# Capstone Project - Predicting Patient No-Shows Using Appointment Data

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Missed medical appointments are a major problem in the medical industry, resulting in lost revenue. Medical providers can over-book appointments to try to minimize the lost revenue, but without any way to predict the probability of an appointment being missed, there will still be times where more or fewer patients show up at a given time than expected. The result will be that lost revenue will be reduced but not eliminated, as there will still be times that more appointments are missed than expected. There will aslo be times more approintments show up than expected, which can overwhelm staff and resources and affect the level of patient care.

This project is a classification problem that will explore the prediction of whether a medical appointment will be missed, and its probability of being kept or missed. The prediction error will result in times where there are too many or too few patients at a given time. The main goal in the prediction will be to minimize the error, as this will reduce instances of having more or fewer patients that desired.

There are countless reasons and circumstances that can lead someone to miss an appointment, such as a last minute work meeting or a family emergency, that aren't directly captured in the data and are impossible to know in advance. Missed appointments can only be predicted based on indirect factors that are known, such as past history as demographics. Because of this, there will be a level of error that cannot be eliminated, however, any reduction in error compared to having no predictive model at all is still beneficial.

Medical providers can used the missed appointment predictions by incorporating them into their booking methods and systems. The methods used in booking will have to consider the implications of the inherent prediction errors and balance the risk the errors represent: too many patients leading to staff/resource shortage, and too few patients leading to lost revenue. The methods of implementing the use of missed appointment predictions into an appointment booking system are client-specific ant not included in the scope of this project, which is limited to minimizing the error while predicting the probability that an appointment will be missed or kept.

I will start off by loading the required packages and the data.

```
library(tidyverse)
library(lubridate)
library(caret)
library(randomForest)
library(GGally)
```

Read data and assign to appointments

```
appointments <- read_csv("Final_Data.csv")</pre>
```

```
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     kept_status = col_character(),
##
     appt_date = col_character(),
##
     appt_time = col_time(format = ""),
##
     appt_length = col_integer(),
##
     date_scheduled = col_character(),
     patient_age = col_integer(),
##
##
     patient_gender = col_character(),
     billing type = col character(),
##
##
     prior_missed = col_integer(),
```

```
##
     prior_kept = col_integer(),
##
     patient_distance = col_integer(),
     office zip = col character(),
##
##
     provider_specialty = col_character(),
##
     remind_call_result = col_character()
## )
appointments_original <- appointments
zipcodes <- read_csv("zipcodes.csv")</pre>
## Parsed with column specification:
## cols(
##
     office_zip = col_character(),
##
     county_code = col_character()
## )
```

The raw data, which has been named appointments, contains information on 342862 past appointments, pre-sorted by the date and time of appointment. The dependended variable, kept\_status, shows whether the appintment was be kept or missed.

There is no field that can be used to identify a specific patients in the data set. A patient may have had more than one appointment during the time-period represented in the data, meaning that one individual patient may make up one or multiple observations. If there was a patient ID field, it would allow the data to be grouped by patient and give the option of organizing the data by patient rather than by appointment.

A secondary data set, zipcodes, has information about the county the offices are located in. This will be used to see if the location can help predict whether an appointment will be missed. The county names are converted to a 2-letter code for confidentiality.

## Data Summary and Structure

## summary(appointments)

```
kept_status
##
                         appt_date
                                             appt_time
                                                                appt_length
##
    Length: 342862
                        Length: 342862
                                            Length: 342862
                                                               Min.
                                                                      : 10
    Class : character
                        Class : character
                                            Class1:hms
                                                               1st Qu.: 60
                                                               Median: 60
##
    Mode :character
                              :character
                                            Class2:difftime
                        Mode
                                            Mode :numeric
##
                                                               Mean
                                                                       : 57
##
                                                               3rd Qu.: 60
##
                                                               Max.
                                                                       :600
##
##
    date_scheduled
                                          patient_gender
                                                              billing_type
                         patient_age
##
    Length: 342862
                        Min.
                               : 0.00
                                          Length: 342862
                                                              Length: 342862
    Class :character
                                                              Class :character
                        1st Qu.: 17.00
##
                                          Class : character
                        Median: 34.00
##
    Mode : character
                                          Mode :character
                                                              Mode : character
##
                        Mean
                               : 35.56
##
                        3rd Qu.: 54.00
##
                               :264.00
                        Max.
##
##
     prior_missed
                                         patient_distance office_zip
                         prior_kept
                                                           Length: 342862
    Min.
          : 0.000
                             : 0.00
                                         Min.
                                                    0.0
##
    1st Qu.:
              1.000
                       1st Qu.:
                                 2.00
                                         1st Qu.:
                                                    0.0
                                                           Class : character
                                                    3.0
##
    Median :
              2.000
                       Median :
                                 6.00
                                         Median:
                                                           Mode :character
                              : 8.02
                                                   10.8
##
    Mean
              2.451
                       Mean
                                         Mean
    3rd Qu.: 3.000
                       3rd Qu.: 11.00
                                         3rd Qu.:
                                                    9.0
```

```
:117.000 Max.
                            :676.00 Max.
                                             :2688.0
##
                                      NA's
                                            :974
##
  provider_specialty remind_call_result
## Length:342862
                    Length: 342862
## Class :character Class :character
## Mode :character Mode :character
##
##
##
##
str(appointments, give.attr = FALSE)
## Classes 'tbl_df', 'tbl' and 'data.frame':
                                              342862 obs. of 14 variables:
                              "Kept" "Kept" "Kept" "Kept" ...
## $ kept_status
                      : chr
                       : chr "9/1/16" "9/1/16" "9/1/16" "9/1/16" ...
## $ appt_date
## $ appt_time
                      :Classes 'hms', 'difftime' atomic [1:342862] 19800 28800 28800 28800 28800 288
## $ appt_length
                      : int 90 60 120 60 60 60 60 60 60 90 ...
## $ date_scheduled
                      : chr "8/1/16" "1/18/16" "2/3/16" "6/8/16" ...
                       : int 7 75 31 45 49 71 49 38 36 13 ...
## $ patient_age
                       : chr "Male" "Female" "Male" "Male" ...
## $ patient_gender
                       : chr "DMAP" "Commercial" "DMAP" "DMAP" ...
## $ billing_type
## $ prior_missed
                       : int 1216568023...
## $ prior_kept
                       : int 3 5 5 15 6 6 20 0 5 12 ...
## $ patient_distance : int 41 29 5 5 0 5 0 539 0 4 ...
                             "AP" "BL" "BL" "BL" ...
## $ office_zip
                       : chr
## $ provider_specialty: chr "A" "A" "A" "B" ...
## $ remind_call_result: chr "Left Message" "Answered - Confirmed" "Left Message" "Answered - No Resp
head(appointments[, 1:5])
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
    kept_status appt_date appt_time appt_length date_scheduled
     <chr> <chr>
                       <time>
                                        <int> <chr>
##
                          05:30
## 1 Kept
                9/1/16
                                            90 8/1/16
## 2 Kept
                9/1/16
                          08:00
                                            60 1/18/16
## 3 Kept
                9/1/16
                          08:00
                                           120 2/3/16
                          08:00
## 4 Kept
                9/1/16
                                            60 6/8/16
## 5 Missed
                9/1/16
                          08:00
                                            60 6/28/16
                                            60 7/12/16
## 6 Kept
                9/1/16
                          08:00
head(appointments[, 6:10])
## # A tibble: 6 x 5
    patient_age patient_gender billing_type prior_missed prior_kept
          <int> <chr>
                               <chr>>
##
                                                  <int>
                                                             <int>
## 1
              7 Male
                               DMAP
                                                      1
                                                                 3
## 2
             75 Female
                               Commercial
                                                      2
                                                                 5
## 3
             31 Male
                              DMAP
                                                      1
                                                                 5
             45 Male
                               DMAP
                                                      6
                                                                15
## 4
## 5
             49 Male
                               Commercial
                                                      5
                                                                 6
## 6
             71 Male
                               DMAP
                                                                 6
head(appointments[, 11:14])
## # A tibble: 6 x 4
```

