

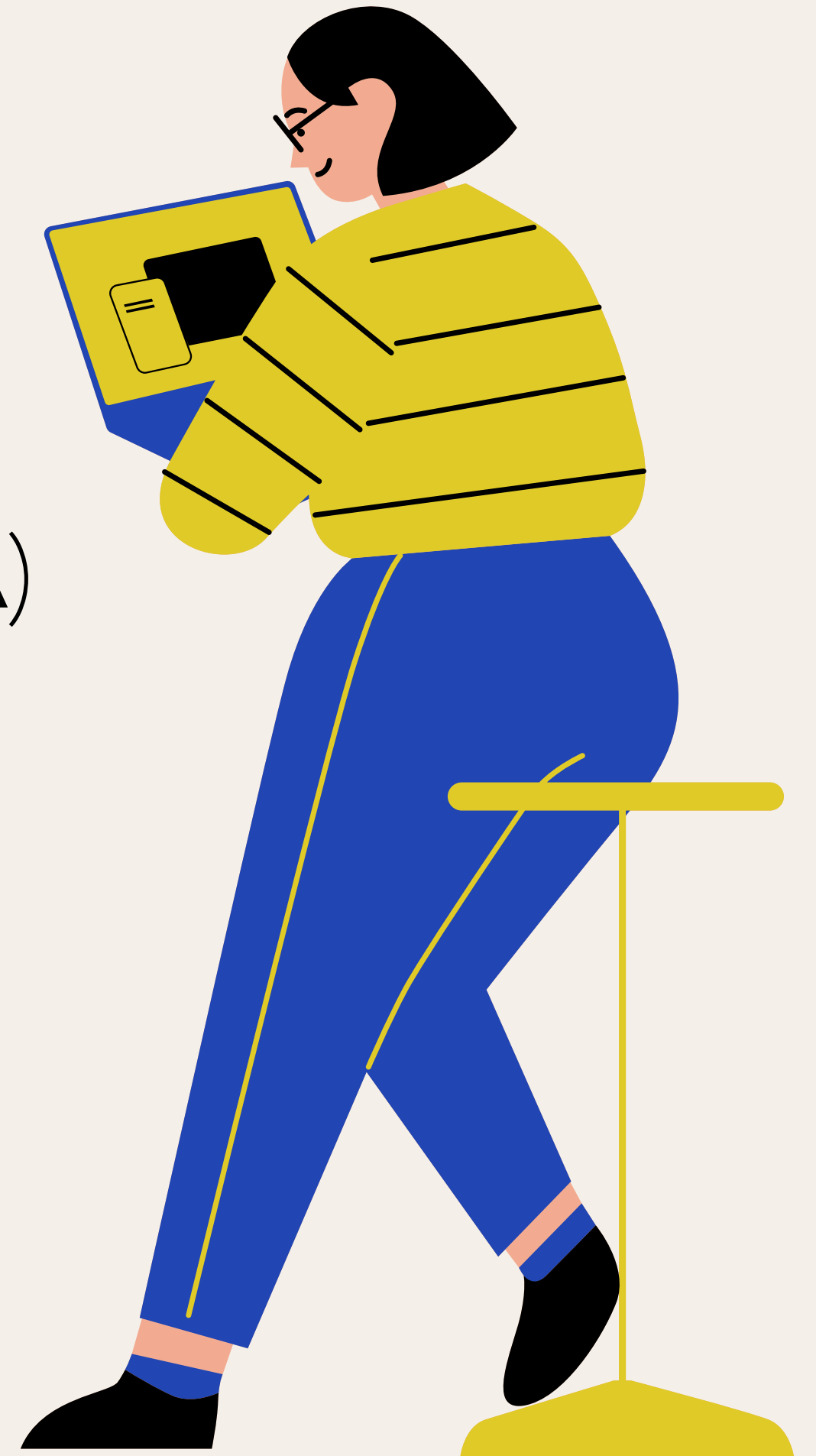
Air Quality Index Prediction using Linear Regression

Paper replication



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01 – Context

Air pollution threatens public health, the environment, and the economy, causing diseases, ecosystem damage, and economic losses. Monitoring and predicting **AQI** are vital for identifying risks and guiding effective mitigation. Data analytics and predictive models enable proactive strategies to address this global challenge.

The AQI is a numerical scale used to communicate how polluted the air is.

O1 – problematic

- How can we use pollutant and vehicle data to accurately predict AQI?
- What are the key contributing factors to AQI variations?

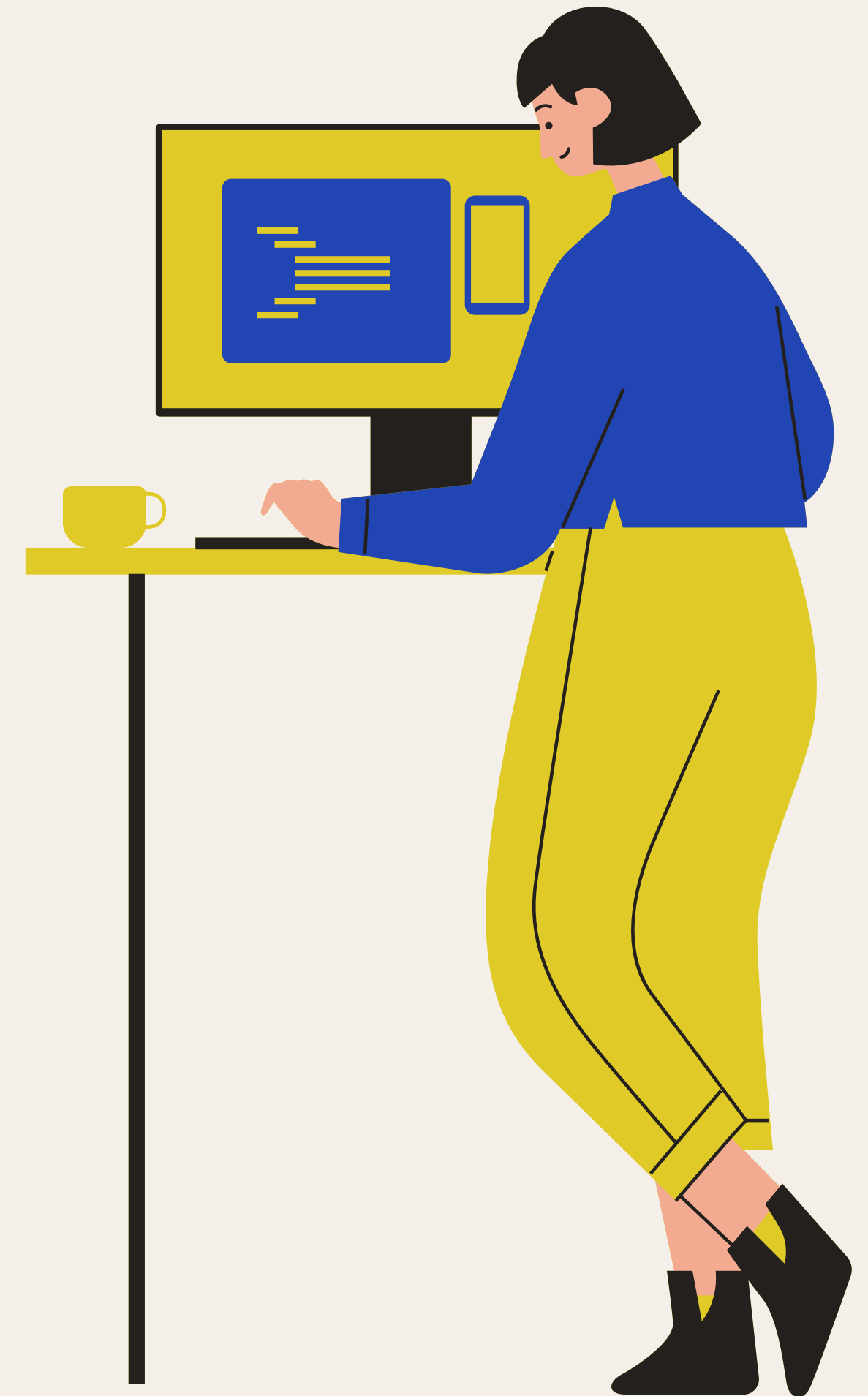
02 – Objectives

Primary Objectives:

- Analyze pollutant and vehicle data to identify significant trends.
- Build regression models (simple and multiple) to predict AQI.
- Evaluate model performance using standard metrics.

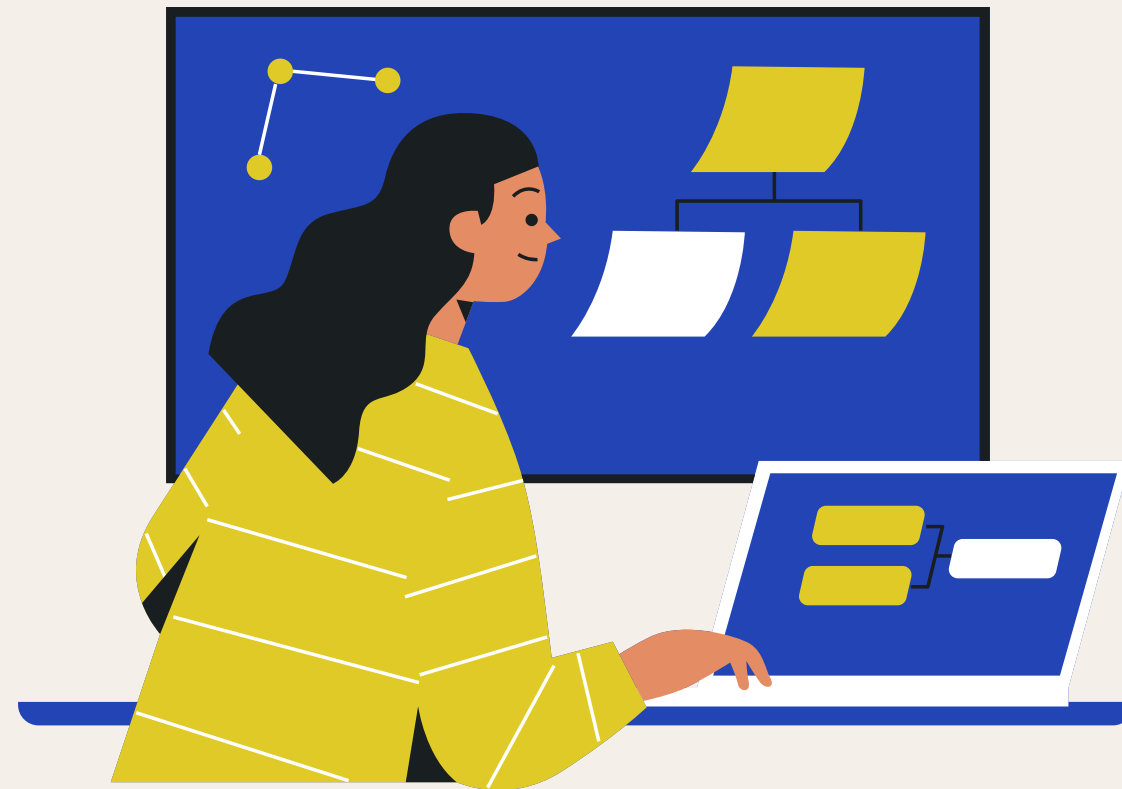
Secondary Objectives:

- Visualize AQI variations across regions.
- Provide actionable insights for reducing pollution levels.



03 - Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Data Overview



Air Pollution Dataset

Description:

- Contains air quality data collected from various countries and cities, including pollutant-specific AQI values and overall AQI categories.
- Number of Observations: 23,463 rows.
- Number of Features: 12 columns.

Key Features:

- **Country:** Name of the country where the data was collected.
- **City:** City within the country.
- **AQI.Value:** The Air Quality Index value, representing overall air quality.
- **AQI.Category:** Describes the AQI (e.g., "Good", "Moderate", "Unhealthy").
- **Pollutant-Specific Values:** Includes AQI values for CO, Ozone, NO2, and PM2.5, along with their corresponding AQI categories.

03 - Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Data Overview

Registered Vehicles Dataset

Description:

- Provides information on vehicle registration density per 1,000 people for various countries.
- Number of Observations: 161 rows.
- Number of Features: 4 columns.

