Life Expectancy Prediction

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Abstract

We have implemented a Linear Regression model to predict the life expectancy of the human population with an adjusted R-squared value of , MSE of , and MAE of .

Introduction

The goal of this project is to build a Linear Regression model that can predict the life expectancy of the human population based on several factors such as the amount of alcohol consumption, average Body Mass Index (BMI), immunization of various vaccines among 1-year-olds such as Hepatitis B, Polio, and Diphtheria vaccines, and more, and also derive insights into what factors are significant in determining a higher or lower life expectancy of the human population.

Materials and Methods

Dataset

The data related to life expectancy and health factors for 193 countries is taken from the Global Health Observatory (GHO) data repository under the World Health Organization (WHO). Its corresponding economic data was collected from the United Nations website for a period of 16 years (2000-2015).

The dataset is available at https://www.kaggle.com/datasets/kumarajarshi/life-expectancy-who.

life = read.csv('Life Expectancy Data.csv') # Load Dataset

Life Expectancy Data.csv contains the following fields:

- Country Country Observed.
- Year Year Observed.
- Status Developed or Developing status.
- Life.expectancy Life Expectancy in age.
- Adult.Mortality Adult Mortality Rates on both sexes (probability of dying between 15-60 years/1000 population).
- infant.deaths Number of Infant Deaths per 1000 population.
- Alcohol Alcohol recorded per capita (15+) consumption (in litres of pure alcohol).
- percentage.expenditure Expenditure on health as a percentage of Gross Domestic Product per capita (%).
- Hepatitis.B Hepatitis B (HepB) immunization coverage among 1-year-olds (%).
- Measles Number of reported Measles cases per 1000 population.
- BMI Average Body Mass Index of entire population.
- under.five.deaths Number of under-five deaths per 1000 population.
- Polio Polio (Pol3) immunization coverage among 1-year-olds (%).
- Total.expenditure General government expenditure on health as a percentage of total government expenditure (%).
- Diphtheria Diphtheria tetanus toxoid and pertussis (DTP3) immunization coverage among 1-year-olds (%).
- HIV.AIDS Deaths per 1000 live births due to HIV/AIDS (0-4 years).
- GDP Gross Domestic Product per capita (in USD).
- Population Population of the country.
- thinness..1.19.years Prevalence of thinness among children and adolescents for Age 10 to 19 (%).
- thinness. 5.9. years Prevalence of thinness among children for Age 5 to 9 (%).
- Income.composition.of.resources Human Development Index in terms of income composition of resources (index ranging from 0 to 1).
- Schooling Number of years of Schooling (years).

In total, there are 2938 observations of 22 variables with 20 of them being numerical and 2 categorical (Country and Status).

We will be using Life.expectancy to predict the life expectancy of the human population with the given dependent variables in the dataset.

Clean Data

We will drop any observation that does not contain any value in any of its columns.

life = na.omit(life)

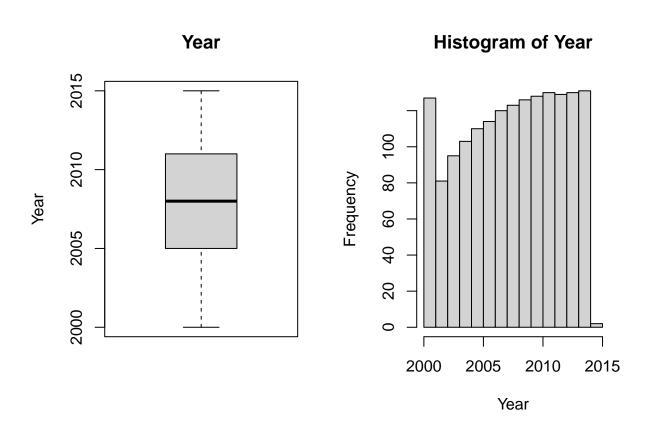
This shrinks our dataset to 1649 observations.

Data Exploration

summary(life)

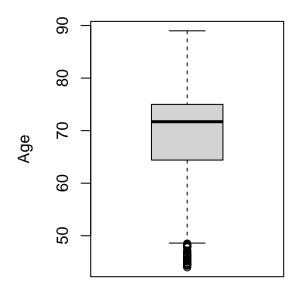
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                           Population
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                         1st Qu.:1.919e+05
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          : 4.908
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    3rd Qu.: 7.100
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```

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Year, main = 'Year', ylab = 'Year')
hist(life$Year, main = 'Histogram of Year', xlab = 'Year')
```

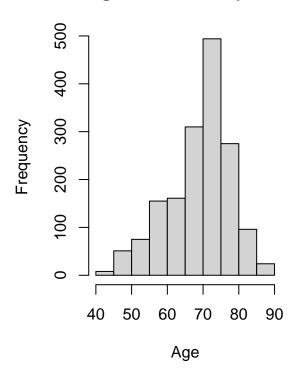


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Life.expectancy, main = 'Life Expectancy', ylab = 'Age')
hist(life$Life.expectancy, main = 'Histogram of Life Expectancy', xlab = 'Age')
```

Life Expectancy

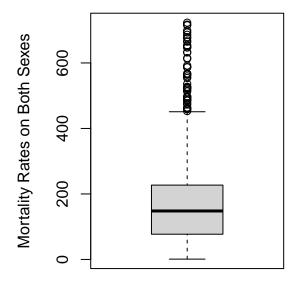


Histogram of Life Expectancy

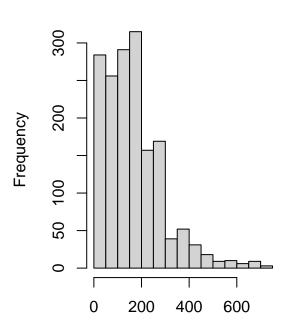


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Adult.Mortality, main = 'Adult Mortality Rate', ylab = 'Mortality Rates on Both Sexes')
hist(
  life$Adult.Mortality,
  main = 'Histogram of Adult Mortality Rate',
  xlab = 'Mortality Rates on Both Sexes',
  cex.main = 0.9
)
```

Adult Mortality Rate



Histogram of Adult Mortality Rate

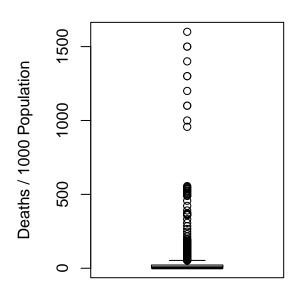


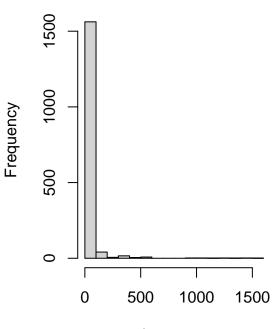
Mortality Rates on Both Sexes

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$infant.deaths, main = 'Infant Deaths', ylab = 'Deaths / 1000 Population')
hist(life$infant.deaths, main = 'Histogram of Infant Deaths', xlab = 'Deaths / 1000 Population')
```



