## Exploratory Data Analysis and Model Building to Predict NBA Points

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```
# Load necessary libraries
library(readxl)
# Load the dataset
df <- read_excel("Dataset1.xlsx")</pre>
## Warning: Expecting numeric in 02370 / R2370C15: got '-'
# View the first few rows of the dataset
head(df)
## # A tibble: 6 x 24
                        `Game Date` `W/L`
     Team
           `Match Up`
                                             MIN
                                                    PTS
                                                          FGM
                                                                FGA `FG%` `3PM` `3PA`
     <chr> <chr>
                        <chr>
                                     <chr> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <dbl> <
## 1 GSW
           GSW vs. PHX 10/24/2023
                                             240
                                                    104
                                                           36
                                                                101
                                                                      35.6
                                                                              10
                                                                                     43
## 2 PHX
           PHX @ GSW
                        10/24/2023
                                    W
                                             240
                                                    108
                                                           42
                                                                 95
                                                                      44.2
                                                                                     33
                                                                              11
## 3 LAL
                                                                     45.6
           LAL @ DEN
                        10/24/2023
                                             240
                                                    107
                                                           41
                                                                 90
                                                                              10
                                                                                     29
## 4 DEN
           DEN vs. LAL 10/24/2023
                                             240
                                                           48
                                                                 91
                                                                     52.7
                                    W
                                                    119
                                                                              14
                                                                                     34
## 5 MEM
           MEM vs. NOP 10/25/2023
                                    L
                                             240
                                                    104
                                                           38
                                                                 91
                                                                      41.8
                                                                              12
                                                                                     43
## 6 IND
           IND vs. WAS 10/25/2023 W
                                             240
                                                    143
                                                           56
                                                                107 52.3
                                                                                     43
## # i 13 more variables: `3P%` <dbl>, FTM <dbl>, FTA <dbl>, `FT%` <dbl>,
       OREB <dbl>, DREB <dbl>, REB <dbl>, AST <dbl>, STL <dbl>, BLK <dbl>,
       TOV <dbl>, PF <dbl>, `+/-` <dbl>
# Summarize the dataset to understand basic statistics and data structure
summary(df)
##
        Team
                          Match Up
                                             Game Date
                                                                     W/L
                        Length: 2460
    Length:2460
                                            Length:2460
                                                                Length: 2460
##
    Class : character
                        Class : character
                                            Class : character
                                                                Class : character
##
    Mode :character
                        Mode :character
                                            Mode :character
                                                                Mode : character
##
##
##
##
##
         MIN
                          PTS
                                           FGM
                                                            FGA
                                                              : 67.0
##
    Min.
           :240.0
                     Min.
                            : 73.0
                                      Min.
                                             :26.00
                                                       Min.
##
    1st Qu.:240.0
                     1st Qu.:105.0
                                      1st Qu.:38.00
                                                       1st Qu.: 84.0
   Median :240.0
                     Median :114.0
                                      Median :42.00
                                                       Median: 89.0
   Mean
           :241.4
                     Mean
                            :114.2
                                      Mean
                                             :42.17
                                                       Mean
                                                              : 88.9
##
    3rd Qu.:240.0
                     3rd Qu.:123.0
                                      3rd Qu.:46.00
                                                       3rd Qu.: 93.0
##
    Max.
           :290.0
                            :157.0
                                             :65.00
                     Max.
                                      Max.
                                                       Max.
                                                              :119.0
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##

```
##
        FG%
                        3PM
                                        3PA
                                                       3P%
                                                                       FTM
                   Min. : 2.00
          :27.70
                                                  Min. : 6.90
##
   Min.
                                          :12.0
                                                                  Min. : 0.00
                                   Min.
                   1st Qu.:10.00
   1st Qu.:43.80
                                   1st Qu.:30.0
                                                  1st Qu.:31.00
                                                                  1st Qu.:13.00
                                                  Median :36.55
   Median :47.50
                   Median :13.00
                                   Median:35.0
                                                                  Median :17.00
##
##
   Mean :47.52
                   Mean :12.84
                                   Mean :35.1
                                                  Mean
                                                          :36.49
                                                                  Mean :17.03
##
   3rd Qu.:51.20
                   3rd Qu.:15.00
                                   3rd Qu.:39.0
                                                  3rd Qu.:41.70
                                                                  3rd Qu.:21.00
   Max. :67.10
                   Max. :27.00
                                   Max. :63.0
                                                  Max.
