

Assignment-based Subjective Questions

1. From your analysis of the categorical variables from the dataset, what could you infer about their effect on the dependent variable? (3 marks)

Answer:

Analysis done on categorical columns by using Boxplot and Barplots. Few inferences that can explain their effect on dependent variables are given below:

- Fall season attracted most no. of booking. And, in each season the booking count has increased drastically from 2018 to 2019.
- Most of the bookings done in the month of may, june, july, aug & sep and then it started decreasing.
- Thu, Fri, Sat and Sun have more number of bookings as compared to the start of the week.
- Bookings are more when the sky is clear.
- Booking decreases when there is a holiday, obviously people want to spend family time on holidays.
- Booking seemed to be almost equal either on working day or non-working day.
- 2019 attracted more number of booking from the previous year, which shows good progress in terms of business.

2. Why is it important to use drop_first=True during dummy variable creation? (2mark)

Answer:

drop_first=True is important to use, as it helps in reducing the extra column created during dummy variable creation. Hence it reduces the correlations created among dummy variables.

Let's say we have 3 types of values in Categorical column and we want to create dummy variable for that column. If one variable is not furnished and semi_furnished, then it is obvious unfurnished. So we do not need 3rd variable to identify the unfurnished.

Hence if we have categorical variable with n-levels, then we need to use n-1 columns to represent the dummy variables.

3. Looking at the pair-plot among the numerical variables, which one has the highest correlation with the target variable? (1mark)

Answer:

There is linear relationship between temp and atemp. Both of the parameters cannot be used in the model due to multicollinearity. We will decide which parameters to keep based on VIF and p-value w.r.t other variables.

4. How did you validate the assumptions of Linear Regression after building the model on the training set? (3mark)

Answer:

- The Residuals were normally distributed after plotting the histogram. Hence our assumption for Linear Regression is valid.
- VIF calculation we could find that there is no multicollinearity existing between the predictor variables, as all the values are within permissible range of below 5.
- There should be no visible pattern in residual values.
- Linearity should be visible among variables.

5. Based on the final model, which are the top 3 features contributing significantly towards explaining the demand of the shared bikes? (2 marks)

Answer:

As per our final Model, the top 3 predictor variables that influences the bike booking are:

- Temp – A unit increase in temp variables increases bike hiring by 0.49 units.
- Winter – A unit increase in temp variables increases bike hiring by 0.082 units.
- Sep - A unit increase in temp variables increases bike hiring by 0.076 units.

General Subjective Questions

1. Explain the linear regression algorithm in detail. (4marks)

Answer:

Linear regression may be defined as the statistical model that analyses the linear relationship between a dependent variable with given set of independent variables.

Linear relationship between variables means that when the value of one or more independent variables will change (increase or decrease), the value of dependent variable will also change accordingly (increase or decrease).

Mathematically the relationship can be represented with the help of following equation –

$$Y = mX + c$$

Here, Y is the dependent variable we are trying to predict.

X is the independent variable we are using to make predictions.

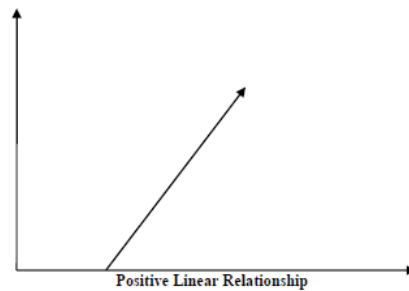
m is the slope of the regression line which represents the effect X has

on Y c is a constant, known as the Y-intercept. If X = 0, Y would be equal

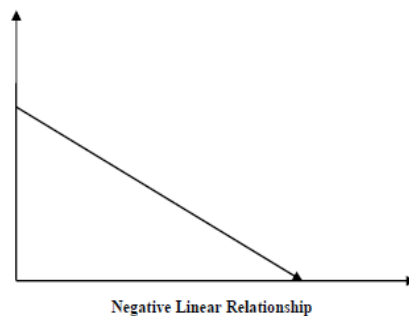
to c.

