Project of Foundations of Probability and Statistics

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1 Introduction

Main goal of this analysis is to predict insurance costs for customers.

Link al dataset (https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/mirichoi0218/insurance?resource=download)

Columns:

- · age: age of primary beneficiary
- sex: insurance contractor gender, female, male
- bmi: Body mass index, providing an understanding of body, weights that are relatively high or low relative to height, objective index of body weight (kg / m ^ 2) using the ratio of height to weight, ideally 18.5 to 24.9
- · children: Number of children covered by health insurance / Number of dependents
- smoker: Smoking
- region: the beneficiary's residential area in the US, northeast, southeast, southwest, northwest.
- · charges: Individual medical costs billed by health insurance

The formula of the BMI consists in the division of the weight of an adult subject, expressed in kilograms (kg), by the square of its height expressed in meters (m).

Category:

BMI range (kg/m2).

• Obesity class III (very serious): > 40,00.

• Obesity class II (severe): 35,01 to 40,00.

• Obesity class I (moderate): 30,01 to 35,00.

• Overweight: 25,01 to 30,00.

• Regular: 18,51 to 25,00.

• Slightly underweight: 17,51 to 18,50.

• Underweight: 16,01 to 17,50.

• Severe leanness (starvation): <16,01

1.1 Requirements

- install.packages("ggplot2")
- install.packages("ggpubr")
- install.packages("GGally")
- install.packages("ggpairs")
- install.packages("wesanderson")
- install.packages("modest")
- install.packages("MASS")
- install.packages("dplyr")
- install.packages("caret")
- install.packages("tidyverse")
- install.packages("patchwork")
- install.packages("ggforce")
- install.packages("car")

```
library(ggplot2)
```

```
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 4.2.2
```

library(ggpubr)

```
## Warning: package 'ggpubr' was built under R version 4.2.2
```

library(ggcorrplot)

Warning: package 'ggcorrplot' was built under R version 4.2.2

library(RColorBrewer)
library(wesanderson)

Warning: package 'wesanderson' was built under R version 4.2.2

```
library(modest)
## Warning: package 'modest' was built under R version 4.2.2
library(MASS)
library(dplyr)
## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 4.2.2
##
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
## The following object is masked from 'package:MASS':
##
       select
##
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
##
##
       filter, lag
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
##
##
       intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
library(caret)
## Warning: package 'caret' was built under R version 4.2.2
## Loading required package: lattice
library(tidyverse)
## Warning: package 'tidyverse' was built under R version 4.2.2
## — Attaching packages
## tidyverse 1.3.2 —
                    √ purrr
## √ tibble 3.1.8
                                 0.3.5
## √ tidyr 1.2.1

√ stringr 1.4.1

## √ readr 2.1.3

√ forcats 0.5.2

## Warning: package 'tibble' was built under R version 4.2.2
```

```
## Warning: package 'tidyr' was built under R version 4.2.2
## Warning: package 'readr' was built under R version 4.2.2
## Warning: package 'purrr' was built under R version 4.2.2
## Warning: package 'stringr' was built under R version 4.2.2
## Warning: package 'forcats' was built under R version 4.2.2
## -- Conflicts -
                                                         — tidyverse_conflicts() —
## X dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
## X dplyr::lag() masks stats::lag()
## X purrr::lift() masks caret::lift()
## X dplyr::select() masks MASS::select()
library(patchwork)
## Warning: package 'patchwork' was built under R version 4.2.2
##
## Attaching package: 'patchwork'
## The following object is masked from 'package:MASS':
##
##
       area
library(ggforce)
## Warning: package 'ggforce' was built under R version 4.2.2
library(car)
## Warning: package 'car' was built under R version 4.2.2
## Loading required package: carData
## Warning: package 'carData' was built under R version 4.2.2
```

```
##
## Attaching package: 'car'
##
## The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
##
## some
##
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
## recode
```

2 Data Exploration

we load the dataset:

```
insurance <- read.table("insurance.csv", header = TRUE, sep = ",")</pre>
```

Once the file is loaded, it is useful to carry out an exploratory analysis to observe its contents and features.

```
dim(insurance)
```

```
## [1] 1338     7
```

As we can see from the output, the dataset consists of 1338 rows and 7 columns.

```
colnames(insurance)
```

```
## [1] "age" "sex" "bmi" "children" "smoker" "region" "charges"
```

Look at the head and tail of the datasets:

```
head(insurance)
```

```
bmi children smoker
##
                                         region
                                                  charges
    age
           sex
## 1 19 female 27.900
                                  yes southwest 16884.924
          male 33.770
                                  no southeast 1725.552
## 2 18
                             1
     28
          male 33.000
                             3
                                   no southeast 4449.462
## 3
## 4
     33
          male 22.705
                             0
                                   no northwest 21984.471
## 5 32
          male 28.880
                             0
                                   no northwest 3866.855
## 6 31 female 25.740
                                   no southeast 3756.622
```

```
tail(insurance)
```

```
##
       age
              sex
                    bmi children smoker
                                          region
                                                   charges
                                    no southwest 11411.685
## 1333 52 female 44.70
                              3
## 1334 50
             male 30.97
                              3
                                    no northwest 10600.548
## 1335
        18 female 31.92
                               0
                                    no northeast 2205.981
## 1336 18 female 36.85
                              0
                                  no southeast 1629.833
## 1337 21 female 25.80
                               0
                                    no southwest 2007.945
## 1338 61 female 29.07
                               0
                                   yes northwest 29141.360
```

With the following code we verify the data type of the variables.

```
str(insurance)
```

```
## 'data.frame': 1338 obs. of 7 variables:
## $ age : int 19 18 28 33 32 31 46 37 37 60 ...
## $ sex : chr "female" "male" "male" ...
## $ bmi : num 27.9 33.8 33 22.7 28.9 ...
## $ children: int 0 1 3 0 0 0 1 3 2 0 ...
## $ smoker : chr "yes" "no" "no" ...
## $ region : chr "southwest" "southeast" "northwest" ...
## $ charges : num 16885 1726 4449 21984 3867 ...
```

We can observe that 2 variables are of type 'numeric', 3 variables are of type 'char' and 2 variables are of type 'integer'.

We know that the typology 'integer' constitutes a subclass of the typology 'numeric', and has the characteristic to occupy less space in memory.

At this point we verify the presence of null or missing values.

```
insurance[rowSums(is.na(insurance)) > 0, ]
```

```
## [1] age sex bmi children smoker region charges
## <0 rows> (or 0-length row.names)
```

The result of this function does not return lines, therefore inside the dataset there are no null or missing values.

