

COVID 19- Predictions

Facebook's Prophet library

The goal of the project was fairly simple, if we can model successfully model and predict the growth of cumulative covid-19 infections. I documentation for the project is simple too as the R Script is failry self explanatory with proper comments. I will add some plots for this documentation alongside some summary statistics of the model.

Downloading the file

Anyone can easily download the dataset to replicate this project by downloading the data set in csv format from [here](#). The dataset is updated everyday, otherwise a cran package called COVID19 can be used as well. Also, I will try to add the screenshots from Johns hopkins COVID tracker to see if our predictions are close.

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## Download and use the package in R, do not support older versions of R
install.packages("COVID19")
library(COVID19)
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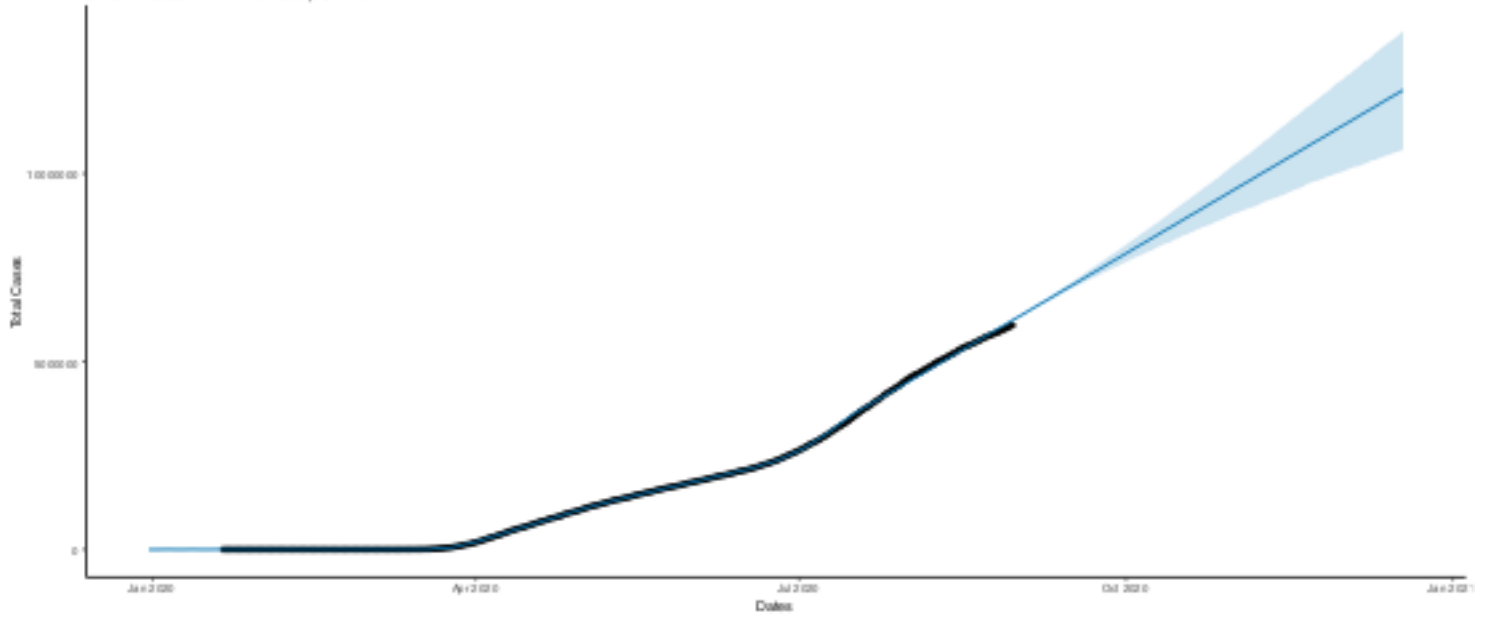
I used 3 countries for the purpose of this project, United States, United Kingdom and India. The reason behind this was to also measure if the models perform differently when applied on different countries. The first figure for each of the prediction shows the predictions with a confidence band, followed by the real numbers and a plot of actual vs predicted values.