Key Features:

- **Entity:** The country of the dataset.
- **Year:** The year the data was recorded.
- **Registered.vehicles.per.1.000.people:** The number of vehicles registered per 1,000 people in that country.
- **Code:** The country code for identification.



| | Entity | Code | Year | Registered vehicles per 1,000 people |
|---|----------------|------|------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | Afghanistan | AFG | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 2 | Albania | ALB | 2016 | 194.31734 |
| 3 | Antigua and... | ATG | 2016 | 400.41788 |
| 4 | Argentina | ARG | 2016 | 492.7889 |
| 5 | Australia | AUS | 2016 | 753.22737 |
| 6 | Austria | AUT | 2016 | |
| 7 | Azerbaijan | AZE | 2016 | |
| 8 | Bangladesh | BGD | 2016 | |
| 9 | Barbados | BDB | 2015 | |

Registered Vehicles Per 1000 people Dataset

```
> print("Vehicles Data Overview")
```

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[1] "Vehicles Data Overview"
```

```
> print(summary(vehicles_data))
```

| | | | |
|------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| Entity | Code | Year | Registered.vehicles.per.1.000.people |
| Length:161 | Length:161 | Min. :2007 | Min. : 4.457 |
| Class :character | Class :character | 1st Qu.:2016 | 1st Qu.: 84.071 |
| Mode :character | Mode :character | Median :2016 | Median : 258.296 |
| | | Mean :2016 | Mean : 319.263 |
| | | 3rd Qu.:2016 | 3rd Qu.: 500.625 |
| | | Max. :2017 | Max. :1607.512 |

Global Air Pollution Dataset

| | Country | City | AQI Value | AQI Category | CO AQI Value | CO AQI Category | Ozone AQI Value | Ozone AQI Category | NO2 AQI Value | NO2 AQI Category | PM2.5 AQI Value | PM2.5 AQI Category |
|----|-----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Russian Fed... | Praskoveya | 51 | Moderate | 1 | Good | 36 | Good | 0 | Good | 51 | Moderate |
| 2 | Brazil | Presidente D... | 41 | Good | 1 | Good | 5 | Good | 1 | Good | 41 | Good |
| 3 | Italy | Priolo Gargal... | 66 | Moderate | 1 | Good | 39 | Good | 2 | Good | 66 | Moderate |
| 4 | Poland | Przasnysz | 34 | Good | 1 | Good | 34 | Good | 0 | Good | 20 | Good |
| 5 | France | Punaauia | 22 | Good | > print("Pollution Data Overview") | | | | | | | |
| 6 | United State... | Punta Gorda | 54 | Moderate | [1] "Pollution Data Overview" | | | | | | | |
| 7 | Germany | Puttlingen | 62 | Moderate | > print(summary(pollution_data)) | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Belgium | Puurs | 64 | Moderate | Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Category | Ozone.AQI.Valu | |
| 9 | Russian Fed... | Pyatigorsk | 54 | Moderate | Length:23463 | Length:23463 | Min. : 6.00 | Length:23463 | Min. : 0.000 | Length:23463 | Min. : 0.00 | |
| 10 | Egypt | Qalyub | 142 | Unhealthy fo.. | Class :character | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 39.00 | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 1.000 | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 21.00 | |
| 11 | China | Qinzhou | 68 | Moderate | Mode :character | Mode :character | Median : 55.00 | Mode :character | Median : 1.000 | Mode :character | Median : 31.00 | |
| 12 | Netherlands | Raalte | 41 | Good | | | Mean : 72.01 | | Mean : 1.368 | | Mean : 35.19 | |
| | | | | | | | 3rd Qu.: 79.00 | | 3rd Qu.: 1.000 | | 3rd Qu.: 40.00 | |
| | | | | | | | Max. :500.00 | | Max. :133.000 | | Max. :235.00 | |
| | | | | | NO2.AQI.Value | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Value | PM2.5.AQI.Category | | | | |
| | | | | | Min. : 0.000 | Length:23463 | Min. : 0.00 | Length:23463 | | | | |

```
> print("Pollution Data Overview")
```

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[1] "Pollution Data Overview"
```

```
> print(summary(pollution_data))
```

| Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Category | Ozone.AQI.Value | Ozone.AQI.Category |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Length:23463 | Length:23463 | Min. : 6.00 | Length:23463 | Min. : 0.000 | Length:23463 | Min. : 0.00 | Length:23463 |
| Class :character | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 39.00 | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 1.000 | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 21.00 | Class :character |
| Mode :character | Mode :character | Median : 55.00 | Mode :character | Median : 1.000 | Mode :character | Median : 31.00 | Mode :character |
| | | Mean : 72.01 | | Mean : 1.368 | | Mean : 35.19 | |
| | | 3rd Qu.: 79.00 | | 3rd Qu.: 1.000 | | 3rd Qu.: 40.00 | |
| | | Max. : 500.00 | | Max. : 133.000 | | Max. : 235.00 | |

| NO2.AQI.Value | | NO2.AQI.Category | | PM2.5.AQI.Value | | PM2.5.AQI.Category | |
|---------------|---------|------------------|------------|-----------------|---------|--------------------|------------|
| Min. | : 0.000 | Length: | 23463 | Min. | : 0.00 | Length: | 23463 |
| 1st Qu. | : 0.000 | Class | :character | 1st Qu. | : 35.00 | Class | :character |
| Median | : 1.000 | Mode | :character | Median | : 54.00 | Mode | :character |
| Mean | : 3.063 | | | Mean | : 68.52 | | |
| 3rd Qu. | : 4.000 | | | 3rd Qu. | : 79.00 | | |
| Max. | :91.000 | | | Max. | :500.00 | | |

03 - Exploratory Data Analysis (EDA)

Data Overview



Merged Dataset

Description:

- Combines the air pollution and vehicle registration datasets by country to analyze the relationship between air quality and vehicle density.
- Number of Observations: 17,195 rows.
- Number of Features: 15 columns.

Key Features:

- Includes all features from the pollution dataset (e.g., AQI, pollutants) and vehicle density data.
- Added Registered.vehicles.per.1.000.people from the vehicle dataset.
- Dropped Code from the combined Dataset.
- Renamed Registered.vehicles.per.1.000.people to Vehicles

Necessity of Merge:

- Objective: To explore how vehicle density influences air pollution levels and AQI trends.
- By merging these datasets, we can link vehicle data to specific AQI observations, enabling comprehensive regression analysis.

Merged Dataset

| | Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Cate... | Ozone.AQI.V... | Ozone.AQI.Category | NO2.AQI.Value | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Value | PM2.5.AQI.Category | Year | Vehicles |
|----|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------|-----------|
| 1 | Afghanistan | Zaranj | 133 | Unhealthy fo... | 1 | Good | 46 | Good | 0 | Good | 133 | Unhealthy for Sensitive... | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 2 | Afghanistan | Asmar | 151 | Unhealthy | 2 | Good | 48 | Good | 1 | Good | 151 | Unhealthy | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 3 | Afghanistan | Panjab | 83 | Moderate | 0 | Good | 28 | Good | 0 | Good | 83 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 4 | Afghanistan | Mehtar Lam | 63 | Moderate | 1 | Good | 45 | Good | 0 | Good | 63 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 5 | Afghanistan | Mirabad | 165 | Unhealthy | 1 | Good | 45 | Good | 0 | Good | 165 | Unhealthy | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 6 | Afghanistan | Rostaq | 113 | Unhealthy fo... | 1 | Good | 42 | Good | 0 | Good | 113 | Unhealthy for Sensitive... | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 7 | Afghanistan | Kholm | 123 | Unhealthy fo... | 1 | Good | 35 | Good | 0 | Good | 123 | Unhealthy for Sensitive... | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 8 | Afghanistan | Lar Gerd | 70 | Moderate | 0 | Good | 34 | Good | 0 | Good | 70 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 9 | Afghanistan | Kuhestan | 151 | Unhealthy | 1 | Good | 41 | Good | 0 | Good | 151 | Unhealthy | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 10 | Afghanistan | Gazni | 83 | Moderate | 0 | Good | 40 | Good | 0 | Good | 83 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 11 | Afghanistan | Taloqan | 127 | Unhealthy fo... | 1 | Good | 29 | Good | 0 | Good | 127 | Unhealthy for Sensitive... | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 12 | Afghanistan | Baqlan | 72 | Moderate | 1 | Good | 44 | Good | 0 | Good | 72 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |

```
> print("Combined Data Overview")
```

```
[1] "Combined Data Overview"
```

```
> print(summary(merged_data))
```

| | | | | | | | |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Category | Ozone.AQI.Value | Ozone.AQI.Category |
| Length:17195 | Length:17195 | Min. : 7.00 | Length:17195 | Min. : 0.000 | Length:17195 | Min. : 0.00 | Length:17195 |
| Class :character | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 40.00 | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 1.000 | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 22.00 | Class :character |
| Mode :character | Mode :character | Median : 57.00 | Mode :character | Median : 1.000 | Mode :character | Median : 31.00 | Mode :character |
| | | Mean : 76.95 | | Mean : 1.361 | | Mean : 37.19 | |
| | | 3rd Qu.: 88.00 | | 3rd Qu.: 1.000 | | 3rd Qu.: 41.00 | |
| | | Max. :500.00 | | Max. :67.000 | | Max. :210.00 | |
| NO2.AQI.Value | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Value | PM2.5.AQI.Category | Year | Vehicles | | |
| Min. : 0.000 | Length:17195 | Min. : 0.00 | Length:17195 | Min. :2007 | Min. : 4.457 | | |
| 1st Qu.: 0.000 | Class :character | 1st Qu.: 36.00 | Class :character | 1st Qu.:2015 | 1st Qu.:158.147 | | |
| Median : 1.000 | Mode :character | Median : 57.00 | Mode :character | Median :2016 | Median :461.903 | | |
| Mean : 2.396 | | Mean : 73.35 | | Mean :2016 | Mean :427.863 | | |
| 3rd Qu.: 3.000 | | 3rd Qu.: 87.00 | | 3rd Qu.:2016 | 3rd Qu.:652.578 | | |
| Max. :64.000 | | Max. :500.00 | | Max. :2017 | Max. :949.482 | | |

Missing Values

```
> print(merged_data_missing)
```

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Category | Ozone.AQI.Value | Ozone.AQI.Category |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NO2.AQI.Value | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Value | PM2.5.AQI.Category | Year | Vehicles | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

Our Merged Dataset Doesn't contain any missing values

Duplicated Rows

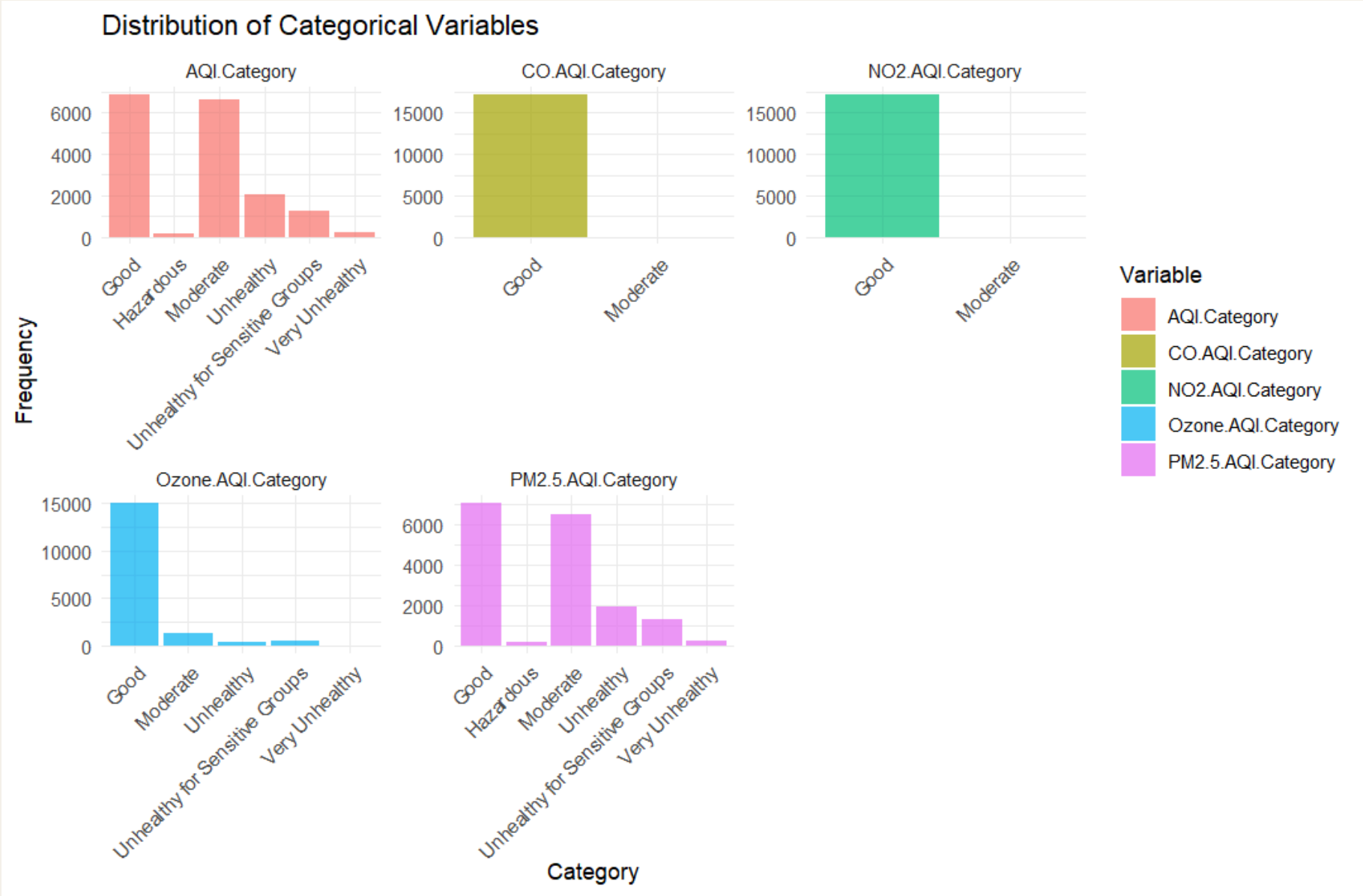
```
> print(merged_data_missing)
```

| | | | | | | | |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Category | Ozone.AQI.Value | Ozone.AQI.Category |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| NO2.AQI.Value | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Value | PM2.5.AQI.Category | Year | Vehicles | | |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |

