

Regression Models Course Project

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Executive Summary

In this report we aim to explore the `mtcars` data set (found in the 1974 *Motor Trend* US magazine) and the specific relationship between a set of variables and miles per gallon (MPG) between automatic and manual transmissions. Our hypothesis is that automatic transmission motor vehicles are more effective for MPG than manuals. To investigate this hypothesis, an exploratory data and a regression models analyses was utilized to evaluate such claim. However, when explored, we found that this was not the case as data showed that manual transmission vehicles are better for MPG by a factor of 1.8 compared to automatic transmissions. Therefore, cars that wight less with a manual transmission and cars weight more with an automatic transmission will have higher MPG.

Environment Information

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 3.2.4
```

```
data(mtcars)
```

Exploratory Analysis

```
head(mtcars)
```

```
##           mpg  cyl  disp  hp  drat    wt   qsec vs  am  gear  carb
## Mazda RX4      21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0   1    4    4
## Mazda RX4 Wag  21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.875 17.02 0   1    4    4
## Datsun 710      22.8   4  108  93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1   1    4    1
## Hornet 4 Drive  21.4   6  258 110 3.08 3.215 19.44 1   0    3    1
## Hornet Sportabout 18.7   8  360 175 3.15 3.440 17.02 0   0    3    2
## Valiant        18.1   6  225 105 2.76 3.460 20.22 1   0    3    1
```

```
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 ...
```

```
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
```

```
mtcars[1:5, ]
```

```
##      mpg cyl disp  hp drat   wt  qsec vs am gear carb
## Mazda RX4      21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.620 16.46 0  1    4    4
## Mazda RX4 Wag  21.0   6  160 110 3.90 2.875 17.02 0  1    4    4
## Datsun 710     22.8   4  108  93 3.85 2.320 18.61 1  1    4    1
## Hornet 4 Drive  21.4   6  258 110 3.08 3.215 19.44 1  0    3    1
## Hornet Sportabout 18.7   8  360 175 3.15 3.440 17.02 0  0    3    2
```

```
dim(mtcars)
```

```
## [1] 32 11
```

```
mtcars$cyl <- as.factor(mtcars$cyl)
mtcars$vs <- as.factor(mtcars$vs)
mtcars$am <- factor(mtcars$am)
mtcars$gear <- factor(mtcars$gear)
mtcars$carb <- factor(mtcars$carb)
attach(mtcars)
```

```
## The following object is masked from package:ggplot2:
```

```
##
##      mpg
```

please refer to Appendix

A box-plot was made comparing both manual and automatic transmissions. The plot tells us that manual transmissions have higher MPG values and therefore, more gas friendly. Also, a correlation between variables “cyl”, “wt”, “disp”, “hp” and “MPG” is visible.

Regression Analysis

Linear regression models and a best fit model test will be evaluated in accordance to the respective variables.

An initial model will be made using all the variables as predictors, and perform stepwise model selection to isolate significant predictors for the best model.

```
initialmodel <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
basemodel <- step(initialmodel, direction = "both")

## Start:  AIC=76.4
## mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + vs + am + gear + carb
##
##           Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## - carb    5    13.5989 134.00 69.828
## - gear    2     3.9729 124.38 73.442
## - am      1     1.1420 121.55 74.705
## - qsec    1     1.2413 121.64 74.732
## - drat    1     1.8208 122.22 74.884
## - cyl     2    10.9314 131.33 75.184
## - vs      1     3.6299 124.03 75.354
## <none>                120.40 76.403
## - disp    1     9.9672 130.37 76.948
## - wt      1    25.5541 145.96 80.562
## - hp      1    25.6715 146.07 80.588
##
## Step:  AIC=69.83
## mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + vs + am + gear
##
##           Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## - gear    2     5.0215 139.02 67.005
## - disp    1     0.9934 135.00 68.064
## - drat    1     1.1854 135.19 68.110
## - vs      1     3.6763 137.68 68.694
## - cyl     2    12.5642 146.57 68.696
## - qsec    1     5.2634 139.26 69.061
## <none>                134.00 69.828
## - am      1    11.9255 145.93 70.556
## - wt      1    19.7963 153.80 72.237
## - hp      1    22.7935 156.79 72.855
## + carb    5    13.5989 120.40 76.403
##
## Step:  AIC=67
## mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + vs + am
##
##           Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## - drat    1     0.9672 139.99 65.227
## - cyl     2    10.4247 149.45 65.319
```

