

CREDIT SCORE

Data Analysis



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Project Overview

Objectives:

1. Create visualizations to explore relationships between variables in **users_data.csv** from the Financial Transactions dataset.
2. Analyze **users_data.csv** and identify a valid model to predict credit score from various explanatory variables.

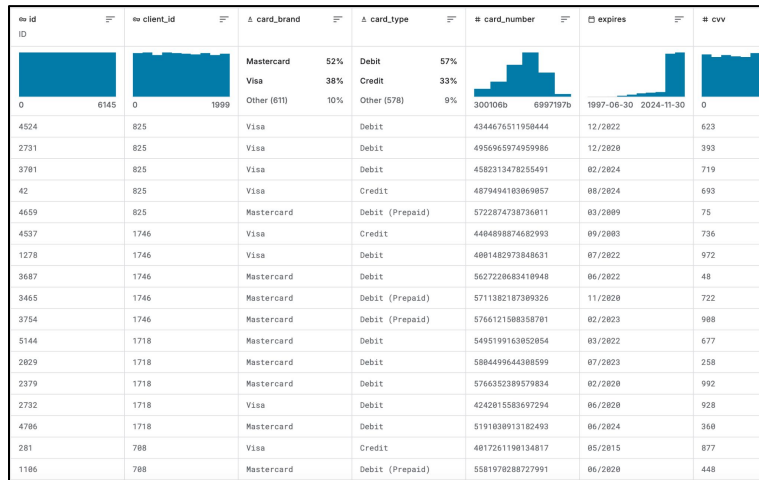


Data Collection

Week 3 (data source, number of files, variables, variable types)

- Focused on two files: cards_data.csv and users_data.csv
- Variables (card_data)
 - Card_id
 - User_id
 - Card_limit
 - Card_type
 - issued_date
- Variables (users_data)
 - User_id
 - Current_age
 - Retirement_age
 - Gender
 - Per_capita_income
 - Yearly_income
 - Total_debt
 - Num_credit_cards
 - Birth_year / birth_month

Data source: Kaggle Dataset: Transactions Fraud Datasets



Data Cleaning

Week 3

- **Cards_data.csv:** Checked structure and content with str(), head(), tail()
 - Found no missing values and no duplicate rows
 - Transformed categorical variables into numeric formats (ex. Card_vrand → card_brand_num)
- **Users_data.csv:** used str(), head(), tail()
 - Found no missing values and no duplicate rows
 - Converted categorical variables into numeric
 - Ex. Gender → gender_num