Histogram of Infant Deaths

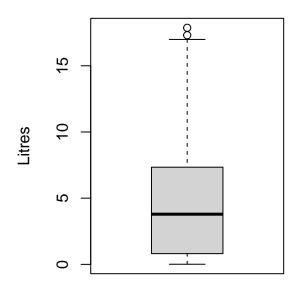


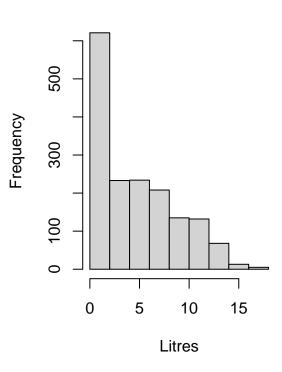


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Alcohol, main = 'Alcohol Consumption', ylab = 'Litres')
hist(life$Alcohol,
    main = 'Histogram of Alcohol Consumption',
    xlab = 'Litres',
    cex.main = 0.9)
```

Alcohol Consumption

Histogram of Alcohol Consumption

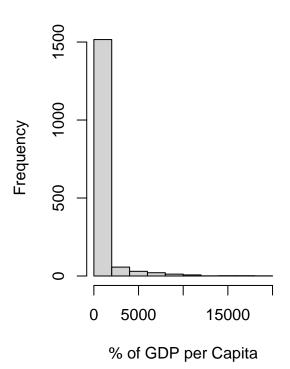




Health Expenditure

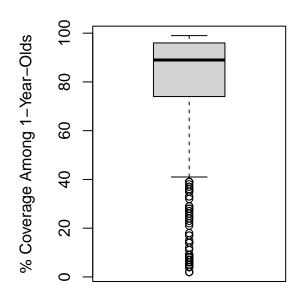
% of GDP per Capita 0 5000 10000 15000 1 1 1

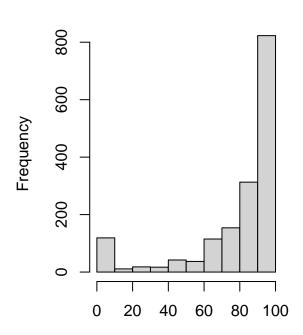
Histogram of Health Expenditure



Hepatitis B (HepB) Immunization

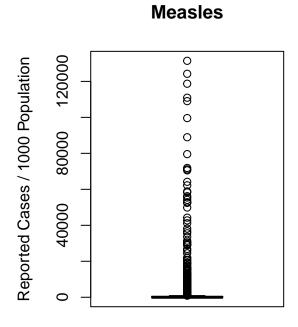
Histogram of HepB Immunization



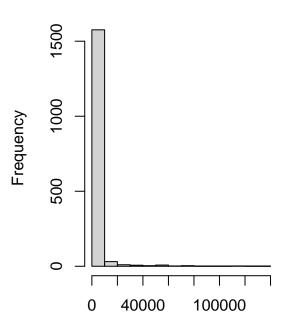


% Coverage Among 1-Year-Olds

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Measles, main = 'Measles', ylab = 'Reported Cases / 1000 Population')
hist(life$Measles, main = 'Histogram of Measles', xlab = 'Reported Cases / 1000 Population')
```



Histogram of Measles



Reported Cases / 1000 Population

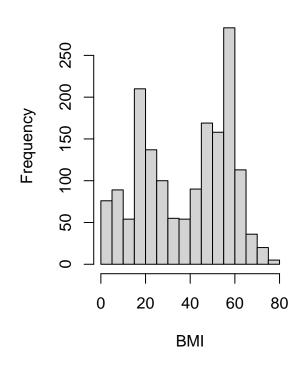
```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$BMI, main = 'Average BMI', ylab = 'BMI')
hist(life$BMI, main = 'Histogram of Average BMI', xlab = 'BMI')
```

Average BMI

20 40 60 80

0

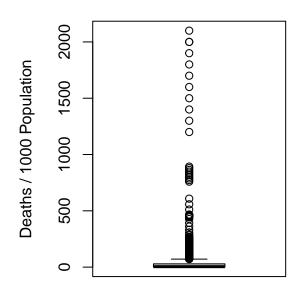
Histogram of Average BMI

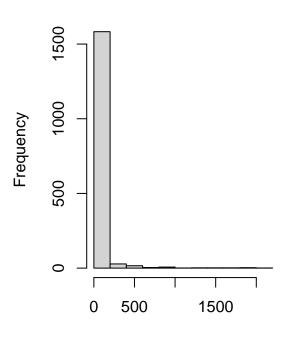


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$under.five.deaths, main = 'Under-Five Deaths', ylab = 'Deaths / 1000 Population')
hist(
   life$under.five.deaths,
   main = 'Histogram of Under-Five Deaths',
   xlab = 'Deaths / 1000 Population',
   cex.main = 0.9
)
```

Under-Five Deaths

Histogram of Under-Five Deaths



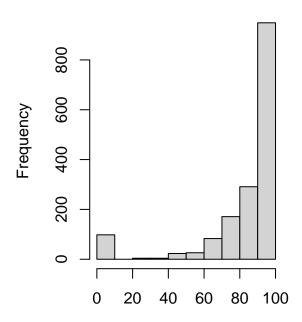


Deaths / 1000 Population

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Polio, main = 'Polio (Pol3) Immunization', ylab = '% Coverage Among 1-Year-Olds')
hist(life$Polio,
    main = 'Histogram of Pol3 Immunization',
    xlab = '% Coverage Among 1-Year-Olds',
    cex.main = 0.9)
```

Polio (Pol3) Immunization

Histogram of Pol3 Immunization

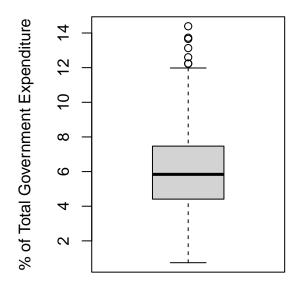


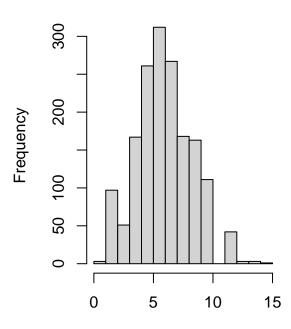
% Coverage Among 1-Year-Olds

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(
  life$Total.expenditure,
  main = 'General Government Health Expenditure',
  ylab =
    '% of Total Government Expenditure',
  cex.main = 0.8
)
hist(
  life$Total.expenditure,
  main = 'Histogram of General Government Health Expenditure',
  xlab =
    '% of Total Government Expenditure',
  cex.main = 0.7
)
```

General Government Health Expenditure

Histogram of General Government Health Expenditure



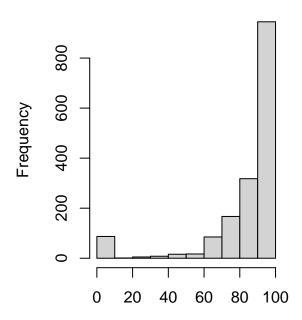


% of Total Government Expenditure

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Diphtheria, main = 'DTP3 Immunization', ylab = '% Coverage Among 1-Year-Olds')
hist(life$Diphtheria,
    main = 'Histogram of DTP3 Immunization',
    xlab = '% Coverage Among 1-Year-Olds',
    cex.main = 0.9)
```

