Scientific Questions The principle scientific questions that this data pose are:

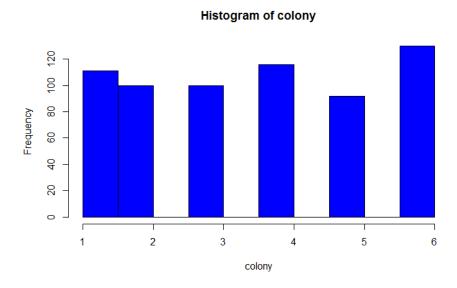
- Do different colonies use different foraging strategies? (e.e. worker-conservative versus energy-conservative) Is there some difference across size classes?
- Are there differences across colonies in the distribution of sizes or distances of the member ants?
- What are the strategies that are in use? Are any colonies especially similar or different?
- a) (0.5 points) First, examine the data visually, using various plots, including boxplots and coplots.
- b) (2 points) Perform a regression of the mass on colony, distance, and size, and evaluate the appropriateness of your model using graphical techniques. If you find a transformation needed, justify your choice of transformation.
- c) (1 points) Interpret the coefficients relative to the scientific contributions and discuss what conclusions you can draw. $\boxed{\mathbb{E}(A|t+A)}$

References

 $UCLA\ Datasets\ (2006),\ http://www.stat.ucla.edu/projects/datasets/ant-explanation.html$

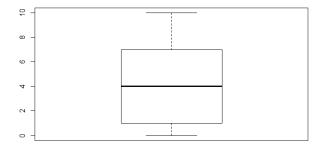
a) We first examine the data. We import the data with codes in appendix 1.1.

Then, we draw a histogram to examine the number of ants in each colony: (appendix 1.2)



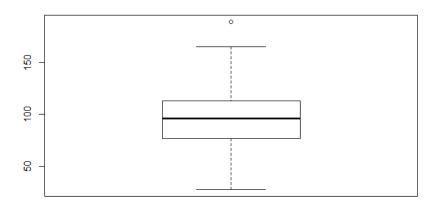
From the plot, we can see that the number of ants investigated in each colony are close to each other.

Then we examine the distribution of the distance by plotting a box plot: (appendix 1.3)



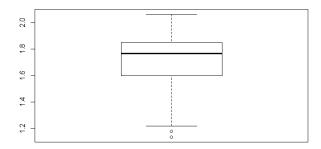
From the plot, we know that the median of distance is about 4. Half of the ants search for food within the distance 4 while some ants go very far in search for food.

We then use the same approach to examine the mass of ants: (appendix 1.4)



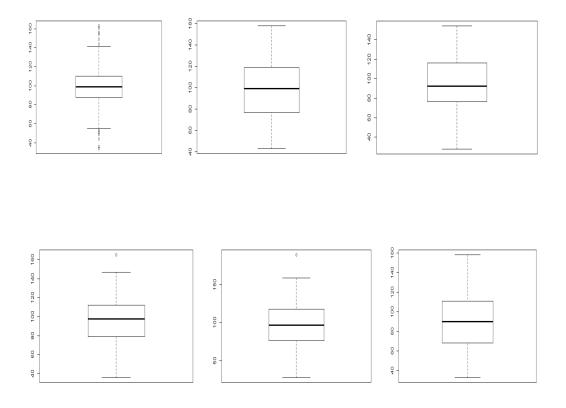
We can see that most ants weighs around 100.

We then examine the headwidth of ants (appendix 1.5)



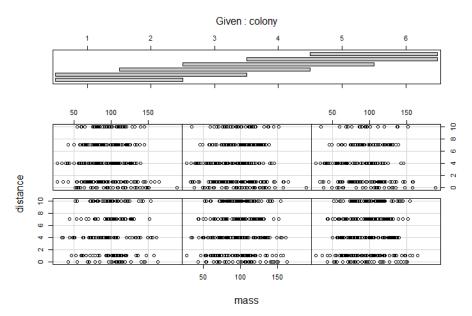
The plot shows that nearly half of the ants have headwidth wider than 1.8.

