

## Machine Learning – I

# Assumptions of Regression and Model Evaluation

# Agenda

- Assumptions of Linear Regression
- Tests for Assumptions of Linear Regression
- Model Evaluation Metrics
- Presence of Categorical Variables
- Interaction Effect

# Assumptions of Linear Regression

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- **Linear relationship** between dependent and independent variables
- Predictors must not show **multicollinearity**
- **Independence of observations** should exist (Absence of Autocorrelation)
- The error terms should be **homoscedastic**
- The error terms must follow **normal distribution**

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- Numeric dependent variable
- Absence of Multicollinearity

Assumption to be checked  
before building a model

Build a  
model

Assumption to be checked  
after building a model

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- Error terms should be homoscedastic
- Error terms must follow  $N(0, \sigma^2)$

# Tests for Assumptions of Linear Regression

# Tests before model building

- The dependent variable must be numeric
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# Is the dependent variable numeric?

- Regression Analysis requires the target variable to be numeric in nature
- For example: returns, sales of a product, yield of a crop, risk in financial services
- In context with our example, we see that Premium is numeric

Mileage	Premium (in dollars)
15	392.5
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17	15.7
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7	170.9
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**Answer:**

No. Because the target variable is a categorical variable. Thus, it is a **classification problem**.

# Tests before model building

- The dependent variable must be numeric
- Predictors must not show multicollinearity

# What is multicollinearity?

- Multicollinearity arises when the independent variables have high correlation among each other
- Multicollinearity may be introduced if there exists empirical relationship among variables such as  $\text{income} = \text{expenditure} + \text{saving}$
- In presence of it, the best fit line obtained from OLS method is no more “best”
- Also, the confidence interval obtained for  $\beta$ 's is wider since the  $SE(\beta)$  becomes large

# Multicollinearity detection

- Determinant of correlation matrix
  - Condition Number (CN)
- } Is there multicollinearity present?
- Correlation matrix
  - Variance Inflation Number (VIF)
- } Which variables are involved in multicollinearity?

# Is there multicollinearity?

## Determinant of the correlation matrix:

Let  $D$  be the determinant of correlation matrix. Then  $0 < D < 1$

$D=0$	High multicollinearity
$D=1$	No multicollinearity

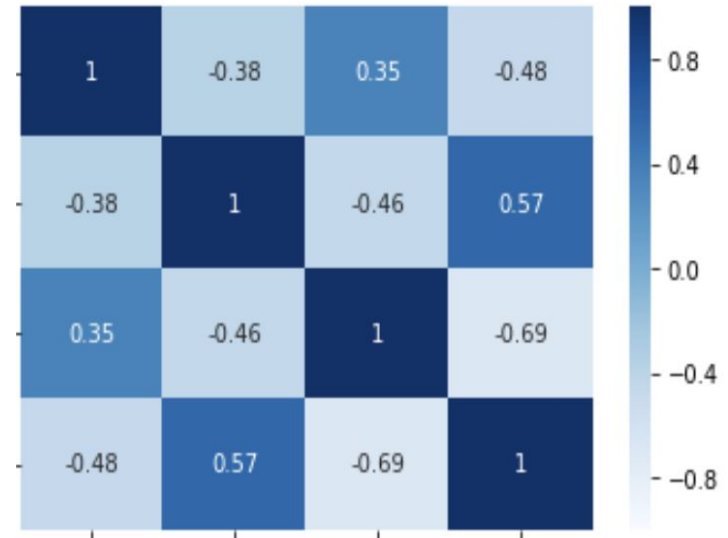
## Condition Number (CN):

$CN > 1000$	Severe multicollinearity
$100 < CN < 1000$	Moderate multicollinearity
$100 < CN$	No multicollinearity

# Which variables are involved in multicollinearity?

## Correlation matrix:

If the off-diagonal values tend to  $\pm 1$  then it indicates high correlation between the variable pair. However this inspection is not enough



# Which variables are involved in multicollinearity?

## Variance Inflation Factor (VIF):

$$VIF = \frac{1}{1 - R^2}$$

Where  $R^2$  is obtained by regressing a predictor variable over all the other predictors in the model

