# DATA 621 Business Analytics and Data Mining

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# Homework #1 Assignment Requirements

#### Overview

In this homework assignment, you will explore, analyze and model a data set containing approximately 2200 records. Each record represents a professional baseball team from the years 1871 to 2006 inclusive. Each record has the performance of the team for the given year, with all of the statistics adjusted to match the performance of a 162 game season.

Your objective is to build a multiple linear regression model on the training data to predict the number of wins for the team. You can only use the variables given to you (or variables that you derive from the variables provided).

Below is a short description of the variables of interest in the data set:

Variable Names	Definition	Theoretical Effect
INDEX	Identification Variable (do not use)	None
TARGET_WINS	Number of wins	
$TEAM\_BATTING\_H$	Base Hits by batters (1B,2B,3B,HR)	Positive Impact on Wins
$TEAM\_BATTING\_2B$	Doubles by batters (2B)	Positive Impact on Wins
$TEAM\_BATTING\_3B$	Triples by batters (3B)	Positive Impact on Wins
TEAM_BATTING_HR	Homeruns by batters (4B)	Positive Impact on Wins
TEAM_BATTING_BB	Walks by batters	Positive Impact on Wins
$TEAM\_BATTING\_HBP$	Batters hit by pitch (get a free base)	Positive Impact on Wins
$TEAM\_BATTING\_SO$	Strikeouts by batters	Negative Impact on Wins
$TEAM\_BASERUN\_SB$	Stolen bases	Positive Impact on Wins
TEAM_BASERUN_CS	Caught stealing	Negative Impact on Wins
${ m TEAM\_FIELDING\_E}$	Errors	Negative Impact on Wins
${ m TEAM\_FIELDING\_DP}$	Double Plays	Positive Impact on Wins
TEAM_PITCHING_BB	Walks allowed	Negative Impact on Wins
TEAM_PITCHING_H	Hits allowed	Negative Impact on Wins
TEAM_PITCHING_HR	Homeruns allowed	Negative Impact on Wins
TEAM_PITCHING_SO	Strikeouts by pitchers	Positive Impact on Wins

#### Deliverable:

- A write-up submitted in PDF format. Your write-up should have four sections. Each one is described below. You may assume you are addressing me as a fellow data scientist, so do not need to shy away from technical details.
- Assigned predictions (the number of wins for the team) for the evaluation data set.
- Include your R statistical programming code in an Appendix.

# Write Up:

- 1. **DATA EXPLORATION (25 Points)** Describe the size and the variables in the moneyball training data set. Consider that too much detail will cause a manager to lose interest while too little detail will make the manager consider that you aren't doing your job. Some suggestions are given below. Please do NOT treat this as a check list of things to do to complete the assignment. You should have your own thoughts on what to tell the boss. These are just ideas.
- a. Mean / Standard Deviation / Median
- b. Bar Chart or Box Plot of the data
- c. Is the data correlated to the target variable (or to other variables?)
- d. Are any of the variables missing and need to be imputed "fixed"?
- 2. **DATA PREPARATION (25 Points)** Describe how you have transformed the data by changing the original variables or creating new variables. If you did transform the data or create new variables, discuss why you did this. Here are some possible transformations.
- a. Fix missing values (maybe with a Mean or Median value)
- b. Create flags to suggest if a variable was missing
- c. Transform data by putting it into buckets
- d. Mathematical transforms such as log or square root (or use Box-Cox)
- e. Combine variables (such as ratios or adding or multiplying) to create new variables
- 3. BUILD MODELS (25 Points) Using the training data set, build at least three different multiple linear regression models, using different variables (or the same variables with different transformations). Since we have not yet covered automated variable selection methods, you should select the variables manually (unless you previously learned Forward or Stepwise selection, etc.). Since you manually selected a variable for inclusion into the model or exclusion into the model, indicate why this was done. Discuss the coefficients in the models, do they make sense? For example, if a team hits a lot of Home Runs, it would be reasonably expected that such a team would win more games. However, if the coefficient is negative (suggesting that the team would lose more games), then that needs to be discussed. Are you keeping the model even though it is counter intuitive? Why? The boss needs to know.
- 4. **SELECT MODELS (25 Points)** Decide on the criteria for selecting the best multiple linear regression model. Will you select a model with slightly worse performance if it makes more sense or is more parsimonious? Discuss why you selected your model. For the multiple linear regression model, will you use a metric such as Adjusted R2, RMSE, etc.? Be sure to explain how you can make inferences from the model, discuss multi-collinearity issues (if any), and discuss other relevant model output. Using the training data set, evaluate the multiple linear regression model based on (a) mean squared error, (b) R2, (c) F-statistic, and (d) residual plots. Make predictions using the evaluation data set.

# **Evaluation**

# 1. DATA EXPLORATION

```
## Warning: package 'tidyr' was built under R version 4.3.1
## Warning: package 'skimr' was built under R version 4.3.1
## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 4.3.1
## Warning: package 'ggplot2' was built under R version 4.3.1
## Warning: package 'corrplot' was built under R version 4.3.1
## Warning: package 'ResourceSelection' was built under R version 4.3.1
```

#### Load the data

```
git_url<-
   "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/melbow2424/Data621_HW1/main/"

df_train <-
   read.csv(paste0(git_url,"moneyball-training-data.csv"))

df_evaluation <-
   read.csv(paste0(git_url,"moneyball-evaluation-data.csv"))</pre>
```

# Summary of Variables

```
# Remove TEAM_ prefix from column names
df_train <-
  rename(df_train, "BATTING_HITS"="TEAM_BATTING_H", "BATTING_2B"="TEAM_BATTING_2B",
         "BATTING_3B"="TEAM_BATTING_3B", "BATTING_HR"="TEAM_BATTING_HR", "BATTING_BB"="TEAM_BATTING_BB"
         "BASERUN SB"="TEAM BASERUN SB", "BASERUN CS"="TEAM BASERUN CS", "BATTING HBP"="TEAM BATTING HB
         "PITCHING HITS"="TEAM PITCHING H", "PITCHING HR"="TEAM PITCHING HR", "PITCHING BB"="TEAM PITCH
         "FIELD_ERRORS"="TEAM_FIELDING_E", "FIELD_DBLPLY"="TEAM_FIELDING_DP","BATTING_SO"="TEAM_BATTING
         "PITCHING_SO"="TEAM_PITCHING_SO")
df_evaluation <-
  rename(df evaluation, "BATTING HITS"="TEAM BATTING H", "BATTING 2B"="TEAM BATTING 2B",
         "BATTING_3B"="TEAM_BATTING_3B", "BATTING_HR"="TEAM_BATTING_HR", "BATTING_BB"="TEAM_BATTING_BB"
         "BASERUN SB"="TEAM BASERUN SB", "BASERUN CS"="TEAM BASERUN CS", "BATTING HBP"="TEAM BATTING HB
         "PITCHING_HITS"="TEAM_PITCHING_H", "PITCHING_HR"="TEAM_PITCHING_HR", "PITCHING_BB"="TEAM_PITCH
         "FIELD_ERRORS"="TEAM_FIELDING_E", "FIELD_DBLPLY"="TEAM_FIELDING_DP", "BATTING_SO"="TEAM_BATTING
         "PITCHING_SO"="TEAM_PITCHING_SO")
# Show variable stats for training dataset
print(skim(df_train))
```

```
## -- Data Summary -----
##
                               Values
                               df train
## Name
## Number of rows
                               2276
## Number of columns
                               17
## Column type frequency:
##
     numeric
                               17
##
## Group variables
                               None
##
   -- Variable type: numeric ------
##
                                                               p0
                                                                     p25
                                                                            p50
                                                                                  p75
##
      skim_variable n_missing complete_rate mean
                                                         sd
##
   1 INDEX
                             0
                                       1
                                              1268.
                                                      736.
                                                                   631.
                                                                          1270. 1916.
##
    2 TARGET_WINS
                             0
                                                80.8
                                                       15.8
                                                                0
                                                                    71
                                                                            82
                                       1
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##
    3 BATTING_HITS
                             0
                                      1
                                              1469.
                                                       145.
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                                                                          1454
                                                                                1537.
##
    4 BATTING_2B
                             0
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                                                                                 273
                                       1
                                               241.
                                                       46.8
##
    5 BATTING 3B
                             0
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                                                55.2
                                                       27.9
                                                                    34
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    6 BATTING_HR
                             0
                                                99.6
                                                       60.5
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##
    7 BATTING BB
                             0
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                                               502.
                                                      123.
                                                                0
                                                                   451
                                                                           512
                                                                                 580
##
    8 BATTING_SO
                           102
                                      0.955
                                               736.
                                                      249.
                                                                0
                                                                   548
                                                                           750
                                                                                 930
    9 BASERUN SB
                                       0.942
                                               125.
                                                       87.8
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                           131
## 10 BASERUN_CS
                           772
                                       0.661
                                                52.8
                                                       23.0
                                                                            49
                                                                0
                                                                    38
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## 11 BATTING HBP
                          2085
                                      0.0839
                                                59.4
                                                       13.0
                                                               29
                                                                    50.5
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## 12 PITCHING HITS
                             0
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                                              1779.
                                                     1407. 1137 1419
                                                                          1518
                                                                                1682
## 13 PITCHING_HR
                             0
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                                               106.
                                                       61.3
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                                                                    50
                                                                          107
                                                                                 150
## 14 PITCHING_BB
                             0
                                               553.
                                                      166.
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                                                                   476
                                                                           536.
                                                                                 611
                                       1
## 15 PITCHING_SO
                                      0.955
                                               818.
                                                                0
                                                                   615
                           102
                                                      553.
                                                                           814.
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## 16 FIELD_ERRORS
                                               246.
                                                      228.
                                                               65
                                                                   127
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                                                                                 249.
                             0
                                       1
## 17 FIELD_DBLPLY
                           286
                                       0.874
                                               146.
                                                       26.2
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                                                                  131
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                                                                                 164
##
       p100 hist
##
    1
       2535
##
    2
        146
##
       2554
    3
##
    4
        458
##
    5
        223
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    6
        264
##
    7
        878
##
    8
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    9
        697
## 10
        201
         95
## 11
## 12 30132
## 13
        343
       3645
## 14
## 15 19278
## 16
       1898
## 17
        228
```

