# **Walmart Statistical Computation**

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#### 1. Read the data

```
getwd()
## [1] "C:/Users/terre/Desktop/Personal Projects/Retail analysis with Walmart
sales data/Programming files"
setwd("C:/Users/terre/OneDrive/Documents")
walmartS = read.csv("WalmartStatisticComp.csv", header = TRUE)
head(walmartS)
                       CPI Unemployment Fuel Price Time
##
     Weekly Sales
## 1
          1643691 211.0964
                                  8.106
                                             2.572
## 2
                                                      2
          1641957 211.2422
                                  8.106
                                             2.548
## 3
          1611968 211.2891
                                             2.514
                                                      3
                                  8.106
## 4
          1409728 211.3196
                                             2.561
                                                      4
                                  8.106
                                                      5
## 5
          1554807 211.3501
                                  8.106
                                             2.625
## 6
          1439542 211.3806
                                  8.106
                                             2.667
                                                      6
str(walmartS)
                    48 obs. of 5 variables:
## 'data.frame':
## $ Weekly_Sales: num
                         1643691 1641957 1611968 1409728 1554807 ...
## $ CPI
                  : num 211 211 211 211 ...
## $ Unemployment: num 8.11 8.11 8.11 8.11 ...
## $ Fuel_Price : num 2.57 2.55 2.51 2.56 2.62 ...
## $ Time
                  : int 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
summary(walmartS)
##
     Weekly_Sales
                           CPI
                                       Unemployment
                                                        Fuel Price
## Min.
          :1345454
                      Min.
                             :210.3
                                      Min.
                                             :7.787
                                                      Min.
                                                             :2.514
   1st Qu.:1429059
                      1st Qu.:211.1
                                      1st Qu.:7.787
                                                      1st Qu.:2.625
##
## Median :1494366
                      Median :211.4
                                      Median :7.808
                                                      Median :2.691
## Mean
                                             :7.861
           :1526642
                      Mean
                             :211.3
                                      Mean
                                                      Mean
                                                             :2.697
##
   3rd Qu.:1552446
                      3rd Qu.:211.6
                                      3rd Qu.:7.838
                                                      3rd Qu.:2.762
                                      Max.
## Max.
          :2387950
                      Max.
                            :212.0
                                             :8.106
                                                      Max.
                                                             :2.943
         Time
##
## Min.
           : 1.00
## 1st Qu.:12.75
```

```
## Median :24.50
## Mean :24.50
## 3rd Qu.:36.25
## Max. :48.00
```

#### 2. Make the linear model

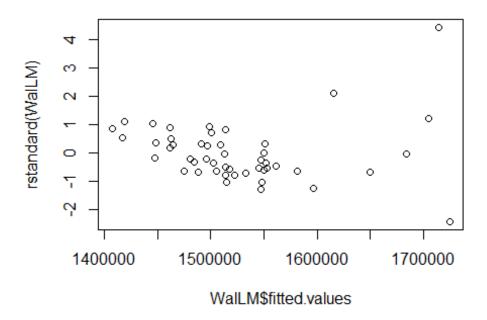
```
WalLM = lm(walmartS$Weekly_Sales ~., data = walmartS)
WalLM
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = walmartS$Weekly_Sales ~ ., data = walmartS)
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)
                        CPI Unemployment
                                            Fuel_Price
                                                                Time
      31928955
                   -172742 744673
                                                                9845
                                             1524
summary(WalLM)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = walmartS$Weekly Sales ~ ., data = walmartS)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               10 Median
                              3Q
                                     Max
## -356990 -96628 -30584
                           65444 673605
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 31928955 28574626 1.117
                                           0.2700
               -172742
## CPI
                           139848 -1.235
                                           0.2235
## Unemployment 744673
                           352276 2.114 0.0404 *
## Fuel Price
                           420089 0.004 0.9971
                 1524
## Time
                                           0.0586 .
                   9845
                             5067 1.943
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 166200 on 43 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.177, Adjusted R-squared: 0.1004
## F-statistic: 2.312 on 4 and 43 DF, p-value: 0.07292
```

# 3. Testing the 4 assumptions of linear regression

# 1. Testing the Independent Errors/Residuals (Autocorrelation)

• Looking at the residual plot

plot(WalLM\$fitted.values, rstandard(WalLM))



CONCLUSION: It appears that there are random patterns in the residual plot.