Value	Interpretation
$VIF > 5$	High correlation
$5 > VIF > 1$	Moderate correlation
$VIF = 1$	No correlation

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# Assumption of linearity

- An assumption of linear regression is that it should be linear in the parameter
- The independent variables must have a linear relationship with the dependent variable
- The residuals and the fitted values should be independent

# Existence of linear relationship

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## Linear Relationship

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2^2 + \varepsilon$$

$$y = \beta_0 - \beta_1 \log(x_1) + \beta_2 x_2 + \varepsilon$$

$$y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 - \beta_3 x_1 x_2 + \varepsilon$$

## Nonlinear Relationship

$$y = \beta_0 - e^{\beta_1 x_1} + \varepsilon$$

$$y = \beta_0 x_1 / \beta_1 x_1 + \varepsilon$$

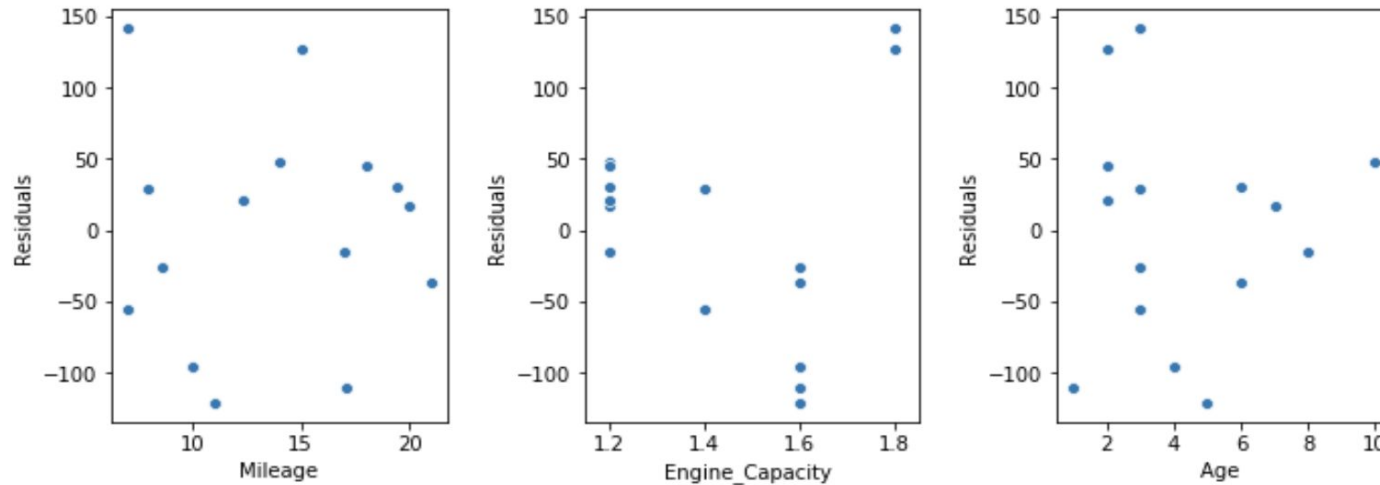
$$y = \beta_0 + x_1^{\beta_1} \cdot x_2^{\beta_2} + \varepsilon$$

# Existence of linear relationship

- The independent variables must have a linear relationship with the dependent variable
- This can be checked plotting a scatter plot of residuals vs predictors
- A scatter plot depicting no pattern indicates that the variable has a linear relationship with the response variable

