

STT_481_Final

```
rm(list = ls())  
library(dplyr)
```

```
## Warning: package 'dplyr' was built under R version 4.0.4
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'dplyr'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:stats':
```

```
##
```

```
##      filter, lag
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
```

```
##
```

```
##      intersect, setdiff, setequal, union
```

```
library(FNN)
```

```
## Warning: package 'FNN' was built under R version 4.0.4
```

```
library(class)
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'class'
```

```
## The following objects are masked from 'package:FNN':
```

```
##
```

```
##      knn, knn.cv
```

```
library(MASS)
```

```
## Warning: package 'MASS' was built under R version 4.0.3
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'MASS'
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
```

```
##
```

```
##      select
```

```
library(leaps)
```

```
## Warning: package 'leaps' was built under R version 4.0.4
```

```
library(glmnet)
```

```
## Warning: package 'glmnet' was built under R version 4.0.4
```

```
## Loading required package: Matrix
```

```
## Loaded glmnet 4.1-1
```

```
library(gam)
```

```
## Warning: package 'gam' was built under R version 4.0.4
```

```
## Loading required package: splines
```

```
## Loading required package: foreach
```

```
## Warning: package 'foreach' was built under R version 4.0.3
```

```
## Loaded gam 1.20
```

```
library(tree)
```

```
## Warning: package 'tree' was built under R version 4.0.5
```

```
library(randomForest)
```

```
## Warning: package 'randomForest' was built under R version 4.0.5
```

```
## randomForest 4.6-14
```

```
## Type rfNews() to see new features/changes/bug fixes.
```

```
##
```

```
## Attaching package: 'randomForest'
```

```
## The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
```

```
##
```

```
##      combine
```

```
library(gbm)
```

```
## Warning: package 'gbm' was built under R version 4.0.5
```

```
## Loaded gbm 2.1.8
```

```
train <- read.csv("C:/Users/jacob/Downloads/train_new.csv")
test <- read.csv("C:/Users/jacob/Downloads/test_new.csv")
```

```
train_x <- train %>% dplyr::select(-SalePrice)
train_y <- train %>% dplyr::select(SalePrice)
test_x <- test %>% dplyr::select(-SalePrice)
test_y <- test %>% dplyr::select(SalePrice)
```

This data is from Ames Housing dataset compiled by Dean De Cock. The data includes variables. The variables and their descriptions are below:

LotArea - Lot size in square feet OverallQual - Overall material and finish quality OverallCond - Overall condition rating YearBuilt - Original construction date YearRemodAdd - Remodel date BsmtFinSF1 - Type 1 finished square feet BsmtFinSF2 - Type 2 finished square feet BsmtUnfSF - Unfinished square feet of basement area X1stFlrSF - First floor square feet X2ndFlrSF - Second floor square feet LowQualFinSF - Low quality finished square feet (all floors) BsmtFullBath - Basement full bathrooms BsmtHalfBath - Basement half bathrooms FullBath - Full bathrooms above grade HalfBath - Half baths above grade BedroomAbvGr - Number of bedrooms above basement level TotRmsAbvGrd - Total rooms above grade (does not include bathrooms) Fireplaces - Number of fireplaces GarageCars - Size of garage in car capacity KitchenAbvGr - Number of kitchens TotRmsAbvGrd - Total rooms above grade (does not include bathrooms) Fireplaces - Number of fireplaces GarageCars - Size of garage in car capacity WoodDeckSF - Wood deck area in square feet MoSold - Month Sold

BsmtHalfBath, BsmtFullBath, FullBath, KitchenAbvGr, Fireplaces, and HalfBath are treated as qualitative variables instead of quantitative due to their low variety in unique values.

The problem that we are trying to uncover is how we can accurately predict the sale price of a house based on the given data. To explore this, we will use many different techniques: KNN, linear regression, subset linear regression, ridge regression, lasso regression, GAM, regression tree, bagging, random forest, and boosting models.

The data was pre-cleaned, dropping the NA values and the skewed variables.

KNN

```
K.vt <-c(1,5,10,15,20,25,30,35,40,45,50)
error.k <-rep(0,length(K.vt))
counter <- 0
for(k in K.vt){
  counter <- counter+1
  error <- 0
  for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
    pred.class <- knn.reg(train_x[-i,], train_x[i,], train_y$SalePrice[-i], k=k)
    error <- error+ (train_y$SalePrice[i]-pred.class$pred)^2
  }
  error.k[counter] <- error/nrow(train_x)
}
print(error.k)
```

```
## [1] 2843179080 2344538675 2407759479 2572463698 2684498388 2838581446
## [7] 2957657276 3052772570 3129853746 3203398426 3275446519
```

We run a cross validation algorithm to find the best K for our model. We see here that K=5 has the lowest MSE. This means that this is the best K.

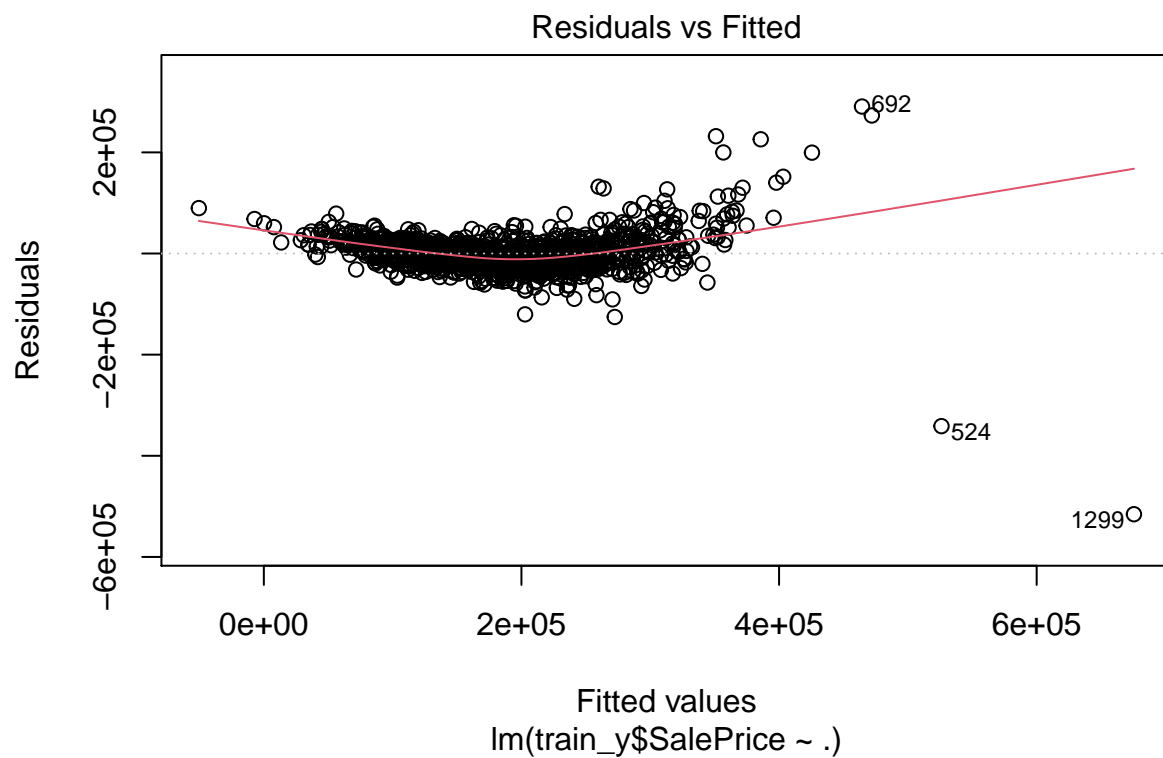
```
head(knn.reg(train=train_x,test=test_x,y=train_y,k=5)$pred)
```

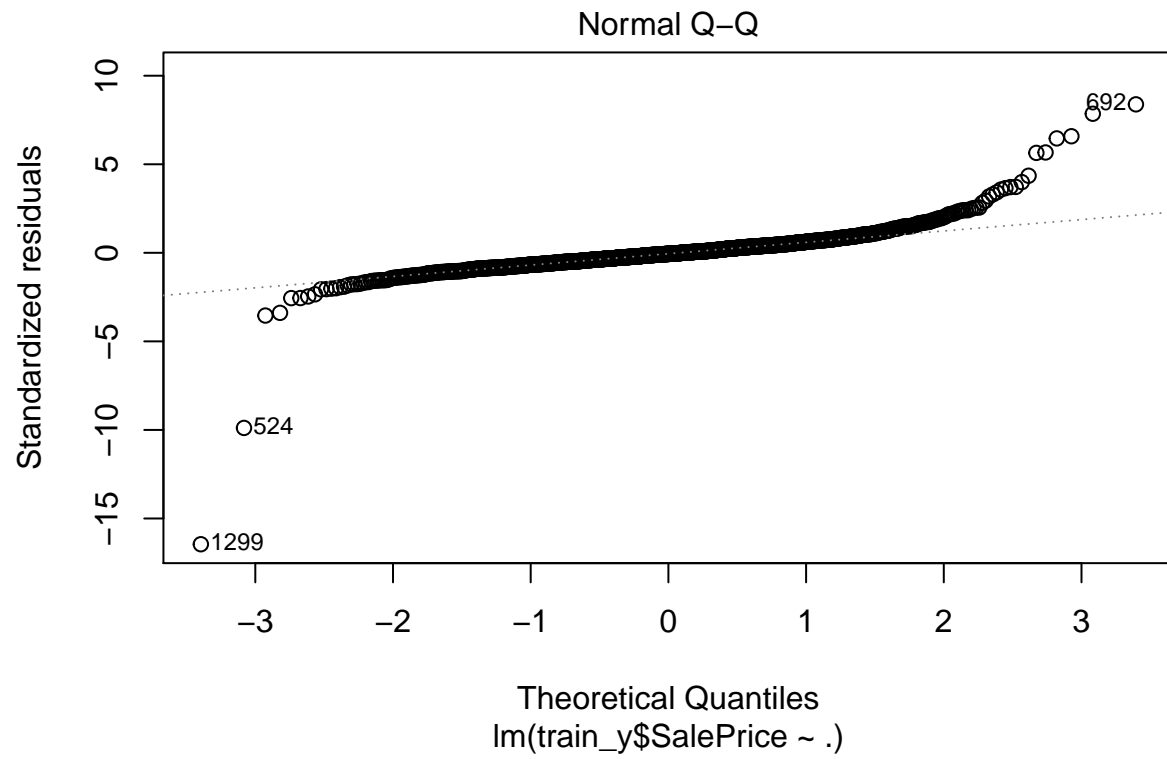
```
## [1] 142460 176560 172560 208358 129376 175335
```

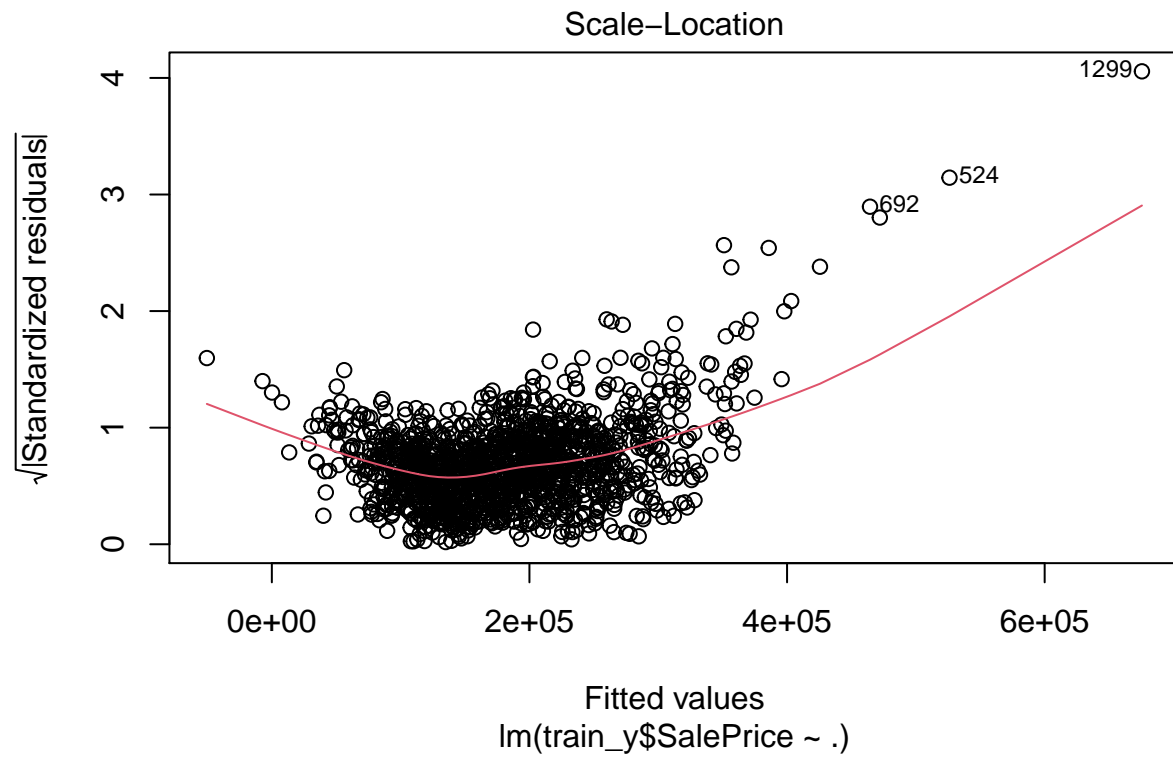
These are our final predictions from our final model with our optimized k value of 5.