3 Descriptive Statistics

Let's proceed with the descriptive analysis of the dataset.

```
summary(insurance)
```

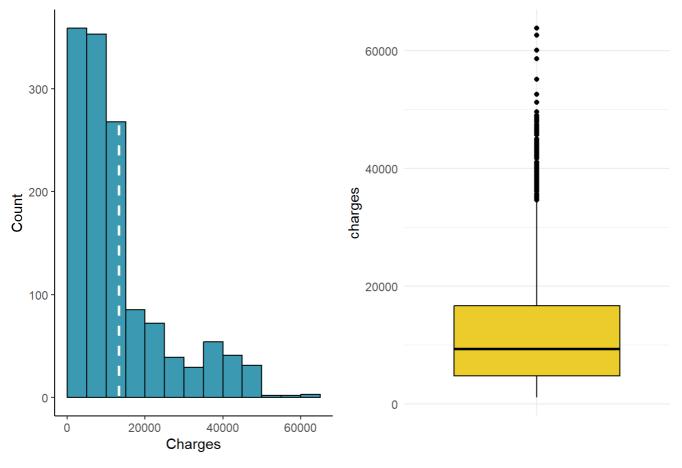
```
##
        age
                      sex
                                         bmi
                                                      children
                                         :15.96 Min.
##
  Min. :18.00
                 Length:1338
                                    Min.
                                                          :0.000
   1st Qu.:27.00
                  Class :character
                                    1st Qu.:26.30
##
                                                   1st Qu.:0.000
   Median :39.00
                                    Median :30.40 Median :1.000
##
                  Mode :character
## Mean
         :39.21
                                         :30.66 Mean
                                                          :1.095
                                    Mean
##
   3rd Qu.:51.00
                                    3rd Qu.:34.69 3rd Qu.:2.000
## Max.
         :64.00
                                    Max.
                                         :53.13 Max.
                                                          :5.000
##
      smoker
                        region
                                          charges
## Length:1338
                     Length:1338
                                       Min. : 1122
   Class :character Class :character
                                       1st Qu.: 4740
##
##
   Mode :character Mode :character
                                       Median: 9382
##
                                       Mean
                                             :13270
##
                                       3rd Qu.:16640
##
                                       Max. :63770
```

From the summary we can see some interesting features and pay attention to:

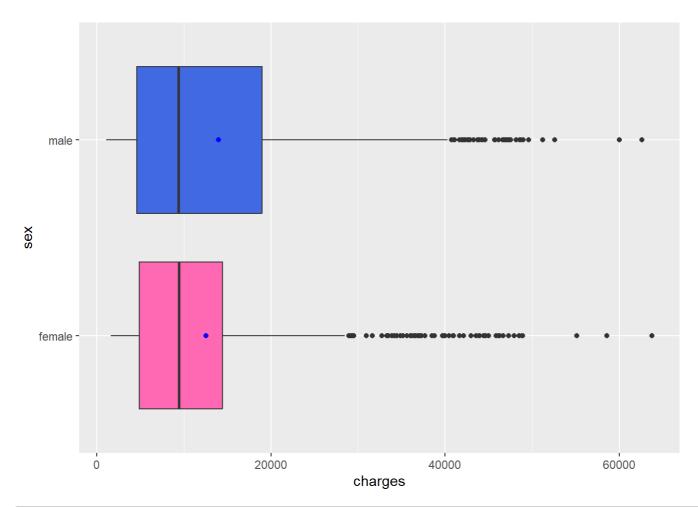
- The age of individuals varies from 18 to 64 years.
- The mean of bmi is 30.66 so we can say that the average individuals are in "Obesity class I (moderate)" class.
- · Datasets individuals have an average child.
- From the charges summary we can notice that there is a big difference between min and max.

3.1 Variables

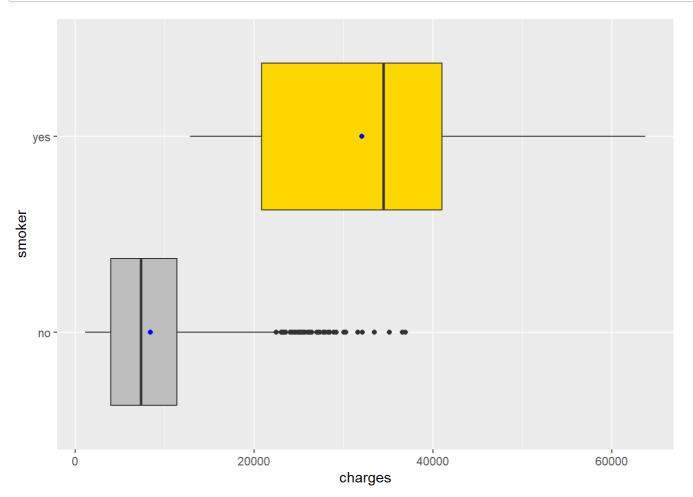
3.1.1 Charges



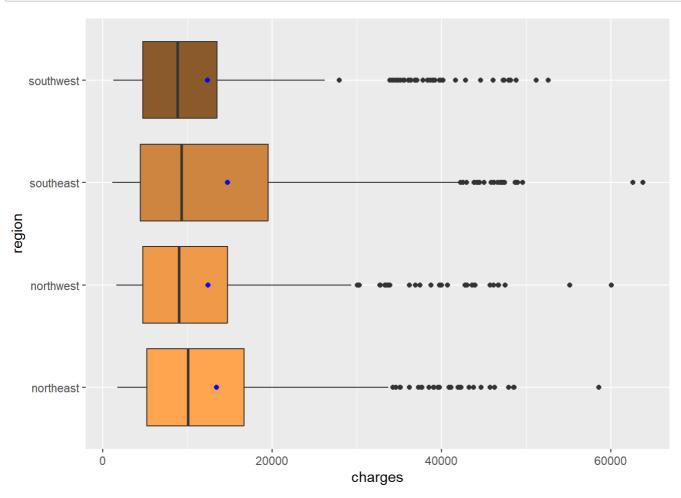
```
## $`1`
```







```
##
## $`3`
```



```
##
## attr(,"class")
## [1] "list" "ggarrange"
```

```
ordered_Charges <- insurance[order(-insurance$charges), ]
head(ordered_Charges)</pre>
```

```
##
                      bmi children smoker
                                             region charges
        age
               sex
## 544
        54 female 47.410
                                      yes southeast 63770.43
## 1301 45
             male 30.360
                                 0
                                      yes southeast 62592.87
## 1231
        52
              male 34.485
                                 3
                                      yes northwest 60021.40
## 578
         31 female 38.095
                                     yes northeast 58571.07
         33 female 35.530
                                      yes northwest 55135.40
## 820
             male 32.800
## 1147 60
                                      yes southwest 52590.83
```

```
tail(ordered_Charges)
```

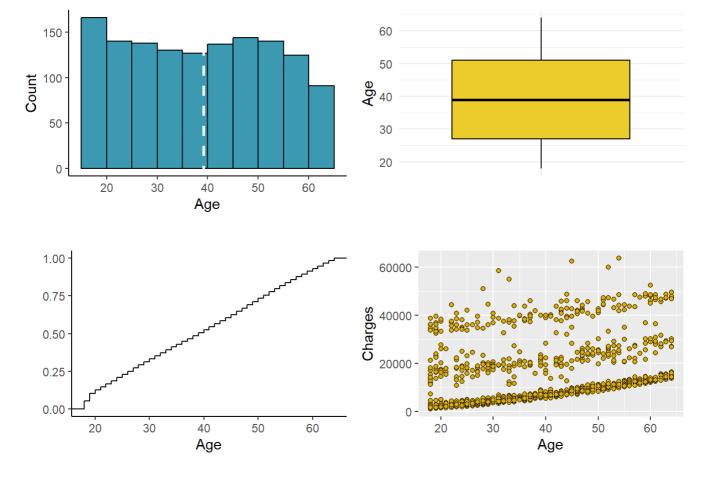
```
##
       age sex
                bmi children smoker
                                    region charges
       18 male 34.43 0
## 195
                               no southeast 1137.470
## 23
       18 male 34.10
                        0
                               no southeast 1137.011
                        0
## 664
       18 male 33.66
                             no southeast 1136.399
## 1245 18 male 33.33
                        0
                               no southeast 1135.941
## 809
       18 male 30.14
                          0
                               no southeast 1131.507
## 941 18 male 23.21
                          0
                               no southeast 1121.874
```

boxplot.stats(insurance\$charges)

