# **Problem Set 7**

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## Problem 1

```
library(tidyverse)
-- Attaching core tidyverse packages ----- tidyverse 2.0.0 --
v dplyr 1.1.4
                     v readr
                                    2.1.5
v forcats 1.0.0 v stringr 1.5.1
v ggplot2 3.5.1 v tibble 3.2.1
v lubridate 1.9.4 v tidyr 1.3.1
           1.0.2
v purrr
-- Conflicts ----- tidyverse conflicts() --
x dplyr::filter() masks stats::filter()
x dplyr::lag() masks stats::lag()
i Use the conflicted package (<a href="http://conflicted.r-lib.org/">http://conflicted.r-lib.org/</a>) to force all conflicts to become
library(haven)
tabellini <- read_dta("pset_7/tabellini.dta")</pre>
# View(tabellini)
library(car)
Loading required package: carData
Attaching package: 'car'
The following object is masked from 'package:dplyr':
    recode
The following object is masked from 'package:purrr':
```

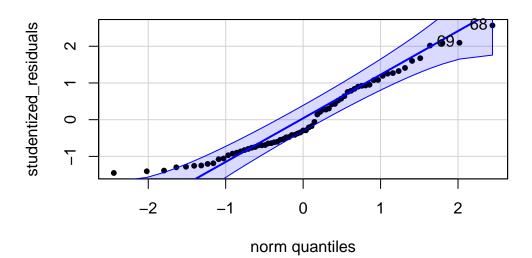
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```
library(car)
# install.packages('car')
library(ggplot2)
model <- lm(rgdph ~ polityIV, data = tabellini)
studentized_residuals <- rstudent(model)
qqPlot(studentized_residuals, main = "QQ Plot of Studentized Residuals", pch = 20)</pre>
```

# **QQ Plot of Studentized Residuals**



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summary(model)

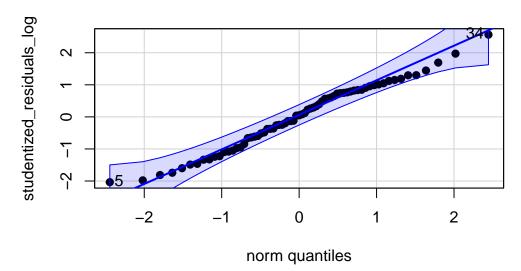
```
Call:
lm(formula = rgdph ~ polityIV, data = tabellini)
Residuals:
  Min
         1Q Median
                        3Q
                              Max
 -6637 -3534 -1348 3867 11337
Coefficients:
           Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
             -698.1
                        1346.4 -0.518
(Intercept)
                                          0.606
             1014.4
                         166.5 6.094 6.09e-08 ***
polityIV
Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Residual standard error: 4651 on 67 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.3566,
                               Adjusted R-squared: 0.347
F-statistic: 37.14 on 1 and 67 DF, p-value: 6.086e-08
```

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In our log of GDP per capita, the QQ plot is better. The data is generally more fitted on our regression line. The following of the line better in plot two, suggest as well that the data has more of a normal shape as opposed to the plot in (a) (i).

```
tabellini$log_gdp <- log(tabellini$rgdph)
log_model <- lm(log_gdp ~ polityIV, data = tabellini)
studentized_residuals_log <- rstudent(log_model)
qqPlot(studentized_residuals_log, main = "QQ Plot of Studentized Residuals", pch = 19)</pre>
```

# **QQ Plot of Studentized Residuals**



[1] 34 5

summary(log\_model)

#### Call:

lm(formula = log\_gdp ~ polityIV, data = tabellini)

## Residuals:

Min 1Q Median 3Q Max -1.38861 -0.46293 0.03467 0.55127 1.50815

### Coefficients:

Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 6.84420 0.20359 33.618 < 2e-16 \*\*\*
polityIV 0.21010 0.02517 8.347 5.7e-12 \*\*\*

Signif. codes: 0 '\*\*\*' 0.001 '\*\*' 0.01 '\*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

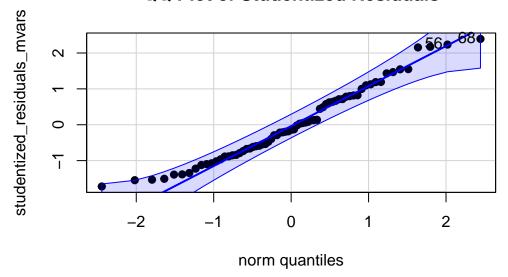
Residual standard error: 0.7033 on 67 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.5098, Adjusted R-squared: 0.5025 F-statistic: 69.67 on 1 and 67 DF, p-value: 5.701e-12

When non-normality occurs, I think for this dataset, and in general the topics I am interested in it would be better to add relevant predictors. As I usually am interested in race, class and political economy, adding more predictors such as demographic data, or economic data, in theory would help my models. Which is the case for this dataset, and model, as we add the polity, gini and trade variables, we get better results.