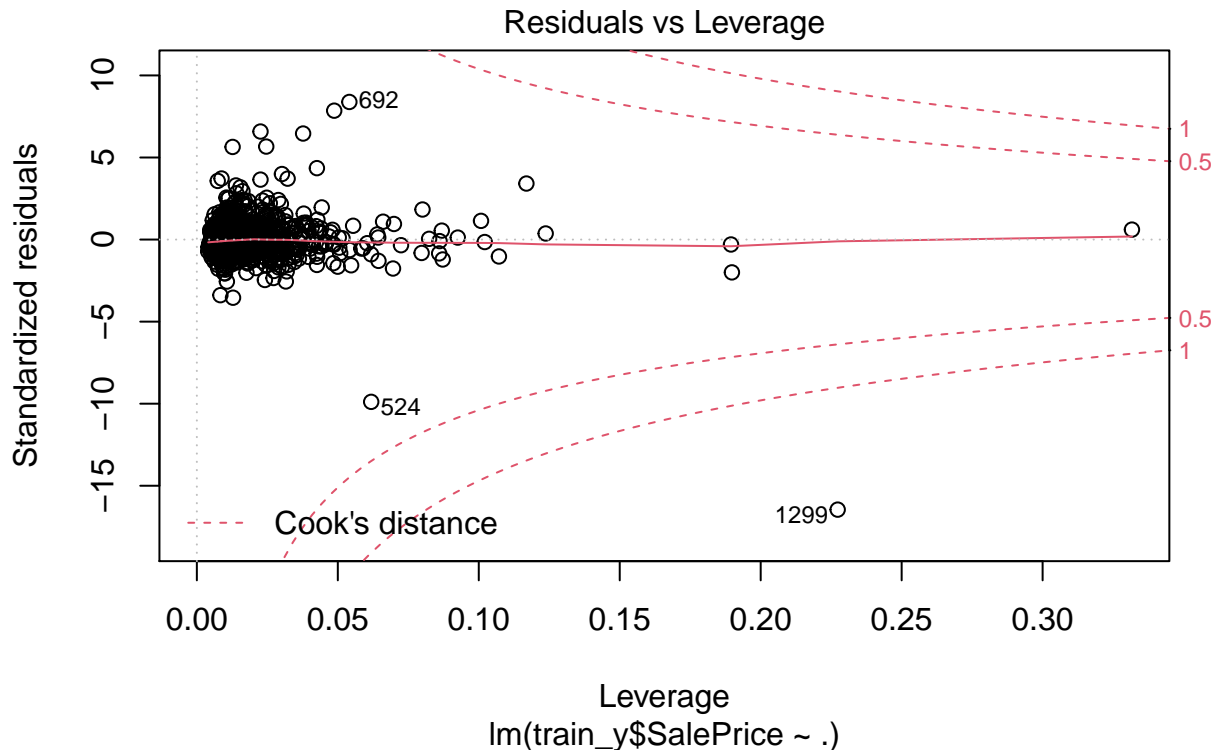
Linear Regression

```
linfit <- lm(train_y$SalePrice~.,data=train_x)  
plot(linfit)
```









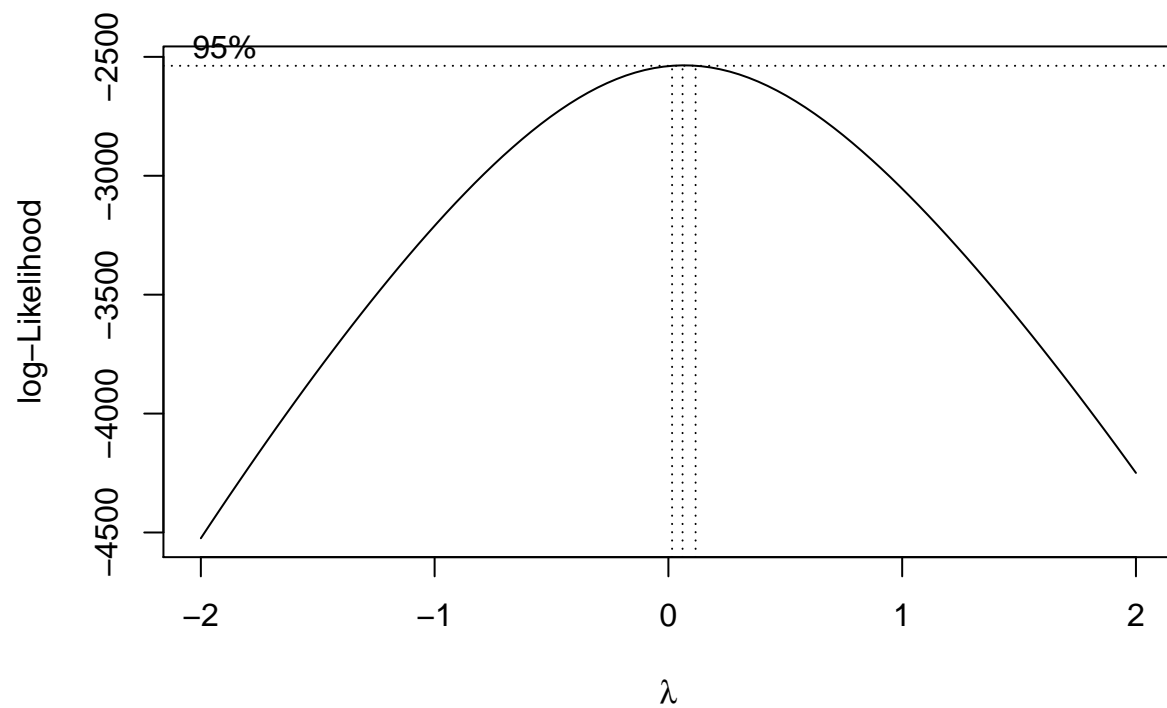
Next we run a linear regression algorithm. This algorithm utilizes the least squares method, meaning it draws a linear line through the data at which the residual sum of squares is minimized.

We see that the residuals are not normally distributed and are not linear due to some large presumed outliers. We also have one data point (1200) that falls outside of our Cook's distance of 1, meaning this point is a high leverage point.

For our outliers and our high leverage point, there is no obvious remedy as we do not have enough information to remove these from our model. To remove these, we would need evidence that it was a data collection error.

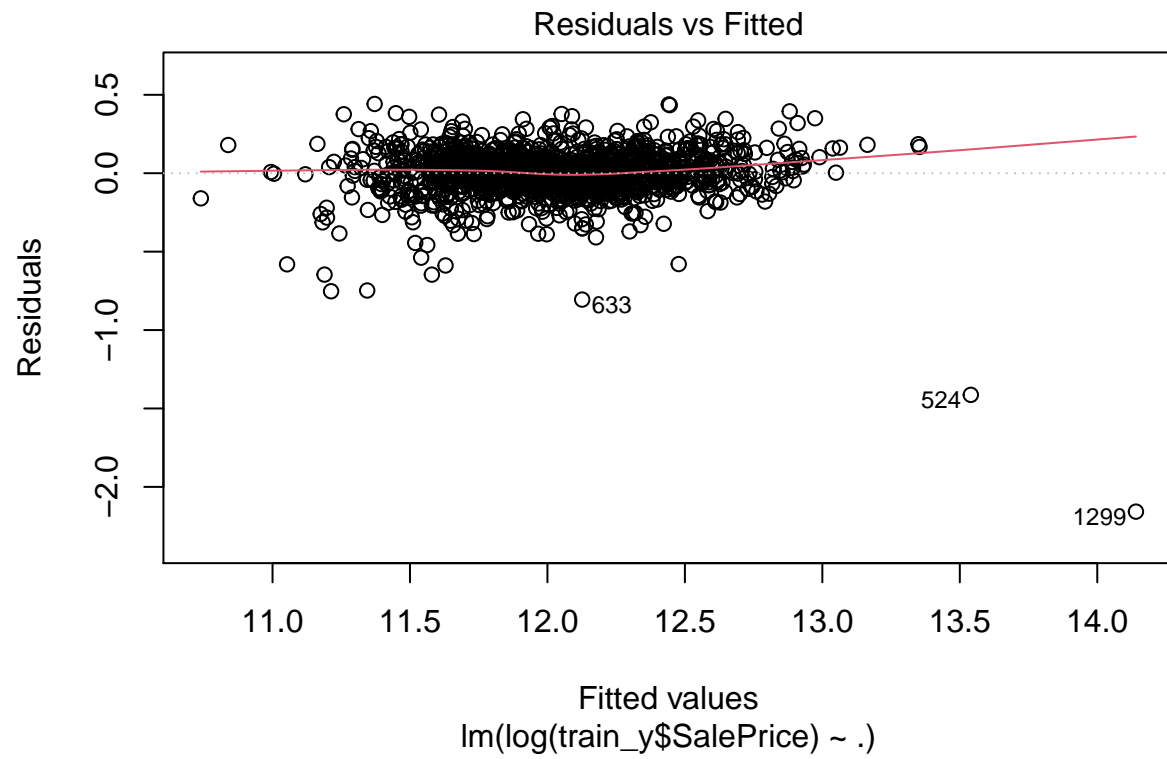
For our nonlinearity and normality issues, we can transform our Y variable to see if it improves our residuals. We can run a boxcox on our model to identify the correct strategy.

