

Exploratory data analysis, principal component analysis and linear regression with R

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In this notebook, we will conduct an exploratory data analysis and linear regression with R using the Walmart sales data set from this Kaggle link (<https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/yasserh/walmart-dataset?select=Walmart.csv>). For that let's load the important libraries for data analysis. Here we will use *pacman* package for managing add on packages. If the packages already exist, it will load them, otherwise it will download and load the packages.

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#use require() or library() to load the base packages
require(pacman) # gives a confirmation message
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Loading required package: pacman
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library(pacman) # load the package, but no confirmation message
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# We can load all these packages at at time which are commonly used
pacman::p_load(pacman, dplyr, GGally, ggplot2, ggthemes,
  ggvis, httr, lubridate, plotly, rio, rmarkdown, shiny,
  stringr, tidyr)
# you can install the packages independently via " install.packages("package_name")
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Now let's read in the Walmart dataset and conduct some exploratory data analysis and visualizations. We will utilize the *import* function from *rio* library to import files like csv, xlsx, txt, etc. Other wise we need to use specific functions like *read.csv*, *read.table*, etc.

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```
data1 <- import('.././datasets/Walmart.csv') # specify the path location

# Alternatively we could also use the read.csv(filepath, header = True) option
#data1 = read.csv('.././datasets/Walmart.csv', header = TRUE)
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# display the first 20 entries of the data
head(data1,20)
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	Store	Date	Weekly_Sales	Holiday_Flag	Temperature	Fuel_Price	CPI	Unemployment
	<int>	<chr>	<dbl>	<int>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>	<dbl>
1	1	05-02-2010	1643691	0	42.31	2.572	211.0964	8.106
2	1	12-02-2010	1641957	1	38.51	2.548	211.2422	8.106
3	1	19-02-2010	1611968	0	39.93	2.514	211.2891	8.106
4	1	26-02-2010	1409728	0	46.63	2.561	211.3196	8.106
5	1	05-03-2010	1554807	0	46.50	2.625	211.3501	8.106
6	1	12-03-2010	1439542	0	57.79	2.667	211.3806	8.106

7	1	19-03-2010	1472516	0	54.58	2.720	211.2156	8.106
8	1	26-03-2010	1404430	0	51.45	2.732	211.0180	8.106
9	1	02-04-2010	1594968	0	62.27	2.719	210.8204	7.808
10	1	09-04-2010	1545419	0	65.86	2.770	210.6229	7.808
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# dimension of the dataset
dim(data1)
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[1] 6435      8
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The dataset has 6435 rows and 8 columns which correspond to the following attribute

- Store - the store number
- Date - the week of sales
- Weekly_Sales - sales for the given store
- Holiday_Flag - whether the week is a special holiday week 1 – Holiday week 0 – Non-holiday week
- Temperature - Temperature on the day of sale
- Fuel_Price - Cost of fuel in the region
- CPI – Prevailing consumer price index
- Unemployment - Prevailing unemployment rate
- Holiday Events
 Super Bowl: 12-Feb-10, 11-Feb-11, 10-Feb-12, 8-Feb-13
 Labour Day: 10-Sep-10, 9-Sep-11, 7-Sep-12, 6-Sep-13
 Thanksgiving: 26-Nov-10, 25-Nov-11, 23-Nov-12, 29-Nov-13
 Christmas: 31-Dec-10, 30-Dec-11, 28-Dec-12, 27-Dec-13

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summary(data1)
```
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```
 Store Date Weekly_Sales Holiday_Flag Temperature Fuel_Price
Min. : 1 Length:6435 Min. : 209986 Min. :0.00000 Min. : -2.06 Min. :2.472
1st Qu.:12 Class :character 1st Qu.: 553350 1st Qu.:0.00000 1st Qu.: 47.46 1st Qu.:2.933
Median :23 Mode :character Median : 960746 Median :0.00000 Median : 62.67 Median :3.445
Mean :23 Mean :1046965 Mean :0.06993 Mean : 60.66 Mean :3.359
3rd Qu.:34 3rd Qu.:1420159 3rd Qu.:0.00000 3rd Qu.: 74.94 3rd Qu.:3.735
Max. :45 Max. :3818686 Max. :1.00000 Max. :100.14 Max. :4.468

 CPI Unemployment
Min. :126.1 Min. : 3.879
1st Qu.:131.7 1st Qu.: 6.891
Median :182.6 Median : 7.874
Mean :171.6 Mean : 7.999
3rd Qu.:212.7 3rd Qu.: 8.622
Max. :227.2 Max. :14.313
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Since it is little bit cluttered, let's take a look at the weekly sales column.

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```
summary(data1$Weekly_Sales)
```

Min. 1st Qu. Median Mean 3rd Qu. Max.
209986 553350 960746 1046965 1420159 3818686

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# Let's get the unique store values  
unique(data1$Store)
```

[1] 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35
36 37
[38] 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45

So there are 45 Walmart stores in this data set. We need to aggregate the data by store number and add the weekly sales to see if certain stores have more sales compared to others. In order to do this, we will utilize the *group_by* function from dplyr library. Let's group the data by store number and store the sum of weekly sales into another data frame, gdf.

'%>%' is used to combine different functions in R.

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```
gdf <- data1 %>% group_by(data1$Store) %>%  
  summarise(Total_sales = sum(Weekly_Sales))  
gdf
```

| data1\$Store
<int> | Total_sales
<dbl> |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 222402809 |
| 2 | 275382441 |
| 3 | 57586735 |
| 4 | 299543953 |
| 5 | 45475689 |
| 6 | 223756131 |
| 7 | 81598275 |
| 8 | 129951181 |
| 9 | 77789219 |
| 10 | 271617714 |

