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# AP-T225WSD-1\_Project Trimester 2 2025

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## Question 1. Write the code to inspect the data structure and present the data

1.1 The missing values in the dataset were written as “?”, replace any “?” with NA Write code to check: after replacing, how many rows were affected in total? Does this change alter the data distribution?

```
# Replace ? with NA when reading data
engine_df <- read_csv("Engine.csv", na = "?")
auto_df <- read_csv("Automobile.csv", na = "?")
maint_df <- read_csv("Maintenance.csv", na = "?")

# total rows were affected
rows_affected_engine <- engine_df %>%
  filter(if_any(everything(), is.na)) %>%
  nrow()

rows_affected_auto <- auto_df %>%
  filter(if_any(everything(), is.na)) %>%
  nrow()

rows_affected_maint <- maint_df %>%
  filter(if_any(everything(), is.na)) %>%
  nrow()

total_affected <- rows_affected_engine + rows_affected_auto +
  rows_affected_maint
print(total_affected)

## [1] 6
```

This change does not alter the data distribution but to clean and improve it due to:

- Only representation changing: Replacing ? with NA is a data cleaning step. This change only clean the data so the R can correctly identify these values as “missing” rather than treating them as valid character strings
- Restoration of correct data types: If ? appear in numeric columns such as Horsepower, the whole column will be misunderstood as character. So changing it to NA, columns will restore to numeric
- Preservation of observed values: This step does not adding, removing, or modifying any of the existing valid data points. Therefore, the frequency, range, and shape of the distribution for the known values remain exactly the same.

## 1.2 Convert categorical variables BodyStyles, FuelTypes, ErrorCodes to factors

```
# Convert the categorical variables of the 3 datasets into factors
auto_df$BodyStyles <- as.factor(auto_df$BodyStyles)
engine_df$FuelTypes <- as.factor(engine_df$FuelTypes)
maint_df$ErrorCodes <- as.factor(maint_df$ErrorCodes)
# Check again to see if they have become factors
str(auto_df$BodyStyles)

##  Factor w/ 5 levels "convertible",...: 1 3 4 4 4 4 5 4 3 4 ...

str(engine_df$FuelTypes)

##  Factor w/ 2 levels "diesel","gas": 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 ...

str(maint_df$ErrorCodes)

##  Factor w/ 3 levels "-1","0","1": 1 1 1 3 1 3 3 2 1 1 ...
```

Benefits of switching to factor

- Helps statistical and plotting functions (ggplot2) understand that these are separate groups to color or divide columns, instead of mistaking them as text or numeric.
- Especially with ErrorCodes (error -1, 0, 1), if not switched to factor, R will understand them as numbers and calculate addition, subtraction, multiplication and division (e.g., average of error codes), which is logically meaningless.

