

Car_Results

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Description

The data was extracted from the 1974 Motor Trend US magazine, and comprises fuel consumption and 10 aspects of automobile design and performance for 32 automobiles (1973–74 models).

Usage

`mtcars` ## Format A data frame with 32 observations on 11 (numeric) variables.

```
[, 1] mpg Miles/(US) gallon
[, 2] cyl Number of cylinders
[, 3] disp Displacement (cu.in.)
[, 4] hp Gross horsepower
[, 5] drat Rear axle ratio
[, 6] wt Weight (1000 lbs)
[, 7] qsec 1/4 mile time
[, 8] vs Engine (0 = V-shaped, 1 = straight)
[, 9] am Transmission (0 = automatic, 1 = manual)
[,10] gear Number of forward gears
[,11] carb Number of carburetors ## Note Henderson and Velleman (1981) comment in a footnote to Table
1: 'Hocking [original transcriber]'s noncrucial coding of the Mazda's rotary engine as a straight six-cylinder
engine and the Porsche's flat engine as a V engine, as well as the inclusion of the diesel Mercedes 240D, have
been retained to enable direct comparisons to be made with previous analyses.'
```

Source

Henderson and Velleman (1981), Building multiple regression models interactively. Biometrics, 37, 391–411.

Here we import and process the data called `mtcars` (motor trend car road tests 1974). This dataset contains 32 observations on 11 different variables related to fuel consumption, automobile design, and performance. In this analysis we only focus on cars which have a mpg of less than 20, and we are interested in the `wt`, `am`, `mpg`, `cyl`, `disp`, `hp`, and `gears` variables.

```
library(tidyverse)

# call built-in data mtcars.
data(mtcars)

# Select only car models where mpg<20
mtcars_mpg2 <- mtcars[mtcars$mpg < 20,]

# Reduce the variables to mpg, cyl, disp, hp, gears
mtcars_mpg2 <- mtcars_mpg2[, c(1,2,3,4,6,9,10)]
```

Here we import a file called “hand_functions” and use it on the mtcars dataset. hand_functions computes the mean, variance, covariance, and correlation for/ between each column of data. We see the beginning of the hand_functions file below.

```
# read the R file hand_functions.R so that it can be used
# notice that with echo = TRUE
source(file = "hand_functions.R", echo = TRUE)

##
## > sum_special <- function(df_x) {
## +   try(if (!is.data.frame(df_x))
## +     stop("Input data must be a data frame."))
## +   sp_means <- apply(df_ .... [TRUNCATED]
# Now use the function from hand_functions.R
sp_out <- sum_special(mtcars_mpg2)

sp_out

## $sp_means
##      mpg      cyl      disp      hp      wt      am
## 15.900000  7.555556 313.811111 191.944444  3.838833  0.166667
##      gear
##  3.444444
##
## $sp_var
##      mpg      cyl      disp      hp      wt      am
##  7.525882  0.732026 9438.764575 3253.584967  0.5565416  0.1470588
##      gear
##  0.6143791
##
## $sp_cov
##      mpg      cyl      disp      hp      wt      am
## mpg      7.525882 -1.317647 -188.795294 -75.811765 -1.4824706  0.16470588
## cyl     -1.317647  0.7320261  64.711111  28.444444  0.2641569 -0.03921569
## disp   -188.795294  64.711111  9438.764575 2679.600654  54.3675314 -8.49607843
## hp      -75.8117647 28.4444444 2679.600654 3253.584967  9.0403431 11.65686275
## wt      -1.4824706  0.26415686  54.367531  9.040343  0.5565416 -0.11802941
## am       0.1647059 -0.03921569  -8.496078  11.656863 -0.1180294  0.14705882
## gear     0.6352941 -0.26143791 -34.193464  15.202614 -0.2829804  0.27450980
##      gear
## mpg      0.6352941
## cyl     -0.2614379
## disp   -34.1934641
## hp      15.2026144
## wt      -0.2829804
## am       0.2745098
## gear     0.6143791
##
## $sp_cor
##      mpg      cyl      disp      hp      wt      am
## mpg      1.0000000 -0.5613802 -0.7083614 -0.4844811 -0.7243669  0.1565615
## cyl     -0.5613802  1.0000000  0.7784989  0.5828450  0.4138565 -0.1195229
## disp   -0.7083614  0.7784989  1.0000000  0.4835389  0.7501243 -0.2280423
## hp      -0.4844811  0.5828450  0.4835389  1.0000000  0.2124492  0.5329115
## wt      -0.7243669  0.4138565  0.7501243  0.2124492  1.0000000 -0.4125683
```

```
## am      0.1565615 -0.1195229 -0.2280423  0.5329115 -0.4125683  1.0000000
## gear    0.2954459 -0.3898406 -0.4490217  0.3400314 -0.4839376  0.9132593
##          gear
## mpg     0.2954459
## cyl     -0.3898406
## disp    -0.4490217
## hp       0.3400314
## wt      -0.4839376
## am       0.9132593
## gear     1.0000000
```

Below is an optional chunk of code that allows you to view the dataset in a browser and explore ggplots of the data in an interactive manner.

