



Predicting with regression, multiple covariates

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Example: predicting wages



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Data from: [ISLR package](#) from the book: [Introduction to statistical learning](#)

Example: Wage data

```
library(ISLR); library(ggplot2); library(caret);
data(Wage); Wage <- subset(Wage,select=-c(logwage))
summary(Wage)
```

year	age	sex	maritl	race
Min. :2003	Min. :18.0	1. Male :3000	1. Never Married: 648	1. White:2480
1st Qu.:2004	1st Qu.:33.8	2. Female: 0	2. Married :2074	2. Black: 293
Median :2006	Median :42.0		3. Widowed : 19	3. Asian: 190
Mean :2006	Mean :42.4		4. Divorced : 204	4. Other: 37
3rd Qu.:2008	3rd Qu.:51.0		5. Separated : 55	
Max. :2009	Max. :80.0			

education	region	jobclass	health
1. < HS Grad :268	2. Middle Atlantic :3000	1. Industrial :1544	1. <=Good : 858
2. HS Grad :971	1. New England : 0	2. Information:1456	2. >=Very Good:2142
3. Some College :650	3. East North Central: 0		
4. College Grad :685	4. West North Central: 0		
5. Advanced Degree:426	5. South Atlantic : 0		
	6. East South Central: 0		

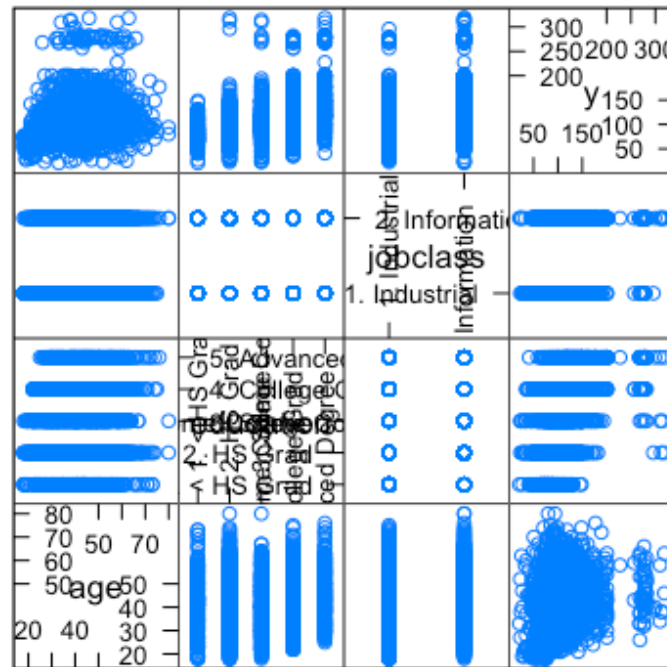
Get training/test sets

```
inTrain <- createDataPartition(y=Wage$wage,  
                                p=0.7, list=FALSE)  
training <- Wage[inTrain,]; testing <- Wage[-inTrain,]  
dim(training); dim(testing)
```

```
[1] 898 12
```