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# plot the sales as a function of store number  
plot(gdf, col = 'blue', type = 'h', pch = 19, main = "Total Sales", xlab = "Store Number", ylab= "Sales")
```



As we can see, some of the stores have higher cumulative sales compared to others and this could be a regional factor as well. Now let's see how the sales change as a function of date for a single store, e.g. store 1. For this we will use the *plot_ly* tool in the *plotly* library.

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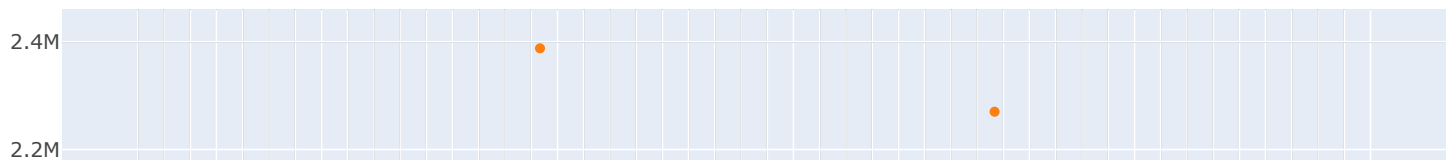
```
#plot the sales as a function of the date as well
fig <- plot_ly(data1, type = 'scatter', mode = 'markers')%>%
  add_trace(x = data1$Date[data1$Store == 1], y = data1$Weekly_Sales[data1$Store == 1])%>%
  layout(showlegend = F)
fig <- fig %>%
  layout(
    xaxis = list(zerolinecolor = '#ffff',
                  zerolinewidth = 2,
                  gridcolor = 'ffff'),
    yaxis = list(zerolinecolor = '#ffff',
                  zerolinewidth = 2,
                  gridcolor = 'ffff'),
    plot_bgcolor='#e5ecf6', width = 900)
```

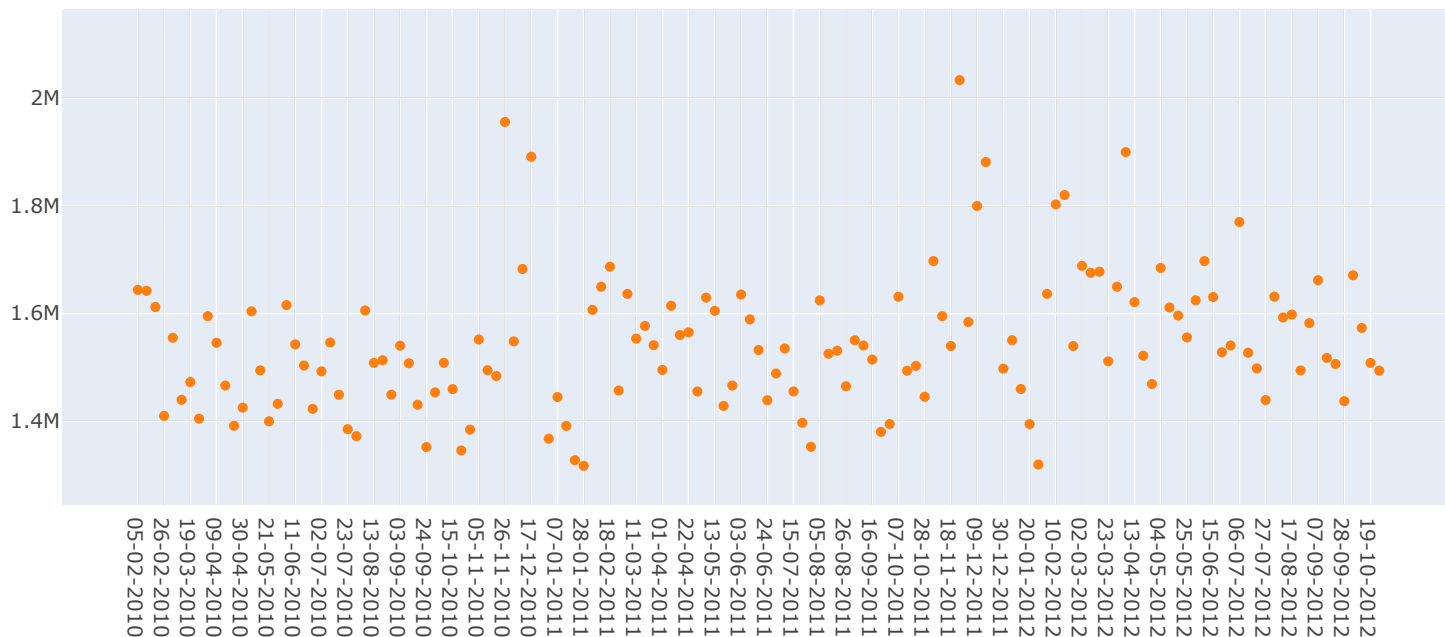
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Interesting there is a spike in the weekly sales during the time between Thanksgiving and Christmas in 2010 and 2011. For that we will group the data by date. Let's plot the same for all stores here.

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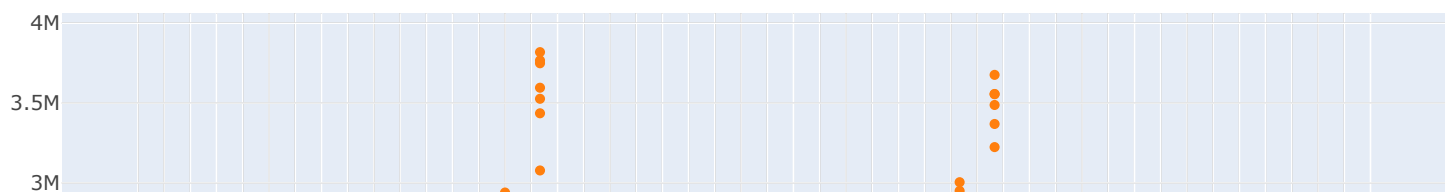
```
#plot the sales as a function of the date as well
fig <- plot_ly(data1, type = 'scatter', mode = 'markers')%>%
  add_trace(x = data1$Date, y = data1$Weekly_Sales)%>%
  layout(showlegend = F)
fig <- fig %>%
  layout(
    xaxis = list(zerolinecolor = '#ffff',
                  zerolinewidth = 2,
                  gridcolor = 'ffff'),
    yaxis = list(zerolinecolor = '#ffff',
                  zerolinewidth = 2,
                  gridcolor = 'ffff'),
    plot_bgcolor='#e5ecf6', width = 900)
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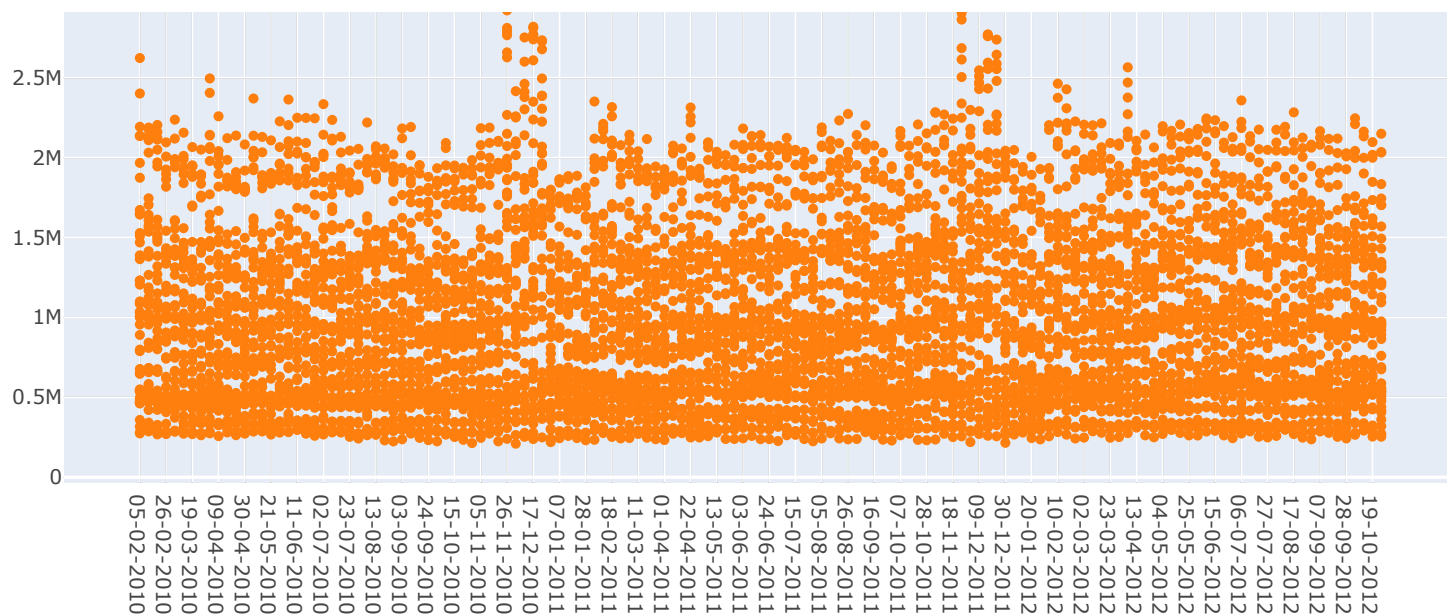
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If we look at the holiday events,

