SECONDHAND CARS RESELLING PRICE ANALYSIS

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INTRODUCTION

Data analysis is the process of cleaning, analyzing, and interpreting data to inform decision-making and discover competitive advantages for your business. This is done using traditional statistical methods, AI, machine learning and more in order to gain understanding about the data selected.

Most commonly institutions/companies use data analysis to gain a better understanding on their internal products, process, markets, customers etc. Nowadays, data analysis extremely effective and act as a useful coach to understand the where the company was and what should be done to develop the for success and also to identify on failures in past.

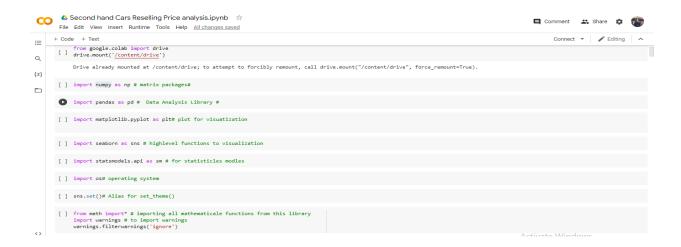
In this report, my effort is to elaborate the process of analyzing a sample data bank using data analyzing tools and techniques. For this I have selected data sample "Second hand Cars Reselling Price" which is abstracted from "kaggle".

METHODOLOGY

To analyze the sample data analyzing tool and technique like python and regression analysis has been used while python libraries such as numpy, pandas, matplotlib, seaborn, statsmodels have been used in support of creating applications and models in a variety of fields. Google Colab version has been used to write and execute python codes.

IMPORTING LIBRARIES

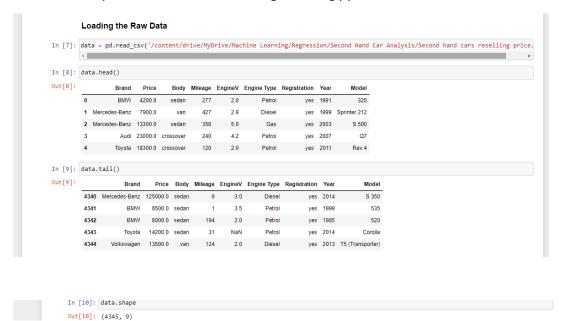
First step is to installing the Libraries to the google Colab notebook as mentioned below.



IMPLEMENTATION

Loading the Raw data

Data can be imported to the notebook using following python code.



After inspecting data set it is understood that the data sample is quite a big with about 4500 rows. As we need to analyze the price of the second hand car, the regression analysis is used as the evaluating technique while price has been the independent variable. The depending variables are,

1. Brand:

The BMW car will be expensive than the Toyota.

2. Mileage:

The greater the mileage the expensive the car.

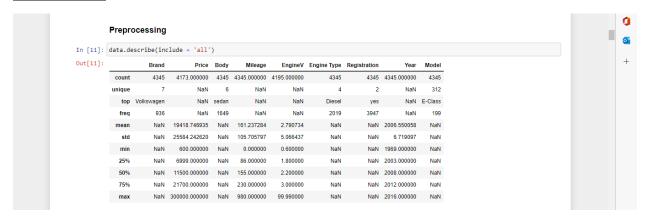
3. EngineV:

The greater the engine volume the expensive the car. As sports cars are expensive than the family car.

4. Year :

The older the car the cheap its price.

Preprocessing



From above figure descriptive statistics, it is identified that there are some missing values in the data set. To check them following code is used.

Above figure shows that there are some missing values in the columns "Prics-172" and "EngineV-150". To remove unwanted data following code will be used,

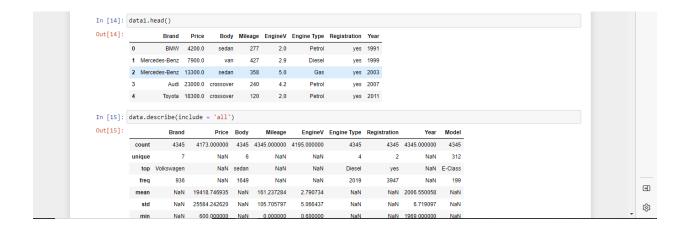
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In [13]: data1 = data.drop(['Model'] , axis = 1)
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In order drop the data from the table it is required two arguments, those are the row/column we want to drop and its axis. Axis = 0 means row and axis = 1 means column.