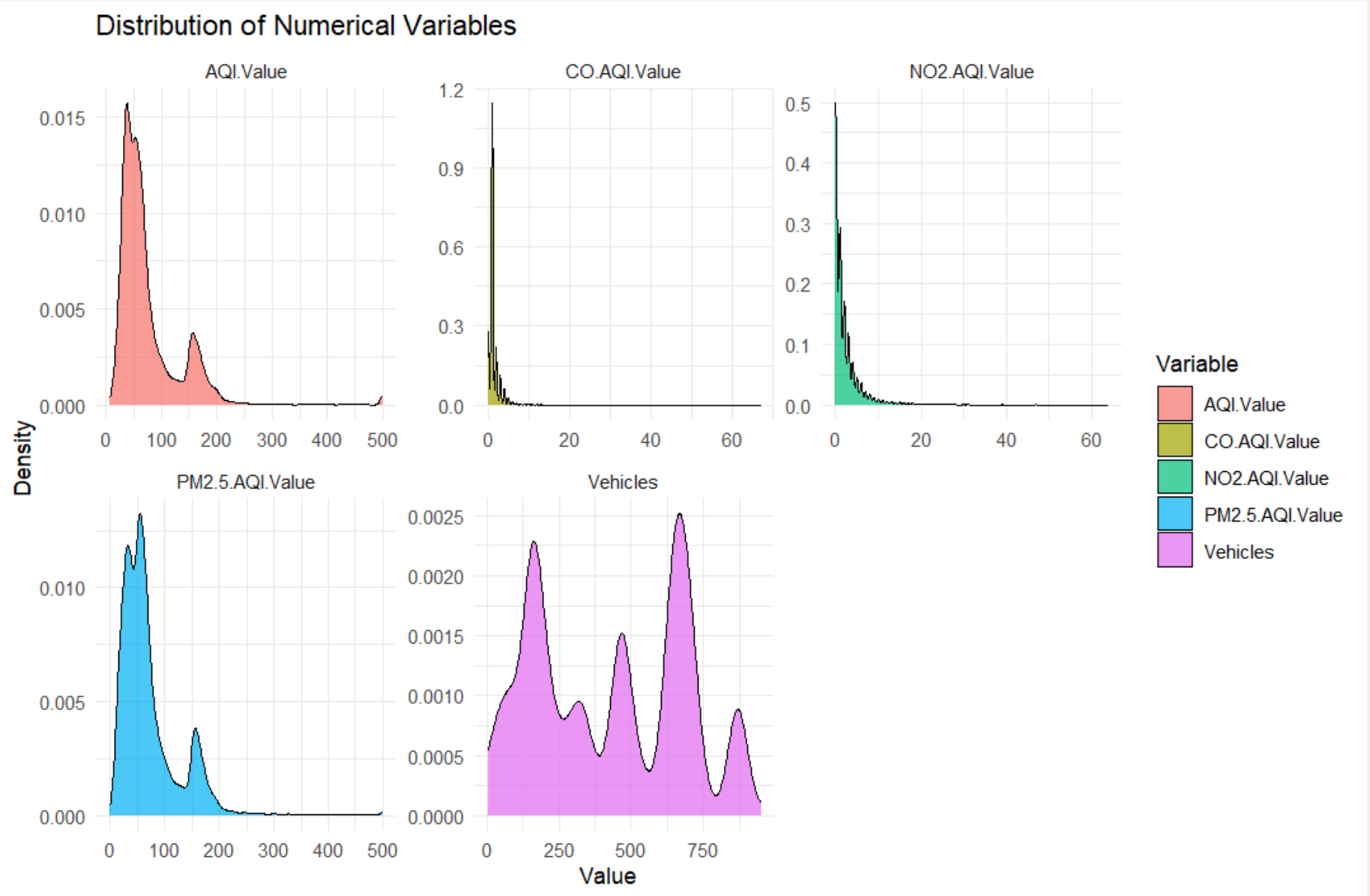
Our Merged Dataset Doesn't contain any duplicated rows

Numerical Vs Categorical

Categorical Features



Numerical Features



Label Encoding

| AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Category | Ozone.AQI.Category | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Category |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None |
| Value | Value | Value | Value | Value |
| Count | Count | Count | Count | Count |
| Good | Good | Good | Good | Good |
| 181 | 17194 | 15009 | 17183 | 7054 |
| Hazardous | | Moderate | Moderate | Hazardous |
| 6598 | | 1280 | 12 | 163 |
| Moderate | | Unhealthy | | Moderate |
| 2053 | | 393 | | 6502 |
| Unhealthy | | Unhealthy for Sensit... | | Unhealthy |
| 1257 | | 465 | | 1959 |
| Unhealthy for Sensit... | | Very Unhealthy | | Unhealthy for Sensit... |
| 258 | | 48 | | 1287 |
| Very Unhealthy | | | | Very Unhealthy |
| | | | | 230 |
| Values: 6 | Values: 2 | Values: 5 | Values: 2 | Values: 6 |

```
# label encoding
merged_data <- merged_data %>%
mutate(
  AQI.Category = as.numeric(factor(AQI.Category)),
  CO.AQI.Category = as.numeric(factor(CO.AQI.Category)),
  Ozone.AQI.Category = as.numeric(factor(Ozone.AQI.Category)),
  NO2.AQI.Category = as.numeric(factor(NO2.AQI.Category)),
  PM2.5.AQI.Category = as.numeric(factor(PM2.5.AQI.Category))
)
```

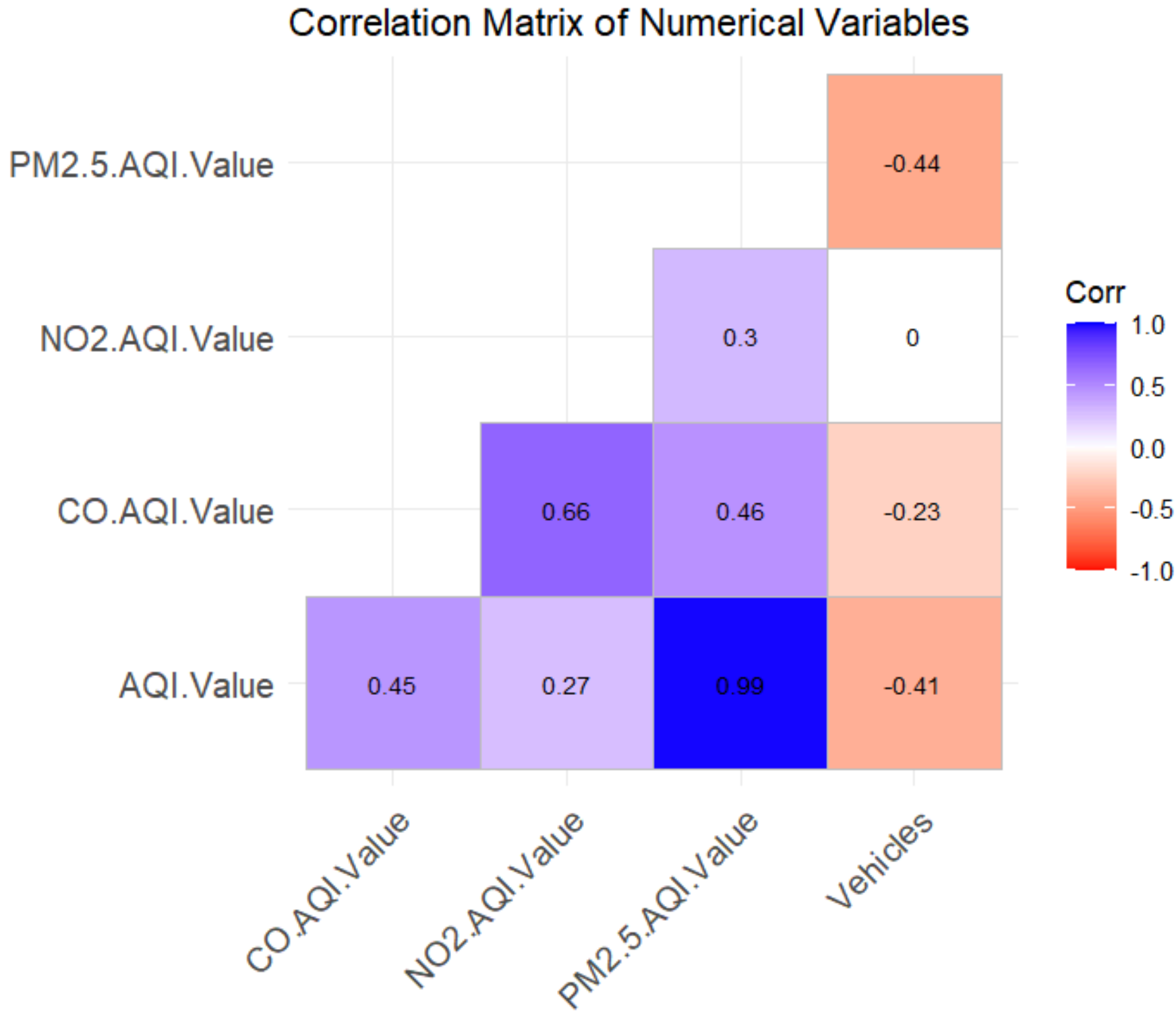
| | Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Cate... | Ozone.AQI.V... | Ozone.AQI.Category | NO2.AQI.Value | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Value | PM2.5.AQI.Category | Year | Vehides |
|---|-------------|------------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------|---------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|------|-----------|
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| 2 | Afghanistan | Asmar | 151 | Unhealthy | 2 | Good | 48 | Good | 1 | Good | 151 | Unhealthy | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 3 | Afghanistan | Panjab | 83 | Moderate | 0 | Good | 28 | Good | 0 | Good | 83 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 4 | Afghanistan | Mehtar Lam | 63 | Moderate | 1 | Good | 45 | Good | 0 | Good | 63 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 5 | Afghanistan | Mirabad | 165 | Unhealthy | 1 | Good | 45 | Good | 0 | Good | 165 | Unhealthy | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 6 | Afghanistan | Rostaq | 113 | Unhealthy fo... | 1 | Good | 42 | Good | 0 | Good | 113 | Unhealthy for Sensitive... | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 7 | Afghanistan | Kholm | 123 | Unhealthy fo... | 1 | Good | 35 | Good | 0 | Good | 123 | Unhealthy for Sensitive... | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 8 | Afghanistan | Lar Gard | 70 | Moderate | 0 | Good | 34 | Good | 0 | Good | 70 | Moderate | 2013 | 20.724253 |

We used label encoding to to convert categorical columns into numerical ones

| AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Category | Ozone.AQI.Category | NO2.AQI.Category | PM2.5.AQI.Category |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None | All Possible Excluded None |
| Value | Value | Value | Value | Value |
| Count | Count | Count | Count | Count |
| 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| 6848 | 17194 | 15009 | 17183 | 7054 |
| 2 | 2 | 1280 | 12 | 163 |
| 181 | | 393 | | 6502 |
| 3 | | 465 | | 1959 |
| 6598 | | 48 | | 1287 |
| 4 | | | | 230 |
| 2053 | | | | |
| 5 | | | | |
| 1257 | | | | |
| 258 | | | | |
| 6 | | | | |
| Values: 6 | Values: 2 | Values: 5 | Values: 2 | Values: 6 |