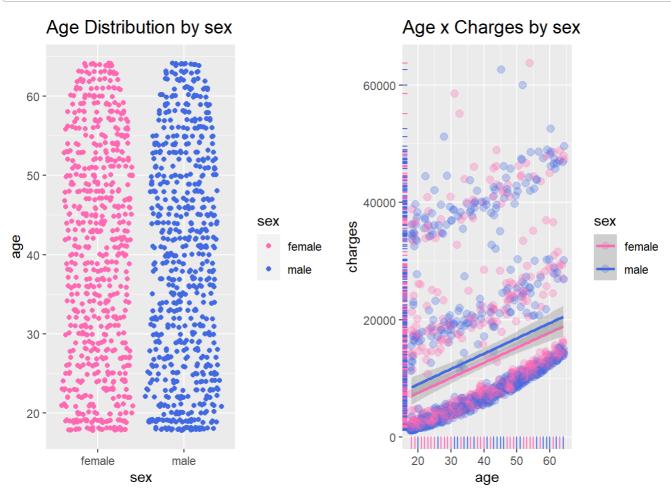
```
## $stats
## [1] 1121.874 4738.268 9382.033 16657.717 34472.841
##
## $n
## [1] 1338
##
## $conf
## [1] 8867.178 9896.888
##
## $out
    [1] 39611.76 36837.47 37701.88 38711.00 35585.58 51194.56 39774.28 48173.36
##
   [9] 38709.18 37742.58 47496.49 37165.16 39836.52 43578.94 47291.06 47055.53
##
## [17] 39556.49 40720.55 36950.26 36149.48 48824.45 43753.34 37133.90 34779.61
## [25] 38511.63 35160.13 47305.31 44260.75 41097.16 43921.18 36219.41 46151.12
## [33] 42856.84 48549.18 47896.79 42112.24 38746.36 42124.52 34838.87 35491.64
## [41] 42760.50 47928.03 48517.56 41919.10 36085.22 38126.25 42303.69 46889.26
## [49] 46599.11 39125.33 37079.37 35147.53 48885.14 36197.70 38245.59 48675.52
## [57] 63770.43 45863.21 39983.43 45702.02 58571.07 43943.88 39241.44 42969.85
## [65] 40182.25 34617.84 42983.46 42560.43 40003.33 45710.21 46200.99 46130.53
## [73] 40103.89 34806.47 40273.65 44400.41 40932.43 40419.02 36189.10 44585.46
## [81] 43254.42 36307.80 38792.69 55135.40 43813.87 39597.41 36021.01 45008.96
## [89] 37270.15 42111.66 40974.16 46113.51 46255.11 44202.65 48673.56 35069.37
## [97] 39047.29 47462.89 38998.55 41999.52 41034.22 36580.28 35595.59 42211.14
## [105] 44423.80 37484.45 39725.52 44501.40 39727.61 48970.25 39871.70 34672.15
## [113] 41676.08 44641.20 41949.24 36124.57 38282.75 46661.44 40904.20 36898.73
## [121] 52590.83 40941.29 39722.75 37465.34 36910.61 38415.47 41661.60 60021.40
## [129] 47269.85 49577.66 37607.53 47403.88 38344.57 34828.65 62592.87 46718.16
## [137] 37829.72 36397.58 43896.38
```

3.1.2 Age

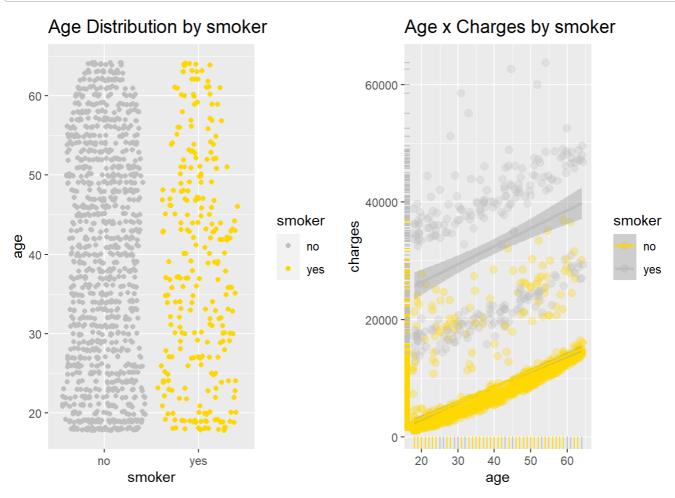
```
brx_age <- pretty(range(insurance$age),</pre>
              n = nclass.Sturges(insurance$age), min.n = 1)
Age1 <- ggplot(insurance) +
 geom_histogram(aes(x=age), fill = wes_palette("Zissou1")[1], color="black", breaks = brx_ag
e) +
 geom_vline(aes(xintercept=mean(age)), color="white", linetype="dashed", linewidth=1) +
 labs(title="",x="Age", y="Count") +
 theme_classic()
Age2 <- ggplot(insurance, aes(x = "", y=age)) +
 geom_boxplot(fill=wes_palette("Zissou1")[3], color="black") + labs(title = "", x = "", y =
"Age") +
 theme_minimal()
Age3 <- ggplot(insurance, aes(age)) +
 stat_ecdf(geom="step") +
 labs(title="", y = "", x="Age") +
 theme_classic()
Age4 <- ggplot(insurance) +
 geom_point(aes(x=age, y=charges), shape=21, fill=wes_palette("Zissou1")[4], color="black")
 labs(title="", y = "Charges", x="Age")
ggarrange(Age1, Age2, Age3, Age4,
          ncol = 2,
          nrow = 2)
```