patient\_distance office\_zip provider\_specialty remind\_call\_result

##	<int> <chr></chr></int>	<chr></chr>	<chr></chr>
## 1	41 AP	A	Left Message
## 2	29 BL	A	Answered - Confirmed
## 3	5 BL	A	Left Message
## 4	5 BL	В	Answered - No Response
## 5	O BL	В	Answered - No Response
## 6	5 BL	A	Answered - Confirmed

#### **Data Dictionary**

```
variable_descriptions <- c(</pre>
    "Dependent variable: kept or missed",
    "Appointment date",
    "Appointment time",
   "Appointment length in minutes",
    "Date appointment was scheduled",
    "Patient age",
    "Patient gender",
   "Billing type",
    "Number of prior missed appointments",
    "Number of prior kept appointments",
   "Patient distance from office in miles",
    "Office Zip Code - Anonymized",
    "Provider primary specialty code",
    "Reminder Call result")
variable <- colnames(appointments)</pre>
as_data_frame(cbind(c(1:length(variable)), variable, variable_descriptions))
## # A tibble: 14 x 3
##
         variable
                              variable_descriptions
     V1
##
      <chr> <chr>
                              <chr>>
## 1 1 kept status
                              Dependent variable: kept or missed
## 2 2 appt_date
                              Appointment date
## 3 3 appt_time
                              Appointment time
## 4 4
          appt_length
                              Appointment length in minutes
         date_scheduled
## 5 5
                              Date appointment was scheduled
```

```
## 6 6
                             Patient age
         patient age
## 7 7
          patient gender
                             Patient gender
## 8 8
          billing_type
                             Billing type
## 9 9
          prior_missed
                             Number of prior missed appointments
## 10 10
                             Number of prior kept appointments
         prior_kept
## 11 11
                             Patient distance from office in miles
           patient_distance
## 12 12
                              Office Zip Code - Anonymized
           office_zip
## 13 13
           provider_specialty Provider primary specialty code
## 14 14
           remind_call_result Reminder Call result
```

The appt\_date and appt\_time variables can be combined into one variable, appt\_datetime.

```
appointments <- appointments %>%
    mutate(appt_datetime = lubridate::mdy_hms(paste(appt_date, appt_time)))
appointments$date scheduled <- lubridate::as date(</pre>
    appointments$date_scheduled, format = "%m/%d/%y", tz = "UTC")
```

# **Data Exploration**

First I want to calculate the percent of missed appointments overall by creating a logical variable missed, where 1 represents a missed appointment and 0 represents a kept appointment. This will determine the degree of class imbalance.

```
appointments <- appointments %>%
    mutate(missed = ifelse(appointments$kept_status == "Missed", 1, 0))
missed_rate <- mean(appointments$missed)
missed_rate</pre>
```

#### ## [1] 0.1592944

 $15.93\,\%$  of the total appointments are missed. This is an imbalanced classification, which will have implications in the modeling. For example, the model could predict all of the appointments will be kept and be correct 84.07 % of the time. This results in a high accuracy without providing any useful prediction of which appointments will be missed.

Next I want to check the data to see if there are any missing values that could indicate reduced data integrity or adversely affect the modelling.

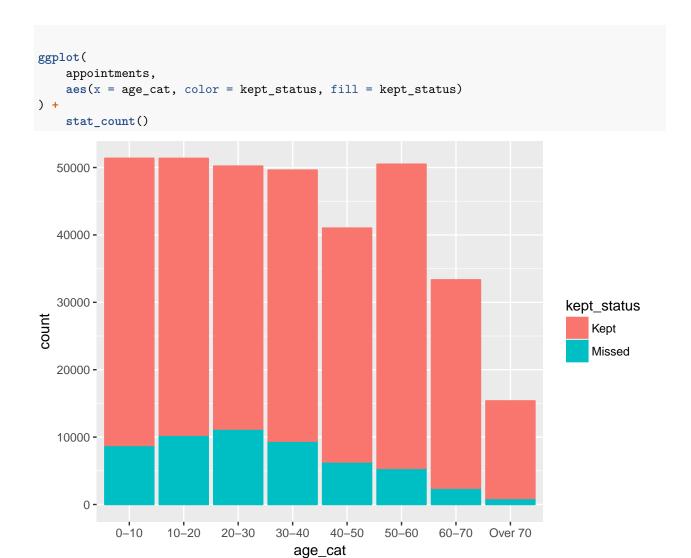
```
map_dbl(appointments, ~sum(is.na(.)))
##
          kept_status
                                  appt_date
                                                      appt_time
##
                                          0
##
          appt length
                            date scheduled
                                                    patient age
##
                                          0
       patient_gender
                              billing_type
##
                                                   prior missed
##
                     0
                                          0
                                                               0
##
                          patient distance
           prior_kept
                                                     office_zip
##
                                                               0
                     0
##
   provider specialty remind call result
                                                  appt_datetime
##
                     0
##
                missed
##
```

One variable, patient\_distance has 974 missing value. This is fairly minor and will be evaluated later on when exploring the variable further.

#### patient\_age

I expected missed appointments to have to vary across age ranges. Perhaps older patients have fewer commitments with kids or work, and make their appointments more regularly, or perhaps younger adults might skip more appointments because they aren't as critical? I will break the data into age groups to make the plot simpler to evaluate.

There are a small number of observations where the age is higher than plausible. Therefore, the observations greater than age 110 will be removed from the data.