                                                         :64.50
                                                                  Max.
                                                                         :44.00
##
##
        FTA
                        FT%
                                         OREB
                                                         DREB
                                           : 0.00
##
   Min. : 0.00
                   Min. : 33.30
                                    Min.
                                                    Min.
                                                           :16.00
   1st Qu.:17.00
                   1st Qu.: 72.00
                                    1st Qu.: 8.00
                                                    1st Qu.:29.00
   Median :21.00
                   Median: 78.90
                                    Median :10.00
                                                    Median :33.00
##
##
   Mean
         :21.72
                   Mean : 78.33
                                    Mean
                                          :10.55
                                                    Mean
                                                          :32.99
                   3rd Qu.: 85.20
                                    3rd Qu.:13.00
   3rd Qu.:26.00
##
                                                    3rd Qu.:36.00
##
   Max.
          :52.00
                   Max.
                          :100.00
                                    Max.
                                          :28.00
                                                           :55.00
                                                    Max.
##
                   NA's
                          : 1
##
        R.E.B
                        AST
                                        STL
                                                         BLK
##
   Min.
          :25.00
                          :11.00
                                   Min. : 0.000
                                                    Min.
                                                           : 0.000
                   Min.
   1st Qu.:39.00
                   1st Qu.:23.00
                                   1st Qu.: 6.000
                                                    1st Qu.: 3.000
##
##
   Median :43.00
                   Median :27.00
                                   Median : 7.000
                                                    Median : 5.000
##
   Mean :43.54
                   Mean
                          :26.67
                                   Mean : 7.474
                                                    Mean : 5.142
   3rd Qu.:48.00
                   3rd Qu.:30.00
                                   3rd Qu.: 9.000
                                                    3rd Qu.: 7.000
##
   Max.
          :74.00
                          :50.00
                                   Max. :20.000
                                                    Max. :17.000
                   Max.
##
##
        TOV
                                       +/-
                        PF
   Min. : 3.0
                  Min. : 4.00
                                  Min. :-62
   1st Qu.:11.0
                   1st Qu.:16.00
                                  1st Qu.:-10
##
##
  Median:14.0
                  Median :19.00
                                  Median: 0
##
  Mean
         :13.6
                  Mean :18.73
                                  Mean : 0
   3rd Qu.:16.0
                   3rd Qu.:21.00
                                  3rd Qu.: 10
##
   Max.
         :29.0
                  Max. :34.00
                                  Max. : 62
##
# Remove rows where FT% is recorded as "-"
df <- df[df$'FT%' != "-", ]</pre>
# Convert FT% column to numeric
df$'FT%' <- as.numeric(df$'FT%')</pre>
# Summarize the dataset again after cleaning
summary(df)
                                                                W/L
##
       Team
                        Match Up
                                          Game Date
##
  Length: 2460
                      Length:2460
                                         Length: 2460
                                                            Length: 2460
   Class :character
                      Class :character
                                         Class :character
                                                            Class : character
                                                            Mode :character
##
   Mode :character
                      Mode : character
                                         Mode :character
##
##
##
##
        MIN
                        PTS
                                        FGM
                                                        FGA
##
                                         :26.00
##
   Min.
        :240.0
                   Min. : 73.0
                                   Min.