3.1.2.1 age & sex, charges



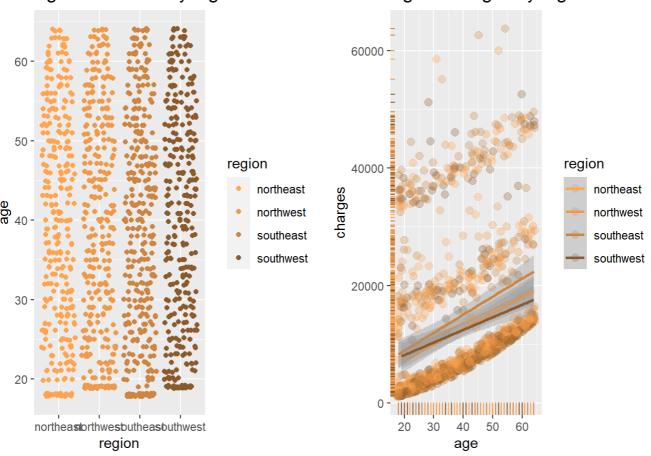
3.1.2.2 age & smoker, charges



3.1.2.3 age & region, charges

Age Distribution by region

Age x Charges by region



3.1.2.4 Conclusion age

```
ordered_Age <- insurance[order(-insurance$age), ]
head(ordered_Age)</pre>
```

```
##
      age
            sex
                  bmi children smoker
                                      region charges
         male 24.700
                         1
     64
                               no northwest 30166.62
## 63
## 95
      64 female 31.300
                          yes southwest 47291.06
## 200 64 female 39.330
                           0 no northeast 14901.52
                          1 yes southwest 47928.03
## 329 64 female 33.800
          male 34.500
## 336 64
                          0 no southwest 13822.80
## 379 64 female 30.115 3 no northwest 16455.71
```

```
tail(ordered_Age)
```

```
## age sex bmi children smoker region charges
## 1284 18 male 30.030 1 no southeast 1720.354
## 1297 18 male 26.125 0 no northeast 1708.926
## 1316 18 male 28.310 1 no northeast 11272.331
## 1318 18 male 53.130 0 no southeast 1163.463
## 1335 18 female 31.920 0 no northeast 2205.981
## 1336 18 female 36.850 0 no southeast 1629.833
```

boxplot.stats(insurance\$age)

```
## $stats
## [1] 18 27 39 51 64
##
## $n
## [1] 1338
##
## $conf
## [1] 37.96333 40.03667
##
## $out
## integer(0)
```

3.1.3 Sex

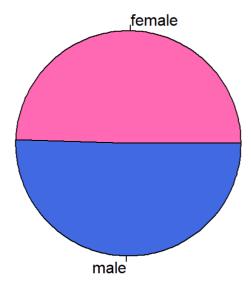
```
mode = function(){
    return(sort(-table(insurance$sex))[1])
}
mode()
```

```
## male
## -676
```

```
sex = insurance$sex

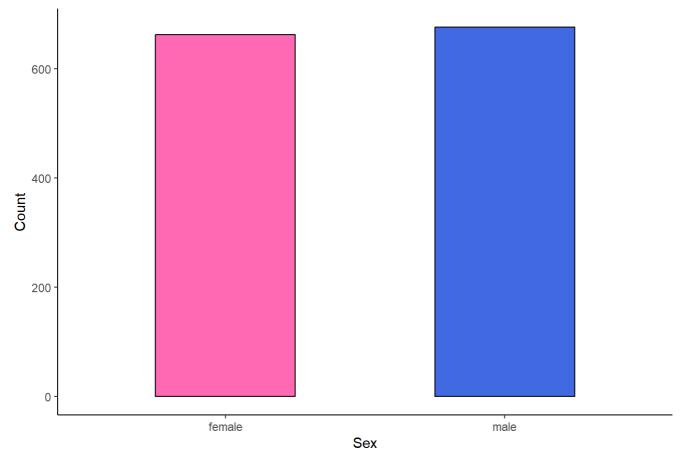
sex.freq = table(sex)

pie(sex.freq, col=c('hotpink', "royalblue"))
```



```
SexBar <- ggplot(insurance) +
  geom_bar(aes(x=sex), width = 0.5, fill=c('hotpink', "royalblue"), color="black") +
  labs(title="",x="Sex", y="Count") +
  theme_classic()

ggarrange(SexBar)</pre>
```

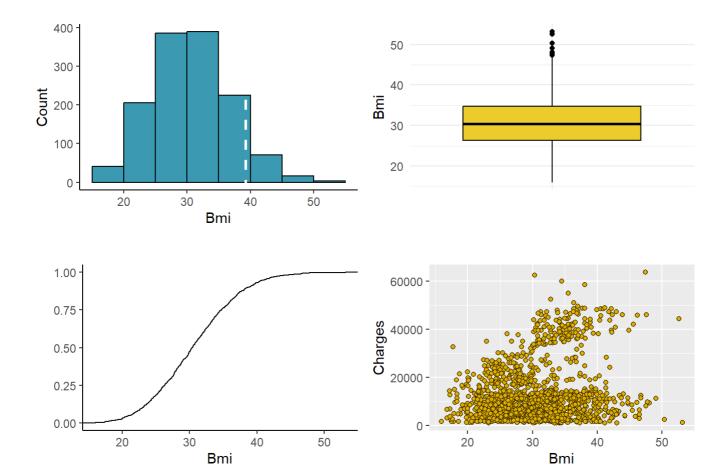


```
##
## female male
## 662 676
```

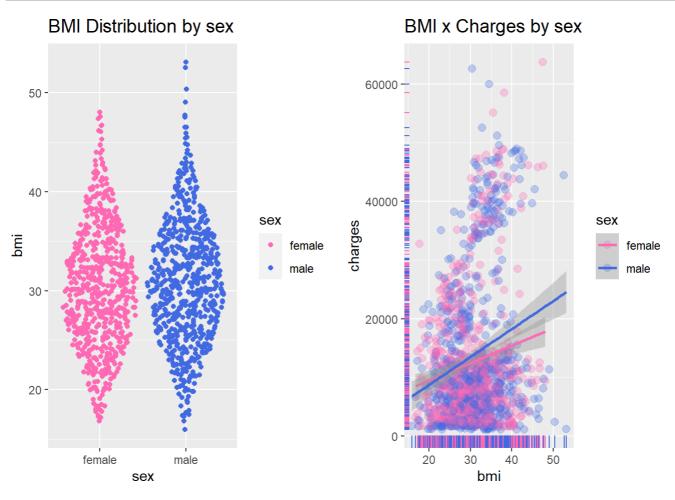
• There are 662 females and 676 males.

