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Introduction

Crime rates has been an interesting topic in all times. It is always scholar's and sociologist's interest to find out what factors can be used to explain crime rates. Community attributes are often considered related to the crime activities in the corresponding neighbourhood. And a more concrete question lies in which of these attributes can explain crime rates better.

In sociology, the social disorganization theory is a theory developed by the Chicago School, beginning with the social disorganization approach of Shaw and McKay (1969). They argued that socioeconomic status (SES), racial and ethnic heterogeneity, and residential stability account for variations in social disorganization and hence informal social control, which in turn account for the distribution of community crime. This theory directly links crime rates to neighborhood ecological characteristics; a core principle of social disorganization theory states that location matters. In other words, a person's residential location is a substantial factor shaping the likelihood that the person will become involved in illegal activities. The theory suggests that, among determinants of a person's later illegal activity, residential location is as significant as or more significant than the person's individual characteristics (e.g., age, gender, or race).

Sampson and W. Byron Groves (1989) extended the model of social disorganization by Shaw and McKay (1969). They performed empirical study on five dimensions related to community structure, which impacts social disorganization (refer Fig 1.)

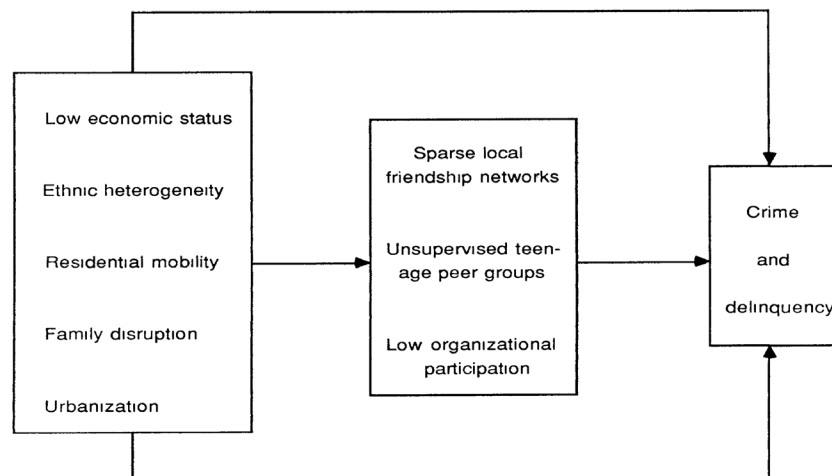


FIG. 1.—Causal model of extended version of Shaw and McKay's theory of community systemic structure and rates of crime and delinquency.

In this project, we utilize a dataset created by the University of California Irvine (UCI). The dataset consists of crime data of the US in 1990s and a group of socioeconomic attributes from that time, and we try to conclude which of the attributes are contributing the most to the five dimensions in the extended social disorganization model. A correlation model will be constructed to demonstrate the result.

Methods

Data Description

The dataset is a cross-sectional data acquired from UCI machine learning repository website. The title of the dataset is 'Crime and Communities'. It is prepared using real data from socio-economic data from 1990 US Census, law enforcement data from the 1990 US LEMAS survey, and crime data from the 1995 FBI UCR. This dataset contains a total number of 147 attributes and 2216 instances. It is a large dataset and we had used two different selection methods to build a model with fewer predictor variable. The selection methods have been discussed later on. The response variable -violentPerPop, is the same for both the model.

Response Variable:

We have violentPerPop as our response variable. The per capita violent crimes variable i.e. total number of violent crimes per 100K population, is the aggregate of crime variables considered violent crimes in the United States: murder, rape, robbery, and assault, using population values included in the 1995 FBI data (which differ from the 1990 Census values). Instead of a combined figure of violent and non - violent crime, we decided to restrict our response variables to violent crimes, because the nature of these two crime group are very different. The analysis of non-violent crime and it's relationship with community attributes needs a separate research.

Predictor Variables:

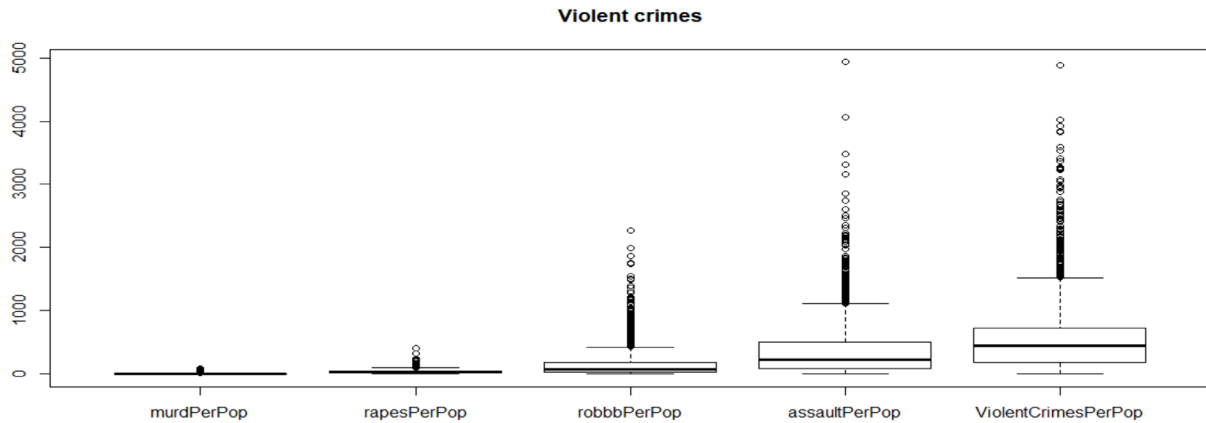
We have given the description of the respective predictor variables of the models in the model selection section.

Research questions:

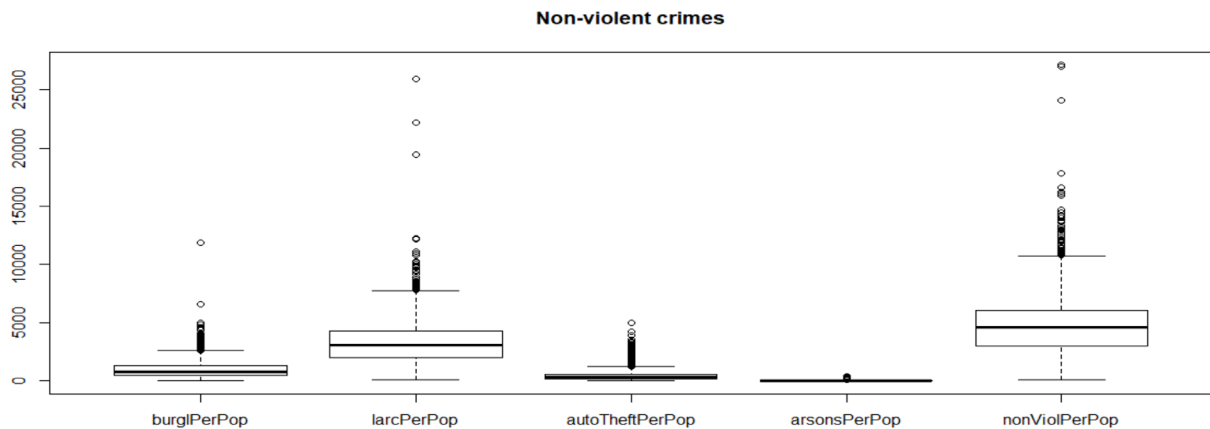
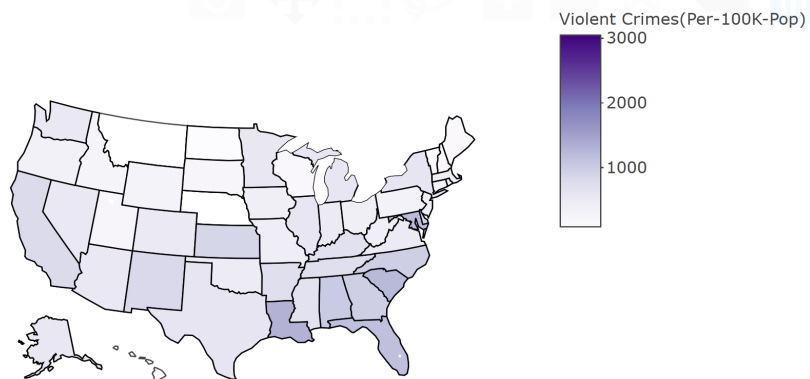
- Can the crime rate of a community be explained by certain attributes/variables of the community?
- To empirically test the explanatory power of extended model of Shaw and MaKay's theory in explaining the crime level in the community.

Exploratory Analysis

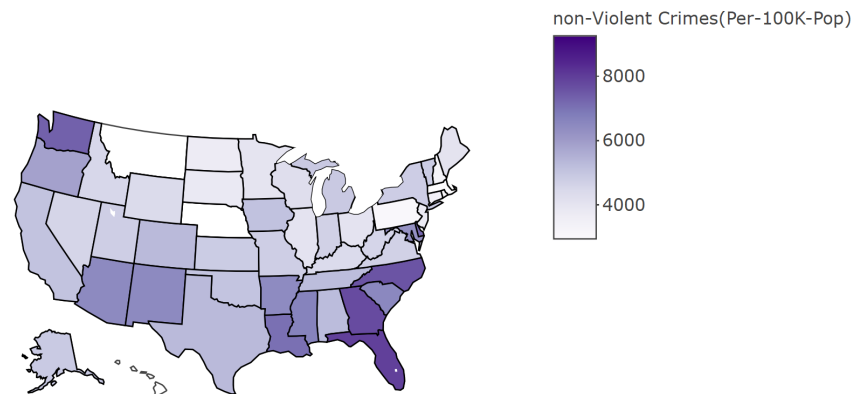
From the boxplot, it is clear that there are outliers in the data. We can see from the map that some states are much more crime prone than the rest –



Aggregate view of Violent Crimes Per 100K Population across US



Aggregate view of non-Violent Crimes Per 100K Population across US



Even though, we see the outliers in the data, as we can see some states are much more crime prone than the others in case of both violent and non-violent crimes. It was decided not to drop the outliers. The reason being, some communities in USA are actually much more crime prone areas than the others, and if we drop them, we'll not be able to look into the real problems of the socio-economic issues that leads to high crime.

From correlation matrix in Table III, Appendix B, it is clear that strong correlation exists between quite a few predictor variables. `agepct12-21`, `agepct12-29`, `agepct16-24` are highly correlated ($r > 0.85$). Since they represent the overlapping age group. There are other highly correlated variables such as `pctKidsBornNevrMarr` and `pctBlack`. Having these variables may lead to the problem of multicollinearity in the regression model. But, at this stage, instead of dropping any variable, we decide to proceed to the model selection process to choose variables with best features. So, meanwhile, we'll proceed without dropping any variable.

Model Selection

Predicting the level of Violent Crime in a USA community is a numerical prediction, and therefore requires a model that can provide a quantitative output. The measures of performance was MSE for initial model comparison, while both RMSE and R^2 were used for the comparison of the optimized models.

We came to an inference that we need a model which can minimize/avoid multicollinearity in the dataset and give us true relationships with the response variable. This led to the choose the following two models -

Model 1

Linear Regression : Subset Selection

In order to reduce the number of inputs, the Subset selection method, to choose the best set of features, was tested. The regsubsets function was used to find the combination of features which provided the best MSE result. However, using more than six features required a large amount of processing and was not feasible given the timeline. The function was run with the maximum number of variables set to six.

Output -

```
## [1] "Number of Coefficients in Best Model=      6"
##      (Intercept)      population      agePct12t29      pctWInvInc
##      0.74124622      0.08751896      -0.18608212      -0.07565421
##      PctKids2Par PctPersDenseHous racepctblackBC
##      -0.27393525      0.16452897      0.16950682
## [1] "Subset Selection Linear Regression MSE=      0.00476"
```

The MSE result from the Feature Subset Selection for Linear Regression is 0.00476 which is worse than the result for Simple Linear Regression Model. A reduced subset of Features therefore does not improve the performance of the linear model. Increasing the variables to 8 or 10 would have given better result.

However, the features chosen as the best predictors are of interest. It can be seen that these include:

population	population for community
agepct12-29	percentage of population between the ages of 12 and 29
pctWdiv	percentage of households with investment / rent income in 1989
pctBlack	percentage of the population that is african american
pctKids2Par	percentage of kids in family housing with two parents
pctPopDenseHous	percent of persons in dense housing (more than 1 person per room)

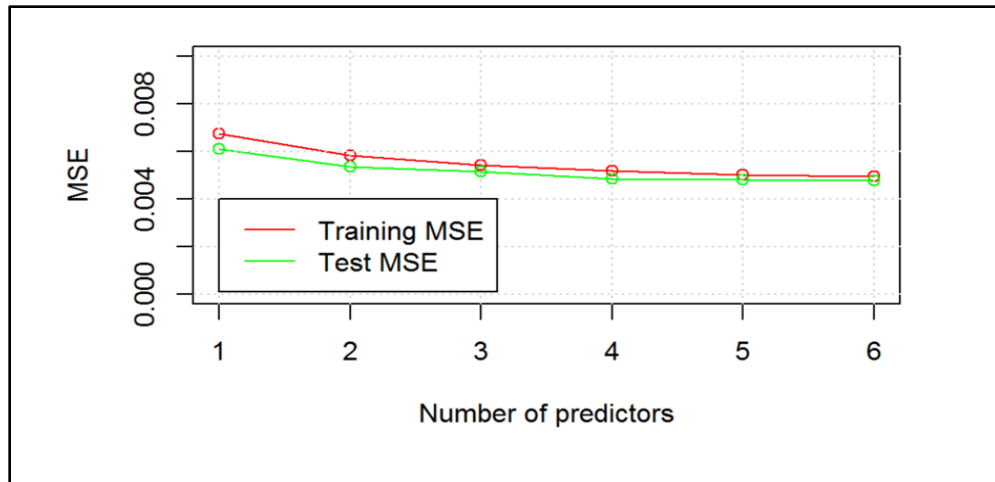


Fig 2 - Effect of the Number of Predictors on Subset Selection MSE

The plot of the MSE vs the number of predictors (Fig.2) shows that the error reduces with the number of features added to the dataset. It can also be seen that the test error is less than the training error which is not expected. This could be a result of the sample selection.