The *esquisse* interactive page will provide you with *ggplot2* code that you can paste and use in an R markdown file.

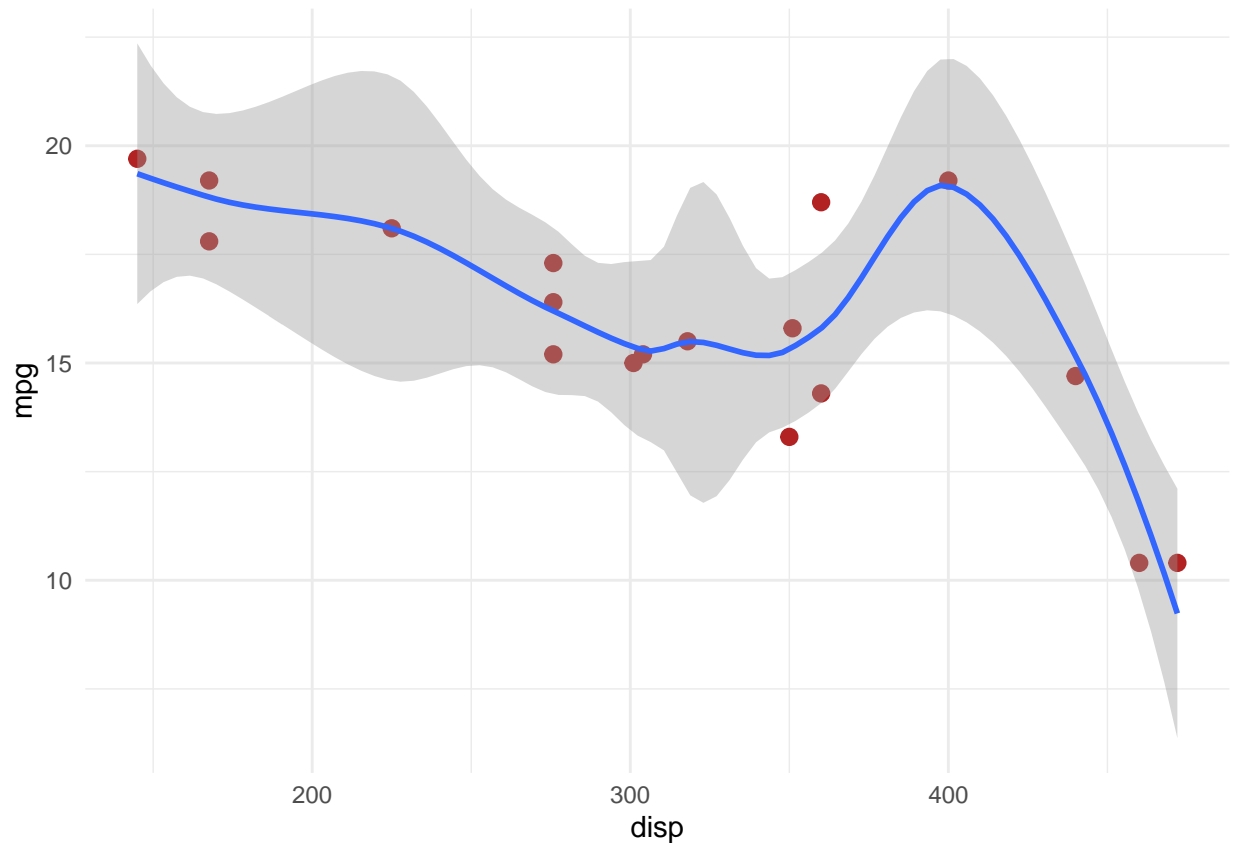
```
# library(esquisse)
#
# esquisser(data = mtcars_mpg2, viewer = "browser")
```

Plot of displacement vs mpg.

Each red point represents a datapoint from *mtcars*. The gray shaded area represents a smoothed function that is calculated using *geom_smooth*'s default loess with a span of 0.5.