We are also interested in the distribution of mass within each colony. Thus, with codes in appendix 1.6, we can draw boxplots for the mass distribution within each colony:



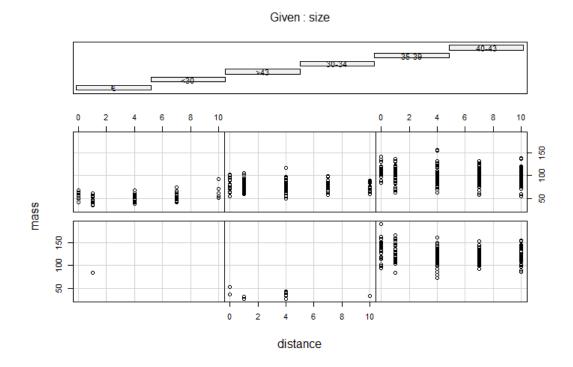
We can see different colonies have slight differences in their mass.

We further study given the colony, if there is some relationship between mass and distance. We use codes in appendix 1.7 to draw a coplot.



It seems that among different colonies, the relationship between distance and mass looks alike with each other.

We then study that given size, if there is any relationship between distance and mass. We use codes in appendix 1.8 to draw a coplot:



The plot shows that only few ants are of small size. In other occasions, it seems that the distance an ants goes has nothing to do on its mass. For ants with different distances have nearly the same distribution.

At the same time, we notice that there is a strange data with a strange size. Further

examination shows that many of its values are NA. Since this observation provides poor information, we simply delete it.

To further clarify the data, we will run an linear regression and perform regression diagnostics.

b)

We first perform the regression with codes in appendix 2.1 and get the following summary:

```
lm(formula = mass ~ colony + distance + size)
Residuals:
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-51.077 -10.000 0.008 8.626 63.319
Coefficients:
             (Intercept) 40.9588
colony
distance
              86.9063
17.9485
                            4.4233 19.647 < 2e-16 ***
4.7288 3.796 0.000161 ***
size>43
size30-34
size35-39
              40.4844
                            4.4373
                                      9.124
size40-43
                           4.3725 14.673
              64.1592
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 15.32 on 641 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.6823, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6793
F-statistic: 229.4 on 6 and 641 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

After performing the regression, it is necessary to perform regression diagnostic.

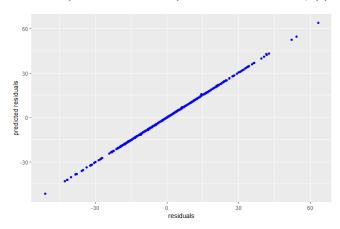
I)

We first determine if there are influential observations. From the summary of the regression, we know there are 7 coefficients and 649 observations. Thus, the average of the leverages is $(7+1)/649 \approx 0.012$. We list all leverages (appendix 2.2), here is some of the leverages:

```
0.0121704 0.01284420 0.012471509 0.012661136 0.012661136 0.012661136 0.012661136 0.012661136 0.012661136 0.012661136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.01266136 0.012626136 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.013708236 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.01266760 0.
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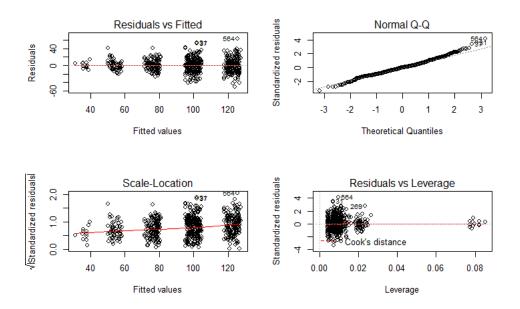
We can find out that some of the leverages are pretty high. Thus, it is suspected that their might be influential observations.

We then plot residuals vs predicted residuals (appendix 2.3):



We can find out that all residuals are close to there predicted residuals. Thus, it is reasonable to conclude that there is no outliers on x-axis.

However, we do suspect that there ming be outlying Y. To verify this, we further run regression diagnostics with appdendix 2.4 .