DTP3 Immunization

Histogram of DTP3 Immunization



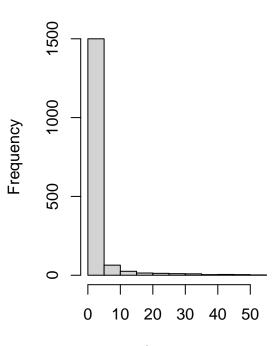
% Coverage Among 1-Year-Olds

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$HIV.AIDS, main = 'HIV/AIDS (0-4 Years)', ylab = 'Deaths / 1000 Live Births')
hist(life$HIV.AIDS,
    main = 'Histogram of HIV/AIDS (0-4 Years)',
    xlab = 'Deaths / 1000 Live Births',
    cex.main = 0.9)
```

HIV/AIDS (0-4 Years)

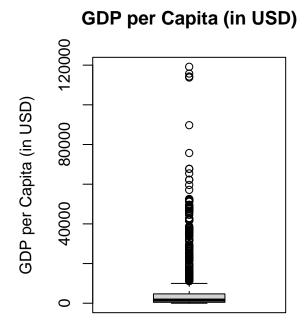
Deaths / 1000 Live Births 0 10 20 30 40 50 1 1 1 1

Histogram of HIV/AIDS (0-4 Years)

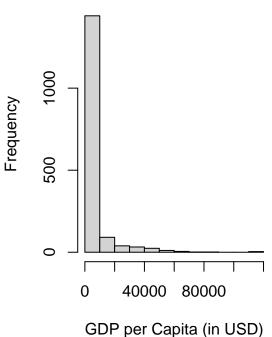


Deaths / 1000 Live Births

```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$GDP, main = 'GDP per Capita (in USD)', ylab = 'GDP per Capita (in USD)')
hist(life$GDP,
    main = 'Histogram of GDP per Capita (in USD)',
    xlab = 'GDP per Capita (in USD)',
    cex.main = 0.9)
```



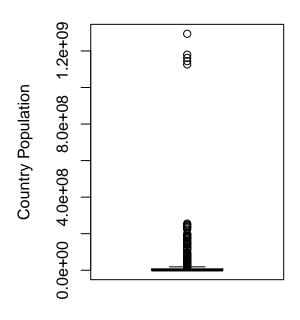
Histogram of GDP per Capita (in USD)

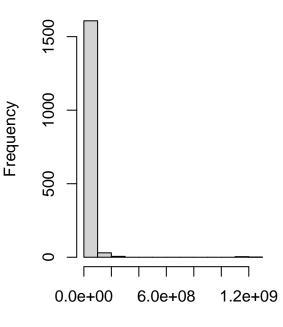


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Population, main = 'Country Population', ylab = 'Country Population')
hist(life$Population,
    main = 'Histogram of Country Population',
    xlab = 'Country Population',
    cex.main = 0.9)
```

Country Population

Histogram of Country Population

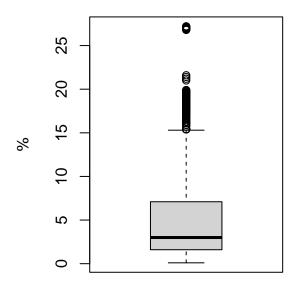


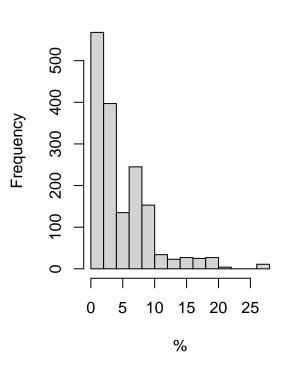


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(
  life$thinness..1.19.years,
  main = 'Prevalence of Thinness (10-19 Years)',
  ylab = '%',
  cex.main = 0.9
)
hist(
  life$thinness..1.19.years,
  main = 'Histogram of Prevalence of Thinness (10-19 Years)',
  xlab = '%',
  cex.main = 0.7
)
```

Prevalence of Thinness (10–19 Years)

Histogram of Prevalence of Thinness (10-19 Years)

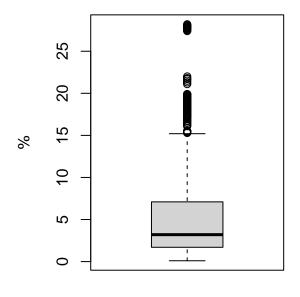


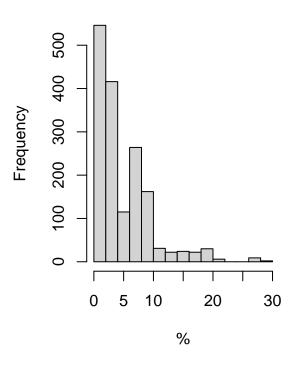


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(
   life$thinness.5.9.years,
   main = 'Prevalence of Thinness (5-9 Years)',
   ylab = '%',
   cex.main = 0.9
)
hist(
   life$thinness.5.9.years,
   main = 'Histogram of Prevalence of Thinness (5-9 Years)',
   xlab =
    '%',
   cex.main = 0.7
)
```

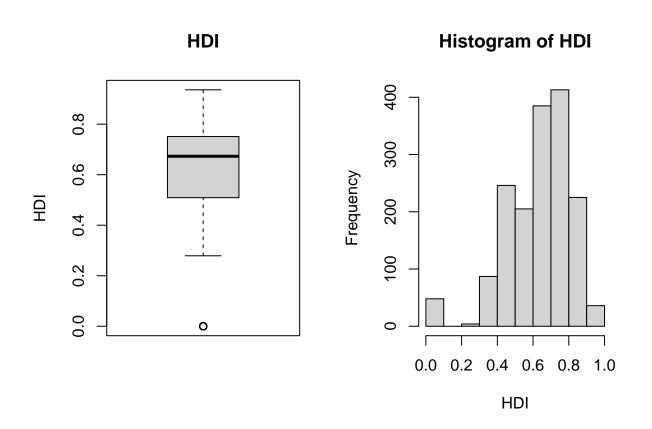
Prevalence of Thinness (5–9 Years)

Histogram of Prevalence of Thinness (5-9 Years)