As shown above, the training data includes 17 variables (although Index is only for identification purposes) and 2,276 cases. We intend to create a Regression model that will predict the count of wins a team had

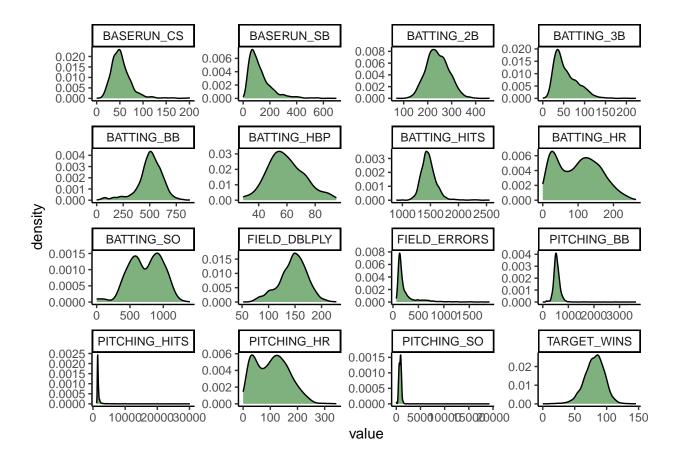
over a 162 game season (TARGET\_WINS) using the team's statistics on offensive and defensive plays. For these cases, teams had an average of 81 wins with a std deviation of 16 games with counts ranging from 0 to 146. The remaining variables include plays during offense, such as base hits and stealing bases (variables starting with BATTING or BASERUN), as well as defense plays, such as pitching strikeouts and double plays (PITCHING or FIELD).

Note that 6 variables are missing values including 2,085 values (92% missing) for batter hit by pitch (BAT-TING\_HBP), 772 values (34%) for base runner caught stealing (BASERUN\_CS), 286 values (13%) for fielding double plays (FIELD\_DBLPLY), and the remaining three (stealing bases and strikeouts as batter and pitcher) missing less than 6% of values (BASERUN\_SB, BATTING\_SO, PITCHING\_SO). We will explore how to handle these missing values later.

# Distribution of Variables

```
df_train %>%
  gather(variable, value, TARGET_WINS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%>% #pivot longer to plot all variables
  ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
  geom_density(fill = "darkgreen", alpha = 0.5) +
  facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
  theme_classic()
```

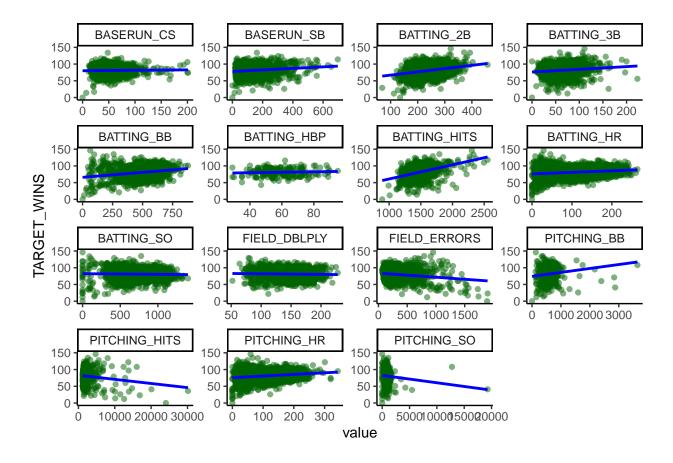
## Warning: Removed 3478 rows containing non-finite values (`stat\_density()`).



Histograms a good way to visualize the distributions of the original variables as shown above. We can see the response variable (TARGET\_WINS) appears normally distributed. Several variables, such as BAT-TING\_SO appear to be bimodal, which may resolve after the missing data is dealt with. Other variables like PITCHING\_HITS appear to be skewed far left and may present a challenge unless imputation of missing values corrects this.

# Correlation with Target Wins

```
cor(df train, y=df train$TARGET WINS)
##
                        [,1]
## INDEX
                 -0.02105643
## TARGET_WINS
                  1.00000000
## BATTING HITS
                  0.38876752
## BATTING_2B
                  0.28910365
## BATTING 3B
                  0.14260841
## BATTING HR
                  0.17615320
## BATTING BB
                  0.23255986
## BATTING SO
                          NA
## BASERUN_SB
                          NA
## BASERUN_CS
                          NA
## BATTING_HBP
                          NA
## PITCHING_HITS -0.10993705
## PITCHING_HR
                  0.18901373
## PITCHING_BB
                  0.12417454
## PITCHING_SO
                          NA
## FIELD_ERRORS
                 -0.17648476
## FIELD_DBLPLY
                          NA
df_train %>%
  gather(variable, value, BATTING_HITS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%>% #pivot longer to plot all variables
  ggplot(.,aes(x=value, y=TARGET_WINS)) + #plotting every variable
  geom_point(color = "darkgreen", alpha = 0.5) +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se = FALSE, color = "blue") +
  facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
  theme_classic()
## `geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
## Warning: Removed 3478 rows containing non-finite values (`stat_smooth()`).
## Warning: Removed 3478 rows containing missing values (`geom_point()`).
```



The plots above demonstrate the relationships between number of wins (TARGET\_WINS) and each remaining variable (besides the variables missing values) that we will be exploring as predictors. The predictor variables with the strongest correlation to number of wins are total base hits (BATTING\_HITS), doubles by batters (BATTING\_2B) and walks by batters (BATTING\_BB) which have correlations of .39, .29 and .23, respectively.

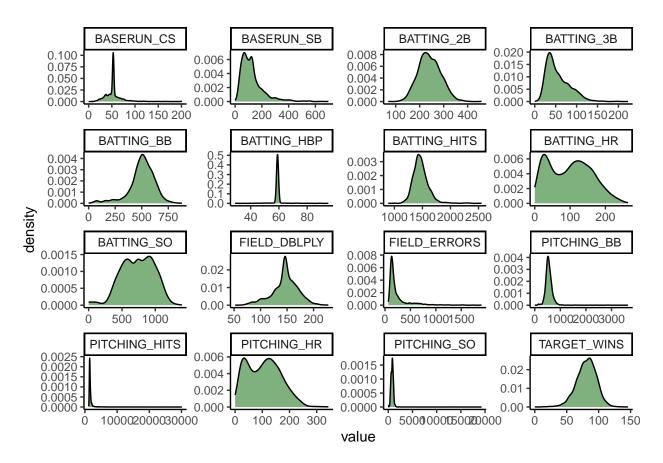
# 2. DATA PREPARATION

Dealing with Missing Values - replace NA with mean, median, zero, or remove cases

Mean Imputation

```
# Get the Means of columns in Data
train_means<-sapply(df_train, function(x) round(mean(x, na.rm = TRUE)))</pre>
# Replace NA values in 'column_name' with 'mean'
df_train_mn <- df_train %>%
  mutate(BATTING_SO =
           ifelse(is.na(BATTING_SO),
                  train means [8], BATTING SO))%>%
  mutate(BASERUN_SB =
           ifelse(is.na(BASERUN SB),
                  train_means[9], BASERUN_SB))%>%
  mutate(BASERUN CS =
           ifelse(is.na(BASERUN CS),
                  train means[10], BASERUN CS))%>%
  mutate(BATTING HBP =
           ifelse(is.na(BATTING_HBP),
                  train_means[11],BATTING_HBP))%>%
  mutate(PITCHING_SO =
           ifelse(is.na(PITCHING_SO),
                  train_means[15], PITCHING_SO))%>%
  mutate(FIELD_DBLPLY =
           ifelse(is.na(FIELD_DBLPLY),
                  train_means[17], FIELD_DBLPLY))
```

```
# Evaluate histograms
df_train_mn %>%
gather(variable, value, TARGET_WINS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%>% #pivot longer to plot all variables
ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
geom_density(fill = "darkgreen", alpha = 0.5) +
facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
theme_classic()
```



```
# Fit a multiple linear regression model using lm with variables imputed:mean
model_mn <- lm(TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_HITS+BATTING_2B+BATTING_3B+BATTING_HR+BATTING_BB+BATTING_SO+BASERU
BASERUN_CS+BATTING_HBP+PITCHING_HITS+PITCHING_HR+PITCHING_BB+PITCHING_SO+FIELD_ERRORS+
data = df_train_mn)
# Summary of the regression model</pre>
```

## [1] 0.3146964

# **Observations** After imputation with means:

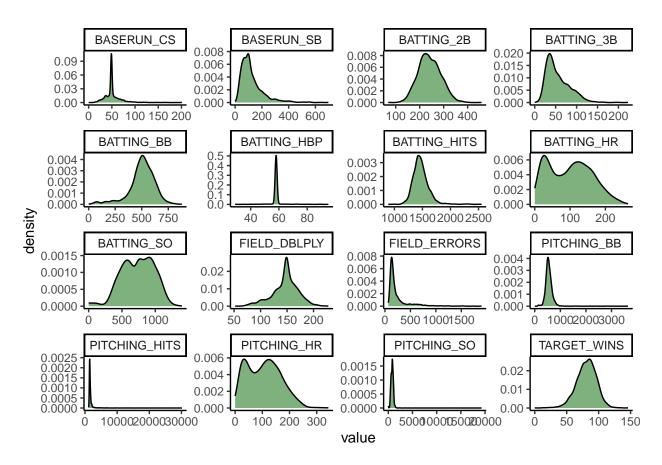
summary(model\_mn)\$adj.r.squared

- The response variable TARGET\_WINS still appears normally distributed
- The bimodality of the  ${\bf BATTING}$  variables is largely unresolved
- The far left skew of the **PITCHING** variables is largely unresolved
- A Multiple Linear Regression with all variables has an adjusted R squared of .315

