#### 431 Class 25

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#### Today's Agenda

- Regression Analysis: What is today's focus?
  - Data Management
  - Imputation
  - How well will retain our R<sup>2</sup> in new data?
  - Interpreting our Coefficients
  - ullet Comparisons In-Sample via ANOVA, AIC, BIC,  $\sigma$
  - "Uncertainty" Intervals around a model's coefficients
  - A closer look at assumptions, and at collinearity
- Today's Main Example: 192 adults with diabetes in NE Ohio

#### Today's R Setup

```
library(GGally); library(car); library(simputation)
library(here); library(janitor); library(magrittr)
library(broom); library(patchwork)
library(tidyverse) # always load tidyverse last
theme_set(theme_bw())
```

#### An Update on patchwork

patchwork is now available on CRAN.

You can install it from the *Packages* ... *Install* menu in RStudio. Once you've installed it in RStudio once, you shouldn't do so again, just like all of our other packages. Just use library(patchwork) to call it.

#### Working with the dm192 example

#### Load the Data

```
dm192_raw <- read_csv(here("data", "dm192.csv")) %>%
  clean_names() %>%
  mutate_if(is.character, as.factor) %>%
  mutate(pt_id = as.character(pt_id)) %>%
  select(-practice)
```

## Anything wrong here?

#### glimpse(dm192\_raw)

```
Observations: 192
Variables: 13
           <chr> "1", "2", "3", "4", "5", "6", "7...
$ pt id
$ sbp
            <dbl> 108, 162, 135, 133, 128, 153, 13...
$ dbp
           <dbl> 71, 92, 84, 87, 72, 71, 69, 70, ...
$ a1c
           <dbl> 5.8, 11.6, NA, 12.7, 6.8, 5.8, 6...
$ 1d1
            <dbl> 58, 54, NA, 112, 105, NA, 151, 9...
$ age
            <dbl> 44, 28, 58, 56, 54, 67, 46, 62, ...
$ sex
            <fct> male, female, female, male, fema...
$ race
           <fct> black, black, black, whit...
$ hisp
           <fct> no, no, no, no, no, no, no, no, ...
$ insurance <fct> medicaid, medicaid, medicare, me...
$ statin
           <dbl> 1, 0, 1, 1, 1, 1, 0, 1, 1, 0, 1,...
$ sbp_old <dbl> 110, 158, 142, 145, 140, 152, 13...
$ a1c old <fct> 7.6, 12.1, 8.8, 10.9, 6.4, 6.3, ...
```

#### Why is a1c\_old a factor variable?

```
dm192 raw %>% count(a1c old)
Warning: Factor `a1c_old` contains implicit NA,
consider using `forcats::fct_explicit_na`
# A tibble: 75 x 2
  a1c old
              n
  <fct> <int>
 1 #VALUE!
2 10
3 10.1
4 10.2
5 10.3
6 10.4
7 10.5
8 10.6
 9 10.7
```

#### Let's try importing that again...

#### Now, how do things look?

#### head(dm192\_raw)

```
# A tibble: 6 \times 13
 pt id
        sbp
             dbp a1c ldl age sex race hisp
 <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <fct> <fct> <fct><</pre>
1 1
        108
              71
                5.8 58 44 male black no
2.2
        162 92 11.6 54 28 fema~ black no
3 3
        135 84 NA NA 58 fema~ black no
      133 87 12.7 112 56 male black no
4 4
      128 72 6.8 105 54 fema~ white no
5 5
6 6
      153 71 5.8 NA 67 male black no
# ... with 4 more variables: insurance <fct>,
#
   statin <dbl>, sbp_old <dbl>, a1c_old <dbl>
```

#### Imputation in dm192?

```
colSums(is.na(dm192 raw))
   pt id
               sbp
                          dbp
                                    a1c
                                              1d1
                                               43
                                  hisp insurance
      age
               sex
                        race
   statin sbp_old a1c_old
dm192 <- dm192 raw %>%
  impute_cart(hisp ~ race) %>%
  impute_rlm(ldl ~ age + statin) %>%
  impute_pmm(a1c ~ ldl + age) %>%
  impute_rlm(a1c_old ~ a1c)
```

