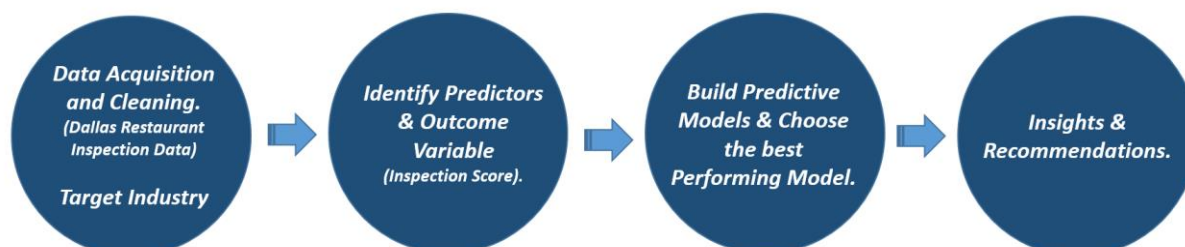


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## OVERVIEW OF PROJECT



A Four Stage Project as shown above.

**Stage 1:** First Stage is mostly about Identifying, acquiring, understanding and cleaning the data. Once completed the target firm is identified.

**Stage 2:** This involved identifying predictors and outcome variables.

**Stage 3:** This stage comprises of building different predictive models and choose the best of top 3 high performance models.

**Stage 4:** This involves Drawing out Insights from the chosen model and come up with actionable business recommendations for the target firm.

## BUSINESS UNDERSTANDING

### Firm Description

Online review websites are one of the best lead generation tools for restaurants. In today's digital age, diners swiftly become online critics on restaurant review sites. Through their ratings and reviews, they're making personal recommendations not only to their friends and family but also to the whole world. **OpenTable** is one such online restaurant reservation and restaurant review platform. OpenTable was founded in 1998 and have been powering dining experiences for more than 20 years now. The company was founded by Chuck Templeton in San Francisco, after getting frustrated by the need to call multiple restaurants to find the right place to go to dinner.

Restaurants sign up with the services offered by OpenTable and use the company's back-end software to process the reservations through their website or mobile app, resulting in a real-time reservation system for both diners and restaurants.

OpenTable allows users to search for restaurants and reservations based on parameters like dates, times, cuisine, and price range. The customers can also leave reviews and ratings about restaurants in the form of feedback by using a five-point rating system to judge the experience across different categories including Food, Ambience, Value, and Service, which all feed into a restaurant's overall score. Customers can even use the platform to read up on reviews.

As of Q4 2019, since its inception, OpenTable has seated more than 2 billion diners via online reservations, representing more than \$91 billion spent at partner restaurants. OpenTable has integrations with more than 600 brands, including Amazon Alexa, Facebook Messenger, Google, Instagram, Snapchat, TripAdvisor, Yahoo! and Zagat. In aggregate, these integrations account for 17 percent of diners seated each month via OpenTable.

**OpenTable's workforce consists of around 1200 employees in 10 offices around the globe.**



An Interview Given by 'OpenTable' Christa Quarles about the challenges to the business in 2018. [Link to the Article](#)

### Firm's Geographic footprint

The company is head-quartered in San Francisco, California. Its home market consists of the United States. The company has also expanded its market globally and is active in more than 80 countries, including Australia, Canada, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Mexico, the Netherlands, Spain, United Kingdom and the United States.

### Line of Business for Analysis

The line of business that is the subject of our analysis would be reviews and recommendations. All food establishments are inspected by a licensed professional by Health Services once every 6 months. Scores only represent a snapshot of the facility at the time of inspection. Survey data shows that 94% of U.S. diners are influenced by online reviews, especially when they're on the hunt for somewhere new to eat out. Another survey by Bright Local says that about 60% reported reading a review for a restaurant before they went. The statistics have gone on to reveal a simple fact: restaurants with the most positive reviews on restaurant review websites get the most bookings. The more positive experiences listed, the better. Hence, reviews combined with inspection score of the restaurant have an important role in determining the success or downfall of a restaurant. Our focus will be specific to restaurants in Dallas.

## SWOT Analysis

| STRENGTHS  | WEAKNESSES  | OPPORTUNITIES   | THREATS   |
|--|---|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ 20+ Years of Industry Experience.</li> <li>❑ Loyal Customers – 60,000 Restaurants and 124 Million Diners Globally.</li> <li>❑ Conversion Based Charge.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ High Priced – The services offered by Open Table are highly priced with expensive gadgets.</li> <li>❑ Limited Features.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Company is Looking for enhanced and unique features to fuel the platform.</li> <li>❑ Existing customer base and brand awareness ease the marketing.</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Market competitors like Yelp are expanding their customer network rapidly, also constantly scaling up their data.</li> </ul> |

### Strengths:

Since 1998, OpenTable has dominated the virtual reservation landscape and is considered to be a leading provider of real-time online reservations for diners and guest management solutions for restaurants. The company has a passion for hospitality and helps restaurants grow their business with many of their employees having worked in the service industry.

One benefit to advertising on OpenTable, unlike other search engines, OpenTable does not charge on a click or impression basis, but only if you seat a guest and that person is physically seated in your restaurant.

OpenTable's platform manages 124 million diners on average each month at more than 60,000 restaurants globally. OpenTable also finds restaurants for more than 31 million diners each month via online reservations. OpenTable diners write more than 1 million restaurant reviews every month.

### Weaknesses:

Over the years OpenTable has tested and rolled out a number of different tactics to retain and build their audience, but at the end of the day pricing continues to be the main decider. OpenTable is the most expensive option for restaurants that take reservations, with \$249 monthly fees + a seated cover charge of 25 ¢ to \$1 depending on how the table is booked. OpenTable's main use case is to make reservations, and the reviews are a secondary feature.

### Opportunities:

To compensate with their high prices, OpenTable can offer more services to restaurants to improve their businesses. The company is looking to leverage its scale and experience in the space to become a data-fueled recommendation engine for diners and a source of quality intelligence for restaurant operators.

The data and actionable insights can help OpenTable provide more control and flexibility to optimize and increase revenue, while also helping to ensure a positive experience for customers.

Threats:

OpenTable has lost ground to rivals over the last few years. OpenTable can clearly feel competitors nipping at its heels: As CEO Christa Quarles told Skift Table in her own recent interview, “We’ve got to keep pace with the challenges that our restaurants feel so that we can be a preferred partner.” Yelp is continuing its evolution from a user-generated review platform to meeting the needs of diners who want to plan ahead, walk in for seating, or get food delivered. According to internal data, Yelp managed 22 million diners in December 2019, with bookings directly through the Yelp app showing a threefold increase year-over-year for the fourth quarter. The December figure of 22 million diners managed is a shot across the bow of OpenTable, which has dominated the virtual reservation landscape since 1998. Yelp provides routine inspection information of restaurants obtained from HDScores, while HDScores collects public data directly from local health department.

## DATA ANALYSIS AND UNDERSTANDING

### Data Description

The dataset chosen for the term project was acquired from Dallas Open Data Platform. Dallas Open Data is an invaluable resource for anyone to easily access data published by the City.  
Source

Link : <https://www.dallasopendata.com/City-Services/Restaurant-and-Food-Establishment-Inspections-Octo/dri5-wcct>

### About the Data

- ☐ This data set is intended to communicate the name of establishment, the physical location of the establishment, the date the inspection was conducted, the overall score for the inspection, and the point deduction for the individual violations.
- ☐ The actual data set has **44,000** rows and **114** columns. After the process of data cleaning came up with **43,880** rows and 21 columns.
- ☐ Time frame of the data - The dataset captures data from October 2016 to Present.

Each row in the dataset represents a **Facility Inspection**.

### Cleaning the source data

Violation Description Columns in Source file contained 50 different violations which are grouped into 11 categories as follows.

- ✓ **Facility\_Cleanliness**
- ✓ **Food\_Temperature**
- ✓ **Food\_Contamination**

- ✓ Worker\_Cleanliness
- ✓ Hazardous\_Chemicals
- ✓ Facility\_Layout
- ✓ Certification
- ✓ Documentation
- ✓ Equipment
- ✓ Facility\_Amenities
- ✓ Other

| Violation Description - 1                                       |
|---|
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cool TCS foods using proper methods                         |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cooling method, criteria - smaller portions                 |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cooling method, criteria - placing the food in shallow pans |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |
| *27 Cooling, heating, and holding capacities. Equipment         |

Above descriptions can be put into the category Food Temperature using keyword 'cooling'. Likewise other descriptions are categorized based on the keywords.

