

# Assignment 2

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## Question 1

### 1(a)

Consider a simple linear regression model with Gaussian errors. We simulate data from the model

$$Y = X\beta + \epsilon,$$

where  $\epsilon \sim \text{Normal}(0, \sigma^2)$ , using the following code:

```
set.seed(123)
n <- 100
fake_data <- data.frame(X1 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X2 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X3 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X4 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X5 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X6 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X7 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X8 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X9 = runif(n, 0, 1),
                        X10 = runif(n, 0, 1))
fake_data$Y <- fake_data$X1 + 2*fake_data$X2 + fake_data$X3 +
  2*fake_data$X4 + fake_data$X5 + 2*fake_data$X6 +
  fake_data$X7 + 2*fake_data$X8 + fake_data$X9 +
  2*fake_data$X10 + rnorm(n, 0, 1)
```

Fit 11 models using these data and the `lm` function in R. The first model should include only the intercept, the second model should include the intercept and the first predictor, the third model should include the intercept and the first two predictors, and so on.

```
models <- list()
for (i in 1:11) {
  if (i == 1) {
    formula <- as.formula("Y ~ 1")
  } else {
    formula <- as.formula(paste("Y ~ ", paste(paste0("X", 1:(i - 1)), collapse = "+" )))
  }
  models[[i]] <- lm(formula, data = fake_data)
}
models
```

```

## [[1]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)
##      7.445
##
## [[2]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)      X1
##      7.3612      0.1689
##
## [[3]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)      X1      X2
##      6.200      0.338      2.094
##
## [[4]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)      X1      X2      X3
##      5.8218      0.3897      2.1733      0.6416
##
## [[5]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)      X1      X2      X3      X4
##      4.4565      0.6004      2.2818      0.5112      2.5758
##
## [[6]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)

```

```

##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)          X1          X2          X3          X4          X5
##      3.7488      0.7852      2.2583      0.6550      2.3335      1.3948
##
##
## [[7]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)          X1          X2          X3          X4          X5
##      2.4137      0.9958      2.3319      0.9988      2.5012      1.1543
##          X6
##      2.0408
##
##
## [[8]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)          X1          X2          X3          X4          X5
##      1.7353      1.0533      2.2046      0.9901      2.5727      1.1020
##          X6          X7
##      2.1526      1.2975
##
##
## [[9]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)          X1          X2          X3          X4          X5
##      1.0916      0.8954      2.1161      1.0434      2.5712      0.6727
##          X6          X7          X8
##      2.3012      1.2862      1.8143
##
##
## [[10]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)          X1          X2          X3          X4          X5
##      0.5042      1.1295      2.0704      1.2618      2.3752      0.7467
##          X6          X7          X8          X9
##      2.4542      1.2199      1.6739      0.9690
##
##

```

```
## [[11]]
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = formula, data = fake_data)
##
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)          X1          X2          X3          X4          X5
##      0.2646      0.9656      1.8074      1.1590      2.0674      0.7489
##          X6          X7          X8          X9          X10
##      2.2718      0.9710      1.6800      0.8071      1.8871
```

1(b)