For the purpose of the analysis I created a subset of the dataset ending in August of 2020, so that we can see accuracy of the model.

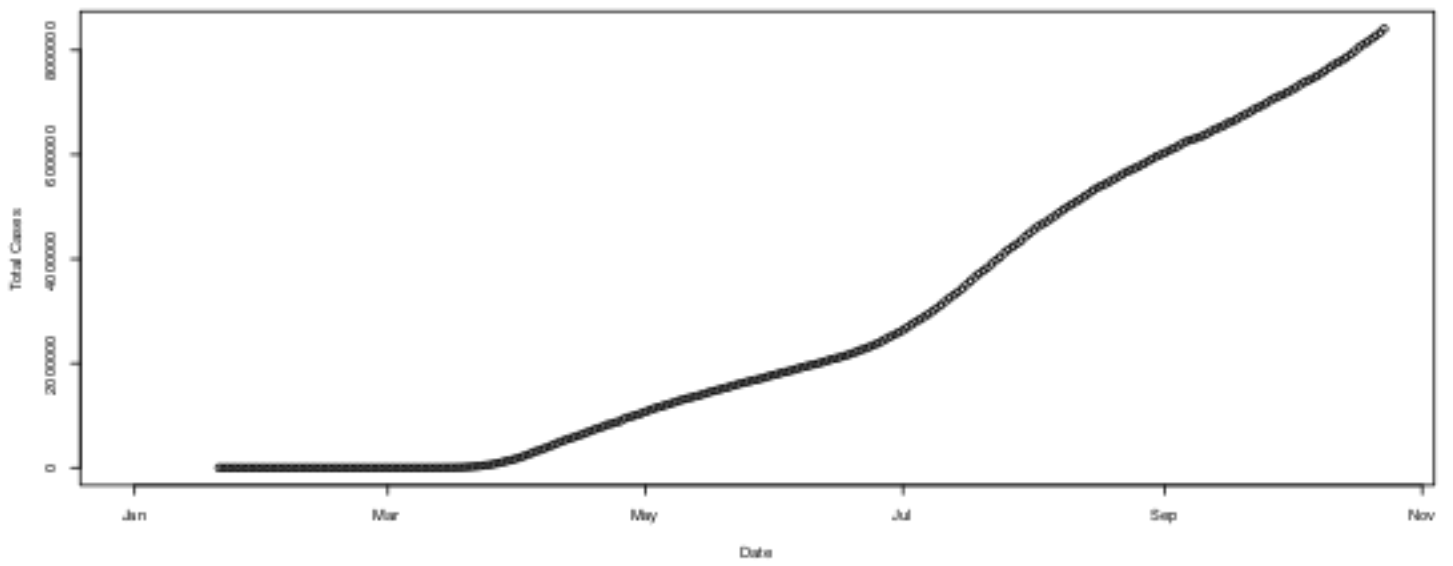
United States

The data predicts that the number of total cases would hover around 8 million total infections and so does the next plot which is the real recorded cases in October, 2020. Then I also plotted the actual values and the predicted values to see if we have a linearity between actual and predictors, plot 3 shows that the model is very good as the plots are so close to the red line which is the abline.

