

Assignment-Based Subjective Questions

1. **Effect of categorical variables**
Categorical variables can significantly influence the dependent variable by introducing distinct group effects. For example, "yr", "weekday", "weathersit", "casual", "registered" can affect bike demand by determining suitability for biking.
 2. **Importance of drop_first=True**
It avoids the **dummy variable trap** by dropping one category to prevent perfect multicollinearity, ensuring the regression model remains interpretable.
 3. **Highest correlation from pair-plot**
Identify the numerical variable with the strongest linear relationship (highest absolute correlation coefficient) with the target variable, as seen in the pair-plot.
 4. **Validation of Linear Regression assumptions**
 - **Normality:** Use a dist plot of residuals.
 - **Multicollinearity:** Check VIF scores.
 5. **Top 3 features for bike demand**
Based on model coefficients or p-values, features like **registered**, **yr**, and **casual** typically emerge as significant.
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General Subjective Questions

1. **Linear regression algorithm**
A predictive model to determine the linear relationship between independent (X) and dependent (Y) variables by minimizing residual sum of squares using the equation $Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X + \epsilon$.
2. **Anscombe's quartet**
Four datasets with identical summary statistics (mean, variance, correlation, regression line) but distinct visual patterns, emphasizing the importance of visualizing data.
3. **Pearson's R**
A measure of the linear relationship between two variables, ranging from -1 (perfect negative correlation) to +1 (perfect positive correlation). $r = \frac{\text{Cov}(X, Y)}{\sigma_X \sigma_Y}$.
4. **Scaling and its types**
 - **Scaling** adjusts feature ranges for model stability and convergence.
 - **Normalized Scaling:** Rescales to [0, 1] or [-1, 1].
 - **Standardized Scaling:** Centers data (mean=0, SD=1).
5. **Infinite VIF**
Occurs due to **perfect multicollinearity**, i.e., when one predictor is a perfect linear combination of others.
6. **Q-Q plot**
Plots residual quantiles against theoretical quantiles to check if residuals follow a normal distribution. Essential for validating the normality assumption in linear regression.