Introductory Data Munging in R

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First things first: RStudio

First off, we'll run through the installation of RStudio for those of you who have yet to download and install. You'll be needing R, which you can find here:

Click here to download R

Next, you'll need RStudio, which is a GUI for using R:

Click here to download RStudio

R is a language used mainly for statistical analysis. It is easily extendible through packages that can be downloaded and installed from the R-repository. To access this repository and install packages, use the install.packages("Package Name") function.

For today, you will be needing the following packages:

install.packages(data.table) install.packages(car)

Another package that is useful to have is the swirl tutorial package:

install.packages(swirl)

This package includes tutorials into the different classes and functions of R, and will be a useful reference for getting started with R. However, we will not be covering this, snce you can slowly explore this in your free time. While useful, going through the Swirl tutorials can be time consuming.

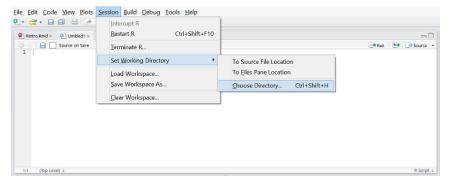
If at any point in time you are confused about a function in R, you can use the command ?<function> to find out more about the function. For example:

?install.packages

Importing Data

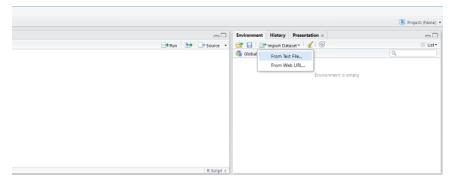
Setting your working directory in RStudio

We'll be using a DMEF dataset, which is mostly online shopping data (some phone and mail transactions too). Let's import the data first. If you're using RStudio, both navigating to the working directory and importing the file can be performed using the GUI, and the code will be generated for you.



Importing a file using RStudio

The read.csv function takes in a csv file and imports it into R. If the file is in your working directory, you will only need the name of the file. If you are trying to import the file from another folder, as shown below, you will need to specify the file path.



The '<-' operator is used to store data in a variable.

```
# Navigating to your working directory (GUI)
setwd("C:/Users/Ken/Dropbox/Academics/2016/Sem2/R Intro/bza-r-intro/code")
#setwd("~/R Intro/bza-r-intro/code")

# Loading the file (GUI)
dmef_dataset <- read.csv("C:/Users/Ken/Dropbox/Academics/2016/Sem2/R Intro/bza-r-intro/data/dmef_dataset
#dmef_dataset <- read.csv("~/R Intro/dmef_dataset.csv")</pre>
```

So the code above loads the csv data and saved it to the 'dmef dataset' variable.

Getting A Feel

You can take a look at the entire dataset using the View command, View(dmef_dataset), get a simple summary using the summary command, summary(dmef_dataset), or see the types of data being stored using the str command, str(dmef_dataset).

Let's just use the summary command to see the descriptive statistics for this dataset.

summary(dmef_dataset)

```
##
        CUSTNO
                               ZIP
                                              ORDER LINE
##
    Min.
            :9.991e+09
                          10021
                                     337
                                                         1.000
                                            Min.
##
    1st Qu.:1.008e+10
                          10128
                                     270
                                            1st Qu.:
                                                         1.000
##
    Median :1.009e+10
                          08540
                                     258
                                            Median:
                                                         1.000
##
            :1.009e+10
                          10011
                                     229
                                            Mean
                                                         5.107
                                     224
                                                         2.000
##
    3rd Qu.:1.011e+10
                          10024
                                            3rd Qu.:
##
           :1.013e+10
                          77024
                                     214
                                                   :11012.000
                                            Max.
                          (Other):224597
##
##
       ORDER NO
                           PRODUCT_NO
                                              RETN LINE
##
    Min.
           :123456799
                         Min.
                                 :920190
                                                        1.00
                                            Min.
    1st Qu.:125942853
                         1st Qu.:982083
                                                        1.00
##
                                            1st Qu.:
##
    Median :128264074
                         Median :984215
                                            Median:
                                                        1.00
           :127978114
                                 :982891
    Mean
                         Mean
                                            Mean
                                                       19.72
    3rd Qu.:129181758
                         3rd Qu.:987324
                                                        1.00
                                            3rd Qu.:
```

```
##
    Max.
            :132481165
                          Max.
                                  :993299
                                                     :2008.00
                                             Max.
##
                                             NA's
                                                    :215387
##
           BO DATE
                              CANCEL DATE
                                                CANCEL QUANTITY
                                     :217885
                                                        : 0.00000
##
               :208630
                                                Min.
##
    12/13/2007:
                   115
                          5/25/2005 :
                                          71
                                                1st Qu.: 0.00000
                   107
                                                Median: 0.00000
##
    12/12/2007:
                          12/12/2007:
                                          53
    12/4/2007:
                                          52
                                                        : 0.03931
##
                   106
                          12/29/2008:
                                                Mean
                                          47
##
    12/10/2007:
                   101
                          3/8/2010
                                                3rd Qu.: 0.00000
##
    12/5/2007:
                   101
                          9/10/2008:
                                          41
                                                Max.
                                                        :70.00000
##
    (Other)
               : 16969
                          (Other)
                                        7980
                                        DIVISION_ID
##
    PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID CHANNEL
                                                            OFFER_ID
    Τ
            :33907
                               8112
                                               :1.000
                                                        WO8WEB:
                                                                   9168
##
                          ML:
                                       Min.
##
    C
            :33871
                          PH: 90981
                                       1st Qu.:1.000
                                                        WO7WEB:
                                                                    9120
    Ρ
            :32683
##
                          WE:127036
                                       Median :1.000
                                                        WO6WEB:
                                                                    7471
##
    Ε
                                               :2.526
                                                        WO9WEB:
                                                                    7044
            :31469
                                       Mean
##
    Η
            :19358
                                       3rd Qu.:5.000
                                                        WO5WEB:
                                                                    6820
##
    F
                                               :5.000
                                                        W10WEB :
            :19346
                                       Max.
                                                                   6036
##
    (Other):55495
                                                         (Other):180470
##
         ORDER DATE
                             EXT_COST
                                                EXT_PRICE
                                                                    PAY METHOD
##
    4/12/2007:
                   622
                          Min.
                                  :
                                      0.00
                                             Min.
                                                          0.00
                                                                         :102103
##
    10/12/2007:
                   610
                          1st Qu.:
                                     14.03
                                              1st Qu.:
                                                        34.95
                                                                 MC
                                                                         : 58741
##
    7/12/2010:
                   609
                                     24.00
                                             Median :
                                                        59.95
                                                                         : 42159
                          Median:
                                                                 AX
    6/12/2005:
                   608
                                     39.05
##
                          Mean
                                                        84.21
                                                                 DΙ
                                                                           11759
                                             Mean
    4/12/2006:
                   604
                          3rd Qu.:
                                     45.00
                                                        99.95
                                                                 PC
##
                                              3rd Qu.:
                                                                            6717
                                  :3100.00
##
    12/12/2011:
                   599
                          Max.
                                             Max.
                                                     :5000.00
                                                                 PY
                                                                            2465
##
    (Other)
               :222477
                                                                  (Other):
                                                                            2185
##
       QUANTITY
                            SHIP_DATE
                                             SHIP_QUANTITY
##
    Min.
           : 1.000
                                     8470
                                             Min.
                                                    : 0.0000
                                      697
##
    1st Qu.: 1.000
                       11/12/2007:
                                             1st Qu.: 1.0000
##
    Median : 1.000
                       7/12/2011:
                                      596
                                             Median: 1.0000
##
    Mean
           : 1.037
                       17/12/2008:
                                      595
                                             Mean
                                                    : 0.9979
##
    3rd Qu.: 1.000
                       16/12/2008:
                                      588
                                             3rd Qu.: 1.0000
##
    Max.
            :70.000
                       10/12/2007:
                                      584
                                             Max.
                                                    :16.0000
##
                       (Other)
                                  :214599
##
         RETN DATE
                             RETN QTY
                                               RETN REVENUE
##
                                  :0.00000
                                                          0.000
    0
               :215387
                          Min.
                                             Min.
##
    1/7/2011
                    38
                          1st Qu.:0.00000
                                              1st Qu.:
                                                          0.000
##
    12/5/2008:
                    34
                          Median :0.00000
                                             Median :
                                                          0.000
##
    1/21/2008:
                    29
                                  :0.04833
                          Mean
                                             Mean
                                                          5.172
##
    12/29/2010:
                    29
                          3rd Qu.:0.00000
                                              3rd Qu.:
                                                          0.000
    1/6/2010
                                  :8.00000
                                                     :4500.000
                    28
                          Max.
                                              Max.
##
    (Other)
               : 10584
```

Before we go on...

