

Predicting restaurant tips using predictive analytics on Excel

DESCRIPTION: The dataset in file Restaurant tips dataset.xlsx contains tips data for different customers. The following are the features in the dataset:

Sex - Gender of the customer
Smoker - Indicates if the customer is a smoker or not
Day - Day of the restaurant visit
Time - Indicates whether the tip was for lunch or dinner
Size - Number of members dining
Total bill - Bill amount in USD
Tip - Tip amount in USD

TOOLS USED: Microsoft Excel, Data Analysis Add-in.

STEPS FOR EXECUTION:

Exploratory Data Analysis:

- **Data Cleaning** - Missing entries were removed from the dataset. Duplicate and redundant entries were filtered and removed.
- **Feature Identification** - The following features were found:
 - Independent Features - sex, smoker, day, time, size, total bill
 - Dependent Features – tip
- **Feature Encoding** – The following categorical variables were encoded to numeric values using IF conditions:
 - Sex: Female - 1, Male - 2
 - Smoker: No - 3, Yes- 4
 - Day: Sun - 5, Sat - 6, Fri - 7, Thur - 8
 - Time: Lunch - 10, Dinner – 11
- **Standardization in excel using STANDARDIZE()** – All features were standardized using the excel STANDARDIZE Z-Score function.

- **Feature Analysis** – Relation between features was determined using the Correlation and Covariance matrix. We select the independent features that affect the dependent feature tip the most.
 - Feature smoker(Y/N) shows 0 correlation and covariance with tip. Approximate values were Correlation ~ 0.009 and covariance ~ 0.006 .
 - Feature size and total bill show high positive correlation with tip. Approximate values were Correlation ~ 0.48 and covariance ~ 0.64 for features size and tip, correlation ~ 0.67 and covariance ~ 8.29 for features total bill and tip.
 - So, we can remove the feature smoker from our model as it has negligible impact on the dependent variable tip. The features size and total bill have high impact on the feature tip.

Multiple Linear Regression model was applied on the dataset to predict the restaurant tips. The predicted tips range from 1 to 10. The predictive models were built and applied on the given dataset.

- Regression Model 1 - model trained by using all the non-standardized independent Features - sex, smoker, day, time, size, total bill. The P-value of all the features except size, total bill was above 0.5 tolerance level. Thus, the other features include randomness in the model and can be ignored.
 - Regression Model 2- model trained by using the non-standardized independent Features - size, total bill. The P-value of these features was below 0.5 tolerance level.
 - Regression Model 3 - model trained by using all the standardized independent Features - sex, smoker, day, time, size, total bill. The P-value of all the features except size, total bill was above 0.5 tolerance level. Thus, the other features include randomness in the model and can be ignored. R-squared index was similar to Model 1.
 - Regression Model 4- model trained by using the standardized independent Features - size, total bill. The P-value of these features was below 0.5 tolerance level. R-Squared index was similar to Model 2.
- Predicted tip values using the above regression models were compared to the actual values.
 - **RMSE (Root Mean Square Error)** of the model was calculated. RMSE is root of mean of square errors. Following was observed:
 - RMSE Regression Model 1 - 1.0079
 - RMSE Regression Model 2 - 1.0091
 - Regression Model 2 has a better RMSE than Regression Model 1

Feature Encoding:

G2

=IF(C2="Sun",5,IF(C2="Sat",6,IF(C2="Fri",7,IF(C2="Thur",8,9))))

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	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	sex (Encoded)	smoker (Encoded)	day (Encoded)	time (Encoded)	size	total_bill	Actual tip
2	1.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	16.99	1.01
3	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	3.00	10.34	1.66
4	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	3.00	21.01	3.50
5	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	23.68	3.31
6	1.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	4.00	24.59	3.61
7	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	4.00	25.29	4.71
8	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	8.77	2.00
9	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	4.00	26.88	3.12
10	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	15.04	1.96
11	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	14.78	3.23
12	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	10.27	1.71
13	1.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	4.00	35.26	5.00
14	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	15.42	1.57
15	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	4.00	18.43	3.00
16	1.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	14.83	3.02
17	2.00	3.00	5.00	11.00	2.00	21.58	3.92

Feature Analysis:

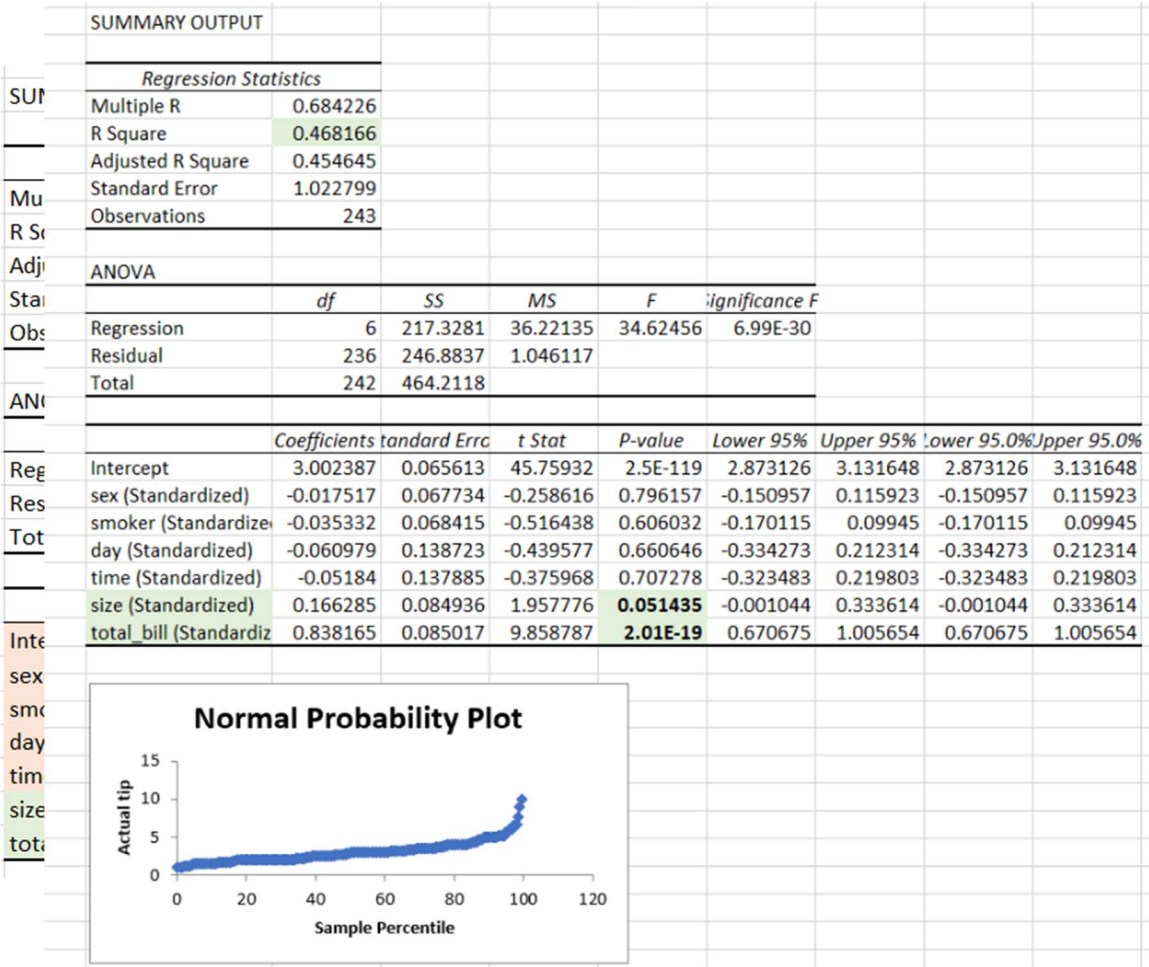
CORRELATION							
	sex (Encoded)	smoker (Encoded)	day (Encoded)	time (Encoded)	size	total_bill	tip
sex (Encoded)	1						
smoker (Encoded)	0.0099302	1					
day (Encoded)	0.2243876	-0.025008	1				
time (Encoded)	0.1981286	0.0639112	0.873133	1			
size	0.083248	-0.130564	0.1625247	0.1000453	1		
total_bill	0.1413497	0.0901361	0.1699781	0.1792319	0.5975889	1	
tip	0.085274	0.0097627	0.1317975	0.1175964	0.4884004	0.6749979	1

FEATURE STANDARDIZATION:

COVARIANCE								
	sex (Encoded)	smoker (Encoded)	day (Encoded)	time (Encoded)	size	total_bill	tip	
sex (Encoded)	0.2286576							
smoker (Encoded)	0.0023032	0.2352622						
day (Encoded)	0.1234399	-0.013955	1.323511					
time (Encoded)	0.0423377	0.0138529	0.4488814	0.1996986				
size	0.037833	-0.060187	0.1776999	0.0424901	0.9032498			
total_bill	0.6009987	0.3887412	1.7387714	0.7121777	5.0500095	79.062657		
tip	0.0563591	0.0065449	0.2095685	0.0726334	0.6415565	8.2955093	1.9103367	

Multiple Linear Regression Model 1:

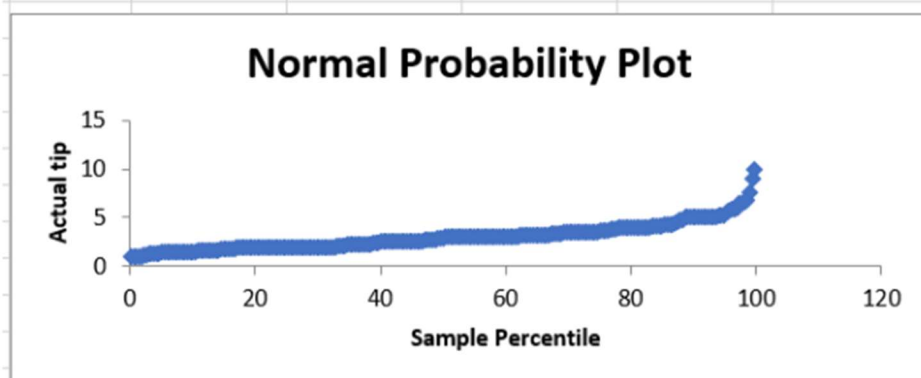
G2 X ✓ fx =STANDARDIZE(A2,AVERAGE(A\$2:A\$244),STDEV.P(A\$2:A\$244))													
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
1	sex (Encoded)	smoker (Encoded)	day (Encoded)	time (Encoded)	size	total_bill	sex (Standardized)	smoker (Standardized)	day (Standardized)	time (Standardized)	size (Standardized)	total_bill (Standardized)	Actual tip
2	1	3	5	11	2	16.99	-1.35114	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	-0.31758	1.01
3	2	3	5	11	3	10.34	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	0.450322	-1.06547	1.66
4	2	3	5	11	3	21.01	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	0.450322	0.134522	3.5
5	2	3	5	11	2	23.68	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	0.434801	3.31
6	1	3	5	11	4	24.59	-1.35114	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	1.502517	0.537144	3.61
7	2	3	5	11	4	25.29	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	1.502517	0.615869	4.71
8	2	3	5	11	2	8.77	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	-1.24204	2
9	2	3	5	11	4	26.88	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	1.502517	0.794687	3.12
10	2	3	5	11	2	15.04	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	-0.53689	1.96
11	2	3	5	11	2	14.78	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	-0.56613	3.23
12	2	3	5	11	2	10.27	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	-1.07334	1.71
13	1	3	5	11	4	35.26	-1.35114	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	1.502517	1.737137	5
14	2	3	5	11	2	15.42	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	-0.49415	1.57
15	2	3	5	11	4	18.43	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	1.502517	-0.15564	3
16	1	3	5	11	2	14.83	-1.35114	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	-0.56051	3.02
17	2	3	5	11	2	21.58	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	-0.60187	0.198627	3.92
18	1	3	5	11	3	10.33	-1.35114	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	0.450322	-1.0666	1.67
19	2	3	5	11	3	16.29	0.740115	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	0.450322	-0.39631	3.71
20	1	3	5	11	3	16.97	-1.35114	-0.78056	-1.10174	0.616994	0.450322	-0.31983	3.5
21	2	3	6	11	3	20.65	0.740115	-0.78056	-0.23251	0.616994	0.450322	0.094035	3.35



SUMMARY OUTPUT								
Regression Statistics								
Multiple R	0.683277523							
R Square	0.466868174							
Adjusted R S	0.462425409							
Standard Err	1.01547627							
Observation	243							
ANOVA								
	df	SS	MS	F	Significance F			
Regression	2	216.7257226	108.3628613	105.085043	1.66017E-33			
Residual	240	247.486093	1.031192054					
Total	242	464.2118156						
	Coefficients	Standard Error	t Stat	P-value	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	Lower 95.0%	Upper 95.0%
Intercept	0.672163792	0.194391852	3.4577776	0.000644182	0.289231742	1.055095841	0.289231742	1.055095841
size	0.192346316	0.085486043	2.250031813	0.025353509	0.023947562	0.36074507	0.023947562	0.36074507
total_bill	0.092637395	0.009137207	10.13848061	2.46028E-20	0.074638033	0.110636757	0.074638033	0.110636757

Multiple Linear Regression Model 4:

SUMMARY OUTPUT								
Regression Statistics								
Multiple R	0.68327752							
R Square	0.46686817							
Adjusted R	0.46242541							
Standard Error	1.01547627							
Observations	243							
ANOVA								
	df	SS	MS	F	Significance F			
Regression	2	216.7257226	108.362861	105.085043	1.6602E-33			
Residual	240	247.486093	1.03119205					
Total	242	464.2118156						
	Coefficients	Standard Error	t Stat	P-value	Lower 95%	Upper 95%	Lower 99.0%	Upper 99.0%
Intercept	3.00238683	0.065142833	46.0892886	3.29E-121	2.87406212	3.13071154	2.83324547	3.17152819
size (Standard	0.18280489	0.081245471	2.25003181	0.02535351	0.02275963	0.34285016	-0.0281465	0.39375626
total_bill (:	0.82370563	0.081245471	10.1384806	2.4603E-20	0.66366037	0.9837509	0.61275427	1.034657



RESULT AND CONCLUSION: Regression Model 2 has better RMSE and lesser R-squared error than Regression Model