Feature plot

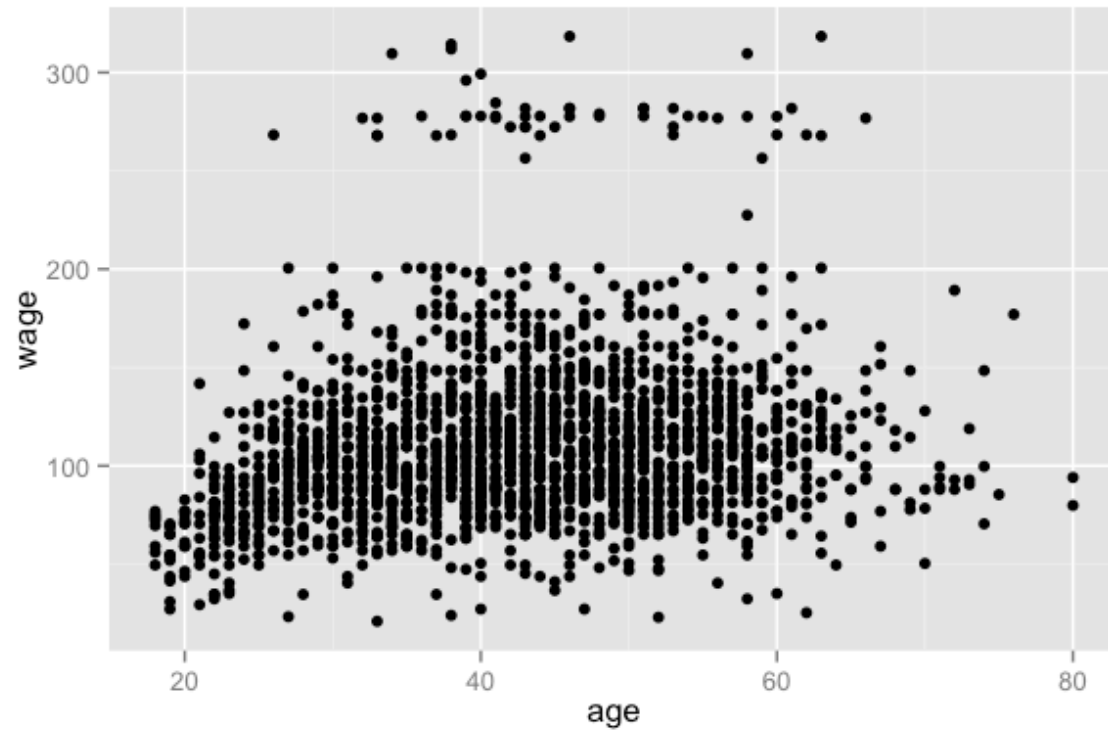
```
featurePlot(x=training[,c("age", "education", "jobclass")],  
            y = training$wage,  
            plot="pairs")
```



Scatter Plot Matrix

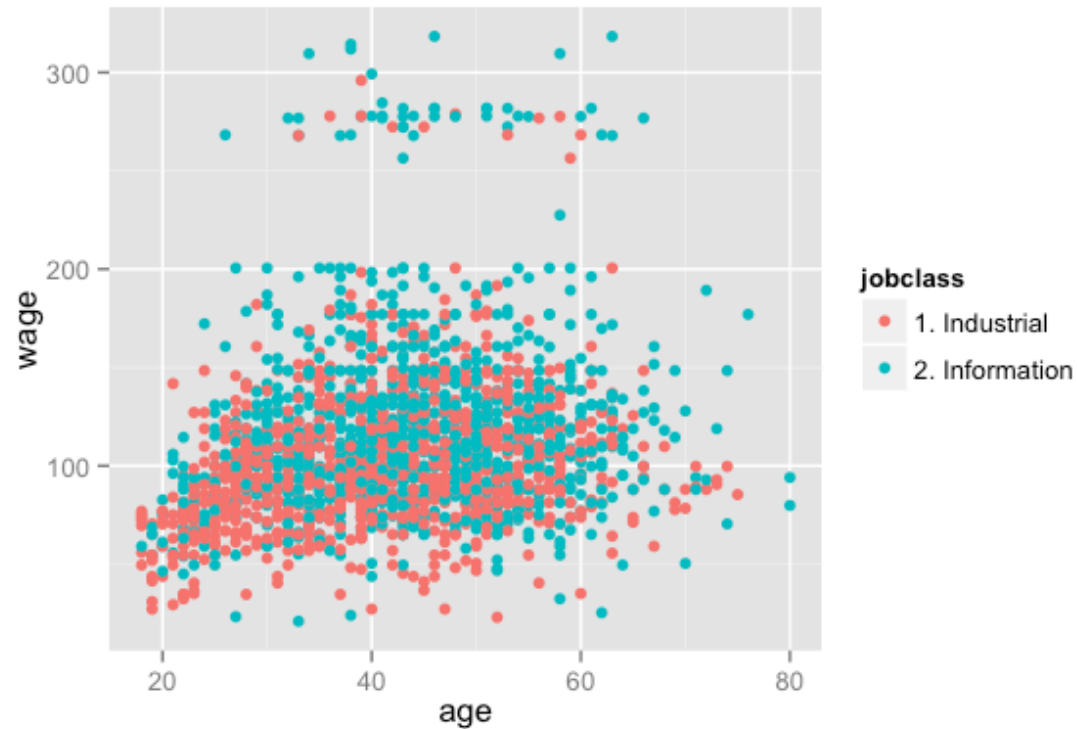
Plot age versus wage

```
qplot(age,wage,data=training)
```