The data that you have currently imported is in a data frame format. This is the most primitive and basic class for storing data in R. To check this, you can use the class function:

```
class(dmef_dataset)
```

```
## [1] "data.frame"
```

Personally, I like using the **data.table** library. This is an extension of the data.frame class and allows you to manipulate the dataset more easily. You have other options like the standard in-built **data.frame** object, or **dplyr** which works better with ggplot2, but data.table is the one we'll be working with today.

```
# Firstly, let's load the data.table package that you installed earlier.
library(data.table)

# Making the dataframe a datatable
dmef_dataset <- as.data.table(dmef_dataset)</pre>
```

Now, you can check the class of the dataset:

```
class(dmef_dataset)
```

```
## [1] "data.table" "data.frame"
```

As you can see, the data set now has the class "data.table", but it is still a data frame. This is because data table is only an extension of the data frame class. We won't go into too much specifics at this point, so let's continue.

WTF so many columns

If you've taken a look at the full data set, you might think it's a little large to handle. So let's clean up and filter the data. This is where the data table comes in useful. Let's run through some of the basic functions of a data table that might help.

The data table function takes the general form of data.table(x,y,z), where x denotes the subset of rows, y denotes the subset of columns, and z denotes the grouping criteria for the resultant column. Let's say we want to look at rows 3 to 5

Sifting through rows

```
dmef_dataset[3:5,]
```

```
##
           CUSTNO
                     ZIP ORDER_LINE
                                     ORDER_NO PRODUCT_NO RETN_LINE BO_DATE
## 1: 10109980365 76443
                                   3 123456799
                                                                   NA
                                                    989457
## 2: 10120142886 89103
                                                    986782
                                                                   NA
                                   1 123456815
## 3: 10056184374 28655
                                   1 123457056
                                                    986620
                                                                   NA
      CANCEL DATE CANCEL QUANTITY PRODUCT CATEGORY ID CHANNEL DIVISION ID
##
## 1:
                                  0
                                                       C
                                                               ML
                                                                             1
## 2:
                                  0
                                                       Ε
                                                               ML
                                                                             1
## 3:
                                  0
                                                       Ε
                                                               ML
                                                                             1
##
      OFFER_ID ORDER_DATE EXT_COST EXT_PRICE PAY_METHOD
                                                           QUANTITY
                                                                      SHIP DATE
## 1:
        A10LCB 19/12/2010
                                28.0
                                         69.95
                                                        PC
                                                                   1 20/12/2010
                               227.0
## 2:
        A10LMB 21/12/2010
                                        349.95
                                                        MO
                                                                   1 21/12/2010
## 3:
        A11LSB 18/4/2011
                               105.8
                                        249.95
                                                        MO
                                                                   1 18/4/2011
      SHIP_QUANTITY RETN_DATE RETN_QTY RETN_REVENUE
##
                                       0
                                                     0
## 1:
                   1
                             0
## 2:
                   1
                             0
                                       0
                                                     0
## 3:
                             0
                                       0
                                                     0
                   1
```

But that doesn't really help with data analysis, since you won't know which rows you are interested in, and you definitely do not want to search through all those rows. Luckily, R can also do that for you. Data tables allow for sorting of values based on the row. Let's try that now. For this, we can for example find the rows that contain a certain product...

To keep it short, let's use the head function to look at the first five entries.
head(dmef_dataset[PRODUCT_NO %in% 987668])

```
##
                                     ORDER_NO PRODUCT_NO RETN_LINE BO_DATE
           CUSTNO
                     ZIP ORDER LINE
## 1: 10109980365 76443
                                   1 123456799
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
## 2: 10109980365 76443
                                   2 123456799
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
## 3: 10109086080 63146
                                   2 127601151
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
## 4: 10109086080 63146
                                   2 127617169
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
## 5: 10109585478 80218
                                   1 127637289
                                                     987668
                                                                     1
## 6: 10110046231 40222
                                   1 127670778
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
##
      CANCEL_DATE CANCEL_QUANTITY PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID CHANNEL DIVISION_ID
## 1:
                                  0
                                                        С
                                                               ML
                                                                             1
## 2:
                                  0
                                                        C
                                                               ML
                                                                             1
                                                        C
                                                               WE
                                                                             5
## 3:
                                  0
## 4:
                                  0
                                                        C
                                                               WE
                                                                             5
                                  0
                                                                             1
## 5:
                                                        C
                                                               WE
                                  0
                                                        C
                                                               WE
                                                                             5
## 6:
##
      OFFER ID ORDER DATE EXT COST EXT PRICE PAY METHOD QUANTITY
                                                                      SHIP DATE
## 1:
        A10LCB 19/12/2010
                               25.99
                                          79.95
                                                         PC
                                                                    1 20/12/2010
## 2:
        A10LCB 19/12/2010
                               25.99
                                          79.95
                                                         PC
                                                                    1 20/12/2010
## 3:
        W09SHP 8/11/2009
                               15.50
                                          79.95
                                                         DI
                                                                       9/11/2009
        W09SHP 13/11/2009
                               15.50
                                          79.95
                                                         DI
                                                                    1 16/11/2009
## 4:
## 5:
        A09LMB 19/11/2009
                               15.50
                                          79.95
                                                         AX
                                                                    1 20/11/2009
        W09WEB 27/11/2009
  6:
                               15.50
                                          79.95
                                                         AX
                                                                    1 28/11/2009
      SHIP QUANTITY RETN DATE RETN QTY RETN REVENUE
##
## 1:
                   1
                              0
                                       0
                                                  0.00
                                       0
## 2:
                   1
                              0
                                                  0.00
## 3:
                   1
                              0
                                       0
                                                  0.00
                              0
                                       0
                                                  0.00
## 4:
                   1
## 5:
                   1 12/4/2009
                                       1
                                                 79.95
                                                  0.00
## 6:
                              0
```

Or maybe we want to look at a few products at a time. To do this, we will create a vector of the products we want using the c() function.

```
head(dmef_dataset[PRODUCT_NO %in% c(987668, 989457)])
```

```
##
                     ZIP ORDER_LINE
                                       ORDER_NO PRODUCT_NO RETN_LINE BO_DATE
            CUSTNO
## 1: 10109980365 76443
                                    1 123456799
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
                                                                    NA
## 2: 10109980365 76443
                                    2 123456799
                                                     987668
## 3: 10109980365 76443
                                    3 123456799
                                                     989457
                                                                    NA
## 4: 10109086080 63146
                                    2 127601151
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
## 5: 10109086080 63146
                                    2 127617169
                                                     987668
                                                                    NA
## 6: 10109585478 80218
                                    1 127637289
                                                     987668
                                                                     1
##
      CANCEL_DATE CANCEL_QUANTITY PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID CHANNEL DIVISION_ID
## 1:
                                  0
                                                        C
                                                                ML
                                                                              1
## 2:
                                  0
                                                        \mathsf{C}
                                                                              1
                                                                ML
                                  0
                                                        C
                                                                ML
## 3:
                                                                              1
```

```
С
## 4:
                                   0
                                                                 WE
                                                                                5
## 5:
                                   0
                                                         C
                                                                 WF.
                                                                                5
## 6:
                                   0
                                                         C
                                                                 WE
                                                                                1
      OFFER_ID ORDER_DATE EXT_COST EXT_PRICE PAY_METHOD
##
                                                              QUANTITY
                                                                         SHIP_DATE
## 1:
        A10LCB 19/12/2010
                                25.99
                                           79.95
                                                          PC
                                                                      1 20/12/2010
## 2:
        A10LCB 19/12/2010
                                25.99
                                           79.95
                                                          PC
                                                                      1 20/12/2010
        A10LCB 19/12/2010
                                                          PC
## 3:
                                28.00
                                           69.95
                                                                       20/12/2010
## 4:
        W09SHP 8/11/2009
                                15.50
                                           79.95
                                                          DΙ
                                                                      1
                                                                         9/11/2009
## 5:
        W09SHP 13/11/2009
                                15.50
                                           79.95
                                                          DI
                                                                      1 16/11/2009
##
  6:
        A09LMB 19/11/2009
                                15.50
                                           79.95
                                                          AX
                                                                      1 20/11/2009
##
      SHIP_QUANTITY RETN_DATE RETN_QTY RETN_REVENUE
## 1:
                    1
                               0
                                         0
                                                    0.00
                                         0
## 2:
                    1
                               0
                                                    0.00
                                         0
## 3:
                    1
                               0
                                                    0.00
## 4:
                               0
                                         0
                                                    0.00
                    1
## 5:
                    1
                               0
                                         0
                                                    0.00
## 6:
                    1 12/4/2009
                                         1
                                                   79.95
```