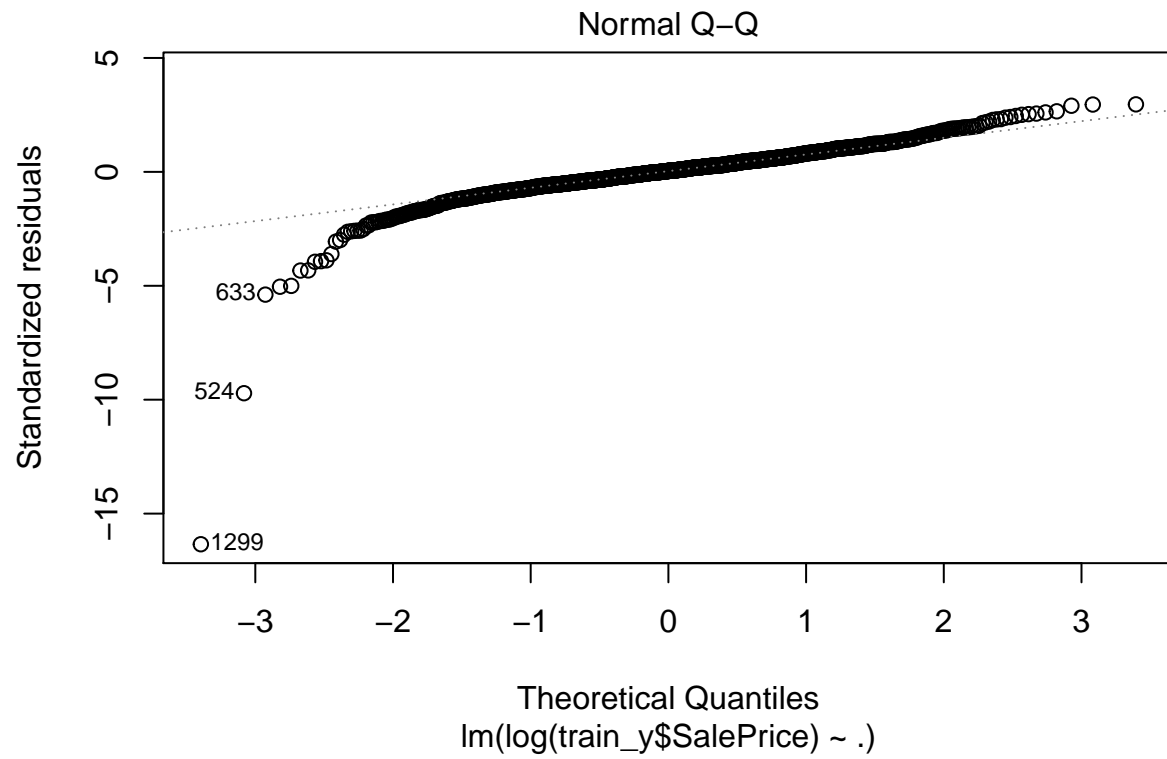
```
boxcox(SalePrice~.,data=train)
```

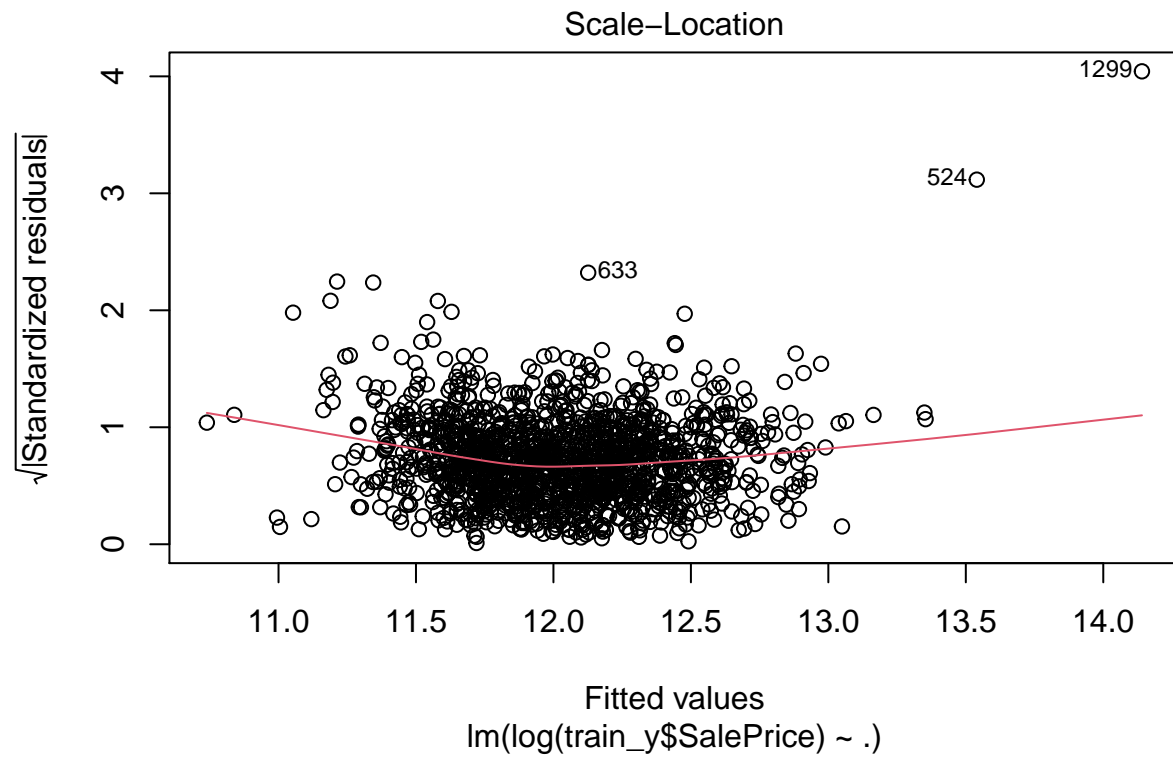


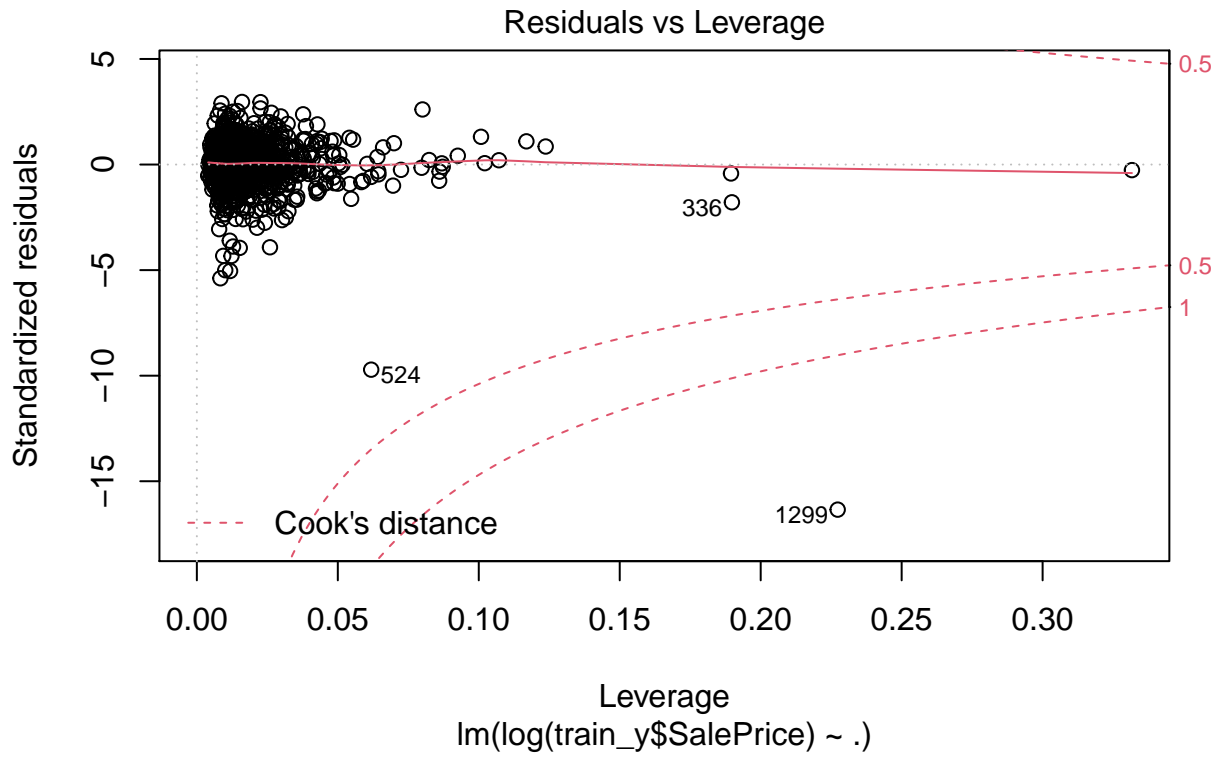
With a lambda of 0, it shows our best transformation would be $\log(Y)$.

```
fit2 <- lm(log(train_y$SalePrice)~.,data=train_x)
plot(fit2)
```







With this transformation, our model has more linearity in the residuals, and our normality improved at higher values. Unfortunately, the normality issue remains for lower values.

```
summary(fit2)
```

```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = log(train_y$SalePrice) ~ ., data = train_x)
##
## Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -2.15777 -0.06867  0.00593  0.07854  0.44156
##
## Coefficients:
##              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept)  3.422e+00  5.601e-01   6.109 1.29e-09 ***
## LotArea      1.982e-06  4.323e-07   4.585 4.93e-06 ***
## OverallQual   8.314e-02  5.054e-03  16.450 < 2e-16 ***
## OverallCond   4.970e-02  4.369e-03  11.378 < 2e-16 ***
## YearBuilt     2.571e-03  2.462e-04  10.442 < 2e-16 ***
## YearRemodAdd  1.041e-03  2.826e-04   3.684 0.000238 ***
## BsmtFinSF1    8.190e-05  1.990e-05   4.115 4.08e-05 ***
## BsmtFinSF2    7.935e-05  3.025e-05   2.623 0.008796 **
## BsmtUnfSF     6.292e-05  1.796e-05   3.504 0.000473 ***
## X1stFlrSF     1.970e-04  2.460e-05   8.009 2.38e-15 ***
## X2ndFlrSF     1.370e-04  2.051e-05   6.680 3.41e-11 ***
```

```
## LowQualFinSF 1.126e-04 8.450e-05 1.332 0.183030
## BsmtFullBath 5.864e-02 1.116e-02 5.255 1.70e-07 ***
## BsmtHalfBath 1.763e-02 1.759e-02 1.002 0.316302
## FullBath 3.697e-02 1.207e-02 3.063 0.002233 **
## HalfBath 2.658e-02 1.142e-02 2.328 0.020028 *
## BedroomAbvGr 3.376e-03 7.233e-03 0.467 0.640735
## KitchenAbvGr -1.029e-01 2.088e-02 -4.929 9.21e-07 ***
## TotRmsAbvGrd 1.891e-02 5.276e-03 3.584 0.000349 ***
## Fireplaces 4.925e-02 7.561e-03 6.514 1.01e-10 ***
## GarageCars 7.172e-02 1.226e-02 5.851 6.03e-09 ***
## GarageArea 3.569e-05 4.155e-05 0.859 0.390554
## WoodDeckSF 8.717e-05 3.386e-05 2.574 0.010142 *
## MoSold 1.411e-03 1.466e-03 0.962 0.336027
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 0.1502 on 1436 degrees of freedom
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8609, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8586
## F-statistic: 386.3 on 23 and 1436 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

Of our significant variables, we see that our most significant include OverallQual, OverallCond, and YearBuilt with an approximately 0 p-value. Our coefficients for these variables can tell us how each variable affects our response term. For example, if YearBuilt incremented by 1 (meaning it was newer by 1 year), we would see a change in Y of .002571, assuming all other variables remained constant. This makes sense, because people generally pay more for newer houses. This same logic can be applied to all our significant variables.

```
head(exp(predict(fit2,newdata=test)))
```

```
##          1          2          3          4          5          6
## 113397.3 146077.0 168281.6 196719.1 182239.9 175746.7
```

These are our new predictions. We run the exp() function because our fitted values from our model are log transformed.

Subset Selection

This algorithm is similar to the linear regression method, but it narrows down the full model to choose only the most significant variables. This leads to a model that is simplified and minimizes the Cp value.

I will choose the backward stepwise subset selection. I chose this method in particular through a process of elimination. With 24 predictors, this means there can be a list of 2^{24} different possible combinations of predictors if I chose a “best subset” method. This may be too computationally expensive for practical use. The other two methods, forward and backward, may not guarantee to give us the best model, but it will lower the chance of overfitting and remain computationally inexpensive.