Here, we are considering dropping the column 'Model' as it is not significant for our analysis and can create huge variability in this analysis due to large number of unique values.



Here as we have two columns with missing values and as the number of missing values is less than 5% compared to total number of rows, we must drop the rows with the missing values in these columns.

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In [16]: data_no_mv = data1.dropna(axis = θ)

In [17]: data_no_mv.isnull().sum()

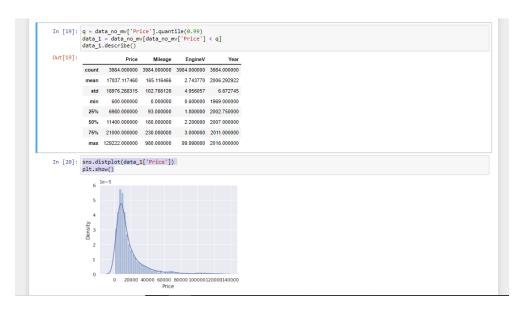
Out[17]: Brand θ
Price θ
Body θ
Mileage θ
EngineV θ
Engine Type θ
Registration θ
Year θ
dtype: int64
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As per above figure now there is no any missing values.

Dealing with outliers

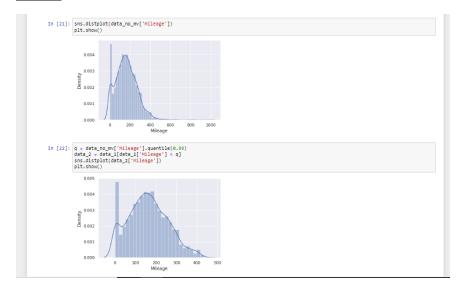


From above figure, we can say that the prices are distributed with a positive skewness. This would create problem in our regression. SO, we need to remove the outliers. To remove outliers, it is used quantile method keeping the 99 percentile values of the prices from our data.

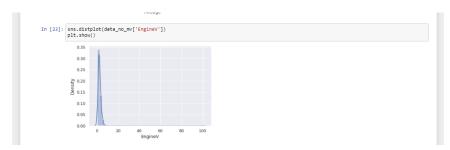


After removing outliers, we can still observe the skewness in our PDF for Prices, but this is something which can not be ignored now. So, need to deal with other variables too to progress the analysis.

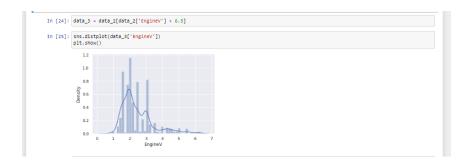
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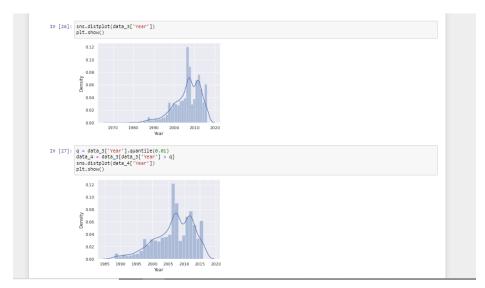
EngineV

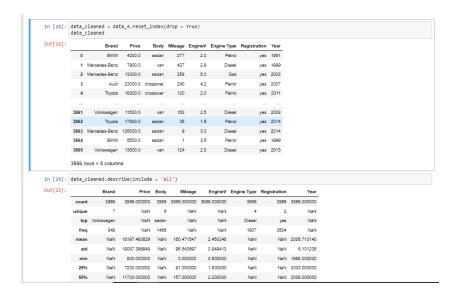


As we can observed, there are huge outliers in the 'EngineV' column. By observing the data manually, it is understood that a column has some values equal to 99.99. This is due to fill up the null cells with these values. But, in general the value of the engine volume of a car cannot be more than 6.5 or less than 0.6. So, we must deal with this. Following figure show how to deal with that.