# Median Imputation

```
# Get the Medians of columns in data
train_medians<-sapply(df_train, function(x) round(median(x, na.rm = TRUE)))</pre>
```

```
# Replace NA values in 'column_name' with 'median'
df_train_md <- df_train %>%
 mutate(BATTING_SO =
           ifelse(is.na(BATTING_SO),
                  train_medians[8],BATTING_S0))%>%
  mutate(BASERUN_SB =
           ifelse(is.na(BASERUN_SB),
                  train_medians[9], BASERUN_SB))%>%
  mutate(BASERUN CS =
           ifelse(is.na(BASERUN CS),
                  train_medians[10], BASERUN_CS))%>%
  mutate(BATTING_HBP =
           ifelse(is.na(BATTING_HBP),
                  train medians[11], BATTING HBP))%>%
  mutate(PITCHING_SO =
           ifelse(is.na(PITCHING_SO),
                  train_medians[15], PITCHING_SO))%>%
  mutate(FIELD_DBLPLY =
           ifelse(is.na(FIELD_DBLPLY),
                  train_medians[17], FIELD_DBLPLY))
df_train_md %>%
  gather(variable, value, TARGET_WINS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%% #pivot longer to plot all variables
  ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
 geom_density(fill = "darkgreen", alpha = 0.5) +
 facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
 theme_classic()
```



## [1] 0.3109674

**Observations** After imputation with the median:

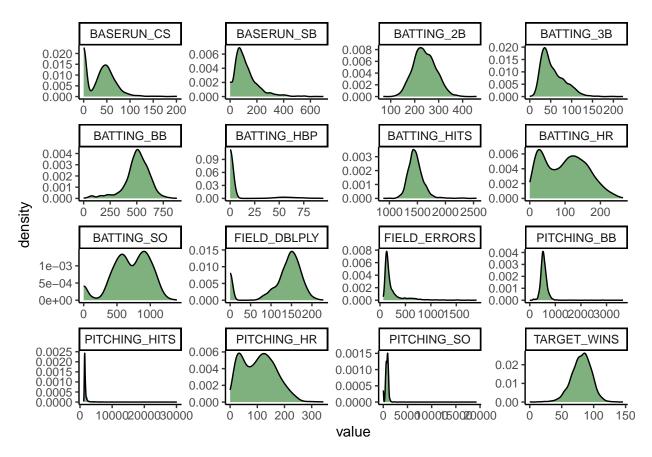
summary(model\_md)\$adj.r.squared

- The response variable TARGET\_WINS still appears normally distributed
- The bimodality of the **BATTING** variables is largely unresolved
- The far left skew of the **PITCHING** variables is largely unresolved
- A Multiple Linear Regression with all variables has an adjusted R squared of .311

# Zero Imputation

```
# Replace NA values with zero
df_train_0 <- df_train %>%
```

```
replace_na( list( INDEX = 0,
                                 TARGET_WINS = 0, BATTING_HITS = 0,
                                                                           BATTING_2B = 0,
                       BATTING_HR = 0,
    BATTING_3B = 0,
                                         BATTING_BB = 0,
                                                             BATTING_SO = 0,
                                                                                BASERUN_SB = 0,
    BASERUN CS = 0.
                       BATTING_{HBP} = 0,
                                          PITCHING_HITS = 0,
                                                                 PITCHING HR = 0.
                                                                                     PITCHING BB = 0,
                                             FIELD DBLPLY = 0 ))
    PITCHING SO = 0.
                       FIELD ERRORS = 0.
df_train_0 %>%
  gather(variable, value, TARGET_WINS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%% #pivot longer to plot all variables
  ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
  geom_density(fill = "darkgreen", alpha = 0.5) +
  facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
  theme classic()
```



## [1] 0.2943554

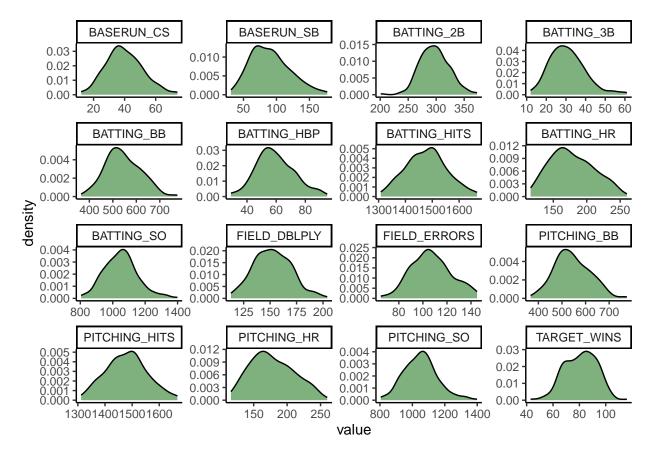
**Observations** After imputation with the zero:

- Zero is a poor choice as it introduces strong peaks to the left of the distribution of many variables such as FIELD DBLPLY
- A Multiple Linear Regression with all variables has an adjusted R squared of .294

#### Remove NA Values

```
# Remove all rows with NA
df_train_rm<- na.omit(df_train)

# Evaluate distributions
df_train_rm %>%
    gather(variable, value, TARGET_WINS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%>% #pivot longer to plot all variables
    ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
    geom_density(fill = "darkgreen", alpha = 0.5) +
    facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
    theme_classic()
```



```
# How many values are missing from BATTING_HBP in the evaluation dataset that we will need to use our r print(sum(is.na(df_evaluation\$BATTING_HBP)))
```

## [1] 240

# **Observations** After Removal of missing data:

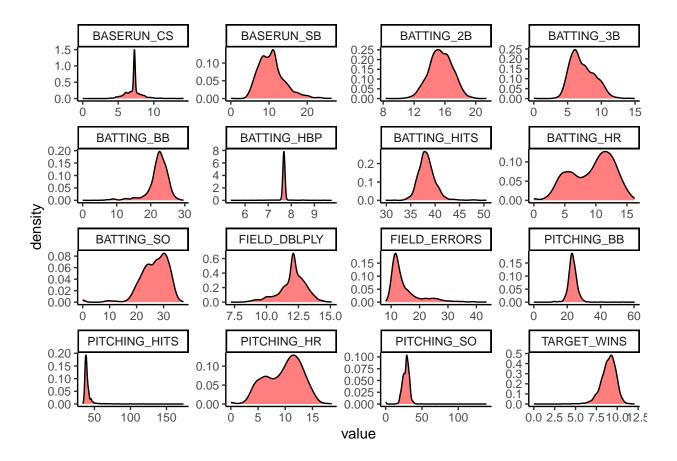
- Although removal of missing data resolves the distributions of many variables, the sample size is reduced to under 10% of the original dataset from 2,276 observations to only 191 observations in the training dataset
- Additionally, batters hit by pitches (BATTING\_HBP) is missing values for 240 of 259 cases (93%) in the evaluation dataset which we will be using our regression model to predict wins for.
- Observed a more favorable adjusted R-squared value than imputation with mean, median or zero
- $\bullet\,$  A Multiple Linear Regression with all variables has an adjusted R squared of .512

# **Transformations**

#### Square Root with Mean Imputation

```
df_train_sqrt <- sqrt(df_train_mn)

df_train_sqrt %>%
  gather(variable, value, TARGET_WINS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%>% #pivot longer to plot all variables
  ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
  geom_density(fill = "red", alpha = 0.5) +
  facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
  theme_classic()
```



**Observations** Square root transformation is common to use when variables are counts to stabilize variance. Given mean imputation offered the best Multiple Regression effect size of .315 without removing observations, we used that dataset to perform square root transformations on. We can see from the histograms above that this transformation has improved the distribution of the variables to be more normal.

#### Ratio with Zero Imputation

```
df_train_ratio <- df_train_0 %>%
  mutate(Total Plays = BATTING HITS + BATTING BB + BATTING SO + BATTING HBP +
           BASERUN SB + BASERUN CS +
           PITCHING BB + PITCHING HITS + PITCHING SO +
           FIELD_DBLPLY + FIELD_ERRORS) %>%
  mutate(TARGET WINS RATIO = TARGET WINS/162) %>%
  mutate(BATTING HITS = BATTING HITS/Total Plays) %>%
  mutate(BATTING 2B = BATTING 2B/Total Plays) %>%
  mutate(BATTING_3B = BATTING_3B/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(BATTING_HR = BATTING_HR/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(BATTING_BB = BATTING_BB/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(BATTING_SO = BATTING_SO/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(BATTING_HBP = BATTING_HBP/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(BASERUN_SB = BASERUN_SB/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(BASERUN_CS = BASERUN_CS/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(PITCHING_BB = PITCHING_BB/Total_Plays) %>%
```

```
mutate(PITCHING_HITS = PITCHING_HITS/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(PITCHING_HR = PITCHING_HR/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(PITCHING_SO = PITCHING_SO/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(FIELD_DBLPLY = FIELD_DBLPLY/Total_Plays) %>%
  mutate(FIELD_ERRORS = FIELD_ERRORS/Total_Plays)
df_train_ratio %>%
  gather (variable, value, TARGET WINS: TARGET WINS RATIO) %>% #pivot longer to plot all variables
  ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
  geom_density(fill = "pink", alpha = 0.5) +
  facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
  theme classic()
          BASERUN_CS
                                   BASERUN_SB
                                                           BATTING 2B
                                                                                  BATTING_3B
   100
                                                     40
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     50
       0.00 0.01 0.02 0.03
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                                                                              0.0000005010001050200025
                                                                0.04
                                                                     0.06
                                                          BATTING_HITS
           BATTING_BB
                                   BATTING_HBP
                                                                                  BATTING_HR
                                                     15
                               0.000 0.005 0.010
                                                                     0.3
                                                                              0.000.010.020.030.04
      0.00
            0.05
                  0.10
                                                           0.1
                                                                0.2
          BATTING_SO
                                  FIELD_DBLPLY
                                                         FIELD_ERRORS
                                                                                  PITCHING_BB
density
                                                                            20
      0.000.050.100.150.20
                               0.00 0.01 0.02 0.03 0.04
                                                      0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15 0.20
                                                                              0.00 0.05 0.10 0.15
         PITCHING_HITS
                                   PITCHING_HR
                                                          PITCHING_SO
                                                                                 TARGET_WINS
                                                   12:5
5:5
6:5
                                                                          0.02
0.01
                                                                           0.00
           0.4 0.6 0.8
                               0.000.010.020.030.04
                                                       0.0 0.1 0.2 0.3 0.4
                                                                                         100
       0.2
                                                                                               150
        RGET_WINS_RAT
                                     Total_Plays
       0.00 0.25 0.50 0.75
                                 10002000030000400000
```