3.1.4 Bmi

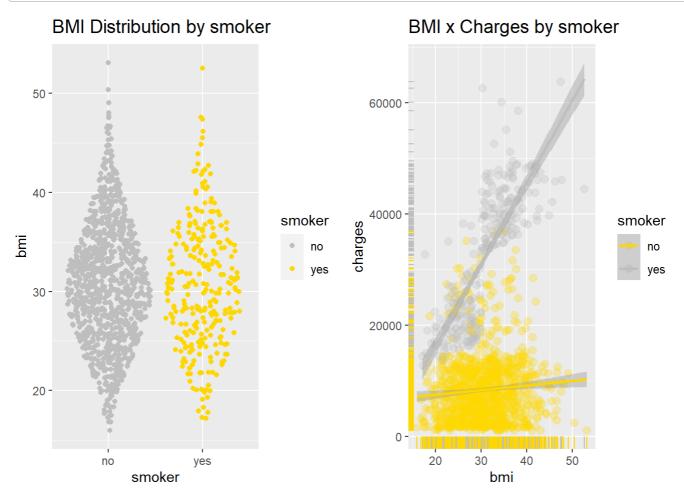
```
brx_bmi <- pretty(range(insurance$bmi),</pre>
              n = nclass.Sturges(insurance$bmi), min.n = 1)
Bmi1 <- ggplot(insurance) +</pre>
  geom_histogram(aes(x=bmi), fill = wes_palette("Zissou1")[1], color="black", breaks = brx_bm
i) +
  geom_vline(aes(xintercept=mean(age)), color="white", linetype="dashed", linewidth=1) +
  labs(title="",x="Bmi", y="Count") +
  theme_classic()
Bmi2 <- ggplot(insurance, aes(x = "", y=bmi)) +</pre>
  geom_boxplot(fill=wes_palette("Zissou1")[3], color="black") + labs(title = "", x = "", y =
"Bmi") +
  theme_minimal()
Bmi3 <- ggplot(insurance, aes(bmi)) +</pre>
  stat_ecdf(geom="step") +
  labs(title="", y = "", x="Bmi") +
  theme_classic()
Bmi4 <- ggplot(insurance) +</pre>
  geom_point(aes(x=bmi, y=charges), shape=21, fill=wes_palette("Zissou1")[4], color="black")
  labs(title="", y = "Charges", x="Bmi")
ggarrange(Bmi1, Bmi2, Bmi3, Bmi4,
          ncol = 2,
          nrow = 2)
```



3.1.4.1 bmi & sex, charges



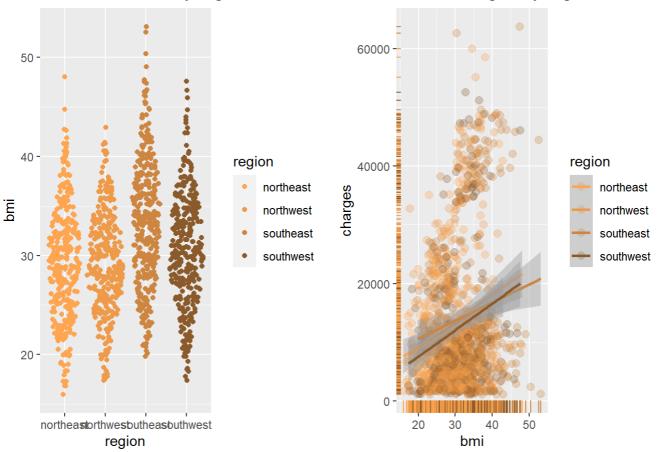
3.1.4.2 bmi & smoker, charges



3.1.4.3 bmi & region, charges

BMI Distribution by region

BMI x Charges by region



3.1.4.4 Conclusion bmi

```
ordered_Bmi <- insurance[order(-insurance$bmi), ]
head(ordered_Bmi)</pre>
```

```
## age sex bmi children smoker region charges
## 1318 18 male 53.13 0 no southeast 1163.463
## 1048 22 male 52.58 1 yes southeast 44501.398
## 848 23 male 50.38 1 no southeast 2438.055
## 117 58 male 49.06 0 no southeast 11381.325
## 287 46 female 48.07 2 no northeast 9432.925
## 1089 52 male 47.74 1 no southeast 9748.911
```

```
tail(ordered_Bmi)
```

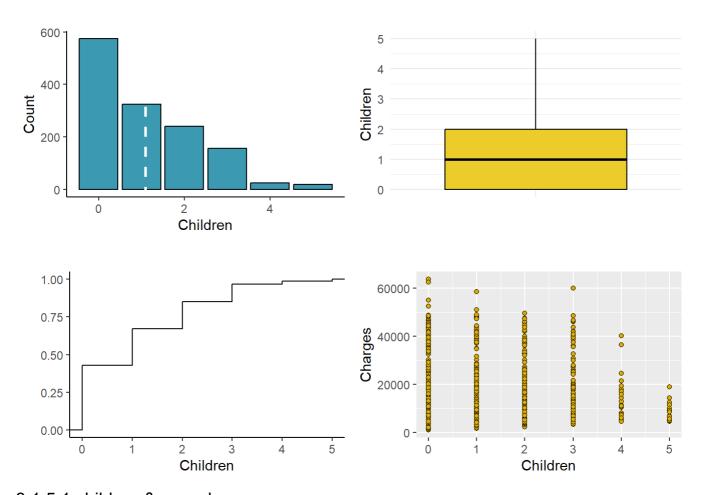
```
## age sex bmi children smoker region charges
## 1030 37 female 17.290 2 no northeast 6877.980
## 1287 28 female 17.290 0 no northeast 3732.625
## 413 26 female 17.195 2 yes northeast 14455.644
## 429 21 female 16.815 1 no northeast 3167.456
## 1227 38 male 16.815 2 no northeast 6640.545
## 173 18 male 15.960 0 no northeast 1694.796
```

```
boxplot.stats(insurance$bmi)
```

```
## $stats
## [1] 15.96 26.29 30.40 34.70 46.75
##
## $n
## [1] 1338
##
## $conf
## [1] 30.03673 30.76327
##
## $out
## $out
## [1] 49.06 48.07 47.52 47.41 50.38 47.60 52.58 47.74 53.13
```

3.1.5 Children

```
Child1 <- ggplot(insurance) +</pre>
  geom_bar(aes(x=children), fill = wes_palette("Zissou1")[1], color="black") +
  geom_vline(aes(xintercept=mean(children)), color="white", linetype="dashed", linewidth=1) +
  labs(title="",x="Children", y="Count") +
  theme_classic()
Child2 <- ggplot(insurance, aes(x = "", y=children)) +
  geom_boxplot(fill=wes_palette("Zissou1")[3], color="black") + labs(title = "", x = "", y =
"Children") +
  theme_minimal()
Child3 <- ggplot(insurance, aes(children)) +</pre>
  stat_ecdf(geom="step") +
  labs(title="", y = "", x="Children") +
  theme_classic()
Child4 <- ggplot(insurance) +</pre>
  geom_point(aes(x=children, y=charges), shape=21, fill=wes_palette("Zissou1")[4], color="bla
ck") +
  labs(title="", y = "Charges", x="Children")
ggarrange(Child1, Child2, Child3, Child4,
          ncol = 2,
          nrow = 2)
```