We Checked our model 1 for non-constant variance by conducting Breusch–Pagan test:

Null Hypothesis for : Variance is constant

Non-constant Variance Score Test -

Chisquare = 1655.388, Df = 1, $p = < 2.22e-16$

We clearly reject the null hypothesis because p value is negligible. Hence, Model 1 has non-constant variance, we can also see in the residual plot (Table IV, Appendix B) that the variance is increasing. As a diagnostics, we conducted Weighted Least Square regression of Model 1.

Model 2

Linear regression : VIF Selection

Models like Forward or backward selection of variables could produce inconsistent results, variance partitioning analyses may be unable to identify unique sources of variation, or parameter estimates may include substantial amounts of uncertainty. Collinearity, or excessive correlation among explanatory variables can complicate or prevent the identification of an optimal set of explanatory variables for a statistical model.

Analytical limitations related to collinearity requires to think carefully about the variables we choose to model, rather than adopting a naive approach where we blindly use all information to understand complexity.

A simple approach to identify collinearity among explanatory variables is the use of variance inflation factors (VIF).

VIF calculations are straightforward - the higher the value, the higher the collinearity. A VIF for a single explanatory variable is obtained using the r-squared value of the regression of that variable against all other explanatory variables.

The correlation matrix for the random variables can be calculated using a threshold [refer Table V, Appendix B].

Using VIF, we check on variables which have VIF higher than threshold should be dropped from the model [refer Table VII and Table VIII]. We can then simply run the linear regression model using the variables which we got after dropping.

This results in an R2 of about 0.822, which is pretty good.

The Model 2 is as follows -

violentPerPop ~ HousVacant + PctHousOccup + PctHousOwnOcc + PctVacantBoarded +
PctVacMore6Mos + PctEmploy + murdPerPop + rapesPerPop + assaultPerPop + larcPerPop +
autoTheftPerPop + arsonsPerPop

The in detailed description of the predictors of models 2 are in Table I, Appendix B.

We Checked our model 2 for non-constant variance by conducting Breusch–Pagan test:

Null Hypothesis for : Variance is constant

Non-constant Variance Score Test -

Chisquare = 8231.892, Df = 1, p = < 2.22e-16

We clearly reject the null hypothesis because p value is negligible. Hence, Model 1 has non-constant variance, we can also see in the residual plot (Table VI, Appendix B) that the variance is increasing. Like Model 1, we conducted Weighted Least Square regression of Model 2 as a diagnostics effort for the non constant variance.

Inference: Based on the WLS regression of the both models, we looked into the t-stats of the parameter estimates to verify if the selected parameters are helping us to understand crime in the community or the selected attributes are not significant. The F-stats of both the model are very high, and p value negligible, which means both the models are significant.

Results

Model 1 WLS

violentPerPop ~ *population* + *agepct12-29* + *pctWdiv* + *pctBlack* + *pctKids2Par* + *pctPopDenseHous*

Regression Summary (Parameter Estimate Table) -

```
Weighted Residuals:
      Min       1Q   Median       3Q      Max
-3.7950 -0.9862 -0.3819  0.5960 15.9370

Coefficients:
              Estimate Std. Error t value Pr(>|t|)
(Intercept)   1.368e+03  7.564e+01  18.091 < 2e-16 ***
population     6.989e-04  1.080e-04   6.473 1.18e-10 ***
racepctblack   1.233e+01  1.135e+00  10.865 < 2e-16 ***
agePct12t29   -4.801e+00  5.970e-01  -8.041 1.44e-15 ***
PctKids2Par    -1.284e+01  8.417e-01 -15.259 < 2e-16 ***
PctPersDenseHous 2.541e+01  2.394e+00  10.611 < 2e-16 ***
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Signif. codes:  0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.01 '*' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1

Residual standard error: 1.431 on 2209 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared:  0.39,    Adjusted R-squared:  0.3886
F-statistic: 282.5 on 5 and 2209 DF,  p-value: < 2.2e-16
```

95% CI of Parameters estimates

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	1.220112e+03	1.516796e+03
population	4.871604e-04	9.105854e-04
racepctblack	1.010180e+01	1.455145e+01
agePct12t29	-5.971279e+00	-3.629761e+00
PctKids2Par	-1.449442e+01	-1.119318e+01
PctPersDenseHous	2.071122e+01	3.010234e+01

ANOVA Model 1

Response: ViolentCrimesPerPop

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)
population	1	501.8	501.85	244.9346	< 2e-16 ***
racepctblack	1	1323.6	1323.64	646.0203	< 2e-16 ***
agePct12t29	1	6.5	6.47	3.1583	0.07568 .
PctKids2Par	1	831.3	831.32	405.7403	< 2e-16 ***
PctPersDenseHous	1	230.7	230.68	112.5893	< 2e-16 ***
Residuals	2209	4526.0	2.05		

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

Model 2WLS

*violentPerPop ~ HousVacant + PctHousOccup + PctHousOwnOcc + PctVacantBoarded +
PctVacMore6Mos + PctEmploy + murdPerPop + rapesPerPop + assaultPerPop + larcPerPop +
autoTheftPerPop + arsonsPerPop*

Weighted Residuals:

Min	1Q	Median	3Q	Max
-5.0600	-0.8608	-0.2757	0.4067	13.2661

Coefficients:

	Estimate	Std. Error	t value	Pr(> t)
(Intercept)	-2.437e+02	6.229e+01	-3.912	9.43e-05 ***
HousVacant	2.622e-03	1.539e-03	1.703	0.08868 .
PctHousOccup	1.517e+00	6.267e-01	2.420	0.01561 *
PctHousOwnOcc	8.201e-01	1.731e-01	4.738	2.29e-06 ***
PctVacantBoarded	-7.603e-01	1.004e+00	-0.758	0.44877
PctVacMore6Mos	-4.106e-01	1.839e-01	-2.233	0.02566 *
PctEmploy	7.479e-01	2.504e-01	2.987	0.00285 **
murdPerPop	3.623e+00	6.866e-01	5.277	1.44e-07 ***
rapesPerPop	3.603e+00	1.459e-01	24.692	< 2e-16 ***
assaultPerPop	9.966e-01	2.006e-02	49.670	< 2e-16 ***
larcPerPop	6.026e-03	2.024e-03	2.977	0.00294 **
autoTheftPerPop	1.295e-01	1.280e-02	10.117	< 2e-16 ***
arsonsPerPop	-9.706e-02	9.762e-02	-0.994	0.32021

