

Regression-model-for-automobile-industry

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Description

This project consists on a regression model for analysis of a data collection of automobile industry. The main objective is to explore the relationship between a set of variables and miles per gallon (MPG). Particularly in the answer of the following questions:

1. Is an automatic or manual transmission better for MPG
2. Quantify the MPG difference between automatic and manual transmissions

The data contains a set of 32 observations on 11 different variables

- mpg: Miles/(US) gallon
- cyl: Number of cylinders
- disp: Displacement (cu.in.)
- hp: Gross horsepower
- drat: Rear axle ratio
- wt: Weight (1000 lbs)
- qsec: 1/4 mile time
- vs: Engine (0 = V-shaped, 1 = straight)
- am: Transmission (0 = automatic, 1 = manual)
- gear: Number of forward gears
- carb: Number of carburetors

Data and libraries loading

The libraries and set of data are loaded

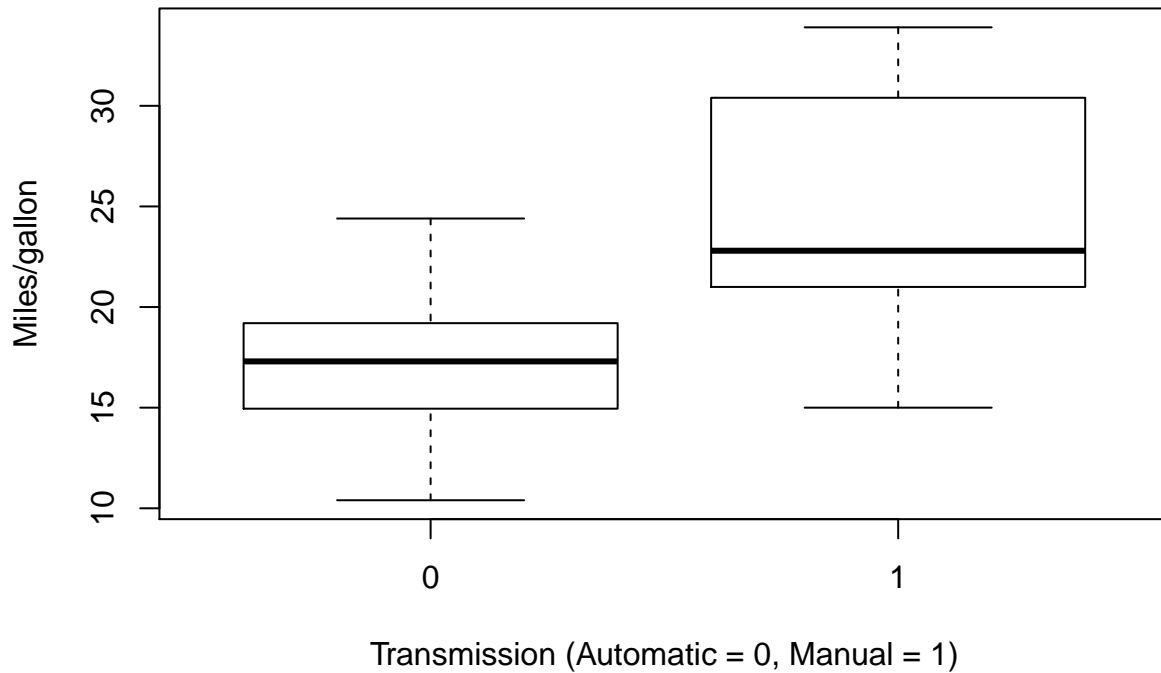
```
library(ggplot2)
library(dplyr)
data("mtcars")
```

Exploratory Data Analyses

A first approximation is made by the boxplot that differentiates the automatic and manual transmissions.

```
boxplot(mpg ~ am, data = mtcars, xlab = "Transmission (Automatic = 0, Manual = 1)", ylab = "Miles/gallon")
```

Miles/gallon for manual and automatic transmissions



The boxplot shows the manual transmission has in general greater values (mean = 24.39) for Miles/Gallon (mpg) than automatic transmissions (mean = 17.14). Nevertheless, the range of values is bigger for the manual transmission.

Model Selection

For the model selection, a first guess is made by fitting all the variables in the dataframe in order to look the diagnostics and decide which ones are needed.

```
allData <- mtcars %>% mutate(cyl = as.factor(cyl), vs = as.factor(vs), am = as.factor(am), gear = as.factor(gear))
fitAllData <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = allData)
summary(fitAllData)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ ., data = allData)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3.5087 -1.3584 -0.0948  0.7745  4.6251
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  23.87913   20.06582   1.190   0.2525
## cyl6         -2.64870    3.04089  -0.871   0.3975
```

```
## cyl8      -0.33616    7.15954   -0.047    0.9632
## disp      0.03555    0.03190    1.114    0.2827
## hp       -0.07051    0.03943   -1.788    0.0939 .
## drat      1.18283    2.48348    0.476    0.6407
## wt       -4.52978    2.53875   -1.784    0.0946 .
## qsec      0.36784    0.93540    0.393    0.6997
## vs1       1.93085    2.87126    0.672    0.5115
## am1       1.21212    3.21355    0.377    0.7113
## gear4     1.11435    3.79952    0.293    0.7733
## gear5     2.52840    3.73636    0.677    0.5089
## carb2    -0.97935    2.31797   -0.423    0.6787
## carb3     2.99964    4.29355    0.699    0.4955
## carb4     1.09142    4.44962    0.245    0.8096
## carb6     4.47757    6.38406    0.701    0.4938
## carb8     7.25041    8.36057    0.867    0.3995
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.833 on 15 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8931, Adjusted R-squared:  0.779
## F-statistic:  7.83 on 16 and 15 DF,  p-value: 0.000124
```

The model shows a residual standard error of 2.833 on 15 degrees of freedom. The R-squared value 0.8931 indicates 89.3% of the data is explained by this model. Nevertheless, none of the variables show significant values less than 5%.