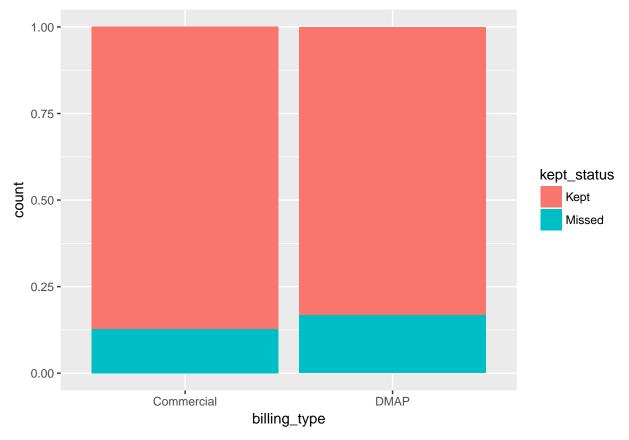


Missed appointments are highest with young adults, and decrease with older and younger patients.

#### billing\_type

```
##
##
## Commercial DMAP To Be Assigned
## 78282 264500 1
There is only one observation of "To Be Assigned", therefore it will be removed from the data.
appointments <- subset(appointments, billing_type != "To Be Assigned")

ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = billing_type, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill")</pre>
```



There is a minor difference between billing types. DMAP has a higher proportion of missed appointments than commercial.

## $appt\_datetime$

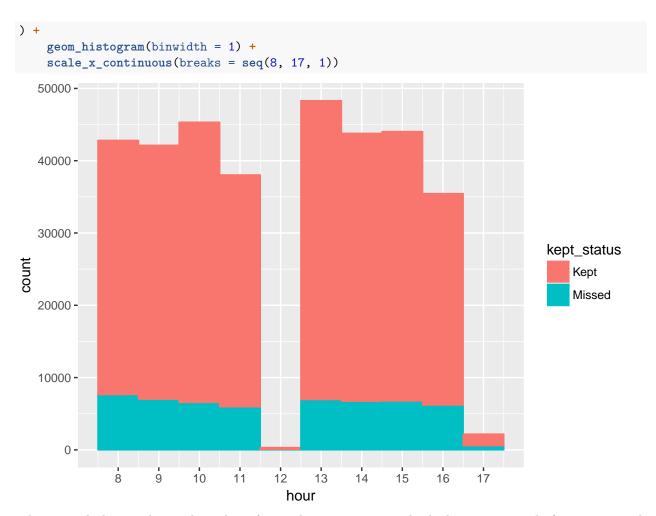
For the variable appt\_datetime, I will create an hour variable to see the variation in missed appointments by hour of day.

```
appointments <- appointments %>%
    mutate(hour = lubridate::hour(appointments$appt_datetime))
table(appointments$hour)
##
##
       0
             5
                    6
                          7
                                 8
                                       9
                                             10
                                                   11
                                                         12
                                                                13
                                                                             15
##
       7
            24
                   25
                         98 42816 42133 45326 38033
                                                        321 48307 43787 44033
##
      16
            17
                   18
                         19
                                20
                                      21
## 35449
          2180
                  205
                         33
                                 3
                                       2
```

Most appointments are scheduled between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, with an hour gap starting at 12:00.

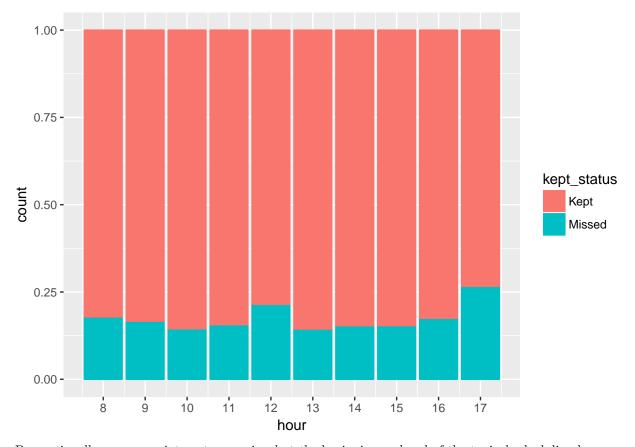
```
appointments_hour <- appointments %>%
    select(kept_status, hour) %>%
    filter(hour >= 8 & hour <= 17)

ggplot(
    appointments_hour,
    aes(x = hour, col = kept_status, fill = kept_status)</pre>
```



There is a decline in the total number of missed appointments as both the morning and afternoon period progress, however, there are fewer appointments towars the end of the two periods.

```
ggplot(
    appointments_hour,
    aes(x = hour, col = kept_status, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill") +
    scale_x_continuous(breaks = seq(8, 17, 1))
```



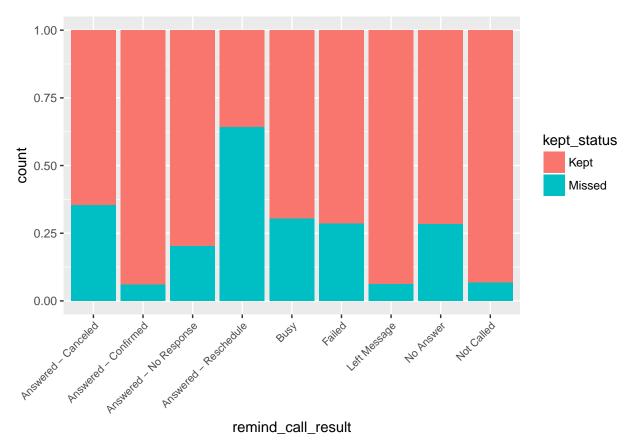
Proportionally more appointments are missed at the beginning and end of the typical scheduling hours, and during the few noon appointments.

#### ${\bf remind\_call\_result}$

```
table(appointments$remind_call_result)
##
##
      Answered - Canceled
                             Answered - Confirmed Answered - No Response
##
                       152
                                             49108
                                                                    180869
##
    Answered - Reschedule
                                              Busy
                                                                    Failed
##
                      1369
                                              1104
                                                                     27944
##
             Left Message
                                         No Answer
                                                                Not Called
                     18430
                                               377
                                                                     63429
```

Low counts of "Answered - Cancelled", "Answered - Reschedule", "Busy", and "No Answer"

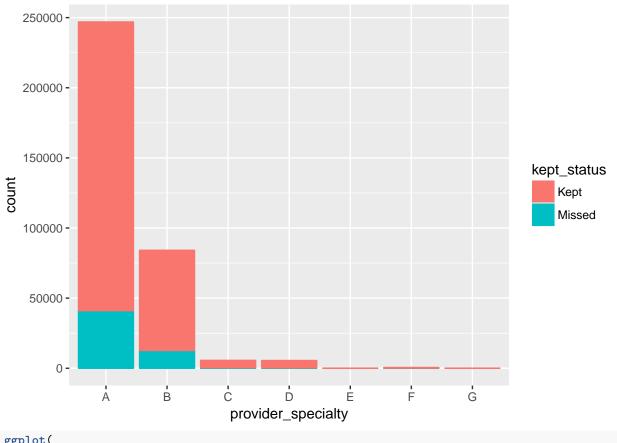
```
ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = remind_call_result, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill") +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(size = 8, angle = 45,hjust = 1, vjust = 1))
```