The first variable in the data table function can take in any argument. We can include filters to check for specific values, as we have done above, but we can also filter out values outside of a certain range. For example:

head(dmef_dataset[EXT_PRICE < 30])</pre>

```
ZIP ORDER LINE
                                       ORDER NO PRODUCT NO RETN LINE BO DATE
##
            CUSTNO
## 1: 10126696008 05353
                                    2 123457640
                                                     989637
                                                                     NA
## 2: 10128401286 49286
                                    3 123457684
                                                      991464
                                                                     NA
## 3: 10129006933 97327
                                    2 123457798
                                                     991464
                                                                     NA
                                    2 123457820
## 4: 10118306172 77984
                                                     989929
                                                                     NA
## 5: 10131135053 15436
                                    2 123458129
                                                                     NA
                                                      986130
   6: 10071762171 44216
                                    1 123490760
                                                     964576
                                                                     NA
##
      CANCEL_DATE CANCEL_QUANTITY PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID CHANNEL
                                                                    DIVISION_ID
## 1:
                                   0
                                                         K
                                                                ML
                                                                               1
## 2:
                                   0
                                                         С
                                                                ML
                                                                               1
## 3:
                                   0
                                                         C
                                                                ML
                                                                               1
## 4:
                                   0
                                                                ML
                                                         Ε
                                                                               1
## 5:
                                   0
                                                         Η
                                                                ML
                                                                               1
## 6:
                                   0
                                                         Τ
                                                                PH
                                                                               5
      OFFER_ID ORDER_DATE EXT_COST EXT_PRICE PAY_METHOD
##
                                                             QUANTITY
                                                                        SHIP DATE
## 1:
        A11LMB 21/12/2011
                               13.80
                                          29.95
                                                          PC
                                                                     1
                                                                       21/12/2011
## 2:
        A12WNB
                 20/1/2012
                               10.00
                                          29.95
                                                          PC
                                                                        24/1/2012
                                                                     1
## 3:
        A12SPB
                  2/3/2012
                               10.00
                                          29.95
                                                          PC
                                                                     1
                                                                         5/3/2012
                  8/3/2012
                               12.00
                                          24.95
                                                                         9/3/2012
## 4:
        A11HLB
                                                          PC
                                                                     1
## 5:
        A120FM
                                5.95
                                          14.95
                                                          PC
                                                                         8/8/2012
                  7/8/2012
                                                                     1
                                           4.95
##
  6:
        W05CAT
                 14/2/2005
                                2.00
                                                          VI
                                                                        15/2/2005
      SHIP_QUANTITY RETN_DATE RETN_QTY RETN_REVENUE
## 1:
                    1
                              0
                                        0
                                                      0
## 2:
                   1
                              0
                                        0
                                                      0
                              0
                                        0
                                                      0
## 3:
                   1
## 4:
                    1
                              0
                                        0
                                                      0
## 5:
                    1
                              0
                                        0
                                                      0
## 6:
                    1
```

We can even throw all of the above together!

```
ZIP ORDER_LINE ORDER_NO PRODUCT_NO RETN_LINE BO_DATE
##
           CUSTNO
## 1: 10109980365 76443
                                   3 123456799
                                                    989457
## 2: 10116452851 49017
                                   1 128146175
                                                    989457
                                                                   NA
## 3: 10116797651 10016
                                   1 128174012
                                                                   NA
                                                    989457
## 4: 10117257911 21014
                                   1 128219233
                                                    989457
                                                                   NA
## 5: 10117257911 21014
                                   2 128219233
                                                    989457
                                                                   NΑ
## 6: 10117493794 30305
                                   1 128239010
                                                    989457
                                                                   NA
##
      CANCEL DATE CANCEL QUANTITY PRODUCT CATEGORY ID CHANNEL DIVISION ID
## 1:
                                  0
                                                       C
                                                               ML
                                                                             1
## 2:
                                  0
                                                       С
                                                               WE
                                                                             5
## 3:
                                  0
                                                       С
                                                               WE
                                                                             1
                                                       С
                                                               WE
## 4:
                                  0
                                                                             1
## 5:
                                  0
                                                       С
                                                               WE
                                                                             1
## 6:
                                  0
                                                       C
                                                               WE
      OFFER_ID ORDER_DATE EXT_COST EXT_PRICE PAY_METHOD QUANTITY
##
                                                                      SHIP_DATE
                                  28
                                         69.95
                                                        PC
## 1:
        A10LCB 19/12/2010
                                                                   1 20/12/2010
## 2:
        W10CMP 6/10/2010
                                  28
                                         69.95
                                                         VI
                                                                   1
                                                                      1/11/2010
## 3:
        A10GFP 24/10/2010
                                  28
                                         69.95
                                                        MC
                                                                      1/11/2010
                                                                   1
                                                         VI
## 4:
        A10GFB 9/11/2010
                                  28
                                         69.95
                                                                   1 10/11/2010
## 5:
        A10GFB 9/11/2010
                                  28
                                         69.95
                                                         VI
                                                                   1 10/11/2010
        A10GFP 15/11/2010
## 6:
                                  28
                                         69.95
                                                         MC
                                                                   1 16/11/2010
##
      SHIP_QUANTITY RETN_DATE RETN_QTY RETN_REVENUE
## 1:
                   1
                              0
                                       0
## 2:
                   1
                              0
                                       0
                                                     0
                                       0
## 3:
                   1
                              0
                                                     0
                   1
                              0
                                       0
                                                     0
## 4:
## 5:
                   1
                              0
                                       0
                                                     0
## 6:
                                                     0
                   1
```

Sorting columns

data.tables also allow you to filter out columns using their headers. For example, let's take a look at some products and their cost and price.

```
ex1 <- dmef_dataset[,.(PRODUCT_NO, QUANTITY, EXT_PRICE)]
```

You can also generate new columns ased on data from existing columns, similar to what you can normally do in excel, but this time with one line of code. The EXT_PRICE column takes into account the total price of all the products. So lets try to find the the unit price of each product.

```
#We start by removing duplicate products. The following code removes duplicates from the dataset using
unique_ex1 <- unique(ex1, by = "PRODUCT_NO")

#Next, we'll create a new column called unit_price, and make it equal to the value of EXT_PRICE divided
unique_ex1 <- unique_ex1[, unit_price := EXT_PRICE/QUANTITY]

#To better see how the code works, let's take a look at the products with quantity greater than 1
head(unique_ex1[QUANTITY > 1])
```

```
##
      PRODUCT_NO QUANTITY EXT_PRICE unit_price
## 1:
          991734
                          3
                               239.85
                                            79.95
## 2:
          981222
                          4
                               139.80
                                            34.95
                          3
## 3:
          975483
                                59.85
                                            19.95
## 4:
          981856
                          4
                                59.80
                                            14.95
## 5:
                          2
                                79.90
                                            39.95
          982117
## 6:
                          2
                                49.90
                                            24.95
          975592
```

Sorting by groups

Lastly, let's look at how to sort the data by groups. For example, let's say we want to find out the sum of the prices for each product. Fo this, we designate the product numbers as the groupings. The code should look something like this:

```
head(ex1[,.(total = sum(EXT_PRICE)), by = PRODUCT_NO])
```

```
##
      PRODUCT NO
                     total
## 1:
          987668
                   5726.40
## 2:
          989457
                   8374.05
## 3:
          986782 40994.15
## 4:
          986620 16996.60
## 5:
                   1498.50
          989973
## 6:
          989049
                    999.75
```