## Data Dictionary

| Column Name      | Derived | Description   | Parent Column    |
|------------------|---------|---|------------------|
| Restaurant.Name  | No      | Name of the Facility being Inspected  | NA               |
| Inspection.Type  | No      | Code indicating the inspection type, such as Routine, Follow-up, Complaint, Temporary and Mobile. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Routine Inspections – are conducted at least once every six months</li> <li>• Follow-up Inspections – are conducted as a result of poor sanitation issues, low scores</li> <li>• Complaints Inspections – General Sanitation/Hygienic Practices /Illness Investigation, Smoking and Other</li> </ul>   | NA               |
| Quality_rating   | Yes     | Holds values 1 through 5. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100-90 (Meets Consumer Health Division standards (Excellent Quality) -5</li> <li>• 89-80 (Meets Consumer Health Division standards (Good Quality) -4</li> <li>• 79-70 (Requires follow-up inspection within 30 days)-3</li> <li>• 69-60 (Requires follow-up inspection within 10 days)-2</li> <li>• 59 and below (Requires follow-up inspection within 24 hours)- 1</li> </ul> | Inspection.Score |
| Inspection.Score | No      | The aggregate score from the inspection violations. Please note not every violation will reflect a point deduction as establishments are allowed to correct violations during the inspection process, and therefore no reduction in the overall score is reflected for the violation.   | NA               |
| Recommendation   | Yes     | Holds the value recommended or Not Recommended based on Quality Rating. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quality_Rating 5 &amp; 4 is Recommended.</li> <li>• Quality_rating 1,2,3 is Not Recommended.</li> </ul>  | Quality_rating   |

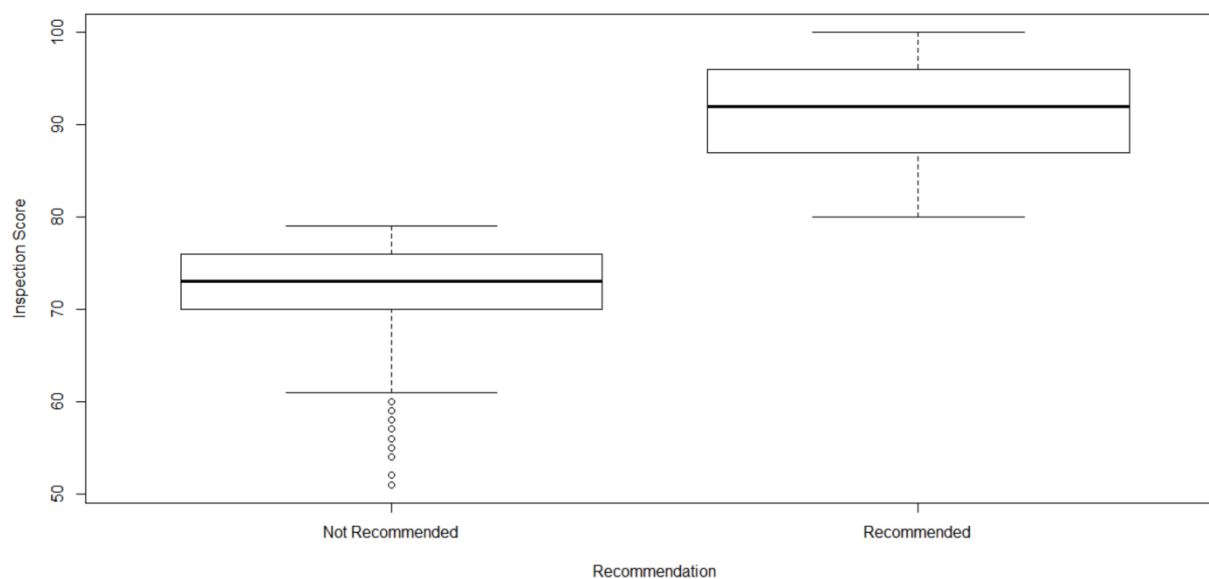
|                      |     |   |                         |
|----------------------|-----|---|-------------------------|
| Facility_Cleanliness | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>e.g., 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation | Violation Description # |
| Food_Temperature     | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>e.g., 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation | Violation Description # |
| Food_Contamination   | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>e.g., 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation | Violation Description # |
| Worker_Cleanliness   | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>e.g., 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation | Violation Description # |
| Hazardous Chemicals  | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>eg. 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation   | Violation Description # |
| Facility_Layout      | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>eg. 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation   | Violation Description # |
| Certification        | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>eg. 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation   | Violation Description # |
| Documentation        | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>eg. 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation   | Violation Description # |
| Equipment            | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>eg. 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation   | Violation Description # |
| Facility_Amenities   | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>eg. 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation   | Violation Description # |
| Other                | Yes | Represents the violation category that indicates the number of rules the facility has violated under that category.<br>Holds a whole number value based on number of times Violation occurred<br>eg. 0 for 0 Violations specific to the category, 2 for 2 Violations specific to the category<br><u>Derivation</u><br>If Parent Column value is corresponds to a category a counter is incremented with each occurrence of category violation   | Violation Description # |
| Inspection.Month     | No  | The month in which the Inspection has taken place   | NA                      |
| Inspection.Year      | No  | The year in which the inspection has taken place  | NA                      |
| Lat.Long.Location    | No  | The latitude and longitude of the facility  | NA                      |
| Zip.Code             | No  | Area zip code of the facility   | NA                      |
| Season               | Yes | Indicating the season (Summer, Fall, Winter, Spring) in which the inspection took place.  | Inspection Month        |

## Summarize the Dataset

### Summary of Numerical Variables

|                      | Minimum | Maximum | Median | Mean        | Standard_Deviation | Number_of_Missing_Values |
|----------------------|---------|---------|--------|-------------|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Inspection.Score     | 51      | 100     | 91     | 90.35072926 | 7.0451596          | 0                        |
| Facility_Cleanliness | 0       | 5       | 1      | 0.86267092  | 0.9265323          | 0                        |
| Food_Temperature     | 0       | 6       | 0      | 0.31342297  | 0.6252599          | 0                        |
| Food_Contamination   | 0       | 6       | 1      | 0.86561076  | 1.0330630          | 0                        |
| Worker_Cleanliness   | 0       | 5       | 0      | 0.34888332  | 0.6190593          | 0                        |
| Hazardous_Chemicals  | 0       | 3       | 0      | 0.16595260  | 0.3751534          | 0                        |
| Facility_Layout      | 0       | 6       | 0      | 0.50444394  | 0.7120150          | 0                        |
| Certification        | 0       | 4       | 0      | 0.34908842  | 0.5167418          | 0                        |
| Documentation        | 0       | 3       | 0      | 0.03999544  | 0.2039296          | 0                        |
| Equipment            | 0       | 5       | 0      | 0.37470374  | 0.6261819          | 0                        |
| Facility_Amenities   | 0       | 8       | 1      | 0.89735643  | 1.0109780          | 0                        |
| Other                | 0       | 4       | 0      | 0.39086144  | 0.5744814          | 0                        |

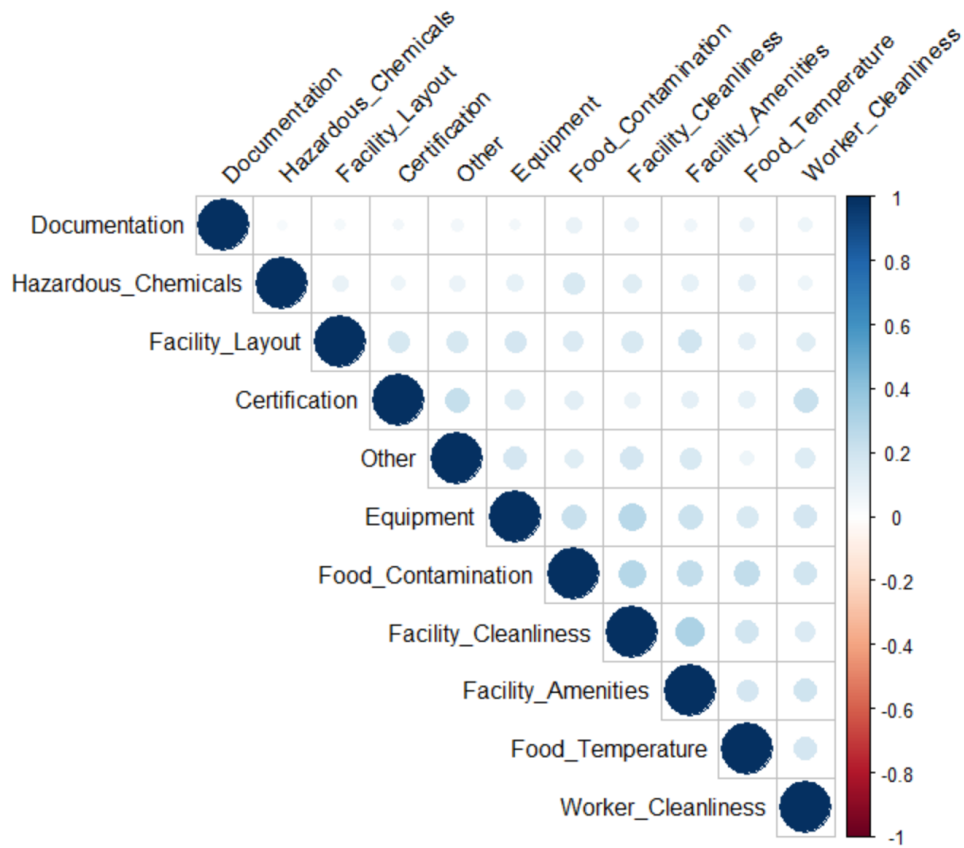
Side by side box plot of Inspection Score to recommendation.