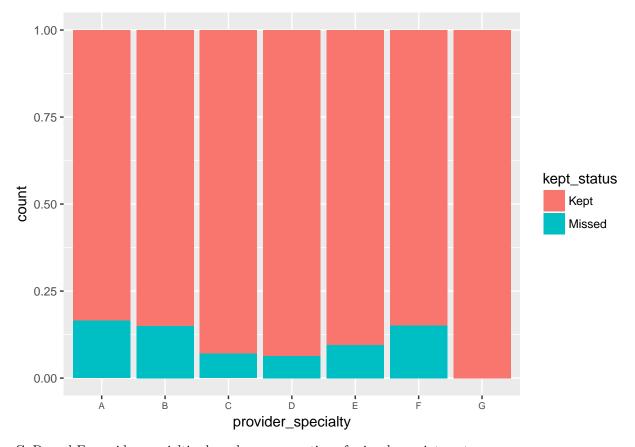
 ${\sim}65\%$  of appointments with "Answered - Cancelled" and  ${\sim}35\%$  with "Answered-Reschedule" still kept their appointments, however, very few observations in these categories.

provider\_specialty (Should I even include this in the report? not as interesting since I have the specialties encoded)

```
ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = provider_specialty, col = kept_status, fill = kept_status)
) +
    stat_count()
```



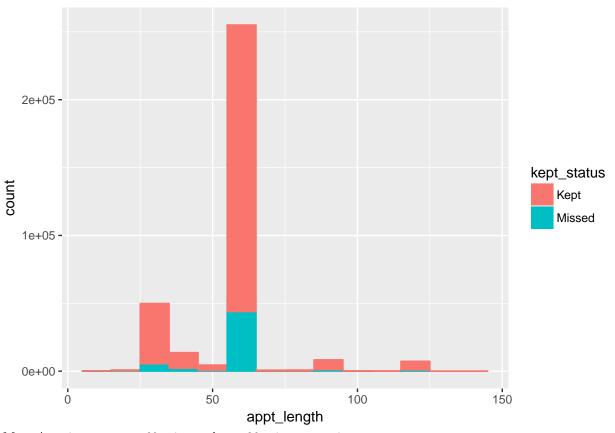
```
ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = provider_specialty, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill") +
    theme(axis.text.x = element_text(size = 7))
```



C, D, and E provider specialties have lower proportion of missed appointments.

# $appt\_length$

```
appointments %>%
  filter(appt_length < 150) %>%
  ggplot(
    aes(x = appt_length, color = kept_status, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_histogram(binwidth = 10)
```



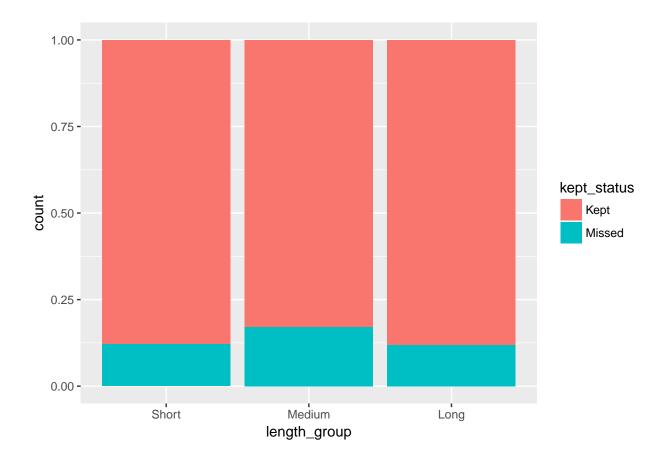
Most Appointments are 60 minutes long. 30-minute appointments are next most common.

```
length_breaks <- c(-1, 45, 75, 1000)

length_labels <- c("Short", "Medium", "Long")

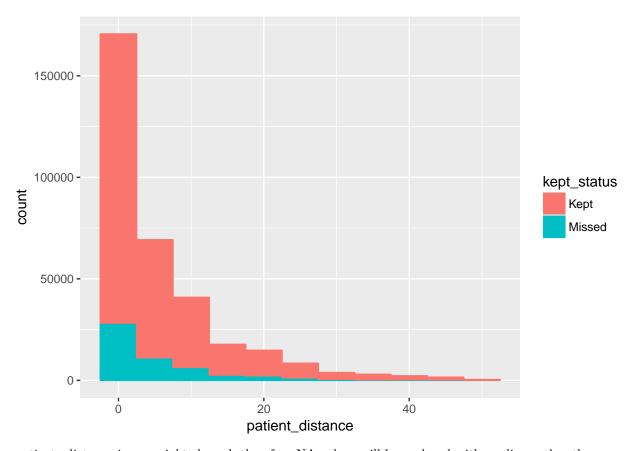
appointments <- appointments %>%
    mutate(
        length_group = cut(
            appt_length, breaks = length_breaks, labels = length_labels)
        )

ggplot(
    data = appointments,
    mapping = aes(x = length_group, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill")
```



# $patient\_distance$

```
appointments %>%
  filter(patient_distance < 50) %>%
  ggplot(
    aes(x = patient_distance, color = kept_status, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_histogram(binwidth = 5)
```



patient\_distance is very right-skewed, therefore NA values will be replaced with median rather than mean.

```
appointments$patient_distance <- appointments$patient_distance %>%
    replace_na(median(appointments$patient_distance, na.rm = TRUE))
```

#### **New Variables**

In addition to the original variables, there are several additional variables that can be calculated based on the originals.

The percent\_missed variable is the percentage of prior appointments missed, calculated by dividing the prior missed appointments by the total number of prior appointments. For new patients, this calculation will result in an error because it will be attempting to divide by zero.

The variable is\_new\_patient will specify whether a patient is new, represented by a 1, or existing, represented by 0. My hypothesis is that new patients are more likely to keep their appointments, since I think it is human nature to try to give a good first impression. This is calculated by searching for appointments where prior\_missed and prior\_kept are both 0.

The variable appt\_lead\_time will calculate how far in advance an appointment was booked. This is calculated by taking the difference between date\_scheduled and appt\_date. If people are more likely to forget appointments booked farther in advance, or they are more likely to be for less urgent preventative care than last minute appointments, this will pick that up.