```
cor(train_x) >=.7
```

```
##          LotArea OverallQual OverallCond YearBuilt YearRemodAdd BsmtFinSF1
## LotArea      TRUE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## OverallQual  FALSE      TRUE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## OverallCond  FALSE      FALSE      TRUE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE
## YearBuilt    FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      TRUE      FALSE      FALSE
## YearRemodAdd FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      TRUE      FALSE
## BsmtFinSF1   FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      FALSE      TRUE
```

## BsmtFinSF2	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtUnfSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## X1stFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## X2ndFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## LowQualFinSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtFullBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtHalfBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## FullBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## HalfBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BedroomAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## KitchenAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## TotRmsAbvGrd	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## Fireplaces	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## GarageCars	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## GarageArea	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## WoodDeckSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## MoSold	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
##	BsmtFinSF2	BsmtUnfSF	X1stFlrSF	X2ndFlrSF	LowQualFinSF	BsmtFullBath
## LotArea	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## OverallQual	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## OverallCond	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## YearBuilt	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## YearRemodAdd	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtFinSF1	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtFinSF2	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtUnfSF	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## X1stFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## X2ndFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE
## LowQualFinSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## BsmtFullBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## BsmtHalfBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## FullBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## HalfBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BedroomAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## KitchenAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## TotRmsAbvGrd	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## Fireplaces	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## GarageCars	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## GarageArea	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## WoodDeckSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## MoSold	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
##	BsmtHalfBath	FullBath	HalfBath	BedroomAbvGr	KitchenAbvGr	
## LotArea	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## OverallQual	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## OverallCond	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## YearBuilt	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## YearRemodAdd	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## BsmtFinSF1	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## BsmtFinSF2	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## BsmtUnfSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## X1stFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## X2ndFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## LowQualFinSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## BsmtFullBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	

## BsmtHalfBath	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## FullBath	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## HalfBath	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	
## BedroomAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	
## KitchenAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	
## TotRmsAbvGrd	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## Fireplaces	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## GarageCars	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## GarageArea	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## WoodDeckSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
## MoSold	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	
##	TotRmsAbvGrd	Fireplaces	GarageCars	GarageArea	WoodDeckSF	MoSold
## LotArea	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## OverallQual	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## OverallCond	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## YearBuilt	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## YearRemodAdd	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtFinSF1	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtFinSF2	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtUnfSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## X1stFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## X2ndFlrSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## LowQualFinSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtFullBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BsmtHalfBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## FullBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## HalfBath	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## BedroomAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## KitchenAbvGr	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## TotRmsAbvGrd	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## Fireplaces	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## GarageCars	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE
## GarageArea	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE
## WoodDeckSF	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## MoSold	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE

We see that the variables are not highly correlated, so we should receive relatively the same model from both methods. So I went with backwards selection.

I will be using the Cp, or AIC, value. This is because the Cp value will help find a model that explains the observed variation in their data without a high risk of overfitting.

```
backward.subset <- regsubsets(log(SalePrice)~.,data=train,nvmax=23,method='backward')
backward.subset.summary <- summary(backward.subset)
backward.subset.summary
```

```
## Subset selection object
## Call: regsubsets.formula(log(SalePrice) ~ ., data = train, nvmax = 23,
##      method = "backward")
## 23 Variables (and intercept)
##      Forced in Forced out
## LotArea      FALSE      FALSE
## OverallQual   FALSE      FALSE
## OverallCond   FALSE      FALSE
```

```

## YearBuilt          FALSE      FALSE
## YearRemodAdd       FALSE      FALSE
## BsmtFinSF1         FALSE      FALSE
## BsmtFinSF2         FALSE      FALSE
## BsmtUnfSF          FALSE      FALSE
## X1stFlrSF          FALSE      FALSE
## X2ndFlrSF          FALSE      FALSE
## LowQualFinSF       FALSE      FALSE
## BsmtFullBath       FALSE      FALSE
## BsmtHalfBath       FALSE      FALSE
## FullBath           FALSE      FALSE
## HalfBath           FALSE      FALSE
## BedroomAbvGr       FALSE      FALSE
## KitchenAbvGr       FALSE      FALSE
## TotRmsAbvGrd       FALSE      FALSE
## Fireplaces         FALSE      FALSE
## GarageCars         FALSE      FALSE
## GarageArea         FALSE      FALSE
## WoodDeckSF         FALSE      FALSE
## MoSold             FALSE      FALSE
## 1 subsets of each size up to 23
## Selection Algorithm: backward
##      LotArea OverallQual OverallCond YearBuilt YearRemodAdd BsmtFinSF1
## 1  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          " "          " "          " "
## 2  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          " "          " "          " "
## 3  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          " "          " "          " "
## 4  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          " "          "*"          " "
## 5  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          "*"          "*"          " "
## 6  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          "*"          "*"          " "
## 7  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          "*"          "*"          " "
## 8  ( 1 ) " "      "*"          "*"          "*"          " "
## 9  ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          " "
## 10 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          " "
## 11 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          " "
## 12 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 13 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 14 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 15 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 16 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 17 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 18 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 19 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 20 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 21 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 22 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
## 23 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"          "*"          "*"          "*"
##      BsmtFinSF2 BsmtUnfSF X1stFlrSF X2ndFlrSF LowQualFinSF BsmtFullBath
## 1  ( 1 ) " "          " "          " "          " "          " "
## 2  ( 1 ) " "          " "          "*"          " "          " "
## 3  ( 1 ) " "          " "          "*"          "*"          " "
## 4  ( 1 ) " "          " "          "*"          "*"          " "
## 5  ( 1 ) " "          " "          "*"          "*"          " "
## 6  ( 1 ) " "          " "          "*"          "*"          " "
## 7  ( 1 ) " "          " "          "*"          "*"          "*"

```


## 8	(1)	" "	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 9	(1)	" "	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 10	(1)	" "	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 11	(1)	" "	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 12	(1)	" "	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 13	(1)	" "	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 14	(1)	" "	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 15	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 16	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 17	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 18	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"
## 19	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"
## 20	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"
## 21	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"
## 22	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"
## 23	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"
##		BsmtHalfBath	FullBath	HalfBath	BedroomAbvGr	KitchenAbvGr	TotRmsAbvGrd
## 1	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 2	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 3	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 4	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 5	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 6	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 7	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 8	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 9	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "
## 10	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	"*"	" "
## 11	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	"*"	"*"
## 12	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	"*"	"*"
## 13	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	"*"	"*"
## 14	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	"*"	"*"
## 15	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	"*"	"*"
## 16	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	"*"	"*"
## 17	(1)	" "	"*"	" "	" "	"*"	"*"
## 18	(1)	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"	"*"
## 19	(1)	" "	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"	"*"
## 20	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"	"*"
## 21	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"	"*"
## 22	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	" "	"*"	"*"
## 23	(1)	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"	"*"
##		Fireplaces	GarageCars	GarageArea	WoodDeckSF	MoSold	
## 1	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	
## 2	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	
## 3	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	
## 4	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	
## 5	(1)	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	
## 6	(1)	" "	"*"	" "	" "	" "	
## 7	(1)	" "	"*"	" "	" "	" "	
## 8	(1)	"*"	"*"	" "	" "	" "	
## 9	(1)	"*"	"*"	" "	" "	" "	
## 10	(1)	"*"	"*"	" "	" "	" "	
## 11	(1)	"*"	"*"	" "	" "	" "	
## 12	(1)	"*"	"*"	" "	" "	" "	
## 13	(1)	"*"	"*"	" "	" "	" "	

```
## 14 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      " "      " "
## 15 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      " "      " "
## 16 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      "*"      " "
## 17 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      "*"      " "
## 18 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      "*"      " "
## 19 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      "*"      " "
## 20 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      "*"      " "
## 21 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      " "      "*"      "*"
## 22 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      "*"      "*"      "*"
## 23 ( 1 ) "*"      "*"      "*"      "*"      "*"

```

These is our subset selection algorithm function.

```
plot(backward.subset.summary$cp,type='b',ylab='cp')
which.min(backward.subset.summary$cp)

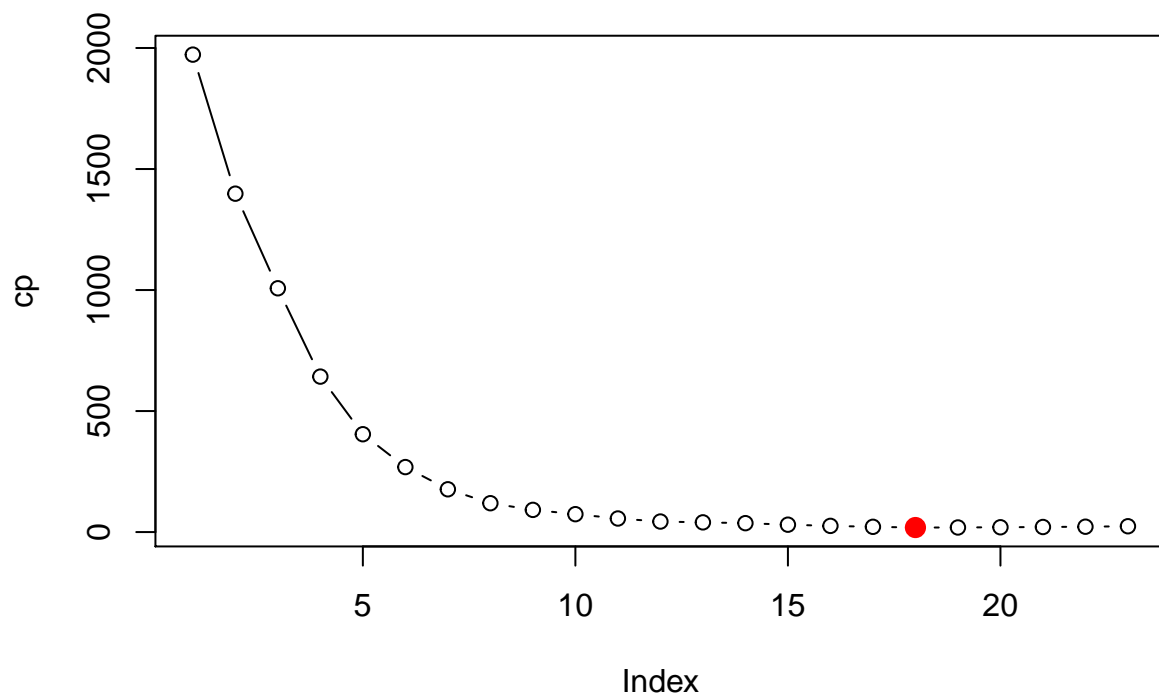
```

```
## [1] 18

```

```
points(18,backward.subset.summary$cp[18],col='red',cex=2,pch=20)

```



We see that the Cp minimizes at 18 parameters.

```
backward.subset.summary$which

```

##	(Intercept)	LotArea	OverallQual	OverallCond	YearBuilt	YearRemodAdd
## 1	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 2	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 3	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 4	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## 5	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 6	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 7	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 8	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 9	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 10	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 11	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 12	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 13	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 14	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 15	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 16	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 17	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 18	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 19	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 20	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 21	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 22	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 23	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
##	BsmtFinSF1	BsmtFinSF2	BsmtUnfSF	X1stFlrSF	X2ndFlrSF	LowQualFinSF
## 1	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 2	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE
## 3	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 4	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 5	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 6	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 7	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 8	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 9	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 10	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 11	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 12	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 13	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 14	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 15	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 16	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 17	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 18	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE
## 19	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 20	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 21	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 22	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 23	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
##	BsmtFullBath	BsmtHalfBath	FullBath	HalfBath	BedroomAbvGr	KitchenAbvGr
## 1	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 2	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 3	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 4	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 5	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE

## 6	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 7	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 8	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 9	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 10	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 11	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 12	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 13	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 14	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 15	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 16	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 17	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE
## 18	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE
## 19	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE
## 20	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE
## 21	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE
## 22	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE
## 23	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
##	TotRmsAbvGrd	Fireplaces	GarageCars	GarageArea	WoodDeckSF	MoSold
## 1	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 2	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 3	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 4	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 5	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 6	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 7	FALSE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 8	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 9	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 10	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 11	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 12	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 13	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 14	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 15	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	FALSE	FALSE
## 16	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## 17	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## 18	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## 19	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## 20	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	FALSE
## 21	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	FALSE	TRUE	TRUE
## 22	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE
## 23	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE	TRUE

For 18 parameters, the ones that were dropped were LowQualFinSF, BsmtHalfBath, BedroomAbvGround, GarageArea, and MoSold.

```
coef(backward.subset,18)
```

##	(Intercept)	LotArea	OverallQual	OverallCond	YearBuilt
##	3.516487e+00	2.008737e-06	8.320284e-02	4.996552e-02	2.536890e-03
##	YearRemodAdd	BsmtFinSF1	BsmtFinSF2	BsmtUnfSF	X1stFlrSF
##	1.032479e-03	8.605499e-05	8.414686e-05	6.352930e-05	1.976985e-04
##	X2ndFlrSF	BsmtFullBath	FullBath	HalfBath	KitchenAbvGr

```
## 1.381951e-04 5.540962e-02 3.668533e-02 2.522480e-02 -1.059376e-01
## TotRmsAbvGrd Fireplaces GarageCars WoodDeckSF
## 2.085906e-02 4.821921e-02 7.954215e-02 8.895361e-05
```

Here we see our final selection of variables that we will be using. It is important to know that we still have a log transformed Y response term. The interpretation of these coefficients would be different from a traditional linear model. For example, the interpretation of the FullBath variable would be for each increment of 1 in FullBath, the price of the home would increase by $\exp(0.03669-1)*100 = 3.7$ percent.

Of our variables, we see that these variables make sense, such as how the price of the home increases as the Lot Area, Overall Quality, and the number of Full Bathrooms increases.