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

Residual standard error: 1.623 on 2202 degrees of freedom
Multiple R-squared: 0.7945, Adjusted R-squared: 0.7934
F-statistic: 709.3 on 12 and 2202 DF, p-value: < 2.2e-16

95% C.I of Parameters of Model 2

	2.5 %	97.5 %
(Intercept)	-3.658439e+02	-1.215331e+02
HousVacant	-3.969448e-04	5.640558e-03
PctHousOccup	2.874549e-01	2.745604e+00
PctHousOwnOcc	4.807132e-01	1.159547e+00
PctVacantBoarded	-2.728447e+00	1.207775e+00
PctVacMore6Mos	-7.711705e-01	-4.998545e-02
PctEmploy	2.568297e-01	1.238986e+00
murderPerPop	2.276631e+00	4.969672e+00
rapesPerPop	3.316501e+00	3.888733e+00
assaultPerPop	9.572363e-01	1.035929e+00
larcPerPop	2.056591e-03	9.995682e-03
autoTheftPerPop	1.044211e-01	1.546364e-01
arsonsPerPop	-2.884864e-01	9.437444e-02

ANOVA Model 2

Response: ViolentCrimesPerPop

	Df	Sum Sq	Mean Sq	F value	Pr(>F)	
HousVacant	1	1876.1	1876.1	712.6544	< 2.2e-16	***
PctHousOccup	1	92.2	92.2	35.0400	3.737e-09	***
PctHousOwnOcc	1	1166.6	1166.6	443.1370	< 2.2e-16	***
PctVacantBoarded	1	127.4	127.4	48.4012	4.564e-12	***
PctVacMore6Mos	1	1346.6	1346.6	511.5085	< 2.2e-16	***
PctEmploy	1	28.2	28.2	10.7157	0.001079	**
murderPerPop	1	3223.9	3223.9	1224.6064	< 2.2e-16	***
rapesPerPop	1	6003.6	6003.6	2280.4929	< 2.2e-16	***
assaultPerPop	1	8199.4	8199.4	3114.5772	< 2.2e-16	***
larcPerPop	1	74.5	74.5	28.2841	1.154e-07	***
autoTheftPerPop	1	267.2	267.2	101.4851	< 2.2e-16	***
arsonsPerPop	1	2.6	2.6	0.9885	0.320208	
Residuals	2202	5797.0	2.6			

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

The dataset contains a large amount of information collected from each community which can be summarized in the broad categories of race, age, employment, marital status, immigration data and home ownership.

In respect to research questions, crime rates can certainly be explained by certain attributes of the community.

In Model 1, the explanatory variables included in the linear regression analysis explains only 35% variation in the response variable "ViolentCrimesPerPop". The linear regression model developed will be incomplete without considering the other 120+ explanatory variables available in the dataset.

In Model 2, the features which were most frequently were used to predict the level of Violent Crime were:

- percentage of kids in family housing with two parents
- percentage of kids born to parents who never married
- number of kids born to parents who never married
- percent of persons in dense housing (more than 1 person per room)
- percentage of population that is Caucasian
- percentage of the population that is African American

Discussion

Model 1 - From the parameter estimates t-stats, we find that all the attributes are significant in explaining the violent crime rates in the community. We find that as the population is increasing, the violent crime is also predicted to increase, while parameter estimates of population is very small, we should keep in mind that we have not changed the unit of population, i.e. if the population increases by ten thousand in the community, the community is predicted to have seven more violent crimes per 100k population, which is significant given the nature of the crime. While, we see that as the percent of children with two parents decreases, violent crime also increases, which proves the model theory that family disruption leads to crime in the community. Similarly, we see that as the percent of persons in dense housing (more than 1 person per room) increases, the crime also increases, we may say that people with low economic status are may be the ones who having dense household population. Hence, the results of the regression model supports the model of Shaw and MaKay's theory in explaining the crime level in the community, and proves that the community socio-economic attributes have good explanatory power when it comes to the crime in the community.

Model 2 - In order to reduce the number of inputs, the Subset selection method to choose the best set of features was tested. The regsubsets function was used to find the combination of features which provided the best MSE result. However, the using more than 6 features required a large amount of processing and was not feasible. The function was run with the maximum number of variables set to 6.

During the time in 1990s, US was going through Crack epidemic, which mainly affected underprivileged African American communities. In addition, between 1990 to 1995, the number of 15-24 year olds increased by roughly 20%, and the share of the population between the age of 15 to 24 was increased from 13.7% to 14.6%. Their impact may explain the strength of the predictive performance of features relating to race and children.

There is some similarity between these features, which indicates actions to reduce correlated features should have been taken in the data preparation phase.

The large number of features required to obtain a good performance with the Linear Models indicates that it could have been worthwhile exploring polynomial or recursive feature selection if additional processing capability was available.

In regards to models, we can train and test the model 1 with more than 6 features which could increase the prediction levels. Model 2 provides a good fit to the data with the features.

References

Dataset

- Communities and Crime Unnormalized Data Set
http://archive.ics.uci.edu/ml/datasets/Communities+and+Crime+Unnormalized?fbclid=IwARWuEZ9HOtpY33I2w1DQ6uoCLikq5D8qXxWmkH6Af9McrAe_OJxI15fXM

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Appendix A: Code

#Violent and non-Violent crimes by state - Aggregate view

#group Violent crime and nonViolent crime by state

```
crimedatafile <- read.csv("~/crimedatafile.csv", na.strings=c("NA", "-", "?"), header = T,
stringsAsFactors = FALSE)
install.packages("magrittr")
crimedata_state=aggregate(newdata[,c('ViolentCrimesPerPop','nonViolPerPop')],
by=list(crimedatafile$state), FUN=mean)
crimedata_state=aggregate(crimedatafile[,c('ViolentCrimesPerPop','nonViolPerPop')],
by=list(crimedatafile$state), FUN=mean)
library(magrittr)
library("plotly")
l <- list(color= toRGB("white"), width = 2)
g <- list(
+   scope = 'usa',
+   projection = list(type = 'albers usa'),
+   showlakes = TRUE,
+   lakecolor = toRGB('white')
+ )
g <- list(
scope = 'usa',
projection = list(type = 'albers usa'),
showlakes = TRUE,
lakecolor = toRGB('white')
)
plot_geo(crimedata_state, locationmode = 'USA-states') %>%
add_trace(
z = ~crimedata_state$nonViolPerPop, locations = ~crimedata_state$Group.1,
color = ~crimedata_state$nonViolPerPop, colors = 'Purples'
) %>%
colorbar(title = "non-Violent Crimes(Per-100K-Pop)") %>%
layout(
title = 'Aggregate view of non-Violent Crimes Per 100K Population across US',
geo = g
)
```

```

plot_geo(crimedata_state, locationmode = 'USA-states') %>%
add_trace(
z = ~crimedata_state$ViolentCrimesPerPop, locations = ~crimedata_state$Group.1,
color = ~crimedata_state$ViolentCrimesPerPop, colors = 'Purples'
) %>%
colorbar(title = "Violent Crimes(Per-100K-Pop)") %>%
layout(
title = 'Aggregate view of Violent Crimes Per 100K Population across US',
geo = g
)

