

# Bodyfat Analysis

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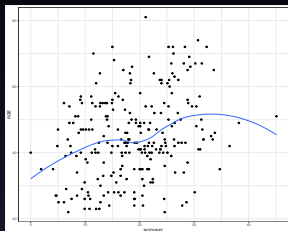
# Background

- Thesis Statement:  
An analysis of the male bodyfat database:  
*Using a linear model to infer and predict the male bodyfat based on three factors.*
- Target:  
A simple, convenient, and robust model.
- Data Description:

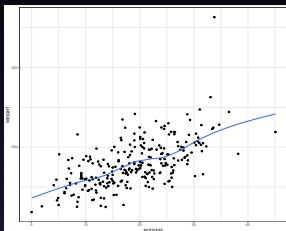
BODYFAT	DENSITY	AGE	WEIGHT	HEIGHT	ADIPOSITY	NECK	CHEST
12.6	1.0708	23	154.25	67.75	23.7	36.2	93.1
6.9	1.0853	22	173.25	72.25	23.4	38.5	93.6
24.6	1.0414	22	154.00	66.25	24.7	34.0	95.8
ABDOMEN	HIP	THIGH	KNEE	ANKLE	BICEPS	FOREARM	WRIST
85.2	94.5	59.0	37.3	21.9	32.0	27.4	17.1
83.0	98.7	58.7	37.3	23.4	30.5	28.9	18.2
87.9	99.2	59.6	38.9	24.0	28.8	25.2	16.6

# Model Selection

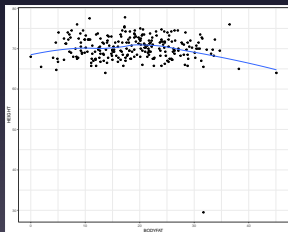
Is the linear model good enough to catch the trend on bodyfat?



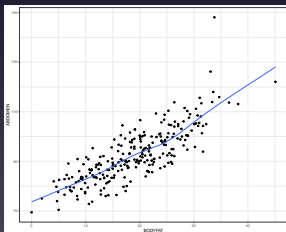
(a) age



(b) weight



(c) height



(d) abdomen

# Data Processing

- false record:

	BODYFAT	AGE	WEIGHT	HEIGHT	ADIPOSIITY
182	0	40	118.5	68	18.1

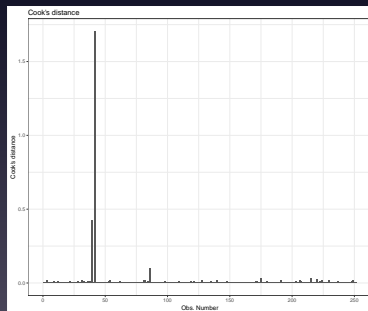
- check outliers:

	BODYFAT	AGE	WEIGHT	HEIGHT	ADIPOSIITY
42	31.7	44	205	29.5	29.9

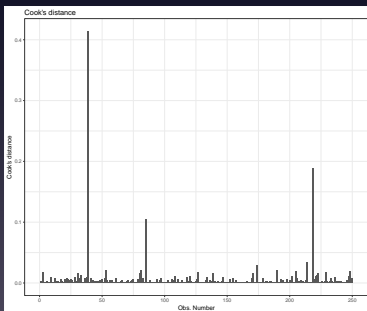
(e) 42

	BODYFAT	AGE	WEIGHT	HEIGHT	ADIPOSIITY
39	33.8	46	363.15	72.25	48.9

(f) 39



(g)



(h)

# Variable Selection

Select the variables based on stepwise method and elastic net.

