

lab-06: Model Selection + Diagnostics

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Packages

Loading required packages for the lab:

```
library(tidyverse)
library(knitr)
library(broom)
library(leaps)
library(rms)
library(Sleuth3)
```

Exercises

Part I: Model Selection

We begin this lab by conducting model selection with various selection criteria to choose a final model from the SAT dataset. The code to load the data and create the full main effects model is shown below. The next few questions will walk you through backward model selection using different model selection criteria to select a model.

```
sat_scores <- Sleuth3::case1201

full_model <- lm(SAT ~ Takers + Income + Years + Public + Expend + Rank, data = sat_scores)
tidy(full_model)
```

```
## # A tibble: 7 x 5
##   term          estimate std.error statistic  p.value
##   <chr>          <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>    <dbl>
## 1 (Intercept) -94.7      212.    -0.448  0.657
## 2 Takers      -0.480      0.694   -0.692  0.493
## 3 Income     -0.00820    0.152   -0.0538 0.957
## 4 Years       22.6       6.31     3.58   0.000866
## 5 Public     -0.464      0.579   -0.802  0.427
## 6 Expend      2.21      0.846     2.61  0.0123
## 7 Rank        8.48      2.11     4.02  0.000230
```

1. We will use the regsubsets function in the leaps R package to perform backward selection on multiple linear regression models with Adj.R2 or BIC as the selection criteria.

```
model_select <- regsubsets(SAT ~ Takers + Income + Years + Public + Expend + Rank , data = sat_scores, nmodels = 10)
select_summary <- summary(model_select)
coef(model_select, 1:6)
```

```
## [[1]]
## (Intercept)      Rank
## 183.418763      9.557949
##
## [[2]]
## (Intercept)      Years      Rank
## -243.930900     27.382901     9.351603
##
## [[3]]
## (Intercept)      Years      Expend      Rank
## -303.724295     26.095227     1.860866     9.825794
##
## [[4]]
## (Intercept)      Years      Public      Expend      Rank
## -204.598232     21.890482     -0.663798     2.241640     10.003169
##
## [[5]]
## (Intercept)      Takers      Years      Public      Expend      Rank
## -100.4736967     -0.4620796     22.6688085     -0.4522606     2.1859091     8.4964099
##
## [[6]]
## (Intercept)      Takers      Income      Years      Public
## -94.659108883     -0.480080120     -0.008195013     22.610081908     -0.464152292
##      Expend      Rank
##      2.212004850     8.476216985
```

```
select_summary$adjr2
```

```
## [1] 0.7695367 0.8405479 0.8627047 0.8661268 0.8649009 0.8617684
```

2. Fill in the code below to display the model selected from backward selection with BIC as the selection criterion.

```
select_summary$bic
```

```
## [1] -66.59010 -82.14815 -86.79191 -85.24089 -81.99674 -78.08808
```

3. Next, let's select a model using AIC as the selection criterion. To select a model using AIC, we will use the step function in R. The code below is to conduct backward selection using AIC as the criterion and store the selected model in an object called model_select_aic. Use the tidy function to display the coefficients of the selected model.

```
model_select_aic <- step(full_model, direction = "backward")
```

```
## Start: AIC=333.58
## SAT ~ Takers + Income + Years + Public + Expend + Rank
```

```
##
##           Df Sum of Sq  RSS   AIC
## - Income   1      2.0 29844 331.59
## - Takers   1     332.4 30175 332.14
## - Public   1     445.8 30288 332.32
## <none>                        29842 333.58
## - Expend   1    4744.9 34587 338.96
## - Years    1    8897.8 38740 344.63
## - Rank     1   11223.0 41065 347.54
##
## Step: AIC=331.59
## SAT ~ Takers + Years + Public + Expend + Rank
##
##           Df Sum of Sq  RSS   AIC
## - Takers   1     401.3 30246 330.25
## - Public   1     495.5 30340 330.41
## <none>                        29844 331.59
## - Expend   1    6904.4 36749 339.99
## - Years    1    9219.7 39064 343.05
## - Rank     1   11645.9 41490 346.06
##
## Step: AIC=330.25
## SAT ~ Years + Public + Expend + Rank
##
##           Df Sum of Sq  RSS   AIC
## <none>                        30246 330.25
## - Public   1     1462  31708 330.62
## - Expend   1     7343  37589 339.12
## - Years    1     8837  39083 341.07
## - Rank     1   184786 215032 426.33
```

```
tidy(model_select_aic)
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 5
##   term          estimate std.error statistic  p.value
##   <chr>          <dbl>     <dbl>     <dbl>    <dbl>
## 1 (Intercept) -205.         118.      -1.74 8.90e- 2
## 2 Years         21.9          6.04       3.63 7.31e- 4
## 3 Public        -0.664         0.450     -1.48 1.47e- 1
## 4 Expend         2.24          0.678       3.31 1.87e- 3
## 5 Rank          10.0          0.603      16.6 8.67e-21
```