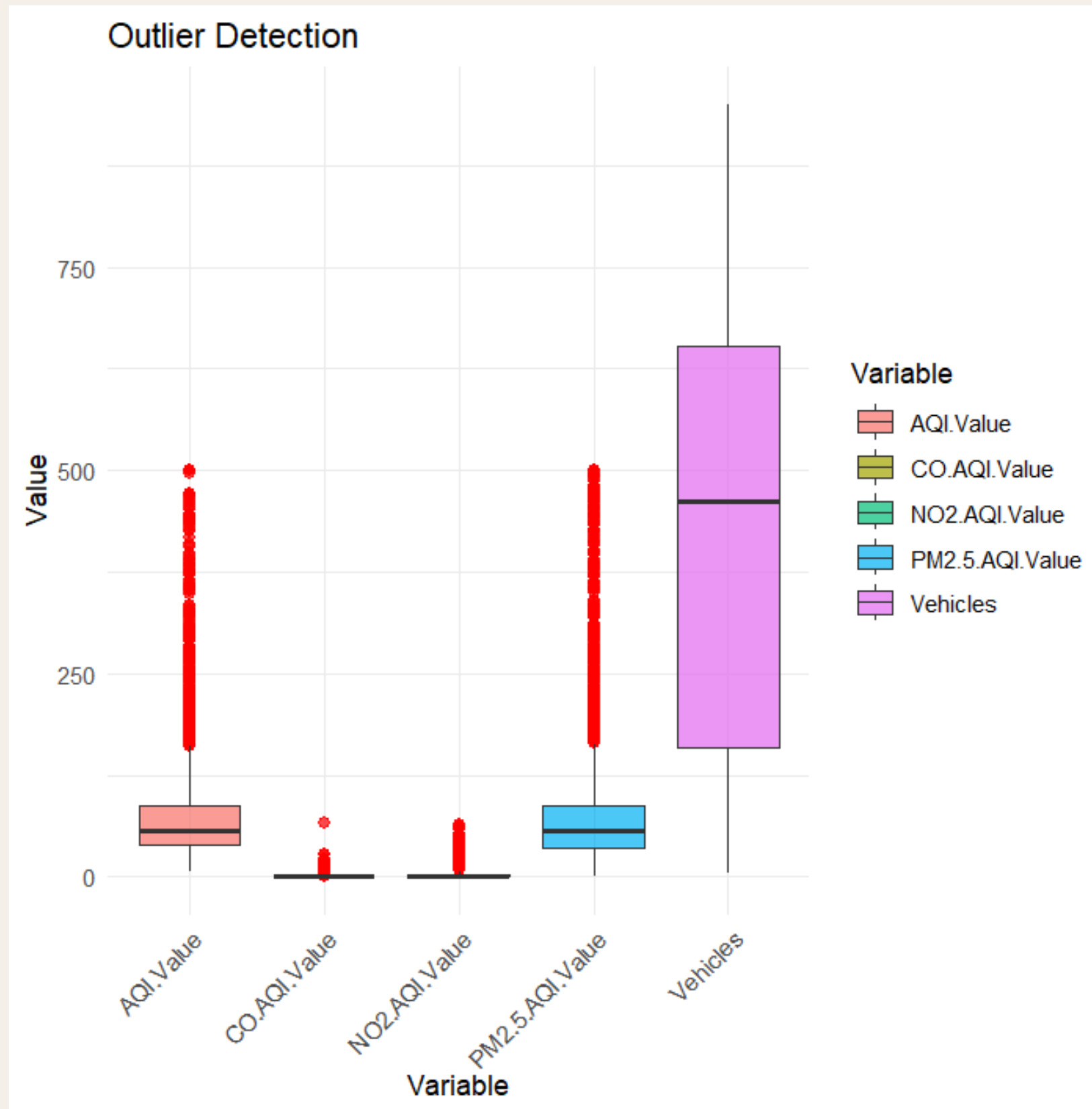
| | Country | City | AQI.Value | AQI.Category | CO.AQI.Value | CO.AQI.Cate... | Ozone.AQI.V... | Ozone.AQI.C... | NO2.AQI.Value | NO2.AQI.Cat... | PM2.5.AQI.V... | PM2.5.AQI.C... | Year | Vehides |
|---|-------------|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------|-----------|
| 1 | Afghanistan | Zaranj | 133 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 46 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 133 | 5 | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 2 | Afghanistan | Asmar | 151 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 48 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 151 | 4 | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 3 | Afghanistan | Panjab | 83 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 28 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 83 | 3 | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 4 | Afghanistan | Mehtar Lam | 63 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 45 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 63 | 3 | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 5 | Afghanistan | Mirabad | 165 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 45 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 165 | 4 | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 6 | Afghanistan | Rostaq | 113 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 42 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 113 | 5 | 2013 | 20.724253 |
| 7 | Afghanistan | Kholm | 123 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 35 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 123 | 5 | 2013 | 20.724253 |

Correlation Matrix



The correlation matrix shows strong multicollinearity between PM2.5.AQI.Value and AQI.Value (0.99) and a moderate correlation between CO.AQI.Value and other variables (e.g., 0.66).

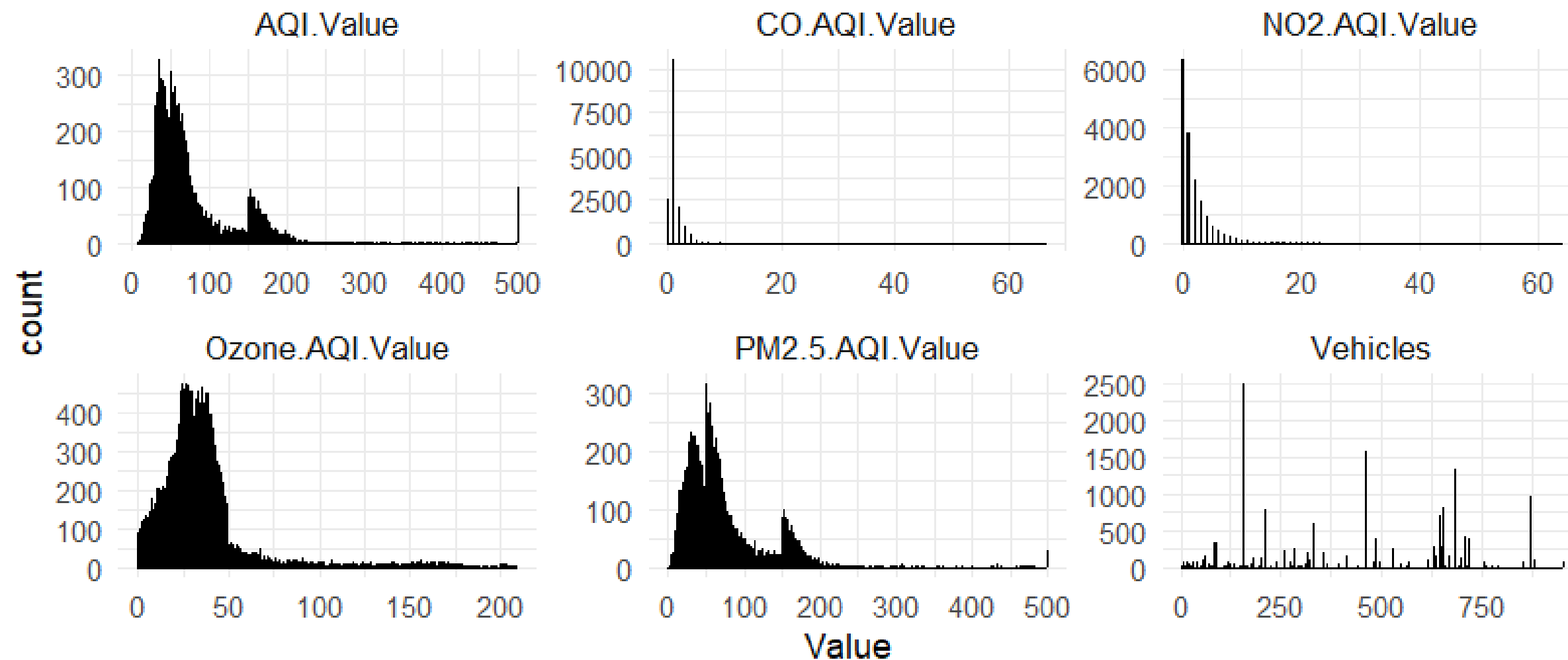
Outliers



The boxplot highlights significant outliers in the AQI.Value, PM2.5.AQI.Value, and Vehicles variables. These outliers could skew results for parametric tests.

Histogram

Histograms of AQI Values Before Normalization



The histograms reveal highly skewed distributions for most numerical variables (e.g., AQI.Value, CO.AQI.Value, PM2.5.AQI.Value), deviating significantly from normality.

Given the high skewness, presence of significant outliers, and multicollinearity, it is appropriate to proceed with normalization to standardize the scale of numerical features, reduce skewness, and prepare the dataset for further analysis.

Normalization

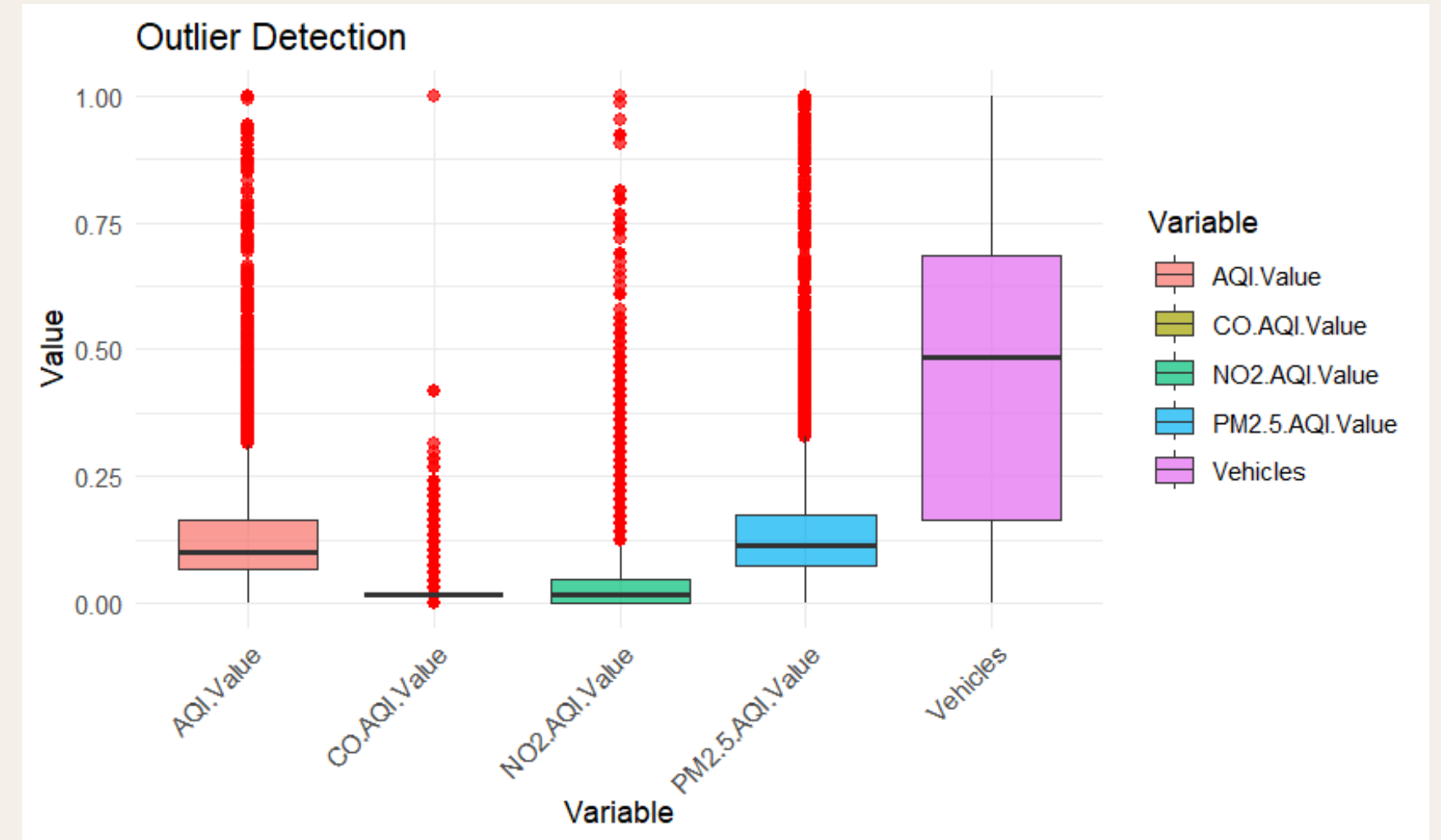
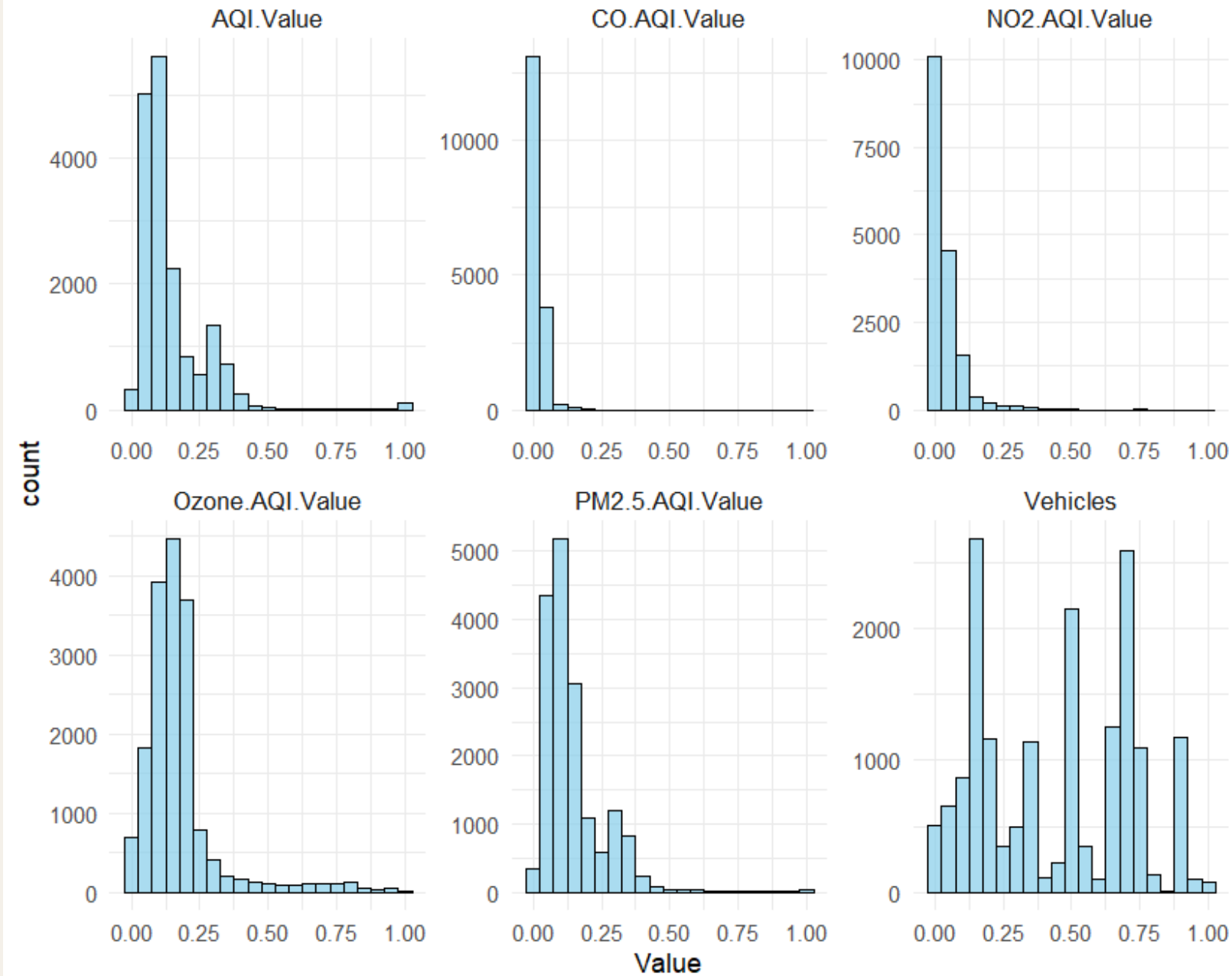
The method we used here is min-max normalization, which rescales the data into a range of $[0, 1]$.