## 1.3 Replace the missing values in column Horsepower with the median horsepower; Select the appropriate chart type and display: horsepower distribution.

```
# Calculate median, excluding NA (because including it will make it difficult to determine the median)
median_hp <- median(engine_df$Horsepower, na.rm = TRUE)
# Replace NA with median
engine_df <- engine_df %>%
  mutate( Horsepower = replace_na(Horsepower, median_hp)
)
# Check if everything has been replaced
print(engine_df$Horsepower)

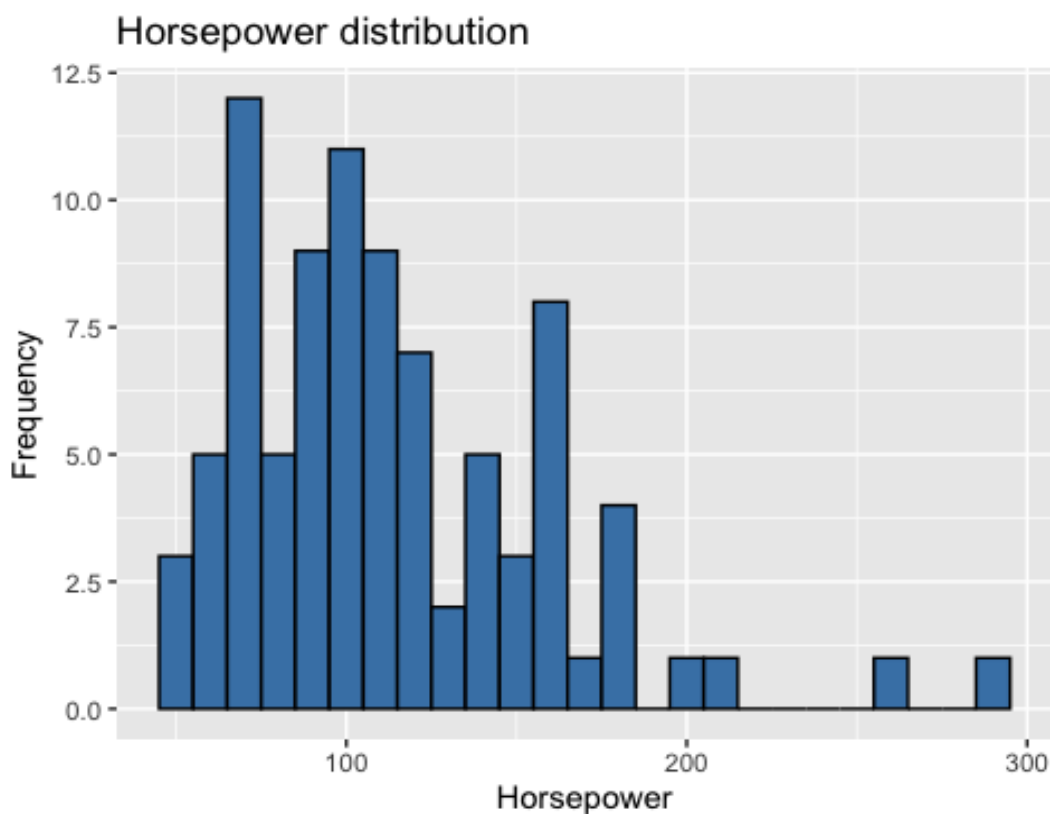
##  [1] 111 154 102 115 110 140 160 101 121 121 182  48  70  68 102  88 145
## 58  76
## [20]  60  86 101 100  78  90 176 262  68 101 135  84  64 120  72 123 155
## 184 184
## [39] 175  68 102 116 145 116  69  55  97 152 160 200  97  95  95 142  68
```

```

143 207
## [58] 288 102 110 160 69 73 82 94 111 62 70 56 112 116 92 73 161
156 156
## [77] 52 85 68 100 90 88 114 162 160 134 106 114

# Visualize the Horsepower distribution using histogram
# Using plot in library("ggplot2")
ggplot(data = engine_df) +
  geom_histogram(mapping = aes(x = Horsepower), binwidth = 10, col = "black",
    fill="steelblue") +
  labs(title = "Horsepower distribution",
    x = "Horsepower",
    y = "Frequency")

```



Because Horsepower is continuous from 48 to 288 so histogram is the standard and most intuitive tool to display the frequency distribution. It shows us where the data's peak, spread and shape of the distribution (symmetrical or skewed).

Looking at the graph above, we see that the graph is right-skewed, meaning that most of the cars have low to medium horsepower and it decreases as the horsepower increases. The most common horsepower is in the range of 60-100. This shows that most of the popular cars are in this range to save fuel and cost.