The followed procedure was to find the most insignificant variable in data set and remove it. The line “which.max(summary(model)\$coef[, 4])” can find the least significant variable. The process was repeated until all the variables in the model resulted significant.

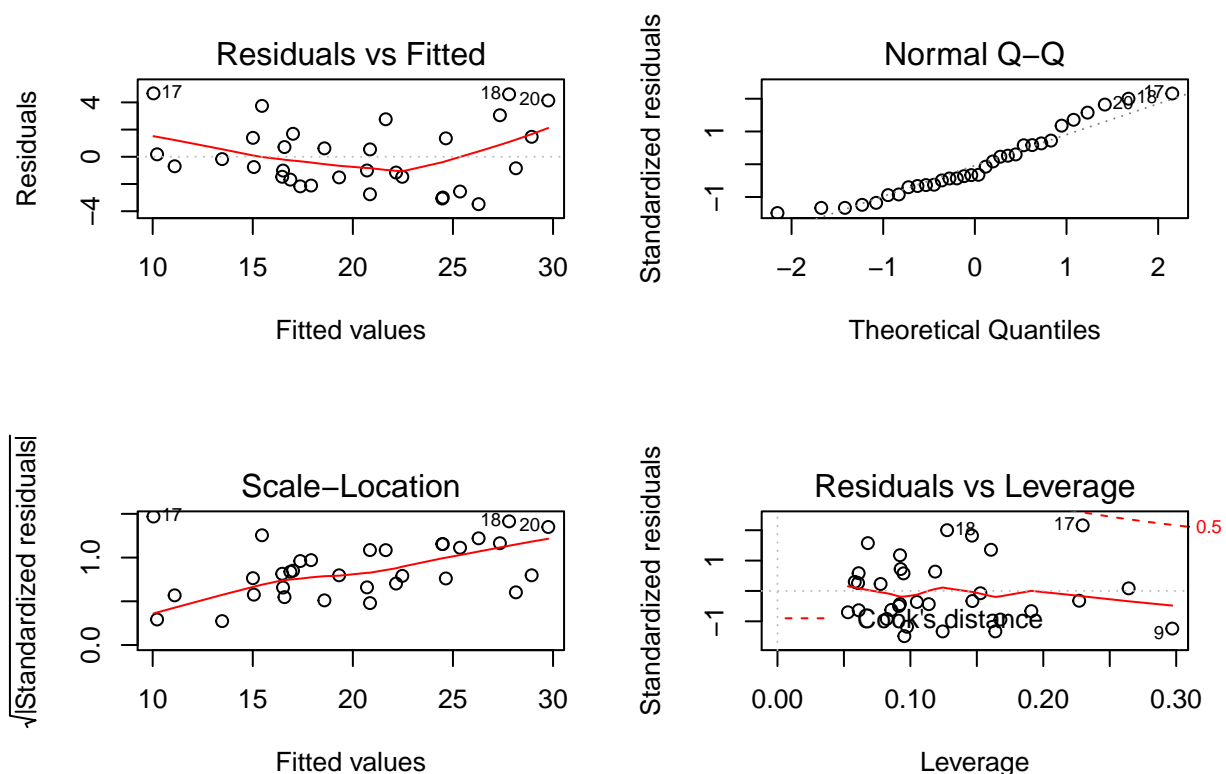
```
dataBetter <- allData %>% select(-cyl); fitBetter <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = allData)
dataBetter <- dataBetter %>% select(-carb); fitBetter <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = dataBetter)
dataBetter <- dataBetter %>% select(-gear); fitBetter <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = dataBetter)
dataBetter <- dataBetter %>% select(-vs); fitBetter <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = dataBetter)
dataBetter <- dataBetter %>% select(-drat); fitBetter <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = dataBetter)
dataBetter <- dataBetter %>% select(-disp); fitBetter <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = dataBetter)
dataBetter <- dataBetter %>% select(-hp); fitBetter <- lm(mpg ~ ., data = dataBetter)
summary(fitBetter)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ ., data = dataBetter)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3.4811 -1.5555 -0.7257  1.4110  4.6610
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)    9.6178     6.9596   1.382 0.177915
## wt            -3.9165     0.7112  -5.507 6.95e-06 ***
## qsec           1.2259     0.2887   4.247 0.000216 ***
## am1            2.9358     1.4109   2.081 0.046716 *
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 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
```

After the process is concluded, the final model shows a residual standard error of 2.459 on 28 degrees of freedom. Even though we removed 8 variables of the data out of 11 initial variables, the R-squared value is 0.8497 so the 84.97% of the data variance is still explained with all the variables show significance values less than 5%. The p-value indicates that we fail to reject the null hypothesis.

```
par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
plot(fitBetter)
```



In the QQ plot we can see there is no special pattern for the residuals, also the standardized and theoretical residuals have a good correlation.

Conclusions

This model states that if given the other variables constant (qsec: 1/4 mile time, wt: Weight(1000 lbs)), the Miles/gallon (mpg) for the transmissions is:

- Automatic: $9.6178 + 0 \cdot (2.9358) = 9.6178$ Miles/Gallon
 - Manual: $9.6178 + 1 \cdot (2.9358) = 12.5536$ Miles/Gallon
- Concluding, the manual transmission is better for Miles/Gallon, with a 2.9358 Miles/Gallon difference with a constant weight and 1/4 mile time.