As some of you may have realized, we could have used this to find the unit price of each product much more easily. Let's try and compare the results.

```
head(ex1[,.(unit = sum(EXT_PRICE)/sum(QUANTITY)), by = PRODUCT_NO])
```

```
##
      PRODUCT_NO
                       unit
## 1:
                  79.53333
          987668
## 2:
          989457
                  70.37017
## 3:
          986782 350.37735
## 4:
          986620 249.95000
## 5:
          989973 49.95000
## 6:
          989049 199.95000
```

head(unique_ex1)

```
##
      PRODUCT_NO QUANTITY EXT_PRICE unit_price
## 1:
           987668
                                 79.95
                                             79.95
                          1
                                             69.95
## 2:
           989457
                          1
                                 69.95
## 3:
           986782
                          1
                               349.95
                                            349.95
                                            249.95
## 4:
           986620
                          1
                                249.95
## 5:
           989973
                          1
                                 49.95
                                             49.95
## 6:
           989049
                          1
                                199.95
                                            199.95
```

Looks like there's a bit of discrepancy. While the reason may be obvious based on the different ways we approached this, let's try and confirm it with some code:

```
ex1[PRODUCT_NO == 987668, .N, by = EXT_PRICE/QUANTITY]
```

```
## 1: 79.95 69
## 2: 59.95 2
## 3: 89.95 1
```

The above code sorted product number 987668 into different categories based on the unit price calculated from each individual transacion. As you can see, there are 69 transactions at 79.95 each, 2 transactions at 59.95 each, and one poor soul who bought the product for 89.95 each. For our first method, we removed any duplicates before calculating anything, and the duplicates were calculated based on product number. Hence, the transactions with different prices were removed, and not counted in calculating the unit price. However, when we calculated it by grouping the product numbers and calculating the overall average, these different prices were taken into account.

The important lesson here is to ensure that whichever method you use to extract data from a dataset, you should always besure that you are getting the correct values. It always helps to find out alternative methods of extracting the same data, just to check if they correlate.

Moving on, finally

Now that you know the basic functions for managing data in a data.table, let's carry on with our analysis. We'll start by removing the columns we don't care about. The dmef_small dataset we get will be used for the rest of this exercise.

Weird prices?

We can start doing some simple histograms to better understand the distribution of the data.

For example, let's make a histogram for price.

```
# First I create a new col for price. EXT_PRICE = PRICE * QTY so to get price..
dmef_small[, PRICE := EXT_PRICE/QUANTITY]

# You should see a new column called PRICE
head(dmef_small)
```

```
##
                   ZIP ORDER_LINE PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID CHANNEL PRODUCT_NO
       ORDER_NO
## 1: 123456799 76443
                                 1
                                                       С
                                                              ML
                                                                      987668
## 2: 123456799 76443
                                 2
                                                       C
                                                              ML
                                                                      987668
                                                       C
## 3: 123456799 76443
                                 3
                                                              ML
                                                                      989457
## 4: 123456815 89103
                                 1
                                                      Ε
                                                              ML
                                                                      986782
## 5: 123457056 28655
                                 1
                                                       Ε
                                                                      986620
                                                              MT.
                                                       Ε
                                                              ML
                                                                      989973
## 6: 123457080 03743
                                 1
##
      EXT_PRICE QUANTITY RETN_QTY RETN_REVENUE
                                                   PRICE
          79.95
                                  0
                                                0
                                                   79.95
## 1:
                        1
## 2:
          79.95
                                  0
                                                   79.95
```

```
## 4:
         349.95
                       1
                                 0
                                                349.95
## 5:
         249.95
                       1
                                 0
                                                249.95
          49.95
                                 0
                                                 49.95
## 6:
                       1
# We want to see the distribution of prices for diff objs
# But in this case, each observation is a transaction
# This means there could be super popular objects that mess things up for us
# So first let's just get prices for unique products
object.price <- dmef small[, .(PRODUCT NO, PRODUCT CATEGORY ID, PRICE)]
```

69.95

0

3:

69.95

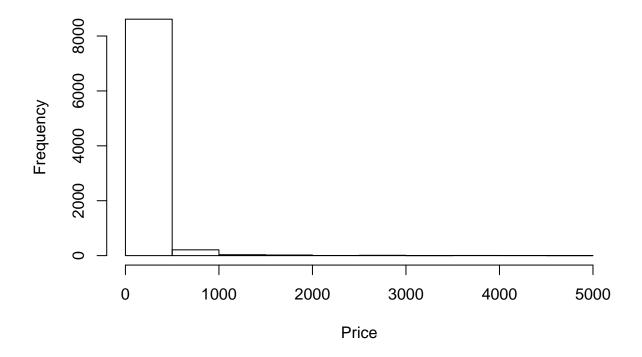
Remember the mistake we made earlier when using the unique function, in leaving out different price groups for a product? Let's try to resolve that while using the unique function. We can do this by adding another variable to the unique function, so that it searches for rows that are unique both in price and product number.

```
uniq.object.price <- unique(object.price, by = c("PRODUCT_NO", "PRICE"))</pre>
```

Now we're left with 8909 unique products with unique prices to look at. Next, let's plot them on a histogram. The histogram function is simply hist(data table). There are additional parameters you can define, and you can find out more by typing ?hist() into your console. For now, we will be using main to determine the name of the histogram, and xlab to label the x-axis.

```
# Plot prices on a histogram
hist(uniq.object.price[, PRICE],
    main = "Histogram of all prices",
    xlab = "Price")
```

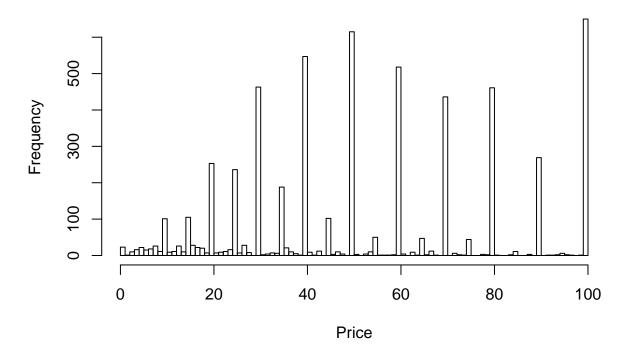
Histogram of all prices



Can't really see much...let's filter to those cheaper than 100. Then, to ensure that we can see the prices more easily, we'll use **break** to specify for the histogram to show a hundred bars. This way, each bar will represent a dollar across the x-axis.

```
hist(uniq.object.price[PRICE < 100, PRICE], breaks=100,
    main = "Histogram of Prices below 100",
    xlab = "Price")</pre>
```

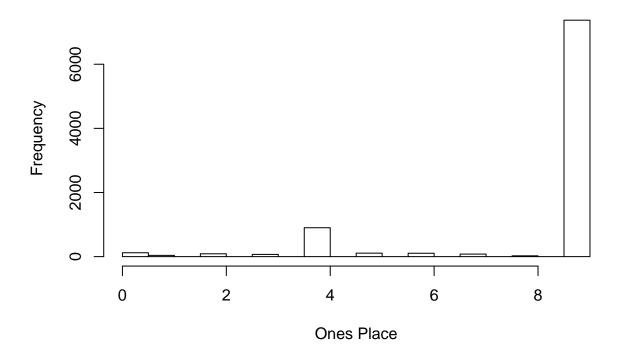
Histogram of Prices below 100



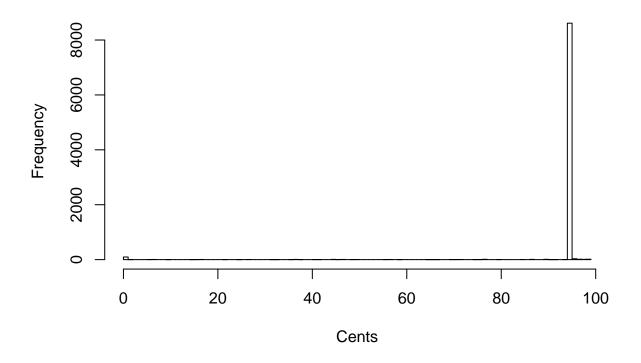
Looks like the prices bunch around certain values. Let's try to break this down, and look at the the ending number for the price. To do that, we define a function in r, which removes the decimal place, and then find the remainder when divided by 10, giving the ones place digit. After that, we'll add a new column for the ones place, and plot the histogram.

```
LastDigit <- function(x) { (x - x%%1) %% 10 }
# Add a new col ONES.PLACE
uniq.object.price[, ONES.PLACE := LastDigit(PRICE)]
hist(uniq.object.price[, ONES.PLACE],
    main = "Histogram of Ones Place",
    xlab = "Ones Place")</pre>
```

