# Instructions

You work for *Motor Trend*, a magazine about the automobile industry. Looking at a data set of a collection of cars, they are interested in exploring the relationship between a set of variables and miles per gallon (MPG) (outcome). They are particularly interested in the following two questions:

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

#### Review criteria

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### Criteria

- 1. Did the student interpret the coefficients correctly?
- 2. Did the student do some exploratory data analyses?
- 3. Did the student fit multiple models and detail their strategy for model selection?
- 4. Did the student answer the questions of interest or detail why the question(s) is (are) not answerable?
- 5. Did the student do a residual plot and some diagnostics?
- 6. Did the student quantify the uncertainty in their conclusions and/or perform an inference correctly?
- 7. Was the report brief (about 2 pages long) for the main body of the report and no longer than 5 with supporting appendix of figures?
- 8. Did the report include an executive summary?
- 9. Was the report done in Rmd (knitr)?

### Question

Take the mtcars data set and write up an analysis to answer their question using regression models and exploratory data analyses.

Your report must be:

- Written as a PDF printout of a compiled (using knitr) R markdown document.
- Brief. Roughly the equivalent of 2 pages or less for the main text. Supporting figures in an appendix can be included up to 5 total pages including the 2 for the main report. The appendix can only include figures.
- Include a first paragraph executive summary.

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