The above box plot shows the distribution of inspection score to the correlated derived variable recommendation in dataset.

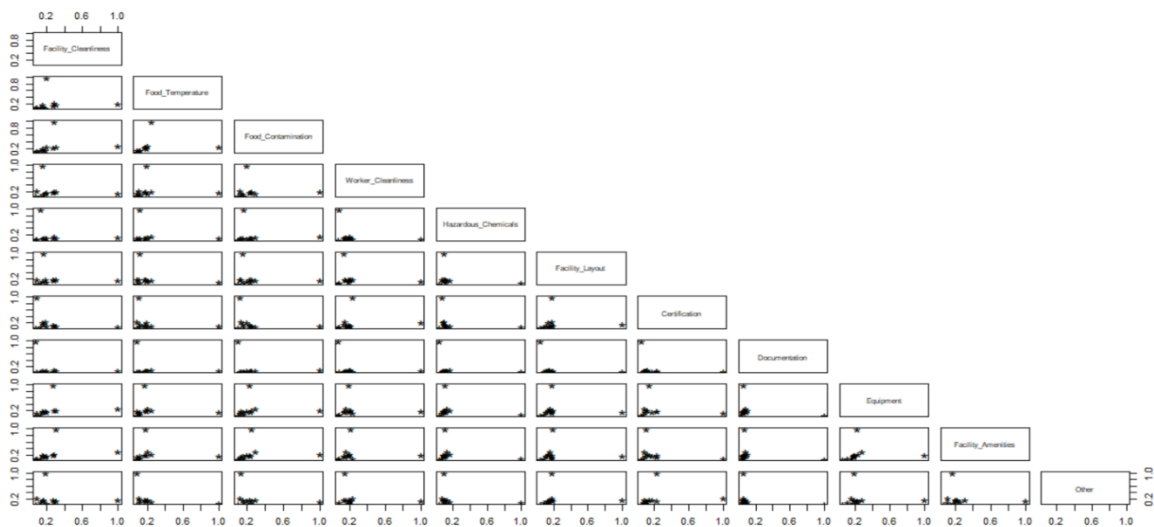


### Correlation matrix of predictors

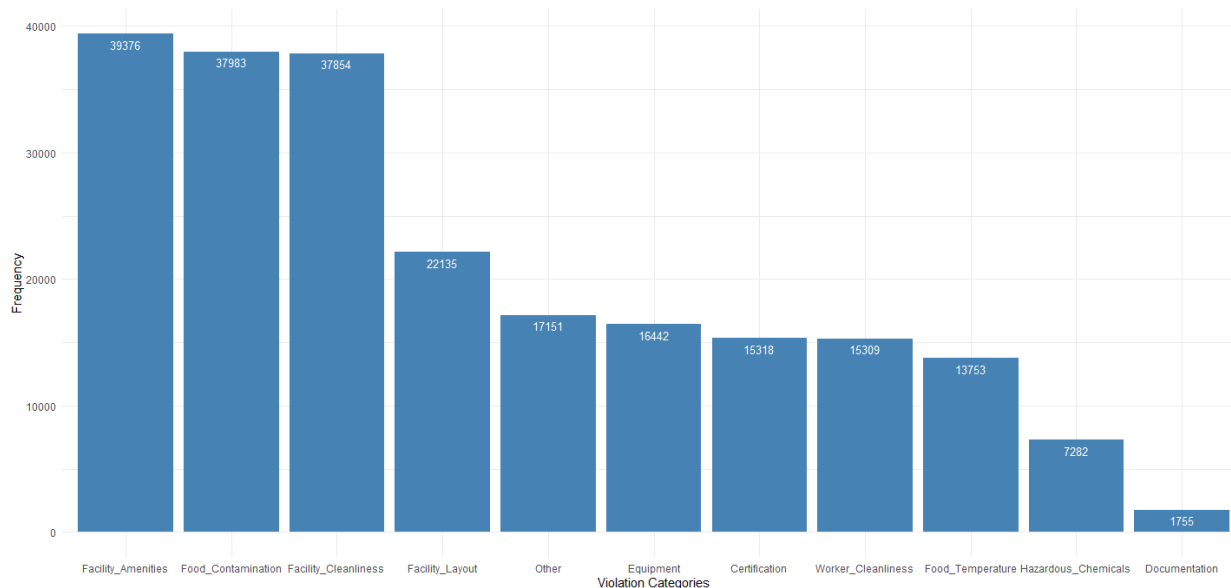


All the variables lie within the value 0 - 0.3 which gives a lower correlation which shows these are good predictors.

### Pairwise scatter plots for predictors



Bar chart for the frequency of the occurrences of violations in different violation categories.



## DATA MODELING

### Goals and Objectives

By introducing our models, OpenTable enables Restaurants to be better prepared for inspection through the prediction of outcome variable 'Inspection Score' and help the restaurant owners to know the desirability of their restaurant through the next target variable 'Recommendation'.

The target variable 'Inspection Score' for our linear model holds an integer value between 51 and 100 and tells whether the restaurant adheres to the rules put out by Dallas Inspection Authority.

The target variable for our logistic regression model, 'Recommendation', holds categorical values: 'Recommend' and 'Not Recommend'. This variable lets the restaurant owner know whether the restaurant will be recommended or not.

### Build the Models

#### Model 1: Full Linear Regression Model

**Target Variable:** Inspection.Score

**Predictors:** All the remaining variables (Inspection.Type, Zip.Code, Season, Facility\_Cleanliness, Food\_Temperature, Food\_Contamination, Worker\_Cleanliness, Hazardous\_Chemicals, Facility\_Layout, Certification, Documentation, Equipment, Facility\_Amenities, Other, Inspection.Year)

```

> # Creating a full linear regression model.
> iv.lm <- lm(Inspection.Score ~ . , data = train.df )
> options(scipen=999)
> summary(iv.lm)

Call:
lm(formula = Inspection.Score ~ . , data = train.df)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-19.3792  -0.8213   0.2274   0.8346  17.9774

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)   -65.5302674    28.8038253   -2.275   0.0229 *
Inspection.TypeFollow-up -0.2278414    0.3575699   -0.637   0.5240
Inspection.TypeRoutine  -0.0554895    0.3511441   -0.158   0.8744
Zip.Code         0.0021932    0.0003829    5.728 0.0000000102 ***
SeasonSpring     0.0431393    0.0236873    1.821   0.0686 .
SeasonSummer     0.0021614    0.0246633    0.088   0.9302
SeasonWinter    -0.0060442    0.0222079   -0.272   0.7855
Facility_Cleanliness -1.6640422    0.0099588  -167.093 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Food_Temperature  -2.7770293    0.0140800  -197.232 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Food_Contamination -2.0277400    0.0088458  -229.232 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Worker_Cleanliness -2.6191408    0.0143489  -182.533 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Hazardous_Chemicals -2.9620182    0.0224925  -131.689 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Facility_Layout    -2.2563497    0.0121834  -185.198 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Certification      -1.9899118    0.0169795  -117.195 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Documentation      -2.2498863    0.0412071   -54.599 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Equipment         -1.7098821    0.0143302  -119.320 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Facility_Amenities -0.9044813    0.0089796  -100.726 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Other             -0.9190339    0.0152548   -60.245 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Inspection.YearFY2018 0.1793603    0.0209608    8.557 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Inspection.YearFY2019 0.2556672    0.0222175   11.507 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Inspection.YearFY2020 0.2957603    0.0301124    9.822 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.446 on 30694 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.958,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.9579
F-statistic: 3.497e+04 on 20 and 30694 DF,  p-value: < 0.0000000000000002

```

### Equation of the fitted model:

Algebraically, the equation for multiple linear regression is:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \dots + \beta_{px}x_p + \varepsilon$$

where  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

$\beta_0$  = Estimate value in the (Intercept) row = -65.5302674

$\beta_1$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.TypeFollow-up row = -0.2278414

$\beta_2$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.TypeRoutine row = -0.0554895

$\beta_3$  = Estimate value in the Zip.Code row = 0.0021932

$\beta_4$  = Estimate value in the SeasonSpring row = 0.0431393

$\beta_5$  = Estimate value in the SeasonSummer row = 0.0021614

$\beta_6$  = Estimate value in the SeasonWinter row = -0.0060442

$\beta_7$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Cleanliness row = -1.6640422