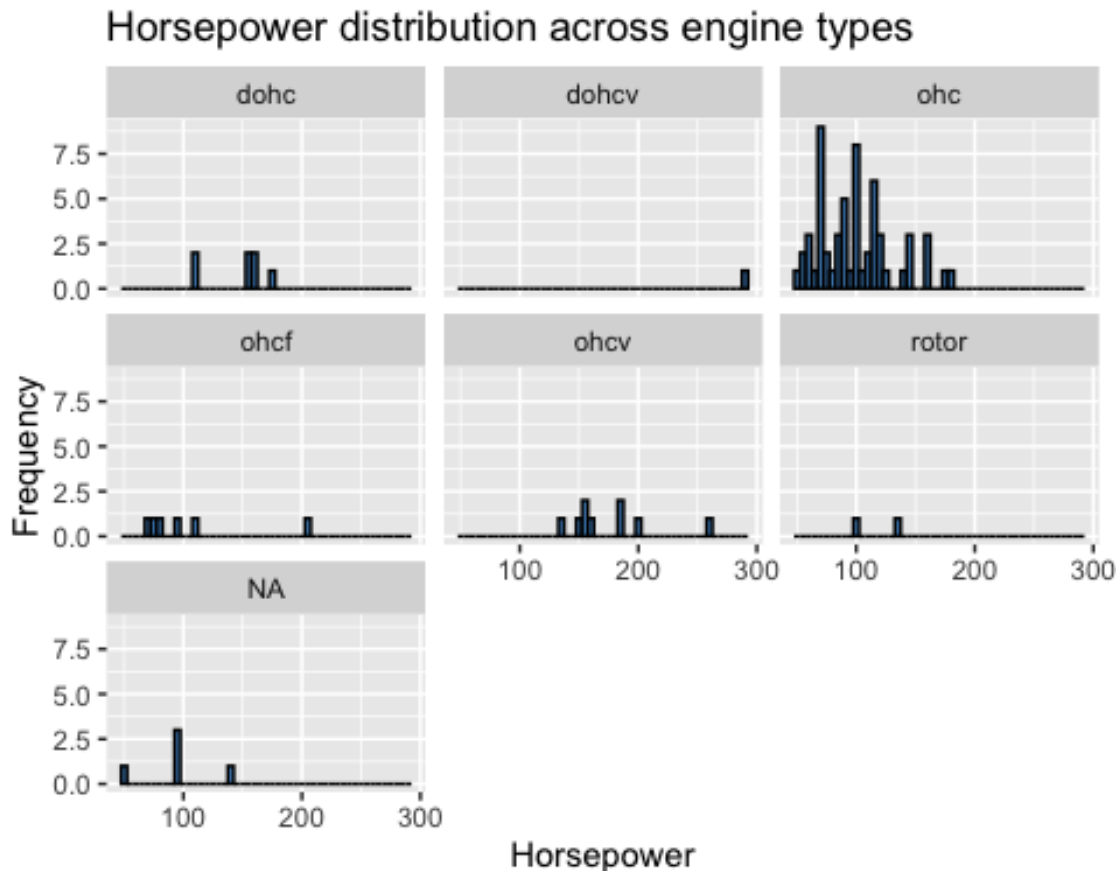
## Question 2

2.1 Write the code to analyse the distribution of the horsepower across the engine types

```
# Observe means Horsepower divided by EngineType before plotting
aggregate(Horsepower~EngineType, engine_df, mean)

##      EngineType Horsepower
## 1          dohc   147.42857
## 2         dohcv   288.00000
## 3           ohc    99.63793
## 4         ohcf   106.00000
## 5         ohcv   176.11111
## 6         rotor   118.00000

# Visualize Horsepower distribution across EngineTypes using histogram
ggplot(data = engine_df) +
  geom_histogram(mapping = aes(x = Horsepower), binwidth = 5, col = "black",
    fill="steelblue", na.rm = TRUE) +
  facet_wrap(~ EngineType) +
  labs(title = "Horsepower distribution across engine types",
    x = "Horsepower",
    y = "Frequency")
```



