

regression-course-project

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Executive Summary

This report analyzed the relationship between transmission type (manual or automatic) and miles per gallon (MPG). The report set out to determine which transmission type produces a higher MPG. The mtcars dataset was used for this analysis.

Load Data

Load the dataset and convert categorical variables to factors.

```
datasets::mtcars
```

##	mpg	cyl	disp	hp	drat	wt	qsec	vs	am	gear	carb
## Mazda RX4	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.620	16.46	0	1	4	4
## Mazda RX4 Wag	21.0	6	160.0	110	3.90	2.875	17.02	0	1	4	4
## Datsun 710	22.8	4	108.0	93	3.85	2.320	18.61	1	1	4	1
## Hornet 4 Drive	21.4	6	258.0	110	3.08	3.215	19.44	1	0	3	1
## Hornet Sportabout	18.7	8	360.0	175	3.15	3.440	17.02	0	0	3	2
## Valiant	18.1	6	225.0	105	2.76	3.460	20.22	1	0	3	1
## Duster 360	14.3	8	360.0	245	3.21	3.570	15.84	0	0	3	4
## Merc 240D	24.4	4	146.7	62	3.69	3.190	20.00	1	0	4	2
## Merc 230	22.8	4	140.8	95	3.92	3.150	22.90	1	0	4	2
## Merc 280	19.2	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.30	1	0	4	4
## Merc 280C	17.8	6	167.6	123	3.92	3.440	18.90	1	0	4	4
## Merc 450SE	16.4	8	275.8	180	3.07	4.070	17.40	0	0	3	3
## Merc 450SL	17.3	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.730	17.60	0	0	3	3
## Merc 450SLC	15.2	8	275.8	180	3.07	3.780	18.00	0	0	3	3
## Cadillac Fleetwood	10.4	8	472.0	205	2.93	5.250	17.98	0	0	3	4
## Lincoln Continental	10.4	8	460.0	215	3.00	5.424	17.82	0	0	3	4
## Chrysler Imperial	14.7	8	440.0	230	3.23	5.345	17.42	0	0	3	4
## Fiat 128	32.4	4	78.7	66	4.08	2.200	19.47	1	1	4	1
## Honda Civic	30.4	4	75.7	52	4.93	1.615	18.52	1	1	4	2
## Toyota Corolla	33.9	4	71.1	65	4.22	1.835	19.90	1	1	4	1
## Toyota Corona	21.5	4	120.1	97	3.70	2.465	20.01	1	0	3	1
## Dodge Challenger	15.5	8	318.0	150	2.76	3.520	16.87	0	0	3	2
## AMC Javelin	15.2	8	304.0	150	3.15	3.435	17.30	0	0	3	2
## Camaro Z28	13.3	8	350.0	245	3.73	3.840	15.41	0	0	3	4
## Pontiac Firebird	19.2	8	400.0	175	3.08	3.845	17.05	0	0	3	2
## Fiat X1-9	27.3	4	79.0	66	4.08	1.935	18.90	1	1	4	1
## Porsche 914-2	26.0	4	120.3	91	4.43	2.140	16.70	0	1	5	2
## Lotus Europa	30.4	4	95.1	113	3.77	1.513	16.90	1	1	5	2
## Ford Pantera L	15.8	8	351.0	264	4.22	3.170	14.50	0	1	5	4

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## Ferrari Dino      19.7   6 145.0 175 3.62 2.770 15.50  0  1   5   6
## Maserati Bora     15.0   8 301.0 335 3.54 3.570 14.60  0  1   5   8
## Volvo 142E        21.4   4 121.0 109 4.11 2.780 18.60  1  1   4   2
```

```
library(ggplot2)
head(mtcars)
```

```
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```

The dataset has 32 observations of 11 variables. We will do a quick analysis on the variables to gain some insight on the distribution of mpg and the two modes of transmission.

Exploratory Analysis

You can also embed plots, for example:

```
## [1] 0.5998324

##           mpg           cyl           disp           hp           drat           wt           qsec
## [1,]      1 -0.852162 -0.8475514 -0.7761684 0.6811719 -0.8676594 0.418684
##           vs           am           gear           carb
## [1,] 0.6640389 0.5998324 0.4802848 -0.5509251
```

The T-Test rejects the null hypothesis that the difference between transmission types is 0.