4 Compare the final models selected by Adj.R2, AIC, and BIC. - Do the models have the same number of predictors? - If they don't have the same number of predictors, which selection criterion resulted in the model with the fewest number of predictors? Is this what you would expect? Briefly explain.

The models do not have the same predictors where the BIC has three predictors and the AIC and Adj.R2 have four predictors based on the models created above. The selection criterion that resulted in the fewest number of parameters is BIC with three predictors. No, this is not what I would expect completely. I would expect AIC and BIC would have fewer predictors since they help determine the best possible model without overpredicting or adding more variables that may add more noise than help by factoring the log likelihood. However, BIC only had the smallest amount predictors based on the smallest BIC value.

Part II: Model Diagnostics

Let's choose `model_select_aic`, the model selected using AIC, to be our final model. In this part of the lab, we will examine some model diagnostics for this model.

5. Use the `augment` function to create a data frame that contains model predictions and statistics for each observation. Save the data frame, and add a variable called `obs_num` that contains the observation (row) number. Display the first 5 rows of the new data frame.

```
df_model_prediction_statistics <- augment(model_select_aic)
df_model_prediction_statistics <- df_model_prediction_statistics %>%
  mutate(obs_num = row_number())
head(df_model_prediction_statistics, 5)
```

```
## # A tibble: 5 x 12
##   SAT Years Public Expend Rank .fitted .resid .hat .sigma .cooks
##   <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1 1088 16.8 87.8 25.6 89.7 1059. 28.7 0.100 25.8 0.0304
## 2 1075 16.1 86.2 20.0 90.6 1041. 34.0 0.0788 25.7 0.0320
## 3 1068 16.6 88.3 20.6 89.8 1044. 24.0 0.0894 25.9 0.0185
## 4 1045 16.3 83.9 27.1 86.3 1021. 24.4 0.0585 25.9 0.0117
## 5 1045 17.2 83.6 21.0 88.5 1050. -4.99 0.113 26.2 0.00106
## # ... with 2 more variables: .std.resid <dbl>, obs_num <int>
```

6. Let's examine the leverage for each observation. Based on the lecture notes, what threshold should we use to determine if observations in this dataset have high leverage? Report the value and show the equation you used to calculate it.