The variable appt\_weekday is the day of the week the appointments occurs, and weekday\_scheduled is the date the appointment was booked.

```
appointments <- appointments %>%
    mutate(percent_missed = prior_missed / (prior_missed + prior_kept)) %>%
```

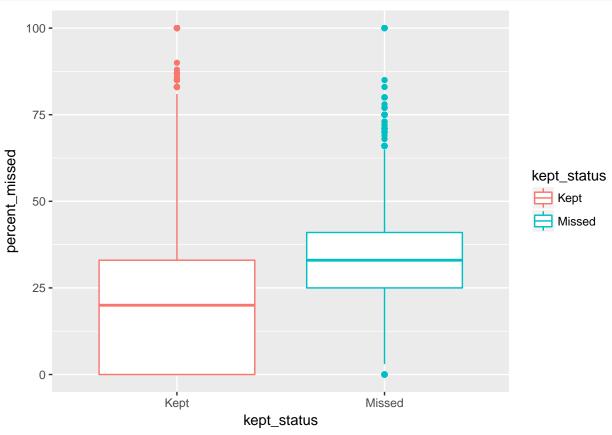
```
mutate(
    is_new_patient = ifelse(prior_missed == 0 & prior_kept == 0, 1, 0)) %>%
mutate(appt_lead_time = date(appt_datetime) - date(date_scheduled)) %>%
mutate(appt_weekday = strftime(appt_datetime, "%A")) %>%
mutate(weekday_scheduled = strftime(date_scheduled, "%A"))
appointments$percent_missed <- as.integer(appointments$percent_missed * 100)
appointments$percent_missed <- appointments$percent_missed * 100)
tidyr::replace_na(0)</pre>
```

Add county\_code from zipcode data.

```
appointments <- dplyr::left_join(appointments, zipcodes, by = "office_zip")
```

#### percent\_missed

```
ggplot(
   data = appointments,
   aes(x = kept_status, y = percent_missed, col = kept_status)
) +
   geom_boxplot()
```



#### is\_new\_patient

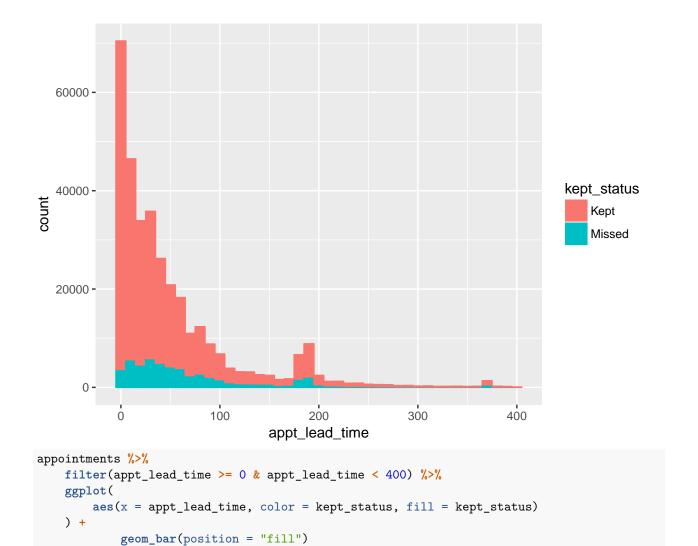
```
table(appointments$is_new_patient)
##
##
        0
## 320442 22340
ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = is_new_patient, fill = kept_status)
    geom_bar()
   3e+05 -
   2e+05 -
                                                                                   kept_status
count
                                                                                       Kept
                                                                                       Missed
   1e+05 -
   0e+00 -
                          0.0
                                                            1.0
                                           0.5
         -0.5
                                    is_new_patient
```

New patients have a very high percentage of kept appointments.

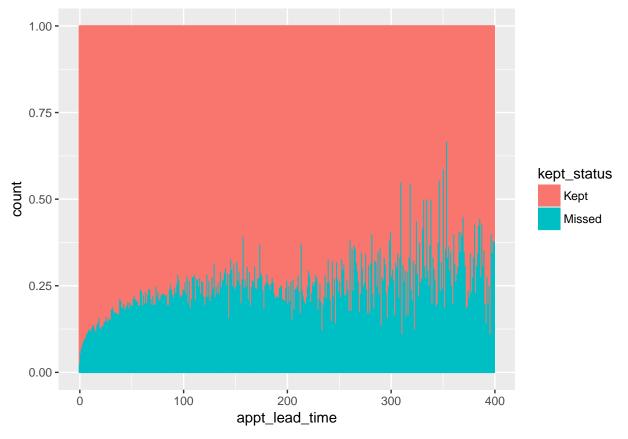
## $appt\_lead\_time$

```
appointments %>%
  filter(appt_lead_time >= 0 & appt_lead_time < 400) %>%
  ggplot(
    aes(x = appt_lead_time, color = kept_status, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_histogram(binwidth = 10)
```

## Don't know how to automatically pick scale for object of type difftime. Defaulting to continuous.



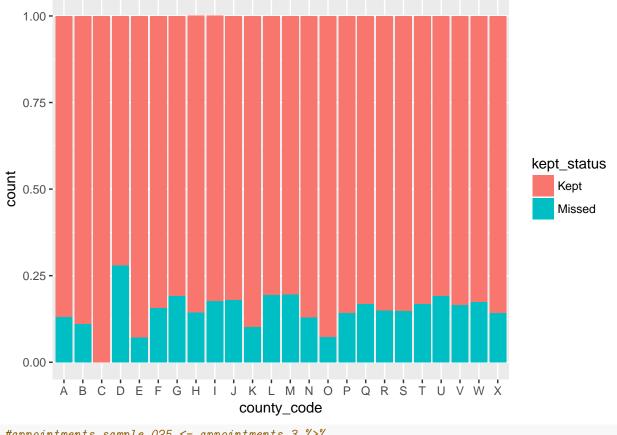
## Don't know how to automatically pick scale for object of type difftime. Defaulting to continuous.



There is a lower proportion of missed appointments among those with the shortest lead times. This backs up my theory that shorter lead times could indicate more urgent health matters. Also, there are small bumps in the histogram around 180 and 360 days, which is probably indicitive of regular 6-month and 12-month checkups.

# ${\bf county\_code}$

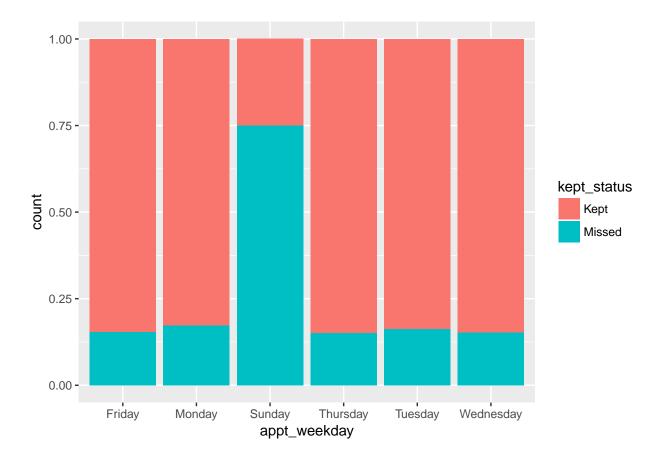
```
ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = county_code, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill")
```



```
#appointments_sample_025 <- appointments_3 %>%
# sample_frac(size = 0.025, replace = FALSE)
#ggpairs(data = appointments_sample_05[,20:24], cardinality_threshold = 50)
```