Furthermore, the linear relationship can be positive or negative in nature as explained below–

- Positive Linear Relationship:
 - A linear relationship will be called positive if both independent and dependent variable increases. It can be understood with the help of following graph –



- Negative Linear relationship:
 - A linear relationship will be called positive if independent increases and dependent variable decreases. It can be understood with the help of following graph –



Linear regression is of the following two types –

- Simple Linear Regression
- Multiple Linear Regression

Assumptions -

The following are some assumptions about dataset that is made by Linear Regression model –

1. Multi-collinearity –

- Linear regression model assumes that there is very little or no multi-collinearity in the data. Basically, multi-collinearity occurs when the independent variables or features have dependency in them.

2.Auto-correlation –

- o Another assumption Linear regression model assumes is that there is very little or no auto-correlation in the data. Basically, auto-correlation occurs when there is dependency between residual errors.

3.Relationship between variables –

- o Linear regression model assumes that the relationship between response and feature variables must be linear.

4.Normality of error terms –

- o Error terms should be normally distributed

5.Homoscedasticity –

- o There should be no visible pattern in residual values.

2. Explain the Anscombe's quartet in detail.

(3marks)

Answer:

Anscombe's Quartet was developed by statistician Francis Anscombe. It comprises four datasets, each containing eleven (x, y) pairs. The essential thing to note about these datasets is that they share the same descriptive statistics. But things change completely, and I must emphasize COMPLETELY, when they are graphed. Each graph tells a different story irrespective of their similar summary statistics.

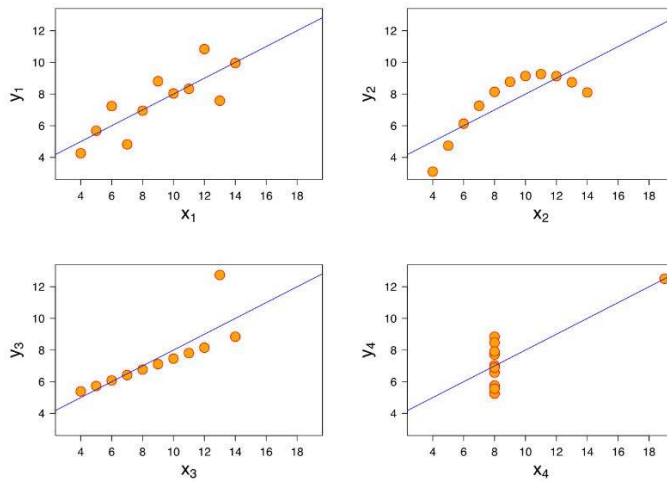
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	13	7,58	13	8,74	13	12,74	8	7,71
	9	8,81	9	8,77	9	7,11	8	8,84
	11	8,33	11	9,26	11	7,81	8	8,47
	14	9,96	14	8,1	14	8,84	8	7,04
	6	7,24	6	6,13	6	6,08	8	5,25
	4	4,26	4	3,1	4	5,39	19	12,5
	12	10,84	12	9,13	12	8,15	8	5,56
	7	4,82	7	7,26	7	6,42	8	7,91
	5	5,68	5	4,74	5	5,73	8	6,89
SUM	99,00	82,51	99,00	82,51	99,00	82,50	99,00	82,51
AVG	9,00	7,50	9,00	7,50	9,00	7,50	9,00	7,50
STDEV	3,32	2,03	3,32	2,03	3,32	2,03	3,32	2,03

The summary statistics show that the means and the variances were identical for x and y across the groups:

- Mean of x is 9 and mean of y is 7.50 for each dataset.
- Similarly, the variance of x is 11 and variance of y is 4.13 for each dataset
- The correlation coefficient (how strong a relationship is between two variables) between x and y is 0.816 for each dataset

When we plot these four datasets on an x/y coordinate plane, we can observe that they

show the same regression lines as well but each dataset is telling a different story:



- Dataset I appears to have clean and well-fitting linear models.
- Dataset II is not distributed normally.
- In Dataset III the distribution is linear, but the calculated regression is thrown off by an outlier.
- Dataset IV shows that one outlier is enough to produce a high correlation coefficient.

This quartet emphasizes the importance of visualization in Data Analysis. Looking at the data reveals a lot of the structure and a clear picture of the dataset.