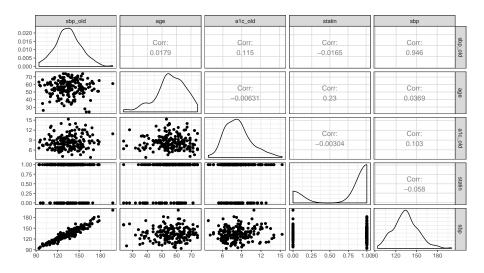
#### **Scatterplot Matrix?**

```
Too many predictors to fit on one slide, so I'll split them. . .
```

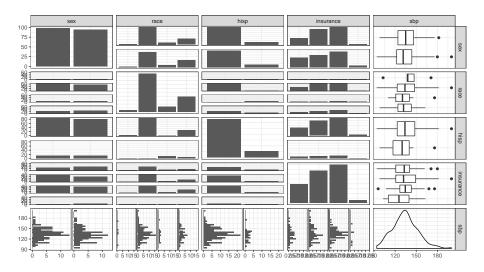
```
dm192 %>% select(sbp_old, age, a1c_old, statin, sbp) %>%
   ggpairs()
```

```
dm192 %>% select(sex, race, hisp, insurance, sbp) %>%
    ggpairs()
```

## Scatterplot Matrix 1 (numerical predictors)

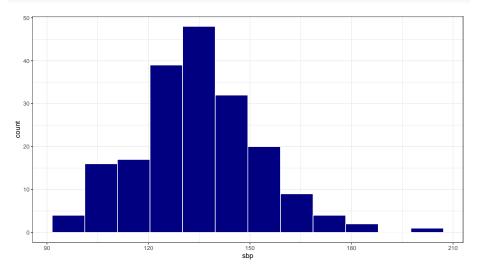


# Scatterplot Matrix 2 (categorical predictors)



#### Distribution of our Outcome

```
ggplot(dm192, aes(x = sbp)) +
geom_histogram(bins = 12, col = "white", fill = "navy")
```



#### Consider a transformation of our outcome sbp?

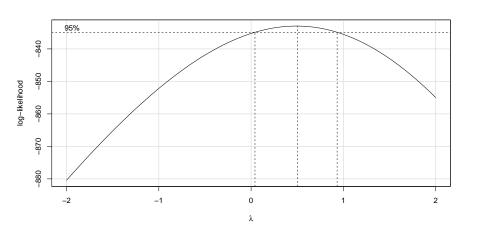
- What are the predictors we'll consider?
  - sbp\_old
  - age
  - sex
  - race
  - hisp
  - insurance
  - statin
  - a1c\_old

So we could fit that model and look at the Box-Cox results...

```
m0 <- lm(sbp ~ sbp_old + age + sex + race + hisp + insurance + statin + a1c_old, data = dm192)
```

# Box-Cox results (requires car package)

boxCox(m0)



#### Power Transformation results (for m0)

```
summary(powerTransform(m0))
```

```
bcPower Transformation to Normality
Est Power Rounded Pwr Wald Lwr Bnd Wald Upr Bnd
Y1 0.491 0.5 0.0471 0.935
```

Likelihood ratio test that transformation parameter is equal (log transformation)

```
LRT df pval
```

LR test, lambda = (0) 4.571498 1 0.032508

Likelihood ratio test that no transformation is needed

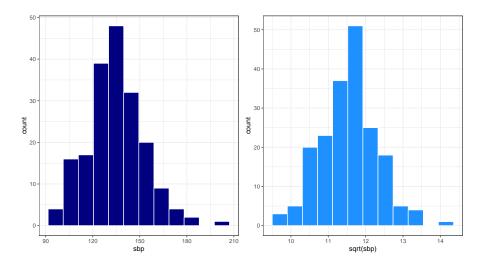
LRT df pval

LR test, lambda = (1) 5.113835 1 0.023736

Note: I suppressed a warning here. What to do?

