# Multiple Regression Diagnostics

Stat 230: Applied Regression Analysis

# Warm up

With your group

- List the conditions for MLR
- Brainstorm ways to check these conditions

# Regression is not resistant to outliers

Solid line = with outliers; dashed line = without outliers



## SLR is not resistant to outliers

$$\widehat{\beta}_1 = r \cdot \frac{s_y}{s_x}$$

$$\widehat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \widehat{\beta}_1 \bar{x}$$

#### Why?

- r is not resistant
- $s_y$ ,  $s_x$  are not resistant
- $\bar{x}$ ,  $\bar{y}$  are not resistant

#### MLR is not resistant to outliers

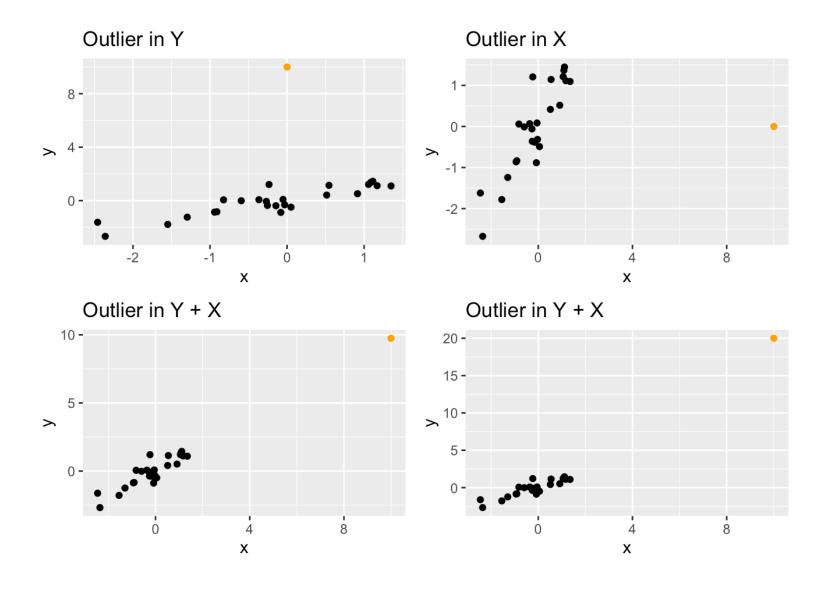
We're still choosing the  $\widehat{\beta}_i$  to minimize the sum of squared residuals

$$SSE = \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{y}_i)^2$$

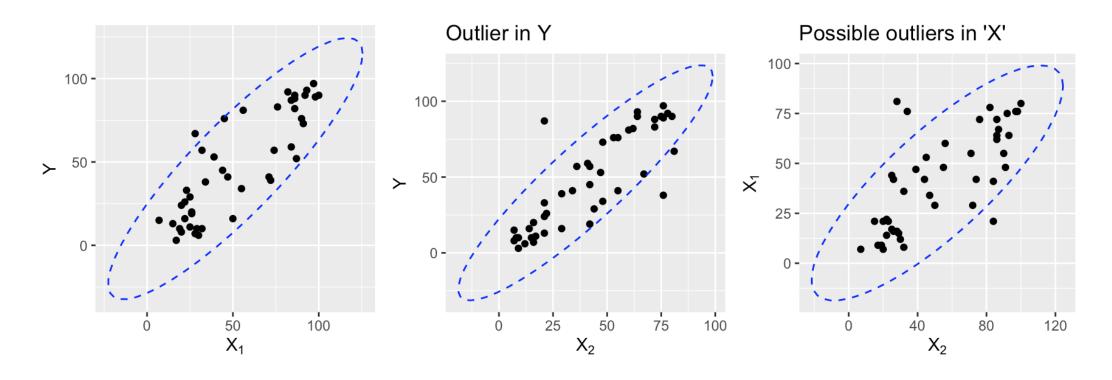
$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - \hat{\beta}_0 - \hat{\beta}_1 x_{i1} - \hat{\beta}_2 x_{i2} - \dots - \hat{\beta}_p x_{ip})^2$$

Sum's aren't resistant to outliers!

