

PM-GroupProject

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```
library(readxl)
library(ggplot2)
suppressWarnings(library(zoo))
library(nlme)
suppressWarnings(library(forecast))
library(rpart)
suppressWarnings(library(rpart.plot))
suppressWarnings(library(tree))
suppressWarnings(library(randomForest))
suppressWarnings(library(olsrr))
```

1. Data Exploration and Preprocessing

Reading in USA fatality data:

```
USAFat <- as.vector(t(as.matrix(read_excel("data/USA-FatalCrashes.xlsx",
  range = "B8:M22", col_names = FALSE, .name_repair = "unique_quiet")))))
```

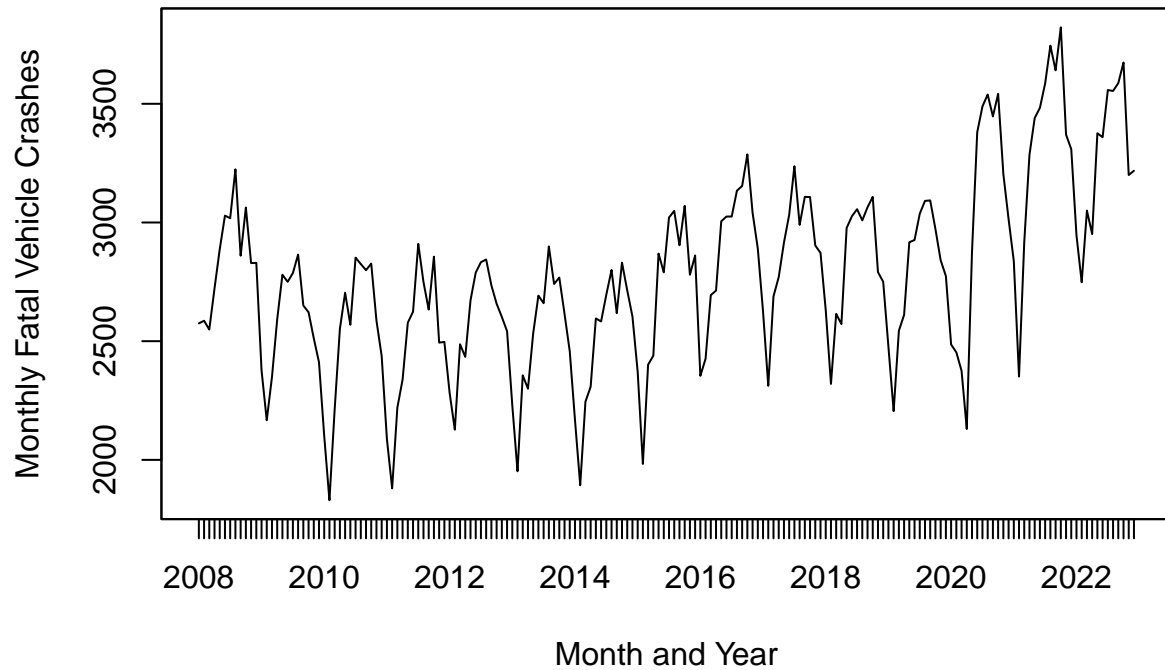
Reading in USA population data (in hundreds of thousands):

```
USAPOP <- read_excel("data/USAPOP.xlsx")
colnames(USAPOP) <- c("Year", "Alabama", "Alaska", "Arizona", "Arkansas",
  "California", "Colorado", "Connecticut", "Delaware", "D.C.", "Florida", "Georgia",
  "Hawaii", "Idaho", "Illinois", "Indiana", "Iowa", "Kansas", "Kentucky", "Louisiana",
  "Maine", "Maryland", "Massachusetts", "Michigan", "Minnesota", "Mississippi",
  "Missouri", "Montana", "Nebraska", "Nevada", "New Hampshire", "New Jersey",
  "New Mexico", "New York", "North Carolina", "North Dakota", "Ohio", "Oklahoma",
  "Oregon", "Pennsylvania", "Rhode Island", "South Carolina", "South Dakota",
  "Tennessee", "Texas", "Utah", "Vermont", "Virginia", "Washington",
  "West Virginia", "Wisconsin", "Wyoming")
USAPOP$Year <- (2008:2023)*1000
USAPOP <- USAPOP/1000
USAPOP$Year <- as.integer(USAPOP$Year)
```

a. Seasonality of Data

```
USADate <- as.yearmon("2008-01") + seq((1/12), (180/12), by = (1/12)) - (1/12)
USAData <- zoo(USAFat, USADate)
plot(USAData, main = "USA Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes by Month, 2008-2022",
  xlab = "Month and Year", ylab = "Monthly Fatal Vehicle Crashes")
```

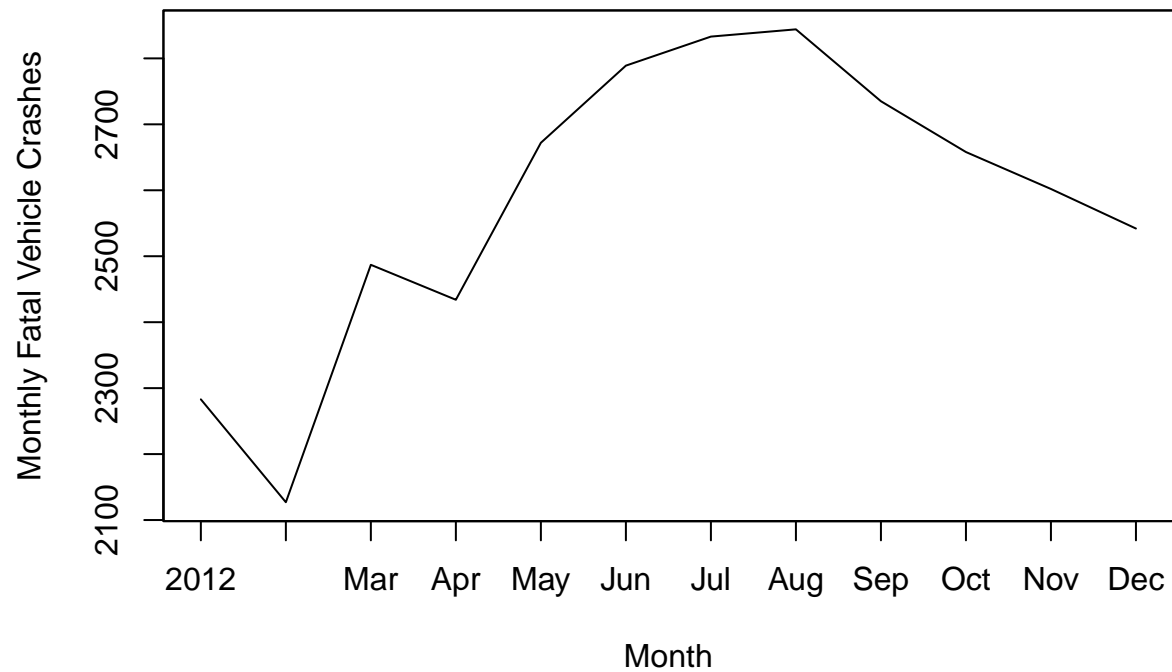
USA Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes by Month, 2008–2022



Examining a typical year:

```
plot(USAData[49:60], main = "USA Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes by Month, 2013",  
     xlab = "Month", ylab = "Monthly Fatal Vehicle Crashes")
```

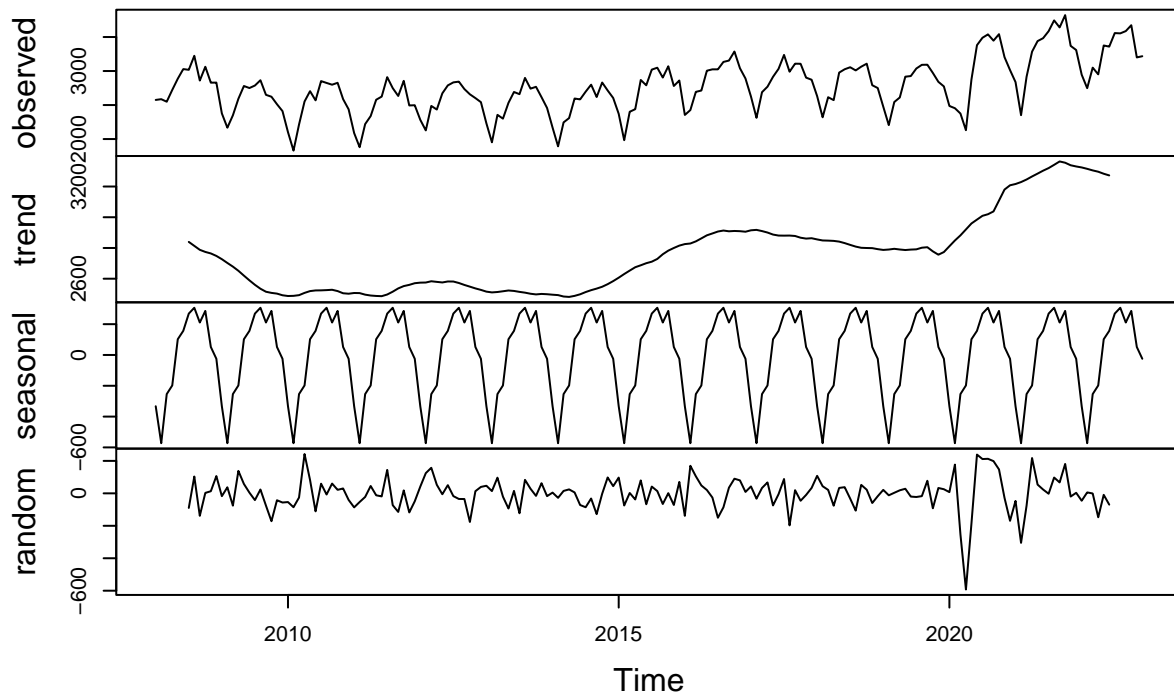
USA Fatal Motor Vehicle Crashes by Month, 2013



Looking at the Seasonality:

```
tsUSA <- ts(USAFat, start = 2008, freq = 12)
plot(decompose(tsUSA, type = "add"))
```

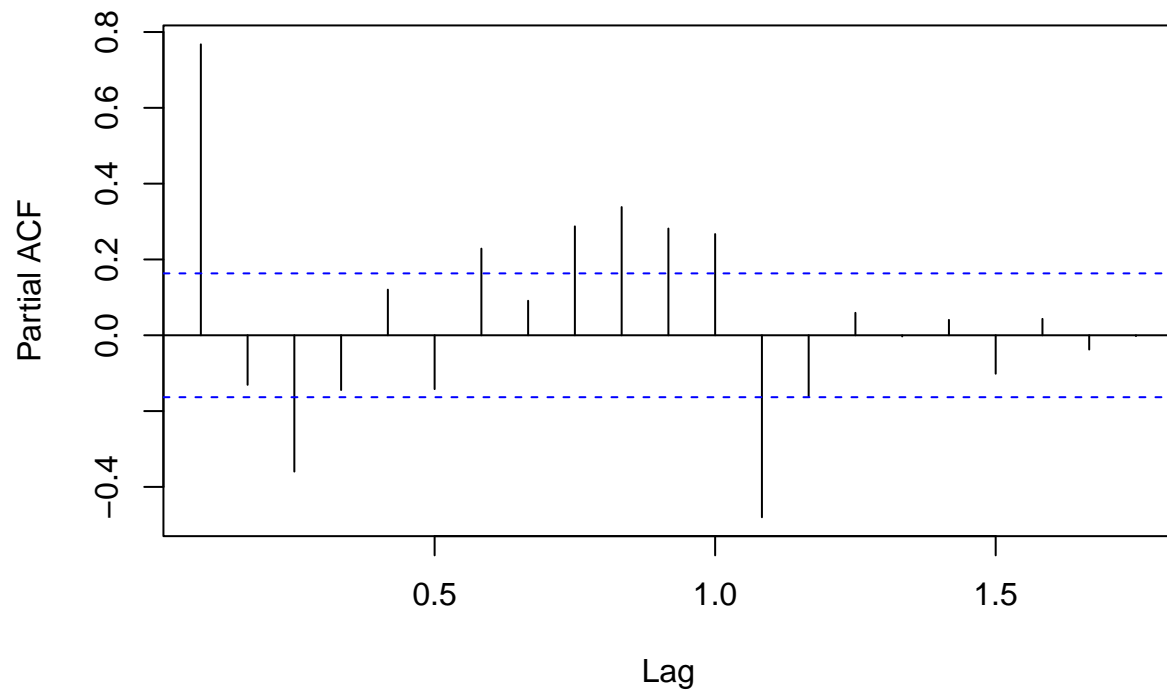
Decomposition of additive time series



b. Autocorrelation and Autoregression