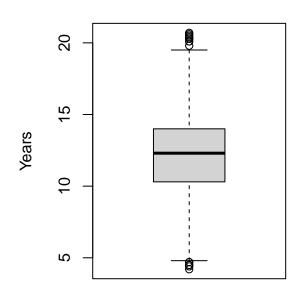
```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Income.composition.of.resources, main = 'HDI', ylab='HDI')
hist(life$Income.composition.of.resources, main = 'Histogram of HDI', xlab='HDI')
```

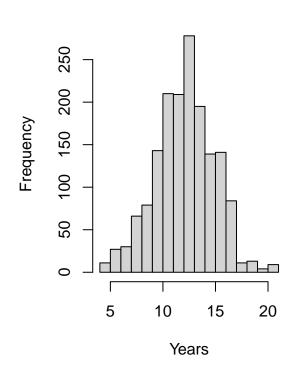


```
par(mfrow = c(1, 2))
boxplot(life$Schooling, main = 'Schooling', ylab = 'Years')
hist(life$Schooling, main = 'Histogram of Schooling', xlab = 'Years')
```

Schooling

Histogram of Schooling





Feature Selection

We will be removing some of the variables for building the model due to the reasons mentioned below: Country - Contains too many levels with no additional information to predict Life.expectancy.

Year - Contains time series data with no additional information to predict Life.expectancy.

```
life = life[, !(names(life) %in% c('Country', 'Year'))]
```

We will be mutating Hepatitis.B, Polio and Diphtheria for building the model since their range between the minimum value and the 1st Quartile is too wide. We will be mutating their values into 2 categorical values: '<90% Covered' and '>=90% Covered'.

```
life$Hepatitis.B = ifelse(life$Hepatitis.B < 90, '<90% Covered', '>=90% Covered')
life$Polio = ifelse(life$Polio < 90, '<90% Covered', '>=90% Covered')
life$Diphtheria = ifelse(life$Diphtheria < 90, '<90% Covered', '>=90% Covered')
```

This leaves us with 1649 observations of 20 variables with 16 of them being numerical and 4 categorical (Status, Hepatitis.B, Polio and Diphtheria).

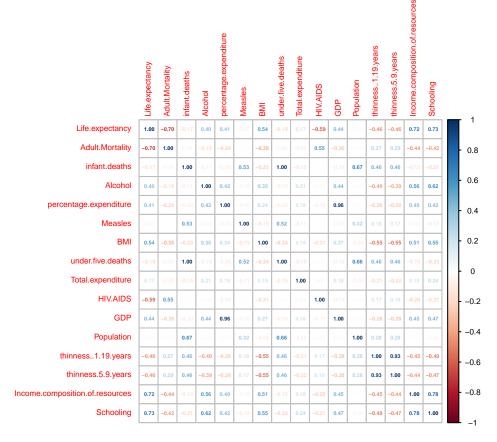
summary(life)

```
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                       Life.expectancy Adult.Mortality infant.deaths
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                                                                   3.00
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                                              :168.2
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                                                                  32.55
##
                                                                  22.00
                       3rd Qu.:75.0
                                       3rd Qu.:227.0
                                                        3rd Qu.:
##
                       Max.
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                     percentage.expenditure Hepatitis.B
##
       Alcohol
                                                                   Measles
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##
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   Median : 3.790
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##
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   Mean : 4.533
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                     Mean : 698.97
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   3rd Qu.: 7.340
                     3rd Qu.: 509.39
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##
   Max.
          :17.870
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##
         BMI
                    under.five.deaths
                                         Polio
                                                          Total.expenditure
##
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                                                                 : 0.740
   Min.
                    Min.
                                                          Min.
##
   1st Qu.:19.50
                    1st Qu.:
                               1.00
                                                          1st Qu.: 4.410
                                      Class : character
                                      Mode :character
   Median :43.70
                    Median :
                               4.00
                                                          Median : 5.840
   Mean
         :38.13
                    Mean : 44.22
                                                                : 5.956
##
                                                          Mean
   3rd Qu.:55.80
                    3rd Qu.: 29.00
                                                          3rd Qu.: 7.470
##
   Max.
          :77.10
                    Max.
                         :2100.00
                                                          Max.
                                                                 :14.390
    Diphtheria
                          HIV.AIDS
##
                                              GDP
                                                               Population
   Length: 1649
                              : 0.100
                                                                    :3.400e+01
##
                       Min.
                                        Min.
                                               :
                                                      1.68
                                                             Min.
                       1st Qu.: 0.100
   Class : character
                                        1st Qu.:
                                                    462.15
                                                             1st Qu.:1.919e+05
##
   Mode :character
                       Median : 0.100
                                        Median :
                                                   1592.57
                                                             Median :1.420e+06
##
                       Mean
                             : 1.984
                                        Mean
                                              : 5566.03
                                                             Mean
                                                                    :1.465e+07
                       3rd Qu.: 0.700
##
                                         3rd Qu.:
                                                  4718.51
                                                             3rd Qu.:7.659e+06
##
                              :50.600
                                               :119172.74
                                                                    :1.294e+09
                       Max.
                                        Max.
                                                             Max.
##
   thinness..1.19.years thinness.5.9.years Income.composition.of.resources
   Min. : 0.100
                         Min. : 0.100
                                                    :0.0000
##
                                            Min.
##
   1st Qu.: 1.600
                         1st Qu.: 1.700
                                             1st Qu.:0.5090
   Median : 3.000
                         Median : 3.200
                                            Median :0.6730
##
   Mean
         : 4.851
                         Mean
                               : 4.908
                                             Mean
                                                    :0.6316
   3rd Qu.: 7.100
                         3rd Qu.: 7.100
##
                                             3rd Qu.:0.7510
##
   Max.
           :27.200
                                :28.200
                                                    :0.9360
                         Max.
                                            Max.
##
      Schooling
          : 4.20
   Min.
   1st Qu.:10.30
##
   Median :12.30
##
  Mean
         :12.12
   3rd Qu.:14.00
##
## Max.
           :20.70
```

Correlations

Since the number of variables is moderately large, we will plot the correlation plot of the dataset rather than looking at the correlation matrix by itself. The color and its shade easily guide us which 2 variables are correlated.

```
life_nums = unlist(lapply(life, is.numeric), use.names = FALSE)
corrplot(
  cor(life[, life_nums]),
  method = 'number',
  tl.cex = 0.5,
  number.cex = 0.33,
  cl.cex = 0.5
)
```



There are a few takeaways from this correlation plot:

- Life.expectancy has a strong positive correlation with Income.composition.of.resources and Schooling.
- Life.expectancy has a negative correlation with Adult.Mortality, which makes sense since if the mortality rate of adult is high, then obviously the life expectancy will be low.
- Life.expectancy has a very weak correlation with Measles and Population.
- There is a very strong correlation between infant.deaths and under.five.deaths, indicating multicollinearity between them. Therefore, we will remove under.five.deaths for building the model.

```
life = life[, !(names(life) %in% c('under.five.deaths'))]
```