# Types of outliers



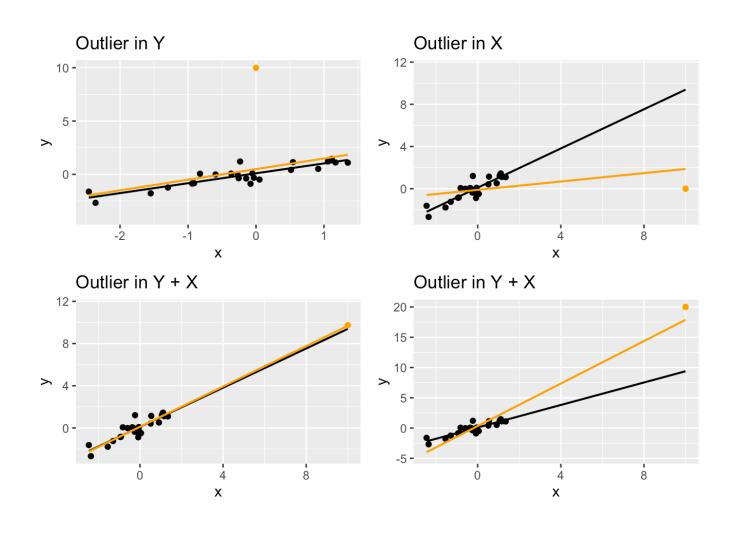
### **Outliers**



- In higher dimensions, outliers can be tricky to detect
- To detect outliers in X, you have to consider the multivariate relationships between all of the predictors

#### Not all outliers are influential

Orange line = SLR with outlier; Black line = SLR without outlier



# Influential points

Points that are able to substantially change the fitted model ares **influential** 

How do we find outliers and determine if they are influential?

- Plot the data
- Plot the standardized residuals
- Fit the model with/without the point(s)
- Calculate to influence diagnostics

# Leverage

Measures the potential to influence the SLR line

For SLR:

$$h_i = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[ \frac{x_i - \overline{x}}{s_x} \right]^2 + \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\left(x_i - \overline{x}\right)^2}{\sum \left(x_i - \overline{x}\right)^2}$$