```
# Splitting data set into first 80% as train set and last 20% as test set
train_set <- ts(USAFat[1:floor(0.8 * length(USAFat))], start = 2008, freq = 12)
test_set <- ts(USAFat[(floor(0.8 * length(USAFat)) + 1):length(USAFat)], start = 2020, freq = 12)
pacf(train_set, main = "Partial Autocorrelation, 2008-2020 Data")
```

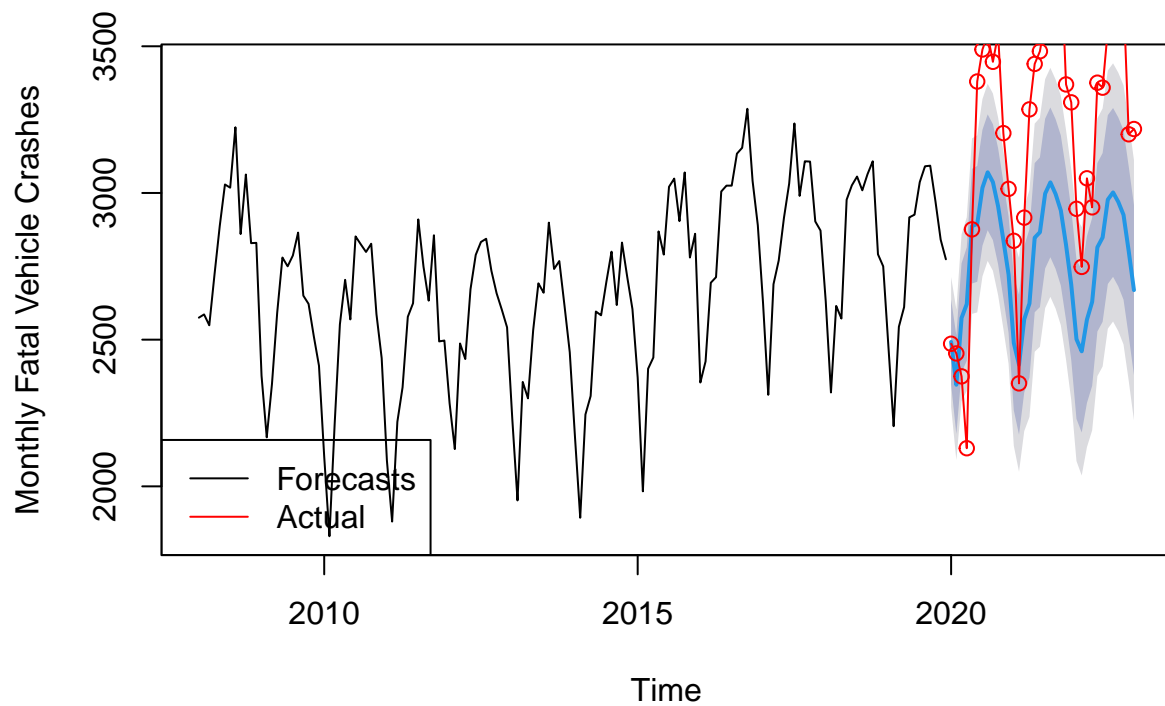
Partial Autocorrelation, 2008–2020 Data



```
ar1_model <- ar(train_set, method = "mle", order = 13)
```

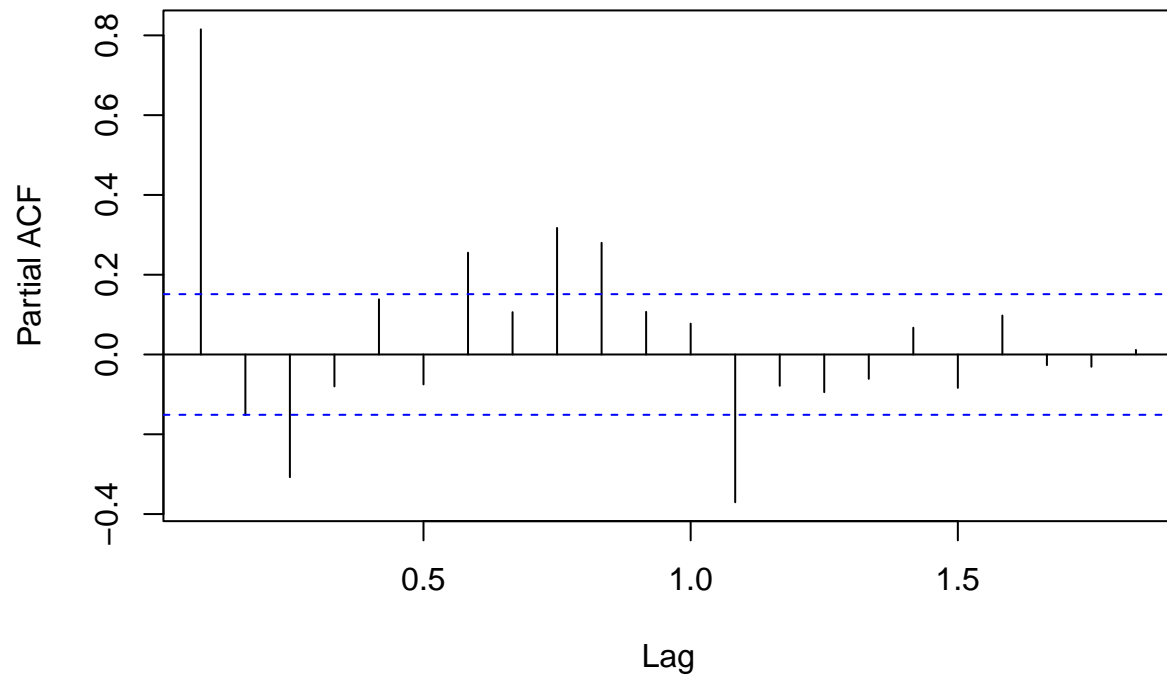
```
predictions <- forecast(ar1_model, h = length(test_set))  
plot(predictions, main = "Forecasts From AR(12)", xlab = "Time", ylab = "Monthly Fatal Vehicle Crashes")  
lines(test_set, col = "red", type = "o")  
legend("bottomleft", legend = c("Forecasts", "Actual"), col = c("black", "red"),  
      lty = 1)
```

Forecasts From AR(12)



```
# Now use data of 2008-2021 as training set and 2022 data as testing set.
train_set2 <- ts(USAFat[1:(length(USAFat) - 12)], start = 2008, freq = 12)
test_set2 <- ts(USAFat[(length(USAFat) - 11):length(USAFat)], start = 2022, freq = 12)
pacf(train_set2)
```

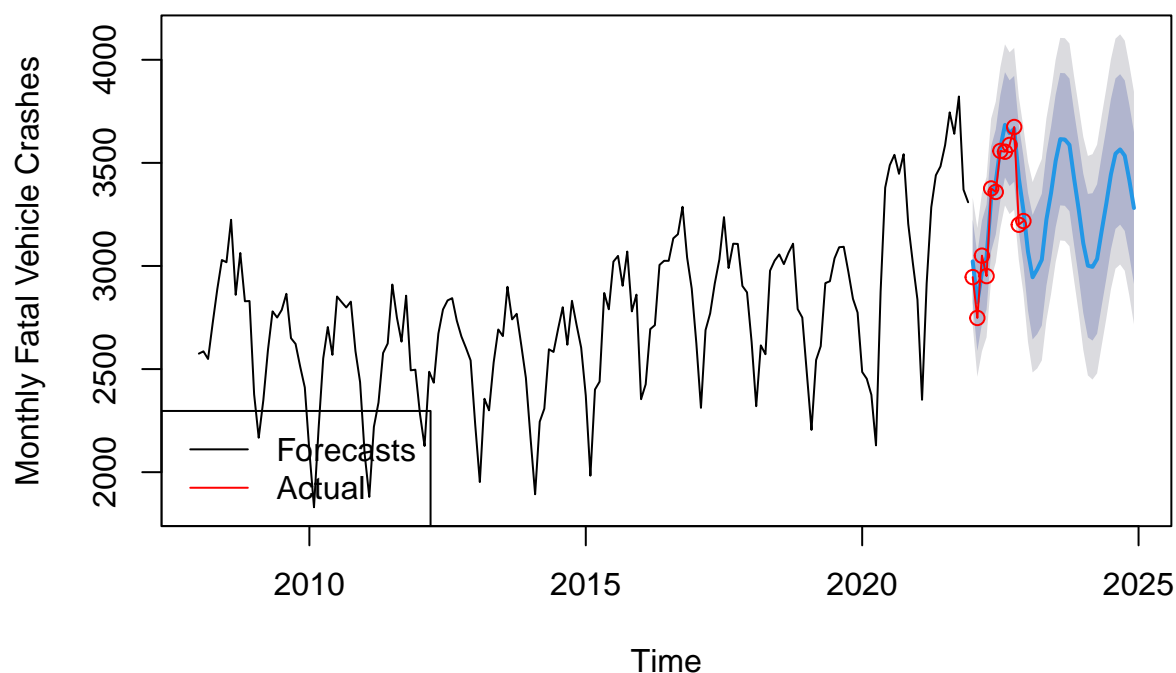
Series train_set2



