# MA 575 HW

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#### Exerices 6.1

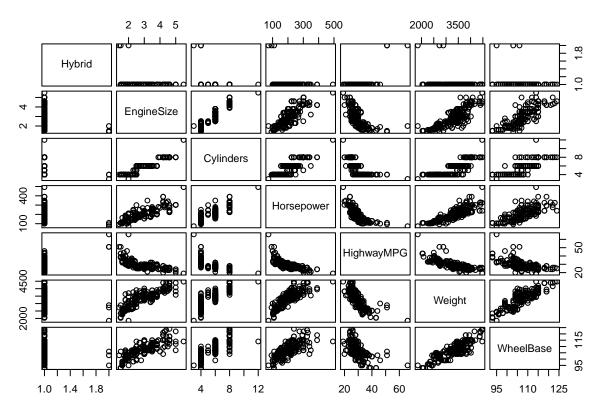
#Scatter matrix

#Scatter matrix plot

pairs(scat.mat, gap = 0.4)

scat.mat = dat[,c(2,5:7, 9:11)]

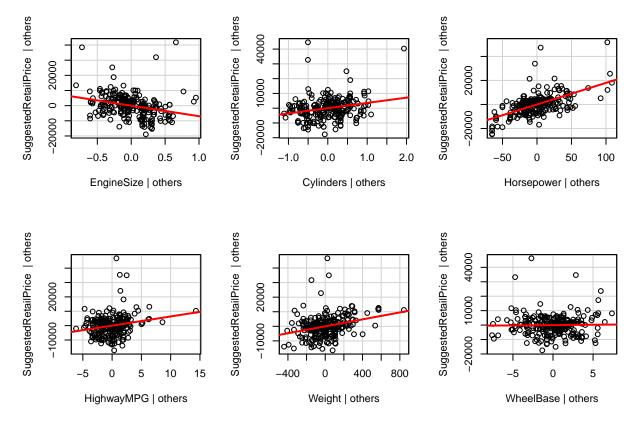
```
(a)
#read ind data
dat = read.csv("~/Desktop/Courses/MA 575/book_data/cars04.csv", header = TRUE)
#take a peak
str(dat)
## 'data.frame':
                    234 obs. of 13 variables:
## $ Vehicle.Name
                        : Factor w/ 232 levels "Acura 3.5 RL 4dr",..: 43 44 45 46 47 69 70 7
## $ Hybrid
                          : int 0000000000...
## $ SuggestedRetailPrice: int 11690 12585 14610 14810 16385 13670 15040 13270 13730 15460 .
## $ DealerCost
                          : int
                                 10965 11802 13697 13884 15357 12849 14086 12482 12906 14496 .
## $ EngineSize
                                 1.6 1.6 2.2 2.2 2.2 2 2 2 2 2 ...
                          : num
## $ Cylinders
                                 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 ...
                          : int
                                103 103 140 140 140 132 132 130 110 130 ...
## $ Horsepower
                          : int
## $ CityMPG
                                 28 28 26 26 26 29 29 26 27 26 ...
                          : int
## $ HighwayMPG
                          : int
                                 34 34 37 37 37 36 36 33 36 33 ...
                                2370 2348 2617 2676 2617 2581 2626 2612 2606 2606 ...
## $ Weight
                          : int
                                 98 98 104 104 104 105 105 103 103 103 ...
## $ WheelBase
                          : int
## $ Length
                          : int 167 153 183 183 183 174 174 168 168 168 ...
## $ Width
                          : int 66 66 69 68 69 67 67 67 67 67 ...
#cast Hybrid as a factor
dat$Hybrid = as.factor(dat$Hybrid)
#build model
model = lm(SuggestedRetailPrice ~ EngineSize + Cylinders + Horsepower + HighwayMPG + Weight + '
Having built the model we will now look at some diagnostics - scatter matrix of covariates, added
variable plots, diagnostic plots etc.
```



It appears that most of our covariates are related. Specifically weight and wheel base are strongly linearly related. We should be careful when testing significance of either of these variables with high VIF. There are other trends that can be seen - Horsepower vs Weight, Enginesize vs HighwayMPG, Engine Size vs Wheel base. These are all closely related to the overall size of the vehicle. (Some PC regression would do really well here..). Next we'll look at added variable plots.

```
#added variable plots
library(car)

par(mfrow=c(2,3))
avPlots(model, ~EngineSize)
avPlots(model, ~Cylinders)
avPlots(model, ~Horsepower)
avPlots(model, ~HighwayMPG)
avPlots(model, ~Weight)
avPlots(model, ~Weight)
```