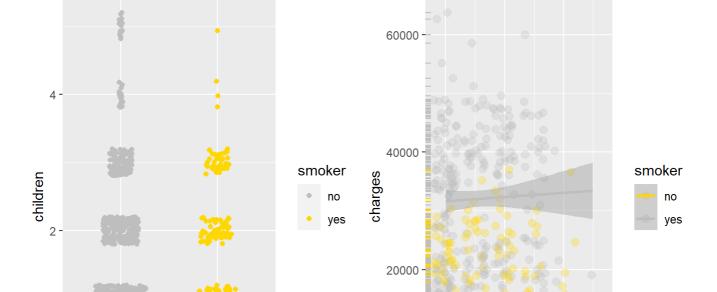
3.1.5.1 children & sex, charges



3.1.5.2 children & smoker, charges

Children x Charges by smoker

children



3.1.5.3 children & region, charges

smoker

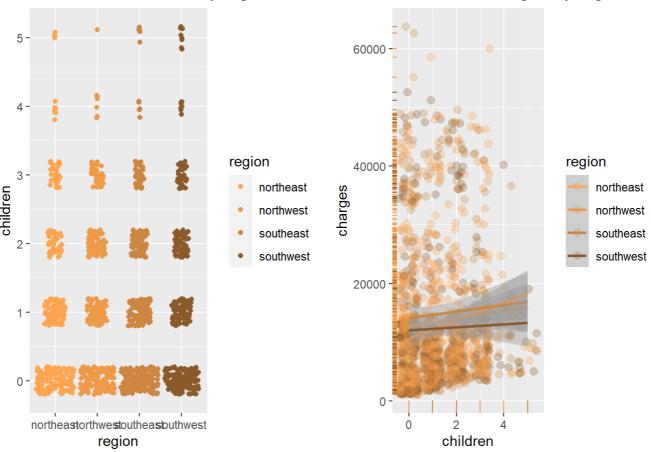
yes

no

Children Distribution by smoker

Children Distribution by region

Children x Charges by region



Function for mode computation

```
mode <- function(att){
    return(sort(-table(att))[1])
}</pre>
```

3.1.6 Smoker

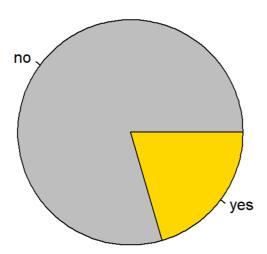
mode(insurance\$smoker)

```
## no
## -1064
```

```
smoker = insurance$smoker

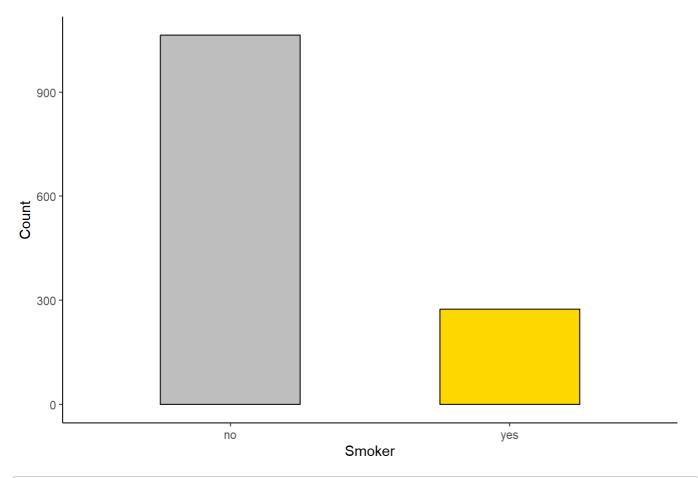
smoker.freq = table(smoker)

pie(smoker.freq, col=c('grey', "gold"))
```



```
SmokerBar <- ggplot(insurance) +
  geom_bar(aes(x=smoker), width = 0.5, fill = c('grey', "gold"), color="black") +
  labs(title="",x="Smoker", y="Count") +
  theme_classic()

ggarrange(SmokerBar)</pre>
```



```
table(insurance$smoker)
```

```
## no yes
## 1064 274
```

• 274 individals smoke and 1064 individuals doesn't smoke.

3.1.7 Region

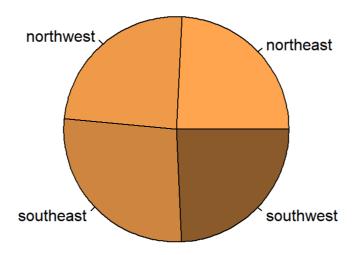
```
mode(insurance$region)

## southeast
## -364
```

```
region = insurance$region

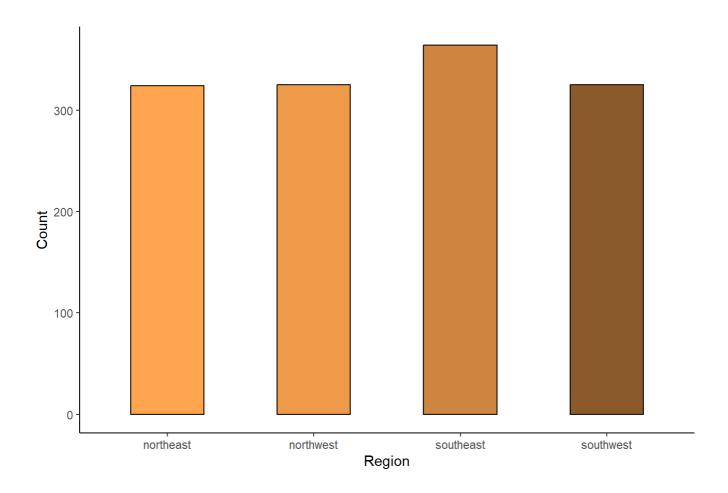
region.freq = table(region)

pie(region.freq, col = c('tan1', "tan2", 'tan3', "tan4"))
```



```
RegionBar <- ggplot(insurance) +
  geom_bar(aes(x=region), width = 0.5, fill=c('tan1', "tan2", 'tan3', "tan4"), color="black")
+
  labs(title="",x="Region", y="Count") +
  theme_classic()

ggarrange(RegionBar)</pre>
```



4 Tests

Is it the mean equal to 30?

30.33635 30.99045 ## sample estimates:

mean of x 30.6634

##

```
t.test(insurance$bmi, mu = 30,
       alternative="two.sided") # (one-tailed test)
##
##
   One Sample t-test
##
## data: insurance$bmi
## t = 3.9792, df = 1337, p-value = 7.284e-05
## alternative hypothesis: true mean is not equal to 30
## 95 percent confidence interval:
```

The null hypothesis is mean = 30. The p-value is less than a significance level of 5%. So we can reject the null hipothesis of mean = 30, and this means that the mean bmi is significantly different from 30.

Shapiro test to see if it's normally distributed.

```
shapiro.test(insurance$bmi)
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: insurance$bmi
## W = 0.99389, p-value = 2.605e-05
```

It is not normally distributed, so we use Wilcoxon test

```
##
## Wilcoxon signed rank test with continuity correction
##
## data: insurance$bmi
## V = 489736, p-value = 0.002205
## alternative hypothesis: true location is not equal to 30
```

With p-value is less then 5%, we can reject the null hypothesis of mean = 30. The mean is statistical different from 30.

Is the male bmi variance equal to the female bmi variance?

```
var.test(insurance[which(insurance$sex=="male"), "bmi"],
    insurance[which(insurance$sex=="female"), "bmi"])
```

```
##
## F test to compare two variances
##
## data: insurance[which(insurance$sex == "male"), "bmi"] and insurance[which(insurance$sex
== "female"), "bmi"]
## F = 1.0315, num df = 675, denom df = 661, p-value = 0.6892
## alternative hypothesis: true ratio of variances is not equal to 1
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## 0.8861438 1.2004937
## sample estimates:
## ratio of variances
## 1.031475
```

The null hypothesis is same variance. The p-values greater then the significance level of 0.05 allows us to accept the null hipothesis of two normal samples with same variance.

t-test

```
t.test(insurance[which(insurance$sex=="male"), "bmi"],
    insurance[which(insurance$sex=="female"), "bmi"],
    alternative="two.sided",
    var.equal= TRUE)
```

```
##
## Two Sample t-test
##
## data: insurance[which(insurance$sex == "male"), "bmi"] and insurance[which(insurance$sex
== "female"), "bmi"]
## t = 1.6968, df = 1336, p-value = 0.08998
## alternative hypothesis: true difference in means is not equal to 0
## 95 percent confidence interval:
## -0.08829755 1.21905646
## sample estimates:
## mean of x mean of y
## 30.94313 30.37775
```

p-value greater than 0.05 so we can accept the null hypothesis of equal average bmi (not significantly different) between men and women.

