# ALZHEIMER'S ANALYSIS

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#### **DATA**

## **Dataset Description**

The participants in this long-term research at OASIS range in age from 60 to 96. Each patient underwent 373 imaging sessions throughout at least one visit, each spaced by at least a year. Three or four different T1-weighted MRI scans taken during one scan session are presented to everyone. Both right-handed men and women are included in the topics. The following link contains the dataset submitted from an open data source.

OASIS Brains - Open Access Series of Imaging Studies (oasis-brains.org)

# **Loading Libraries**

A few packages were installed, and a few libraries were loaded to complete my task. The code below was used to accomplish this.

```
install.packages("dplyr")
install.packages("ggplot2")
library(tidyverse)
library(corrplot)
library(gridExtra)
library(lmtest)
library(tseries)
```

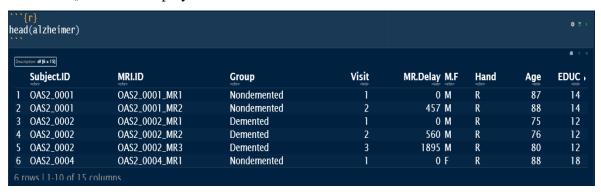
# **Loading the Dataset**

The dataset was loaded using the code below from an Excel CSV file, and a data frame is used to verify that the dataset was loaded correctly.

```
alzheimer<- read.csv("C:/Users/Modupe Olayinka/Downloads/oasis_longitudinal.csv")
is.data.frame(alzheimer)

[1] TRUE</pre>
```

The head () function displays the dataset's first six rows.



The dim () function was employed to determine the dataset's number of columns and rows. There are 15 columns and 373 rows in this dataset.

```
'``{r}
dim(alzheimer)
...
[1] 373 15
```

# The original structures

The str () function was used to determine the modes of the variables in the dataset, and the output shown below reveals that the original dataset had three modes: num, int, and Chr. Before the study began, the dataset only needed to be lightly cleaned.

```
`{r}
                                                                                                                  * *
str(alzheimer)
               373 obs. of 15 variables:
'data.frame':
 $ Subject.ID: chr "OAS2_0001" "OAS2_0001" "OAS2_0002" "OAS2_0002" ...
            : chr "OAS2_0001_MR1" "OAS2_0001_MR2" "OAS2_0002_MR1" "OAS2_0002_MR2" ...
 $ MRI.ID
 $ Group
            : chr "Nondemented" "Nondemented" "Demented" ...
 $ Visit
             : int 1212312123...
 $ MR.Delay : int 0 457 0 560 1895 0 538 0 1010 1603 ...
                   "M" "M" "M" "M" ...
 $ M.F
            : chr
            : chr "R" "R" "R" "R" ...
 $ Hand
            : int 87 88 75 76 80 88 90 80 83 85 ...
 $ Age
            : int 14 14 12 12 12 18 18 12 12 12 ...
 $ EDUC
 $ SES
            : int 2 2 NA NA NA 3 3 4 4 4 ...
 $ MMSE
            : int 27 30 23 28 22 28 27 28 29 30 ...
 $ CDR
            : num 0 0 0.5 0.5 0.5 0 0 0 0.5 0 ...
 $ eTIV
            : int 1987 2004 1678 1738 1698 1215 1200 1689 1701 1699 ...
 $ nWBV
            : num 0.696 0.681 0.736 0.713 0.701 0.71 0.718 0.712 0.711 0.705 ...
 $ ASF
             : num 0.883 0.876 1.046 1.01 1.034 ...
```

Using the colnames() method, the dataset's list of columns was shown, as can be seen below.

```
colnames(alzheimer)

[1] "Subject.ID" "MRI.ID" "Group"

[4] "Visit" "MR.Delay" "M.F"

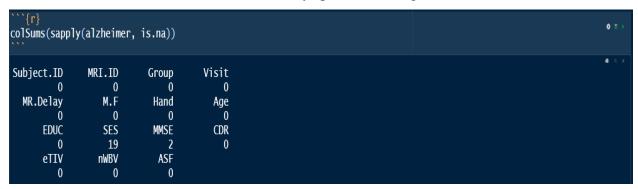
[7] "Hand" "Age" "EDUC"

[10] "SES" "MMSE" "CDR"

[13] "eTIV" "nWBV" "ASF"
```

## **Data Cleaning**

I began by examining the dataset to see if there were equal numbers of values in each column. The code listed below was used to look for any specific missing data.



The SES and MMSE features both lack some values. It is impossible just to fill in the blanks with random values because they are taken from a real OASIS study. The data will continue to be cleaned up.

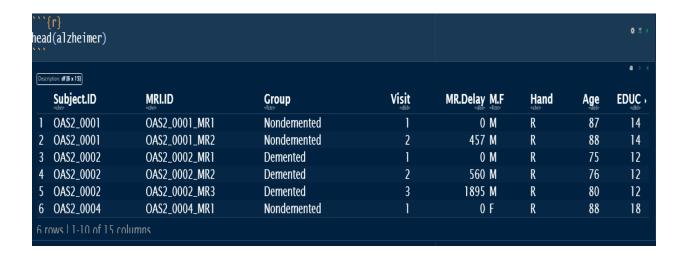
As integers were used to record the following variables, "Visit," "MR Delay," "Age," "EDUC," "SES," "MMSE," and "eTIV," the mode was changed from "int" to "num" using the as. numeric () function. The variables "Group" and "M. F" were saved as characters to make easy changes during the investigation possible. It has therefore been treated as a string value. We will use the as. factor () function to change the variable from qualitative to quantitative. Two of those columns are ID which will not be used in the dataset analysis and will be left as chr. The command that was executed to modify the dataset is shown below.