This technique preserves the relative relationships of the original data while ensuring all numerical features are on the same scale, making it suitable for models sensitive to varying ranges.

```
merged_data <- merged_data %>%
  mutate(
    AQI.Value = rescale(AQI.Value, to = c(0, 1)),
    CO.AQI.Value = rescale(CO.AQI.Value, to = c(0, 1)),
    Ozone.AQI.Value = rescale(Ozone.AQI.Value, to = c(0, 1)),
    NO2.AQI.Value = rescale(NO2.AQI.Value, to = c(0, 1)),
    PM2.5.AQI.Value = rescale(PM2.5.AQI.Value, to = c(0, 1)),
    Vehicles = rescale(Vehicles, to = c(0, 1))
  )
```

```
> shapiro_test_results <- merged_data_cleaned %>%
+   select(AQI.Value, CO.AQI.Value, Ozone.AQI.Value, NO2.AQI.Value, PM2.5.AQI.Value, Vehicles) %>%
+   summarise(across(everything(), ~ shapiro.test(.)$p.value)) %>%
+   gather(key = "Variable", value = "Shapiro-Wilk p-value")
Error in `summarise()`:
! In argument: `across(everything(), ~shapiro.test(.)$p.value)`.
Caused by error in `across()`:
! Can't compute column `AQI.Value`.
Caused by error in `shapiro.test()`:
! sample size must be between 3 and 5000
Run `rlang::last_trace()` to see where the error occurred.
> # Print the results of the Shapiro-Wilk test
> print(shapiro_test_results)
Error: object 'shapiro_test_results' not found
> |
```

Histograms of AQI Values After Normalization



The normalized data is still skewed for most variables (AQI.Value, CO, NO2, PM2.5, etc.), although the values are now constrained between 0 and 1.

The presence of outliers and non-normality suggests that assumptions for parametric tests like t-tests or ANOVA may not hold.

```
# Compute skewness and kurtosis for numerical variables
skewness_kurtosis <- data.frame(
  Variable = c("AQI.Value", "CO.AQI.Value", "Ozone.AQI.Value", "NO2.AQI.Value", "PM2.5.AQI.Value", "Vehicles"),
  Skewness = c(
    skewness(merged_data$AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    skewness(merged_data$CO.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    skewness(merged_data$Ozone.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    skewness(merged_data$NO2.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    skewness(merged_data$PM2.5.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    skewness(merged_data$Vehicles, na.rm = TRUE)
  ),
  Kurtosis = c(
    kurtosis(merged_data$AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    kurtosis(merged_data$CO.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    kurtosis(merged_data$Ozone.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    kurtosis(merged_data$NO2.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    kurtosis(merged_data$PM2.5.AQI.Value, na.rm = TRUE),
    kurtosis(merged_data$Vehicles, na.rm = TRUE)
  )
)
```

> print(skewness_kurtosis)

| | Variable | Skewness | Kurtosis |
|---|-----------------|------------|------------|
| 1 | AQI.Value | 3.03206853 | 17.6999996 |
| 2 | CO.AQI.Value | 8.75102520 | 255.434551 |
| 3 | Ozone.AQI.Value | 2.79921156 | 12.244145 |
| 4 | NO2.AQI.Value | 4.87096042 | 41.409858 |
| 5 | PM2.5.AQI.Value | 2.61983127 | 14.508415 |
| 6 | Vehicles | 0.08333046 | 1.707021 |

AQI.Value:

Skewness: 3.03, indicating a right-skewed distribution (long tail on the right).

Kurtosis: 17.7, indicating a highly leptokurtic distribution (heavy tails with more outliers than normal).

CO.AQI.Value:

Skewness: 8.75, suggesting high positive skew (significant right skew).

Kurtosis: 255.43, suggesting extremely heavy tails (very high presence of outliers).

Ozone.AQI.Value:

Skewness: 2.80, showing moderate right skew.

Kurtosis: 12.24, indicating moderately high kurtosis, meaning some outliers.

NO2.AQI.Value:

Skewness: 4.87, indicating strong right skew.

Kurtosis: 41.41, showing extremely high kurtosis, pointing to many outliers.

PM2.5.AQI.Value:

Skewness: 2.62, indicating moderate right skew.

Kurtosis: 14.51, showing high kurtosis (more outliers).

Vehicles:

Skewness: 0.08, indicating very little skew, close to a normal distribution.

Kurtosis: 1.71, indicating a platykurtic distribution (light tails, fewer outliers than normal).

Analyzing Air Quality Across Vehicle Density Groups

Test if AQI significantly differs across four vehicle density groups.

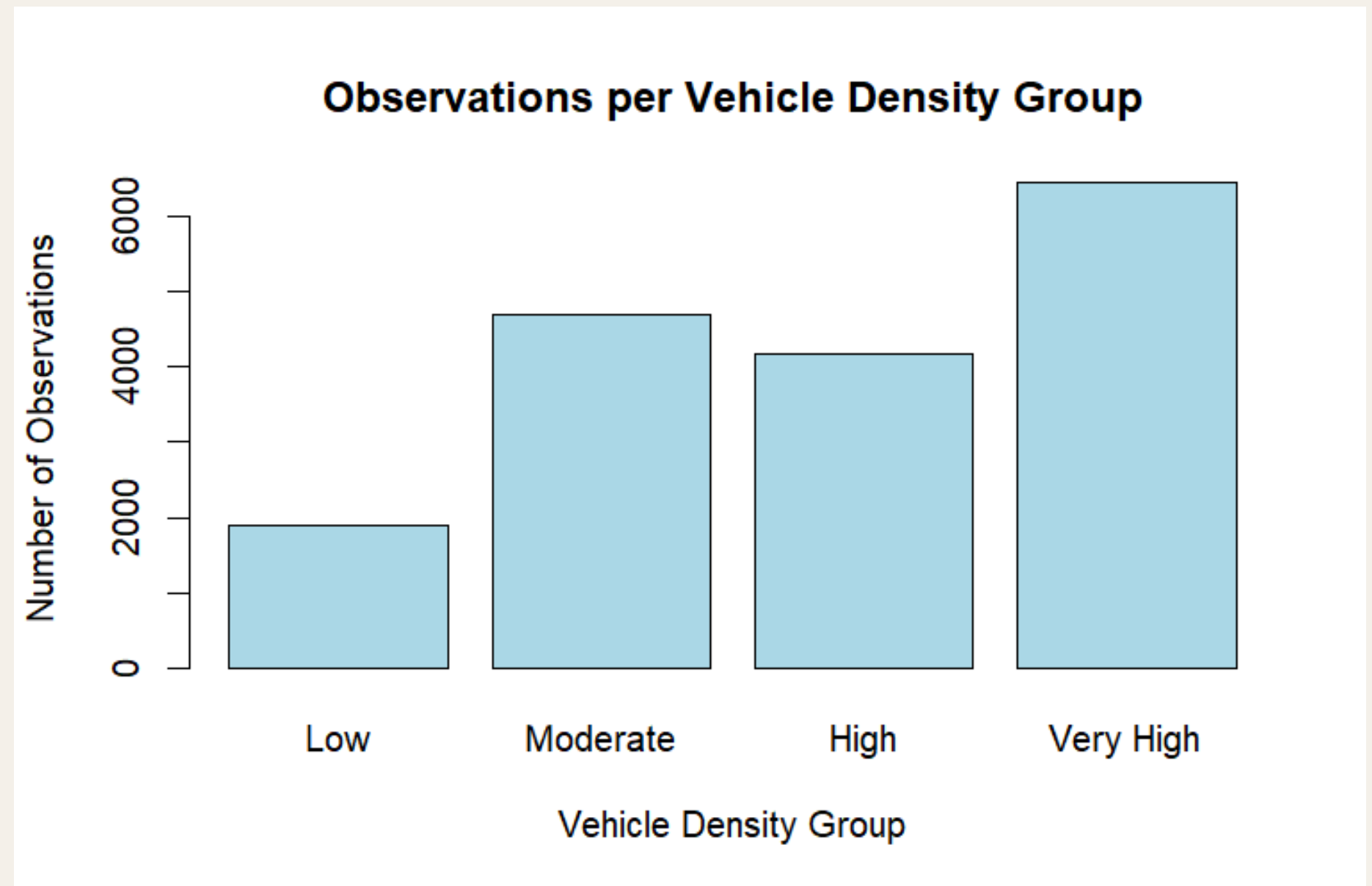
```
# Step 1: Binning the vehicle density data based on 'Vehicles'
merged_data_cleaned <- merged_data_cleaned %>%
  mutate(Vehicle_Density_Group = cut(Vehicles,
                                     breaks = c(-Inf, 0.1, 0.3, 0.6, Inf), # Adjust bin thresholds as needed
                                     labels = c("Low", "Moderate", "High", "Very High"))))
```

We will investigate the relationship between vehicle density and air quality index (AQI).

Key Variables:

AQI.Value: Air Quality Index (normalized).

Vehicle Density Groups: Created by binning vehicle density into "Low," "Moderate," "High," and "Very High."



Analyzing Air Quality Across Vehicle Density Groups

```
kruskal_test <- kruskal.test(AQI.Value ~ Vehicle_Density_Group, data = merged_data_cleaned)
```

Kruskal-Wallis Test for Group Differences

Step 1: Hypotheses

Null Hypothesis (H_0):

AQI values are the same across vehicle density groups.

Alternative Hypothesis (H_1):

At least one group has significantly different AQI values.

Step 2: Kruskal-Wallis Test Results

Chi-squared value: 4150.9

Degrees of freedom: 3

p-value: < 2.2e-16

There is strong evidence to suggest that the AQI values differ significantly among the four vehicle density groups ("Low," "Moderate," "High," and "Very High"). This result implies that vehicle density likely impacts air quality (as represented by AQI).