Histogram of Ones Place



Histogram of Cents Portion



```
# Wow okay looks like there's not much variation
# How about the exact numbers?
table(uniq.object.price[, CENTS])
```

```
##
       0
                           7
              2
                                                          22
                                                                       27
                                                                                                 37
##
                    6
                                10
                                       15
                                             16
                                                    17
                                                                 25
                                                                              32
                                                                                    33
                                                                                           36
      95
              1
                    3
                           6
                                        1
                                              2
                                                           2
                                                                        4
                                                                                                  8
##
                                 1
                                                     6
                                                                  1
                                                                               1
                                                                                     1
                                                                                            1
      38
                   42
                                       47
##
             41
                          45
                                46
                                             49
                                                    50
                                                          56
                                                                 57
                                                                       59
                                                                              65
                                                                                    66
                                                                                           67
                                                                                                 70
##
       1
              2
                    3
                           9
                                 2
                                        7
                                              2
                                                     4
                                                           2
                                                                  4
                                                                         1
                                                                               1
                                                                                     1
                                                                                            1
                                                                                                  2
      71
             72
                   75
                          76
                                77
                                       80
                                             85
                                                    87
                                                          90
                                                                 91
                                                                       92
                                                                              94
                                                                                    95
                                                                                                 97
##
                                                                                           96
       2
              4
                                        2
##
                    1
                           2
                                12
                                               4
                                                     9
                                                          11
                                                                  1
                                                                         1
                                                                               2 8614
                                                                                           31
                                                                                                 14
##
      98
             99
      10
##
             14
```

Lol is this even helpful?

I mean, the prices thing sounds interesting and all, but can we derive any cool business insights using R?

Actually, that last part was just a warm-up. Retail businesses can sometimes have problems with high return rates. Wouldn't it be useful if we could find out more about why products were being returned? Let's try finding out the proportion of returns for each product category, as well as the distribution of returned products.

Return vs Non-return

First let's split the dataset.

```
# Split into two groups
returned <- dmef_small[RETN_QTY > 0]
not.returned <- dmef small[RETN QTY == 0]</pre>
# Checks to make sure we're right
table(dmef_small[, RETN_QTY==0])
##
##
  FALSE
            TRUE
## 10742 215387
# This should match up with our number of rows
nrow(returned)
## [1] 10742
nrow(not.returned)
## [1] 215387
# Yup looks like it worked, and about 4.75% of all goods were returned?
nrow(returned)/nrow(dmef small) * 100
## [1] 4.750386
```

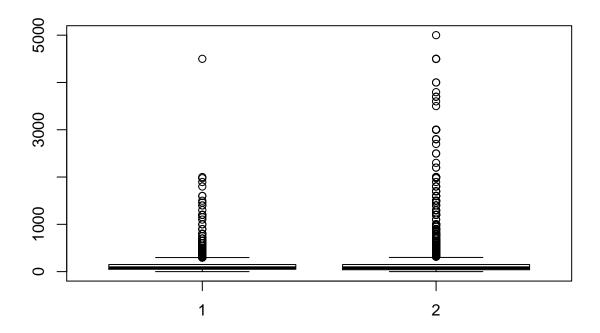
Price

Since we've been looking at price so much, was there a difference in the prices of products that were returned vs not returned? Remember we did a quick price sorting earlier, under unique.object.price. We'll use the returned and not.returned dataset to filter out the products from the

```
returned.object.price <- uniq.object.price[PRODUCT_NO %in% returned[, PRODUCT_NO]]
not.returned.object.price <- uniq.object.price[PRODUCT_NO %in% not.returned[, PRODUCT_NO]]</pre>
```

Now, we'll introduce you to another type of plot you'll encounter quite often: the box plot. The box plot shows the distribution of the dataset, with the center line representing the mean, the top and bottom of the box representing the 25th and 75th percentile respectively. Additional points outside the box represent outliers. Since a box plot is used to compare distributions, it takes in two data vectors. As usual, to find out more you can type ?boxplot into your console.

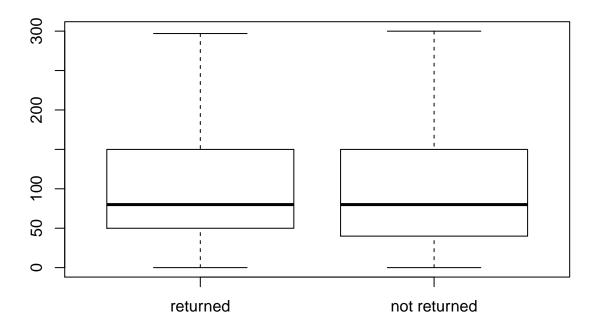
```
# Any difference in price distribution?
boxplot(returned.object.price[, PRICE],not.returned.object.price[, PRICE])
```



Well clearly there are too many outliers. Let's ignore the outliers.

```
boxplot(returned.object.price[, PRICE],not.returned.object.price[, PRICE],
    main = "Product Prices for Returned vs Not Returned Goods",
    names = c("returned", "not returned"),
    outline=F)
```

Product Prices for Returned vs Not Returned Goods



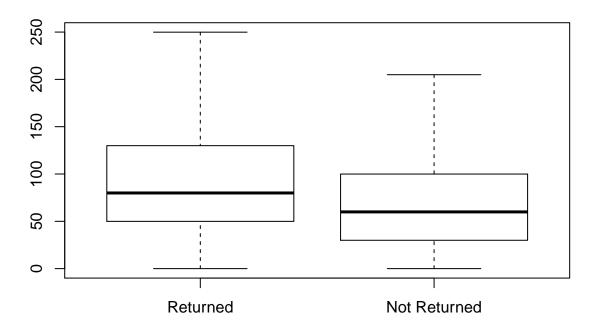
Well for the prices, it appears that median price is about the same for both, but products that are returned don't go as expensive as those that are returned. You can tell from a lower 75th percentile, and lower max (excluding outliers). Of course, it's also possible that you observe because of a greater variance. There are after all about 2.7x the number of unique products in the not returned list vs the returned list.

Total Order Size

Instead of just looking at object price, how about the total spent in that transaction, (EXT_PRICE)?

```
boxplot(returned[, EXT_PRICE], not.returned[, EXT_PRICE], outline=F,
    main = "Extended Prices for Returned vs Not Returned Goods",
    names = c("Returned", "Not Returned"))
```

Extended Prices for Returned vs Not Returned Goods

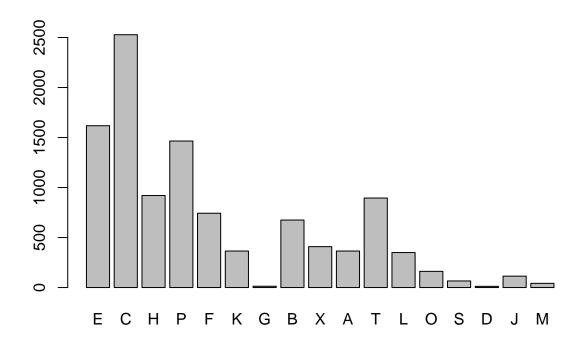


Interestingly, after accounting for outliers, it appears that returned goods tend to be in larger orders than non-returned goods. This might indicate that customers who make larger purchases tend to return goods more, or that customers who like to return goods tend to buy more.

Product Categories

Now, let's take a look at which product categories tend to have the highest rate of returns. Firstly, we'll use a bar plot to show the proportion of returned goods that came from that product category. Let's sort the data by getting the count of returned goods per product category.