```
ar1_model2 <- ar(train_set2, method = "mle")

predictions <- forecast(ar1_model2, h = length(test_set))
plot(predictions, main = "Forecasts From AR(12), Include 2021 in Train",
      xlab = "Time", ylab = "Monthly Fatal Vehicle Crashes")
lines(test_set2, col = "red", type = "o")
legend("bottomleft", legend = c("Forecasts", "Actual"), col = c("black", "red"), lty = 1)
```

Forecasts From AR(12), Include 2021 in Train



c. Collecting fatality dates on states that legalized pre-2022

```
legStates <- c("Colorado", "Washington", "D.C.", "Oregon", "Alaska", "California",
               "Massachusetts", "Nevada", "Maine", "Vermont", "Michigan",
               "Illinois", "Arizona", "Montana", "New Jersey", "New York",
               "New Mexico", "Virginia", "Connecticut")
legEffDate <- as.yearmon("2012-11") +
  (c(1,2,29,33,39,49,50,51,52,69,74,87,98,99,101,102,105,105,105)/12) - (1/12)
```

2. Modeling

a. Difference of Means on Panel Data

I do a difference of means test to see if there is a change in the average number of fatal crashes per 100,000 in the year pre-legalization vs. the year when legalization went into effect. I linearly interpolate between population estimates to get the population estimate to divide by (i.e. if legalization went into effect at March 2015, I take 2/12 of the population of 2015 and add 10/12 of the population of 2014 for the pre-legalization population):

```
effDatefracs <- as.numeric(legEffDate) - as.integer(legEffDate)
yearsLeg <- as.integer(legEffDate)
avgs_pre <- c()
avgs_post <- c()
for(i in 1:length(legStates)){
  stateInfo <- as.vector(t(as.matrix(read_excel(
```



```

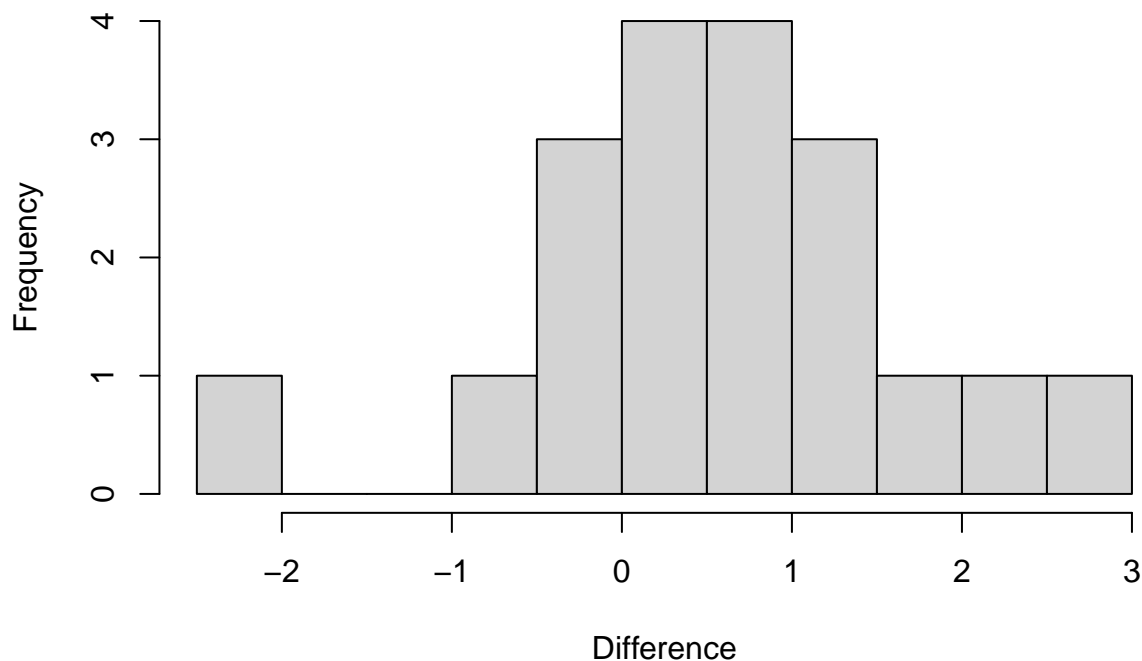
paste("data/",legStates[i],".xlsx",sep = ""),range = "B9:M23",
col_names = FALSE,.name_repair = "unique_quiet"))))

#linear interpolation
pop_est_pre <- effDatefracs[i] * USAPOP[yearsLeg[i] - 2007,legStates[i]] +
  (1 - effDatefracs[i]) * USAPOP[yearsLeg[i] - 2008,legStates[i]]
pop_est_post <- (1-effDatefracs[i])*USAPOP[yearsLeg[i] - 2007,legStates[i]]+
  effDatefracs[i] * USAPOP[yearsLeg[i] - 2006,legStates[i]]

#find point in state info, calculate averages
index_Leg <- (as.numeric(legEffDate[i]) - 2008)*12 + 1
pre_per_HT <- mean(stateInfo[(index_Leg - 12):(index_Leg - 1)])/pop_est_pre
post_per_HT <- mean(stateInfo[(index_Leg):(index_Leg + 12)])/pop_est_post
avgs_pre <- append(avgs_pre,pre_per_HT)
avgs_post <- append(avgs_post, post_per_HT)
}
hist(avgs_post - avgs_pre, breaks = 10,
main = "Differences of Average Fatal Crash Number, Pre/Post Legalization",
xlab = "Difference")

```

Differences of Average Fatal Crash Number, Pre/Post Legalization



I generate the data-frame with data, and run a paired sample t-test:

```

pairedData <- as.data.frame(cbind(legStates,avgs_pre,avgs_post))
colnames(pairedData) <- c("State", "avg_pre_Leg","avg_post_Leg")
pairedData$avg_pre_Leg <- round(as.numeric(pairedData$avg_pre_Leg),6)
pairedData$avg_post_Leg <- round(as.numeric(pairedData$avg_post_Leg),6)

```

```
testMeans <- t.test(pairedData$avg_post_Leg, pairedData$avg_pre_Leg,
  paired = TRUE, alternative = "greater")
```

The test statistic is $t = \frac{m}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}}$, where m is the mean difference, s is the sample standard deviation of the difference, and n is the number of observations (in this case, 19). I calculate:

```
sprintf("Sample Mean Difference: %.5f", testMeans$estimate)
```

```
## [1] "Sample Mean Difference: 0.60166"
```

```
sprintf("Test statistic: %.5f", testMeans$statistic["t"])
```

```
## [1] "Test statistic: 2.41257"
```

```
sprintf("Degrees of Freedom: %.0f", testMeans$parameter)
```

```
## [1] "Degrees of Freedom: 18"
```

```
sprintf("p-value: %.5f", testMeans$p.value)
```

```
## [1] "p-value: 0.01336"
```

```
print("95% Confidence Interval:")
```

```
## [1] "95% Confidence Interval:"
```

```
print(testMeans$conf.int[1:2])
```

```
## [1] 0.1692114      Inf
```

So, $\mathbb{P}(T_{18} > 2.41257) = 0.01336 < 0.05$; I reject H_0 at $\alpha = 0.05$.

b. Decision Tree and Random Forest to Predict Crashes

i. Collecting Data

Features to split on: (Note Rhode Island legalized on 05/22/2022 so it should probably be excluded)

- Marijuana Legal? (Pre-2022)
- Billions of Highway Miles-driven per 100,000 (2022)
- Proportion of Population in Urban Areas (2020)
- Speed Limits on Urban Interstates (as of 2024)
- % of Population Above 70 (2022)
- Damage in Millions of Dollars per 100,000 by Hazardous Weather (2022)
- % of Binge Drinking by State (2022)

```
#Create response variable:
```

```
avg2022 <- as.vector(t(as.matrix(read_excel("rfddata/2022StateData.xlsx",
  range = "B7:AZ8", col_names = TRUE, .name_repair = "unique_quiet"))))/12
```

```
pop2022 <- as.vector(t(as.matrix(USAPOP[2022 - 2007, 2:dim(USAPOP)[2]])))
```

```
resp <- avg2022/pop2022
```

```
#Getting Percent Urban Population
```

```
urbRaw <- read_excel("rfddata/UrbanRural.xlsx", sheet = "Data", range = "B1:AZ4")
```

```
urb <- as.vector(t(urbRaw[2,]))/as.vector(t(urbRaw[1,]))
```

```
#Speed Limits on Urban Interstates
```

```

spL <- c(70, 55, 65, 65, 65, 65, 55, 55, 55, 65, 70, 60, 75, 55, 55,
        55, 75, 65, 70, 75, 70, 65, 70, 65, 70, 60, 65, 70, 65, 65, 55, 75, 65,
        70, 75, 65, 70, 55, 70, 55, 70, 80, 70, 75, 70, 55, 70, 60, 55, 70, 75)

#Marijuana Legalized?
legMar <- as.integer(c(0,1,1,0,1,1,1,0,1,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,1,0,
                      1,1,0,0,0,1,0,1,0,1,1,1,0,0,0,0,1,0,0,0,0,0,1,1,1,0,0,0))

#% Population Over 70 by State, 2022
over_70 <- as.numeric(read_excel("rfdata/USAAge70Over.xlsx")[1, ])

#Total Damage (in millions of $) from Hazardous Weather Events, 2022
hazard <- c(18.25, 30.97, 26.33, 44.48, 86.33, 1.1, 0.19, 0.26, 0, 17004.67,
           4.26, 1.33, 311.26, 25.70, 15.98, 24.97, 105.49, 8.22, 191.57,
           0.9, 7.84, 32.83, 75.24, 73.41, 183.68, 63.23, 4.27, 30.98,
           70.07, 443.28, 11, 0.17, 183.12, 10.59, 57.63, 20.17, 44.83,
           9.83, 8.08, 1.12, 2.08, 499.83, 3.5, 1527.29, 36.76, 69.56, 5.69,
           358.53, 11.48, 24.11, 25.17)
hazard <- hazard/pop2022

#Binge Drinking Prevalence among Adults
binge <- as.vector(t(as.matrix(read_excel("rfdata/BingeDrinking.xlsx",
                                         sheet = "Data", range="C6:C57")))/100)

#Billions of Highway-Miles Driven per 100,000 people
hMiles <- t(as.matrix(read_excel("rfdata/hMiles.xlsx", range = "C1:C53")))
#remove Puerto Rico
hMiles <- hMiles[-c(40)]
#take billions of Miles per 100,000 people
hperHT <- (hMiles/1000)/pop2022

#Final Data Gathering
finData <- as.data.frame(cbind(resp, legMar, hperHT, urb, spL, over_70, hazard, binge))
corMat <- cor(finData)
finData$legMar <- factor(finData$legMar)
finData$spL <- factor(finData$spL)
finData$hperHT <- round(finData$hperHT, 6)
finData$urb <- round(finData$urb, 6)
finData$over_70 <- round(finData$over_70, 6)
finData$hazard <- round(finData$hazard, 6)
finData$states <- colnames(USAPOP)[2:52]
finData <- finData[,c(1,9,2:8)]
colnames(finData) <- c("resp", "State", "Legal", "HW_travel",
                     "Urban", "Speed_Lim", "over_70", "hazard", "binge")
finData <- finData[which(finData$State != "Rhode Island"),]

```

ii. 1 tree (for example)

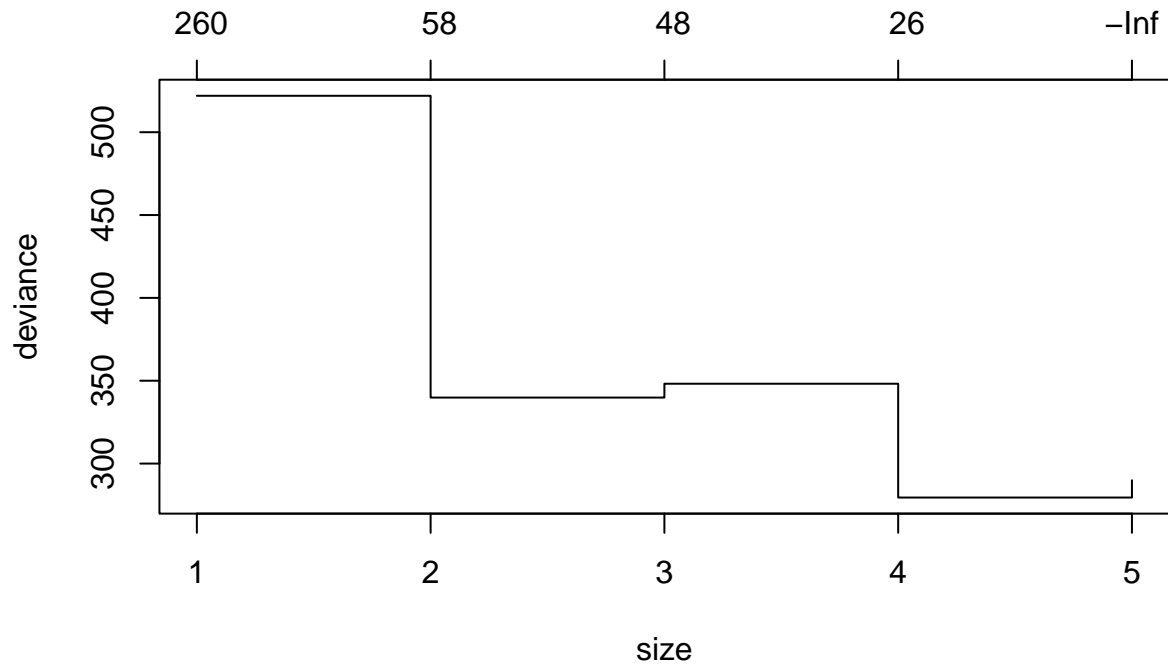
```