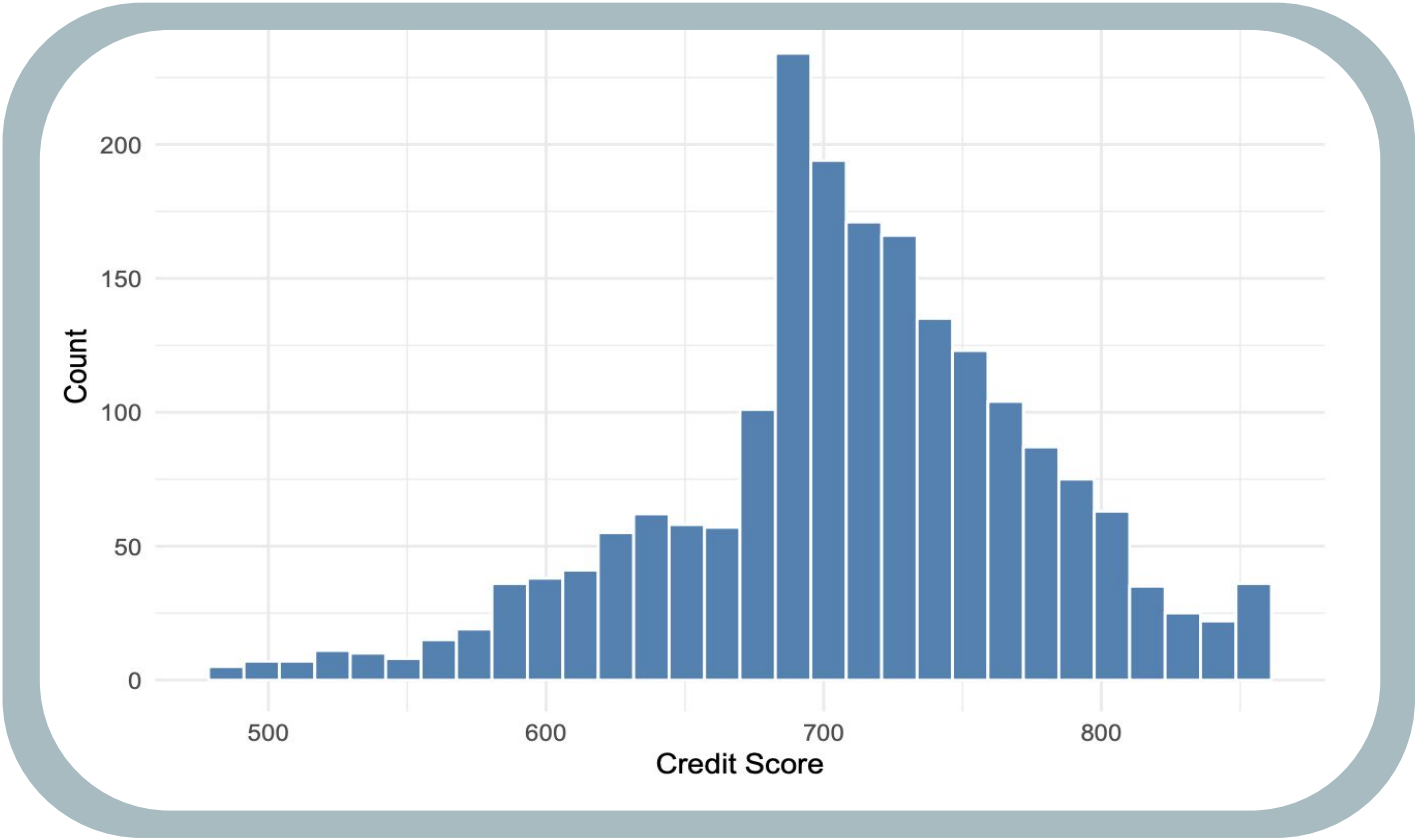
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```{r}
MUTATE - permanently create card_brand_num -- quantitative version of
card_brand
card_brand still exists
cards_data <-
 cards_data |>
 mutate(card_brand_num = recode(card_brand,
 "Amex" = 1,
 "Discover" = 2,
 "Mastercard" = 3,
 "Visa" = 4))
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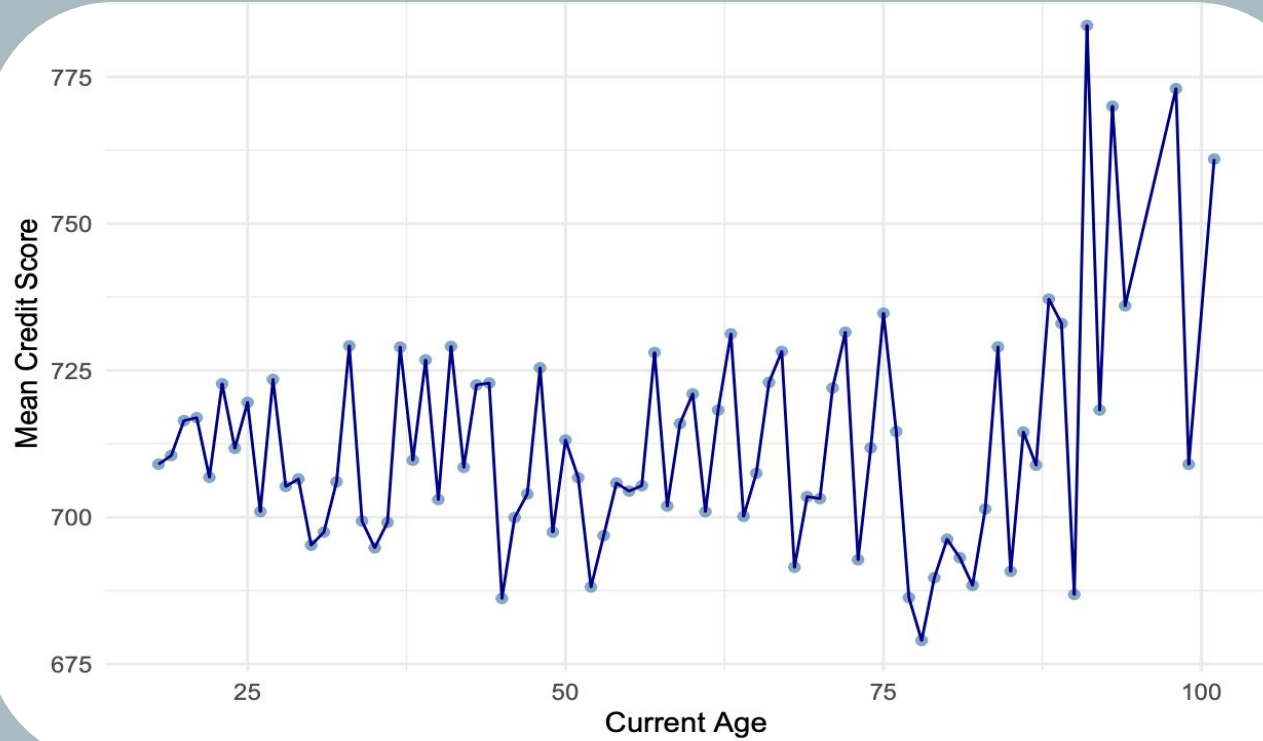
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Exploratory Data Analysis