```
predict.regsubsets <-function(object, newdata , id, ...){
  form <- as.formula(object$call[[2]])
  mat <-model.matrix(form, newdata)
  coefi <-coef(object, id = id)
  xvars <-names(coefi)
  return(mat[,xvars]%*%coefi)
}

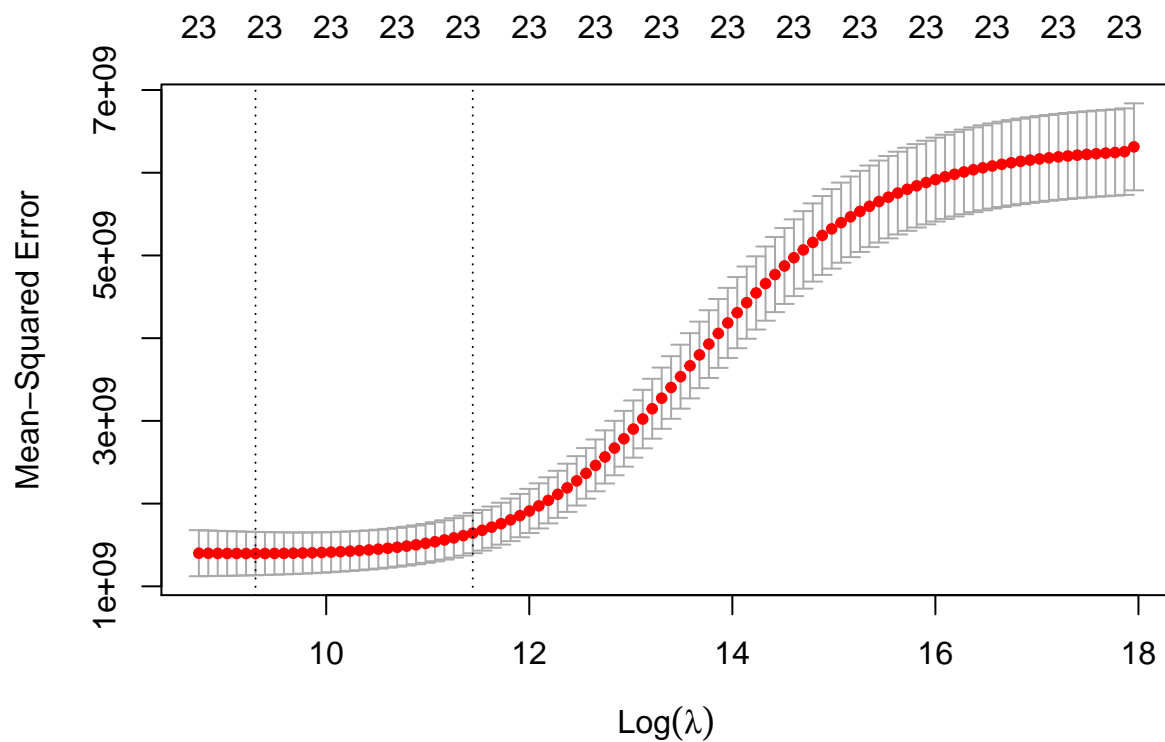
subset.lindata <- predict.regsubsets(backward.subset,newdata=test,id=which.min(backward.subset.summary$
head(exp(subset.lindata))
```

```
##      [,1]
## 1 112296.0
## 2 146762.6
## 3 169440.7
## 4 197657.6
## 5 184108.9
## 6 176827.8
```

Shrinkage Methods

```
X <- model.matrix(log(train_y$SalePrice)~.,data=train_x)[,-1]
y <- train$SalePrice
grid <- 10^seq(10,-2,length=1000)

ridge.mod <- glmnet(X,y,alpha=0,lambda=grid)
cv.out <- cv.glmnet(X,y,alpha=0,nfolds=10)
plot(cv.out)
```



```
bestlam <- cv.out$lambda.min
coef(ridge.mod,s=bestlam)
```

```
## 24 x 1 sparse Matrix of class "dgCMatrix"
##              1
## (Intercept) -9.519563e+05
## LotArea      4.314769e-01
## OverallQual  1.544608e+04
## OverallCond  3.407742e+03
## YearBuilt    2.199290e+02
## YearRemodAdd 2.318874e+02
## BsmtFinSF1   2.156152e+01
## BsmtFinSF2   7.608335e+00
## BsmtUnfSF    1.140119e+01
## X1stFlrSF    3.813270e+01
## X2ndFlrSF    2.605920e+01
## LowQualFinSF 1.016257e+01
## BsmtFullBath 7.399182e+03
## BsmtHalfBath 8.656893e+02
## FullBath     8.345980e+03
## HalfBath     4.505173e+03
## BedroomAbvGr -5.451508e+03
## KitchenAbvGr -2.410988e+04
## TotRmsAbvGrd 6.197832e+03
## Fireplaces   7.281929e+03
```

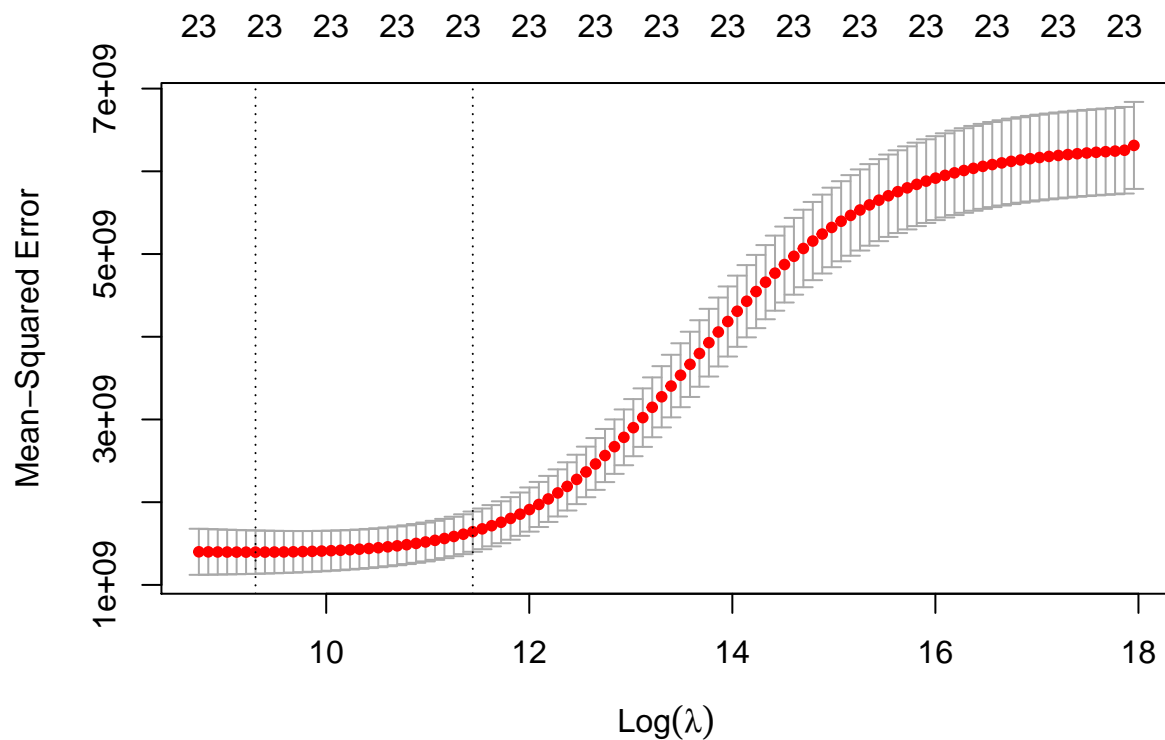
```
## GarageCars      8.973880e+03
## GarageArea      2.260301e+01
## WoodDeckSF      2.530776e+01
## MoSold          9.238410e+01
```

```
testx <- model.matrix(log(SalePrice)~.,test)[-1]
ridge.pred <- predict(ridge.mod,s=bestlam,newx=testx)

head(ridge.pred)
```

```
##          1
## 1 119072.4
## 2 163287.6
## 3 182747.6
## 4 207489.9
## 5 199049.9
## 6 187450.2
```

```
lasso.mod <- glmnet(X,y,alpha=1,lambda=grid)
cv.out2 <- cv.glmnet(X,y,alpha=1)
plot(cv.out)
```



```
bestlam2 <- cv.out2$lambda.min
coef(lasso.mod, s=bestlam2)
```

```
## 24 x 1 sparse Matrix of class "dgCMatrix"
##              1
## (Intercept) -9.180985e+05
## LotArea      4.210919e-01
## OverallQual  1.888715e+04
## OverallCond  3.305530e+03
## YearBuilt    2.619258e+02
## YearRemodAdd 1.680358e+02
## BsmtFinSF1   1.643315e+01
## BsmtFinSF2   .
## BsmtUnfSF    3.817340e+00
## X1stFlrSF    5.496407e+01
## X2ndFlrSF    3.833328e+01
## LowQualFinSF .
## BsmtFullBath 5.793133e+03
## BsmtHalfBath .
## FullBath     1.603800e+03
## HalfBath     .
## BedroomAbvGr -5.754066e+03
## KitchenAbvGr -2.268600e+04
## TotRmsAbvGrd 5.035539e+03
## Fireplaces   4.158788e+03
## GarageCars   1.039467e+04
## GarageArea   8.461287e+00
## WoodDeckSF   2.090570e+01
## MoSold       .
```

```
lasso.pred <- predict(lasso.mod, s=bestlam2, newx = testx)
head(lasso.pred)
```

```
##              1
## 1 114273.8
## 2 165814.3
## 3 175820.9
## 4 201297.9
## 5 205937.5
## 6 182549.4
```

Next, we run a ridge and lasso regression. These two methods are called shrinkage regression methods because they utilize shrinking, which is when the coefficient estimates are shrunk down towards 0. The difference between ridge and lasso are that lasso utilizes a regularization term in absolute value. Lasso also sets irrelevant variables to 0.

We used cross validation to determine the best tuning parameters for both models. We utilized the `cv.glmnet` function that optimized `lambda`. The optimized `lambda` are saved as `bestlam` and `bestlam2` for the ridge and lasso regression respectively.

In general, the Lasso method is preferred in terms of model interpretation. This is because in Ridge Regression, there can be many coefficients that are not 0. This does not mean that Lasso always leads to a higher prediction accuracy though. We will still need a process of cross validation to determine which model will be more accurate to our data.

Generalized Additive Models