                                                   Min. : 67.0
                   1st Qu.:105.0
##
   1st Qu.:240.0
                                   1st Qu.:38.00
                                                   1st Qu.: 84.0
   Median :240.0
                   Median :114.0
                                   Median :42.00
                                                   Median: 89.0
```

:42.17

Mean : 88.9

Mean

Mean :241.4

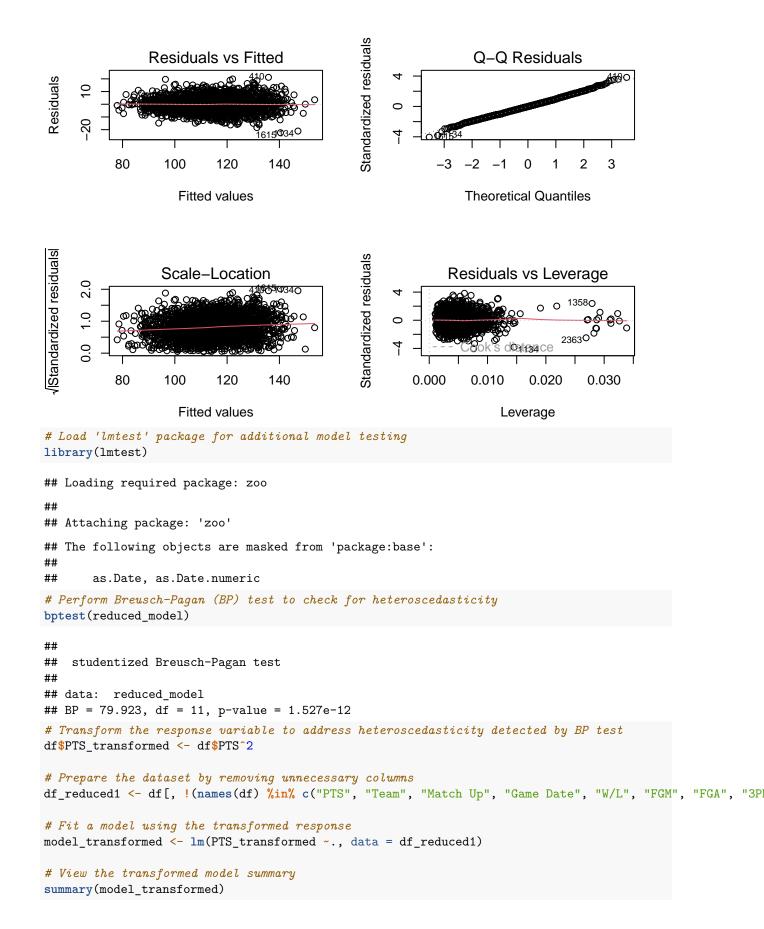
Mean :114.2

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3rd Qu.:240.0
                   3rd Qu.:123.0
                                   3rd Qu.:46.00
                                                  3rd Qu.: 93.0
   Max. :290.0
##
                   Max. :157.0
                                   Max. :65.00
                                                  Max. :119.0
##
   NA's
         : 1
                   NA's
                         :1
                                   NA's :1
                                                  NA's :1
        FG%
                                                      3P%
##
                        3PM
                                        3PA
                                                                     FTM
##
   Min.
          :27.70
                   Min. : 2.00
                                   Min. :12.0
                                                 Min. : 6.9
                                                                Min.
                                                                       : 1.00
                   1st Qu.:10.00
                                   1st Qu.:30.0
##
   1st Qu.:43.80
                                                  1st Qu.:31.0
                                                                1st Qu.:13.00
                   Median :13.00
   Median :47.50
                                   Median:35.0
                                                 Median:36.6
                                                                Median :17.00
##
   Mean :47.52
                   Mean :12.84
                                   Mean :35.1
                                                 Mean
                                                        :36.5
                                                                Mean :17.04
##
   3rd Qu.:51.20
                   3rd Qu.:15.00
                                   3rd Qu.:39.0
                                                  3rd Qu.:41.7
                                                                3rd Qu.:21.00
##
   Max. :67.10
                   Max. :27.00
                                   Max. :63.0
                                                 Max.
                                                        :64.5
                                                                Max.
                                                                       :44.00
##
   NA's
         :1
                   NA's
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                                                                NA's
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##
        FTA
                        FT%
                                         OREB
                                                        DREB
##
   Min. : 2.00
                   Min. : 33.30
                                   Min. : 0.00
                                                          :16.00
                                                   Min.