2.2 Write the code to investigate the distribution of the horsepower across the groups of the engine sizes (e.g., 60-90, 91-190, 191-299, 300+).

```
# Group engine sizes
data_with_groups <- engine_df %>%
  filter(!is.na(EngineSize)) %>% # Filter out car with NA
  mutate(
    EngineSize_Group = cut(EngineSize, # Divide EngineSize into discrete bind
      breaks = c(60, 90, 190, 299, Inf),
      labels = c("60-90", "91-190", "191-299", "300+"),
      right = TRUE, # 60 < x <= 90
      include.lowest = TRUE # 60 <= x <= 90
    )
  )

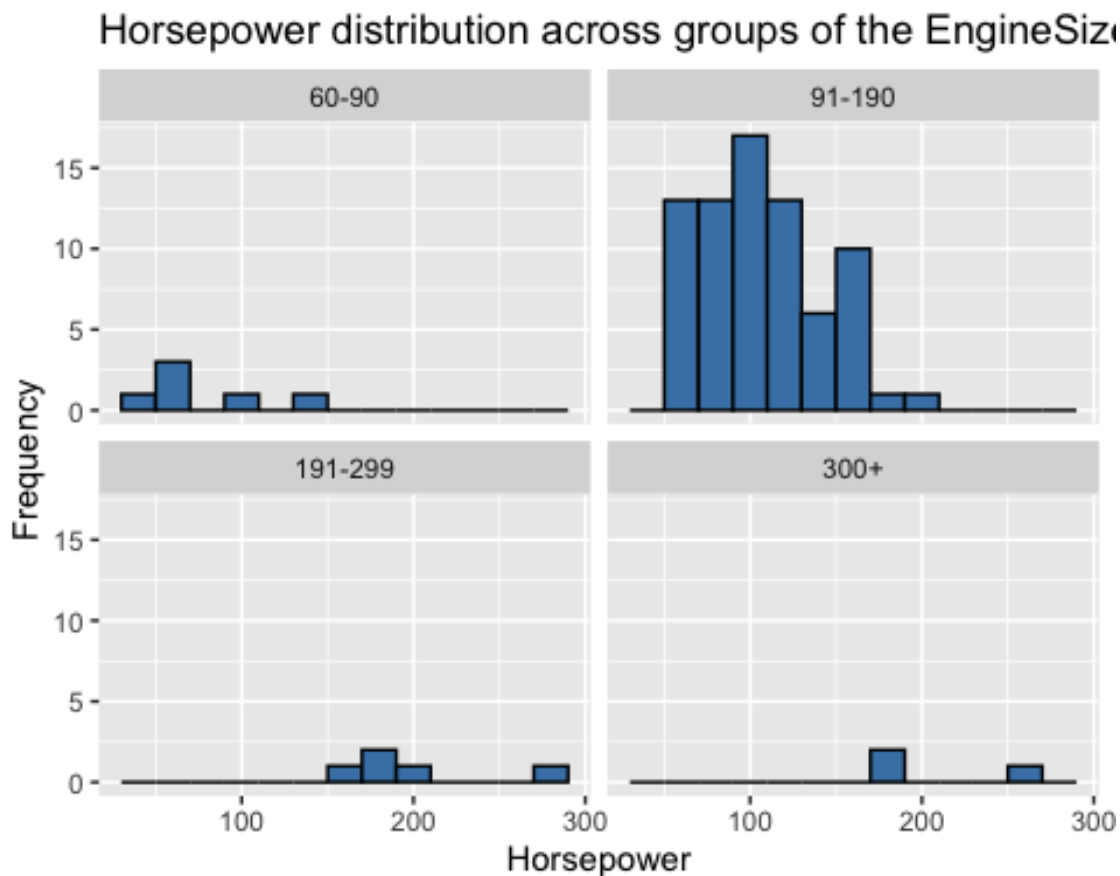
# Check if group division is correct
print(data_with_groups)

## # A tibble: 88 x 9
##   EngineModel EngineType NumCylinders EngineSize FuelSystem Horsepower
##   <chr>         <chr>         <chr>         <dbl> <chr>         <dbl>
```

```
## 1 E-0001      dohc      four      130 mpfi      111
## 2 E-0002      ohcv      six       152 mpfi      154
## 3 E-0003      ohc       four      109 mpfi      102
## 4 E-0004      ohc       five      136 mpfi      115
## 5 E-0005      ohc       five      136 mpfi      110
## 6 E-0006      ohc       five      131 mpfi      140
## 7 E-0007      ohc       five      131 mpfi      160
## 8 E-0008      ohc       four      108 mpfi      101
## 9 E-0009      ohc       six       164 mpfi      121
## 10 E-0010     ohc       six       164 mpfi      121
## # i 78 more rows
## # i 3 more variables: FuelTypes <fct>, Aspiration <chr>, EngineSize_Group
<fct>
```

*# Visualize horsepower distribution across the groups of engine sizes using histogram*

```
ggplot(data = data_with_groups) +
  geom_histogram(mapping = aes(x = Horsepower), binwidth = 20, col = "black",
  fill="steelblue", na.rm = TRUE) +
  facet_wrap(~ EngineSize_Group) + # tách theo enginesize group
  labs(title = "Horsepower distribution across groups of the EngineSizes",
  x = "Horsepower",
  y = "Frequency")
```



## 2.3 Explain findings

- Engine type: The horsepower distribution is very different. Ohc engines have the widest distribution, ranging from low to medium horsepower. More complex engine types such as ohcv and dohcv tend to concentrate at significantly higher horsepower levels. Rotor engines have a unique horsepower distribution, concentrated around the 100-135 horsepower.
- Engine size: There is a clear positive relationship as engine size increases (from 60-90 to 300+), the horsepower distribution shifts significantly to the right (higher horsepower). The '300+' group has a distinctly high horsepower.

## Question 3

### 3.1 Do diesel cars have higher average CityMpg than gasoline cars? Provide statistical evidence.

```
# Handle duplicates before joining
engine_df_clean <- engine_df %>%
  distinct(EngineModel, .keep_all = TRUE) # Remove duplicate rows while
  keeping other columns

# Join auto_df and engine_df_clean using EngineModel
auto_engine_df <- left_join(auto_df, engine_df_clean, by = "EngineModel")

# Observe means CityMpg divided by FuelTypes before plotting
aggregate(CityMpg~FuelTypes,auto_engine_df, mean)

##   FuelTypes  CityMpg
## 1    diesel 30.30000
## 2     gas 24.67935

# Use T-test
# Hypothesis: H0: Diesel < Gas ; H1: Diesel > Gas
t_test_result <- t.test(CityMpg ~ FuelTypes,
                        data = auto_engine_df,
                        var.equal = FALSE,
                        alternative = "greater")

print(t_test_result)

##
## Welch Two Sample t-test
##
## data:  CityMpg by FuelTypes
## t = 3.6237, df = 23.015, p-value = 0.0007118
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means between group diesel and
```

```

group gas is greater than 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 2.962395      Inf
## sample estimates:
## mean in group diesel      mean in group gas
##          30.30000          24.67935

```

Because  $p\text{-value} = 0.0007118 < 0.05$ , we reject  $H_0$ . Therefore, diesel cars have higher average CityMpg than gasoline cars.