$\beta_8$  = Estimate value in the Food\_Temperature row = -2.7770293

$\beta_9$  = Estimate value in the Food\_Contamination row = -2.0277400

$\beta_{10}$  = Estimate value in the Worker\_Cleanliness row = -2.6191408

$\beta_{11}$  = Estimate value in the Hazardous\_Chemicals row = -2.9620182

$\beta_{12}$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Layout row = -2.2563497

$\beta_{13}$  = Estimate value in the Certification row = -1.9899118

$\beta_{14}$  = Estimate value in the Documentation row = -2.2498863

$\beta_{15}$  = Estimate value in the Equipment row = -1.7098821

$\beta_{16}$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Amenities row = -0.9044813

$\beta_{17}$  = Estimate value in the Other row = -0.9190339

$\beta_{18}$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.YearFY2018 row = 0.1793603

$\beta_{19}$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.YearFY2019 row = 0.2556672

$\beta_{20}$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.YearFY2020 row = 0.2957603

$\sigma$  = the Residual standard error = 1.446

Plugging these in above equation yields:

$Y = (-65.5302674) + [(-0.2278414)(x_1) \text{ OR } (-0.0554895)(x_2)] + (0.0021932)(x_3) + [(0.0431393)(x_4) \text{ OR } (0.0021614)(x_5) \text{ OR } (-0.0060442)(x_6)] + (-1.6640422)(x_7) + (-2.7770293)(x_8) + (-2.0277400)(x_9) + (-2.6191408)(x_{10}) + (-2.9620182)(x_{11}) + (-2.2563497)(x_{12}) + (-1.9899118)(x_{13}) + (-2.2498863)(x_{14}) + (-1.7098821)(x_{15}) + (-0.9044813)(x_{16}) + (-0.9190339)(x_{17}) + [(0.1793603)(x_{18}) \text{ OR } (0.2556672)(x_{19}) \text{ OR } (0.2957603)(x_{20})] + \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon \sim N(0, (1.446)^2)$

$Y = (-65.5302674) + [(-0.2278414)(\text{Inspection.TypeFollow-up}) \text{ OR } (-0.0554895)(\text{Inspection.TypeRoutine})] + (0.0021932)(\text{Zip.Code}) + [(0.0431393)(\text{SeasonSpring}) \text{ OR } (0.0021614)(\text{SeasonSummer}) \text{ OR } (-0.0060442)(\text{SeasonWinter})] + (-1.6640422)(\text{Facility\_Cleanliness}) + (-2.7770293)(\text{Food\_Temperature}) + (-2.0277400)(\text{Food\_Contamination}) + (-2.6191408)(\text{Worker\_Cleanliness}) + (-2.9620182)(\text{Hazardous\_Chemicals}) + (-2.2563497)(\text{Facility\_Layout}) + (-1.9899118)(\text{Certification}) + (-2.2498863)(\text{Documentation}) + (-1.7098821)(\text{Equipment}) + (-0.9044813)(\text{Facility\_Amenities}) + (-0.9190339)(\text{Other}) + [(0.1793603)(\text{Inspection.YearFY2018}) \text{ OR } (0.2556672)(\text{Inspection.YearFY2019}) \text{ OR } (0.2957603)(\text{Inspection.YearFY2020})] + \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon \sim N(0, (1.446)^2)$

**Adjusted R-squared:** 0.9579

**Model accuracy with Validation data:**

```
> predicteddata <- predict(iv.lm, valid.df )
> accuracy(round(predicteddata),valid.df$Inspection.Score)
               ME      RMSE      MAE      MPE      MAPE
Test set -0.03334599 1.510239 1.057729 -0.06169788 1.209669
```

Mean Error: -0.3334599

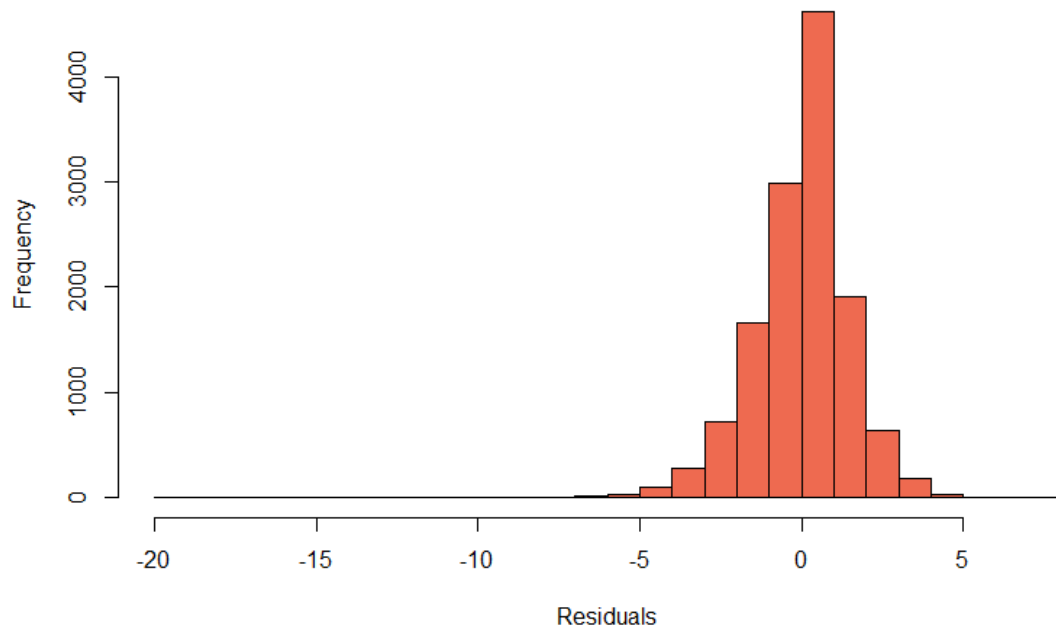
Root Mean Squared Error: 1.510239

Mean Absolute Error: 1.057729

Mean Percentage Error: -0.06169788

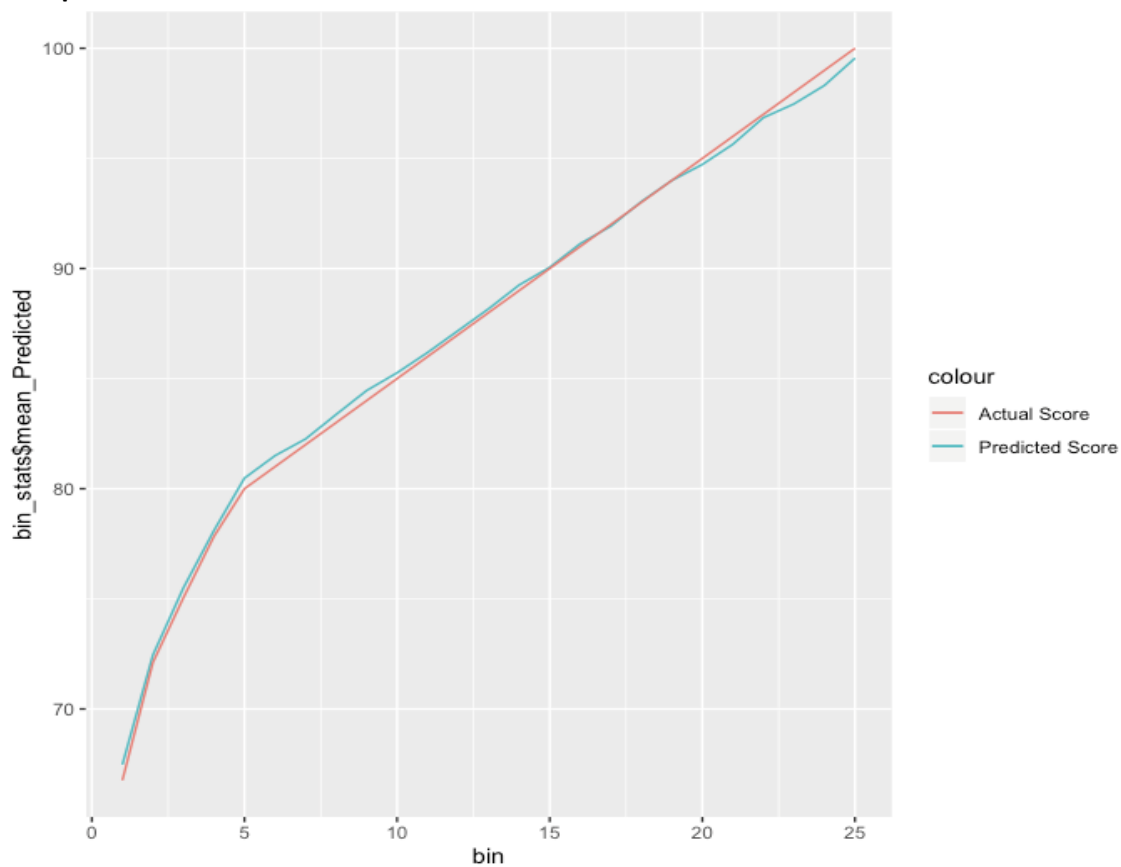
Mean Absolute Percentage Error: 1.209669

**Residual plot of validation data with Full Linear Regression model:**



The histogram of the residuals show that most of the errors are between -3 and +3.