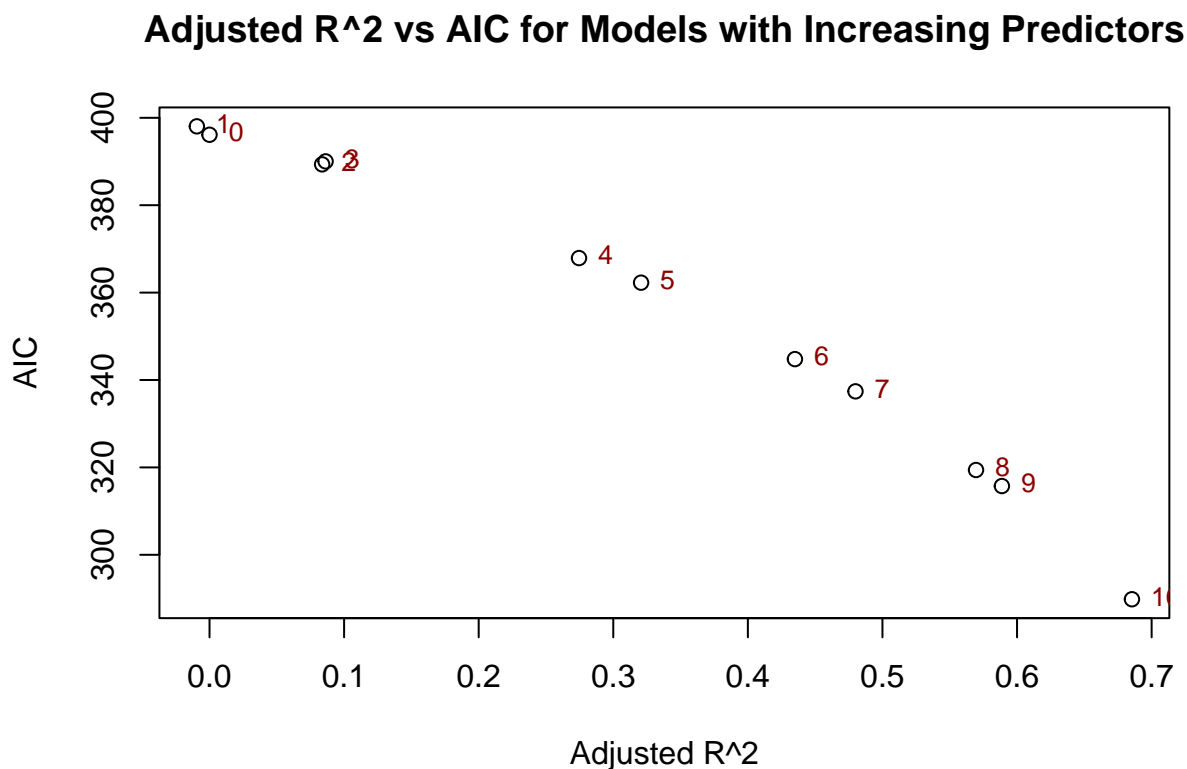
Create a plot with the adjusted  $R^2$  on the  $x$ -axis and the AIC on the  $y$ -axis. Label each point with the number of variables used. What do you observe?

(Hint: if our model is called `lm1`, we can extract the adjusted  $R^2$  using `summary(lm1)$adj.r.squared` and the AIC using `AIC(lm1)`)

```
# Use sapply to extract the adjusted R^2 and AIC values
adj_r_squared <- sapply(models, FUN = function(model) summary(model)$adj.r.squared)
AIC_values <- sapply(models, FUN = AIC)

# Create the plot
plot(x = adj_r_squared, y = AIC_values,
     xlab = "Adjusted R^2", ylab = "AIC",
     main = "Adjusted R^2 vs AIC for Models with Increasing Predictors"
)

# Add labels to the points
text(x = adj_r_squared, y = AIC_values,
     labels = 1:11 - 1, pos = 4, cex = 0.8, col = "darkred"
)
```



There is a clear negative relationship between the adjusted  $R^2$  and the AIC. This is expected as the AIC is a measure of model fit that penalises the number of parameters in the model. We also see that the AIC is minimised when the adjusted  $R^2$  is maximised when we use all 10 predictors.

1(c)

We posit the following model for the relationship between the response variable  $Y$  and the predictor variable  $X$ :

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$$

where  $\epsilon \sim \text{Laplace}(0, \sigma)$ . The likelihood function for the model is given by:

$$l(\hat{y}, \hat{\sigma}; x) = \frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{|y - \hat{y}|}{\hat{\sigma}}\right),$$

where  $\hat{y} = \hat{\beta}_0 + \hat{\beta}_1 x$ . Let's say that we have  $n$  observations, then the maximum likelihood estimate for  $\sigma$  is given by:

$$\hat{\sigma} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|.$$

Write out an expression for the AIC in terms of the mean absolute error.