For MLR: more complicated because we're looking at a distance of a case from the

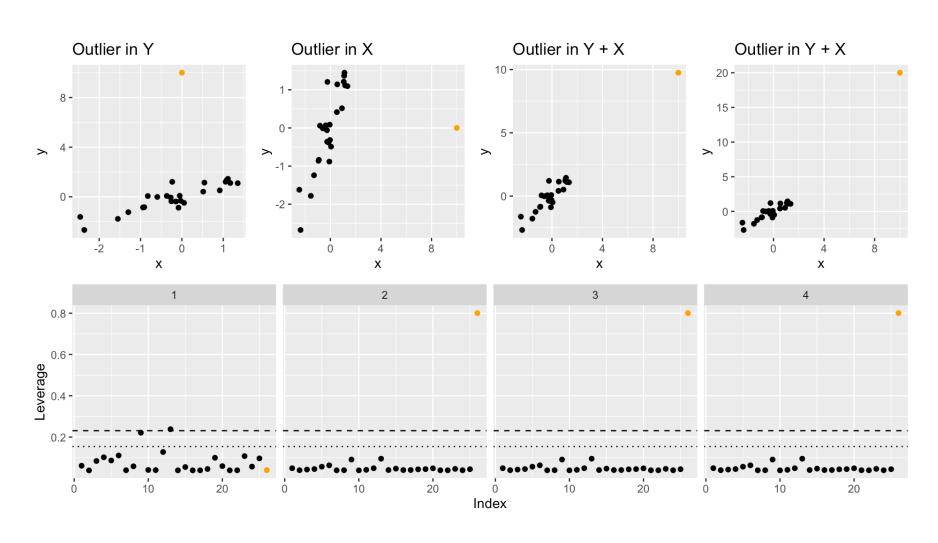
average of p predictors

#### Cutoff

- 2(p+1)/n
- 3(p+1)/n
- Also a good idea to examine a histogram/index plot

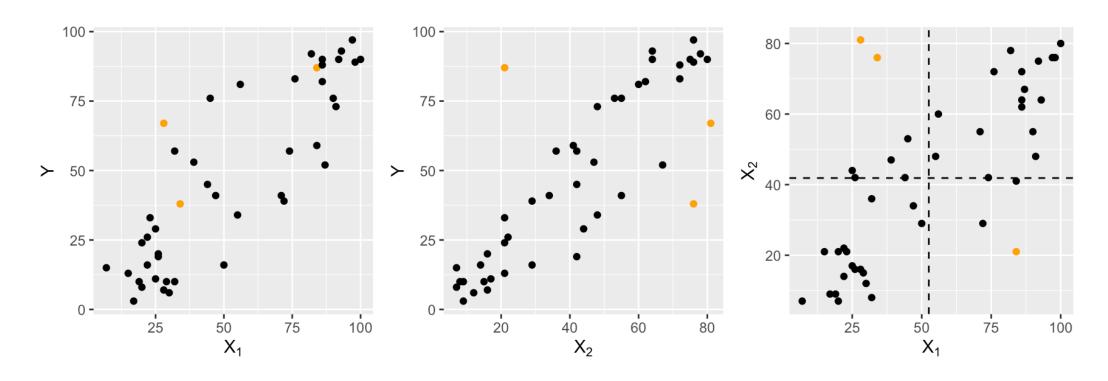
# Leverage

"Flares up" when value of x is far from the mean



# Leverage

In higher dimensions, leverage is focusing on the distance from the average of all of the predictors



### Standardized residuals

Standardized residuals are calculated by dividing the residuals by their standard deviation

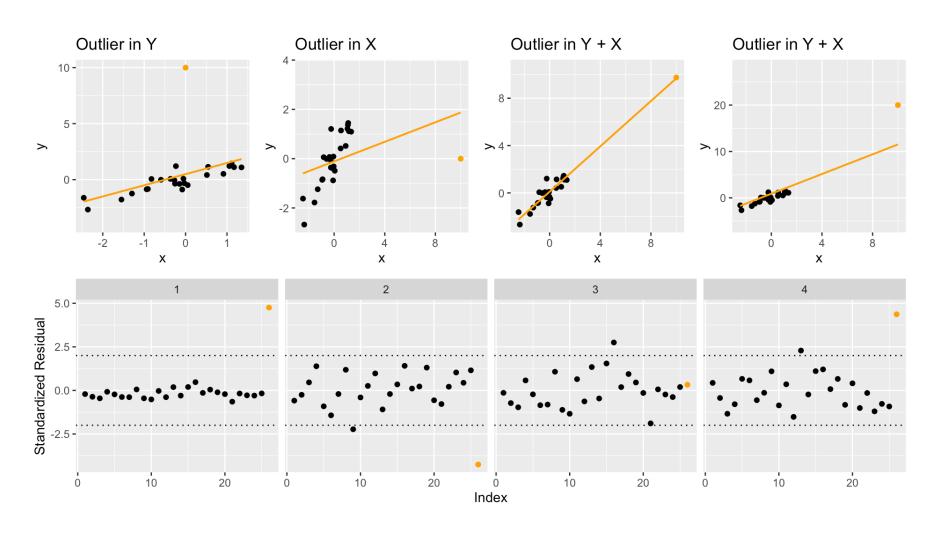
$$r_{i} = \frac{e_{i}}{\widehat{\sigma}\sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n} - \frac{(x_{i} - \overline{x})^{2}}{\sum(x_{i} - \overline{x})^{2}}}} = \frac{e_{i}}{\widehat{\sigma}\sqrt{1 - h_{i}}}$$