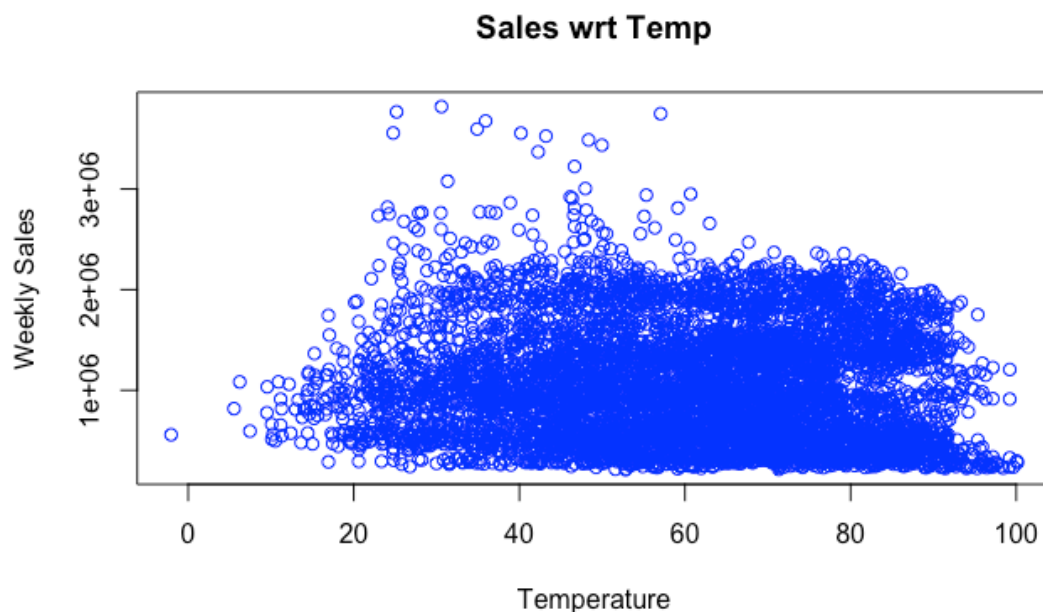
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- Labour Day: 10-Sep-10, 9-Sep-11, 7-Sep-12, 6-Sep-13
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- Christmas: 31-Dec-10, 30-Dec-11, 28-Dec-12, 27-Dec-13

We can clearly see an increase in Sales during the holiday season and it always reaches a peak during the time between Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Let's make a scatter plot of Weekly sales and temperature.