It looks like all variables add a significant amount of information to our regression (i.e. each regression explains additional variance in the price) expect for Wheel Base which is almost entirely constant after removing affects of other variables. Notice that weight does not have this effect but we noted how closely related they were. We may need to consider removing that variable to improve the colinearity issue.

```
#Recast hybrid as a numeric for correlation purposes
scat.mat$Hybrid = as.numeric(as.character(scat.mat$Hybrid))
#cast scat.mat as a matrix
scat.mat = as.matrix(scat.mat)
#correlation matrix
    cor(scat.mat)
X
##
                  Hybrid EngineSize
                                      Cylinders Horsepower HighwayMPG
## Hybrid
               1.0000000 -0.1562051 -0.1436261 -0.1922594
                                                             0.5655500
## EngineSize -0.1562051
                           1.0000000
                                      0.9275933
                                                 0.8246932 -0.6564508
## Cylinders
              -0.1436261
                           0.9275933
                                      1.0000000
                                                 0.8405416 -0.6608553
  Horsepower -0.1922594
                           0.8246932
                                      0.8405416
                                                 1.0000000 -0.7189530
## HighwayMPG
               0.5655500 - 0.6564508 - 0.6608553 - 0.7189530
                                                             1.0000000
                                      0.8319864
  Weight
              -0.1782540
                           0.8447530
                                                 0.8312084 -0.7605876
              -0.1134199
##
  WheelBase
                           0.8171100
                                      0.7725715
                                                 0.7283060 -0.5835760
##
                  Weight
                           WheelBase
## Hybrid
              -0.1782540 -0.1134199
```

```
## EngineSize 0.8447530 0.8171100

## Cylinders 0.8319864 0.7725715

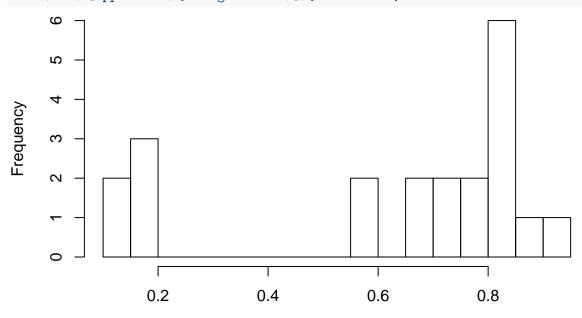
## Horsepower 0.8312084 0.7283060

## HighwayMPG -0.7605876 -0.5835760

## Weight 1.0000000 0.8524790

## WheelBase 0.8524790 1.0000000
```

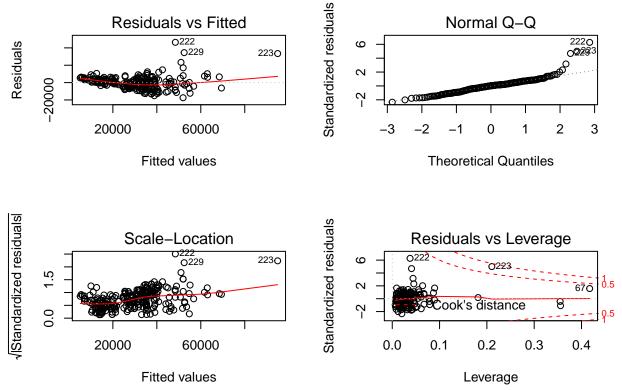
```
#visual representation of pairiwse
hist(abs(x[upper.tri(x, diag = FALSE)]), main = "", xlab = "Correlation Coefficient", breaks =
```



Correlation Coefficent As we

noted in the pairwise plots - we have colinearity issues with our covariates.

```
#take a look at the standardized residuals
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(model)
```



The residuals appear to have some heteroskedasiticy issues. As the fitted values grow, so does the variance. Specifically for estimated price over \$40,000, we see that the variance is quite high. I would say that this is *not* a valid model.

#### (b)

As stated above, we can say that there are issues with estimating the tails of the distribution. As see in the Q-Q plot, our model underestimates prices for low price vehicles and for high price vehicles. This implies that we have some skewness issues - which could be corrected by taking a log of the response variable price.

#### (c)

## 223

## 229

5.5

5.0

It appears that points labeled 222, 223, and 229 are all bad leverage points. They all are quite high on the theoretical quartile and have high residuals. This is again due to the fact that we underestimate high price vehicles.