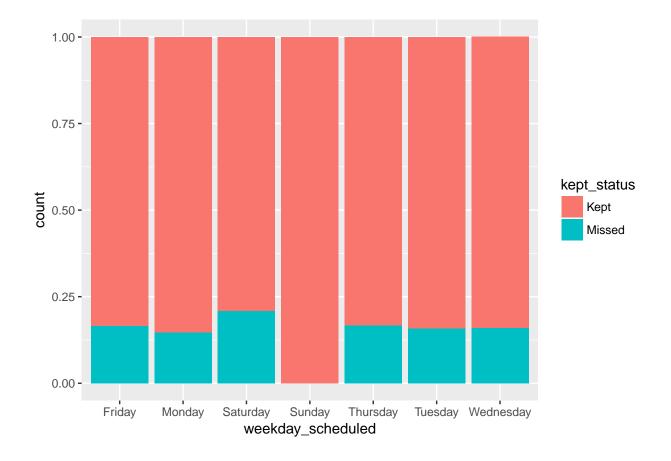
## $appt\_weekday$

```
ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = appt_weekday, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill")
```



# weekday\_scheduled

```
ggplot(
    appointments,
    aes(x = weekday_scheduled, fill = kept_status)
) +
    geom_bar(position = "fill")
```



# Modeling

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# Create Modeling Data

ВС

```
model_data <- appointments

factor_columns <- c(
    "kept_status", "patient_gender", "billing_type", "office_zip",
    "provider_specialty", "remind_call_result", "hour", "is_new_patient",
    "appt_weekday", "weekday_scheduled",
    "county_code")

model_data[factor_columns] <- lapply(model_data[factor_columns], factor)

model_data <- model_data %>%
    select(
         kept_status, appt_length, patient_age, patient_gender, billing_type,
         patient_distance, provider_specialty, remind_call_result, hour,
         percent_missed, is_new_patient, appt_lead_time, appt_weekday,
         weekday_scheduled, county_code)

table(model_data$provider_specialty)

##
```

F

G

Ε

D

```
## 246917 84115
                   5623
                           5512
                                    42
                                          525
                                                   48
model_data$provider_specialty <- model_data$provider_specialty %>%
    fct_collapse(Other = c("E", "F", "G"))
table(model_data$provider_specialty)
##
##
                       С
        Α
               В
                              D
                                 Other
                   5623
## 246917
           84115
                           5512
                                   615
model_data$hour <- model_data$hour %>%
    fct collapse(0ther = c("0", "5", "6", "7", "12", "17", "18", "19", "20", "21"))
model_data <- model_data %>%
    filter(county_code != "D") %>%
    filter(weekday_scheduled != "Sunday")
model_data <- droplevels(model_data)</pre>
```

#### Divide model\_data into train, validate, and test sets

The data will be divided into three sets: train, validate, and test. I will use 60% of the tata for training, and 20% each for validation and test.

Because the data is sorted by date, I want to use the most recent data for the test data, the next oldest for validation, and the oldest for training. Since I am trying to predict future appointments, testing on the most recent data will result in the best measure of the model's performance.

```
# check out caret::downSample
train <- model_data[1:205660,]</pre>
validate <- model data[205661:274200,]</pre>
test <- model_data[274201:nrow(model_data),]</pre>
table(train$kept_status)
##
##
     Kept Missed
## 174599 31061
train_balance_subset <- train[168735:205660,]</pre>
table(train_balance_subset$kept_status)
##
##
     Kept Missed
    31061
train_kept <- train_balance_subset[train_balance_subset$kept_status == "Kept",]</pre>
train_missed <- train[train$kept_status == "Missed",]</pre>
train_balanced <- rbind(train_kept, train_missed)</pre>
table(train_balanced$kept_status)
##
##
     Kept Missed
##
    31061 31061
```