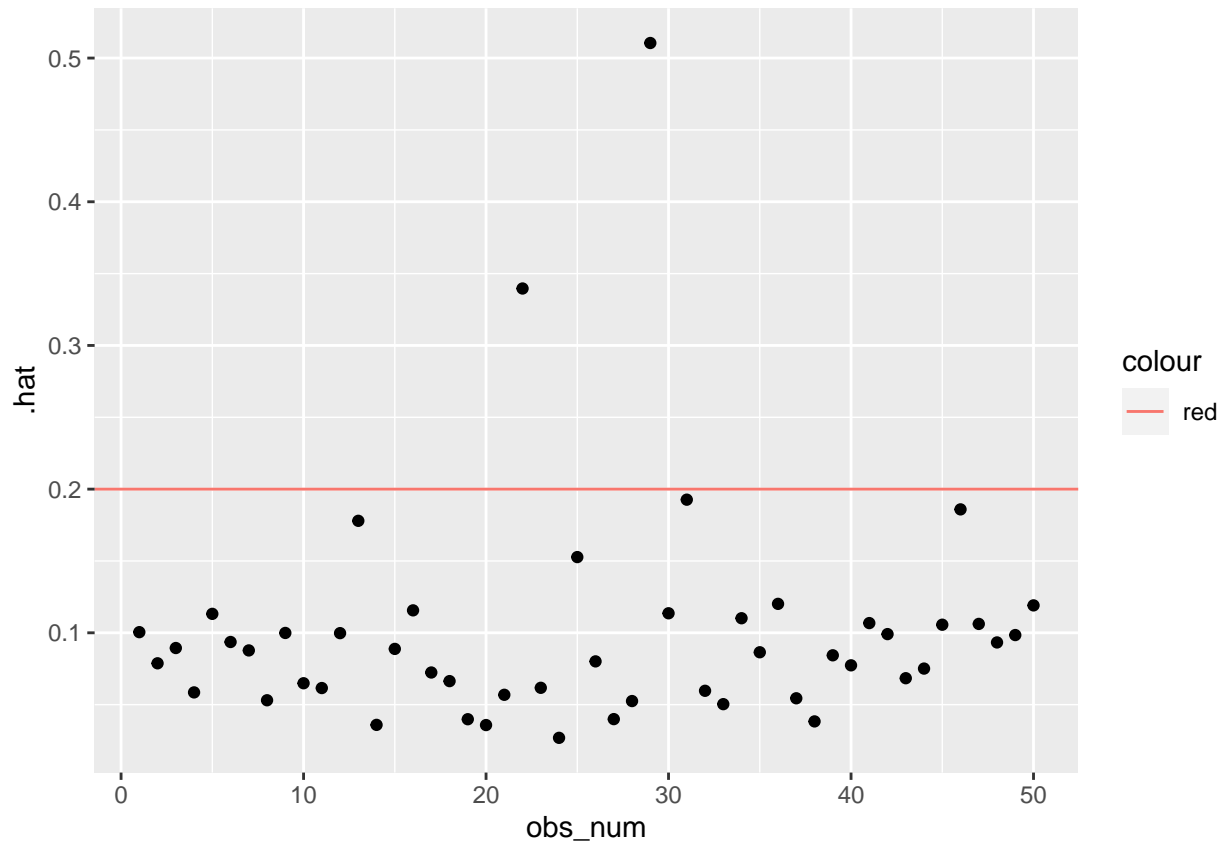
The threshold we should use to determine if the observations in this dataset have high leverage if its over 2 times the average leverage for all observations from the lecture. The equation to calculate the threshold:

$$h_i > \frac{2(p+1)}{n} > \frac{2(4+1)}{50} > 0.2$$

7. Plot the leverage (`.hat`) vs. the observation number. Add a line on the plot marking the threshold from the previous exercise. Be sure to include an informative title and clearly label the axes. You can use `geom_hline` to add the threshold line to the plot.

```
leverage_threshold <- 2*(4+1)/nrow(df_model_prediction_statistics)

ggplot(data = df_model_prediction_statistics, aes(x = obs_num, y = .hat)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_hline(aes(yintercept = leverage_threshold, colour = "red"))
```



8. Which states (if any) in the dataset are considered high leverage? Show the code used to determine the states. Hint: You may need to get State from `sat_data`.

```
df_model_prediction_statistics %>% filter(.hat > leverage_threshold) %>%
  select(obs_num, Years, Public, Expend, Rank)
```