#### dat[c(222,223, 229),] ## Vehicle.Name Hybrid SuggestedRetailPrice DealerCost 222 Mercedes-Benz CL500 2dr 0 94820 88324 223 Mercedes-Benz CL600 2dr 0 128420 119600 229 Mercedes-Benz S500 4dr 0 86970 80939 ## ## EngineSize Cylinders Horsepower CityMPG HighwayMPG Weight WheelBase ## 222 5.0 8 302 16 24 4085 114 12

493

302

8

13

16

4473

4390

114

122

19

24

```
## Length Width
## 222 196 73
## 223 196 73
## 229 203 73
```

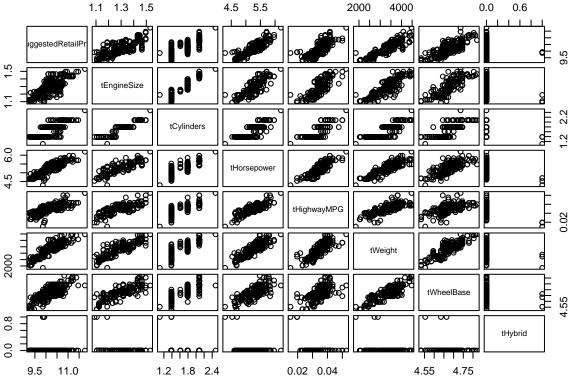
Here we see that all three vehicles are luxury Mercedes-Benz with the lowest suggested retail price of 86,970 (almost triple the mean of Suggested Retail Price!). We severely underestimate this value and these leverage points skew our regression line.

```
(d)
```

```
#create new data frame with transformed variables
bcdat = data.frame(tSuggestedRetailPrice = log(dat$SuggestedRetailPrice), tEngineSize = (dat$E:
#build box-cox model
bcmodel = lm(tSuggestedRetailPrice ~ tEngineSize + tCylinders + tHorsepower + tHighwayMPG + tW
```

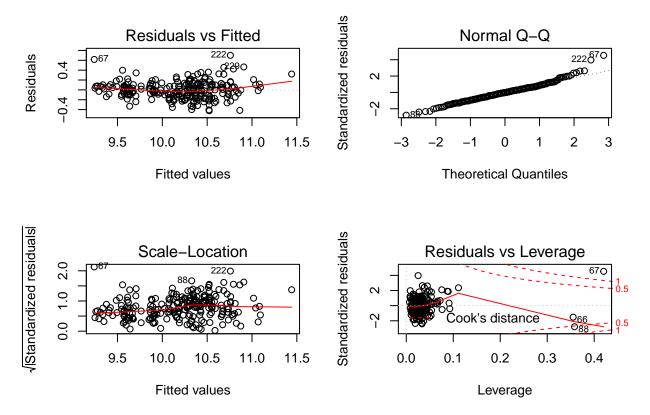
We complete the same procedure as above. This time however, we will produce all plots then discuss.

```
#Scatter matrix
bcdat$tHybrid = as.numeric(as.character(bcdat$tHybrid))
bcdat.mat = as.matrix(bcdat)
pairs(bcdat.mat, gap = 0.4)
```



```
#Added variable plots
par(mfrow=c(2,3))
avPlots(bcmodel, ~tEngineSize)
avPlots(bcmodel, ~tCylinders)
```

```
avPlots(bcmodel, ~tHorsepower)
avPlots(bcmodel, ~tHighwayMPG)
avPlots(bcmodel, ~tWeight)
avPlots(bcmodel, ~tWheelBase)
tSuggestedRetailPrice | others
                                                  tSuggestedRetailPrice | others
                                                                                                     tSuggestedRetailPrice | others
      9.4
                                                                                                           4.0
                                                         0.4
                                                                                                           0.0
      0.0
                                                         0.0
      -0.4
                                                         4.0-
                                        0.15
                                                                              0.0
                                                                                           0.2
                                                                                                                -0.3
                                                                                                                                            0.3
               -0.05
                            0.05
                                                                -0.2
                                                                                   0.1
                                                                                                                         -0.1
                                                                                                                                   0.1
                tEngineSize | others
                                                                    tCylinders | others
                                                                                                                     tHorsepower | others
tSuggestedRetailPrice | others
                                                  tSuggestedRetailPrice | others
                                                                                                     tSuggestedRetailPrice | others
      9.7
                                                         0.4
                                                                                                           4.0
      0.0
                                                                                                           0.0
                                                         0.0
      4.0-
                                                                                                           4.0-
               -0.005
                                 0.005
                                                                             200
                                                                                        600
                                                                                                                  -0.06
                                                                                                                                       0.04
                                                               -400
                                                                           0
                                                                                                                               0.00
               tHighwayMPG | others
                                                                     tWeight | others
                                                                                                                     tWheelBase | others
#model diagnostics
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
plot(bcmodel)
```



