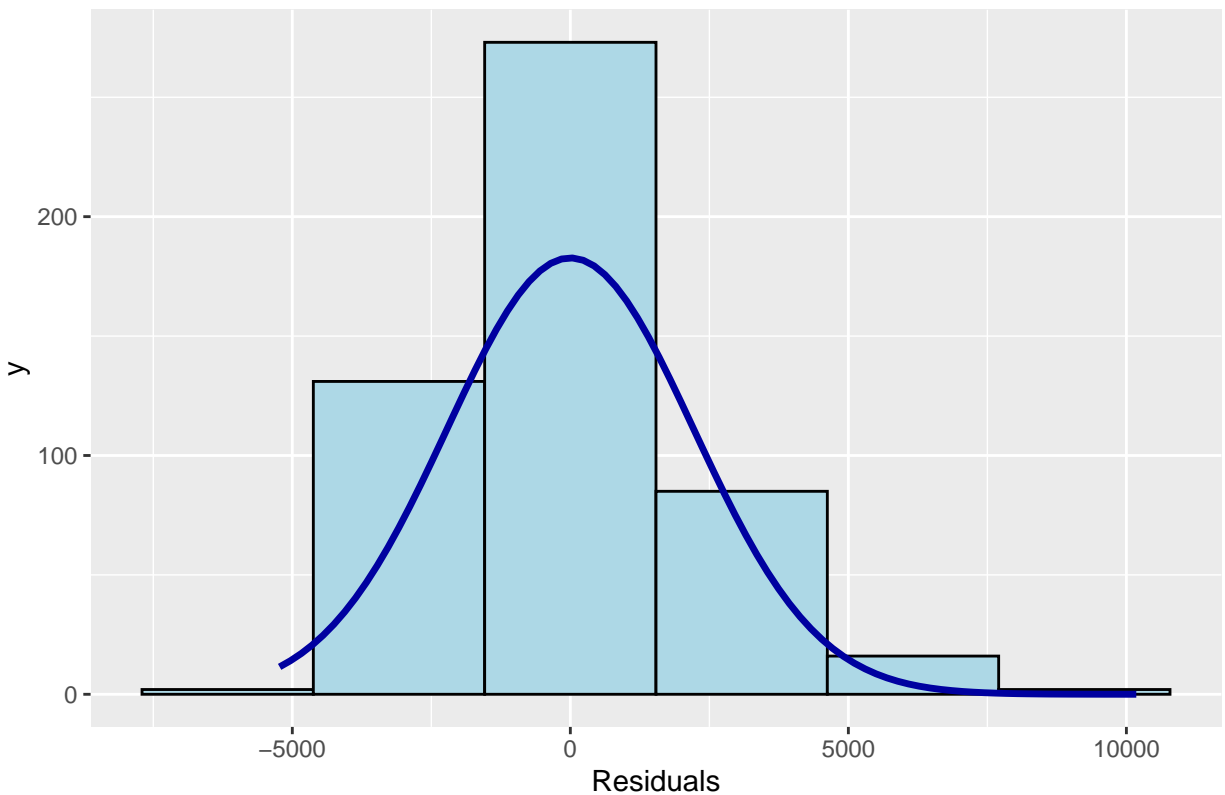


```
mean(modq1$residuals)
```

```
## [1] 1.587423e-13
```

```
ols_plot_resid_hist(modq1)
```

Residual Histogram



Q2

Assess the importance of each of the predictors in the regression model - be sure to indicate the specific value(s) from the summary output you are using to make the assessments. Include hypotheses and conclusions in context.

Year: Null Hypothesis is the coefficient for the “Year” predictor is zero (Year has no effect on Price). Alternative Hypothesis is the coefficient for the “Year” predictor is not zero (Year has an effect on Price). P-value is below the .05 threshold (2.2e-16 is the p-value), we reject the null hypothesis, indicating that “Year” is a significant predictor of “Price.”

