

# Motor Trend Analysis

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## Executive Summary

In this report we will analyse the dataset for a collection of manual and automatic transmission and study the relationship between a set of variables and fuel efficiency expressed in Miles per Gallon (MPG). The study is focussed in finding answers to following questions

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

## Exploratory data analysis

```
library(datasets)
data("mtcars")
str(mtcars[mtcars$am=="0",])
```

```
## 'data.frame':   19 obs. of  11 variables:
## $ mpg : num  21.4 18.7 18.1 14.3 24.4 22.8 19.2 17.8 16.4 17.3 ...
## $ cyl : num   6  8  6  8  4  4  6  6  8  8 ...
## $ disp: num  258 360 225 360 147 ...
## $ hp  : num  110 175 105 245 62 95 123 123 180 180 ...
## $ drat: num   3.08 3.15 2.76 3.21 3.69 3.92 3.92 3.92 3.07 3.07 ...
## $ wt  : num   3.21 3.44 3.46 3.57 3.19 ...
## $ qsec: num   19.4 17 20.2 15.8 20 ...
## $ vs  : num    1  0  1  0  1  1  1  1  0  0 ...
## $ am  : num    0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0  0 ...
## $ gear: num    3  3  3  3  4  4  4  4  3  3 ...
## $ carb: num    1  2  1  4  2  2  4  4  3  3 ...
```

```
str(mtcars[mtcars$am=="1",])
```

```
## 'data.frame':   13 obs. of  11 variables:
## $ mpg : num   21  21 22.8 32.4 30.4 33.9 27.3 26 30.4 15.8 ...
## $ cyl : num    6  6  4  4  4  4  4  4  4  8 ...
## $ disp: num  160 160 108 78.7 75.7 ...
## $ hp  : num  110 110 93 66 52 65 66 91 113 264 ...
## $ drat: num   3.9 3.9 3.85 4.08 4.93 4.22 4.08 4.43 3.77 4.22 ...
## $ wt  : num   2.62 2.88 2.32 2.2 1.61 ...
## $ qsec: num   16.5 17 18.6 19.5 18.5 ...
## $ vs  : num    0  0  1  1  1  1  1  0  1  0 ...
## $ am  : num    1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1  1 ...
## $ gear: num    4  4  4  4  4  4  4  5  5  5 ...
## $ carb: num    4  4  1  1  2  1  1  2  2  4 ...
```

There are a total of 32 observations for 11 variables, 19 observations are for automatic transmission (am=0) and 13 for manual transmission (am=1), looking at the summary data, the mean of mpg for manual cars is 7.24 more than for automatic cars (24.39-17.15). This is also illustrated in the boxplot included in Appendix

A, however we will need to carry out hypothesis testing and also look at the impact of variables other than transmission type on mpg.

## Regression analysis

To better understand the impact of various variables, we will plot a relationship between all the variables (refer Appendix A).

Exploratory analysis suggested that the mpg for manual cars is higher as compared to automatic transmission. we will test this using t-test.

Null Hypothesis: There is no difference in MPG between Automatic and Manual transmission cars  
Alternate Hypothesis: There is difference in MPG between Automatic and Manual transmission cars

```
t.test(mtcars$mpg~mtcars$am, conf.level=0.95)
```

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

Since p-value is 0.001374, we must reject the Null Hypothesis

```
linearfit <- lm(formula = mpg ~ am, data = mtcars)
summary(linearfit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ am, data = mtcars)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -9.3923 -3.0923 -0.2974  3.2439  9.5077
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   17.147      1.125   15.247 1.13e-15 ***
## am              7.245      1.764    4.106 0.000285 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 4.902 on 30 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3598, Adjusted R-squared:  0.3385
## F-statistic: 16.86 on 1 and 30 DF, p-value: 0.000285
```

From above we can conclude that the fuel efficiency for automatic cars is 17.147 and manual cars run at  $17.147 + 7.245 = 24.392$

since R squared value is 0.3598, this accounts for only 36% variance. We will now perform a multi variate linera regression analysis

We will let the model choose most significant paramaters.

```
automultivariate <- step(lm(data=mtcars, mpg ~ .), trace=0)
summary(automultivariate)
```

```
##
## 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|)
## (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 ***
## am            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
```

Considering wt, qsec and am explains 85% of the variance. Residual plots are included in Appendix A

