Homework 2

I downloaded a dataset containing chess games with columns:

- · Game ID;
- Rated (T/F);
- Start Time;
- · End Time;
- Number of Turns;
- Game Status;
- Winner:
- Time Increment;
- · White Player ID;
- White Player Rating;
- · Black Player ID;
- Black Player Rating;
- All Moves in Standard Chess Notation;
- Opening Eco
- · Opening Name;
- Opening Ply (Number of moves in the opening phase)

I dropped the unwanted (most of them are NaN values) columns and manipulated column "winner" with the rule, if white won the value is 0, if black won the value is 1 and 2 for draw. I created two new columns using existing data, which are:

- Point difference (White Points Black Points)
- Estimated White Points regarding performance (for more details and mathematical background of how Elo rating system works, check https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elo rating system
)

If Player A has a rating of R_A and Player B a rating of R_B , the exact formula (using the logistic curve)^[11] for the expected score of Player A is

$$E_A = rac{1}{1 + 10^{(R_B - R_A)/400}}.$$

Similarly the expected score for Player B is

$$E_B = rac{1}{1+10^{(R_A-R_B)/400}}.$$

Now, remaining columns are:

- 1. Turns (Number of turns played)
- 2. Point difference (White Points Black Points)
- 3. Estimated White Points (in terms of Elo and performance)

By looking at the table above, we can see that:

- 1. Number of turns played is positively correlated with winner value. Beta value is 0.002866
- 2. Point difference is negatively correlated with winner value. Beta value is -0.001351

3. Estimated White Points is positively correlated with winner value. Beta value is 0.731146