```
model_mvars <- lm(rgdph ~ polityIV + gini_8090 + trade, data = tabellini)
studentized_residuals_mvars <- rstudent(model_mvars)

qqPlot(studentized_residuals_mvars, main = "QQ Plot of Studentized Residuals", pch = 19)</pre>
```

# **QQ Plot of Studentized Residuals**



[1] 68 56

summary(model\_mvars)

```
Call:
lm(formula = rgdph ~ polityIV + gini_8090 + trade, data = tabellini)
Residuals:
    Min    1Q Median    3Q    Max
```

#### Coefficients:

```
Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept) 5802.284
                        3311.947
                                   1.752
                                            0.0845 .
polityIV
             871.682
                         174.719
                                   4.989
                                          4.8e-06 ***
gini_8090
            -128.241
                          56.734
                                  -2.260
                                            0.0272 *
              -6.252
trade
                          15.620
                                  -0.400
                                           0.6903
                0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
Signif. codes:
```

Residual standard error: 4547 on 65 degrees of freedom Multiple R-squared: 0.4035, Adjusted R-squared: 0.376

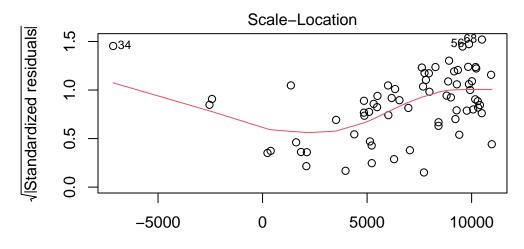
F-statistic: 14.66 on 3 and 65 DF, p-value: 2.147e-07

## b

### i

The errors of our data appear to be homoskedastic. This is because the red line increases at higher values, which tells our residual variance grows as predicted values increases. We also have some outliers, specifically 34, 56 and 58.

## plot(model\_mvars, which = 3)



Fitted values Im(rgdph ~ polityIV + gini\_8090 + trade)

We can use the Breusch-Pagan test to check for heteroskedasticity. It does so by testing if the variance of the residuals relies on the independent variable(s).

The results of our BP text tell us that there is heteroskedasticity, but not a whole lot. This is because we only marginally reject the null (homoskedasticity), based on our p-value.

```
# install.packages('lmtest')
library(lmtest)

Loading required package: zoo

Attaching package: 'zoo'

The following objects are masked from 'package:base':
    as.Date, as.Date.numeric

bptest(model_mvars)

studentized Breusch-Pagan test

data: model_mvars

BP = 8.0464, df = 3, p-value = 0.04506
```

The coefficients are the same, but the standard errors are different. This might happen because the data might sensitive to influence points, or their might be strong outliers within our data. If this were true, latter would have higher leverage and disproportionately effect our model. The standard error then would be different for our robust standard errors because robust standard errors are designed to help deal with that issue.

```
library(modelsummary)
```

```
`modelsummary` 2.0.0 now uses `tinytable` as its default table-drawing
  backend. Learn more at: https://vincentarelbundock.github.io/tinytable/

Revert to `kableExtra` for one session:

  options(modelsummary_factory_default = 'kableExtra')
  options(modelsummary_factory_latex = 'kableExtra')
  options(modelsummary_factory_html = 'kableExtra')