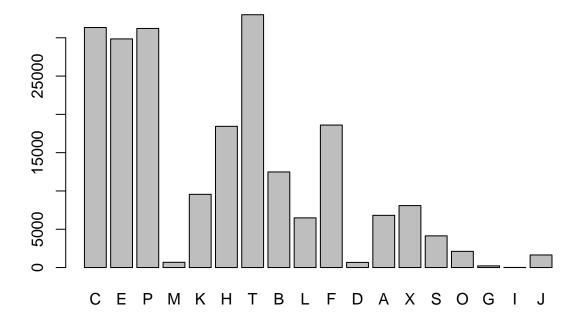
```
bar1 <- returned[, .N, by = PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID]
#Now, let's plot the bar chart using the product counts.
barplot(bar1[,N], names = bar1[,PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID])</pre>
```



Next, we will do the same for non-returned goods.

```
#We'll do the same conversion as we did with the returned goods.
bar2 <- not.returned[, .N, by = PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID]

#The same goes for the bar plot.
barplot(bar2[,N], names = bar2[,PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID])</pre>
```



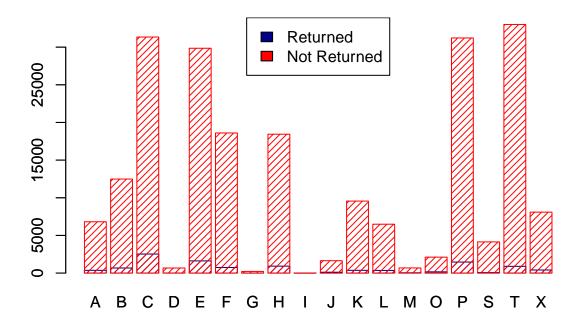
When trying to compare data using bar plots, it helps if we can do an overlay to see their distributions with respect to each other, especially when the order of the bars are sorted. Let's try that.

Firstly, you'll realize that product category I has never been returned, and hence does not show up in the original. We'll just fix that by adding in an empty row for I, using the rbind function. Next, we'll sort both tables based on their product category in alphabetical order.

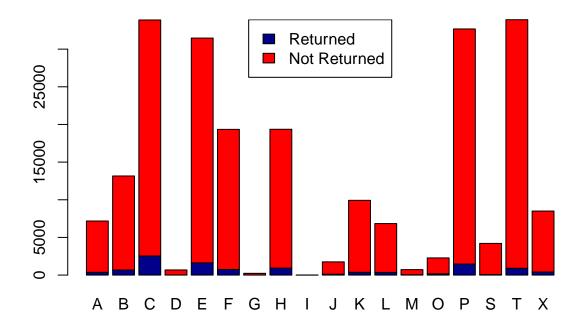
```
#We'll start by sorting both the datasets based on the product category
bar1 <- rbind(bar1, data.table(PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID = "I", N = 0))
bar1 <- bar1[order(PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID)]
bar2 <- bar2[order(PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID)]</pre>
```

The order() function sorts the rows in a data table based on the specified column. In this case, the table is now sorted in ascending alphabetical order based on the product category ID. To sort it in descending order, you can simply use order(-PRODUCT_CATEGORY_ID) instead

Next we'll plot the bar charts in an overlay. We'll also add in a legend for clarity.



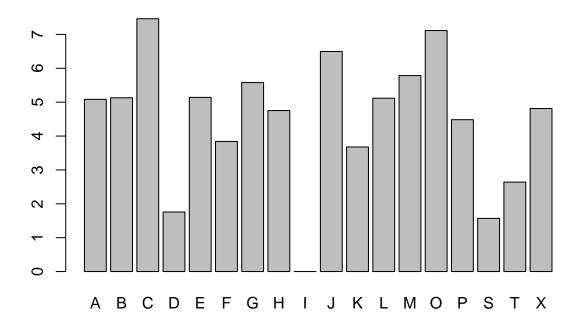
Perhaps the numbers are to large to actually get a better picture of proportion. Let's try a stacked bar plot, which also happens to be easier. We'll start by merging the datasets



This all looks nice and stuff, but let's try to think what this chart means. Each barplot represents the distribution of returned and non-returned goods respectively. For example, we can see that products C, E, P and T were by far the most popular products based on volume of sales. However, take note of the small blue bars representing the number of returned goods for that product category. Although T has a marginally higher sales volume, C has a larger number of returned goods!

Let's break that information further into a more easily understandable format, and find out the percentage of goods returned for each product category.

Percentage of orders returned by category



Not surprisingly based on the previous graph, we can see that product category C has the highest percentage of returns. However, another category we may have missed earlier is O, which is almost as high as C! Looking back, this would be because the overall sales volume of O was so low.

Regression

For this part, we'll be using a new dataset called mtcars. It's available in R's built-in base package. Retrieve it using the data(mtcars) and convert it to a data.table.

```
# Importing the data
data(mtcars)

library(data.table)
mtcars <- as.data.table(mtcars)

# Find out more about this dataset
?mtcars</pre>
```

Using a multiple linear regression model, we want to investigate the fuel efficiency of cars by looking at their mpg (miles per gallon) rating. Let's see how each factor affects the mpg using the built in regression function in R.

```
# Fit the model
fit <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
summary(fit)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                 3Q
                                        Max
  -3.4506 -1.6044 -0.1196 1.2193
                                    4.6271
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 12.30337
                           18.71788
                                      0.657
                                              0.5181
                           1.04502
                                     -0.107
## cyl
               -0.11144
                                              0.9161
## disp
                0.01334
                           0.01786
                                      0.747
                                              0.4635
                           0.02177
## hp
               -0.02148
                                     -0.987
                                              0.3350
## drat
                0.78711
                           1.63537
                                      0.481
                                              0.6353
               -3.71530
                           1.89441
                                     -1.961
                                              0.0633 .
## wt
                           0.73084
## qsec
                0.82104
                                      1.123
                                              0.2739
                0.31776
                           2.10451
                                      0.151
                                              0.8814
## vs
                                      1.225
                2.52023
                           2.05665
                                              0.2340
## am
## gear
                0.65541
                           1.49326
                                      0.439
                                              0.6652
## carb
               -0.19942
                           0.82875
                                     -0.241
                                              0.8122
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 2.65 on 21 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.869, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8066
## F-statistic: 13.93 on 10 and 21 DF, p-value: 3.793e-07
```

By including all the variables, we get a decent model with an adjusted R-squared of 0.8066. However, we note that the p-values are all rather high. This indicates that the model can be improved by removing some of these regressors. We start by removing cyl which has the highest p-value.

```
# Removing the regressor with the highest p-value
fit_no_cyl <- lm(mpg ~ . - cyl, data = mtcars)
summary(fit_no_cyl)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ . - cyl, data = mtcars)
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                 30
                                         Max
## -3.4286 -1.5908 -0.0412 1.2120
##
## Coefficients:
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 10.96007
                           13.53030
                                       0.810
                                               0.4266
## disp
                0.01283
                            0.01682
                                       0.763
                                               0.4538
## hp
               -0.02191
                            0.02091
                                      -1.048
                                               0.3062
## drat
                0.83520
                            1.53625
                                       0.544
                                               0.5921
## wt
               -3.69251
                            1.83954
                                      -2.007
                                               0.0572 .
                                       1.227
                0.84244
                            0.68678
                                               0.2329
## qsec
                0.38975
                            1.94800
                                       0.200
                                               0.8433
## vs
```

```
## am
               2.57743
                          1.94035
                                    1.328
                                           0.1977
## gear
                                    0.521
                                           0.6075
               0.71155
                          1.36562
## carb
              -0.21958
                          0.78856 - 0.278
                                           0.7833
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 2.59 on 22 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8689, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8153
## F-statistic: 16.21 on 9 and 22 DF, p-value: 9.031e-08
```

Note the improvement in adjusted R-squared. We repeat this until all our regressors have p-values below 0.05.

```
fit_improved <- lm(mpg ~ wt + qsec + am, data = mtcars)
summary(fit_improved)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ wt + qsec + am, data = mtcars)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -3.4811 -1.5555 -0.7257 1.4110 4.6610
##
## Coefficients:
##
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                           6.9596
                                    1.382 0.177915
## (Intercept)
                9.6178
## wt
                           0.7112 -5.507 6.95e-06 ***
               -3.9165
                                    4.247 0.000216 ***
## qsec
                1.2259
                           0.2887
## am
                2.9358
                           1.4109
                                    2.081 0.046716 *
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 2.459 on 28 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8497, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8336
## F-statistic: 52.75 on 3 and 28 DF, p-value: 1.21e-11
```

This process can actually be automated using the stepAIC function in the MASS package.

```
library(MASS)
stepAIC(fit)
```