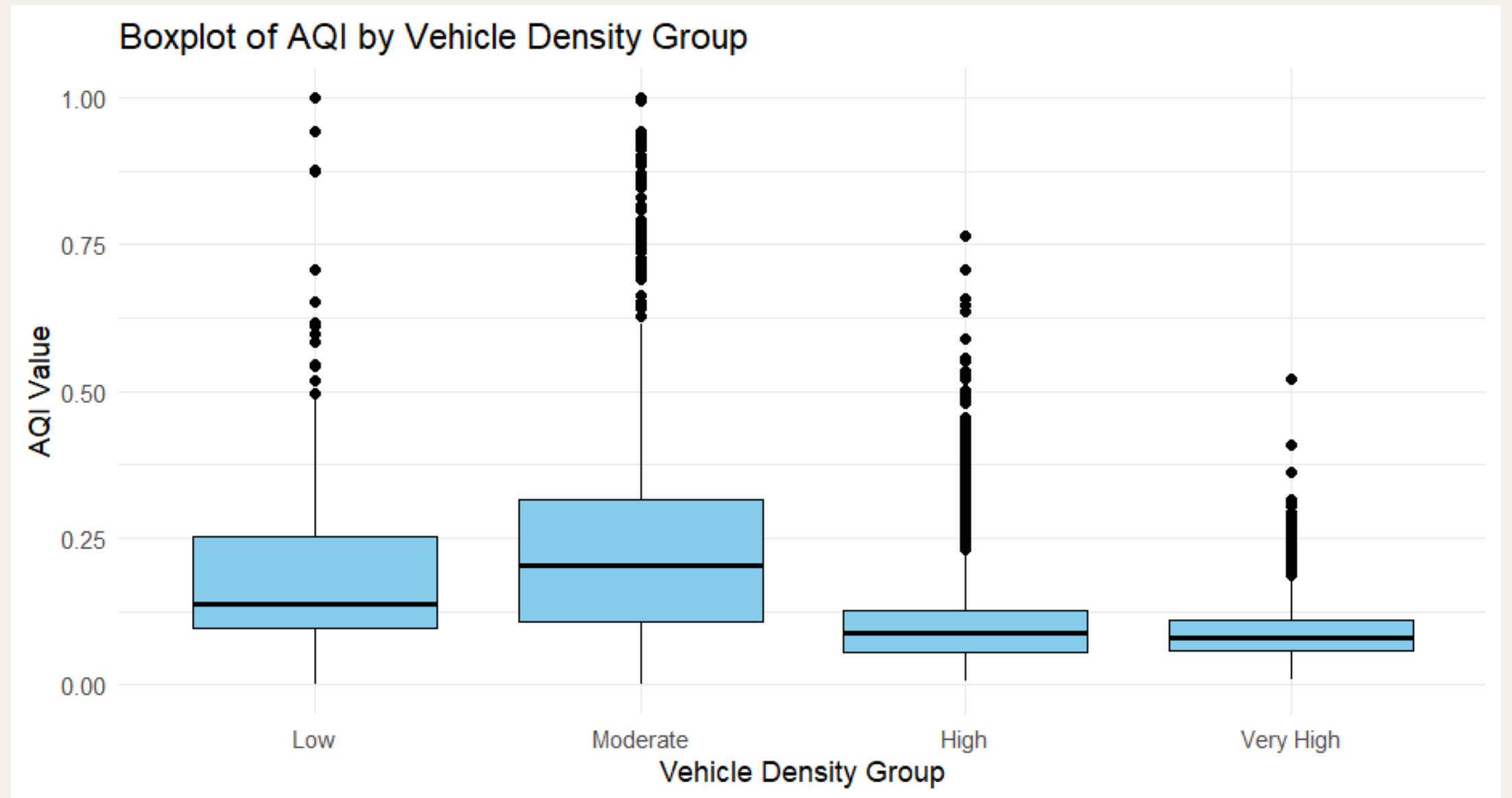
```
> cat("Kruskal-Wallis Test Results:\n")
Kruskal-Wallis Test Results:
> print(kruskal_test)
```

Kruskal-Wallis rank sum test

```
data: AQI.Value by Vehicle_Density_Group
Kruskal-Wallis chi-squared = 4150.9, df = 3, p-value < 2.2e-16
```

```
if (kruskal_test$p.value < 0.05) {
  cat("The Kruskal-Wallis test indicates significant differences in AQI values across vehicle density groups.\n")
  cat("Review the pairwise wilcoxon test results for detailed group comparisons.\n")
} else {
  cat("No significant difference in AQI values across vehicle density groups.\n")
}
```


The boxplot visualizes the distribution of AQI values across the different vehicle density groups. It also includes significance levels, showing which comparisons have statistically significant differences in AQI values.



04 – Linear Regression Models & Evaluation

Simple Linear Regression

```
# Linear Regression: AQI vs Vehicles_Per_1000_People
linear_model <- lm(AQI.Value ~ Vehicles, data = merged_data_cleaned)
```

```
> cat("Linear Regression Summary:\n")
Linear Regression Summary:
> summary(linear_model)

Call:
lm(formula = AQI.Value ~ Vehicles, data = merged_data_cleaned)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-0.22283 -0.06519 -0.02361  0.04138  0.80439

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  0.226219   0.001653  136.87  <2e-16 ***
Vehicles    -0.188206   0.003147  -59.81  <2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.1131 on 17193 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.1722,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.1722
F-statistic: 3577 on 1 and 17193 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Simple Linear Regression

The linear regression analysis between AQI.Value and Vehicles (number of vehicles) shows the following:

1.Negative Trend:

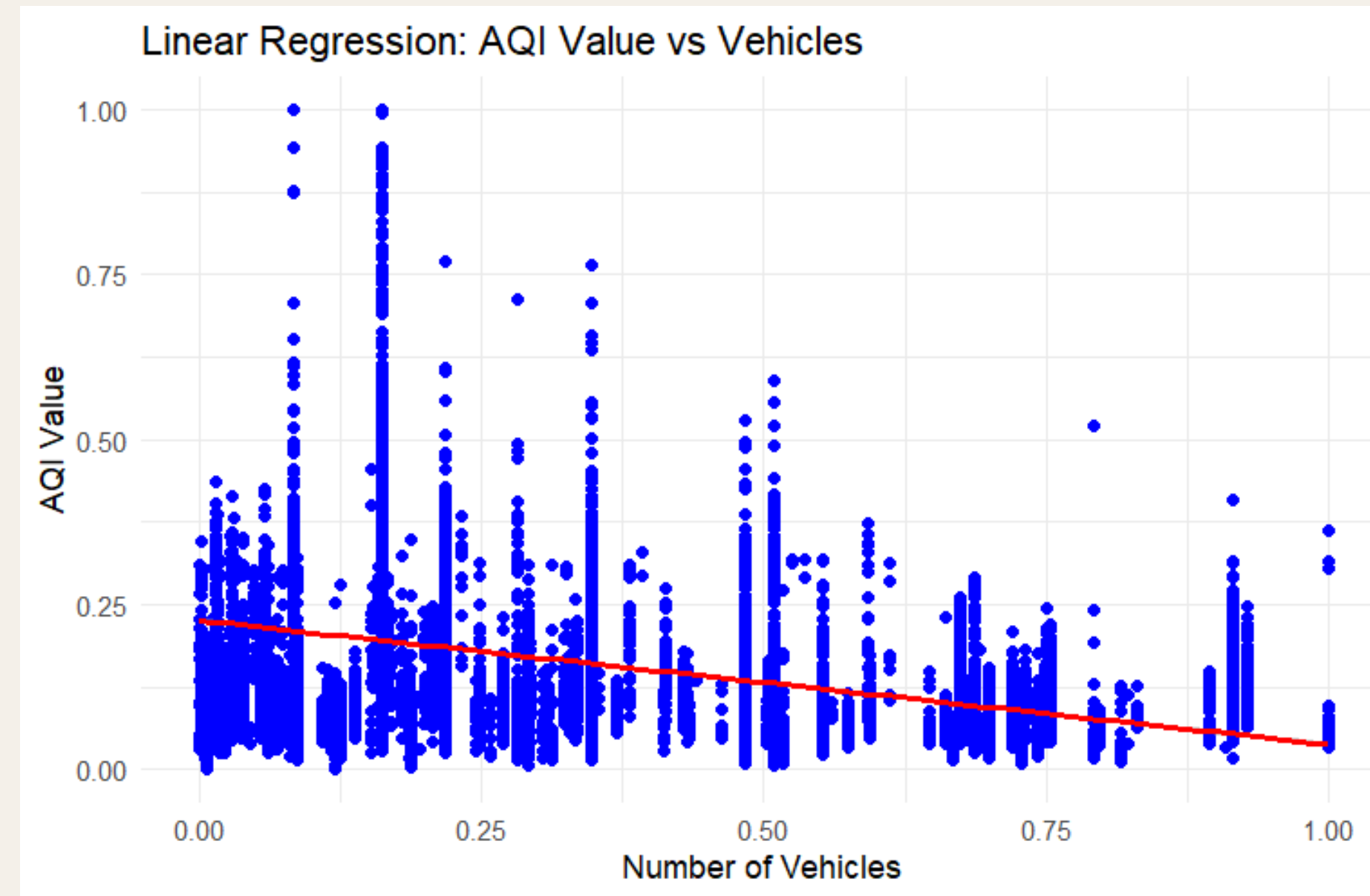
- The regression line (red) shows a negative slope. This indicates a weak negative relationship between the number of vehicles and AQI value.
- As the number of vehicles increases, the AQI value tends to decrease slightly.

2.Scattered Data:

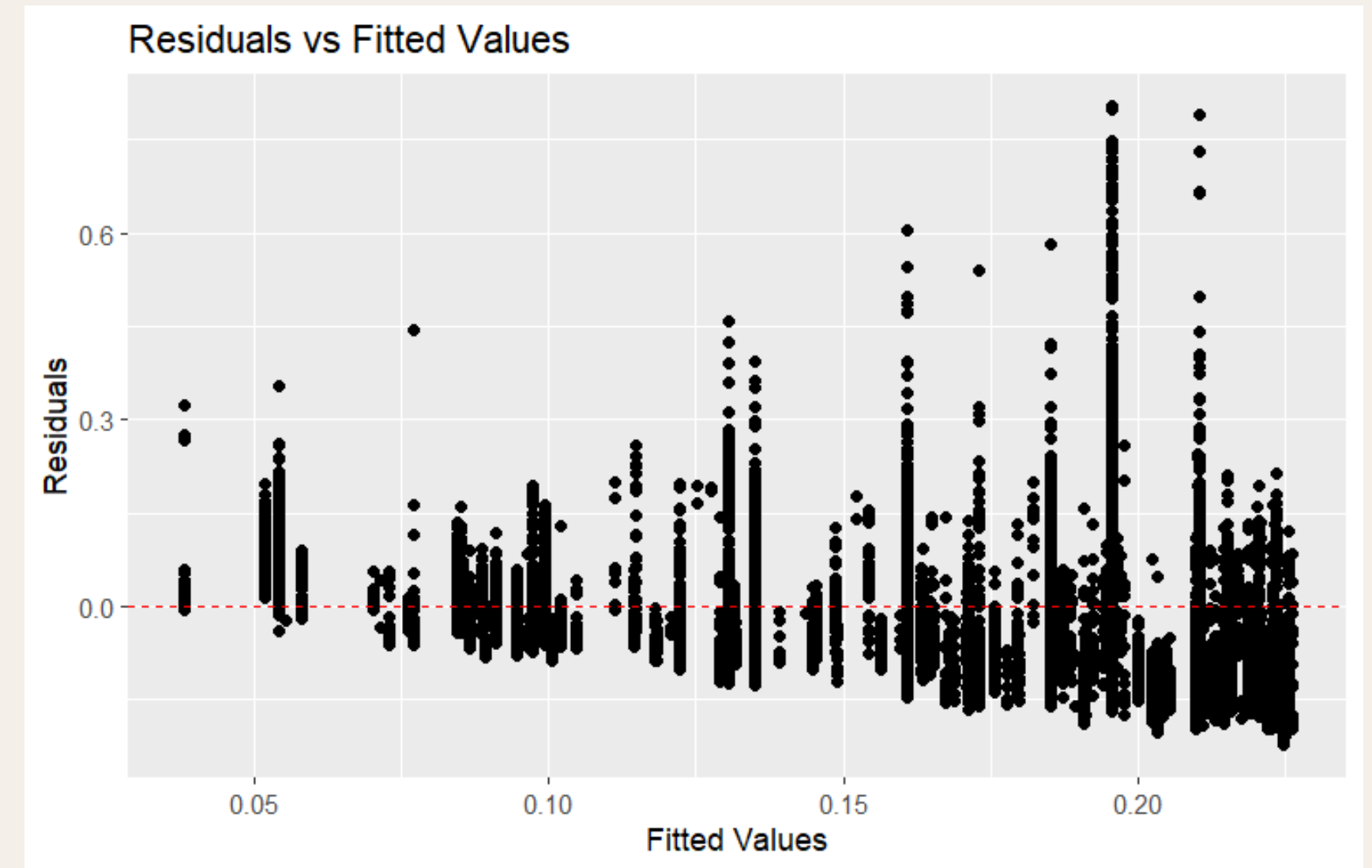
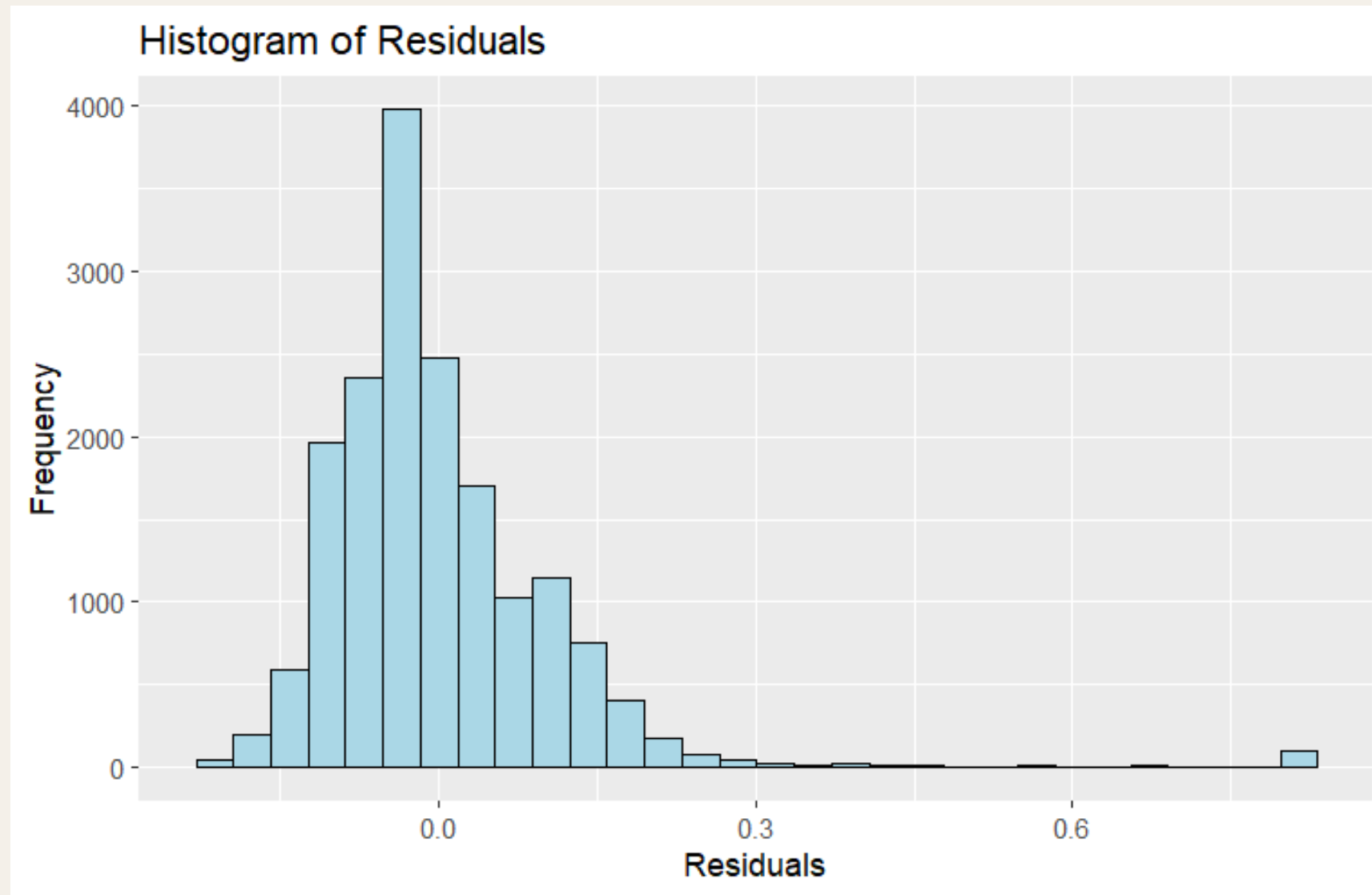
- The data points (blue) are widely scattered, suggesting high variance in AQI values for any given number of vehicles.
- This weakens the strength of the linear relationship.

3.Outliers:

- The presence of many points far from the regression line shows potential outliers or noise in the data, which could affect the model's accuracy.



Simple Linear Regression Evaluation