#### Logistic Regression Model

```
glm_control <- caret::trainControl(method = "none")</pre>
glm_model <- caret::train(</pre>
   kept_status ~ .,
   data = train balanced,
   method = "glm",
   trControl = glm_control
)
summary(glm_model)
##
## Call:
## NULL
## Deviance Residuals:
      Min
           1Q
                    Median
                                  3Q
                                          Max
                                       3.4588
## -4.4014 -0.8828 -0.0011
                              0.8992
##
## Coefficients:
##
                                               Estimate Std. Error z value
## (Intercept)
                                             -3.045e-01 3.612e-01 -0.843
## appt_length
                                              2.561e-03 5.887e-04
                                                                     4.350
## patient_age
                                             -1.254e-02 5.248e-04 -23.887
                                              7.431e-02 1.903e-02
## patient_genderMale
## patient_genderOther
                                             -2.539e-01 1.095e+00 -0.232
                                              8.512e-01
                                                         3.909e-01
## patient_genderUnknown
                                                                     2.178
                                              3.642e-02 2.444e-02
## billing_typeDMAP
                                                                     1.490
## patient_distance
                                             -5.283e-05 1.381e-04 -0.382
## provider_specialtyB
                                             -3.140e-01 2.288e-02 -13.727
## provider_specialtyC
                                             -6.137e-01 9.653e-02 -6.357
## provider_specialtyD
                                             -3.019e+00 1.230e-01 -24.543
## provider_specialtyOther
                                              1.074e+01 1.384e+02
                                                                   0.078
## `remind_call_resultAnswered - Confirmed`
                                             -1.296e+00 3.435e-01 -3.774
## `remind_call_resultAnswered - No Response` -2.063e-01 3.423e-01 -0.603
## `remind call resultAnswered - Reschedule`
                                              2.299e+00 3.894e-01 5.905
## remind_call_resultBusy
                                              4.837e-01 6.835e-01
                                                                     0.708
## remind_call_resultFailed
                                              3.557e-01
                                                         3.433e-01
                                                                     1.036
## `remind_call_resultLeft Message`
                                             -1.242e+00 3.459e-01 -3.591
## `remind_call_resultNo Answer`
                                             -1.116e+00 3.922e-01 -2.845
## `remind_call_resultNot Called`
                                             -1.473e+00 3.435e-01 -4.289
## hour8
                                             -7.838e-01
                                                         8.916e-02 -8.790
## hour9
                                             -8.468e-01 8.925e-02 -9.487
## hour10
                                             -9.497e-01 8.913e-02 -10.655
## hour11
                                             -8.057e-01 8.978e-02 -8.974
## hour13
                                             -9.064e-01 8.903e-02 -10.181
## hour14
                                             -9.300e-01 8.931e-02 -10.413
## hour15
                                             -9.823e-01 8.923e-02 -11.009
                                             -9.068e-01 8.985e-02 -10.092
## hour16
## percent_missed
                                              4.895e-02 6.836e-04 71.604
## is_new_patient1
                                             -2.064e+00 1.279e-01 -16.137
## appt_lead_time
                                              3.500e-03 1.152e-04 30.384
```

```
## appt weekdayMonday
                                               8.136e-03 3.567e-02
                                                                      0.228
                                               1.048e+01 6.187e+01
                                                                      0.169
## appt_weekdaySunday
## appt_weekdayThursday
                                              -1.228e-01 3.515e-02 -3.494
## appt_weekdayTuesday
                                              -1.661e-01 3.403e-02 -4.882
## appt_weekdayWednesday
                                              -2.884e-01 3.452e-02 -8.356
## weekday scheduledMonday
                                              -2.752e-02 3.338e-02 -0.824
## weekday scheduledSaturday
                                              1.051e+01 8.783e+01
                                                                      0.120
## weekday_scheduledThursday
                                               1.124e-01 3.323e-02
                                                                      3.383
## weekday_scheduledTuesday
                                               9.800e-02 3.266e-02
                                                                      3.001
## weekday_scheduledWednesday
                                               7.375e-02 3.306e-02
                                                                      2.231
## county_codeB
                                               1.275e-01 1.011e-01
                                                                      1.261
                                              -1.161e+01 1.970e+02 -0.059
## county_codeC
## county_codeE
                                              -7.626e-01 6.330e-01
                                                                    -1.205
                                                                     0.594
## county_codeF
                                               3.974e-02 6.687e-02
## county_codeG
                                               8.259e-01 8.037e-02 10.276
## county_codeH
                                               4.642e-01 7.481e-02
                                                                      6.206
                                               6.871e-01 6.371e-02 10.786
## county_codeI
## county codeJ
                                               3.996e-01 6.615e-02
                                                                      6.040
## county_codeK
                                               1.899e-01 1.009e-01
                                                                      1.882
                                               1.923e-01 7.537e-02
## county codeL
                                                                      2.551
                                               6.902e-01 7.958e-02
## county_codeM
                                                                      8.673
## county codeN
                                               3.830e-01 7.234e-02
                                                                      5.295
                                               2.612e-01 1.234e-01
## county_code0
                                                                      2.117
                                               4.752e-01 6.164e-02
## county codeP
                                                                      7.709
                                               4.112e-01 8.150e-02
## county codeQ
                                                                      5.045
## county codeR
                                               4.167e-01 7.476e-02
                                                                      5.574
## county_codeS
                                               1.287e-01 7.419e-02
                                                                      1.735
                                               6.601e-01 8.127e-02
## county_codeT
                                                                      8.123
## county_codeU
                                               7.275e-01 6.702e-02 10.855
## county_codeV
                                               6.261e-01 8.505e-02
                                                                      7.361
## county_codeW
                                               5.045e-01 7.645e-02
                                                                      6.599
## county_codeX
                                               5.129e-01 1.050e-01
                                                                      4.883
##
                                              Pr(>|z|)
                                              0.399138
## (Intercept)
## appt length
                                              1.36e-05 ***
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## patient_age
## patient_genderMale
                                              9.41e-05 ***
## patient_genderOther
                                              0.816610
## patient_genderUnknown
                                              0.029437 *
## billing_typeDMAP
                                              0.136117
## patient distance
                                              0.702155
## provider_specialtyB
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## provider_specialtyC
                                              2.06e-10 ***
## provider_specialtyD
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## provider_specialtyOther
                                              0.938111
## `remind_call_resultAnswered - Confirmed`
                                              0.000161 ***
## `remind_call_resultAnswered - No Response`
                                              0.546840
## `remind_call_resultAnswered - Reschedule`
                                              3.53e-09 ***
## remind_call_resultBusy
                                              0.479151
## remind_call_resultFailed
                                              0.300198
## `remind_call_resultLeft Message`
                                              0.000329 ***
## `remind_call_resultNo Answer`
                                              0.004447 **
## `remind_call_resultNot Called`
                                              1.79e-05 ***
## hour8
                                               < 2e-16 ***
```

```
## hour9
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## hour10
                                                < 2e-16 ***
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## hour11
## hour13
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## hour14
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## hour15
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## hour16
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## percent missed
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## is_new_patient1
                                                < 2e-16 ***
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## appt_lead_time
## appt_weekdayMonday
                                               0.819562
                                               0.865442
## appt_weekdaySunday
## appt_weekdayThursday
                                               0.000475 ***
## appt_weekdayTuesday
                                               1.05e-06 ***
## appt_weekdayWednesday
                                               < 2e-16 ***
## weekday_scheduledMonday
                                               0.409704
## weekday_scheduledSaturday
                                               0.904714
## weekday scheduledThursday
                                               0.000716 ***
## weekday_scheduledTuesday
                                               0.002690 **
## weekday_scheduledWednesday
                                               0.025710 *
## county_codeB
                                               0.207416
## county codeC
                                               0.952989
## county_codeE
                                               0.228277
## county codeF
                                               0.552365
## county_codeG
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## county codeH
                                               5.45e-10 ***
## county_codeI
                                               < 2e-16 ***
                                               1.54e-09 ***
## county_codeJ
                                               0.059777 .
## county_codeK
                                               0.010733 *
## county_codeL
## county_codeM
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## county_codeN
                                               1.19e-07 ***
                                               0.034296 *
## county_codeO
## county_codeP
                                               1.27e-14 ***
                                               4.54e-07 ***
## county_codeQ
## county_codeR
                                               2.49e-08 ***
## county codeS
                                               0.082745 .
## county_codeT
                                               4.56e-16 ***
## county_codeU
                                                < 2e-16 ***
## county_codeV
                                               1.82e-13 ***
## county codeW
                                               4.13e-11 ***
## county_codeX
                                               1.05e-06 ***
## Signif. codes: 0 '***' 0.001 '**' 0.05 '.' 0.1 ' ' 1
## (Dispersion parameter for binomial family taken to be 1)
##
##
       Null deviance: 86119 on 62121 degrees of freedom
## Residual deviance: 66915 on 62059 degrees of freedom
## AIC: 67041
##
## Number of Fisher Scoring iterations: 10
```

Linear Combos

```
dummy_vars <- caret::dummyVars(~ ., data = train_balanced)</pre>
train_balanced_dummy <- data.frame(predict(dummy_vars, newdata = train_balanced))</pre>
linear_combos <- caret::findLinearCombos(train_balanced_dummy)</pre>
linear combos$remove
## [1] 8 10 16 25 34 37 44 50 73
lin_combo_index <- linear_combos$remove</pre>
colnames(train balanced dummy[,lin combo index])
## [1] "patient gender.Unknown"
                                        "billing type.DMAP"
## [3] "provider_specialty.Other"
                                        "remind_call_result.Not.Called"
## [5] "hour.16"
                                        "is new patient.1"
## [7] "appt_weekday.Wednesday"
                                        "weekday_scheduled.Wednesday"
## [9] "county code.X"
Correlation
cor matrix <- cor(train balanced dummy)</pre>
high_cor <- as.data.frame(which(abs(cor_matrix) > 0.90, arr.ind = TRUE))
index <- high_cor %>% filter(row != col)
cor_matrix <- cor(train_balanced_dummy)</pre>
cor_matrix[index[,1], index[, 2]]
##
                           kept_status.Kept kept_status.Missed
## kept_status.Missed
                                -1.00000000
                                                     1.00000000
## kept_status.Kept
                                 1.00000000
                                                    -1.00000000
## patient_gender.Male
                                -0.01749639
                                                     0.01749639
## patient_gender.Female
                                 0.01801086
                                                    -0.01801086
## billing_type.DMAP
                                -0.05892705
                                                     0.05892705
## billing_type.Commercial
                                 0.05892705
                                                    -0.05892705
## provider_specialty.B
                                 0.01996238
                                                    -0.01996238
## provider_specialty.A
                                -0.05828428
                                                     0.05828428
                                 0.18544792
                                                    -0.18544792
## is_new_patient.1
## is_new_patient.0
                                -0.18544792
                                                     0.18544792
##
                           patient_gender.Female patient_gender.Male
## kept_status.Missed
                                      -0.01801086
                                                           0.01749639
## kept status.Kept
                                       0.01801086
                                                          -0.01749639
## patient_gender.Male
                                     -0.99804586
                                                          1.00000000
## patient_gender.Female
                                      1.00000000
                                                          -0.99804586
## billing type.DMAP
                                      0.05361193
                                                          -0.05302159
## billing_type.Commercial
                                      -0.05361193
                                                           0.05302159
## provider_specialty.B
                                     -0.01088265
                                                           0.01106922
## provider_specialty.A
                                      0.01111819
                                                          -0.01126683
                                      -0.01225583
## is_new_patient.1
                                                           0.01127324
## is_new_patient.0
                                      0.01225583
                                                          -0.01127324
                           billing_type.Commercial billing_type.DMAP
## kept_status.Missed
                                      -0.058927052
                                                          0.058927052
## kept_status.Kept
                                       0.058927052
                                                         -0.058927052
## patient_gender.Male
                                       0.053021586
                                                         -0.053021586
```

