Data 621 - Homework 1

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About the Data

The data set consists of 2,276 records and 17 different variables, with each observation corresponding to a baseball teams performance in a single year. The time horizon of these data are from 1871, the same year as the first recorded professional baseball game through 2006.

General objective

Through linear regression, train the data to predict the number of wins.

Challenges Right Off the Bat (so to speak)

The data set covers a very large time period. The rules and play style of baseball have changed a great deal from the late 19th-century. The season year of the team would be an important factor in improving these models. Additionally, certain clubs have bucked trends in winning or losing despite these metrics. The Boston Red Sox and Chicago Cubs had very long dry spells, even with good team statistics.

Data Exploration

Our data is stored for easy reference among the team on GitHub. With 2,276 team observations and 17 variables. Of those, 15 are features, 1 is an index, and the remaining is our target variable for number of wins. Right away, we already know that missing values will need to be accounted for in all of these features.

```
##
  'data.frame':
                    2276 obs. of 17 variables:
##
   $ INDEX
                             1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 11 12 ...
                      : int
   $ TARGET WINS
                      : int
                             39 70 86 70 82 75 80 85 86 76 ...
##
   $ TEAM BATTING H : int
                             1445 1339 1377 1387 1297 1279 1244 1273 1391 1271 ...
   $ TEAM_BATTING_2B : int
                             194 219 232 209 186 200 179 171 197 213 ...
##
   $ TEAM_BATTING_3B : int
                             39 22 35 38 27 36 54 37 40 18 ...
   $ TEAM_BATTING_HR : int
                             13 190 137 96 102 92 122 115 114 96 ...
##
   $ TEAM_BATTING_BB : int
                             143 685 602 451 472 443 525 456 447 441 ...
   $ TEAM_BATTING_SO : int
                             842 1075 917 922 920 973 1062 1027 922 827 ...
##
   $ TEAM_BASERUN_SB : int
                             NA 37 46 43 49 107 80 40 69 72 ...
                             NA 28 27 30 39 59 54 36 27 34 ...
   $ TEAM_BASERUN_CS : int
##
   $ TEAM_BATTING_HBP: int
                             NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA NA ...
  $ TEAM PITCHING H : int
                             9364 1347 1377 1396 1297 1279 1244 1281 1391 1271 ...
   $ TEAM_PITCHING_HR: int
                             84 191 137 97 102 92 122 116 114 96 ...
```

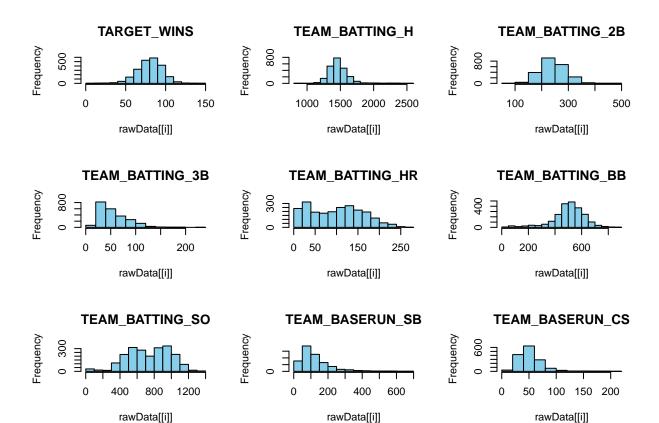
```
## $ TEAM_PITCHING_BB: int 927 689 602 454 472 443 525 459 447 441 ...
## $ TEAM_PITCHING_SO: int 5456 1082 917 928 920 973 1062 1033 922 827 ...
## $ TEAM_FIELDING_E : int 1011 193 175 164 138 123 136 112 127 131 ...
## $ TEAM_FIELDING_DP: int NA 155 153 156 168 149 186 136 169 159 ...
```