## 3.2 How does DriveWheels affect fuel efficiency (CityMpg and HighwayMpg)? Elaborate on the findings

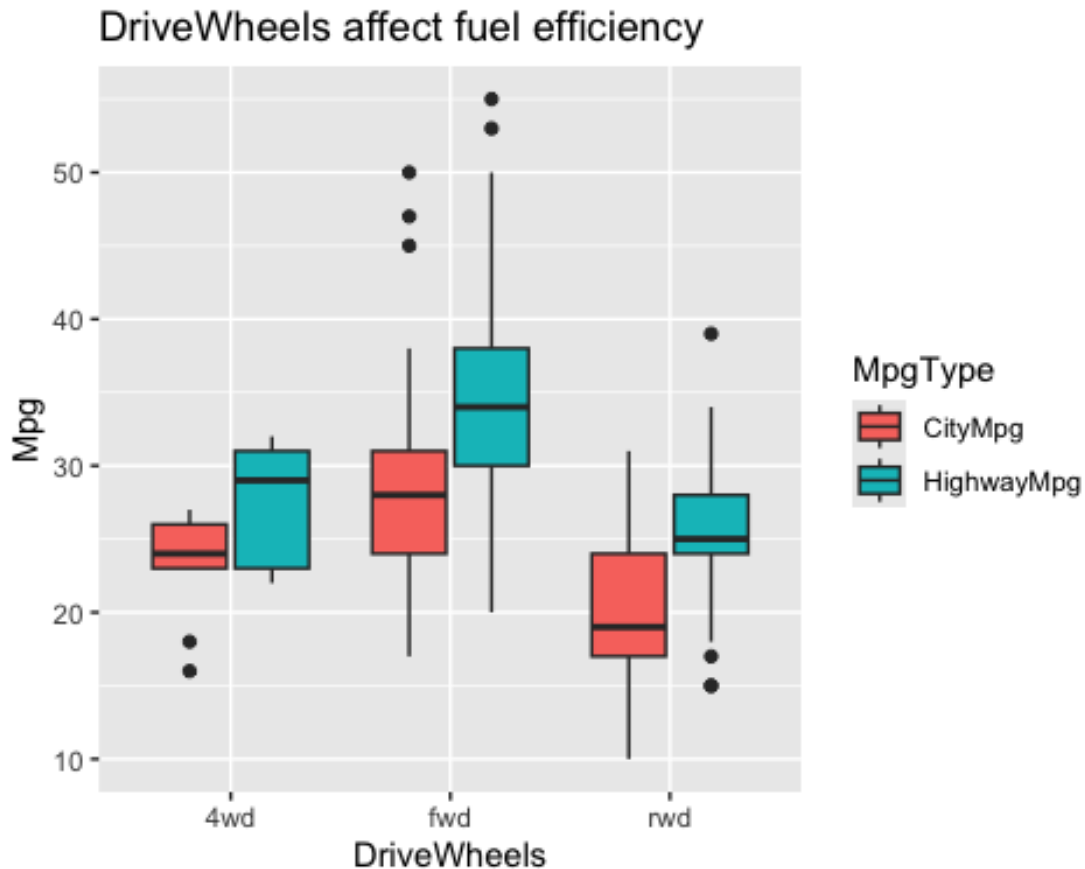
```

# Observe means of fuel efficiency divided by drivewheel before plotting
city_mean =aggregate(CityMpg~DriveWheels,auto_engine_df, mean)
high_mean =aggregate(HighwayMpg~DriveWheels,auto_engine_df, mean)

# Group mpg for plotting
mpg_group <- auto_df %>%
  select(DriveWheels, CityMpg, HighwayMpg) %>% # Select a set of columns
  pivot_longer(cols = c(CityMpg, HighwayMpg), # Specify which columns should
be merged
               names_to = "MpgType",
               values_to = "Mpg")

# Viasualize using boxplot
ggplot(data = mpg_group ) +
  geom_boxplot(mapping = aes(x = DriveWheels, y = Mpg,fill = MpgType )) +
  labs(title = "DriveWheels affect fuel efficiency",
       x = "DriveWheels",
       y ="Mpg")

```



Based on the statistics and boxplot, front-wheel drive (fwd) is the most fuel-efficient because the average fuel consumption of CityMpg (miles per gallon in the city) and HighwayMpg (miles per gallon on the highway) is significantly higher than the other two. In addition, the dispersion of fwd is also the widest, showing that there are many different types of front-wheel drive vehicles with similar fuel consumption. Rear-wheel drive (rwd) is the least fuel-efficient because the average distance traveled per gallon is the lowest. 4-wheel drive (4wd) is in the middle because the fuel consumption is higher than rwd but lower than fwd. However, this may not be accurate in reality because the number of 4wd is small (based on the height of the boxplot). Also, HighwayMpg is always greater than CityMpg because on the highway cars can run faster and do not have to stop suddenly.