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plot( data$Temperature, data$Weekly_Sales, col = 'blue', main = 'Sales wrt Temp', ylab = "Weekly Sales", xlab = "Temperature")
```



The Weekly sales and temperature seems to be not correlate with each other. Let' make do some more plotting in subplots format to look for correlations using the plotly library

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```
#Initialize figures
fig1 <- plot_ly(x = data1$Holiday_Flag, y = data1$Weekly_Sales, type = 'scatter', name = 'holiday', mode = 'markers') %>%
  layout(xaxis = list(title = 'Holiday Flag'), yaxis = list(title = 'Weekly Sales'))

fig2 <- plot_ly(x = data1$Fuel_Price, y = data1$Weekly_Sales, type = 'scatter', name = 'Fuel', mode = 'markers') %>%
  layout(xaxis = list(title = 'Fuel Price'), yaxis = list(title = 'Weekly Sales'))

fig3 <- plot_ly(x = data1$CPI, y = data1$Weekly_Sales, type = 'scatter', name = 'CPI', mode = 'markers') %>%
  layout(xaxis = list(title = 'CPI'), yaxis = list(title = 'Weekly Sales'))

fig4 <- plot_ly(x = data1$Unemployment, y = data1$Weekly_Sales, type = 'scatter', name = 'Unemployment', mode = 'markers') %>%
  layout(xaxis = list(title = 'Unemployment'), yaxis = list(title = 'Weekly Sales'))

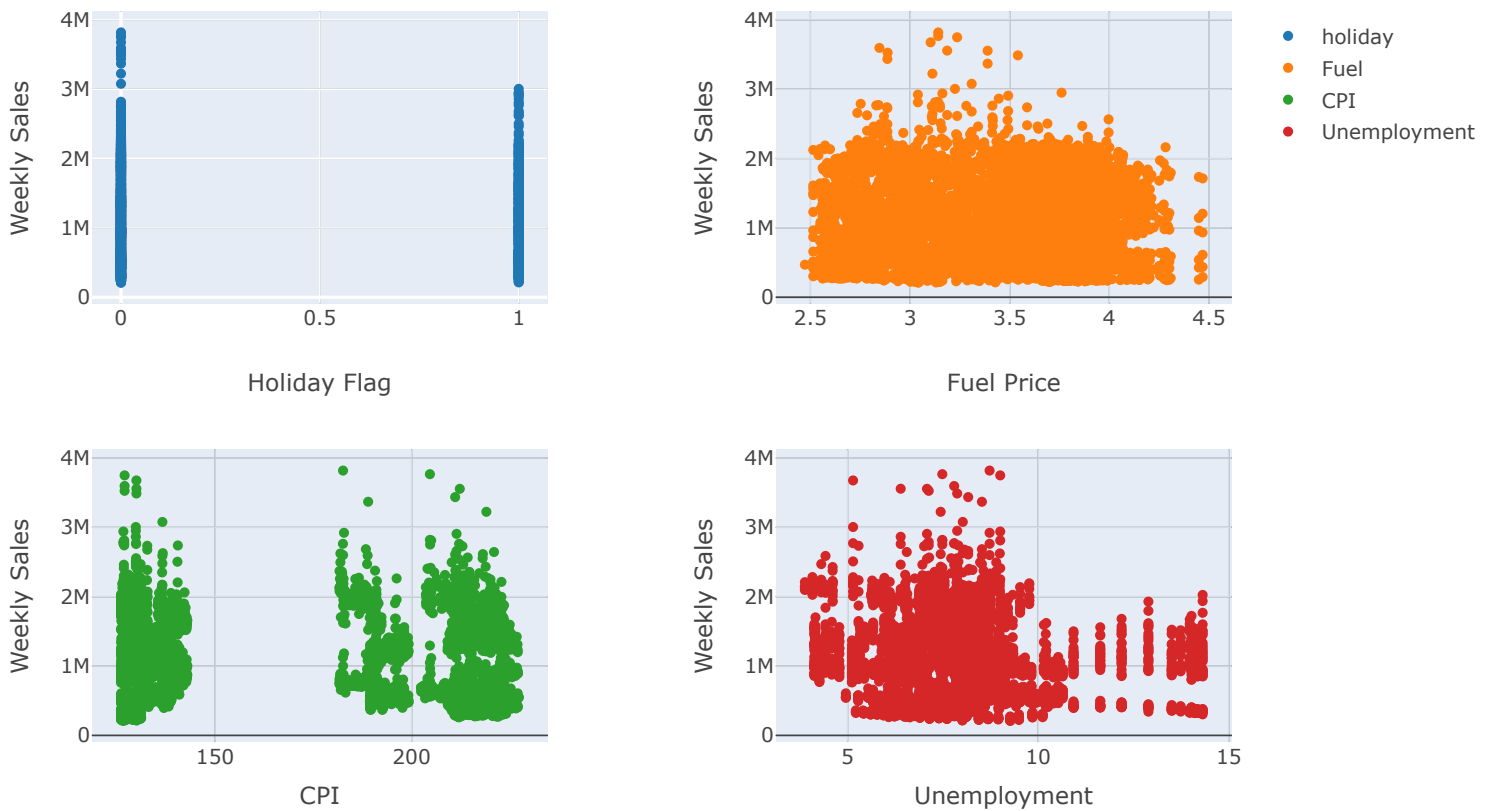
#creating subplot
fig <- subplot(fig1, fig2, fig3, fig4, nrows = 2, titleY = TRUE, titleX = TRUE, margin = 0.1 )
fig <- fig %>%layout(title = 'Weekly Sales wrt Different Factors',
  plot_bgcolor='#e5ecf6',
  xaxis = list(
    zerolinecolor = '#ffff',
    zerolinewidth = 2,
    gridcolor = 'ffff'),
  yaxis = list(
    zerolinecolor = '#ffff',
    zerolinewidth = 2,
    gridcolor = 'ffff'), autosize = F, width = 900, height = 500)
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Weekly Sales wrt Different Factors



As we can see the weekly sales is not directly correlated with holiday flag, fuel price, CPI. The weekly sales goes down as the unemployment rates go up.

From our primary exploratory data analysis, what we can understand is that the Weekly sales mainly depend on the holiday time and the geographical location/store number in this data set. Also, the Sales are better during lower unemployment index.

Cleaning the data

Let' see if the data has any missing values or Nan values before modeling the data. We will use the *filter* function to filter missing/Nan values and use the *mutate* to replace the bad values.

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```
data1 %>%
  summarise(count = sum(is.na(data1)))
```

count

<int>

0

1 row

This data was taken from Kaggle and does not contain any NA/Nan values. But we could introduce some Nan values and clean the data set.