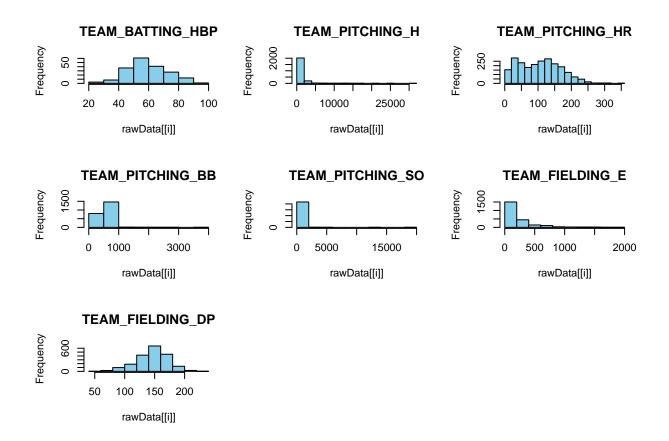
Summary Statistics

For each of the variables, these summary statistics provide a nice overview of each feature, its variation, and paths for potential transformations later on for model construction. Of note are the normally distributed variables, like our target variable for wins, base hits by batters, doubles by batters, walks by batters, and batters hit by pitches. The more skewed features include hits allowed, strike outs by pitchers (a very difficult thing to do consistently), and team fielding errors. Once again, we can observe the extent of the N/As and outliers that we'll have to account for.

```
INDEX
##
                       TARGET_WINS
                                        TEAM_BATTING_H TEAM_BATTING_2B
##
    Min.
           :
                1.0
                      Min.
                             : 0.00
                                        Min.
                                                : 891
                                                        Min.
                                                                : 69.0
##
    1st Qu.: 630.8
                      1st Qu.: 71.00
                                        1st Qu.:1383
                                                        1st Qu.:208.0
##
    Median :1270.5
                      Median: 82.00
                                        Median:1454
                                                        Median :238.0
##
    Mean
           :1268.5
                      Mean
                             : 80.79
                                        Mean
                                                :1469
                                                        Mean
                                                                :241.2
##
    3rd Qu.:1915.5
                      3rd Qu.: 92.00
                                        3rd Qu.:1537
                                                        3rd Qu.:273.0
##
    Max.
           :2535.0
                      Max.
                             :146.00
                                        Max.
                                                :2554
                                                        Max.
                                                                :458.0
##
##
    TEAM BATTING 3B
                      TEAM BATTING HR
                                        TEAM BATTING BB TEAM BATTING SO
    Min.
           : 0.00
                             : 0.00
                                        Min.
                                               : 0.0
                                                         Min.
##
                      Min.
                                                                     0.0
    1st Qu.: 34.00
                      1st Qu.: 42.00
                                        1st Qu.:451.0
                                                         1st Qu.: 548.0
##
    Median : 47.00
                      Median :102.00
                                        Median :512.0
                                                         Median : 750.0
##
##
    Mean
           : 55.25
                      Mean
                             : 99.61
                                        Mean
                                                :501.6
                                                         Mean
                                                                 : 735.6
                                        3rd Qu.:580.0
                                                         3rd Qu.: 930.0
##
    3rd Qu.: 72.00
                      3rd Qu.:147.00
##
    Max.
           :223.00
                      Max.
                             :264.00
                                        Max.
                                                :878.0
                                                         Max.
                                                                 :1399.0
##
                                                         NA's
                                                                 :102
    TEAM_BASERUN_SB TEAM_BASERUN_CS TEAM_BATTING_HBP TEAM_PITCHING_H
##
##
    Min.
           : 0.0
                     Min.
                            : 0.0
                                      Min.
                                              :29.00
                                                        Min.
                                                                : 1137
##
    1st Qu.: 66.0
                     1st Qu.: 38.0
                                      1st Qu.:50.50
                                                        1st Qu.: 1419
##
    Median :101.0
                     Median: 49.0
                                      Median :58.00
                                                        Median: 1518
##
           :124.8
                            : 52.8
                                              :59.36
                                                                : 1779
    Mean
                     Mean
                                      Mean
                                                        Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:156.0
                     3rd Qu.: 62.0
                                      3rd Qu.:67.00
                                                        3rd Qu.: 1682
##
    Max.
           :697.0
                     Max.
                            :201.0
                                      Max.
                                              :95.00
                                                        Max.
                                                                :30132
##
    NA's
           :131
                     NA's
                            :772
                                      NA's
                                              :2085
    TEAM_PITCHING_HR TEAM_PITCHING_BB TEAM_PITCHING_SO
##
                                                           TEAM FIELDING E
##
           : 0.0
                      Min.
                                  0.0
                                        Min.
                                                     0.0
                                                                   : 65.0
                             :
                                                :
                      1st Qu.: 476.0
##
    1st Qu.: 50.0
                                        1st Qu.:
                                                   615.0
                                                           1st Qu.: 127.0
    Median :107.0
                      Median: 536.5
                                                   813.5
                                                           Median: 159.0
##
                                        Median:
##
    Mean
           :105.7
                             : 553.0
                                                   817.7
                                                                   : 246.5
                      Mean
                                        Mean
                                                :
                                                           Mean
##
    3rd Qu.:150.0
                      3rd Qu.: 611.0
                                        3rd Qu.:
                                                   968.0
                                                           3rd Qu.: 249.2
##
    Max.
           :343.0
                      Max.
                             :3645.0
                                        Max.
                                                :19278.0
                                                           Max.
                                                                   :1898.0
##
                                        NA's
                                                :102
    TEAM_FIELDING_DP
##
##
    Min.
           : 52.0
##
    1st Qu.:131.0
##
    Median :149.0
##
    Mean
           :146.4
##
    3rd Qu.:164.0
##
    Max.
           :228.0
```