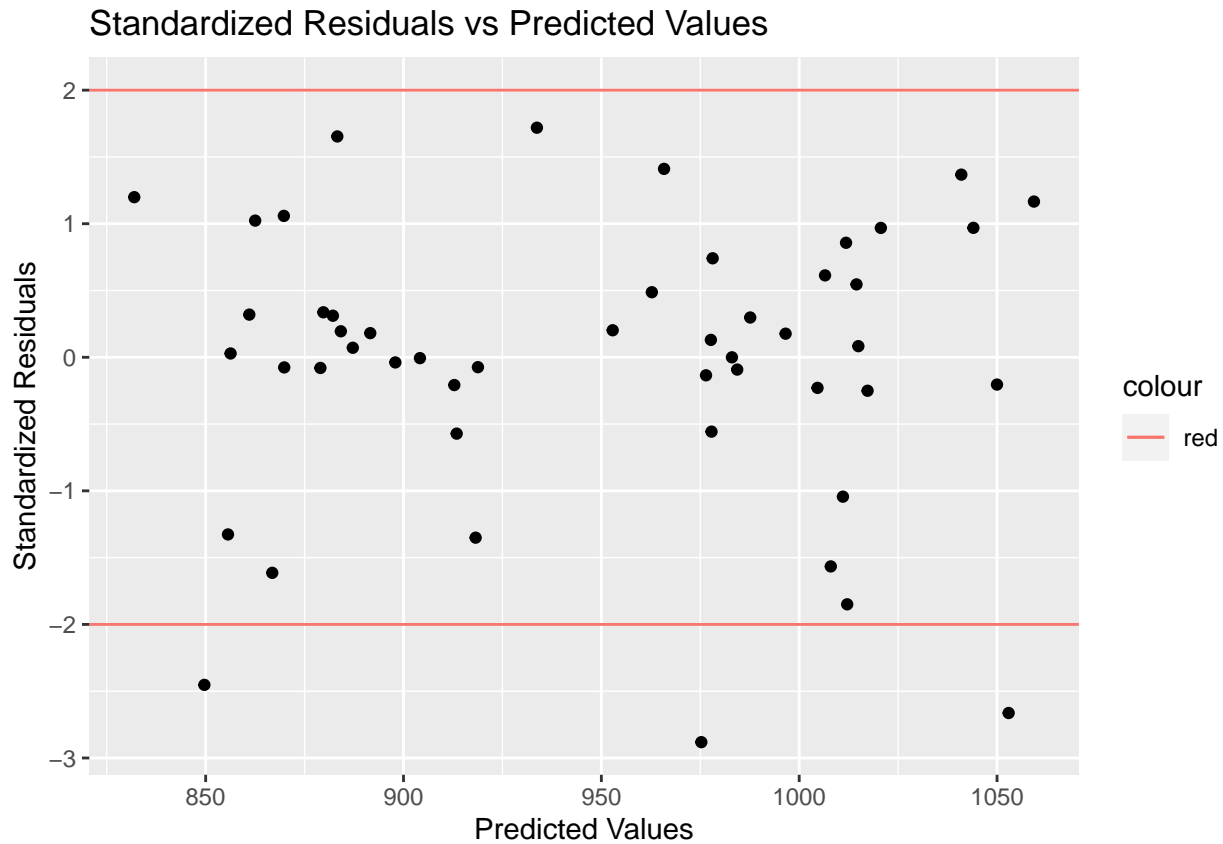
```
## # A tibble: 2 x 5
##   obs_num Years Public Expend Rank
##   <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1      22  16.8  44.8  19.7  82.9
## 2      29  15.3  96.5  50.1  79.6
```

The states in the dataset that are considered high leverage is Louisiana and Alaska which are the rows 22 and 29 in the `sat_scores` dataset.

9. Next, we will examine the standardized residuals. Plot the standardized residuals (`.std.resid`) versus the predicted values. Include horizontal lines at $y=2$ and $y=-2$ indicating the thresholds used to determine if standardized residuals have a large magnitude. Be sure to include an informative title and clearly label the axes. You can use `geom_hline` to add the threshold lines to the plot.

```
ggplot(data = df_model_prediction_statistics, aes(x = .fitted, y = .std.resid)) +
  geom_point() +
  geom_hline(aes(yintercept = 2, colour = "red")) +
  geom_hline(aes(yintercept = -2, colour = "red")) +
  labs(title = "Standardized Residuals vs Predicted Values",
```

```
x = "Predicted Values",
y = "Standardized Residuals")
```