#### Distribution of our candidate outcomes (Code)

#### Distribution of our candidate outcomes (Plots)



## What if I was going to fit a model to $\sqrt{sbp}$ ?

Before anything else, I'd create a new variable containing the transformed outcome.

```
dm192 <- dm192 %>%
  mutate(sbp_sqrt = sqrt(sbp))
```

and I'd split the data after this, build a scatterplot matrix, run models, all based on this, I think.

So, for instance, if the choice is to run:

```
modelX <- lm(sqrt(sbp) ~ statin + sbp_old, data = dm192)</pre>
```

or

```
modelX <- lm(sbp_sqrt ~ statin + sbp_old, data = dm192)</pre>
```

it doesn't matter, actually, but for anything else (like a scatterplot matrix, for instance), I'd use sbp\_sqrt.

#### Two models for sbp in the dm192 data

For now, let's hold off on a square root transformation - we'll return to this later.

#### **Stepwise Variable Selection?**

I'll just note here that if you start with m2, and run

```
step(m2)
```

you wind up with m1. That's how I came up with them as candidate models.

# Which model looks better, by R<sup>2</sup> and Adjusted R<sup>2</sup>?

```
g1 <- glance(m1) %>% mutate(model = "m1")
g2 <- glance(m2) %>% mutate(model = "m2")
comp <- bind_rows(g1, g2)

comp %>% select(model, r.squared, adj.r.squared)
```

```
model r.squared adj.r.squared <chr> <dbl> <dbl> 1 m1 0.897 0.896 2 m2 0.900 0.894
```

Which of these two models is more likely to retain its nominal R<sup>2</sup>
 value in new data?

# A tibble: 2 x 3

#### Which model looks better, by $\sigma$ , AIC or BIC?

```
comp %>% select(model, sigma, AIC, BIC)
# A tibble: 2 x 4
```

```
model sigma AIC BIC 
 <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> 1 m1 5.72 1220. 1233. 
 2 m2 5.80 1234. 1280.
```

# Is one model detectably better that the other in-sample?

```
anova(m1, m2)
Analysis of Variance Table
Model 1: sbp ~ sbp_old + statin
Model 2: sbp ~ sbp old + age + sex + race + hisp + insurance -
   a1c old
 Res.Df RSS Df Sum of Sq F Pr(>F)
1 189 6192.1
2 179 6022.8 10 169.28 0.5031 0.8863
```

#### Model m1, and 90% uncertainty intervals

Let's describe these as *uncertainty intervals*, since they are meant to help you understand how much uncertainty you have.

```
tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.90) %>%
  select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high) %>%
  knitr::kable(digits = 2)
```

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	8.63	3.25	3.25	14.01
sbp_old	0.94	0.02	0.90	0.98
statin	-1.78	0.98	-3.39	-0.16

"Uncertainty Interval" is kind of nice because it fights the ambiguity between confidence intervals and predictive intervals. Also notice that confidence intervals are smaller when you have more confidence, which can confuse people. (references in a few slides)

## Model m2, and 50% uncertainty intervals (Code)

```
tidy(m2, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.50) %>%
  select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high) %>%
  knitr::kable(digits = 2)
```

50% intervals have some potential advantages over 95% intervals...

- Computational Stability
- More intuitive (half the 50% intervals should contain the true value)
- Sometimes it's best to get a sense of where the parameters will be, not to attempt an unrealistic near-certainty.