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##
                     vars
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                                  mean
                                             sd median trimmed
                                                                   mad
                                                                        min
                                                                               max
## INDEX
                        1 2276 1268.46
                                         736.35 1270.5 1268.57 952.57
                                                                           1
                                                                              2535
## TARGET_WINS
                        2 2276
                                 80.79
                                          15.75
                                                  82.0
                                                          81.31
                                                                14.83
                                                                           0
                                                                               146
                                         144.59 1454.0 1459.04 114.16
                                                                              2554
## TEAM_BATTING_H
                        3 2276 1469.27
                                                                         891
                                          46.80
                                                 238.0
                                                        240.40
                                                                          69
## TEAM_BATTING_2B
                        4 2276
                                241.25
                                                                 47.44
                                                                               458
                                          27.94
## TEAM BATTING 3B
                        5 2276
                                 55.25
                                                  47.0
                                                          52.18
                                                                 23.72
                                                                           0
                                                                               223
## TEAM BATTING HR
                        6 2276
                                 99.61
                                          60.55
                                                 102.0
                                                          97.39
                                                                 78.58
                                                                           0
                                                                               264
## TEAM BATTING BB
                        7 2276
                                501.56
                                         122.67
                                                 512.0
                                                        512.18
                                                                 94.89
                                                                           0
                                                                               878
## TEAM BATTING SO
                                         248.53
                                                 750.0
                        8 2174
                                735.61
                                                        742.31 284.66
                                                                           0
                                                                              1399
## TEAM_BASERUN_SB
                        9 2145
                                124.76
                                          87.79
                                                 101.0
                                                         110.81
                                                                 60.79
                                                                           0
                                                                               697
## TEAM_BASERUN_CS
                       10 1504
                                 52.80
                                          22.96
                                                  49.0
                                                          50.36
                                                                 17.79
                                                                           0
                                                                               201
                                                                11.86
## TEAM BATTING HBP
                          191
                                 59.36
                                          12.97
                                                  58.0
                                                          58.86
                                                                          29
                                                                                95
                       11
## TEAM PITCHING H
                       12 2276 1779.21 1406.84 1518.0 1555.90 174.95 1137 30132
## TEAM_PITCHING_HR
                       13 2276
                                105.70
                                          61.30
                                                 107.0
                                                        103.16
                                                                 74.13
                                                                           0
                                                                               343
## TEAM_PITCHING_BB
                       14 2276
                                553.01
                                         166.36
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                                                 813.5
## TEAM_PITCHING_SO
                       15 2174
                                817.73
                                         553.09
                                                        796.93 257.23
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                                                                 62.27
## TEAM_FIELDING_E
                       16 2276
                                246.48
                                         227.77
                                                 159.0
                                                        193.44
                                                                          65
                                                                              1898
                                                 149.0 147.58
## TEAM_FIELDING_DP
                       17 1990
                                146.39
                                          26.23
                                                                23.72
                                                                          52
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##
                     range
                            skew kurtosis
                                              se
## INDEX
                      2534
                            0.00
                                     -1.22 15.43
## TARGET_WINS
                       146 -0.40
                                     1.03
                                            0.33
## TEAM_BATTING_H
                      1663
                            1.57
                                     7.28
                                            3.03
## TEAM BATTING 2B
                       389
                            0.22
                                     0.01
                                            0.98
## TEAM BATTING 3B
                       223
                                     1.50
                                            0.59
                            1.11
## TEAM BATTING HR
                       264 0.19
                                     -0.96
                                            1.27
## TEAM_BATTING_BB
                       878 -1.03
                                      2.18
                                            2.57
## TEAM_BATTING_SO
                      1399 -0.30
                                     -0.32
                                            5.33
## TEAM_BASERUN_SB
                       697
                           1.97
                                     5.49
                                            1.90
## TEAM BASERUN CS
                       201
                            1.98
                                     7.62
                                           0.59
## TEAM_BATTING_HBP
                        66
                            0.32
                                     -0.11
                                            0.94
                     28995 10.33
## TEAM_PITCHING_H
                                    141.84 29.49
## TEAM_PITCHING_HR
                       343
                            0.29
                                     -0.60
                                           1.28
## TEAM_PITCHING_BB
                      3645
                            6.74
                                     96.97 3.49
## TEAM_PITCHING_SO 19278 22.17
                                    671.19 11.86
## TEAM_FIELDING_E
                      1833 2.99
                                     10.97 4.77
## TEAM_FIELDING_DP
                       176 -0.39
                                     0.18 0.59
```

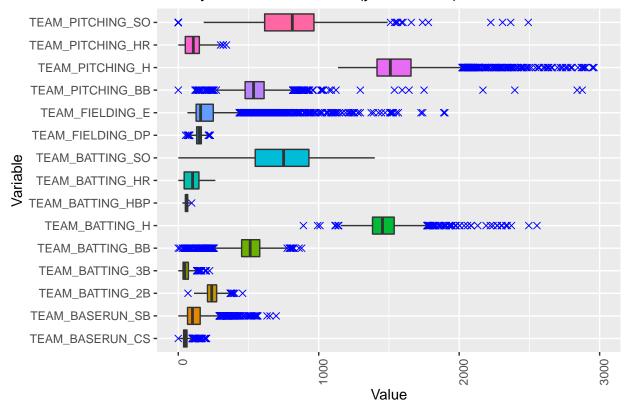




Box Plots

This box plot visualization gives us an idea of the outliers we have in each variable, but does not give us a good sense of the distribution. We can use the histograms above to interpret shape. From the box plots, we see that the variable TEAM_PITCHING_H has the greatest number of outliers. This may mean we throw that variable out altogether and not consider it in our models.

Moneyball Data Variables (ylim = 3000)

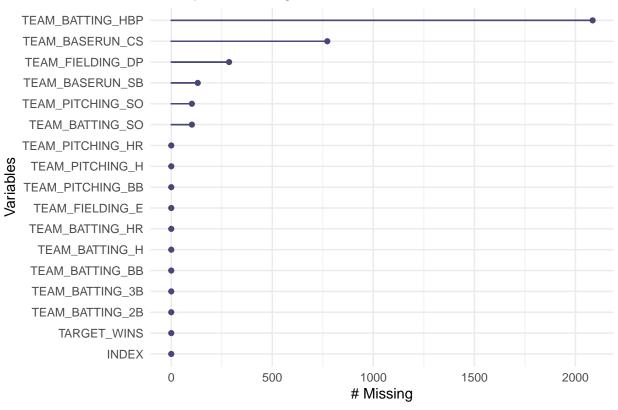


Data Pre-Processing

Missing Data

Right away, there are a a few variables with lots of missing data. Even with inputation, without at least 40% to 50% actual data, it would not be that informative to use in any model. Indeed, TEAM_BATTING_HBP has about 92% missing data and so is removed for the data set and will not be considered for the models. We will be using the hitograms for each other variable to decide how and whether to impute during the pre-processing stage.

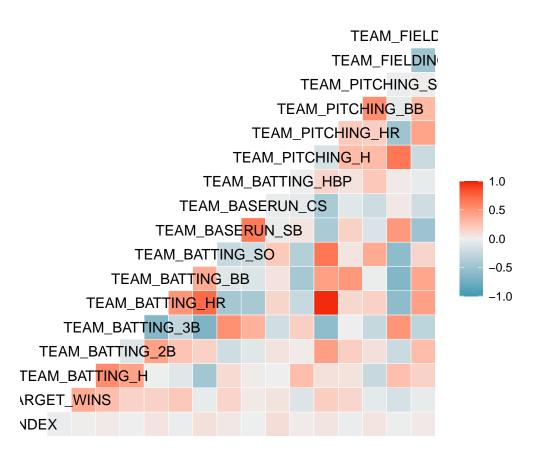