10. Based on our thresholds, which states (if any) are considered to have standardized residuals with large magnitude? Show the code used to determine the states. Hint: You may need to get State from `sat_data`.

```
df_model_prediction_statistics %>% filter(2 < abs(.std.resid)) %>%
  select(obs_num, Years, Public, Expend, Rank)
```

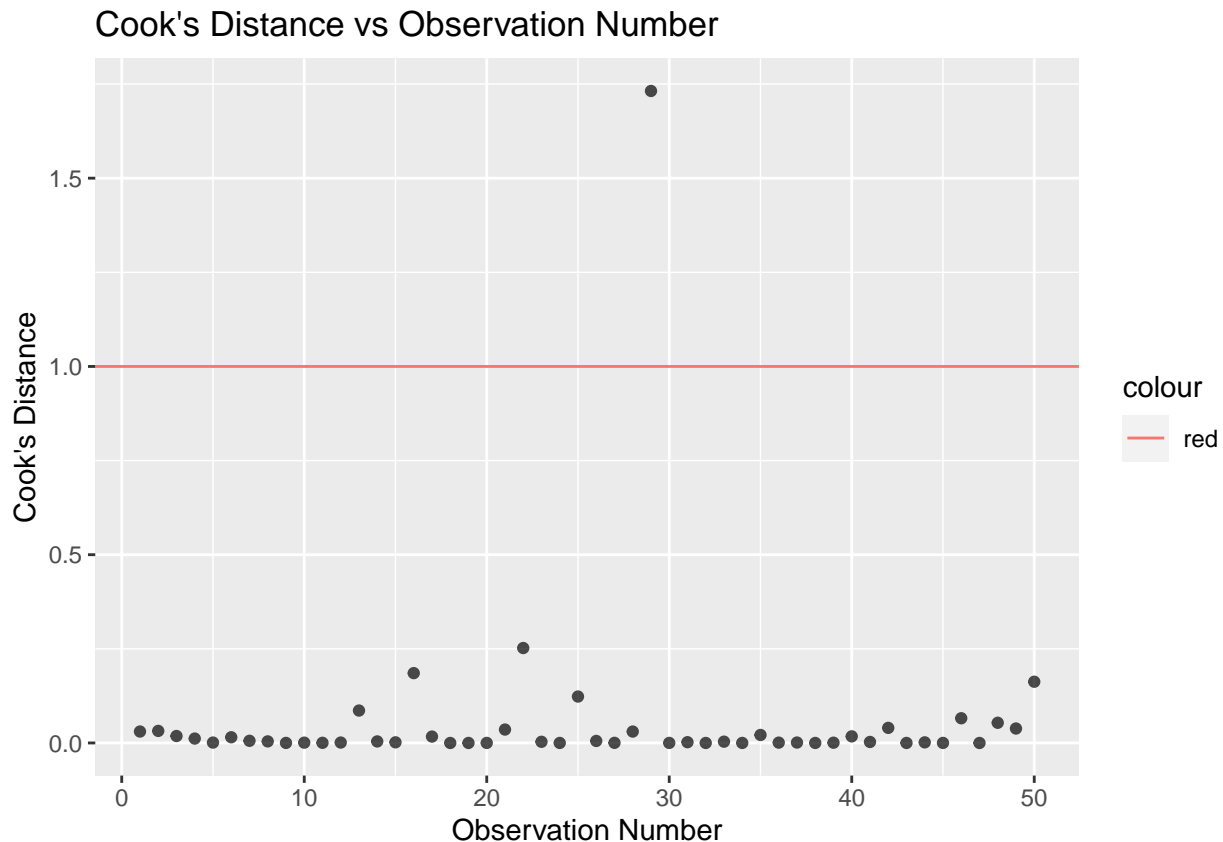
```
## # A tibble: 3 x 5
##   obs_num Years Public Expend Rank
##   <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1     16  16.8   67.9   15.4  90.1
## 2     29  15.3   96.5   50.1  79.6
## 3     50  15.4   88.1   15.6  74
```

The states in the dataset that are considered to have standardized residuals with large magnitude are Mississippi, Alaska, and North Carolina which are the rows 16, 29 and 50 in the `sat_scores` dataset.