#### Comparison of Actual Vs. Predicted Plot with Validation data:



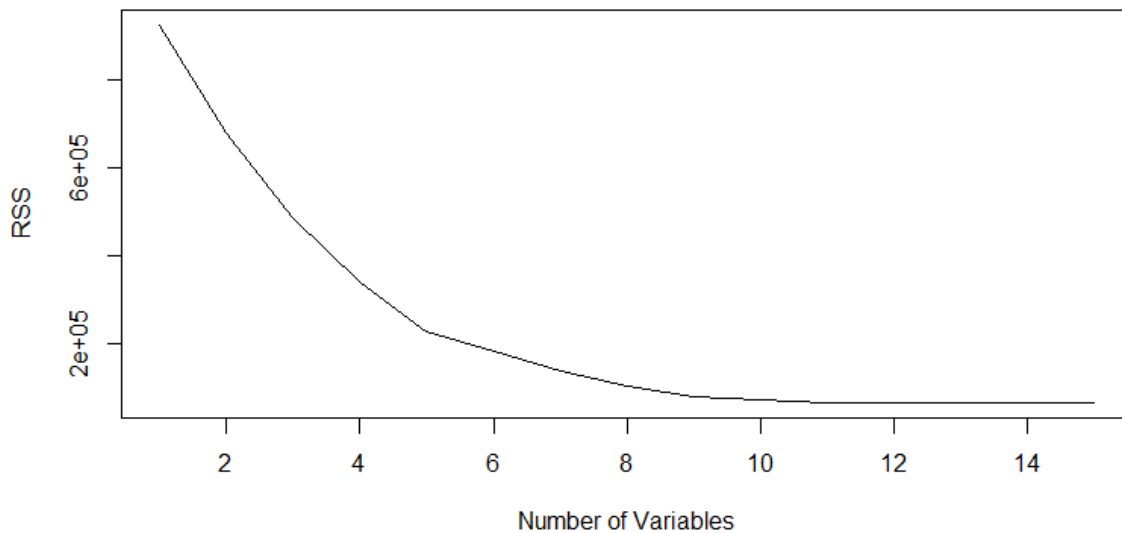
From the above plot, we can infer that there's a strong similarity between the model's predicted score and its actual scores.

## Model 2: Parsimonious Linear Regression Model

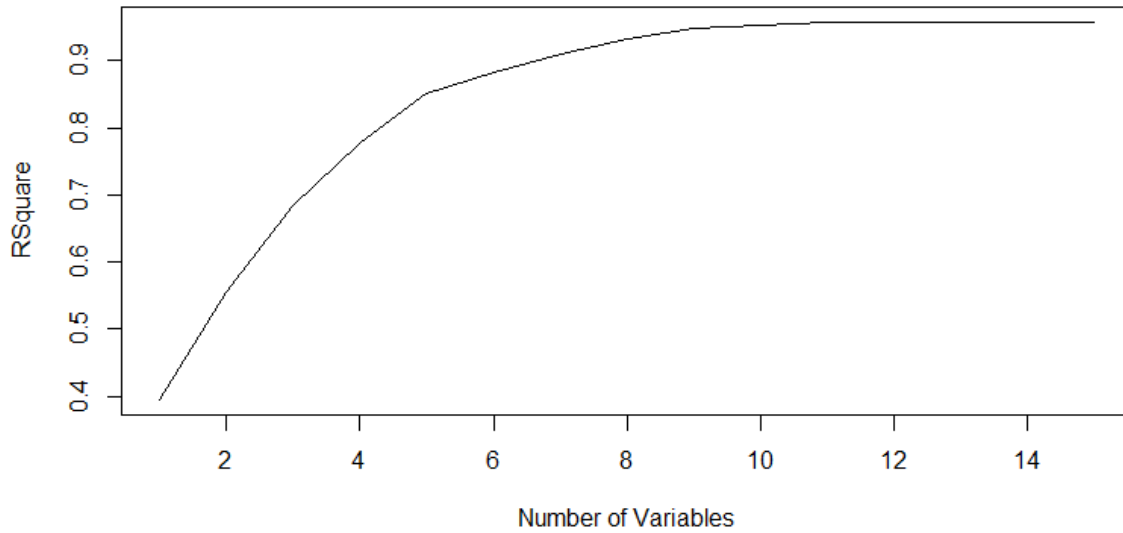
**Target Variable:** Inspection.Score

**Best subset selection:**

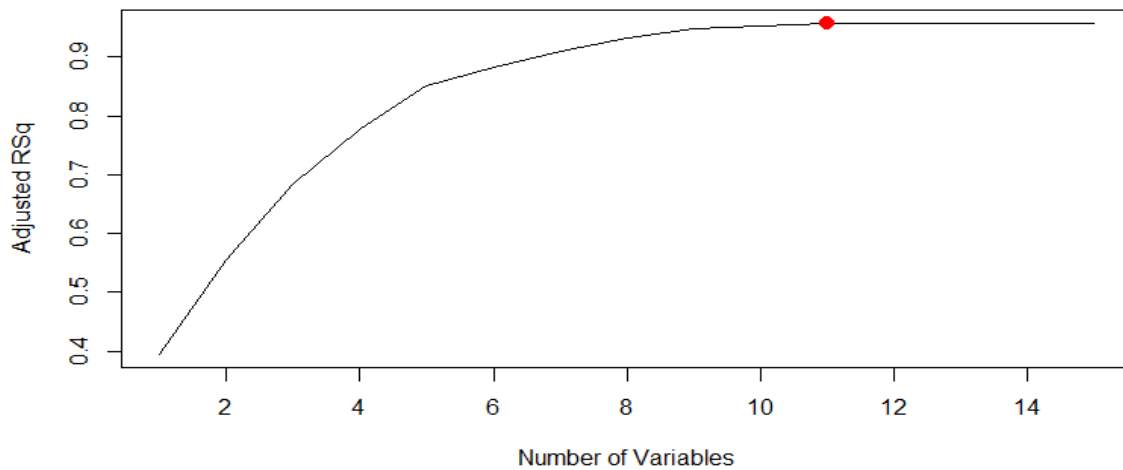
The `regsubsets()` function (part of the `leaps` library) performs best subset selection by identifying the best model that contains a given number of predictors. So, I use `regsubsets()` in package `leaps` to run an **exhaustive** search. The `regsubsets()` will calculate adjusted  $r^2$  for every possible combination of predictors which we plot on a graph.



RSS: For Residual Sum of Squares, which we want to minimize, so if we include more than 10 variables, RSS will be low.