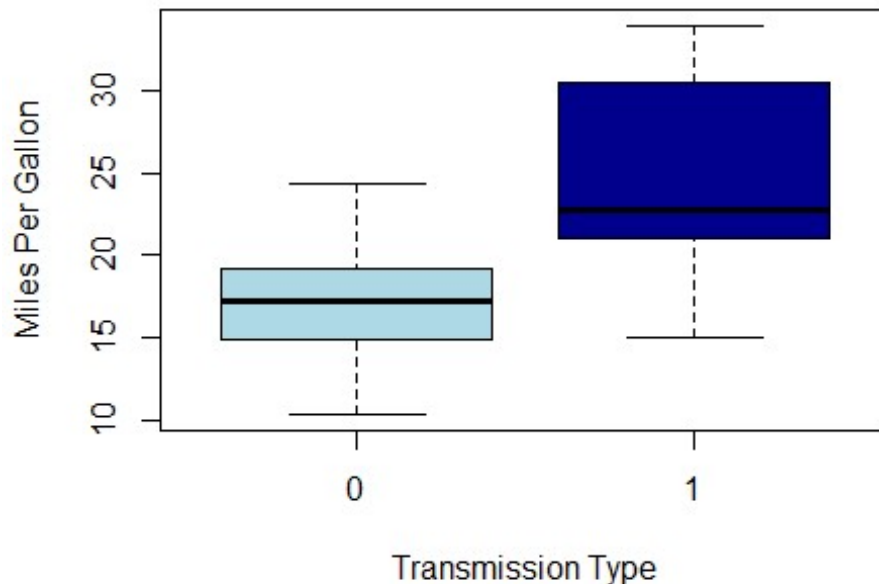
boxplot

```
Fit <- lm(mpg~am , data = mtcars)
summary(Fit)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ am, data = mtcars)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -9.3923 -3.0923 -0.2974  3.2439  9.5077
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   17.147      1.125   15.247 1.13e-15 ***
## am1           7.245       1.764    4.106 0.000285 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
```

```
## Residual standard error: 4.902 on 30 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.3598, Adjusted R-squared:  0.3385
## F-statistic: 16.86 on 1 and 30 DF,  p-value: 0.000285

boxplot(mpg ~ am, data = mtcars, col = (c("lightblue", "darkblue")), ylab =
"Miles Per Gallon", xlab = "Transmission Type")
```



The graph leads us to believe that there is a significant increase in MPG when for vehicles with a manual transmission vs automatic

##Multivariable Regression Model

```
bestFit <- lm(mpg~am + cyl + disp + hp + wt, data = mtcars)
summary(bestFit)

##
## Call:
## lm(formula = mpg ~ am + cyl + disp + hp + wt, data = mtcars)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -3.5952 -1.5864 -0.7157  1.2821  5.5725
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  38.20280    3.66910   10.412 9.08e-11 ***
## am1          1.55649    1.44054    1.080  0.28984
## cyl         -1.10638    0.67636   -1.636  0.11393
```

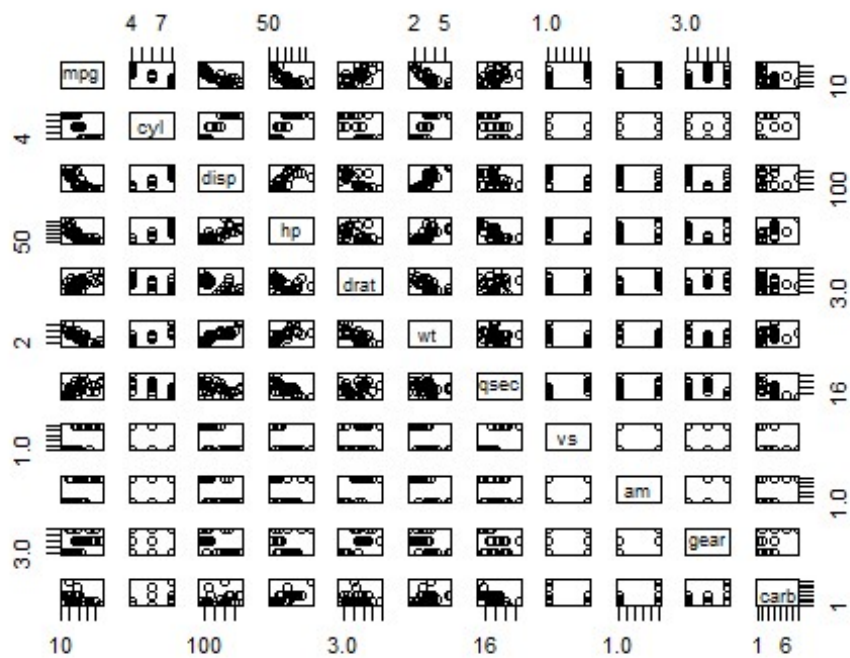
```
## disp      0.01226    0.01171    1.047    0.30472
## hp        -0.02796    0.01392   -2.008    0.05510 .
## wt        -3.30262    1.13364   -2.913    0.00726 **
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.505 on 26 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.8551, Adjusted R-squared:  0.8273
## F-statistic: 30.7 on 5 and 26 DF,  p-value: 4.029e-10
```