**Observations** Ratio transformation can also be used to stabilize variance and offers a model based on the total number of plays for each observation allowing us to use zero imputation for missing values. We can see from the histograms above that this transformation has improved the distribution of the variables to be more normal compared to the original variables, but there are still skewed variables from zero imputation.

value

# 3. BUILD MODELS

# Initial Model - No Changes to Variables -Adj.R .512

model\_initial <- lm(TARGET\_WINS ~ BATTING\_HITS+BATTING\_2B +BATTING\_3B+BATTING\_HR+BATTING\_BB+BATTING\_SO+

```
BASERUN_SB+ BASERUN_CS + BATTING_HBP +PITCHING_HITS+ PITCHING_HR+PITCHING_BB+PITCHING_SO+FIELD_ERRORS+
summary(model_initial)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_HITS + BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B +
      BATTING_HR + BATTING_BB + BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + BASERUN_CS +
##
##
      BATTING_HBP + PITCHING_HITS + PITCHING_HR + PITCHING_BB +
      PITCHING_SO + FIELD_ERRORS + FIELD_DBLPLY, data = df_train)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                 1Q
                      Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -19.8708 -5.6564 -0.0599
                               5.2545
                                       22.9274
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                60.28826
                          19.67842
                                      3.064 0.00253 **
## (Intercept)
## BATTING_HITS
                1.91348
                            2.76139
                                     0.693 0.48927
## BATTING_2B
                 0.02639
                            0.03029
                                    0.871
                                            0.38484
## BATTING_3B
                -0.10118
                            0.07751 -1.305 0.19348
## BATTING_HR
                -4.84371
                          10.50851 -0.461 0.64542
## BATTING_BB
                -4.45969
                            3.63624 -1.226 0.22167
## BATTING_SO
                0.34196
                            2.59876
                                     0.132 0.89546
## BASERUN_SB
                 0.03304
                            0.02867
                                      1.152 0.25071
                          0.07143 -0.155 0.87730
## BASERUN_CS
                -0.01104
## BATTING_HBP
                 0.08247
                         0.04960
                                     1.663 0.09815 .
## PITCHING_HITS -1.89096 2.76095 -0.685 0.49432
## PITCHING_HR
                 4.93043
                         10.50664
                                      0.469 0.63946
## PITCHING_BB
                 4.51089
                            3.63372
                                     1.241 0.21612
## PITCHING SO
                -0.37364
                            2.59705 -0.144 0.88577
## FIELD_ERRORS -0.17204
                            0.04140 -4.155 5.08e-05 ***
## FIELD_DBLPLY -0.10819
                            0.03654 -2.961 0.00349 **
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 8.467 on 175 degrees of freedom
     (2085 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.5501, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 14.27 on 15 and 175 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- This model is significant overall (p < 2.2e-16) with 175 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared of .512
- 2 of 15 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)

• 2085 observations deleted due to missing values

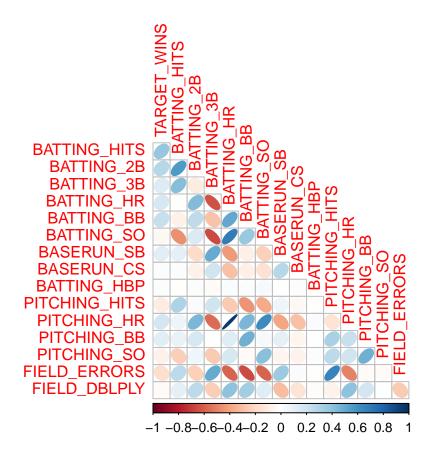
#### Let us explore three different models including:

- A Mean Imputation & Combining Variables
- B Mean Imputation & Square Root Transformed Variables
- C Zero Imputation & Ratio Transformed Variables

# A - Mean Imputation & Combining Variables

# Correlations between Variables

```
df_train_mn %>%
  select(-INDEX) %>%
  cor(.,) %>%
  corrplot(.,method = "ellipse", type = "lower", diag = FALSE)
```



#### Observations

• The correlogram confirms that none of the variable are very strongly correlated with **TAR-GET\_WINS**, with the exception of **BATTING\_HITS** which has a modest positive correlation with wins

- Strong multicollinearity is seen between the following variable which needs to be taken into consideration when constructing the models: FIELD\_ERRORS, PITCHING\_HR, BATTING\_3B, BATTING HR
- It may also not be advisable to include **BATTING\_HBP** in the model because it has no correlation with wins or any other variable in the dataset

# A1 - ALL Variables -Adj.R .315

```
summary(model mn)
```

```
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_HITS + BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B +
##
       BATTING_HR + BATTING_BB + BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + BASERUN_CS +
##
       BATTING_HBP + PITCHING_HITS + PITCHING_HR + PITCHING_BB +
##
##
       PITCHING_SO + FIELD_ERRORS + FIELD_DBLPLY, data = df_train_mn)
##
## Residuals:
##
                                3Q
      Min
                1Q
                   Median
                                       Max
  -50.056
           -8.639
                     0.151
                             8.359
                                    58.647
##
## Coefficients:
##
                   Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                  2.136e+01
                             6.856e+00
                                         3.116 0.001858 **
## BATTING_HITS
                  4.821e-02
                             3.687e-03
                                        13.075 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_2B
                 -2.010e-02
                             9.152e-03
                                        -2.196 0.028215 *
## BATTING 3B
                  6.047e-02
                            1.676e-02
                                         3.608 0.000315 ***
## BATTING_HR
                             2.743e-02
                  5.292e-02
                                         1.929 0.053834 .
## BATTING BB
                  1.038e-02
                             5.818e-03
                                         1.784 0.074624
## BATTING_SO
                 -9.415e-03
                             2.552e-03
                                       -3.690 0.000230 ***
## BASERUN SB
                  2.951e-02
                            4.465e-03
                                         6.610 4.79e-11 ***
## BASERUN_CS
                 -1.163e-02
                             1.616e-02
                                        -0.720 0.471658
## BATTING_HBP
                  6.409e-02
                             7.304e-02
                                         0.877 0.380349
## PITCHING_HITS -7.302e-04
                             3.677e-04
                                        -1.986 0.047146 *
## PITCHING_HR
                  1.491e-02
                             2.432e-02
                                         0.613 0.540012
## PITCHING_BB
                  6.613e-05
                                         0.016 0.987275
                             4.146e-03
## PITCHING_SO
                  2.846e-03
                             9.188e-04
                                         3.097 0.001978 **
## FIELD_ERRORS
                -2.123e-02
                             2.481e-03
                                        -8.560
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD DBLPLY
                -1.210e-01
                            1.304e-02
                                        -9.275
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 13.04 on 2260 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3192, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3147
## F-statistic: 70.65 on 15 and 2260 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2260 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared of .315

- 9 of 15 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 4 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_2B & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: PITCHING\_HR, PITCHING\_BB, FIELD\_DBLPLY

# A2 - Removed BATTING\_HBP for NA Values -Adj.R .315

• Let's test the model removing batters hit by pitch **BATTING\_HBP** as more than 90% of values were missing and that the correlation matrix after mean imputation show no correlation with wins or any other variable.

```
model mn 2 <- lm(TARGET WINS ~ BATTING HITS+BATTING 2B+BATTING BB+BATTING SO+
                BASERUN_SB+BASERUN_CS+FIELD_ERRORS+PITCHING_HR+BATTING_3B+BATTING_HR
##
                 +BATTING HBP
               +PITCHING HITS+PITCHING BB+PITCHING SO+FIELD DBLPLY,
              data = df_train_mn)
# Summary of the regression model
summary(model_mn_2)
##
## Call:
##
  lm(formula = TARGET WINS ~ BATTING HITS + BATTING 2B + BATTING BB +
       BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + BASERUN_CS + FIELD_ERRORS + PITCHING_HR +
##
       BATTING_3B + BATTING_HR + PITCHING_HITS + PITCHING_BB + PITCHING_SO +
##
##
       FIELD_DBLPLY, data = df_train_mn)
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
  -50.027
           -8.575
                     0.137
                             8.342
                                   58.611
##
## Coefficients:
                  Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                       4.643 3.63e-06 ***
## (Intercept)
                 2.507e+01 5.399e+00
## BATTING HITS
                 4.824e-02
                            3.687e-03 13.084 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING 2B
                -2.004e-02 9.151e-03 -2.190 0.028604 *
## BATTING BB
                 1.041e-02 5.818e-03
                                       1.789 0.073671 .
## BATTING SO
                 -9.351e-03
                            2.550e-03 -3.667 0.000251 ***
## BASERUN_SB
                 2.946e-02 4.464e-03
                                       6.600 5.12e-11 ***
## BASERUN CS
                 -1.173e-02 1.616e-02 -0.726 0.467830
## FIELD_ERRORS
                -2.118e-02
                            2.480e-03 -8.542 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING_HR
                 1.481e-02
                            2.432e-02
                                        0.609 0.542633
## BATTING_3B
                 6.040e-02 1.676e-02
                                         3.604 0.000320 ***
## BATTING_HR
                 5.298e-02
                            2.743e-02
                                        1.931 0.053548 .
## PITCHING_HITS -7.315e-04
                            3.676e-04
                                       -1.990 0.046736 *
## PITCHING_BB
                 8.066e-05
                            4.145e-03
                                        0.019 0.984477
                                         3.092 0.002009 **
                 2.841e-03
## PITCHING_SO
                            9.187e-04
## FIELD_DBLPLY -1.212e-01
                            1.304e-02 -9.298 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 13.04 on 2261 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.319, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3148
```

```
## F-statistic: 75.65 on 14 and 2261 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2261 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared is unchanged at .315
- 9 of 14 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 5 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_2B & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: PITCHING\_HR, PITCHING HITS, PITCHING BB, FIELD DBLPLY

# A3 - Combining Variables with Multicollinearity -Adj.R .243

• When examining the correlations, we observed some multicollinearity among the following variables:

BATTING\_HITS and PITCHING\_HITS BATTING\_HR and PITCHING\_HR BATTING\_BB and PITCHING\_BB BATTING\_SO and PITCHING\_SO

• Due to the high correlation between these variables, we made the decision to combine them into single variables through addition.