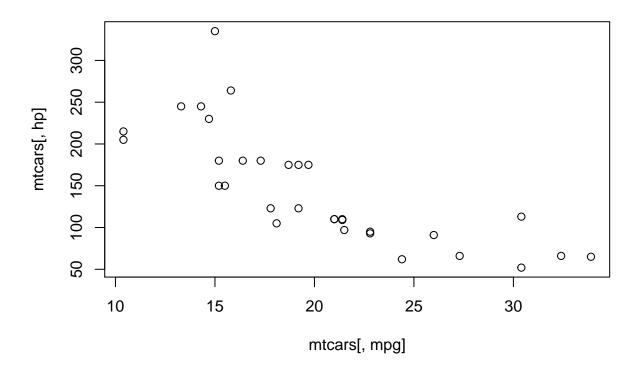
```
## Start: AIC=70.9
## mpg ~ cyl + disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + vs + am + gear + carb
##
         Df Sum of Sq
                         RSS
                                AIC
## - cyl
               0.0799 147.57 68.915
          1
## - vs
          1
               0.1601 147.66 68.932
               0.4067 147.90 68.986
## - carb 1
## - gear
         1
               1.3531 148.85 69.190
## - drat 1
               1.6270 149.12 69.249
## - disp 1
               3.9167 151.41 69.736
              6.8399 154.33 70.348
## - hp
          1
```

```
## - qsec 1 8.8641 156.36 70.765
## <none>
             147.49 70.898
## - am 1 10.5467 158.04 71.108
## - wt 1 27.0144 174.51 74.280
## Step: AIC=68.92
## mpg ~ disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + vs + am + gear + carb
##
        Df Sum of Sq RSS
                             AIC
## - vs 1 0.2685 147.84 66.973
## - carb 1
             0.5201 148.09 67.028
## - gear 1
            1.8211 149.40 67.308
## - drat 1
            1.9826 149.56 67.342
## - disp 1 3.9009 151.47 67.750
## - hp
         1 7.3632 154.94 68.473
## <none>
                   147.57 68.915
## - qsec 1 10.0933 157.67 69.032
## - am 1 11.8359 159.41 69.384
## - wt 1 27.0280 174.60 72.297
##
## Step: AIC=66.97
## mpg ~ disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + am + gear + carb
##
        Df Sum of Sq
                     RSS
## - carb 1 0.6855 148.53 65.121
## - gear 1 2.1437 149.99 65.434
            2.2139 150.06 65.449
## - drat 1
## - disp 1
            3.6467 151.49 65.753
## - hp 1 7.1060 154.95 66.475
                   147.84 66.973
## <none>
## - am 1 11.5694 159.41 67.384
## - qsec 1 15.6830 163.53 68.200
## - wt 1 27.3799 175.22 70.410
##
## Step: AIC=65.12
## mpg ~ disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + am + gear
##
##
       Df Sum of Sq RSS
## - gear 1 1.565 150.09 63.457
             1.932 150.46 63.535
## - drat 1
## <none>
              148.53 65.121
## - disp 1
           10.110 158.64 65.229
            12.323 160.85 65.672
## - am 1
## - hp 1 14.826 163.35 66.166
## - qsec 1 26.408 174.94 68.358
## - wt 1 69.127 217.66 75.350
##
## Step: AIC=63.46
## mpg ~ disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + am
## Df Sum of Sq RSS
## - drat 1 3.345 153.44 62.162
## - disp 1 8.545 158.64 63.229
## <none>
                   150.09 63.457
```

```
## - hp
           1
                13.285 163.38 64.171
## - am
           1
                20.036 170.13 65.466
                25.574 175.67 66.491
## - qsec
           1
## - wt
                67.572 217.66 73.351
           1
##
## Step: AIC=62.16
## mpg \sim disp + hp + wt + qsec + am
##
##
          Df Sum of Sq
                           RSS
                                  AIC
                 6.629 160.07 61.515
## - disp
## <none>
                        153.44 62.162
                12.572 166.01 62.682
## - hp
           1
## - qsec
          1
                26.470 179.91 65.255
                32.198 185.63 66.258
## - am
           1
## - wt
           1
                69.043 222.48 72.051
##
## Step: AIC=61.52
## mpg \sim hp + wt + qsec + am
##
##
          Df Sum of Sq
                           RSS
                 9.219 169.29 61.307
## - hp
## <none>
                        160.07 61.515
                20.225 180.29 63.323
## - qsec 1
           1
                25.993 186.06 64.331
## - am
                78.494 238.56 72.284
## - wt
           1
##
## Step: AIC=61.31
## mpg \sim wt + qsec + am
##
##
          Df Sum of Sq
                           RSS
                                  AIC
## <none>
                        169.29 61.307
                26.178 195.46 63.908
## - am
           1
## - qsec
           1
               109.034 278.32 75.217
## - wt
           1
               183.347 352.63 82.790
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ wt + qsec + am, data = mtcars)
## Coefficients:
##
  (Intercept)
                                     qsec
                          wt
                                                     am
##
         9.618
                      -3.917
                                    1.226
                                                  2.936
```

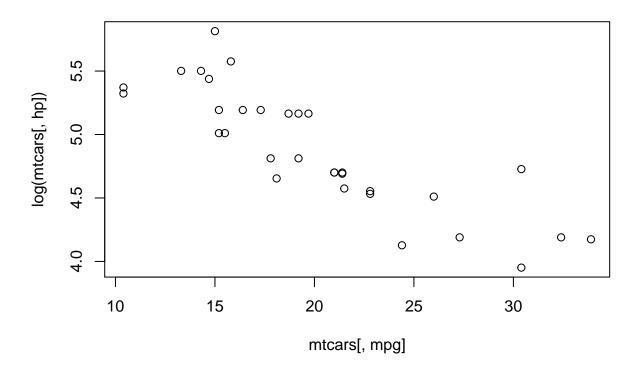
However, there are actually better models that you can obtain by applying some simple transformations. For example, let's take a look at the relationship between mpg and hp.

```
plot(mtcars[, mpg], mtcars[, hp])
```



We can see there isn't a very distinct linear relationship, which can hurt our linear regression model. So let's apply a basic log transformation.

```
plot(mtcars[, mpg], log(mtcars[, hp]))
```