## Model m2, and 50% uncertainty intervals (Results)

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	3.01	5.77	-0.89	6.91
sbp_old	0.94	0.02	0.93	0.96
age	0.09	0.06	0.05	0.13
sexmale	0.06	0.86	-0.52	0.64
raceblack	1.50	2.75	-0.36	3.36
raceother	2.78	3.23	0.60	4.96
racewhite	0.67	2.84	-1.26	2.59
hispyes	-0.13	1.66	-1.26	0.99
insurancemedicaid	0.86	1.25	0.01	1.70
insurancemedicare	-0.38	1.21	-1.20	0.43
insuranceuninsured	1.60	2.66	-0.19	3.40
statin	-2.27	1.03	-2.96	-1.57
a1c_old	-0.10	0.21	-0.25	0.04

#### Model m1, and 50% uncertainty intervals

```
tidy(m1, conf.int = TRUE, conf.level = 0.50) %>%
  select(term, estimate, std.error, conf.low, conf.high) %>%
  knitr::kable(digits = 2)
```

term	estimate	std.error	conf.low	conf.high
(Intercept)	8.63	3.25	6.43	10.83
sbp_old	0.94	0.02	0.92	0.96
statin	-1.78	0.98	-2.43	-1.12

#### Andrew Gelman Blog Posts Worth a Little Time

- Instead of "confidence interval," let's say "uncertainty interval" at https://andrewgelman.com/2010/12/21/lets\_say\_uncert/
- "Why I prefer 50% rather than 95% intervals" at https: //andrewgelman.com/2016/11/05/why-i-prefer-50-to-95-intervals/
- "Abraham Lincoln and confidence intervals" at https://andrewgelman.com/2016/11/23/abraham-lincoln-confidenceintervals/

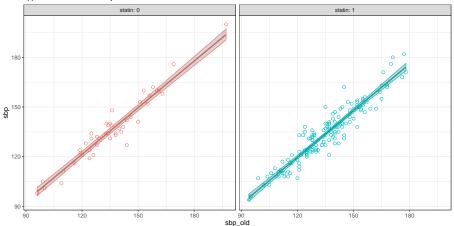
## Plotting Model m1 (Code)

```
m1_aug <- augment(m1)</pre>
ggplot(m1 aug, aes(x = sbp old, y = sbp,
                  col = factor(statin))) +
  geom_point(pch = 1, size = 2) +
  geom line(aes(y = .fitted), size = 1) +
  geom ribbon(aes(ymin = .fitted - .se.fit*2,
                  ymax = .fitted + .se.fit*2),
              alpha = 0.2) +
  facet wrap(~ statin, labeller = "label both") +
  guides(col = FALSE) +
  labs(title = "Model m1 with",
       subtitle = "approximate 95% uncertainty intervals")
```

## Plotting Model m1 (Result)

Model m1 with

approximate 95% uncertainty intervals



## **Residual Plots and Regression Assumptions**

#### Multivariate Regression: Checking Assumptions

Assumptions (see Course Notes, Section 42)

- Linearity
- Normality
- Homoscedasticity
- Independence

Available Residual Plots

```
plot(model, which = c(1:3,5))
```

- Residuals vs. Fitted Values
- Normal Q-Q Plot of Standardized Residuals
- Scale-Location Plot
- Index Plot of Cook's Distance
- Residuals, Leverage and Influence

## An Idealized Model (by Simulation)

```
set.seed(431122)
x1 \leftarrow rnorm(200, 20, 5)
x2 \leftarrow rnorm(200, 20, 12)
x3 \leftarrow rnorm(200, 20, 10)
er <- rnorm(200, 0, 1)
v < -.3*x1 - .2*x2 + .4*x3 + er
sim0 <- data.frame(y, x1, x2, x3) %>% tbl_df
mod0 < -lm(y ~ x1 + x2 + x3, data = sim0)
summary (mod0) # appears on next slide
```