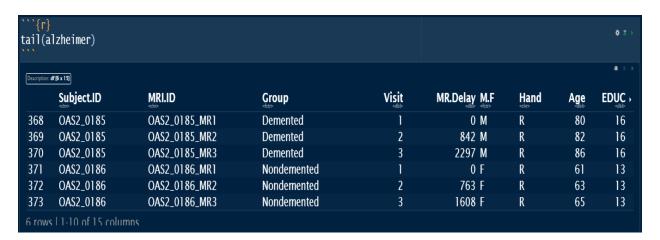
```
alzheimer$Group<- as.factor(alzheimer$Group)
is.factor(alzheimer$Group)
alzheimer$Visit<- as.numeric(alzheimer$Visit)</pre>
is.numeric(alzheimer$Visit)
alzheimer$MR.Delay<- as.numeric(alzheimer$MR.Delay)
is.numeric(alzheimer$MR.Delay)
alzheimer$M.F<- as.factor(alzheimer$M.F)
is.factor(alzheimer$M.F)
alzheimer$Age<- as.numeric(alzheimer$Age)
is.numeric(alzheimer$Age)
alzheimer$EDUC<- as.numeric(alzheimer$EDUC)</pre>
is.numeric(alzheimer$EDUC)
alzheimer$SES<- as.numeric(alzheimer$SES)</pre>
is.numeric(alzheimer$SES)
alzheimer$MMSE<- as.numeric(alzheimer$MMSE)
is.numeric(alzheimer$MMSE)
alzheimer$eTIV<- as.numeric(alzheimer$eTIV)
is.numeric(alzheimer$eTIV)
[1] TRUE
[1] TRUE
[1] TRUE
[1]
    TRUE
    TRUE
    TRUE
    TRUE
[1] TRUE
```

#### **Cleaned Dataset**

The dataset's new data structure was provided using the str () function. It was also possible to view the dataset's first and last six observations using the head () and tail () functions.

```
ø 🗷
str(alzheimer)
'data.frame': 373 obs. of 15 variables:
 $ Subject.ID: chr "OAS2_0001" "OAS2_0001" "OAS2_0002" "OAS2_0002" ...
           : chr "OAS2_0001_MR1" "OAS2_0001_MR2" "OAS2_0002_MR1" "OAS2_0002_MR2" ...
 $ MRI.ID
            : Factor w/ 3 levels "Converted", "Demented", ...: 3 3 2 2 2 3 3 3 3 3 ...
 $ Group
            : num 1212312123...
 $ Visit
 $ MR.Delay : num 0 457 0 560 1895 ...
           : Factor w/ 2 levels "F","M": 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 2 2 2 ...
 $ M.F
 $ Hand
            : chr "R" "R" "R" "R" ...
           : num 87 88 75 76 80 88 90 80 83 85 ...
 $ Age
           : num 14 14 12 12 12 18 18 12 12 12 ...
 $ EDUC
 $ SES
           : num 2 2 NA NA NA 3 3 4 4 4 ...
 $ MMSE
           : num 27 30 23 28 22 28 27 28 29 30 ...
 $ CDR
           : num 0 0 0.5 0.5 0.5 0 0 0 0.5 0 ...
           : num 1987 2004 1678 1738 1698 ...
 $ eTIV
            $ nWBV
 $ ASF
            : num 0.883 0.876 1.046 1.01 1.034 ...
```





## **Dataset Description**

The longitudinal study ranged in age from 60 to 96 at the OASIS laboratory. The dataset is broken down into many variables in the table below.

Variable Names	Variable Description
ID	Identification
M/F	Gender (M for Male, F for female
Hand	Handedness ( L for left, R for right)
Age	Age in years
EDUC	Years of Education
SES	Socioeconomic Status

MMSE	Mini-Mental State Examination
CDR	Clinical Dementia Rating
eTIV	Estimated Total Intracranial Volume
nWBV	Normalize Whole Brain Volume
ASF	Atlas Scaling Factor
MR Delay	Delay

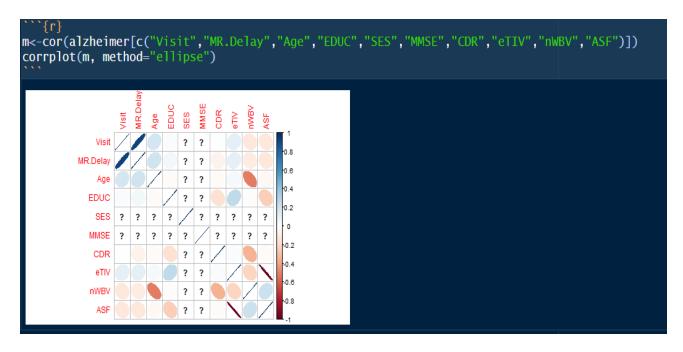
## **Expectations**

This data analysis intends to provide a trustworthy and accurate model to estimate the primary cause of Alzheimer's/Dementia in persons between the ages of 60 and 96, which will be of paramount relevance to everyone inside and outside of the US. People are curious about the main component of Alzheimer's and how some of these characteristics affect Alzheimer's. To determine whether some of the causes of Alzheimer's are thought to exist. Health professionals can also help patients by advising them on what to look out for in the early identification of Alzheimer's by being aware of the leading causes of Alzheimer's cases. My domain knowledge leads me to believe there should be a negative and positive relationship between the CDR, the response variable, and the independent factors or predictor variable. I think that the patient's left or right-handedness shouldn't be related to their diagnosis of Alzheimer's. The factors in which I am most interested are age, education, M.F. (gender), ASF, Visit, and nWBV because I want to know if they have an impact on a patient's Alzheimer's status.