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```
data1[5,5] <- NA
data1[9,5] <- NaN
head(data1, 10)
```

| | Store | Date | Weekly_Sales | Holiday_Flag | Temperature | Fuel_Price | CPI | Unemployment |
|----|-------|------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------|----------|--------------|
| | <int> | <chr> | <dbl> | <int> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> |
| 1 | 1 | 05-02-2010 | 1643691 | 0 | 42.31 | 2.572 | 211.0964 | 8.106 |
| 2 | 1 | 12-02-2010 | 1641957 | 1 | 38.51 | 2.548 | 211.2422 | 8.106 |
| 3 | 1 | 19-02-2010 | 1611968 | 0 | 39.93 | 2.514 | 211.2891 | 8.106 |
| 4 | 1 | 26-02-2010 | 1409728 | 0 | 46.63 | 2.561 | 211.3196 | 8.106 |
| 5 | 1 | 05-03-2010 | 1554807 | 0 | NA | 2.625 | 211.3501 | 8.106 |
| 6 | 1 | 12-03-2010 | 1439542 | 0 | 57.79 | 2.667 | 211.3806 | 8.106 |
| 7 | 1 | 19-03-2010 | 1472516 | 0 | 54.58 | 2.720 | 211.2156 | 8.106 |
| 8 | 1 | 26-03-2010 | 1404430 | 0 | 51.45 | 2.732 | 211.0180 | 8.106 |
| 9 | 1 | 02-04-2010 | 1594968 | 0 | NaN | 2.719 | 210.8204 | 7.808 |
| 10 | 1 | 09-04-2010 | 1545419 | 0 | 65.86 | 2.770 | 210.6229 | 7.808 |

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Now let’s try again for NA/NaN values. *is.na* would check for both NA and NaN values while *is.nan* will only check for NaN values.

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```
data1 %>%
  summarise(count = sum(is.na(data1)))
```

| | count |
|--|-------|
| | <int> |
| | 2 |

1 row

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```
#is.nan requires a list of data
data1 %>%
  summarise(count = sum(is.nan(data1$Temperature)))
```

| | count |
|--|-------|
| | <int> |
| | 1 |

1 row

Let’s replace the NA/NaNs with the median values in the data set.

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```
data1 <- data1 %>%  
  mutate(Temperature = replace(Temperature, is.na(Temperature), median(Temperature, na.rm = TRUE)))  
head(data1, 10)
```

| | Store
<int> | Date
<chr> | Weekly_Sales
<dbl> | Holiday_Flag
<int> | Temperature
<dbl> | Fuel_Price
<dbl> | CPI
<dbl> | Unemployment
<dbl> |
|----|----------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | 1 | 05-02-2010 | 1643691 | 0 | 42.31 | 2.572 | 211.0964 | 8.106 |
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Preprocessing

Before modeling the data, we need to convert the dates into a more meaning full numbers. In our case, rather than converting days into some numbers, we need it as a cyclic variable going from 1-365 as our sales are a function of different time of an year, especially the holiday time. Let's write a function to do that.

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```
#defining a function to convert the dates into day in a year
date_to_number <- function(dates){
  num_date <- c()
  #print(length(num_date))
  for (i in seq(1:length(dates))){
    date <- dates[i]
    d <- strtoi(substr(date, 1, 2), 10) # getting the string values and converting to integers, using base 10 here.
    m <- strtoi(substr(date, 4, 5), 10)
    y <- strtoi(substr(date, 7, 10), 10)

    num_date <- append(num_date, m*30 + d)

    #cat(i, date, num_date[[i]], "\n")
  }
  return (num_date)
}

new_dates <- date_to_number(data1$Date)
#print(new_dates)

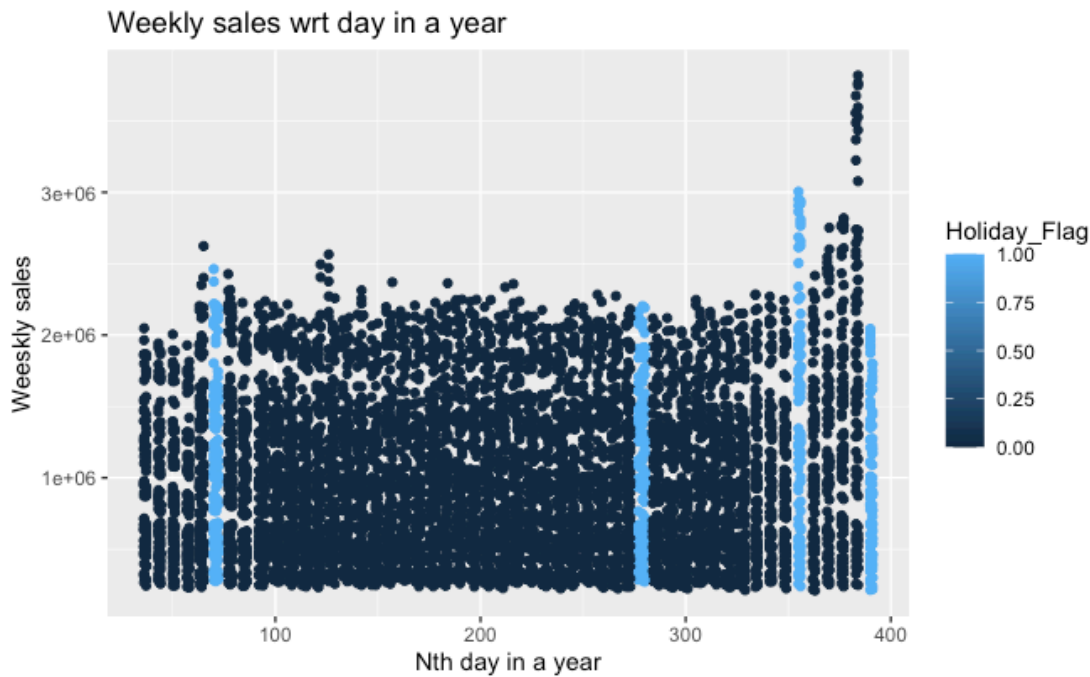
# add the new date numbers to the dataframe
data1 <- data1 %>%
  mutate(date_number = new_dates)
head(data1,6)
```

| Store | Date | Weekly_Sales | Holiday_Flag | Temperature | Fuel_Price | CPI | Unemployment |
|-------|--------------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------|----------|--------------|
| <int> | <chr> | <dbl> | <int> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> | <dbl> |
| 1 | 1 05-02-2010 | 1643691 | 0 | 42.31 | 2.572 | 211.0964 | 8.106 |
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| 5 | 1 05-03-2010 | 1554807 | 0 | 62.68 | 2.625 | 211.3501 | 8.106 |
| 6 | 1 12-03-2010 | 1439542 | 0 | 57.79 | 2.667 | 211.3806 | 8.106 |

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```
# Now let's make a plot using ggplot to plot the sales as a function of the new date numbers we created
ggplot(data = data1, mapping = aes(y = Weekly_Sales, x = date_number, color = Holiday_Flag)) + geom_point() +
labs(title = "Weekly sales wrt day in a year", x = "Nth day in a year", y = "Weekly sales")
```