```
# Creating new data set with combined correlated variables and removed correlated variables
df_train_with_combo <- df_train_mn %>%
  mutate(team_H = BATTING_HITS + PITCHING_HITS,
         team_HR = BATTING_HR + PITCHING_HR,
         team_BB = BATTING_BB + PITCHING_BB,
         team_S0 = BATTING_S0 + PITCHING_S0)%>%
  select(-BATTING_HITS, -PITCHING_HITS, -BATTING_HR, -PITCHING_HR, -BATTING_BB,-PITCHING_BB,
         -BATTING_SO, -BATTING_HBP, - PITCHING_SO)
# Testing this new data set
model_mn_3_combo <- lm(TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B
                  + BASERUN_SB + BASERUN_CS + FIELD_ERRORS + FIELD_DBLPLY
                  + team H + team HR + team BB + team SO,
                  data = df train with combo)
# Summary of the regression model
summary(model_mn_3_combo)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B + BASERUN_SB +
       BASERUN CS + FIELD ERRORS + FIELD DBLPLY + team H + team HR +
##
##
       team_BB + team_SO, data = df_train_with_combo)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
## -69.584 -8.848
                    0.052
                             8.566 64.909
##
## Coefficients:
```

```
##
                  Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                           2.8679760 21.761 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
               62.4112789
## BATTING 2B
                 0.0603500
                           0.0073840
                                       8.173 4.95e-16 ***
## BATTING_3B
                 0.1703875
                           0.0154484
                                       11.029
                                             < 2e-16 ***
## BASERUN SB
                 0.0308966
                           0.0044801
                                       6.896 6.90e-12 ***
## BASERUN CS
                -0.0080248 0.0169155
                                       -0.474 0.63526
## FIELD ERRORS -0.0200766
                           0.0024923
                                       -8.056 1.27e-15 ***
## FIELD DBLPLY -0.1030140
                            0.0135643
                                       -7.595 4.49e-14 ***
## team H
                 0.0009416
                            0.0003152
                                        2.987
                                               0.00285 **
## team_HR
                 0.0399146
                           0.0038915
                                       10.257
                                              < 2e-16 ***
## team_BB
                 0.0045957
                           0.0014547
                                        3.159 0.00160 **
                                      -6.401 1.87e-10 ***
## team_SO
                -0.0032839
                           0.0005131
## ---
                  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Signif. codes:
##
## Residual standard error: 13.71 on 2265 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2461, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2428
## F-statistic: 73.94 on 10 and 2265 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

##

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2265 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared decreased to .243 (A1 & A2 -> .315)
- 9 of 10 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .01)
- 1 Variable coefficients has counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: FIELD\_DBLPLY & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: NONE
- Counter intuitive to create variables that add batting and pitching stats that should have an opposite impact on Wins

# A4 - Remove BASERUN\_CS for Non-significance -Adj.R .243

```
# Testing this new data set
model_mn_4_combo <- lm(TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B
                  + BASERUN_SB + FIELD_ERRORS + FIELD_DBLPLY
                  + team_H + team_HR + team_BB + team_SO,
                  data = df_train_with_combo)
# Summary of the regression model
summary(model_mn_4_combo)
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B + BASERUN_SB +
##
       FIELD_ERRORS + FIELD_DBLPLY + team_H + team_HR + team_BB +
##
       team_SO, data = df_train_with_combo)
##
## Residuals:
       Min
                1Q
                                3Q
##
                   Median
                                        Max
## -69.649 -8.815
                     0.055
                                    64.906
                             8.574
```

```
## Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 61.9316105 2.6833783 23.080 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_2B
                0.0601534 0.0073711
                                       8.161 5.46e-16 ***
## BATTING 3B
                0.1704151 0.0154456
                                      11.033 < 2e-16 ***
## BASERUN SB
                0.0303981 0.0043544
                                       6.981 3.83e-12 ***
## FIELD ERRORS -0.0198336 0.0024386
                                      -8.133 6.82e-16 ***
## FIELD DBLPLY -0.1030898
                           0.0135610
                                      -7.602 4.24e-14 ***
## team H
                0.0009287
                           0.0003140
                                       2.958 0.00313 **
## team_HR
                0.0403502 0.0037810
                                      10.672 < 2e-16 ***
## team_BB
                0.0046580 0.0014485
                                       3.216 0.00132 **
## team_SO
               -0.0032830 0.0005130
                                     -6.400 1.88e-10 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 13.7 on 2266 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.246, Adjusted R-squared: 0.243
## F-statistic: 82.16 on 9 and 2266 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2265 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared unchanged from previous model at .243 (A1 & A2 -> .315, A3 -> .243)
- 9 of 9 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .01)
- 1 Variable coefficients has counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: FIELD DBLPLY & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: NONE
- Counter intuitive to create variables that add batting and pitching stats that should have an opposite impact on Wins

# A5 - Remove BATTING\_HBP after Manual Review -Adj.R .221

1Q Median

• Let's redo the correlations to select the most highly correlated variables.

3Q

```
# Create a subset that includes all columns
# all_columns_subset <- df_train_with_combo[, ]</pre>
# kdepairs(all_columns_subset)
model_mn_5_combo <- lm(TARGET_WINS ~ team_H + team_BB + FIELD_ERRORS +FIELD_DBLPLY+ team_SO+ team_HR
            ##+ BATTING_HBP
            + BATTING_3B +BASERUN_SB, data = df_train_with_combo)
summary(model mn 5 combo)
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = TARGET WINS ~ team H + team BB + FIELD ERRORS +
       FIELD_DBLPLY + team_SO + team_HR + BATTING_3B + BASERUN_SB,
##
##
       data = df_train_with_combo)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
```

Max

```
## -70.887 -8.814
                    0.199
                            8.594 72.705
##
## Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) 70.8455389 2.4862050 28.495 < 2e-16 ***
## team H
                0.0015595 0.0003087
                                       5.052 4.73e-07 ***
## team BB
                0.0046630 0.0014693
                                       3.174 0.00153 **
## FIELD ERRORS -0.0237537
                          0.0024252
                                      -9.795 < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD_DBLPLY -0.0960015
                           0.0137276
                                      -6.993 3.52e-12 ***
## team_SO
               -0.0035237
                           0.0005195
                                      -6.783 1.49e-11 ***
## team_HR
                0.0518891
                           0.0035570
                                      14.588 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_3B
                0.1984428
                           0.0152752
                                      12.991 < 2e-16 ***
## BASERUN SB
                0.0298278 0.0044164
                                       6.754 1.82e-11 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 13.9 on 2267 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2239, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2211
## F-statistic: 81.74 on 8 and 2267 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2267 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared decreased to .221 (A1 & A2 -> .315, A3 & A4 -> .243)
- 8 of 8 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .01)
- 1 Variable coefficients has counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: FIELD DBLPLY & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: NONE
- Counter intuitive to create variables that add batting and pitching stats that should have an opposite impact on Wins

# Best from A: Model A2 model\_mn\_2 -Adj.R .315

The second version of the model (model\_mn\_2) has the highest effect size accounting for 31.5% of the variance in the Wins (TARGET\_WINS). Additionally, the overall model and 9 of 14 coefficients are significant, though 5 counter intuitive coefficients are included and there is multicollinearity between predictor variables.

# B - Mean Imputation & Square Root Transformed Variables

## B1 - ALL Variables -Adj.R .355

```
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = TARGET WINS ~ BATTING HITS + BATTING 2B + BATTING 3B +
       BATTING_HR + BATTING_BB + BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + BASERUN_CS +
##
##
       BATTING_HBP + PITCHING_HITS + PITCHING_HR + PITCHING_BB +
       PITCHING SO + FIELD ERRORS + FIELD DBLPLY, data = df train sqrt)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q Median
                                3Q
                                        Max
  -3.7776 -0.4691 0.0289
                            0.4777
                                    3.0592
## Coefficients:
##
                  Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                         3.536 0.000415 ***
## (Intercept)
                  2.838390
                             0.802792
## BATTING_HITS
                  0.243593
                             0.017380
                                       14.016 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_2B
                 -0.041292
                             0.016465
                                        -2.508 0.012217 *
## BATTING_3B
                  0.055966
                             0.015127
                                         3.700 0.000221 ***
## BATTING HR
                  0.030747
                             0.037571
                                        0.818 0.413229
## BATTING_BB
                 -0.024306
                             0.024689
                                        -0.984 0.324984
## BATTING SO
                 -0.062899
                             0.013037
                                        -4.825 1.50e-06 ***
## BASERUN_SB
                  0.058704
                             0.006748
                                        8.699 < 2e-16 ***
## BASERUN CS
                 -0.037046
                             0.015320
                                        -2.418 0.015680 *
## BATTING_HBP
                  0.084764
                             0.064359
                                        1.317 0.187956
## PITCHING HITS -0.026829
                             0.004871
                                        -5.508 4.03e-08 ***
## PITCHING HR
                  0.035546
                             0.033722
                                         1.054 0.291961
## PITCHING BB
                  0.034832
                             0.020933
                                         1.664 0.096252
## PITCHING_SO
                  0.034681
                             0.009031
                                         3.840 0.000126 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS
                 -0.072716
                             0.006925 -10.500 < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD_DBLPLY
                                       -9.325 < 2e-16 ***
                 -0.168645
                             0.018086
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.748 on 2260 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3589, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3546
## F-statistic: 84.33 on 15 and 2260 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2260 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared of .355 which is an improvement from the mean imputation models tested which are .315 or less.
- 10 of 15 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 5 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_2B, BATTING\_BB, FIELD\_DBLPLY & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: PITCHING\_BB, PITCHING\_HR

#### B2 - Removed BASERUN\_CS and BATTING\_HBP for NA Values -Adj.R .328

• Let's explore a model excluding the two variables with the most missing values including base runner caught stealing and batters hit by pitch