## **Data Analysis**

# Plotting Continuous variable for the Dataset

```
cor(alzheimer[, c(4,5,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15)])
                         MR.Delay
                Visit
Visit
          1.000000000 0.92000903
                                  0.18321293
MR.Delay
                       1.00000000
                                  0.20535745
         0.920009030
Age
          0.183212928
                       0.20535745
                                   1.00000000
EDUC
                       0.05162991 -0.02788583
          0.024614786
SES
                               NA
MMSE
                   NA
                               NA
                                           NA
CDR
          0.002324756 -0.06291507 -0.02625680
eTIV
          0.117428077 0.11962370 0.04234842
         -0.126682339 -0.10558642 -0.51835921
nWBV
ASF
         -0.120398998 -0.12354451 -0.03506672
                EDUC SES MMSE
Visit
          0.02461479
                     NA
                           NA 0.002324756
MR.Delay
         0.05162991
                           NA -0.062915067
                      NA
Age
EDUC
         -0.02788583
                      NA
                           NA -0.026256799
          1.00000000
                      NA
                           NA -0.153121378
SES
                  NA
                           NA
                                        NA
                                        NA
MMSE
                  NA
                      NA
         -0.15312138
CDR
                              1.000000000
                      NA
                           NA
eTIV
          0.25701506
                           NA
                               0.022819174
                      NA
                           NA -0.344818875
         -0.01219964
nWBV
                      NA
                           NA -0.029339946
ASF
         -0.24175201
                      NA
                eTIV
                            nWBV
Visit
          0.11742808 -0.12668234 -0.12039900
MR.Delay
         0.11962370 -0.10558642 -0.12354451
          0.04234842 -0.51835921 -0.03506672
Age
EDUC
          0.25701506 -0.01219964 -0.24175201
SES
                  NA
                              NA
                                          NA
MMSE
                  NA
                              NA
                                          NA
          0.02281917 -0.34481887 -0.02933995
CDR
eTIV
          1.00000000 -0.21012182 -0.98887652
nWBV
         -0.21012182 1.00000000 0.21347614
         -0.98887652 0.21347614
                                 1.00000000
```



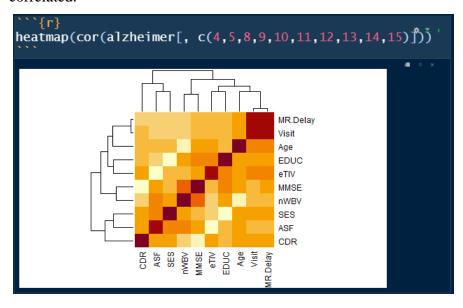
The correlation matrix, which the correlation test generated, showed some weak negative correlations between the dataset's numerical variables. Age and CDR have a weakly negative association. The CDR and EDUC likewise have a slender negative association. Additionally, there is a weak positive association between the eTIV variable and EDUC. Numerous other factors, such as the MMSE and eTIV variables, are not correlated, meaning there is no discernible connection between the variables. Last, there is a strong negative association between the Age and nWBV variables.

Creating a scatter plot matrix figure for the numerical using the pairs () function.



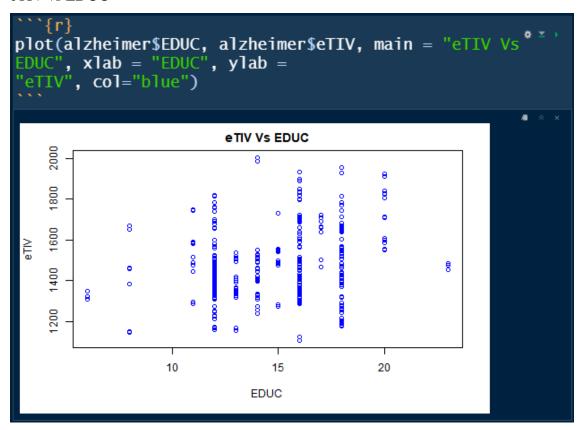
```
summary((alzheimer[, c(4,5,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15)]))
      Visit
                     MR.Delay
                                          Age
                                    Min.
 Min.
         :1.000
                  Min.
                              0.0
                                            :60.00
 1st Qu.:1.000
                  1st Qu.:
                              0.0
                                    1st Qu.:71.00
 Median:2.000
                  Median : 552.0
                                    Median:77.00
                           595.1
                  Mean
                                    Mean
                                            :77.01
 Mean
        :1.882
 3rd Qu.:2.000
                  3rd Qu.: 873.0
                                    3rd Qu.:82.00
         :5.000
                          :2639.0
                                            :98.00
                  Max.
                                    Max.
 Max.
      EDUC
                      SES
                                      MMSE
        : 6.0
 Min.
                 Min.
                         :1.00
                                 Min.
                                        : 4.00
 1st Qu.:12.0
                 1st Qu.:2.00
                                 1st Qu.:27.00
                 Median :2.00
                                 Median :29.00
 Median :15.0
                        :2.46
 Mean
        :14.6
                 Mean
                                 Mean
                                        :27.34
 3rd Qu.:16.0
                 3rd Qu.:3.00
                                 3rd Qu.:30.00
         :23.0
                         :5.00
                                         :30.00
 Max.
                 Max.
                                 Max.
                 NA's
                         :19
                                 NA's
                                         :2
      CDR
                         eTIV
                                         nWBV
 Min.
                   Min.
                                   Min.
         :0.0000
                                           :0.6440
                           :1106
 1st Qu.:0.0000
                   1st Qu.:1357
                                   1st Qu.:0.7000
                   Median:1470
                                   Median :0.7290
 Median :0.0000
         :0.2909
                   Mean
                           :1488
                                   Mean
                                           :0.7296
 Mean
 3rd Qu.:0.5000
                                   3rd Qu.:0.7560
                   3rd Qu.:1597
 Max.
         :2.0000
                   Max.
                           :2004
                                   Max.
                                           :0.8370
       ASF
 Min.
         :0.876
 1st Qu.:1.099
 Median :1.194
 Mean
        :1.195
 3rd Qu.:1.293
         :1.587
 Max.
```

Using the heatmap () function, I created a heat map showing how the numerical variables correlated.



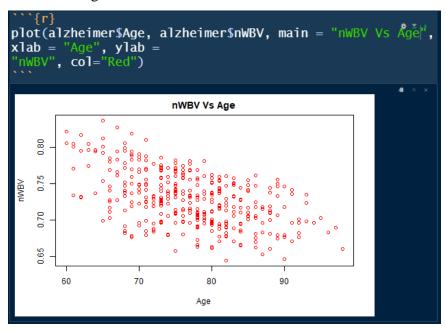
I conducted extra analysis by making individual plots for some variables that looked related, according to the pairs () approach used above for more Visualization.