```

#Boxplots - Exploratory Data Analysis of Response Variables

#Boxplot of non violent crime variables

Violent=

```

crimedatafile[,c('murdPerPop','rapesPerPop','robberPerPop','assaultPerPop','ViolentCrimesPerPop')]

```

```

nonViolent =

```

```

crimedatafile[,c('burglPerPop','larcPerPop','autoTheftPerPop','arsonsPerPop','nonViolPerPop')]

```

```

nonViolentxLabels =

```

```

c('burglPerPop','larcPerPop','autoTheftPerPop','arsonsPerPop','nonViolPerPop')

```

```

violentxLabels =

```

```

c('murdPerPop','rapesPerPop','robberPerPop','assaultPerPop','ViolentCrimesPerPop')

```

```

boxplot(Violent,main="Violent crimes",violentxLabels)

```

```

boxplot(nonViolent,main="Non-violent crimes",nonViolentxLabels)

```

###Linear Regression (Sub-Selection) [Model 1] ###

```

df.working<- crimedatafile

```

```

drops <- c("X", "fold", "communityname", "state")

```

```

df.working<- df.working[, !(names(df.working) %in% drops)]

```

```

set.seed(1)

```

```

train_ind = sample(1:nrow(df.working), 0.7 * nrow(df.working))

```

```

normalize <- function(x) {

```

```

+   return((x - min(x))/(max(x) - min(x)))

```

```

+ }

```

```

df.working_dt<- df.working

```

```

notneededFeatures <- c("PctSpeakEnglOnlyCat", "PctNotSpeakEnglWellCat",

```

```

+ "PctHousOccupCat", "RentQrange")
possible_predictors = colnames(df.working)[!(colnames(df.working) %in%
+notneededFeatures)]
df.working = df.working[, names(df.working) %in% possible_predictors]
df.norm <- as.data.frame(lapply(df.working, normalize))
install.packages("leaps")
library(leaps)
regfit.full = regsubsets(ViolentCrimesPerPop ~ ., data = df.norm[train_ind,], really.big=T, nvmax
= 6)
training.mat = model.matrix(ViolentCrimesPerPop ~ ., data = df.norm[train_ind,])
training.errors = rep(NA, 6)
for (ii in 1:6) {
  coefi = coef(regfit.full, id = ii)
  pred = training.mat[, names(coefi)] %*% coefi
  training.errors[ii] = mse(df.norm[train_ind, 97], pred)
}
test.mat = model.matrix(ViolentCrimesPerPop ~ ., data = df.norm[-train_ind,])
test.errors = rep(NA, 6)
for (ii in 1:6) {
  coefi = coef(regfit.full, id = ii)
  pred = test.mat[, names(coefi)] %*% coefi
  test.errors[ii] = mse(df.norm[-train_ind, 97], pred)
}
k = which.min(test.errors)
MSE_SLM = test.errors[k]

```

###Linear Regression (VIF Selection) [Model 2] ###

#Correlaions

```

crimedata.fourth <- crimedatafile
cols =
c('HousVacant', 'PctHousOccup', 'PctHousOwnOcc', 'PctVacantBoarded', 'PctVacMore6Mos', 'PctU
nemployed', 'PctEmploy', 'murdPerPop', 'rapesPerPop', 'robberPerPop', 'assaultPerPop', 'ViolentCri
mesPerPop', 'burglPerPop', 'larcPerPop', 'autoTheftPerPop', 'arsonsPerPop')
head(crimedata.fourth)
crimedata.fourth[, cols]

```



```
crimedata.study = crimedata.fourth[,cols]
library(dplyr)
correl <- round(cor(crimedata.study),2)
```

```
library(ggcorrplot)
ggcorrplot(correl)
```

```
cor_df <- as.data.frame(as.table(correl))
cor_df <- cor_df[cor_df$Freq != 1,]
cor_df %>% arrange(desc(abs(Freq))) %>% filter(abs(Freq)>0.5)
```

#there exists multicollinearity between variables. We will use VIF to remove multicollinearity

```
library(car)
library(plyr)
```

```
fit=lm(ViolentCrimesPerPop ~ . , data=crimedata.study)
```

```
vif(fit)
```

Set a VIF threshold. All the variables having higher VIF than threshold are dropped from the model

```
threshold=2.5
```

Sequentially drop the variable with the largest VIF until all variables have VIF less than threshold
drop=TRUE

```
aftervif=data.frame()
while(drop==TRUE) {
  vfit=vif(fit)
  aftervif=rbind.fill(aftervif,as.data.frame(t(vfit)))
  if(max(vfit)>threshold) { fit=
    update(fit,as.formula(paste(".", "~", ".", "-", names(which.max(vfit)))) ) }
  else { drop=FALSE }}
```

Model after removing correlated Variables
print(fit)

```
# How variables removed sequentially
```

```
t_aftervif= as.data.frame(t(aftervif))
```

```
edit(t_aftervif)
```

```
# Final (uncorrelated) variables with their VIFs
```

```
vfit_d= as.data.frame(vfit)
```

```
set.seed(1)
```

```
row.number<- sample(1:nrow(crimeData.study), 0.9*nrow(crimeData.study))
```

```
train = crimeData.study[row.number,]
```

```
test = crimeData.study[-row.number,]
```

```
dim(train)
```

```
dim(test)
```

```
New_Fit=lm(ViolentCrimesPerPop ~ HousVacant + PctHousOccup + PctHousOwnOcc +  
PctVacantBoarded + PctVacMore6Mos + PctEmploy + murdPerPop + rapesPerPop +  
assaultPerPop+larcPerPop + autoTheftPerPop+ arsonsPerPop , data=train)
```

```
summary(New_Fit)
```

```
pred1 <- predict(New_Fit, newdata = test)
```

```
library(Metrics)
```

```
c(RMSE = rmse, R2=summary(New_Fit)$r.squared)
```

```
anova(New_Fit)
```

Appendix B: Output

Table I : Variable Description

Variable	Description
HousVacant	Number of vacant households (numeric - expected to be integer)
PctHousOccup	Percentage of people 16 and over who are employed in manufacturing (numeric- decimal)
PctHousOwnOcc	Percent of households owner occupied (numeric- decimal)
PctHousOwnOcc	Percent of vacant housing that is boarded up (numeric - decimal)
PctVacantBoarded	Percent of vacant housing that has been vacant more than 6 months (numeric- decimal)
PctEmploy	Percentage of people 16 and over, in the labor force, and unemployed (numeric- decimal)