set.seed(1)
train_index <- sample(1:nrow(finData), .8 * nrow(finData), replace = FALSE)
test_index <- setdiff(1:50, train_index)
rtree <- tree(resp ~ ., data = finData[train_index, -c(2)])
cv <- cv.tree(rtree, K = 5, FUN = prune.tree)

```

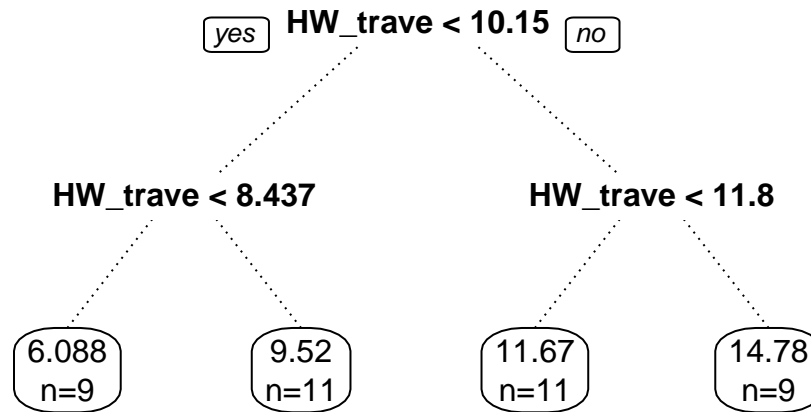
```
par(oma = c(0,0,2,0))
plot(cv)
title(main = "Deviance of Tree vs. Number of Leaves, corresponding alpha",
outer = TRUE)
```

Deviance of Tree vs. Number of Leaves, corresponding alpha



```
rmtree <- rpart(resp ~., data = finData[train_index,-c(2)], method = "anova",
                control = rpart.control(cp = 1/20))
prp(rmtree, main = "Regression Tree for Fatal Crashes per 100,000",
    roundint = FALSE, extra = 1, digits = 4, branch.lty = 3)
```

Regression Tree for Fatal Crashes per 100,000



```

oneTree <- tree(resp ~ ., data = finData[train_index, -c(2)], method = "anova")
oneTree <- prune.tree(oneTree, k = 30)
predOneTree <- predict(oneTree, newdata = finData[test_index, 3:9])
mseOneTree <- mean((predOneTree - finData$resp[test_index])^2)
pseudoROneTree <- 1 - (mseOneTree * 50) / (var(finData$resp) * 49)
  
```

iii. Bagging

I generate 5 different iterations of the random Forest for bagging in order to try and optimize for the number of trees:

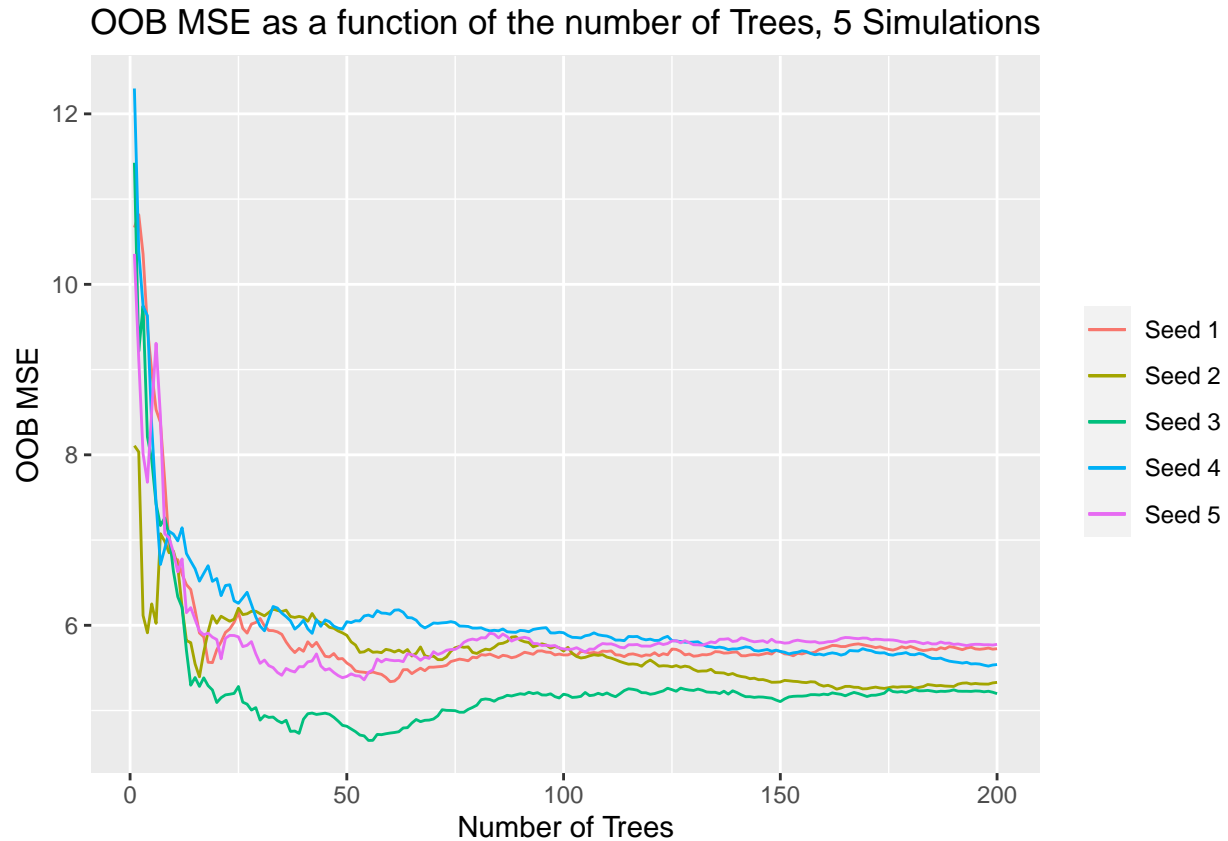
```

num_tree = 200
mseRBs <- c()
for(j in 1:5){
  set.seed(j)
  rB_raw <- randomForest(resp ~ ., data = finData[, -c(2)], ntree = num_tree,
    mtry = dim(finData)[2] - 2, importance = TRUE, keep.inbag = TRUE)
  mseRBs <- append(mseRBs, rB_raw$mse)
}
mseRBs <- as.data.frame(matrix(mseRBs, nrow = num_tree, ncol = j))
colnames(mseRBs) <- c(1:5)
plotMSE <- ggplot(data = mseRBs, aes(x = 1:200)) +
  geom_line(aes(y = `1`, color = "Seed 1")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = `2`, color = "Seed 2")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = `3`, color = "Seed 3")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = `4`, color = "Seed 4")) +
  geom_line(aes(y = `5`, color = "Seed 5")) +
  
```