One interesting thing to note here is that, some of the high sales time between after Thanksgiving and before Christmas has been marked as not a holiday flag which might affect the modeling of the data.

Correlation calculation

Let's build a correlation matrix first using the Pearson correlation coefficient.

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```
data_new <- data1[-2] # removing the dates column
head(data_new)
```

| | Store
<int> | Weekly_Sales
<dbl> | Holiday_Flag
<int> | Temperature
<dbl> | Fuel_Price
<dbl> | CPI
<dbl> | Unemployment
<dbl> | date_number
<dbl> |
|--------|----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 1 | 1 | 1643691 | 0 | 42.31 | 2.572 | 211.0964 | 8.106 | 65 |
| 2 | 1 | 1641957 | 1 | 38.51 | 2.548 | 211.2422 | 8.106 | 72 |
| 3 | 1 | 1611968 | 0 | 39.93 | 2.514 | 211.2891 | 8.106 | 79 |
| 4 | 1 | 1409728 | 0 | 46.63 | 2.561 | 211.3196 | 8.106 | 86 |
| 5 | 1 | 1554807 | 0 | 62.68 | 2.625 | 211.3501 | 8.106 | 95 |
| 6 | 1 | 1439542 | 0 | 57.79 | 2.667 | 211.3806 | 8.106 | 102 |
| 6 rows | | | | | | | | |

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```
#use the cor function to get the correlation of features in the data frame
res = cor(data_new)
round(res,2)
```

| | Store | Weekly_Sales | Holiday_Flag | Temperature | Fuel_Price | CPI | Unemployment | date_number |
|--------------|-------|--------------|--------------|-------------|------------|-------|--------------|-------------|
| Store | 1.00 | -0.34 | 0.00 | -0.02 | 0.06 | -0.21 | 0.22 | 0.00 |
| Weekly_Sales | -0.34 | 1.00 | 0.04 | -0.06 | 0.01 | -0.07 | -0.11 | 0.07 |
| Holiday_Flag | 0.00 | 0.04 | 1.00 | -0.16 | -0.08 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.13 |
| Temperature | -0.02 | -0.06 | -0.16 | 1.00 | 0.14 | 0.18 | 0.10 | 0.24 |
| Fuel_Price | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.08 | 0.14 | 1.00 | -0.17 | -0.03 | -0.04 |
| CPI | -0.21 | -0.07 | 0.00 | 0.18 | -0.17 | 1.00 | -0.30 | 0.01 |
| Unemployment | 0.22 | -0.11 | 0.01 | 0.10 | -0.03 | -0.30 | 1.00 | -0.01 |
| date_number | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.13 | 0.24 | -0.04 | 0.01 | -0.01 | 1.00 |

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```
# Let's import the corrplot library for the visualization of the correlation
library(corrplot)
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corrplot 0.92 loaded
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corrplot(res, type = "full", order = "hclust",
         tl.col = "black", tl.srt = 45)
```



In this correlogram, the radius of the circle represent the correlation strength and the colors represents the positive/negative correlation. As we can see, for the weekly sales has some correlation with the store number and it weakly/not correlated with the rest of features.

Principal component analysis

Before modeling of the data, let's do principal component analysis (PCA) of the data for visualization and understand the correlation within the data set.

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```
# using prcomp function for PCA
pc <- prcomp(data_new,
              center = TRUE, # Centers means to 0 (optional)
              scale = TRUE)  # Sets unit variance (helpful)

# Get summary stats
summary(pc)
```