```

## - disp 1 1.5483 140.57 65.359
## - vs 1 2.1829 141.21 65.503
## - qsec 1 3.6324 142.66 65.830
## <none> 139.02 67.005
## - am 1 16.5665 155.59 68.608
## - hp 1 18.1768 157.20 68.937
## + gear 2 5.0215 134.00 69.828
## - wt 1 31.1896 170.21 71.482
## + carb 5 14.6475 124.38 73.442
##
## Step: AIC=65.23
## mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp + wt + qsec + vs + am
##
## Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC
## - disp 1 1.2474 141.24 63.511
## - vs 1 2.3403 142.33 63.757
## - cyl 2 12.3267 152.32 63.927
## - qsec 1 3.1000 143.09 63.928
## <none> 139.99 65.227
## + drat 1 0.9672 139.02 67.005
## - hp 1 17.7382 157.73 67.044
## - am 1 19.4660 159.46 67.393
## + gear 2 4.8033 135.19 68.110
## - wt 1 30.7151 170.71 69.574
## + carb 5 13.0509 126.94 72.095
##
## Step: AIC=63.51
## mpg ~ cyl + hp + wt + qsec + vs + am
##
## Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC
## - qsec 1 2.442 143.68 62.059
## - vs 1 2.744 143.98 62.126
## - cyl 2 18.580 159.82 63.466
## <none> 141.24 63.511
## + disp 1 1.247 139.99 65.227
## + drat 1 0.666 140.57 65.359
## - hp 1 18.184 159.42 65.386
## - am 1 18.885 160.12 65.527
## + gear 2 4.684 136.55 66.431
## - wt 1 39.645 180.88 69.428
## + carb 5 2.331 138.91 72.978
##
## Step: AIC=62.06
## mpg ~ cyl + hp + wt + vs + am
##
## Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC
## - vs 1 7.346 151.03 61.655
## <none> 143.68 62.059
## - cyl 2 25.284 168.96 63.246
## + qsec 1 2.442 141.24 63.511
## - am 1 16.443 160.12 63.527
## + disp 1 0.589 143.09 63.928
## + drat 1 0.330 143.35 63.986
## + gear 2 3.437 140.24 65.284

```

```
## - hp      1      36.344 180.02 67.275
## - wt      1      41.088 184.77 68.108
## + carb    5        3.480 140.20 71.275
##
## Step:  AIC=61.65
## mpg ~ cyl + hp + wt + am
##
##           Df Sum of Sq    RSS    AIC
## <none>             151.03 61.655
## - am      1       9.752 160.78 61.657
## + vs      1       7.346 143.68 62.059
## + qsec    1       7.044 143.98 62.126
## - cyl     2      29.265 180.29 63.323
## + disp    1       0.617 150.41 63.524
## + drat    1       0.220 150.81 63.608
## + gear    2       1.361 149.66 65.365
## - hp      1      31.943 182.97 65.794
## - wt      1      46.173 197.20 68.191
## + carb    5       5.633 145.39 70.438
```

```
model <- lm(mpg ~ cyl + hp + wt + am, data = mtcars)
summary(basemodel)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ cyl + hp + wt + am, data = mtcars)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3.9387 -1.2560 -0.4013  1.1253  5.0513
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 33.70832     2.60489   12.940 7.73e-13 ***
## cyl6        -3.03134     1.40728   -2.154  0.04068 *
## cyl8        -2.16368     2.28425   -0.947  0.35225
## hp          -0.03211     0.01369   -2.345  0.02693 *
## wt          -2.49683     0.88559   -2.819  0.00908 **
## am1         1.80921     1.39630    1.296  0.20646
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.41 on 26 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8659, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8401
## F-statistic: 33.57 on 5 and 26 DF,  p-value: 1.506e-10
```

As we can see our Adjusted R-squared value is 0.84 or 84% telling us that at least 84% is explained by the combined model above.