Table II: Summary of few Important Community Attributes

population	perHoush	pctBlack	pctwhite	pctAsian	pctHisp	agepct12-21
Min. : 10005	Min. :1.600	Min. : 0.000	Min. : 2.68	Min. : 0.03	Min. : 0.12	Min. : 4.58
1st Qu.: 14366	1st Qu.:2.500	1st Qu.: 0.860	1st Qu.:76.32	1st Qu.: 0.62	1st Qu.: 0.93	1st Qu.:12.25
Median : 22792	Median :2.660	Median : 2.870	Median :90.35	Median : 1.23	Median : 2.18	Median :13.62
Mean : 53118	Mean :2.707	Mean : 9.335	Mean :83.98	Mean : 2.67	Mean : 7.95	Mean :14.45
3rd Qu.: 43024	3rd Qu.:2.850	3rd Qu.:11.145	3rd Qu.:96.22	3rd Qu.: 2.67	3rd Qu.: 7.81	3rd Qu.:15.36
Max. :7322564	Max. :5.280	Max. :96.670	Max. :99.63	Max. :57.46	Max. :95.29	Max. :54.40
agepct12-29	agepct16-24	agepct65up	pcturban	medIncome	medFamIncome	pctPoverty
Min. : 9.38	Min. : 4.64	Min. : 1.66	Min. : 0.00	Min. : 8866	Min. : 10447	Min. : 0.64
1st Qu.:24.41	1st Qu.:11.32	1st Qu.: 8.75	1st Qu.: 0.00	1st Qu.: 23817	1st Qu.: 29538	1st Qu.: 4.51
Median :26.78	Median :12.54	Median :11.73	Median :100.00	Median : 31441	Median : 36678	Median : 9.33
Mean :27.64	Mean :13.98	Mean :11.84	Mean : 70.47	Mean : 33985	Mean : 39857	Mean :11.62
3rd Qu.:29.20	3rd Qu.:14.35	3rd Qu.:14.41	3rd Qu.:100.00	3rd Qu.: 41481	3rd Qu.: 46999	3rd Qu.:16.91
Max. :70.51	Max. :63.62	Max. :52.77	Max. :100.00	Max. :123625	Max. :139008	Max. :58.00
pctNotHSgrad	pctUnemploy	pctAllDivorc	pctKidsBornNevrMarr	pctLargHousFam	pctPopDenseHous	
Min. : 1.46	Min. : 1.320	Min. : 2.830	Min. : 0.000	Min. : 0.960	Min. : 0.050	
1st Qu.:13.92	1st Qu.: 4.045	1st Qu.: 8.575	1st Qu.: 1.070	1st Qu.: 3.390	1st Qu.: 1.290	
Median :21.38	Median : 5.450	Median :10.900	Median : 2.040	Median : 4.280	Median : 2.340	
Mean :22.31	Mean : 6.045	Mean :10.813	Mean : 3.115	Mean : 5.387	Mean : 4.132	
3rd Qu.:29.20	3rd Qu.: 7.440	3rd Qu.:12.985	3rd Qu.: 3.910	3rd Qu.: 5.870	3rd Qu.: 4.730	
Max. :73.66	Max. :31.230	Max. :22.230	Max. :27.350	Max. :34.870	Max. :59.490	
persEmergShelt	persHomeless	pctSameCounty-5	pctSameState-5	violentPerPop	nonViolPerPop	
Min. : 0.00	Min. : 0.00	Min. :27.95	Min. :32.83	Min. : 0.0	Min. : 116.8	
1st Qu.: 0.00	1st Qu.: 0.00	1st Qu.:72.06	1st Qu.:85.20	1st Qu.: 161.7	1st Qu.: 2918.1	
Median : 0.00	Median : 0.00	Median :79.49	Median :90.03	Median : 374.1	Median : 4425.4	
Mean : 66.95	Mean : 17.82	Mean :77.41	Mean :88.11	Mean : 589.1	Mean : 4908.2	
3rd Qu.: 22.00	3rd Qu.: 1.00	3rd Qu.:85.14	3rd Qu.:93.01	3rd Qu.: 794.4	3rd Qu.: 6229.3	
Max. :23383.00	Max. :10447.00	Max. :96.59	Max. :99.90	Max. :4877.1	Max. :27119.8	
				NA's :221	NA's :07	

Table III: Multicollinearity

	pctPoverty	pctNotHSgrad	pctUnemploy	pctAllDivorc	pctKidsBornNevrM	pctLargHousFam	pctPopDenseHous	persEmergShelt	persHomeless	pctSameCounty-5	pctSameState-5	violentPerPop	nonViolPerPop
population	0.09	0.05	0.08	0.11	0.19	0.10	0.11	0.93	0.92	0.02	-0.03	0.21	0.12
perHoush	0.08	0.14	0.17	-0.39	0.04	0.69	0.55	-0.03	-0.01	-0.12	-0.05	-0.02	-0.19
pctBlack	0.46	0.34	0.37	0.43	0.81	0.14	0.11	0.11	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.62	0.47
pctWhite	-0.53	-0.49	-0.51	-0.40	-0.80	-0.54	-0.60	-0.14	-0.10	-0.02	0.03	-0.68	-0.48
pctAsian	-0.14	-0.18	-0.12	-0.07	-0.05	0.22	0.30	0.06	0.07	-0.13	-0.14	0.04	-0.03
pctHisp	0.36	0.51	0.48	0.09	0.23	0.76	0.87	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.02	0.26	0.17
agepct12-21	0.49	0.07	0.23	-0.21	0.14	0.21	0.18	-0.01	-0.01	-0.43	-0.20	0.02	0.02
agepct12-29	0.47	0.08	0.20	-0.03	0.25	0.22	0.26	0.03	0.01	-0.55	-0.33	0.11	0.11
agepct16-24	0.46	0.02	0.16	-0.14	0.17	0.09	0.13	0.01	0.00	-0.52	-0.29	0.05	0.07
agepct65Sup	0.07	0.23	0.10	0.10	-0.01	-0.29	-0.24	-0.01	-0.01	0.32	0.21	0.05	0.13
pctUrban	-0.33	-0.25	-0.24	-0.05	0.01	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.08	-0.04	0.07	0.00
medIncome	-0.76	-0.66	-0.62	-0.56	-0.45	-0.15	-0.23	-0.04	-0.02	0.01	-0.03	-0.40	-0.47
medFamIncome	-0.73	-0.70	-0.65	-0.56	-0.46	-0.23	-0.30	-0.04	-0.03	-0.02	-0.05	-0.41	-0.46
pctPoverty	1.00	0.66	0.77	0.42	0.61	0.35	0.42	0.08	0.05	-0.07	0.01	0.50	0.51
pctNotHSgrad	0.66	1.00	0.74	0.39	0.55	0.49	0.57	0.05	0.03	0.34	0.30	0.47	0.37
pctUnemploy	0.77	0.74	1.00	0.37	0.56	0.49	0.51	0.07	0.05	0.18	0.17	0.47	0.39
pctAllDivorc	0.42	0.39	0.37	1.00	0.51	0.03	0.17	0.09	0.05	0.02	-0.03	0.54	0.61
pctKidsBornNevrM	0.61	0.55	0.56	0.51	1.00	0.37	0.40	0.18	0.12	0.08	0.01	0.74	0.55
pctLargHousFam	0.35	0.49	0.49	0.03	0.37	1.00	0.88	0.07	0.07	0.13	0.08	0.34	0.16
pctPopDenseHous	0.42	0.57	0.51	0.17	0.40	0.88	1.00	0.08	0.08	0.03	-0.03	0.40	0.24
persEmergShelt	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.18	0.07	0.08	1.00	0.95	0.02	-0.02	0.19	0.10
persHomeless	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.12	0.07	0.08	0.95	1.00	0.01	-0.01	0.14	0.06
pctSameCounty-5	-0.07	0.34	0.18	0.02	0.08	0.13	0.03	0.02	0.01	1.00	0.74	0.07	-0.02
pctSameState-5	0.01	0.30	0.17	-0.03	0.01	0.08	-0.03	-0.02	-0.01	0.74	1.00	-0.01	-0.08
violentPerPop	0.50	0.47	0.47	0.54	0.74	0.34	0.40	0.19	0.14	0.07	-0.01	1.00	0.68
nonViolPerPop	0.51	0.37	0.39	0.61	0.55	0.16	0.24	0.10	0.06	-0.02	-0.08	0.68	1.00