## An Idealized Model (by Simulation)

```
Call: lm(formula = y \sim x1 + x2 + x3, data = sim0)
Residuals: Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
       -3.14553 -0.68079 0.08096 0.69216 2.65265
Coefficients: Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 0.122852 0.348584 0.352 0.725
  x1
x2 -0.204908 0.005828 -35.159 <2e-16 ***
x3 0.413308 0.007172 57.631 <2e-16 ***
Signif codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

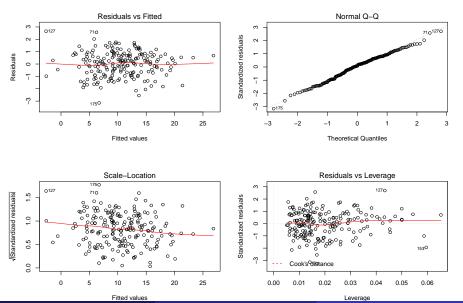
Residual standard error: 1.007 on 196 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.9589, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9583 F-statistic: 1524 on 3 and 196 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

#### **Building Residual Plots for Idealized Model**

```
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(mod0)
par(mfrow=c(1,1))
```

- Residuals vs. Fitted values (Top Left)
- Normal Q-Q plot of Standardized Residuals (Top Right)
- Scale-Location plot (Bottom Left)
- Residuals vs. Leverage, Cook's Distance contours (Bottom Right)

# Residual Analysis (Idealized Model: n = 200)



### Is one of the regression assumptions violated?

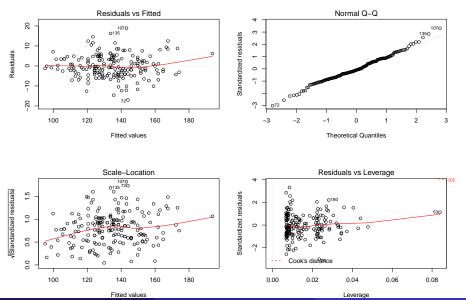
- Non-linearity problems
  - curve in the Top Left plot (Residuals vs. Fitted)
- Heteroscedasticity problems
  - show up as a fan in the Top Left plot
  - show up as a trend (up or down) in the Scale-Location plot
- Non-Normality problems
  - shows up as individual outliers in all plots
  - Normal Q-Q plot describes skew / many outliers / a few big outliers
  - Bottom Right plot shows each point's residual, leverage and influence

#### What to Do?

#### Importance of Assumptions:

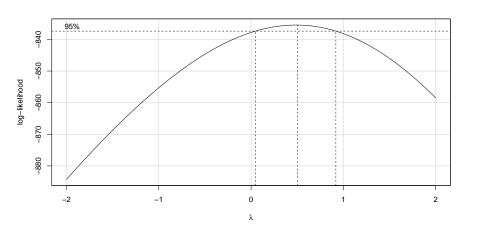
- Linearity (critical, but amenable to transformations, often)
- Independence (critical, not relevant if data are a cross-section with no meaningful ordering in space or time, but vitally important if space/time play a meaningful role - longitudinal data analysis required)
- Homoscedasticity (constant variance: important, sometimes amenable to transformation)
- Normality due to skew (usually amenable to transformation)
- Normality due to many more outliers than we would expect (heavy-tailed - inference is problematic unless you account for this, sometimes a transformation can help)
- Normality due to a severe outlier (or a small number of severely poorly fitted points - can consider setting those points away from modeling, but requires a meaningful external explanation)

#### Residual Plots for Model m1 for our dm192 data?



## Recall the Box-Cox plot's suggestion, earlier...

boxCox(m1)



# Adjusted model m1 predicting $\sqrt{sbp}$

```
m1_adj <- lm(sqrt(sbp) ~ sbp_old + statin, data = dm192)
summary(m1_adj)</pre>
```

```
Call:
```

```
lm(formula = sqrt(sbp) ~ sbp_old + statin, data = dm192)
```

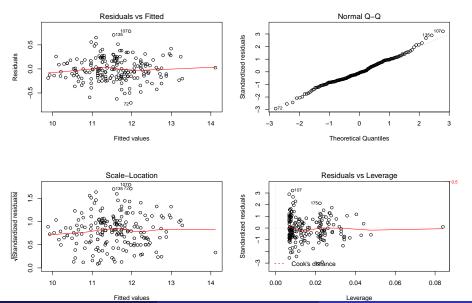
#### Residuals:

```
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -0.70616 -0.15787 -0.01856 0.16667 0.78269
```

#### Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 6.1590466 0.1390482 44.294 <2e-16 ***
sbp_old 0.0403926 0.0009897 40.813 <2e-16 ***
statin -0.0707505 0.0416825 -1.697 0.0913 .
```

## Residuals for m1 predicting square root of sbp



## **Resolving Assumption Violations**

#### Options include:

- transform the Y variable, likely with one of our key power transformations (use Box-Cox to help)
- transform one or more of the X variables if it seems particularly problematic, or perhaps combine them (rather than height and weight, perhaps look at BMI, or BMI and height to help reduce collinearity)
- remove a point only if you have a good explanation for the point that can be provided outside of the modeling, and this is especially important if the point is influential
- consider other methods for establishing a non-linear model (432: splines, loess smoothers, non-linear modeling)
- consider other methods for longitudinal data with substantial dependence (432)



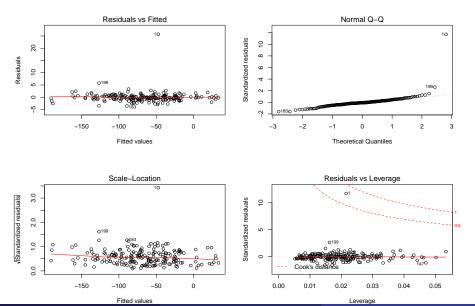
## For each simulation, decide on the following:

Is one of the regression assumptions violated?

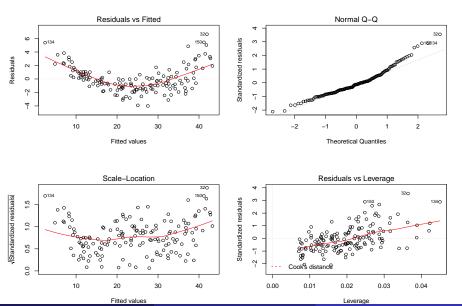
- Linearity, Homoscedasticity, Normality, or multiple problems?
  - All of these simulations describe cross-sectional data, with no importance to the order of the observations, so the assumption of independence isn't a concern.
- In which of the four plot(s) shown do you see the problem?
  - Top Left: Residuals vs. Fitted values (in R: plot 1)
  - Top Right: Normal Q-Q plot of Standardized Residuals (plot 2)
  - Bottom Left: Scale-Location plot (plot 3)
  - Bottom Right: Residuals vs. Leverage, Cook's Distance contours (plot 5)
- If you see a point that is problematic, then:
  - is it poorly fit?
  - is it highly leveraged?
  - is it influential?
- What might you try to do about the assumption problem you see (if you see one), to resolve it?

This isn't easy. We'll do three, and then regroup.

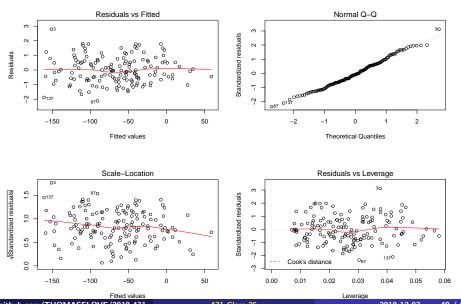
# Simulation 1 (n = 200 subjects)



## Simulation 2 (n = 150)



## Simulation 3 (n = 150)



OK. How are we doing so far?

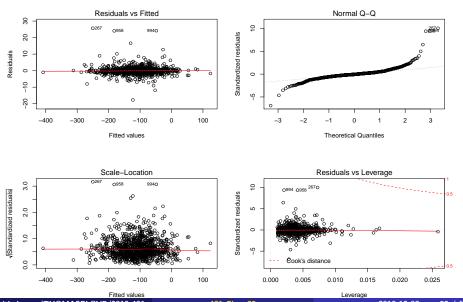
#### The First Three Simulations

For those of you playing along at home...