As shown in the plot, there is not a strong linear signal between displacement and mpg.

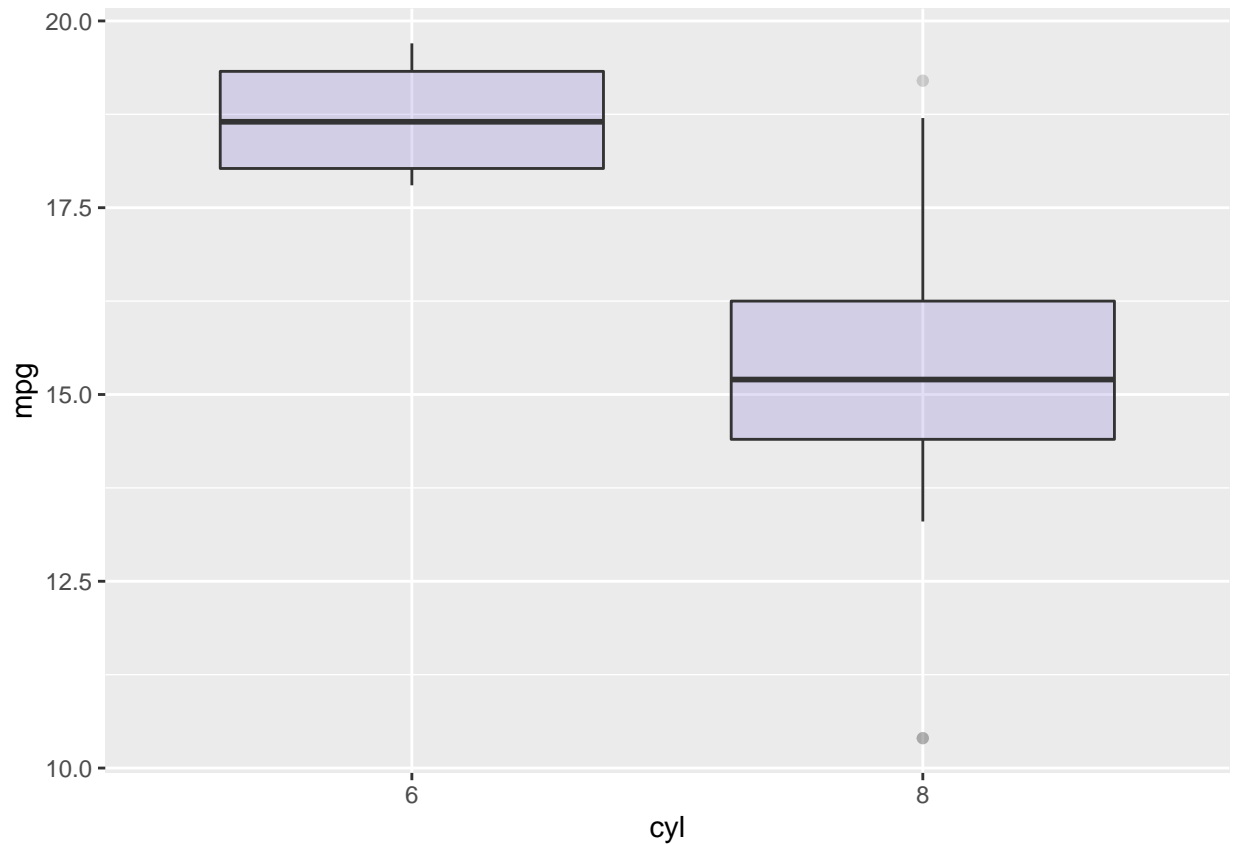
```
ggplot(mtcars_mpg2) +
  aes(x = disp, y = mpg) +
  geom_point(shape = "bullet", size = 4L, colour = "#B22222") +
  geom_smooth(span = 0.5, method = 'loess', formula = y~x) +
  theme_minimal()
```



Below, is a boxplot that compares the number of cylinders as a factor to mpg. A the bold line in the middle of each boxplot represents the median, while the lines above and below represent the 75th and 25th percentiles of the data. Here, we can see that a car with 6 cylinders has a higher median mpg than a car with 8 cylinders.