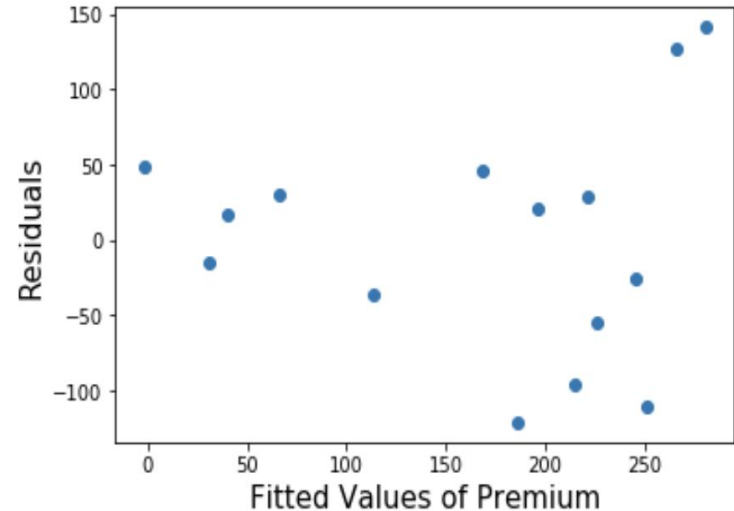
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In context with our data, we see a random pattern in all the three plots. Hence, we may say that, the predictors are linearly related with the response variable.



# Existence of linear relationship

- The plot of residuals against the fitted tells the presence of linear relationship
- For linear relationship, the points must be at random, i.e., it should **not** exhibit much distinctive **pattern**, no non-linear trends or changes in variability



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# Assumption of autocorrelation

{Auto  
self} correlation

- Assumption of autocorrelation is violated when residuals are correlated within themselves, i.e. they are serially correlated
- Autocorrelation does not impact the regression coefficients but the associated standard errors are reduced
- This reduction in standard error leads to a reduction in associated p-value
- It incorrectly concludes that a predictor is statistically significant

# Causes of autocorrelation

- Some important variables are not considered in the data
- If the relationship between the target and predictor variables is non-linear and is incorrectly considered linear
- Presence of carry over effect

Example: The additional expenses from the budget for last month are carried over in creating the budget for next month

# Durbin - Watson Test

- To test whether the error terms are autocorrelated, we use the Durbin-Watson test
- We test whether autocorrelation is present or not
- The hypothesis is given by:

$H_0$ : The error terms are not autocorrelated

against

$H_1$ : The error terms are autocorrelated

- Failing to reject  $H_0$ , will imply that the error terms are autocorrelated

# Durbin - Watson test

The test statistic is given by

$$d = \frac{\sum \hat{e}_t - \hat{e}_{t-1}}{\sum \hat{e}_t^2} \quad d \in [0,4]$$

Residual of  $t^{\text{th}}$  observation

Residual of  $t-1^{\text{th}}$  observation

Value	Interpretation
$0 < d < 2$	Positive autocorrelation
$d = 2$	No autocorrelation
$2 < d < 4$	Negative autocorrelation

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# Homoscedasticity assumption

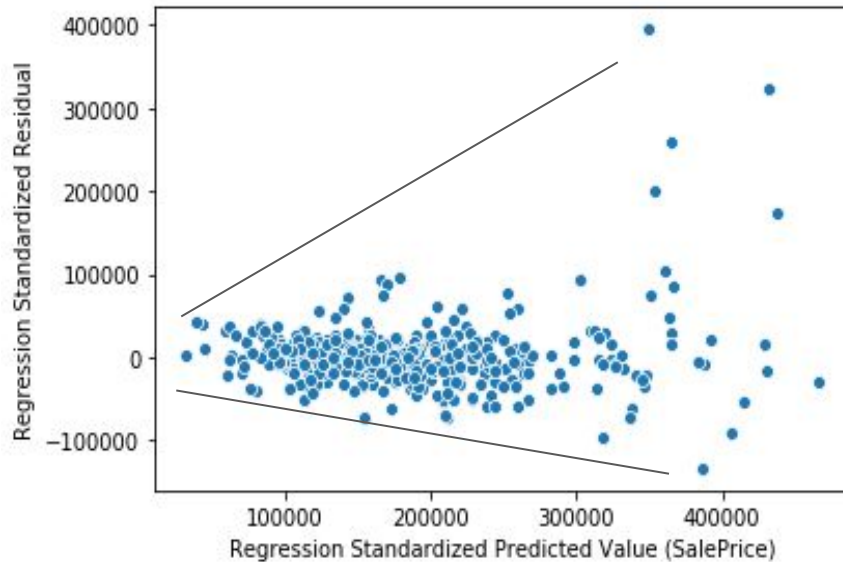
Homoscedasticity

A diagram where the word "Homoscedasticity" is centered at the top. Below it, two horizontal curly brackets are used to split the word. The first bracket is under "Same" and the second bracket is under "Variance".