• Conduct the Durbin-Watson test

```
library(lmtest)
## Loading required package: zoo
##
## Attaching package: 'zoo'
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
## as.Date, as.Date.numeric
dwtest(WalLM)
##
## Durbin-Watson test
##
## data: WalLM
```

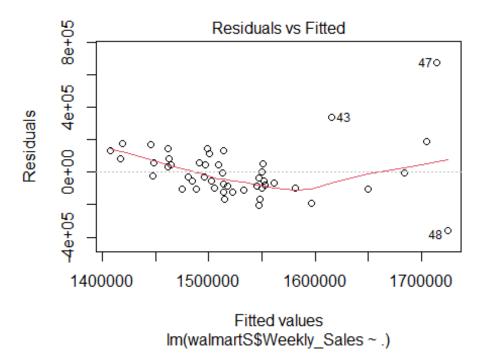
```
## DW = 1.9124, p-value = 0.1885
## alternative hypothesis: true autocorrelation is greater than 0
```

CONCLUSION: The p-value of the Durbin-Watson test (0.1885) is above 0.05, which implies that the Errors/Residuals are independent.

Therefore, there are no Autocorrelation between the errors/residuals.

# 2. Linearity test (Linear relationship between dependent and independent variables)

Looking at the plot plot(WalLM, which = 1)

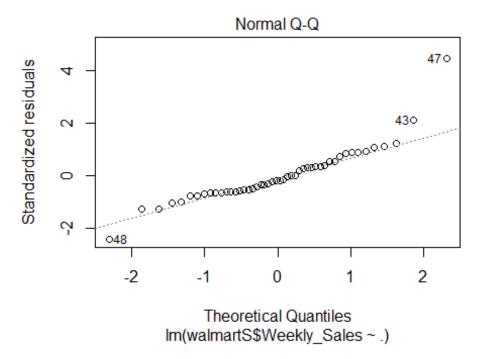


CONCLUSION: Linearity doesn't seem to be hold as the red line has a pattern and thus not close to the dashed line (residual = 0)

# 3. Normality test (See if the residuals are normally distributed)

• Looking at the normality plot

```
plot(WalLM, which = 2)
```



CONCLUSION: The residuals don't follow normal distribution since Point 48, 43, and 47 are are far from the diagonal dashed line.

• Conduct the Shapiro-Wilk normality test on the residuals

```
shapiro.test(WalLM$residuals)

##

## Shapiro-Wilk normality test

##

## data: WalLM$residuals

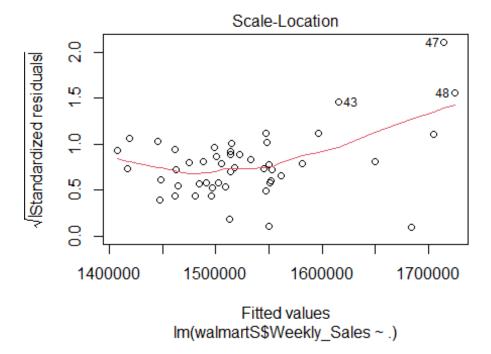
## W = 0.88117, p-value = 0.0001637
```

CONCLUSION: The p-value of the test is below 0.05, indicating that the residuals don't follow normal distribution.

Thus, we need to remove the data to fulfill the normality assumption.

# 4. Equal Variance test

• Observe the plot plot(WalLM, which = 3)



CONCLUSION: The spread of the residuals varies much around the red line, which implies that the variance of the residuals in nor constant.

• Conduct the Breusch-Pagan test

```
bptest(WalLM)

##

## studentized Breusch-Pagan test

##

## data: WalLM

## BP = 13.061, df = 4, p-value = 0.01098
```

CONCLUSION: The p-value of the test is less than 0.05, indicating that the residuals are not distributed with equal variance.

ASSUMPTIONS CONCLUSION: The linear regression model might not be the best model to predict the weekly sales as the only assumption that is fulfilled is only the independent errors/residuals.

However in this case, we still want to determine the best possible linear regression model to predict weekly sales.

#### 4. Make an analysis of the model

#### 1. The full model with all variables included

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(WalLM)\$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.100440114649426"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(WalLM)))
## [1] "AIC = 1296.95790891306"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(WalLM)))

# 2. CPI as the independent variable

## [1] "BIC = 1308.18511497851"

• Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
CPI.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ CPI, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(CPI.lm)$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = -0.0169478435910482"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(CPI.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1300.08255356192"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(CPI.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1305.69615659465"
```

# 3. Unemployment as the independent variable

• Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
Unemploy.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ Unemployment, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(Unemploy.lm)$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = -0.0199728776266452"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(Unemploy.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1300.22512341155"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(Unemploy.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1305.83872644427"
```

#### 4. Fuel Price as the independent variable

• Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
fuel.price.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ Fuel_Price, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(fuel.price.lm)$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0406308928402247"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(fuel.price.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1297.2848629165"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(fuel.price.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1302.89846594922"
```

#### 5. Time as the independent variable

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
Time.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ Time, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(Time.lm)$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0358412399766361"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(Time.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1297.52390682798"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(Time.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1303.13750986071"
```