```
model_sqrt_2 <- lm(TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_HITS+BATTING_2B+BATTING_3B+BATTING_HR+BATTING_BB+BATTING_SO+BA
               ##BASERUN CS + BATTING HBP
               +PITCHING_HITS+PITCHING_HR+PITCHING_BB+PITCHING_SO+FIELD_ERRORS,
             data = df_train_sqrt)
# Summary of the regression model
summary(model sqrt 2)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET WINS ~ BATTING HITS + BATTING 2B + BATTING 3B +
      BATTING HR + BATTING BB + BATTING SO + BASERUN SB + +PITCHING HITS +
##
      PITCHING HR + PITCHING BB + PITCHING SO + FIELD ERRORS, data = df train sqrt)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
              1Q Median
                             3Q
                                   Max
## -3.8866 -0.4833 0.0303 0.4923 2.9078
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                1.244593 0.599840 2.075 0.038111 *
## BATTING_HITS
                          0.017738 13.850 < 2e-16 ***
               0.245679
               ## BATTING 2B
## BATTING_3B
                0.058233 0.015432
                                   3.773 0.000165 ***
## BATTING_HR
               -0.001726 0.037994 -0.045 0.963763
## BATTING_BB
               ## BATTING_SO
               ## BASERUN SB
                0.062586 0.006313
                                  9.913 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING HITS -0.025643 0.004962 -5.168 2.57e-07 ***
                0.045659 0.034371
## PITCHING HR
                                   1.328 0.184172
## PITCHING BB
                0.027355 0.021352
                                    1.281 0.200258
## PITCHING_SO
                0.033260
                          0.009215
                                   3.609 0.000314 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS -0.071576 0.006794 -10.535 < 2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.7636 on 2263 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3311, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3276
## F-statistic: 93.35 on 12 and 2263 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2263 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared decreased from .355 to .328
- 8 of 12 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 5 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_2B, BATTING\_BB, BATTING\_HR & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: PITCHING\_BB, PITCHING\_HR

# B3 - Removed BASERUN\_CS, BATTING\_HBP, BATTING\_HR, BATTING\_BB, PITCH-ING\_HR & PITCHING\_BB for Non-significance -Adj.R .320

• Let's adjust this model to remove an additional 4 predictor variables that have non-significant coefficients including Batter & Pitcher home runs & walks

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_HITS + BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B +
      BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + +PITCHING_HITS + PITCHING_SO +
##
##
      FIELD_ERRORS, data = df_train_sqrt)
##
## Residuals:
      Min
              10 Median
                             3Q
##
                                   Max
## -3.9282 -0.4756 0.0200 0.5160 2.8059
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
               ## (Intercept)
## BATTING HITS
                ## BATTING 2B
               -0.049467
                          0.016794 -2.946 0.003256 **
## BATTING 3B
                0.040506
                          0.014386
                                    2.816 0.004909 **
## BATTING SO
               -0.037525
                          0.009850 -3.810 0.000143 ***
## BASERUN_SB
                0.057276
                          0.005835
                                    9.816 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING HITS -0.017733
                          0.003679 -4.820 1.53e-06 ***
## PITCHING SO
                0.037464
                          0.006366
                                    5.885 4.56e-09 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS -0.077277
                          0.006083 -12.705 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.7678 on 2267 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3224, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3201
## F-statistic: 134.9 on 8 and 2267 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2267 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared decreased slightly to .320 (B1 -> .355, B2 -> .328)
- 8 of 8 variable coefficients are significant (p < .01), though the intercept coefficient is not (p = .92)
- 1 Variable coefficient has counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_2B & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: NONE

### B4 - Added BATTING\_HBP to increase effect size -Adj.R .320

• Let's try adding back in batters hit by pitch (BATTING\_HBP) to see if that will increase our effect size back to when all variables were included.

```
model_sqrt_4 <- lm(TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_HITS+BATTING_2B+BATTING_3B+BATTING_SO+BASERUN_SB+
                 ##BASERUN CS
                 + BATTING_HBP+PITCHING_HITS
                 ##+ BATTING_HR + BATTING_BB + PITCHING_HR + PITCHING_BB
                 +PITCHING SO+FIELD ERRORS,
               data = df train sqrt)
# Summary of the regression model
summary(model sqrt 4)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET WINS ~ BATTING HITS + BATTING 2B + BATTING 3B +
       BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + +BATTING_HBP + PITCHING_HITS +
       PITCHING_SO + FIELD_ERRORS, data = df_train_sqrt)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
      Min
                1Q Median
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -3.9281 -0.4768 0.0190 0.5160 2.8072
##
## Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                 -0.770099
                            0.712087
                                      -1.081 0.279604
## BATTING_HITS
                 0.278462
                            0.015904 17.509 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING 2B
                -0.049408
                            0.016790 -2.943 0.003286 **
## BATTING 3B
                 0.040922
                            0.014385
                                       2.845 0.004485 **
## BATTING SO
                -0.037652
                            0.009848 -3.823 0.000135 ***
## BASERUN SB
                 0.057335
                            0.005834
                                       9.828 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING HBP
                 0.094702
                            0.066013
                                       1.435 0.151540
## PITCHING HITS -0.017685
                            0.003678
                                      -4.808 1.62e-06 ***
## PITCHING SO
                 0.037480
                            0.006364
                                       5.889 4.46e-09 ***
                            0.006083 -12.742 < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS -0.077516
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.7676 on 2266 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3231, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3204
## F-statistic: 120.2 on 9 and 2266 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2266 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared unchanged at .320 (B1 -> .355, B2 -> .328, B3 -> .320)
- 8 of 9 variable coefficients are significant (p < .01), and the intercept coefficient is still not significant, but has improved (p = .280)
- 1 Variable coefficient has counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_2B & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: NONE

#### Best from B: Model B4 model\_sqrt\_4 -Adj.R .320

The fourth version of the square root transformation model (model\_sqrt\_4) explains 32% of the variance in Wins. Although this is 3.5% less variance than the first model, this fourth model ties more closely to what we would expect of the coefficient values and includes only significant predictor variables.

# C - Zero Imputation & Ratio Transformed Variables

# C1 - ALL Variables -Adj.R .232

```
# Fit a multiple linear regression model
model ratio 1 <- lm(TARGET WINS RATIO ~ BATTING HITS+BATTING 2B+BATTING 3B+BATTING HR+BATTING BB+BATTIN
                 BASERUN_CS+BATTING_HBP+PITCHING_HITS+PITCHING_HR+PITCHING_BB+PITCHING_SO+FIELD_ERRORS+
               data = df_train_ratio)
# Summary of the regression model
summary(model_ratio_1)
##
## Call:
   lm(formula = TARGET_WINS_RATIO ~ BATTING_HITS + BATTING_2B +
##
       BATTING_3B + BATTING_HR + BATTING_BB + BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB +
       BASERUN_CS + BATTING_HBP + PITCHING_HITS + PITCHING_HR +
##
       PITCHING_BB + PITCHING_SO + FIELD_ERRORS + FIELD_DBLPLY,
##
       data = df_train_ratio)
##
##
## Residuals:
##
        Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                     3Q
                                             Max
  -0.43059 -0.05337
                      0.00114
                               0.05479
                                         0.37273
##
## Coefficients: (1 not defined because of singularities)
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                 -4.17491
                             0.37364 -11.173 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
## BATTING_HITS
                  5.01341
                             0.43238
                                      11.595
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_2B
                  1.15556
                             0.37045
                                        3.119 0.00184 **
## BATTING_3B
                  4.62706
                             0.70287
                                        6.583 5.71e-11 ***
## BATTING_HR
                 -0.07382
                             1.86734
                                       -0.040 0.96847
## BATTING_BB
                             0.65622
                  4.84746
                                       7.387 2.10e-13 ***
## BATTING_SO
                                              < 2e-16 ***
                  4.00362
                             0.40006
                                      10.007
## BASERUN_SB
                  4.76018
                             0.34628
                                       13.747
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## BASERUN_CS
                  4.70532
                                       7.798 9.49e-15 ***
                             0.60337
## BATTING HBP
                  2.24262
                             0.88266
                                        2.541
                                               0.01113 *
## PITCHING HITS
                  4.72716
                                      12.412
                             0.38085
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING_HR
                  3.86052
                             1.73189
                                        2.229
                                               0.02591 *
## PITCHING_BB
                  4.41518
                             0.52147
                                        8.467
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING_SO
                  4.74611
                             0.41432
                                      11.455
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS
                  2.78209
                             0.32868
                                        8.464
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD DBLPLY
                       NA
                                  NA
                                           NA
                                                    NA
## ---
```

```
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.08523 on 2261 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2364, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2316
## F-statistic: 49.99 on 14 and 2261 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

##

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2261 degrees of freedom
- This model has an Adjusted R-squared of .232
- 13 of 15 variable coefficients and the Intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 7 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_HR & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: BATTING\_SO, BASERUN\_CS, PITCHING\_HITS, PITCHING\_BB, FIELD\_ERRORS & No Coefficient: FIELD\_DBLPLY

# C2 - Removed FIELD\_DBLPLY & BATTING\_HR for Non-significance -Adj.R .232

• Let us explore a model excluding the variables that do not have significant coefficients including field doubleplays, and batter home runs (FIELD\_DBLPLY & BATTING\_HR)

```
# Fit a multiple linear regression model using lm
model_ratio_2 <- lm(TARGET_WINS_RATIO ~ BATTING_HITS+BATTING_2B+BATTING_3B
                    ## +BATTING_HR + FIELD_DBLPLY
                    +BATTING_BB+BATTING_SO+BASERUN_SB
                    +BASERUN_CS+BATTING_HBP+PITCHING_HITS+PITCHING_HR+PITCHING_BB+PITCHING_SO+FIELD_ERR
               data = df_train_ratio)
# Summary of the regression model
summary(model_ratio_2)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET_WINS_RATIO ~ BATTING_HITS + BATTING_2B +
       BATTING_3B + BATTING_BB + BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + BASERUN_CS +
##
       BATTING_HBP + PITCHING_HITS + PITCHING_HR + PITCHING_BB +
##
       PITCHING_SO + FIELD_ERRORS, data = df_train_ratio)
##
##
## Residuals:
       Min
                  1Q
                      Median
                                    3Q
                                            Max
```

```
## Coefficients:
## Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -4.1744 0.3734 -11.181 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_HITS 5.0129 0.4321 11.601 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_2B 1.1559 0.3703 3.122 0.00182 **
```