Same Variance

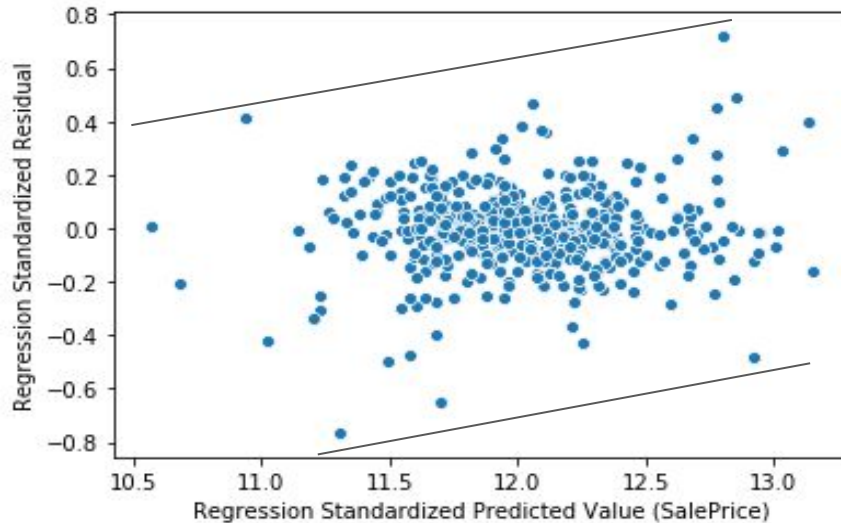
- Variance of the residual is assumed to be independent of the explanatory variables
- Heteroscedasticity: non-constant variance of residuals
- It happens due to the presence of extreme values

# Heteroscedasticity



- Funnel type shape is seen in the graph
- Hence we can say that there is a presence of “Heteroscedasticity”

# Homoscedasticity

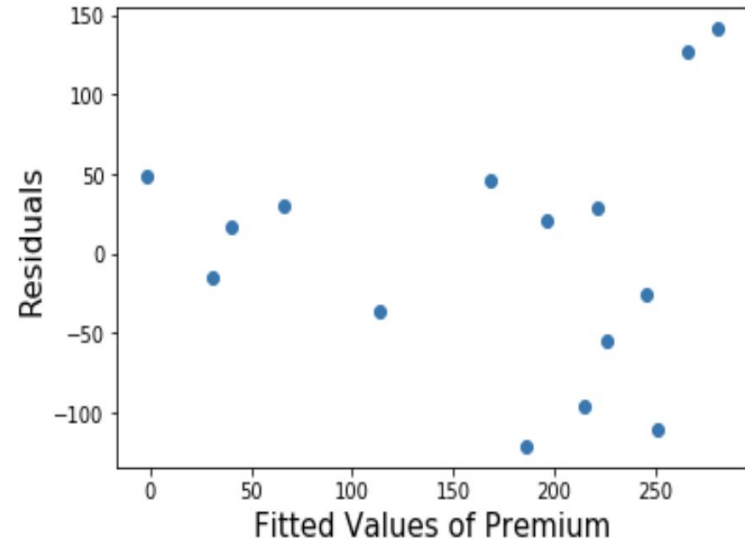


- There is no visible funnel or bow type pattern in the plot
- We can see presence of “Homoscedasticity”



# Residual vs Fitted plot

- The plot of residuals against the fitted values tells whether the error terms have equal variance
- It should look random, i.e., it should **not** exhibit much distinctive **pattern**, no non-linear trends or changes in variability



# Homoscedasticity

The statistical test to test for the homoskedasticity of the errors are

- Goldfeld Quandt test
- Breusch Pagan test

# Goldfeld-Quandt test

- For presence of a constant variance of error terms, i.e. to test

$H_0$ : The errors terms are homoskedastic against  $H_1$ : The errors terms are heteroskedastic

- Decision rule: Reject  $H_0$ , if the p-value associated with test statistic is less than  $\alpha$  (level of significance), which implies that there is heteroskedastic, i.e. the error terms have do not equal variance