From these plots, we notice that observation 564 and 37 have standardized residuals larger than 3. While from appendix 2.5, we find they have rather small leverages. Thus, we can believe that observation 564 and 37 are outliers on Y-axis. We shall remove them and regress again (appendix 2.6):

```
lm(formula = mass ~ colony + distance + size)
Residuals:
Min 1Q Median 3Q Max
-50.642 -9.936 0.321 8.725 54.530
Coefficients:
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                    4.4357 9.182 < 2e-16 ***
0.3401 -1.227 0.220165
0.1744 -3.906 0.000104 ***
(Intercept) 40.7290
                0.1744 -3.906 0.000104 ***
86.4732 4.3305 19.968 < 2e-16 ***
17.9148 4.6281 3.871 0.000120 ***
40.4693 4.3428 9.319 < 2e-16 ***
63.8840 4.2797 14 027
                  -0.4174
colonv
distance
size>43
size30-34
size35-39
                                    +.3428 9.319 < 2e-16 ***
4.2797 14.927 < 2e-16 ***
size40-43
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 14.99 on 639 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.6886, Adjusted R-squared: 0.6886, Postatistic: 235.5 on 6 and 639 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
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II)

The second thing we would like to do is to detect nonlinearity.

To detect non-linearity, we do partial regression for the model. If the linearity holds, each partial regression shall possess a very small intercept and a slope that is extremely close to β_i .

Since there are 6 explanatory variables in the model, we do 6 partial regressions. (appendix 2.7)

And hence we obtain the result of 6 regressions:

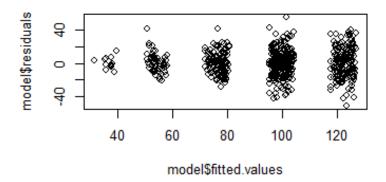
```
+ }
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
-2.807811e-15 -4.174047e-01
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
1.220754e-15 -6.814084e-01
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
6.836929e-16 8.647324e+01
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
-9.210585e-16 1.791480e+01
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
1.486874e-15 4.046930e+01
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
-1.655048e-15 6.388402e+01
>
```

We can see that all these 6 models have very small intercept and a slope that is close to each's β_i . Thus, I believe that the true data is linear.

III)

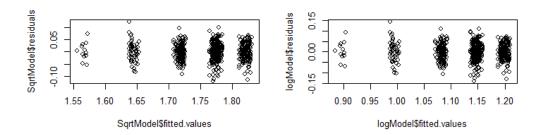
The third thing to do is to check the assumptions on e. To do this, we plot residuals vs fitted values (appendix 2.8).

The following picture is the result:



The picture shows that in the original data, the data does not have the same variance. Actually, as the fitted values grows bigger, their variance grows larger. Thus, some transformation will be performed on the data.

Because we know little about mass and σ , we shall try both $h(mass) = \sqrt{mass}$ and $h(mass) = \log (mass)$. We transform mass in these two ways and get the result (appendix 2.10):



What is surprising is that these two models has nearly the same effect. Both of the variances after transformation is nearly a constant. We then further investigate the summary of these two models:

We find out that the log model is more significant.

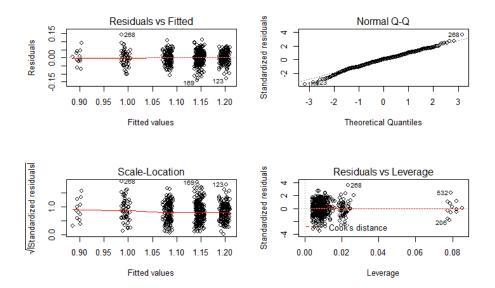
Besides, the output of appendix 2.11 also shows that its linearity maintains well:

```
+ }
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
-5.921865e-18 -1.544632e-03
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
-1.087003e-17 -1.416535e-03
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
6.858027e-18 3.027047e-01
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
9.381696e-18 9.711076e-02
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
2.320000e-18 1.857919e-01
  (Intercept) xlm$residuals
2.26491e-18 2.51108e-01
```

Thus, it is better to transform mass with the log function.

IV)

The last thing we would like to do is to check its normality. The output of appendix 2.2 is:



Notice that the qq plot is nearly a straight line. Thus, we can treat e as something that is nearly the normal distribution.

c)
The summary of the final model is:

```
lm(formula = mass ~ colony + distance + size)
Residuals:
     Min
               1Q
                    Median
                                         Max
-0.56287 -0.09853
                   0.01442
                           0.10116
                                     0.57375
Coefficients:
             Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                                         < 2e-16 ***
(Intercept) 3.634790
                        0.047243
                                  76.939
colony
            -0.006179
                        0.003622
                                  -1.706
                                          0.08855
distance
            -0.005666
                        0.001858
                                  -3.050
                                          0.00239 **
                                          < 2e-16 ***
size>43
             1.210819
                        0.046123
                                  26.252
size30-34
                                   7.880 1.41e-14 ***
                        0.049292
             0.388443
                                          < 2e-16 ***
size35-39
             0.743167
                        0.046253
                                  16.067
size40-43
             1.004432
                        0.045581 22.036
                                          < 2e-16 ***
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 0.1597 on 639 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.742,
                                Adjusted R-squared: 0.7396
F-statistic: 306.3 on 6 and 639 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

From the summary, we can see that in this model, the mass of an ant increases with colony, however, it is not that significant. Thus, there is no very significant relationship between the colony and the mass.

Since the coefficient of distance is negative, it is suggested that going further does not help collect more energy. Or, we can say that going further for more food is not a good idea, because the further an ant goes, the less mass it has. Thus, a worker conservative strategy does not work.

However, if there does exist an relationship between the mass and the colony, it is possible that colonies with larger numbers behaves more conservative on going further. This is because the mass goes smaller when number increases. Since we assume all colonies are of the same species, it is possible that colonies with larger number are more conservative thus leads to there smaller mass.

The coefficients of sizes are all positive, this meets the intuition, since size is connected to the mass.

APPENDIX

```
```{r}
#import data
ant=read. table("C:/Users/a/Desktop/hw5 ants.txt", header=T)
colony=ant$Colony
distance=ant$Distance
mass=ant$Mass
headwidth=ant$Headwidth
mheadwidth=ant$Headwidth..mm.
size=ant$Size.class
library(ggplot2)
1.2
hist(colony,col='blue',freq=T)
1.3
 > boxplot(distance)
1.4
```

> boxplot(mass)

# > boxplot(mheadwidth)

>

#### 1.6

### 1.7

coplot(distance~mass|colony)

#### 1.8

coplot(mass~distance|size)

```
model=lm(mass~colony+distance+size)
summary(model)
2.2
model=lm(mass~colony+distance+size)
summary(model)
2.3
predicted=model$residuals/(1-hatvalues(model))
data=data.frame(model$residuals,predicted)
ggplot(data,aes(model$residuals,predicted))+geom_point(colo
r="blue")+labs(x="residuals",y="predicted residuals")
2.4
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot (model)
2.5
hatvalues (model) [37]
hatvalues (model) [564]
```

```
2.6
mass=mass[-564]
colony=colony[-564]
distance=distance[-564]
size=size[-564]
mass=mass[-37]
colony=colony[-37]
distance=distance[-37]
size=size[-37]
mass_copy=mass
model=lm(mass~colony+distance+size)
summary(model)
2.7
x=model.matrix(model)
k=2
for(k in 2:7) {
```

```
temp=lm(mass^x[,-k])
 x1m=1m(x[,k]^{\sim}x[,-k])
 s=lm(temp$residuals~xlm$residuals)
 print(s$coefficients)
}
2.8
plot(model$fitted.values,model$residuals)
2.9
mass=sqrt(mass_copy) #mass_copy is a copy of original mass
vector
SqrtModel=lm(mass~colony+distance+size)
summary(SqrtModel)
plot(SqrtModel$fitted.values,SqrtModel$residuals)
2.10
mass=log(mass_copy) #mass_copy is a copy of original mass
vector
logModel=lm(mass~colony+distance+size)
```

```
summary(logModel)
plot(logModel$fitted.values,logModel$residuals)
2. 11
for(k in 2:7) {
 temp=1m(mass^x[,-k])
 x1m=1m(x[,k]^{\sim}x[,-k])
 s=lm(temp$residuals~xlm$residuals)
 print(s$coefficients)
}
2. 12
par(mfrow=c(2,2))
plot(logModel)
```