   1st Qu.:17.00
                                    1st Qu.: 8.00
##
                   1st Qu.: 72.00
                                                   1st Qu.:29.00
   Median :21.00
                   Median : 78.90
                                    Median :10.00
                                                   Median :33.00
##
   Mean :21.73
                   Mean : 78.33
                                    Mean :10.55
                                                   Mean :32.99
   3rd Qu.:26.00
                   3rd Qu.: 85.20
                                    3rd Qu.:13.00
##
                                                   3rd Qu.:36.00
   Max. :52.00
                   Max. :100.00
                                    Max. :28.00
                                                   Max. :55.00
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   NA's
##
         :1
                   NA's
                        :1
                                    NA's
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##
        REB
                        AST
                                       STL
                                                        BLK
##
   Min.
          :25.00
                   Min.
                         :11.00
                                   Min. : 0.000
                                                   Min.
                                                          : 0.000
   1st Qu.:39.00
                   1st Qu.:23.00
                                   1st Qu.: 6.000
                                                   1st Qu.: 3.000
                                   Median : 7.000
   Median :43.00
                   Median :27.00
                                                   Median : 5.000
##
   Mean :43.54
                   Mean :26.67
                                   Mean : 7.473
##
                                                   Mean : 5.142
##
   3rd Qu.:48.00
                   3rd Qu.:30.00
                                   3rd Qu.: 9.000
                                                   3rd Qu.: 7.000
   Max.
          :74.00
                   Max.
                         :50.00
                                   Max. :20.000
                                                   Max.
                                                          :17.000
##
   NA's
         : 1
                   NA's
                         : 1
                                   NA's
                                        :1
                                                   NA's
                                                          :1
        TOV
                         PF
                                       +/-
##
##
  Min. : 3.00
                   Min. : 4.00
                                   Min. :-62.00000
   1st Qu.:11.00
                   1st Qu.:16.00
                                   1st Qu.:-10.00000
## Median :14.00
                                   Median: 1.00000
                   Median :19.00
## Mean :13.61
                   Mean :18.73
                                   Mean : 0.00529
## 3rd Qu.:16.00
                   3rd Qu.:21.00
                                   3rd Qu.: 10.00000
                                   Max. : 62.00000
## Max.
          :29.00
                   Max.
                         :34.00
   NA's
                   NA's
                                   NA's
          :1
                          : 1
# Fit an initial multiple linear regression (MLR) model
# Exclude non-numeric predictors and highly collinear variables
model <- lm(PTS ~. -Team -`Match Up` -`Game Date` -`W/L` -FGM -FGA -`3PM` -`3PA` -FTM -FTA, data = df)
# View the model summary
summary(model)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = PTS \sim . - Team - `Match Up` - `Game Date` - `W/L` -
      FGM - FGA - `3PM` - `3PA` - FTM - FTA, data = df)
##
## Residuals:
       Min
                 1Q
                      Median
                                   ЗQ
                                           Max
## -22.5561 -3.7035 -0.1289
                               3.5637
##
## Coefficients: (1 not defined because of singularities)
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -94.46062
                         4.80467 -19.660 <2e-16 ***
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```
## MIN
                0.33000
                           0.01853 17.810
                                             <2e-16 ***
## `FG%`
                1.58155
                           0.03527 44.843
                                             <2e-16 ***
## `3P%`
                0.31297
                           0.01739 17.997
                                             <2e-16 ***
## `FT%`
                           0.01131 17.021
                0.19252
                                             <2e-16 ***
## OREB
                0.93540
                           0.03372 27.741
                                             <2e-16 ***
## DREB
                0.28687
                           0.03004
                                    9.550
                                             <2e-16 ***
## REB
                     NA
                                NA
                                        NA
                                                 NA
## AST
                           0.02802 11.498