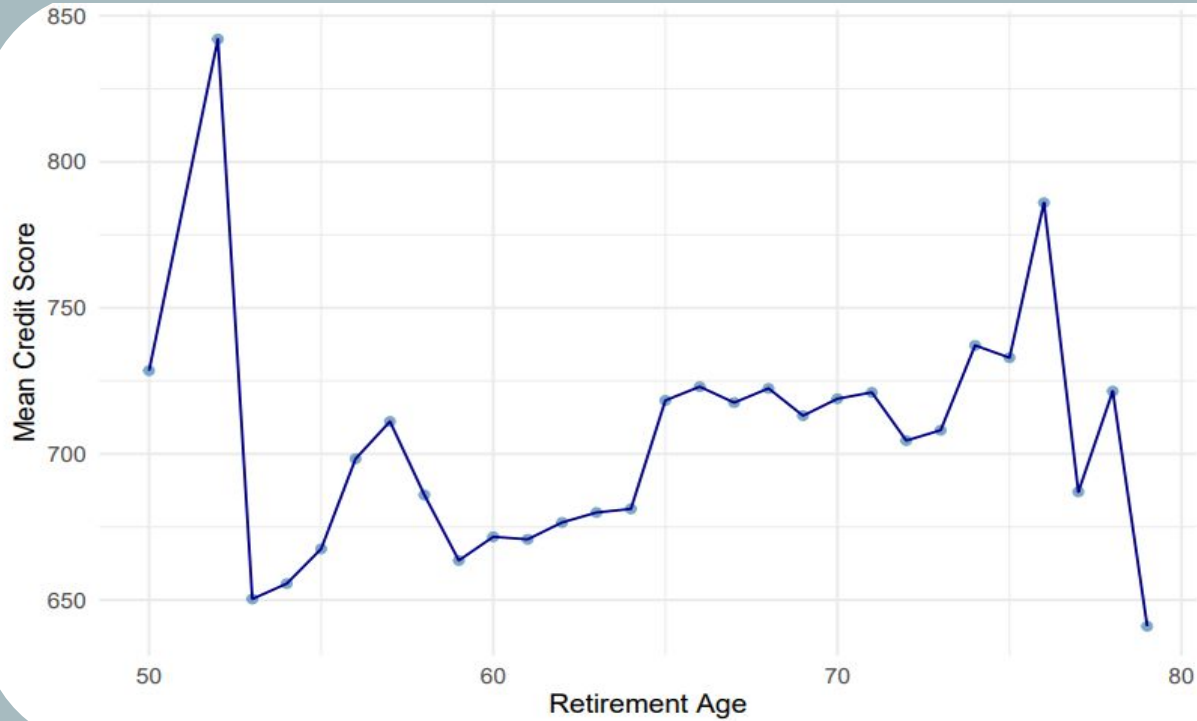
Distribution of Credit Scores



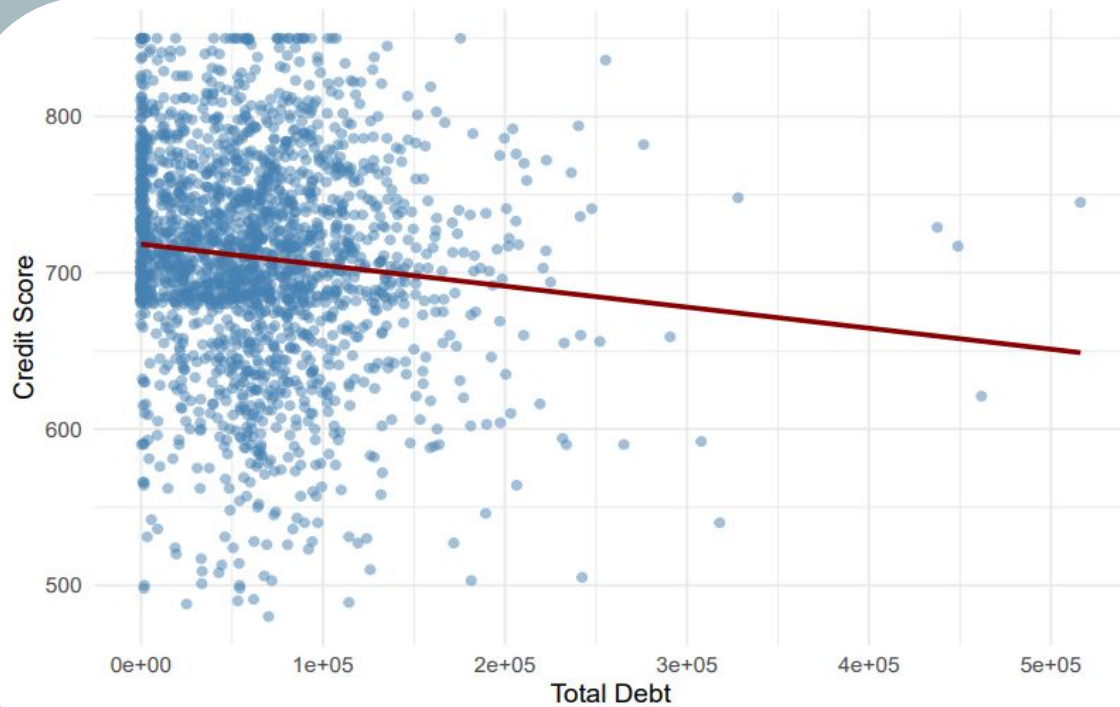
Average Credit Score by Current Age