And that looks significantly better. Let's try this new adjusted hp in this regression model. Using the same steps as before:

```
fit_transformed <- lm(mpg ~ . - hp + log(hp), data=mtcars)
stepAIC(fit_transformed)</pre>
```

```
## Start: AIC=67.15
## mpg ~ (cyl + disp + hp + drat + wt + qsec + vs + am + gear +
##
       carb) - hp + log(hp)
##
##
             Df Sum of Sq
                             RSS
                                     AIC
                   0.0231 131.21 65.154
## - drat
              1
## - cyl
                   0.0508 131.24 65.161
## - vs
              1
                   0.1177 131.31 65.177
## - carb
                   0.3123 131.50 65.225
              1
                   3.4982 134.69 65.991
## - gear
              1
                   4.0112 135.20 66.112
## - qsec
## - disp
                   4.9119 136.10 66.325
              1
## - am
                   6.4492 137.64 66.684
## <none>
                           131.19 67.149
## - log(hp)
                  23.1462 154.33 70.348
              1
## - wt
              1
                  24.1001 155.29 70.546
##
## Step: AIC=65.15
## mpg ~ cyl + disp + wt + qsec + vs + am + gear + carb + log(hp)
##
```

```
Df Sum of Sq
                         RSS
## - cyl
           1 0.0385 131.25 63.164
## - vs
               0.1225 131.33 63.184
           1 0.2893 131.50 63.225
## - carb
## - gear
          1
                3.6153 134.83 64.024
## - qsec 1 3.9891 135.20 64.113
## - disp
           1 5.1573 136.37 64.388
## - am
           1 6.6248 137.84 64.731
## <none>
                         131.21 65.154
## - wt 1 24.9628 156.17 68.728
## - log(hp) 1 25.3991 156.61 68.817
## Step: AIC=63.16
## mpg ~ disp + wt + qsec + vs + am + gear + carb + log(hp)
##
            Df Sum of Sq
                           RSS
                                  AIC
## - vs
           1 0.0916 131.34 61.186
## - carb
               0.2555 131.50 61.226
           1 3.9854 135.24 62.121
## - gear
## - qsec 1 4.0148 135.26 62.128
## - disp 1 6.0243 137.27 62.600
## - am
           1 6.8252 138.07 62.786
                        131.25 63.164
## <none>
## - wt 1 25.5756 156.82 66.861
## - log(hp) 1 27.0102 158.26 67.152
## Step: AIC=61.19
## mpg ~ disp + wt + qsec + am + gear + carb + log(hp)
            Df Sum of Sq
                           RSS
## - carb
            1 0.2755 131.62 59.253
## - gear
            1
                4.4333 135.78 60.248
           1 5.9362 137.28 60.601
## - disp
          1 5.9797 137.32 60.611
1 6.7341 138.08 60.786
## - qsec
## - am
## <none>
                        131.34 61.186
## - wt 1 26.4325 157.77 65.054
## - log(hp) 1
                 26.9244 158.27 65.153
##
## Step: AIC=59.25
## mpg ~ disp + wt + qsec + am + gear + log(hp)
##
            Df Sum of Sq
                         RSS
            1 4.371 135.99 58.299
## - gear
## - am
                   6.812 138.43 58.868
                         131.62 59.253
## <none>
          1 9.184 140.80 59.411
1 10.665 142.28 59.746
## - qsec
## - disp
## - log(hp) 1 34.290 165.91 64.662
## - wt
                 53.234 184.85 68.122
             1
##
## Step: AIC=58.3
## mpg \sim disp + wt + qsec + am + log(hp)
##
```

```
Df Sum of Sq RSS AIC
## - disp
          1 6.975 142.96 57.899
## - qsec
                 8.633 144.62 58.268
## <none>
                   135.99 58.299
## - am
            1
                20.830 156.82 60.859
## - log(hp) 1 30.021 166.01 62.682
## - wt
            1 50.604 186.59 66.422
##
## Step: AIC=57.9
## mpg \sim wt + qsec + am + log(hp)
            Df Sum of Sq RSS
##
## - qsec
            1 4.350 147.31 56.859
                       142.96 57.899
## <none>
          1
## - am
                15.536 158.50 59.201
## - log(hp) 1
                26.322 169.29 61.307
## - wt
               51.845 194.81 65.801
          1
##
## Step: AIC=56.86
## mpg \sim wt + am + log(hp)
##
##
            Df Sum of Sq
                         RSS
## <none>
                        147.31 56.859
## - am
                11.297 158.61 57.223
            1
## - wt
            1 47.496 194.81 63.801
## - log(hp) 1 131.006 278.32 75.217
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ wt + am + log(hp), data = mtcars)
## Coefficients:
## (Intercept)
                                           log(hp)
                      wt
                                   am
       58.996
                                            -6.489
                   -2.468
                                 1.757
fit_final <- lm(mpg ~ wt + am + log(hp), data=mtcars)</pre>
summary(fit_final)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ wt + am + log(hp), data = mtcars)
##
## Residuals:
               1Q Median
      Min
                              3Q
## -2.8148 -1.5495 -0.4402 1.1327 4.7638
##
## Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 58.9957 4.8970 12.047 1.36e-12 ***
              -2.4681
                          0.8215 -3.005 0.00555 **
## wt
                                 1.465 0.15397
## am
               1.7565
                         1.1987
              -6.4888
                         1.3004 -4.990 2.85e-05 ***
## log(hp)
## ---
```

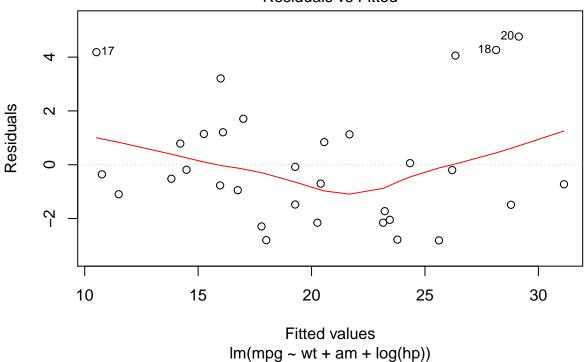
```
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.294 on 28 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8692, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8552
## F-statistic: 62.01 on 3 and 28 DF, p-value: 1.747e-12
```

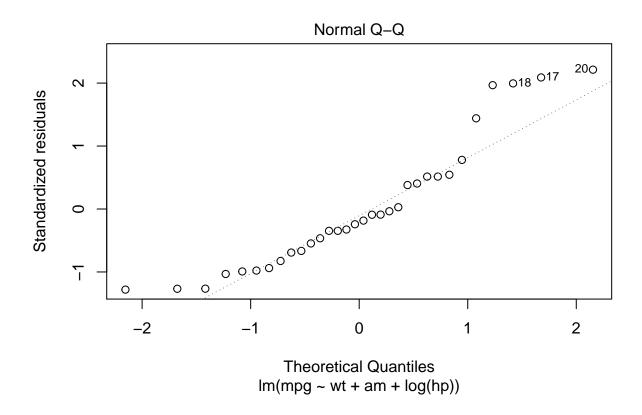
However, having a good fit for the regression model is not all that matters. You need to check if your four regression assumptions are met. The four assumptions include:

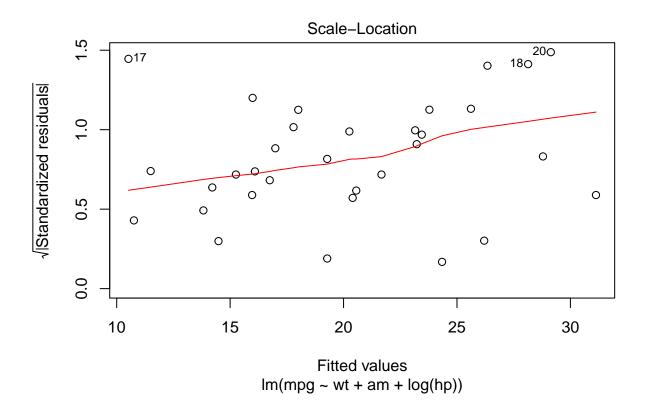
- normality
- homoscedasticity
- linearity
- independence of errors (generally applies to time series data)

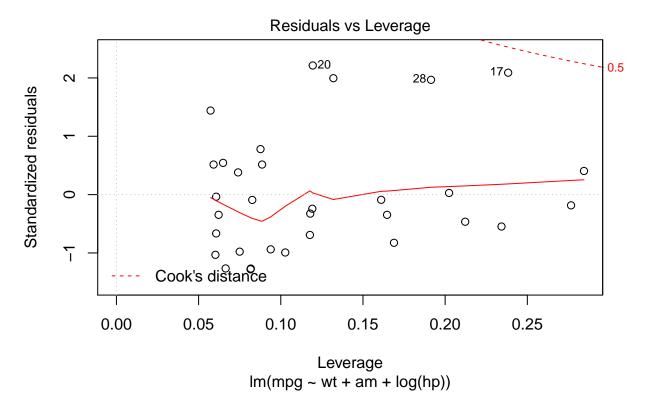
Regression Assumptions plot(fit_final)

Residuals vs Fitted









The first plot tests your assumptions for linearity and homoscedasticity. Firstly, if the red line is straight, then the assumption for linearity has been cleared. In this case, although the red line is not straight, we can see that this is due to a few outliers in the top right corner, while the bulk of the data points are roughly linear, and we can accept this. Secondly, we need to ensure that the variance between the data points are constant. Looking at this dataset, there data points appear evenly distributed and there is no distinct change in variance. Hence, the assumption for homoscedasticity is considered valid.

The second plot is used to test for normality. The regression assumes that the data points follow a normal distribution and if this is the case the data points on the QQ plot should closely align to the line on the chart. In this plot we can see that this is so and hence we can hold the assumption for normality.

The last chart measures Cook's distance, which is the acceptable range for outliers. the red dotted line at the corner measures limit for outliers, and since none of our data points reside outside that line, we can accept this regression model.

```
library(car)
durbinWatsonTest(fit_final)
```

```
## lag Autocorrelation D-W Statistic p-value ## 1 0.06134832 1.796144 0.354 ## Alternative hypothesis: rho != 0
```

The last test is the test for independence of errors. This tends to be a significant problem with time series data, where yesterday's stock price has a high chance of affecting today's price. To test for this, we run the Durbin Watson test. As long as the Durbin Watson Statistic is between 1.5 and 2.5, the assumption for independence of errors is valid.

```
# Check for multi-collinearity
# Anything below 10 is okay
library(car)
vif(fit_final)
```

```
## wt am log(hp)
## 3.806564 2.108117 2.250186
```

Lastly, if two variables in your regression model are highly correlated, it can affect the outcome of your regression. Hence, we run the Variance Inflation Factor test to ensure that the variables used in your regression model are not correlated. As long as all of the vif values are less than 10, the regression model will hold.