The first model we will run is a linear regression model against mpg for each variable. This gives us insight into variables with coefficient significance as well as an initial attempt at explaining mpg. Additionally, we will also look at the correlation of variables with mpg to help us choose an appropriate model.

```
anova(Fit, bestFit)

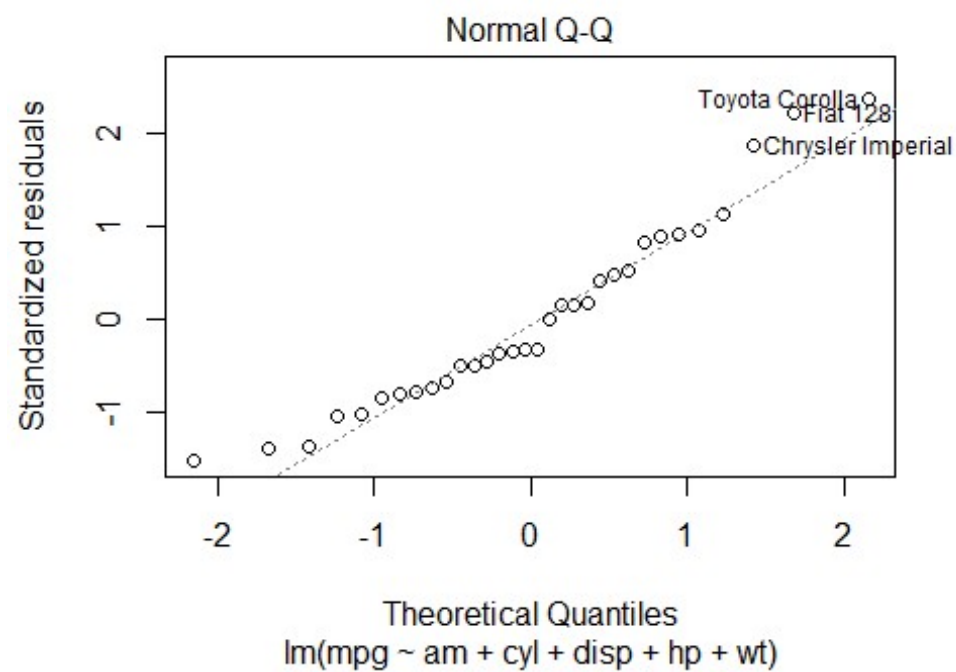
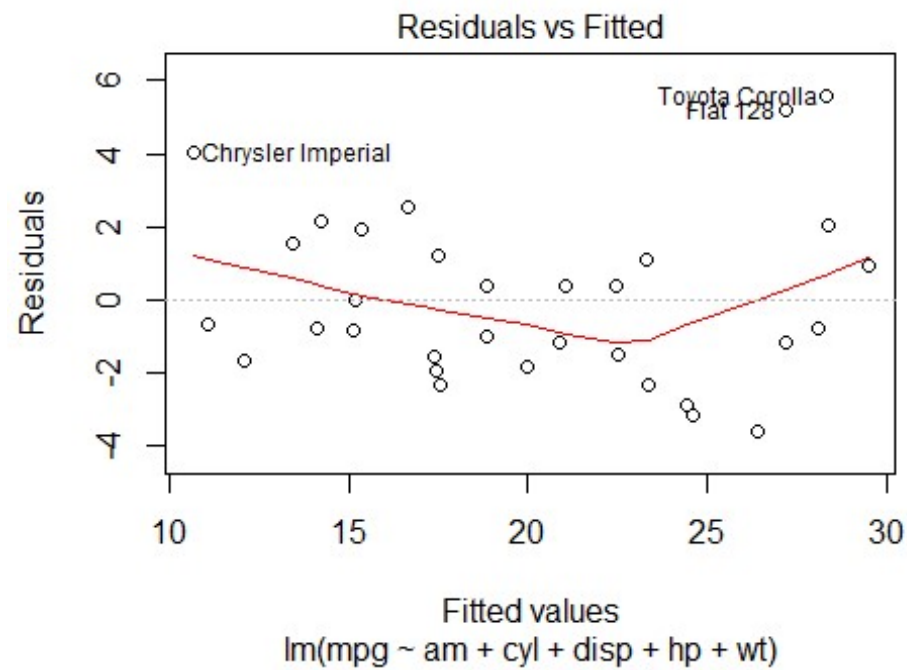
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: mpg ~ am
## Model 2: mpg ~ am + cyl + disp + hp + wt
##   Res.Df    RSS Df Sum of Sq    F    Pr(>F)
## 1      30 720.90
## 2      26 163.12  4    557.78 22.226 4.507e-08 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

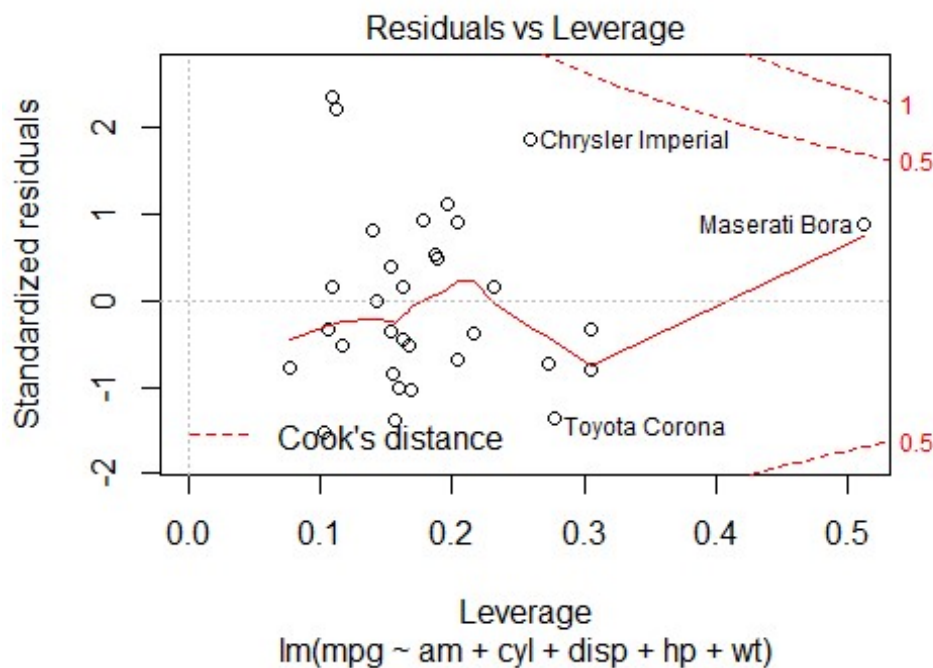
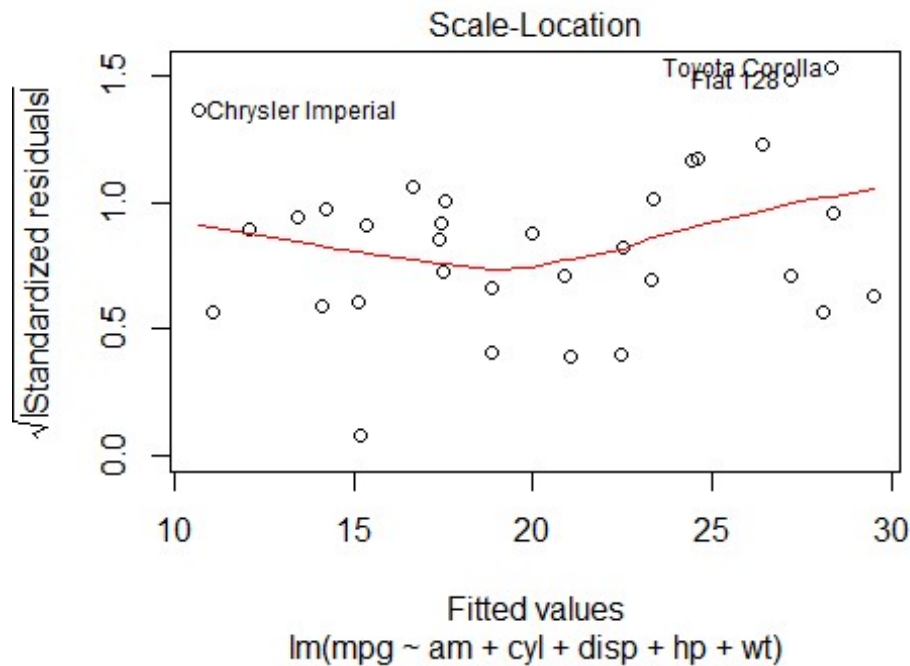
pairs(mpg ~ ., data = mtcars)
```



Additionally, we also plot the residuals to examine any heteroskedacity between the fitted and residual values; as well as to check for any non-normality.

```
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(bestFit)
```





using the final multivariable regression model put together we can see the multiple R squared value is much higher at 0.855, where 85.5% of the regression variance can be explained by the chosen variables. We can thus conclude that 'wt' and 'cyl' are confounding variables in the

relationship between 'am and 'mpg' and that manual transmission cars on average have 1.55 miles per gallon more than automatic cars.

##Conclusion There is a difference in MPG based on transmission type. A manual transmission will have a slight MPG boost. However, it seems that weight, horsepower, & number of cylinders are more statistically significant when determining MPG.