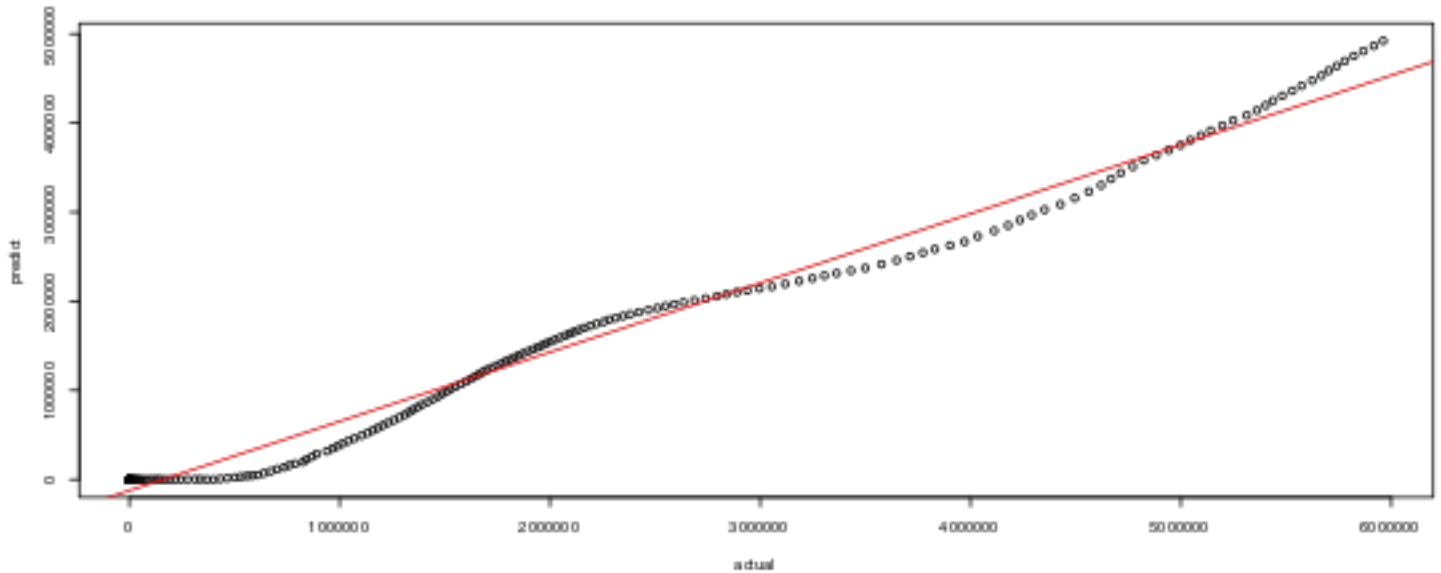
United States COVID 19 case prediction



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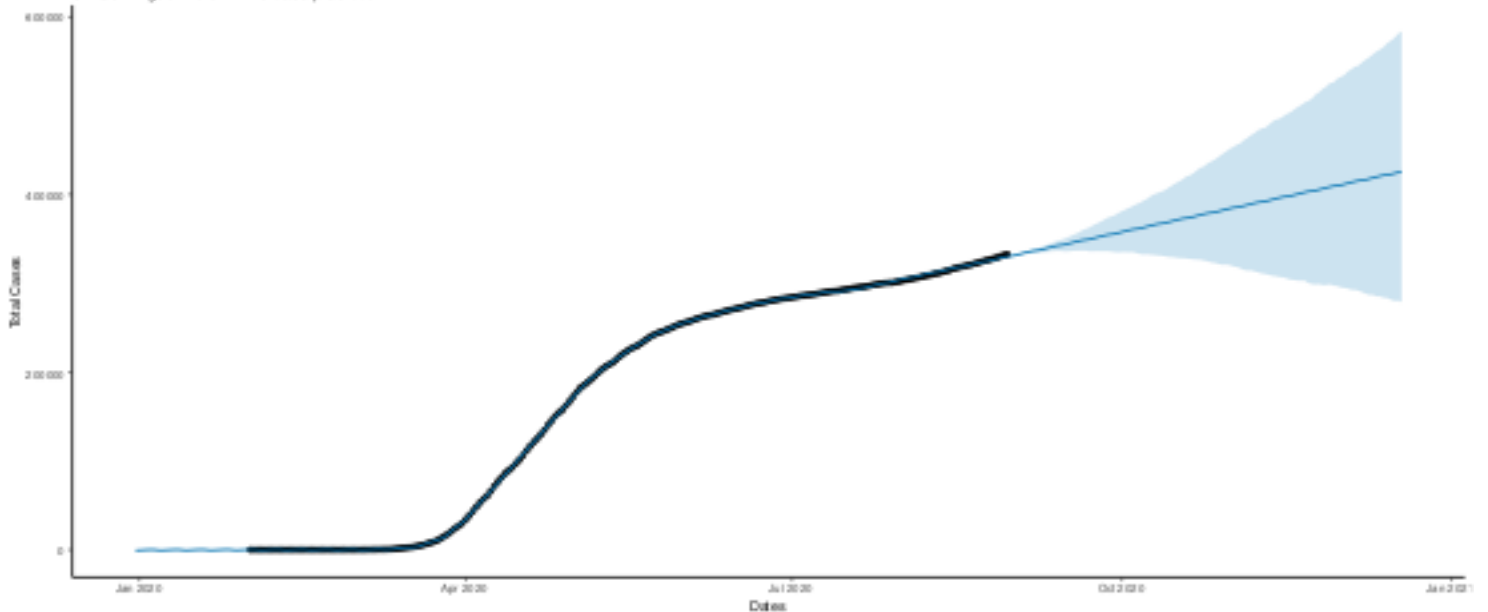
United States model predict