Shapiro Test for variable male

```
shapiro.test(insurance[which(insurance$sex=="male"), "bmi"])
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: insurance[which(insurance$sex == "male"), "bmi"]
## W = 0.99305, p-value = 0.003133
```

Shapiro Test for variable male

```
shapiro.test(insurance[which(insurance$sex=="female"), "bmi"])
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: insurance[which(insurance$sex == "female"), "bmi"]
## W = 0.99303, p-value = 0.003543
```

The p-value smaller then 0.05 for both cases so we reject the null hipothesis of normally distribution.

Wilcoxon test

```
wilcox.test(insurance[which(insurance$sex=="male"), "bmi"],
    insurance[which(insurance$sex=="female"), "bmi"])
```

```
##
## Wilcoxon rank sum test with continuity correction
##
## data: insurance[which(insurance$sex == "male"), "bmi"] and insurance[which(insurance$sex
== "female"), "bmi"]
## W = 235332, p-value = 0.1014
## alternative hypothesis: true location shift is not equal to 0
```

p-value greater then 5 % allow us to accept the null hipothesis of median bmi equal (not significantly different) for man and women.

4.1 Anova Test

Test of the hypothesis used to determine whether there is a significant statistical difference between the averages of three or more groups of continuous data with respect to a category that differentiates them.

Smoker

```
anova<-aov(bmi ~ smoker, data=insurance)
summary(anova)
```

```
## Df Sum Sq Mean Sq F value Pr(>F)
## smoker 1 1 0.70 0.019 0.891
## Residuals 1336 49720 37.22
```

The p-value is 0.891, so we can't reject the null hypothesis of equal means.

```
shapiro.test(x=residuals(object = anova))
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: residuals(object = anova)
## W = 0.9939, p-value = 2.68e-05
```

Kruskal Wallis

The Kruskal–Wallis test by ranks or one-way ANOVA on ranks is a non-parametric method for testing whether samples originate from the same distribution. It is used for comparing two or more independent samples of equal or different sample sizes. The parametric equivalent of the Kruskal–Wallis test is the one-way analysis of variance (ANOVA).

```
kruskal.test(bmi ~ smoker, data=insurance)
```

```
##
## Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test
##
## data: bmi by smoker
## Kruskal-Wallis chi-squared = 0.0064906, df = 1, p-value = 0.9358
```

The p-value is greater then 0.05 so we can conclude that there aren't significant differences between the treatment groups.

Region

```
anova2<-aov(bmi ~ region, data=insurance)
summary(anova2)</pre>
```

Low p-value, so we can reject the null hypothesis of equal means.

```
shapiro.test(x=residuals(object = anova2))
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: residuals(object = anova2)
## W = 0.99549, p-value = 0.0005119
```

```
kruskal.test(bmi ~ region, data=insurance)
```

```
##
## Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test
##
## data: bmi by region
## Kruskal-Wallis chi-squared = 94.689, df = 3, p-value < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

4.2 Correlation

Correlation is a statistical measure that expresses the extent to which two variables are linearly related.

```
cor(insurance$charges, insurance$bmi)
```

```
## [1] 0.198341
```

There is no correlation between bmi and charges.

```
cor(insurance$charges, insurance$age)
```

```
## [1] 0.2990082
```

There is a low correlation between age and charges.

```
cor(insurance$charges, insurance$children)
```

```
## [1] 0.06799823
```

There is no correlation between children and charges

```
aggregate(cbind(age, bmi, charges) ~ region + smoker,
  data = insurance,
  mean
)
```

```
##
       region smoker
                          age
                                  bmi
                                        charges
## 1 northeast
                  no 39.53696 29.33208 9165.532
## 2 northwest
                  no 39.16854 29.21268 8556.464
                no 38.67399 33.44242 8032.216
## 3 southeast
## 4 southwest
                 no 40.18352 30.50787 8019.285
## 5 northeast yes 38.23881 28.56522 29673.536
## 6 northwest yes 39.32759 29.14043 30192.003
## 7 southeast
                 yes 39.73626 33.09670 34844.997
## 8 southwest
                 yes 36.10345 31.00517 32269.063
```

```
shapiro.test(insurance$charges)
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: insurance$charges
## W = 0.81469, p-value < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

```
shapiro.test(insurance$age)
```

```
##
## Shapiro-Wilk normality test
##
## data: insurance$age
## W = 0.9447, p-value < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

Low p-values so we reject the null hypothesis of normality.

```
cor.test(insurance$charges, insurance$age, method="kendall")
```

```
##
## Kendall's rank correlation tau
##
## data: insurance$charges and insurance$age
## z = 25.758, p-value < 2.2e-16
## alternative hypothesis: true tau is not equal to 0
## sample estimates:
## tau
## 0.4753024</pre>
```

The low p-value would let us believe on a significant correlation. 0.47 can be considered a weak correlation.

5 Regression

A linear regression is a statistical model that analyzes the relationship between a response variable (often called y) and one or more variables and their interactions (often called x or explanatory variables). You make this kind of relationships in your head all the time, for example when you calculate the age of a child based on her height, you are assuming the older she is, the taller she will be.

```
set.seed(703) #set seed (value) where value specifies the initial value of the random number
seed.

training <- createDataPartition(insurance$charges, times=1, p=0.75, list=FALSE)

data_regr<-insurance[training,]
data_test<-insurance[-training,]

regr <- lm(charges ~ age+sex+bmi+children+smoker, data = data_regr)

summary(regr)</pre>
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = charges ~ age + sex + bmi + children + smoker, data = data_regr)
##
## Residuals:
   Min
           1Q Median
##
                         3Q
                              Max
## -11437 -2952 -1091 1345 29837
##
## Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
257.12 13.99 18.380 < 2e-16 ***
58.07 389.10 0.149 0.88140
## age
## sexmale
## bmi
               315.78
                          31.72 9.955 < 2e-16 ***
## children 480.55 158.84 3.025 0.00255 **
## smokeryes 23519.69 478.62 49.141 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 6144 on 1000 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.7387, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7374
## F-statistic: 565.3 on 5 and 1000 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
regr_pred<-predict(regr, data_test)