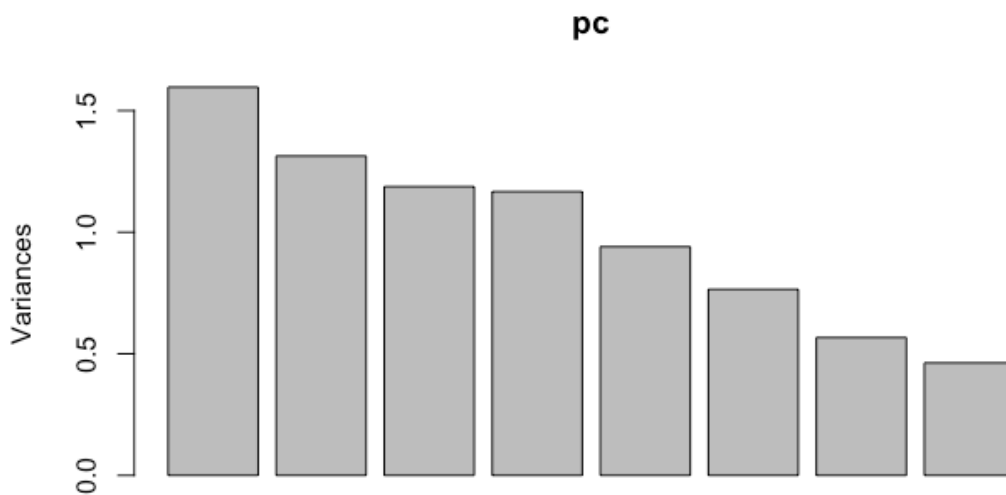
Importance of components:

| | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 | PC6 | PC7 | PC8 |
|------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Standard deviation | 1.2636 | 1.1461 | 1.0898 | 1.0803 | 0.9697 | 0.87475 | 0.75293 | 0.68023 |
| Proportion of Variance | 0.1996 | 0.1642 | 0.1484 | 0.1459 | 0.1176 | 0.09565 | 0.07086 | 0.05784 |
| Cumulative Proportion | 0.1996 | 0.3638 | 0.5122 | 0.6581 | 0.7756 | 0.87130 | 0.94216 | 1.00000 |

As you can see the variance is mostly spread out and the data is not much correlated.

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```
#Screeplot for number of components
plot(pc)
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```
# Get standard deviations and rotation
pc
```

Standard deviations (1, ..., p=8):

```
[1] 1.2636174 1.1460754 1.0897825 1.0802661 0.9697365 0.8747479 0.7529284 0.6802261
```

Rotation (n x k) = (8 x 8):

| | PC1 | PC2 | PC3 | PC4 | PC5 | PC6 | PC7 | PC8 |
|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Store | -0.58302714 | 0.06282082 | 0.1876872 | 0.1645521 | -0.23624741 | -0.32652943 | 0.65674624 | -0.008894007 |
| Weekly_Sales | 0.37061204 | -0.24412301 | -0.5807988 | -0.1815134 | 0.21885436 | -0.05564072 | 0.61394405 | -0.069684476 |
| Holiday_Flag | 0.04756473 | -0.31022505 | -0.1891669 | 0.5898542 | -0.45713176 | 0.51900724 | 0.07426895 | 0.184206619 |
| Temperature | 0.01940246 | 0.75361202 | -0.1550988 | 0.0101879 | 0.13179102 | 0.28400046 | 0.18263804 | 0.525500962 |
| Fuel_Price | -0.16554419 | 0.21550230 | -0.3006047 | -0.5389580 | -0.61367045 | 0.23289369 | -0.05610621 | -0.333670674 |
| CPI | 0.47216154 | 0.30498145 | 0.4688994 | 0.1664354 | -0.04469587 | 0.22873143 | 0.30464448 | -0.537920392 |
| Unemployment | -0.51150062 | 0.02703337 | -0.2094692 | 0.1523670 | 0.52771281 | 0.44046373 | -0.03216957 | -0.443868529 |
| date_number | 0.09007179 | 0.36345716 | -0.4620599 | 0.5005512 | -0.11349736 | -0.48958352 | -0.23641808 | -0.295411396 |

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See how cases load on PCs

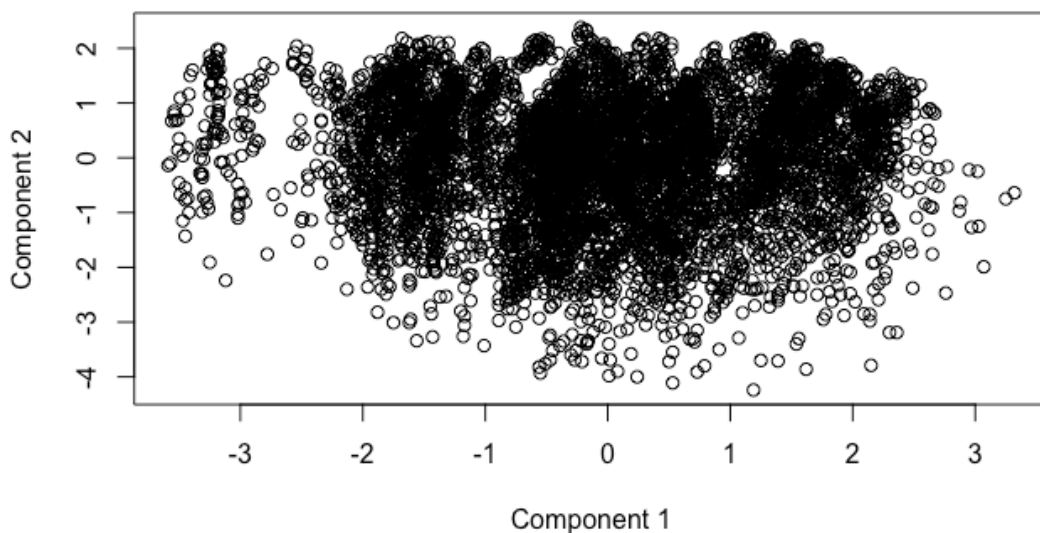
```
pre <- predict(pc) %>% round(2)
dim(pre)
```

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[1] 6435      8
```

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#plotting the first 2 components