Average Credit Score by Retirement Age



Average Credit Score by Total Debt



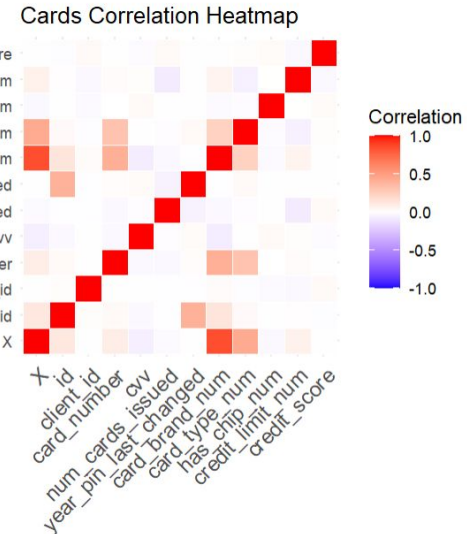
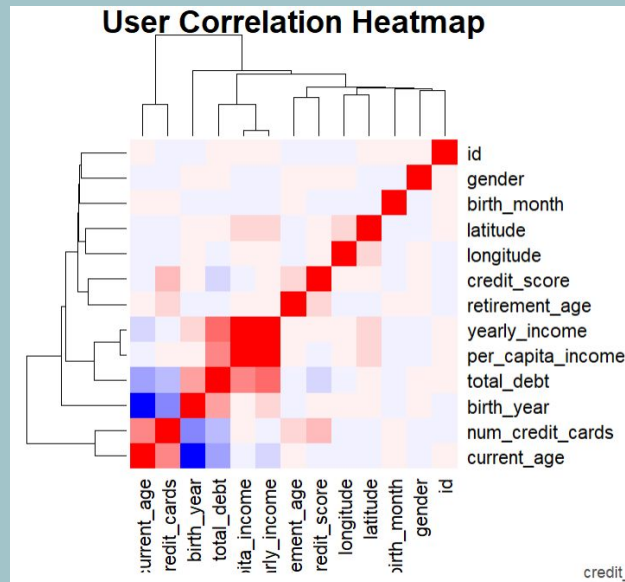
Visualization Development