Here we see that we still have colinearity but less so (most of our variables underwent nonlinear transformations). The added variable plots here show that tWheelBase's and tHighwayMPG could be adding little additional information to our model. Lastly, we see that we have significant improvement in our skewness issues. While there is still slight deviation in the Normal Q-Q plot there still could be like heteroskedasity issues. While this model isn't perfect, it could very useful at this point.

## (e)

```
#look at the summary of the model
summary(bcmodel)
```

```
##
## Call:
   lm(formula = tSuggestedRetailPrice ~ tEngineSize + tCylinders +
##
##
       tHorsepower + tHighwayMPG + tWeight + tWheelBase + tHybrid,
       data = bcdat)
##
##
##
   Residuals:
##
        Min
                   1Q
                        Median
                                     3Q
                                              Max
##
   -0.42288 -0.10983 -0.00203
                                0.10279
                                         0.70068
##
## Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                         2.838 0.00496 **
## (Intercept)
                5.703e+00
                            2.010e+00
## tEngineSize -1.575e+00
                           3.332e-01
                                       -4.727 4.01e-06 ***
```

```
## tCylinders
                2.335e-01 1.204e-01
                                      1.940 0.05359 .
## tHorsepower
               8.992e-01 8.876e-02 10.130 < 2e-16 ***
## tHighwayMPG
                          4.758e+00
                                      0.169 0.86614
               8.029e-01
                                      7.920 1.07e-13 ***
## tWeight
                5.043e-04 6.367e-05
## tWheelBase -6.385e-02 4.715e-01 -0.135 0.89240
## tHybrid1
                                      5.582 6.78e-08 ***
                6.422e-01 1.150e-01
## ---
## Signif. codes:
                  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.1789 on 226 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8621, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8578
## F-statistic: 201.8 on 7 and 226 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
#define reduced model without insignificant materials
bcreduced = lm(tSuggestedRetailPrice ~ tEngineSize + tCylinders + tHorsepower + tWeight + tHyb
#preform parital F
anova(bcreduced, bcmodel)
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Model 1: tSuggestedRetailPrice ~ tEngineSize + tCylinders + tHorsepower +
       tWeight + tHybrid
##
## Model 2: tSuggestedRetailPrice ~ tEngineSize + tCylinders + tHorsepower +
       tHighwayMPG + tWeight + tWheelBase + tHybrid
    Res.Df
              RSS Df Sum of Sq
##
                                    F Pr(>F)
## 1
        228 7.2358
        226 7.2337 2 0.0021769 0.034 0.9666
```

Here we see that the paritial F-test shows that we do not have sufficent evidence to suggest either tHighwayMPG or tWheel base is not zero. This implies that is a sensible strategy to remove both variables in this case.

(f)

We could simply add in another factor variable - Tayota Yes or No - to our regression that would model this covariance.