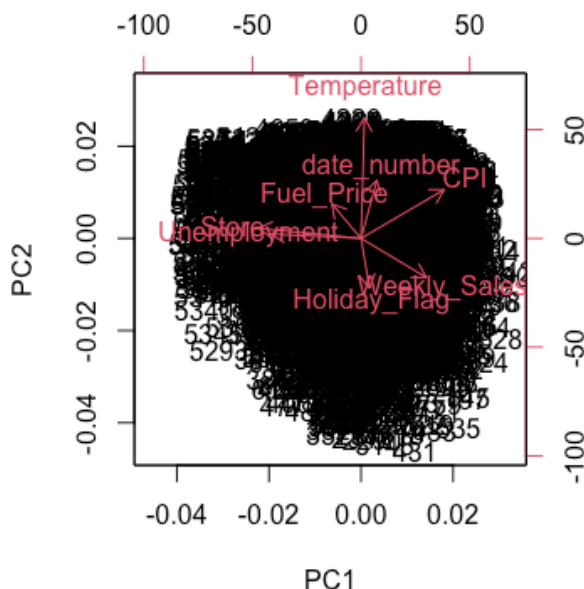
```
plot(pre[,1], pre[,2], xlab = "Component 1", ylab = "Component 2")
```



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Biplot of first two components

```
biplot(pc)
```



As you can see, the first 2 principal components only explain only 36% of the data and they don't have any linear correlation as well. Here in the biplot, length of vectors denote how much it has contributed to the component and $\cos(\text{angle between vectors})$ is proportional to the correlation between them. As you can see, the weekly sales and holiday flag are correlated.

Multivariate linear regression

Now let's do the multivariate modeling of the data. For that let's define the x and y data.

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```
# Let's shuffle the dataset before splitting
data_shuff <- data1[sample(1:nrow(data1)),]

# define x and y values
x = data_shuff[,c(-2, -3)]
x <- as.matrix(x)
y <- data_shuff$Weekly_Sales

# let's split the data into test, validation and test datasets with 70:20:10 ratio
# In total the dataset has 6435 rows
xtrain <- x[1:4504,]
ytrain <- y[1:4504]

xval <- x[4505:5792, ]
yval <- y[4505:5792]

xtest <- x[5793:6435,]
ytest <- y[5793:6435]
```

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```
# Now let's use a linear model on the test dataset first
reg_test <- lm(ytrain ~ xtrain)

reg_test # print the coefficients only
```



```
Call:
lm(formula = ytrain ~ xtrain)

Coefficients:
      (Intercept)      xtrainStore xtrainHoliday_Flag xtrainTemperature xtrainFuel_Price
      1913703      -15449      11643      -2114      15201
      xtrainCPI xtrainUnemployment xtraindate_number
      -2304      -18689      522
```

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```
summary(reg_test) # Inferential tests
```

```
Call:
lm(formula = ytrain ~ xtrain)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-1078640 -381087  -50982   378883  2578371

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)  1913702.51   91775.33   20.852 < 2e-16 ***
xtrainStore   -15449.14    622.81  -24.806 < 2e-16 ***
xtrainHoliday_Flag  11642.94   31222.65    0.373  0.709
xtrainTemperature -2113.65    464.28   -4.552 5.44e-06 ***
xtrainFuel_Price  15201.16   17800.35    0.854  0.393
xtrainCPI       -2304.11    219.76  -10.485 < 2e-16 ***
xtrainUnemployment -18689.43   4537.29   -4.119 3.87e-05 ***
xtraindate_number    521.95     83.43    6.256 4.31e-10 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 521700 on 4496 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.1492, Adjusted R-squared:  0.1479
F-statistic: 112.7 on 7 and 4496 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Let' look at the actual weekly sales and predicted weekly sales from the training data

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```
pred_ytrain <- predict(reg_test, newdata = as.data.frame(xtrain))

for (i in seq(1:30)){
  str <- sprintf("Actual : %f, predicted :%f \n", ytrain[i], pred_ytrain[i])
  cat(str)
}
```

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Actual : 326469.430000, predicted :768448.919239
Actual : 897032.190000, predicted :1287480.554505
Actual : 679481.900000, predicted :1296819.114757
Actual : 1019555.510000, predicted :1192692.926764
Actual : 514731.600000, predicted :1252493.799091
Actual : 966817.240000, predicted :1176342.965302
Actual : 688958.750000, predicted :958557.542685
Actual : 1442873.220000, predicted :1178406.498477
Actual : 706924.020000, predicted :926379.794751
Actual : 650263.950000, predicted :626701.311367
Actual : 948977.500000, predicted :1210529.606338
Actual : 1974646.780000, predicted :1321350.866209
Actual : 1946070.880000, predicted :1224361.821098
Actual : 877423.450000, predicted :624935.747533
Actual : 933924.440000, predicted :918810.396511
Actual : 891148.550000, predicted :1186539.269679
Actual : 1408016.100000, predicted :1246706.498348
Actual : 466594.890000, predicted :1263417.682197
Actual : 1377593.100000, predicted :1299543.055120
Actual : 1391256.120000, predicted :1247528.898717
Actual : 316203.640000, predicted :1214197.533739
Actual : 1840491.410000, predicted :1296546.653124
Actual : 351925.360000, predicted :911242.126161
Actual : 2135982.790000, predicted :1092136.394474
Actual : 2205919.860000, predicted :1190321.481930
Actual : 670993.010000, predicted :548445.285882
Actual : 1052895.250000, predicted :1107792.718489
Actual : 1593655.960000, predicted :1077762.430768
Actual : 1418697.050000, predicted :1086498.351999
Actual : 611390.670000, predicted :1242934.794579

```

The R statistics should be close to 1 and in our case we are getting 0.14. Also the residual error is really high. Maybe our simple multivariate regression model is not good enough for the prediction purpose here which is also evident after looking at the first 30 actual weekly sales and predicted sales. Feature engineering could have been done if some of the features exhibited some non-linear relationship with the Weekly sales.

We will revisit this problem with a polynomial regression and decision tree regression in the future.

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# How to clear packages
#p_unload(dplyr, tidyr, stringr) # Clear specific packages
p_unload(all) # Easier: clears all add-ons

```

The following packages have been unloaded:

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[corrplot, tidyr, stringr, shiny, rmarkdown, rio, plotly, lubridate, httr, ggvis, ggthemes, GGally, ggplot2, dplyr, pacman

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```

#detach("package:datasets", unload = TRUE) # For base packages

# Clear console
#cat("\014") # ctrl+L

```