Model Building

We will now build a Linear Regression Model using all the remaining variables to predict the life expectancy of the human population.

```
lmod = lm(Life.expectancy ~ ., data = life)
summary(lmod)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Life.expectancy ~ ., data = life)
## Residuals:
       Min
                  1Q
                      Median
                                    3Q
                                           Max
## -17.0291 -2.1529
                       0.0557
                               2.3893
                                       11.5018
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                   5.500e+01 8.108e-01 67.833 < 2e-16 ***
## StatusDeveloping
                                  -9.815e-01
                                              3.464e-01
                                                         -2.834 0.00466 **
## Adult.Mortality
                                  -1.780e-02 9.674e-04 -18.399
                                                                 < 2e-16 ***
## infant.deaths
                                   -3.007e-03 1.266e-03
                                                         -2.376 0.01762 *
## Alcohol
                                   -1.552e-01
                                              3.380e-02
                                                         -4.590 4.77e-06 ***
                                   3.491e-04 1.862e-04
                                                          1.875 0.06094
## percentage.expenditure
## Hepatitis.B>=90% Covered
                                   -6.372e-01 3.192e-01
                                                         -1.996 0.04611 *
## Measles
                                   1.683e-05 1.079e-05
                                                          1.560 0.11906
## BMI
                                   3.585e-02 6.161e-03
                                                          5.819 7.13e-09 ***
## Polio>=90% Covered
                                   5.680e-01 4.439e-01
                                                          1.280 0.20087
## Total.expenditure
                                   6.994e-02 4.179e-02
                                                          1.674 0.09439 .
## Diphtheria>=90% Covered
                                   9.097e-01 4.899e-01
                                                          1.857
                                                                 0.06352 .
## HIV.AIDS
                                              1.849e-02 -23.142
                                   -4.279e-01
                                                                 < 2e-16 ***
## GDP
                                   9.181e-06
                                              2.925e-05
                                                          0.314
                                                                 0.75368
## Population
                                   2.496e-09
                                              1.766e-09
                                                          1.414
                                                                 0.15769
## thinness..1.19.years
                                                         -0.918
                                   -5.018e-02
                                              5.469e-02
                                                                 0.35899
## thinness.5.9.years
                                   1.519e-03
                                              5.374e-02
                                                          0.028 0.97745
## Income.composition.of.resources
                                  1.048e+01 8.507e-01
                                                         12.316 < 2e-16 ***
## Schooling
                                   8.843e-01 6.172e-02 14.328 < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3.686 on 1630 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8263, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8244
## F-statistic: 430.9 on 18 and 1630 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

There are a few takeaways from this model:

- The p-value of the model is 2.2e-16 < 0.05, indicating that it is significant.
- The Adj R-squared value of the model is 0.8244, indicating that about 82.44% of the observed variation can be explained by the variables in the model, which is quite a good result and can possibly be improved even further with model selection.
- Adult.Mortality, Alcohol, BMI, HIV.AIDS, Income.composition.of.resources and Schooling are the most significant variables with p-value < 0.5.
- From the model we can interpret that StatusDeveloping, Adult.Mortality, infant.deaths, Alcohol,

- HIV. AIDS, and thinness...1.19. years may have a negative effect on life expectancy.
- From the model we can interpret that Income.composition.of.resources has a strong positive effect on life expectancy.
- A peculiar result we can interpret from the model is that Hepatitis.B90% Covered also has a negative
 effect on life expectancy.

Model Selection

##

##

Residuals:

Population + Polio, data = life)

We will now generate models by using different techniques like Forward Selection Method, Backward Elimination Method and Stepwise Selection Method.

Build Model using Forward Selection Method.

```
ols_step_forward_p(lmod)
##
##
                                             Selection Summary
##
##
           Variable
                                                              Adj.
## Step
                                               R-Square
                                                            R-Square
                                                                          C(p)
                                                                                         AIC
                                                                                                     RMSE
                       Entered
##
##
           Schooling
                                                 0.5294
                                                              0.5292
                                                                        2771.7513
                                                                                      10612.7157
                                                                                                    6.0362
##
      2
           HIV.AIDS
                                                 0.7304
                                                              0.7301
                                                                         887.6286
                                                                                      9696.3271
                                                                                                    4.5704
           Adult.Mortality
##
      3
                                                 0.7871
                                                              0.7867
                                                                         357.3801
                                                                                      9308.9473
                                                                                                    4.0627
##
           Income.composition.of.resources
                                                                         152.1307
      4
                                                 0.8092
                                                              0.8087
                                                                                      9130.3986
                                                                                                    3.8474
##
      5
           percentage.expenditure
                                                 0.8147
                                                              0.8141
                                                                         102.1617
                                                                                      9083.8457
                                                                                                    3.7924
##
      6
           BMI
                                                 0.8201
                                                              0.8194
                                                                          54.0203
                                                                                       9037.6049
                                                                                                    3.7384
##
      7
           Diphtheria
                                                 0.8218
                                                              0.8211
                                                                          39.2920
                                                                                       9023.1915
                                                                                                    3.7210
##
      8
           Alcohol
                                                 0.8231
                                                              0.8222
                                                                          29.5343
                                                                                       9013.5567
                                                                                                    3.7090
           thinness..1.19.years
##
      9
                                                                          22.9694
                                                 0.8240
                                                              0.8230
                                                                                       9007.0292
                                                                                                    3.7006
##
     10
           Status
                                                 0.8249
                                                              0.8238
                                                                          16.6366
                                                                                       9000.6904
                                                                                                    3.6924
##
     11
           Hepatitis.B
                                                 0.8252
                                                              0.8240
                                                                          15.5038
                                                                                       8999.5443
                                                                                                    3.6900
           Total.expenditure
##
     12
                                                 0.8255
                                                              0.8242
                                                                          14.8813
                                                                                       8998.9062
                                                                                                    3.6881
##
     13
           infant.deaths
                                                 0.8257
                                                              0.8243
                                                                          14.8516
                                                                                       8998.8614
                                                                                                    3.6870
##
     14
           Measles
                                                              0.8244
                                                 0.8259
                                                                          14.7734
                                                                                       8998.7652
                                                                                                    3.6858
##
     15
           Population
                                                 0.8262
                                                              0.8246
                                                                          14.7661
                                                                                       8998.7380
                                                                                                    3.6846
##
     16
           Polio
                                                 0.8263
                                                              0.8246
                                                                          15.0990
                                                                                       8999.0524
                                                                                                    3.6839
lmod_forward = lm(
  Life.expectancy ~ Schooling + HIV.AIDS + Adult.Mortality + Income.composition.of.resources + percent
    BMI + Diphtheria + Alcohol + thinness..1.19.years + Status + Hepatitis.B +
    Total.expenditure + infant.deaths + Measles + Population + Polio,
  data = life
)
summary(lmod_forward)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Life.expectancy ~ Schooling + HIV.AIDS + Adult.Mortality +
##
       Income.composition.of.resources + percentage.expenditure +
##
       BMI + Diphtheria + Alcohol + thinness..1.19.years + Status +
       Hepatitis.B + Total.expenditure + infant.deaths + Measles +
##
```

