Supplement for Lecture 16: Techniques for Choosing Predictors

Load Data

```
data("BodyFat") # Load Data
bf = BodyFat
head(bf)
##
    Bodyfat Age Weight Height Neck Chest Abdomen Ankle Biceps Wrist
       32.3 41 247.25 73.50 42.1 117.0 115.6 26.3
                                                    37.3 19.7
                                                    30.1 18.2
       22.5 31 177.25 71.50 36.2 101.1 92.4 24.6
## 2
       22.0 42 156.25 69.00 35.5 97.8 86.0 24.0
## 3
                                                    31.2 17.4
     12.3 23 154.25 67.75 36.2 93.1 85.2 21.9
                                                    32.0 17.1
       20.5 46 177.00 70.00 37.2 99.7 95.6 22.5
                                                    29.1 17.7
       22.6 54 198.00 72.00 39.9 107.6 100.0 22.0
                                                    35.9 18.9
## 6
```

Check for Multicollinearity

```
# Correlation Matrix from Base R

# Tile Plot of Correlation Matrix (Correlogram) from corrplot package

#Scatterplots of Bodyfat Variable with Each Other Predictor

# Cool Visual from PerformanceAnalytics package
```

Variance Inflation Factor

```
mod.full = lm(COMPLETE, data=bf)
summary(mod.full)
plot(mod.full) # From car package

mod.noWeight = lm(COMPLETE, data=bf)
vif(mod.noWeight)

mod.noWeightChest = lm(COMPLETE, data=bf)
vif(mod.noWeightChest)
```

Fit All Subsets

The regsubsets() function fits all subset models up to a maximum number of variables. Notice the nvmax argument. The asterisk indicates which variables are included in the best model for each possible choice for k.

```
all = #From leaps package
summary(all)

all2 = #From leaps package
summary(all2)
```

Now we identify the "best" model based off the criteria R-Squared, adjusted R-Squared, and Mallow's Cp. We can use the ShowSubsets() function created by Dr. McLean.

```
# Best Model According to R-Squared
out2[COMPLETE,]

# Best Model According to Adjusted R-Squared
out2[COMPLETE,]

# Best Model According to Mallows Cp
out2[COMPLETE,]
```

We can also tell the function using nbest the number of top models for each choice of k that we want to see in the output. We can also calculate the BIC for each of the models and identify the best model according to BIC.

```
all3 = COMPLETE
out3 = ShowSubsets(all3)
out3

#Get BIC for each of the models
summ.all3 = COMPLETE
summ.all3$bic

#Find Best Model According to BIC
out3[which.min(summ.all3$bic),]

#Calculated adjusted R-squared by hand
1-(1-0.7471)*((100-1)/(100-3-1)) #Notice these equals the adjusted R-Squared in the BIC Model
```

Now we fit our "best" models according to adjusted R-squared/Mallow's Cp and BIC.

```
mod.rsqmallow = lm(Bodyfat ~ Age + Weight + Abdomen + Wrist, data=bf)
plot(mod.rsqmallow)

vif(mod.rsqmallow)

mod.bic = lm(Bodyfat ~ Weight + Abdomen + Wrist, data=bf)
plot(mod.bic)
vif(mod.bic)
```

Backwards, Forwards, and Stepwise Algorithms

Built-in step() function doesn't use p-values to determine what variables to remove or keep. It uses the AIC measurement which is similar to BIC. Let's first look at backward's elimination.

```
summary(back.out)
vif(back.out)
```

Now let's look at forward selection. In this case, we need to start by initiating the empty model and telling the step() function to consider all models up to possibly the full model.

```
summary(forward.out)
vif(forward.out)
```

Now, we specify the direction="both" to conduct stepwise regression where variables can be both added and removed.

```
summary(step.out)
vif(step.out)
```

All Models Summarized

mod.full
mod.noWeight
mod.noWeightChest
mod.rsqmallow
mod.bic
back.out
forward.out
step.out