	pctPoverty	pctNotHSgrad	pctUnemploy	pctAllDivorc	pctKidsBornNevrM	pctLargHousFam	pctPopDenseHous	persEmergShelt	persHomeless	pctSameCounty-5	pctSameState-5	violentPerPop	nonViolPerPop
population	0.09	0.05	0.08	0.11	0.19	0.10	0.11	0.93	0.92	0.02	-0.03	0.21	0.12
perHoush	0.08	0.14	0.17	-0.39	0.04	0.69	0.55	-0.03	-0.01	-0.12	-0.05	-0.02	-0.19
pctBlack	0.46	0.34	0.37	0.43	0.81	0.14	0.11	0.11	0.06	0.06	0.00	0.62	0.47
pctWhite	-0.53	-0.49	-0.51	-0.40	-0.80	-0.54	-0.60	-0.14	-0.10	-0.02	0.03	-0.68	-0.48
pctAsian	-0.14	-0.18	-0.12	-0.07	-0.05	0.22	0.30	0.06	0.07	-0.13	-0.14	0.04	-0.03
pctHisp	0.36	0.51	0.48	0.09	0.23	0.76	0.87	0.05	0.06	0.05	0.02	0.26	0.17
agepct12-21	0.49	0.07	0.23	-0.21	0.14	0.21	0.18	-0.01	-0.01	-0.43	-0.20	0.02	0.02
agepct12-29	0.47	0.08	0.20	-0.03	0.25	0.22	0.26	0.03	0.01	-0.55	-0.33	0.11	0.11
agepct16-24	0.46	0.02	0.16	-0.14	0.17	0.09	0.13	0.01	0.00	-0.52	-0.29	0.05	0.07
agepct65Sup	0.07	0.23	0.10	0.10	-0.01	-0.29	-0.24	-0.01	-0.01	0.32	0.21	0.05	0.13
pctUrban	-0.33	-0.25	-0.24	-0.05	0.01	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.05	0.08	-0.04	0.07	0.00
medIncome	-0.76	-0.66	-0.62	-0.56	-0.45	-0.15	-0.23	-0.04	-0.02	0.01	-0.03	-0.40	-0.47
medFamIncome	-0.73	-0.70	-0.65	-0.56	-0.46	-0.23	-0.30	-0.04	-0.03	-0.02	-0.05	-0.41	-0.46
pctPoverty	1.00	0.66	0.77	0.42	0.61	0.35	0.42	0.08	0.05	-0.07	0.01	0.50	0.51
pctNotHSgrad	0.66	1.00	0.74	0.39	0.55	0.49	0.57	0.05	0.03	0.34	0.30	0.47	0.37
pctUnemploy	0.77	0.74	1.00	0.37	0.56	0.49	0.51	0.07	0.05	0.18	0.17	0.47	0.39
pctAllDivorc	0.42	0.39	0.37	1.00	0.51	0.03	0.17	0.09	0.05	0.02	-0.03	0.54	0.61
pctKidsBornNevrM	0.61	0.55	0.56	0.51	1.00	0.37	0.40	0.18	0.12	0.08	0.01	0.74	0.55
pctLargHousFam	0.35	0.49	0.49	0.03	0.37	1.00	0.88	0.07	0.07	0.13	0.08	0.34	0.16
pctPopDenseHous	0.42	0.57	0.51	0.17	0.40	0.88	1.00	0.08	0.08	0.03	-0.03	0.40	0.24
persEmergShelt	0.08	0.05	0.07	0.09	0.18	0.07	0.08	1.00	0.95	0.02	-0.02	0.19	0.10
persHomeless	0.05	0.03	0.05	0.05	0.12	0.07	0.08	0.95	1.00	0.01	-0.01	0.14	0.06
pctSameCounty-5	-0.07	0.34	0.18	0.02	0.08	0.13	0.03	0.02	0.01	1.00	0.74	0.07	-0.02
pctSameState-5	0.01	0.30	0.17	-0.03	0.01	0.08	-0.03	-0.02	-0.01	0.74	1.00	-0.01	-0.08
violentPerPop	0.50	0.47	0.47	0.54	0.74	0.34	0.40	0.19	0.14	0.07	-0.01	1.00	0.68
nonViolPerPop	0.51	0.37	0.39	0.61	0.55	0.16	0.24	0.10	0.06	-0.02	-0.08	0.68	1.00