```
Min 1Q Median
                                3Q
## -17.0291 -2.1512 0.0485 2.3846 11.4744
## Coefficients:
                                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                              5.499e+01 8.094e-01 67.942 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
## Schooling
                              8.858e-01 6.141e-02 14.426 < 2e-16 ***
                             -4.279e-01 1.848e-02 -23.157 < 2e-16 ***
## HIV.AIDS
                  -4.279e-01 1.848e-02 -23.157 < 2e-16 ***
-1.779e-02 9.656e-04 -18.428 < 2e-16 ***
## Adult.Mortality
## Income.composition.of.resources 1.050e+01 8.481e-01 12.378 < 2e-16 ***
## percentage.expenditure 4.043e-04 6.128e-05 6.597 5.64e-11 ***
                               3.579e-02 6.096e-03 5.871 5.24e-09 ***
                               9.024e-01 4.888e-01 1.846 0.06505 .
## Diphtheria>=90% Covered
## Alcohol
                             -1.551e-01 3.378e-02 -4.591 4.75e-06 ***
## thinness..1.19.years
                          -4.903e-02 2.788e-02 -1.758 0.07885 .
## StatusDeveloping
                              -9.882e-01 3.454e-01 -2.861 0.00428 **
## StatusDeveloping -9.882e-01 3.454e-01 -2.861 0.00428 *
## Hepatitis.B>=90% Covered -6.299e-01 3.180e-01 -1.981 0.04780 *
## Total.expenditure
                              6.940e-02 4.169e-02 1.664 0.09621 .
## infant.deaths
                             -2.996e-03 1.259e-03 -2.379 0.01746 *
                               1.682e-05 1.077e-05 1.561 0.11869
## Measles
## Population
                               2.486e-09 1.764e-09 1.409 0.15892
## Polio>=90% Covered
                              5.728e-01 4.433e-01 1.292 0.19657
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 3.684 on 1632 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8263, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8246
## F-statistic: 485.3 on 16 and 1632 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
Build Model using Backward Elimination Method.
ols step backward p(lmod)
##
##
                               Elimination Summary
##
         Variable
                                         Adj.
## Step
          Removed R-Square R-Square C(p)
                                                               AIC
                                                                         RMSE
## ------
                             0.8263 0.8245 17.0008
         thinness.5.9.years
                                                            9000.9530 3.6849
                                      0.8246 15.0990
##
         GDP
                               0.8263
                                                            8999.0524
                                                                        3.6839
## ------
lmod backward = lm(
 Life.expectancy ~ Status + Adult.Mortality + infant.deaths + Alcohol +
   percentage.expenditure + Hepatitis.B + Measles + BMI + Polio + Total.expenditure +
   Diphtheria + HIV.AIDS + Population + thinness..1.19.years + Income.composition.of.resources +
   Schooling,
 data = life
summary(lmod_backward)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Life.expectancy ~ Status + Adult.Mortality + infant.deaths +
```

```
##
      Alcohol + percentage.expenditure + Hepatitis.B + Measles +
##
      BMI + Polio + Total.expenditure + Diphtheria + HIV.AIDS +
      Population + thinness..1.19.years + Income.composition.of.resources +
##
      Schooling, data = life)
##
##
## Residuals:
       Min
                 10
                      Median
                                   30
## -17.0291 -2.1512
                               2.3846 11.4744
                      0.0485
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                   5.499e+01 8.094e-01 67.942 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept)
## StatusDeveloping
                                  -9.882e-01 3.454e-01 -2.861 0.00428 **
## Adult.Mortality
                                  -1.779e-02 9.656e-04 -18.428 < 2e-16 ***
## infant.deaths
                                  -2.996e-03 1.259e-03 -2.379 0.01746 *
## Alcohol
                                  -1.551e-01 3.378e-02
                                                        -4.591 4.75e-06 ***
## percentage.expenditure
                                   4.043e-04 6.128e-05
                                                         6.597 5.64e-11 ***
## Hepatitis.B>=90% Covered
                                  -6.299e-01 3.180e-01
                                                        -1.981 0.04780 *
## Measles
                                   1.682e-05 1.077e-05
                                                        1.561 0.11869
## BMI
                                   3.579e-02 6.096e-03
                                                        5.871 5.24e-09 ***
## Polio>=90% Covered
                                   5.728e-01 4.433e-01
                                                         1.292 0.19657
## Total.expenditure
                                   6.940e-02 4.169e-02
                                                         1.664 0.09621 .
## Diphtheria>=90% Covered
                                   9.024e-01 4.888e-01
                                                         1.846 0.06505 .
## HIV.AIDS
                                  -4.279e-01 1.848e-02 -23.157 < 2e-16 ***
## Population
                                   2.486e-09 1.764e-09
                                                         1.409 0.15892
## thinness..1.19.years
                                  -4.903e-02 2.788e-02 -1.758 0.07885 .
## Income.composition.of.resources 1.050e+01 8.481e-01 12.378 < 2e-16 ***
                                   8.858e-01 6.141e-02 14.426 < 2e-16 ***
## Schooling
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 3.684 on 1632 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8263, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8246
## F-statistic: 485.3 on 16 and 1632 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

