Analysis of the television data set

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We read the data using the following command

The aim of the analysis is to assess whether there exists a relation between the number of people per television set and life expectancy.

We first note a couple of facts.

- Japan is the country with the highest life expectancy while Ethiopia has the lowest;
- "Unsurprisingly", the United States have the lower number of habitants per television set and is equal to 1.3.

We will first explore the data graphically in Section 1 and perform a simple analysis in Section 2.

1 Graphical exploration

We first display a scatterplot of life and tv in Figure 1). A trend is clearly to be seen but is non-linear.

```
ggplot(tele, aes(x = tv, y = life)) +
  geom_jitter(size = 3) + geom_smooth(method = "lm") +
  theme_economist()

## Warning: Removed 2 rows containing missing values (stat_smooth).
## Warning: Removed 2 rows containing missing values (geom_point).
```

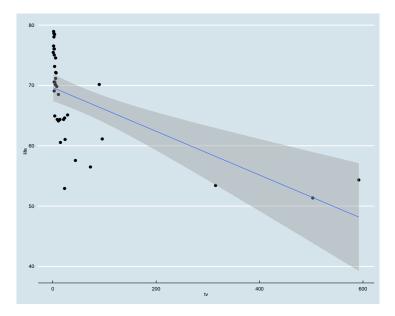


Figure 1: Scatterplot of life expectancy and number of individuals per television set

As a second step, we log-transform the variable tv. The relation between life expectancy and log televisions is in Figure 2. The transformation leads to an (almost) perfect linear relation between these two variables.

```
tele$log_tv <- log(tele$tv)
ggplot(tele, aes(x = log_tv, y = life)) +
    geom_jitter(size = 3) + geom_smooth(method = "lm") +
    theme_economist()

## Warning: Removed 2 rows containing missing values (stat_smooth).
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```

2 Linear model

We fit a linear model with life expectancy as outcome and the log-transformed number of individuals per television set.

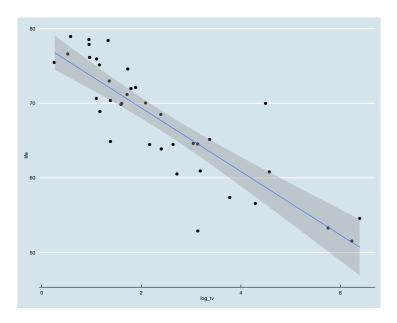


Figure 2: Scatterplot of life expectancy and log- number of individuals per television set

```
fit_lm <- lm(life ~ log(tv), tele)</pre>
```

The results are displayed in table 1.

We can check the model fit by plotting the residuals versus the fitted values (Figure 3).

```
df <- fortify(fit_lm)
ggplot(df, aes(.fitted, .resid)) +
  geom_point(size = 2) +
  geom_smooth(se=FALSE) +</pre>
```

Table 1: Linear model

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	77.89	1.22	63.83	< 0.001
log(tv)	-4.26	0.43	-9.9	< 0.001

```
scale_x_continuous("Fitted Values") +
scale_y_continuous("Residual") +
labs(title = "Residuals vs fitted") +
theme_economist()

## geom_smooth: method="auto" and size of largest group is <1000, so using loess.
Use 'method = x' to change the smoothing method.</pre>
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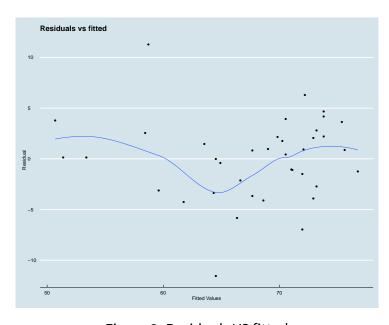


Figure 3: Residuals VS fitted