11. Let's determine if any of these states with high leverage and/or high standardized residuals are influential points, i.e. are significantly impacting the coefficients of the model. Plot the Cook's Distance (`.cooksd`) vs. the observation number. Add a line on the plot marking the threshold to determine a point is influential. Be sure to include an informative title and clearly label the axes. You can use `geom_hline` to add the threshold line to the plot.

- Which states (if any) are considered to be influential points?
- If there are influential points, briefly describe strategies to deal with them in your regression analysis.

```
ggplot(data = df_model_prediction_statistics, aes(x = obs_num, y = .cooks_d)) +
  geom_point(alpha = 0.7) +
  geom_hline(aes(yintercept = 1, colour = "red")) +
  labs(title = "Cook's Distance vs Observation Number",
       x = "Observation Number",
       y = "Cook's Distance")
```



```
df_model_prediction_statistics %>% filter(1 < .cooks_d) %>%
  select(obs_num, Years, Public, Expend, Rank)
```

```
## # A tibble: 1 x 5
##   obs_num Years Public Expend Rank
##   <int> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl>
## 1      29  15.3   96.5   50.1  79.6
```

The state in the dataset that are considered to be influential point is Alaska which is row 29 in the `sat_scores` dataset. One strategy to deal with these influential points or ways to drop the point based on predictor variables if it is meaningful to drop the observation given the context of the problem, build a model with a smaller range of predictor variables and mention this in the write up. Other strategies to deal with these influential points is transformations or increasing the sample size by collecting more data.

12. Lastly, let's examine the Variance Inflation Factor (VIF) used to determine if the predictor variables in the model are correlated with each other.

Let's start by manually calculating VIF for the variable Expend. - Begin by fitting a model with Expend as the response variable and the other predictor variables in `model_select_aic` as the predictors. - Calculate R² for this model. - Use this R² to calculate VIF for Expend. - Does Expend appear to be highly correlated with any other predictor variables? Briefly explain.

```
expend_model <- lm(Expend ~ Years + Public + Rank, data = sat_scores)
summary(expend_model)$r.squared
```

```
## [1] 0.2102009
```

$$VIF = \frac{1}{1 - R_{expend}^2} = \frac{1}{1 - 0.2102} = 1.27$$

The Expend does not appear to be highly correlated with any other predictor variables since VIF value, 1.26 is not large enough to show multicollinearity with other variables. Often, VIF values over 10 indicate concerning multicollinearity where there is high correlation between two or more explanatory variables which often occurs in smaller sample sizes. In this model, multicollinearity does not seem to be an issue with the variable extend that has a VIF much smaller than 10 as previously mentioned.

12. Now, let's use the `vif` function in the `rms` package to calculate VIF for all of the variables in the model. You can use the `tidy` function to output the results neatly in a data frame. Are there any obvious concerns with multicollinearity in this model? Briefly explain.

```
tidy(vif(model_select_aic))
```

```
## Warning: 'tidy.numeric' is deprecated.
## See help("Deprecated")
```

```
## Warning: 'data_frame()' was deprecated in tibble 1.1.0.
## Please use 'tibble()' instead.
## This warning is displayed once every 8 hours.
## Call 'lifecycle::last_lifecycle_warnings()' to see where this warning was generated.
```

```
## # A tibble: 4 x 2
##   names      x
##   <chr>  <dbl>
## 1 Years    1.30
## 2 Public   1.43
## 3 Expend   1.27
## 4 Rank     1.13
```

No, there does not seem an issue of multicollinearity in this model, `model_select_aic` after using the function `vif()` from the `rms` package which has all the VIF explanatory values in the model to be less than 1.43. If any of these VIF values were over 10, then we would most likely have a problem with multicollinearity but, there does not seem to be these obvious concerns at this first glance/analysis of the model.