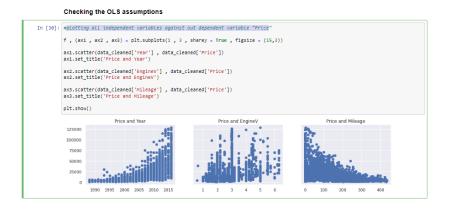
<u>Year</u>



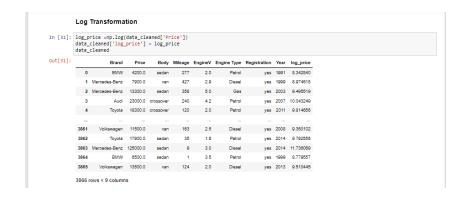


Checking the OLS assumptions

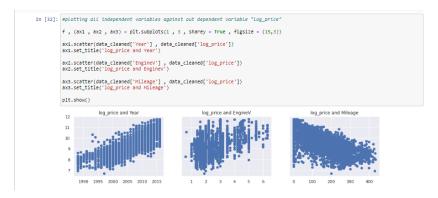
Scatter polot will be used to plotting all independent variables against out dependent variable i.e "Price".



As we can identify in above scatter plots there is a linear relationship between the dependent and the independent variables of our data. To ensure the data best fit for the linear regression model, we should transform our data to get a linear relationship between the dependent and the independent variables.



Now the patterns are more linear.



Removing Multicollinearity

To identify multicollinearity following method is followed,

From the data frame it is understood that year has got lots of multicollinearity. So to remove that following code is used.

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In [36]: data_no_multicollinearity = data_cleaned.drop(['Year'] , axis = 1)

In [37]: data_no_multicollinearity.head()

Out[37]: Brand Body Mileage EngineV Engine Type Registration log_price

0 BMW sedan 277 2.0 Petrol yes 8.342840

1 Mercedes-Benz van 427 2.0 Diesel yes 8.378018

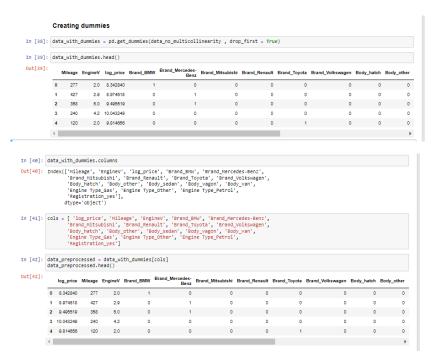
2 Mercedes-Benz sedan 358 5.0 Gas yes 0.405519

3 Aud crossover 240 4.2 Petrol yes 10.043249

4 Toyota oressover 240 4.2 Petrol yes 0.914050
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Creating dummies

Our data set is mix with numerical and categorical data so in order to turn them in to completely numerical, need to create dummies for all the categorical data. accordingly re-arrange the columns to make our data frame a neat one.

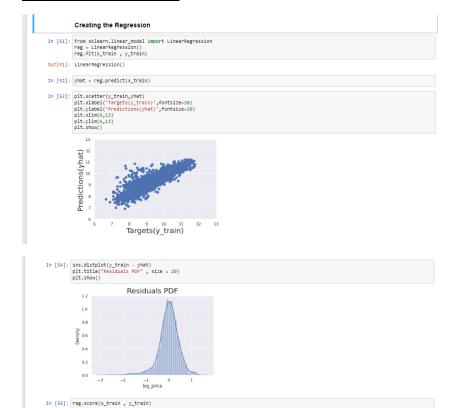


Scaling the data



Creating the Regression

Out[55]: 0.7451494225273487



Conclusion

After analyzing above data through linear regression model, it is understood that the model used is fitted with the data set and predicts fairly good correct values. However, overall, it's not an outstanding model and this is always a trail and test method. Hence, the more our model is tested, the more perfect it becomes.

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