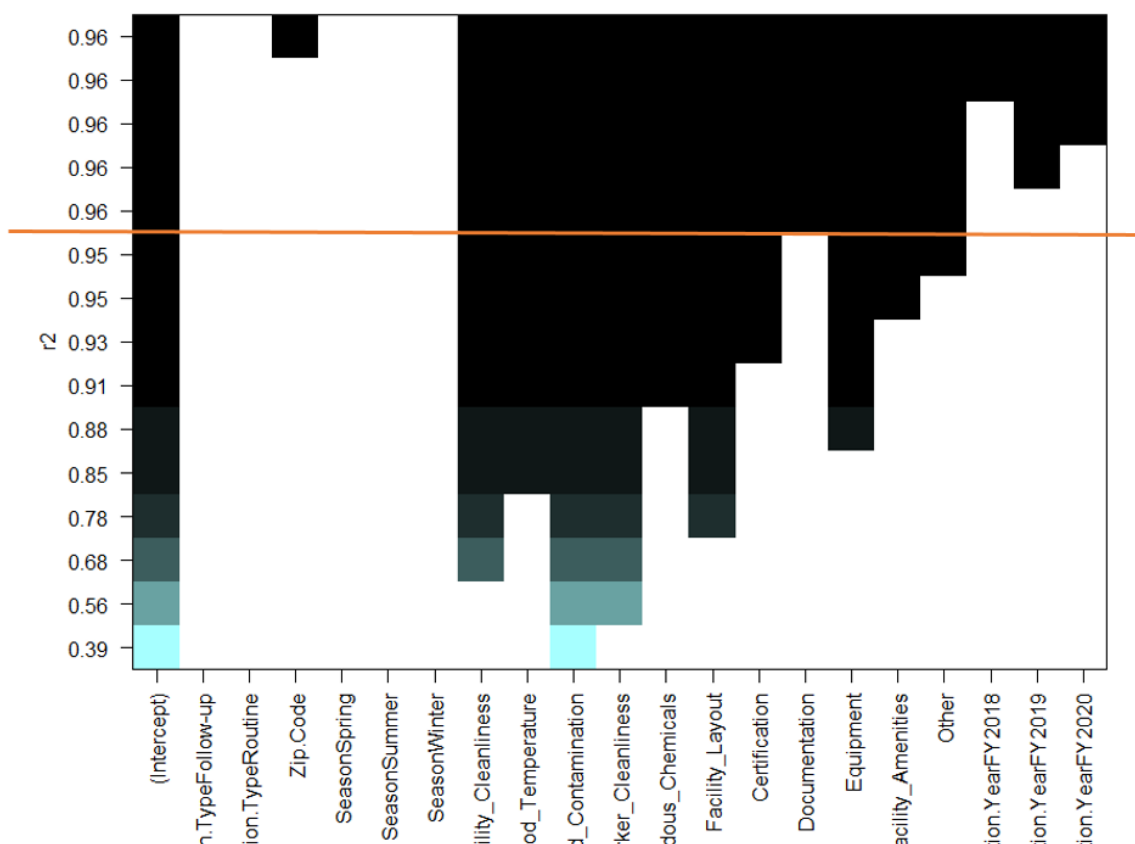


RSQ: When we include about more than 10 variables, we reach the highest r-square we can get. About 95%.



Adjusted R-sq: We see that 11 variables have the highest Adjusted Rsquare

Based on the above graphs I have chosen the top 11 significant predictors.



Based on the above plot, we choose our predictors as:

**Predictors:** Food\_Contamination, Worker\_Cleanliness, Facility\_Cleanliness, Facility\_Layout, Food\_Temperature, Equipment, Hazardous\_Chemicals, Certification, Facility\_Amenities, Other, Documentation



```

> # Building a parsimonious model with 11 best significant variables which are the violation variables.
> pariv.lm <- lm(Inspection.Score ~ Food_Contamination + Worker_Cleanliness + Facility_Cleanliness +
+               Facility_Layout + Food_Temperature + Equipment + Hazardous_Chemicals + Certification +
+               Facility_Amenities + Other + Documentation , data = train.df )
> options(scipen=999)
> summary(pariv.lm)

Call:
lm(formula = Inspection.Score ~ Food_Contamination + Worker_Cleanliness +
    Facility_Cleanliness + Facility_Layout + Food_Temperature +
    Equipment + Hazardous_Chemicals + Certification + Facility_Amenities +
    Other + Documentation, data = train.df)

Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-19.5519  -0.8535   0.2549   0.8330  18.0552

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)    99.55188    0.014382  6922.07 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Food_Contamination -2.026225    0.008846  -229.05 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Worker_Cleanliness -2.631030    0.014360  -183.22 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Facility_Cleanliness -1.656313    0.009958  -166.33 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Facility_Layout    -2.257070    0.012213  -184.81 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Food_Temperature   -2.777986    0.014099  -197.04 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Equipment          -1.720505    0.014343  -119.95 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Hazardous_Chemicals -2.975096    0.022546  -131.96 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Certification      -1.975842    0.016994  -116.27 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Facility_Amenities  -0.906309    0.009002  -100.67 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Other              -0.911542    0.015275   -59.67 <0.0000000000000002 ***
Documentation       -2.260421    0.041232   -54.82 <0.0000000000000002 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.451 on 30703 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.9577,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.9577
F-statistic: 6.315e+04 on 11 and 30703 DF,  p-value: < 0.00000000000000022

```

### Equation of the fitted model:

Algebraically, the equation for multiple linear regression is:

$$Y = \beta_0 + \beta_1x_1 + \beta_2x_2 + \dots + \beta_{px}x_p + \varepsilon$$

where  $\varepsilon \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$

$\beta_0$  = Estimate value in the (Intercept) row = 99.55188

$\beta_1$  = Estimate value in the Food\_Contamination row = -2.026225

$\beta_2$  = Estimate value in the Worker\_Cleanliness row = -2.63103

$\beta_3$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Cleanliness row = -1.656313

$\beta_4$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Layout row = -2.25707

$\beta_5$  = Estimate value in the Food\_Temperature row = -2.777986

$\beta_6$  = Estimate value in the Equipment row = -1.720505

$\beta_7$  = Estimate value in the Hazardous\_Chemicals row = -2.975096

$\beta_8$  = Estimate value in the Certification row = -1.975842

$\beta_9$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Amenities row = -0.906309

$\beta_{10}$  = Estimate value in the Other row = -0.911542

$\beta_{11}$  = Estimate value in the Documentation row = -2.260421

$\sigma$  = the Residual standard error = 1.451

Plugging these in above equation yields:

$$Y = (99.55188) + (-2.026225)(x_1) + (-2.63103)(x_2) + (-1.656313)(x_3) + (-2.25707)(x_4) + (-2.777986)(x_5) + (-1.720505)(x_6) + (-2.975096)(x_7) + (-1.975842)(x_8) + (-0.906309)(x_9) + (-0.911542)(x_{10}) + (-2.260421)(x_{11}) + \varepsilon, \text{ where } \varepsilon \sim N(0, (1.451)^2)$$

$Y = (99.55188) + (-2.026225)(\text{Food\_Contamination}) + (-2.63103)(\text{Worker\_Cleanliness}) + (-1.656313)(\text{Facility\_Cleanliness}) + (-2.25707)(\text{Facility\_Layout}) + (-2.777986)(\text{Food\_Temperature}) + (-1.720505)(\text{Equipment}) + (-2.975096)(\text{Hazardous\_Chemicals}) + (-1.975842)(\text{Certification}) + (-0.906309)(\text{Facility\_Amenities}) + (-0.911542)(\text{Other}) + (-2.260421)(\text{Documentation}) + \epsilon$ , where  $\epsilon \sim N(0, (1.451)^2)$

**Adjusted R-squared:** 0.9577

**Model accuracy with Validation data:**

```
> parpredicteddata <- predict(pariv.lm, valid.df)
> accuracy(round(parpredicteddata), valid.df$Inspection.Score)
```

|          | ME          | RMSE     | MAE      | MPE         | MAPE     |
|----------|-------------|----------|----------|-------------|----------|
| Test set | -0.06836308 | 1.514182 | 1.046259 | -0.09691329 | 1.199603 |