```
gamfit <- gam(log(train_y$SalePrice)~s(LotArea) + s(OverallQual) + s(OverallCond) + s(YearBuilt) + s(YearRemodAdd) + s(BsmtFinSF1) + s(BsmtFinSF2) + s(BsmtUnfSF) + s(X1stFlrSF) + s(X2ndFlrSF) + s(LowQualFinSF) + BsmtFullBath + BsmtHalfBath + FullBath + HalfBath + s(BedroomAbvGr) + KitchenAbvGr + s(TotRmsAbvGrd) + Fireplaces + s(GarageCars) + s(GarageArea) + s(WoodDeckSF) + s(MoSold), data = train_x)

summary(gamfit)
```

```
##
## Call: gam(formula = log(train_y$SalePrice) ~ s(LotArea) + s(OverallQual) +
##       s(OverallCond) + s(YearBuilt) + s(YearRemodAdd) + s(BsmtFinSF1) +
##       s(BsmtFinSF2) + s(BsmtUnfSF) + s(X1stFlrSF) + s(X2ndFlrSF) +
##       s(LowQualFinSF) + BsmtFullBath + BsmtHalfBath + FullBath +
##       HalfBath + s(BedroomAbvGr) + KitchenAbvGr + s(TotRmsAbvGrd) +
##       Fireplaces + s(GarageCars) + s(GarageArea) + s(WoodDeckSF) +
##       s(MoSold), data = train_x)
## Deviance Residuals:
##      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
## -1.158350 -0.048885  0.004274  0.063715  0.470254
##
## (Dispersion Parameter for gaussian family taken to be 0.0152)
##
## Null Deviance: 232.8007 on 1459 degrees of freedom
## Residual Deviance: 21.0589 on 1385 degrees of freedom
## AIC: -1893.446
##
## Number of Local Scoring Iterations: NA
##
## Anova for Parametric Effects
##              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq  F value    Pr(>F)
## s(LotArea)      1  17.421   17.421 1145.7527 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(OverallQual)  1 134.867  134.867 8869.8819 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(OverallCond)  1   0.434    0.434  28.5528 1.065e-07 ***
## s(YearBuilt)    1   8.785    8.785  577.7814 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(YearRemodAdd) 1   0.539    0.539   35.4469 3.317e-09 ***
## s(BsmtFinSF1)   1   5.071    5.071  333.5046 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(BsmtFinSF2)   1   0.404    0.404   26.5451 2.947e-07 ***
## s(BsmtUnfSF)    1   3.015    3.015  198.2597 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(X1stFlrSF)    1   2.170    2.170  142.7446 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(X2ndFlrSF)    1  15.441   15.441 1015.5015 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(LowQualFinSF) 1   0.070    0.070   4.5917 0.032301 *
## BsmtFullBath    1   0.118    0.118   7.7855 0.005339 **
## BsmtHalfBath    1   0.016    0.016   1.0831 0.298180
## FullBath        1   0.015    0.015   0.9539 0.328891
## HalfBath        1   0.262    0.262  17.2320 3.510e-05 ***
## s(BedroomAbvGr) 1   0.086    0.086   5.6369 0.017722 *
## KitchenAbvGr    1   0.472    0.472  31.0451 3.025e-08 ***
## s(TotRmsAbvGrd) 1   0.071    0.071   4.6381 0.031442 *
## Fireplaces      1   0.794    0.794  52.2245 8.151e-13 ***
## s(GarageCars)   1   1.107    1.107  72.8293 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(GarageArea)   1   0.003    0.003   0.2099 0.646940
## s(WoodDeckSF)   1   0.073    0.073   4.7798 0.028962 *
## s(MoSold)       1   0.000    0.000   0.0146 0.903960
## Residuals      1385  21.059    0.015
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

```
##
## Anova for Nonparametric Effects
##           Npar Df Npar F      Pr(F)
## (Intercept)
## s(LotArea)          3 19.642 1.797e-12 ***
## s(OverallQual)      3  6.545  0.000215 ***
## s(OverallCond)      3  4.913  0.002125 **
## s(YearBuilt)        3 16.077 2.820e-10 ***
## s(YearRemodAdd)     3  3.758  0.010527 *
## s(BsmtFinSF1)       3 46.648 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(BsmtFinSF2)       3  1.353  0.255522
## s(BsmtUnfSF)        3  1.659  0.173910
## s(X1stFlrSF)        3 56.406 < 2.2e-16 ***
## s(X2ndFlrSF)        3  1.321  0.265984
## s(LowQualFinSF)     3  2.486  0.059096 .
## BsmtFullBath
## BsmtHalfBath
## FullBath
## HalfBath
## s(BedroomAbvGr)     3  1.910  0.126070
## KitchenAbvGr
## s(TotRmsAbvGrd)     3  0.960  0.410588
## Fireplaces
## s(GarageCars)       3  7.530 5.344e-05 ***
## s(GarageArea)       3  4.747  0.002679 **
## s(WoodDeckSF)       3  0.687  0.560266
## s(MoSold)           3  3.157  0.023940 *
## ---
## Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
```

Note: BsmtHalfBath, BsmtFullBath, FullBath, KitchenAbvGr, Fireplaces, and HalfBath were not splined due to their low number of unique variables. This may imply we treat them as qualitative variables instead of quantitative.

Our GAM model utilizes smoothing splines and local regression on our quantitative predictors.

This is our model for the default df, 4. We see in the summary of the model that some variables are linearly significant, some are nonlinearly significant, and some are both or neither. For example, we see that GarageArea is not significant in a linear setting but is significant in a nonlinear setting.

We will try different values for the df to see if we can get better results.

```
error = 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  gamfit <- gam(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~s(LotArea) + s(OverallQual) + s(OverallCond) + s(YearBuilt) +
    s(BsmtFinSF1) + s(BsmtFinSF2) + s(BsmtUnfSF) + s(X1stFlrSF) + s(X2ndFlrSF) + s(LowQualFinSF) +
    s(BsmtFullBath) + s(BsmtHalfBath) + s(FullBath) + s(HalfBath) + s(BedroomAbvGr) + s(KitchenAbvGr) +
    s(TotRmsAbvGrd) + s(Fireplaces) + s(GarageCars) + s(GarageArea) + s(WoodDeckSF) + s(MoSold))

  pred <- predict(gamfit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))
```

```
##           1
## 0.130365
```

```

error = 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  gamfit <- gam(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~s(LotArea,df=5) + s(OverallQual,df=5) + s(OverallCond,df=5) + s(OverallAge,df=5))

  pred <- predict(gamfit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))

```

```

##          1
## 0.134176

```

```

error = 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  gamfit <- gam(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~s(LotArea,df=10) + s(OverallQual,df=10) + s(OverallCond,df=10) + s(OverallAge,df=10))

  pred <- predict(gamfit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))

```

```

##          1
## 0.1987622

```

We see the estimated test MSEs from $df = 4$ (0.184), $df = 5$ (0.190), and $df=10$ (0.281). The lowest MSE came from $df = 4$. This will be the model we will use.

```

gampreds <- exp(predict(gamfit, newdata=test_x))
head(gampreds)

```

```

##          1          2          3          4          5          6
## 124083.2 162391.1 191346.3 208782.0 173370.8 167742.3

```

These are the first 6 values that our model predicts using the GAM fit.

Regression Trees

```

set.seed(10)
treefit <- tree(log(train_y$SalePrice)~.,data=train_x)
summary(treefit)

```

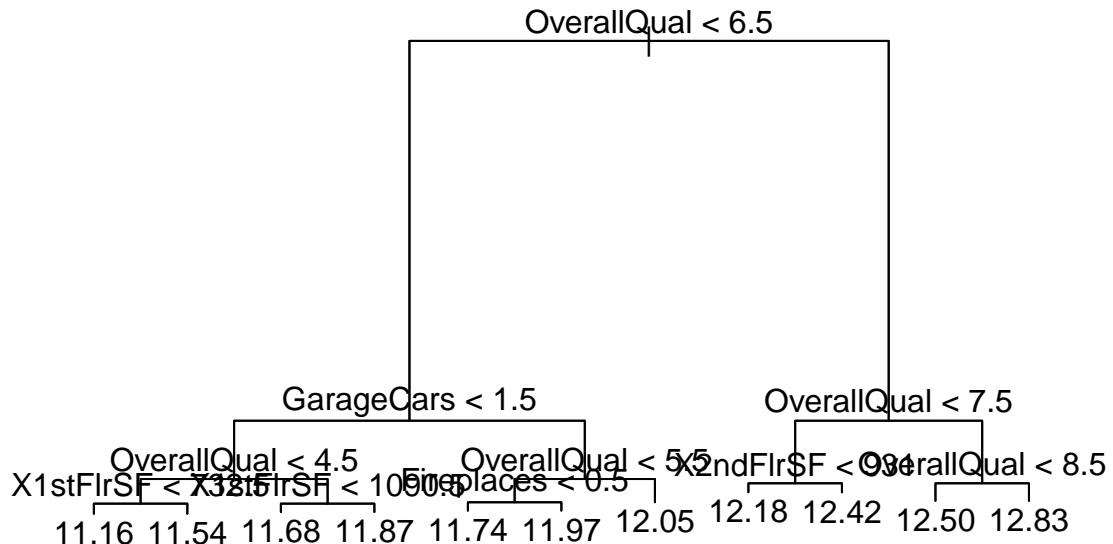
```

##
## Regression tree:
## tree(formula = log(train_y$SalePrice) ~ ., data = train_x)
## Variables actually used in tree construction:
## [1] "OverallQual" "GarageCars" "X1stFlrSF" "Fireplaces" "X2ndFlrSF"
## Number of terminal nodes: 11
## Residual mean deviance: 0.0431 = 62.46 / 1449
## Distribution of residuals:
##      Min. 1st Qu.  Median    Mean 3rd Qu.    Max.
## -0.8696 -0.1198  0.0106  0.0000  0.1257  0.7034

```

In this case, we are using a regression tree as our model. A regression tree utilizes a decision tree to estimate the response variable SalePrice. We see that the training MSE is 0.04 and the number of terminal nodes is 11. This is our unpruned model because we have not yet pruned, or narrowed down, our model.

```
plot(treefit)
text(treefit,pretty=0)
```



We have a visualization of the tree we are using. We have OverallQual as our top variable, which makes sense as the quality of a home intuitively should have a high impact on the sale price.

To optimize the number of trees, we will utilize cross validation.

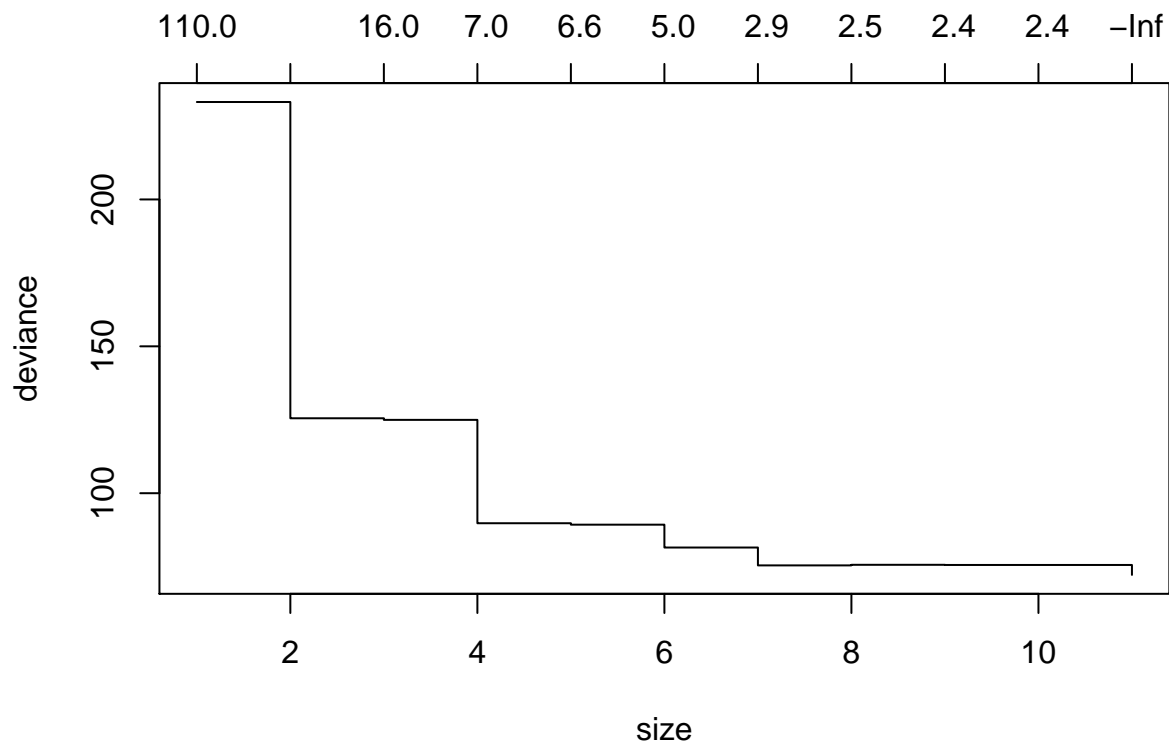
```
treefitcv <- cv.tree(treefit)
treefitcv
```

```
## $size
## [1] 11 10 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1
##
## $dev
## [1] 72.18475 75.56561 75.56561 75.62371 75.42584 81.50909 89.28855
## [8] 89.77814 124.96357 125.50608 233.16618
##
## $k
## [1] -Inf 2.377175 2.378557 2.548762 2.872628 4.988011
## [7] 6.578577 6.964175 16.486284 17.696352 107.453137
##
```

```
## $method
## [1] "deviance"
##
## attr("class")
## [1] "prune"          "tree.sequence"
```

This cross validation function allows us to optimize our regression tree based on the estimated test MSE.

```
plot(treefitcv)
```



The lowest cross-validated error corresponds to 11, which is the same as our original model. This means that cross-validation did not lead to the selection of a pruned tree.

```
treepreds <- exp(predict(treefit,newdata=test_x))
head(treepreds)
```

```
##          1          2          3          4          5          6
## 118735.1 143158.2 157864.8 170271.6 267584.7 170271.6
```

These are the first 6 values of our predicted data.