3.3 Filter out those engines in the dataset that have trouble or are suspected of having trouble; what are the top 5 most common troubles related to the engines? Do the troubles differ between engine types?

```
# Join 3 dataset
full_df <- maint_df %>%
  left_join(auto_df, by = "PlateNumber") %>%
  left_join(engine_df_clean, by = "EngineModel")

# Filter engine fault (ErrorCodes = 1)
```

```

engine_troubles_df <- full_df %>%
  filter(ErrorCodes == "1")

# Recheck if it is equal to 1
print(engine_troubles_df)

## # A tibble: 182 × 26
##       ID PlateNumber Date      Troubles  ErrorCodes Price Methods
##   <dbl> <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <fct>      <dbl> <chr>  <chr>
## 1     4 53N-001    15/05/2024 Ignition ... 1          180 Adjust... Alfa-
romero
## 2     6 53N-002    15/02/2024 Cylinders  1          1000 Replac... Alfa-
romero
## 3     7 53N-002    16/03/2024 Ignition ... 1          180 Adjust... Alfa-
romero
## 4    12 53N-004    18/06/2024 Ignition ... 1          180 Adjust... Audi
## 5    14 53N-004    19/08/2024 Cylinders  1          1000 Replac... Audi
## 6    15 53N-005    20/08/2024 Noise (fi... 1           10 Adjust... Audi
## 7    18 53N-008    19/01/2024 Ignition  1          180 Adjust... Audi
## 8    20 53N-008    19/05/2024 Cylinders  1          1000 Replac... Audi
## 9    21 53N-008    19/07/2024 Noise (fi... 1           10 Adjust... Audi
## 10   26 53S-002    19/05/2024 Oil filter 1           90 Replac... BMW
## # i 172 more rows
## # i 18 more variables: BodyStyles <fct>, DriveWheels <chr>,
## #   EngineLocation <chr>, WheelBase <dbl>, Length <dbl>, Width <dbl>,
## #   Height <dbl>, CurbWeight <dbl>, EngineModel <chr>, CityMpg <dbl>,
## #   HighwayMpg <dbl>, EngineType <chr>, NumCylinders <chr>, EngineSize
## #   <dbl>,
## #   FuelSystem <chr>, Horsepower <dbl>, FuelTypes <fct>, Aspiration <chr>

# Find the top 5 most common errors
top_5_troubles <- engine_troubles_df %>%
  count(Troubles) %>%                # Count the number of each trouble
  arrange(desc(n)) %>%              # Sort in descending order
  head(5) %>%
  pull(Troubles)

print(top_5_troubles)

## [1] "Cylinders"      "Ignition (finding)" "Noise (finding)"
## [4] "Valve clearance" "Fans"

# Extract data of these 5 (Do 5 troubles differ between engine types?)
top_5_df <- engine_troubles_df %>%
  filter(Troubles %in% top_5_troubles)
print(top_5_df)

## # A tibble: 107 × 26
##       ID PlateNumber Date      Troubles  ErrorCodes Price Methods
##   <dbl> <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <fct>      <dbl> <chr>  <chr>
Manufactures