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# Normality test

- Parametric statistical methods assume that the underlying data has a normal distribution
- Normality tests are used to determine if a data set is well-modeled by a normal distribution

# Normality testing techniques

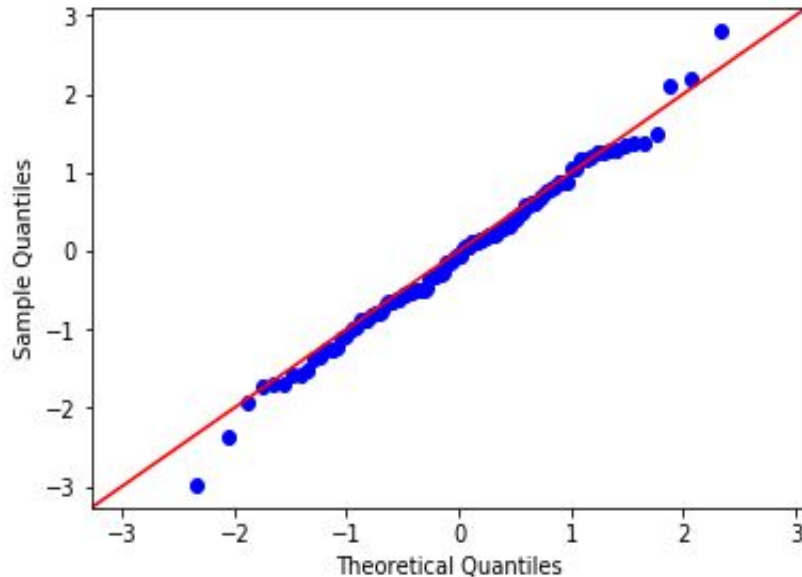
- Quantile-Quantile Plot
- Jarque-Bera (JB) Test
- Shapiro-Wilk Test

# Quantile-Quantile Plot (QQ plot)

- Used to determine whether two datasets follow the same distribution
- The quantiles of two datasets are plotted against each other
- A reference line is plotted at  $45^\circ$
- If the points lie on the reference line we conclude they follow the same distribution

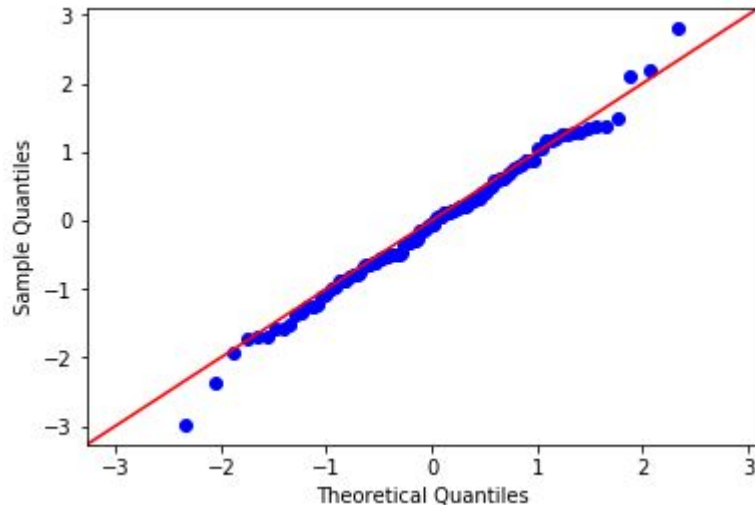


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# JB test

- To test whether the data follows normal distribution, we test whether the skewness and kurtosis of the data are same as that of the normal distribution, i.e. to test

$H_0$ : Skewness (S) = 0 and Kurtosis (K) = 0

against

$H_1$ : Skewness (S)  $\neq$  0 and Kurtosis (K)  $\neq$  0

- Failing to reject  $H_0$ , implies that the data does not follow normal distribution

$$JB = \frac{n}{6} \left( S^2 + \frac{1}{4} (K - 3)^2 \right)$$

# JB test

- The test statistics for n observations is given by

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Sample skewness

Kurtosis coefficient

- The test statistics asymptotically follows chi squared distribution with 2 degrees of freedom ( $\chi^2_2$ )