```
## TEAM_BATTING_HBP TEAM_BASERUN_CS TEAM_FIELDING_DP TEAM_BASERUN_SB
## 1 0.9133772 0.339364 0.122807 0.05482456
## TEAM_BATTING_SO TEAM_PITCHING_SO
## 1 0.0433114 0.0433114
```

Correlation Matrix and Multicollinearity

It is important to check for features which may also be correalted. Simply, having multiple features relate to themselves can cause overfitting, reduced p values, and strange variances in the data. To avoid this, we exclude one or more of the variables. In this case, we see that TEAM_BATTING_HR and TEAM_PITCHING_SO are very intertwined, and we'll take care when constructing our models not to use both. We determined later that TEAM_BATTING_HR had very weak effects on the model and so selected that feature to be removed entirely.



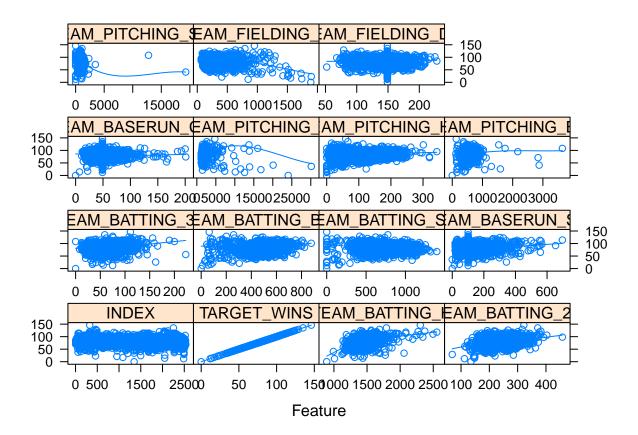
```
## Compare row 6 and column 13 with corr 0.968
## Means: 0.374 vs 0.244 so flagging column 6
## All correlations <= 0.75
## [1] "TEAM_BATTING_HR"</pre>
```

Imputing Missing Data

For the other features with significant amounts missing data, we can impute using either the mean or median of the feature. In observing the histograms, if the shape is more skewed, we would seek to use the median. If the distribution appears more normal, we can use the mean (average).

Feature Plots

With the data cleaned and imputed, we can again review the features and begin selecting them for our models. The feature plots below summarize the potential effect of each feature on the target variable. Obviously, Target wins is basically a straight line since it is itself the target variable and a perfect line.

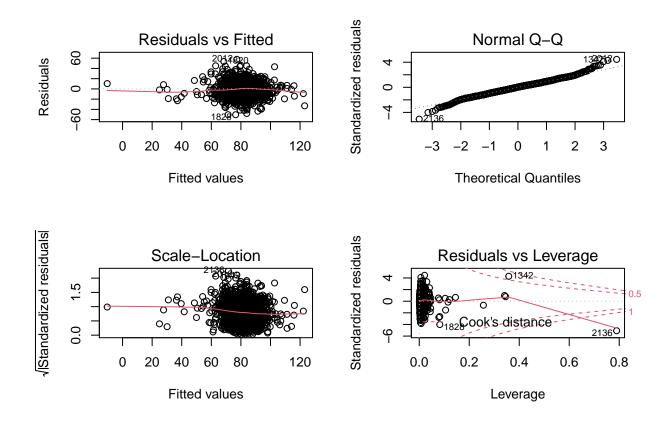


Build Models

Model 1: "The Kitchen Sink"

 $R^2 = 0.303$

Our first model is the so-called kitchen sing approach, where all features are included. We get a pretty lousy \mathbb{R}^2 value, even though the residuals appears to be quite random, if a bit clumped and the F-statistic indicated our model does say **something**.