RMSE(regr_pred, data_test$charges)</pre>
```

```
## [1] 5852.901
```

```
R2(regr_pred, data_test$charges)
```

```
## [1] 0.7822309
```

P-value of F-statistics is very low, so at least one predictor is really related to the outcome. Besides the rmse of 5,853 and the r squared of 78%. Let's pay attention to the coefficients (column Estimate) and their significance levels: The intercept is -11979.14, and almost all the predictors (except sex) are significant, according to the p-values.

The interpretation of categorical variables, for example, "smoker", can be done like this: " the average charge increases 23519.69 if the individual smokes - with all other variables constant.

The coefficient value, when significant, is the average change on outcome with a unit increase on a predictor - with the others constant. While the correlation measures the force on relationship, the coefficient quantifies the relationship and allows predictions with an equation.

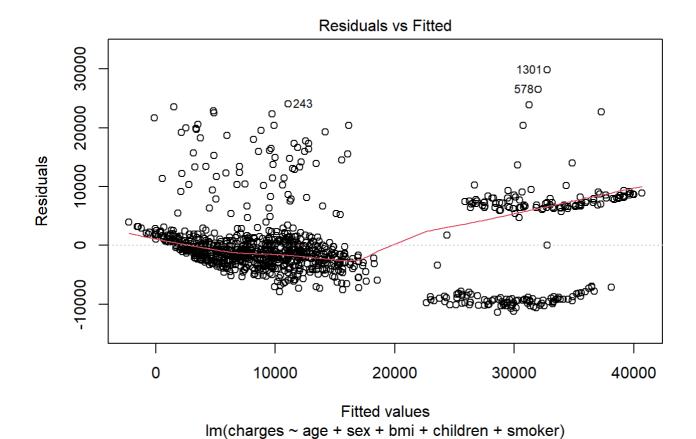
Here, for example, for each additional unit in age, the expected average cost is 257.12 higher, after controlling the others variables.

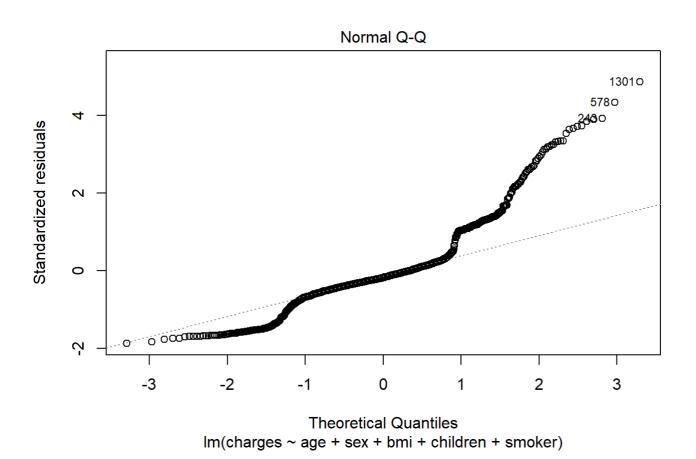
5.0.1 Assumptions of Linear Regression

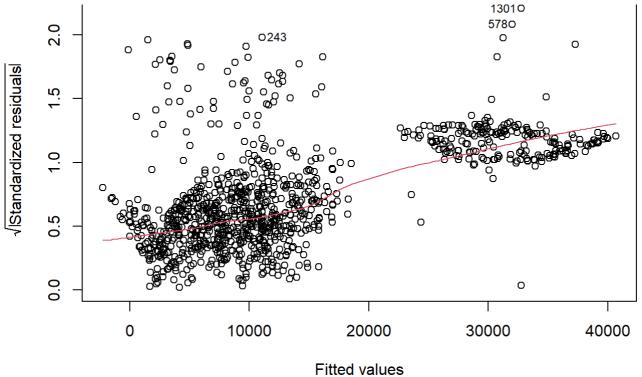
This method assumes that there is a linear relationship between predictors and outcome. The parameters will be estimated in order to give the best-fitted line, minimizing the sum of squared residuals (Ordinary Least Squares method). Linear regression has the advantage of interpretability, but there are some important checks to make.

Let's check some assumptions of linear regression: - Linearity of data, linear relationship between x and y: Residuals x Fitted plot - Normality of residuals: Normal QQ plot - Homogeneity of residuals variance (homoscedasticity), residuals with constant variance: scale location plot

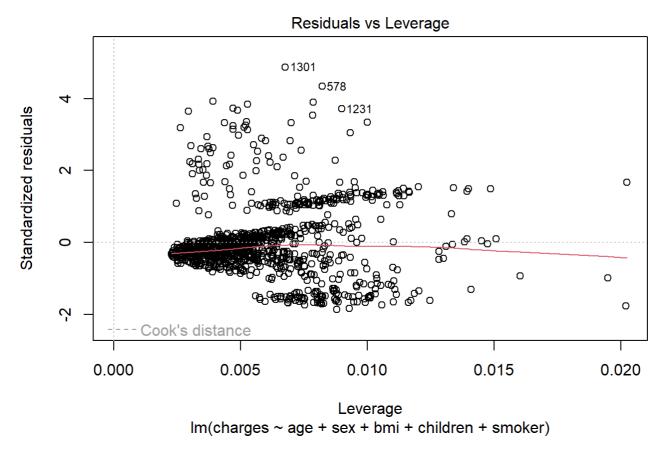
```
options(repr.plot.width=20, repr.plot.height=20)
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
plot(regr)
```







Fitted values Im(charges ~ age + sex + bmi + children + smoker)



At Residuals x Fitted plot, the non horizontal line may indicate a non-linear relationship.

The Normal Q-Q plot is used to verify the normal distribution of the pattern residues. On the x-axis we find theoretical quantiles, on the y-axis we find standardized residues. We see that the residuals are not exactly on the straight line, indicating that they are not normally distributed.

Scale-Location plot allows to display on the x-axis the values of the model regression and on the y axis the square root of standardized residues. The non straight line indicates heteroscedasticity.

To investigate the presence of outliers in the residues we analyze the graph Residuals vs Leverage. Leverage scores are between 0 and 1. A high leverage score is therefore close to 1. In our case the residues are between leverage scores between 0.00 and 0.02. From the graph we observe how residues are contained in the range -2 to 4.

5.0.2 Durbin Watson Test

We use the Durbin Watson coefficient to check for autocorrelation between residues. This coefficient is between 0 and 4. Values close to 2 indicate that there is no autocorrelation.

```
## lag Autocorrelation D-W Statistic p-value
## 1 -0.05048323 2.099114 0.11
## Alternative hypothesis: rho != 0
```

Analyzing the test results we observe that the value of the Durbin-Watson coefficient is close to 2, that indicates the autocorrelation non-presence. To confirm this, the p-value is higher than the threshold value of 0.05; which does not allow us to reject the hypothesis that the residues are unrelated.

6 Conclusion

At this point, we can consider the analysis finished. Thanks to the development of this analysis. we explored which variables such as: age, sex, children, smoking, bmi index affect for price of insurance in the region where data was collected.

For each attribute we did basic statistical analysis which help us understand relationship and effect caused on insurance charges. We notice that if an individual smoke and have an high bmi index, charges increase as well. Other consideration is that, aging and smoking affects the increase of charges.

During this analysis we built a regression model. The goal of linear regression is to find an equation to show the mathematical relationship between predictors and outcome. As a result, the accuracy of this method is quite low, this indicates that the attributes of the dataset do not correlate linearly, but have a non-linear dependence. therefore, it will be appropriate to use non-linear models for further research.