                                             <2e-16 ***
                0.32214
## STL
                0.37875
                           0.04581
                                    8.269
                                             <2e-16 ***
                                             0.1085
## BLK
                0.07163
                           0.04462
                                    1.605
## TOV
               -0.85829
                           0.03281 -26.162
                                             <2e-16 ***
## PF
                0.42271
                           0.02759 15.324
                                             <2e-16 ***
## `+/-`
               -0.03311
                           0.01345 -2.461
                                             0.0139 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 5.555 on 2446 degrees of freedom
     (1 observation deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8137, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8128
## F-statistic: 890.3 on 12 and 2446 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Perform ANOVA to assess predictor significance
anova(model)
## Analysis of Variance Table
##
## Response: PTS
              Df Sum Sq Mean Sq
                                 F value
                                             Pr(>F)
                          13717 444.4378 < 2.2e-16 ***
## MIN
               1 13717
## `FG%`
               1 230920 230920 7482.0038 < 2.2e-16 ***
## `3P%`
               1 11476
                          11476 371.8181 < 2.2e-16 ***
## `FT%`
               1
                   6884
                           6884 223.0521 < 2.2e-16 ***
## OREB
               1 28336
                          28336 918.1075 < 2.2e-16 ***
## DREB
               1
                  1318
                          1318
                                 42.6903 7.776e-11 ***
## AST
                   7282
                           7282 235.9283 < 2.2e-16 ***
               1
## STL
               1
                   1280
                           1280
                                 41.4608 1.443e-10 ***
## BLK
               1
                      4
                              4
                                   0.1145
                                           0.73508
## TOV
               1 21132
                          21132 684.6928 < 2.2e-16 ***
## PF
                   7212
                           7212 233.6741 < 2.2e-16 ***
               1
## `+/-`
               1
                    187
                            187
                                   6.0542
                                            0.01394 *
## Residuals 2446 75492
                             31
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
# Remove statistically insignificant predictors to create a reduced model
reduced_model <- update(model, ~. -BLK -REB)</pre>
# View the reduced model summary
summary(reduced_model)
##
## lm(formula = PTS ~ MIN + `FG%` + `3P%` + `FT%` + OREB + DREB +
##
       AST + STL + TOV + PF + `+/-`, data = df)
##
## Residuals:
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```
1Q
                     Median
## -22.4054 -3.6856 -0.0981
                                3.5382 21.1849
##
## Coefficients:
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -94.51114
                            4.80612 -19.665 < 2e-16 ***
## MIN
                            0.01850 17.936 < 2e-16 ***
                 0.33182
## `FG%`
                            0.03527 44.801 < 2e-16 ***
                 1.57999
## `3P%`
                 0.31181
                            0.01738 17.940 < 2e-16 ***
## `FT%`
                            0.01131 17.016 < 2e-16 ***
                 0.19253
## OREB
                 0.93425
                            0.03372 27.704 < 2e-16 ***
## DREB
                 0.28922
                            0.03001
                                    9.637 < 2e-16 ***
                            0.02802 11.538 < 2e-16 ***
## AST
                 0.32327
## STL
                                    8.225 3.12e-16 ***
                 0.37675
                            0.04580
## TOV
                -0.85404
                            0.03271 -26.109 < 2e-16 ***
## PF
                 0.42039
                            0.02756 15.256 < 2e-16 ***
## `+/-`
                -0.03056
                            0.01337 -2.287
                                            0.0223 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 5.557 on 2447 degrees of freedom
     (1 observation deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8135, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8127
## F-statistic: 970.4 on 11 and 2447 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Load the 'car' package for calculating Variance Inflation Factor (VIF)
library(car)
## Loading required package: carData
# Calculate VIF values to check for multicollinearity (threshold: VIF > 5 indicates concern)
vif(reduced model)
##
       MIN
               `FG%`
                        `3P%`
                                 `FT%`
                                           OREB
                                                    DREB
                                                              AST
                                                                       STI.