## eTIV vs EDUC



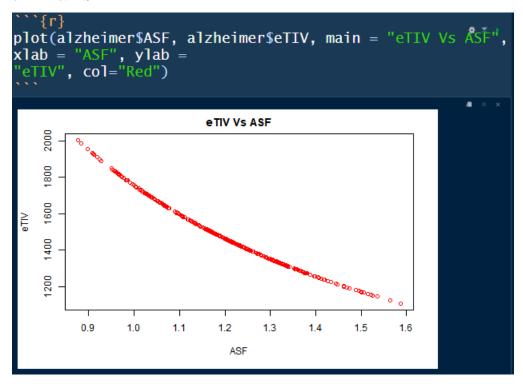
This graph demonstrates a weak positive correlation between eTIV and the individuals' educational attainment (EDUC). The figure shows that the correlation between the two variables is positive, with a value of 0.25701506 in the correlation matrix.

## nWBV vs. Age



Age and nWBV are pitted against one another in the graph above. The association appears to be moderately negative in the above chart. The correlation coefficient is a moderately negative association of -0.51835921.

## eTIV vs. ASF



This explains a strong negative correlation between the computed scaling factor that converts the native-space brain and skull (ASF) to the atlas target and the estimated total intracranial volume of the patient's brain (eTIV). According to the correlation matrix above, the correlation coefficient for both variables is -0.98887652.

#### Summary Statistics of the variables and visualizations

To describe the statistical properties and distributions of the variables. The summary () tool was used to view the distribution of the dataset at a high level.

```
`{r}
summary(alzheimer)
  Subject.ID
                         MRI.ID
 Length: 373
                      Length: 373
 Class :character
                      Class :character
 Mode
        :character
                      Mode
                             :character
                                         MR.Delay
                         Visit
          Group
 Converted
             : 37
                     Min.
                             :1.000
                                      Min.
                                              ٠
 Demented
             :146
                     1st Qu.:1.000
                                      1st Qu.:
                                                  0.0
                     Median :2.000
                                                552.0
 Nondemented: 190
                                      Median:
                     Mean
                             :1.882
                                      Mean
                                                595.1
                     3rd Qu.:2.000
                                      3rd Qu.: 873.0
                     Max.
                             :5.000
                                      Max.
                                              :2639.0
 M.F
              Hand
                                    Age
 F:213
          Length: 373
                              Min.
                                      :60.00
 M:160
          Class:character
                              1st Qu.:71.00
          Mode
                 :character
                              Median:77.00
                              Mean
                                      :77.01
                              3rd Qu.:82.00
                                      :98.00
                              Max.
                       SES
       EDUC
                                       MMSE
         : 6.0
                                          : 4.00
                         :1.00
 Min.
                 Min.
                                  Min.
 1st Qu.:12.0
                  1st Qu.:2.00
                                  1st Qu.:27.00
                 Median:2.00
                                  Median :29.00
 Median:15.0
         :14.6
                         :2.46
                 Mean
                                  Mean
 Mean
                                          :27.34
 3rd Qu.:16.0
                  3rd Qu.:3.00
                                  3rd Qu.:30.00
                                          :30.00
         :23.0
                 Max.
                         :5.00
 Max.
                                  Max.
                                  NA's
                 NA's
                         :19
                                          :2
```

```
CDR
                        eTIV
                                         nWBV
Min.
        :0.0000
                          :1106
                                           :0.6440
                  Min.
                                   Min.
1st Qu.:0.0000
                  1st Qu.:1357
                                   1st Qu.:0.7000
Median :0.0000
                  Median:1470
                                   Median :0.7290
Mean
        :0.2909
                  Mean
                          :1488
                                   Mean
                                           :0.7296
3rd Qu.:0.5000
                  3rd Qu.:1597
                                   3rd Qu.:0.7560
Max.
        :2.0000
                          :2004
                                   Max.
                                           :0.8370
                  Max.
     ASF
Min.
        :0.876
1st Qu.:1.099
Median :1.194
        :1.195
Mean
3rd Qu.:1.293
Max.
        :1.587
```

#### Count of Observation for Males and Females



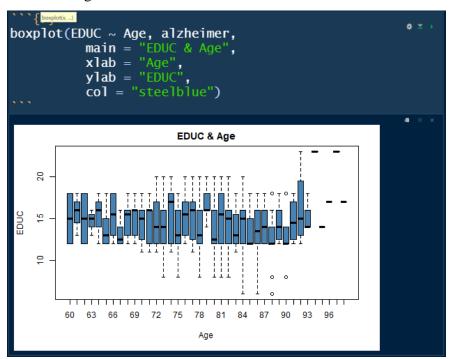
There are 373 total observations, as may be seen in the barplot below. There are 213 observations for females and 160 for males. The information is well visualized in the graphic below.

## Number of cases in the Group

```
ggplot(alzheimer, aes(Group, fill = Group))+
  geom_bar()+
  scale_fill_manual(values = c("red", "blue", "Purple"))+
  geom_text(stat = "count", aes(label = ..count..), y =
5, col = "white", fontface = "bold")+
  ggtitle("Count in each Group")+
  theme(plot.title = element_text(hjust = .5))
                   Count in each Group
  150 -
                                                Group
 100-
                                                   Converted
                                                   Demented
                                                   Nondemented
   50 -
                        146
                                      190
          Converted
                                   Nondemented 
                       Demented
                        Group
```

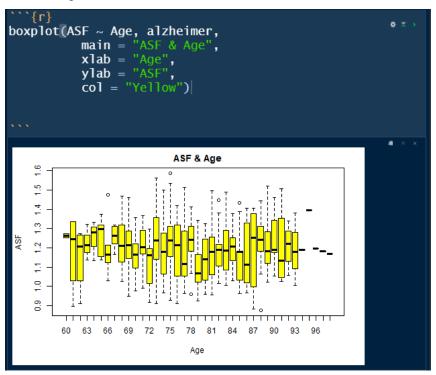
This barplot displays the number of observations made by each group. According to the graph below, out of the 373 total observations, 37 are converted, 146 are demented, and 190 are not demented. A clear depiction of this information is shown in the figure below.

# EDUC vs Age



The association between the EDUC and Age variables is depicted in the boxplot. According to the graph below, patients who are 94 years old or older have the greatest average education level.

# ASF vs Age



ASF and Age variables' relationships are displayed in a boxplot. The figure below shows that for the computed scaling factor, which converts the native-space brain and skull to the atlas target, the age range of 95 has the highest average result (ASF).