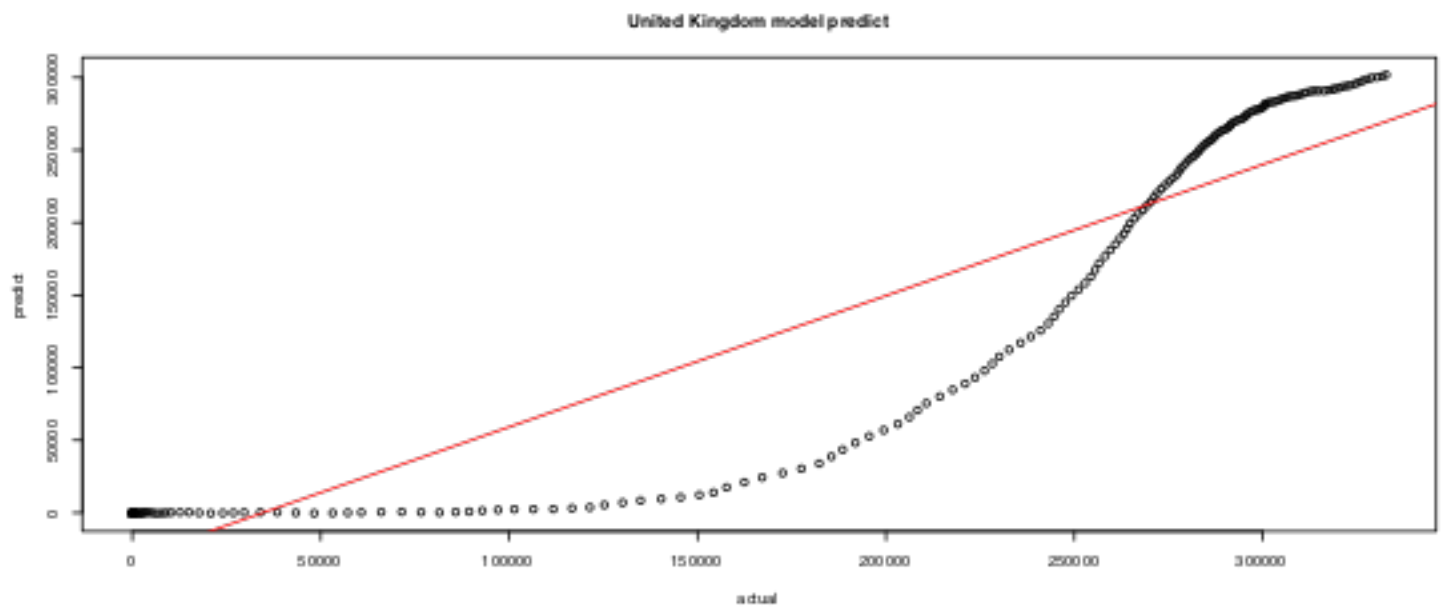
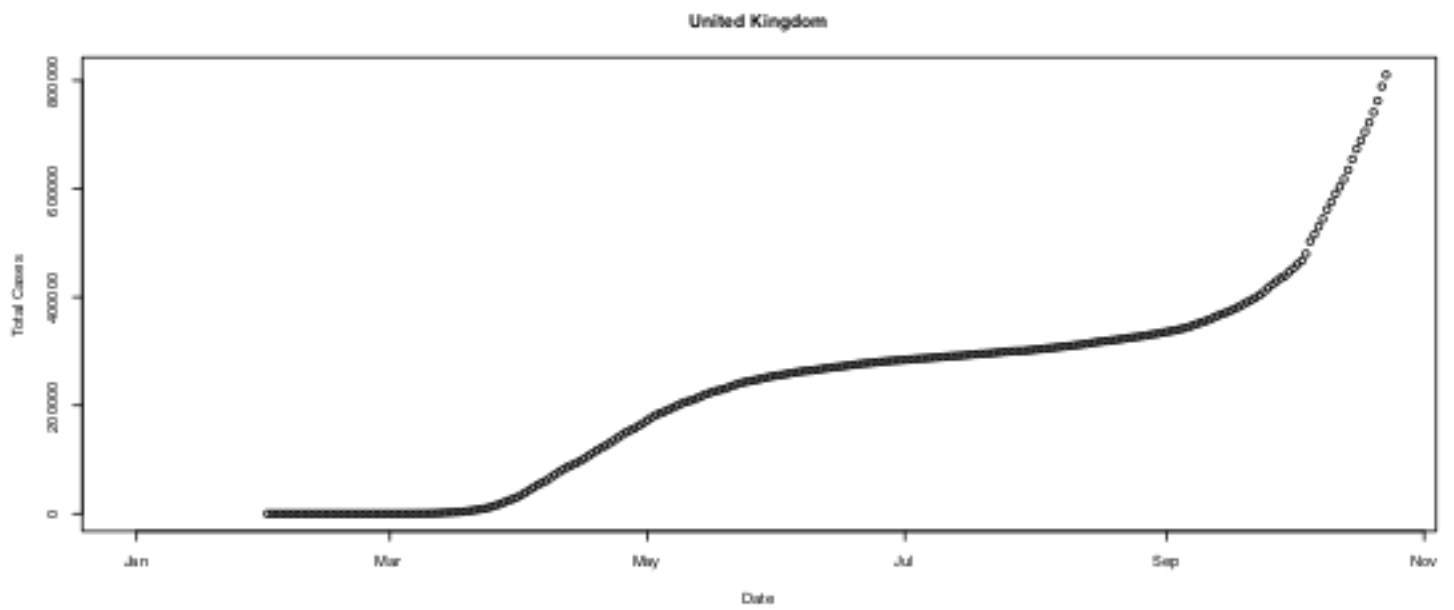