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{AIC} &= 2k - 2 \log(l(\hat{y}, \hat{\sigma}; x)), \\
&= 2k - 2 \log\left(\prod_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{2\hat{\sigma}} \exp\left(-\frac{|y_i - \hat{y}_i|}{\hat{\sigma}}\right)\right)\right), \\
&= 2k - 2 \log\left((2\hat{\sigma})^{-n} \exp\left(-\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{|y_i - \hat{y}_i|}{\hat{\sigma}}\right)\right), \\
&= 2k - 2\left[-n \log(2\hat{\sigma}) - \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|}{\hat{\sigma}}\right], \\
&= 2k + 2\left[n \log(2\hat{\sigma}) + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|}{\hat{\sigma}}\right], \\
&= 2k + 2\left[n \log(2) + n \log(\hat{\sigma}) + \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|}{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n |y_i - \hat{y}_i|}\right], \\
&= 2k + 2\left[n \log(2) + n \log(\text{MAE}) + n\right], \\
&= 2k + 2n(\log(2) + \log(\text{MAE}) + 1), \\
&= 2k + 2n \log(2) + 2n \log(\text{MAE}) + 2n,
\end{aligned}$$

## Question 2

In this question, we will utilise the `mtcars` dataset in R. The dataset contains information about 32 cars from the 1974 model year.

`mtcars`

##	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
## Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
## Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
## Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
## Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
## Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
## Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
## Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
## Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
## Merc 230	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
## Merc 280	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
## Merc 280C	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4
## Merc 450SE	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	3
## Merc 450SL	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	3
## Merc 450SLC	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	3
## Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
## Lincoln Continental	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4
## Chrysler Imperial	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4
## Fiat 128	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
## Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
## Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
## Toyota Corona	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1
## Dodge Challenger	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	2
## AMC Javelin	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	2
## Camaro Z28	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4
## Pontiac Firebird	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	2
## Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1

```
## Porsche 914-2      26.0   4 120.3  91 4.43 2.140 16.70  0 1   5   2
## Lotus Europa      30.4   4  95.1 113 3.77 1.513 16.90  1 1   5   2
## Ford Pantera L    15.8   8 351.0 264 4.22 3.170 14.50  0 1   5   4
## Ferrari Dino      19.7   6 145.0 175 3.62 2.770 15.50  0 1   5   6
## Maserati Bora     15.0   8 301.0 335 3.54 3.570 14.60  0 1   5   8
## Volvo 142E       21.4   4 121.0 109 4.11 2.780 18.60  1 1   4   2
```

## 2(a)

Five of the variables are more factors than numeric variables. Identify these variables, and convert them to factors.

```
summary(mtcars)
```

```
##      mpg          cyl          disp          hp
##  Min.   :10.40   Min.   :4.000   Min.    : 71.1   Min.    : 52.0
##  1st Qu.:15.43   1st Qu.:4.000   1st Qu.:120.8   1st Qu.: 96.5
##  Median :19.20   Median :6.000   Median :196.3   Median :123.0
##  Mean   :20.09   Mean   :6.188   Mean   :230.7   Mean   :146.7
##  3rd Qu.:22.80   3rd Qu.:8.000   3rd Qu.:326.0   3rd Qu.:180.0
##  Max.   :33.90   Max.   :8.000   Max.   :472.0   Max.   :335.0
##      drat          wt          qsec          vs
##  Min.   :2.760   Min.   :1.513   Min.    :14.50   Min.    :0.0000
##  1st Qu.:3.080   1st Qu.:2.581   1st Qu.:16.89   1st Qu.:0.0000
##  Median :3.695   Median :3.325   Median :17.71   Median :0.0000
##  Mean   :3.597   Mean   :3.217   Mean   :17.85   Mean   :0.4375
##  3rd Qu.:3.920   3rd Qu.:3.610   3rd Qu.:18.90   3rd Qu.:1.0000
##  Max.   :4.930   Max.   :5.424   Max.   :22.90   Max.   :1.0000
##      am          gear          carb
##  Min.   :0.0000   Min.   :3.000   Min.    :1.000
##  1st Qu.:0.0000   1st Qu.:3.000   1st Qu.:2.000
##  Median :0.0000   Median :4.000   Median :2.000
##  Mean   :0.4062   Mean   :3.688   Mean   :2.812
##  3rd Qu.:1.0000   3rd Qu.:4.000   3rd Qu.:4.000
##  Max.   :1.0000   Max.   :5.000   Max.    :8.000
```

```
str(mtcars)
```

```
## 'data.frame':   32 obs. of  11 variables:
##  $ mpg : num  21 21 22.8 21.4 18.7 18.1 14.3 24.4 22.8 19.2 ...
##  $ cyl : num   6  6  4  6  8  6  8  4  4  6 ...
##  $ disp: num  160 160 108 258 360 ...
##  $ hp  : num  110 110 93 110 175 105 245 62 95 123 ...
##  $ drat: num   3.9 3.9 3.85 3.08 3.15 2.76 3.21 3.69 3.92 3.92 ...
##  $ wt  : num   2.62 2.88 2.32 3.21 3.44 ...
##  $ qsec: num   16.5 17 18.6 19.4 17 ...
##  $ vs  : num   0  0  1  1  0  1  0  1  1  1 ...
##  $ am  : num   1  1  1  0  0  0  0  0  0  0 ...
##  $ gear: num   4  4  4  3  3  3  3  4  4  4 ...
##  $ carb: num   4  4  1  1  2  1  4  2  2  4 ...
```