Silence this message forever:
  config_modelsummary(startup_message = FALSE)
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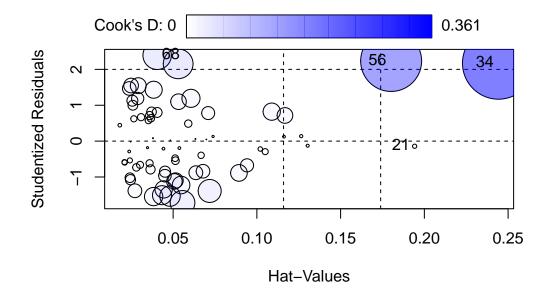
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The observations that stand out are "Zimbabwe" & "Luxembourg". When looking at the data we can notice that Luxembourg and Zimbabwe are both on the far ends of the polity score.

```
influencePlot(model_mvars)
```

 $\begin{array}{cccc} {\rm Table\ 1:\ Regression} & {\rm Results:} & {\rm GDP} & {\rm per} \\ & {\rm Capita} & \end{array}$ 

	OLS	HC3 Robust SE
Polity Score	871.682	871.682
	(174.719)	(219.733)
Gini Index	-128.241	-128.241
	(56.734)	(48.986)
Trade	-6.252	-6.252
	(15.620)	(19.604)
Num.Obs.	69	69
F	14.659	
RMSE	4412.86	



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21	-0.1431775	0.19420717	0.001254082
34	2.1722042	0.24425180	0.360613373
56	2.2339894	0.18016541	0.258327215
68	2.3923617	0.04046796	0.056257496

model\_mvars\$model # confirming no observations have dropped

rgdph polityIV gini\_8090 trade

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3582.3389 10.0000000
1
                            28.2600 107.99532
2
    4986.0034 10.0000000
                            24.3800
                                     73.65478
3
    2426.2827
               9.3333330
                            41.7900 122.17721
4
    1431.4984
                            32.0000
                                     21.88374
               8.444447
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     893.3627
               6.3750000
                            25.7100
                                     70.71071
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               7.7777781
                            31.7350
                                     38.71352
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               7.1666670
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    2543.5754
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                                     55.68492
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               7.888888
                            45.5000
                                     80.63206
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               8.8888893
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                                     87.20344
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               9.000000
                            54.0000
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38 11390.4893 10.0000000
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               8.0000000
                                     34.79187
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               9.000000
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42
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               0.222222
                            39.0000 121.57738
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   3117.3628
               7.8571429
                            62.3000
                                     43.85324
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44 13820.4297 10.0000000
                            29.0000 100.33990
45 13313.1348 10.0000000
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                                     78.26205
46 13072.6719 10.0000000
                            28.4859
                                     60.83865
47 10428.7412
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                                     18.75606
67 15499.7227 10.0000000
                            39.8600
                                     38.79273
68 20782.8145 10.0000000
                            29.0000
                                     48.75680
69 18844.2773 10.0000000
                            37.5000
                                     23.03455
```

#### tabellini\$country[c(34, 56)]

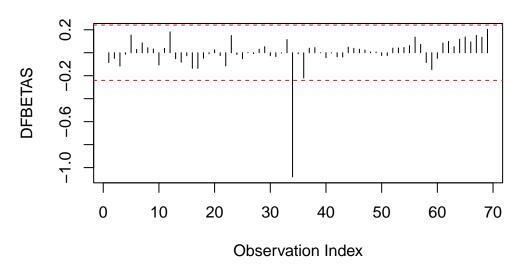
#### [1] "Zimbabwe" "Luxembourg"

ii

Once again, Zimbabwe stands out. This tells us that it has a significant impact on the democracy coefficient (polityIV) and may very large outlier. This is confirmed by the data as well as it is 6x lower than the next lowest polity score.

I also made a model to examine the coefficients without Zimbabwe. We can see removing Zimbabwe drastically changes the results of the polity coefficient.

# **DFBETAS for Democracy Coefficient**



```
influential <- which(abs(dfbetas_democracy) > 2/sqrt(length(dfbetas_democracy)))
influential
```

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Table 2: Removing Zimbabwe

	OLS	No Zimbabwe
Polity Score	871.682	1055.379
	(174.719)	(189.807)
Gini Index	-128.241	-133.093
	(56.734)	(55.223)
Trade	-6.252	-6.684
	(15.620)	(15.193)
Num.Obs.	69	68
F	14.659	16.535
RMSE	4412.86	4289.87

## iii

As stated in the previous question, this issue occurs because how extreme Zimbabwe is. We could remove the observation from our dataset, or model, as I did in the previous question. We could also use robustness checks. For example robust standard errors. This is why our standard errors are different in the HC3 model in one of the previous questions.