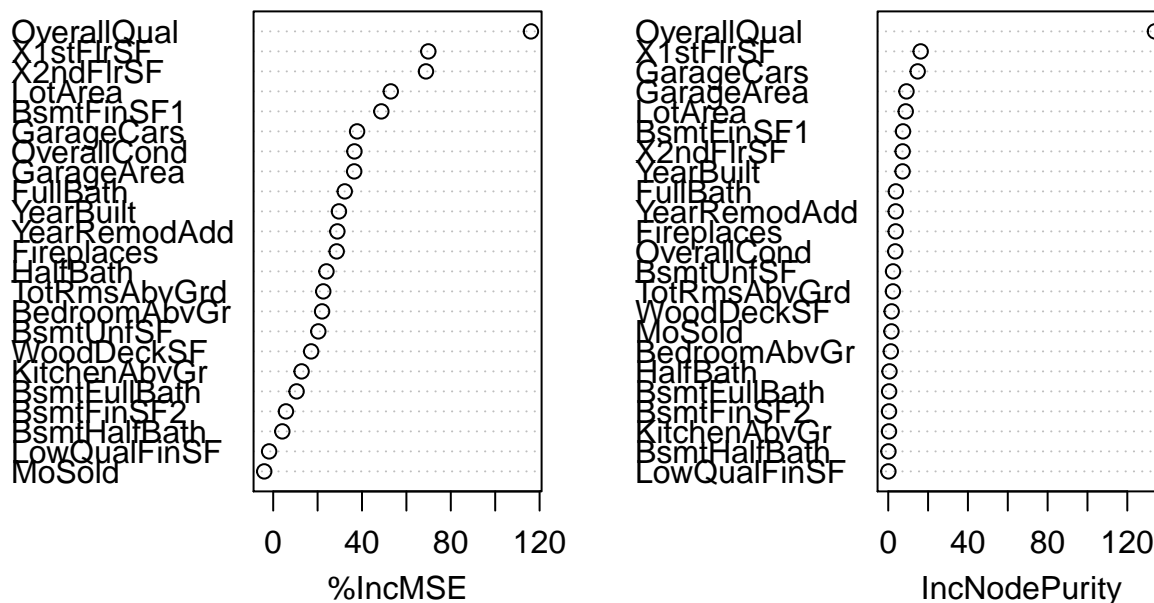
Bagging

```
bagfit <- randomForest(log(train_y$SalePrice)~.,data=train_x,mtry=ncol(train_x)-1,importance=TRUE,ntrees=
importance(bagfit))
```

##	%IncMSE	IncNodePurity
## LotArea	52.965825	8.78637797
## OverallQual	116.100045	133.86284315
## OverallCond	36.592322	3.53481149
## YearBuilt	29.612277	7.20910147
## YearRemodAdd	28.911480	3.74815508
## BsmtFinSF1	48.716660	7.41038379
## BsmtFinSF2	5.751527	0.39368867
## BsmtUnfSF	20.332966	2.40614956
## X1stFlrSF	69.879023	16.27392075
## X2ndFlrSF	68.821226	7.24387807
## LowQualFinSF	-1.830095	0.08021749
## BsmtFullBath	10.543830	0.44671128
## BsmtHalfBath	4.109108	0.10950879
## FullBath	32.235365	3.81585333
## HalfBath	23.990772	0.62457744
## BedroomAbvGr	22.020290	1.28546345
## KitchenAbvGr	12.797801	0.37270524
## TotRmsAbvGrd	22.548826	2.35409212
## Fireplaces	28.602873	3.73037627
## GarageCars	37.795252	14.77616756
## GarageArea	36.497118	9.15489362
## WoodDeckSF	17.095666	1.71277946
## MoSold	-4.032062	1.60589395

```
varImpPlot(bagfit)
```

bagfit



We use a bagging model now to estimate our response variable SalePrice. A bagging model utilizes bootstrap aggregation. This means that it averages a set of bootstrapped decision trees. The advantage of the bagging model is that it leads to lower bias and variance.

Here we use `ncol(train_x)-1` as our parameter for the `mtry` value to indicate a bagging model. This is because $m=p$ in a bagging model. We are also using `ntree` as 1000. We see from the plot that OverallQual has the most impact. This is consistent with our regression tree model results which also indicated that OverallQual had the highest impact on our model.

```
bagpreds <- exp(predict(bagfit,newdata=test_x))
head(bagpreds)
```

```
##          1          2          3          4          5          6
## 129564.0 156959.9 170363.3 180191.0 193017.9 186423.5
```

Here are the first 6 predictors for SalePrice using this model.

Random Forest

```
randomforestfit <- randomForest(log(train_y$SalePrice)~.,data=train_x,mtry=round(sqrt(ncol(train_x)-1))
randomforestfit
```

```
##
```

```
## Call:
```

```
## randomForest(formula = log(train_y$SalePrice) ~ ., data = train_x,      mtry = round(sqrt(ncol(train_x)-1))
```

```
##           Type of random forest: regression
```

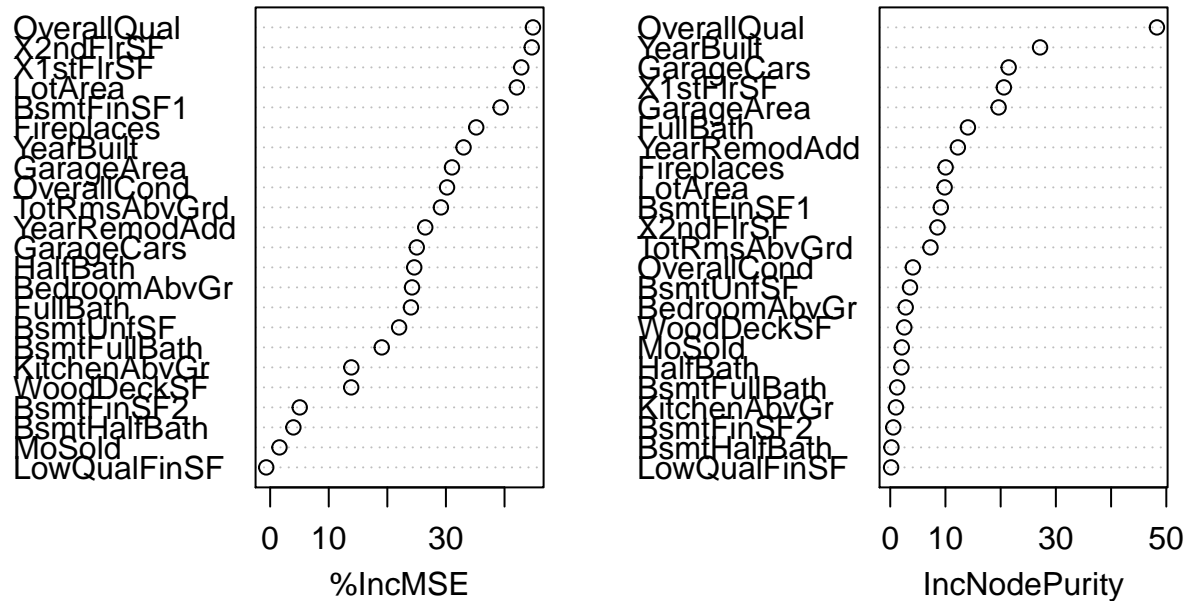
```
##                      Number of trees: 1000
## No. of variables tried at each split: 5
##
##          Mean of squared residuals: 0.02046131
##                      % Var explained: 87.17
```

```
importance(randomforestfit)
```

```
##          %IncMSE IncNodePurity
## LotArea      42.1060144      9.8556156
## OverallQual  44.8490145     48.3017665
## OverallCond  30.1898257      4.0955320
## YearBuilt    33.0077264     27.1339375
## YearRemodAdd 26.4714437     12.2480556
## BsmtFinSF1   39.3373516      9.1625327
## BsmtFinSF2    5.0495237      0.5496874
## BsmtUnfSF    22.0093933      3.5792635
## X1stFlrSF    42.8593378     20.5800772
## X2ndFlrSF    44.6441867      8.5541598
## LowQualFinSF -0.6679745      0.1531464
## BsmtFullBath 19.0485290      1.2562851
## BsmtHalfBath  3.9639152      0.2144397
## FullBath     24.0269287     14.0704301
## HalfBath     24.5934326      2.0322275
## BedroomAbvGr 24.2131303      2.8001258
## KitchenAbvGr 13.8536934      1.0412902
## TotRmsAbvGrd 29.1442981      7.2862428
## Fireplaces   35.1744497     10.0320273
## GarageCars   25.0226640     21.4497581
## GarageArea   31.0366421     19.6286497
## WoodDeckSF   13.8338137      2.5482668
## MoSold        1.5890547      2.0921834
```

```
varImpPlot(randomforestfit)
```


randomforestfit



Now we will use a random forest model to predict our response variable SalePrice. A random forest model is similar to the bagging model where trees are averaged, but random forest takes the average of the decorrelated bootstrapped trees. This tends to lead to a lower variance model.

We use `round(sqrt(ncol(train_x)-1))` as our parameter for the `mtry` model to indicate that it is a random forest model. This is because `m` is approximately `sqrt(p)` for a random forest model. We see that the training MSE is 0.0204. We see that the most important variable is OverallQual. This is consistent with previous models.

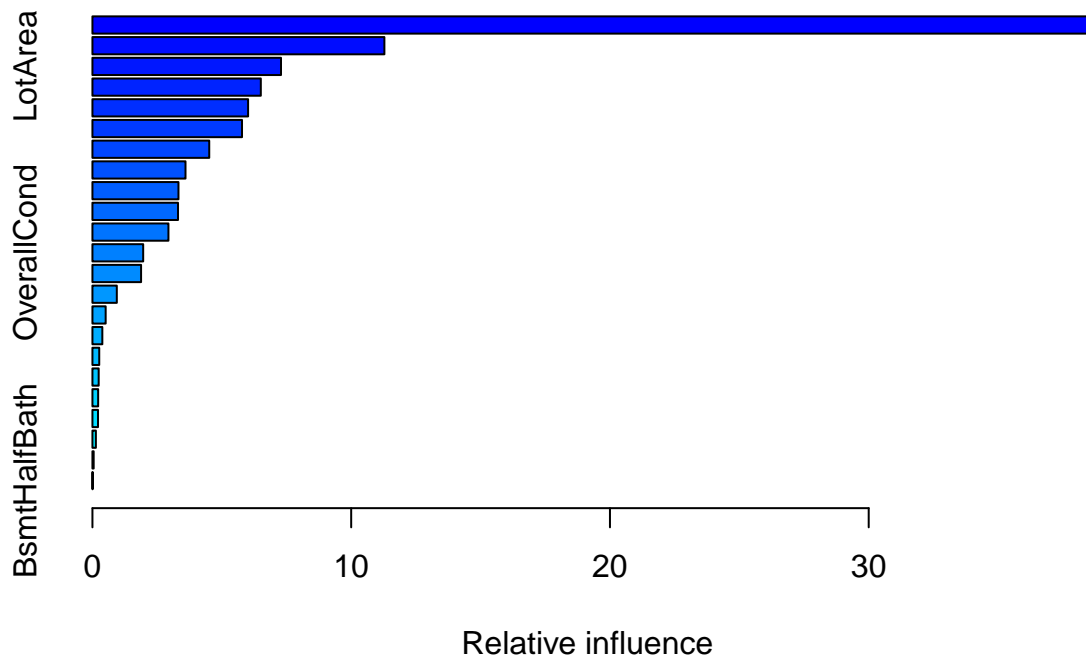
```
randomforestpreds <- exp(predict(randomforestfit,newdata=test_x))
head(randomforestpreds)
```

```
##          1          2          3          4          5          6
## 127401.6 151255.9 179730.6 185810.3 187941.8 188874.2
```

These are the first 6 predictions of our response variable SalePrice using this model.