#### Exercise 6.2

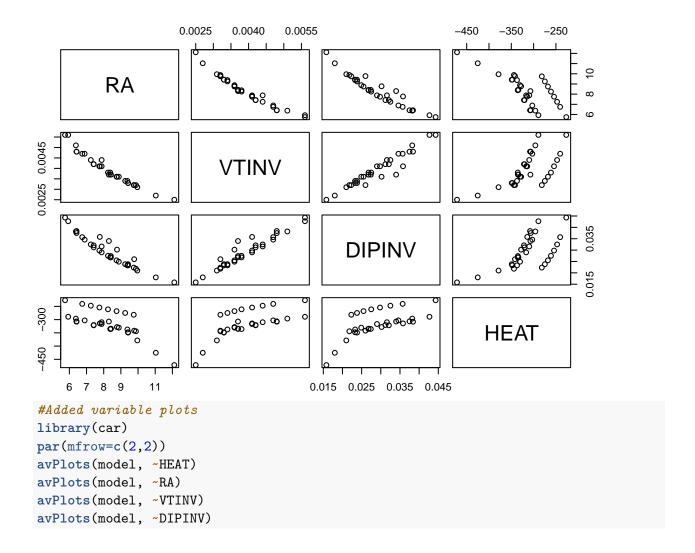
```
#Read in data
dat = read.table("~/Desktop/Courses/MA 575/book_data/krafft.txt", header = TRUE)

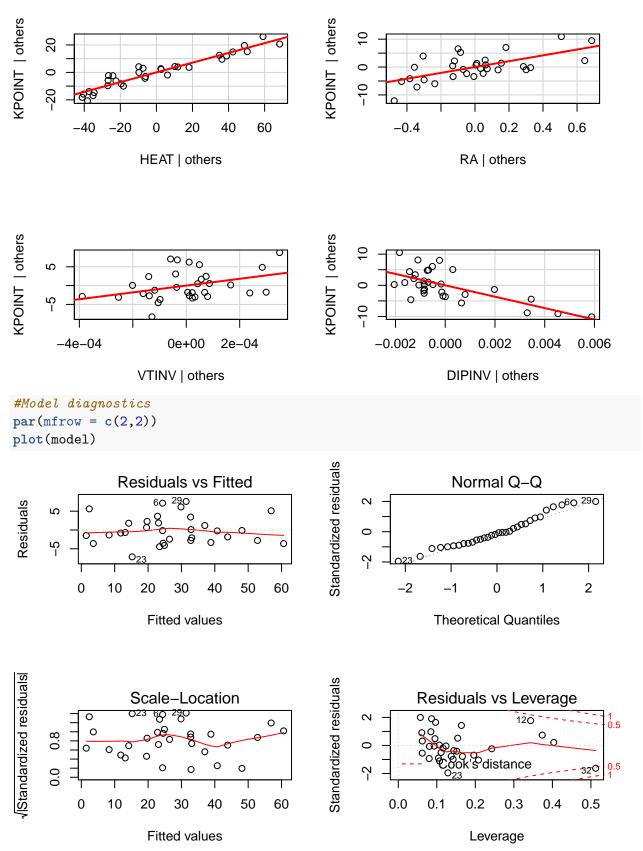
#take a peak
str(dat)

## 'data.frame': 32 obs. of 6 variables:
## $ RA : num 6.38 6.89 7.77 7.88 7.88 ...
```

```
## $ VTINV : num 0.0051 0.0047 0.0041 0.0044 0.0041 0.0038 0.0036 0.0036 0.0034 0.0032 ...
## $ DIPINV: num 0.0382 0.0346 0.0358 0.0316 0.029 0.0268 0.0249 0.0302 0.0233 0.0218 ...
## $ HEAT : num -296 -303 -314 -310 -317 ...
## $ KPOINT: num 7 16 11 20.8 21 31.5 31 25 38.2 40.5 ...
## $ GROUP : int 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 ...
#build initial model
model = lm(KPOINT ~ RA + HEAT + VTINV + DIPINV, data = dat)
#Take a look at model summary
summary(model)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = KPOINT ~ RA + HEAT + VTINV + DIPINV, data = dat)
##
## Residuals:
               1Q Median
      Min
                               3Q
                                      Max
## -7.1451 -2.7920 -0.4552 1.9715 7.5934
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
##
## (Intercept) 7.031e+01 3.368e+01 2.088 0.046369 *
                                    4.331 0.000184 ***
## RA
               1.047e+01 2.418e+00
## HEAT
               3.550e-01 2.176e-02 16.312 1.66e-15 ***
## VTINV
               9.038e+03 4.409e+03 2.050 0.050217 .
## DIPINV
              -1.826e+03 3.765e+02 -4.850 4.56e-05 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 3.919 on 27 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.9446, Adjusted R-squared: 0.9363
## F-statistic:
                 115 on 4 and 27 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
#scatter matrix
scat.mat = dat[,1:4]
```

pairs(scat.mat)





The covariates clearly have some colinearity issues. Also, for Heat/RA vs VTINIV/DIPINV there appears to be bands or groups of points that are not accounted for in the data. The added variable

plots suggest that each covariate successfully explains some variance in the Krafft point, with relatively small sample sizes, we note that this effect is not difficult to achieve. Lastly, the model diagnostic plots suggest that there are some moderate issues with this model. The normal Q-Q plots show some skewness which is also evident in the residual plots. It actually appears that the highest leverage points are in the center of the theoretical quantiles. This suggests that the skewness may not be affecting the residual plots that drastically. With all this being said, unless we can account for this banding/grouping - the model can be useful.

#### (b)

This suggests that the skewness in the response variable is most evident for both RA and VTINV. This implies that the residual error in our model could be drastic against these two. Therefore, I suggest we consider a log transformation of the responses or some power transformation for RA and VTINV.