Table IV: Residual Plot Model 1

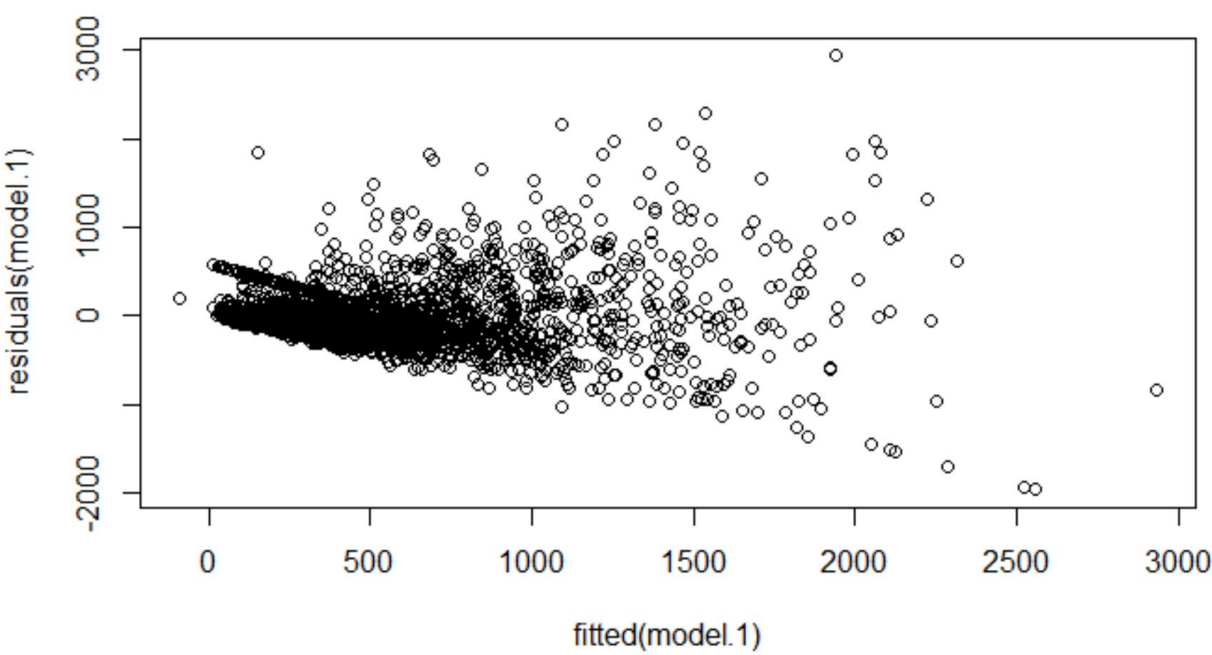


Table V: Correlation Matrix of Model 2

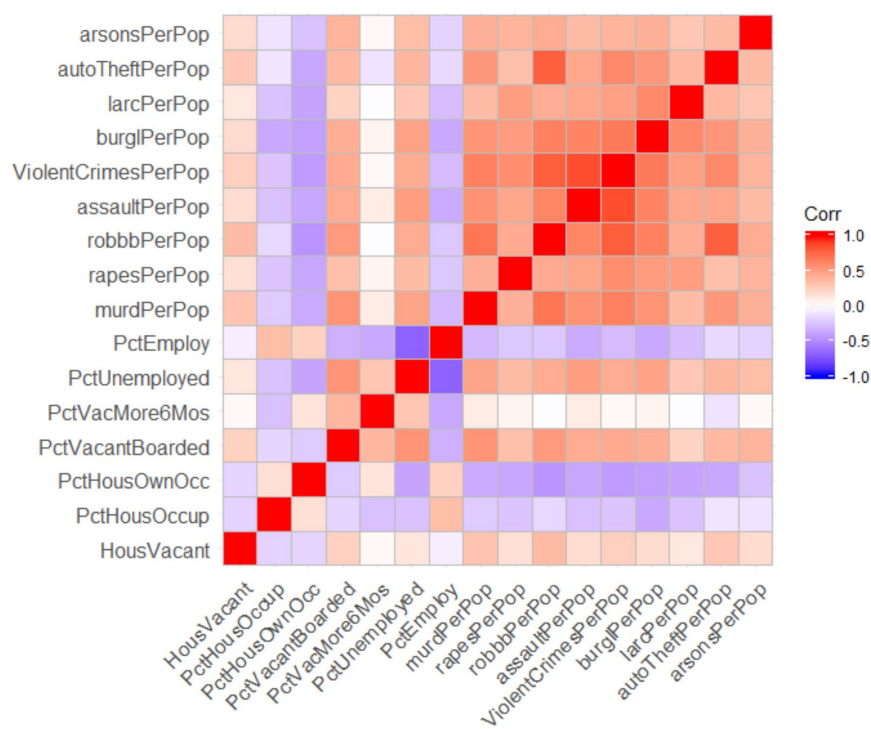


Table VI: Residual Plot Model 2

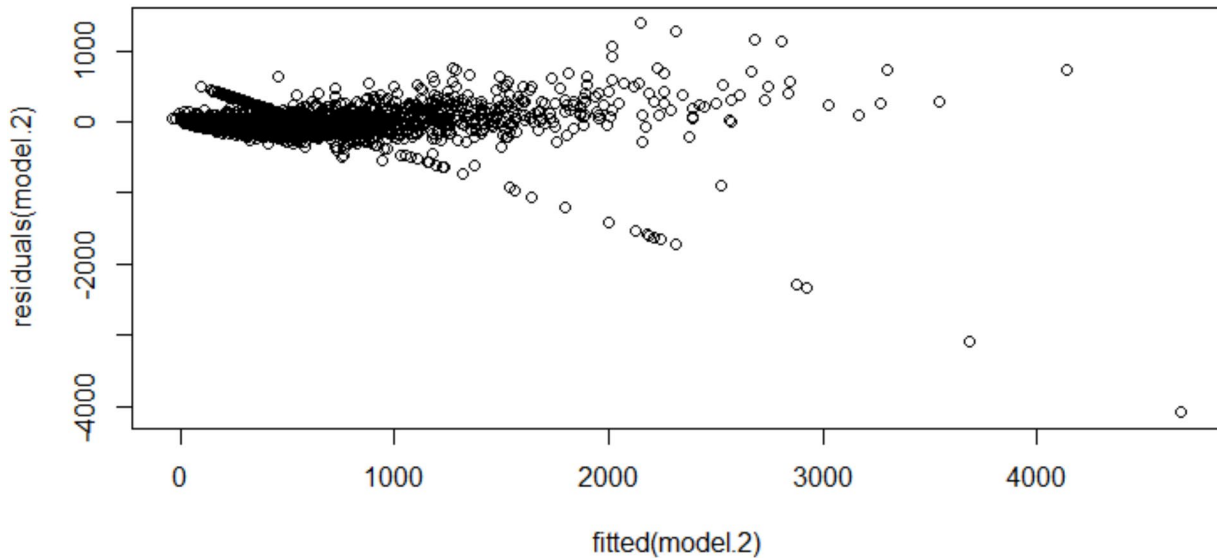


Table VII: Multicollinearity VIF Selection

vif(fit)

HousVacant	PctHousOccup	PctHousOwnOcc	PctVacantBoarded	PctVacMore6Mos	PctUnemployed
1.213614	1.362877	1.562571	2.097157	1.557524	2.805008
PctEmploy	murdPerPop	rapesPerPop	robberPerPop	assaultPerPop	burglPerPop
2.120294	2.295644	1.626940	4.546894	2.098244	2.762653
larcPerPop	autoTheftPerPop	arsonsPerPop			
1.795462	2.785349	1.398063			

Type VIII: Model 2 after removing correlated variables

call:

```
lm(formula = ViolentCrimesPerPop ~ HousVacant + PctHousOccup +
  PctHousOwnOcc + PctVacantBoarded + PctVacMore6Mos + PctEmploy +
  murdPerPop + rapesPerPop + assaultPerPop + larcPerPop + autoTheftPerPop +
  arsonsPerPop, data = crimedata.study)
```

Coefficients:

(Intercept)	HousVacant	PctHousOccup	PctHousOwnOcc	PctVacantBoarded	PctVacMore6Mos
-1.459e+02	1.302e-03	-7.570e-02	-3.732e-01	-2.766e+00	-3.355e-01
PctEmploy	murdPerPop	rapesPerPop	assaultPerPop	larcPerPop	autoTheftPerPop
2.876e+00	7.758e+00	3.317e+00	8.371e-01	7.895e-03	2.239e-01
arsonsPerPop					
-3.281e-01					