```

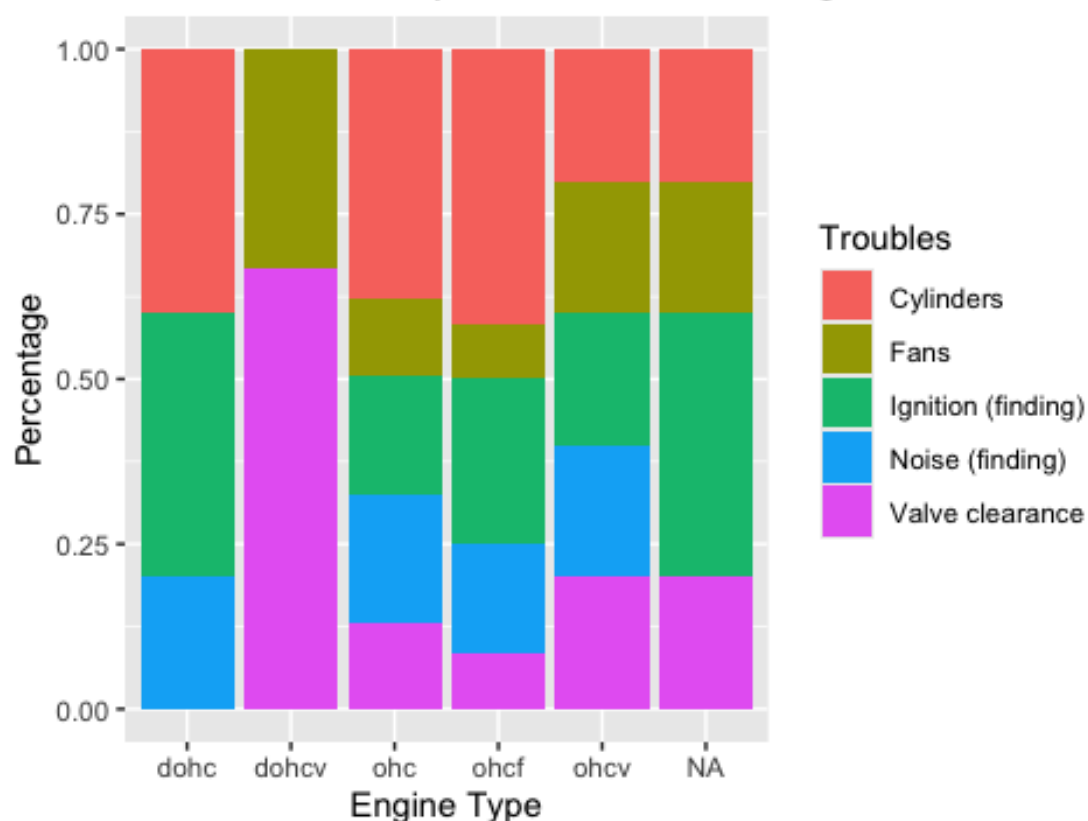
```

##      <dbl> <chr>      <chr>      <chr>      <fct>      <dbl> <chr> <chr>
## 1      4 53N-001      15/05/2024 Ignition ... 1      180 Adjust... Alfa-
romero
## 2      6 53N-002      15/02/2024 Cylinders  1      1000 Replac... Alfa-
romero
## 3      7 53N-002      16/03/2024 Ignition ... 1      180 Adjust... Alfa-
romero
## 4     12 53N-004      18/06/2024 Ignition ... 1      180 Adjust... Audi
## 5     14 53N-004      19/08/2024 Cylinders  1      1000 Replac... Audi
## 6     15 53N-005      20/08/2024 Noise (fi... 1      10 Adjust... Audi
## 7     20 53N-008      19/05/2024 Cylinders  1      1000 Replac... Audi
## 8     21 53N-008      19/07/2024 Noise (fi... 1      10 Adjust... Audi
## 9     45 53S-015      03/11/2023 Valve cle... 1      175 Adjust... Dodge
## 10    48 53S-018      13/02/2024 Fans        1      55 Replac... Dodge
## # i 97 more rows
## # i 18 more variables: BodyStyles <fct>, DriveWheels <chr>,
## #   EngineLocation <chr>, WheelBase <dbl>, Length <dbl>, Width <dbl>,
## #   Height <dbl>, CurbWeight <dbl>, EngineModel <chr>, CityMpg <dbl>,
## #   HighwayMpg <dbl>, EngineType <chr>, NumCylinders <chr>, EngineSize
## #   <dbl>,
## #   FuelSystem <chr>, Horsepower <dbl>, FuelTypes <fct>, Aspiration <chr>

# Plotting 5 trouble with different type of engine to see if it is different
ggplot(top_5_df) +
  geom_bar(aes(x = EngineType, fill = Troubles), position = "fill") + #
  return % for comparison
  labs(title = " Distribution of top 5 most common engines troubles ",
        x = "Engine Type",
        y = "Percentage",
        fill = "Troubles")

```

Distribution of top 5 most common engines troubles



```
# Chi-squared test
# H0: There is no difference; H1: There is differences
# Contingency table
table_troubles <- table(top_5_df$EngineType, top_5_df$Troubles)
print(table_troubles)

##
##      Cylinders Fans Ignition (finding) Noise (finding) Valve clearance
## dohc          2   0              2             1             0
## dohcv          0   1              0             0             2
## ohc          29   9             14            15            10
## ohcf           5   1              3             2             1
## ohcv           1   1              1             1             1

# Chi-squared test
test_result <- chisq.test(table_troubles)
print(test_result)

##
## Pearson's Chi-squared test
##
## data:  table_troubles
## X-squared = 13.564, df = 16, p-value = 0.6312
```

Because  $p\text{-value} = 0.6312 > 0.05$ , we cannot reject  $H_0$ . Therefore, troubles do not differ between engine types.