Mileage: Null Hypothesis is the coefficient for the “Mileage” predictor is zero (Mileage has no effect on Price). Alternative Hypothesis is the coefficient for the “Mileage” predictor is not zero (Mileage has an effect on Price). p-value is below the threshold of .05 (2.2e-16 is the p-value), we reject the null hypothesis, indicating that “Mileage” is a significant predictor of “Price.”

Therefore, For my model both p-values for the Year and Mileage predictors are well below 0.05, hence they are significant and useful in the model.

```
#  
md1 = lm(Price~Year, data = MyVehicles)  
md2 = lm(Price~Mileage, data = MyVehicles)  
summary(md1)
```

```
##  
## Call:
```

```
## lm(formula = Price ~ Year, data = MyVehicles)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -5609.8 -1636.2  -386.2  1280.6 10148.7
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -2.734e+06  7.484e+04  -36.53  <2e-16 ***
## Year         1.365e+03  3.718e+01   36.71  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2334 on 507 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.7266, Adjusted R-squared:  0.7261
## F-statistic: 1348 on 1 and 507 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
summary(md2)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Price ~ Mileage, data = MyVehicles)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -7647.6 -1807.3  -519.1  1283.3 26776.7
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  1.795e+04  2.048e+02   87.63  <2e-16 ***
## Mileage      -7.757e-02  2.922e-03  -26.54  <2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2888 on 507 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.5815, Adjusted R-squared:  0.5807
## F-statistic: 704.6 on 1 and 507 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Q3

Assess the overall effectiveness of this model (with a formal test). Again, be sure to include hypotheses and the specific value(s) you are using from the summary output to reach a conclusion.

Null Hypothesis is all the coefficients for the predictors are zero, implying that none of the predictors have an effect on Price (the model has no explanatory power). Alternative Hypothesis is at least one of the coefficients for the predictors is not zero, implying that at least one predictor has an effect on Price (the model has explanatory power). The p-value is less than 0.05, we can conclude that the overall model is statistically significant and at least one predictor is important in predicting the response variable of Price. Therefore, for my model the p-value is small (2.2e-16), so I have evidence to support the alternative, that at least one of the coefficients is nonzero.

```
#
anova(modq1)
```



```
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: Price
##           Df      Sum Sq    Mean Sq F value    Pr(>F)
## Mileage     1 5875478801 5875478801 1184.9 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Year        1 1718705142 1718705142   346.6 < 2.2e-16 ***
## Residuals 506 2509131066    4958757
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
summary(modq1)
```

```
##
## Call:
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##
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##
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```

Q4

Compute and interpret the variance inflation factor (VIF) for your predictors.

The presence of multicollinearity in the model can be assessed using Variance Inflation Factor (VIF) values. Generally, a VIF exceeding 5 suggests substantial multicollinearity, while values below 5 indicate minimal multicollinearity. In this case, the VIF for the predictors is relatively small (2.53 for both), indicating a low concern for multicollinearity.

```
#
library(car)
```

```
## Loading required package: carData
```

```
vif(modq1)
```

```
## Mileage      Year
## 2.533963 2.533963
```

Q5

Suppose that you are interested in purchasing a car of this model that is from the year 2017 with 50K miles. Determine each of the following: a 95% confidence interval for the mean price at this year and odometer reading, and a 95% prediction interval for the price of an individual car at this year and odometer reading. Write sentences that carefully interpret each of the intervals (in terms of car prices).

The confidence interval predicts the average price of cars from the year 2017 with 50k miles in the model from the year and odometer readings. On the other hand, the prediction interval forecasts the price of a specific car from the year 2017 with 50k miles in the model from the year and odometer readings.

```
#  
oneCar = data.frame(Year = 2017, Mileage=50000)  
predict.lm(modq1, oneCar, interval = "confidence", level=.95)
```

```
##           fit           lwr           upr  
## 1 17779.29 17341.67 18216.92
```

```
predict.lm(modq1, oneCar, interval = "prediction", level=.95)
```

```
##           fit           lwr           upr  
## 1 17779.29 13382.5 22176.09
```