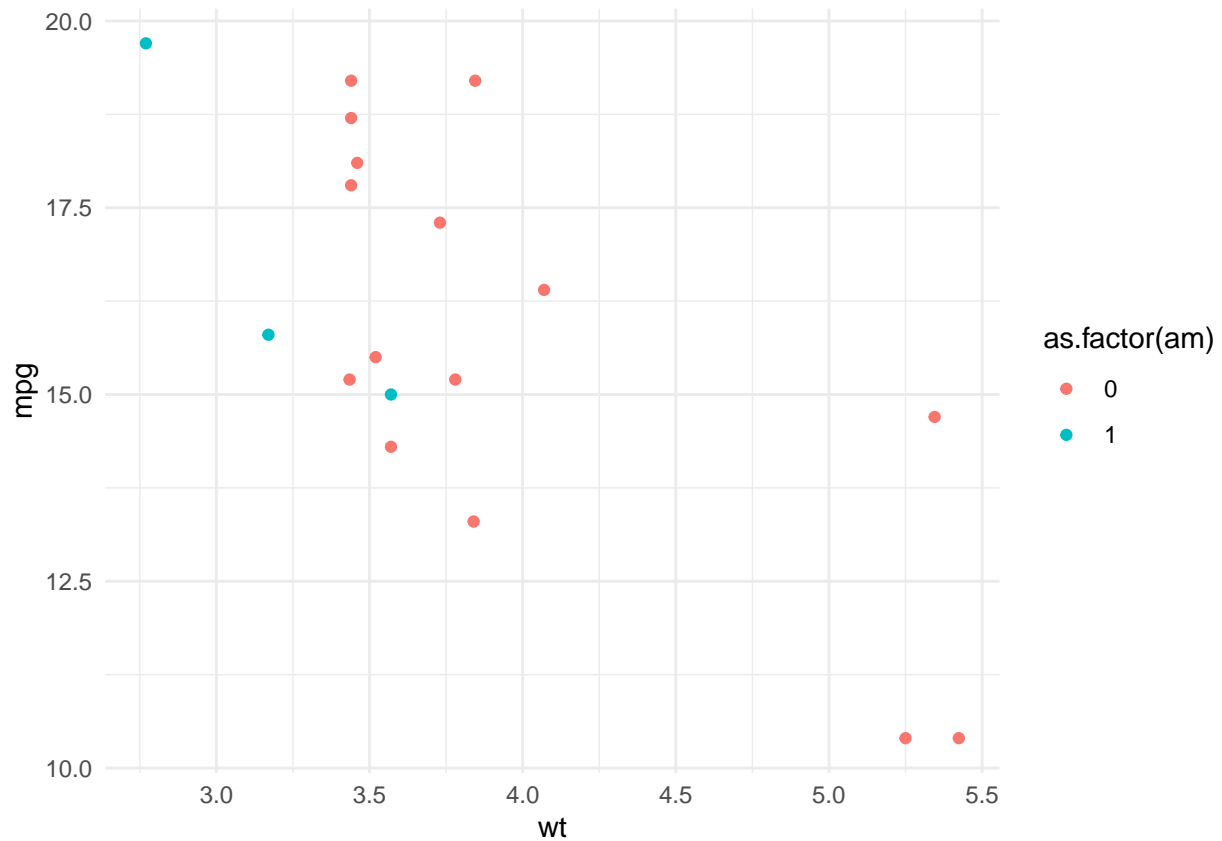
Note that this boxplot cannot be made with `esquisse()` unless the data is adjusted. In the dataframe, the cylinder column is stored as an integer, but for a boxplot the data must be stored as a factor.

```
ggplot(mtcars_mpg2, aes(x=as.factor(cyl), y=mpg)) +  
  geom_boxplot(fill="slateblue", alpha=0.2) +  
  xlab("cyl")
```



Below is a scatterplot that compares car weight and mpg. The plot suggests that heavier cars have lower mpg and lighter cars have a higher mpg. Additionally the data are color coded. Blue represents manual transmission vehicles and red represents automatic transmission vehicles. Although there are only three manual vehicles, they seem to have higher mpg and lower weight than their automatic counterparts.

```
#weight vs mpg; color = automatic/manual  
ggplot(mtcars_mpg2) +  
  aes(x = wt, y = mpg, colour = as.factor(am)) +  
  geom_point(shape = "circle", size = 1.5) +  
  scale_colour_discrete() +  
  theme_minimal()
```



Below, we examine all of the mtcars data, including both high and low mpg vehicles. Again the data are separated by manual transmission (1) and automatic transmission (0). This plot further supports the claim that manual vehicles have a higher mpg than automatic ones.

```
#mpg; separated by automatic/manual  
ggplot(mtcars) +  
  aes(x = "", y = mpg) +  
  geom_boxplot(shape = "circle filled", fill = "#F9E6D0") +  
  theme_classic() +  
  facet_wrap(vars(am))
```