```
##
  lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ ., data = trainData)
##
  Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q
                    Median
                                 3Q
                                        Max
   -50.444
            -8.364
                      0.404
                              8.140
                                     57.744
##
##
##
  Coefficients:
##
                      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                    23.4416666
                                 6.0755834
                                              3.858 0.000118
##
   (Intercept)
##
  INDEX
                    -0.0006326
                                 0.0004206
                                            -1.504 0.132699
## TEAM_BATTING_H
                      0.0490246
                                 0.0041222
                                             11.893
                                                     < 2e-16
## TEAM_BATTING_2B
                    -0.0227145
                                 0.0102269
                                             -2.221 0.026471
  TEAM_BATTING_3B
                                              3.230 0.001259
                      0.0605813
                                 0.0187539
  TEAM_BATTING_BB
                      0.0150025
                                 0.0059409
                                              2.525 0.011645
  TEAM_BATTING_SO
                    -0.0083507
                                 0.0028737
                                             -2.906 0.003706 **
  TEAM_BASERUN_SB
                      0.0252307
                                              5.164 2.68e-07 ***
                                 0.0048857
  TEAM_BASERUN_CS
                    -0.0122584
                                 0.0176581
                                             -0.694 0.487640
## TEAM_PITCHING_H
                    -0.0009030
                                 0.0003871
                                            -2.333 0.019775 *
  TEAM PITCHING HR 0.0588300
                                 0.0097636
                                              6.025 2.04e-09 ***
## TEAM_PITCHING_BB -0.0027049
                                 0.0042154
                                            -0.642 0.521174
## TEAM_PITCHING_SO 0.0036413
                                 0.0010092
                                              3.608 0.000317 ***
## TEAM_FIELDING_E -0.0183293
                                 0.0027725
                                            -6.611 5.00e-11 ***
## TEAM FIELDING DP -0.1154644
                                            -7.990 2.39e-15 ***
                                 0.0144517
##
```

##

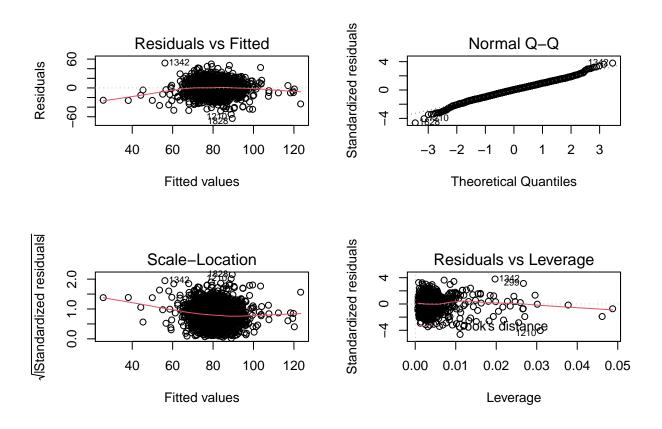
Call:

```
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 13.11 on 1809 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.3085, Adjusted R-squared: 0.3032
## F-statistic: 57.66 on 14 and 1809 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16</pre>
```

Model 2: Targeting Most Impactful Features

Reviewing the standard errors, and the correlation matrix, we what we think may be the most impactful metrics. Unfortunately, is has the opposite effect on our R^2 , which is reduced roughly 8%.

 $R^2 = 0.230$



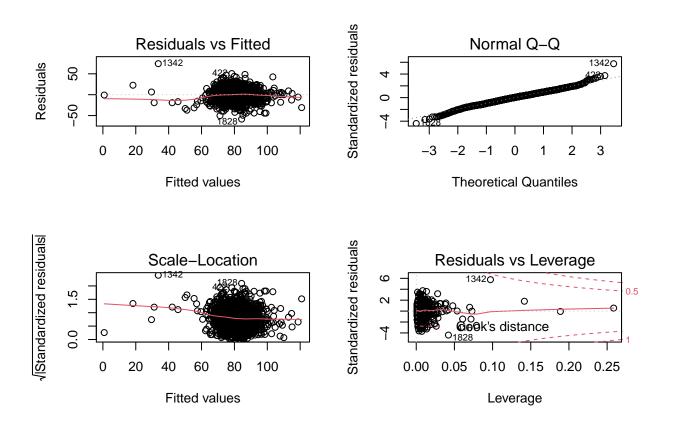
```
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ TEAM_BATTING_H + TEAM_BATTING_2B +
       TEAM_BATTING_3B + TEAM_BATTING_BB + TEAM_BATTING_SO, data = trainData)
##
##
##
   Residuals:
##
                1Q
                                 3Q
       Min
                    Median
                                        Max
            -8.737
                      0.549
                              8.865
                                     51.831
##
## Coefficients:
##
                     Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                   -16.507104
                                 4.906108
                                           -3.365 0.000782 ***
## TEAM BATTING H
                     0.050124
                                 0.003724
                                           13.460 < 2e-16 ***
```

```
## TEAM BATTING 2B
                    -0.018508
                                0.010346
                                          -1.789 0.073804 .
## TEAM_BATTING_3B
                     0.075932
                                0.016238
                                           4.676 3.14e-06 ***
                                          10.660
  TEAM_BATTING_BB
                     0.031327
                                0.002939
                                                  < 2e-16 ***
  TEAM_BATTING_SO
                                0.002065
                     0.011561
                                           5.597 2.51e-08 ***
##
##
## Signif. codes:
                     '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 13.79 on 1818 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2317, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2296
## F-statistic: 109.7 on 5 and 1818 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Model 3: Adding in a Few More

At this point, we're looking for something better than our first model. Steadily, we're adding additional features to see if we can break and R^2 of 30%. Adding in these additional features increased the value from our previous model, but not better than the kitchen sink.

 $R^2 = 0.230$



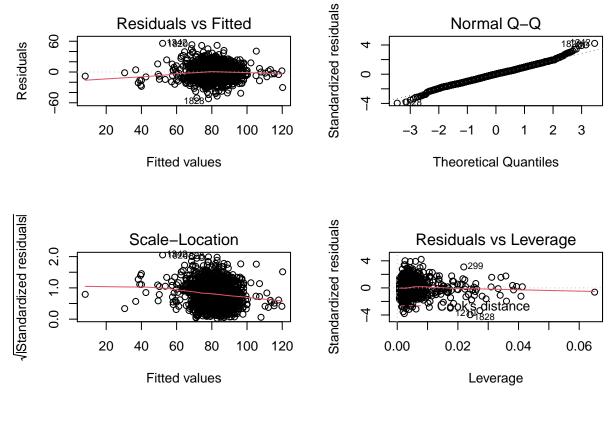
```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ TEAM_BATTING_H + TEAM_BATTING_2B +
## TEAM_BATTING_3B + TEAM_BATTING_BB + TEAM_BATTING_SO + TEAM_BASERUN_SB +
## TEAM_BASERUN_CS + TEAM_PITCHING_H + TEAM_PITCHING_HR, data = trainData)
##
## Residuals:
```

```
##
                10
                   Median
                                3Q
      Min
                                       Max
## -58.385
           -8.926
                     0.477
                             8.994
                                    74.310
##
## Coefficients:
##
                      Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                     1.1535194 5.8554891
                                            0.197
                                                   0.84385
## (Intercept)
## TEAM BATTING H
                                           10.313
                     0.0433115
                                0.0041997
                                                   < 2e-16 ***
## TEAM_BATTING_2B
                    -0.0084978
                                0.0104092
                                           -0.816
                                                   0.41439
## TEAM BATTING 3B
                     0.0573080
                                0.0190131
                                            3.014
                                                   0.00261 **
## TEAM_BATTING_BB
                     0.0183362
                                0.0033997
                                            5.393 7.82e-08 ***
## TEAM_BATTING_SO
                     0.0017697
                                0.0025771
                                            0.687
                                                   0.49237
## TEAM_BASERUN_SB
                                            4.385 1.23e-05
                     0.0204570
                                0.0046655
## TEAM_BASERUN_CS
                     0.0094712
                                0.0178925
                                            0.529
                                                   0.59664
## TEAM_PITCHING_H
                                           -5.886 4.70e-09 ***
                    -0.0015705
                                0.0002668
## TEAM_PITCHING_HR 0.0421675
                                0.0097678
                                            4.317 1.67e-05 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 13.59 on 1814 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.255, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 69.01 on 9 and 1814 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Mode 4: Lets start transforming some of these variables

For this model, we attempted to do a few transformations. For three of the features which we found to be left-skewed (TEAM_FIELDING_E, TEAM_BASERUN_SB, and TEAM_BASERUN_CS) we add in the median value. The R^2 value is a bit better than our earlier attempts, but still not as high as the kitchen sink.

 $R^2 = 0.282$