```
basemodel <- lm(mpg ~ am, data = mtcars)
anova(basemodel, basemodel)
```

```
## Analysis of Variance Table
```

```
##
## Model 1: mpg ~ am
## Model 2: mpg ~ am
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)
## 1      30 720.9
## 2      30 720.9  0          0
```

Using automatic as the predictor variable in our base model, we will compare it with the previous base model and observe their relation.

please refer to Appendix

As we can see, the p-value is considerable telling us that the automatic and manual transmissions are different thus must be considered in whether the hypothesis will be rejected or preserved.

Residual plot and Diagnostics

please refer to Appendix

According to the observed values, we can diagnose that Scale-Location plot reassures the constant variance assumption, the Residuals vs. Leverage promotes that no outliers are present, the Residuals vs. Fitted plot are inconsistent, and that the Normal Q-Q plot are normally distributed normally.

Statistical Inference

In order to either confirm or discard our hypothesis, a T-Test will performed comparing once more transmissions and mpg.

```
t.test(mpg ~ am, data = mtcars)
```

```
##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  mpg by am
## t = -3.7671, df = 18.332, p-value = 0.001374
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
##  -11.280194 -3.209684
## sample estimates:
## mean in group 0 mean in group 1
##      17.14737      24.39231
```

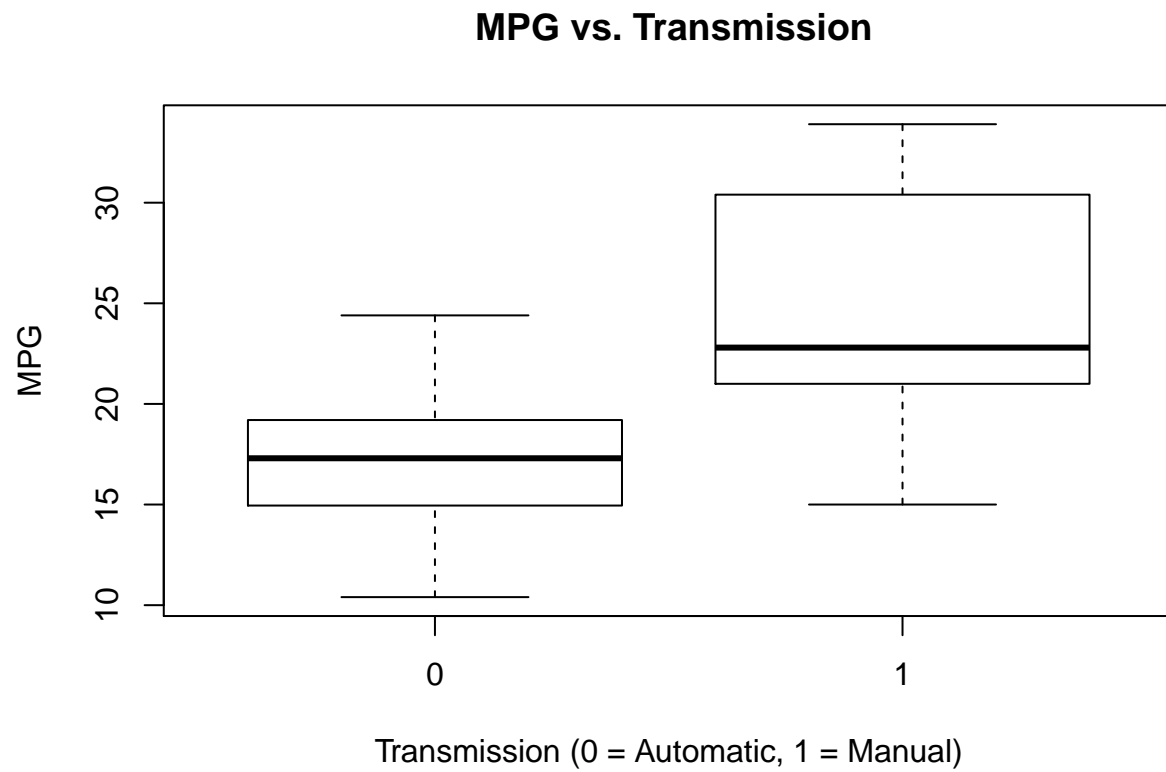
As we can see, both manual and automatic transmissions are different. Our hypothesis was wrong and thus, can be be annulled.

Conclusions

In conclusion, we have observed that *MPG* is effected by changes in the variables *cyl*, *hp* and *wt*. Motor Vehicles with manual transmission get about 1.8 MPG more than automatic transmission as *MPG* decreases by about 2.5 for every 1000 pound increase in weight. Inversely, *MPG* decreases very marginally with horsepower, about 3 MPG for every 100 horsepower.

Appendix

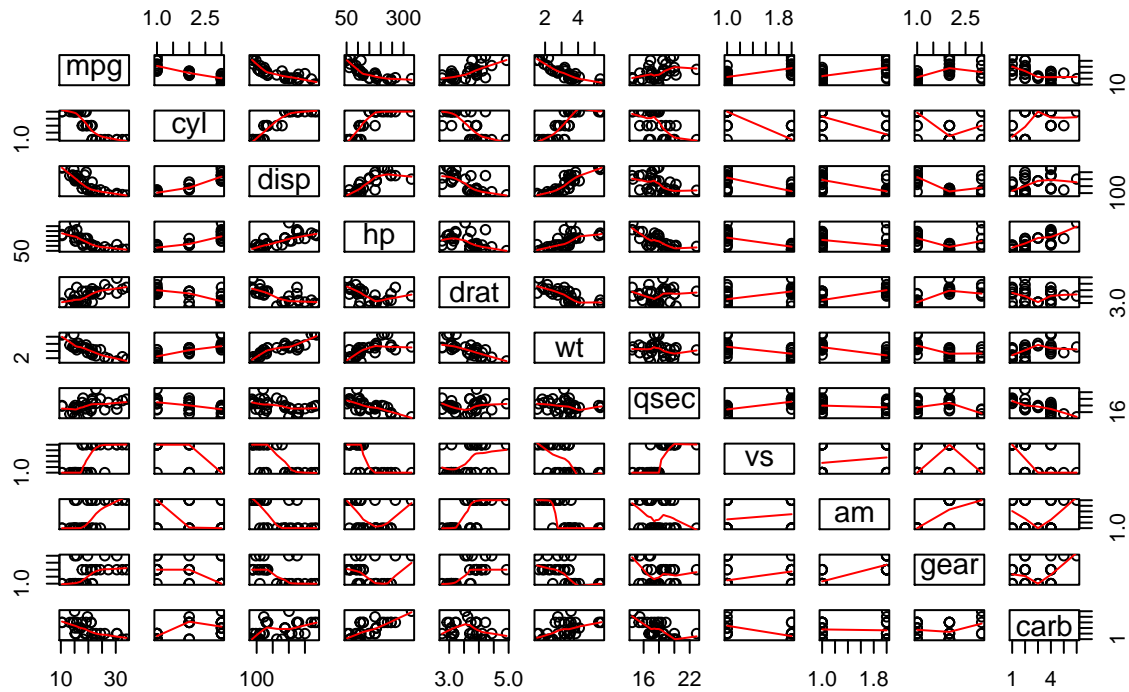
1. Exploratory Analysis



2. Regression Analysis

a)

Motor Trend Car Road Tests



b)



3. Residual plot and Diagnostics