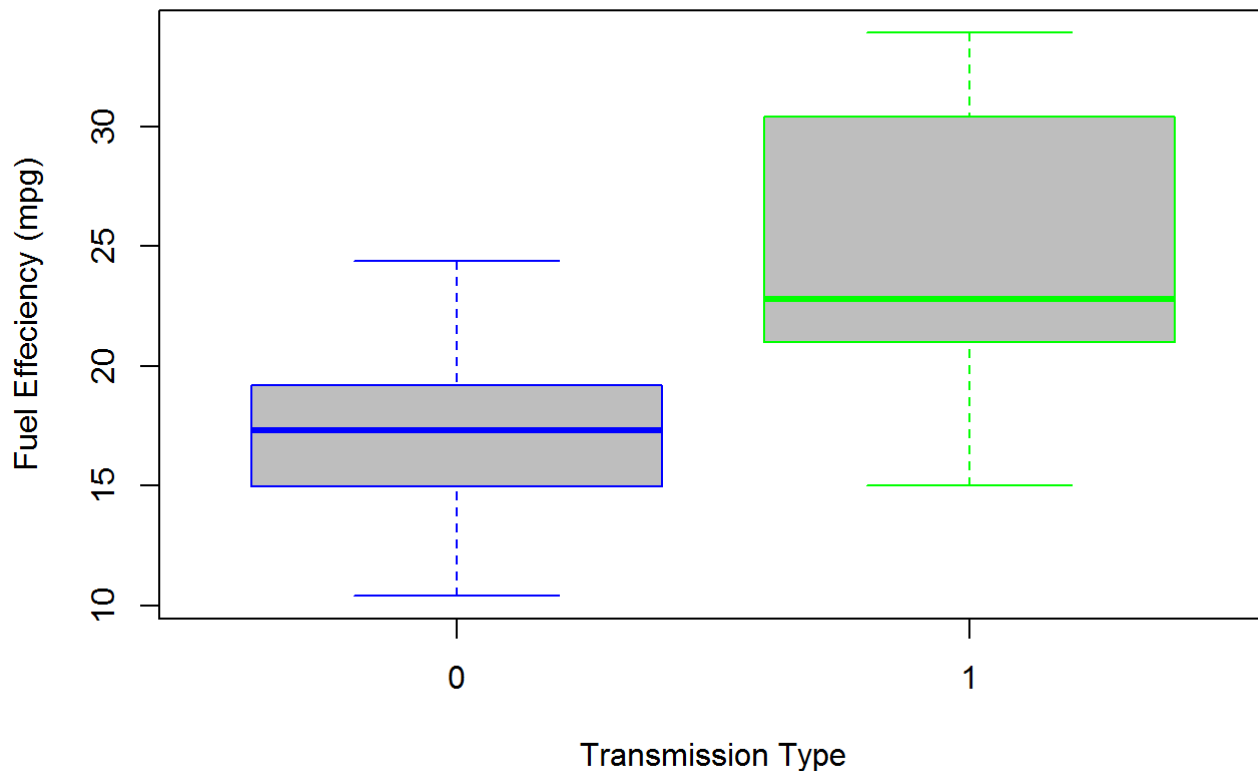
## Results

Car Weight and Acceleration must be considered to study impact of transmission type (Automatic or Manual) on the fuel effeciency (MPG) of the car

## Appendix A

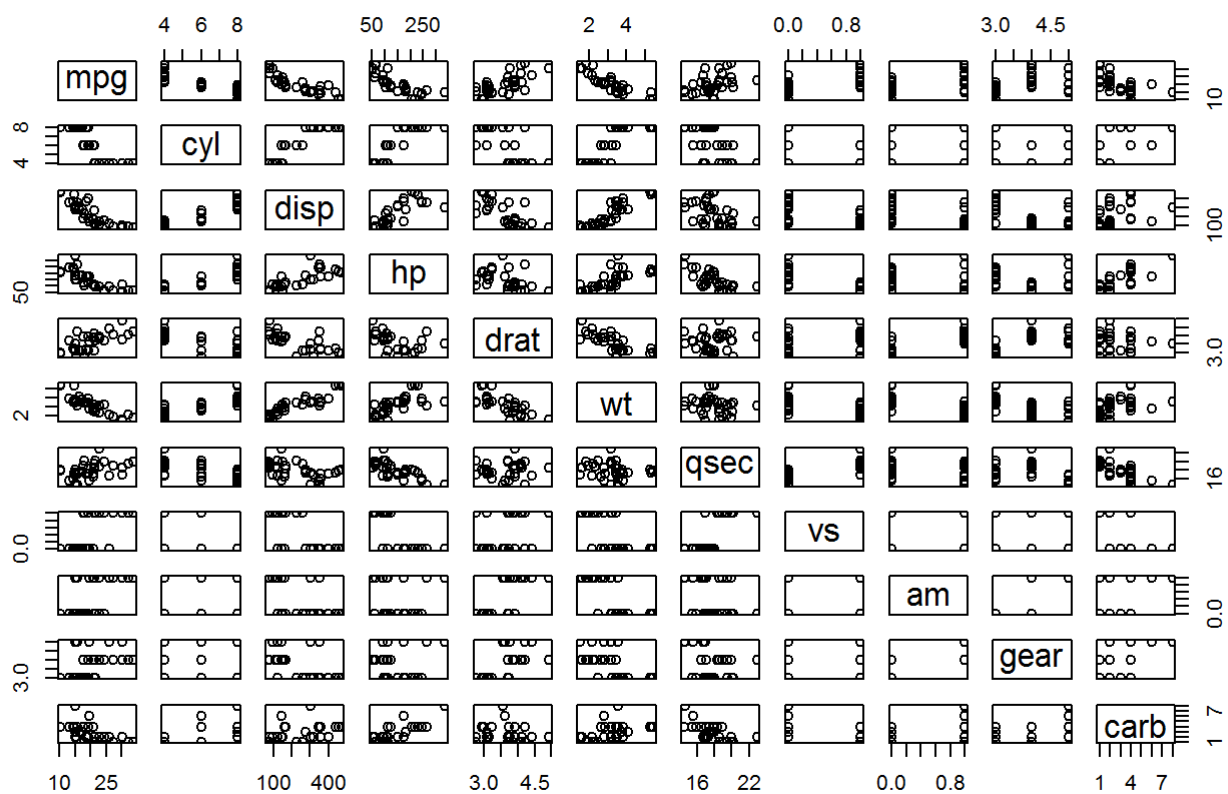
```
boxplot(mpg ~ am, data = mtcars, xlab = "Transmission Type", ylab = "Fuel Effeciency (mpg)",
col="gray",border = c("blue","green"), main="Fuel Effeciency by Transmission Type")
```

## Fuel Efficiency by Transmission Type



```
pairs(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars, main="plot 2 - Exploring relationships between all pairs of variables")
```

## plot 2 - Exploring relationships between all pairs of variables



```
plot(automultivariate)
```