#### **Guidelines:**

- $|r_i| > 2$  for small data sets
- $|r_i| > 4$  for large data sets

## Standardized residuals

"Flare up" when value of y is far from  $\hat{y}$ 



#### **DFFITS**

Measures effect the i<sup>th</sup> case has on its **own** fitted value

$$DFFITS_{i} = \frac{\widehat{y}_{i} - \widehat{y}_{i(i)}}{\widehat{\sigma}_{(i)} \sqrt{h_{i}}}$$

where the subscript (i) indicates that the value is based on a model when observation i is omitted

#### Cutoff

- 1 for small/medium data sets
- $2\sqrt{\frac{p+1}{n}}$  for large data sets

### Cook's distance

Measures effect the i<sup>th</sup> case has on **all** of the fitted values

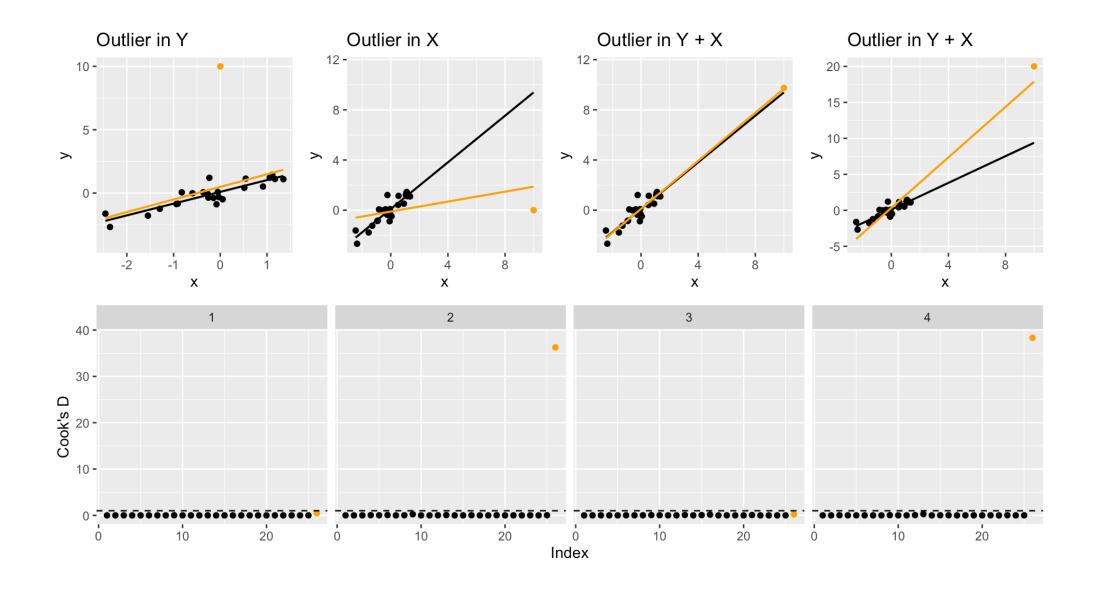
$$D_{i} = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{(\hat{y}_{j(i)} - \hat{y}_{j})^{2}}{(p+1)\hat{\sigma}} = \frac{r_{i}^{2}}{p+1} \left(\frac{h_{i}}{1 - h_{i}}\right)$$

where  $\hat{y}_{j(i)}$  is the fitted value for observation j based on a model when observation i is omitted

#### Cutoff

- $D_i$  near or above 1 indicates large influence
- Find what quantile of  $F_{p+1,n-p-1}$   $D_i$  corresponds to, larger than 0.5 is cause for concern
- Also can judge relative standing of  $D_i$  make an index plot

## Cook's distance



# Do we calculate these by hand?

No!

- augment() from the broom package
- influence measures() from the car package

## Advice from Sleuth

Do the conclusions change when the case is deleted?

YES

Proceed with the case included. Study it to see if anything can be learned.

Is there reason to believe the case belongs to a population other than the one under investigation?

YES

Omit the case and proceed.

Does the case have unusually "distant" explanatory variable values?

YES



Omit the case and proceed. Report conclusions for the reduced range of explanatory variables.

Not much can be said. More data (or clarification of the influential case) are needed to resolve the questions.