## Question 4

4.1 Write the code to show which error type (ErrorCodes) occurs most frequently

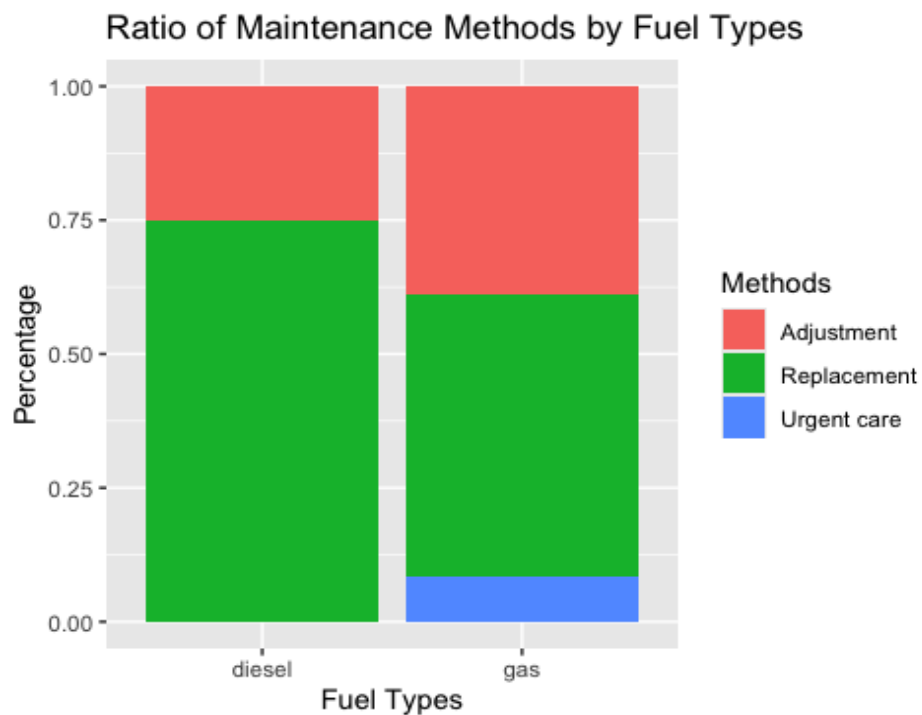
```
mostly_troubles <- engine_troubles_df %>%  
  count(Troubles) %>%  
  arrange(desc(n)) %>%  
  head(1) %>%  
  pull(Troubles)  
print(mostly_troubles)  
## [1] "Cylinders"
```

4.2 Write the code to analyze the factors that might influence the maintenance methods (Urgent care, Adjustment, Replacement) for the trouble vehicles (confirmed or suspected) in the dataset. Any factors in the dataset, such as BodyStyles, FuelTypes, and ErrorCodes, can be considered. Pick 2 of the factors and explain if there is a trend that explains the variation

```
# Filter out vehicles with ErrorCodes = 0  
vehicles_trouble <- full_df %>%  
  filter(ErrorCodes != "0")  
  
# Factor 1: ErrorCodes  
ggplot(vehicles_trouble) +  
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = ErrorCodes, fill = Methods), position = "fill") +  
  labs(title = "Ratio of Maintenance Methods by Error Codes",  
        x = "Error Codes",  
        y = "Percentage")
```



```
# Factor 2: FuelTypes
ggplot(vehicles_trouble) +
  geom_bar(mapping = aes(x = FuelTypes, fill = Methods), position = "fill") + #
  fill_về_tỉ_lệ_1
  labs(title = "Ratio of Maintenance Methods by Fuel Types",
        x = "Fuel Types",
        y = "Percentage")
```



For ErrorCodes: Urgent care appears to only occur in other vehicle component fails (error - 1) with 15%. While the engine failure group (error 1) is mainly handled by adjustment (50%) and replacement (50%). This indicates error -1 such as brake usually affect directly to the safety of driver, so it is classified as urgent, while engine errors (error 1) are often technical failures requiring component replacement.

For FuelTypes: Diesel engine has higher probability of replacement while gas engine has higher adjustment ratio. This may suggest that problems on diesel vehicles are generally more complicated or that diesel engine parts that fail are more difficult to repair than gas engines, thus requiring more frequent replacement.