## 1.099206 2.991048 1.673378 1.050744 1.319250 2.097086 1.626274 1.329328
                        `+/-`
##
        TOV
                 PF
## 1.237588 1.037889 3.543332
# Perform stepwise regression (backward elimination based on AIC)
stepwise_model <- step(reduced_model, direction = "backward")</pre>
## Start: AIC=8446.87
## PTS ~ MIN + `FG%` + `3P%` + `FT%` + OREB + DREB + AST + STL +
##
       TOV + PF + `+/-`
##
##
                           RSS
                                  AIC
          Df Sum of Sq
## <none>
                         75571 8446.9
## - `+/-`
                    161 75733 8450.1
            1
## - STL
            1
                   2089 77661 8511.9
## - DREB
                   2868 78439 8536.5
            1
## - AST
                   4112 79683 8575.1
            1
## - PF
                  7188 82759 8668.3
            1
## - `FT%`
                  8942 84513 8719.9
            1
## - MIN
            1
                  9935 85507 8748.6
## - `3P%`
            1
                  9939 85511 8748.7
## - TOV
                  21053 96624 9049.2
            1
```

```
## - OREB
           1
                 23704 99275 9115.7
## - `FG%`
                 61988 137559 9917.8
          1
# View the stepwise selected model summary
summary(stepwise_model)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = PTS \sim MIN + FG\% + 3P\% + FT\% + OREB + DREB +
      AST + STL + TOV + PF + `+/-`, data = df)
##
## Residuals:
##
       Min
                 1Q
                     Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -22.4054 -3.6856 -0.0981
                               3.5382 21.1849
##
## Coefficients:
               Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -94.51114
                           4.80612 -19.665 < 2e-16 ***
## MIN
                0.33182
                           0.01850 17.936 < 2e-16 ***
## `FG%`
                1.57999
                           0.03527 44.801 < 2e-16 ***
## `3P%`
                           0.01738 17.940 < 2e-16 ***
                0.31181
## `FT%`
                0.19253
                           0.01131 17.016 < 2e-16 ***
                           0.03372 27.704 < 2e-16 ***
## OREB
                0.93425
## DREB
                0.28922
                           0.03001
                                    9.637 < 2e-16 ***
## AST
                0.32327
                           0.02802 11.538 < 2e-16 ***
                                    8.225 3.12e-16 ***
## STL
                0.37675
                           0.04580
## TOV
               -0.85404
                           0.03271 -26.109 < 2e-16 ***
                           0.02756 15.256 < 2e-16 ***
## PF
                0.42039
## `+/-`
               -0.03056
                           0.01337 -2.287
                                           0.0223 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 5.557 on 2447 degrees of freedom
    (1 observation deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8135, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8127
## F-statistic: 970.4 on 11 and 2447 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Set up 2x2 plotting space for diagnostic plots
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
# Generate the four diagnostic plots for the reduced model
plot(reduced_model, which = 1) # Residuals vs Fitted
plot(reduced model, which = 2) # Normal Q-Q plot
plot(reduced_model, which = 3) # Scale-Location plot
plot(reduced_model, which = 5) # Residuals vs Leverage
```



```
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = PTS_transformed ~ ., data = df_reduced1)
## Residuals:
##
      Min
               1Q Median
                                3Q
                                      Max
## -5235.0 -893.2
                   -30.2
                            784.9 6501.2
##
## Coefficients:
##
                 Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -35101.538
                           1143.265 -30.703 < 2e-16 ***
                              4.401 17.792 < 2e-16 ***
                  78.299
## MIN
## `FG%`
                 358.683
                              8.389 42.756 < 2e-16 ***
## `3P%`
                  71.660
                              4.135 17.332 < 2e-16 ***
## `FT%`
                  44.363
                              2.691 16.483 < 2e-16 ***
## OREB
                 212.329
                              8.022 26.469 < 2e-16 ***
## DREB
                              7.139
                                     9.244 < 2e-16 ***
                  65.996
## AST
                  77.107
                              6.665 11.570 < 2e-16 ***
## STL
                  85.099
                             10.895 7.811 8.38e-15 ***
## TOV
                -193.327
                              7.781 -24.846 < 2e-16 ***
## PF
                  95.952
                              6.555 14.638 < 2e-16 ***
## `+/-`
                  -7.000
                              3.179 -2.202
                                             0.0278 *
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
##
## Residual standard error: 1322 on 2447 degrees of freedom
     (1 observation deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.8015, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8006
## F-statistic: 898.4 on 11 and 2447 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Perform BP test again on the transformed model
bptest(model_transformed)