```
##
## Call:
  lm(formula = TARGET_WINS ~ TEAM_BATTING_H + TEAM_PITCHING_HR +
##
       TEAM_FIELDING_DP + fieldingE + baserunSB + baserunCS, data = trainData_model4)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                1Q
                    Median
                                3Q
                                       Max
   -52.101
           -8.869
                     0.216
                             8.282
                                    55.937
##
##
  Coefficients:
                     Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept)
                    21.796978
                                4.002272
                                            5.446 5.85e-08 ***
                                0.002353
## TEAM_BATTING_H
                     0.050854
                                          21.609 < 2e-16 ***
## TEAM_PITCHING_HR 0.029207
                                0.006657
                                           4.387 1.21e-05 ***
## TEAM_FIELDING_DP -0.101189
                                0.014093
                                          -7.180 1.01e-12 ***
## fieldingE
                    -0.022605
                                0.001754 -12.886
                                                   < 2e-16 ***
                     0.035437
                                0.004109
                                           8.625
                                                   < 2e-16 ***
## baserunSB
## baserunCS
                    -0.025096
                                0.017767
                                          -1.412
                                                     0.158
##
                   0 '*** 0.001 '** 0.01 '* 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Signif. codes:
## Residual standard error: 13.31 on 1817 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.2842, Adjusted R-squared: 0.2818
## F-statistic: 120.2 on 6 and 1817 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Model Selection

Based on the R^2 value of the models, our kitchen sink model (model 1) seemed to perform best, but by no means perfect for this exercise. With some additional features, perhaps team, and season year we could improve our predictions.

According to our F-statistics, all our models had some effect and the residuals appeared more random throughout, even with some tuning, we couldn't get the R^2 to be higher than our first model. We'll use that for our predictions and conclude the assignment by writing those to a csv.

Code Appendix

Libraries

```
r, warning = FALSE, message = FALSE, echo=FALSE, message=FALSE, warning=FALSE library(kableExtra) library(tidyverse) library(tidymodels) library(VIM) library(naniar) library(GGally) library(caret) library(psych)
```

Data Import

```
 \{ r \ echo=FALSE, \ message=FALSE, \ warning=FALSE \} \\ url Training = "https://raw.githubusercontent.com/MsQCompSci/Data621Group4/main/HW1/moneyball-training-data.csv" \\ rawData <- \ read.csv(url Training) \\ str(rawData)
```

Train and Test Data Split

set.seed(123) trainRowNumbers <- createDataPartition(rawData\$INDEX, p=0.8, list=FALSE) trainData <- rawData[trainRowNumbers,] testData <- rawData[-trainRowNumbers,]

Summary Statistics

```
summary(rawData)
describe(rawData)
```

Histograms

par(mfrow = c(3,3)) for(i in 2:ncol(rawData)) {#distribution of each variable hist(rawData[i]), main = colnames(rawData[i]), col = "skyblue")

Box Plots

train Data
LONG <- raw Data %>% select
(-INDEX, -TARGET_WINS) %>% gather
(key = Variable, value = Value)

ggplot(trainDataLONG, aes(Variable, Value, fill = Variable)) + geom_boxplot(outlier.colour="blue", outlier.shape=4, outlier.size=2, show.legend=FALSE) + ylim(0,3000) + theme(axis.text.x = element_text(angle = 90, hjust = 1)) + coord_flip()+ labs(title="Moneyball Data Variables (ylim = 3000)")

Data Pre-Processing

Missing Data

```
gg_miss_var(rawData) + labs(title="Moneyball Missing Data")
```

$$\label{eq:contraction} \begin{split} & \operatorname{data.frame}(\operatorname{TEAM_BATTING_HBP} = \operatorname{sum}(\operatorname{is.na}(\operatorname{trainData}TEAM_BATTING_HBP))/\operatorname{nrow}(\operatorname{trainData}), TEAM_BASERUS \\ & \operatorname{sum}(\operatorname{is.na}(\operatorname{trainData}TEAM_BASERUS))/\operatorname{nrow}(\operatorname{trainData}), TEAM_FIELDING_DP = \operatorname{sum}(\operatorname{is.na}(\operatorname{trainData}TEAM_BASERUS))/\operatorname{nrow}(\operatorname{trainData}), TEAM_BATTING_SO = \operatorname{sum}(\operatorname{is.na}(\operatorname{trainData}TEAM_BATTING_SO))/\operatorname{nrow}(\operatorname{trainData})) \\ & \operatorname{sum}(\operatorname{is.na}(\operatorname{trainData}TEAM_BATTING_SO))/\operatorname{nrow}(\operatorname{trainData})) \end{split}$$