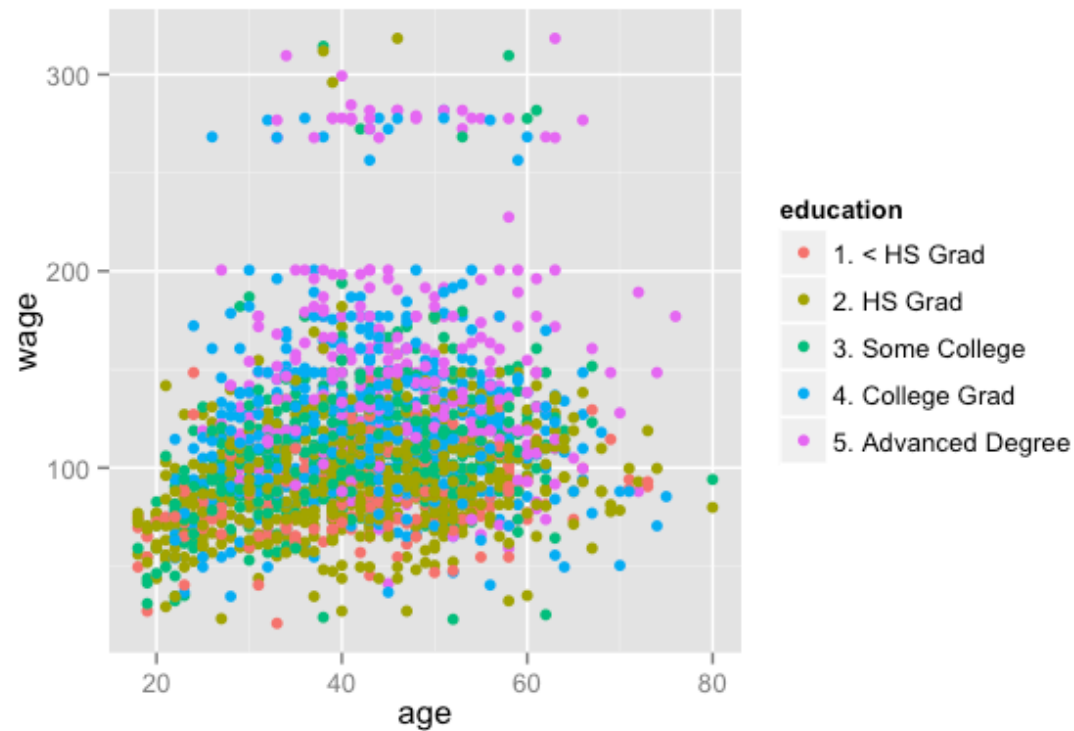
Plot age versus wage colour by jobclass

```
qplot(age,wage,colour=jobclass,data=training)
```



Plot age versus wage colour by education

```
qplot(age,wage,colour=education,data=training)
```



Fit a linear model

$$ED_i = b_0 + b_1age + b_2I(Jobclass_i = "Information") + \sum_{k=1}^4 \gamma_k I(education_i = level_k)$$

```
modFit<- train(wage ~ age + jobclass + education,  
              method = "lm",data=training)  
finMod <- modFit$finalModel  
print(modFit)
```

Linear Regression

2102 samples

11 predictors

No pre-processing

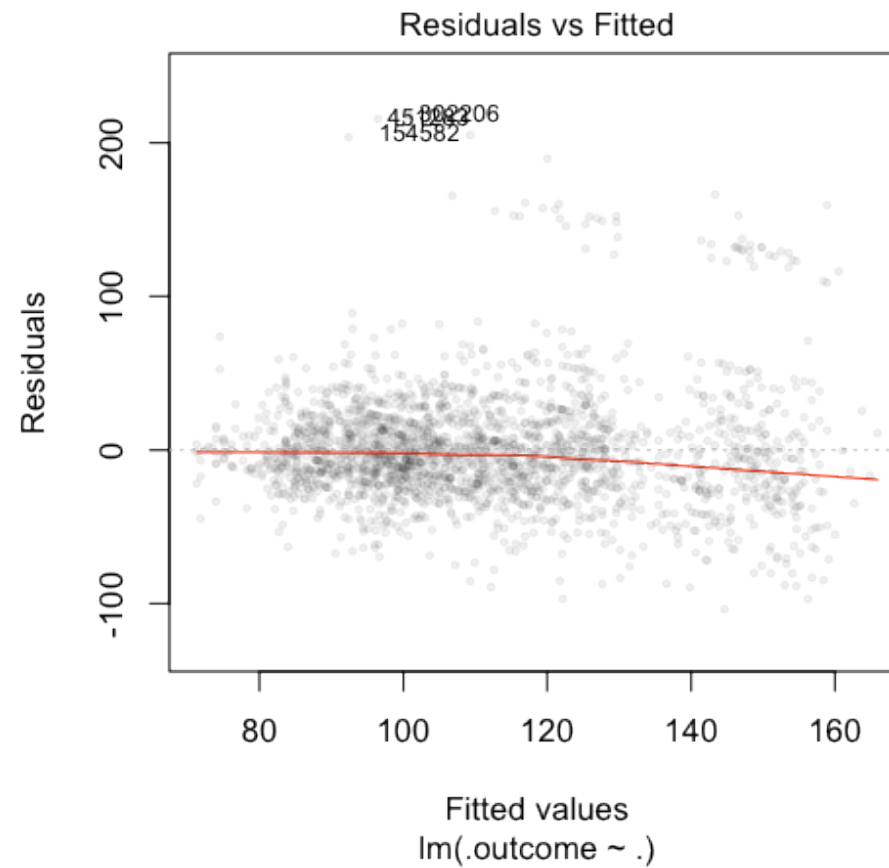
Resampling: Bootstrapped (25 reps)