## -0.43046 -0.05343 0.00114 0.05481 0.37282

## BATTING\_3B 4.6306 0.6970 6.644 3.82e-11 \*\*\* ## BATTING\_BB 4.8372 8.029 1.56e-15 \*\*\* 0.6025 ## BATTING\_SO 4.0027 0.3993 10.023 < 2e-16 \*\*\* ## BASERUN SB 4.7596 0.3459 13.762 < 2e-16 \*\*\* ## BASERUN\_CS 7.803 9.17e-15 \*\*\* 4.7058 0.6031

```
## BATTING HBP
                  2.2368
                             0.8700
                                      2.571 0.01020 *
                  4.7265
                             0.3804 12.424 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING HITS
## PITCHING HR
                  3.7934
                             0.3355 11.308 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING_BB
                  4.4235
                             0.4768
                                      9.278 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING SO
                  4.7456
                             0.4140 11.462
                                            < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD ERRORS
                             0.3284
                  2.7816
                                     8.471 < 2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.08521 on 2262 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2364, Adjusted R-squared: 0.232
## F-statistic: 53.86 on 13 and 2262 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2262 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared is unchanged at .232
- 13 of 13 variable coefficients and the Intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 4 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: NONE & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: BASERUN\_CS, PITCHING\_HITS, PITCHING\_HR, PITCHING\_BB

# C3 - Removed FIELD\_DBLPLY, BATTING\_HR & BATTING\_HBP for Least significance -Adj.R .230

• Let's adjust this model to remove an additional predictor variables that has the least significant variable coefficient batter hit by pitch (BATTING\_HBP p=.01) and was also the variable missing over 90% of values.

FIELD\_ERRORS, data = df\_train\_ratio)

## Coefficients:

## Residuals:

##

##

```
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                            0.3454 -11.023 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
                 -3.8070
## BATTING HITS
                  4.5580
                             0.3947 11.548 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_2B
                  1.4507
                            0.3525
                                     4.115 4.00e-05 ***
## BATTING 3B
                  4.7008
                            0.6973
                                     6.741 1.98e-11 ***
                                    7.602 4.23e-14 ***
## BATTING BB
                  4.3944
                            0.5780
                           0.3803 9.692 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING SO
                  3.6856
## BASERUN SB
                  4.5011
                            0.3313 13.585 < 2e-16 ***
## BASERUN CS
                  4.1212
                            0.5593
                                    7.369 2.40e-13 ***
## PITCHING_HITS
                  4.3579
                            0.3528 12.352 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING_HR
                  3.9361
                            0.3312 11.883 < 2e-16 ***
                                     8.905 < 2e-16 ***
## PITCHING_BB
                  4.0704
                             0.4571
## PITCHING_SO
                  4.3448
                            0.3841 11.313 < 2e-16 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS
                  2.4865
                            0.3080 8.072 1.11e-15 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.08532 on 2263 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2341, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2301
## F-statistic: 57.65 on 12 and 2263 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2263 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared decreased very slightly to .230 (C1 & C2 -> .232)
- 12 of 12 variable coefficients and the Intercept coefficient are significant (p < .001)
- 5 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: NONE & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: BATTING\_SO, BASERUN\_CS, PITCHING\_HITS, PITCHING\_HR, PITCHING\_BB

# C4 - Removed BATTING\_SO, BASERUN\_CS, PITCHING\_HITS, PITCHING\_HR, PITCHING\_BB for Counter intuitive coefficients -Adj.R .105

• Let's adjust this model to remove additional predictor variables that should have a negative impact on Wins, but have a positive coefficient (Batting strikeouts, base runner caught stealing, and pitching hits, home runs & walks)

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET_WINS_RATIO ~ BATTING_HITS + BATTING_2B +
##
BATTING_3B + BATTING_BB + BASERUN_SB + PITCHING_SO + FIELD_ERRORS,
```

```
##
       data = df_train_ratio)
##
## Residuals:
##
                                    3Q
       Min
                  1Q
                       Median
                                             Max
##
   -0.46714 -0.05829
                      0.00217
                               0.05986
                                        0.43548
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                 0.55023
                            0.03243
                                     16.966
                                             < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING_HITS -0.27310
                            0.11660
                                     -2.342 0.01926 *
## BATTING_2B
                 1.88110
                            0.37689
                                      4.991 6.46e-07 ***
## BATTING_3B
                 4.29027
                            0.67122
                                      6.392 1.98e-10 ***
## BATTING_BB
                -0.24904
                            0.14038
                                     -1.774
                                             0.07619 .
## BASERUN_SB
                                      3.036 0.00242 **
                 0.48089
                            0.15839
## PITCHING_SO -0.34808
                            0.07670
                                      -4.538 5.97e-06 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS -1.18547
                            0.13229
                                      -8.961 < 2e-16 ***
##
## Signif. codes:
                  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.09199 on 2268 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.1077, Adjusted R-squared: 0.105
## F-statistic: 39.12 on 7 and 2268 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

- Model overall is significant (p < 2.2e-16) with 2268 degrees of freedom
- Adjusted R-squared decreased to .105 (C1 & C2 -> .232, C3 -> .230)
- 6 of 7 variable coefficients and the Intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 4 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: BATTING\_HITS, BATTING\_BB & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: PITCH-ING\_SO, FIELD\_ERRORS

#### Best from C: Model C3 model\_ratio\_3 -Adj.R .230

The third version of the model (model\_ratio\_3) has essentially the same effect size as the previous 2 and is .13 higher than the fourth model. It accounts for 23% of the variance in the ratio of wins (TAR-GET\_WINS\_RATIO) and the overall model and coefficients are all significant, though 5 counter intuitive coefficients are included.

# 4. SELECT MODELS

#### Selection Criteria to Consider

As all three models are significant overall with similar degrees of freedom, we will focus on: \* Adjusted R-squared value \* Significance of Variable Coefficients \* Variable Coefficients are Intuitive

Model A2:

- Adjusted R-squared of .315
- 9 of 14 variable coefficients and the intercept coefficient are significant (p < .05)
- 5 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values: Positive impact on Wins, but Negative coefficient: batter doubles (BATTING\_2B) & Negative impact on Wins, but Positive coefficient: field double play and pitching hits, home runs, & walks (PITCHING\_HR, PITCHING\_HITS, PITCHING\_BB, FIELD\_DBLPLY)

#### Model B4:

- Adjusted R-squared of .320
- 8 of 9 variable coefficients are significant (p < .01) though intercept coefficient is not
- 1 Variable coefficient has counter intuitive values as we would expect batter doubles (BATTING\_2B) to have a positive impact on Wins, but it has a negative coefficient.

Model C3 \* Adjusted R-squared of .230 \* 12 of 12 variable coefficients and the Intercept coefficient are significant (p < .001) \* 5 Variable coefficients have counter intuitive values as we would predict a negative impact on Wins for batter strikeouts, base runners caught stealing, and pitching hits, home runs & walks (BATTING\_SO, BASERUN\_CS, PITCHING\_HITS, PITCHING\_HR, PITCHING\_BB)

#### Selected Model

Model B4 with mean imputation and square root transformations has the greatest adjusted R-squared accounting for 32% of the variance in Wins. It is also the model that makes the most intuitive sense in terms of variable coefficient values, which are also all significant barring one.

# \*\*Regression Summary for Selected Model

```
summary(model_sqrt_4)
##
## Call:
```

```
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ BATTING_HITS + BATTING_2B + BATTING_3B +
## BATTING_SO + BASERUN_SB + +BATTING_HBP + PITCHING_HITS +
## PITCHING_SO + FIELD_ERRORS, data = df_train_sqrt)
##
## Residuals:
## Min    1Q Median    3Q Max
## -3.9281 -0.4768    0.0190    0.5160    2.8072
##
## Coefficients:
```

```
##
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
              -0.770099 0.712087 -1.081 0.279604
## (Intercept)
## BATTING HITS
              0.278462 0.015904 17.509 < 2e-16 ***
             ## BATTING_2B
## BATTING 3B
              0.040922 0.014385
                                 2.845 0.004485 **
## BATTING SO
             ## BASERUN SB
              0.057335 0.005834 9.828 < 2e-16 ***
## BATTING HBP
               ## PITCHING_HITS -0.017685 0.003678 -4.808 1.62e-06 ***
## PITCHING_SO
               0.037480
                        0.006364
                                 5.889 4.46e-09 ***
## FIELD_ERRORS -0.077516
                        0.006083 -12.742 < 2e-16 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.7676 on 2266 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3231, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3204
## F-statistic: 120.2 on 9 and 2266 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Save coefficients from Multiple Regression
df_coeff <- as.data.frame(model_sqrt_4$coefficients) %>%
t()
```

#### Calculate Mean Squared Error

```
model_summ <-summary(model_sqrt_4)
#calculate MSE
print(mean(model_summ$residuals^2))</pre>
```

## [1] 0.5866497

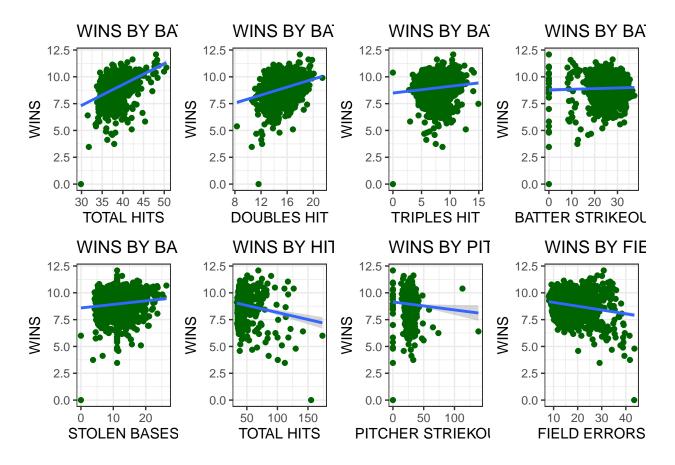
#### Bivariate Plots of Wins by Significant Predictors

```
p1 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET_WINS, x=BATTING_HITS)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY BATTING HITS",
       x="TOTAL HITS", y="WINS") +
  theme_bw()
p2 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET WINS, x=BATTING 2B)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
  geom smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY BATTING DOUBLES",
       x="DOUBLES HIT", y="WINS") +
  theme_bw()
p3 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET_WINS, x=BATTING_3B)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
```