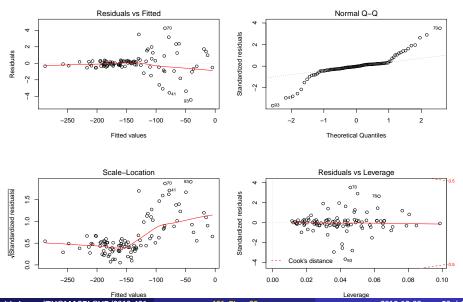
- Observation 1 has an impossibly large standardized residual (Z score is close to 12), of substantial influence (Cook's distance around 0.7).
  - Probably need to remove the point, and explain it separately.
- Ourve in residuals vs. fitted values plot suggests potential non-linearity.
  - Natural choice would be a transformation of the outcome.
- No substantial problems, although there's a little bit of heteroscedasticity.
- I'd probably just go with the model as is.

Let's try three more...

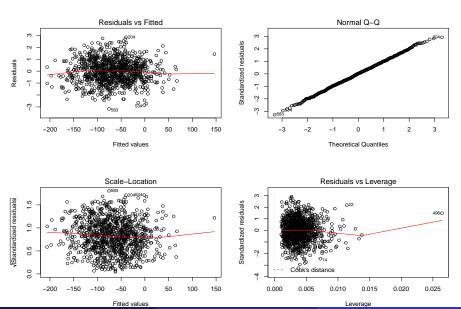
# Simulation 4 (n = 1000)



# Simulation 5 (n = 100)



# Simulation 6 (n = 1000)



OK. How did this go?

#### The Last Three Simulations

For those of you playing along at home. . .

- 4 Normality issues outlier-prone even with 1000 observations.
- Transform Y? Consider transforming the Xs?
- Serious heteroscedasticity residuals much more varied for larger fitted values.
- Look at Residuals vs. each individual X to see if this is connected to a specific predictor, which might be skewed or something?
- No serious violations point 496 has very substantial leverage, though.
- I'd probably just go with the model as is, after making sure that point 496's X values aren't incorrect.

## What about Collinearity?

### Do we have collinearity in our dm192 models?

```
sbp old statin
1.000271 1.000271
vif(m2)
              GVIF Df GVIF^(1/(2*Df))
sbp_old
          1.053618
                              1.026459
age
          1.790969
                     1
                              1.338271
          1.047137
                              1.023297
sex
          2.155455
                    3
                              1.136553
race
          1.909531
                              1.381858
hisp
                     1
insurance 1.921500
                              1.114996
statin
          1.084574
                     1
                              1.041429
```

1.094353

a1c\_old

vif(m1)

1.046113

## What about collinearity?

"No collinearity" is not a regression assumption, but if we see substantial collinearity, we are inclined to consider dropping some of the variables, or combining them (height and weight may be highly correlated, height and BMI may be less so).

The variance inflation factor (or VIF), if it exceeds 5, is a clear indication of collinearity. We'd like to see the variances inflated only slightly (that is, VIF not much larger than 1) by correlation between the predictors, to facilitate interpretation.

The best way to tell if you've improved the situation by fitting an alternative model is to actually compare and fit the two models, looking in particular at:

- the standard errors of their coefficients, and
- their VIFs.

#### What's the Goal Here?

#### Develop an effective model. (?) (!)

- Models can do many different things. What you're using the model for matters, a lot.
- Don't fall into the trap of making binary decisions (this model isn't perfect, no matter what you do, and so your assessment of residuals will also have shades of gray).
- The tools we have provided (scatterplots, mostly) are well designed for rather modest sample sizes. When you have truly large samples, they don't scale very well.
- Just because R chooses four plots for you to study doesn't mean they provide the only relevant information.
- Embrace the uncertainty. Look at it as an opportunity to study your data more effectively.