Summary of sample sizes: 2102, 2102, 2102, 2102, 2102, 2102, ...

Resampling results

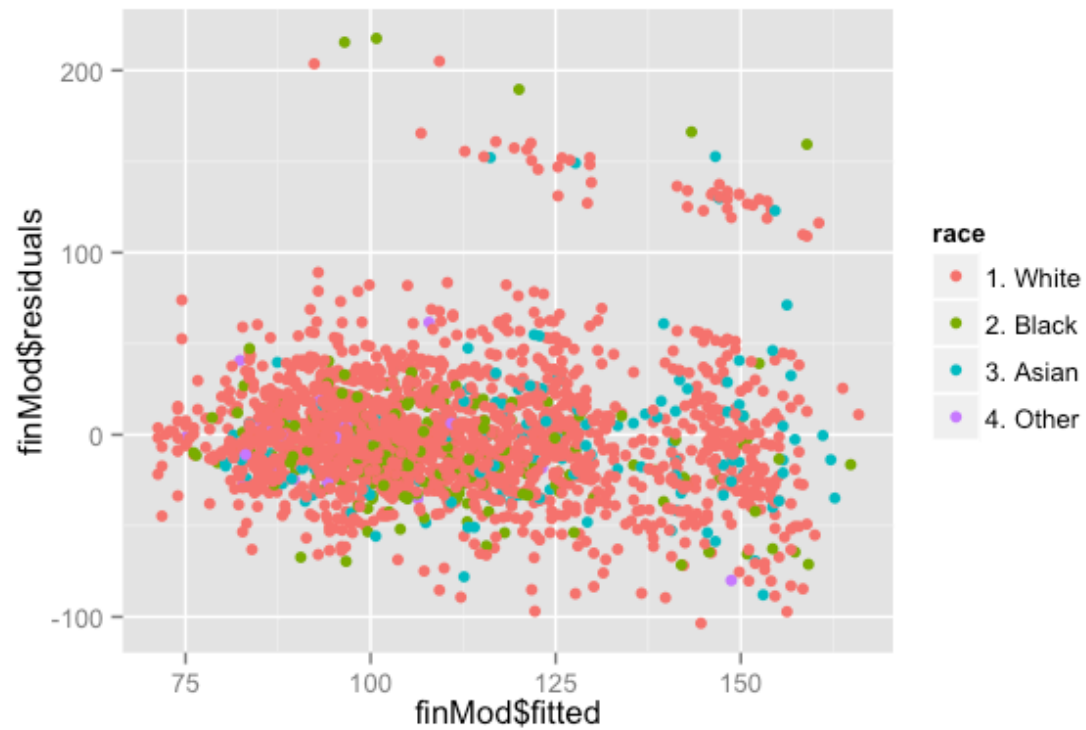
Diagnostics

```
plot(finMod, 1, pch=19, cex=0.5, col="#00000010")
```