Mean Error: -0.06836308

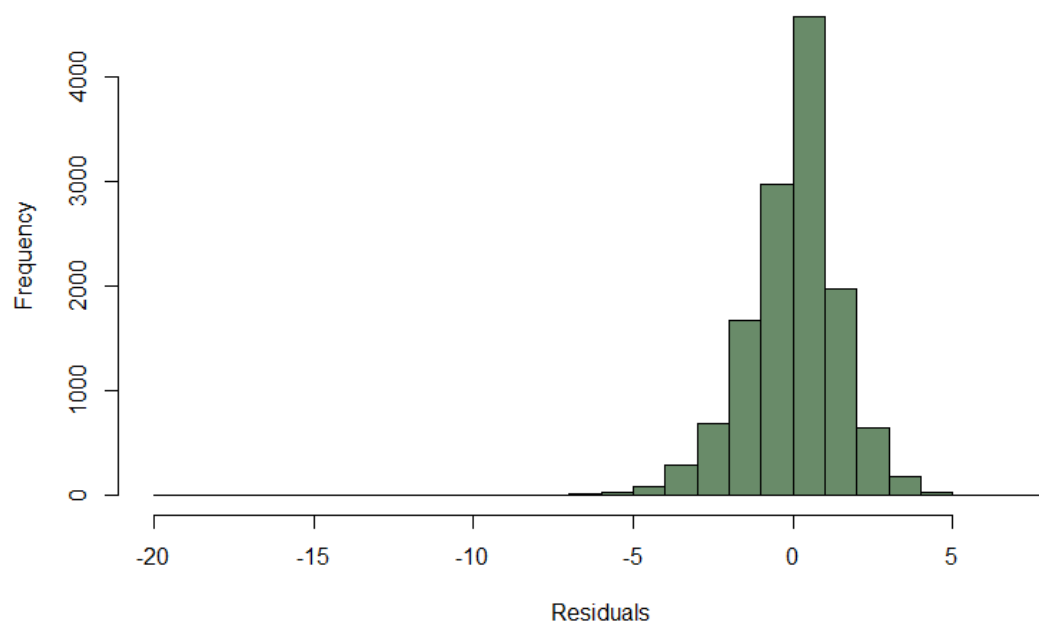
Root Mean Squared Error: 1.514182

Mean Absolute Error: 1.046259

Mean Percentage Error: -0.09691329

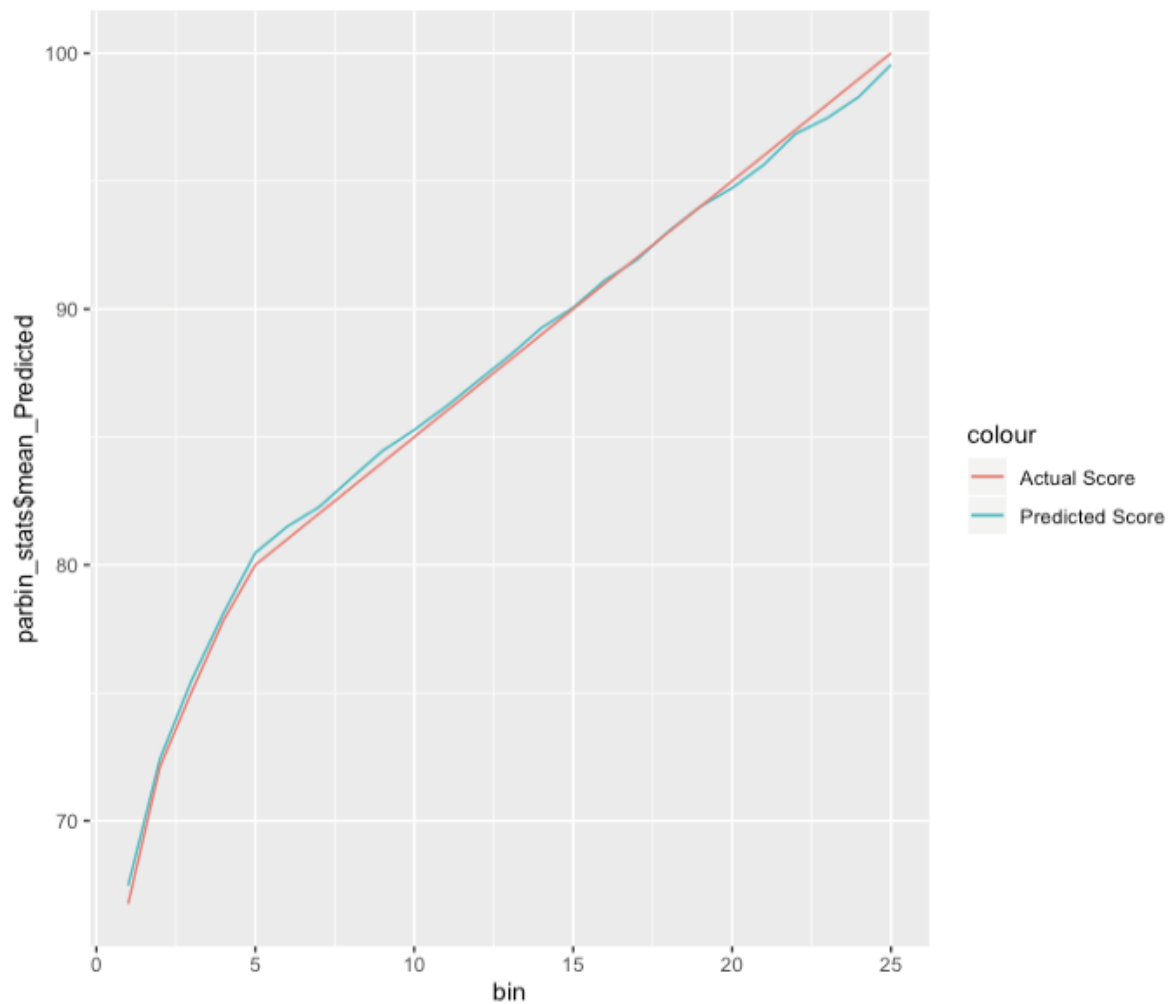
Mean Absolute Percentage Error: 1.199603

**Residual plot of validation data with Parsimonious Linear Regression model:**



The histogram of the residuals shows that most of the errors are between -3 and +3.

### Comparison of Actual Vs. Predicted Plot with Validation data:



Like the comparison of actual vs. predicted plot for the full linear regression model, we can see that there's a strong similarity between the model's predicted score and its actual scores.

### Model 3: Logistic Regression Model

**Outcome Variable:** Recommendation

**Predictors:** Inspection.Type, Zip.Code, Season, Facility\_Cleanliness, Food\_Temperature, Food\_Contamination, Worker\_Cleanliness, Hazardous\_Chemicals, Facility\_Layout, Certification, Documentation, Equipment, Facility\_Amenities, Other, Inspection.Year

```

> iv.glm <- glm(Recommendation ~ . , data = train.df, family = "binomial")
> options(scipen=999)
> summary(iv.glm)

Call:
glm(formula = Recommendation ~ ., family = "binomial", data = train.df)

Deviance Residuals:
    Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-4.0238   0.0001   0.0007   0.0100   2.7068

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error z value Pr(>|z|)
(Intercept)   -397.071476    213.059714  -1.864   0.06237 .
Inspection.TypeFollow-up    2.208629     1.333383   1.656   0.09764 .
Inspection.TypeRoutine     1.831078     1.300248   1.408   0.15906
Zip.Code              0.005548     0.002833   1.959   0.05015 .
SeasonSpring          0.488510     0.174213   2.804   0.00505 **
SeasonSummer          0.392082     0.178107   2.201   0.02771 *
SeasonWinter          0.032392     0.164868   0.196   0.84424
Facility_Cleanliness    -1.654380     0.077465  -21.356 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Food_Temperature       -2.952051     0.109824  -26.880 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Food_Contamination     -2.016983     0.079246  -25.452 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Worker_Cleanliness     -2.576035     0.106091  -24.281 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Hazardous_Chemicals    -2.702102     0.147328  -18.341 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Facility_Layout        -2.395420     0.097986  -24.447 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Certification          -2.233642     0.125356  -17.818 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Documentation           -2.524156     0.204513  -12.342 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Equipment              -1.788239     0.089951  -19.880 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Facility_Amenities     -0.964874     0.058153  -16.592 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Other                 -0.838958     0.097249   -8.627 < 0.0000000000000002 ***
Inspection.YearFY2018    0.509879     0.159553   3.196   0.00140 **
Inspection.YearFY2019   -0.043516     0.157632  -0.276   0.78250
Inspection.YearFY2020    1.096639     0.244225   4.490   0.00000711 ***
---
Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

(Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)

    Null deviance: 11491.6  on 30714  degrees of freedom
Residual deviance: 1930.7  on 30694  degrees of freedom
AIC: 1972.7

Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 10

```

### Equation of the fitted model:

$\beta_0$  = Estimate value in the (Intercept) row = -397.07  
 $\beta_1$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.TypeFollow-up row = 2.20863  
 $\beta_2$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.TypeRoutine row = 1.83108  
 $\beta_3$  = Estimate value in the Zip.Code row = 0.00555  
 $\beta_4$  = Estimate value in the SeasonSpring row = 0.48851  
 $\beta_5$  = Estimate value in the SeasonSummer row = 0.39208  
 $\beta_6$  = Estimate value in the SeasonWinter row = 0.03239  
 $\beta_7$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Cleanliness row = -1.6544  
 $\beta_8$  = Estimate value in the Food\_Temperature row = -2.9521  
 $\beta_9$  = Estimate value in the Food\_Contamination row = -2.017  
 $\beta_{10}$  = Estimate value in the Worker\_Cleanliness row = -2.576  
 $\beta_{11}$  = Estimate value in the Hazardous\_Chemicals row = -2.7021  
 $\beta_{12}$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Layout row = -2.3954  
 $\beta_{13}$  = Estimate value in the Certification row = -2.2336  
 $\beta_{14}$  = Estimate value in the Documentation row = -2.5242

$\beta_{15}$  = Estimate value in the Equipment row = -1.7882

$\beta_{16}$  = Estimate value in the Facility\_Amenities row = -0.9649

$\beta_{17}$  = Estimate value in the Other row = -0.839

$\beta_{18}$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.YearFY2018 row = 0.50988

$\beta_{19}$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.YearFY2019 row = -0.0435

$\beta_{20}$  = Estimate value in the Inspection.YearFY2020 row = 1.09664

The equation of the fitted model is:

$$P = 1 / (1 + e^{-(\beta_0 + \beta_1 x_1 + \beta_2 x_2 + \dots + \beta_q x_q)})$$