ols_step_both_p(lmod)

```
##
                                        Stepwise Selection Summary
## -----
##
                                         Added/
                                                               Adj.
                   Variable
                                        Removed
                                                  R-Square
                                                             R-Square
                                                                          C(p)
  ______
                                        addition
##
                   Schooling
                                                     0.529
                                                                0.529
                                                                      2771.7510
                                                                                   10612.71
                                       addition 0.730
addition 0.787
addition 0.809
addition 0.815
##
     2
                   HIV.AIDS
                                                               0.730 887.6290 9696.32
##
                Adult.Mortality
                                                               0.787
                                                                         357.3800 9308.94
       Income.composition.of.resources
                                                               0.809 152.1310 9130.39
##
     4
        percentage.expenditure
                                                                      102.1620
##
     5
                                                               0.814
                                                                                    9083.84
                                                              0.819
                                                                        54.0200 9037.60
##
     6
                      BMI
                                                   0.820
                                        addition
##
     7
                  Diphtheria
                                        addition
                                                    0.822
                                                               0.821
                                                                         39.2920
##
     8
                   Alcohol
                                        addition
                                                     0.823
                                                               0.822
                                                                         29.5340
                                                     0.824
##
     9
             thinness..1.19.years
                                        addition
                                                                0.823
                                                                        22.9690
##
    10
                                                                0.824
                                                                        16.6370
                   Status
                                        addition
                                                     0.825
                                        addition
                  Hepatitis.B
                                                     0.825
                                                                0.824
                                                                        15.5040
    11
lmod_stepwise = lm(
 Life.expectancy ~ Schooling + HIV.AIDS + Adult.Mortality + Income.composition.of.resources +
   percentage.expenditure + BMI + Diphtheria + Alcohol + thinness..1.19.years +
   Status + Hepatitis.B,
 data = life
summary(lmod stepwise)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Life.expectancy ~ Schooling + HIV.AIDS + Adult.Mortality +
##
      Income.composition.of.resources + percentage.expenditure +
      BMI + Diphtheria + Alcohol + thinness..1.19.years + Status +
##
##
      Hepatitis.B, data = life)
##
## Residuals:
      Min
               1Q
                   Median
                               3Q
## -17.2593 -2.1481 0.0745 2.4046 11.5838
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                               5.534e+01 7.750e-01 71.401 < 2e-16 ***
## Schooling
                               9.061e-01 6.102e-02 14.848 < 2e-16 ***
## HIV.AIDS
                              -4.239e-01 1.833e-02 -23.122 < 2e-16 ***
## Adult.Mortality
                              -1.779e-02 9.636e-04 -18.464 < 2e-16 ***
## Income.composition.of.resources 1.037e+01 8.444e-01 12.280 < 2e-16 ***
## percentage.expenditure
                               4.098e-04 6.119e-05 6.698 2.90e-11 ***
                               3.610e-02 6.071e-03 5.946 3.36e-09 ***
## BMI
## Diphtheria>=90% Covered
                              1.439e+00 3.443e-01 4.181 3.05e-05 ***
                              -1.605e-01 3.353e-02 -4.788 1.84e-06 ***
## Alcohol
## thinness..1.19.years
                             -7.223e-02 2.491e-02 -2.900 0.00378 **
                              -1.014e+00 3.454e-01 -2.934 0.00339 **
## StatusDeveloping
```

AIC

9023.19

9013.55

9007.02

9000.69

8999.54

In summary, variables chosen by the methods (x denotes the variable was chosen by the method):

Model Selection Method	Status	Adult.Mortality	infant.deaths	Alcohol
Forward Selection	X	X	X	X
Backward Elimination	X	x	X	X
Stepwise Selection	X	x		X

Model Selection Method	percentage.expenditure	Hepatitis.B	Measles	BMI	Polio
Forward Selection	X	X	X	X	X
Backward Elimination	X	X	X	X	x
Stepwise Selection	x	X		X	

Model Selection Method	Total.expenditure	Diphtheria	HIV.AIDS	GDP	Population
Forward Selection	X	X	X		X
Backward Elimination	X	X	X		X
Stepwise Selection		X	X		

Model Selection Method	thinness1.19.years	thinness.5.9.years
Forward Selection	x	
Backward Elimination	X	
Stepwise Selection	X	

Model Selection Method	<pre>Income.compostition.of.resources</pre>	Schooling
Forward Selection	x	X
Backward Elimination	X	X
Stepwise Selection	X	X

Both the Forward Selection method and Backward Elimination method have chosen the same set of variables. Adj. R-squared values of the above models:

```
data.frame(
  model = c('lmod', 'lmod_forward', 'lmod_backward', 'lmod_stepwise'),
  AdjRsquare = c(
    summary(lmod)$adj.r.square,
    summary(lmod_forward)$adj.r.square,
    summary(lmod_backward)$adj.r.square,
    summary(lmod_stepwise)$adj.r.square
  )
)
```

```
## model AdjRsquare
## 1 lmod 0.8244244
## 2 lmod_forward 0.8246289
## 3 lmod_backward 0.8246289
## 4 lmod_stepwise 0.8240486
```