-0.053611925

0.053611925

## patient\_gender.Female

```
## billing_type.DMAP
                                      -1.000000000
                                                         1.00000000
## billing_type.Commercial
                                       1.000000000
                                                        -1.000000000
## provider specialty.B
                                       0.014846253
                                                        -0.014846253
## provider_specialty.A
                                       0.002134878
                                                        -0.002134878
## is new patient.1
                                       0.050625263
                                                        -0.050625263
## is new patient.0
                                      -0.050625263
                                                         0.050625263
                           provider_specialty.A provider_specialty.B
## kept status.Missed
                                    0.058284279
                                                         -0.01996238
## kept status.Kept
                                   -0.058284279
                                                          0.01996238
## patient_gender.Male
                                  -0.011266829
                                                          0.01106922
## patient_gender.Female
                                   0.011118195
                                                         -0.01088265
## billing_type.DMAP
                                   -0.002134878
                                                         -0.01484625
## billing_type.Commercial
                                    0.002134878
                                                          0.01484625
## provider_specialty.B
                                   -0.933341273
                                                          1.00000000
## provider_specialty.A
                                   1.000000000
                                                         -0.93334127
## is_new_patient.1
                                    0.016077635
                                                         -0.02827018
## is_new_patient.0
                                   -0.016077635
                                                          0.02827018
##
                           is_new_patient.0 is_new_patient.1
## kept_status.Missed
                                0.18544792
                                                 -0.18544792
## kept status.Kept
                                -0.18544792
                                                  0.18544792
## patient_gender.Male
                               -0.01127324
                                                  0.01127324
## patient_gender.Female
                                0.01225583
                                                 -0.01225583
## billing_type.DMAP
                                                 -0.05062526
                                0.05062526
## billing_type.Commercial
                                                  0.05062526
                                -0.05062526
## provider specialty.B
                                0.02827018
                                                 -0.02827018
## provider_specialty.A
                                -0.01607764
                                                  0.01607764
## is_new_patient.1
                                -1.00000000
                                                  1.00000000
## is_new_patient.0
                                 1.00000000
                                                 -1.00000000
colnames(train_balanced_dummy[index[,1], index[, 2]])
   [1] "kept_status.Kept"
##
                                  "kept_status.Missed"
  [3] "patient_gender.Female"
                                  "patient_gender.Male"
##
##
   [5] "billing_type.Commercial" "billing_type.DMAP"
## [7] "provider_specialty.A"
                                  "provider_specialty.B"
  [9] "is_new_patient.0"
                                  "is_new_patient.1"
```

#### Random Forest Model

Using caret Package

```
rf_control <- caret::trainControl(method = "cv", number = 2, classProbs = TRUE)
seed <- 7
metric <- "Accuracy"
set.seed(seed)
mtry <- 3
tunegrid <- expand.grid(.mtry = mtry)

rf_model <- caret::train(
    kept_status ~ ., data = train_balanced, method = "rf", metric = metric,
    tuneGrid = tunegrid, trControl = rf_control)</pre>
```

#### **Model Comparison**

```
pred_glm <- predict(glm_model, validate)</pre>
conf_mat_glm <- caret::confusionMatrix(</pre>
    pred_glm, validate$kept_status, positive = "Missed")
conf_mat_glm
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##
             Reference
## Prediction Kept Missed
             41757
##
       Kept
                      3131
                      8325
##
       Missed 15327
##
##
                  Accuracy: 0.7307
                    95% CI: (0.7274, 0.734)
##
##
       No Information Rate: 0.8329
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 1
##
##
##
                     Kappa: 0.3214
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value : <2e-16
##
##
               Sensitivity: 0.7267
##
##
               Specificity: 0.7315
##
            Pos Pred Value: 0.3520
            Neg Pred Value: 0.9302
##
##
                Prevalence: 0.1671
##
            Detection Rate: 0.1215
##
      Detection Prevalence: 0.3451
##
         Balanced Accuracy: 0.7291
##
##
          'Positive' Class : Missed
##
conf_mat_glm$byClass["F1"]
##
## 0.4742509
pred_rf <-predict(rf_model, validate)</pre>
caret::confusionMatrix(rf_model)
## Cross-Validated (2 fold) Confusion Matrix
##
## (entries are percentual average cell counts across resamples)
##
##
             Reference
## Prediction Kept Missed
##
       Kept
              33.6
                      7.9
##
       Missed 16.4
                    42.1
##
## Accuracy (average): 0.7575
```

```
conf_mat_rf <- caret::confusionMatrix(</pre>
    pred_rf, validate$kept_status, positive = "Missed")
conf_mat_rf
## Confusion Matrix and Statistics
##
##
             {\tt Reference}
## Prediction Kept Missed
       Kept 39039
##
                      2216
##
       Missed 18045
                      9240
##
##
                  Accuracy : 0.7044
                    95% CI: (0.701, 0.7078)
##
##
       No Information Rate: 0.8329
       P-Value [Acc > NIR] : 1
##
##
##
                     Kappa : 0.316
##
   Mcnemar's Test P-Value : <2e-16
##
##
               Sensitivity: 0.8066
##
               Specificity: 0.6839
##
            Pos Pred Value: 0.3386
##
            Neg Pred Value : 0.9463
                Prevalence : 0.1671
##
##
            Detection Rate: 0.1348
##
      Detection Prevalence: 0.3981
##
         Balanced Accuracy: 0.7452
##
##
          'Positive' Class : Missed
##
conf_mat_rf$byClass["F1"]
```