##
## studentized Breusch-Pagan test
##
## data: model_transformed
## BP = 169.59, df = 11, p-value < 2.2e-16
# Define weights based on the fitted values to apply Weighted Least Squares (WLS)
weights <- 1 / fitted(model_transformed)^2 # Assign lower weights to large residuals</pre>
weights <- weights[1:nrow(df reduced1)] # Match the number of rows</pre>
# Fit a WLS model
wls_model <- lm(PTS_transformed ~ ., data = df_reduced1, weights = weights)
# View the WSL model
summary(wls_model)
##
## Call:
## lm(formula = PTS_transformed ~ ., data = df_reduced1, weights = weights)
## Weighted Residuals:
##
       Min
                 1Q
                      Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
```

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## -0.41863 -0.06806 -0.00294 0.06112 0.45344
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
## (Intercept) -33029.361
                           1225.895 -26.943 < 2e-16 ***
                  73.465
                              4.852 15.141 < 2e-16 ***
## MIN
## `FG%`
                 346.014
                              7.624 45.387 < 2e-16 ***
## `3P%`
                              3.823 18.880 < 2e-16 ***
                  72.178
                              2.455 16.878 < 2e-16 ***
## `FT%`
                  41.439
## OREB
                 199.262
                              7.288 27.340 < 2e-16 ***
## DREB
                  68.483
                              6.428 10.653 < 2e-16 ***
                              6.371 11.928 < 2e-16 ***
## AST
                  75.986
## STL
                  90.022
                             10.000
                                      9.003 < 2e-16 ***
## TOV
                -185.496
                              6.972 -26.607
                                             < 2e-16 ***
## PF
                  86.895
                              6.017 14.441 < 2e-16 ***
## `+/-`
                 -10.171
                              2.829 -3.596 0.00033 ***
## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.09873 on 2446 degrees of freedom
     (2 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.827, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8262
## F-statistic: 1063 on 11 and 2446 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
# Perform BP test on the WSL model to confirm improvement
bptest(wls_model)
##
  studentized Breusch-Pagan test
##
## data: wls_model
## BP = 3.4603e-06, df = 11, p-value = 1
# Perform stepwise regression again on the WLS model
stepwise_model <- step(wls_model, direction = "both")</pre>
## Start: AIC=-11370.22
## PTS transformed ~ MIN + `FG%` + `3P%` + `FT%` + OREB + DREB +
##
      AST + STL + TOV + PF + `+/-`
##
          Df Sum of Sq
                          RSS
## <none>
                        23.844 -11370.2
## - `+/-`
           1
                0.1260 23.970 -11359.3
## - STL
                0.7901 24.634 -11292.1
           1
## - DREB
                1.1064 24.951 -11260.7
            1
## - AST
                1.3869 25.231 -11233.3
            1
## - PF
                2.0329 25.877 -11171.1
## - MIN
                2.2346 26.079 -11152.0
            1
## - `FT%`
                2.7768 26.621 -11101.4
           1
## - `3P%`
                3.4747 27.319 -11037.8
           1
## - TOV
           1
                6.9013 30.745 -10747.4
## - OREB
                7.2867 31.131 -10716.8
            1
## - `FG%`
           1
               20.0808 43.925 -9870.5
# View the final selected WSL model summary
summary(stepwise_model)
```

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##
## Call:
## lm(formula = PTS transformed ~ MIN + `FG%` + `3P%` + `FT%` +
       OREB + DREB + AST + STL + TOV + PF + `+/-`, data = df_reduced1,
##
##
       weights = weights)
##
## Weighted Residuals:
       Min
                 1Q
                      Median
                                   3Q
                                           Max
## -0.41863 -0.06806 -0.00294 0.06112 0.45344
##
## Coefficients:
##
                Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
                           1225.895 -26.943 < 2e-16 ***
## (Intercept) -33029.361
                              4.852 15.141 < 2e-16 ***
## MIN
                  73.465
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                 346.014
                              7.624 45.387 < 2e-16 ***
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                  72.178
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## TOV
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                              6.017 14.441 < 2e-16 ***
## PF
                  86.895
## `+/-`
                 -10.171
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## ---
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## Residual standard error: 0.09873 on 2446 degrees of freedom
     (2 observations deleted due to missingness)
## Multiple R-squared: 0.827, Adjusted R-squared: 0.8262
## F-statistic: 1063 on 11 and 2446 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16
\# Set up 2x2 plotting space again for final WSL diagnostic plots
par(mfrow = c(2,2))
# Generate diagnostic plots for the final WSL model
plot(wls_model, which = 1) # Residuals vs Fitted
plot(wls_model, which = 2) # Normal Q-Q plot
plot(wls_model, which = 3) # Scale-Location plot
plot(wls_model, which = 5) # Residuals vs Leverage
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