Users_data

The correlation matrix heatmap for the Users data set showed retirement_age and num_credit_cards as variables with possible positive correlation. And total_debt was a variable with a possible negative correlation.

Cards_data

The correlation matrix heatmap for the Cards data set showed a small possible positive correlation between the variable num_cards_issued and credit score.



```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = credit_score ~ current_age + retirement_age + per_capita_income +
##     yearly_income + total_debt + num_credit_cards, data = users_data)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -217.928  -36.282   -0.069   41.138  187.235
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)    5.561e+02  2.688e+01  20.689  < 2e-16 ***
## current_age    -6.107e-01  9.682e-02  -6.307  3.48e-10 ***
## retirement_age  2.258e+00  4.014e-01  5.625  2.12e-08 ***
## per_capita_income -3.420e-04  5.149e-04  -0.664    0.507
## yearly_income   3.263e-04  2.605e-04   1.253    0.210
## total_debt     -1.601e-04  3.465e-05  -4.622  4.05e-06 ***
## num_credit_cards  1.138e+01  1.018e+00  11.175  < 2e-16 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 63.83 on 1993 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared:  0.1012, Adjusted R-squared:  0.0985
## F-statistic: 37.4 on 6 and 1993 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
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Highly Significant Predictors

($p < 0.001$):

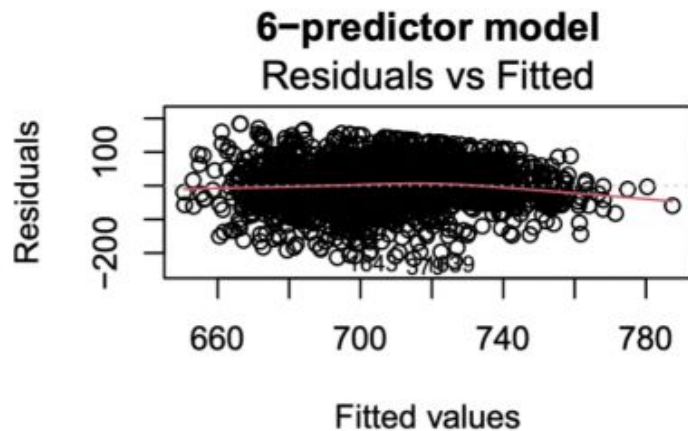
- current_age (negative effect)
- retirement_age (positive effect)
- total_debt (negative effect)
- num_credit_cards (positive effect)

R-squared = 0.1012

About **10.12%** of the variance in credit score is explained by this model