Boosting

```
boostfit <- gbm(log(train_y$SalePrice) ~ .,data=train_x,distribution="gaussian",n.trees=1000,shrinkage=
summary(boostfit)
```



##		var	rel.inf
##	OverallQual	OverallQual	38.643405593
##	X1stFlrSF	X1stFlrSF	11.282410895
##	LotArea	LotArea	7.287485927
##	GarageArea	GarageArea	6.507522872
##	BsmtFinSF1	BsmtFinSF1	6.015260929
##	YearBuilt	YearBuilt	5.780625989
##	Fireplaces	Fireplaces	4.513748042
##	FullBath	FullBath	3.597207404
##	X2ndFlrSF	X2ndFlrSF	3.324287570
##	GarageCars	GarageCars	3.307410792
##	YearRemodAdd	YearRemodAdd	2.936657057
##	OverallCond	OverallCond	1.960690618
##	TotRmsAbvGrd	TotRmsAbvGrd	1.879884162
##	BsmtUnfSF	BsmtUnfSF	0.942233227
##	HalfBath	HalfBath	0.510656714
##	MoSold	MoSold	0.381871872
##	WoodDeckSF	WoodDeckSF	0.262944338
##	BedroomAbvGr	BedroomAbvGr	0.241348412
##	BsmtFullBath	BsmtFullBath	0.220444912
##	BsmtFinSF2	BsmtFinSF2	0.215657635
##	KitchenAbvGr	KitchenAbvGr	0.133191571
##	LowQualFinSF	LowQualFinSF	0.047278127
##	BsmtHalfBath	BsmtHalfBath	0.007775341

```
boostfit
```

```
## gbm(formula = log(train_y$SalePrice) ~ ., distribution = "gaussian",  
##      data = train_x, n.trees = 1000, shrinkage = 0.1, cv.folds = 10)  
## A gradient boosted model with gaussian loss function.  
## 1000 iterations were performed.  
## The best cross-validation iteration was 1000.  
## There were 23 predictors of which 23 had non-zero influence.
```

```
which.min(boostfit$cv.error)
```

```
## [1] 1000
```

Now we use a boosting model to predict our response variable SalePrice. A boosting model utilizes trees once again, but it averages a bunch of nonbootstrapped trees. This method grows sequentially as opposed to the random forest and bagging models.

Here we see the distribution of influence of the variables. OverallQual again is the top variable.

We use a cross validation method to find the best number of trees for our model. The result of the cross validation indicated that 920 was the best number of trees.

```
boostpreds <- exp(predict(boostfit,newdata=test_x,n.trees=920))  
head(boostpreds)
```

```
## [1] 128028.8 160166.5 181043.3 197594.1 180576.2 176057.4
```

These are our first 6 predictions of SalePrice using this model.

Estimated Test Errors and True Test Errors

Saving my data

```
knndata <- knn.reg(train=train_x,test=test_x,y=train_y,k=5)  
knndata <- data.frame('Id' = c(1461:2919),'SalePrice'=knndata$pred)  
write.csv(knndata,'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/knndata.csv')  
  
lindata <- exp(predict(fit2,newdata=test))  
lindata <- data.frame('ID' = c(1461:2919),'SalePrice'=lindata)  
write.csv(lindata,'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/lindata.csv')  
  
subsetlindata <- exp(subset.lindata)  
subsetlindata <- data.frame('Id' = c(1461:2919),'SalePrice'=subsetlindata)  
write.csv(subsetlindata,'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/subsetlindata.csv')  
  
ridgedata <- ridge.pred  
ridgedata <- data.frame('Id' = c(1461:2919),'SalePrice'=ridgedata)  
write.csv(ridgedata,'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/ridgedata.csv')  
  
lassodata <- lasso.pred  
lassodata <- data.frame('Id' = c(1461:2919),'SalePrice'=lassodata)  
write.csv(lassodata,'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/lassodata.csv')
```

```

gamdata <- gampreds
gamdata <- data.frame('ID' = c(1461:2919), 'SalePrice'=gamdata)
write.csv(gamdata, 'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/gamdata.csv')

treedata <- treepreds
treedata <- data.frame('ID' = c(1461:2919), 'SalePrice'=treedata)
write.csv(treedata, 'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/treedata.csv')

bagdata <- bagpreds
bagdata <- data.frame('ID' = c(1461:2919), 'SalePrice'=bagdata)
write.csv(bagdata, 'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/bagdata.csv')

randomforestdata <- randomforestpreds
randomforestdata <- data.frame('ID' = c(1461:2919), 'SalePrice'=randomforestdata)
write.csv(randomforestdata, 'C:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/randomforestdata.csv')

boostdata <- boostpreds
boostdata <- data.frame('ID' = c(1461:2919), 'SalePrice'=boostdata)
write.csv(boostdata, 'c:/Users/jacob/Documents/STT 481/boostdata.csv')

```

```

#KNN MSE
error = 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  set.seed(10)
  pred.class <- knn.reg(train_x[-i,], train_x[i,], train_y$SalePrice[-i], k=5)
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i]) - log(pred.class$pred))^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))

```

```
## [1] 0.2306037
```

```

#Lin Reg MSE
error = 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  fitmse <- lm(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~., data=train_x[-i,])
  pred <- predict(fitmse, train_x[i,], type='response')
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i]) - pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))

```

```
##          1
## 0.1586374
```

```

#Subset
error = 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  subsetfit <- lm(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~LotArea+OverallQual+OverallCond+YearBuilt+YearRemodAdd+Bsm
  pred <- predict(subsetfit, train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i]) - pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))

```

```
##          1
## 0.1575491
```

```
#Ridge
error <- 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){

  Xs <- model.matrix(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~.,data=train_x[-i,])[, -1]
  ys <- train_y$SalePrice[-i]
  ridgmod <- glmnet(Xs,ys,alpha=0,lambda=grid)

  testx = as.matrix(train_x[i,])
  pred <- predict(ridgmod,s=bestlam,newx=testx)

  if(pred > 0){ #filter out negative predictions
    error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-log(pred))^2
  }
}
sqrt(error/(nrow(train_x)-2))
```

```
##          1
## 1 0.1850845
```

```
#Lasso
error <- 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  set.seed(10)
  Xs <- model.matrix(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~.,data=train_x[-i,])[, -1]
  ys <- train_y$SalePrice[-i]
  lassomod <- glmnet(Xs,ys,alpha=1,lambda=grid)

  testx = as.matrix(train_x[i,])
  pred <- predict(lassomod,s=bestlam2,newx=testx)

  if(pred > 0){ #filter out negative predictions
    error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-log(pred))^2
  }
}
sqrt(error/(nrow(train_x)-2))
```

```
##          1
## 1 0.1872023
```

```
#GAM
error = 0
for(i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  gamfit <- gam(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~s(LotArea) + s(OverallQual) + s(OverallCond) + s(YearBuilt) + s(
  pred <- predict(gamfit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))
```

```
##          1
## 0.130365
```

#Regression Tree

```
error = 0
for (i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  set.seed(10)
  treefit <- tree(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i]) ~ ., data=train_x[-i,])

  pred <- predict(treefit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))
```

```
##          1
## 0.2219954
```

#Bagging

```
error = 0
for (i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  set.seed(10)
  bagfit <- randomForest(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~.,data=train_x[-i,],mtry=ncol(train_x)-1,importance=
  pred <- predict(bagfit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))
```

```
##          1
## 0.1470316
```

#Random Forest

```
error = 0
for (i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  set.seed(10)
  randomforestfit <- randomForest(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~.,data=train_x[-i,],mtry=round(sqrt(ncol(t
  pred <- predict(randomforestfit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))
```

```
##          1
## 0.1427294
```

#Boosting

```
error = 0
for (i in 1:nrow(train_x)){
  set.seed(10)
  boostfit <- gbm(log(train_y$SalePrice[-i])~.,data=train_x[-i,],distribution="gaussian",n.trees=100,sh
  pred <- predict(boostfit,train_x[i,])
  error <- error + (log(train_y$SalePrice[i])-pred)^2
}
```

```
## Using 100 trees...
##
## Using 100 trees...
```

```
sqrt(error/nrow(train_x))
```

```
## [1] 0.1562022
```

Based on the CV estimates of each model, I believe that the model that will return the lowest test MSE will be the GAM model. This model returned a 0.13 estimated test MSE, which is the lowest of all the methods.

```
MSEs <- data.frame("Method" = c("KNN", "Linear Reg", "Subset Linear Reg", "Ridge", "Lasso", "GAM", "Regression Tree", "Bagging", "Random Forest", "Boosting"),
MSEs
```

##	Method	MSE	True.MSE
## 1	KNN	0.231	0.249
## 2	Linear Reg	0.159	0.151
## 3	Subset Linear Reg	0.158	0.151
## 4	Ridge	0.186	0.222
## 5	Lasso	0.264	0.454
## 6	GAM	0.130	0.134
## 7	Regression Tree	0.222	0.228
## 8	Bagging	0.146	0.153
## 9	Random Forest	0.144	0.148
## 10	Boosting	0.156	0.143

Here, we calculated our Mean squared errors. We used the same method kaggle did, $\sqrt{(\log \text{ of observed-log of predicted})^2/n}$. Looking at these MSE, they are very similar to the results we received through kaggle, except for the lasso regression. This did not perform well in kaggle, but performed very well in our MSE Cross Validation algorithm.

Of the true test MSEs, we find that GAM had the lowest. This is consistent with our initial prediction based on the estimate test MSEs.

Based on our true test MSEs from Kaggle, we can try to answer why each model performed the way that it did. We see that, with the exception of our inconsistent lasso result, KNN resulted in the worst test MSE. This may be due to how KNN is very sensitive to the quality and the scale of the data. This is the only method in which we did not include a logarithm scale on our response variable.

We can also speculate as to why the GAM was the best performing model. We know that GAM works better with many predictors, which is great for this model because we have over 20 predictors. We also know that it is more flexible than other predictive regression models such as linear regression. This is consistent with our results because GAM performed better than the linear regression model.

As for the other methods, one algorithm is not inherently better than all others. Each method has their own pros and cons, and even the best performing algorithms may have consequences in computation time and cost. Thus, with different data, we may see that a different method performed better. Also, because our training data was picked randomly, we may see different results with a different training data from the same overall dataset.

In conclusion, we ran 9 different algorithms: KNN, Linear Regression, Subsetting Linear Regression, Shrinkage (Ridge/Lasso), GAM, Regression Tree, Bagging, Random Forest, and Boosting. We used cross validation to optimize the parameters of each model and used those models to predict the sale price of houses. The test MSE was estimated using LOOCV for all the methods and then the test MSE was actually calculated

through Kaggle. The best performing method for both the LOOCV and Kaggle was GAM. This may be due to GAM's flexibility over other models.

This process raises further questions on the data that can be later explored as well. For example, it is assumed that with better cleaning of the data, we can reach better test MSE values. Instead of extracting NA values, we could estimate the NA values using a median/mean. This may produce better results.

Another question that could be explored is how the results of these algorithms compare to a similar data set but for a different state. It is known that this data set comes from Iowa, but it is unknown how this data may compare to a different state. With the same variables, we can run these same algorithms to see which performs the best.

Below are the screenshots of our Kaggle results.

knndata.csv 36 minutes ago by Jacob Haywood KNN 4	0.24897
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subsetlindata.csv a day ago by Jacob Haywood Subset Linear Regression	0.15083
ridgedata.csv a day ago by Jacob Haywood Ridge Regression	0.22195
lassodata.csv a day ago by Jacob Haywood Lasso Regression	0.45428
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Wait time 1 seconds	Execution time 0 seconds
Score 0.13385	
Complete	
Jump to your position on the leaderboard ▼	
Your most recent submission	
Name treedata.csv	Submitted just now
Wait time 1 seconds	Execution time 0 seconds
Score 0.22777	
Complete	
Jump to your position on the leaderboard ▼	

Your most recent submission				
Name	Submitted	Wait time	Execution time	Score
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Complete				
Jump to your position on the leaderboard ▼				

randomforestdata.csv

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Random Forest

boostdata.csv

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Boosting