```
> cat("Linear Regression RMSE:", linear_rmse, "\n")
Linear Regression RMSE: 0.1130997
> cat("Linear Regression MAE:", linear_mae, "\n")
Linear Regression MAE: 0.07592861
> cat("Linear Regression MAPE:", linear_mape, "%\n")
Linear Regression MAPE: Inf %
```

04 – Linear Regression Models

Multiple Linear Regression

```
# Multiple Regression
multiple_model <- lm(AQI.Value ~ CO.AQI.Value + Ozone.AQI.Value + NO2.AQI.Value + Vehicles, data = merged_data_cleaned)
```

```
> cat("Multiple Regression Summary:\n")
Multiple Regression Summary:
> summary(multiple_model)

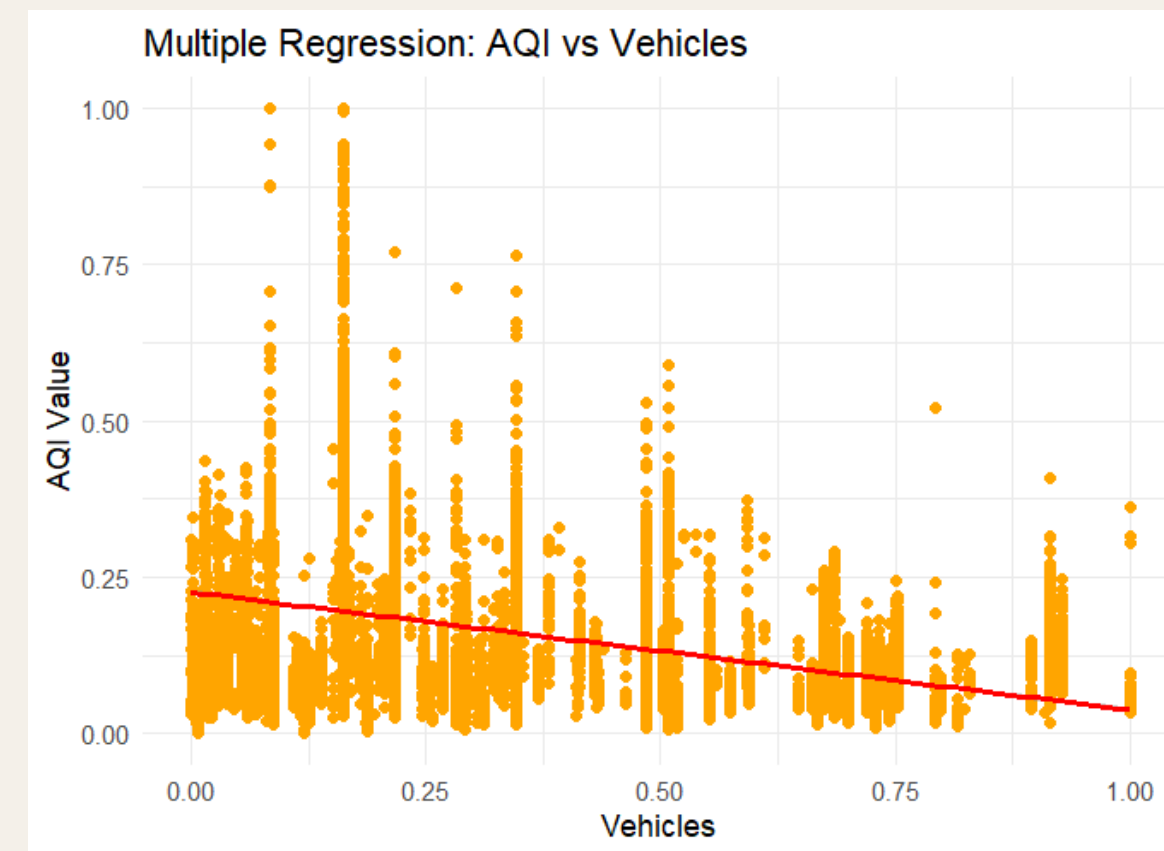
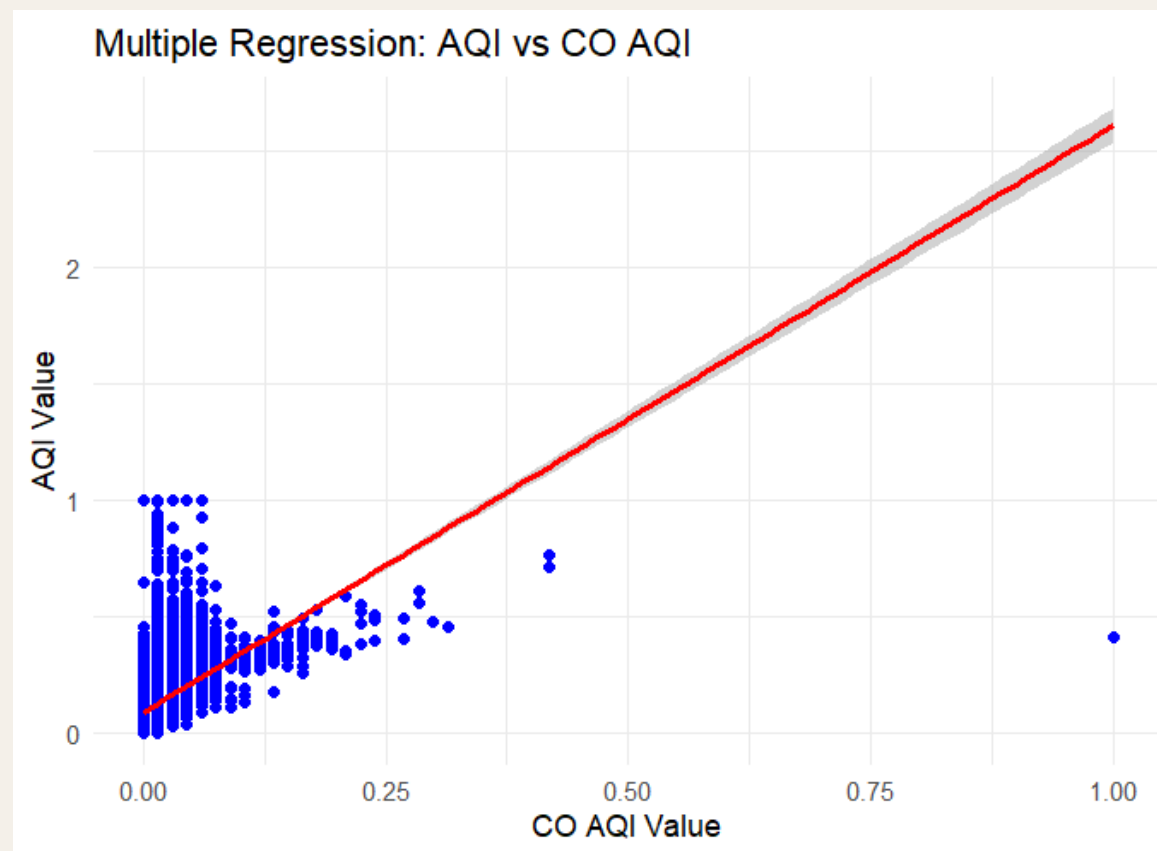
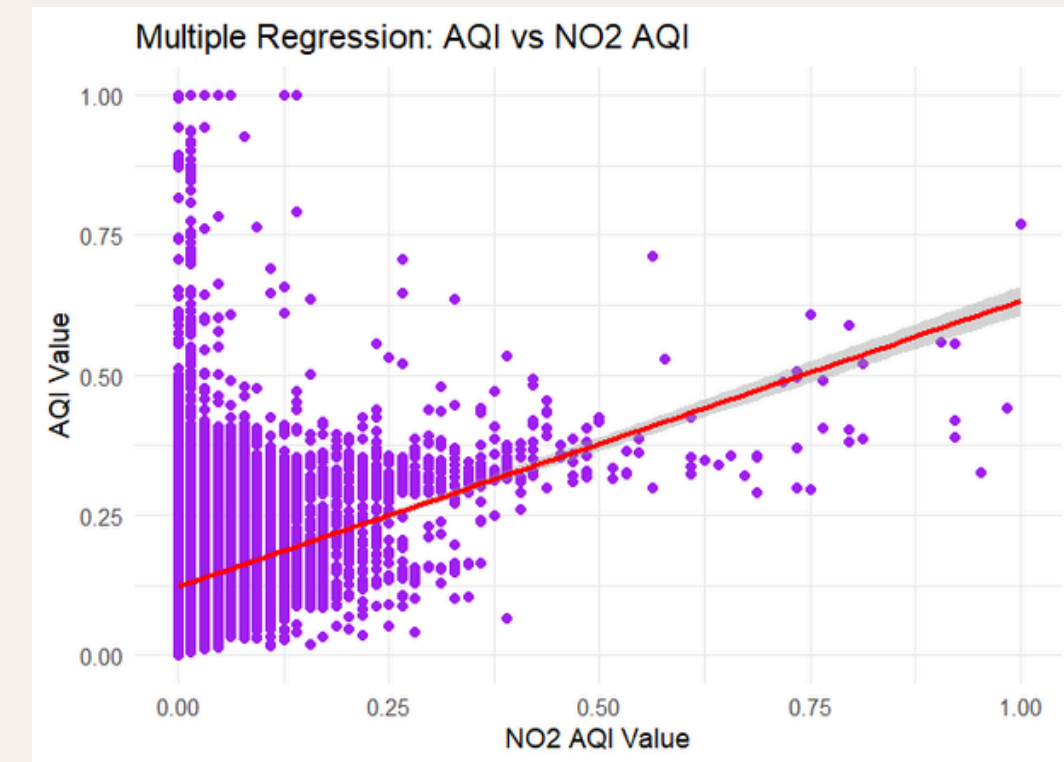
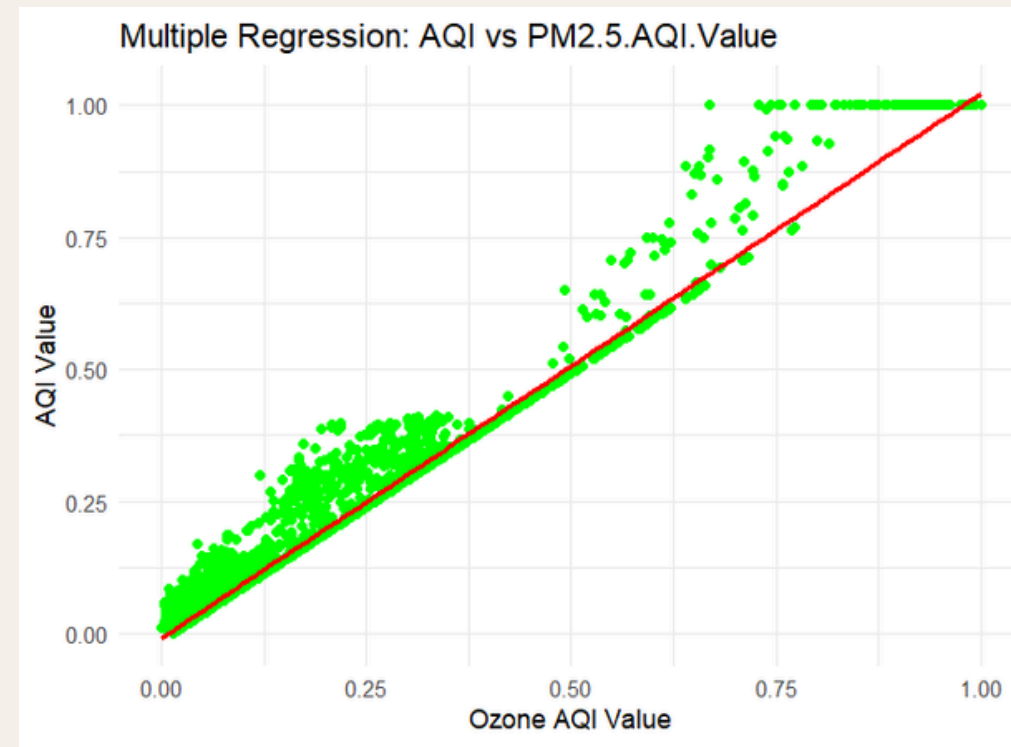
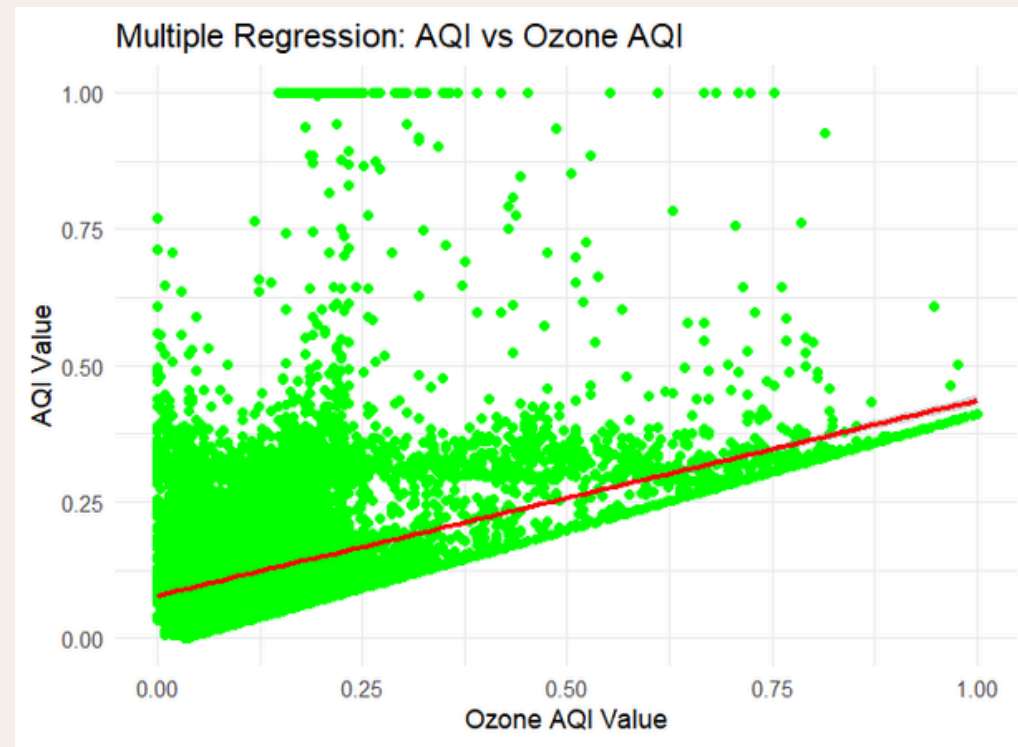
Call:
lm(formula = AQI.Value ~ CO.AQI.Value + Ozone.AQI.Value + NO2.AQI.Value +
    Vehicles, data = merged_data_cleaned)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-0.58603 -0.04357 -0.01718  0.01797  0.85405