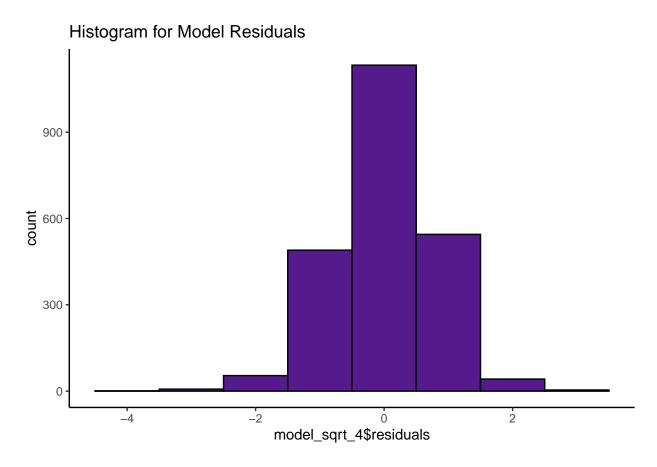
```
geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY BATTING TRIPLES",
       x="TRIPLES HIT", y="WINS") +
  theme bw()
p4 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET_WINS, x=BATTING_S0)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
  geom smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY BATTING STRIKEOUTS",
       x="BATTER STRIKEOUTS", y="WINS") +
  theme_bw()
p5 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET_WINS, x=BASERUN_SB)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY BASE RUNNER STOLEN BASES",
       x="STOLEN BASES", y="WINS") +
  theme_bw()
p6 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET_WINS, x=PITCHING_HITS)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY HITS OFF PITCHER",
       x="TOTAL HITS", y="WINS") +
  theme bw()
p7 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET_WINS, x=PITCHING_S0)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY PITCHER STRIKEOUTS",
       x="PITCHER STRIEKOUTS", y="WINS") +
  theme_bw()
p8 <- model_sqrt_4 %>%
  ggplot(aes(y=TARGET_WINS, x=FIELD_ERRORS)) +
  geom_point(color="darkgreen") +
  geom_smooth(method = "lm", se=TRUE) +
  labs(title = "WINS BY FIELDING ERRORS",
       x="FIELD ERRORS", y="WINS") +
  theme_bw()
library(gridExtra)
## Warning: package 'gridExtra' was built under R version 4.3.1
## Attaching package: 'gridExtra'
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
##
##
       combine
```

```
grid.arrange(p1, p2, p3, p4, p5, p6, p7,p8, nrow=2)
```

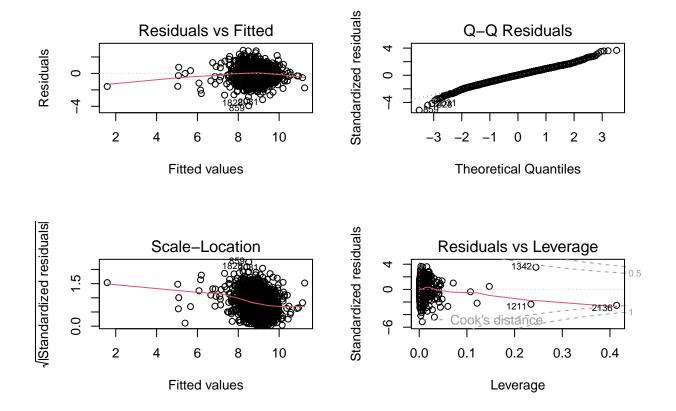
```
## `geom_smooth()` using formula = 'y ~ x'
```



# Diagnostic Plots for Selected Model



```
par(mfrow = c(2, 2))
plot(model_sqrt_4)
```



A - Mean squared Error: 0.5866497 B - Adjusted R-squared is .320 indicating the model accounts for 32% of the variability in our training dataset C - F-statistic: 120.2 on 9 and 2266 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16 D - Residual Plots: \* Nearly Normal Residuals - Condition is met based on the histogram and normal probability plots though the 2 ends diverge on the Q-Q plot \* Linearity and Constant Variability - There is no apparent pattern in the residuals plot indicating there is linearity and the points are scattered around zero for the most part showing constant variability \* Leverage points - There are several bad leverage points affecting our model as indicated by Cook's distance

# Predict Total Wins for Evaluation Dataset

# Summary of Variables

# print(skim(df\_evaluation)) ## -- Data Summary ----## Values

```
## Name df_evaluation
## Number of rows 259
## Number of columns 16
## _____
```

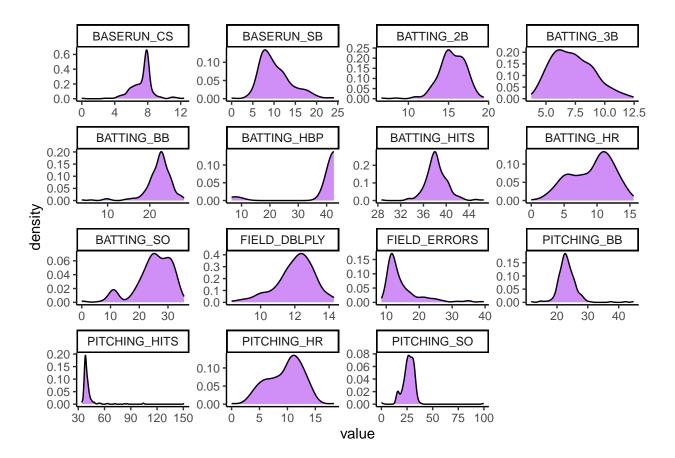
## Column type frequency:

```
##
    numeric
                           16
##
## Group variables
                          None
##
## -- Variable type: numeric -------
     skim_variable n_missing complete_rate mean
                                              sd
                                                           p25
##
                                                                  p50
                                                                        p75
  1 INDEX
                           1 1264.
                                               693.
                                                      9 708
                                                               1249
                                                                     1832.
## 2 BATTING_HITS
                         0
                                 1
                                       1469.
                                               151.
                                                     819 1387
                                                               1455
                                                                     1548
                                                49.5
## 3 BATTING 2B
                        0
                                 1
                                        241.
                                                     44
                                                         210
                                                                239
                                                                      278.
                        0
                                                          35
                                                                 52
## 4 BATTING_3B
                                 1
                                         55.9
                                                27.1
                                                      14
                                                                      72
## 5 BATTING_HR
                        0
                                 1
                                         95.6
                                                56.3
                                                       0
                                                          44.5 101
                                                                      136.
## 6 BATTING_BB
                        0
                                        499.
                                               121.
                                                         436.
                                                                509
                                                                      566.
                                 1
                                                      15
## 7 BATTING_SO
                        18
                                 0.931
                                        709.
                                               243.
                                                       0
                                                         545
                                                                686
                                                                      912
                                                93.4
## 8 BASERUN_SB
                                 0.950
                                                       0
                                                          59
                                                                92
                                                                      152.
                        13
                                        124.
## 9 BASERUN_CS
                       87
                                 0.664
                                         52.3
                                                23.1
                                                       0
                                                          38
                                                                 49.5 63
## 10 BATTING_HBP
                       240
                                 0.0734
                                         62.4
                                                12.7
                                                    42
                                                          53.5
                                                                 62
                                                                       67.5
## 11 PITCHING_HITS
                       0
                                       1813. 1663. 1155 1426. 1515
                                                                     1681
                                 1
## 12 PITCHING HR
                       0
                                 1
                                        102.
                                                57.7
                                                       0
                                                          52
                                                                104
## 13 PITCHING_BB
                       0
                                        552.
                                               173.
                                                     136 471
                                                                526
                                 1
                                                                      606.
## 14 PITCHING SO
                        18
                                0.931
                                        800.
                                               634.
                                                       0
                                                         613
                                                                745
                                                                      938
## 15 FIELD_ERRORS
                        0
                                 1
                                        250.
                                               231.
                                                      73
                                                         131
                                                                163
                                                                      252
                        31
## 16 FIELD DBLPLY
                                0.880
                                        146. 25.9 69 131
                                                                148
                                                                      164
##
      p100 hist
##
   1 2525
##
  2 2170
##
  3
       376
##
  4
       155
##
   5
       242
##
  6
       792
##
   7 1268
##
   8
       580
##
  9
       154
## 10
        96
## 11 22768
## 12
       336
## 13 2008
## 14 9963
## 15
      1568
## 16
       204
```

## Mean Imputation then Square Root Transformation

```
evaluation_means[9], BASERUN_SB))%>%
  mutate(BASERUN_CS =
           ifelse(is.na(BASERUN_CS),
                  evaluation_means[10], BASERUN_CS))%>%
  mutate(BATTING_HBP =
           ifelse(is.na(BATTING_HBP),
                  evaluation_means[11],BATTING_HBP))%>%
  mutate(PITCHING SO =
           ifelse(is.na(PITCHING_SO),
                  evaluation_means[15], PITCHING_SO))%>%
  mutate(FIELD DBLPLY =
           ifelse(is.na(FIELD_DBLPLY),
                  evaluation_means[17], FIELD_DBLPLY))
df_evaluation_sqrt <- sqrt(df_evaluation_mn)</pre>
df_evaluation_sqrt %>%
  gather(variable, value, BATTING_HITS: FIELD_DBLPLY)%>% #pivot longer to plot all variables
  ggplot(.,aes(x=value)) + #plotting every variable
  geom_density(fill = "purple", alpha = 0.5) +
  facet_wrap(~ variable, scales = "free", ncol = 4) +
  theme_classic()
```

## Warning: Removed 31 rows containing non-finite values (`stat\_density()`).



#### **Predict Total Wins**

• Use Regression Model built using Training data to Predict Wins for the Evaluation data

```
df_evaluation_sqrt$PREDICT_WINS_sqrt = predict(model_sqrt_4, new = df_evaluation_sqrt)
df_evaluation_sqrt$PREDICT_WINS = (df_evaluation_sqrt$PREDICT_WINS_sqrt)*(df_evaluation_sqrt$PREDICT_WINS_sqrt)*
```

#### Reference

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