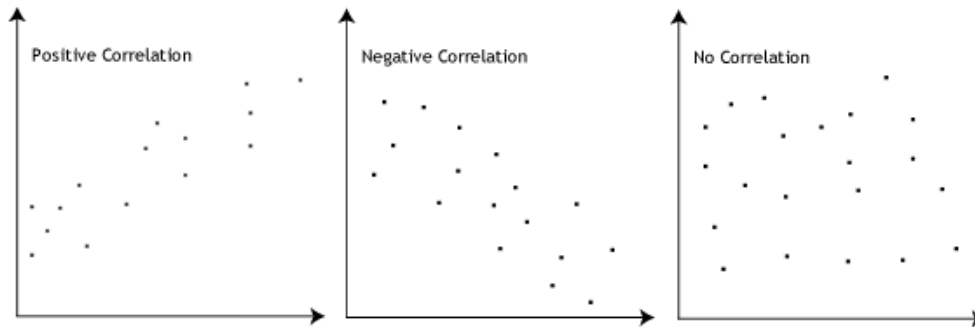
3. What is Pearson's R?

(3 marks)

Answer:

Pearson's r is a numerical summary of the strength of the linear association between the variables. If the variables tend to go up and down together, the correlation coefficient will be positive. If the variables tend to go up and down in opposition with low values of one variable associated with high values of the other, the correlation coefficient will be negative.

The Pearson correlation coefficient, r , can take a range of values from +1 to -1. A value of 0 indicates that there is no association between the two variables. A value greater than 0 indicates a positive association; that is, as the value of one variable increases, so does the value of the other variable. A value less than 0 indicates a negative association; that is, as the value of one variable increases, the value of the other variable decreases. This is shown in the diagram below:



4. What is scaling? Why is scaling performed? What is the difference between normalized scaling and standardized scaling? (3 marks)

Answer:

Scaling is a step of data Pre-Processing which is applied to independent variables to normalize the data within a particular range. It also helps in speeding up the calculations in an algorithm.

Most of the times, collected data set contains features highly varying in magnitudes, units and range. If scaling is not done then algorithm only takes magnitude in account and not units hence incorrect modelling. To solve this issue, we have to do scaling to bring all the variables to the same level of magnitude.

It is important to note that scaling just affects the coefficients and none of the other parameters like t-statistic, F-statistic, p-values, R-squared, etc.

1- Normalization/Min-Max Scaling:

It brings all of the data in the range of 0 and 1. `sklearn.preprocessing.MinMaxScaler` helps to implement normalization in python.

2- Standardization Scaling:

Standardization replaces the values by their Z scores. It brings all of the data into a standard normal distribution which has mean (μ) zero and standard deviation one (σ).

`sklearn.preprocessing.scale` helps to implement standardization in python.

One disadvantage of normalization over standardization is that it loses some information in the data, especially about outliers.

5. You might have observed that sometimes the value of VIF is infinite. Why does this happen? (3 marks)

Answer:

If there is perfect correlation, then $VIF = \infty$. A large value of VIF indicates that there is a correlation between the variables. If the VIF is 4, this means that the variance of the model coefficient is inflated by a factor of 4 due to the presence of multicollinearity.

When the value of VIF is infinite it shows a perfect correlation between two independent variables. In the case of perfect correlation, we get $R^2 = 1$, which leads to $1/(1-R^2)$ infinity. To solve this we need to drop one of the variables from the dataset which is causing this perfect multicollinearity.

6. What is a Q-Q plot? Explain the use and importance of a Q-Q plot in linear regression.

(3 marks)

Answer:

The quantile-quantile (q-q) plot is a graphical technique for determining if two data sets come from populations with a common distribution.

Use of Q-Q plot:

A q-q plot is a plot of the quantiles of the first data set against the quantiles of the second dataset. By a quantile, we mean the fraction (or percent) of points below the given value. That is, the 0.3 (or 30%) quantile is the point at which 30% percent of the data fall below and 70% fall above that value. A 45-degree reference line is also plotted. If the two sets come from a population with the same distribution, the points should fall approximately along this reference line. The greater the departure from this reference line, the greater the evidence

for the conclusion that the two data sets have come from populations with different distributions.

Importance of Q-Q plot:

When there are two data samples, it is often desirable to know if the assumption of a common distribution is justified. If so, then location and scale estimators can pool both data sets to obtain estimates of the common location and scale. If two samples do differ, it is also useful to gain some understanding of the differences. The q-q plot can provide more insight into the nature of the difference than analytical methods such as the chi-square and Kolmogorov-Smirnov 2-sample tests.