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)    0.123828   0.001872   66.14  <2e-16 ***
CO.AQI.Value    0.681102   0.049821   13.67  <2e-16 ***
Ozone.AQI.Value  0.318839   0.005445   58.56  <2e-16 ***
NO2.AQI.Value   0.440345   0.015828   27.82  <2e-16 ***
Vehicles       -0.153368   0.002761  -55.55  <2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 0.09458 on 17190 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.4213,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.4211
F-statistic: 3128 on 4 and 17190 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Multiple Linear Regression



Further Analysis

Simple Linear Regression: AQI vs PM2.5.AQI.Value

```
# Linear Regression: AQI vs PM2.5.AQI.Value
linear_model <- lm(AQI.Value ~ PM2.5.AQI.Value, data = merged_data_cleaned)
```

```
Linear Regression Summary:
> summary(linear_model)

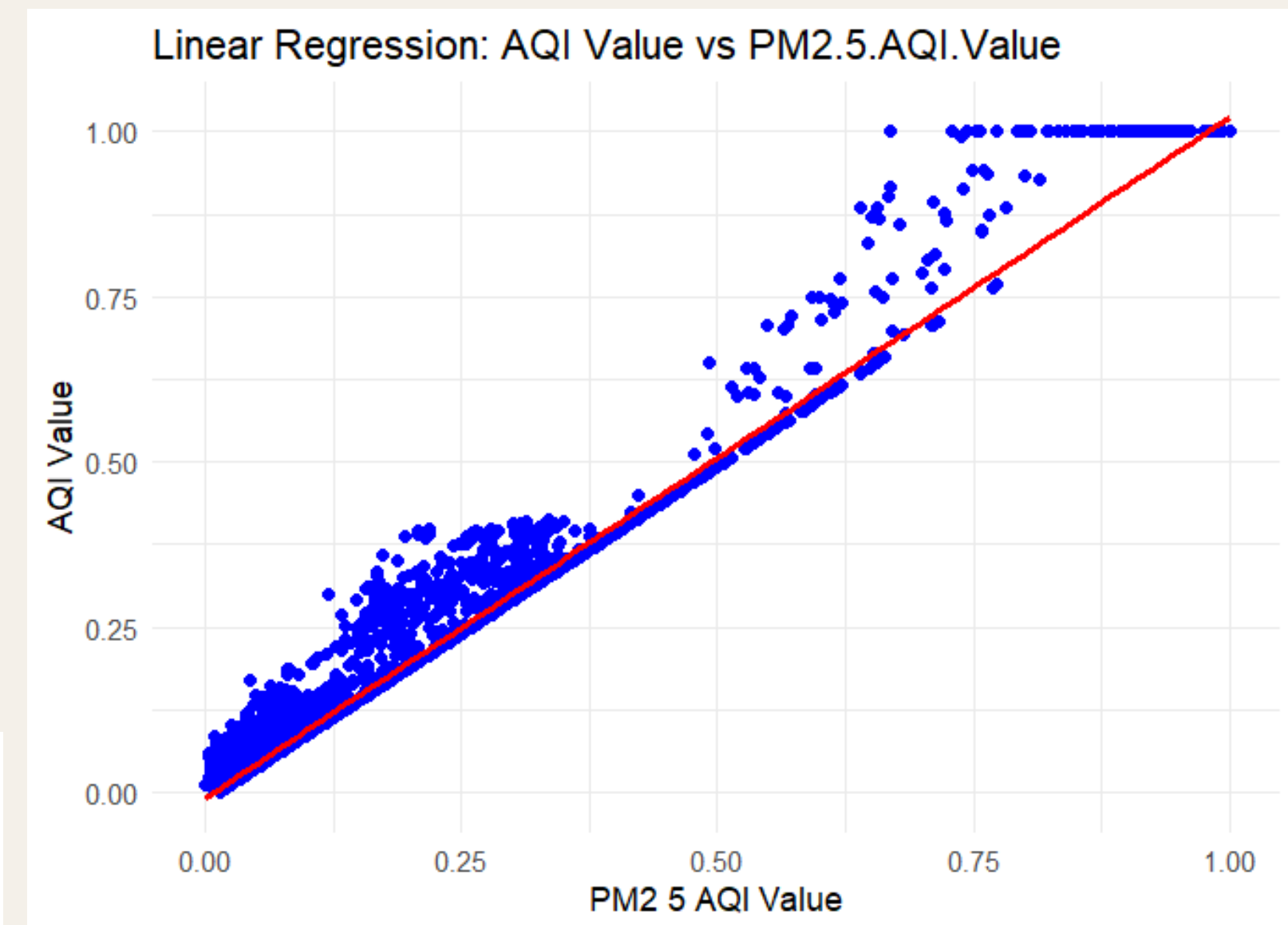
Call:
lm(formula = AQI.Value ~ PM2.5.AQI.Value, data = merged_data_cleaned)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-0.02165 -0.00754 -0.00667 -0.00576  0.32064

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) -0.0093419  0.0002554  -36.58  <2e-16 ***
PM2.5.AQI.Value  1.0309961  0.0013530  762.01  <2e-16 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

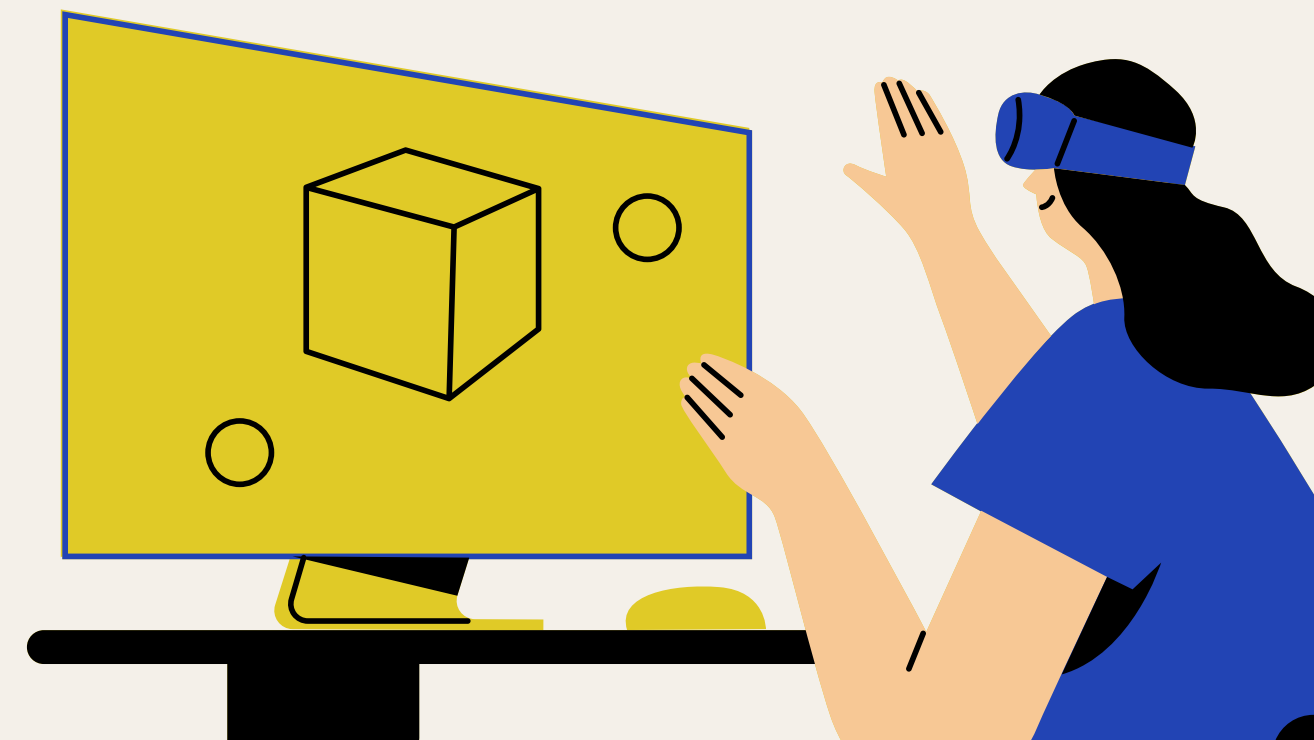
Residual standard error: 0.02108 on 17193 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.9712,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.9712
F-statistic: 5.807e+05 on 1 and 17193 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

```
> cat("Linear Regression RMSE:", linear_rmse, "\n")
Linear Regression RMSE: 0.02108051
> cat("Linear Regression MAE:", linear_mae, "\n")
Linear Regression MAE: 0.01196818
```



05 - Tableau

Access Tableau



06 – Conclusion

Our analysis reveals that while vehicle density does not directly impact AQI, PM2.5 is a significant contributor to poor air quality. Addressing PM2.5 emissions is vital and can be achieved by promoting renewable energy, adopting electric vehicles, enhancing urban planning with green spaces and efficient public transport, enforcing stricter industrial regulations, and raising public awareness on reducing pollution. These steps collectively pave the way for a healthier and more sustainable environment.