#### (c)

Using r as a model selection criterion is flawed. We see that there may be some nonlinear behavior between the covariates and the response at the boundary. Thus, if we only consider the linear correlation, represented by r, we do not penalize/reward models that fail/succeed in explaining this tail behavior. Moreover, r would simply choose a more complex model in this case because a more complex model would be guaranteed to explain more behavior than a simple one. (This is why we must consider regularization ideas).

For the same reason as r, standard deviation s, measures deviation from a linear relationship. So for all the reasons that r would not be a good criterion s would also be a poor measure of model performance.

Using F statistics and ANOVA/ANCOVA type analysis is only valid if our assumptions are valid. Here we see that without exploring transforming any variables that this methodology could be flawed. This framework, however, is the most powerful of those suggested thus far.

This last suggestion is a good one. As we discussed above, there needs to be some form regularization to the method. By restraining our model to a relatively simple model via examining the proportion of covariate and the number of samples, we allow models to be constructed that explain the variability in the tails of our response in addition to the high variance in the center of the residuals. I would use a combination of this method and ANOCA framework explained above.

#### Exericse 6.3

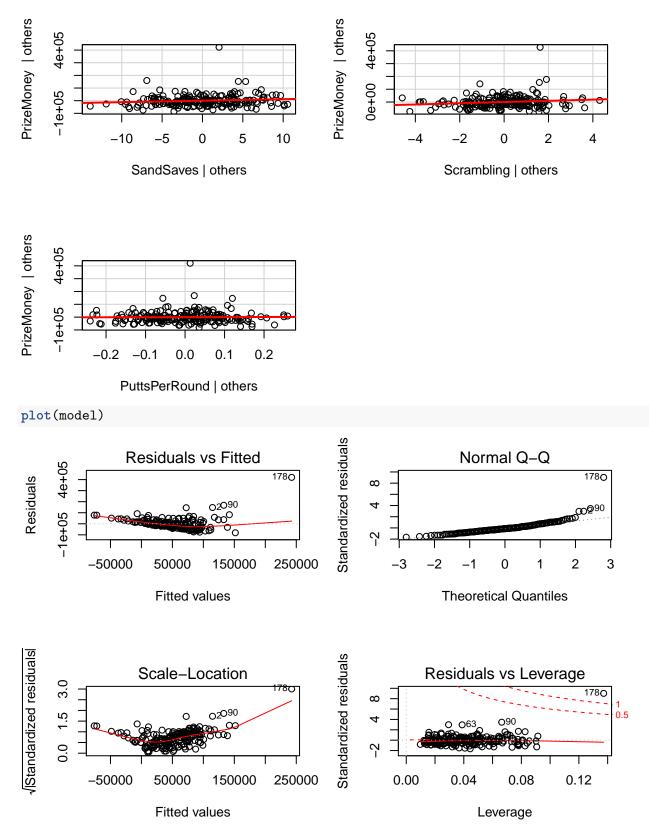
## (a)

```
#read in PGA data
pga = read.csv("~/Desktop/Courses/MA 575/book_data/pgatour2006.csv")
#take a peak
str(pga)
```

```
## 'data.frame':
                   196 obs. of 12 variables:
   $ Name
                        : Factor w/ 196 levels "Aaron Baddeley",..: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 ...
##
                              0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 ...
##
   $ TigerWoods
                        : int
## $ PrizeMoney
                               60661 262045 3635 17516 16683 107294 50620 57273 86782 23396 ...
                        : int
   $ AveDrivingDistance: num 288 301 303 289 288 ...
##
   $ DrivingAccuracy
                              60.7 62 51.1 66.4 63.2 ...
##
                        : num
##
  $ GIR
                        : num
                              58.3 69.1 59.1 67.7 64 ...
                        : num 1.75 1.77 1.79 1.78 1.76 ...
## $ PuttingAverage
## $ BirdieConversion : num 31.4 30.4 29.9 29.3 29.3 ...
## $ SandSaves
                        : num 54.8 53.6 37.9 45.1 52.4 ...
## $ Scrambling
                        : num 59.4 57.9 50.8 54.8 57.1 ...
## $ BounceBack
                        : num 19.3 19.4 16.8 17.1 18.2 ...
## $ PuttsPerRound
                        : num 28 29.3 29.2 29.5 28.9 ...
#omg Tiger was so good he get's his own degree or freedom...
#Build model
model = lm(PrizeMoney ~ DrivingAccuracy + GIR + PuttingAverage + BirdieConversion + SandSaves
#normal diagnostic stuff
scat.mat = pga[,c(5:10, 12)]
pairs(scat.mat, gap = 0.4)
                                     30
                                         36
                                                     50
                                 24
    DrivingAccuracy
24
                                                                          30.0
  50 60 70
                                          35 45 55
                                                                    29.5
                      1.72
                          1.80
                                                              28.0
#Added variable plots
library(car)
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
avPlots(model, ~DrivingAccuracy)
```

```
avPlots(model, ~GIR)
avPlots(model, ~PuttingAverage)
avPlots(model, ~BirdieConversion)
PrizeMoney | others
                                                         PrizeMoney | others
     4e+05
                                                               4e+05
     0e+00
                               -1e+05
                                              10
              -10
                      -5
                                       5
                                                                                                   2
                                                                                                         3
                               0
                                                                      -3
                                                                            -2
                                                                                  GIR | others
                 DrivingAccuracy | others
PrizeMoney | others
                                                         PrizeMoney | others
     4e+05
                                                               4e+05
     -1e+05
                                                               -1e+05
         -0.02
                  -0.01
                             0.00
                                       0.01
                                                                    -3
                                                                           -2
                                                                                      0
                                                                                                  2
                                                                                                        3
                  PuttingAverage | others
                                                                           BirdieConversion | others
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
avPlots(model, ~SandSaves)
avPlots(model, ~Scrambling)
avPlots(model, ~PuttsPerRound)
#Model diagnostics
```