# **Analysis of the Continuous Variables with Categorical Variables**

Comparing the categorical and numerical variables, I decided to compare the two categorical variables in the dataset with the dependent variable of the CDR. The categorical variables that are present in the data set are Group, and M.F. Plots against CDR (response variable) were made for each of these factors (used as predictor variables).

## For M.F variable:

Based on the clinical dementia rate (CDR), I predict that the prevalence of Alzheimer's will be higher in men than in women. I employed simple linear regression and testing to verify this hypothesis.

```
H0: \beta1 = 0
H1: \beta1 ≠ 0
```

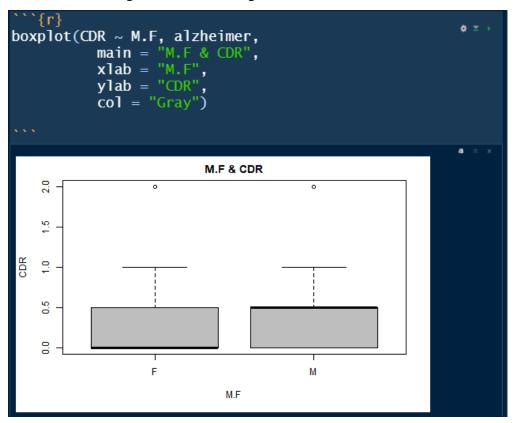
```
lg1<-lm(CDR~M.F, data=alzheimer)</pre>
summary(lg1)
Call:
lm(formula = CDR ~ M.F, data = alzheimer)
Residuals:
             1Q Median
    Min
                              3Q
                                     Max
-0.3781 -0.2253 -0.2253 0.2747
                                  1.7747
Coefficients:
            Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 0.22535
                         0.02517
                                   8.954 < 2e-16
                         0.03843
                                   3.976 8.44e-05 ***
M.FM
             0.15277
Signif. codes:
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.3673 on 371 degrees of
freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.04086,
                                 Adjusted R-squared:
F-statistic: 15.81 on 1 and 371 DF, p-value: 8.441e-05
```

From the linear regression results, it can be inferred that the p-value associated with the M.F. is less than 0.05, and the t-value is low. As a result, we can rule out the null hypothesis and conclude that there is a connection between the patient's M.F. (gender) and the clinical dementia rate (CDR). It is possible to interpret the intercept  $\beta 0$  based on CDR as evidence of Alzheimer's disease in females and the intercept  $\beta 0 + \beta 1$  as evidence of Alzheimer's disease in males with CDR.

The equation becomes:

$$CDR = 0.22535 + 0.15277 \text{ M.F} + \text{ }$$

For the link between the Gender and CDR variables, I created a boxplot. In this study, the average CDR for men is higher than the average CDR for women.



## For Group Variable:

I anticipated that people with dementia would have higher CDR values. I employed simple linear regression and testing to verify this hypothesis.

H0: 
$$\beta 1 = \beta 2 = 0$$

H1: 
$$\beta 1 \neq \beta 2 \neq 0$$

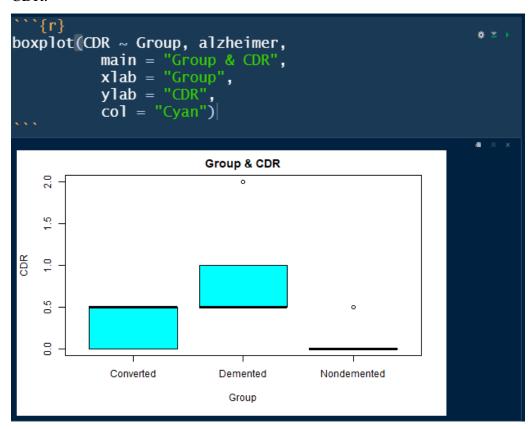
```
lg2<-lm(CDR~Group, data=alzheimer)
summary(1g2)
Call:
lm(formula = CDR ~ Group, data = alzheimer)
Residuals:
                    Median
     Min
               1Q
                                  3Q
                                          Max
-0.25676 -0.17123 -0.00526 -0.00526
                                      1.32877
Coefficients:
                 Estimate Std. Error t value
(Intercept)
                  0.25676
                              0.03368
                                        7.625
GroupDemented
                  0.41448
                             0.03770
                                       10.994
GroupNondemented -0.25149
                             0.03681
                                       -6.833
                 Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                 2.09e-13 ***
GroupDemented
                  < 2e-16 ***
GroupNondemented 3.45e-11 ***
Signif. codes:
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.2048 on 370 degrees of
freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7025,
                                Adjusted R-squared:
0.7009
F-statistic: 436.9 on 2 and 370 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

It is clear from the results of the linear regression that the Group variable has a significant p-value of less than 0.05 for the F-statistic. Thus, we conclude that the clinical dementia rate (CDR) and Alzheimer's status (Converted, Demented, and Nondemented) are significantly correlated.

The equation becomes:

CDR = 0.25676 + 0.41448 GroupDemented -0.25149 GroupNondemented + €

I plotted a boxplot for the relationship between the Group and CDR variables. The average CDR for the demented is the highest, showing that dementia increases with an increase in the value of CDR.

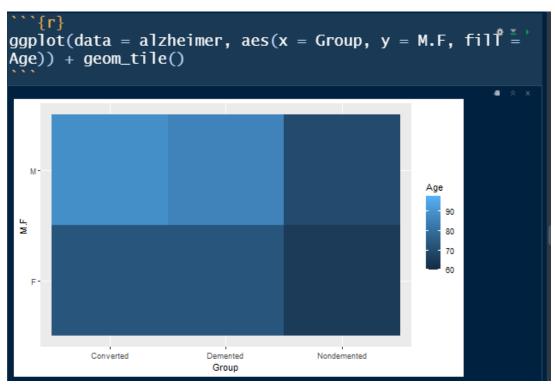


# **Contingency tables for Categorical Variables.**

The process examines the association between two categorical variables using the contingency table.