We will be choosing the model chosen by Forward Selection method lmod_forward as it has the highest Adj. R-squared value.

```
lmod_final = lmod_forward
summary(lmod_final)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = Life.expectancy ~ Schooling + HIV.AIDS + Adult.Mortality +
##
      Income.composition.of.resources + percentage.expenditure +
      BMI + Diphtheria + Alcohol + thinness..1.19.years + Status +
##
##
      Hepatitis.B + Total.expenditure + infant.deaths + Measles +
##
      Population + Polio, data = life)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                 1Q
                      Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
                      0.0485
## -17.0291 -2.1512
                               2.3846
                                       11.4744
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                    Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                                   5.499e+01 8.094e-01 67.942 < 2e-16 ***
## Schooling
                                   8.858e-01 6.141e-02 14.426 < 2e-16 ***
## HIV.AIDS
                                  -4.279e-01
                                              1.848e-02 -23.157
                                                                 < 2e-16 ***
## Adult.Mortality
                                  -1.779e-02 9.656e-04 -18.428 < 2e-16 ***
## Income.composition.of.resources 1.050e+01 8.481e-01 12.378 < 2e-16 ***
## percentage.expenditure
                                   4.043e-04 6.128e-05
                                                          6.597 5.64e-11 ***
                                   3.579e-02 6.096e-03
                                                          5.871 5.24e-09 ***
## Diphtheria>=90% Covered
                                   9.024e-01 4.888e-01
                                                          1.846 0.06505 .
## Alcohol
                                  -1.551e-01 3.378e-02
                                                         -4.591 4.75e-06 ***
## thinness..1.19.years
                                  -4.903e-02
                                              2.788e-02
                                                         -1.758 0.07885 .
## StatusDeveloping
                                                         -2.861
                                  -9.882e-01 3.454e-01
                                                                 0.00428 **
## Hepatitis.B>=90% Covered
                                  -6.299e-01 3.180e-01
                                                         -1.981
                                                                 0.04780 *
## Total.expenditure
                                   6.940e-02 4.169e-02
                                                          1.664 0.09621 .
## infant.deaths
                                  -2.996e-03 1.259e-03
                                                         -2.379 0.01746 *
## Measles
                                   1.682e-05
                                              1.077e-05
                                                          1.561 0.11869
## Population
                                   2.486e-09 1.764e-09
                                                          1.409 0.15892
## Polio>=90% Covered
                                   5.728e-01 4.433e-01
                                                          1.292 0.19657
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 3.684 on 1632 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8263, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8246
## F-statistic: 485.3 on 16 and 1632 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Results

Model Error Estimation

We will now use our final model to see how well it performs in predicting the life expectancy of the human population.

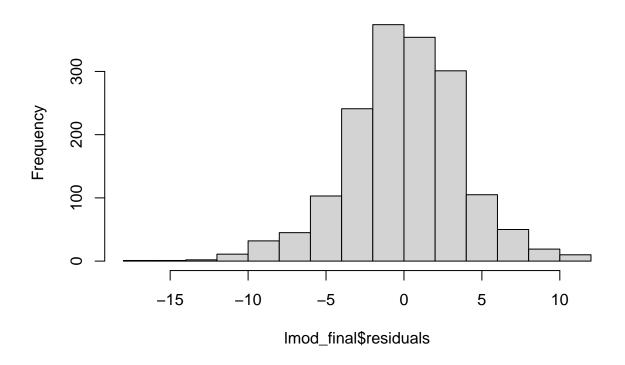
```
result = predict(lmod_final, life)
Mean Squared Error:
mse = mean((life$Life.expectancy - result) ^ 2)
## [1] 13.43106
Root Mean Squared Error:
rmse = sqrt(mse)
rmse
## [1] 3.664841
Mean Absolute Error:
n = length(result)
sum = 0
for (i in 1:n) {
  sum = sum + abs(life$Life.expectancy[i] - result[i])
}
mae = sum / n
mae
##
## 2.817618
In summary,
data.frame(
 Method = c('MSE', 'RMSE', 'MAE'),
  Result = c(mse, rmse, mae)
    Method
               Result
## 1
        MSE 13.431062
## 2
      RMSE 3.664841
## 3
      MAE 2.817618
```

Model Adequacy Checking

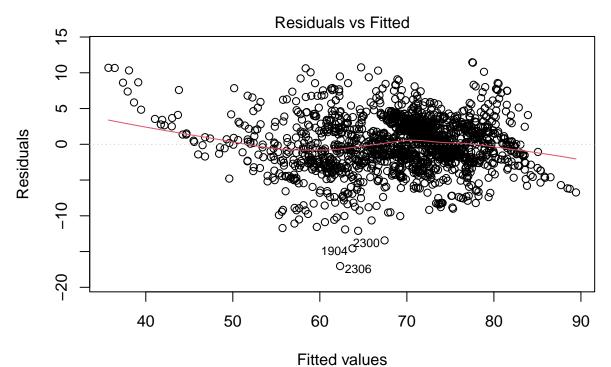
Normality Testing:

hist(lmod_final\$residuals, breaks = 20)

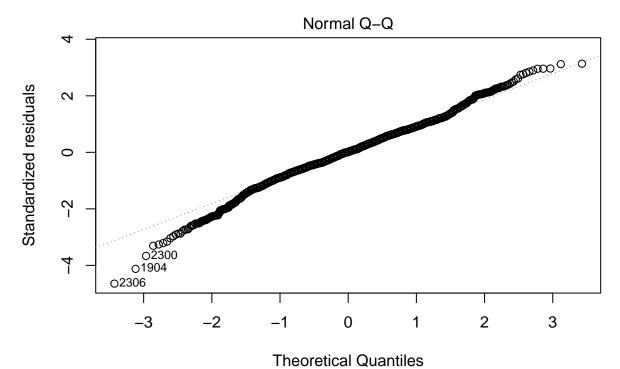
Histogram of Imod_final\$residuals



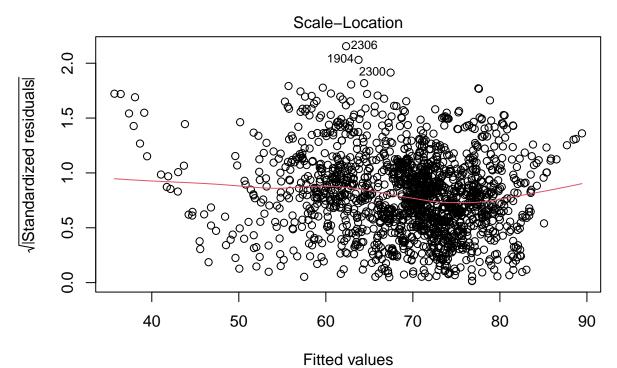
Most of the residuals seem to be distributed in the center, indicating that they are distributed normally.



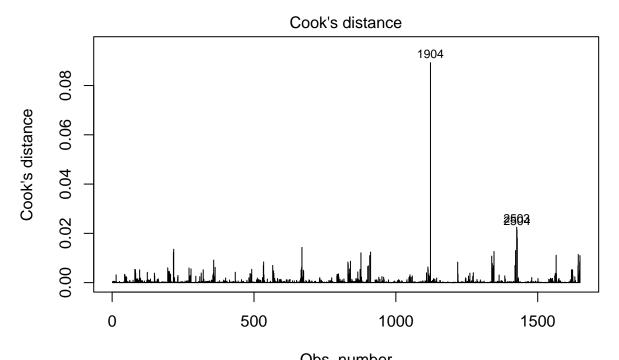
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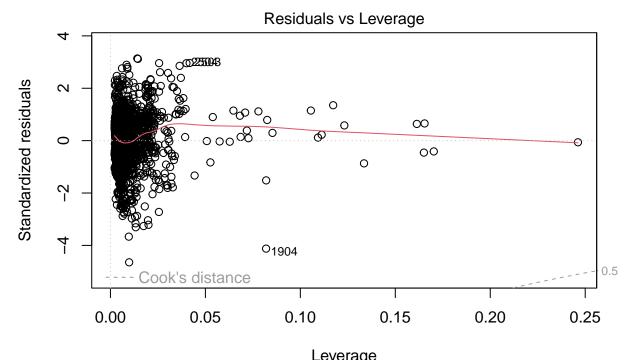
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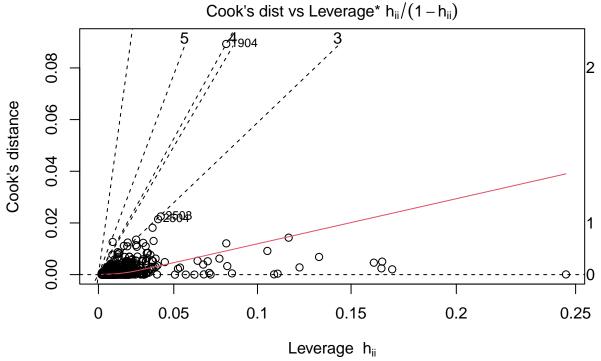
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Obs. number Im(Life.expectancy ~ Schooling + HIV.AIDS + Adult.Mortality + Income.compos ...



Leverage Im(Life.expectancy ~ Schooling + HIV.AIDS + Adult.Mortality + Income.compos ...



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There is no obvious observable pattern in the above plots, indicating that the model is appropriate. Multicollinearity Test:

vif(lmod_final)

##	Schooling	HIV.AIDS
##	3.578091	1.509013
##	Adult.Mortality	<pre>Income.composition.of.resources</pre>
##	1.778090	2.927679
##	percentage.expenditure	BMI
##	1.411270	1.761017
##	Diphtheria	Alcohol
##	7.102613	2.249650
##	thinness1.19.years	Status
##	1.996547	1.815140
##	Hepatitis.B	Total.expenditure
##	3.072344	1.116175
##	infant.deaths	Measles
##	2.811727	1.433389
##	Population	Polio
##	1.876386	5.834447

A VIF > 10 implies serious problems with multicollinearity.

Since the VIF for all of the predictors is less than 10, there seems to be no issue with multicollinearity.

Discussion