United Kingdom

On the other hand we can see that the confidence band for the prediction model for United Kingdom is fairly wide. We also see from the second plot that United Kingdom managed to flatten the curve very well. Hence, the prediction shows a wider confidence band compared to the United States model. Also, when the real data shows a much higher number of infections compared to our model. Moreover, the third plot which plots actual and predictions shows that the model is not linear at all.

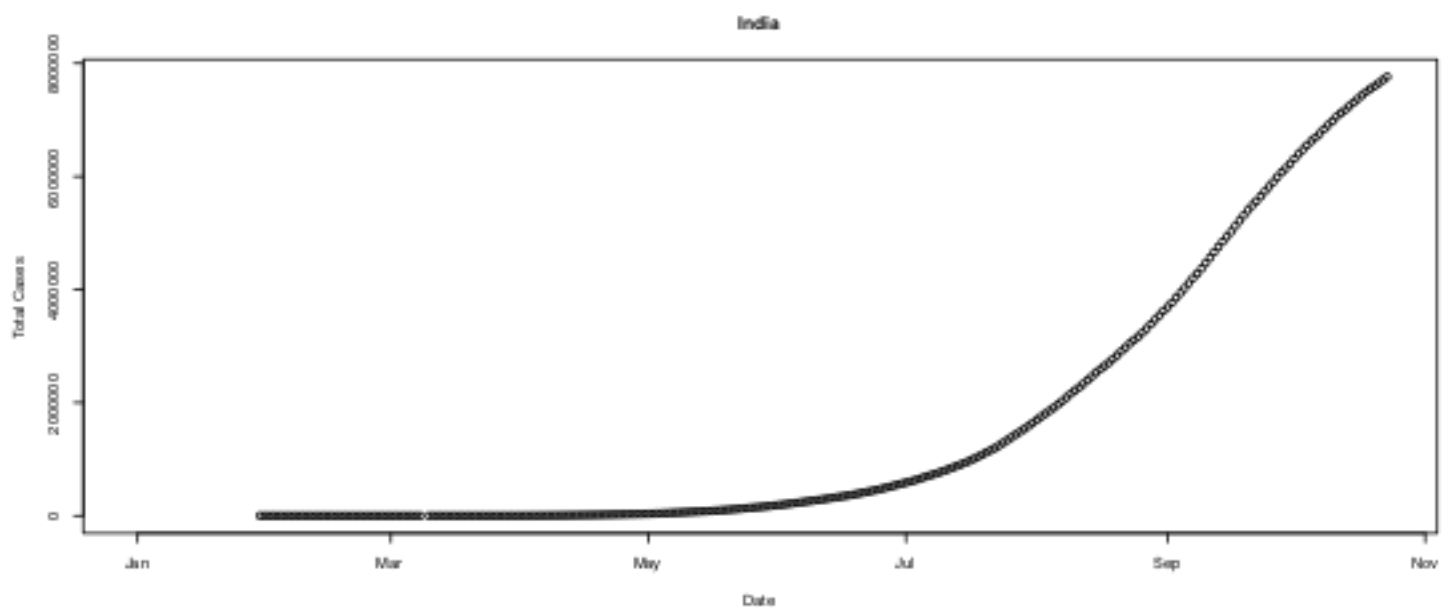
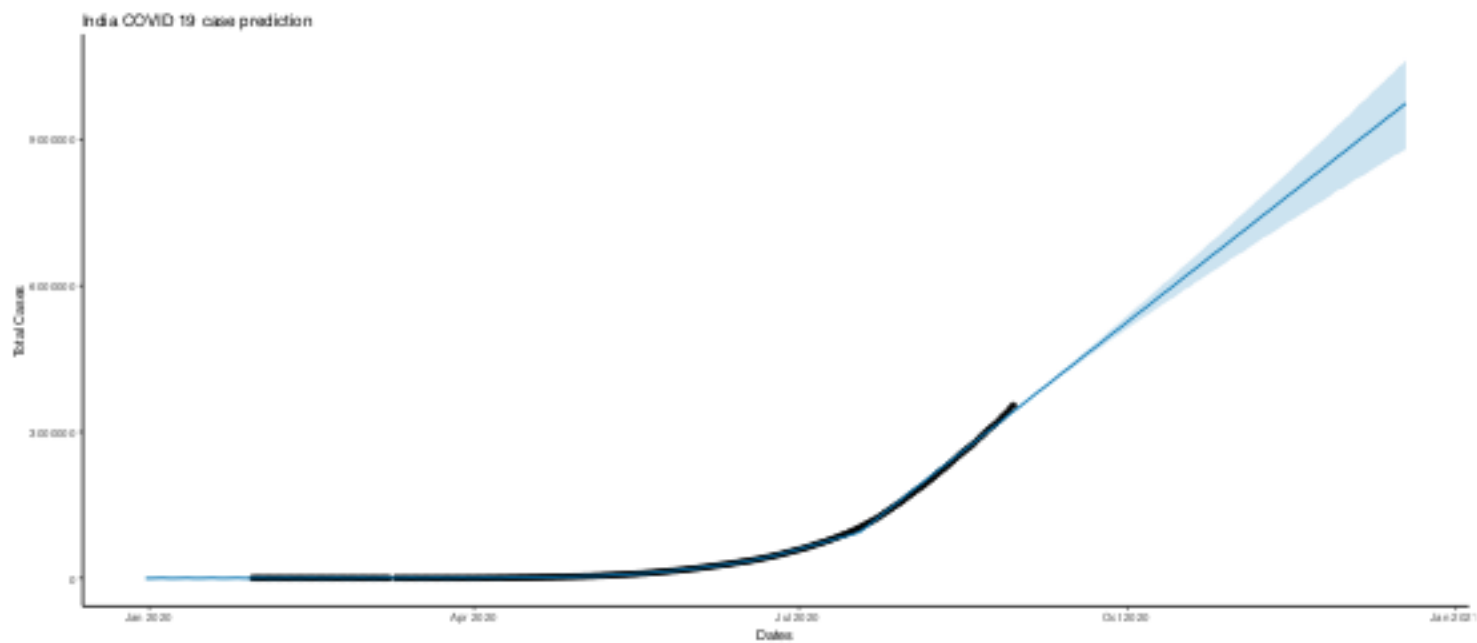
United Kingdom COVID 19 case prediction