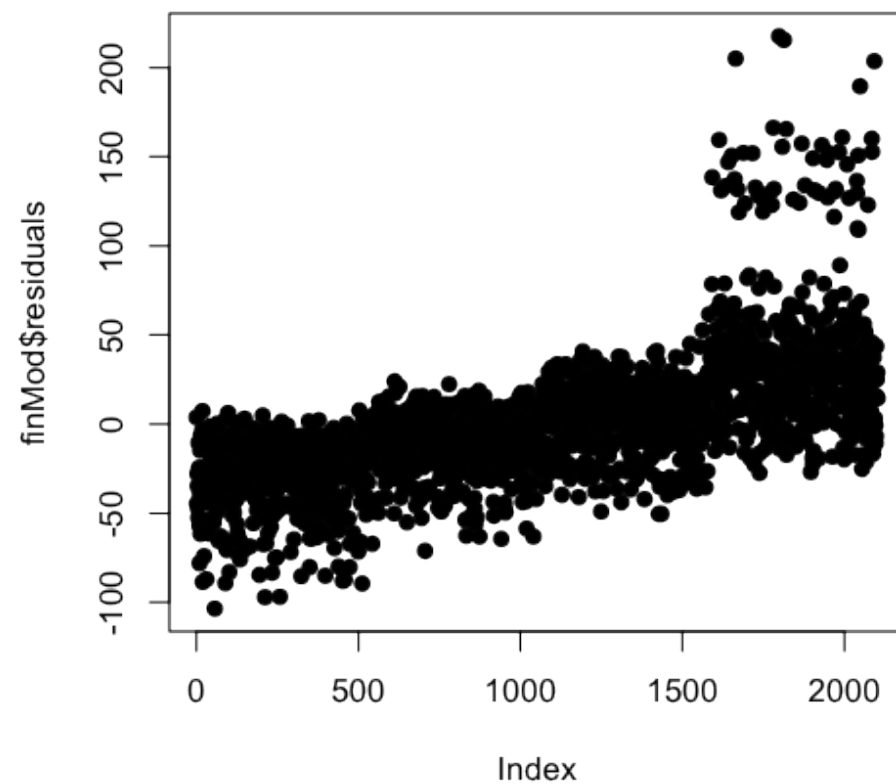
Color by variables not used in the model

```
qqplot(finMod$fitted,finMod$residuals,colour=race,data=training)
```



Plot by index

```
plot(finMod$residuals,pch=19)
```



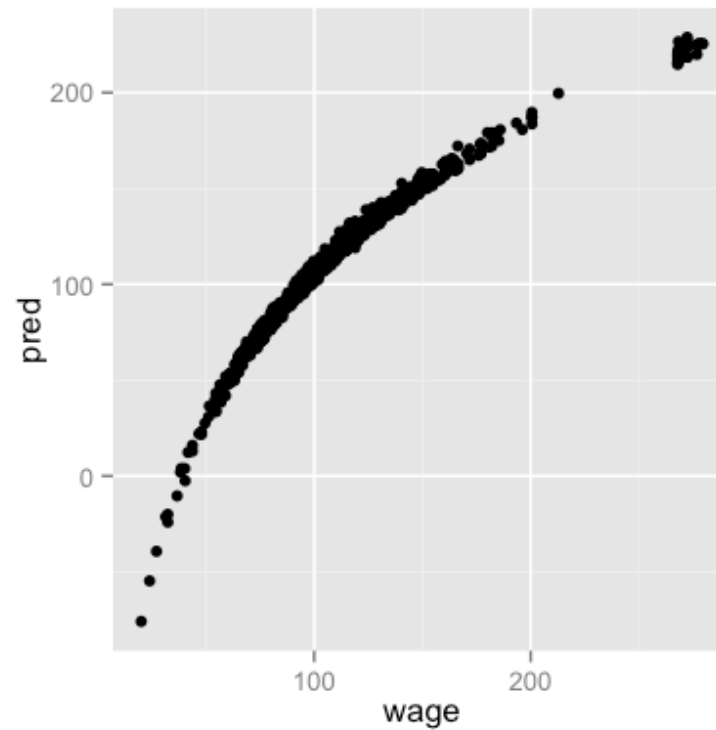
Predicted versus truth in test set

```
pred <- predict(modFit, testing)
qqplot(wage,pred,colour=year,data=testing)
```



If you want to use all covariates

```
modFitAll<- train(wage ~ .,data=training,method="lm")  
pred <- predict(modFitAll, testing)  
qplot(wage,pred,data=testing)
```



Notes and further reading

- Often useful in combination with other models
- [Elements of statistical learning](#)
- [Modern applied statistics with S](#)
- [Introduction to statistical learning](#)