```
cont.table1<- table(alzheimer$Group, alzheimer$M.F)
cont.table1

F M
Converted 24 13
Demented 60 86
Nondemented 129 61
```



```
cs.1<- chisq.test(cont.table1)
cs.1

Pearson's Chi-squared test

data: cont.table1
X-squared = 25.216, df = 2, p-value = 3.346e-06
```

## **Multiple Linear regression**

I will employ a mixed selection method to choose the ideal model for my dataset.

#### Model 1

H0: 
$$\beta 1 = \beta 2 = \beta 3 = \beta 3 = \beta 4 = 0$$

H1: 
$$\beta 1 \neq \beta 2 \neq \beta 3 \neq \beta 3 \neq \beta 4 \neq 0$$

The equation becomes:

$$Y = \beta 0 + \beta 1 Age + \beta 2M.F + \beta 3GroupDemented + \beta 4GroupNondemented +$$
€

```
{r}
model1<-lm(CDR~ Age + M.F + Group, data= alzheimer)
summary(model1)
Call:
lm(formula = CDR ~ Age + M.F + Group, data = alzheimer)
Residuals:
     Min
                     Median
                1Q
                                  30
                                          Max
-0.26782 -0.16593 -0.00845
                             0.00438 1.33042
Coefficients:
                    Estimate Std. Error t value
(Intercept)
                   0.1875751
                              0.1173975
                                          1.598
                   0.0009119
                              0.0014045
                                          0.649
Age
M.FM
                  -0.0101011
                                         -0.454
                              0.0222382
GroupDemented
                   0.4200655
                              0.0384406
                                         10.928
GroupNondemented -0.2493385
                              0.0370780
                                         -6.725
                  Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                     0.111
                     0.517
Age
M.FM
                     0.650
GroupDemented
                   < 2e-16 ***
GroupNondemented 6.74e-11 ***
Signif. codes:
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.2052 on 368 degrees of
freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.703.
                                 Adjusted R-squared:
0.6998
F-statistic: 217.8 on 4 and 368 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

This multiple linear regression results indicated that the p-value and the variables' F-statistic are related. Given that the t-statistics have a low p-value, I reject the null hypothesis. Since Group is a significant variable and the t-statistics have a high p-value, the link between CDR and age and gender is unaffected.

```
Model 2
```

H0: 
$$\beta 1 = \beta 2 = \beta 3 = \beta 4 = \beta 5 = 0$$
  
H1:  $\beta 1 \neq \beta 2 \neq \beta 3 \neq \beta 4 \neq \beta 5 \neq 0$ 

The equation becomes:

Y = β0 + β1Age + β2M.F + β3GroupDemented + β4GroupNondemented + β5Visit + €

```
model2<-lm(CDR~ Age + M.F + Group + Visit , data= alzheimer)
summary(model2)
Call:
 lm(formula = CDR ~ Age + M.F + Group + Visit, data = alzheimer)
Residuals:
                  1Q
                       Median
 -0.30651 -0.13109 -0.01300
                                0.03177
                                           1.32503
Coefficients:
                      Estimate Std. Error t value
1.763e-01 1.154e-01 1.528
 (Intercept)
                     1.763e-01
                    -3.181e-05
                                  1.402e-03
                                              -0.023
Age
M.FM
                    -1.953e-02
                                  2.198e-02
                                              -0.889
                                  3.789e-02
GroupDemented
                     4.321e-01
                                              11.403
                                  3.642e-02
GroupNondemented -2.496e-01
                                               -6.853
                     4.435e-02
                                  1.167e-02
                                                3.799
                    Pr(>|t|)
                     0.12738
(Intercept)
                     0.98191
Age
M.FM
                     0.37484
GroupDemented
                     < 2e-16 ***
GroupNondemented 3.07e-11
                     0.00017
Visit
Signif. codes:
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.2016 on 367 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7143, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7
F-statistic: 183.5 on 5 and 367 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
                                     Adjusted R-squared: 0.7104
```

This multiple linear regression results indicated that the p-value and the variables' F-statistic are related. Given the low p-value of the t-statistics, I reject the null hypothesis. The association between CDR and Gender and Age is unaffected since Group and Visit are significant factors and the t-statistics have a high p-value.

#### Model 3

I discovered that from model 2, the M.F variable is not related to the response variable; I removed both the Visit and M.F variables from the model and replaced them with the ASF variable to see the output.

H0: 
$$\beta 1 = \beta 2 = \beta 3 = \beta 4 = 0$$
  
H1:  $\beta 1 \neq \beta 2 \neq \beta 3 \neq \beta 4 \neq 0$ 

The equation becomes:

Y= β0 + β1Age + β2GroupDemented + β3GroupNondemented + β4ASF + €

```
model3<-lm(CDR~ Age + Group + ASF , data= alzheimer)</pre>
summary(mode13)
Call:
lm(formula = CDR ~ Age + Group + ASF, data = alzheimer)
Residuals:
                     Median
                10
                                   30
                                            Max
-0.27630 -0.16069 -0.01109
                              0.01575
                                        1.33403
Coefficients:
                    Estimate Std. Error t value
(Intercept)
                   0.3351501
                               0.1521327
                                            2.203
                   0.0008388
                               0.0014011
                                            0.599
GroupDemented
                               0.0379999
                   0.4155496
                                           10.936
GroupNondemented -0.2517875
                                           -6.805
                               0.0370026
ASF
                               0.0769573
                  -0.1198367
                                           -1.557
                  Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                     0.0282 *
                    0.5498
Aae
                   < 2e-16 ***
GroupDemented
GroupNondemented 4.12e-11 ***
                    0.1203
ASF
Signif. codes:
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.2046 on 368 degrees of
freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7048,
                                  Adjusted R-squared:
F-statistic: 219.7 on 4 and 368 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

This multiple linear regression results indicated that the p-value and the variables' F-statistic are related. Given that the t-statistics have a low p-value, I reject the null hypothesis. Given that Group is a significant variable, and the t-statistics have a high p-value, the link between CDR, Age, and ASF is unaffected. Indicating that the variance of this model 3's mistakes is around 70% smaller than the variance of the response variable, the Adjusted R2 value for this model 3 is 0.70.

#### Model 4

I performed another multiple linear regression, omitting age, which has no link with the response variable, and substituting eTIV and nWBV for it.