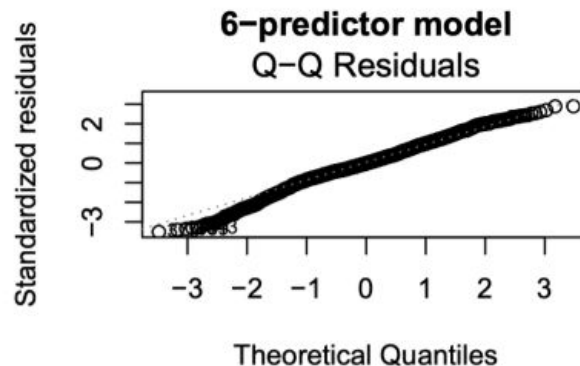
Multiple Regression Model

Model Assumptions



Residuals vs. Fitted Plot

- ☐ Random scatter
- ☐ Constant variance
- ☐ No pattern!

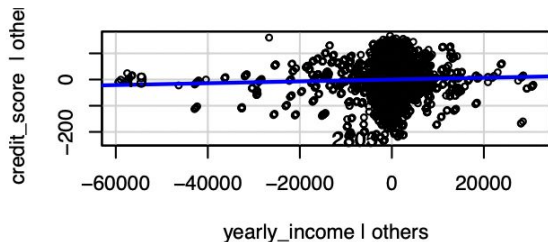


Q-Q Plot of Residuals

- ☐ Diagonal straight line
- ☐ Normality of Residuals

Predictors: current age, retirement age, birth year, yearly income, total debt, number of credit cards

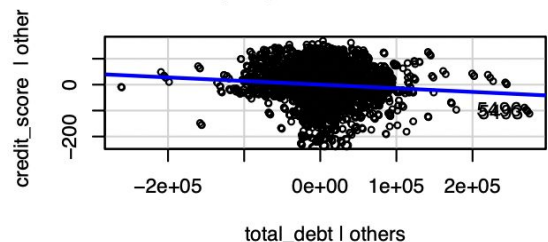
Predictors and Multicollinearity



Yearly Income vs. Credit Score

VIF: 12.855461

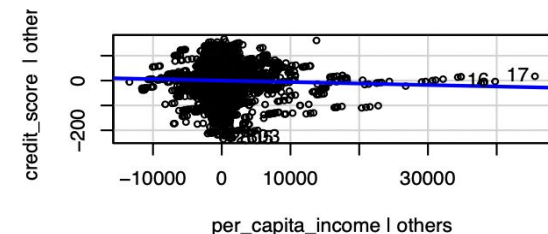
Serious multicollinearity!



Total Debt vs. Credit Score

VIF: 1.547472

Acceptable, little correlation with other variables



Per Capita Income vs. Credit Score

VIF: 12.564242

Serious multicollinearity!

Model Selection

Method 1: Best Subset Selection

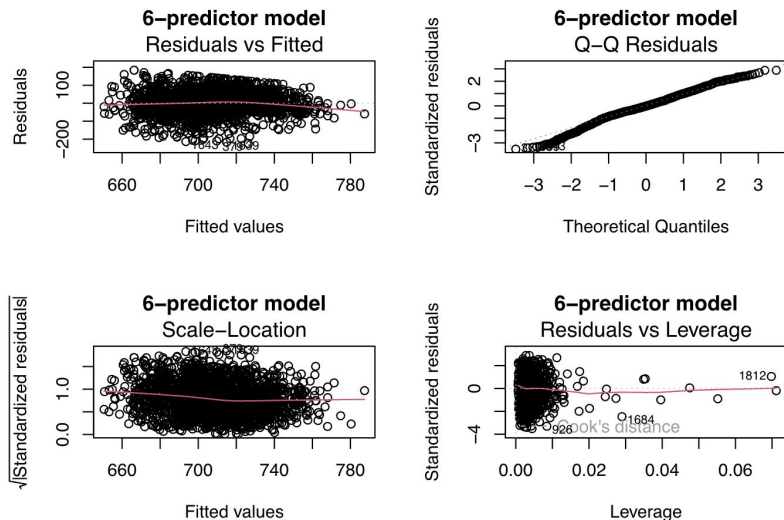
- Evaluate all possible subsets of predictors
- Based on Adjusted R^2 , Cp and RSS
 - **Adjusted R^2 :** 0.1001
 - **RMSE:** 63.66
- **Conclusions:** the six predictors are moderate predictors of credit score and had the best performance across all metrics

Method 2: Forward Stepwise Regression

- Start with no predictors
- Add predictor that most improves model (lowest AIC)
- Continue until no additional variable improves the model

Method 3: Backwards Stepwise Regression

- Start with all predictors
- Remove predictor that hurts the model the least
- Stop when removing more variables makes the model worse



Limitations & Improvements

- Multicollinearity resulted in a lengthy process of model selection
- Even after model selection, final R^2 value was low
- Investigating further diagnostics such as Cook's distance, leverage points



Thank You