# Shapiro-Wilk test

- To test whether the data follows normal distribution, i.e. to test

$H_0$ : The data is normally distributed

against

$H_1$ : The data is not normally distributed

- Failing to reject  $H_0$ , implies that the data does not follow normal distribution

# Shapiro-Wilk test statistic

The test statistic is given by

$$W = \frac{(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i x_i)^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2}$$

$n$  = sample size

$a_i$  = values computed from  $n$  samples (of size  $n$  each) from normal distribution based on their means, covariance matrix

$x_i$  =  $i^{\text{th}}$  ordered sample values

$\bar{x}$  = sample mean

# Model Evaluation Metrics

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The model evaluation metrics are

- $R^2$
- Adjusted  $R^2$
- The F test for overall significance



# R-squared

- The  $R^2$  value gives the percentage of variation in the response variable explained by the predictor variables
- If the values of  $R^2 = 0.87$ , it implies that 87% of variation in the response variable is explained by the predictor variables

$$R^2 = \frac{\text{Explained variation}}{\text{Total variation}} = \frac{\text{SSR}}{\text{SST}}$$

# Adjusted R-squared

- Adjusted  $R^2$  gives the percentage of variation explained by independent variables that actually affect the dependent variable
- If the values of  $R^2 = 0.87$ , it implies that 87% of variation in the response variable is explained by the predictor variables

$$R_{adj}^2 = 1 - \frac{(1 - R^2)(n - 1)}{n - k - 1}$$

# F test

- To check the significance of the regression model we use the F test
- It is similar to ANOVA for regression
- The test hypothesis is given by

$$H_0 : \beta_1 = \beta_2 = \beta_3 = \dots = \beta_n = 0$$

against

$$H_1 : \beta_i > 0 \text{ or } \beta_i < 0$$

for at least one of the  $i$  values

- Failing to reject  $H_0$ , implies that the model is not significant

# F statistic

- The test statistics is given by

$$Fstat = \frac{(SST-SSE)/k}{SSE/(n-k-1)}$$

$n$  = sample size

$k$  = number of predictor variables

- **Decision rule:** Reject  $H_0$ , if  $F_0 > F_{(k,n-k-1),\alpha}$  or if the p-value is less than the  $\alpha$  (level of significance)

# Presence of categorical variable

# Linear regression of categorical variable

- The regression method fails in presence of categorical variable
- Thus we need to convert the categorical variable to numeric variable
- In order to so, we use  $N - 1$  dummy encoding

# N-1 dummy encoding

- Dummy variables are binary variables used to represent categorical data
- For a categorical variable that can take  $k$  values  $k-1$  dummy variables need to be created
- Dummy variable is assigned 1 if it takes a particular value else it is assigned 0

# Dummy variable example

Consider a variable, Gender, used to represent the gender of a citizen during the census

Gender: Male, Female

Since Gender takes 2 values it can be represented with 1 dummy variable  $D_1$  as:

Value	$D_1$
Male	0
Female	1



# Data

Let us consider a categorical variable Manufacturer in the data and find out how it behaves.

Mileage	Manufacturer	Premium (in dollars)
15	Ford	392.5
14	Honda	46.2
17	Tata	15.7
7	Ford	422.2
10	Ford	119.4
7	Tata	170.9
20	Tata	56.9
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11	Tata	65.3
7.9	Ford	250
8.6	Tata	220
12.3	Tata	217.5
17.1	Ford	140.88
19.4	Honda	97.25

# Example

- In context with our example, the categorical variable Manufacturer takes values Ford, Honda and Tata
- Since Manufacturer takes 3 values, two dummy variables Mfr\_Honda and Mfr\_Tata are created

Value	Mfr_Honda	Mfr_Tata
Ford	0	0
Honda	1	0
Tata	0	1

# Model with categorical variable

Now our model is

$$\text{Premium} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage} + \beta_2 \text{ Mfr\_Honda} + \beta_3 \text{ Mfr\_Tata} + \varepsilon$$