It seems like the cyl, vs, am, gear, and carb variables can be converted to factors.

```
variables_to_factors <- c("cyl", "vs", "am", "gear", "carb")
mtcars[, variables_to_factors] <- lapply(mtcars[, variables_to_factors], factor)
str(mtcars)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 32 obs. of 11 variables:
## $ mpg : num 21 21 22.8 21.4 18.7 18.1 14.3 24.4 22.8 19.2 ...
## $ cyl : Factor w/ 3 levels "4","6","8": 2 2 1 2 3 2 3 1 1 2 ...
## $ disp: num 160 160 108 258 360 ...
## $ hp : num 110 110 93 110 175 105 245 62 95 123 ...
## $ drat: num 3.9 3.9 3.85 3.08 3.15 2.76 3.21 3.69 3.92 3.92 ...
## $ wt : num 2.62 2.88 2.32 3.21 3.44 ...
## $ qsec: num 16.5 17 18.6 19.4 17 ...
## $ vs : Factor w/ 2 levels "0","1": 1 1 2 2 1 2 1 2 2 2 ...
## $ am : Factor w/ 2 levels "0","1": 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
## $ gear: Factor w/ 3 levels "3","4","5": 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 ...
## $ carb: Factor w/ 6 levels "1","2","3","4",...: 4 4 1 1 2 1 4 2 2 4 ...
```

## 2(b)

We are going to try to predict the number of cylinders (`cyl`) based on the remaining variables. Split the dataset into a training set and a test set. The training set should contain 70% of the data and the test set should contain the remaining 30%.

```
train_indices <- sample(1:nrow(mtcars), 0.7*nrow(mtcars))
train_set <- mtcars[train_indices, ]
test_set <- mtcars[-train_indices, ]
```

## 2(c)

Fit a  $k$ -nearest neighbours model to the training set using 3-fold cross validation to determine  $k$ . What is the optimal value of  $k$  and the associate accuracy of the model (for both the training and test set)?

```
library(class)
library(caret)
```

```
## Loading required package: ggplot2
```

```
## Loading required package: lattice
```

```
# Fit the knn model using 3 fold cross validation whilst optimising k
knn_fit <- train(cyl ~ .,
  data = train_set,
  method = "knn",
  trControl = trainControl(method = "cv",
    number = 3))

# Extract the optimal value of k
optimal_k <- knn_fit$bestTune$k
optimal_k
```



```
## [1] 9
```

```
# Accuracy of the training set
```

```
train_pred <- predict(knn_fit, train_set)
```

```
train_pred
```

```
## [1] 8 8 8 4 8 4 4 4 4 8 4 8 4 8 4 4 8 8 4 4
```

```
## Levels: 4 6 8
```

```
# Calculate the accuracy
```

```
accuracy_train <- mean(train_set$cyl == train_pred)
```

```
accuracy_train
```

```
## [1] 0.8636364
```

```
# Accuracy of the test set
```

```
test_pred <- predict(knn_fit, test_set)
```

```
test_pred
```

```
## [1] 4 8 4 4 8 8 8 8 8 4
```

```
## Levels: 4 6 8
```

```
# Calculate the accuracy
```

```
accuracy_test <- mean(test_set$cyl == test_pred)
```

```
accuracy_test
```

```
## [1] 0.6
```