# 6. Time and Unemployment as the independent variables

• Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
Time.Unemploy.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ Time + Unemployment, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(Time.Unemploy.lm)$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0608276087629132"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(Time.Unemploy.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1297.20858727641"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(Time.Unemploy.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1304.69339132004"
```

# 7. Time and Fuel Price as the independent variables

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
Time.Fuel.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ Time + Fuel_Price, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(Time.Fuel.lm)$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0500213353009017"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(Time.Fuel.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1297.75773000592"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(Time.Fuel.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1305.24253404955"
```

#### 8. CPI and Fuel Price as the independent variables

## [1] "BIC = 1305.44069692893"

• Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values
CPI.Fuel.lm = lm(Weekly\_Sales ~ CPI + Fuel\_Price, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(CPI.Fuel.lm)\$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0460913430318487"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(CPI.Fuel.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1297.9558928853"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(CPI.Fuel.lm)))

# 9. Unemployment and Fuel Price as the independent variables

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values
Unemploy.Fuel.lm = lm(Weekly\_Sales ~ Unemployment + Fuel\_Price, data = walmarts)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(Unemploy.Fuel.lm)\$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0331855095517596"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(Unemploy.Fuel.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1298.60095131653"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(Unemploy.Fuel.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1306.08575536016"

# 10. CPI and Time as the independent variables

• Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
CPI.Time.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ CPI + Time, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(CPI.Time.lm)$adj.r.squared))
```

```
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0273934577256756"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(CPI.Time.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1298.88765472907"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(CPI.Time.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1306.3724587727"
```

# 11. CPI and Unemployment as the independent variables

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
CPI.Unemploy.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ CPI + Unemployment, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(CPI.Unemploy.lm)$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = -0.037682081606"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(CPI.Unemploy.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1301.99638013002"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(CPI.Unemploy.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1309.48118417365"
```

# 12. CPI, Unemployment, and Time as the independent variables

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values CPI.Unemploy.Time.lm = lm(Weekly\_Sales ~ CPI + Unemployment + Time, data = wa lmartS)

```
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(CPI.Unemploy.Time.lm)$adj.r.squar
```

```
ed))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.120884388597244"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(CPI.Unemploy.Time.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1294.95792359515"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(CPI.Unemploy.Time.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1304.31392864969"
```

# 13. Unemployment, Fuel Price, and Time as the independent variables

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
Unemploy.Fuel.Time.lm = lm(Weekly Sales ~ Unemployment + Fuel Price + Time, d
ata = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(Unemploy.Fuel.Time.lm)$adj.r.squa
red))
```

```
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0896917327257885"

print(paste("AIC =", AIC(Unemploy.Fuel.Time.lm)))

## [1] "AIC = 1296.63153394559"

print(paste("BIC =", BIC(Unemploy.Fuel.Time.lm)))

## [1] "BIC = 1305.98753900013"
```

# 14. CPI, Unemployment, and Fuel Price as the independent variables

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values

```
CPI.Unemploy.Fuel.lm = lm(Weekly_Sales ~ CPI + Unemployment + Fuel_Price, dat
a = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(CPI.Unemploy.Fuel.lm)$adj.r.squar
ed))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0437006240615653"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(CPI.Unemploy.Fuel.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1298.99734457199"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(CPI.Unemploy.Fuel.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1308.35334962653"
```

# 15. CPI, Fuel Price, and Time as the independent variables

Looking at the Adjusted R-Squared, AIC, and BIC values
CPI.Fuel.Time.lm = lm(Weekly\_Sales ~ CPI + Fuel\_Price + Time, data = walmartS)
print(paste("Adjusted R-squared =", summary(CPI.Fuel.Time.lm)\$adj.r.squared))
## [1] "Adjusted R-squared = 0.0295275939509904"
print(paste("AIC =", AIC(CPI.Fuel.Time.lm)))
## [1] "AIC = 1299.7035182062"
print(paste("BIC =", BIC(CPI.Fuel.Time.lm)))
## [1] "BIC = 1309.05952326074"

CONCLUSION: - Highest Adjusted R-Squared: Model 12 (CPI + Unemployment + Time) (0.1209) ` - Lowest AIC: Model 12 (CPI + Unemployment + Time) (1294.9579) - Lowest BIC: Model 4 (Fuel Price) (1302.8985)

Model 12 can explain 12.09% of the variance.

Therefore, Model 12 with CPI, Unemployment, and Time as the independent variables is the best model to predict the dependent variable, weekly sales. We don't need variable fuel price, which means that the independent variable fuel price has no impact on predicting the weekly sales.