Parameter	Description
$\beta_0$	Premium value where the best fit line cuts the Y-axis (Premium)
$\beta_1$	Regression coefficient of the variable Mileage
$\beta_2$	Regression coefficient of the dummy variable Mfr_Honda
$\beta_3$	Regression coefficient of the dummy variable Mfr_Tata

# Linear regression model (dummy variable)

Based on the data, the  $\beta$  parameters are:

$$\beta_0 = 368.93, \beta_1 = -9.117,$$

$$\beta_2 = -95.174 \text{ and } \beta_3 = -129.216$$

Thus the model is

$$Y = 368.93 - 9.117 x_1 - 95.174 x_2 - 129.216 x_3$$

That is,

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# Regression line (dummy variable)

The regression line:

$$\text{Premium} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage} + \beta_2 \text{ Mfr\_Honda} + \beta_3 \text{ Mfr\_Tata} + \varepsilon$$

If the manufacturer is Honda, the regression line becomes:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Premium} &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage} + \beta_2 \text{ Mfr\_Honda} + \beta_3 \text{ Mfr\_Tata} \\ &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage} + \beta_2 (1) + \beta_3 (0) \\ &= \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage} + \beta_2 + 0 \\ &= (\beta_0 + \beta_2) + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage} \end{aligned}$$

Value	Mfr_Honda	Mfr_Tata
Ford	0	0
Honda	1	0
Tata	0	1

Note the change in the intercept value.

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Ford	0	0
Honda	1	0
Tata	0	1

For manufacturer = Ford,

$$\text{Premium} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage}$$

Actual intercept

For manufacturer = Honda,

$$\text{Premium} = (\beta_0 + \beta_2) + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage}$$

Change in intercept

For manufacturer = Tata,

























$$\text{Premium} = (\beta_0 + \beta_3) + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage}$$

Change in intercept

# Interaction Effect

# Interaction effect

Sentiment

				Salt water			
				Sweet water			
				Lemon water			
		  		Lemonade			

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# Interaction

- An interaction effect occurs when the effect of one variable depends on another variable. This combined effect may or may not improve the performance of the model
- Note: It does not imply that the predictor variables are collinear

Example: Salary of an employee increases with experience, but this may vary based whether the person has completed additional courses like MBA

# Interaction Effect

- In context with our example, we shall consider the interaction effect of variables Engine\_Capacity and Mileage
- We obtained Int\_EC\_Mil by taking the product of Mileage and Engine\_Capacity
- Let us check whether the interaction term is adding value to our model

Mileage	Engine_Capacity	Int_EC_Mil	Age	Premium (in dollars)
15	1.8	27	2	392.5
14	1.2	16.8	10	46.2
17	1.2	20.4	8	15.7
7	1.8	12.6	3	422.2
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12.3	1.2	14.76	2	217.5
17.1	1.6	27.36	1	140.88
19.4	1.2	23.28	6	97.25

# Interaction Effect

Now our model is

$$\text{Premium} = \beta_0 + \beta_1 \text{ Mileage} + \beta_2 \text{ Engine\_Capacity} + \beta_3 \text{ Age} + \beta_4 \text{ Int\_EC\_Mil} + \varepsilon$$

Parameter	Description
$\beta_0$	Premium value where the best fit line cuts the Y-axis (Premium)
$\beta_1$	Regression coefficient of the variable Mileage
$\beta_2$	Regression coefficient of the variable Engine_Capacity
$\beta_3$	Regression coefficient of the variable Age
$\beta_4$	Regression coefficient of the variable Int_EC_Mil

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# Linear regression model (interaction effect)

Based on the data, the  $\beta$  parameters are:

$$\beta_0 = -502.011, \beta_1 = 40.306, \beta_2 = 568.723,$$

$$\beta_3 = -25.781 \text{ and } \beta_4 = -30.547$$

Thus the model is

$$Y = 502.011 + 40.306 x_1 + 68.723 x_2 - 25.781 x_3 - 30.547 x_4$$

That is,

$$\text{Premium} = 502.011 + 40.306 \text{ Mileage} + 68.723 \text{ Engine\_Capacity} - 30.54 \text{ Age} - 25.781 \text{ Int\_EC\_Mil}$$

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