```

xlab("Number of Trees") + ylab("OOB MSE") +
ggtitle("OOB MSE as a function of the number of Trees, 5 Simulations") +
theme(legend.title = element_blank(), plot.title = element_text(hjust = 0.5))
plotMSE

```



It seems as though around 50 is where the OOB MSE finishes decreasing. For the sake of bias-variance trade-off, I select 50 as the number of trees, and fit a random forest model:

```

set.seed(6)
RB <- randomForest(resp ~., data = finData[, -c(2)], ntree = 50,
  mtry = dim(finData)[2] - 2, importance = TRUE, keep.inbag = TRUE)
mseRB <- RB$mse[50]
pseudoRRB <- 1 - (mseRB * 50) / (var(finData$resp) * 49)
RB$importance

```

| ## | | %IncMSE | IncNodePurity |
|----|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| ## | Legal | 0.04685631 | 1.713326 |
| ## | HW_travel | 11.59499367 | 426.179536 |
| ## | Urban | -0.19137532 | 24.914778 |
| ## | Speed_Lim | -0.21115978 | 27.582473 |
| ## | over_70 | -0.33457491 | 31.267251 |
| ## | hazard | -0.01103727 | 28.871072 |
| ## | binge | 0.34190161 | 34.615816 |

I generate summary statistics:

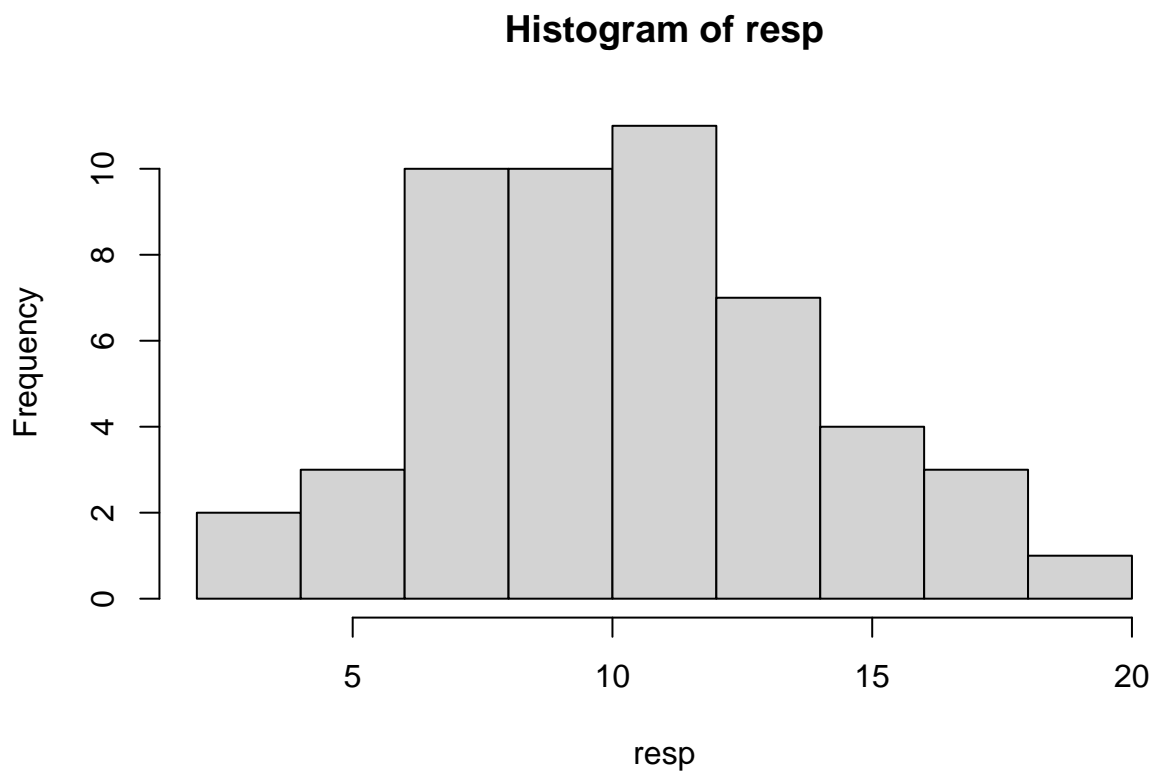
```
sumstats <- as.data.frame(cbind(c(mseOneTree, mseRB),
                                c(pseudoROneTree, pseudoRRB)))
colnames(sumstats) <- c("MSE", "Pseudo Rsq.")
sumstats$Algorithm <- c("Decision Tree", "Bagged Forest")
sumstats <- sumstats[,c(3,1,2)]
sumstats
```

```
##      Algorithm      MSE Pseudo Rsq.
## 1 Decision Tree 6.605976  0.4375485
## 2 Bagged Forest 5.609170  0.5224193
```

c. Regression Analysis

i. Testing distribution of Response

```
set.seed(1)
lambdaMLE <- mean(resp)
#hist(resp, breaks = 20)
#qqplot(resp, distribution = "poisson")
PoissonDist <- rpois(length(resp), lambdaMLE)
title <- sprintf("QQ Plot, Poisson Dist. with lambda = %.4f", lambdaMLE)
#qqplot(resp * 12, PoissonDist, main = title)
#abline(0,1,col = 'red')
hist(resp, breaks = 10)
```



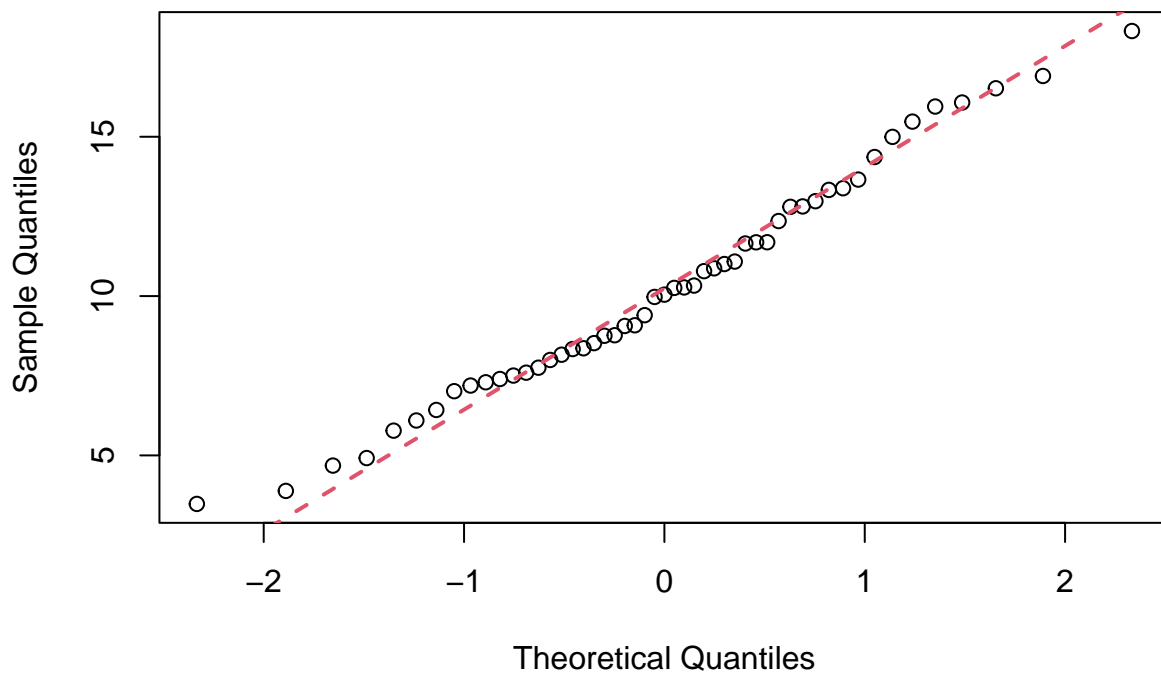
I examine the distribution of resp via qq-plots:

```

set.seed(1)
meanResp <- mean(resp)
sdResp <- sd(resp)
NormalDist <- rnorm(length(resp), meanResp, sdResp)
title <- sprintf("QQ Plot, Normal Dist. with mean = %.4f and SD = %.4f",
                 meanResp, sdResp)
qqnorm(resp, main = title)
qqline(resp, col = 2, lwd = 2, lty = 2)

```

QQ Plot, Normal Dist. with mean = 10.2553 and SD = 3.5458

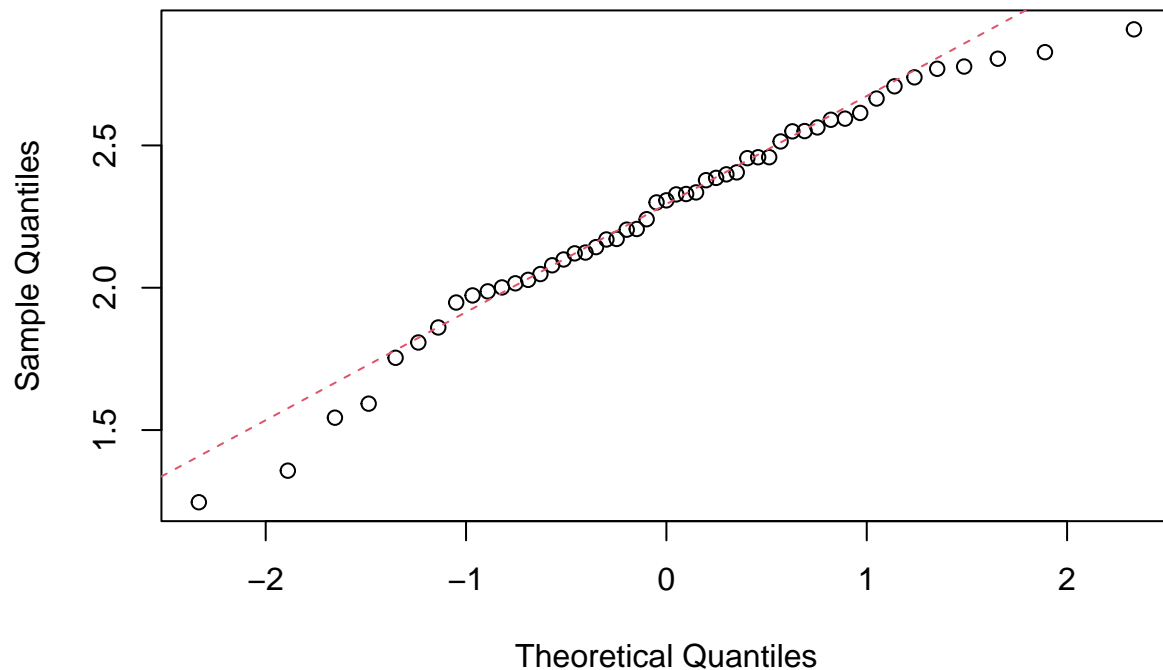


```

set.seed(1)
meanLogResp <- mean(log(resp))
sdLogResp <- sd(log(resp))
LogNormalDist <- rlnorm(length(resp), meanLogResp, sdLogResp)
title <- sprintf("QQ Plot, Log-Normal Dist. with mu = %.4f and sigma = %.4f", meanLogResp, sdLogResp)
qqnorm(log(resp), main = title)
qqline(log(resp), col = 2, lwd = 2, lty = 2)

```


QQ Plot, Log-Normal Dist. with $\mu = 2.2634$ and $\sigma = 0.3760$



ii. Best Subset Selection

```
train_data <- finData[train_index,-c(2)]
test_data <- finData[test_index,-c(2)]
linmodel <- lm(resp ~., data = train_data)
best_sub <- ols_step_best_subset(linmodel)$metrics[,c("predictors", "rsquare",
"adjr", "cp", "aic", "sbic")]
best_sub
```

```
##               predictors  rsquare    adjr
## 1                HW_travel 0.6475114 0.6382354
## 2                HW_travel binge 0.6817754 0.6645740
## 3                HW_travel Speed_Lim binge 0.6876043 0.6192678
## 4                HW_travel Speed_Lim over_70 binge 0.6906085 0.6107656
## 5                HW_travel Speed_Lim over_70 hazard binge 0.6912330 0.5986029
## 6                Legal HW_travel Speed_Lim over_70 hazard binge 0.6919939 0.5857849
## 7                Legal HW_travel Urban Speed_Lim over_70 hazard binge 0.6919940 0.5709916
##              cp      aic      sbic
## 1 -3.956205 179.2986 66.65335
## 2 -5.071050 177.2081 65.69632
## 3  4.399053 186.4687 67.88781
## 4  6.125951 188.0821 70.43232
## 5  8.069183 190.0013 73.22550
## 6 10.000012 191.9026 76.02018
## 7 12.000000 193.9026 78.87731
```

iii. Running best Model

```
linBestModel <- lm("resp ~ HW_travel + binge", data = train_data)
predlinBest <- predict(linBestModel, newdata = test_data)
linBestMSE <- mean((test_data$resp - predlinBest)^2)
summary(linBestModel)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = "resp ~ HW_travel + binge", data = train_data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -5.3293 -0.9234 -0.1180  1.5654  4.1128
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)   1.7993     3.0577   0.588  0.5598
## HW_travel     1.2838     0.1641   7.821 2.35e-09 ***
## binge        -25.2905    12.6708  -1.996  0.0533 .
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 2.086 on 37 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.6818, Adjusted R-squared:  0.6646
## F-statistic: 39.64 on 2 and 37 DF,  p-value: 6.318e-10
```

```
MSEFin <- c(mseOneTree, mseRB, linBestMSE)
prop_var_explained <- c(pseudoROneTree, pseudoRRB,
                        best_sub$rsquare[which.min(best_sub$aic)])
fin_stats <- as.data.frame(cbind(MSEFin, prop_var_explained))
fin_stats$Algorithm <- c(sumstats$Algorithm, "Multiple Linear Regression")
fin_stats <- fin_stats[,c(3,1,2)]
colnames(fin_stats) <- c("Algorithm", "MSE", "Proportion of Variance Explained")
fin_stats
```

```
##              Algorithm      MSE Proportion of Variance Explained
## 1      Decision Tree 6.605976                0.4375485
## 2      Bagged Forest 5.609170                0.5224193
## 3 Multiple Linear Regression 3.652816                0.6817754
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