Therefore,

$$P = 1 / (1 + e^{(-(-397.07) + [(2.20863)(\text{Inspection.TypeFollow-up}) \text{ OR } (1.83108)(\text{Inspection.TypeRoutine})] + (0.00555)(\text{Zip.Code}) + [(0.48851)(\text{SeasonSpring}) \text{ OR } (0.39208)(\text{SeasonSummer}) \text{ OR } (0.03239)(\text{SeasonWinter})] + (-1.6544)(\text{Facility\_Cleanliness}) + (-2.9521)(\text{Food\_Temperature}) + (-2.017)(\text{Food\_Contamination}) + (-2.576)(\text{Worker\_Cleanliness}) + (-2.7021)(\text{Hazardous\_Chemicals}) + (-2.3954)(\text{Facility\_Layout}) + (-2.2336)(\text{Certification}) + (-2.5242)(\text{Documentation}) + (-1.7882)(\text{Equipment}) + (-0.9649)(\text{Facility\_Amenities}) + (-0.839)(\text{Other}) + [(0.50988)(\text{Inspection.YearFY2018}) \text{ OR } (-0.0435)(\text{Inspection.YearFY2019}) \text{ OR } (1.09664)(\text{Inspection.YearFY2020})])})$$

### Model accuracy with the validation data with different cutoff values:

| Cutoff Value : 0.8 |                 |             |  | Cutoff Value : 0.6 |                 |             |  | Cutoff Value : 0.55 |                 |             |  |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|--|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|--|---------------------|-----------------|-------------|--|
| Prediction         | Reference       |             |  | Prediction         | Reference       |             |  | Prediction          | Reference       |             |  |
|                    | Not Recommended | Recommended |  |                    | Not Recommended | Recommended |  |                     | Not Recommended | Recommended |  |
| Not Recommended    | 509             | 55          |  | Not Recommended    | 519             | 72          |  | Not Recommended     | 548             | 168         |  |
| Recommended        | 97              | 12504       |  | Recommended        | 87              | 12487       |  | Recommended         | 58              | 12391       |  |
| Accuracy : 0.9885  |                 |             |  | Accuracy : 0.9879  |                 |             |  | Accuracy : 0.9828   |                 |             |  |

I have chosen our cut off value as 0.8

### Model accuracy with Validation data with cutoff value $\geq 0.8$ :

```
> predicted.data <- predict(iv.glm, valid.df, type = "response")>=0.8
> predicted.data <- factor(ifelse(predicted.data == TRUE, "Recommended", "Not Recommended"))
> confusionMatrix(predicted.data, valid.df$Recommendation)
Confusion Matrix and Statistics

              Reference
Prediction    Not Recommended Recommended
Not Recommended      548           168
Recommended          58          12391

      Accuracy : 0.9828
      95% CI   : (0.9805, 0.985)
No Information Rate : 0.954
P-Value [Acc > NIR] : < 0.00000000000000022

      Kappa : 0.8201

McNemar's Test P-Value : 0.0000000000000415

      Sensitivity : 0.90429
      Specificity : 0.98662
      Pos Pred Value : 0.76536
      Neg Pred Value : 0.99534
      Prevalence : 0.04603
      Detection Rate : 0.04163
      Detection Prevalence : 0.05439
      Balanced Accuracy : 0.94546

      'Positive' Class : Not Recommended
```

**True Positive:** We predicted 'Not Recommended' and it is 'Not Recommended' = 548

**False Negative:** We predicted 'Not Recommended' and it is 'Recommended' = 168

**False Positive:** We predicted 'Recommended' and it is 'Not Recommended' = 58

**True Negative:** We predicted 'Recommended' and it is 'Recommended' = 12391

Accuracy = (True Positive + True Negative)/ total = 12939/13165 = 0.9828

The **positive class** or the class of interest is 'Not Recommended'.

Sensitivity i.e. how apt the model is to detecting events in the positive class = 0.90429

Specificity i.e. how exact the assignment to the positive class = 0.98662

### Transformations performed on the dataset

The initial raw data had 44,000 records, which included 118 records with NA values and 2 records with outliers in the inspection scores (for example: Inspection Score = 0 or -5) which was affecting the MAPE. After removing these records, I ended up with 43,880 records.

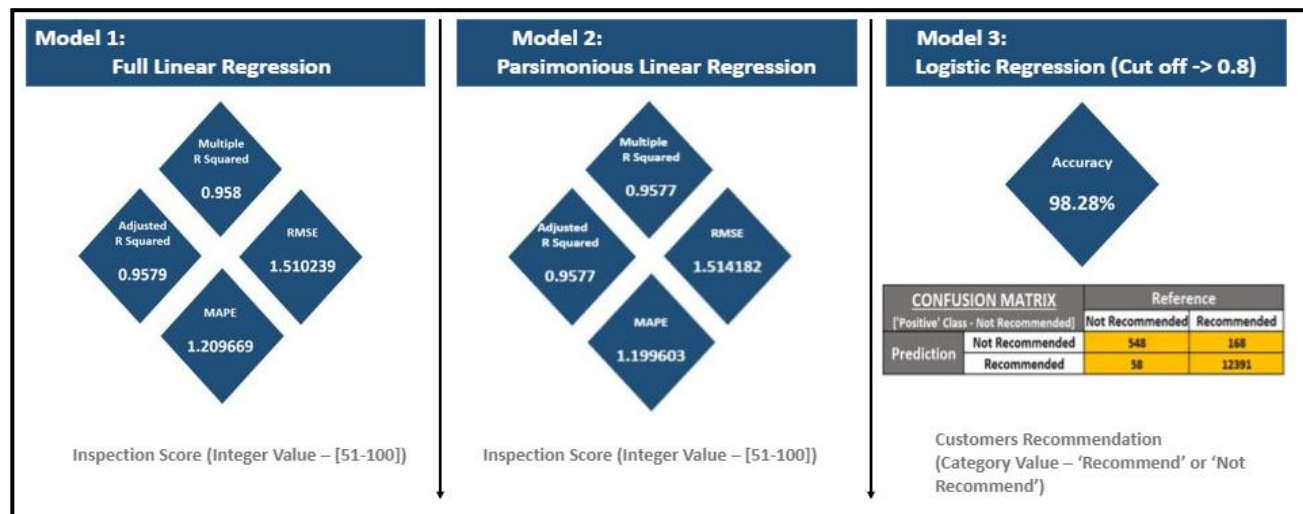
There were more than 50 violations in the initial dataset which were categorized into 11 violation categories based on their similarities. Later I created attributes with these categories having values of how many times a restaurant is committing a violation in that category.

We also added attributes such as "Recommendation", "Quality Rating" and "Season" to come up with better predictions. Ex: For the Logistic Model, I did some preprocessing on the categorical variable "Recommendation". I transformed "Recommendation" variable into binary variables, that is, "Recommend" = 1 and "Not Recommend" = 0 and predicted whether the restaurant will be recommended to the customers.

### Evaluate Model Performance

The 3 models that I have chosen for our analysis -

- **Full Linear Regression Model** (This model captures the values of all the predictors in the dataset) - The RMSE is 1.510239 which is slightly less and better than the parsimonious model. As the RMSE is low, the accuracy is high. But this model is utilizing all the attributes of the dataset, that can possibly result in **overfitting** of the model thereby resulting in better accuracy. This kind of model will fail to better predict the future observations.
- **Parsimonious Linear Regression Model** (This model captures the most significant predictors – all 11 violations) The RMSE is 1.514182 with an adjusted R-square value of 0.9577. The MAPE (1.19) is lower than the MAPE of the previous model.
- **Logistic Regression** - The logistic regression model performs with an accuracy of 98.28% when the cut off is 0.8. The model seems to give even better accuracy when the cut of is decreased to 0.5, but then it would classify all the restaurants as recommended even though in reality they are on the verge of falling into the not recommended category. Therefore, I choose to set a higher cut of percentage.



### Model Comparison Sheet



Model  
Comparison.xlsx

### Chosen Model - Parsimonious Linear Regression Model.

I have chosen Parsimonious Linear Regression Model as our best model. Though the accuracy is slightly lower than Full linear regression model, it predicts with less percentage error when compared to the other model as it only considers the most significant predictors. Opting for this model will also help us to better predict the inspection score for future dataset.

The reason for choosing model 2 over logistic regression model is that the continuous value will give a deeper insight rather than a binary value like 'recommended' or 'not recommended'. An inspection score value also gives an option to restaurant owner to adjust their minimum threshold of inspection score when the feature is implemented.

### Limitations of the chosen model

Our dataset comprises fewer records on lower inspection score compared to the higher ones. Having more records with lower inspection score would give us a better predictive model.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on our final model following are the recommendations that I'd make to our target firm OpenTable:

- ❑ **A paid self-inspection feature for the restaurant:** *Restaurants will have the option to self-check the inspection score and quality rating before inspection happens and always maintain the standard. **This enables Restaurants to be better prepared for inspection.***
- ❑ **"Is your restaurant recommended?" Feature:** *A feature which shows whether restaurant is recommended or not recommended based on inspection score. This also allows restaurant owners to adjust the base inspection score above the minimum standard level.*
- ❑ **Top restaurant Chart Feature** –*Featured list of top quality restaurants based on predicted inspection Score.*

## R CODES

### Data Cleaning



### Data Understanding



### Multiple Linear Regression – Model 1 & 2



### Logistic Regression - Model 3

