

Motor-Trends

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Relationship between MPG and Transmission

In the following report we are going to explore the relationship between Miles per Gallon (MPG) and cars transmissions (automatic or manual), by fitting different models in order to try to answer the following questions:

**** Is an automatic or manual transmission better for MPG? **** Quantify the MPG difference between automatic and manual transmissions?

The data in analysis is mtcars, available in R by default. We print a summary of its variables and a extract of the first five values

```
head(mtcars, 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
```

```
summary(mtcars)
```

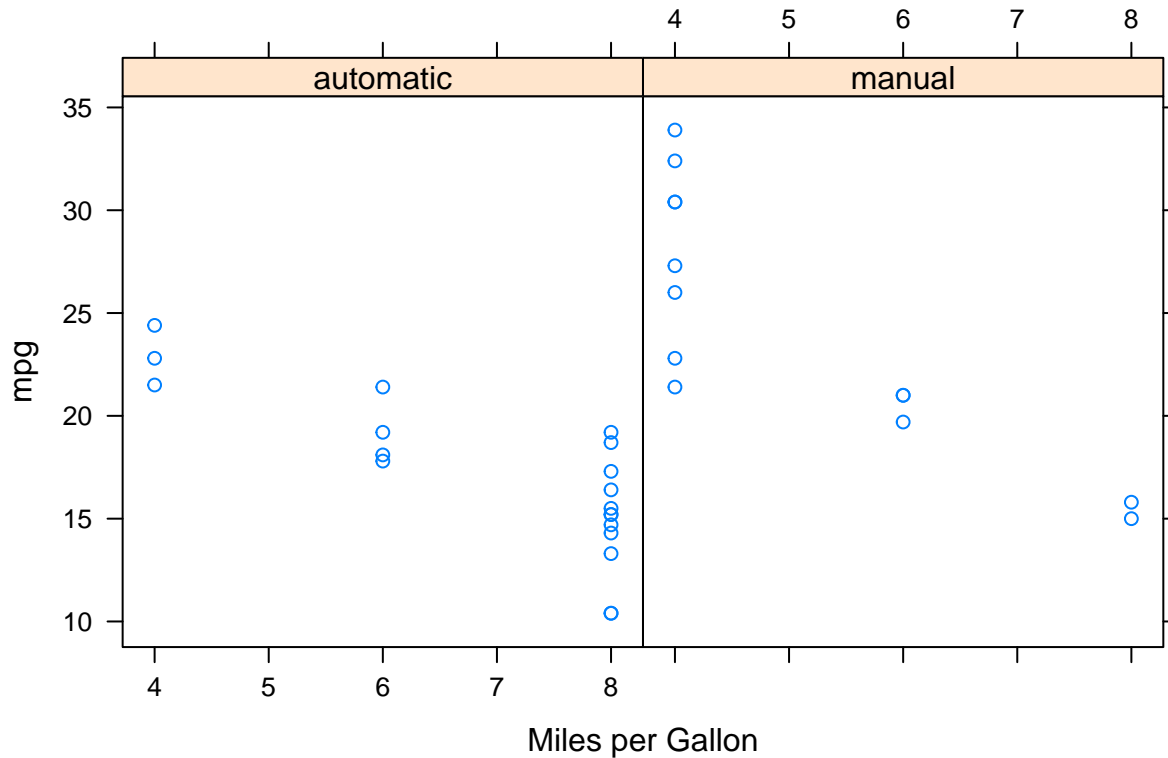
```
##           mpg           cyl           disp           hp
## Min.   :10.40   Min.   :4.000   Min.   : 71.1   Min.   : 52.0
## 1st Qu.:15.43   1st Qu.:4.000   1st Qu.:120.8   1st Qu.: 96.5
## Median :19.20   Median :6.000   Median :196.3   Median :123.0
## Mean   :20.09   Mean   :6.188   Mean   :230.7   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
```

Then, we try to visualize the data with a plot:

```
am.f<-factor(am,levels=c(0,1),
  labels=c("automatic","manual"))
xyplot(mpg ~ cyl | am.f,
```

```
main="Density Plot by type of gear",
xlab="Miles per Gallon")
```

Density Plot by type of gear



```
#qplot(x = cty, y = hwy, data = mpg, geom = 'point')
```

#Criteria

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