par(mfrow = c(2,2))



The scatter matrix shows that there is linear relationships between Putting Average and Birdie Conversion, Putting Average and Putts Per Round, and small correlations between Sand Saves

and Scrambling. All three of these relationships does not come as a surprise. Other covariates are relatively uncorrelated. From the added variable plots, its hard to distinguish any clearly significant pairwise variables. It appears that GIR, Birdie Conversions, Sand Saves, and Scrambling all explain additional variance in prize money while Putts Per Round, Putting Average add no additional information and Driving accuracy could be either. There are some very clear issues in our model diagnostics. First, there is some serious heteroskedasticty issues. Secondly, it appears that participant 178 (Tiger Woods) is a horrible, horrible leverage point.

I initial disagree with the analyst. I believe we should add a factor variable for Tiger Woods (model Alien Golfers vs Human Golfers) and then possibly apply a log transformation to account for the larger purse events.

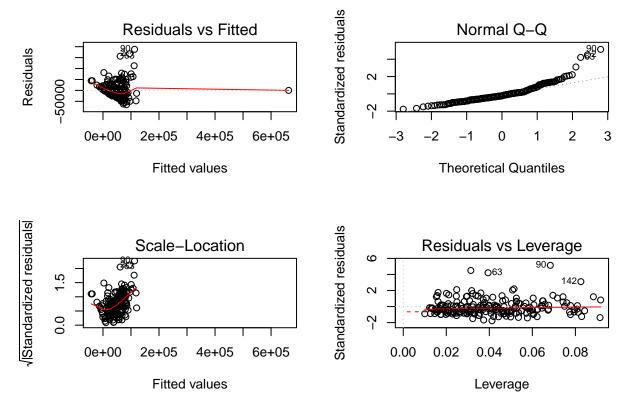
# (b)

We will follow the suggestions above.

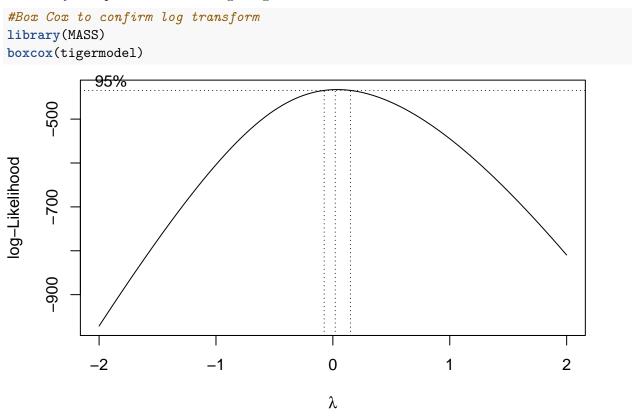
```
#tiger model
tigermodel = lm(PrizeMoney ~ DrivingAccuracy + GIR + PuttingAverage + BirdieConversion + SandS
#model diagnostics
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(tigermodel)

## Warning: not plotting observations with leverage one:
## 178

## Warning: not plotting observations with leverage one:
## 178
```