Correlation Matrix and Multicollinearity

```
corMat <- cor(trainData, use = "complete.obs")
ggcorr(trainData)</pre>
```

Drop Variables

findCorrelation(cor(trainData), cutoff = 0.75, verbose = TRUE, names = TRUE)

Imputing Missing Data

trainData <- trainData %>% select(-TEAM BATTING HR, -TEAM BATTING HBP)

$$\begin{split} & \textbf{Impute Missing Data based on distribution} \quad & \text{trainData} < \text{-trainData} \%>\% \text{ mutate}(\text{TEAM_BATTING_SO}) \\ & = \text{ifelse}(\text{is.na}(\text{trainData}TEAM_BATTING_SO), mean(trainData}TEAM_BATTING_SO, \text{na.rm} = \text{TRUE}), \\ & \text{trainData}TEAM_BATTING_SO), TEAM_PITCHING_SO = ifelse(is.na(trainData}TEAM_PITCHING_SO), \\ & \text{mean}(\text{trainData}TEAM_PITCHING_SO, na.rm = TRUE), trainData}TEAM_PITCHING_SO), \text{TEAM_FIELDING_DP} \\ & = \text{ifelse}(\text{is.na}(\text{trainData}TEAM_FIELDING_DP), median(trainData}TEAM_FIELDING_DP, \text{na.rm} = \text{TRUE}), \\ & \text{trainData}TEAM_FIELDING_DP), TEAM_BASERUN_SB = ifelse(is.na(trainData}TEAM_BASERUN_SB), \\ & \text{median}(\text{trainData}TEAM_BASERUN_SB, na.rm = TRUE), trainData}TEAM_BASERUN_SB), \text{TEAM_BASERUN_CS} \\ & = \text{ifelse}(\text{is.na}(\text{trainData}STEAM_BASERUN_CS). \\ \end{split}$$

Feature Plots

```
featurePlot(y = unlist(trainData$TARGET_WINS), x = trainData, plot = "scatter", type = c("p", "smooth"), span = .5, layout = c(4, 3))
```

Build Models

Model 1: "The Kitchen Sink"

 $model_1 <- lm(TARGET_WINS \sim ., \ data = trainData) \ par(mfrow = c(2,2)) \ plot(model_1) \ summary(model_1)$

Model 2: Targeting Most Impactful Features

 $\label{eq:model_2} $$ model_2 <- lm(TARGET_WINS \sim TEAM_BATTING_H + TEAM_BATTING_2B + TEAM_BATTING_3B + TEAM_BATTING_SO, data = trainData) par(mfrow = c(2,2)) plot(model_2) summary(model_2)$

Model 3: Adding in a Few More

 $\label{eq:model_3} $$ = \lim(TARGET_WINS \sim TEAM_BATTING_H + TEAM_BATTING_2B + TEAM_BATTING_3B + TEAM_BATTING_BB + TEAM_BATTING_SO + TEAM_BASERUN_SB + TEAM_BASERUN_CS + TEAM_PITCHING_H + TEAM_PITCHING_HR, data = trainData) par(mfrow = c(2,2)) plot(model_3) summary(model_3)$

Mode 4: Lets start transforming some of these variables

fielding E <- trainData $TEAM_FIELDING_E + median(trainDataTEAM_FIELDING_E)$ baserun SB <- trainData $TEAM_BASERUN_SB + median(trainDataTEAM_BASERUN_SB)$ baserun CS <- trainData $TEAM_BASERUN_CS + median(trainDataTEAM_BASERUN_CS)$

 $\label{eq:trainData_model4} $$ <- $ mutate(trainData, fieldingE = unlist(fieldingE), TEAM_BASERUN_SB = baserunSB, TEAM BASERUN CS = baserunCS) $$$

 $model_4 <- lm(TARGET_WINS \sim TEAM_BATTING_H + TEAM_PITCHING_HR + TEAM_FIELDING_DP \\ + fieldingE + baserunSB + baserunCS, data = trainData_model4) par(mfrow = c(2,2)) plot(model_4) \\ summary(model_4)$

Model Selection and Write Predictions

 $testData\$TARGET_WINS_PRED <- predict(model_1, newdata = testData) testData \%>\% select(INDEX, TARGET_WINS, TARGET_WINS_PRED) \%>\% write.csv(., "moneyball-predictions.csv", row.names = F)$