

The dataset is from an ongoing cardiovascular study on residents of the town of Framingham, Massachusetts. The classification goal is to predict whether the patient has a 10-year risk of future coronary heart disease (CHD). The dataset provides the patients' information. It includes over 4,000 records and 15 attributes.

### Variables

Each attribute is a potential risk factor. There are both demographic, behavioral, and medical risk factors.

## Data Description

### Demographic:

- Sex: male or female("M" or "F")
- Age: Age of the patient;(Continuous - Although the recorded ages have been truncated to whole numbers, the concept of age is continuous)

### Behavioral

- is\_smoking: whether or not the patient is a current smoker ("YES" or "NO")
- Cigs Per Day: the number of cigarettes that the person smoked on average in one day.(can be considered continuous as one can have any number of cigarettes, even half a cigarette.)

### Medical( history)

- BP Meds: whether or not the patient was on blood pressure medication (Nominal)
- Prevalent Stroke: whether or not the patient had previously had a stroke (Nominal)
- Prevalent Hyp: whether or not the patient was hypertensive (Nominal)
- Diabetes: whether or not the patient had diabetes (Nominal)

### Medical(current)

- Tot Chol: total cholesterol level (Continuous)
- Sys BP: systolic blood pressure (Continuous)
- Dia BP: diastolic blood pressure (Continuous)
- BMI: Body Mass Index (Continuous)
- Heart Rate: heart rate (Continuous - In medical research, variables such as heart rate though in fact discrete, yet are considered continuous because of large number of possible values.)
- Glucose: glucose level (Continuous)

### Predict variable (desired target)

- **10-year risk of coronary heart disease CHD(binary: "1", means "Yes", "0" means "No") - DV**