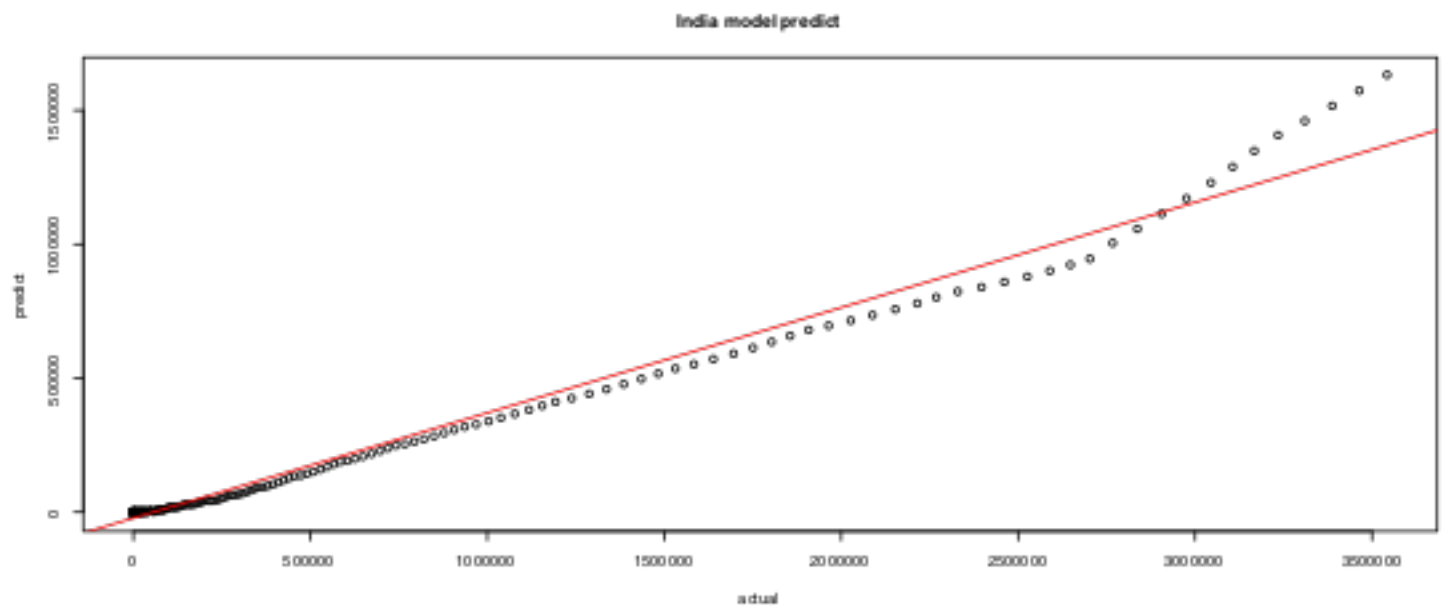




India

This model is similar to the US model.





You can also check summary statistics of these models using the following pieces of code.

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summary(lm(predict~actual))
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I will be updating this at regular intervals.