```
H0: \beta 1 = \beta 2 = \cdot \cdot \cdot = \beta p = 0
```

H1:  $\beta j = 0$  for at least one j, j = 1, ..., p

The equation becomes:

Y = β0 + β1GroupDemented + β2GroupNondemented + β3ASF + β4eTIV + β5nWBV + €

```
model4 < -lm(CDR \sim Group + ASF + eTIV + nWBV , data = alzheimer)
summary(mode14)
lm(formula = CDR ~ Group + ASF + eTIV + nWBV, data = alzheimer)
Residuals:
                 10
      Min
                      Median
                                              Max
-0.29242 -0.14340 -0.01686 0.03427
                                        1.35741
Coefficients:
                     Estimate Std. Error t value
                                1.2275962
(Intercept)
                    1.4490608
                                              1.180
GroupDemented
                    0.4078829
                                0.0374716
                                             10.885
GroupNondemented -0.2361924
                                0.0370829
                                             -6.369
ASF
                   -0.2641560
                                 0.5139798
                                             -0.514
eTIV
                   -0.0001553
                                0.0004032
                                             -0.385
nWBV
                                 0.3067762
                   -0.8916962
                                             -2.907
                   Pr(>|t|)
                    0.23860
(Intercept)
GroupDemented
                    < 2e-16 ***
GroupNondemented 5.69e-10 ***
ASF
                    0.60760
eTIV
                    0.70026
                    0.00387 **
nWBV
Signif. codes:
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.2026 on 367 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7113, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7
F-statistic: 180.8 on 5 and 367 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
                                    Adjusted R-squared: 0.7073
```

ASF and eTIV are the factors in this model that are not statistically significant, according to Model 4's output. Given that this is a multiple regression, we examine the F-Statistic and associated p-value. The null hypothesis that all estimated betas are equal to zero can be rejected if the p-value corresponding to the F-statistics is less than 0.05. It can be said that some predictors are related to responses in some way. This model 4's adjusted R2 score is 0.71, which means that the variance of its mistakes is approximately 71% less than the variance of the response variable.

#### Model 5

Going through the correlation matrix, I discovered that there is a very weak negative association between the response variable and the EDUC variable; I decided to include the EDUC variable in the model to see the outcome.

## Equation:

 $H0: \beta 1 = \beta 2 = \cdot \cdot \cdot = \beta p = 0$ 

H1:  $\beta j$  6= 0 for at least one j, j = 1, ..., p

Therefore,

Y=  $\beta$ 0 +  $\beta$ 1GroupDemented +  $\beta$ 2GroupNondemented +  $\beta$ 3ASF +  $\beta$ 4eTIV +  $\beta$ 5nWBV +  $\beta$ 6EDUC + €

```
Call:
lm(formula = CDR ~ Group + ASF + eTIV + nWBV + EDUC, data = alzheimer)
Residuals:
 Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-0.31668 -0.14574 -0.01905 0.04257 1.32440
Coefficients:
                          Estimate Std.
                                       1.2271732
0.0382039
(Intercept)
GroupDemented
                        1.5509311
0.4197789
                                                      1.264
10.988
 GroupNondemented -0.2331567
                                       0.0370687
                       -0.3365720
-0.0002361
                                       0.5152260
nWBV
EDUC
                        0.8768445
                        0.0060185
(Intercept)
GroupDemented
GroupNondemented
 eTIV
                           00445
Signif. codes:
0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.2023 on 366 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7131, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7084
F-statistic: 151.6 on 6 and 366 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

The model's output demonstrates that the two variables (Group and nWBV) are those that are statistically significant in this model. Given that this is a multiple regression, we examine the F-Statistic and associated p-value. The null hypothesis that all estimated betas are equal to zero can be rejected if the p-value corresponding to the F-statistics is less than 0.05. Indicating that the variance of this model V's mistakes is around 70% smaller than the variance of the response variable, the Adjusted R2 value for this model V is 0.70.

#### Model 6

I eliminated all the irrelevant variables (EDUC, eTIV, ASF) from model 5 to obtain a very good model. I added the Visit variable due to its connection to the response variable from model 2.

H0: 
$$\beta 1 = \beta 2 = \beta 3 = \beta 4 = 0$$

H1:  $\beta 1 \neq \beta 2 \neq \beta 3 \neq \beta 4 \neq 0$ 

The equation becomes:

Y = β0 + β1GroupDemented + β2GroupNondemented + β3Visit + β4nWBV + €

```
{r}
model6<-lm(CDR~ Group + Visit + nWBV , data= alzheimer)
summary(mode16)
Call:
lm(formula = CDR ~ Group + Visit + nWBV, data =
alzheimer)
Residuals:
                10
                     Median
                                   30
     Min
                                           Max
-0.30216 -0.13107 -0.02084
                              0.04339
                                       1.35284
Coefficients:
                  Estimate Std. Error t value
(Intercept)
                              0.22349
                                         3.340
                   0.74655
                                        11.346
GroupDemented
                   0.41984
                              0.03700
GroupNondemented
                  -0.23582
                              0.03623
                                        -6.509
Visit
                   0.03803
                              0.01149
                                         3.311
nWBV
                  -0.78327
                              0.29828
                                        -2.626
                  Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)
                  0.000922
GroupDemented
                   < 2e-16
                           ***
GroupNondemented 2.48e-10
                  0.001021
Visit
nWBV
                  0.009001 **
Signif. codes:
        0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.1997 on 368 degrees of
freedom
Multiple R-squared:
                      0.7189,
                                  Adjusted R-squared:
0.7159
F-statistic: 235.3 on 4 and 368 DF,
                                       p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

According to the result, all the variables in this model are statistically significant. Given that this is a multiple regression, we examine the F-Statistic and associated p-value. The null hypothesis that all estimated betas are equal to zero can be rejected if the p-value corresponding to the F-statistics is less than 0.05. All predictors have some connection to the response variable. The increased F-statistics also suggest that the model was improved by deleting the irrelevant variables and including the Visit variable. With an adjusted R2 value of roughly 0.72, this model's error variance is roughly 72% lower than the response variable. Comparing the model with other models (1,2,3,4,5), model 6 is best based on the R2 being higher than other models.

#### Other Multiple Regression.

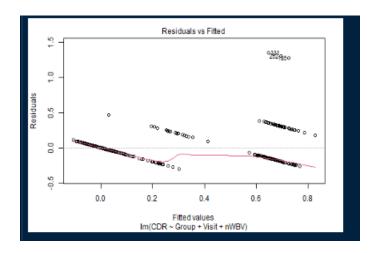
I used multiple linear regression by switching the predictor variables. I compared the results of models 1 through 6. Based on the results of the numerous multiple regression analyses that were performed, the most effective model for this dataset is model 6. This is only the beginning of the model's analysis. As we continue with the data analysis, we examine the issues with model 6.

#### **Potential Problems of the model**

After deciding to use model 6, I further examine the model to determine whether it has no regression issues. The procedures used to determine whether the model is appropriate for use are as follows.

## A. Non-linearity of the model

I created a residual graph to display the nonlinearity of the model. If there is a trend in the residuals of the plot against the predicted values, our linear model might be flawed in some way. My figure below has no discernible patterns when the residuals were plotted against the expected values. There appears to be no trend that would point to issues with the data's nonlinearity, as shown by the presence of both positive and negative residuals along the regression line. Therefore, the linear model that was used to evaluate the data is sufficient.



## B. Correlation of Error Term

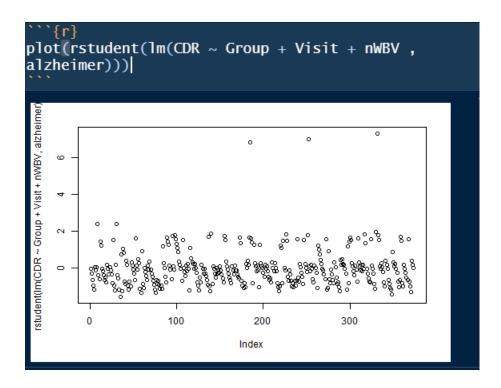
We can deduce that the dataset's error term is not correlated since the data were not collected at precise intervals. Therefore, the model's error terms do not appear to follow any pattern.

## C. Non-constant Variance of Error Terms

I examine the residual plot for the presence of a funnel-shaped pattern or signs of heteroscedasticity to estimate the non-constant variance in mistakes of our model. However, I can infer from a residual plot of the model I have that no such pattern exists. There is no indication of heteroscedasticity, and the residuals seem to have a constant variance. The data wouldn't need to be transformed to create a new residual plot.

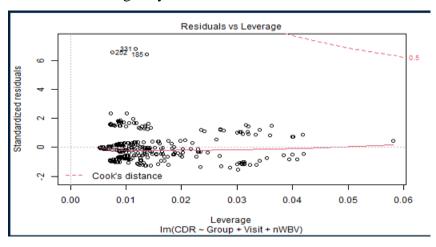
## D. Outliers

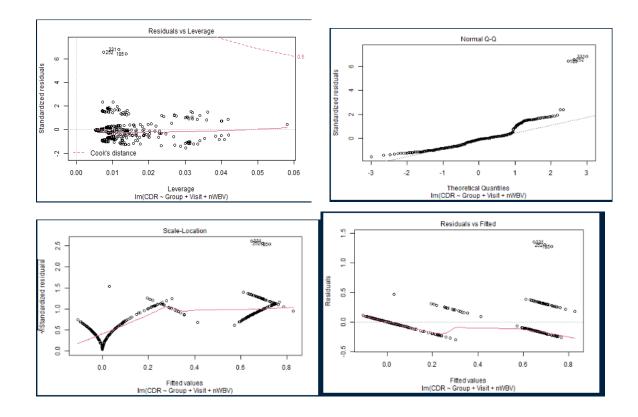
I continued my study by scanning the model for outliers. I plotted the Multiple Regression Model 6 studentized residuals to see if the model has any outliers. The plotted chart demonstrates that residuals are more than +2 standard deviation. This demonstrates that there are no outliers present.



# E. High Leverage Points

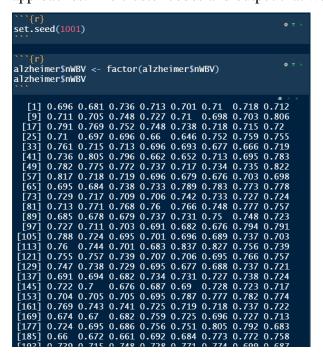
Residuals vs. Leverage plot shows no high leverage spots in my model. This means there is no need to change any variables to fit the model. Model 6 is excellent.





# **Clustering Techniques**

I chose Kmeans clustering to cluster instances of various dataset properties for my clustering approaches. The cluster codes and output that were used are listed below.



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#### **Future Works**

It would be fascinating to do predictive modeling in the future to determine how CDR depends on other variables and whether a machine learning algorithm can be trusted to correctly diagnose Alzheimer's, a challenging mental condition.

#### **SUMMARY**

Using a box plot, scatterplot, heatmap, and correlation matrix, I produced various visual representations of my dataset. Additionally, I was able to identify the model for my dataset. Because the p-value was close to 0 and the R-square of the statistics was close to 0.72 (72% of the coefficient of variance), my hope that my research would reveal patterns and linkages between the variables presented in the dataset was realized.

According to my analysis, there was a relationship between the Group variable's predictor (Group) and the response variable (CDR) because the F-statistics' p-value was small and close to 0, allowing us to reject the null hypothesis.

I accept the null hypothesis because the M.F variable exhibited a low statistically significant connection with the response variable (CDR); the p-value was quite high but still less than 0.05.

We cannot rule out the null hypothesis because the visit variable (Predictor) showed a marginally weak relationship with the response variable (CDR) according to the somewhat high p-value of the F-statistics.

Due to the low p-value of the F-statistics, the nWBV variable (Predictor) exhibited a marginally statistically significant connection with the response variable (CDR). Therefore, the null hypothesis is rejected.

Model 6 had the greatest adjusted R squared value, which demonstrated that changes in the predictors were connected to changes in the response variable, making it the best model out of the six I tested. The model of choice, model 6, rather than model 5, was altered by the insertion of Visit back into the model with a marginally low significance and the removal of unrelated variables (EDUC, eTIV, ASF). Due to their lower adjusted R-squared values than model 6, the other models were disregarded.

Except for the three outliers in the residual plot, which were connected to the patients' nWBV results, model 6 did not appear to have any issues with it.