Here we see we fix some issues with the leverage due to Tiger Woods. Now, we still see some Skewness in the Normal Q-Q plot and a huge good leverage point in the Prize Money. We will try to remedy this problem with taking a log transformation.



```
#tiger model
logtigermodel = lm(log(PrizeMoney) ~ DrivingAccuracy + GIR + PuttingAverage + BirdieConversion
#model diagnostics
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(logtigermodel)
## Warning: not plotting observations with leverage one:
      178
## Warning: not plotting observations with leverage one:
##
      178
                                                Standardized residuals
                                                                   Normal Q-Q
                Residuals vs Fitted
     \alpha
Residuals
     0
     7
          8
                9
                           11
                                12
                                      13
                                                                                     2
                     10
                                                              -2
                                                                                          3
                    Fitted values
                                                                 Theoretical Quantiles
/Standardized residuals
                                                Standardized residuals
                  Scale-Location
                                                              Residuals vs Leverage
                                                     \alpha
                                                     0
     0.0
                                                     က
          8
                9
                                12
                                      13
                                                         0.00
                                                                0.02
                                                                      0.04
                                                                             0.06
                                                                                    0.08
                     10
                    Fitted values
                                                                      Leverage
#summary of model
summary(logtigermodel)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = log(PrizeMoney) ~ DrivingAccuracy + GIR + PuttingAverage +
        BirdieConversion + SandSaves + Scrambling + PuttsPerRound +
##
##
        TigerWoods, data = pga)
##
## Residuals:
         Min
##
                     1Q
                           Median
                                          3Q
                                                   Max
## -1.72152 -0.48488 -0.09094 0.44418
##
```

```
## Coefficients:
##
                     Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)
                     0.025605
                                 7.919751
                                            0.003 0.997424
## DrivingAccuracy
                    -0.003650
                                           -0.308 0.758289
                                 0.011845
## GIR
                     0.199796
                                 0.044113
                                            4.529 1.05e-05 ***
## PuttingAverage
                    -0.420963
                                 6.933873
                                           -0.061 0.951654
## BirdieConversion
                     0.158275
                                 0.041205
                                            3.841 0.000168 ***
## SandSaves
                     0.015214
                                 0.009893
                                            1.538 0.125770
                                 0.031983
                                            1.621 0.106739
## Scrambling
                     0.051839
## PuttsPerRound
                    -0.342557
                                 0.474818
                                           -0.721 0.471535
                                           -0.122 0.903234
## TigerWoods
                    -0.087245
                                 0.716639
## ---
                   0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Signif. codes:
##
## Residual standard error: 0.6657 on 187 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.5577, Adjusted R-squared:
## F-statistic: 29.48 on 8 and 187 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
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We see here that we have a very strong model. The Normal Q-Q plot is almost perfect, the residuals plots are relatively uncorrelated. There appears to be more variance in lower prize events as to be expected (not all elite golfers may attend these events). Therefore, on average, this is a strong model but for lower prized events we could see more variance in our estimates.

## (c)

Here made Tiger Woods his own group. In any chance of analyzing normal of average performance, we needed to remove him from the equation. You can see this almost immediately after we added his factor group. There is also a single outlier in the prize money events. It appears to be a good leverage point however, so we include it in the model. This may however affect the higher variance in the lower priced events. We maybe should consider a weighted MLR that takes into account the size of the event as a proxy for the Prize Money. This may account for the small - nonconstant variance.

#### (d)

As stated above, higher variance in lower purse events could be an issue for prediction. Moreover, having Tiger Woods as his own group we have no sense of variability for his performance. This implies that any ANCOVA is impossible between these sets of golfers. This is a significant issue with the model. We do not have the framework/tools to predict or estimate how his performance affect other golfers in this framework. Instead we opt to consider the game as one that the "Tiger Effect" is modeled separately than the field.

#### (e)

Our model output suggests that GIR ( $\hat{\beta} \approx 0.199796$ ) and BirdieConversion ( $\hat{\beta} \approx 0.199796$ ) is the most important aspect of expected Prize Money. As we saw in the scatter matrix, these variables are clearly not independent of the other variables in the model. Thus if we remove the insignificant variables, you actually remove some of overall affect of the golfer's performance. For instance, Birdie

Conversion and Putting Average are highly correlated. Both serve as proxies for a golfer's putting game. By removing a piece of information about the golfer's putting game, our proxies become weaker because we cannot model the overall affect of these variables.