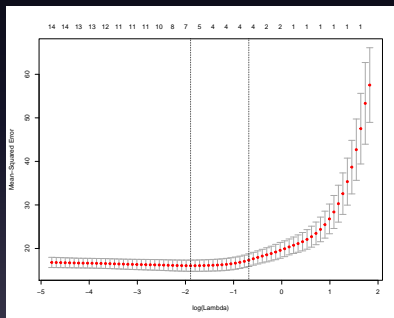
Stepwise:

$$\ln L(\mu, \sigma^2) = -\frac{n}{2} \ln(2\pi\sigma^2) - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \mu)^2$$

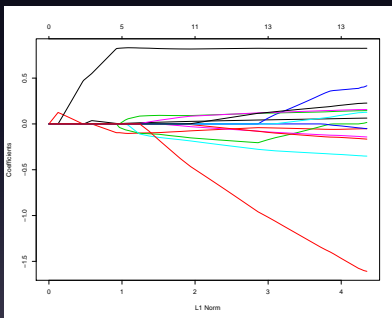
- AIC:  $2k - 2\ln(\hat{L})$   
ABDOMEN WEIGHT WRIST BICEPS AGE
- BIC:  $\ln(n)k - 2\ln(\hat{L})$   
ABDOMEN WEIGHT WRIST

# Variable Selection

- elastic net:  $\hat{\beta} = \operatorname{argmin}_{\beta} (\|y - X\beta\|^2 + \lambda_2 \|\beta\|^2 + \lambda_1 \|\beta\|_1)$



(i) cv



(j) regulation path

# Final Model

- Variables:

WEIGHT ABDOMEN WRIST

- trained model:

$$\text{Bodyfat} = -23.994 - 0.087 * \text{Weight(lb)} + \\ 0.885 * \text{Abdomen(cm)} - 1.282 * \text{Wrist(cm)}$$

- Residual standard error: 3.981

- $R^2$ : 0.7292

- p-value:  $< 2.2\text{e-}16$

- Rule of Thumb:

$$\text{Bodyfat} = -24 - 0.1 * \text{Weight(lb)} + 0.9 * \text{Abdomen(cm)} \\ - 1.3 * \text{Wrist(cm)}$$

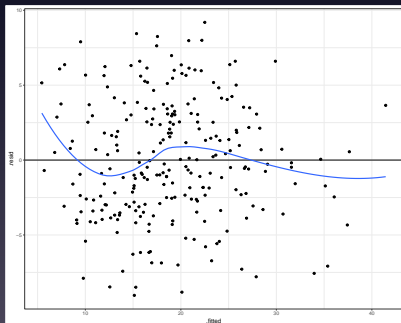


# Diagnostic

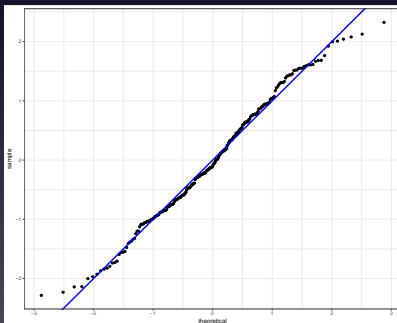
- VIF:

Variables	VIF
Weight	5.6178
Abdomen	4.1857
Wrist	2.0988

- Residuals:

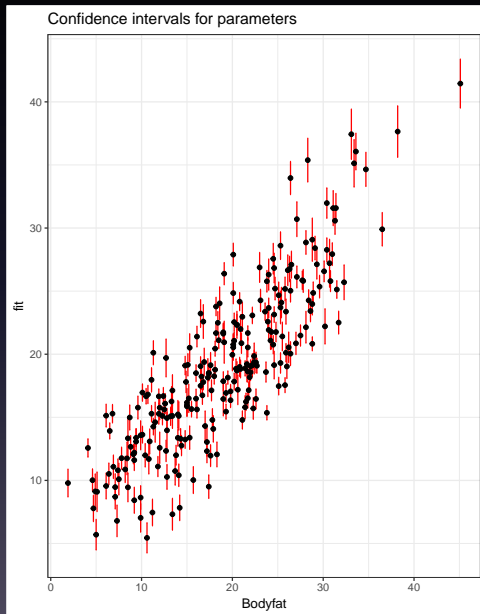


(k) residual



(l) Q-Q-plot

# Prediction



# Summary

- Strength:
  - 1.easy to implement
  - 2.not need a lot of information
- Weakness:

lack of accuracy (relatively large residuals)
- Illustrative example:

Weight: 136.75lb, Abdomen: 77.0cm, Wrist: 16.5cm  
Estimated Bodyfat: 10.15  
Confidence Interval: (9.05,11.25)

# Appendix

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